

## WCCH RIBBON CUTTING IS APRIL 29TH!



The Woodburn Christian Children's Home Strong and Courageous strategic expansion is about to become a reality! Ribbon cutting for the new 13,000 SF Multipurpose

Learning and Counseling center is scheduled for Saturday, April 29 at 11:00 a.m. Together, let's celebrate this vital community and Kingdom advancement along with the

50th anniversary of WCCH.

This event will encourage your faith as we celebrate God and this strategic Kingdom advancement. We will gather

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## COOPER FARMS RECOGNIZED FOR 85 YEARS



Pictured L-R: Sen. Rob McColley, Gary Cooper, Jim Cooper, Director Brian Baldrige, Dianne Cooper, and Dillon Barto.

The Office of Gov. Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, as well as the Ohio Senate and Ohio House of Representatives, recently recognized Cooper Farms as the com-

pany celebrates its 85th anniversary. On April 17, Ohio Dept. of Agriculture Director Brian Baldrige, Senator Rob McColley and Dillon Barto with Representative

Roy Klopfenstein's office presented Jim, Dianne and Gary Cooper with commendations acknowledging the milestone.

### COFFEE AND DESSERT PARENT-PROFESSIONAL FREE TRAINING

WELCOME: parents/caregivers, district staff, professionals, community! A "Coffee & Dessert" Parent - Professional (FREE) Training on Trauma-Informed Care will be presented Tuesday, May 2, 2023, from 4:00 - 5:00p.m., in the EMA Confer-

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## NO COMPROMISE! HISTORY OF THE RESERVOIR WAR OF 1887: EDUCATES, ENTERTAINS & EDIFIES



Pictured here is (l-r) Emily Applegate (played by Renee Boss) asking Dr. Bazali (played by Jay Dachenhaus) some questions about why people are getting sick and dying in Antwerp. Was it the mosquitos? Was it the swamp fever? Was it the miasma? As Anna Lamb (played by Nancy White), Oliver Applegate (played by Tim Boss) and Francis Zuber (played by Ian Ferguson) watch from afar.

Six Mile Reservoir ... drained. Dynamiters ... vindicated from punishment. Bill to abandon the canals and murky reservoir ... passed. No Compromise! History of the Reservoir War Mystery Dinner Theater wrapped up its 3 performances two weekends ago, April 14-16, 2023. With a stellar cast of community-minded individuals of Paulding County (along with family members) telling the story of one of its own historical events.

The interactive Mystery Dinner Theater combined local Paulding County history with some mystery - who killed Private Reeves? ... and a little comedy as well. The story took the guests along for the ride of what the residents of Antwerp and surrounding area were dealing with in 1887 with the Six Mile Reservoir - mud and mosquitoes, illness and death. The canals had all but been abandoned at this time in history because railroads were the new and improved means of commercial and recreational transportation, but manufacturers from Defiance (phooey) who needed the timber from Paulding County for their furniture, wagon wheels and

other hot commodities of the day (ie. cigar boxes), wanted the section of the Wabash & Erie Canal and Miami & Erie Canal to stay open, so the Six Mile Reservoir lobbyists influenced Congress to not pass the Geyer Bill that would have abandoned the Canals and the need for the Six Mile Reservoir.

The evening was full of witty banter and real telegraph correspondences from Ohio Gov. Foraker and C.A. Filckinger, as well as a proclamation from Major Bunker. Many guests were enlightened about a section of Ohio history they did not know about before.

Jane Nice originally wrote this mystery dinner theater back in 2018 for the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, and since has modified some of the story to make room for new information that she found in her research about the historical event. "My goal in writing the script is to educate people about the important events of the Reservoir War of 1887 in Paulding County. It is very rewarding to stir up new conversations about the origin of our county's motto while

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## Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

**April 24**

• DIY Bird Feeder @ Payne Library 3:30-4:30pm

**April 25**

• Ribbon Cutting @ Salt Cave @ Keepsake Beads by EAW L& Boutique, 10am

**April 27**

• Volunteer Expo @ Glenbrook Mall, FW, 3-6pm

**April 28**

• Battle of the Books @ PC Fairgrounds,  
• NSCC board meeting @ Archbold campus, 5:30pm

**April 29**

• Woodburn Lions Club donuts @ Harlan Park 7-11am  
• WCCH Learning & Counseling Center Ribbon Cutting @ 11am

**April 30**

• Van Wert Rock & Roll Scene 1960s @ Wassenberg Art Ctr., 2pm  
• Herb Monroe Park Beautification Clean Up Day

**May 3**

• Antwerp vs WT baseball Parkview Field, 4:30pm  
• PC Board of Election May Meeting @105 E. Perry, Paulding, OH 9:00 a.m.

**May 3-4**

• NH UMC Women Spring Rummage Fundraiser, 9a-6p



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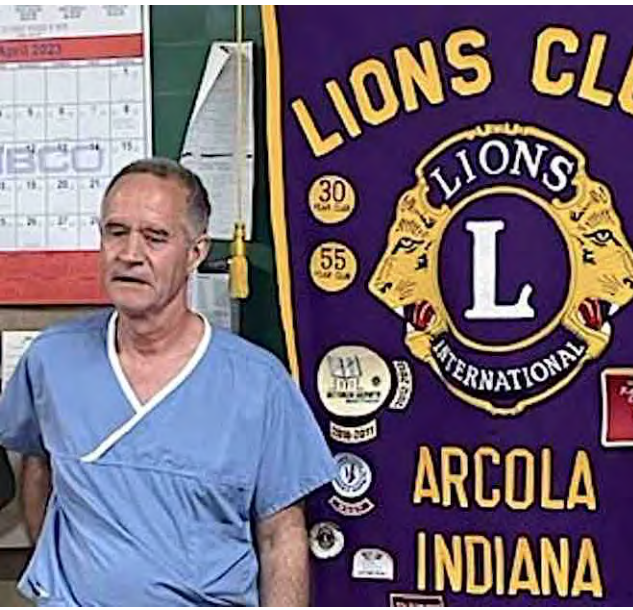
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# DR. PURDY SPEAKS TO LIONS CLUB



Eric Purdy, M.D., a board-certified ophthalmologist living in Bluffton, IN, gave a very interesting talk to the Arcola, IN Lions Club on Tuesday evening. "Dr. Purdy specializes in oculoplastic surgery, eye muscle surgery, and diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases. Oculoplastic surgery includes the surgical treatment of droopy eyelids, eyelid deformities and tumors, eyelid injuries, diseases and tumors of the orbit (eye socket area), and tear duct problems." (Vision Care website)

Dr. Purdy showed a long list of countries he has visited in the past 27 years, mostly at his own expense, to perform corrective surgeries and to teach local surgeons. Resident ophthalmologists, nurses, and other medical personnel accompany Dr. Purdy's team. Lions Clubs in these countries help with housing, eyeglasses exams and fittings, transportation, etc. He often conducts over 200 surgeries in a 2-3 week time period. He has been to Honduras, Guatemala, Ecuador, El Salvador, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Kenya, Cuba, Vietnam, Bangladesh and Cambodia. He visited several of these countries multiple times, and intends to return to many of them in the future. He visited Sumatra soon

after the 2004 tsunami killed 280,000 people. He also visited Haiti right after their devastating 2010 earthquake killed approximately 250,000 people. He cannot return to Haiti, however, as the country is now run by gangs. He also cannot return to Myanmar (Burma) since the government was overthrown by a military coup in 2021.

"The best kind of mission work involves creating connections that build with each visit. The goal is to develop long-term and mutually beneficial relationships that improve the existing situation in an underserved location and to facilitate these changes in a sustainable way," said the medical director of an eye institute. Alcon, a global eye-care corporation, has donated \$200,000 worth of supplies several times to support Dr. Purdy's overseas work. "Medical mission teams work side-by-side with local eye care professionals to provide hands-on training, while also helping to increase patient awareness about the need for proper eye care." (Alcon)

On his recent trip to Honduras, Dr. Purdy, Rolando Yuga of the Honduras Lions Club, and Jim Brockmann of Changing Footprints loaded a container at a Bluffton warehouse. Included in the shipment were 8 donated surgical

microscopes, 5 cataract phacoemulsification machines, an Alcon Accurus posterior vitrectomy unit, an autoclave, a YAG laser, 5 OR patient carts, several storage cabinets, 40 boxes of Alcon eye surgery mission supplies for Dr. Purdy's February mission, donated orthopedic surgery instruments, 4 complete dental office suites, and much more.

The microscopes and surgical chairs were donated by hospitals updating their equipment. The dental equipment was donated by dentists who retired and dissolved their practices. There were 30,000 eyeglasses for the El Salvador Lions Club boxed and organized by the Wanatah, IN Lions Club and the Arcola Lions Club. There were also 1,680 pairs of used shoes gathered by Jim Brockmann and his Changing Footprints group.

Dr. Purdy used his many slides to show before and after pictures of some of the thousands of eye patients he has helped. He described how he often encounters unusual deformations around the eye socket in both young children and adults, and he often must get creative to solve those problems, such as using a drill

from his basement for a procedure. He told many funny stories. Once he found a vendor at an eye convention that sold generic prosthetic eyeballs for \$2 each (a "good" prosthetic eye can run \$3,000). He bought a whole bag of them in various sizes. Another time a boy was afraid to tell his mother what he had done to hurt his eye. Dr. Purdy removed several large pieces of wood from around the boy's swollen eye. Only then would the boy tell his mother he had fallen on a stick.

Helen Keller said this at the Lions Club International convention in 1925: "The opportunity I bring to you, Lions, is this... Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you, Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?" Dr. Purdy has been living these words by his life-long quest to improve the sight of the disadvantaged.

## THIS WEEK ON PCBW: ROY KLOPFENSTEIN



This week on the Paulding County Business Weekly podcast we hear from 82nd Ohio House, District 82 State Representative Roy Klopfenstein. Roy shares some history about his deep NW Ohio roots and how local high school, Vantage Career Center and the many

committees and boards he served on prepared him for the position of serving the public today. Thanks to our local OhioMeansJobs office you can listen and learn more on Tuesday and Thursday at 8am and 5pm or anytime on Apple podcast or Spotify.

## SIERRA & THOMPSON SPEAKS TO KIWANIS



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Megan Sierra (Executive Director, PC Workshop) and Jeremy Thompson (Emerse Director, PC Workshop) as the guest speakers at the April 20, 2023, club meeting. Megan and Jeremy came at

the invitation of Rev. Dr. Sandra Jenkins (Sr. Minister, First Christian (Disciples). Megan and Jeremy spoke to the Kiwanians about the new Program Emerge at PC Workshop. For more information visit [www.pcworkshop.org](http://www.pcworkshop.org)

## WOODBURN LIONS CLUB OPENING DAY DONUTS

The Woodburn Lions Club Opening Day Donuts will be this Saturday, April 29th at the Harlan Park. They will open at 7:00 am. and will be located by the

Shelter House. Stop by and get your opening day donuts. Some of the proceeds will be donated to the Harlan Athletic Association. Next week will be at the Woodburn Park Basketball court for the Woodburn Opening Day. See you there!

