

PLAYGROUND EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETE IN MAY 2023!



Construction is underway for the new Kiwanis playground at Lela McGuire Jeffery Park in Paulding.



Rendering of the completed playground of Kiwanis Playground at Lela McGuire Jeffery Park.

The new Kiwanis Playground is located at the Lela McGuire Jeffery Park in Paulding. It is designed for all ages and abilities. It is currently under construction, but is scheduled to be completed in May 2023, if the weather cooperates.

The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County is the main sponsor of the playground. The supporting sponsors are Paulding County Area Foundation, Cooper's Farms, Paulding Eagles, Paulding VFW and Opera-

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THE SALT CAVE AT KEEPSAKE BEADS BY EAW & BOUTIQUE



Paulding Chamber helped celebrate the opening of The Salt Cave with a Ribbon Cutting on April 25, 2023. Pictured here are (fl-R: Cheryl Eddy, Taelyn Etzler, Ron Goedde, Greg White, Lisa McClure, Elecia & Brandon Wobler, Dawn Grant, Kristen Schilt, Abby Hornish, and Erica Noggle.

Paulding Chamber of Commerce hosted a Ribbon Cutting for Elecia & Brandon Wobler, owners of Keepsake Beads by EAW & Boutique on

the square in Paulding, OH (101 W Perry Street, Paulding, Ohio) on April 25, 2023. The ribbon cutting and open house was for the premiere of

their newest addition to the Boutique — The Salt Cave.

The Salt Cave offers Halotherapy and Dry Salt In-

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WOODBURN MAIN STREET MOTHER'S DAY FESTIVAL

Woodburn Main Street is sponsoring a Mother's Day Festival on Saturday, May 13 from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Woodburn Clock Tower in downtown Woodburn.

What Will be Happening? There will be a drawing for a Mother's Day Basket; Gifts in the basket donated by Woodburn businesses. Look for drawing boxes at Wood-

burn businesses prior to the festival. Winner will be announced on Sunday, May 14.

Cookout menu will be the following: Hamburgers, hot dogs, and pepper bread with a free will offering.

At the Allen County Public Library, they will be doing a Make a Mother's Day Card.

Carnations for mom will be available for all in attendance.

This event is sponsored by Woodburn Main Street, The Chop Shop, and Financial Partners, FCU.

FORMER STATE REP. RIEDEL RAISES \$200,000 IN LESS THAN 30 DAYS AFTER LAUNCHING HIS CAMPAIGN



Craig Riedel, the former three-term State Representative, and businessman has raised \$200,000 since announcing his candidacy for Congress in Ohio's 9th Congressional District in just 30 days. This is exactly what is needed to defeat Marcy Kap-

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

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

May 4

- PEN Member meeting @ 103 E Perry, Paulding, 8:15-9am

May 5

- Tunes, Brews & BBQ @ downtown Paulding, 4:30-10pm

May 6

- WT NHS 5K @ Payne Ball Park, 8am
- Woodburn Lions Club donuts @ Woodburn Comm Park, 7-11am

May 7

- IDPA Pistol Match @ Ant. Cons. Club, 1pm

May 11

- Antwerp Chamber Mother's Day Shopping Event begins

May 13

- Spring Tea @ JP Historical Society, 2-4pm
- Woodburn Lions Club donuts @ Chop Shop, 7-11am
- Mother's Day Festival, Woodburn Clock Tower, 11-12pm



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OBITUARIES



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PAULDING, OH:
Dorothy Ann Ratliff, 79, of Paulding, Ohio passed away Saturday, April 15, 2023 at Glenn Park of Defiance. Arr by DOOLEY FUNERAL HOME, 5761 SR 500, PAYNE, OHIO.



CECIL, OH:
Robert E. Harpster, age 83, passed away surrounded by his family on Monday, April 24, 2023 at Community Health Professionals Inpatient Hospice, Defiance.

Robert was born on August 23, 1939 in Grover Hill, OH to the late Forrest and Catharine (Wyatt) Harpster. Robert served his country in the Army Reserves. Robert was a blood donor for many years to the American Red Cross, achieving a donation amount of 25+ gallons. He was a devoted member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Paulding. He loved to ride his four wheeler and spent time woodworking. He was a conservationist who loved to hunt, fish, and feed deer.

Robert is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Catherine (Hasch) Harpster, Cecil, OH; sons: Allan (Darlene) Harpster, Cecil, OH; Gary Harpster, Cecil, OH; brother, Richard Harpster, Bryan, OH; sisters, Sandra Gratton, New Haven, IN; Patricia (Tom) Elkington, Cave Creek, AZ; grandchildren: Rachel L. Harpster, Ayresville, OH; Scott (Jessica) Harpster, Defiance, OH; step great grandchild, Nathan Hurst.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Clyde Singh officiating. Burial will follow in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Jackson Township.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M.

until time of services on Thursday at church.

Memorial contributions may be made in Robert's memory to the Oesterlen Service for Youth, 1918 Mechanicsburg Rd., Springfield, OH 45503 or CHP Hospice, 6817 N SR 66, Defiance, OH 43512.

Online condolences may be shared at www.denherderfh.com.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
I have heard some say that Christ did not die on Friday. How can that be?

The Bible never says on what day Christ died, but it does say on what day He arose, which was Sunday. Matthew 12:40 says, "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Many try to use partial days to get three days from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning, but it takes "super math" to squeeze three nights in from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning.

The confusion comes in concerning the day before the Sabbath mentioned in Mark 15:42. Most people automatically assume that it had to be Friday because the Sabbath was on Saturday. What is overlooked is that was the week of the Passover. The Passover supper, already observed by Christ and the apostles, came the day before the Passover feast. The feast was considered a Sabbath, which was on the fifteenth day of the month of Nison (or our April) regardless of what day of the week it was (Numbers 28:16-17).

John 19:31 tells us that Sabbath was a High Day. The High Day Sabbath was the first of seven such annual Sabbaths given in Leviticus 23. So this was the Sabbath being referenced in Mark 15:42.

The Jews considered a day to be from sunset to sunset. If Christ died on Wednesday afternoon, which He likely did, and rose sometime after sunset Saturday (considered Sunday), which He did, we have our three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Surprise, surprise! Christ was not lying in Matthew 12:40. He could not lie and still be our Savior.

You might try having a "Good Wednesday" service next Easter season.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

ANTWERP CHAMBER'S MOTHER'S DAY: SHOP LOCAL. EAT LOCAL

Celebrate Mom by shopping and eating locally this year! Pick up your punch card on Thursday, May 11th at Petals & Vines or the Antwerp Pharmacy, make a purchase from at least 3 businesses on the punch card, and return the card to the Antwerp Pharmacy on Monday May 15th by 5:00 p.m. to be entered into a drawing for a merchant basket of goodies. Businesses will be running specials for the 4 days listed to celebrate Mom. &Junque and Barnwood Creations will be offering 15% off in their store.

Contact Antwerp Chamber of Commerce if you have any questions.

DEATH AND REALITY

When someone loved has died, the mind has trouble facing that reality. You can know something in your head, but still, the heart will not accept it. This involves gently confronting the reality that someone you care about will never physically come back into your life again.

Whether the death was sudden or after a prolonged illness, acknowledging the full impact of the loss may not occur for weeks or even months afterward. You may answer the phone expecting the person to be speaking to you. You may think you feel a familiar touch, or see him or her walk through the door. You may be in survival mode by trying to push away the reality of death. But to know that someone you love has died is not like flipping a light switch. The process is not quick nor easy, and it is painful.

Memories, both good and bad, will play and replay in your mind. You may question your sanity. You will hope this is all a bad dream and you will soon wake up to life as you remember it. Expressing these feelings and emotions to others is an essential phase in the healing process.

This is the role Grief-Share can play in your road to recovery. This seminar/support group meets weekly on Saturday mornings from ten until noon in the library of the Leo Methodist Church. It utilizes DVDs featuring grief counselors along with discussion. You can learn more about it at GriefShare.org or by calling 260-627-2580. It is important to know that you are not alone.

COVID-19 UPDATE FOR PAULDING COUNTY

This week Paulding County had 4 New Cases, 0 New Hospitalizations, 0 New Deaths. Paulding County ranking is 19th 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.

Scripture of the Week

"In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death — even death on a cross!"

— John 10:28-30

HERITAGE LIONS CLUB COLLECT ITEMS FOR CHARIS HOUSE



The committee for this project are pictured from left to right: Lions Jan Hockemeyer, Gerry Franke, Pam Birch, Cindy Wolf, and Dan Will.

This past month, the Heritage Lions Club has been collecting various items needed for the Charis House in Fort Wayne. The Charis House is a unit of the Rescue Mission that helps women and children facing a homeless crisis, providing a safe haven for women and children as they recover from trauma, addiction, and self-defeating choices they have made in the past. The program provides spiritual, emotional, physical and educational needs for these women and children.

When the Lions contacted the Charis House, they expressed some specific needs of these women as they enter the facility, as they usually bring nothing of their own. These include leggings and T-shirts,

which they can wear to both sleep in and wear during the day. They also needed towels, washcloths, and personal hygiene products. The Lions were able to purchase 50 pair of new leggings, 75 T-shirts, 24 towels, and 36 wash cloths. They also purchased several bottles of shampoo, conditioners, lotions, deodorants, razors, and fingernail clippers. The Heritage Lions thank Thrivent for the Community Impact Card to kickstart the project and Arlen Horwood, DDS, who donated several oral hygiene products such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, and dental floss. Charis House expressed their gratitude for these much-needed items.

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and bring courageous leadership to a new era in Ohio.

"We have been able to raise a tremendous amount of money in the first several days of the launching of our campaign, showing that the grassroots movement is behind us. I am the only candidate in this race that can beat Marcy Kaptur next fall," Craig Riedel stated.

Craig's platform includes a commitment to economic expansion through lower taxes, reduced regulations, and expanded incentives for employers to create good-paying jobs. Additionally, he will fight against tax-and-spend agen-

das, which triggered today's runaway inflation that is hurting families. Craig Riedel believes in an all-in approach to energy, the bedrock of our national and Ohio economies, including the restoration of the Keystone Pipeline, fracking, drilling, nuclear, and alternative resources, with the goal of promoting energy independence and strengthening our national security.

Craig and his wife, Danette, have been married for 34 years and have two adult children, Steve and Renee, and three granddaughters. They reside in Defiance.

For more information on Craig's candidacy, please visit his website at CraigRiedelForCongress.com.

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NO ARK TODAY?

Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

Most of us have heard the biblical story of Noah and the Ark. This is a Bible story of how God destroyed the earth by water and gave Noah orders to build a boat that was to be a certain size.

While some are skeptical; many question, but believe. God had told Noah to build this vessel and to take 2 of each species of animal and his family into the Ark as He was going to destroy the world by a big flood.

Many people laughed at and scorned Noah, but when the Ark was finished and the animals and people were aboard, it began to rain. In fact, it rained for 40 days and 40 nights and the world was destroyed.

I am sure Noah was glad he obeyed God and therefore saved his family and the animals. Scientists have estimated that Noah was on the Ark for almost a year.

Let's skip some time here and say it is 2023 and Noah lived here in the U.S. instead of biblical times. God spoke to Noah while he was sitting on his front porch and told him to build an ark or a huge boat because earth was going to be destroyed by water. God told Noah to take 2 of every living creature and his family.

In a flash of lightning, God delivered the specifications for an ark. Fearful and trembling, Noah took the plans and agreed to build the ark. "Remember," said the Lord, "You must complete the Ark and bring everything aboard in one year."

