

COOPER MAKES OAKWOOD COMMUNITY PARK HIS EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT



Pictured here celebrating the ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new Weaver playground equipment at the Oakwood Community Park are the Foor family, Mast family, VanCleve family, Pat Spitalne, Dan Spitalne, Dianne Cooper, Gary Cooper, Heather Cooper and Avery Cooper.

In the Oakwood community was recently blessed by major upgrade at the Oakwood Community Park by Avery Cooper, son of Heather Cooper.

Avery has been working all summer on procuring donations to rebuild the playground set at the park by the railroad tracks in Oakwood.

He is part of Boy Scout Troop 19 and making this his Eagle Scout project took the entire summer and nearly 150 hours of time.

Avery is a freshman at Paulding high school and his favorite subject is science. His favorite thing about school happens to be football. His mom is certainly proud of

him for all the work that he has put into this project.

Earlier this year, the Oakwood Community Park was blessed to have the Latter-Day Saints come in and paint some of the tables and in the pavilion to help beautify the location.

Also coming soon, Boy

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NSCC CENTER FOR LIFELONG LEARNING TO HOST PRESENTATION

The NSCC Center for Lifelong Learning is offering a special presentation on sustainable farming practices, featuring a representative

from The Ohio State University College of Food, Agriculture, and Environmental Sciences. The program, titled "Sustainable Farming Practices and How They Benefit the Environment and Water Quality" will be held at Northwest State on Friday, August

11th from 9:00 a.m. to noon in room C200.

FEATURED SPEAKER INFORMATION...

The Featured Speaker is Kendall Lovejoy, Extension Educator, Agriculture & Natural Resources at Ohio State. Kendall serves as the Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) Educator in Fulton County. Growing up around his grandparents' family farm, his passion for agriculture was ignited early. Through high school, Kendall was involved in the FFA where his projects included custom grain farming, raising market swine, and working on his neighbor's hog and grain farm. Kendall grad-

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HICKSVILLE SPLASH PAD COMMITTEE RECEIVES GENEROUS DONATION FROM COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE



On August 3rd the Defiance County Commissioners were in Hicksville to donate \$20,000 to the Splash Pad Project. Pictured here are Lisa Slattery from the Hicksville Community Fund is shown receiving the generous donation from commissioners Dana Phipps, Mick Pocratsky and David Kern.

LAROSE CALLS ON GOP SENATE CHALLENGERS TO HELP SUPPORT ISSUE 1

Completes 60th Event Rallying Ohioans to Vote YES on August 8th(Columbus) - Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose issued a call to action today to his opponents in the Republican primary race for the U.S. Senate, asking Matt Dolan and Bernie Moreno to contribute \$1 million each to help fund the closing days of

the campaign for State Issue 1.

"The Yes on Issue 1 campaign has been outspent by more than three-to-one by radical activists from California to New York looking to buy their way into Ohio's constitution," said LaRose. "We need to stand united against this unprecedented assault on our state's values. Matt, Bernie and I will have plenty of time to focus on the Senate race after this

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- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 9a-12p
 - August 7**
 - St. Paul Ev. Luth. Church VBS, 9-11:30am
 - August 8**
 - Ohio Special Election
 - 4-H Spin Club meeting @ OSU Ext. Bldg, Paulding, 10-11:30am
 - August 9**
 - WBESC board meeting @ Paulding Conf Rm, 5:30pm
 - August 10**
 - Paulding Athl. Boosters Pork Chop Dinner @ PHS circle drive, 5-7pm
 - August 11**
 - The Psychic Experience by Bright Metal @ Huber, 7pm
 - August 12**
 - Darylpalooza @ GH Welcome Park, 4:30-6pm
 - Day in the Park @ Antwerp Park, 10am-5pm
 - Seth Bidlack Benefit @ Paulding Eagles, 3pm
 - August 13**
 - Trap Shoot @ Ant. Cons. Club, registration, 12:30pm
 - August 15**
 - West Ohio Food Distribution @ PC Fairgrounds, 12-2pm
 - Movie Night @ JPHS, 6:30pm
 - PCCL Board meeting @ 5:30p
 - August 17**
 - Patio concert @ The Huber, 7p

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OBITUARIES

ANTWERP, OH:
Harry Joseph Dunderman, 84, of Antwerp, Ohio, passed away Friday, July 28, 2023 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W River St, Antwerp, OH 45813.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: **Dr. James Bachman**
Dear Parson,
Matthew 24:34 *"This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." That is over 2000 years ago and those things have yet to be all fulfilled. Can you offer any explanation?*

The immediate context seems to give the needed light. In verse 32 Jesus said, "Now learn a parable of the fig tree." There is little doubt here that Christ was referring to Israel as the fig tree (Hosea 9:10; Joel 1:7). He went on to say, "When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is night: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Then He said, "This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." It appears the generation He is referring to were those alive when Israel started to come back to life as a nation, which happened in 1948. If this is the proper interpretation, and I believe it likely is, then the rapture of the church and the great tribulation will take place in the lifetime of those born in 1948.

Another possibility could be that the generation will be the generation that exists when all these signs come to pass. That generation shall not pass till all these things shall be fulfilled. It is at the doors, and can happen at any moment. Oh, friends. We must get ready. Be saved and surrender today.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

GRIEFSHARE BEGINS

On Saturday, August 12, a new GriefShare series begins at the Leo Methodist church. The church is located on Hwy 1 between Cedarville and Leo.

These grief support sessions have been offered since 2009 and have been helpful to many in our community and surrounding areas. It is a programmed seminar/support group featuring videos and discussion. This year the material has been updated and contains much new information.

Many who are grieving the loss of a loved one are hesitant to attend a support group. Some feel they must avoid others and grieve alone. Others believe their situation is unique and no one else could understand. In some instances the loss was far enough in the past

PARKVIEW STRESSES IMPORTANCE OF WATER SAFETY TO PREVENT DROWNING



The Hlavaty family (Sam, James and Suzanne) shares a moment of gratitude and celebration with EMS/ Flight Ops Specialist (dis- patcher) Daleena Bailey, PHH EMT Ryan Douglas and PHH EMT John Petro.

Though summer is nearing an end, Parkview Health – along with the family of a young boy who survived a drowning earlier this year – is urging area residents to not let down their guard when it comes to water safety.

A drowning is any incident in which a person's breathing is impaired due to submersion in a liquid and often, but not always, results in death. Drowning is the single-leading cause of death among children ages 1-4 and a top cause of death among teens. Children can

drown in as little as a few inches of water, whether that's a bathtub or bucket, in a backyard swimming pool or at the lake.

The Hlavaty family of Roanoke experienced how quick and how frightening a drowning incident can be on Mother's Day this year. The family hadn't even moved into their new home yet, and were just stopping by. A hot tub had been delivered earlier, and the gate was accidentally left open. Suddenly, 3-year-old Sam was found unresponsive in the water by his older brother.

Sam's father, James, started CPR while his mother, Suzanne, called 911. When Parkview Huntington EMS arrived on scene, emergency responders stabilized Sam by suctioning his airway to help him expel water from his lungs. He was rushed by ambulance to the nearest trauma-level hospital and

made a full recovery.

James Hlavaty said he wanted to share the story of his son's incident as a reminder of how quickly a child can get into danger in hopes that other parents will be spared the scare of a lifetime. The family thanked God for the miracle that saved their son.

After the boy's recovery, the Hlavaty family met up with the Parkview Huntington EMS team to thank them in person for their heroic efforts, while the youngster got the opportunity to explore and learn about the ambulance and EMTs that helped save his life.

"Without the quick thinking and response from Parkview dispatch, EMTs and other first responders who assisted, our son might not be here with us today," James said. "Each of the first responders will forever be a hero to our family, but at the same time, we wanted to share our story in hopes that no other parent has to go through the same thing. It can happen to anyone in the blink of an eye."

No single device or solution can fully erase the threat of drowning, but Tony Gi- aQuinta, MD, Parkview Physicians Group – Pediatrics, stresses that proactive steps are the best way to protect children.

When around water, whether large natural bodies of water or even small kids' wading pools, children should be supervised at all

times by an adult, Gi- aQuinta said. Barriers that separate children from water – such as fences, gates or ladder locks and/or motion alarms – also provide another layer of protection in case a child wanders away from adults while they are occupied.

When out at the lake or on a boat, children should always wear a life jacket and should only swim in safe, supervised places like a public beach or within a designated swimming area. Adults should not be swimming or supervising children if they've been drinking alcohol.

"I like to tell families: never assume supervision," Gi- aQuinta said. "When lots of adults are around water, we tend to let our guard down, assuming everyone is watching, when in fact no one is. Be very deliberate to have a 'water watcher' at all times when children are around pools, ponds, or lakes."

Education is also important. Children can begin taking swim lessons even as toddlers, while parents should be trained in CPR and water rescue in case of an emergency.

"Summer should be a fun time for families, but having fun in the pool or at the beach also means remembering to be safe around the water," Gi- aQuinta said. "Parkview is always ready to help in an emergency, but following these safety tips can help you avoid an emergency in the first place."

627-2580.