## Scripture of the Week

"I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

— John 10:28-30

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to pray, provide tours, and meet the WCCH families (children) - a special love offering will be collected.

Plans are being made to host several special guests including adult children of WCCH, local political leaders, media outlets and previous directors, Lee and Vivian Bracey and Lee and Kay Strang.

The following is a testimony from one of the WCCH children. Written by Zaysha (15), reminds us why we do what we do:

"When I came to WCCH, I had several things that I needed to work on such as manners, anger issues, and self-control. I would usually get mad all the time and talk back to my house parents, and I would burp terribly at the table. When I first came to WCCH, I would talk about how I am only staying for one year! I thought, at first, that it was not for me with all the rules and things that I had to do. Recently, I have been changing; a year has gone by and I can tell that I am not the same anymore. When I look in the mirror, I see myself as more mature. I have learned through Christ that my parents are in control and I should honor them in the de-

isions they make, and I have decided I am fine with it! I have gone back and forth between what I want to be when I'm older; like a librarian, or a singer or even an actress but I can't really decide! All I know is that God has great plans for me and He's not done yet. Now that I've been here for a year and school is coming to an end, I would love to stay another year at WCCH. They have taught me a lot on being a Christian and caring about my education. Thank you, WCCH!"

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We hope to see you on April 29 at 11:00 a.m. Location: 24902 Notestine Road, Woodburn, IN 46797

## SIGNS OF HOPE

By: Doris Applegate

The April showers may come your way, they bring the flowers that bloom in May.

So, if it's raining, have no regret. It isn't raining rain you know, it's raining violets.

So when you see clouds upon the hill, You soon will see crowds of daffodils.

So keep on looking for the blue bid and listening for his song, whenever April showers come along.

This popular song we have heard and sung for years and years but it is always an encouragement to us. If the month of April has come and gone by the time you read these, it's ok. This song never grows old. God has promised spring time and harvest as long as the earth remains. SO be assured that we will always have our violets, daffodils and other beautiful flowers to cheer us along our way.

The blue birds and other birds will sing their songs of inspiration and the sparrow will remind us that God, who watches over them, also watches and cares for us.

In the Bible (God's holy word) it says that Jesus Christ, the son of God was called "the lily of the valley, and the rose

of Sharon". When we are born again and give our life to Jesus Christ, we see the beauty and smell the fragrance of who He truly is.

The flowers of April give us hope and point to the greater one who is the hope of the world.

Do you see what I see, and smell what I smell? It is Jesus. Amen

The family of Larry G. Copsy wish to express our deepest gratitude to our families, friends, neighbors and the Antwerp community for their love and comfort during his recent passing. We are thankful for the food, cards, flower and memorials.

Thank you to the doctors and nurses at Parkview Regional for their care and compassion, especially the staff on 3rd floor Critical Care, who went above and beyond to give us much needed comfort, and to Joni and Marsha for stopping in on your shifts to make him smile.

Thank you also to Matt and Shawn and the staff at Dooley Funeral Home for the excellent service and comfort to us.

Larry loved this community. Your outpouring of love and kindness meant so much to us.

— Joyce L. family  
— Tim L. Brenda L. family  
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**YOU CAN'T TAKE THE COUNTRY OUT OF A GIRL**

**Penny For Your Thoughts**

**By: Nancy Whitaker**

A lot of us look back and think about how things used to be and call them "The Good Old Days." Is it because we had it better back then or because we were young and that was just how it was?

Those who can go back in years and recall outhouses, pumping water into a bucket, warming up bath water on the stove, hauling in coal for fuel, Maytag washers, hanging out clothes even in the winter, packing your school lunch, and walking to school think back now and say, "Well we did not have it so bad."

I guess as kids we entertained ourselves with games such as Red Rover, Freeze, Mother-May I, softball, marbles and tag. Believe it or not, I was fairly quiet and could read or play paper dolls for hours. I built little houses for the dolls made of cardboard, named them all and cut out their clothes which had tabs on them. Those paper dolls filled many childhood hours for me in companionship and socialization.

In our world things change each day. We now have iPhones, computers, video games, dolls that are like newborns and remote controlled cars and helicopters which can fly at the push of a remote. (Oh if my deceased family members could see all of this).

Gone are the days when Mama used to get on the back porch and ring that dinner bell and say, "Supper is ready. Come now or you will miss out." We used to sit down as a family and eat the fixin's of pork chops, fried potatoes, head lettuce with mayonnaise, sliced tomatoes and we either had iced tea or hot tea.

Today most of us try to watch the fat in our diet and eat healthier, but I could sure eat one of my grandma's suppers. Gone are the days of dandelion greens, Kentucky Wonder beans, sunbonnets and apron, hand me down dresses, icy cold bedrooms in the winter and hot ones in the summer.

Being raised by a strict Mama and grandparents, my life was based mainly on school and church. In fact, I was older before I could even

wear lipstick. Yes, I was raised old school and got spankings if I misbehaved..... (not me). My Mama had an old wooden ping pong paddle that used to have a ball on it and that is what she used to spank us. (No I was not abused by a spanking, but I sure did not like them). By the way, I was 15 when I got my last paddling.

My grandpa worked on the railroad. He would leave one



day and come home the next. Grandpa used to bring home these big cases of coconut cookies. They were square shaped, but I thought those were the only store bought cookies you could get. I was very happy to learn once I got out on my own there were cookies called Oreos.

Another thing was that he would bring home ripened bananas. I mean they were almost black and so I grew up believing all bananas were black and tasted rotten. I did not starve to death, but let me say that our eating habits were different. It was after I was grown up that I tasted different foods and found out that I liked them.

I do not recall ever having spaghetti as a kid. In later years I cooked it, but even today when I go to a restaurant and order spaghetti, I cannot get the hang of twirling it on my fork.

When I got married I had never tasted shrimp, ate a steak and had no clue what Italian food was about. Pizza became a new food for me also. In early days of pizza making, all I knew was Chef-Boy-Ar-Dee. My pizza eating and cooking skills has developed since then and I love to experiment with different recipes in the kitchen.

We can never go back to those days of growing up, but those memories somehow last forever. There are just so many things that I look back on and wish I could go back just for one day. I do believe that life itself is a learning experience.

Today I still like to fry up a bunch of potatoes, cook fat bacon, soup beans and I still like the square coconut cookies.

The story of the Country Mouse and the City Mouse

just came to my mind. I may have grown up, left the country life and the good old days, but my customs and roots I was raised with will always be a part of who I am.

Have you ever felt like your youth was the good old days? Do you ever want to go back and visit for a day? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

**REICHART RECOGNIZED FOR 60 YEARS OF SERVICE**



The Woodburn Lions Club on March 27, 2023 recognized Clarence Reichart for 60 years of service to the club. Clarence has held many different offices in the club during these 60 years.

He also faithfully helped

ing these years. Clarence has been very active in the Woodburn community. He was mayor of Woodburn and served on the Woodburn City Council. The Woodburn community has been so lucky to have him as a member of our community.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

**By: Dr. James Bachman**  
*Dear Parson,*

*Continued from last week - It is obvious that the Old Testament teaches tithing, but I can't find it in the New Testament. Is tithing for today or is the New Testament principle freewill giving?*

Many folks try to use II Corinthians 9:6-7 to show the tithe was not the principle of New Testament giving. They point out it says, "...according as he purposeth in his heart" and "not grudgingly or of necessity." However. That is talking about a special love offering for the poor saints at Jerusalem and has nothing to do with the regular support of the church which was carried on by tithes and offerings.

Some would say, "See, the Levitical priesthood was done away with according to the book of Hebrews, so there is no longer the need for the tithe after the death of Christ." Though the

priesthood was done away with, the work of the Lord and the workers of the Lord were not. God's principle of support never changed. It remained the tithe. This truth is clearly taught in I Corinthians 9. Paul was explaining his right and the right of other ministers to receive wages for their ministry. To prove his point he used the Old Testament priests. "Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? And they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? In the next verse (v. 14) he says, "...even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." God has the same giving plan and purpose for the church that he had for the tabernacle. Tithing was to support the ministry and ministers of the church.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

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Trauma-Informed Care Approach project seeks to educate communities about the impact of trauma on clients, co-workers, friends, and family. Understanding the impact of trauma is an important first step in becoming a compassionate and supportive community.

ence room located at 451 McDonald Pike office building, Paulding. Please park and enter at Entrance #1.

This Trauma-Informed Care training will be presented by Casey Bishop, Family and Consumer Science Educator & Certified TIC trainer, with Paulding County OSU Extension office, and provided by the Parent Mentor Program, Western Buckeye, ESC, and in collaboration with the Paulding County Extension office.

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**MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY**



**By: Mark Holtsberry**

Charles Melvin Berlincourt was born May 24, 1893 near Paulding, Ohio. The son of Alseed, born in 1849 in Germany. And Emma J. (Wilkins) Berlincourt, born August 1871 in Ohio. They were married November 15, 1892 in Paulding. They were the parents of six children. Charles, or known as Melvin, was the oldest child.

By 1900, the family was living in Washington Township. Alseed was a farmer, and Melvin was in school.

By 1910, the Berlincourt family had moved into Jackson Township, living on the Charloe Pike Road, or what we know today as the Charloe Trail. Alseed was still engaged in farming and Melvin was a farm hand. Melvin had quit school to be a farm hand. Also living with the Berlincourt family, was William Wilkins, a brother in law to Alseed.

On June 5, 1917, in Greensburg Township, Putnam County, Ohio, Melvin

registered for the draft. He had moved to Continental, Putnam County a short time before 1917. He was listed as 5'8" tall, medium build, brown eyes, dark hair, but, his father reported that Melvin was feeble minded.

On June 23, 1918, Melvin was entered into service at Ottawa, Ohio. He was assigned to serve with 158th Depot Brigade. He served with this unit until July 15, 1918. At that time he was sent to serve with Company H 334th Infantry. He served until August 10, 1918. Then was sent to 158th Depot Brigade until August 30, 1918. Then serving with 7th Ordinance Guard Company, Watervliet Arsenal, New York, until February 7, 1919, where he was Honorably Discharged.

Melvin came home after service and got a job working at Round House Concrete Company in Ft. Wayne, Indiana as a laborer. He had been living at 2516 Bowser Avenue, Ft. Wayne, on September 9, 1919, and while on the job, Melvin was ran over by a sand truck in the concrete yard. Crushing his pelvis, and internal organ damage, he passed away at 12:45 p.m. at Hope Methodist Hospital in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Melvin was brought home and buried in Charloe-Blakesly Cemetery, Row 3, Grave 6. His father, Alseed, passed away on April 13, 1928. Emma, Melvin's mother passed away January 1942. Burial site is unknown for this couple.



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# NORTHWEST STATE HOSTS "MINI MANUFACTURING DAY" ON APRIL 13<sup>th</sup>



Northwest State proudly hosted "Mini Manufacturing Day" for 5th and 6th grade students at the Archbold Campus on April 13th. Mini Manufacturing Day is a spin-off of the popular Manufacturing Day events that are also put on by the Advanced Manufacturing Consortium. The primary goal of both events is to promote and raise awareness of the booming local manufacturing industry, as well as the career pathways that connect local students with local employers. Making those connections, especially at a young age, is a key element to maintaining the strong workforce that drives our local economies.

