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WINTER STORM LANDON BRINGS SNOW TO THE AREA



Roads had a layer of icy snow which made travel treacherous during Winter Storm Landon.

It may not have been as catastrophic as the Blizzard of 1978, but Winter Storm Landon barreled through the Midwest and dumped on Northwest Ohio for sure on February 2-4. Depending on where you were in Northwest Ohio and Northeast Indiana snowfall totals were anywhere from 9 inches to 13 inches. Drifts were measured by the foot! When Landon first entered the area on February 2nd, it began as rain. And it rained and it rained. In Antwerp, rain gauges measured close to 1 inch of rain before the temperatures dipped below the 32F mark and switched over to the white fluffy precipitation. The inaugural hours of frozen Landon

was heavy and wet making plowing and shoveling an arduous task. By the daylight hours of February 3rd, the air temperature had dropped enough to lighten the snow to the less dense version of frosted wetness. This light snowfall continued throughout the entire day, with many road crews taking a break midday to conserve fuel until the system moved eastward. The wind was a major factor in this storm as drifting and blowing snow made travel difficult with 10-14 mph winds and gusts up to 25-30 mph at times.

Winter sports and recreation will be in full swing in the area for the time being, so

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VANTAGE OPEN HOUSE & "TASTE OF VANTAGE"



Vantage Career Center will be offering an opportunity for local community members, interested students and parents, and associate school district staff to explore Vantage programs at the annual Open House and "Taste of Vantage" set for Monday, February 28, 2022 from 5:00 - 7:30 pm.

The Open House is a celebration of Career and Technical Education, recognized nationally throughout the month of February, and will highlight both high school and adult education programs. "We welcome this opportunity to open our doors to our community members so they can experience what our student training opportunities look like every day," says Community Relations Coordinator Miriam Owens. "This is a fantastic event for anyone eager to know more about Vantage student life, advanced training, skills and equip-

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LANDERS BREAKS ARCHER SCORING RECORDS



Coach Billman hits the milestone 100 wins at Antwerp, and Jagger Landers breaks the school record for points all on the same night!! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Jagger Landers became the all-time leading scorer in Antwerp boys basketball history in leading the Antwerp Archers to an 82-30 win over visiting North Central Tuesday night in non-league action.

The Archers took control from the start, posting a 27-11 advantage at the end of one quarter before posting a com-

manding 46-16 halftime lead at the midway point of the contest. Antwerp widened the lead further in the third quarter, extending the margin to 65-21 entering the final stanza of the game.

Landers broke the record formerly held by Dave McCalla, who set the mark with 1,148 points in 1974. The

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

February 8

- PC Retired Teachers Assoc. Meeting @ Vagabond Village, 9:30am
- Walk thru Winter! @ PC OSU Ext. bldg., 12-1pm
- West Ohio Food Bank Food Distribution @ PC Fairgrounds, 12-2pm
- PC Democrat meeting @ Paulding Eagles, 7p
- PC Spelling Bee @ ALS, 7pm

February 9

- FREE Meal @ St. Paul Luth Church, Paulding, 5:30-7pm

February 10

- ACC monthly meeting @ 7p

February 12

- PCHF Steak Dinner & Raffle @ Paulding Eagles, 5-7pm

February 15

- Walk thru Winter! @ PC OSU Ext. bldg., 12-1pm

February 16

- WBESC meeting @ PC OSU Ext. Bldg., 5:30pm

February 17

- Pesticide Applicator Training @ PC Ext. Office, 9:30a, registration required
- Lunch & Learn @ NH Comm. Ctr, 12pm

February 18-20

- "Nunsense" @ The Huber, 7:30p, (20th, 2:30p)

Add event to the calendar info@westbendnews.net



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OBITUARIES

MATT'S MISHAPS

ANTWERP, OH:

Jacquelyn Ruth Schmunk, 89, of Antwerp, passed away Sunday, January 30, 2022 at Vancrest of Hicksville.

She was born in Defiance on January 23, 1933, a daughter of the late Ruth V. (Tow) and Gale A. Weible.

Jackie was a 1951 graduate of Antwerp High School. On June 29, 1952 she married James C. Schmunk at the First Presbyterian Church in Antwerp. He passed away Dec. 5, 2020.

She was a devoted wife and mother who enjoyed being a homemaker. Jackie treasured time with her family and her beagle dogs, especially Heidi. She was a member of the Antwerp United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School, Bible School and was an active member of the UMW. She enjoyed being a part of the start of the Antwerp Branch Library.

Jackie will be sadly missed by her children, James G. (Tonda) Schmunk of Winston-Salem, NC, Gary L. Schmunk of Antwerp, Kathleen R. (John) Smith of Hicksville & Christine S. (John) Draggoo of Archbold; grandchildren, Gayle Vranic, Wendy (Thomas) McCoy, Matthew (Meredit) Schmunk, Megan (Jon) Klever, Michael (Kelly) Smith, Nathan (Ashley) Draggoo, Bryant Draggoo & Joel Draggoo.

Viewing is Thursday, February 10, 2022, 4 to 7 pm at Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

Service is Friday, February 11, 2022, 10:30 am, with viewing one hour prior at the funeral home.

She will be laid to rest in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp. Memorials are to Antwerp EMS, PO Box 1046, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

Fond memories may be shared at dooleyfuneralhome.com



Alvaro was the man that saved me on that mountain race. I continue to run into him at races and around town. I will never forget the help that he gave me that difficult afternoon.

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

- Matt



A friend in time of need

How do you connect with people and friends? In training people to live and thrive overseas, we have often encouraged them to find two or three areas, interests, or pursuits that they like doing in the new culture. It is a great way to connect with the culture and engage with the local people.

I grew up with track and field and lived next to my high school's head coach for quite some time as a kid. Doing some sort of running sport overseas has been a natural and great way to get to know the locals that we serve. I have made some great friends and some I have made in the competition itself.

I remember running a local endurance race on the steep mountain trails. It had over 5,000 feet of elevation change in the hilly race. As the race went on, so did the hot temperatures, and those aid stations with drinks and food became even more important. I have to admit that I am almost more interested in an endurance race for the aid station goodies, than the actual running itself.

In this mountain race, the aid stations were fabulous. In stopping at one towards the end of the race, I mowed down on fresh fruits like mango, papaya, etc. However, in my delirious devouring of fruit in my famished and fatigued state, I ate the skin of quite a few pieces of fruit. About a mile later, my stomach let me know of my mistake with feelings of nausea and pain. Combined with the heat, I knew I was in trouble, and the coming aid station (and help) was far down the trail. I had already heard the helicopters throughout the race that were the tell-tale sign of runners who couldn't finish and were being evacuated.

I was ready to walk back a mile to the last station to avoid a headache for the organization having to copter



We live overseas in a temperate climate where farmers can grow fruit like papayas, mangos, pineapple and much more. However, my favorite local crop are the avocados that are harvested twice each year, December and July.

me out, if I couldn't make it to the next station. But that was when another runner came up to me. To be polite, he asked how I was doing, not because he couldn't tell that I was obviously in big trouble. When I explained what I thought had happened, he went right to work. He got my fingers down my throat to induce vomiting to get those fruit skins out and splashed water down the back of my neck. I was 100% better in a few minutes, but still in no shape to finish the race safely. He said that it would be a pity to end the race at this point and said he'd go with me for the last 5 miles or so - and he did!

I re-learned a lesson about friendship that day. It wasn't so much that I loved doing track and field back in Indiana, but spending time with the coaches and students who were my friends. I also learned that skin on a crunchy apple or hot baked potato is one thing, but stay away from it on mangos and papayas!

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

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CHOICES AND COMMUNICATION

By: Doris Applegate

Many women complain (and justly so) that their husbands do not talk or converse about the events of the day and her life. She feels as if her world is not shared with him. She longs to hear him say 'I love you' where upon he may answer 'I told you I love you on our wedding day' this can put the marriage on a downward path unless he wakes up to the power of communication.

We all need to share our desires and problems of life with others. If he does not change and she remains offended, then both have made wrong choices. Our choices in life are so important and either bring success or failure. When you make the choice to give your life to Jesus Christ and be saved (forgiven) this is what happens: "God has delivered us from the power of darkness and has translated us into the Kingdom of His dear Son and now we have redemption through His blood. (Read Colossians 1:13&14)

The price has been paid and we now belong to Jesus Christ. We communicate with Him each day through prayer and thanksgiving for 'so great a salvation'. Eternal life is ours only if we make the right choice and receive it. We cannot work our way into Heaven and eternal life as some think.

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. If you have accepted the offer of salvation and are saved, please give your testimony to others so that they can also choose the Savior. "Go tell it on the mountain and everywhere that Jesus Christ is King. Soon, and very soon, we will see our King" and that day will reveal that we made the right choice. Don't put off such a wonderful life thinking that you can do it later... later may not come to you.

Amen!

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson, Are Jehovah's Witnesses trustworthy prophets?

I personally know some Jehovah's Witnesses who are fine folks, but the Bible declares the Jehovah's Witness organization to be a false witness. I won't bring up questionable doctrines here, but only mention some of their own false prophecies.

1. Jesus would return by 1814 (Watchtower, February 1881, pg. 188).

2. Jesus would return in 1914 and the Battle of Armageddon would end in October, 1914 (Zion's Watchtower, January 15, 1892, pg. 21-23).

3. In 1914 what men call Christendom will pass away (Thy Kingdom Come, 1895, Pg.153).

4. In 1918 there will be the destruction of church members by the millions (Finished Mystery, 1917, pg. 485).

5. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob will return in 1925 (Millions Now Living, 1920, pg. 89-90).

6. In 1941 it will be only months before Armageddon (Watchtower, September 15, 1941, Pg. 288).

7. The fall of 1975 would mark the beginning of Christ's visible 1,000 year reign on Earth (Awake, October 8, 1968, pg.14).

Scripture of the Week

"Let those who love the Lord hate evil, for he guards the lives of his faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked."

- Psalm 97:10

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Tiffany Robinson standing out in one of her snowdrifts by SR 114.

get out there and sled, skate or make that snowman. Remnants of Landon can be seen in parking lots, intersections, at the edges of driveways and

along the roadsides and will be a reminder that there is indeed six more weeks of winter... thanks Punxsutawney Phil!

Deuteronomy 18:20-22, which demands one-hundred per cent accuracy, proves by these false prophecies that Jehovah's Witnesses are false prophets.

Give a copy of this to them upon their next visit to your home.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

YOUR STOLEN ID: A TAXING PROBLEM

By: Jeff McClain, Ohio Tax Commissioner

When it comes to protecting your personal identification, even the most vigilant among us can fall victim to computer criminals.

We've all heard about thieves breaking into the data records of various companies and stealing the personal information of thousands - sometimes millions - of customers. If you're among those whose identity gets stolen, it can be a nightmare that takes months, and even years, to escape from. The troubles can even involve having problems fil-

ing a state or federal income tax return.

Ohio, and every state with an income tax, has been forced to implement additional safeguards to defend against thieves using stolen social security numbers (SSN) to file fraudulent in-

The family of Christopher Franklin would like to thank everyone for the kind thoughts and prayers during this time of sorrow.

... and would like to give special thanks to the Antwerp Police Dept., Dooley Funeral Home, and to all who donated.

... and to the news for respecting the family's wishes by stopping the broadcasts.

—He will be dearly missed.

Family of Joe Messman

We would like to thank all our family and friends for the continued prayers, support, cards, food and gifts with the loss of our husband, dad and grandpa. Also a special thank you to Dooley Funeral Home for all their assistance and support during this difficult time.

Joe would be honored to know of all of your love and support for his family during this time. He is deeply missed by his family and friends.

—Linda, Mike & April
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- You are notified that a tax return has already been filed using your SSN.
- You receive a refund check for a tax year for which you did not file a tax return, or the refund is much larger than you requested.