The material contains some Bible references but it is nondenominational.

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uated in May of 2021 from Grace College in Winona Lake, IN, earning a B.S. in agribusiness. Passionate about agriculture since childhood, Kendall now shares his knowledge and resources to benefit the local community and promote responsible agricultural and horticultural practices in the county.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

(LaRose ... cont'd from Page 1)

election. Right now, Ohio needs all three of us to come together and do whatever we can to win this campaign."

LaRose, who led the effort to elevate the standards for amending the state constitution, completed his 60th event this weekend in support of Issue 1 on the August 8th ballot.

There is no charge, but the purchase of a workbook is suggested.

Register by Monday, August 7th to reserve your spot. A full hot breakfast begins at 9:00 a.m., and the speaker follows at 10:15 a.m. The event is scheduled to conclude at noon. To sign up today, call Deb Wikstrom at 419.944.6195, or email lifelong@NorthwestState.edu. For more information on the CFLL, and other upcoming programs, please visit NorthwestState.edu/lifelong-learning.

He sent a letter to Dolan and Moreno asking them to stand united in the closing days of the campaign and to consider making a significant financial investment to help fund television ads and voter turnout efforts. Dolan and Moreno have contributed millions of dollars to their past and current campaigns, and both candidates have reported per-

Scripture of the Week

"This is what the Lord says, he who made the earth, the Lord who formed it and established it—the Lord is his name: 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'"

— Jeremiah 33:2-3

MATT'S MISHAPS



There is a special balance in the roads that run through a small town. There needs to be a primary road that brings enough people through, to give you something to watch from your front porch and customers for the businesses. However, it can't be so primary a road that it just brings traffic that is bustling by without slowing down or stopping.

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

— Matt



Any Place & Season Pursuits

Any place & season pursuits I studied wildlife science & forestry at Purdue in West Lafayette. I grew up loving camping, fishing, and watching birds from feeders outside the kitchen window. After getting married, we often bought or made bird feeders and bird homes at the different places we lived. We loved the chickadees, finches and cardinals. I could endure the sparrows making a mess of the feeders or even the squirrels overtaking an owl house.

Living small-town Indiana, when back on furloughs State-side meant fewer birds to watch, but we enjoyed watching people passing by with equal interest as the birds. Our sons said we were just snoopy – I hate it when our kids get old enough to be perceptive! However, we noticed that the folks passing by in buggy, pickup, bike, golf

cart or on foot were just as interested in what we were doing on the front porch. After making eye contact, we often would exchange a smile, nod of the head or a "hello," and on other occasions they'd come up to the front porch for a leisurely chat.

Living overseas in large urban apartment blocks taught us pretty quickly that bird feeders were not such a great idea. When talking with a neighbor about our bird feeder (brought from Indiana) that was not getting any birds, he replied, "What are you trying to do? Attract rats!?" He was right and the bird feeder came down that day. We decided

that bird watching is great, but people watching can be even more interesting. People watching is an activity that you can take with you anywhere, but is a hobby best perfected in small Towns. I guess it is important to discover pursuits that you can enjoy in any place or season of life.

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

Matt's Mishaps, PO BOX 114, Grabill, IN 46741 caption: There is a special balance in the roads that run

through a small town. There needs to be a primary road that brings enough people through, to give you something to watch from your front porch and customers for the businesses. However, it can't be so primary a road that it just brings traffic that is bustling by without slowing down or stopping.

sonal assets and net worth putting them among the wealthiest Ohioans.

"My opponents have the personal financial ability to help us win this, and I hope they'll step up," said LaRose. "In the Army, I learned that real leadership is about sacrifice. I'm not personally wealthy, but in the past

seven months, I've given everything I can of my time and effort. I've left it all on the field, and I'll keep working until the polls close on Election Day. I'm humbly asking Matt and Bernie to do the same by helping us secure this critical victory for our state."

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DOGS, CATS & ALLIGATORS

Penny For Your Thoughts
By: Nancy Whitaker

Even though I have no pets now, I have had my share of dogs, cats, fish, gerbils, mice and even sea monkeys. I remember those sea monkeys looked like a lot more fun on the package than they actually were. Our sea monkeys looked like specs of dust that really did not do much.

We did have to add something to a pitcher of fresh water when we added water to their fish bowl. I always put the mixture in the refrigerator and never thought anything of it. One day I came home from work, and I noticed the sea monkey water was gone.

I asked my kids, "Where is that sea monkey water?" Of course daughter number one spoke up and said, "I drank it." It did not hurt her but it was probably my fault for not labeling the water.

I have had a variety of dogs during my lifetime beginning with Rover 1, 2, and 3. After I got married, we had a little dog named Dino. Dino was just a small little dog, but at that time dogs could go visiting the neighbor dogs and everyone in town knew Dino.

One year our little town had a Halloween Parade and a celebration. Me and my two little girls dressed up and walked proudly down the parade route thinking no one would know us. Well somehow Dino followed us and walked right behind us in the parade and everyone said "That must be The Whitaker's cause there is Dino."

We have all kinds of stories about our pets, so here are a few: Two dogs in Massachusetts, Winston and Rosie, were playing together in their back yard. They got excited and ran into a drain pipe behind their property and down a hillside.

The two dogs were trapped for several hours and the police was called. Brother and sister emergency workers Tyler and Brooke Dechene were able to monitor the dogs by dropping a probe into the pipe which eventually helped guide the dogs to safety after five hours. Now Winston was the smaller dog and he could have got out, but he would not leave Rosie. She was the one really stuck and he would not come out without her. Neither of the

dogs were injured during the rescue, but their owner

said the curious pets tried to go back into the pipe just minutes after being rescued.

Here in the USA police use drug dogs sometimes to find drugs and contraband. However, over in Australia, the crows are willing to do that instead. The crows are "snitches" because surveillance cameras are filming the birds fishing bags of drugs from trash cans where they were hidden.

Now anyone who has had a chicken farm or even a chicken knows that they will more than likely wind up on someone's dinner table.

A popular football player



got more than he bargained for when he ordered some chicken wings. In the middle of all the yummy wings was a full head of a chicken. (poor thing) The Packers player said, "It had the eyes, beak and tongue" Be warned this may have put him off of eating chicken wings for the whole season. I have always said this, "I am so glad that God didn't make me a chicken."

Over in Beaumont Texas, the owner of Gator County and his team caught a 13-foot, 8 inch alligator. The huge gator was captured at Champion Lake. The animal is settling into his new surroundings swimming around in owner, Gary Saurage's private pool. The gator, named Big Tex broke state record for size.

A Nebraska family got a little kitten. They happened to notice it's little nose was swollen and did not know what to do about it. So they took the young kitty to the local vet who looked into its nose. And, that is where he found the night-mare growing in the kittens nose.

It was not a tumor or a disease but a huge bug called a caterbra larva which infests small animals when they spend a lot of time outdoors. Apparently the kitten had a sore on its nose in which the parasite entered. The little cat was so small, that it had the surgery with no drugs.

Regardless of what kind of animal or pet you have I am sure we have all kinds of stories

that are humorous, sad, and those which are heroic and brave. Do you have any stories to tell about you and your pet or pets? I could share a lot more, but it is your turn. Tell me and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts!

NEW HAVEN LIONS CLUB PRESENT FIRE VICTIMS WITH GIFT



New Haven Lions, President Susie Hudson and Secretary Bob Hudson present \$400 in Walmart gift cards to New Haven resident Doug Walden. Doug and his wife lost their home on July 20th, when it was struck by lightning. Our motto as Lion's is "We Serve". Remember, where there is a need, there is a Lion.

REDUCING DUST STORMS (WIND EROSION)

On May 1st, near Springfield Illinois on Interstate 55; about 90 cars, trucks, and semi's collided killing 7 people and hospitalizing 37 due to a dust storm. Dust storm fatalities are hard to track, but the American Meteorology Society reports about 272 fatalities occurred (27 per year) between 2007 and 2017. Dry soil conditions due to a drought, land disturbance due to freshly tilled soil from planting, and high gusting winds are the root cause (or lack of roots) blamed for this accident which occurred over a 30-mile stretch.

Dust storms occur when fast moving winds pick up soil (dirt) and debris, launching it airborne, creating conditions where visibility is greatly reduced and even breathing can be difficult. If the storms persist, this dust can travel for thousands of miles before being deposited in another location. This loss of topsoil is not only hazardous to those who experience it, the consequences can last decades or centuries in reduced soil productivity.

Dust storms have several things in common. First it takes dry soil usually from a prolonged drought. In Illinois, the soil was dry down to 8 inches. Second, it requires high winds which where 35 to 45 mph. Third, land disturbance or in this case: tilled fields freshly planted that were bare of crop residue which allowed the soil to be picked up and moved large distances.

Dust storms or wind erosion occurs around the country but especially in dry areas like the Southwest. Recently, it's becoming more common everywhere, even east of the Mississippi River. The University of Minnesota offers several trips for reducing wind erosion. A key component is keeping soil covered and finding ways to reduce the wind speed to prevent wind from removing topsoil.