In total, 154 5th and 6th grade students participated, representing Fairview, Montpelier, St. Mary (Edgerton), North Central, Holgate and Hilltop schools. The highlight of the event was employer-led activities for the students.

The following activities were 100% sponsored by and led by local employers. The employers came up with the activities, provided the materials needed to perform the activities, and volunteered their employees for the day to work with students at this

event.

Product Packaging Competition (Sponsored by Allied Moulded Products Inc.)

To simulate the problem solving ability and teamwork required to work in a manufacturer's distribution center, teams of students raced against one another to design a system that allowed them to efficiently pack product into boxes while also removing defective parts in the process.

Lean Manufacturing Activities (Sponsored by Sauder Woodworking)

Students rotated through a handful of activities that promoted 5S concepts, the importance of standardized processing, and lean manufacturing. The activities ranged from designing a paper airplane for mass production to drawing a picture of a pig using a standardized method that will pass any quality check.

Assembly Competitions

--Spaghetti Towers (Sponsored by Worthington Industries): Students were given a handful of supplies to work with (spaghetti, marshmallows, etc.) and had to work as a team to design and build the tallest tower possible in an allotted amount of time.

--Paper Catapults (Sponsored by Creative Liquid Coatings): Teams of students were given raw materials and step by step direction on how to build a paper catapult. It was up to each team to divide up the assembly tasks as they saw fit. The students then had to manufacture a working catapult within an allotted amount of time. The

team whose catapult performed the best received a prize.

--Robot Arms (Sponsored by Wieland Chase and Northern Buckeye Education Council): Students operated mini robot arms to perform production assembly tasks.

--Mr. Potato Heads (Sponsored by Haas Door): Teams of students were tasked to design a process that assembled as many Mr. Potato Head toys as possible within an allotted amount of time with the added challenge of making sure that the products met the customer's specifications and passed a final quality check.

## STUDENT AND TEACHER QUOTABLES

When asked "What did you learn today about manufacturing?" the student responses included:

"Teamwork is a huge factor needed to complete the job."

"If you work together, it gets done faster."

"You need to be lean, precise, work quickly, and be efficient."

"Work with your group and always listen to your team."

"Work smarter not harder."

One teacher remarked, "Our students and staff LOVED the Mini Manufacturing Day! I heard over and over how teamwork was key to the activities. Thank you."

## WOODLAN PICKS UP TWO WINS

The Woodlan baseball team recorded a pair of victories on Saturday as the Warriors swept a doubleheader from Prairie Heights by scores of 7-0 and 12-5.

The Warriors are now 2-6 on the season with the victories.

Woodlan scored four times in the first in cruising to the 12-5 win, adding three runs in the second to push the margin to 7-0.

After Prairie Heights scored four times in the bottom of the third to bring the Panthers within 7-4, the Warriors extended the margin with a five-run fourth to push the lead to 12-4.

The Panthers added a single run in the sixth to set the final margin at 12-5.

In earlier action, the Warriors fell to Blackhawk Christian 7-5 on May 13.

The Braves took control by scoring twice each in the first, second and third innings to open a quick 6-0 advantage.

Woodlan cut the deficit to 6-3 after scoring a trio of runs in the home half of the fourth and pulled within 6-4 with one run in the fifth.

However, Blackhawk Christian pushed the margin back to 7-4 after scoring a single run in the sixth. The Warriors closed out the scoring with a single run in the bottom of the seventh.

On May 12, Woodlan and South Side combined to score 33 runs but it was the visiting Archers who recorded the 17-16 victory.

The Warriors struck first, picking up two runs in the bottom of the first, before the Archers answered with three runs in the top of the third.

Woodlan then responded with six runs in the home half of the third to take an 8-3 advantage.

After South Side posted three runs in the top of the fourth, the Warriors appeared to take control with a four-run fourth that put Woodlan in front 12-6.

However, the Archers rallied to tie the game at 12-12 by exploding for six runs in the top of the fifth.

The Warriors did get one run in the home half of the fifth for a 13-12 advantage before South Side tied the game at 13-13 in the sixth.

Woodlan took the lead again, plating a trio of runs in the home half of the sixth for a 16-13 lead to set up one final South Side rally.

The visiting Archers scored a quartet of runs to seize a 17-16 lead in the top of the seventh and then held Woodlan scoreless to record the 17-16 victory.

## WARRIORS SWEEP PAST PANTHERS

Woodlan recorded a double-header sweep of Prairie Heights in high school softball action last weekend as the Warriors defeated the Panthers by scores of 14-1 and 5-2.

Woodlan scored six runs in the first and four more in the second in rolling to the 14-1 victory, adding three more in the third and a single run in the fourth. The Panthers scored their lone run in the home half of the fourth.

Alyssa Harvey and Lillian Riley both had three singles in the contest with Jade Lichty adding two singles for Woodlan.

Austin Gaff added a double for the Warriors with Lexi Metzger, Briana Roney and Gabi Koos recording a single each.

Gaff touched home plate three times for Woodlan with Harvey, Riley, Roney and Mya Jones all scoring twice. Lichty, Avah Smith and Koos scored the remaining runs for the Lady Warriors.

Roney, Riley, Koos and Gaff drove in a pair of runs as well for Woodlan with Harvey, Smith and Metzger also providing runs batted in.

Abby Horn picked up the win on the mound, throwing a five-inning complete game scattering two hits, one unearned run and two walks while striking out nine.

In the other game, Woodlan scored single runs in the first and third innings while the Lady Warriors added three in the fourth for a 5-2 victory.

Prairie Heights plated two runs in the bottom of the seventh for the Panthers' lone runs.

Woodlan finished with ten

# EASTER EGG-CITEMENT AT ANTWERP MANOR!



Antwerp Manor residents enjoy an afternoon of Easter egg hunting in the lobby.



Antwerp Manor resident, Annette, gets into the spirit of the holiday in her bunny costume as she hunts for Easter eggs with the other residents.

Welcome to Antwerp Manor Assisted Living located at 204 Archer Drive. Our staff is always available with any questions you may have regarding Assisted Living care and we are welcoming new residents at this time.

The month of April got off to a fun start. On Friday, April 7th every resident was given the excitement of participating in an Easter Egg hunt. The halls of Antwerp Manor were lined with colorful candy filled plastic eggs. Each resident had two large and four small eggs with their name on them. Nearly 250 eggs needed to be found that afternoon!

On Monday, April 24th

our big bus will be loaded and headed to Defiance Walmart for a morning of shopping. The residents will enjoy lunch at Subway.

Some newer activities we have started are Chair Zumba and Wits Workout with Casey Bishop. Chair Zumba is a nice way to change up our exercise routine. Wits Workout has been a great way for us to stimulate our brains. Casey comes to us from the OSU Extension Office and we have enjoyed her new activity ideas.

Please wave as you drive by during these warm days and evenings. You will be sure to see our porch area lined with residents!

hits in the contest, led by four from Harvey and Jones added a pair of hits. Abigail Cowan, Gaff, Smith and Lichty all recorded a single hit apiece for the Lady Warriors.

Lichty also scored twice while Smith, Gaff and Jones touched home plate once each. Roney, Jones and Gaff picked up the Warrior runs batted in.

Gaff took the win on the mound, throwing six innings in relief giving up one hit, two unearned runs and four walks with seven strikeouts.

## ARCHERS RECORD GMC WIN OVER ACES

Antwerp scored four times in the first two innings and the Archers cruised the rest of the way to post a 6-1 win over Hicksville in Green Meadows Conference baseball play Tuesday evening.

The blue and white scored once in the first before plating a trio of runs in the second to grab a 4-0 advantage.

After Hicksville picked up a single run in the fifth, the blue and white wrapped up the scoring with two runs in the seventh to set the final at 6-1.

Maverik Keesbury took the loss for the Aces, giving up six runs and 11 hits while striking out three and walking one in six innings of work.

Aaron Klima paced the Aces' offense with two doubles while David Taylor, Austin Sanders and Brody Balsler picked up a single each. Balsler also scored the lone Hicksville run.

Ethan Lichty finished with two singles and a double while driving in two runs for Antwerp while also recording the victory on the mound, striking out nine in five innings.

Camden Fuller added a single and picked up two runs batted in with Parker Moore recording two singles. Derek Hines had a pair of doubles as well for the Archers.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Fight For Survival**  
America is at war for survival but I don't think enough of you realize this and the consequences of your inattention to government. Most of you vote the way you started, only Democrat or Republican. That, my friend, is a very dangerous bad habit. Just as days change from light to dark, political parties can change from good to bad.

In our case I believe that is what happened with our

Democrat party. I think America started down that slippery slope to failure with Bill Clinton. I was warned not to, but like many of you I still voted for him. I didn't repeat that major mistake. He opened my eyes as to how dirty a person can become. I believe he contaminated many associates.

Our worst and most dangerous administration in my lifetime was Obama-Biden. Our most nation destroying administration is our present Biden-harris one. It looks like both administration had Christian America's destruction as their goal. Their actions say they want God removed and replaced with Satan's hell. If you see it differently, let's see it here.

Let's jump forward to today. Democrats have a group known as "The Squad" that has too much dangerous vocal power. I don't think one of them believes in God, Christianity, Judaism of free America. I believe they would prefer a perverted ruler like in N. Korea, China, Iran, Brazil or Russia. They don't want us to be free. I would classify them as the devil's gears.

Look at the following Biden considers his finer accomplishments. He stands by teaching kids from kindergarten on up about LGBTQ ideology and transgenderism. Washington Democrats believe that since they stole God from out youth, now is the time to finish destroying their young minds. That greatly improves their chances of becoming the only political power in America. I think they want to imitate Russia.

I believe our Democrat members of Congress are so blind that they don't realize their leaders are guiding

America to a fiery death. They think they can play with communism and made it work for our good. That is as impossible as transgenderism is. It has destroyed every nation that has trifled with it since its beginning around 1960.

Biden's attorney general ordered the FBI to investigate parents speaking up in school board meetings as terrorists. Speaking out for God or against CRT, BLM or transgenderism are no-nos per this corrupt Biden-Harris administration.

Look at Biden's sick executive action making it ok for transgender males to compete in teenage girls sports. It is my guess that the anti-American squad might have put this destructive idea into a wear susceptible mind.

What about an executive action requiring Christian artists and churches going against their faith. I believe there are no evil moves to remove God from America that these demented won't stoop to.

There was even executive action to deny school lunch to low income children attending Christian schools. There was an executive order to allow male students who claim to be a female the right to use girls' showers and locker rooms. How sick!

I'm stopping here before it gets to long. Democrats have operated from the gutter so long that they can't stop now.

I have more for later.  
—Richard Mastin,  
Hicksville, OH

**NORTHWEST STATE CELEBRATES ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Northwest State Community College celebrates the spirit of entrepreneurship and the power of small businesses in hosting its 9th annual Entrepreneurship Forum on Tuesday, May 9 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Voinovich Auditorium. This FREE event is open to all residents of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams Counties with a business idea and want help in moving it forward.