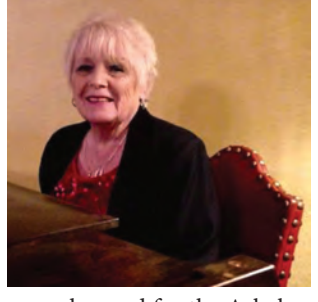
Exactly one year later, a fierce storm cloud covered the earth and all the seas of the earth went into a tumult. The Lord saw Noah sitting on his front porch weeping. "Noah," God shouted, "Where is the ark?"

"Lord, please forgive me!" cried Noah. "I did my best, but there were big problems. First, I had to get a permit for construction and your plans did not comply with the codes. I had to hire an engi-

neering firm and redraw the plans."

"Then I got into a fight with OSHA over whether or not the ark needed a fire sprinkler system and floatation devices. Then my neighbor objected, claiming I was violating zoning ordinances by building the ark in my front yard, so I had to get a variance from the city planning commission."

"I had problems getting



enough wood for the Ark, because there was a ban on cutting trees to protect the Spotted Owl. I finally convinced the U.S. Forest Service that I needed the wood to save the owls. However, the Fish and Wildlife Service won't let me catch any owls. So, no owls."

"The carpenters formed a union and went out on strike. I had to negotiate a settlement with the National Labor Union. Now I have 16 carpenters on the ark, but still no owls."

"When I started rounding up the other animals, I got sued by an animal rights group. They objected to me only taking two of each kind aboard."

"Just when I got the suit dismissed, the EPA notified me that I could not complete the ark without filing an environmental impact statement on your proposed flood. They didn't take very kindly to the idea that they had no jurisdiction over the conduct of the Creator of the universe."

Then the Army Corps of Engineers demanded a map of the proposed new flood plane. I sent them a globe.

Right now, I am trying to resolve a complaint filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that I am practicing discrimination by not taking godless, unbelieving people aboard!

The IRS has seized my assets, claiming that I'm building the ark in preparation to flee the country to avoid paying taxes. I just got a notice from the state that I owe them some kind of user tax and



Inside the Salt Cave — serene and relaxing ambience for the guests' enjoyment.

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halation as well as Light therapy. With a negative ion machine, the salt particles in the room are broken down to be absorbed into your skin. This Himalayan salt has approximately 84 minerals that can be absorbed through the skin. Nourishing your body as you relax and breathe deeply — sounds enticing, right? And it doesn't dry out the skin as one would think, the minerals in the salt actually attract moisture to the skin. There are many benefits of Himalayan salt — naturally anti-bacterial and anti-inflammatory as well as lends a hand with the following: eczema and psoriasis, mood boosting and energy boosting, may alleviate insomnia, stress, and seasonal affective disorder, may improve breathing and lung function, may enhance mental focus, cleans and purifies the surrounding air, may reduce asthma symptoms, resistance to airborne allergies, may improve sleep, detoxification, weight loss, may improve circulation, may reduce blood pressure, provide relaxation, promote faster wound healing, and provide relief from muscle aches... and so much more!

Owner Elecia Wobler explains the halotherapy of the The Salt Cave, "Salt particles below 3 microns penetrate the skin and the mucous mem-

brane and speed up the lymphatic flow. This activates metabolism and expulsion of toxins. The quantum-energetic salt room can also be used for detoxification because it helps to clear the body from accumulated poisons. Salt rooms and infrared radiation strengthen the immune system. The salt cave is amazing!"

Ready to book that appointment yet?

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The Salt Cave is open and ready for you to book your appointment today. Give Elecia a call at 419-506-1490, stop in Keepsake Beads by EAW & Boutique at 101 W Perry, Paulding, or look them up on Facebook.

What a quality of life addition to Paulding County!

failed to register the Ark as a "recreational water craft."

Finally, the ACLU got the courts to issue an injunction against further construction of the ark, saying that since God is flooding the earth, it is a religious event and therefore, unconstitutional. I really don't think I can finish the Ark for another 5 or 6 years!" Noah wailed.

The sky began to clear, the sun began to shine and the seas began to calm. A rainbow arched across the sky. Noah looked up hopefully. "You mean you are not going to destroy the earth, Lord.?"

"No," said the Lord sadly. "I don't have to. People already have."

When I first read this piece about Noah and today's world, I thought, "How times have changed."

It took a lot of faith and perseverance to build the ark and I can just imagine Noah trying to explain what he was doing. I might have been chicken to get on the ark, I bet the place smelled after a while from the humans and animals. I am also scared of the 2 mice which was on board. Then in enclosed quarters, there may have been a fight or 2.

Many explorers through the years have claimed they located the old Ark. But according to research they say it

has not been found. What would you do if you observed someone building a boat this big? Would you offer to help or have enough faith to get on it? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for your Thoughts.

MY MINI STROKE STORY

By: Doris Applegate; Scribed by: Cynthia Nicholson

All was well and glorious until Cynthia, my scribe, and I mailed the article about the resurrection day.

Our enemy (Satan) does not like the truth about the resurrection and Jesus Christ being raised from the dead. The resurrection is part of the plan of God to make our salvation complete.

If Jesus Christ had suffered and died without being raised from the dead, we would not be saved. Both had to happen. When Jesus Christ was in Hell, He was waiting and trusting for God the Father to tell the Holy Spirit to raise Him from the dead.

In Hell, Jesus Christ put His foot on the head of the devil and made a show and great victory over him. It was not pleasant for Jesus Christ to be in Hell for three days and nights, but he did this for us so we wouldn't have to go there. The only way to escape

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry

David Bill Barnhart was born April 27, 1891 in Antwerp. The son of George, born October 1845 in Germany and Margaret, "Maggie" (Flickinger) Barnhart, born July 1849 in Ohio. This couple was married April 25, 1875 in Otsego, Allegan County, Michigan.

George was a Civil War Veteran, who served with Company F. 68th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. By 1900, the Barnhart family including five children, were living in Crane Township. George was engaged in farming and David, the youngest, was in school.

By 1910, the Barnhart's had moved to Perry Street in Antwerp. George and David were working odd jobs. Only two children were still living at home. On September 29, 1911 George passed away. He was buried in Maumee Cemetery, lot 193, grave 4. On October 27, 1911 Margaret filed for widow's pension.

On June 5, 1917, David tall at 5'10", stout build, brown hair, brown eyes and working in the concrete business for N.A.G. Sunday out of Antwerp, registered for the draft. May 30, 1918, David signed up in Paulding to serve in the United States Army.

He served with the 34th

Company, 9th Training Battalion, 157th Depot Brigade. He served until June 11, 1918. Then served with 63rd Company, 6th Infantry Replacement Regiment at Camp Gordon, Georgia until July 19, 1918. He then served with Company C, 5th Infantry Replacement Regiment at Camp Gordon until July 31, 1918.

From that point he served in the 40th Company, 10th Training Battalion, 157th Depot Brigade to September 20, 1918. Serves with Company L., 6th Infantry Replacement Regiment at Camp Gordon, Georgia, to October 13, 1918. Finally serving with Company A., 1st Development Battalion, at Camp Gordon until he was Honorably Discharged, December 7, 1918.

By 1920, David was living in Antwerp on River Street. His mother, Margaret, niece, Luella Kerns and nephew, Edward Kerns were living with him. The Kerns' mother, Sarah Elizabeth, sister to David, had died, June 22, 1912. And the kids father, Moses Edward Kerns, a Spanish American War Veteran, had died August 28, 1909. On April 14, 1928, David's mother, Margaret, passed away. She was buried with George at Maumee Cemetery, lot 193, grave 3.

The trail on David grows cold between the years of 1925-1930. Somewhere after 1925, David moved to Columbus, Ohio. and on June 25, 1931, David Bill Barnhart passed away in Columbus, Ohio. David was brought home to Antwerp and was buried in Maumee Cemetery, lot 193, grave 2.

He was never married. David's sister-in-law, applied for and signed for his military tombstone. His stone was shipped to Maumee Cemetery, April 18, 1932.

...Until Next Time!

going to Hell is to accept the free gift of salvation that Jesus Christ paid for by His blood, suffering, death and resurrection.

Being a born again (saved) person does not mean that you will not have troubles, but we can be sure that the Holy Spirit will be our helper through all of them.

When I suffered a mini stroke I recovered quickly and

am able to write again with my scribe. At times I felt like giving up but I remembered all of the times that I wrote to you to "not give up, don't quit and keep pressing on."

This test that I have gone through has made me more understanding of our human weaknesses. I have learned a lot lately and hopefully am a better person.

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As we enter the month of May and the last few weeks of school for the 2022-2023 school year, students and staff are very busy with end of the year activities. Award programs, concerts, sporting events, and student programs highlight the month of May. Please check the district calendar and support our students with your attendance at these celebrations. Students in grades K-11 will likewise be in a celebratory mood with their last day of school arriving Wednesday, May 24.

The end of April and the first two weeks of May are also times to celebrate and recognize the efforts of our faculty. Ohio School Bus Driver Appreciation Day was Tuesday, April 25. School Secretaries Appreciation Day was Wednesday, April 26. National Teacher Day is scheduled for May 3, while May 7-13 is National Teacher Appreciation Week. May 10 has been designated National School Nurse Day. Please consider during this timeframe to thank a bus driver, teacher, aide, school nurse, or other school employee who made a difference in your child's life. We are proud of all our employees and believe they make a huge difference in the lives of children every day.

The Class of 2023, our 139th graduating class from Antwerp High School, will celebrate Commencement on May 21 at 2:00 p.m. with doors opening at 12:30 p.m. The ceremony will take place in the Main Gymnasium. We congratulate our senior class on their many accomplishments in reaching this milestone and wish them the best as they continue on a journey of lifelong learning.

During the summer months, a few projects will be completed in time for our annual Open House slated for Tuesday, August 15 and the first day of school scheduled for Thursday, August 17. Repairs and sealing of our asphalt parking lots will take place during the month of July. Interior projects include replacement of carpet in the C-Wing hallway and three Kindergarten classrooms affiliated with A-Wing. In addition, we will replace the roofs over the two gymnasiums and the two gymnasium floors will receive their annual re-waxing during the month of July. One other project includes the addition of a new sidewalk and lighting project from the Softball/Baseball complex parking lot to Water Plant Drive along Archer Drive.

Plans for the proposed Range Wellness & Recreation Center project are nearing completion and will be considered at the May Board of Education meeting whether or not to approve with sending the project out to bid. If approved, bids will be sought and then reviewed at the June meeting with possible construction beginning in August and completion scheduled for March 2024.

Prior to the start of the 2023-2024 school year, incoming 7th and 12th grade students will need updated immunizations per Ohio law. Students entering 7th grade will need the Tdap and Meningococcal vaccines. Students entering 12th grade will likewise need the Meningococcal vaccine. Additional information regarding the vaccine requirements, other recommended vaccines, and immunization clinics provided by the Paulding County Health Department, can be found on our school website and school app.

I want to thank the community for the support given to the staff throughout this school year. Antwerp is a wonderful school district with excellent staff, students, and parents. As noted earlier, the 2023-2024 school year will begin Thursday, August 17. In the meantime, enjoy the long summer days with your family and friends.

Martin A. Miller, Superintendent

A big thank you to all of those working to make this year's Prom and Post-Prom a safe and memorable night for our students! Our public walkthrough will be from 5:00-6:00 at Grant's on May 6 with dinner and the dance to follow.

Spring Assessments will be completed during the first week of this month. Many thanks to our staff and students for their hard work.

Attention Seniors!! Please remember that all academic requirements must be met and all school fees/fines must be paid prior to graduation practice. Students must take part in graduation practice on May 19 in order to participate in our Graduation ceremony on May 21.

Our Senior Academic Awards night will be held on Wednesday, May 10 in the Auditoria at 7:00 p.m. Parents will be notified of the awards to be received that night as we get the information. Families are invited to attend.

Awards for underclassmen will be given out during the week of May 15.