First, reduce the number of tillage passes and the depth and intensity of tillage. Crop residue left on the soil surface protects soil from blowing away. As little as 30% crop residue on the soil surface can greatly reduce blowing soil. The higher the amount of crop residue left on the soil surface, less dry soil occurs, and less soil in the form of dust is removed. Crop residues allows soil to retain their moisture so it is less mobile.

Second, add a cover crop after the normal grain crop. The roots protect the soil from wind and water erosion through the fall, winter, and spring and the tops reduce wind speed. Live

roots anchor loose soil turning it into soil aggregates which are larger clumps of soil not easily moved by wind or water.

Third, leave residue standing in the fall rather than flattening it or tilling it under. Raising the cutter bar up allows crop residue to slows wind speed down, reducing wind and water erosion. If chopping residue, consider leaving alternating rows or strips of chopped and un-chopped stalks. The uneven crop residue height reduces wind speed, allowing most soil particles to settle out before they come airborne.

Fourth, vegetative buffer strips can be planted in highly vulnerable areas to trap sediment and slows down wind speed. Hill tops and end rows, especially near busy highways can be protected by using vegetative buffers. Even better, plant the whole field to a cover crop, but if money is tight or cover crop planting time is short in the fall, at least plant the most wind-blown and highly susceptible areas of the field.

Fifth, windbreaks and shelterbelts (rows of trees and shrubs) are extremely effective at slowing down gusting winds. There are government payments to assist with establishment costs and rental payments for these conservation practices. Windbreaks and shelterbelts make good habitat for wildlife. Landowners can also increase beneficial insects by planting some pollinator species in these areas.

Agricultural lawsuits are almost certain to occur. A common farmer question is: What is my farm liability if a dust storm occurs? Typically, lawsuits over dust would be considered a nuisance lawsuit. Blowing dust causes a nuisance to another's property or their enjoyment of that property. However, it could also be considered in a negligence lawsuit. In negligence lawsuits, you have a failure to do something that is ordinary, reasonable and a prudent person would not have done it. In the Illinois dust storm case, is spring planting ordinary, reasonable or prudent? Probably, so that will be difficult to prove. Also, how much dust came from each field. Hard to prove. However, if I were farming along a busy highway, and people start dying from soil blowing off my field, I might not morally be very happy with myself if I could have done something to prevent it. Something to think about.

—James J. Hoorman
Hoorman Soil Health Services

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry

Dr. George Washington Demuth was born in Cecil, Ohio February 22, 1895. The son of Dr. Fisher Franklin, born January 30, 1856 in Lucas County, Ohio and Margaret Lucinda (Crosby) Demuth born August 27, 1858 in Lucas County, Ohio. This couple was married September 2, 1874 in Lucas County, Ohio.

In 1886 the Demuth family had moved to Crane Township. The Demuth family consisted of son Seth Ellis born 1875, Charles born January 20, 1877, he passed away July 16, 1882. He is buried in Lucas County, Ohio. Howe Hamilton born April 1, 1881, Fisher Forrest born November 29, 1883. By 1900, the Demuth family was still living in Crane Township. Seth had graduated from med-

ical school, married and on his own.

Howe was a reporter. Fisher and George were in school. On June 5, 1917, George registered for the draft at the Cecil precinct and was listed as medium height, slender build, blue eyes and light hair. George joined the Enlisted Reserve Corp out of Cincinnati. Serving at the Central Department of Surgery Office, Illinois until November 5, 1917.

George was enrolled in the Student Army Training Corp. at the Ohio College of Dental Surgery and Electric Medical School in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was called up to active duty October 25, 1918.

On September 12, 1918, George's brothers, Howe, a court reporter for Williams and Paulding Counties and Fisher a railway mail clerk will register for the draft. Neither were selected. George was

Honorably Discharged December 20, 1918.

On December 26, 1918, in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, George married a gal named Florence Edna Clark Harrison. She was born July 31, 1893. Florence graduated from Defiance College in 1918. Florence's first husband, Frank W. Harrison, a chemist, became ill and died January 1, 1915 in Michigan. On December 25, 1921, a daughter Helen Margaret was born, followed by a daughter Mary Louise June 7, 1923, and Nancy Ann born December 7, 1929. All three were born in Sherwood. A son, George Richard, was born November 16, 1925 in Defiance. By 1930, the Demuth family was living on Harrison Street in Defiance, George was a dentist.

On February 8, 1934, George's brother Howe, an attorney from Bryan passed away. He was buried in Forder Cemetery, outside of Cecil. On October 16, 1938, George's father, Fisher Franklin passed away. He was buried in Rochester Cemetery.

By 1940, the Demuth family had moved to Sherwood. George was still practicing medicine as a dentist. June 3, 1941, George's mother, Margaret passed away, she was buried with her husband. Stepson Frank Harrison, had married and moved to Anderson, Indiana. A college graduate working as a service engineer. In 1942, Frank enlisted in the U.S. Navy. On December 23, 1943, Frank was mustered to serve. George and his brothers had to register, but were not selected. By 1950, George and Florence were living in Defiance.

Still working as a dentist. May 11, 1956, George's brother, Seth, a doctor, passed away. July 31, 1960, George's wife, Florence passed away, she was buried in Sherwood Cemetery.

George was living in Thomas, Georgia by 1963. On March 22, 1963 while a passenger in a car driven by his son in law and daughter Nancy, were in a head on collision on a highway. George was killed while Nancy and son in law were injured. George was buried with his wife at Sherwood Cemetery.

Strange as it may be, George's brother, Fisher, died the very next day, March 23, 1963.

The Family of Braeden Hormann is humbled, thankful and extremely blessed with the outpouring of love and support we were shown at the Brotherly Love Bash. We want to thank everyone for the donations, prayers, and support. To the Garza Family - you are amazing and we are forever grateful! To our community, family and friends - your continued support and prayers as we continue this journey are appreciated more than we can express!

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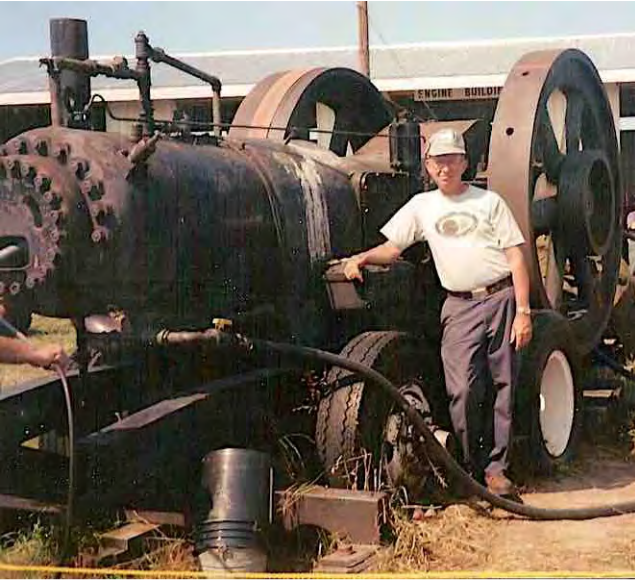
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A BEAST THAT STILL SPEAKS



Roger Schuller's 1934 125 HP; Buckeye is a beast of an oil engine that weighs 15 tons and is 17 feet long. Schuller, along with his father, father-in-law and brother-in-law rescued the Buckeye from the basement of a Grabill, IN, grain elevator.

By: Don Voelker

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Roger Schuller and his four-man crew keep a 1934 125 HP Buckeye oil engine up and running.

My father-in-law, John Narhwold, told me he could hear the Buckeye on his farm 8 miles from Grabill, Ind.," says Roger Schuller, current owner of the 125 HP Buckeye oil engine. "When my father-in-law was in town he used to go down in the basement of the elevator and watch it run."

Every morning, from 1935 until 1947, the engine was started and run for the day and everyone in town must have heard it. Once in awhile, there would be a miss-fire and the engine would have a double load of fuel, and the windows in town would rattle when it fired again. The exhaust pipe was around 12 inches in diameter and went up to the height of the building. From there, the sound would travel for miles.

In 1935, a large fire destroyed the Grabill grain elevator. The owners wanted to rebuild immediately so they contracted with the Buckeye Engine Co. in Lima, Ohio, to buy the Buckeye, and a 440-

volt generator. The flywheels, each weighing several tons, were shipped separately and installed on the engine after it had been mounted on the base. The engine and generator were used as the power source for the Grabill grain elevator, and a nearby small factory, from 1935 until 1947.

"The owner of the elevator told me that they had to stop using the engine after the governor went wild and the engine pulled out the bolts holding it to the floor," says Roger. "Since 440-volt electricity was available in town by that time, they decided not to repair the Buckeye. The elevator operator had felt that there was nothing much wrong with that engine, however, it was never used again and sat in the basement for 32 years gathering dust until 1979."

Rescuing the Buckeye "My father-in-law had heard that the Buckeye engine was going to leave the town," says Roger.