If you do find your social security number was used to file a false return, our tax representatives will work with you to correct any issues that keep your tax return from being processed. Please be assured that if you are due a tax refund, you will receive it once the appropriate review has been completed. For more information or assistance, contact the Ohio Department of Taxation toll free at 1 - 8 0 0 - 2 8 2 - 1 7 8 0 (1-800-750-0750 for persons who use text telephones (TTYs) or adaptive tele-

phone equipment). You can also visit the Ohio Department of Taxation website at tax.ohio.gov/idtheft, or the IRS web site for tips on how to protect yourself from ID theft and what to do if your personal identity is stolen.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Trent Henning and Megan Esker welcomed baby girl, Juliana Pauline Henning on January 31, 2022. She was 8 lbs 0.3 oz.

Juliana has three siblings: Brady Henning, Adelina Ratz and Elaina Henning.

DON'T FUMBLE FOOD SAFETY ON SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

On February 13, millions of Americans will come together to watch Super Bowl LVI and feast on hot and cold snacks throughout the four-hour event. This uniquely American tradition scores big on entertainment, but it is also rife with opportunity for foodborne illness.

"As families and friends safely gather to watch the big game, keep food safety in mind. No matter who you're rooting for, foodborne illness is a dangerous opponent we face during the game," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Millions of people get sick from food poisoning each year. Following guidance on keeping food at safe temperatures, proper handwashing and avoiding cross-contamination will protect you and your party guests."

Unlike other food holidays when meals are often consumed within an hour, Super Bowl fans often snack on food throughout the game. Perishable foods, such as chicken wings, deli wraps and meatball appetizers, as well as cut fruit and vegetable platters, can only be left out for two hours before

they become at risk of bacteria multiplying to dangerous levels. USDA recommends you put out small amounts of food and replenish it frequently.

Here are some food safety tips for Super Bowl Sunday:

- #1 Remember Your Four Steps to Food Safety
 - Clean: Wash hands for 20 seconds before and after handling raw meat and poultry. Clean hands, surfaces and utensils with soap and warm water before cooking and after contact with raw meat and poultry. After cleaning surfaces that raw meat and poultry has touched, apply a commercial or homemade sanitizing solution (1 tablespoon of liquid chlorine bleach per gallon of water). Use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol.
 - Separate: Use separate cutting boards, plates and utensils to avoid cross-contamination between raw meat or poultry and foods that are ready-to-eat.
 - Cook: Confirm foods are cooked to a safe internal temperature by using a food thermometer.
 - Chill: Chill foods promptly if not consuming immediately after cooking. Don't leave food at room temperature for longer than two hours.
- #2 Cook Your Food to a Safe Internal Temperature
 - Using a food thermometer, ensure you reach a safe internal temperature when cooking: meat (whole beef, pork and lamb) 145 F with a 3-minute rest; ground meats 160 F; poultry (ground and whole) 165 F; eggs 160 F; fish and shellfish 145 F; and leftovers and casseroles 165 F.
 - If chicken wings are on the menu, use a food thermometer on several wings to gauge the doneness of the entire batch. If one is under 165 F, continue cooking all wings until they reach that safe internal temperature.
- #3 Avoid the Danger Zone
 - Bacteria multiply rapidly between 40 F and 140 F. This temperature range is called the Danger Zone.
 - Perishable foods, such as chicken wings, deli wraps and meatball appetizers,

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titions requiring the signatures of a prescribed number of registered voters -- will now be sent to the county boards of elections for signature verification. If a candidate's filing meets the statutory requirements, the candidate will then be certified to be placed on the May 3rd primary election ballot. A directive from the Secretary of State will soon be sent to the county boards informing them of their deadline to verify the petition signatures.

Ohio Senate and House candidates do not file with the Secretary of State, but instead filed with the board of elections in the most populous county in the contested district.

The following candidates filed petitions with the Secretary of State's office by the filing deadline:

U.S. Senate
 Republican: Matt Dolan, Mike Gibbons, Bill Graham, Josh Mandel, Bernie Moreno, Neil Patel, Mark Pukita, Jane Timken, J.D. Vance
 Democrat: Morgan Harper, Traci Johnson, Tim

should be discarded if left out for longer than two hours. To prevent food waste, refrigerate or freeze perishable items within two hours.

- Keep cold foods at a temperature of 40 F or below by keeping food nestled in ice or refrigerated until ready to serve.
- Keep hot foods at a temperature of 140 F or above by placing food in a preheated oven, warming trays, chafing dishes or slow cookers.
- Divide leftovers into smaller portions and refrigerate or freeze them in shallow containers which helps leftovers cool quicker than storing them in large containers.
- #4 Keep Takeout Food Safe
 - If you order food and it's delivered or picked up in advance of the big game, divide the food into smaller portions or pieces, place in shallow containers and refrigerate until ready to reheat and serve. You can also keep the food warm (above 140 F) in a preheated oven, warming tray, chafing dish or slow cooker.
 - When reheating food containing meat or poultry, make sure the internal temperature reaches 165 F as measured by a food thermometer.
 - If heating food in the microwave, ensure that contents are evenly dispersed. Because microwaved food can have cold spots, be sure to stir food evenly until the food has reached a safe internal temperature throughout.

For more food safety information, call the USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1 - 8 8 8 - M P H o t l i n e (1-888-674-6854), email MPHHotline@usda.gov or chat live at ask.usda.gov from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

Access news releases and other information at USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service's (FSIS) website at www.fsis.usda.gov/newsroom.

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry SKINNER BROTHERS, A STORY OF TRAGEDY

This story is a story of sad tragedy involving one family, two brothers.

Frederick Albert Skinner was born January 6, 1896 in Harrison Township, Payne, Ohio. The son of Clarence Sylvester and Effie (Wahl) Skinner. By 1900, the Skinner family, along with five children, two daughters and three sons, were living in Harrison Township, Payne, Ohio. The number of children grew to nine by 1920.

Frederick was a small child



Frederick Skinner

living on the farm helping his father to provide for the family. Frederick's older brother, Clarence, known as Emmett, was born January 21, 1894. He too was born in Harrison Township, Payne, Ohio. Clarence was in school so Frederick helped dad more with chores. By 1910, Frederick was in school, learning the basics, then returning home to the family farm.

Clarence became interested in a gal named, Anna Mae Brewer. On September 25, 1913 they were married in Hillsdale, Michigan. In 1914, a son Edward was born, then February 16, 1916, a daughter, Dessie Viola. As war was looming in Europe, Clarence and Frederick both registered for the draft June 5, 1917 in Harrison Township. Clarence lists his wife and two children as a reason why he should not go to war. Clarence was listed as tall slender build, brown eyes and dark brown hair. Then a daughter Doris Orlea,

was born February 3, 1918. He was not chosen in the draft.

As for Frederick, this farmer by trade and Township employee, slender and medium build with blue eyes and light brown hair and single, he was chosen to serve. On July 22, 1918, Frederick was sent from Paulding to Camp Sherman, Ohio. He was assigned with 5th Company, 2nd Training Battalion, 158th Depot Brigade. Where he was attached to the Medical Department Base Hospital, September 6, 1918. While at Camp Sherman, Frederick caught pneumonia. It is unclear as to whether or not he caught the bug while working at the hospital. Frederick passed away, October 7, 1918. His father, Clarence S. Skinner, was notified and Frederick's body was brought home. Brought home to a family who was struggling with pneumonia and other illness.



Clarence Elliott Skinner

As the family struggled with the loss of Frederick, Clarence Emmett, was now struggling to stay alive. He too, had gotten pneumonia. On October 11, 1918, while staying at his parent's home, Clarence lost his battle for life. A double funeral for the Skinner brothers was held on a Sunday afternoon at the Wiltzie Cemetery, Payne, Ohio. Revs. D. Earl Rhoads and E. E. Cory were in charge of comfort and resolution that day.

The Skinner brothers share one tombstone in Section 2, Row 1. As for Clarence Emmett's wife Anna, she remarried August 11, 1923 to a fellow named George E. Lee who passed away in 1938. Then she married Edwin A. Hamilton March 7, 1940, who passed away May 26, 1942 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Anna passed away July 19, 1962 in Ft. Wayne. She was buried with her Clarence Emmett in Section 2, Row 1., in Wiltzie Cemetery. As a side note, Clarence S. and Effie's son, Russell, he lived to the age of 104, and is buried in Ft. Wayne.

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HUBER TO PRESENT *NUNSENSE*



This zany, wholesome, and farcical musical will keep you in stitches and is a heavenly delight! The show is about a fundraiser put on by the Little Sisters of Hoboken to raise money to bury sisters accidentally poisoned by the convent cook, Sister Julia (Child of God). The Nuns are forced to put the deceased on ice in the freezer while they stage a riotous revue packed with hilarious, show-stopping song and dance numbers.

Participants in the project are Mother Superior Mary Regina (played by Jennifer Thomas), a former circus performer who cannot resist the spotlight; her competitive but dignified rival, second-in-command Sister Mary Hubert (Lindsay Clem); Sister Robert Anne (Lisa Clinton), a streetwise nun from Brook-

lyn, Sister Mary Leo (Madison Kindler), a novice who is determined to be the world's first ballerina nun, and wacky childlike Sister Mary Amnesia (Sydney Fogt), who lost her memory when a crucifix fell on her head. The entertainment that they present includes solo star turns, mad-cap dance routines, and an audience quiz.

Directed by Julie Hall with music director Earlee Harris, set by Josh Garmater, and producer Chris Feichter, this show will put a smile on your face, so join us for a delightful evening at the Huber. The Dinner Theater will be held on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 & 17 with dinner at 6:30 and the show at 7:30. Sunday's performance will be show only at 2:30.

ALZ ASSOC NW OH PROGRAMS PROVIDE GUIDANCE

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter is offering two upcoming programs to help caregivers better understand the behaviors of their loved ones living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias and learn how to communicate with them more effectively.

The programs are "Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors," Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 5:30-6:30 p.m., and "Effective Communication Strategies," Wednesday, February 9 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Both free programs are virtual and will be presented on Zoom. Pre-registration is required. To register for one or both programs, call the Alzheimer's Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900

and provide an email address. Instructions about how to join the webinars will be emailed to registrants.

"As Alzheimer's disease and other dementias progress, people's behaviors change in ways that can be challenging for their caregivers, and it can be difficult to adapt to the way they communicate evolves," said Pam Myers, Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter program director. "These programs offer caring instruction on how best to connect with those living with dementia during the different stages of the disease."

"Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors" will show participants the ways that behavior is a powerful form of communication and one of the primary ways for people with dementia to communicate their needs and feelings as they lose the ability to use

language. As some of those behaviors can be challenging for caregivers, this program will offer tips to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease.

During "Effective Communication Strategies," participants will learn that communication is more than just talking and listening — it's also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, facial expressions and body language. As people with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias progress in their journey and lose the ability to use words, families need new ways to connect.

This webinar will explore how communication takes place when someone has Alzheimer's, offer methods to decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia, and how to identify strategies to help them connect and communicate at each stage of the disease.

"There are early, middle and late stages of Alzheimer's disease, and the person living with dementia changes throughout the progression of the disease," Myers said. "As they experience memory loss, their ability to verbally communicate with their caregivers decreases. Learning more about the stages of Alzheimer's and how to effectively communicate with their loved ones at any stage is empowering for caregivers."

In Ohio in 2020, 442,000 caregivers provided 590 million hours of unpaid care to 220,000 people living with Alzheimer's disease, according to the Alzheimer's Association 2021 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures.

Those who are concerned about themselves or a loved one can contact the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter at 419.537.1999 to schedule a care consultation and be connected with local resources that can help.

About the Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association is a worldwide voluntary health organization dedicated to Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to lead the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia*. Visit alz.org or call 800.272.3900.

LAROSE REFERS 62 TO LAW ENFORCEMENT FOR POTENTIAL ELECTION FRAUD VIOLATIONS

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Included in the 31 potentially illegally cast ballots are 27 that were cast in the 2020 general election. Of the record-breaking nearly 6 million votes cast in that election,

the 27 votes account for 0.0005 percent of the total.