Summer School for MS and HS students will begin on May 30 and finish on June 12. We will have morning sessions from 8:00-11:00, as well as an afternoon session from 12:00-3:00. Students and their parents will be notified by the end of the year that they will be required to attend Credit Recovery classes during this time.

Go Archers!
~ Mr. Travis Lichty, MS/HS Principal

HS/MS GUIDANCE NEWS

Parents of students who are required to come to summer school for credit recovery purposes will be notified in early May for first semester failures and no later than May 26 for second semester failures. Summer school will run from May 30 through June 12.

AP Exams will be held at the Antwerp United Methodist Church this year. Go to <https://sites.google.com/apps.aw.noacsc.org/antwerpmsguidance/advanced-placement-ap?authuser=0> for AP exam dates.

The Senior Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

Students in grades 5-11 will be given a tentative copy of their 2023-2024 schedule before the end of the current school year.

The 7th grade students will be participating in the Lifelines program May 8-11. The goal of the Lifelines program is to promote a caring, competent school community in which help-seeking is encouraged and modeled.

Fourth quarter report cards for grades 6-12 will be available on Progressbook by May 30.

2023-2024 CALENDAR

Aug 15	Open House
Aug 17	First Day of Classes
Sept 4	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
Sept 22	Inservive - NO SCHOOL
Nov 22	P/T Conf. Tradeoff - NO SCHOOL
Nov 23-27	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 25-Jan 5	Christmas/New Years break
Jan 15	M.L.K. Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL
Feb 19	Presidents Day - NO SCHOOL
Mar 28-Apr 2	Easter/Spring Break
May 16	Seniors Last Day
May 19	Graduation
May 21	Last Day of School (K-11)

Wow... I cannot believe that it's May already! May brings summer for Antwerp students and time to enjoy the warm weather. Please encourage your students to take some time to enjoy reading together or work on their reading skills with you. There is often a slide in skills over the summer and families can make a big difference by spending a little time reading together and working on math skills learned this year. Our elementary students have made huge gains this year and the teachers, staff, and I are all excited to see what 2023-2024 has in store for the students at Antwerp.

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH
KA-Hadley Jackson, KB-Liam Gill, KC-Westin Winslow, 1A-Ethan Flanary, 1B-Matias Rivera, 2A-Reece Bidlack, 2B-Sophia Friend, 3A-Adelle Cline, 3B-Brando Cruz, 3C-Sophia Friend, 4A-Bradyn Miller, 4B-Lily Zijlstra, 4C-Luke Saylor, 5A-Kolton Stuckey, 5B-Carson Hughes

KINDERGARTEN
If you missed kindergarten screening, please call the elementary office at (419) 258-5421 ext. 2200. Your child must be 5 years of age before August 1, 2023, to attend kindergarten. They will also need to participate in a kindergarten screening in order to attend kindergarten in August.

TEACHER LISTS
The 2023-24 class lists will be posted at the school in August.

~ Mrs. Tracey Stokes, Elementary Principal

ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

This month in classroom guidance, the kindergarten classes talked about summer safety. They talked about all the things that they like to do in the summer, and then they completed a coloring/activity book about summer safety.

First grade talked about self-love. They listened to the book "I Like Myself" and then they each decorated an outline of themselves with sidewalk chalk. The students wrote one word to describe what they love about themselves next to their sidewalk image.

Second graders talked about personal body safety. The classes listened to a book, and then discussed ways to keep themselves safe.

Third grade practiced teamwork this month. Students learned about the qualities of a good teammate. Then they practiced these qualities by working in teams to complete Lego challenges.

Fifth grade learned about life in middle school. Students learned about the various classes they will be taking, as well as the teachers they will be interacting with. They also learned about all the various activities that are included in middle school. Mr. Lichty and Mrs. Hammer came to the classrooms to talk about middle school expectations as well.

As always, Mrs. Lichty is always available to meet all students' individual needs as well. If you have any concerns regarding your child, please call Mrs. Lichty at 419-258-5421, extension 2204, or email lichty_e@antwerpschools.org.

2023-2024 PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN

Aug 22 First day of Kindergarten
Aug 24 First day of Preschool

VARSITY BASEBALL
May 1 5:00 Home vs. North Central
May 2 5:00 @ Montpelier
May 3 4:30 WT @ Parkview Field
May 5 5:00 @ Delta
May 9 5:00 @ Crestview
May 12 5:00 Home vs. Lincolnview

VARSITY SOFTBALL
May 1 5:00 Home vs. North Central
May 2 5:00 @ Delta
May 4 5:00 Home vs. Ottoville
May 8 5:00 Home vs. Woodlan
May 9 5:00 @ Lincolnview
May 15 5:00 Home vs. Wauseon

VARSITY TRACK & FIELD
May 2 4:30 Home vs. Edg/Cont/Ft. Jen
May 5 4:30 Antwerp Invitational
May 8 4:30 Home vs. WT/Paulding
May 12 3:30 GMC @ Ayersville
May 18 TBA District @ Ayersville
May 20 TBA District @ Ayersville

JV SOFTBALL
May 1 5:00 @ Miller City
May 5 5:00 @ Hicksville

JH TRACK
May 1 4:30 @ AV/FB/Kalida
May 4 4:30 Paulding Relays
May 9 4:00 GMC @ Hicksville

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Archer athletes will have the opportunity to get their sports physical for next school year on May 16 at the school. Paulding County Hospital will be performing sports physicals for all athletes at Antwerp School from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Forms will be distributed to athletes before that day and must be thoroughly completed and signed by both the student and parents prior to arrival. The cost is \$15.00 for the sports physical and all money will go to the Antwerp Athletic Department. Please see Mr. Altimus for an appointment time and physical form. Additional appointments can be made at a later date by contacting your primary care provider.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 6	Prom
May 10	Senior Awards - 7:00 p.m.
May 16	Sports Physicals
May 18	Board of Education Meeting
May 19	Seniors Last Day of School
May 21	Graduation
May 24	Last Day of School (K-11)
May 30-Jun 12	Summer School - MS/HS
May 29	Memorial Day

CAFETERIA MENU

May 1	Grilled chicken on bun, green beans, apple slices, & milk
May 2	Sloppy joe on bun, sweet potato fries, mixed fruit, & milk
May 3	Burritos w/ salsa, carrots, peach crisp, & milk
May 4	Chicken fajitas, french fries, pears, & milk
May 5	Hodge podge pizza, coleslaw, applesauce cup, & milk

Our menus are subject to change without notice.

PAULDING FFA CHAPTER ANNUAL PLANT EVENT STARTS



By: Grace Goyings, Paulding FFA Reporter

The Paulding FFA Chapter and Alumni kicked off its annual plant event on April 28th at the FFA greenhouse located on Caroline Street. The greenhouse is filled with a wide variety of plants consisting of flowers, vegetables, herbs, hanging baskets, decorative plants, and more. The students in the Animal & Plant Science class at Paulding High School have been working hard and preparing the greenhouse for this event since February. Students have been clean-

ing high and low, and getting their hands dirty planting flowers in a greenhouse. The Paulding FFA Chapter would greatly appreciate your support at this year's plant event. Our chapter looks forward to seeing our community support our students and the Paulding FFA Chapter at this yearly event. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Staci Miller, Ag Education teacher at 419-399-4656 Ext. 1170. Please watch our Facebook page Paulding FFA Chapter for an option to do online ordering with pickup.

The dates for the plant event will be as follows:
 Friday, May 5th, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
 Saturday, May 6th, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Friday, May 12th, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
 Saturday, May 13th, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Friday, May 19th, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Saturday May 20th, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Friday, May 26th, 12:00-4:00 p.m.
 Saturday, May 27th, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

BRADY STABLER PARTICIPATES IN UF'S 2023 SYMPOSIUM FOR SCHOLARSHIP & CREATIVITY

Brady Stabler, of Payne, recently participated in the University of Findlay's 2023 Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity. Stabler received the American Council of Academic Physical Therapy (ACAPT) Award. Undergraduate and graduate students were given the

opportunity to share their research, creativity, and professional learning experiences with the University and community, with many students receiving honors at the same time. The symposium may be viewed at <https://www.findlay.edu/offices/academic/ssc2023>. Located in Findlay, Ohio, the University of Findlay is known not only for science, health professions, animal science and equestrian studies programs, but also for cultivating the next genera-

tion of business leaders, educators and global citizens through a dedication to experiential learning, both in and outside of the classroom. Established in 1882 through a joint partnership between the Churches of God, General Church and the City of Findlay, the University of Findlay has more than 80 majors leading to baccalaureate degrees and offers 11 master's degrees, and five doctoral degrees. More than 3,500 students are enrolled at Findlay, and the University is nationally recognized by U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review.

UNITED WAY OF DEFIANCE COUNTY RECEIVES DONATION FROM PREMIER BANK



Premier Bank recently donating \$10,000 to the United Way of Defiance County.

Premier Bank recently donated a check to United Way of Defiance County for \$10,000. The funds will be used to sponsor the 2023 United Way of Defiance County Hot Air Balloon Festival. All funds raised at the event will benefit the United Way of Defiance County's Community Engagement Center. "This year's festival will be held on Saturday, August 5 at the Defiance County Airport. The annual event will feature hot air balloons, live music, kids' fun zone, delicious food, and the marketplace," explained Abby Wolfrum, Executive Director, United Way of Defiance County. "We're thankful to Premier Bank and all our sponsors and volunteers that make this event a success.

Each year we have about 5,000 attendees. We're looking forward to this year being even bigger." "We are so proud to partner with the United Way of Defiance County to support local community initiatives such as the United Way of Defiance County Hot Air Balloon Festival," said Trish Gelsomino, Foundation Giving Coordinator, Premier Bank. "Special events like the Hot Air Balloon Festival bring the meaning of LIVE UNITED to life by raising funds that are used to recruit volunteers for local community events and collect donations for local food pantries and shelters right here in Defiance County." For more information regarding United Way of Defiance County, please call

419-782-3510 or visit UnitedWayDefiance.org. About Premier Bank Premier Bank, headquartered in Youngstown Ohio, operates 75 branches and 10 loan offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania and West Virginia (West Virginia office operates as Home Savings Bank) and serves clients through a team of wealth professionals dedicated to each community banking branch. The holding company for Premier Bank and First Insurance Group is Premier Financial Corp. (Nasdaq: PFC), headquartered in Defiance, Ohio. First Insurance Group is a full-service insurance agency with nine offices in Ohio. For more information, visit the company's website at YourPremierBank.com.

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

- 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
Chantrel: 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
Paulding: Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Kwik Mart, Library
Payne: Village office, Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Maramart, Library
Sherwood: Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank
Scott: Scott Post Office
Van Wert: CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Family Video, Orchard Tree
INDIANA LOCATIONS
Fort Wayne: Hahn Systems, Walmart, Walgreens, Great Clips & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Golden Years Nursing Home, Golden Years Assisted Living
Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales
Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank
Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub
Milan Center: Milan Center Feed & Grain
Monroeville: Mel's Deli, Phillips 66, The Village of Heritage Assisted Living, Dollar General
New Haven: ACP Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, McDonalds, CVS, Clips, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's
Woodburn: Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop, ACP Library, Willies Cafe II

41st HONOR FLIGHT FROM FORT WAYNE

Honor Flight Northeast Indiana is slated for its 41st Honor Flight from Fort Wayne on April 26, 2023. Eighty-Five veterans from the Fort Wayne area are booked and confirmed for the flight. Included will be 1 WWII Veteran, 12 Korean War veterans, 13 Cold War veterans, 58 Vietnam veterans, and one Iraqi Freedom veteran. Honor Flight Northeast Indiana thanks all the organizations and individuals who, through their donations at local events and

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fund-raising events have made it possible to give our Veterans a day of remembrance and honor for their service. The visits to all the memorials built in their honor, make this a wonderful day for the men and women who deserve our respect and honor! As of this date, 3037 veterans have traveled from Fort Wayne to Washington, D.C. on an Honor Flight to visit the Memorials that were built in their honor.