"so the four of us - my father-in-law, brother-in-law, my Dad and me - decided to buy it from the original owner. I knew the engine was big, but I was not prepared for what I saw walking down the steps into the basement for

the first time. This was the biggest single-cylinder engine I had ever seen; the engine itself was 17 feet long and the two flywheels were 6 feet in diameter!" They completed the deal with the owner; he said he could only give a weekend in August to get it out because the Amish used the elevator to grind their feed and the move had to be completed by Monday morning.

"We had figured out that there were concrete blocks in a section of the wall that were put there so that the engine could be taken out after the blocks were removed," said Roger. By the last week of July, they were ready for the move. On the appointed Friday afternoon, they started digging the hole outside of the wall with a backhoe. "It was kind of interesting," continued Roger, "because after the fire, the owner had decided he did not want to lose another Buckeye engine, so the walls and the ceiling were concreted with just an opening left for the concrete blocks."

Late that evening, they completed the digging. Early the next morning, the cement blocks were removed. "We used a White semi-tractor and brought over the trailer that my father-in-law had built out of an old wrecker. For additional power, we had two 1100 Massey Ferguson 90 HP diesel tractors."

After first cutting the bolts that held the engine to the pad, rollers and jacks were used to move it over and forward to line up with the wall opening that had been made by removing the cement blocks. The trailer was backed into the hole and then, using the trailer winch, the engine was slowly pulled on to the trailer.

"It was a slow process," says Roger, "it was a lot of jacking, blocking and pulling, but the engine was finally out and bolted down. Of course, quite a crowd had gathered by this time! We proceeded to pull the trailer out using the two tractors and the White semi-tractor and about halfway out, we ran out of power. My father-in-law thought that was kind of funny and then he realized he had forgotten to release the air brakes on the semi-tractor. As he released the brakes, the tractors jumped and we almost launched the Buckeye!"

They started closing the hole and got about 4 or 5 rows of cement blocks completed before quitting for the evening. Just after they started again in the morning, a rain-storm came up. Luckily, the blocks held back the water from running into the basement. They pumped the water out of the hole, finished laying the blocks and then filled the hole with dirt.

"My wife had called the local newspaper," says Roger, "but she was told they were not interested in the engine. However, about two hours later, a reporter was there. The story came out on the front page of the second section of the newspaper and was really quite interesting."

The Buckeye oil engine can be seen during the annual show at the Maumee Valley Antique Steam & Gas Assn. show grounds located in the Jefferson Township Park, New Haven, Ind. The 2023 show dates are August 17-20. Visit www.maumeevalley.org for more information.

Continued next week!

WAYNE TRACE GROVER HILL CLASS LIST 2023-2024

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****Class list are subject to change at any time as enrollment is changing daily****

FIESTA FORT WAYNE 2023: "CELEBRATING HISPANIC & LATINO CONTRIBUTIONS IN NORTHEAST INDIANA"

Get ready for a vibrant and exciting event that celebrates the achievements and contributions of Hispanics and Latino Americans residing in Northeast Indiana! The much-awaited "Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023" is back, and it promises to be bigger and better than ever before.

Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023 is an annual cultural extravaganza that aims to showcase the rich heritage, diversity, and spirit of the Latino community in Fort Wayne. This event will feature a plethora of engaging activities, including local, national, and regional Folkloric Dancers, traditional food stalls offering authentic tacos/pusas/arepas/ Latino foods, lively piñatas, the crowning of Miss Indiana Latina, sensational live music, interactive games, face painting for the kids, and an abundance of information-sharing opportunities!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 12th, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. The

festivities will run all day, offering non-stop entertainment and delightful experiences for attendees of all ages.

The primary objective of Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023 is to celebrate the remarkable diversity and invaluable contributions of the Latino community residing in Northeast Indiana. It serves as a platform to foster unity, understanding, and appreciation for the rich cultural heritage that enriches the tapestry of Fort Wayne.

This event is for the entire community! Whether you're a resident of Fort Wayne or visiting from neighboring regions, Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023 welcomes you to join in the festivities. Bring your family, friends, and loved ones to experience the authentic flavors, folklore, and traditions of the vibrant Latino community.

We are thrilled to announce that Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023 will take place at The Headwaters Park Lincoln Pavilion. With its spacious and scenic surroundings, the venue provides the perfect setting to enjoy a day filled with cultural immersion and celebration.

The event offers incredible value, with admission tickets priced at just \$7 before 5 pm and \$10 after. Children under the age of 10 will be admitted free of charge, making it an affordable and enjoyable experience for families.

"We are excited to present Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023 and showcase the incredible contributions of the Hispanic and Latino communities in North-east Indiana," said Fernando Zapari, Fiesta Fort Wayne Co-ordinator & Organizer. "This event brings people together, fosters unity, and allows us to share our beautiful traditions and culture with everyone."

Come one, come all, and be a part of an unforgettable celebration at "Fiesta Fort Wayne 2023." Let's immerse ourselves in the colors, sounds, and tastes of Latino culture, and create cherished memories with friends and family. See you there!

For additional information, please contact Fernando Zapari at 260.704.0682 or via email at f.zapari@hotmail.com. Or, Erika Zapari Cervantes at 260.241.4520 / erikaz.elmexicanonews@gmail.com

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

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

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

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Issue 1 aligns Ohio's constitutional amendment process more closely with the U.S. constitutional amendment process. Our nation's Founders understood that widespread support was needed to modify the foundational charter that enumerates our rights as U.S. citizens. That's why amending the U.S. Constitution requires a supermajority: two-thirds of the vote in both chambers of Congress and three-fourths of the

state legislatures. As a result, the U.S. Constitution has approximately 7,500 words. In comparison, the Ohio Constitution has more than 67,000.

In most other states, greater protections are in place to ensure Constitutional amendments have broad support before being enshrined in the state's most crucial document. Ohio is one of only 10 states that allows a simple majority to amend the Constitution, which has resulted in an influx of often-harmful alterations to our Constitution.

- taken from "What is Issue 1" Brochure (Center for Christian Virtue, CCV.org)

Please protect our children and our parent's rights by voting YES on Issue 1

—Judy McCalla, Hicksville, OH Respect for Life

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Satan's Transgenderism God made man and God made woman just as he designed their external different, God also designed their internal different. One little fact that many American idiots do not take into account is the inside isn't changeable. Their genes are different just as their organs and body parts "which are unchangeable" are different.

So, what does that leave us with? You are right, the mind remains and that is where Satan is at his best. He can take a weaker or troubled mind and bend it to any evil he wishes. Right now I believe Satan wants to rule this world and will stop at nothing to reach his goal. He is out to destroy all of our minds but realizes he must start with youth.

Today, as fas as America is

concerned, I'm speaking of "Transgenderism." Evil minds are pushing it into weak or troubled minds as something better it is also something that is 100% impossible. These satanist's are telling young girls that they can be a boy if they wish and vice versa. Weak and immature minds often fall for this garbage. Their lives are forever ruined.

For those who actually go through this, you can no longer be classified as a male or female. I think that leaves morphadike. I believe that makes Satan happy but few who do this change are ever happy again and a high percentage commit suicide.

I am reasonably certain no real Christian could be involved with this but I'll bet some of them associate with you in church thinking they are Christians.

Any doctor, nurse, teacher, school official, parent or any other person has anything to do with mentally helping change a boy to a girl or a girl to a boy needs to be locked up for 5-10 years. I think any person who is involved with this witchcraft is mentally deficient.

We have an over abundance of stupids in our midst. Whatever a person is when they are born is what they will be when they die. Only a twisted mind can claim anything different.

Being a man, I picture it more tempting for an immature young girl wanting to be a boy. Boys get to do more exciting things than having a tea party or playing with dolls. Some idiot, anti-God teacher or parent isn't equipped to handle these kids thoughts in their right light and end up pushing them into a life of misery.

Many years ago I read about a famous male athlete who wanted to be a woman. He changed his looks to that of a woman but you can still see his male features. I guess he also took a woman's name. I'm sure he thinks he is good looking but who does this man have a date with?

I've heard the LGBTQ also have their evil claws out to get a hold on our young impressionable children who are too immature to know what is taking place that could ruin their lives forever. If these LGBTQ are good enough to change a girl into a boy, why stop there? I want them to create one from scratch or return to Satan.

And then we have President Biden's evil. With the position he holds we should be intelligent enough to know the difference between a boy and girl but maybe I'm wrong.

THIRD ANNUAL SCOTT ST. JOHN CRUISE IN RAISES NEARLY THREE GRAND FOR FOOD PANTRY



The St. John family celebrates the third annual Scott St. John "Marmaduke" Cruise In.

On Saturday, July 22, the St. John family hosted a car show around Paulding's village square to honor the late Scott St. John. Proceeds from a 50/50 raffle, free-will offerings, and a portion of food and drink sales totaled \$3,862 and were donated to the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry building fund, Scott's pet charity. With this, the pantry has now raised nearly 95% of its building fund goal of \$560,000.

More than 110 cars were on display for many to enjoy. Music was provided by My 102.7, Fat Pig Smokehouse of Hicksville sold BBQ and sides, while Caring & Sharing Food Pantry volunteers scooped homemade ice cream donated by Emerald Dairy. In addition, Fuel Good Energy ran a week-long fundraiser and donated \$1 for each "Fruit Salad" tea purchased.