"Here are the facts: Ohio smashed voter turnout records in 2020 while providing Ohioans a secure election," said LaRose. "Our state is proof positive you don't have to choose between secure or convenient elections -- we have both. In Ohio, easy to vote and hard to cheat aren't mutually exclusive. At the end of the day, these referrals are all about accountability. Lawbreakers should know we take election security seriously, and we won't tolerate even one unlawful vote to go unpunished on my watch."

The referred cases are divided into three different areas: 1) non-citizen voter registration or voting; 2) voting on behalf of the deceased; or 3) double voting in Ohio.

Non-Citizen Voter Registration or Voting

According to state law, non-citizens may not register to vote or cast a ballot in any Ohio election. As is outlined in state code, LaRose's office utilized a cross-matching of the voter rolls in the Statewide Voter Registration Database with the list of individuals that submit documentation to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. While the State does not maintain a comprehensive database of all non-citizens in Ohio, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) does record when an individual submits documentation indicating that the person is not a United States citizen.

The 39 individuals being referred to the Ohio Attorney General each provided the BMV with documentation identifying themselves as non-citizens on at least two occasions. Additionally, per Ohio law, each were sent two notices at the address where they are registered to vote requesting that the individual either cancel their voter registration or advise the Secretary's office that they have become a U.S. citizen.

Documentation regarding each of these individual cases has been forwarded to the Ohio Attorney General's office in order to conduct an investigation and determine next steps. 31 non-citizens were referred for registering to vote while eight were referred for voting.

Voting on Behalf of the Deceased

Under Ohio law, if an individual casts a ballot first but passes away prior to election day, that vote is still considered eligible to be counted. However, there are extremely rare occurrences where it is discovered that an individual is recorded as having cast a ballot after the reported date of his or her death. In these cases, this vote is referred to the local county prosecutor for further investigation and potential prosecution. In these cases, an absentee ballot may have been properly requested by an individual prior to their passing. However, for example, referred cases contain evidence that the ballot was signed and dated by a voter after the date of death. In these cases, further investigation is required to determine the identity of the person who cast the ballot on behalf of the deceased individual.

Double Voting Within Ohio

Ohio is one of just six states which continue to operate a bottom-up voter registration system, where all voter

FOOLS OPENING AT CIVIC THEATRE



Daniel Sanderson, Stephanie Wagner, Alyssa Taylor, and Seth Rollins rehearse for the next VWCT production of Neil Simon's *Fools*.

Neil Simon's silly play *Fools* opens February 10 at the Van Wert Civic Theatre for an eight-show run. This show will brighten your winter and make you laugh.

Director Perry Luhn has brought together a brilliant cast to play the townsfolk of fictional village Kulyenchikov in Ukraine. Set in the 19th century, *Fools* tells the tale of Leon, a school teacher, who is hired to educate Sophia, the daughter of the dimwitted village doctor. Leon learns the village is under a curse causing the residents to be stupid, and if he fails to educate Sophia, he too will fall victim to the curse. Leon creates a plan to end the curse and live happily ever after.

Starring in the show are Daniel Sanderson (Leon

Tolchinsky), Steven Bricker (Snetsky), Burdette Bolenbaugh (Magistrate), Seth Rollins (Slovitch), Alyssa Taylor (Mishkin), Stephanie Wagner (Yenchna), Ken Markward (Dr. Zubritsky), Jan Miller (Lena Zubritsky), Emily Gehle (Sophia Zubritsky), and Josh Campbell (Gregor Yousekevitch).

The Box Office is now open to the public. For more information call 419-238-9689, and leave a voice message with your name, date you wish to attend, and a phone number. A volunteer will return your call within 24 hours also visit online at vwct.org. Curtain times are 8:00 p.m. on February 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 and at 2:00 p.m. on February 13 and 20. VWCT is located at 118 S. Race Street in Van Wert, Ohio.

registration data is collected and processed at the local level. While Ohio's voter list maintenance process has worked remarkably well to provide accurate voter rolls, there remains a short window where a voter may be registered in two different counties at the same time, allowing for an individual to break state law and cast a ballot in both counties. Nine individuals have been identified as having potentially cast a ballot twice in Ohio in the 2020 general election. Secretary LaRose has called for Ohio to consider a top-down voter registration system.

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP (NHEG) LAUNCHES NEW "HISTORY ON CIVIL RIGHTS SHOW"

NHEG is happy to welcome Barbara Bullen and her show on the history of civil rights to our lineup of civil shows. The New Heights Show on Education is going into its eighth year, and within that time, the award-winning show has garnered over 330,000 listeners. The show

was syndicated in 2019 thanks to the Silicon Valley High School, who sponsors the show and is a partner to the organization.

The New Heights Show on Education is now aired on 23 networks and covers many educational topics, including marine biology and zoology, American history, book reviews, Common Core, soft skills, issues affecting youth, inspirational topics, IEP support, reading time, special needs and disability, technology, and entrepreneurship. NHEG Director Pamela Clark also covers a weekly show on educational news in the U.S. and around the world.

Clark stated, "It's exciting to see the growth and achievements the show has earned and we're all thrilled to have Barbara Bullen join our team and allow our listeners to learn more about the important topic of civil rights."

The show airs weekly on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and audiences can listen on all major networks and from the NHEG radio page: <https://Radio.NewHeightsEducation.org/>.

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Antwerp Conservation Club

Event Schedule

February 10 - Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
February 19 - NRL22 Match - Sight in and registration opens at 8am. Match begins at 9am. This event is open to the public.
ACC 2022 Memberships are now available. \$35 - single ; \$50 - family
Annual scholarship forms are now available. They will be sent to the area schools' guidance offices as well.

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

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1812 WINTER GARRISON @ HISTORIC FORT WAYNE



Come to The Old Fort on Saturday Only, February 19, 10 am - 5 pm for 1812 Winter Garrison.

A winter posting at a frontier post was never an easy task! Military drills and guard duty were part of the daily duties. Soldiers had to chop wood for the fireplaces to keep warm. They had to cook their own meals. Visit with the soldiers and feel what it was like to live in a frontier fort during the winter.

The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Ave. Parking is

available at Headwaters Park, Lawton Park, and in the lot across from the Fort. Visitors should use the Rivergreenway Trail under the Spy Run bridge to access the Fort.

This is a freewill donation. Visit our website oldfortwayne.org, [Facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne](https://www.facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne), or call (260)437-2836 for schedule updates and information.

***Masks are required to enter fort buildings.

About Historic Fort Wayne, Inc.: Founded in 2004, Historic Fort Wayne is a

Non-Profit Organization that manages the Old Fort in Fort Wayne, IN. Our goal is to educate the community about Historic Fort Wayne and its significance to the Northwest Territory, the State of Indiana, and the United States during the 17th and 18th centuries through interactive programming. We are a 100% volunteer organization. Our events are free to the public unless specifically noted. All programming is funded by private and corporate donations.

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ment, certification options, and what opportunities are available to students upon graduation, whether they are college or career bound."

Vantage's 18 high school career technical labs will be open and students will be leading demonstrations of their skills, while sharing the opportunities available to them throughout the two

years as a Vantage student. Guests will be able to speak with instructors and connect with local employers stationed throughout the building.

Vantage Adult Education staff will be available to showcase their full-time and short-term programs, including customized training options for local employers. Current enrollment opportunities include Police Academy, Practical Nursing, LPN to RN Tran-

sition, EMT and STNA programs. Scholarships and financial aid is available for each program. Interested high school seniors, adults wanting to gain advanced skills, and employers interested in an up-skilled workforce should come to the Open House.

"A Taste of Vantage" will again be held in the Commons Area during Open House. Seven area restaurants will be offering a delicious sampling of some of their most popular cuisine. One ticket will get you one food sample. All proceeds support the Vantage school-wide student activity fund. Guests will be able to enjoy a variety of meatballs from Van Wert's Black Angus on Main or savory buffalo chicken and roast beef sliders of Moose Landing Country Club from Ottawa. Don't pass up on the famous grilled wings from Millie's Cafe of Ottoville and, while you're at it, add a sweet ice-cream treat from The Creamery of Delphos. Fill up on some amazing pork loin and ham chunks from Tim's Backyard BBQ of Fort Jennings and add a side of homemade Mexican chips and salsa from the Vantage Culinary Arts program. Canal Side Burgers and Brew will be the newest

addition to our Open House and are offering slow roasted brisket sliders. All food vendors will have their own vendor station, offering menus and other great items for the guests.

The amazing DJ Ron Burt of Magic Moment Entertainment will be the emcee for the evening and will announce special demonstrations and activities going on throughout the building. The Vantage Open House would not be able to take place without our food vendors, emcee or sponsors; including, Dark Horse Productions, Lange Photography, Straley Realty and Auctioneers, Carey Insurance and Financial Services, Van Wert Health, APT Manufacturing, Van Wert Manor, Kenn-Feld Group, Lee Kinstle GM Sales and Services, and Alexander and Bebout. To learn more about Open House, visit vantagecareercenter.com or the Vantage Career Center Facebook page.

Looking forward to seeing you Monday night, February 28 from 5:00-7:30 p.m.!

BUILDING SOIL CARBON

Most of our agricultural soils are lacking adequate levels of organic matter and good soil health to obtain optimal yields. The lack of humic substances and healthy soil biology reduces the soil's water holding capacity and the ability to release nutrients when the plants need them, leading to reduced crop quality and lower yields. Now that some carbon markets are paying farmers to store carbon, here are some ways to get paid to store soil carbon with added crop and soil benefits.

Understanding the carbon cycle is the first step to effectively building soil organic matter. There are three main ways to increase a soil's carbon content: carbon imports, carbon generation, and carbon induction. From an agricultural perspective, all three methods of carbon generation are great for agricultural production.

Importing Carbon: There are three primary carbon imports: humates, biochar and compost. Humates such as fulvic and humic acids can be added to a soil and generally provide good nutrient exchange. Biochar is charcoal

that is produced when oxygen is limiting during burning. Biochar is a stable carbon import but not quite as active as humates. Compost is a carbon import with a strong biological component (high in beneficial microbes) that greatly improves soil health. Compost does have a lower level of stable humic substances and can degrade over a period of a few years, diminishing carbon soil storage over time. Each method provides soil-building components: compost provides biological inoculum while humates provide biological plant growth stimulants.

Carbon Generation: Farmers have several opportunities to generate or capture carbon on the farm that could otherwise be lost. Managing crop residues, reducing tillage, composting crop waste and animal manure, and cover cropping all provide farmers with a chance to capture and store more soil carbon. Any of these practices will help build a robust healthy soil system that increases the recycling of plant available nutrients.

Carbon Induction: Induction may have the greatest possibility for generating higher levels of soil carbon by optimizing the carbon cycle through improved plant performance. Carbon induction builds large amounts of stable humic substances, stimulates biology, and improves soil and plant health. Improving plant genetics, changing plant spacing, intercropping, and keeping the soil covered with many different species of plants by increasing soil health improves carbon storage through carbon induction.

Plants naturally recycle carbon by absorbing carbon dioxide from the air with photosynthesis to form simple sugars. These sugar compounds are the building blocks for complex carbohydrates and polysaccharides, proteins and amino acids, and plant lipids. All of these compounds contain an average of roughly 40 percent carbon. Plants release large amounts of these substances to feed the soil biology in exchange for soil nutrients. The healthier the plant, the greater the amount of root exudates are released, leading to higher soil carbon.

Healthy plants can release 60-70% of their total sugar production back into the soil as root exudates. This carbon induction occurs only in healthy plants with surplus energy. Generally, plants have about 50% of their biomass above ground and 50% below ground but in healthy plants this represents only 30-40% of the total energy production. Farms based on perennials or forages are the most efficient at building soil organic matter and stable humic substances due to carbon induction.

Healthy plants with greater photosynthetic efficiency and higher levels of surplus energy start to form lipids (fats and oils). Lipids are a form of high energy storage from surplus plant energy which is stored as fat. As plant energy stores and lipid levels increase, the plant builds stronger cell membranes and reproductive tissue. Many lipids will be exuded from the roots to be used as a soil microbial energy source. Healthy plants out-compete most pests: reduced weeds, less or no insect feeding, and less or no disease. In addition, soils high in lipids have more beneficial soil microbes and store more stable humic compounds, high in soil carbon.