**VALUABLE EXPERIENCES**

The 2023 Entrepreneurship Forum provides budding entrepreneurs the opportunity to present their ideas to a panel of experts from the region, and to network with those experts – both very valuable experiences. Premier Bank and The State Bank & Trust Company will sponsor four state regis-

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**PAULDING ELEMENTARY MINDSET MARVELS**



Paulding Elementary 2023 March Mindset Marvels are the following (front row): Harper Snyder, Carly Manz, Kaylee Powell, Aly Kline, Lute Gross, Bayne Dasher, Gabriel Tavares-Vasquez, and Lucas Grace; (middle row): Zoey Watson, Ella Spangler, Graeson Heller, Sienna Harris, Ivy Pennington, Abby Leal, and Edith Hernandez Reyes; (back row): Tucker Stoller, Lincoln Thompson, Bindy Font, Katherine Arend, Lexi Sunderman, Julio Becerra Cortes, and Margaux Luty. Not Pictured: Liberty Sprow.

tration fees to open small businesses at the event as well! Local economic development directors and lenders from the five county area will make up the advisory panel.

**REMOVING BARRIERS**

"Northwest State, the Small Business Development Center, and economic development are joining forces to invigorate small business growth in Northwest Ohio. Small business is vital to our communities. We need entrepreneurs to keep things going," said Lisa Becher, business faculty at Northwest State. Becher is also the State of Ohio Small Business Development Center Consultant in NW Ohio and a local business owner. She has created a "semi-Shark Tank style" event that helps aspiring business owners by removing barriers to market. "The forum was created to break down barriers and move entrepreneurs forward, helping them with an idea. Many people just don't know what to do next and how to get started. It is a wonderful networking opportunity to meet with lenders and economic development to fast forward their concept," Becher continued.

**HOW TO REGISTER**

People can register for the Entrepreneurship Forum by emailing Lisa Becher at lbecher@NorthwestState.edu or NWOHioSBDC@gmail

**CORNERSTONE IN THE BRIDGE**



What happened to this piece of Paulding County History?

It was removed/stolen from the bridge of the corner of Paulding County Road 176 and Co Rd 71.

It was the block that was above the Columbia grade school door on that grade

school corner until it was torn down.

The Paulding County court house said they did not take it. Who did take this? Did a local farmer take it for a souvenir? Does the John Paulding Historical Society have it?

—Caroline Longardner  
Antwerp, O

.com. Registration is required for everyone and free of charge. Space is limited, and a virtual presentation option exists for those who prefer to present remotely. "Free consultation services will be provided by the Small Business Development Center," Becher said. Additional information on this event is available online at NorthwestState.edu/events.

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**OHIO LOCATIONS**

**Antwerp:** Antwerp Corner Cafe, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor, Library, Genesis House, G-Mart, Ties & Bows

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

**Cecil:** 127 Maramart

**Charloe:** Charloe Store

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

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

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

**Grover Hill:** N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library

**Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center, Village offices

**Key:** Marathon

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

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

**Sherwood:** Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank

**Scott:** Scott Post Office

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

**INDIANA LOCATIONS**

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

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

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

**Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

**Milan Center:** Milan Center Feed & Grain

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

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

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# PANTHERS ROAR TO THE WIN AGAINST APACHES



It's the Third inning and senior Ethan Foltz is able to rack up another strikeout! More pictures at westbendnews.net

On Tuesday, April 18th, the Paulding Panthers baseball team played host to the Apaches of Fairview HS. Paulding used the home field advantage on this spring afternoon. They kept the game in their favor until the end: Paulding 11, Fairview 4  
 Score by Innings:  
 Fairview - 0 0 2 0 0 2=4; 8H, 2E  
 Paulding - 1 0 3 1 2 4 x=11; 11H, 3E  
 Winning Pitcher - Ethan Foltz (7 innings, 8 hits, 4 runs, 2 earned runs, 13 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Losing Pitcher - Elijah Arend (3 innings, 6 hits, 4 runs, 3 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Other Fairview Pitcher -

Eli Shiner (3 innings, 5 hits, 7 runs, 6 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 5 walks)  
 Fairview Hitters - Kolton Schooley (single, run), Breaven Williams (single, double, run), Eli Shiner (single, run), Jackson Grine (single, run), Jude Shiner (single, three RBI), Eli Shiner (single), Elijah Arend (single, run)  
 Paulding Hitter - Kane Jones (single, three runs), Nick Manz (run), Ethan Foltz (two singles, double, two runs, two RBI), Jacob Martinez (two singles, two runs, two RBI), Greyson Harder (run), Isaac Reeb (three singles, run, two RBI), Casey Agler (two RBI), Peyton Adams (single), Larkin Yates (single, run)

# APACHES SCALP LADY PANTHERS



Paulding freshman Rileigh Sanders is quick to get the pop fly out at 2nd! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Lady Apaches of Fairview descended upon the Panther Field on April 18th for Varsity Softball action. The Apaches came to play on this fine afternoon. The scored 3

runs at the top of the first and continued their momentum till the end for a win for Fairview: Fairview 13, Paulding 1  
 Score by Innings:



Apache Senior Allison Rhodes hits a line drive over the left field fence for a homerun!. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Fairview - 3 0 2 1 7=13; 12H, 1E  
 Paulding - 0 0 0 1 0=1; 1H, 1E  
 Winning Pitcher - Paige Ricca (5 innings, 1 hit, 1 run, 0 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Riley Stork (5 innings, 12 hits, 13 runs, 11 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Fairview Hitters - Paige Ricca (double, home run, two runs, three RBI), Carrie

Zeedyk (single, double, two runs), Allison Rhodes (home run, two runs, three RBI), Alexis Taylor (double, run), Gracie Brown (single, run, RBI), Sydney Merritt (run, RBI), Bethany Shiner (single, triple, two runs), Kayla Mavis (single, RBI), Kortney Grinnell (single, run, two RBI), Madison Sharp (single, run, RBI)  
 Paulding Hitter - Maci Kauser (double, run), Riley Stork (RBI)

## BASEBALL IN REVIEW

**Baseball at Hilltop - Paulding 10, Hilltop 6**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Paulding 1 0 0 2 2 1 4 = 10 runs, 11 hits, 2 errors  
 Hilltop 2 0 2 2 0 0 0 = 6 runs, 7 hits, 2 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Greyson Harder (2 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 1 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Jacob Martinez (4 innings, 6 hits, 6 runs, 3 earned runs, 2 strikeouts, 5 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Kobe Foor (2 innings, 0 hits, 0 runs, 4 strikeouts, 4 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Wade Wagner (2 innings, 3 hits, 4 runs, 4 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Other Hilltop Pitcher - Devin Dempsey (6 innings, 8 hits, 6 runs, 5 earned runs, 8 strikeouts, 4 walks)  
 Paulding Hitters - Kane Jones (single, run, RBI), Nick Manz (triple, home run, two runs scored, RBI), Ethan Foltz (double, triple, run, three RBI), Jacob Martinez (single, RBI), Greyson Harder (single, run), Isaac Reeb (two runs), Casey Agler (two singles, two runs), Kobe Foor (single, two RBI), Peyton Adams (single, run, RBI)  
 Hilltop Hitters - Wade Wagner (single, two runs), Raace Haynes (single, double, two runs, RBI), Cameron Schlosser (run), Devin Dempsey (two singles, run, two RBI), Zander Runkel (two singles, two RBI)  
**Baseball at Kalida - Wayne Trace 7, Kalida 6**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Wayne Trace 1 1 0 1 0 0 4 = 7 runs, 8 hits, 1 error  
 Kalida 0 0 0 0 2 4 = 6 runs, 10 hits, 2 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Tucker Antoine (6-1/3 innings, 6 hits, 4 runs, 3 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Other Wayne Trace Pitcher - Evan Crosby (0 in-

nings, 3 hits, 2 runs, 2 earned runs)  
 Save - Cale Winans (2/3 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 1 strikeout, 1 walk)  
 Losing Pitcher - Drew Buss (5 innings, 4 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)  
 Other Kalida Pitcher - Jaden Smith (2 innings, 4 hits, 4 runs, 3 earned 0 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Tucker Antoine (double, run), Breven Anderson (single, RBI), Cale Winans (two doubles, run, RBI), Cooper Wenzlick (triple, run, two RBI), Kyle Slade (double, run), Tyler Davis (single, home run, run, RBI), Tyler Head (run), Carter Clemens (run)  
 Kalida Hitters - Braylon Smith (single, run), Drew Buss (single, two runs), Jaden Smith (two singles, run, RBI), Colin Hoffman (RBI), Carson Klausling (single, double, two RBI), Jacob Siebeneck (single), Evan Klausling (two singles), Ethan Wehri (run), Dyllan Bendele (home run, run, two RBI)  
**Baseball at Paulding - North Central 5, Paulding 3**  
 Score by Innings:  
 North Central 3 0 0 1 0 0 1 = 5 runs, 8 hits, 2 errors  
 Paulding 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 = 3 runs, 4 hits, 3 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Ben Pettit (6 innings, 4 hits, 3 runs, 0 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Other North Central Pitcher - Connor Gendron (1 inning, 0 hits, 0 runs, 1 strikeout, 0 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Kane Jones (5 innings, 3 hits, 4 runs, 0 earned runs, 8 strikeouts, 4 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Peyton Adams (2 innings, 5 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 1 strikeout, 0 walks)  
 North Central Hitters - Quin Burt (run), Kenneth Smeltzer (two singles, run),

# ARCHERS SCRAPE PAST PILOTS



Antwerp junior Camden Fuller is under the ball to the catch in the outfield. Photo by Harlee Moore.

**Baseball at Ayersville 4/20/23 - Antwerp 4, Ayersville 3**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Antwerp - 0 0 0 2 2 0 0=4; 5H, 3E  
 Ayersville - 0 0 2 0 1 0 0=3; 4H, 3E  
 Winning Pitcher - Reid Lichy (5 innings, 4 hits, 3

runs, 9 strikeouts, 4 walks)  
 Save - Parker Moore (2 innings, 0 hits, 0 runs, 5 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Antwerp Hitters - Aiden Lichy (single, triple, three RBI, run), Parker Moore (single, RBI), Carson Altimus (single), Derek Hines (single)

Connor Gendron (double, two runs), Ben Pettit (single, RBI), Johnny Hicks (three singles, run, two RBI), Clayton Douglass (single, RBI)  
 Paulding Hitters - Kane Jones (two singles, two RBI), Ethan Foltz (single), Jacob Martinez (single, run), Isaac Reeb (run), Greyson Harder (run), Kobe Foor (RBI)  
**Baseball at Antwerp - Antwerp 13, Ottoville 3**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Ottoville 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 = 3 runs, 3 hits, 4 errors  
 Antwerp 0 2 4 1 2 4 x = 13 runs, 12 hits, 0 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Reid

Lichy (6 innings, 3 hits, 3 runs, 14 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Keaton Schnipke (4 innings, 8 hits, 9 runs, 2 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Antwerp Hitters - Ethan Lichy (double, three singles, three runs, RBI), Eli Reinhart (two doubles, single, two RBI, two runs), Reid Lichy (two singles, three RBI, two runs), Carson Altimus (two singles, two RBI, run), Aiden Lichy (single, two RBI), Parker Moore (three runs)  
 Ottoville Hitter - Jace Langhals (double, run, RBI)  
**Baseball at Paulding - Paulding 15, Edgerton 3**

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# LADY RAIDERS LOSE AFTER 11 INNINGS TO PILOTS



Wayne Trace softball played host to the Ayersville Pilots on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. It was a long fight, going into 11 innings, but the Lady Raiders couldn't pull out the win. Final score: Ayersville 8, Wayne Trace 7. Pictured here is Raiders Shortstop Macy Doster (Senior) as she gets the out at second and sinks one of the Pilots. More pictures at westbendnews.net.