Due to construction at the airport, no welcome home festivities are permitted. Cathy Berkshire, President of Honor Flight Northeast Indiana, and the entire Honor Flight Team are excited to begin the 2023 Flying season. We have 5 Honor Flights planned this year with one being an incredibly special flight for our Purple Heart Recipients sponsored by Community donations to WOWO Penny

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END OF GAME COMEBACK SCORES WIN FOR WARRIORS



Woodlan Junior Noah Beghtel gets under the infield pop fly ball and makes the catch at shortstop! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Woodlan was a little off their game on Thursday, April 27 until about the sixth inning when the Dawson Lichty,

Drew Fleek and Noah Aquaviva all scored to end the game at 3-2, holding their own in the top of the seventh.

10-RUN RULE MAKES BIG WIN FOR LADY WARRIORS



Mya Jones, Junior, moves the Warriors one more step closer to the win, catching the foul fly ball in the top of the fifth. Lady Warriors ended the game at the top of the fifth, 12-0. More pictures at westbendnews.net

WARRIORS, LAKERS SPLIT TWINBILL

Woodlan and Lakeland hooked up in a high school baseball doubleheader on Saturday with the two squads splitting the two games.

The Warriors captured the opener, jumping in front early in the game before settling on a 5-3 win over the Lakers.

However, Lakeland rallied to garner a split on the day with a 7-6 victory in the second game.

In the opener, Woodlan took the early lead scoring a pair of runs each in the second and third innings to seize a 4-0 advantage. The Warriors added a single run in the fifth to expand the margin to 5-0 before Lakeland answered with a run of its own in the

home half of the fifth to close within 5-1.

The Lakers did score twice in the bottom of the seventh to trim the deficit to 5-3 but Woodlan would hold on from there for the victory.

Drew Fleek, Oliver Adams, Austin Snyder and Jacob Snyder all had two hits for the Warriors while Dawson Lichty and Noah Aquaviva each recorded one hit.

Austin Snyder also scored twice for Woodlan with Blake Reed, Gavin Sheehan and Adams all touching home plate once. Fleek drove in two runs while Austin Snyder, Adams and Reed picked up one run batted in apiece.

Jaden Miller tossed the first four frames, scattering three hits, an unearned run and four walks while striking

out four to get the win for Woodlan. Austin Snyder pitched the last three innings, giving up three hits, two earned runs and one walk while striking out three.

Game two saw Lakeland open a 3-1 lead after two innings before Woodlan plated single runs in the fourth, fifth and seventh innings while scoring twice in the sixth to grab a 6-4 lead entering the home half of the seventh.

However, the Lakers responded with three runs in frame to rally for the 7-6 victory.

Reed posted three hits for Woodlan with Jacob Snyder, Aquaviva and Fleek all getting two hits. Fleek also scored twice for the Warriors and Aquaviva finished with three runs batted in.

CRUSHING GMC LOSS FOR ARCHERS AGAINST RAMS



Archer Ethan Lichty at the ready for the ball to be thrown. Archer did not get the runs needed & Tinora kept a win at home. 1-4 on this Thursday afternoon, April 27th. Photo by Harlee Moore.

TINORA OUTSCORES ANTWERP IN LOW SCORING GAME



Archer Madisyn Peters makes the catch in the infield. Photo by Harlee Moore.

Antwerp falls to 8-9 overall, 2-5 in the Green Meadows Conference while Tinora improves to 13-4 overall and 6-1

in the GMC after their match up on April 27th at the Rams' field. Final score: Tinora 2, Antwerp 0

Score by Innings:
Antwerp - 0 0 0 0 0 0=0;
3H, 1E
Tinora - 0 0 0 2 0 0 x=2;
8H, 0E

Winning Pitcher - Scylea Zolman (7 innings, 3 hits, 0 runs, 14 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Lydia Krouse (6 innings, 8 hits, 2 runs, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Antwerp Hitters - Kearstyn Pierce (single), Jillian Treece (single), Maddy Peters (single)

Tinora Hitters - Anna Frazer (two singles), Maren Pittman (single, RBI), Zoe Roesti (single, home run, run, RBI), Scylea Zolman (two singles, run), Tegan Norden (single)

CRESTVIEW TAKES TWO OVER ANTWERP

Crestview scored 25 runs in two games to sweep Antwerp in doubleheader action Saturday at the home of the Archers.

4/22: The Lady Knights blanked Antwerp 14-0 in the opener, behind three hits each from Megan Mosier and Dakotah Thornell. Kaylee Mollenkopf and Micaela Lugabihl both chipped in two hits for Crestview while Katie Sawmiller, Katelyn Castle and Olivia Heckler had one each.

Laci McCoy, Sawmiller, Thornell, Mollenkopf and

ARCHERS WIN PAULDING COUNTY BATTLE



Archer Camden Fuller makes a throw from short stop to attempt an out at 1st. Photo by Harlee Moore.

In a contest between Paulding County rivals, it was the Antwerp Archers who recorded a 4-1 win over visiting Paulding in Green Meadows Conference baseball action Wednesday afternoon.

The Panthers struck first, scoring once in the opening frame, but Paulding would not score again. Meanwhile, Antwerp tied the game with a single run in the fourth and took the lead with another run in the fifth to make it 2-1.

In the sixth, the blue and white extended the margin to 4-1 with a pair of runs.

Ethan Lichty recorded the victory on the mound for Antwerp, scattering four hits and one walk while striking out eight Panther hitters.

Parker Moore posted two singles with a run scored and a run batted in for Antwerp while Carson Altimus added a single and a triple while scoring once and driving in one.

Ethan Lichty singled and finished with a run batted in and Eli Reinhart doubled and scored. Derek Hines doubled as well for the Archers with



Panther catcher Isaac Reeb tries to throw out a runner attempting a steal. Photo by Harlee Moore.

Kane Hines scoring a run.

Casey Agler recorded two singles for Paulding with Kane Jones and Nick Manz adding a single each. Jones scored the lone Panther run with Ethan Foltz posting the run batted in.

Foltz suffered the loss on the mound, giving up six hits, four runs (two earned) and two walks while striking out a dozen Antwerp hitters in 5-2/3 innings.

Mosier each scored twice for Crestview with Castle, Heckler and Lugabihl scoring once apiece. Thornell and Mollenkopf drove in a pair of runs each as well.

Emma Townley, Maddy Peters and Kearstyn Pierce all picked up one hit for Antwerp.

On the mound, Heckler threw four innings to get the win for the Knights, striking out five while giving up three hits.

Crestview took the second game 11-2 as Lugabihl tossed the complete game with ten

strikeouts.

Lugabihl also ripped a pair of doubles with Castle and Thornell getting two singles each. Mosier, Sawmiller, Heckler, McCoy and Mollenkopf all had one hit for the Lady Knights. Mosier, Castle, McCoy and Nevaeh Ross all scored twice.

Pierce, Townley and Raelynn Zuber each had one hit for Antwerp with Rohrs and Pierce scoring the runs. Townley chipped in a pair of runs batted in for the Lady Archers.



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WAYNE TRACE RAIDER BASEBALL WIN GMC TITLE



Raiders collaborate their game plan during a time out. Photo by Harlee Moore.

With the victory, Wayne Trace claims an outright Green Meadows Conference championship on April 25th, 2023 as the Raiders improve to 12-1 overall and 6-0 in the league. It is the Raiders third GMC title in school history and second consecutive league crown after sharing with Tinora and Antwerp last season. Wayne Trace won an outright championship in 1987.

Edgerton falls to 10-7 overall and 4-2 in the league.

Score by Innings:
Wayne Trace 0 0 0 4 2 2 0 = 8 runs, 11 hits, 1 error

Edgerton 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 = 2 runs, 3 hits, 2 errors

Winning Pitcher - Cooper Wenzlick (7 innings, 3 hits, 2 runs, 1 earned runs, 13 strikeouts, 0 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Corey Everetts (5-1/3 innings, 8 hits, 8 runs, 6 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Other Edgerton Pitcher - Dylan Bass (1-2/3 innings, 3 hits, 0 runs, 1 strikeout, 1 walk)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Tucker Antoine (run), Breven Anderson (three singles, run), Cale Winans (two singles, run, two RBI), Cooper Wenzlick (run), Kyle Forrer (single, double, triple, run, two RBI), Evan Crosby (double, run, RBI), Tyler Davis (single, run, RBI), Tyler Head (run)

Edgerton Hitters - Nate Swank (run), Corey Everetts (single), Cory Herman (single, run, RBI), Noah Weaver (single)

BULLDOGS MAKE TOUGH LOSS FOR LADY RAIDERS



Lady Raider Ava Zartman makes a throw to home for an out. Photo by Harlee Moore.

April 25th, Edgerton improved to 11-5 overall and 5-1 in the Green Meadows Conference with the victory. Edgerton 5, Wayne Trace 0.

Wayne Trace falls to 7-12 in all contests and 1-5 in the league.

Score by Innings:
WT - 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 0; 6H, 2E

Edgerton - 0 0 2 0 0 3 x=5; 6H, 2E

Winning Pitcher - Corinne Cape (7 innings, 6 hits, 0 runs, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Logen Bland (6 innings, 6 hits, 5 runs, 4 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 1 walk)

Edgerton Hitters - Lola Giesige (two singles, home run, run, two RBI), Noelle Ritter (run), Ava Giesige (single, run), Ella Miller (single, run, RBI), Nessa Cox (single, two RBI), Ava Swank (run)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Kaitlin Slade (two singles), Allison Schilt (two singles), Laura Thornell (single), Ava Zartman (single)

LADY RAIDERS IMPROVE RECORD OVER COUNTY RIVAL



Wayne Trace junior Kaitlin Slade attempts to get the out at home as PHS Junior Riley Stork slides safely into home after hitting a home run and scoring with errors from their Raider opponents. More pictures at westbendnews.net

County rivals placed at Raider field on April 27th, 2023. Wayne Trace improves to 8-12 overall and 2-5 in the Green Meadows Conference with the victory over Paulding. Lady Panthers fall to 4-11 overall and 0-7 in the Green Meadows Conference.

Score by Innings:
Paulding - 2 0 2 0 0 0 1 = 5; 9H, 1E

Wayne Trace - 2 1 3 3 3 0 x=12; 17H, 4E

Winning Pitcher - Raegan McGarvey (7 innings, 9 hits, 5 runs, 1 earned run, 1 strikeout, 1 walk)

Losing Pitcher - Tia Mendez (3-1/3 innings, 12 hits, 9 runs, 8 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)

Other Paulding Pitcher - Jalyn Klopfenstein (2-2/3 in-

nings, 5 hits, 3 runs, 3 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Logen Bland (double, home run, three runs, three RBI), Ava Zartman (single, two runs), Kaitlin Slade (two doubles, run, two RBI), Paige Alber (single, two doubles, three RBI), Katie Anna Baumle (three singles, run, two RBI), Allison Schilt (single), Tianna Sinn (two singles, two runs, RBI), Raegan McGarvey (single, run, RBI), Macy Doster (two singles, run)

Paulding Hitters - Maci Kauser (two singles, run), Jalyn Klopfenstein (single), Jocelynn Parrett (single, run, RBI), Riley Stork (single, double, run, RBI), Brooklyn Bakle (single, RBI), Samantha Leal (single, Olivia Franklin (single)

GAFF NO-HITS WT

An eight-run second inning propelled Woodlan to an 11-0, five-inning victory over Wayne Trace Monday night in high school softball action.

The Lady Warriors scored a single run in the first and posted two in the third in coasting to the win.

Woodlan's Austin Gaff tossed a no-hitter in the contest, striking out ten Raider hitters while walking one in throwing the complete-game five innings.