In tilled or bare soils, bacteria and harmful nematodes dominate the system. Bacteria consume many of the simple sugars and carbohydrates exuded by plants roots, but their soil carbon storage efficiency is only 20-30%. In no-till fields with cover crops, beneficial soil fungi (like mycorrhizae fungi) digest the root exudates slowly, improving soil carbon storage efficiency to 45-60% by forming more stable long chained humates. Improving soil health leads to higher carbon induction and greater carbon sequestration by forming stable soil humates high in soil carbon. Healthy soils reduce pests, improves crop quality and nutrient density, and improves crop yields; while improving the environment. Adapted from an article by John Kempf.

—James J. Hoorman, Hoorman Soil Health Services

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor Assisted Living, Antwerp Public Library, Genesis House, Antwerp G Mart
Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General
Cecil: 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village
Charloe: Charloe Store
Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware
Defiance: Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid, Split Endz Salon
Edgerton: Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Utilities Dept., H & W Napa, Marathons Main Stop, Marathon (East)
Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, Library
Hicksville: Hoagland: Mel's Town Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center
Ney: Marathon
Oakwood: Rhees' Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip
Paulding: Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co.

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Sherwood: 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
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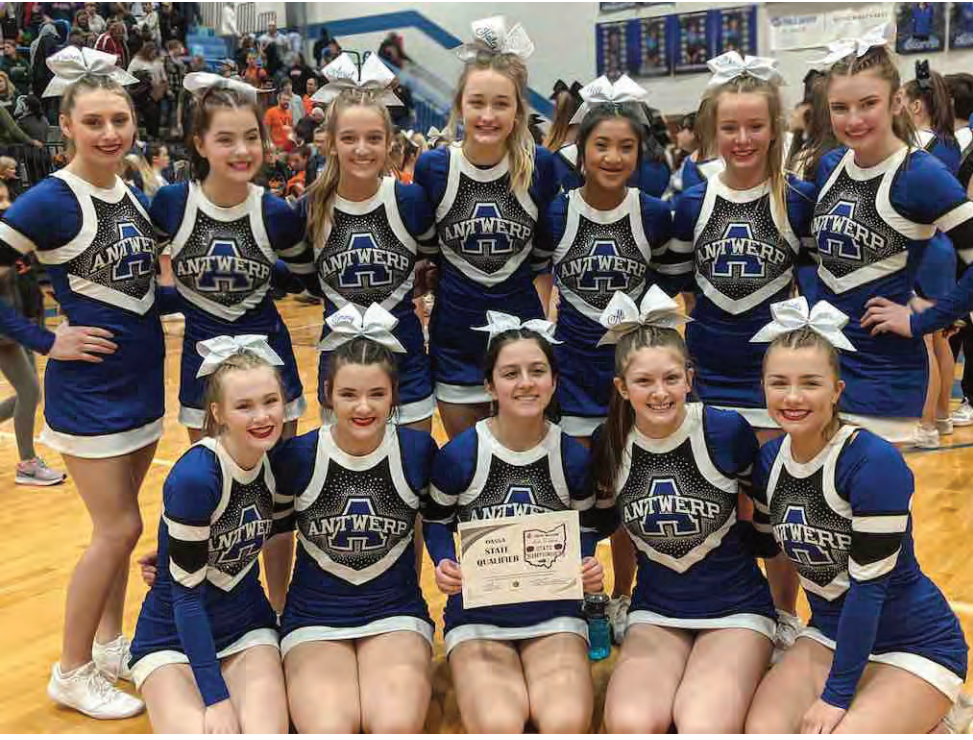
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ANTWERP ARCHER CHEER SQUAD QUALIFY FOR STATE!



Pictured here are the Antwerp Archer Cheerleaders (back row, l-r) Lauren Schuller, Falynn McAlexander, Ariel Snyder, Hailey Grant, Izzy Meyer, Summer Franklin, and Mia Altimus; (front row, l-r) Megan O'Donnell, Emerson Litzenberg, Kiera Reyes, Ali Reinhart, and Jaidis Getrost. Cheer coaches (not pictured) are Katie Scharr and Kelli Bradbury.

The Antwerp Archer Cheerleaders competed in the OASSA Northwest Regional Cheerleading competition on Saturday, February

6, 2022 at Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, OH. Their superb performance qualified Antwerp Cheer for the State Competi-

tion. OASSA State Cheerleading Competition is scheduled for Sunday, February 26th at Pickerington North High School.



Antwerp senior Kaden Phares gets the turnover to score for the Archers in the last quarter! More pictures at westbendnews.net

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Archer senior standout totaled 25 points to lead the way for the blue and white as Antwerp improved to 15-1 on the season. Landers now totes 1168 points and counting!!

Luke Krouse chipped in 11 markers for the Archers with Gaike McMichael recording ten points.

Landon Brewer (nine), Kaden Phares (eight), Kaden Recker (eight), Carson Altimus (six), Parker Moore (three) and Reid Lichty (two) also scored for Antwerp in the contest.

Zach Hayes led the way for the Eagles with a dozen markers while Joey Burt chipped in six points and Quin Burt posted four markers. Ben Pettit (three), Landon Justice (three) and Cohen Meyers (two) completed the scoring for North Central.

ANTWERP GYMNASTS COMPETE @ TUMBLE FOR A CURE

Antwerp gymnasts Hannah & Brooke Molitor competed in the Tumble for a Cure gymnastics competition at Napoleon on February 5th.

Hannah Molitor
Vault 9.2 1st, Bars 9.5 1st,
Beam 8.75 3rd, Floor 9.2 1st,

All Around 36.65 1st
Brooke Molitor
Vault 8.1 3rd, Bars 8.5 2nd,
Beam 8.0 9th, Floor 8.95 3rd

ANTWERP WRESTLING COMPETES @ ADA INVITE

The Antwerp high school wrestling team recently competed in the Ada Invitational on Saturday, February 5, 2022. Of the 5 wrestlers competing, 4 of them were able to place in the top 6 of their respective weight classes.

Finishing 6th in the 113-pound weight class was freshman Miles Doster. Doster was 1-4 on the day with 1 pin. Placing 5th was senior Caleb Wilson at 165 pounds. Wilson had a 3-2 record with 2 pins and 1 technical fall. Earning 2nd place finishes on the day were freshman Skyler Octaviano at 132 pounds and junior Eli Reinhart at 150 pounds.

Both wrestlers also finished with a 4-1 record, while Octaviano had 1 pin and Reinhart had 3 pins. Congratulations to all the archer wrestlers for their hard work at Ada. We wish you the best as you prepare for the GMC tournament on Saturday at Fairview High School. Good luck and GO ARCHERS!!

PATRIOTS MOVE TO SECTIONAL FINAL

Heritage dominated the first and fourth quarters and pulled away from Oak Hill for a 56-48 win in girls sectional semifinal action at Mississinewa High School on Saturday.

The Lady Patriots doubled up the Golden Eagles 16-8 in the first quarter and Heritage led at every stop the rest of the way. Both teams bucketed eight markers in the second stanza with the Patriots holding a 24-16 halftime advantage.

Oak Hill made things interesting in the third quarter, putting up a dozen markers compared to six for Heritage as the Golden Eagles pulled within 30-28 at the end of three periods.

However, the Lady Patriots responded with a 26-point fourth quarter compared to the Golden Eagles 20-points to wrap up the eight-point victory.

Shelby Schane topped Heritage with 20 points in the win while Ella Bickel (16) and Abby Zelt (13) also reached double figures.

Ella Bickel grabbed seven rebounds to lead the Lady Patriots while Abby Zelt picked up six and Schane recorded five. Claire Bickel and Kendall Zelt had three each for Heritage with Raelyn Mullins, Natalie Otte, Carly Gerardot and Lydia Schultz finishing with two apiece.

Ella Bickel also dished out four assists with Schane having three for the Lady Patriots. Kendall Zelt finished with two assists and four steals while Claire Bickel posted two assists and two steals.

ARCHERS CONTROL SECOND HALF IN WIN OVER DAYTON DUNBAR

Antwerp made the trip to Ottawa Glandorf High School on Saturday to take on Dayton Dunbar in boys basketball action and the Archers brought a 61-55 victory back to Paulding County.

Dayton Dunbar led at the end of each of the first two quarters, posting a 21-17 advantage at the end of one pe-

BROKEN DOWN BUS DOESN'T STOP HORNETS IN UPSET OF WARRIORS



Woodlan Senior Dakota Krohn scores a 3 point basket in her final game for the Warriors! More pictures at westbednews.net

Not even a broken-down bus could stop the Angola Lady Hornets Tuesday night.

Despite having trouble getting to the game, Angola used a solid defensive effort and put up just enough offense in posting a 29-26 win over host Woodlan in Class 3A girls basketball sectional action Tuesday evening.

Neither team scored in double figures in any quarter in the contest as the two teams each played tremendous defense.

It was the Lady Warriors who took the lead after one quarter, outscoring the visiting Hornets 8-7 in the period. However, it was even more of a struggle to score in the second stanza.

Angola bucketed six points in the period while Woodlan only managed two as the visiting Hornets took a 13-10 advantage into the locker room.

In the second half, eight was the lucky number as both teams scored eight points each in the third quarter and fourth

quarter to wrap up the 29-26 Hornet victory.

Senior Lauren Leach topped the Lady Hornets with a dozen points while junior Tyrah Stillman added ten markers. Sophomore Kylie Caswell (three), junior Jaelyn Fee (two) and freshman Bailey Holman (two) completed the scoring for Angola, which improves to 15-9 on the season.

The loss brought an end to the careers of a quartet of Lady Warrior players. Dakotah Krohn, Ashton Widenhoefer, Olivia Baumert and Hannah Dietel all will graduate in 2022.

Krohn led the way for the Lady Warriors with nine points with junior Avah Smith and sophomore Taylor Kneubuhler chipping in six markers apiece. Junior Gabi Klopfenstein also had four points and junior Briana Roney posted one free throw.

Woodlan wraps up an outstanding season with a record of 19-5 overall.

rior to come back and record the six-point 61-55 win.

Jagger Landers was dominant for Antwerp, scoring 30 points in the contest to lead the way for the Archers, who improve to 16-1 overall.

Luke Krouse also bucketed 13 points for the Archers with Landon Brewer adding nine and Gaike McMichael posting six. Kaden Recker also had three markers for Antwerp.

Antaune Allen and Darian Leslie each had 19 markers for Dayton Dunbar followed by



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RAIDERS CLINCH ANOTHER GMC TITLE



In the 4th quarter Wayne Trace Senior Trevor Sinn picks up two points under the basket. More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

With frigid temperatures outside and several inches of snow on the ground the Wayne Trace Raiders heated things up in the gymnasium last Friday when they turned back Paulding 74-53. The key Green Meadows Conference game featuring county rivals was dominated by the Raiders with a gutty effort displayed by the Panthers.

The contest was a step closer to a GMC title for the Raiders. With the win the Raiders have clinched at least a tie with one game remaining. Standing at 17-1 overall and 6-0 in the league the Raiders will travel to Ayersville next Friday where the

Antone Allen (five), B.J. Hatcher (five), Shamar Foster (four), Javyn Martin (two) and Eric Brewer (one). Dayton Dunbar is now 11-6 on the season.

RAIDERS, PANTHERS ADVANCE IN GMC TOURNEY

Two of the three Paulding County squads posted opening round victories in the Green Meadows Conference eighth grade boys basketball tournament Saturday at Wayne Trace High School.

In the opener of the day, Edgerton rallied for a 36-34 win over Antwerp to advance to Monday's semifinals. Noah Weaver led the Bulldogs with

Pilots will greet them with an impressive record of their own at 12-3 overall and 4-1 in the conference. A Raider win would give them the outright championship.

On the night the Raiders shot 57 percent overall including a 42 percent performance behind the arc on 8-19 shooting.

The Raiders jumped out early over Paulding compliments of the outside shooting from Cameron Sinn, Tyler Sinn along with Cameron Graham. While the sharp-shooting Raiders were doing their thing behind the arc Kyle Stoller was busy in the paint hitting on four buckets. Wayne Trace took an early command after eight minutes

15 points with Maddox Baker adding eight and Ross Dockery chipping in six. Caden Sinclair (five) and Brady Everetts (two) completed the Bulldog scorers.