"We had more cars and more people than last year, and we're already planning for 2024," said Shelia St. John, Scott's sister-in-law and event coordinator. "We couldn't pull off this event without our wonderful volunteers and a great group of sponsors."

Recognition to the following sponsors: Advanced

I know that I'm right and Biden is a great mistake that has no business even being president. On one of his sicker days he issued an 'Executive order' granting 6 boys the right to play in girls sports. You read that ending

Only a twisted mind could issue that order. He should have ordered a new group that I would call "Biden's queer sports". He didn't have to ruin girls sports, but he did.



Pantry volunteers scooped homemade ice cream for cruise goers. Left to Right: Carol Razo, Sue Young, Jayne Smiley and Jan Kohart.

Auto, Stykemain's, Paulding Auto and Hardware, Paulding Ace Hardware, Dairy Queen, Chiefs, Paulding Pancake House, Red Angel Pizza, Past-Time Café, Jersey's in Defiance, Boggs On-line Auction, Baker Shindler, Integrity Ford, Jim Boes of Subway, Mary Nieto, K&M Tire, Paulding VFW, Con and Ann Shuherk, Bryan Auto Value, St. John Tire, Carmen St. John and family, John and Anna Belote, Fiesta Habaneros, Dan and Lauri Wilhelm, Dr. Paul Harr and Staff, Chad Pease (NWO Beverage), Randy and Janet Goyings, Christ Maller (MatCo Tools), Steve and Melinda St. John (St. John Tire in Bryan), and Next Phase Graphics in Ft. Wayne.

The Caring & Sharing Food Pantry serves the people of Paulding County Ohio

experiencing food insecurity and is committed to making food available to our neighbors through the gifts of the community and the support of the West Ohio Food Bank and Feeding America. The new food pantry will be located at 318 N. Walnut Street in Paulding and will be completed sometime in 2024.

Additional donations can be sent to the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry Building Fund in care of the Paulding County Area Foundation at 101 E. Perry Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

For more information about the pantry, volunteering opportunities and an update on fundraising, follow the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry on Facebook. To contact the pantry, call (419) 399-9562 or email info@caring-and-sharing.org.

God created man and woman but no transgender. That, my friends, exists only in the empty minds of idiots who have nothing better to do than lower you to their sick evil ways. You can find many of

this kind in today's Democrat administration. I think many need to do some soul searching.

— Richard Mastin

Hicksville, OH

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- OHIO LOCATIONS**
Antwerp: Antwerp Corner Cafe, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor, Library, Genesis House, G-Mart, Ties & Bows
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Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library
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Oakwood: Oakwood Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip
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Monroeville: Mel's Deli, Phillips 66, The Village of Heritage Assisted Living, Dollar General
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Area children were excited to play on the new playground that Avery made for the community of Oakwood for his Eagle Scout project.

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Scout Troop 19 intends to paint the food stand pavilion along with all of the tables located outside just in time for the Labor Day festivities of the Oakwood Homecoming!

All of the donations that purchased the Weaver playground equipment set were from the community and friends of the Oakwood Park. The concrete pad was installed by Bradford Excavating, and the gravel was put in by Jason Dangler Excavating. Troy

Weller of Auglaize Canoe and Kayak helped remove the old equipment along with Avery and they have since set it up at the Auglaize Canoe & Kayak location.

The entire community of Oakwood came together to make this all happen, and it is very much appreciated, especially by the kids who are able to start playing immediately, following the ribbon-cutting! Be sure to head over to Oakwood to check it out and come back for the upcoming Labor Day festival!

GMC ENJOYS SUCCESS OVER BBC IN SEASON OPENER

The high school boys golf season opener took place at Pond-A-River Golf Course on Thursday as the Green Meadows Conference posted a Ryder Cup style match win over the Buckeye Border Conference 24-15.

Hicksville led the way for the GMC as Aces players posted five victories on the day while Antwerp, Tinora and Wayne Trace each recorded four wins.

Aces' golfers picking up win included Brandon Silcott, Kolton Adams, Brayden Slatery, Parker Bassett and Aiden Pollick while Archer victors were Cohen Hitzeman, Draven Baumert, Zaine McMichael and Braylen Moreno.

For Tinora, Grayson DeLarber, Jackson Bernal, William Morlock and Aiden Rittenhouse came out on top as did the Wayne Trace quartet of Tyson Gerber, Brody Rosswurm, Jared Varner and Kyle Sutton.

Other Green Meadows Conference winners included the Paulding duo of Aiden Miller and Nick Hatcher along with the Fairview trio of Reese Winkler, Jack

Karzynow and Kasen Kauffman. Ayersville's Andru Barrick and Edgerton's Caden Leppelmeier both were winners as well.

In the lone tie of the day, Paulding's Austin Kinder and Hilltop's Raace Haynes played to an even match.

GREEN MEADOWS CONFERENCE/BUCKEYE BORDER CONFERENCE BOYS GOLF MATCH AT POND-A-RIVER GOLF COURSE, WOODBURN (IN)

Match Play Format - Green Meadows Conference 24, Buckeye Border Conference 15

Green Meadows Conference Winners: Aiden Miller (Paulding) over Kennedy Morr (Stryker); Cohen Hitzeman (Antwerp) over Izzy Rezendez (Holgate); Brandon Silcott (Hicksville) over Johnston (Fayette); Grayson DeLarber (Tinora) over Ashbaugh (Holgate); Nick Hatcher (Paulding) over Eustace (North Central); Reese Winkler (Fairview) over Greynor Saneholtz (Montpelier); Kolton Adams (Hicksville) over Thompson (North Central); Jackson Bernal (Tinora) over Caden Bishop (Pettisville); Tyson Gerber (Wayne Trace) over

Miguel Alvira (Montpelier); Draven Baumert (Antwerp) over Landyn Engle (Holgate); Brody Rosswurm (Wayne Trace) over Rodriguez (Fayette); Brayden Slatter (Hicksville) over Miller (North Central); Andru Barrick (Ayersville) over Aiden Wagner (Holgate); Zaine McMichael (Antwerp) over Carter Lavinder (Fayette); Jared Varner (Wayne Trace) over Nathan Miller (Holgate); Parker Bassett (Hicksville) over Lakota Siegel (Hilltop); Jack Karzynow (Fairview) over William Donovan (Stryker); Caden Leppelmeier (Edgerton) over Jordan Schaffner (Hilltop); William Morlock (Tinora) over Daniel Donovan (Stryker); Braylen Moreno (Antwerp) over Creighton Aeschliman (Pettisville); Aiden Rittenhouse (Tinora) over Ben Pettit (North Central); Aiden Pollick (Hicksville) over Wyatt Mitchell (Fayette); Kasen Kauffman (Fairview) over Sheltzer (Montpelier); Kyle Sutton (Wayne Trace) over Jaxon Richmond (Montpelier)

Buckeye Border Conference Winners: Aiden Crawford (Pettisville) over Drew Ford (Fairview); Keagan Patterson (Fayette) over Mason McQuillin (Tinora); Joel Saneholtz (Montpelier) over Jeremiah Joseph (Ayersville); Keegan Hickman (North Central) over Gary (Edgerton); Wyse (Pettisville) over Owen Speiser (Fairview); O. Sommer (Montpelier) over Landon Brewer (Antwerp); Knierin (Pettisville) over Dylan Dunn (Ayersville); Lloyd (Stryker) over Cronin (Edgerton); Stewart (North Central) over Kallen Foreman (Ayersville); Angela Soellner (Stryker) over Max Stork (Paulding); Dylan Siebenaler (Hilltop) over Nico Stahl (Paulding); Austin Gault (Hilltop) over Landon Perry (Edgerton); Caden Bishop (Pettisville) over Connor Davis (Wayne Trace); Drake Sommer (Montpelier) over Logan Schroeder (Ayersville); Jack Leppelmeier (Pettisville) over Kaden Kennerk (Edgerton)

Ties: Austin Kinder (Paulding) against Raace Haynes (Hilltop)

WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY CLASS LIST 2023-24

PA - Mrs. S Linder - Kyah Goings, Emmett (Em) Litzenberg, Coraline (Cora) Mansfield, Chael O'Dell, Madilynn (Madi) Reed, Hailey Riddle, Haislea Speice, Finley (Finley) Stoller, Grayson Thompson, McKenzie Tumblin, Cyrhus (Cy) Wesley

PB - Mrs. S Linder - Hailee Burkard, Harper Burkley, Ella Carnahan, Ryker Carnahan, Paisley Coutts, Lincoln Dias, Colton Linder, (G, Gio, Vanni) Giovanni Mullins, Hayden Mullins, Adalynn (Addy) Pierce, Grayson (Bub) Puckett, Spencer Reeves, Scarlet Thompson

YK - Mrs. K Perkins - Eli Dejarnett, Hayden Foor, Piercetion (Peanut) Kutzli, Chase Seibert, Easton Sherry, Beauden (Beau) Strahley, Kraeton Tempel, Samuel Wenninger, Maxwell (Max) Wright