Raegan McGarvey took the loss for Wayne Trace, giving up nine hits, 11 runs (three earned) and one walk with five strikeouts in four innings on the mound.

Jade Lichty had three singles, scored twice and drove in a run for Woodlan with Avah Smith doubling, scoring once and driving in two runs. Gaff chipped in a single, scored once and posted two runs batted in with Alyssa Harvey singling once and driving in one while scoring twice.

Lillian Riley doubled, scored a run and recorded a run batted in with Abby Cowan doubling and scoring. Briana Roney scored twice and picked up an RBI as well. Olivia Roney singled and scored once with Mya Jones driving in one run for the Lady Warriors.

an 8-7 win over Antwerp Monday night in non-league softball action.

Caydence Shull homered and drove in three runs for the Lady Archer offense, scoring twice as well. Estee Lichty added two singles and two runs scored with Maddy Peters recording a single and a double while scoring twice.

Taylor Shull also had two singles for Antwerp and Caroline Rohrs recorded a triple and drove in three runs. Lydia Krouse, Emma Townley and Jillian Treece all singled for the blue and white with Raelynn Zuber scoring once.

Elle Clem suffered the loss for the Lady Archers, giving up three hits and two runs in one inning of work. Pitching the first six frames was Lydia Krouse, who allowed six hits, six runs and

ARCHERS NIPPED BY LOCOMOTIVES

Host Montpelier scored twice in the bottom of the seventh inning as the Lady Locomotives rallied to post

RAIDERS TAKE BIG WIN FROM PANTHERS



Raider Senior Kyle Slade pokes the ball out to the fence and earns himself 3 bases and an RBI at the bottom of the first! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Wayne Trace improves to 14-1 overall and 7-0 in the Green Meadows Conference with the victory. Paulding falls to 8-9 in all games and 3-4 in the conference. The two met in Raider country on April 27th.

Score by Innings:
Paulding 0 0 0 1 0 0 = 1 run, 4 hits, 2 errors

Wayne Trace 2 5 0 0 3 1 = 11 runs, 11 hits, 3 errors

Winning Pitcher - Breven Anderson (6 innings, 4 hits, 1 run, 0 earned runs, 10 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Larkin Yates (1-1/3 innings, 4 hits, 7 runs, 5 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Other Paulding Pitcher - Nick Manz (1/3 innings, 2 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 0

strikeouts, 0 walks)

Other Paulding Pitcher - Kobe Foor (3-2/3 innings, 5 hits, 3 runs, 3 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Tucker Antoine (two singles, two runs, two RBI), Breven Anderson (two singles, two runs, three RBI), Cale Winans (single, two runs), Cooper Wenzlick (single, two RBI), Kyle Slade (single, two RBI), Kyle Forrer (single, RBI), Tyler Davis (double, run), Tanner Laukhuf (run), Evan Crosby (single), Jordan Lotz (double, run, RBI), Brady Miller (two runs)

Paulding Hitters - Nick Manz (single), Isaac Reeb (single, run), Greyson Harder (single), Peyton Adams (single)

three walks while striking out three.

Antwerp jumped out to a 3-0 lead with a three-run third inning and the Lady Archers extended it to 6-0 in the fourth after scoring three more times.

Montpelier answered, plating three runs each in the fifth and sixth to tie the contest at 6-6.

The Lady Archers responded with a single run in the top of the seventh to take a 7-6 lead but the Williams County squad plated two runs in the home half of the frame in recording the 8-7 victory.

Madelyn Hopper picked up the win for Montpelier, giving up one hit and one run in a single inning of

work while also adding a single and a run scored at the plate.

Kelsie Bumb chipped in two singles and two runs scored with Lyla Mahan finishing with two singles, a triple and four runs batted in. Arielle Bass touched home plate twice for the Lady Locomotives.

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THE LEFT TURN



Brent Marks winner April 15th, All Star Sprints at Attica Raceway Park. Photo Credit: Action Photos.

By: Ron Burt

The only area dirt track brave enough to race on Saturday, April 22nd was Montpelier Motor Speedway. The quarter mile opened the 2023 season last Saturday night, with a chill in the air and a few snowflakes as cars went around the track. The UMP Modified feature was won by Dillon Nusbaum. Dillon started the feature in second, but it didn't take him long to get out front and take command. Pole sitter Dylan Woodling finished 2nd followed by Todd Sherman. Cole Sink and Drew Charlson. In the Street Stocks, Travis Nichols started outside row one on the pole and managed to take the lead and keep it. Jeff Hinkley started in 6th but used some great racing moves and worked his way up to 2nd place at the finish. Pole sitter, Ervin Turner was 3rd, followed by Kaleb Hinkley and Jeff Nelson. The Super Stock A-main was won by Jarrod Klay who started the feature outside row #2 and had to work his way to the lead and fight off challenges the entire race. Rounding out the top 5 was Tony Anderson, Ervin Turner, Jeff Matheny, and Dan Wooten. Nineteen cars started the feature for the Affordable Hornets. Matthew Freeman took the checker getting his first ever feature win, followed by Brain Henderson, Jesse Arenas, Dalton Smith, and Tracey Runion. Three cars

came out for the first running of the new Crown Vic's class. This is a new affordable class that tracks are starting to run this year on area dirt and asphalt tracks. Jeremy Jones took the first feature win. May 6th, the Midwest USAC Thunder Midgets return to Montpelier Motor Speedway along with their five weekly classes.

Many area racing fans attended or watched FloRacing Night in America, Tuesday, April 18th at Eldora Speedway. Mike Marlar had some help winning the Dirt Car Late Model Feature. He had built a 5 second lead over Hudson O'Neal, late in the race. O'Neal fought through traffic to take the lead from Marlar but a flat tire on O'Neal's car with a few laps remaining, helped Mike Marlar get the victory and a check for \$23,023.00. The rest of the top 5 included Tim McCreadie, Tanner English, Jonathan Davenport, and Brandon Sheppard. The talent and racing skills of NASCAR champion Kyle Larson amazes me. He put on a show at Eldora racing a Dirt Modified for the first time and winning the feature after he qualified 7th. He made the win look easy as he was never challenged by the veteran drivers of the Modified class. Larson now has victories in seven different classes of cars at Eldora Speedway. Finishing behind Larson, Tyler Nicely, Trevor

Neville, Drake Troutman, and Michael Altobelli. The Super Stock feature was won by Earnie Woodard.

The High Limit Sprint Car Series comes to Kokomo, Tuesday, May 2nd featuring some of the nation's best Sprint Car drivers. This is the first full year for this new series featuring stars from the All Stars, USAC and WoO. Saturday, May 13th Oakshade Raceway will feature the Attica/Oakshade Late Model Series for the first time this year plus their full show. Asphalt fans. Plymouth Motor Speedway is now open for 2023. It's just a short drive west of Fort Wayne. The Doctor JR Roahrig and many others have been on the track for test and tune and are ready to go with their Outlaw Late Models. This is a great time of the year. Until next week, keep your wheels down. Ron Out! ohioportsblitz@yahoo.com

HORN TOSSES NO-NO AT BULLDOGS

Visiting Woodlan scored six times in the first and added ten more in the second to roll past host New Haven 23-0 in high school softball action Tuesday night.

The Lady Warriors led 16-0 at the end of two frames before wrapping up the scoring with seven runs in the fourth.

Woodlan was led on the mound by junior Abby Horn, who pitched a complete no-hitter with ten strikeouts and just one walk in the five-inning effort.

Leading the 26-hit attack by the Warriors was the sophomore duo of Alyssa Harvey and Olivia Roney, who each picked up four hits in the contest. Harvey recorded a quartet of singles while driving in three runs and scoring twice with Roney posting two doubles and two singles, three runs scored and four runs batted in.

Senior Avah Smith added three singles and two runs scored while driving in four runners. Sophomore Lillian Riley, sophomore Lexi Metzger, senior Austin Gaff and sophomore Jade Lichty all had two hits for Woodlan.

Smith and Metzger totaled four runs batted in apiece while seniors Abby Cowan and Briana Roney drove in two runs each.

Junior Mya Jones topped the Lady Warriors with four runs scored in the contest with Lichty, Metzger and Cowan touching home plate twice apiece.

ARCHERS ROLL OVER PANTHERS

Host Antwerp scored eight times in the bottom of the sixth to pull away from county rival Paulding for a 10-2 victory in Green Meadows Conference softball play Tuesday night.

The Archers jumped in front with two runs in the first but the Panthers cut the deficit in half with a single run in the top of the fourth.

However, Antwerp broke the game open with an eight-run sixth to extend the lead to 10-1. The maroon and white then wrapped up the scoring with a single run in the seventh.

Caydence Shull tripled, drove in two runs and scored once for Antwerp with Madison Peters doubling, scored once and posted a run batted in. Caroline Rohrs added a

triple, two runs scored and drove in one run for the Lady Archers.

Taylor Shull and Elle Clem both singled and scored once with Kearslyn Pierce doubling twice while scoring once and driving in one run. Jillian Treece singled and recorded a run batted in with Raelynn Zuber scoring once. Emma Townley also had a double and drove in a run for the Lady Archers.

Maci Kauser picked up two singles for Paulding with Jocelynn Parrett scoring once and finished with two singles. Brooklynn Bakle singled, doubled, scored a run and drove in a run while Olivia Porter picked up a run batted in.

Clem picked up the win for Antwerp, throwing the complete-game seven innings while giving up six hits, two earned runs and three walks while fanning four.

Jalyn Klopfenstein took the loss for Paulding, allowing nine hits, ten runs (eight earned) and one walk with three strikeouts.

RAIDERS SWEEP QUAD MEET

A quartet of Green Meadows Conference junior high track squads hooked up on Monday night with Wayne Trace posting a pair of wins over Antwerp, Edgerton and Hicksville in Williams County.

The Raider boys got past Hicksville 86-70 with Edgerton third at 47 and Antwerp fourth with 32.

Wayne Trace took first place in the 3200, 800 and 400 relays. The foursome of Reece Morehead, Jerrick Johnson, Noah Schlatter and Colton Kimmel captured the 3200 relay in 11:00.70 while Reece Olwin, Jaxon Cook, Braxton Schnipke and Johnson combined to win the 800 relay in 2:01.25. The 400 relay, which consisted of Ben Gurney, Schnipke, Brock Knowles and Olwin, took first in 56.86 seconds.

Edgerton's 1600 relay team of Devon Bonecutter, Caden Apt, Jonah Johnson and Bret Payton was victorious in 4:24.34.

Wayne Trace's Eli Treece was a triple winner for the red, white and blue, capturing the 1600 run (5:27.12), 800 run (2:23.49) and long jump (17-3).

The Raiders' Brock Knowles won the 110 hurdles (19.89) while Corbin Varner took first in the 100 dash (12.88). Reece Morehead posted a time of 1:01.23 to capture the 400 dash for the red, white and blue.

Hicksville winners included Zane Trzynka in the 200 hurdles (31.90) and Vincent Van Horn in the 200 dash (26.27).

Edgerton's Devon Bonecutter took first in the high jump (5-2) and Ty Leppelmier won the discus (108-6). Antwerp first place finishers were Keegan Grey-Wyckoff (shot put, 37-3) and Zac Salas (pole vault, 7-0).

On the girls side, the Lady Raiders slipped past Antwerp 79-64 followed by Hicksville (56) and Edgerton (33).

Wayne Trace's 3200 relay team of Addalynn Thomas, Jenna Kipfer, Nevada Osborn and Madison Densmore was victorious in 13:54.64 while the Lady Raider 800 relay foursome of Peyton Sennebogen, Faith Jacobs, Ashlyn Manz and Cayla Noggle took first in 2:14.52.

In the 400 relay, the red, white and blue quartet of Amber Stoller, Miley Jacobs, Karsyn Troth and Lilly Shepherd was first in 58.83 seconds.