Zaine McMichael paced Antwerp with 20 points followed by Hampton Rogge (five), Colten Sargent (three), Ty Jackson (two), Marcelo Cruz (two) and Chase Pack (two).

Game two of the morning saw Wayne Trace cruise to a 45-19 win over Ayersville.

Griffin Williamson paced a balanced Raider attack with nine points with Carter Clemens and Caden Sinn both bucketing eight. Lance Maenle (six), Tanner Laukhuf (five),

24-13.

WT continued their offensive punch in the second frame outscoring the maroon and white 9-2 to enjoy a 33-15 advantage. However, Paulding managed to whittle away at the Raiders 18-point margin. Buckets from Casey Angler and Ethan Foltz along with a much needed three-pointer from Peyton Adams kept the Panthers close - down by 12 at the break 36-24.

It looked like Paulding had an answer to the Raider's first half dominance coming out of the break. The Panthers used a 13-5 run to pull the visitors to within four 41-37 after trailing by as many as 18 in the first half. Zach Gorrell and Foltz led the Panther attack with Gorrell bucketing three shots behind the arc and a couple of two-point shots from Foltz. Again, Wayne Trace would respond with a 7-0 mini run to stay in control along with having the momentum leading 48-37.

Following a Nick Manz triple that brought Paulding to within eight 48-40 the Raiders



Paulding's Christian Bauer gets an early basket for the Panthers! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Riley Manz (five) and Jack Schoenauer (four) rounded out the red, white and blue scorers.

Kaden Booher paced Ayersville with 11 points while Dylan Dunn and Owen Lloyd added three markers apiece. Braylon Young had two points for the Pilots.

In the third contest of the day, Fairview pulled away from Hicksville for a 54-35 win.

William Zeedyk had 15 points to top the black and gold with Elijah Arend and Levi Panico each reached double figures with 14 and ten points, respectively. Other scorers included Jackson Brady (eight), Noah Shingler (five) and Adam Spangler (two).

Hicksville was topped by Garrett Turnbull with 19 points and Luke Eicher hit a trio of three-pointers for nine points. Phillip Booker (three), Jesus Avalos (three) and Benton Taylor (one) also scored for the Aces.

The final game of the day had Paulding coasting to a 53-25 victory over Tinora.

Blake Rhonehouse led the way for the maroon and white

would again rely on the long ball as their offensive weapon. A Brooks Laukhuf triple along with a buzzer beating trey from Cam Sinn put WT on top 54-40 heading into the final eight minutes of play. Cam Sinn finished the night connecting on 4-8 from behind the arc.

Leading scorers in the contest was Wayne Trace's Kyle Stoller who finished with 25. The sophomore bucketed 10-13 from the two-point area along with 5-6 from the charity stripe to go with nine rebounds. Team mates Cam Sinn finished with 16, Brooks Laukhuf 13, Trevor Sinn 12. Also scoring for the winners were Tyler Davis with four, Cameron Graham two and Hudson Myers two.

Paulding was led by Ethan Foltz with 12 on 5-7 shooting to go with seven rebounds. Zach Gorrell also finished in double-digits with 11. Peyton Adams added nine, Casey Angler six, Christian Bauer six, Luke Zartman five and Nick Manz with three.

WT WRESTLERS SNATCH BIG WIN AT COUNTY MEET



Eli Reinhart wins by points over his Raider opponent at the Paulding County Wrestling meet at Wayne Trace. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Wayne Trace hosted the Paulding County Wrestling Tri-Meet on February 1st. Intra-County competition is stiff, but the Raiders pulled out a win from both the Panthers and the Archers on this brisk evening.

WT Raiders faced Paulding first and won 60-6. Individual winners for the Red, White and Blue were Corbin Kimmel, Conner Blankenship, Kendal Franklin, Graiden Troth, Dyson Scott and Kaden Woolbright all by forfeit. Winners by pin were Jared Pierce, Hunter Long, Jarrett Hornish and Nate Osborn.

Next the Raiders took on the Antwerp Archers, winning 57-6. Individual winners were Corbin Kimmel, Kendal Franklin, Hunter Long, Graiden Troth, Dyson Scott, Nate Osborn and Kaden Woolbright by forfeit. Win-

ning by decision was Jared Pierce. Winners by pin were Conner Blankenship and Jarrett Hornish.

For Archer wrestling, 7th grader Zac Salas, 8th grader Griffin Kosch, and junior Eli Reinhart all went undefeated on the evening with two wins and one pin each. As a team, Antwerp finished the night with one win over Paulding on the strength of their two pins and one technical fall. This was also a night in which Eli Reinhart and senior Caleb Wilson avenged losses from earlier in the season.

Paulding Coach Porter commented on the Panthers' performance, "We took some tough losses tonight. We plan to practice harder and push more this next week and a half to get ready for GMC where we hope to get some redemption for these tough losses."

finisher was Brevyn Eicher. The Archers also crowned 1 champion on the day. Jameson Graham won all 4 matches on the day with 3 wins coming by pin. This is Graham's 2nd tournament championship in the first 3 weeks of the GMC tournament series. Congratulations to all the club wrestlers for their effort this past weekend. Good luck next weekend at Ayersville. GO ARCHERS!!

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 12/20/21

Minutes for the Woodburn city council meeting on December 20th, 2021

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

CHIEF'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor received a quote from City Lights to install 14 lights on the north side of Hickory Street totaling \$30,600. After discussion, it was determined to proceed

with this proposal.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: The meeting minutes were presented from the December 6th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the December 6th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Voiron moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor.

COUNCILMAN'S REPORT: Councilman Gerig inquired as to the status of the lights on Main Street that have gone out. The superintendent has explained that they were ordered several months ago.

AUDIENCE: A resident came today to discuss fees that had accrued regarding his property due to the improper connection of his sump pump. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to waive any fees accrued since the first lien filed in the amount of \$1,100, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. A resident came today to discuss the potential for a retention pond at his property. He intends to build on this property in the near future. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved that the City allow him to build a duplex without a retention pond and that a letter be prepared to that effect, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. A resident commented on how nice the lights look on Main Street. Another resident asked what was in the works for the 2022 calendar year.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm.

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NH WRESTLERS ADVANCE TO SEMI-STATE



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New Haven High School took part in The IHSAA Regional this past Saturday at Carroll. We were able to finish 4th as a team out of 18, and we advanced 5 to semi-state. We had 3 champs and two 4ths. Here is how our wrestlers competed:

106- Julianna Ocampo continued her dominant ways. She pinned her first round opponent to advance to the semi-finals. In the semis, she had a controlling 6-1 victory.

She dominated her opponent in the finals with a 15-4 major decision to become a regional champion!!!

113- Easton Doster made it back to back champs for the second week in a row. He pinned his first opponent, which put him one short of tying the pin record. He didn't waste time in the semis, with a quick pin to tie the pin record at 28. In the finals, he made quick work of his opponent with another pin. That pin

puts him at the top of the season pins list with 29 pins, and also puts him at the top of the podium as a regional champ.

120- Karrington Cooper got in a whole early, but was able to storm back with superior conditioning and neutral wrestling. He eventually fell short losing 8-10. Great season Coop!!!

126- Brayden Clauser made the eventual champion work. He fought the whole

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Milo H. Holt, Jr., Van Wert, OH; No operator license; Case dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived

Winter Perovich, Kalamazoo, MI; OVI/under the influence, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed per state, without prejudice, Costs waived

Amanda L. Diaz, Defiance, OH; OVI/under the influence; Count A dismissed without prejudice

Cassie F. Dillon, Taylor, MI; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Hannah L. Fite, Morrow, OH; Possession of marijuana; Drug paraphernalia, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Reckless operation, Guilty, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Stanley, Pled guilty, Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs, Complete 40 hours of community service within one year

Joseph G. Cardoza, Continental, OH; OVI/under influence, Count A dismissed; Seat belt/drive, Guilty, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Left of center, Count D dismissed

Tamikka L. Schimman, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; OVI/under the influence, Defendant appeared via video without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay all fines and costs, Show proof of insurance by 2/3/22, Jail days and operator license suspension shall run concurrent with Count B; OVI suspension, Defendant appeared via video without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine, Show proof of insurance by 2/3/22, Jail days and operator license suspension shall run concurrent with Count A; No tail lights, Defendant appeared via video without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Heather M. Worman, Oakwood, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

Justin G. Nash, Roseville, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Heidi L. Grant, Antwerp, OH; Aggravated murder; Defendant waived preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over; All bond conditions continued

Tyler J. Levos, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence; OIV/breath high; Preliminary hearing waived; Case shall be bound over to the Paulding Common Pleas Court

Randall B. Bartley, Continental, OH; Marked lanes; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Lynn P. Wells III, Payne, OH; Failure to control, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

Ronald A. Richards, Oklahoma City, OK; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed per state, without prejudice, Costs waived; DUI, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived, Warrant recalled; Fictitious plates, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived; Left of center, Case dismissed without preju-

dice, Costs waived

Elizabeth A. Thatcher, Grover Hill, OH; Pass bad check (2 counts); Credit misuse; Case dismissed per state; Warrant recalled

Ronald A. Shoemaker, Oakwood, OH; FRA suspension, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived, Warrant recalled; Failure to control, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived

Robin M. Kolczynski, Fort Wayne, IN; No operator license; Case dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived; Warrant recalled

Joseph G. Cardoza, Continental, OH; No operators license; Count B dismissed

Nicole G. Osborne, New Haven, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cole D. Pease, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Maximillion U. Stoll III, Chesterfield, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

PATROL IDENTIFIES CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO FATAL CRASHES FROM 2021

According to the Ohio State Highway Patrol, six contributing circumstances accounted for 71 percent of fatal crashes in 2021. Those factors of the at-fault driver are driving off the roadway, unsafe speed, left of center, failure to yield, improper lane changes, and following too close.

"Crashes are preventable when drivers stay focused and make good decisions behind the wheel," said Governor Mike DeWine. "Driving aware not only helps you stay safe, but it helps other motorists get home to their families as well."

From 2017 to 2021, more fatal crashes happened in Franklin County (505) than in any other county. Large numbers of fatal crashes also occurred in Cuyahoga (456), Hamilton (272), Montgomery (259), and Lucas (211) Counties. Combined, these five counties accounted for 31 percent of all fatal crashes during these five years.

Provisional data shows

that 2021 was the deadliest year on record since 2002, with 1,246 crashes and 1,357 fatalities.

"Law enforcement officers see the deadly consequences of traffic violations on a daily basis, and more often than not, these crashes are preventable," said Lt. Matt Crow, Findlay Post Commander. Driving responsibly and attentively is something that all drivers can focus on, which will lead to safer roadways for our local community and Ohio as a whole."

The Patrol reminds you to call #677 when you see unsafe motorists driving on Ohio roads.

BERNIE MORENO STATEMENT ON RETIREMENT OF SUPREME COURT JUSTICE STEPHEN BREYER

Bernie Moreno issued the following statement today following the news that Justice Stephen Breyer was retiring from the Supreme Court.

"Justice Breyer's retirement is a stern reminder of the importance of winning back the U.S. Senate. As Senator, I will only confirm conservative judges who strictly interpret the constitution and who won't legislate from the bench or consider political pressure. One of President Trump's greatest accomplishments was appointing a record number of qualified, conservative judges, including three to the U.S. Supreme Court. I'll help to protect that legacy by fighting attempts to pack the courts with moderates, liberals and radicals."