Score by Innings:  
 Edgerton 2 0 1 0 0 = 3  
 runs, 2 hits, 3 errors  
 Paulding 1 4 7 3 x = 15  
 runs, 15 hits, 1 error  
 Winning Pitcher - Jacob Martinez (5 innings, 2 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Nate Swank (2 innings, 4 hits, 5 runs, 3 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)  
 Other Edgerton Pitcher - Dylan Bass (1 inning, 8 hits, 7 runs, 7 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Other Edgerton Pitcher - Kaden Kennerk (1 innings, 3 hits, 3 runs, 0 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 1 walk)  
 Paulding Hitters - Kane Jones (single, triple, three runs, three RBI), Nick Manz (single, double, run, RBI), Ethan Foltz (single, double, triple, run, five RBI), Jacob Martinez (single, RBI), Isaac Reeb (single, run, RBI), Greyson Harder (single, dou-

ble, run), Casey Agler (three singles, three runs, RBI), Peyton Adams (single, three runs), Larkin Yates (two runs)  
 Edgerton Hitters - Nate Swank (two runs), Corey Everetts (single, run, two RBI), Cory Herman (single, RBI)  
**Baseball at Fairview - Wayne Trace 7, Fairview 4**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Wayne Trace 0 2 1 0 3 0 1 = 7 runs, 9 hits, 2 errors  
 Fairview 1 0 0 0 2 1 0 = 4 runs, 4 hits, 1 error  
 Winning Pitcher - Cooper Wenzlick (4-1/3 innings, 2 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 5 walks)  
 Other Wayne Trace Pitcher - Tyler Davis (1-2/3 innings, 2 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Save - Kyle Forrer (1 inning, 0 hits, 0 runs, 1 strikeout, 0 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Jackson Grine (6-2/3 innings, 9 hits, 7

runs, 5 earned runs, 9 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Other Fairview Pitcher - Cole Mack (1/3 inning, 0 hits, 0 runs, 0 strikeout, 1 walk)  
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Breven Anderson (four singles, run, RBI), Cale Winans (single, run), Cooper Wenzlick (home run, run, three RBI), Kyle Slade (two doubles, three runs), Kyle Forrer (run, RBI), Tyler Davis (RBI), Evan Crosby (single, RBI)  
 Fairview Hitters - Adam Lashaway (run), Breaven Williams (single, two runs), Eli Shiningier (single), Jackson Grine (single, RBI), Zane Timbrook (single, RBI), Abram Shiningier (RBI), Noah Shiningier (run)  
 With his runs batted in tonight, **Wayne Trace junior Cooper Wenzlick** broke the school record for career runs batted in. Wenzlick now has 71 for his career, eclipsing the old record held by Duane Sinn (1985-1989).

## SOFTBALL IN REVIEW

**Softball at Crestview - Crestview 9, Wayne Trace 8**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Wayne Trace 0 1 0 0 0 3 4 = 8 runs, 10 hits, 4 errors  
 Crestview 0 0 2 0 2 2 3 = 9 runs, 10 hits, 1 error  
 Winning Pitcher - Micaela Lugabihl (7 innings, 10 hits, 8 runs, 8 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 5 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Raegan McGarvey (6 innings, 10 hits, 9 runs, 5 earned runs, 9 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Crestview Hitters - Megan Mosier (four singles, two runs, two RBI), Katelyn Castle (two singles, run, two RBI), Dakotah Thornell (single), Olivia Heckler (single, run, RBI), Laci McCoy (double, two RBI), Micaela Lugabihl (run), Kaylee Mollenkopf (single, three runs)  
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Logen Bland (run), Macy Doster (single, run), Kaitlin Slade (three singles, run, RBI), Paige Alber (single, run, RBI), Katie Anna Baumle (single, run), Allison Schilt (RBI), Ava Zartman (two singles, run, two RBI), Tianna Sinn (RBI), Raegan McGarvey (single, RBI), Laura Thornell (single)

**Softball at Montpelier - Montpelier 7, Paulding 1**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Paulding 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 = 1 run, 0 hits, 2 errors  
 Montpelier 0 6 0 1 0 0 x = 7 runs, 4 hits, 0 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Madelyn Hopper (7 innings, 0 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 10 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Riley Stork (3-1/3 innings, 2 hits, 5 runs, 5 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 8 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Riley Sanders (2-2/3 innings, 2 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned run, 0 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Paulding Hitters - Maci Kauser (run), Riley Sanders (RBI)  
 Montpelier Hitters - Lyla Mahan (two runs, RBI), Kaycee Humbarger (run, RBI), Kelsie Bumb (single, double, two RBI), Madelyn Hopper (two RBI), Jada Uribes (run), Bianca Phongphiou (double, run), Zoe Uribes (single, run), Katie Terry (run)  
**Softball at Paulding - Edgerton 9, Paulding 3**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Edgerton 1 0 0 3 0 5 - 9

# RAIDERS STUN PILOTS IN VARSITY BASEBALL



Wayne Trace Senior Evan Crosby slams the ball over the fence in this home run hit and gets an RBI against Ayersville! More pictures at westbendnews.net

**Baseball at Wayne Trace 4/18/23 - Wayne Trace 8, Ayersville 1**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Ayersville - 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 = 1; 3H, 6E  
 Wayne Trace - 0 2 3 0 3 0 x = 8; 9H, 2E  
 Losing Pitcher - Blake Hauenstein (4-2/3 innings, 7

runs, 10 hits, 0 errors)  
 Paulding 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 = 3 runs, 5 hits, 1 error  
 Winning Pitcher - Corinne Cape (7 innings, 5 hits, 3 runs, 3 earned runs, 5 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Losing Pitcher - Riley Stork (2 innings, 0 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 0 strikeouts, 4 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Jalyn Klopfenstein (2 innings, 4 hits, 5 runs, 4 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)  
 Other Paulding Pitcher - Riley Sanders (3 innings, 6 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 1 walk)  
 Edgerton Hitters - Lola Giesige (single, home run, two runs, RBI), Casey Everetts (two singles, three runs), Corinne Cape (RBI), Noelle Ritter (double, run, two RBI), Ava Giesige (double, run, two RBI), Ella Miller (double, RBI), Nessa Cox (single), Alivia Farnham (two singles, run)  
 Paulding Hitters - Jayna Klopfenstein (single), Jocelynn Parrett (double, run), Riley Sanders (two singles, run, RBI), Brooklynn Bakle (single, RBI)  
**Softball at Fairview - Fairview 9, Wayne Trace 2**  
 Score by Innings:  
 Wayne Trace 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 = 2 runs, 5 hits, 5 errors  
 Fairview 2 0 5 2 0 0 x = 9

hits, 7 runs, 2 earned runs, 5 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Other Ayersville Pitcher - Lucas Fishpaw (1-1/3 inning, Ayersville Hitters - Blake Hauenstein (single), Weston McGuire (home run, run, RBI), Ryne Maag (single)  
 Wayne Trace Hitters -

runs, 6 hits, 3 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Paige Ricica (7 innings, 5 hits, 2 runs, 0 earned runs, 12 strikeouts, 0 walks)  
 Losing Pitcher - Logen Bland (3 innings, 5 hits, 9 runs, 1 earned run, 0 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Other Wayne Trace Pitcher - Raegan McGarvey (3 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 5 strikeouts, 2 walks)  
 Fairview Hitters - Paige Ricica (single, home run, two runs, RBI), Carrie Zeedyk (single, three runs), Allison Rhodes (run), Alexis Taylor (run), Gracie Brown (single, run), Sydney Merritt (home run, run, four RBI), Paige Merritt (single)  
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Logen Bland (three singles, run), Macy Doster (double, RBI), Katie Anna Baumle (triple), Laura Thornell (run)  
 Softball at Ayersville -

Tucker Antoine (two singles, run, RBI), Breven Anderson (single, RBI), Cale Winans (two singles), Kyle Slade (run), Kyle Forrer (single, two runs, RBI), Evan Crosby (double, home run, run, three RBI), Tyler Head (double, two runs), Tanner Laukhuf (run)  
 Ayersville 10, Antwerp 0  
 Score by Innings  
 Antwerp 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 0 runs, 1 hit, 2 errors  
 Ayersville 2 1 0 2 1 4 = 10 runs, 12 hits, 0 errors  
 Winning Pitcher - Kendra Waldron (6 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 8 strikeouts, 1 walk)  
 Losing Pitcher - Elle Clem (6 innings, 12 hits, 10 runs, 6 strikeouts, 3 walks)  
 Antwerp Hitter - Taylor Shull (single)  
 Ayersville Hitters - Kendra Waldron (three singles, three runs), Allison El-dridge (run, RBI), Aerial Brown (two singles, two RBI, two runs), Addison Zartman (double, two RBI), Elizabeth McCloud (RBI), Mikala Schindler (single, run, RBI), Taylor Waldron (triple, two singles, two runs, RBI), Rylan Becher (single, run), Leah Bunke (single)

# ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS RELEASE BUTTERFLIES ON A BEAUTIFUL DAY!



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# THE LEFT TURN



Rusty Schlenk gets his 36th career Late Model win at Attica Raceway Park. Photo Credit: Action Photo's.

By: Ron Burt

Last weekend Attica Raceway Park opened for the 2023 season with shows on Friday and Saturday featuring the Tezos All Star Circuit of Champions 410 Winged-Sprints, both nights and the UMP Dirt Late Models on Friday and the 305 Sprints on Saturday. Friday night's 410-Winged Sprint victory went to Gibsonburg, Ohio driver Craig Mintz. He made a last corner pass on the last lap of the A-main to take the checkered flag. It was his 2nd career victory with the All Stars. Mintz was running fourth when the caution came out with 10 laps to go. The former Attica track champion used the yellow to his advantage to cool down his tires. He moved into third on lap 28 and took second with six laps to go and quickly chased down race leader Zeb Wise. In the final two turns, Mintz drove to the outside of Wise and the drag race to the checkers saw Mintz win by .074 seconds. It was his 16th career win at Attica and his first All Star win since April of 2012. The rest of the Top 5, 2. Zeb Wise, 3. Hunter Schuerenberg, 4. Brent Marks and 5. Parker Price Miller.