Hicksville's 1600 relay team of Jennifer Cremer, Addalynn Leavell, Audree Bissell and Katherine Green placed first in 5:16.42.

Wayne Trace's Lilly Shepherd won both the 100 dash (13.44) and 200 dash (28.95) with Eli Kurtz taking first in the 800 run (3:09.14). The Lady Raiders' Cayla Noggle jumped 4-4 to win the high jump with Miley Jacobs capturing the pole vault with a leap of 7-6.

Antwerp's Emery Jones was victorious in the 100 hurdles (20.26) while Edgerton's Kati Lyn Burke captured the 1600 run in 6:43.16. Hicksville's Jocelyn Baldwin placed first in the 400 dash (1:07.19) and the Bulldogs' Kaylynn Bartlett won the 200 hurdles (35.30) and long jump (12-8). Hicksville's Nadia King placed first in the discus (68-5) and shot put (29-10-1/2).

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic

Disposition Report

Neil D. Lucius, Shelby, OH; Violation of protection order; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Justin L. Hunt, Toledo, OH; FRA suspension; Pled no contest, found guilty; Show proof of insurance by 4/26/23; May be released from jail today

Shaoyan Zhou, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cynthia L. Peters, Paulding, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Christopher T. Higgins, Harrison Twp, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Wade R. Bissell, Grover Hill, OH; Failure to control; Case dismissed with costs to defendant

Kelvin Sims, Toledo, OH; Driving under FRA suspension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Additional sheriff fees may be added; Warrant block may be cleared

Samantha C. Fenter, Cloverdale, OH; Driving under FRA suspension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Warrant block may be cleared

Christopher K. Collins, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Bobby J. Thompson, Antwerp, OH; Trespassing; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No contact with Antwerp Dollar General

Jimmie D. Keeler, Antwerp, OH; Possession of drug; Preliminary hearing waived; Bond continued; Case shall be bound over to Paulding County Common Pleas Court

Joseph J. Kessler, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence, Count A dismissed per plea agreement; Failure to control; Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Michael W. Garberson, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived defendant

Daniel H. Etzler, Van Wert, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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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:

FILED PAULDING COUNTY ANN E. PEASE CLERK OF COURTS
2023 APR -3 AM 10:36
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.

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ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS



On April 11, The police department assisted job and family services with a complaint received for a residence on S. Main.

On April 13, A resident of High St. was given notice for junk vehicle. The next day the vehicle had been moved.

On April 13, Antwerp Police Department was contacted by Bryan Police Department in reference to a stolen vehicle located in Bryan that was stolen from

Antwerp. The owner was contacted to retrieve his vehicle.

On April 13, A local business reported someone was putting trash in dumpster. They didn't wish to press charges at this time, but wanted the person contacted and told not to do it

On April 14, A vehicle was stopped for speeding on River St. The driver was cited for speed and driving under suspension.

On April 16, An officer located an open door at a downtown business.

On April 17, A resident of E. Daggett reported that they believed 2 of their vehicles had been entered during the night. Some items from the vehicles were taken.

On April 17, Police department was contacted in reference to a vehicle unlock.

On April 17, A resident called and stated that she and her husband were splitting up and when she went to the bank he had taken out a lot of money from the account. It was explained to her that it was a civil matter.

On April 18, A resident of Woodland Dr. reported there was a person going door to door selling. The man was located and it was explained to him that he must have a permit to sell door to door in the village.

On April 18, A resident of North Garden Apartments reported she believed someone stole her phone out of her apartment. She indicated the doors are always locked and didn't know how they would have got in.

On April 19, Police department was contacted by the school resource officer in reference to a student who maybe attempting to run away from school.

On April 19, A motor vehicle accident occurred in the village's Riverside Park. A car struck a tree and the driver was cited for failure to control and OVI. Charges are pending in Paulding County Municipal Court.

On April 19, An officer observed a Facebook post made by a resident stating that there was a sick raccoon in her yard and she had been waiting over 5 hours for someone to come. The officer contacted to see if it was still there and who she contacted. She stated that the raccoon was no longer in her yard and she couldn't remember who she called.

On April 19, A vehicle was parked on River St. Officer found the vehicle parked on street and tried to locate the owner. Eventually, after the owner was located he was cited for parking in the roadway.

On April 20, Police department was contacted in reference to a resident who walked away from assisted living facility.

On April 20, The police department was contacted in reference to a 911 hangup near the football field. The officer was unable to locate anything improper.

On April 20, A resident turned over a phone they had found at the intersection of E. River and Harman Rd. The phone found was an iPhone with a white case.

On April 21, A resident of North Garden Apartments contacted the police department in reference to an investigation involving his pickup truck. He believed someone had loosened his

lug nuts.

On April 21, A resident of North Garden Apartment reported that someone had messed with his truck the night before.

On April 22, A resident of Payne, Ohio called in reference to her getting kicked out of her home. She was referred to the Paulding Sheriff's office.

On April 22, A resident reported that there were kids riding 4 wheelers on the roadway. 2 individuals on 4 wheelers were located at a residence. They admitted to being on the roadway and the officer explained riding 4 wheelers in the road wasn't allowed.

On April 22, A resident of the village contacted the police department in reference to their landlord giving him 7 days to be moved out of the apartment. The officer explained it was a civil matter and to contact an attorney.

On April 23, Police department was contacted in reference to a warrant for an individual living in the village. The officer located the individual and arrested him.

On April 24, a resident called in reference to a scam. Chase Bank contacted him in reference to a credit card application. He had not applied for any card.

On April 24, a resident reported that a homeless person has been storing items at his place. The caller stated he had given the individual until May 1 to remove the items

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Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

and he just wanted the police department to be aware of it.

If you would like to report any suspicious activity or if you have any questions, please contact the Antwerp Police Department, 419-258-2627. They are always ready to serve the residents of the Village of Antwerp!



NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff, VS. Helen O. English, et.al., Defendants,

Case No. CI 23-035
TO: Helen O. English; Unknown Spouse of Helen O. English; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Helen O. English; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Unknown Spouse of Helen O. English; Anna Liffick aka Anna M. Liffick, Unknown Spouse of Anna Liffick aka Anna M. Liffick

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 417 Franklin Street, Melrose, Ohio 45861
Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against the above Defendants seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Helen O. English; Unknown Spouse of Helen O. English; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Helen O. English; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Unknown Spouse of Helen O. English; Anna Liffick aka Anna M. Liffick, Unknown Spouse of Anna Liffick aka Anna M. Liffick to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 282 Page 485 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated as follows:
Situated in the Village of Melrose, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio: Lot Number One Hundred Thirty (130) in the original Plat of the Village of Melrose, Paulding County, Ohio.

**Auditor's Parcel #09-04S-023-00
Prior Instrument Reference: V. 282, P. 485
Property Address: 417 Franklin Street Melrose, Ohio 45861**

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of you real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding, County, Ohio
By: *[Signature]*
Deputy

Respectively submitted,
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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879
IN THE MATTER OF: E.M. AND C.M. CASE NO. 20233001; 20233002

TO: VICTORIA R. SHORT 16517 CUBA RD. SPENCERVILLE, IN 46788
MARTY R. MITCHELL 524 DENNIS ST. ADRIAN, MI 49221

You are hereby notified that you have been named a party in a Complaint filed in the Paulding County Juvenile Court. The object of the Complaint alleges that your minor children are dependent under Ohio law. An Adjudicatory Hearing in this matter has been scheduled for May 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. and a Dispositional Hearing has been scheduled for June 1, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. You are required to appear at the place and time stated.

Jessica Schultz, Clerk
Juvenile Court of Paulding County, Ohio

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HICKSVILLE VILLAGE ORDINANCE 2023-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Hicksville, Ohio has reviewed the Annual Appropriations Ordinance and feels that it is necessary to amend certain fund account totals to reflect the actual amounts to be appropriated,

Section 1: The Annual Appropriations Ordinance Number 2022-10 in the amount of \$11,269,062.17 will be amended reflect the following changes:

	Original/Amended Budget Amt.	Proposed Budget Amt.	Amount of Change	
2152-800-560	American Rescue Plan Act Fund	\$361,151.20	\$1,400,469.20	\$1,039,318.00
2901-120-500	Fire/EMS Levy	\$389,338.00	\$489,338.00	\$100,000.00
4901-800-560	Capital Projects	\$(194,455.21)	\$305,542.79	\$499,998.00
Total Amended Appropriations:			\$1,639,316.00	\$1,639,316.00

Section 2: This ordinance is declared to be an emergency and therefore take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

DATED: 03/06/23
RONALD JONES, MAYOR
ATTEST:
CHERYL SMITH, FISCAL OFFICER

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff, VS.

Wendy Tillery, et.al., Defendants,

Case No. CI 23-045
TO: Wendy Tillery; Unknown Spouse of Wendy Tillery; Thomas R. Stahl, Yvonne Stahl; and Household Realty, Corp.
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 509 Franklin Street, Melrose, Ohio 45861, 514 W. Merrin Street, Payne, Ohio 45880; 1512 Reynolds Rd., Maumee Marketplace, Maumee, Ohio 43537.

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Defendant, Wendy Tillery, seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Wendy Tillery to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 595 Page 2140 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated as follows:
Situated in the Village of Melrose, County of Paulding, State of Ohio, and known as: Lot Number One Hundred Twenty-six (126) in the Original Plat of the Village of Melrose, Paulding County, Ohio.
Subject to all legal streets, alleys, zoning ordinances, restrictions and easements either apparent or of record..

Auditor's Parcel #09-04S-020-00
Property Address: 509 Franklin St., Melrose, OH 45861

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of the real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding, County, Ohio
By: *[Signature]*
Deputy
Respectively submitted,
[Signature]
Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
120 S. Walnut Street
Paulding, Ohio 45879
419-399-8270

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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

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://paulding.sheriffsaleauction.ohio.gov>

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

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

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

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

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand and No/100 (\$5,000.00) 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
www.pauldingohsheriff.com

Mark R. Lembright, Attorney for Plaintiff

MUSTER ON THE ST. MARY'S



The Old Fort, 1201 Spy Run Avenue, Saturday, May 13, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm; Sunday, May 14, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Admission: Event is free. Freewill donation.

What was it like when the French Settlers inhabited this area? What types of uniforms



have different soldiers worn throughout history? How have weapons changed from the War of 1812 to World War

II? Historical reenactors representing times from the early Romans through World War II will converge on the Old Fort this weekend. Observe demonstrations on period cooking, gardening, military life, and much more. Every year is unique so be sure to come out! Experience firsthand the life and activities of people from across the ages.

Always check facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne for any updates or schedule changes.

Please note: Several construction projects have limited access to the Old Fort but we are open! The bridge on Spy Run Avenue is undergoing construction. Parking is available in the lot across from the Old Fort on Spy Run Avenue. Please use extreme caution when crossing Spy Run Avenue.



Felisha Zimmer was student & speaker for the foundation event.

NSCC FOUNDATION AWARDS NEARLY \$800,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

On Thursday, April 20th, the Northwest State Community College Foundation recently proudly awarded nearly \$800,000 in scholarships to 298 students from the region. The event shined a spotlight on “giving back,” offering needed financial help to students through the generosity of donors to the NSCC Foundation.

“We were blessed to host another spectacular Scholarship Awards event for our community,” said Robbin Wilcox, Executive Director of Development & the NSCC Foundation. “We are so proud of our learners’ accomplishments, and we are grateful for the generosity of our donors – they epitomize what ‘giving back’ is all about,” Wilcox noted.

The event kicked off with opening remarks by NSCC President Dr. Todd Hernandez and NSCC Foundation Board member Kevin Whitlock (1996 NSCC grad), each providing congratulatory remarks to both students and gratitude to the donors who make the Foundation scholarships possible. Tim Kline (1977 NSCC grad and 1998 Distinguished Alumni), the founder and former President/CEO for CK Technologies, provided the Donor perspective.