Bernie Moreno is a job creator, first-generation American, and first-time candidate for political office. He is running for U.S. Senate to stop socialism, combat cancel culture, create opportunity for all Ohioans, and enact term limits for D.C. politicians. He believes that we must work to protect the American Dream and the prosperity that should belong to all Americans. Learn more at www.BernieMoreno.com

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Santos P. Calel Baten, Paulding, OH; Driver license <6 months; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jeremy B. Leiter, Melrose, OH; FRA suspension, Count A dismissed; Turn signals, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs; Seat belt/drive, defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Chad E. Dotson, Continental, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defen-

dant shall pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no contact with victim or The Land- ing Strip Bar in Oakwood

Russell P. White, Monroeville, IN; Disorderly conduct; Bench trial held; Defendant found guilty; Fine suspended; Shall pay all costs

Nickolas R. Leatherman, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Scott E. Dicke, Mendon, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Bruce A. Rosswurm, Payne, OH; Failure to yield at intersection; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Ernesto Lloyd, Stryker,

OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Melissa A. Garza-Vielma, Wauseon, OH; Physical control, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Bucher, Pled no contest, found guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Pay all fines and costs; OVI/breath (low), Count B dismissed; No tail lights, Count C dismissed

Jason S. Lutts, Middle Point, OH; Passing bad check; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Complete 20 hours community service; Pay restitution in the amount of \$355.74

Dewey W. Hammons, Grover Hill, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no contact with victim

Casey R. Helms, Payne, OH; Cruelty to animals; Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Complete 40 hours of community service within one year; Animal shall be forfeited to the Paulding Dog Warden

Wendell E. Hinchcliff, Grover Hill, OH; Reckless operation, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Crates, Pled guilty, ALS vacated, Pay all fines and costs; Left of center, Count B dismissed

Raymond Wrobel, Newport MI; Physical control, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Bucher, Pled no contest, found guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Pay all fines and costs; No tail lights, Count B dismissed

Bryant Bernard Williams, Fort Wayne, IN; No operator license; Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Stanley, Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs; Warrant and warrant block recalled; Driver's license shall be returned to the defendant

Tyler Coressel, Antwerp, OH; Zoning violation (6 counts); Case dismissed per state; Costs to the defendant

Molly Clem, Antwerp, OH; Zoning violation (6 counts); Case dismissed per state; Costs to the defendant

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PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

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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

PREMIER BANK AWARDS DAWN BALES 5th ANNUAL JEFF VEREECKE COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD



Pictured left to right: Jim Williams, EVP, Northern Market President, Premier Bank; Karen Vereecke; Dawn Bales, VP, Private Banker, Premier Bank; Rod Walton, SVP, Senior Private Banker, Premier Bank and Mary Alice Nagel, VP, Private Banker, Premier Bank

Defiance, OH (January 31, 2022) – Premier Bank has awarded Dawn Bales, Vice President, Private Banker, the fifth annual Jeff Vereecke Community Impact Award. The award is designed to honor one individual who shares in the Bank's dedication and passion for spreading kindness, doing good deeds and making our communities stronger by demonstrating superior service to the community in which they work and/or live.

Bales was selected as the recipient of the award by Premier Bank's executive management team and by Karen Vereecke, widow of Jeff Vereecke, former Executive Vice President and Northern Market Area President for Premier Bank, who lost his battle with cancer in 2014. "It is an honor to be recognized with this prestigious award by an organization like Premier Bank that does so much to give back to the communities it serves," said Bales.

Bales' nomination highlighted her community involvement throughout the Adrian and Lenawee county

communities that ranged from serving as Lenawee County Commissioner for District 4 and Secretary of the Economic Development Corporation, Athena Council Member, Brownfield Development, Hospital Authority Board, and Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee County Board to volunteering her time with non-profit organizations such as Adrian Area Chamber of Commerce, Civitan of Lenawee, Health and Human Services Grant Committee, Madison School Board and the United Way of Lenawee County. "Dawn is a mirror image of the Adrian community that Jeff Vereecke represented. She truly embodies the Premier Bank tagline, "Powered By People". We are truly blessed to have her on our Premier Team family as a friend and colleague," said Mary Alice Nagel, Vice President, Private Banker, in her nomination.

As part of the award, Bales received \$2,500 to donate to non-profit organizations of her choice. She chose to donate \$1,000 to Habitat of Lenawee County, \$500 to ATHENA Lenawee, \$500 to the Hope Community Center in Adrian, MI and \$500 to the Lenawee Humane Society.

Simons, who holds an appointment in the CFAES department of Food Science and Technology. "Currently, companies use humans as an instrument to better understand the sensory properties of foods and how they drive liking. We're trying to understand our instrument so we can build a better one that may help reduce product failures and help companies deliver products that people actually want."

The study tested the impact of food labeling on the human predisposition to find negative experiences more significant and memorable, but also underscored the tendency for people to be skeptical of claims that a product is better just because it's labeled "new and improved."

The researchers recruited 120 participants aged 18 to 70 from a database of panelists from Ohio State's Sensory Evaluation Center. Samples of two crackers or cookies – from the same packaging sleeve – were placed on three plates. Researchers told participants they would be evaluating a major supplier's current typical factory sample, a new and improved prototype and a sample that had received customer complaints.

After each bite, participants indicated their overall liking of the sample on a 9-point scale from "dislike extremely" to "like extremely." They also completed additional ratings of positive and negative attributes that assessed, for example, how crisp and fresh the crackers were and the intensity of the cookies' flavor.

The results showed a clear influence of the labeling on consumer perception. With both foods, the overall liking scores were significantly lower for samples labeled "consumer complaint" compared to "new and improved." With the saltines, the complaint scores were also significantly lower than ratings for the crackers labeled "factory typical."

In addition, participants generally gave the "consumer complaint" crackers and cookies fewer positive qualities and more hits for negative attributes. "With the negative contextualized messaging, there were more negative attributes selected – people didn't like it as much, it wasn't as fresh. People had a more negative opinion of it," Simons said. "The positive messaging slanted toward being more positive, but not nearly as much."

There could be a lesson here for product developers, Simons said. Rather than optimizing positive attributes for a new product idea, perhaps there would be value in teasing out what customers perceive as negative and adjusting accordingly.

"If people are more sensitive to those taints, we can use it to our advantage as it relates to food," he said. "You get a bigger bang for your buck by removing things people find negative than you do by optimizing those positive attributes. Take care of the negatives first and you're probably going to have a more successful product."

This work was supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture. Co-authors, all from the CFAES department of Food Science and Technology, include Maria Cotter, Morgan

Whitecotton and Devin Peterson.

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The Antwerp Local School Board held its organizational meeting and followed up with its regular January Board meeting Monday, January 10, 2022.

Board President Sara Schuette presided over the Organization meeting. Three Board members were sworn in for a new term. Bob Herber will be serving a sixth term. Anita Bok will be serving her fifth term, and Jayme Landers will be serving her second full term.

Sara Schuette was re-appointed Board President. Jayme Landers was once again appointed as the Vice-President. Bob Herber was appointed to serve as the Legislative Liaison to the OSBA. Anita Bok was appointed as the Student Achievement Liaison to the OSBA.

The Board set the 2022 Board meeting dates. The February meeting will take place Tuesday, February 15th at 6:00 p.m. All other monthly meeting will take place on the third Thursday of each month at

6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Room with the exception of June, July, and August which will take place at 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Education approved the Financial Report provided by Treasurer Kristine Stuart.

Elementary Principal Mrs. Stokes gave a brief report of events coming up during the next two months. Mrs. Stokes also shared that the spring Kindergarten Screening is tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 1st and Monday, April 4th.

MS/HS Principal Mr. Lichty gave a brief report that included information regarding the start of the 2nd semester and successes of our winter sports programs.

Superintendent Dr. Miller shared that January is designated as School Board Recognition month. Dr. Miller presented Board members with certificates and shared the following information about our current Board.

January is School Board Recognition Month and a chance for all of us to say thanks to our school board members for the important work that they do for our school. The positive leadership of the board members and their concern for the well-being of the students in our district continue to make Antwerp a great place to work, a wonderful place to go to school.

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

Whitecotton and Devin Peterson.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF GUARDIANSHIP

IN THE PAULDING COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF DAVID LEE BALL
A Minor
Case No. 20222002

Notice of Hearing on Change of Guardianship
John Doe, the unknown biological father of David Lee Ball, whose identity and whereabouts are unknown and cannot through reasonable diligence be ascertained, will take notice that on January 24, 2022, John Henry Ball filed an Application for Appointment of Guardian of David Lee Ball in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division of Paulding County, Ohio, 115 North Williams Street, Suite 202, Paulding, Ohio 45879, the same being Case No. 20222002

The hearing on the Application for Appointment of Guardian shall be heard on the 12th day of April, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. Said cause shall be

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distance of 25.00 (Twenty-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence continuing North 89°57'20" East, a distance of 195.00 (One hundred ninety-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence South 0°00'00" East and parallel with the West line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21 and the center line of County Road 177 a distance of 200.00 (Two hundred and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin in an existing fence line of occupation; thence South 89°57'20" West on said existing fence line of occupation a distance of 195.00 (One hundred ninety-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence continuing South 89°57'20" West on said existing fence line of occupation a distance of 25.00 (Twenty-five and zero hundredths) feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described, containing 1.010 acres of land, more or less, and subject to all legal highways, easements, restrictions and zoning regulations.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER
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DEFENDANTS,
Case No. CI-21-144
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TO: Kevin L. Moore; Unknown Spouse of Kevin L. Moore
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 9252 Rd. 177, Oakwood, Ohio 45873

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Kevin L. Moore, to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 470 Page 1057 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated in the Township of Brown, County of Paulding and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

Situated in the Township of Brown, County of Paulding and in the State of Ohio and known as: A parcel of land being part of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21, Town 2 North, Range 4 East, Brown Township, Paulding County, Ohio, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a 1 1/2 inch iron pin on the West line of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21, Brown Township, said iron pin being 1451.34 (One thousand four hundred fifty-one and thirty-four hundredths) feet North of a monument stone at the Southwest Quarter of Section 21; thence North on an assumed bearing of North 0°00'00" East and on the West line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21 and on the centerline of County Road 177 a distance of 200.00 (Two hundred and zero hundredths) feet to a point, said point being 225.30 (Two hundred twenty-five and thirty hundredths) feet South of the point of intersection of the West line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21 (center line of County Road 177) and the center line of County Road 171; thence North 89°57'20" East, a

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF GUARDIANSHIP

IN THE PAULDING COUNTY PROBATE COURT
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF DAVID LEE BALL
A Minor
Case No. 20222002

Notice of Hearing on Change of Guardianship
John Doe, the unknown biological father of David Lee Ball, whose identity and whereabouts are unknown and cannot through reasonable diligence be ascertained, will take notice that on January 24, 2022, John Henry Ball filed an Application for Appointment of Guardian of David Lee Ball in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division of Paulding County, Ohio, 115 North Williams Street, Suite 202, Paulding, Ohio 45879, the same being Case No. 20222002

The hearing on the Application for Appointment of Guardian shall be heard on the 12th day of April, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. Said cause shall be

Respectfully,
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distance of 25.00 (Twenty-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence continuing North 89°57'20" East, a distance of 195.00 (One hundred ninety-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence South 0°00'00" East and parallel with the West line of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21 and the center line of County Road 177 a distance of 200.00 (Two hundred and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin in an existing fence line of occupation; thence South 89°57'20" West on said existing fence line of occupation a distance of 195.00 (One hundred ninety-five and zero hundredths) feet to an iron pin; thence continuing South 89°57'20" West on said existing fence line of occupation a distance of 25.00 (Twenty-five and zero hundredths) feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described, containing 1.010 acres of land, more or less, and subject to all legal highways, easements, restrictions and zoning regulations.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DIVISION OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

BUREAU OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REGULATIONS

Pursuant to the rules governing the remediation of releases of petroleum from underground storage tank (UST) systems, notice to the public is required whenever there is a confirmed release of petroleum from an UST systems that requires a remedial action plan. Notice is hereby given that a confirmed release of petroleum has occurred from the UST system(s) located at:

LIBERTY FUEL STOP
506 E RIVER US RT 24 ANTWERP OH
PAULDING COUNTY
RELEASE #63000016-N00001

A proposed remedial action plan (RAP) dated December 27, 2021, was submitted by the current owner of the property, Paulding County Land Reutilization Corporation, for the review and approval of the State Fire Marshal (SFM). Once the SFM has reviewed and approved the proposed RAP, the owner and/or operator of the UST system(s) will be required to implement the proposed RAP.