KA - Miss M Turpening - Kenley Eversole, Asher Gipple, Ellie Helms, Benson-Hitchcock, Kane (Kane) James, Maia Lotz, Hyde Mullins, Juan Negrete Pawoli, Josiah Perez Tello, Jayce

(Jayce)Pierce, Conner Rupp, Aubree Thompson, Miranda Valdez-Velazquez, Luke Wilcox, Bentley Vance

KB - Mrs. B Dejarnett - Kyla (Kyky) Barajas, Bennett Beaverson, Quentin Coutts, Mylann (Mymy) Good, Theodore (Theo) Hartzler, Gabriella Laboe, Lorayne Lipps, Zoey Mobley, Brooke (Brookie) Phlipot, Sawyer Stoller, Kameron Sunday, Robin Swary, Myles Tumblin, Hunter Hudson, Greyson Vogelpohl, Finn Feasby

IA - Miss P Short - Ellie Burkley, Allison Fairley, Owen Gamble, Logan Holbrook, Kinlee Lamb, Arya Litzenberg, Gemma Merriman, Lydia Osbun, Kristian (Kristian) Perry, Caden (Tubbs) Richardson, Liam Robertson, Clara Sinn, Andrew Stoller, River Stoller, Braylee Tempel, Hunter Williams-Carnahan, Chase Wright

IB - Miss B Miller - Asher Bland, Demi Boyd, Joseph Dargenson, Silas Dempsey, Aliyah Gerardot, Bennett Gerardot, Evan Kipfer, Amelia (Mia) Mawer, Londyn McMillan, Jasper McMillen, Holden Mullins, Lena Perry, Paisley Schabbing, Landon Sherry, Monroe Taylor, Elaine (Lainey) Temple

2A - Mrs. S Cox - Gracelynn Coutts, Meryn Denning, Braiden Hitchcock, Gwendalyn Laboe, Braylin Miles, Cameron Miller, McKinley O'Dell, Ayla Praul, Bayleigh Raber, Jeremyah Raber, Brantley Roddy, Remington (Remmi) Schilt, Emersyn Showalter, Madilyn (Madi) Sinn, Connor Strahley, Brezlyn Strickler, Locklen Yenser, Natalie (Renny) Zartman

2B - Mrs. K Coomer - Deacon Boyd, Andrew Cox, Leetim Crites, Ayden Good, Celeste Hollar, Noah Lazoff, Xander Mansfield, Katherine Martinez Escamilla, London Matthews, Abigail (Abbi) Miles, Evalynn Pierce, Gunner Reeves, Emma (Emma Who) Ringle, Waylon Stoller, Ethan Valdez, Dancia Walters, Carter Whitehead

3A - Mrs. L Bauer - Dodger Boyd, Mason Cleverger, Clara Dewaard, Jerica Gonzales, Kierstyn (KK) Lazoff, Hank Mullins, Peyton Osbun, Aubree Phlipot, Laylah Robertson, Jacob Roop, Elise Steffen, Maylee Stoller, Jeremiah Valdez

3B - Mrs. M Hire - Henry Childs, Faith Christener, Kimberly (Kimmy) Evans, Mary Gerardot, Rilee Girardot, Peyton Hollar, Grace Laboe, Norah Mawer, Nellie McMillan, Jack Meyers, Luna Schmidt, Jeremy (Junior) Seibert, Makenna Shaffer, Bryn Wassermann, Allie Wilcox

4A - Mrs. E Smart - Dy-lainee Carr, Hayden Coulter, Saylor Denning, Kelsey Folsom, Demiriana Goings, Carson Holt, Leland Hudson, Adalyn Litzenberg, Boston McGarvey, Piper Mills, Evander Neff, River Rittenhouse, Alyse Schmidt, Brynlee Stoller, Wade Stoller, Beckett Taylor, Annaleigh Walker, Bryleigh Wieland, Brayden Williams

4B - Mrs. K Whitman - Kailynn Blankenship, Raylynn Gerardot, Braelyn Gonzales, Jaden Johnson, Maddison Jones, Hanson Kutzli, David Light, Pieper Mansfield, Liberty Matthews, Hannah Mawer, Chandler Richardson, Zoie Rogers, Kierston Ross, Lydia Shepherd, Nash Sinn, Callen

Stoller, Raven (Birdie) Swary, Samuel (Sam/Sammy) Wilson
5A - Mrs. M Wilder - Kennedy Childs, Londyn Dargenson, Gabriel Dewaard, Kohen Fore, Phoenix Hall, Zander Lelonek, Garry Mendenhall, Kaylee Miller, Adley Morehead, Clara Nicholson, Cerenity Seibert, Quincy Sutton, Nuria Valdez, Gemma Williams

5B - Mrs. C Posey - Shawn Bradford, Noah Elwood, Aubrey Fairley, Ella Gonzales, Braylon Hogans, Carter O'Dell, Luke Shepherd, Donovan Strawser, Leonard Valdez, June Wenninger, Emma Wilcox, Thayer Zartman

6A - Mr. M Wilhelm - Charles Blackmore, Logan Cozart, Krandon Crites, Elizabeth Holbrook, Wilhelmina Holmes, Zailee Johnson, Aubree Lamb, Brass Mansfield, Laina Matthews, Kiptyn Mills, Chaz Moore, Antonia Negrete Pawoli, Audrey Reuille, Lucas Ross, Stella Sinn, Lienna Stoller, Mailey Stoller, Avery Welch

6B - Mrs. K Stouffer - Carson Blair, Jayce Buehrle, Hudson Burkley, Brady Cox, Jordan Howell, Lukas Laukhuf, Ashtyn Madden, Olivander McCague, Ryleigh McGarvey, Aaron McMillan, Laela McMillan, Scarlett Neff, Megan Parker, Natasha (Tasha) Sharp, Evelyn Sweet, Ellyonna Tempel, Brylee Thompson

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2023-24 CLASS LISTS

KA - Courtenay McMichael - Claire Bechstein, Brynley Bissell, Juliet Dillon, Amelia Fidler, Malachi Forbes, Evelyn Gaisford, Micah Mendez, Silver Miller, Johnny Muir, Freyja Mylek, Eloise Schar, Kyler Smallwood, Emma Smith, Cassidy Treesh, Mason Walton

KB - Tina Kennedy - Harrison Barker, Melody Bidlack, Saylor Billman, Emma Cross, Allura DeVault, Adelyn (ADDYJO) Feasby, Anderson Foust, Jensen Gill, Canaan Gordon, Sophia Griffiths, Rose Larson, Chloe Lavers, Braxton McVay, Waylon Parisot, Caylah (KK) Stapleton, Amelia Zuber,

KC - Julie Bok - Sophia Busch, Ruby Coressel, Chance Dickes, Camden Foust, Maximus (MAX) Hahn, Anikah (NIKA) Hersey, Brady Howell, Jourdyn Jemison, Alayna (LAYNA/LAYNI) Krick, Emerson (EMMIE) Livingston, Landon Miller, Bryson Perry, Anna Shull, Mackenzi Smith, Jasper Sweeney

IA - Katie Scharr - Ava Bauer, Anthony Bowlin, Nikolow (NIKO) Brown, Amelia Dunham, Ethan Flannery, Analeise Gerhardt, Liam (LIAM) Gill, August Gordon, Elise Graham, Josiah Jemison, Lilah Martenes, Anya Moore, Rowan Morrow, Adalind Muir, Sawyer Parisot, Cole Schneider, Coralyn Smith, Duke Wieschan,

Lane Zuber,

IB - Mary Lillemon - Easton Baumert, Talyn Burget, Jonathan (JONATHAN) Cruz Melgar, Lukas Custer, Hadley Jackson, Jett Johnson, Abel Kauser, Greta Koebe, Owen Larson, Paula Lopez, Whitney Miller, Maxx Reith, Leah Ruffing, Grace Shull, Luna Sigman, Chloe Stapleton, Ethan Taylor, Evelyn Yenser,

IC - Katrina Tonneas - Emmagrace Baumert, Evan Burelison, Zoey Dix, Emberly Dunderman-Hutchinson, Brooke Dzib, Kalieaha Edgar, Thatcher Friend, Stella Gaisford, Wyatt Hankinson, Riley Henschen, Ezekiel Laker, Deana Miller, Ashton Overly, Tekota (KOTA) Putnam, Starlette Ruffing, Grayson Walton, Tucker Webster, Owen Wells, Westin (DUBS) Winslow

2A - Crystal Soto - Malakai (KAI) Backus, Zachary (Zac) Barker, Cambria Beregszazi, Maryn Cottrell, Ava Fidler, Azlyn Foster, Alizae (ZAE) Gutierrez, Irenia Hand, David Kenner, Max Klender, Jarron Leiter, Stella Meglich, Deacon Miller, Madison Muir, Tesla (Pearl) Overmyer, Mariano (MO) Reyes, Benson Slattman, Lyric Smith, Sarah Willson, Joanna Zuber