AMAZING STUDENT

STORY

Felisha Zimmer (Human Services major) provided the student perspective, sharing her perseverance and overcoming almost overwhelming obstacles, including drug and alcohol abuse, and incarceration. “I finally had enough of going through the same things and being nothing. I needed to take all my downfalls and everything I’ve experienced in life and make it worth something. I started recognizing my worth and that I had a purpose in life,” Zimmer commented. Zimmer is a recipient of the Troy Richey Scholarship, and the Changing Lives Scholarship.

PANTHERS GET SWEEP

In a junior high track quadrangular at Lincolnview, the Paulding boys and girls squads posted wins over Fairview, Kalida and the host Lancers.

The Panther boys finished with 81 points to take the victory followed by Lincolnview (59), Fairview (57-1/2) and Kalida (31-1/2).

Fairview’s Ryan Ellert posted a pair of first place finishes, winning the 110 hurdles (18.9) and 200 hurdles (31.4) while teammate Gavin Meade captured both the 100 dash (11.7) and shot put (38-6-1/2).

Jalen Manz of Paulding was also a double winner, taking the 400 dash (1:00.4) and pole vault (8-0). Other winners for the maroon and white included Achilles Mead (high jump, 5-1), Max Daeger (1600 run, 5:33.7) and Ray Hagerman (discus, 82-7).

K.J. Carroll of Lincolnview took first in the 200 dash (26.5) and Fairview’s Kaleb Rabe won the 800 run (2:30.1). The Lancers’ Aiden Muter was victorious in the long jump (16-7-1/2).

Kalida took both the 800 and 1600 relay victories. Tobin Anspach, Trevor Killion, Brant Bockrath and Cody Decker combined to win the 800 relay (1:57.1) while Levi Grime, Anspach, Decker and Bockrath won the Paulding quartet in the 1600 relay (4:31.8).

Lincolnview’s 400 relay team of K.J. Carroll, Charlie Welker, Cabot Miller and Aiden Muter was victorious in 53.6 seconds and the Paulding quartet of Mead, Jordan Manz, Daeger and Jojo Miranda-Guerra won the 3200 relay (10:25.7).

In the girls meet, the maroon and white totaled 73 points to finish in front of the Wildcats (59), Apaches (57) and Lancers (44).

Fairview’s Leviah Hull was a triple winner in capturing the 100 dash (14.2), 200 dash (30.3) and 400 dash (1:12.1) while the Apaches’ Leah Pettit took the long jump (13-2-1/2).

For Lincolnview, Brooklyn Byrne won the 800 run (2:44.9) with Annabel Horstman taking first in the 100 hurdles (16.8). Kara Suever tied for first in the high jump with a leap of 4-4.

Kalida’s Madison Verhoff was first in the pole vault (5-6) while Maya Wehri won the shot put (30-1-1/2) and Carlie Siefker captured the discus (67-1).

Jayla Griffith was first for Paulding in the 1600 run (6:03.6) and Kayleigh Dunham took the title in the 200 hurdles (33.3). Dunham also tied for first in the high jump (4-4).

Fairview’s quartet of Ella Schooley, Adalyn Zeedyk,

Kameron Schindler and Pettit won the 400 relay (1:01.4) while the foursome of Autumn Becker, Chloe Panico, Lillian Rabe and Isabelle Harbour won the 3200 relay (12:01.4).

Makenzie Remlinger, Madison Verhoff, Mallory Kerner and Nicole Siebeneck combined to win the 800 relay (2:02.9) for Kalida with the Lincolnview 1600 relay squad of Byrne, Natalie Quintero, Addyson Long and Horstman finishing first in 4:52.5.

PANTHERS, COUGARS WIN WT INVITE

The Paulding girls and Van Wert boys squads captured team titles at the Wayne Trace Junior High Track Invitational last week.

The Lady Panthers totaled 104 points to nip second place Fairview’s 91 and third place Van Wert’s 90 for the team title. Tinora finished fourth at 73 with Lincolnview (53) and Wayne Trace (50) completing the list of schools.

Gracie Ametewee of Paulding posted a toss of 28-10 to take first in the shot put while the Panthers’ Jayla Griffith captured the 1600 run in 6:21.74. Kayleigh Dunham was victorious in the 200 hurdles with a time of 33.99 seconds

Wayne Trace’s Lilly Shepherd was a double winner in taking both the 100 dash (14.84) and 200 dash (29.45).

The Lady Raider 400 relay quartet of Amber Stoller, Miley Jacobs, Karsyn Troth and Shepherd was first in 58.22 seconds

Lincolnview’s Kara Suever leaped 4-6 to win the high jump and Van Wert’s Josie Coleman captured the discus with a throw of 77-5. Fairview’s Lean Pettit placed first in the long with a jump of 13-4 while the Lancers’ Annabel Horstman won the 100 hurdles in 18.70 seconds. Tinora’s Scout Temple took the 400 dash in 1:07.26 and the Lancers’ Brooklyn Byrne won the 800 run in 2:44.40.

Tinora’s 1600 relay team of Ella Schaufele, Kate Zimmerman, Ella Homier and Temple was first in 4:53.05.

In the 3200 relay, the Van Wert squad of Noelle Byrum, Leah Krites, Lizzie Spath, Symphony Schuerman was first in a new meet record time of 11:56.63 with the Cougar foursome of Vanessa Vaughn, Sophie Smith, Brooklyn Arnett and Olivia Ashbaugh winning the 800 relay in 2:09.98.

In the boys portion, Van Wert racked up 138 points to win the meet while Paulding (107) and Wayne Trace (65) finished second and third, respectively. Fairview (59), Lincolnview (45) and Tinora (41) rounded out the list of schools.

Paulding’s Jalen Manz was a double winner, taking first in the high jump with a meet record of 5-8-1/4 inches while also winning the 400 dash in 57.57 seconds.

The Panthers’ Jordan Manz leaped 15-9 to capture the long jump with Avery Cooper recording a toss of 35-4-1/2 to take first in the shot put.

Van Wert’s Micah Cowan also was a double winner, placing first in the 110 hurdles (17.31) and 200 hurdles (28.10). The Cougars’ Evan Keuneke captured two events as well, winning the 1600 run (5:33.00) and 800 run (2:26.98).

FULTON COUNTY DAIRY ASSOC. DONATION, HENRY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL & HIRZEL CANNING CO. & FARMS AT 4-H CAMP PALMER



Bill Goodson, Executive Director of 4-H Camp Palmer receives donation from Morgan Parcher, Henry County 4-H Extension Educator



Jo Brown -Camp Food Service Director & Liz Avers, Wood County 4-H Extension Educator received Hirzel Canning Company & Farm donation.

The 4-H Camp Palmer staff and board are very thankful for a \$5,000 donation from Fulton County Dairy Association for camp improvements including funding the new Traverse Wall. Also, Henry County 4-H Council recently donated \$3100 to buy camp twelve new mattresses and over forty new mattress covers. Another gift through the Hirzel Canning Company & Farms from their charitable contribution program supplied over thirty-eight cases of food products valued at \$1143.95.

4-H Camp Palmer, Inc. beginning their 76th year of operation serves youth from eleven counties in northwest Ohio and many groups from across the state, Michigan, and Indiana. 4-H Camp Palmer is hiring additional summer staff to work in our program and food service departments.

For addition information concerning camp or to donate, please call 419-237-2247 or email Bill at goodson.34@osu.edu. 4-H Camp Palmer is a non-profit 501c3 organization.

Fairview’s Gavin Meade was the first to cross the finish line in both the 100 dash (12.77) and 200 dash (25.61) while Tinora’s Nate Sattler posted a throw of 97-7 to win the discus.

Van Wert’s 3200 relay team of Keuneke, Cohen Bragg, Carter Bledsoe and Keaten Welch took first with a new meet record time of 10:20.61 while the foursome of Bragg, Talan Mosier, Maddox Workman and Welch won the 1600 relay in 4:14.42.

Wayne Trace’s quartet of Reece Olwin, Jaxon Cook, Braxton Schnipke and Jerrick Johnson won the 800 relay in 1:58.70 with the Paulding 400 relay team of Jalen Manz, Jack Daeger, Jason Manz and Avery Cooper taking first in 52.87 seconds.

SOFTBALL IN REVIEW

Softball at Antwerp - Antwerp 10, Paulding 2

Antwerp improves to 8-8 overall and 2-4 in the Green Meadows Conference with the victory. Paulding falls to

4-10 in all games and 0-6 in the league.

Score by Innings:
Paulding 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 = 2 runs, 6 hits, 4 errors

Antwerp 2 0 0 0 0 8 x = 10 runs, 9 hits, 0 errors

Winning Pitcher - Elle Clem (7 innings, 6 hits, 2 runs, 2 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Jalyn Klopfenstein (6 innings, 9 hits, 10 runs, 8 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 1 walk)

Antwerp Hitters - Caroline Rohrs (triple, two runs, RBI), Taylor Shull (single, run), Elle Clem (single, run), Kearstyn Pierce (two doubles, run, RBI), Jillian Treece (single, RBI), Raelynn Zuber (run), Emma Townley (double, RBI), Madison Peters (double, run, RBI), Caydence Shull (triple, run, two RBI), Estee Lichty (run)

Paulding Hitters - Maci Kauser (two singles), Jocelynn Parrett (two singles, run), Brooklynn Bakle (single, double, run, RBI), Olivia Porter (RBI)

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BATTLE OF ANTIETAM



I have always wanted to know more about the Civil War. It was such an important part of our history, and it always seemed there should have been a way to solve or differences without a civil war.

Visiting my brother-in-law near Hagerstown, Maryland one day he said, "Let's visit the Antietam Battlefield today." I didn't realize it was just a few miles away. They live in such a historic part of our country. A few miles from the Potomac, General Hagger Park, his Mansion and Museum, and historic towns like Sharpsburg and Fredericksburg. General Hagger's house is unique because a creek runs through it.

Out in the country the roads are very narrow with stone walls on the edge of the road. There are blind intersections with huge stone houses built nearly up against the road. The battlefield is a National Park, and is quite large. Beautiful drives with statues from each state in the Union.

The battle lasted only one day and was the bloodiest ever. 23,000 young men in their prime killed, and probably that many wounded. The army's came from both sides of Antietam Creek and fought on the plain, Miller's cornfield and West's woods. The battle took place on September 17th, 1862. So much for beautiful corn fields that were ready you harvest.

One thing of interest, there was a Dunker Church stone dab in the middle of the battle field. So much for the Dunker Church. There were three large Stone Bridges to cross the creek. With cliffs on both sides, and deep flowing

water, it was nearly impossible to cross anyplace else. The Confederate troops were on the high side but were outnumbered 2 to 1. (87,000 to 38,000) the Union Army didn't even use all of their subs.

An important part was "The Sunken Road," which was a farmer's lane that had been worn down several feet over the years. At the end their were layers of bodies in the shallow trench. Today there is a tower at the end of "The Sunken Road," where you can get a great view of the entire countryside. People talk of rifle balls still Lodged in trees. An important happening in the war, was that General Lee's battle plans were found by two Northern soldiers, simply lying on the ground.

The battle took place early in the war, and was in Union Territory. The South invaded the North early in the War, had some early victories, and it seemed that the South might win. The South had left a path of destruction. They had burned down towns and we're heading for Washington DC, in an attempt to cripple our government. They came to Hagerstown demanding, \$200,000. The town quickly assembled at the courthouse, bringing much needed clothes, food, and supplies, The Confederate Army left without harming them.