Midwest Dirt Super Late Model ace, Rusty Schlenk out of McClure won his 36th feature race at Attica Raceway Park, even though he lost his brakes during the race. Schlenk took the lead from Ryan Missler on lap 18. Missler jumped out to the early lead in the late model feature as Schlenk, Nathan Loney, Doug Drown and Eric Spangler battled for second. Schlenk drove from third to the lead on lap 18 and after a side-by-side battle with Missler, pulled away for the win. Spangler, Drown, Loney and Missler rounded out the top five. Rusty likes to normally run the top of the track, but the line just wasn't working for him and had to run down low. This win was a big shot

in the arm because of early season engine and transmission issues and problems with his truck and trailer. On the following evening Rusty finished a solid 2nd in the feature at Paragon Speedway in Indiana with the Ultimate Heart of America Super Late Model Series.

Saturday night it was Brent Marks turn in victory lane with the Tezos All Star Circuit of Champions. The Myerstown (PA) driver drew a late qualifying number and with 30 cars on hand it meant he had to time in against the entire field and not just his heat competition. Marks, was one of the hottest sprint car drivers in the country in 2022, charged from a 20th starting spot in the 35-lap A-main to his first career Attica win worth \$6,000 without the benefit of double-file restarts. Cale Thomas led the first 22 laps before Zeb Wise, who surrendered the win on the last lap the previous night, took over the lead. Meanwhile Marks had worked his way to third with 15 laps to go and used heavy lapped traffic to take second on lap 27. Just two circuits later Marks drove under Wise to take the lead and drove away to his 10th career All Star victory. The rest of the Top 5, 2. Zeb Wise left Attica Raceway Park as the current All Star championship points leader, 3. Tyler Courtney, 4. Cale Thomas and Cap Henry.

In the Fremont Fence 305 Sprint Feature, Lindsey, Ohio's Steve Rando survived early race challenges from Dustin Stroup and Jamie Miller and drove to his sixth career feature win, leading all 25 laps.

Pictures and coverage from area tracks can be found on the Ohio Sports Blitz Facebook page daily. I will also have weekly driver points standings once all the tracks open. Until next week, keep your wheels down, Ron out! ohioportsblitz@yahoo.com

## PAULDING SOFTBALL AT AYERSVILLE INVITATIONAL

Game One Score by Innings:

Wayne Trace 0 0 0 2 0 4  
0 = 6 runs, 8 hits, 2 errors  
Paulding 0 0 1 0 1 0 =  
2 runs, 5 hits, 3 errors

Winning Pitcher - Logen Bland (7 innings, 5 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned run, 2 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Raleigh Sanders (7 innings, 8 hits, 6 runs, 3 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Paulding Hitters - Riley Stork (double), Brooklynn Bakle (single), Marley Parrett (run), Kiara Adams (two singles, run), Riley Stork (double, RBI)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Kaitlin Slade (two singles), Paige Alber (single), Logen Bland (two doubles, single, two runs, two RBI), Allison Schilt (run), Tianna Sinn (two singles), Allison Noggle (two RBI), Laura Thornell (two runs), Raegan McGarvey (run)

Game Two Score by Innings:

Edon 0 0 0 0 0 3 3 = 6 runs, 6 hits, 1 error  
Paulding 1 4 0 2 2 0 x = 9 runs, 7 hits, 3 errors

Winning Pitcher - Riley Stork (7 innings, 6 hits, 6 runs, 3 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 4 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Natalie Wofford (4-1/3 innings, 6 hits, 4 runs, 4 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Other Edon Pitcher - Meghan Derck (1-1/3 innings, 0 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 2 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Other Edon Pitcher - Brianna Fitch (1/3 inning, 1 hit, 2 runs, 2 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Paulding Hitters - Riley Stork (run), Maci Kauser (two runs), Jocelyn Parrett (run, RBI), Raleigh Sanders (two singles, two runs, two RBI), Samantha Leal (run), Brooklynn Bakle (two singles, run, two RBI), Marley Parrett (single, RBI), Olivia Franklin (single, RBI), Kiara Adams (single, run)

Edon Hitters - Allyson Derck (single, run), Madison Ogden (single, double, run, RBI), Adison Briner (single, run), Emma Howard (double, run, RBI), Grace Reitzel (single, RBI), Natalie Wofford (run)

Game Three Score by Innings:

Continental 0 0 2 2 0 1 2  
4 = 11 runs, 14 hits, 0 errors  
Paulding 5 0 0 0 0 2 1 =  
8 runs, 10 hits, 3 errors

Winning Pitcher - Gracie Homier (7-1/3 innings, 7 hits, 3 runs, 3 earned runs, 6 strikeouts, 1 walk)

Other Continental Pitcher - Alli Scott (2/3 innings, 3 hits, 5 runs, 5 earned runs, 1 strikeout, walks)

Losing Pitcher - Raleigh Sanders (3 innings, 4 hits, 3 runs, 3 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 4 walks)

Other Paulding Pitcher - Riley Stork (5 innings, 10 hits, 8 runs, 6 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 6 walks)

Continental Hitters - Alli Scott (two singles, two runs, RBI), Reese Knowles (two singles, run), Gracie Homier (two singles, double, two RBI), Raegen Clemens (two singles, two runs, RBI), Lauren Williams (single, double), Tori Searfoss (single, run, two RBI), Becca Stark (double, RBI), Aislynn Noff-

## PAULDING FFA CELEBRATES ITS 96th ANNUAL FFA BANQUET



2023-2024 FFA Officers from right to left: President- Jamy Hunt, Vice president- Kobe Foor, Secretary- Jalyn Klopfenstein, Treasurer- Tyler Schlatter, Reporter- Grace Goyings, Sentinel- Addy Hunt, Student Advisor- Brooklyn Schlatter, Parliamentarian- Brooke Kilgore, and Chaplin- Tytus Manz.

By: Grace Goyings,

Paulding FFA Reporter

On Saturday, April 15th, 2023 the Paulding FFA chapter held its 96th Annual FFA Banquet. Several people attended the banquet including community, alumni, and staff members. There were 370 people who attended the banquet. The theme for this year's banquet was "Country State of Mind."

Several awards were given to the community and FFA members at the banquet. Members who met the qualifications to get their Greenhand or Chapter degree received their degrees during the banquet. We also had nine students recognized for getting their state degree, they will receive their certificate & pin at the State FFA Convention in May. Those members are Katelyn Beckman, Kobe Foor, Jamy Hunt, Paige Jones, Tytus Manz, Allyson Merriman, Jocelynn Parrett Janae Pease and Tyler Schlatter. We also had three students who will receive their American degree this year at the National Convention, the highest degree

singer (two runs, RBI), Kimberley Grant (single), Madison Rayle (run)

Paulding Hitters - Riley Stork (double, run, RBI), Maci Kauser (single, double, two runs), Jocelyn Parrett (two singles, double, two RBI), Raleigh Sanders (run), Samantha Leal (run), Brooklynn Bakle (single, run), Marley Parrett (run, RBI), Eternity Bassler (single, run), Olivia Franklin (single, double, three RBI)

### 2023 PARKVIEW SPORTS MEDICINE BASEBALL CLASSIC SCHEDULE SET

Parkview Field, the home of the Fort Wayne TinCaps, will host 12 high school/college baseball games, featuring 24 area teams, this April and May as part of the annual Parkview Sports Medicine Baseball Classic.

The action will take place while the TinCaps are playing on the road.

Manchester University and the University of Saint Francis will open the series of games on April 18 in a matchup of nearby colleges. After that, 11 high school matchups will feature rival

one can earn in FFA. These members include Janae Pease, Sam Woods, and Kyle Mobley. The Blue and Gold Award was awarded to a group of individuals this year to recognize all that they have done to help out the Paulding FFA chapter. This year's winners were The Hunt Family, Gary Klopfenstein, Gretl Schlatter, and Colton Howell. The Honorary FFA degree was also awarded to these individuals: Stacy McGarvey and Haleigh Noffsinger. Any member who participated in a CDE (career development event) throughout the year received a certificate and pin for their jacket for their outstanding work. Star awards were handed out to a select few students from each grade who showed leadership not only in the classroom but also in their community and through FFA programs and activities. Addison Hunt received the star Greenhand, Jalyn Klopfenstein and Brooke Kilgore received the star Chapter farmer, Mason Schlatter received the star 4th year member, Carter Manz received the Quiet leader award,

Tyler Schlatter received the star in Agribusiness, Kobe Foor received the star in Community Service, and Jamy Hunt received the star 3rd year member as well as the Ag Credit 110% award. The Paulding FFA Alumni awarded scholarships to Paige Jones, Katelyn Beckman, Carter Manz, and Caydence Rue for their outstanding leadership and the influence that they have made on the Paulding FFA chapter.

Chapter President, Mason Schlatter gave a very inspirational speech encouraging members to step out of their comfort zone and find their interest in FFA. And finally, it was time for the installation of the new officers. The 2023-2024 officers are as follows: President- Jamy Hunt, Vice president- Kobe Foor, Secretary- Jalyn Klopfenstein, Treasurer- Tyler Schlatter, Reporter- Grace Goyings, Sentinel- Addy Hunt, Student advisor- Brooklyn Schlatter, Parliamentarian- Brooke Kilgore, and Chaplin- Tytus Manz.

teams from around Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. See schedule below.

"Parkview Sports Medicine is proud to partner with the TinCaps to continue supporting our area schools and offer the student-athletes an opportunity to compete at a world-class facility like Parkview Field,"

said Candice Dunkin, Director of Sports Medicine at Parkview Health.

Due to Parkview Sports Medicine's sponsorship, the games are taking place at no cost to the participating schools. As in the past, the amateur teams will receive professional treatment at

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# PC SHERIFF RECEIVES DONATION FOR K-9 OFFICER FUND



John Paulding VFW Post 587 donated \$2500 to Paulding County Sheriff's K-9 Officer Fund. The donation will be used for the care and

maintenance of the county's three K-9 Officers. Pictured, left to right, are Chief Deputy Shane Dyson, Deputy K-9 Handler Bill

Lyons, K-9 Officer Duke, VFW Quartermaster Dan Wilder and VFW Commander John Daeger.

# NARCOTICS ARREST IN ANTWERP OHIO



On April 17, 2023, the Multi-area Narcotics Task Force, with assistance from the Paulding County Sheriff's Office, executed a search warrant at 4301 Road 230, Antwerp, Ohio after an investigation into potential distribution of narcotics. The action resulted in the arrest of 61 year-old Jimmie Keeler and 33 year-old Robert Phlipot III.

Mr. Keeler and Mr. Phlipot III were both incarcerated at the Paulding County Jail and are waiting on their initial appearance for felony one and two charges involved in the search warrant. Felony charges will be handled by Paulding County Prosecutor Joseph Burkard.

As always, Paulding County Sheriff's Office asks citizens with information about drug trafficking, or other criminal activity in Paulding County to contact us by phone, the Multi-Area Narcotics Task Force website [www.manunitohio.org](http://www.manunitohio.org), or at your local Sheriff's Office or city Police Department in person. Anonymity will be given

to all tips we receive. The Multi-Area Narcotics Task Force covers Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, Putnam and Williams counties.

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Parkview Field, like having their headshots displayed on the video board. Competing teams also will wear a commemorative PSM Baseball Classic patch on their uniforms.