2B - Zachary Lee - Lincoln (LINK) Bowers, Riley Budd, Addalynn Chrisman, Grace (GRACELYNN) Dunderman-Hutchinson, Kinley Gordon, Evangeline (Eve) Graham, Dakota Johnson, Casey Justinger, Julian Karas, Sydnie Keeler, Blain Keith, Paisleigh Landwehr, Everly Messer, Thorin Mylek, Matias Rivera, Jaxton Schilt, Braxton Schneider, Elaine Treesh, Kimber Weible, Nash Zartman,

3A - Lynnette Vail - Garrett Bair, Hadley Bissell, Paizley Cover, Duke Dangler, Aria Feasby, Mason Ganger, Landynn Gibson, Addison Griffiths, Colton Hanenkratt, Greysyn Hermiller, Madilyn Hogans, Gabriel Jackson, Lenore (Leni) Johnson, Keegan Moreno, Roberta Poppe, Blade Ruffing, Carson Sutton, Brayton Winslow

3B - Emily Tempel - Brody Adams, Chloe Boroff, Artoria (Tori) Brandenburg, Ashlynn Dunham, Gavin Hankinson, Deacon Hitzeman, Hunter Johnson, Wynter Johnson, Madison Justinger, Roman Laker, Hudson Martenes, Ensley Parisot, Gradyn Stairhime, Jayce Walton, Akasha Welker, Lydia White, Wayne Zielke, Beckett Zuber

3C - Sara Schaper - Reece Bidlack, Brevyn Eicher, Bristol Lauer, Grace Koebe, Sutton Malfait, Skyler Pierce, Owen Rhonehouse, Rylan Ruffing, Parker Schmidt, Addison (Addie) Straley, Carter Taylor, Anna Wiechart

4A - Betty Smazenko - Richard Adams, Brock Barker, Grace Beck-Bragg, Missouri (Zoey) Cottrell, Aria DeVault, Chance Dockery, Wesley Hostettler, Waylon Hounshell, Ariya Hughes, Ellie

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST 'MOVIE NIGHT'



Learn about the beginnings of the John Paulding Historical Society Museum and some of its artifacts when "Les Weidenhamer's Museum Stories" is featured at "Movie Night at the Museum" at 6:30 p.m. August 15 in Paulding.

The second annual "Movie Night at the Museum" will be presented at John Paulding Historical Society at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15. The public is invited to watch the premiere of "Les Weidenhamer's Museum Stories."

Weidenhamer was president. Les was a founder of the historical society and museum and served as president for 22 years before his untimely death in 2017. In this movie, he gives a unique tour of the museum, providing insights about many of the displays and artifacts.

A free-will donation will be accepted at the door. Popcorn and drink will be provided.

Last year, about 100 people attended the first Movie Night to see the PBS documentary "The Story of the Great Black Swamp."

Black Swamp Arbor, Gleaner Life Insurance is sponsoring the event. All proceeds will go to the historical society.

The museum is located at 600 Fairground Drive in Paulding. For additional information, check the historical society's Facebook page at facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

This year's presentation is a video shot by Kim Sutton in 2014, when she was historical society vice president and Les

Kemerer, Layton Ladd, Elliana (ELLIE) Mason, Lilian Mowery, Ava Starr, Finlee (Fin) Walls, Ulrik Zijlstra

4B - Jasmine Reyes - Blair Bowlin, Jase Burelson, Adelle Cline, Soren (Soren) Conley, Brando Cruz Melgar, Bennett Graham, Elliot Henschel, Annabelle James, Harper Morrow, Jameson Reeb, Cora Rohrs, Gannon Sheehan, Braxton Smith, Madison Wiesehan, Emmett Wurster, June Zuber

SOYBEAN SUDDEN DEATH SYNDROME
Sudden Death Syndrome (SDS) and soybean cyst nematode (SCN) damage are often linked together. SDS is a soil borne fungal pathogen (Fusarium virguliforme) that invades the roots and lower stems of soybeans producing a toxin. SDS can devastate soybean fields causing aborted flowers and yellow dying plants. SDS has two major phases. In the first phase, it attacks the roots then in the second phase, it attacks the leaves causing leaf scorch. SDS infection occurs early in the season and then the SDS symptoms show up later in the season. SDS and SCN symptoms are more prominent in hot dry years.

4C - Ashley Malfait - Olivia Bennett, Jayden Fish, Sophia Friend, Aubree Frost, Tsarina Gorbey, Olivia Kosch, Oliver McCague, Zoey Mylek, Lauren Overman, Lucas Phillips, Quintin Reyes, Rylee Slattman, Brody Smith, Greyson (Greyson) Smith, Sebastian Yanez

FOLIAR SDS SYMPTOMS
Foliar SDS symptoms include small to pale green leaves early on with small circular spots in the late vegetative stages to early reproductive stages of soybean stages. The area between the leaf veins turn bright yellow then brown as the disease progresses. When the infection get severe, on roots, blue fungal masses can be seen. SDS is common on sandy soils, top of hills and knolls, but also on plants under stress such as on poorly drained or compacted soils.

5A - Christen Bauer - Carter Bagley, Carter Beregszazi, Elijah Bowers, Quinn Bradbury, Landyn Hermiller, Adrian Hogans, Danielle Johnson, Emma Justinger, Kaylie Kapperman, Charlotte Kauser, Josephine (Josie) Laker, Jaxton Leinbach, Colt Lockhart, Rilee Martin, Owen Parisot, Easton (EASTON) Ryan, Alexander Shipman, Serenity Smith, Cy Zuber

THE USA ANNUAL SCN LOSS
The USA annual SCN loss is estimated to be \$1 billion dollars per year. SDS is carried by SCN which are like tiny worms that feed on the soybean roots. The SCN life cycle is 25-30 days with each adult laying up to 500 eggs. Severe soybean damage occurs when SCN reach 10,000 nematodes per plant, becoming yellow and stunted. Common weed hosts for SCN include henbit, purple dead nettle, and mulleins.

5B - Jared Eklund - Adalynn (Addie) Bair, Conley Bissell, Aubree Feehan, Braxton Fidler, Carson Forbes, Maddix Foust, Riel Gonzalez, Kloe Goudy, Dalton Hines, Jocelyn Laker, Carter Landis, Jameson Malfait, Sophia (SOPHIE) Partin, Luke Saylor, Adelyne Slattman, Edwin White, Sylvie Zartman, Lily Zijlstra, Kennedy Zuber

FARMERS HAVE TO USE A COMBINATION OF CROP MANAGEMENT PRACTICES
Farmers have to use a combination of crop management practices to avoid SDS and SCN because there is no single practice that stops SDS or SCN completely. The first step to reduce SDS and SCN is crop rotation Non-host crops like

corn and wheat reduce SCN numbers in soybeans. Depending upon the severity, it may take 2-3 years rotating away from soybeans.

Other strategies farmers use include finding soybean traits that are highly resistant to SDS and SCN. Most soybean seed companies have a SDS rating on soybean varieties but none are totally resistant to SDS or SCN. Newly released herbicide soybean traits often lack resistance to SDS or SCN.

Farmers also use nematocides to control SCN, especially seed treatments that kill all nematodes. Most nematodes do no harm to soybeans. This strategy tends to kill everything, good and bad. Often beneficial organisms that feed on pests are harmed when toxic non selective pesticides are used as seed treatments. Natural enemies of nematodes include mites, collembola (springtail), flatworms, protozoa, and even other predatory nematodes. Soybean fungal seed treatments work to reduce the SDS Fusarium pathogen. Other strategies farmers can use include improving drainage, minimizing compaction, maintaining good crop nutrition, correcting soil pH, and staggering planting dates.

DEFIANCE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 7/31/23

The Board of Defiance County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023, in the Commissioner's Conference room. President David Kern called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioner Dana Phipps, Commissioner Mick Pocratsky; and Sherry Carnahan, Finance Manager/Administrator.

The commissioners met in general session to approve and sign various resolutions, contracts, and documents. The commissioners also reviewed the calendar of events and discussed upcoming meetings.

Representatives from Julian & Grube met with the commissioners and several office representatives to hold the post audit meeting.

The board met with Wes Zwiebel and Chris Farris from the Brunersburg Water and Sewer District. They provided an update on the waterline project they are currently working on. They are working with the city to complete the installation of new water lines to loop existing ones together to become one system.

The Investment Advisory Committee of Vicki Myers (Defiance County Treasurer), and the commissioners met for the Second Quarter Investment Advisory Meeting. Ryan Nelson, Redtree Investment Group, Warren Schlatter, Landfill Manager, and Amy Galbraith, Clerk of Courts, also attended the meeting. The Defiance County Investment Portfolio, Landfill Closure Portfolio and Post Closure Portfolio were approved.

The commissioners traveled to the Day Road Bridge area with Ron Cereghin, Maintenance Supervisor, to view the current conditions of the canoe launch. Mr. Cereghin will address some maintenance issues.

The commissioners also walked the walking trail at Defiance County East building with Jamie Gerken and Brian Heil of the Defiance County Health Department and Mr. Cereghin. They discussed ideas of improvements that could be made to the trail. Ms. Gerken and Mr. Heil will look to see if any funding sources would be available to enhance the trail and to replace faded signage. Mr. Cereghin will address some maintenance issues for now.