A copy of the proposed RAP, as well as other documentation relating to this release and the UST system involved, is maintained by the Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR), and are available for inspection and copying by the public. Requests for copies or for inspection of the proposed remedial action plan (RAP) and other related documentation should be made through the use of the "Public Information Request on UST facilities" link located on BUSTR's Resource Page at: <https://apps.com.ohio.gov/otter/?tabid=2> or by calling our office at (614) 752-7938.

Information that may help you understand the requirements of BUSTR's rules may be found on BUSTR'S Resource Page at <http://www.com.ohio.gov/fire/BUSTRResources.aspx> or by calling our office.

The SFM will accept written comments on this RAP for a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice. You may submit any comments regarding this site and the RAP, in writing, to: BUSTR, P.O. Box 687, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068. For further information, please contact Drue Roberts at (614) 728-4588. Please reference release #63000016-N00001 when making all inquiries or comments.

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Antwerp Elementary Students of the Month for January are: Back Row: Conley Bissell, Brady Stairhime, Gauge Dockery, Chaz Moore, Ava Dunham, Bailey Traxler and Allison Miller. Middle Row: Aubree Feehan, Adelle Cline, Jayden Fish, Ellie Kemere, Roman Laker and Lydia White. Front Row: Ava Bauer, Ava Fidler and Irenia Hand.

OHSAA PARTNERS WITH BEND ACTIVE FOR 'TRUE TO YOUR ROOTS' COLLECTION

In celebration of Ohio student-athletes and National Girls and Women in Sports Day on Wednesday, February 2, the Ohio High School Athletic Association has announced a partnership with Central Ohio fitfashion company Bend Active and its new line of 'True to Your Roots' branded gear.

'True to Your Roots' was created by Bend Active to celebrate those who develop their talents in Ohio and are proud of where they come from as they exemplify the Bend mantra of being flexible, strong and resilient. Bend is founded in Dublin and was founded in 2016.

A portion of the proceeds will support the Positive Coaching Alliance, committed to providing training and resources to ensure positive youth development for all kids through sports: <https://positivecoach.org/>

"The OHSAA is proud to recognize and support National Girls and Women in Sports Day, and we are excited that Bend Active feels the same and has created this product line to not only support girls in sports, but also those who grow up playing sports in Ohio," said OHSAA Executive Director Doug Ute. "The enthusiasm that Bend Active has shown for Ohio

student-athletes made this partnership a great fit, and Bend's commitment to support the Positive Coaching Alliance speaks to their character and desire to assist with the very important role that coaches play in young people's lives."

Bend is an inspired fitfashion apparel brand focused on providing the highest quality products along with style. The product line is available at: <https://www.bendactive.com/collections/ohio-roots>

"True to Your Roots is all about celebrating and honoring where you are from," said Laura Heller, Benda Active CEO. "We are so excited to partner with the OHSAA and Positive Coaching Alliance to celebrate the student-athletes who develop in Ohio and the coaches who play such an important part in teaching so many of the life lessons that give kids a great start in life."

Held annually since 1987 during the first week of February, the National Girls and Women in Sports Day celebrates the accomplishments of female athletes and honors the progress for equality for women in sports.

Bend Active is online at: <https://www.bendactive.com/>

OHIO EPA REQUEST COMMENTS ON LATEST DRAFT WATER QUALITY REPORT

Ohio EPA is accepting public comments on the draft

2022 water quality report that outlines the general condition of Ohio's waters and includes a list that identifies impaired waters that are not meeting their federal or state water quality goals, as well as waters that have improved to meet their goals. Comments will be accepted until Feb. 28, 2022.

Ohio EPA will present information about the draft impaired waters list through a webinar on Feb. 15 at 1:30 p.m. The webinar may be viewed by registering and joining online at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4452068136911433997>.

Comments on the draft report for Ohio EPA's consideration must be submitted by email to EPATMDL@epa.ohio.gov or in writing to Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049 Attn: 303(d) Comments, by 5 p.m. on Feb. 28. Comments received after this date may be considered as time and circumstances allow.

Following public review and comments, a final report will be submitted to U.S. EPA

TAPESTRY CANCELED FOR THIS YEAR; PLANNERS TARGET SPRING 2023 RETURN

Citing uncertainties stemming from the most recent spike of COVID-19 cases locally and nationwide, as well as an abundance of caution for all involved, founding partners Purdue University Fort Wayne and Parkview Health, along with the steering committee, have decided to cancel Tapestry for 2022. Plans are already in the works to have the annual event return with its popular on-site experiences in the spring of 2023.

"Prioritizing what's in the best interest of those participating in every aspect of the event, we've made the tough decision to refocus our efforts to a strong and healthy return

in April 2023," said Kim Boyce, Tapestry project manager. "Throughout its months-long planning process, the safety of our community has remained the number one consideration of our steering committee. We share in our supporters' disappointment, but are optimistic for the days ahead."

As part of its thorough assessment of the wisdom and feasibility of hosting this year's event, which was scheduled to take place April 29, the committee consulted with various key colleagues including local healthcare professionals.

Tapestry planners are developing refund and donation options for those who have already purchased tickets or sponsorships for the 2022 event. Throughout February, Tapestry personnel will reach out directly to all those impacted by this change.

Even though Tapestry's traditional day of inspiration, renewal, and education for women in all stages of life is off until 2023, smaller activities for 2022 are being considered and will be communicated once finalized.

For more information, email the Tapestry office at tapestry@pfw.edu.

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 01/04/22

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

Chief's Report: The chief gave an update on the recent state program that Woodburn officers participated in called Click It To Live It. The chief was present to answer any questions relating to the lost retirement potential for Officer Evans into the 77 Fund as well.

Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: The mayor gave an update to the clean closure project.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from both the December 20th and December 31st meetings. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the December 20th meeting as corrected, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The clerk-treasurer described why Ordinance 22-1402 (Accept American Legal Codification Modification) was drafted for Council consideration this evening. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to read Ordinance 22-1402 by title only, second by Councilman Watts, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 22-1402, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor.

Councilman's Report: The council were asked beforehand to consider who might lead council meetings for the 2022 calendar year, should the mayor be absent for any meeting. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to nominate Councilman Watts for that honor, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts graciously accepts the recommendation. Discussion occurred regarding the potential for Officer Evans to obtain some portion of monies that were committed to his 77 Fund retirement for the 2021 calendar year that had become ineligible for contribution. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to allow the city to contribute a 10% match, rather than the typical 3% match, to Officer Evans' 457 plan through Nationwide that is offered by the city for the 2022 and 2023 calendar years, given that Officer Evans elects to contribute at least 3% to the plan and that it is confirmed through Nationwide that this is indeed allowable, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. Councilman Thompson shared that the Santa Toy Patrol went over well with several local families benefiting. Until further notice, the Woodburn Clothing Bank is not taking additional donations but will still be available to serve the public.

Audience: A resident had come in earlier to present an issue with her utility bill but was unable to attend the meeting tonight. She is asking for a sewer adjustment due to a water leak that resulted in water going into the ground. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to adjust the sewer portion of the utility bill to reflect the average sewer for all affected months, pending the Superintendent's review of the situation, as well as waive the late fees and allow until April 1st to get the account balance current, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor.

Councilman Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

PAULDING FFA AG BIOTECHNOLOGY TEAM PLACES 6th AT STATE



Pictured: Paulding FFA Ag Biotechnology members Lily Roehrig, Paige Jones, Jamy Hunt and Carter Manz.

By: Carter Manz, Paulding FFA Reporter

On January 21st, Four members from the Paulding FFA traveled to Central State University by Dayton to compete in the Agriculture BioTechnology Contest.

The team was made up of Page Jones, Lily Rorhig, Jamy Hunt, and Carter Manz. This team had to first take an online test in early January and the top 20 teams from the test advanced to the state contest. Paulding placed 15th in the state with Jamy Hunt placing 2nd overall on the test out of 300 plus students. They then prepared for the state contest by practicing equipment and memorizing tools. In the state contest the team was given a scenario on food poisoning.

The team had to research the problem, diagnose it and present a five-minute presentation to a panel of judges. The individual section consisted of identification, where different agriculture biotechnology was identified, and a lab skills section. In the lab skills section, the team had to use a micropipette, make a solution, and use a microscope. The team placed 6th in the state out of 20 teams earning them a team plaque. The highest placer was Jamy Hunt placing 26 out of 95 individuals. The Paulding FFA is very proud of this team's accomplishments as it was the first time we have ever competed in this CDE. We are excited to compete again next year in this contest.

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and a source of community pride. Our current Board of Education has 50+ years of experience leading our school district. The number of years of experience of this Board is a rarity in many school districts. Board member Bob Herber is completing his 20th year, Board member Anita Bok is completing her 16th year, Board member Dennis Recker is completing his 10th year, Board President Sara Schuette is completing her 6th year, and Board Vice-President Jayme Landers has served on the Board for the past 4 1/2 yrs.

Dr. Miller also shared that he recently received word from Tech and Learning Magazine that Antwerp Local Schools Innovation and Aquaponics Center construction project has been selected as a Finalist Award and possible selection as the "Most Innovative Learning Spaces" Award. The Awards program recognizes exceptional administrators in select regions around the country who are leading innovation in their school districts. Dr. Miller will travel to Orlando Florida January 24th to receive the Finalist Award and possible selection as the "Most Innovative Learning Spaces" Award. While in Orlando, Dr. Miller and Antwerp Curriculum and Technology Director Elyse Boyer will also present at the Future of Education Technology Conference January 27th on the subject; "Digital Engagement Learning Characteristics of Generation Z and Alpha."

The Board approved the following Consent Items:

a. Approve the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Substitute list for the current month and provide reasonable assurance that all active members on the list have a position as a Substitute Teacher or Coach on an as-needed basis with the Antwerp Local School District.

b. Approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2021-2022 school year.

1. Jason Hale - Head Track Coach
2. Zac Feasby - Head Baseball Coach
3. Krista Ordway - Head Softball Coach

4. Andrew Reyes - Asst. Track Coach
5. Sam Williamson - Asst. Track Coach

6. Susan Jewell - JH Track Coach
7. Jared Eklund - JH Track Coach

c. Approve a resolution to participate and authorize the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council to advertise, receive bids, and purchase one (1) - 84 passenger bus.

d. Approve substitute bus driver - David Parrish

e. Accept resignation of Nicole Phares as cafeteria worker effective January 3, 2022.

As noted earlier, the next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm. In the Board Room.

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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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FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One

State Wildlife Officer Adam Smith, assigned to Logan County, was dispatched to a call in Champaign County regarding a hawk being stuck in the grille of a car on Thanksgiving morning. Officer Smith responded and determined it was a red-tailed hawk and still alive. Officer Smith used a golf club to gently pry the bird free. The bird was examined by Officer Smith and appeared to be healthy. It was safely released and flew away.

During the white-tailed deer gun hunting season, State Wildlife Officer Josh Elster, assigned to Pickaway County, received information regarding a deer harvested by a hunter that was checked in by the landowner. Officer Elster spoke with the landowner, who admitted he did not shoot the deer but did check it in for the hunter. The landowner and hunter were both issued a summons for violations they had committed.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

During the fall of 2021, State Wildlife Officer Craig Barr, assigned to Allen County, presented to students during a conservation science class at a local high school. Recently adopted by the school, the conservation science class is the first course for high school students in the Conservation Adventures Program. Conservation Adventures aims

to address critical gaps in conservation education and increase appreciation for wildlife and habitat conservation programs. On the first visit, Officer Barr presented on the history of the Ohio Division of Wildlife and described his career as a wildlife officer. During Officer Barr's second visit he provided hands-on instruction on how to make a worm harness for fishing. Each student was given the opportunity to make their own harness for their next fishing adventure.