"Parkview Field is about more than just TinCaps baseball," said TinCaps President Mike Nutter. "High school and college sports help bring communities together and Parkview Field is the perfect community gathering space. We're grateful for the service Parkview Sports Medicine provides to our region. And there's nothing better than seeing the smiles of these student-athletes playing on the same field that's hosted future MLB All-Stars."

A limited number of Luxury Suites are available. Contact Parkview Field Special Events Manager Holly Raney for more information at 260-407-2820 or [raney@tincaps.com](mailto:raney@tincaps.com).

Parkview Sports Medicine is the largest sports medicine program in Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio, serving 30 high schools, not to mention five colleges, plus club sports. Learn more at [ParkviewSportsMedicine.com](http://ParkviewSportsMedicine.com).

In the meantime, the TinCaps (Minor League Baseball's High-A affiliate of the San Diego Padres) began their season on April 6 at West Michigan, with Opening Day at Parkview Field on Tuesday, April 11 (6:35 p.m.) against the Cleveland Guardians-affiliated Lake County Captains. Go to [TinCapsTickets.com](http://TinCapsTickets.com), and also at 260-482-6400 and the Parkview Field Ticket Office.

### 2023 Parkview Sports Medicine Baseball Classic Schedule

- Tuesday, May 2: Bishop Dwenger vs. Canterbury (4:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, May 2: Lakeland vs. West Noble (7 p.m.)
- Wednesday, May 3: Antwerp vs. Wayne Trace (4:30 p.m.)
- Wednesday, May 3: Snider vs. Northrop (7 p.m.)

- Tuesday, May 16: Wayne vs. Concordia (4:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, May 16: Wauseon vs. Manchester (7 p.m.)
- Wednesday, May 17: Wabash vs. Whitko (4:30 p.m.)
- Wednesday, May 17: Northfield vs. Southwood (7 p.m.)

### PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

#### Criminal/Traffic

#### Disposition Report

**Adrian L. Greer**, Indianapolis, IN; Possession of marijuana; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

**Yusneil Diaz Cartaya**, North Miami, FL; Over length; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Tina M. Myers**, Defiance, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Bobby E. Seagraves III**, Whitehall, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Steven L. McNeely**, Oakwood, OH; OVI/under influence, Guilty, 30 days jail, 27 days suspended, License suspended from 1/5/23 to 1/5/24, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Firearm and accompanying ammunition shall be forfeited to the arresting agency; OVI/Plasma high, Case dismissed

**Kody R. Smith**, Indianapolis, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived

**Todd J. Swinford**, Markleville, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jordoni T. Stefanidis**, Fort Wayne, IN; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jimmy S. May**, Van Wert, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension, Guilty, Proof of insurance provided, Placed on standard probation, Secure a valid driver's license, Risk assessment, 20 hours community service, Pay all fines and costs; Seat belt/drive; Count C dismissed

**Kody R. Smith**, Indianapolis, IN; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Mark A. Shaw**, Oakwood, OH; Grand theft of motor vehicle; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over the Paulding County Common Pleas Court

**Edward J. Maley**, Lincoln Park, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Corey D. Vannier**, Oakwood, OH; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Debra A. Lambert**, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Lisa M. Porter**, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

**Kati A. Stahl**, Oakwood, OH; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed, without prejudice, Costs to defendant; Drug paraphernalia, Case dismissed, without prejudice, Costs to defendant; OVI/under influence, Case dismissed, without prejudice, Cost to defendant

**Shantel Collins**, Cloverdale, OH; Driving under suspension/license forfeiture

## WEST BEND NEWS Crossword Puzzle

### "DISNEY WORLD"

#### Across

- 2. A park with live animals and themed areas, such as the African savanna and Pandora from Avatar
- 6. A geodesic sphere at Epcot that houses an attraction about the history of human communication
- 11. A classic attraction at Magic Kingdom featuring spooky effects and ghostly apparitions
- 13. A high-speed ride at Epcot that simulates a test drive of a futuristic car
- 14. A park with futuristic and international pavilions, as well as the popular World Showcase

#### Down

- 1. A roller coaster at Animal Kingdom themed around the Himalayas and the Yeti
- 3. A classic boat ride attraction at

#### Across

- 2. A park with live animals and themed areas, such as the African savanna and Pandora from Avatar
- 4. The first and most iconic of the four theme parks at Disney World
- 5. A safari ride at Animal Kingdom with live animals, including elephants and lions
- 7. The centerpiece of Magic Kingdom, with a royal suite inside
- 8. A nighttime show at Hollywood Studios featuring Disney characters and special effects
- 9. Galaxy's Edge
- 10. A popular indoor roller coaster at Magic Kingdom
- 12. A themed street with shops and restaurants leading up to Cinderella Castle

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

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:  
THE STATE BANK AND TRUST, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
TAMI KAMPHAUS, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 22 187

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

**101 East First Street, Grover Hill  
Parcel Number: 26-10S-026-00**

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Recorder's Office located in the Courthouse or at: [www.uslandrecords.com](http://www.uslandrecords.com)

Said premises appraised at Sixty thousand and NO/100 (\$60,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

The first sale date will be on the May 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

<https://pauldingsheriffssaleauction.ohio.gov>

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

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second on-line auction will be held on June 8, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. However, the purchaser will be responsible for all costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand and No/100 (\$5,000.00) Dollars will be due at the time of the sale. Balance of the purchase price shall be paid before the deed is recorded.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
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Mark R. Lembright, Attorney for Plaintiff

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

THE ANTWERP EXCHANGE BANK COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

TERRY L. GARLAND, AKA TERRY LEE GARLAND ET AL.

DEFENDANTS,

Case No. CI-23-042  
Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

TO: Terry L. Garland, aka Terry Lee Garland; and the Unknown Spouse, Heirs, Next of Kin, Executors, Administrators, or Assigns of Terry L. Garland, aka Terry Lee Garland.;

ADDRESS UNKNOWN - LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 5024 Road 33, Payne, Ohio 45880

Please take notice that a Complaint for Foreclosure of Mortgage and Money Damages has been filed against you in favor of Plaintiff to the real property located in the County of Paulding, which is more particularly described as follows:

Plaintiff further alleged that by a reason of default in payment of said Promissory Note, the conditions of said Mortgage have been broken and the same has become absolute.

Situated in the Township of Benton, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio, and known as:

One-half (1/2) acre of land situated in the Southwest quarter (1/4) of Section Ten (10), Township One (1) North, Range One (1) East, County and State aforesaid, described as follows:

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Commencing Ten (10) rods North of the Southwest corner of said Section Ten (10); Running thence East Sixteen (16) rods; Thence South at right angles a distance of Five (5) rods; Thence West at right angles Sixteen (16) rods to the West line of said Section; Thence North Five (5) rods on the West line of said section to the place of beginning, be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways. Subject to all rights, restrictions, covenants, conditions, highways, right-of-ways, easements, and encumbrances either apparent or of record.

Parcel ID No.: #03-10S-025-00  
Property Address: 5024 Road 33, Payne, Ohio 45880

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, this Notice, which will be published once a week for six (6) successive weeks, the date of the last publication will be on May 15, 2023, and the 28 days for Answer will commence on that date.

In case you fail to answer or otherwise respond as required by the Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Brian S. Gorrell, Esq. (#0075438)  
Cook & Gorrell, Ltd.  
112 N. Water St., Paulding, Ohio 45879  
(419) 399-2181  
Attorney for Plaintiffs



# NSCC RECEIVES DONATION FOR UPGRADES



Charles Heitmeyer of Allied Moulded Products, Inc. (Bryan) recently presented a check for \$1,000 to Northwest State for upgrades in the plastics technology program. Heitmeyer, an NSCC alum, was recently awarded the "Mold Designer of the Year" by the Society of Plastics Engineers mold technologies. The award was sponsored by Progressive Components. Heitmeyer is shown presenting the check to Dr. Dan Burklo, NSCC VP for Academics, in front of a brand new Boy Injection molding machine at the college.

# VANTAGE CDL TRAINING MANAGER HOPES TO FILL COMMUNITY NEEDS



Vantage Career Center's Commercial Driver's License (Class A CDL) Training Coordinator and Vantage Alumni, Hartsel Bryant, hopes to fill local economic needs through the Adult Class A CDL program running this summer. Bryant, a 1983 Vantage Engine Auto Mechanics graduate of Paulding, has been an Instructor for the Vantage CDL program for five years, two of

which has been as the Training Coordinator. In the five years of Instruction, Bryant has seen 99% licensure out of the program, consisting of high school and adult students. This summer, Vantage will offer both day and evening Class A drivers training, with the ability to roll out 42 newly licensed Class A CDL Drivers. "We receive calls from local

companies in need of drivers every week, and the demand is growing," says Bryant. The Vantage Class A CDL program consists of 200 training hours, 50 in the classroom and 150 hours on the range. Students enrolling in this program will need to complete a DOT physical and pass a drug screen. Enrollment for the Vantage CDL program is now open. The program is set to begin in June, with back to back training opportunities also held in July, August and September. Currently, seats are still available for the June evening class. Interested students and employers should contact the Vantage Adult Education division at 419-238-5411, option 2, to register.

## BROWN BETTY'S AND BUSTER BROWN'S MEETING

On April 16th the Brown Betty's and Buster Brown's 4-H club met at the Oakwood Community Library. The group was reminded that they are having a canned food drive and all cans need to be turned in by the next meeting on May 7th. Kyler Foor, the safety officer, did a report about tornado safety. Levi Ankney, the health officer, talked about sun safety. Demonstrations were completed by: Maddie Ankney - poultry incubation, Royce Cooper - horse coat care, Max Burns and Ronan Philpot - rabbit parts, Sam Mast - preparing for your meat chickens, Emme Mast - preparing for you meat rabbits, and Kaliople Foor - goat care. Members were encouraged to have their project posters for the booth completed and turned in by next meeting. May 23rd will be a work day at the fairgrounds all members are encouraged to attend.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR FEMA ASSISTANCE AFTER INDIANA SEVERE STORMS AND TORNADOES

Indiana homeowners and renters in Allen, Benton, Clinton, Grant, Howard, Johnson, Lake, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Sullivan, and White counties who were affected by the March 31 - April 1 severe storms, straight-line winds and tornadoes may apply for FEMA disaster assistance. Survivors can apply by going online at DisasterAssistance.gov, calling 800-621-3362, or using the FEMA mobile app. The helpline is open and available from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. ET in most languages. If you use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service. The disaster declaration includes Individual Assistance to households in Allen, Benton, Clinton, Grant, Howard, Johnson, Lake, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Sullivan, and White counties. Assistance for uninsured losses may include temporary lodging, basic home repairs and other disaster-related expenses. If you have homeowners or renters insurance, you should file a claim as soon as possible. FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. FEMA assistance cannot replace all losses, but if your policy does not cover all your disaster expenses, you may be eligible for federal as-

sistance. When you apply for assistance, please have the following information ready:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying
- Your Social Security Number
- A general list of damage and losses
- Banking information if you choose direct deposit
- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name

The deadline to apply for FEMA assistance is June 14, 2023.