Who won the battle. . . it was a draw. Lincoln claimed victory, and used this to introduce the Emancipation Proclamation, five days later. This battle probably kept the British and French from entering the war on the side of the South. Which they had planned, and the South was expecting their help. Lincoln fired McClellan for not pursuing the Southern Army. He said, ""He had a bad case of "The Slows.""

That beautiful country church has been completely restored, courtesy of the Federal Government. It had simple benches, but at least they had backs.

The clincher was that the

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DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN WEST BEND NEWS IS FRIDAYS AT 12 NOON!!!

people of the Dunkard Church were pacifists. They were non combatant. One of only four denominations I have ever heard, that didn't fight in the military. However some of them believed in serving as medics. They would have lost everything anyway, it wouldn't have mattered which side they chose. The Dunkard Church is now the Church of the Brethren, which as many denominations are declining in our country. Church attendance is becoming less as we have seen it in Europe, with churches which are empty on Sunday.

Today is a big football day, and it is hard to see, how people get so wrapped up in a game. Still it's fun watching 60,000 people sit out in the rain, and 37°. Perhaps our churches need a dose of enthusiasm. For any business or institution to survive you must have young people, that are willing to step in and continue the cause. Do we have successful programs to keep the youth involved?

—James Neuhouser

tions of the equipment utilized in the lab and classroom will be provided. Guests can see first-hand how nursing students are trained within the facility using a virtual dissection table and realistic mannequins, including one that gives birth. Local employers will be on-site to discuss the opportunities for job placement in healthcare.

Students who enroll in the Practical Nursing program will progress through 4 phases of training, including classroom, clinical and lab experiences. The curriculum focuses on the art and science of the nursing process and psychomotor skills to prepare the student to be a competent member of the interdisciplinary healthcare team. Kristin Swanson's Theory of Caring is utilized to obtain an entry level skill set. All graduates of the Practical Nursing Program will receive a certificate of completion and will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for Practical Nurses to become licensed. Applications are being accepted for the Fall of 2023.

VANTAGE ADULT NURSING PROGRAMS TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE

Vantage Career Center's Nursing programs will be holding an Open House on Tuesday, May 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and again on Thursday, May 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The open house will be held at the new Vantage Adult Education Health Career division, located at 813 N. Franklin Street (Thomas Edison Building).

During the Open House, Instructors will be available to answer questions about both the Practical Nursing and LPN-RN Transition programs. Live demonstra-

The LPN-RN transition program allows current LPNs to advance their careers. This part-time program supports the balance between work, family, and school by allowing the student to continue to work during the completion of nursing courses. Applications are being accepted for the Fall of 2024.

Local healthcare partners in Van Wert, Mercer, Paulding, Allen, and Putnam counties have provided support to the program to meet local healthcare needs, as the job outlook for practical nurses and registered nurses is projected to grow 10 percent in the next five years.

"The nursing programs at Vantage provide a one stop experience with a smooth pathway for students to complete their LPN training and return to complete their RN training. The class size is small, allowing for individual attention and assistance," says Jean Sullivan, LPN-RN Transition Program Administrator.

For more information and enrollment details regarding the upcoming Open House or Nursing Programs, please call 419.238.5411, option 2.

US 6 SEMI ACCIDENT

The Edgerton Fire Department and Williams County EMS was dispatched to a multi semi accident, at 10:32am. Edgerton Fire Department immediately call for mutual-aid for water and manpower. Bryan, Montpelier, Florence Twp. and Butler Fire Departments responded with tankers and manpower. Neither semi was hauling hazardous materials. Life Flight was brought in to the scene, to fly one of the semi drivers from the scene. On non-related situations, one of the

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Sudoku solution from page 9

OSP cruisers that responded to the scene, caught fire and was extinguished and a semi that attempted to detour the accident struck the railroad viaduct on Williams County Road 6 west of the accident.

The identification of the drivers and the trucking companies involved can be obtained by the Ohio State Patrol Defiance Post. US #6 has been closed from St.576 east of the accident and St.49 in the village of Edgerton. The highway will be closed for the OSP to complete their accident reconstruction investigation and the salvage towing company's ability to clean up the scene.

Assisting at the scene, were the area fire departments, William County EMS, Williams County Sheriff, Ohio State Patrol, and Williams County ODOT. Hicksville Fire Department stood by at Edgerton's Fire Station and Brady Twp. Fire Department stood by at Bryan's Fire Station. For further information, please contact the Ohio State Patrol Defiance Post.

—Fire Chief Scott Blue Edgerton Fire Department

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The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:
1 – EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.

2 – CLAIMS ASSISTANCE – Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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

PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

1st Weekend- Paulding , Fair Grounds
2nd Weekend- Grover Hill , VFW
3rd Weekend- Payne ,
(Paved lot east of Homier's)
4th Weekend- Antwerp ,
(13744 CR 43, sewer treatment plant)

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

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

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KIRK JONES SPEAKS TO THE KIWANIS CLUB OF PAULDING



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Kirk Jones (Vice President, Wildfire Leadership) as the guest speaker at the April 27, 2023, club meeting. Kirk came at the invitation of Lora Lyons (Executive Director, United Way of Paulding County). Kirk spoke to the Kiwanians about the Wildfire Leadership Program.

KICK, KLOPFENSTEIN INTRODUCE AGRICULTURE APPRECIATION ACT



COLUMBUS— State Representatives Darrell Kick (R-Loudonville) and Roy Klopfenstein (R-Haviland) have introduced legislation that would add several federally recognized agricultural days into the Ohio Revised Code.

The proposed agricultural days and weeks of recognition include: Agriculture Day, March 21, Farmer's Day, October 12, FFA Week, The last full week of February, 4-H Week, The first full week of October

"Agriculture is one of the largest industries in Ohio, generating more than \$100 billion to our state's economy," Kick said. "With over 75,000 farms, 90% of which are family-owned, we need to highlight the important work being done by everyday Ohioans."

"Farmers tend to keep to themselves, but now is the time to promote different aspects of the agriculture industry throughout the year so we can inspire the next generation to pursue careers in the field," Klopfenstein said.

The legislation awaits committee assignment.

SOLICITOR DISCUSSION TOPS PAULDING COUNTY MAYOR ASSOC. MEETING

The Paulding County Mayors Association recently held a second quarter meeting. Discussion amongst the group was the recent appointment of Harvey Hyman as new Probate Judge. His appointment brought a mandated resignation as solicitor for many of the county villages. With the shortage of attorneys in the county, and the overall region, the villages are all working to lock in replacements for the position. A list of the village solicitors in the county was updated with several villages still in search.

The meeting was opened by Paulding Mayor Greg White. A presentation followed by Doug Blackwood, VP of Treasury Sales Management at Premier Bank. Blackwood shared information about a local option for municipal banking. Bundle options and various tier benefits were highlighted. Blackwood encouraged each municipality that has interest to set up a meeting to find the best fit option for their village.

Also sharing information was Brandon Manz with Manz Insurance and Accounting. Manz shared community frustrations for how RITA and CCA income tax collection is facilitated. The information followed discussion from previous mayor meetings about a futuristic solution for potentially having a county representative that could facilitate this tax collection. Manz sees this model currently working well for Hicksville, Defiance and Napoleon.

PC EMA Director Ed Bohn communicated information about county tornado sirens and current testing. It was identified during a recent storm that not all sirens are working. There was good discussion if EMA, or the village and township owners of the sirens, are responsible for testing and reporting. Bohn is also ensuring that testing will continue and offered solutions for community representatives to share results of testing. Bohn also noted that the county mitigation plans are complete and will be shared in May. The plan will be submitted and then go live July 1, 2023.

Bohn then shared information about the April 8, 2024 Total Solar Eclipse and the influx of population each village and township can expect from April 4-8, 2024. Bohn will present information at each village council meeting multiple times throughout the next year. Bohn closed by stating any village that has railroad may request a presentation from EMA about current updates in railroad safety following the devastating events in East Palestine, Ohio.

Economic Development Director Tim Copsy guided the second half of the meeting to discuss:

- The 2023-24 Ohio fiscal budget at the state house seems promising that the blight program may be funded again for both commercial and residential. As this discussion continues Copsy encouraged the villages to continue to think "outside the box" in residential or commercial properties that need remediated, and es-

ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: PUCKERBRUSH OF ANTWERP



The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce spotlight for April is Puckerbrush Pizza in Antwerp, Ohio.

Brian Martin is the owner of Puckerbrush Pizza of Antwerp. He also owns Puckerbrush Pizza in Payne, Ohio as well as Puckerbrush Brewhouse also in Payne, Ohio

Brian began working in the industry in 1995 starting out at his father's bar (The Getaway Again) in Woodburn, Indiana. When he turned 19, he moved to Tampa, Florida where he worked for the Lavarone family in an Italian restaurant. He also worked at Michael's Grill employed as a Chef, Hops Bar and Brewery where he worked as a Brewmaster and won 3 gold medals in the state of Florida and a bronze medal in the Great American beer festival. While living in Tampa for 13 years he also opened and operated several Tijuana Flats restaurants.

Puckerbrush Pizza is best known for their delicious pizza. They also offer a verity of mouthwatering items. Everything is prepared fresh and made in-house. Not in the mood for pizza? They also offer delicious sandwiches, soups and salads. He even of-

fers an off sight BBQ catering service for weddings, corporate meetings, graduation parties and more.

One thing that sets Brian and his crew apart from other pizza places is the quality of employees. All of them work hard keeping up with quality food and operations on a daily basis. Unique food, friendly service and a fun atmosphere are a few of the things you can expect from Puckerbrush Pizza. The experience you get at Puckerbrush is one you cannot find anywhere else in Paulding County.

Puckerbrush has been serving the community since 2011. First in the town of Payne and recently they opened up a second shop in Antwerp in 2022. When a customer walks into the pizza shop the smell of quality pizza and other foods that are unique to Puckerbrush assail your senses combined with well-trained local kids working and serving within their community make this a unique dining experience. For many of these kids, this is their first venture into the world of work.

One thing that sets Puckerbrush apart from other pizza shops are the ceiling tiles that have been designed by local artists, interesting stickers, and the crew is always jamming to music while they work. All of those things combined create a great atmosphere.

Brian is most passionate about developing people that are truly interested in working within the food industry. He mentors these young men and women and encourages them to put out a quality top notch product.

One little known secret about Brian and Puckerbrush is that his original plan was to be open in the winter time and then travel in the summer... he never envisioned on being this busy in such a sparsely populated geographic.

He encourages people to step out of their gastric comfort zone and try a new and delectable dish specifically created by Brian himself. "Not only was it a great excuse to get away and savor a peaceful evening in a small Ohio town away from the hustle and bustle, it was also a great place to get some really tasty pizza." - Journal Gazette

Check out Brian's website www.puckerbrushpizza.com and find him on Facebook at Puckerbrush Pizza of Antwerp, (419-506- 2002) Puckerbrush Pizza (Payne Location 419-263-2626) and the Puckerbrush brewhouse. The brewhouse has a nice selection of coffees, smoothies, frappes, beer, wine and donuts.

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is excited to partner with Puckerbrush of Antwerp in the growth of Antwerp and the surrounding community.

establish property parcel numbers or addresses to submit to Maumee Valley Planning for review. More details to follow once the budget is approved on June 30.

- PC Zoning Inspectors had their first meeting in March hosted by PCED. County Prosecutor Joe Burkard, and Assistant Matt Miller, were on hand to share their knowledge and answer

questions for the inspectors. With many of the inspectors having limited experience the group felt the meeting was beneficial and decided to meet again next quarter.

Other open discussion included:

- Current water and sewer rates. Discussion turned to current charges, how that is working and potential ways to increase fees to stay cur-

rent for future EPA grant funding as needed.

- The PCED office is developing a hard copy Paulding County service directory for residents that may not be cell phone or internet savvy. The hope is to have this list available in all villages going forward.

The group will meet again at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 19, 2023.

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