On New Year's Eve, the weather was perfect for an early winter fishing trip on Lake Erie, and the boat ramp in the city of Huron was almost full by mid-morning. Seeing the busy ramp, State Wildlife Investigators Kevin Good and Travis Abele, assigned to the Lake Erie Unit, decided to take a patrol boat out on the water. Boats were scattered throughout the open water and Investigators Good and Abele contacted numerous anglers. As they approached one vessel with Michigan tags, they noticed that the two individuals on board were actively fishing with too many rods. The limit for rods per person in Ohio waters of Lake Erie is three. The investigators contacted the individuals and explained the violation. Summonses for fishing with too many rods were issued to both anglers.

Northeast Ohio - Wildlife District Three

During the Ohio deer archery season, State Wildlife Officer Jason Warren, assigned to Ashtabula County, had just returned home from routine patrol

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when the Ashtabula County Sherriff's Office dispatch center called. A sheriff's deputy was responding to a complaint of a person killing a white-tailed deer with a rifle. Officer Warren subsequently responded to the location. Further investigation revealed that the individual had shot a six-point buck with a rifle while the deer was feeding at a corn pile in his backyard. Officer Warren seized the deer and a rifle and issued a summons for taking a deer with a rifle during the closed season. The individual appeared in Ashtabula Eastern County Court, pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay \$695 in fines, court costs, and restitution. He was also ordered to forfeit the rifle and the deer. The deer was donated to the County Neighbor Food Bank.

State Wildlife Officer Jesse Janosik, assigned to Columbiana County, was dispatched by the Columbiana County Sheriff's Office about a white-tailed buck deer stuck in an electric fence. Officer Janosik safely cut away the rope and wire tangled in the buck's antlers and from around its neck. With only minor injuries, the buck ran off into the woods and the landowner was grateful for Officer Janosik's assistance.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four

State Wildlife Officer Bob Nelson, assigned to Ross County, was working a complaint area in Lawrence County at approximately 10:30 p.m. when he observed a truck spotlighting a field. The passenger shined a spotlight out of the vehicle, and then the driver turned around and drove past the field a second time. On the second pass the driver shined the spotlight from the truck. Officer Nelson caught up to the truck and conducted a stop. The driver and the passenger were both placed in handcuffs while Officer Nelson searched the truck. He located and seized two semi-automatic rifles, ammunition, and a spotlight in the front cab of the truck. Both men were charged with spotlighting and improper transport of a firearm in a motor vehicle. They both pleaded guilty in Ironton

the shot came from. Officer Keller deployed K-9 Scout, and she quickly found piles of wild turkey feathers, a shotgun wad, and a shotgun hull. Officers Keller and Kiebel drove around the area attempting to locate a suspect. Officer Keller came across an individual butchering a turkey not far from the original incident. Further investigation revealed the individual was hunting near where the incident occurred. He heard turkeys gobbling so he snuck over to the adjacent field and shot the turkey. The turkey parts were seized, and the individual was issued two summonses in Hillsboro Municipal Court. The individual pleaded guilty to both charges and paid \$450 in fines and court costs. The turkey parts were forfeited and are now used by K-9 Scout as training aids.

State Wildlife Officers Trent Weaver, Jason Keller, K-9 Scout, and Wildlife Officer Unit Supervisor Matt Hoehn recently attended the National Fishing Expo in Cincinnati. The officers, along with communications staff, manned the display and answered fish and wildlife questions from the public. Held at the Sharonville Convention Center, the expo is greater Cincinnati's only premier fishing event. Thousands of fishing enthusiasts attended this three-day event. The show features one of the largest groups of handmade tackle pros, guides, and outfitters in the country. The show also featured some of the best speakers in the industry, presenting seminars on a variety of fishing topics.

Sudoku solution from page 9

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Be it resolved by the Paulding County Board of Health the following fees have been adopted and become effective January 1, 2022.

Food Service Operations/Retail Food Establishments	
Up to 25,000 sq. ft.	Greater than 25,000 sq. ft.
Level 1 \$ 105.53	Level 1 \$ 142.15
Level 2 \$ 115.93	Level 2 \$ 148.39
Level 3 \$ 200.40	Level 3 \$ 466.70
Level 4 \$ 247.84	Level 4 \$ 493.34
Mobile \$ 128.00	
Vending \$ 16.40	
Temporary \$ 55.00	

Full 2022 Environmental Fee Schedule may be viewed at the Paulding County Health Department 800 E. Perry St., Paulding, OH 45879

HELP WANTED Paraprofessionals Needed

Paulding Exempted Village Schools are looking for:

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Applications are available at the **Brown Township Office 200 S. First St. Oakwood OH 45783**. Please call 419-594-2028 to set a time to pick up an application or contact any Brown Township board member. **Please return application on or before February 15th 2022.**

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MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR AT BRANCH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Saturday February 19, 2022, Branch Christian Fellowship in Paulding, Ohio is hosting its annual Marriage Enrichment Seminar from 10am to 2pm. If you are engaged, married for a few years or many, or even just contemplating marriage this is a great conference to go to. Come and hear from 3 different couples and have your marriage enriched by the words of wisdom each couple has to share.

Mitch and Ashley Maibach and their two



daughters Emerson (7) and Parker (5) live in Paulding Ohio. Together they homeschool their girls and run a local coffee shop called Grounded Coffee & Crumbs. Additionally, they are involved in their church, Kingdom Collective, in Fort Wayne, where Mitch is the worship pastor. They have been happily married for nearly 10 years and they look forward to all that the Lord has for them now and in the future!

Pastor Morvin Dixon serves as an Assistant Pastor



at Family Christian Center in Defiance, Ohio. He has been in ministry for over 25 years. Additionally, Morvin owns and operates an electronic sales and service company with locations in Wauseon, Swanton, and Napoleon. His wife, Deedra Darby Dixon, teaches seventh grade Language Arts at Delta Middle School and directs musicals at the high school there, with Morvin as co-director. Morvin and Dee have known each other for

seven years and have been married for four. They live in Wauseon with Morvin's three children who are 17, 14, and 11. The Dixons are excited to be here to share at the seminar!

Scott and Jackie Boroff have been married for 35



years. They have been involved in Intercessory Prayer. Currently they post monthly prayer focuses for Empower Church in Hicksville, Ohio. They have a daughter Desiree and son-in-law Brent with three grandchildren: Rhema-7 years old, Dominik- 5 and Deklan 5 months. They both are thankful for life! It has the answers to life's questions!

Reservations for the event may be made by contacting Olga Kipp at 419-393-2321 or by calling or texting 419-203-1276. Reservations can be paid at the door if you have preregistered by phone prior to the event. You may also register at the door, but preregistration by phone before the event is necessary to ensure lunches.

Come have a date day together and enjoy hearing three great couples share their hearts and enjoy a time of worship and fellowship with other couples. We look forward to seeing you there! It's only a few days away so be sure to sign up soon!

BLAIRE REBBER NAMED TO FALL 2021 HONORS LIST AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, NEBRASKA

Blaire Rebber, from Antwerp, Ohio, was one of 251 students named to Concordia University, Nebraska's honors list for the Fall 2021 semester.

Students who earn a 3.90 GPA or higher while completing at least 12 undergraduate credit hours qualify for the honors list.

About Concordia University, Nebraska

Concordia University, Nebraska, founded in 1894, is a fully accredited, coeducational university located in Seward, Nebraska, which currently serves more than 2,500 students. Concordia offers more than 100 undergraduate, graduate and professional programs in an excellent academic and Christ-centered community that equips men and women for lives of learning, service and leadership in the church and world. For more information, visit cune.edu.

WALK THROUGH WINTER!

By: Casey Bishop, Extension Educator, Family, and Consumer Sciences, Paulding County

Walking is one of the easiest ways to get some mild cardio fitness in your life. A minimum of 30 minutes is recommended most days of the week to help fight against Diabetes, Heart Disease, Osteoporosis, and to promote general health.

WALK WITH US!

Join the OSU extension office during your lunch hour and get your 30 minutes in. A walking track will be set up inside the big hall, a themed music playlist will be playing, and a food sampling of a healthy snack will be provided. No pre-registration required. Come in anytime between 12:00pm and 1:00pm. Call Casey Bishop at 419-399-8225 for any questions.

Dates:
February - 15th, 22nd;
March - 1st, 8th, 15th

ALLISON REINECK NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Allison Reineck was named to the Dean's list at Miami University for the 2021-22 fall semester.

Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within their division for the fall semester 2021-22 have been named to the Dean's list recognizing academic performance.

Reineck, from Paulding, OH, is earning a Bachelor of Arts, B.S. in Kinesiology & Health in Political Science, Public Health.

Nationally recognized as one of the most outstanding undergraduate institutions, Miami University is a public university located in Oxford, Ohio. With a student body of nearly 19,000, Miami effectively combines a wide range of strong academic programs with faculty who love to teach and the personal attention ordinarily found only at much smaller institutions.

THREE RIVERS FRUIT GROWERS CLUB OFFERS ASSISTANCE TO RESIDENTS

Although it may seem like winter is a bad time to think about gardening, now is the time many growers plan and get plants for spring! With local food more popular than ever, a club in Fort Wayne is dedicated to helping new and experienced growers learn and address questions about the many challenges that comes with planting, grafting, growing and harvesting fruit in Northeast Indiana.

Three Rivers Fruit Grow-

ers Club is a group and community that promotes the sustainable growing and enjoyment of fruit through opportunities such as: workshops, lectures, field trips and community involvement. It is free to become a member and free for anyone to attend meetings.

Guests and members are invited to attend each meeting to learn from presenters and ask questions to other growers in the area about planning for, planting and growing fruit.

Meetings are held at 6pm on the third Tuesday of each month at Tuesday Landscaping & Nursery (13206 Tonkel Rd. Fort Wayne, IN 46845), no rsvp required. February 15, 2022; March 15, 2022; April 19, 2022; May 17, 2022; June 21, 2022; July 19, 2022; August 16, 2022; September 20, 2022; October 18, 2022; November 15, 2022; December 20, 2022

For more information about the club and their activities, please visit their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/TRFG15

WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ANNOUNCED

The next scheduled meeting for the Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board will be on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the 900 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH location.

NORTHWEST STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Northwest State Community College will meet on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 in room C200 at the Archbold campus at 12:00 noon for discussion and review of agenda items in preparation for their regular Board of Trustees meeting on Friday, February 25, 2022. No action will be taken at this meeting.



Julianna Ocampo going to state. Photo credit: Melissa Amstutz

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match losing 0-9. Great season Brayden.

132- John Bussard came out strong with a 7-1 lead. He slipped up in the second and lost by pin. John will learn from this and get better. What a great freshman season!!!

138- Aidan Elkins faced an opponent that he had been pinned by in two previous bouts. He wrestled his best this time, but he was out lasted through all three periods. Great effort and great season!!

145- Elijah Miller stunned his first round opponent with a chin whip pin in the first to move on to semi-state. He wrestled tough in his next two matches, but lost both to place 4th. Good luck next week!!

152- Aidan Carter gave the eventual champion all he wanted. Going into the second, only trailing 0-2, Aidan was still in the match. He fought hard, but ended up losing by pin. Great season and a really strong finish.

170- Camari Kirk represents the senior class by himself, and he represented well. He pinned in the first round. Then he followed that up with an impressive win in the

semis. He was able to set up a nice headlock to pin his opponent in the finals. At the end, Kirk stands at the top of the podium as a regional champ!!

182- Connor Mason wrestled tough into the second period. He was in the match, when he lost by pin. Connor had a great season and a strong finish.

195- Matt Poiry gave his opponent all he wanted, as he always does. Matt fights like no other, but lost in the first round. Can't wait to see what the off-season and next year bring for Matt.

220- Dazhon Ware is basically a first year wrestler. I've watched him grow all season. He gave a good fight, but he lost in the opening round. A good off-season awaits Dazhon. Great season!!!

285- Josh Clark finished the day in 4th place. He pinned his first opponent to move on to semi state. He lost a close battle in the semis. He was fighting through an injury in the 3/4th place match and a ultimately lost to finish 4th. Good luck next week!!!

106- Julianna Ocampo 1st
113- Easton Doster 1st
145- Elijah Miller 4th
170- Camari Kirk 1st
285- Josh Clark 285



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