## WHAT IS GRIEFSHARE?

Death is very final. With the loss of a loved one, the survivor's grief that follows is one of the most difficult times of a person's life. Daily activities may seem worthless at times. God and GriefShare offer hope. GriefShare is a seminar/support group that understands your feelings and emotions. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Saying goodbye is not a one-time action. It is a process with many different, difficult steps. Saying goodbye occurs gradually over time. Grief recovery means being able to move forward in spite of the pain. In GriefShare we face the old precious memories and learn to turn them into wonderful new ones.

GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss so you can look forward to rebuilding your life. The weekly two-hour meetings utilize videos about specific topics with grief counselors, pastors, and grief survivors. This is followed by a time of questions and discussion. Meetings begin this Saturday, April 29, and will be held each Saturday morning for 13 weeks from ten until noon in the library of the Leo Methodist Church on Hwy. 1. The material contains Bible references but is non-denominational. Further information can be found on GriefShare.org or 260-627-2580. Surviving sorrow is an ongoing process. The more that is understood about this process, the easier it can become. Others who are having the same experience can be a source of comfort and understanding. You will discover you are not alone.

## COVID 19 UPDATE FOR PAULDING COUNTY

This week Paulding County had 9 New Cases; 1 New Hospitalizations; 0 New Deaths. Paulding County's ranking is 33rd in the state of Ohio. In Paulding County the transmission level is currently High and community level Low. Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots. Call (419) 399-3921 to schedule your vaccination appointment. Get tested if you have symptoms. PCHD has FREE COVID-19 Test Kits available at this time.



Pictured here are (l-r) Bryce Steiner as Ed Osborn (editor of Antwerp Argus), reporting about Sheriff Parr (played by Jason Landers) arresting Worden Henry Sperry (played by Justin Boss) after the Six Mile Reservoir was blown up on April 25, 1887.



Place settings at the dinner theater complete with Program of the event as well as copies of the original Reservoir War song and an updated version written by Renee Boss.

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putting the "fun" in fundraiser," commented Jane. Writer Jane Nice, director - Renee Boss, and Antwerp Chamber of Commerce committee members: Sue Fowler, Angel Steiner, and Denise Coleman began back in October of 2022. Monthly organizational meetings took place and in January 2023, cast members were contacted to start making plans for collection of costumes, props and commitments to participate in this play. Practices started in March 2023 and continued weekly with people coming straight from work out of town, from refereeing sporting events or traveling from farther out of town just to prepare to give the community a good show. "Every time we perform the "No Compromise!" dinner theater, I gain a new appreciation for volunteers," comments Jane Nice. "This production requires a large cast, and lots of people have to give up their time and help in many, many ways. Some traveled from far away to weekly practice to be in it, some grew out their hair and beards and came up with their own costumes, some figured out the sound system and video recording, some helped with making props and setting them up. It is true that volunteers make the world go round." This play took a group effort coordinating schedules very carefully to make sure all took off without any glitches, Jane offered, "The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce, the Antwerp Global Methodist Church and Grant's Catering made the whole thing possible. I could not do it without Director Renee Boss. I think fast at home, alone, behind my desk, but she thinks fast on her feet." concluded Nice.

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**CECIL STUDENT PERFORMING WITH TRINE WIND ENSEMBLE**

The Trine University Wind Ensemble will perform their spring concert Sunday, April 30, beginning at 3 p.m. in the T. Furth Center for Performing Arts, directed by Music Department Chair Mark Kays.

Alayna Willitzer of Cecil, majoring in Biomedical Engineering at Trine, will perform on flute with the wind ensemble.

This concert is free and open to the public.

The program will include: "Amprito Roca" by Jamie Texidor; "Pines of the Appian Way" by Ottorino Respighi, transcribed for the Goldman Band; "First Suite in E Flat" by Gustav Holst; "Chaconne," "Intermezzo" and "March"; and "The Universal Judgement" by Camille DeNardis, transcribed for the Goldman Band.

**HEAVEN**



When I think of heaven I think of a place with no pain or anguish. Some people suffer more than others, but we are all afflicted by pain; physical pain, and sometimes mental pain. But beyond being a place where all of earth's trials are gone, Heaven is a place of exquisite beauty, beauty that we can't imagine. King David describes it as light inside of light. (Ps 24:7)

The dirt and filth that we put up with everyday will be gone. Everything will be perfect. There have been hundreds or thousands of people

that have gotten a glimpse of heaven, and also of hell, in near-death experiences. One

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of these was Don Piper who had been pronounced dead for 90 minutes. There has been enough of them, and they are similar enough, to give us pause.

Each blade of grass emanates light. There are flowers like you've never seen, with beautiful fragrance. Gates of pearl, walls of jasper, and streets of gold. A place of ideal temperature. Many have also described hell. A place of pain and anguish, a stench beyond anything we have seen here on earth. A place of extreme heat, or cold.

Nearly everyone describes a bright light emanating from heaven. The Bible says there will be no sun, the Lord will be the light. Much brighter than our sun but the brightness will not harm our eyes.

A scientific explanation. Complete darkness is the absence of any light. We light a match and there is light. Light is a 100 watt bulb, and there is greater light, but still some darkness. The light of the sun is greater light, but the light of heaven is devoid of all darkness.

Heaven will be pure light, no darkness at all. The reason colors are so vibrant, white light is made up of all the colors, and can be divided into colors by a prism, or a raindrop. It stands to reason brighter light would break up into brighter colors.

I had written before that there are no privies in heaven. On earth creating energy always leaves some waste. Burning wood leaves ashes, driving your car leaves smoke and unburned fuel. Energy in heaven is pure with no waste. We will eat in heaven. The Bible says there will be banquets, and we will have boundless energy. We will never sleep or even rest.

Nearly everyone who has had a near-death experience, has gone down a path, or gone through the air, often led by someone. Some who have gone to hell have slid down a hill and couldn't stop. Many have seen loved ones that they didn't know existed. I will see a brother that I have never seen.

One lady got a glimpse of heaven, and she painted a picture of what she had seen, and it was hung in a doctor's office. A patient came in one day and said, "I know where

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that's at, I've been there." When I think of heaven I think of the Garden of Eden where everything was pure and there was no sin.

It is difficult for me to think of cats and dogs being in heaven. Nearly all of us have had pets that we have gotten extremely attached to. The Bible does say the lion will lie down with the lamb. We can't imagine what heaven will be like, but we know it will not have the impurities we put up with in everyday life. Perhaps the reason God uses gold for streets, is because pure gold does not exist on Earth. I've read that pure gold looks like glass. The Bible speaks of streets of glass, (Rev 4:6.) Several prophets have had a glimpse of the city.

Many have seen heavenly beings, or angels, and many have seen demonic beings. Many sightings of hell have not been reported, for obvious reasons. Some have seen the pearly gates, and some have described the entrance to hell as looking like the entrance to a cave.

"Day follows night, night follows day, The world keeps rolling along, What will your answer be, what will you say When Jesus beckons you home"

Jesus, in his great love has given us a choice. What we choose, is entirely up to us. We will have no excuse because the choice is ours. The choice will need to be made in this life and it will determine our fate for all eternity. You need to make it now.

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**WGU OHIO CELEBRATES NATIONAL NURSES WEEK WITH GIVEAWAY & SCHOLARSHIP**

In recognition of National Nurses Week, May 6-12, Western Governors University Ohio (WGU Ohio) is giving away a number of catered breakfasts and lunches to nursing units at hospitals and healthcare centers across the state. Nurses can enter the giveaway by simply registering at www.wgu.edu. Deadline is May 8, 2023.

"Our nurses and healthcare professionals deserve our praise every day of the year, not just during this special week," said Dr. K.L. Allen, Chancellor of WGU Ohio. "WGU Ohio is proud to say 'Thank You' to Ohio's nurses for their dedication and professionalism, especially during these times when healthcare staffing shortages are being felt in communities across the state."

In addition to the giveaway contest, the university is also offering a \$4,000 Nurse Appreciation Scholarship for nurses who are interested in furthering their education.

WGU Ohio offers a wide range of accredited, online health programs and nursing school courses to help nurses and other health professionals earn additional credentials so they can improve patient care while they advance their careers. The university also has a prelicensure program that prepares students to earn both their registered nurse license and their bachelor's degree in nursing in just two and one-

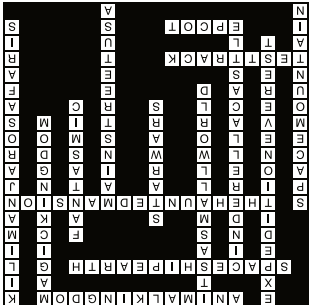
half years. The program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing.

Western Governors University was founded in 1997 by a coalition of 19 U.S. state governors as a way to offer their citizens - particularly adult learners - the chance to go to college from home, at their own pace, while holding jobs and caring for their families. In 2018, Ohio became the eighth additional state to partner with WGU to offer its degree programs in health and nursing, business, teaching, and information technology. Since that time, WGU Ohio as an accredited, non-profit university has helped more than 9,100 Ohio students receive the education and skills they need to pursue in-demand careers.

**HELPING THOSE THAT ARE HUNGRY**

The Neighborhood Food Network (NFN) offers families food once a month at no charge through a network of local, Allen County food pantries in churches and social agencies. If you would like to have a food drive, the pantries are currently in need of peanut butter and jelly. We encourage you to buy items in plastic containers and not glass for safety purposes.

NFN is an "emergency food bank", providing a five-day supply of food for families facing hardships. Can you help by making an automatic, monthly donation? Click below if you can help. For a listing of the area food pantries, go to their website <https://www.associatedchurches.org/local-food-pantries>



**Crossword solution from page 9**

**THE ALLEN COUNTY JAIL CHAPLAINCY 2023 GALA BANQUET**



The 2023 Allen County Jail Chaplaincy Gala Banquet is set to take place on Tuesday May 9th, 2023. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Parkview Mirro Center, Fort Wayne.

Speaker for the evening will be Tracey Barr. Music provided by: Men of Promise. For more information, 260-449-7215.

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Resumes can be submitted to any of the Hicksville Township Trustees, mailed to 11873 Casebeer-Miller Road Hicksville, Ohio 43526, or emailed to [hicksvilletownshipohio@gmail.com](mailto:hicksvilletownshipohio@gmail.com).

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**Vantage Career Center Intervention Specialist Posting**

**Position:** Intervention Specialist  
**Start Date:** 2023-2024 School Year  
**Application Deadline:** Friday, April 28, 2023 (or until filled)

**Job Objectives:** Plans, implements and assesses student learning experiences. Helps students make appropriate choices. Encourages parental involvement. This full-time instructional position does not require the writing of student IEP's. To view the full posting and application process please visit <https://www.vantagecareercenter.com/Employment.aspx>.

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**HELP WANTED**

**Anticipated Vantage Career Center Intervention Specialist Posting**

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**Anticipated Vantage Career Center Position Posting**

**Position:** Academic Instructor - Social Studies  
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**Application Deadline:** Friday, April 28, 2023 (or until filled)

**Job Objectives:** Plans, implements and evaluates instruction in Social Studies curriculum designed to address a wide range of maturity and skill levels. Prior successful classroom instructional experience preferred. Experience working with secondary Career-Technical students preferred. Helps students make appropriate choices and encourages parental involvement.

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