Warren Schlatter, Defiance County Engineer, submitted a written update. Paving has been completed on Scott Road. Other paving projects scheduled to begin include: Arrowsmith Road (SR 49 to Rosedale Road), Williams Center (Buckskin to Huber), Lockwood (Williams Center Cecil to Openlander Road), Mud Creek (The Bend to Mulligans Bluff), and

WEST NILE VIRUS CONFIRMED IN MOSQUITOS IN PAYNE



Paulding County - The Paulding County Health Department is informing residents that the first group of mosquitoes to test positive in Paulding County for West Nile virus (WNV) has been confirmed by the Ohio Department of Health. The WNV-positive pool of mosquitoes was captured in the village of Payne. No human cases have been reported.

Apply insect repellent that contains one of the following recommended ingredients: Picaridin, DEET, oil of lemon eucalyptus (or PMD), or IR3535. Make sure to follow label instructions.

It is very important to take the proper precautions to keep you and your family healthy and bite-free:

Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing, so spraying clothes with insect repellent will give extra protection.

The most effective prevention is to dump standing water where mosquitoes breed. Make sure your property is free of stagnant water in flowerpots, bird baths, tires, gutters and other places where it can collect.

In response to the confirmed presence of West Nile Virus, Paulding County Health Department will continue to monitoring for West Nile Virus through testing provided by the Ohio Department of Health.

If you do go out, wear light-colored, long-sleeved clothing.

For additional information visit: <https://odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs/zoonotic-disease-program/news/vectorborne-disease-update>

Lockwood Road (Glenberg to Trinity). The Defiance County Highway crews will be preparing for roadside grading on Buckskin Road (Flickinger Road to Glenberg Road) and a bridge replacement on Bow-

man Road near Sponseller Road. Pending Requests for Use of the Defiance County Courthouse and County Property:None.



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THE LEFT TURN



Brady Bacon and Justin Grant battle at Bloomington. Christopher Pederson Photo



Indiana Sprint Week Champion Brady Bacon in Front. KF-Mediaphotos7



Jeff Abold wins at Sandusky Speedway. Jim Davidson Photo

By: Ron Burt

I made my first trip to Sandusky Speedway for the 100-lap Annual Hy Miler for the ISMA/MSS Supermodified Series. If you've never been to this 1/2 mile, semi banked, paved track, I highly recommend you put it on your list. This oval was designed for speed! You can feel racing nostalgia once you enter the front gate. The track has a Hall of Fame, concessions with family friendly prices on souvenirs, food, beverages, and a friendly staff. I must give a big shout out to the public address announcer that kept everyone informed during the evening on a sound system you can hear. Saturday was also the track's induction ceremony for their Hall of Fame. Some of these former drivers still have their race cars. It would have been a nice touch if they could have had those cars on display for the fans to enjoy seeing again. Hy Miler weekend started with Fan Appreciation Thursday featuring their weekly

classes of cars and the Northcoast Vintage Oval Racers. The 350 Supermodified Sprint Series headlined the show. Frank Neill won the 350 feature, Dave Cliff and Gage Sauer rounded out the top 3. Fast 40 Friday featured the ISMA/MSS Super Modifieds. Mike "Hollywood" McVetta took home the big payday for the Super Modifieds followed by 2nd Kyle Edwards, 3rd Mike Lichty. The Ohio Wheelman Super Stock feature was won by Denis Wood. Jeff Abold won the 100-lap Hy Miler Super Modified National on Saturday. It was a race full of excitement and several cautions. Abold took his time in the feature and reeled in race leader Mike "Hollywood" McVetta who settled for 2nd. Johnny Benson Jr. worked his way from 13th to finish 3rd. It was just announced Benson will be replacing Paul Tracy in the SRX Series. The Ohio Wheelman Modified (UMP Type) Series race was won by Rick Groetsch.

The USAC Indiana Sprint Week wrapped up last week with Brady Bacon ending up the series point champion. He finished 8 points ahead of Justin Grant. Bacon won without a feature win but with top finishes in the 7 races. Grant won 3 times during Sprint Week, opening night at Gas City 1-69 Speedway, Lawrenceburg and Terre Haute. It just wasn't enough. Two amazing stories from Sprint Week, C.J. Leary wrecked his car at Gas City, went home, got a 3-year-old car he hadn't raced and ended up in victory lane the following night at Kokomo, Jake Swanson totaled his car with a flip at Terre Haute and team rushed to get another car ready for the following night, which he took it to victory at Lincoln Park. It was one of the most memorable USAC Indiana Sprint Weeks in recent history.

Attica Raceway Park 410 Sprint Feature was won by Cap Henry, Late Model Devin Shiels and 305 Sprints Jamie Miller. At Limaland Motorsports Park, Aidan Sailsbury had the win in the 410 Great Lakes Traditional Sprints, UMP Modified feature was won by Jerry Bowersock and the Thunderstock winner was Brenden Rassel. Wauseon was canceled because of the weather. Travis Philo won the 410 Sprint Feature at Fremont Speedway. The Great Lakes Super Sprints were at Fremont and Max Stambaugh picked up the win and in the 305 Sprints Paul Weaver won for the 3rd time this season and 74th career victory at Fremont. Angola had their Mid-Season Championships, Late Model Jonathan Gatton, Modified Jonathan Gatton, Street Stock Zach Henderson, and FWD Mark Mason. Tuesday the High Limit Racing Series for 410 Sprints was at Kokomo Speedway "The Bull Ring". Justin Peck fought off Kyle Larson for the win and \$23,000, and Rico Abreu took 3rd. Until next week, keep your wheels down. Ron out! ohiosportsblitz@yahoo.com

ODOT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Defiance, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert Counties the week of August 7, 2023.

DEFIANCE COUNTY:
U.S. 127 PROJECTS

U.S. 127, over the Maumee River, south of the village of Sherwood, closed on May 8 for approximately 365 days for a bridge replacement. Visit the project page: PID 102669

TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: CR 424 to The Bend Road to SR 18, back to U.S. 127.

- Southbound truck route: SR 15 to U.S. 24, back to U.S. 127.
- Northbound truck route: SR 249 to SR 15, back to U.S. 127.

U.S. 127/Harrison Street in the village of Sherwood closed on June 9 for approximately five months for a storm sewer project that includes new catch basins, sidewalks, curbs, and gutter. Local traffic will be maintained. The project is utilizing the detour already in place for the bridge replacement project over the Maumee River just south of

the village.

State Route 18 between the village of Hicksville and State Route 15 split on the west side of the city of Defiance will be restricted to one lane for pavement repairs.

PAULDING COUNTY:

State Route 66 between the community of Mandale and County Road 60 will be restricted to one lane at times for tile work.

PUTNAM COUNTY:

State Route 65 at the railroad crossing between South Street and Main Cross Street in the village of Leipsic will close, date to be determined, for approximately five days for railroad repair.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: SR 109 to SR 613, back to SR 65.

VAN WERT COUNTY:

U.S. 224 PROJECTS

U.S. 224 between Hoaglin Center Road and State Route 637/Stemen Road will close on Monday, July 24, for approximately 75 days to replace three culverts. One culvert will be replaced at a time, working west to east. The first two culverts are between Hoaglin Center Road and Slane Road; the third culvert is between Slane Road and State Route 637/Stemen Road.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: SR 637 to SR 114, to SR 127, back to U.S. 224.

U.S. 224 between State Route 637 and Dog Creek Road will have lane or shoulder closures for ditch cleaning.

State Route 66, just south of Blockberger Road, will close on Monday, Aug. 14, for approximately three days for a culvert replacement.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: U.S. 224 to SR 189 to SR 190 back to SR 66.

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NSCC ANNOUNCES 2019 NCLEX PASS RATES FOR NURSING PROGRAM GRADUATES

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QUOTABLES

"Northwest State Community College is proud to announce the outstanding success of its nursing graduates on the NCLEX nursing boards for the second quarter of 2023. The pass rate for the Associate Degree Registered Nurses is at an amazing 100%!" said Dr. Tiffany Ludwig, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health at NSCC.

Ludwig continued, "The NCLEX nursing boards is a critical milestone for graduating nurses, serving as an adaptive test that is required for nursing graduates to successfully pass to be licensed as a Registered Nurse. NSCC prepares their students for job readiness and gives students the tools they need to have a successful career. The accomplishment of the students reflects the dedication

of our nursing students, as well as the faculty and staff and their support."

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Both the practical nursing and registered nursing programs are accepting applications at Northwest State's main campus in Archbold. For more information on NSCC healthcare programs, as well as other degree and certificate programs, the "Bachelor's Bound" transfer option and more, visit NorthwestState.edu or call NSCC Admissions at 419.267.1320.

CONGRESSWOMAN ERIN HOUCHIN ENDORSES JIM BANKS FOR SENATE

Congresswoman Erin Houchin (IN-09) endorsed Congressman Jim Banks for Senate in Indiana. The Congresswoman joins over 300 conservative leaders who have backed Jim Banks for Senate since he announced his campaign in January. "I am pleased to endorse Congressman Jim Banks for the U.S. Senate," Congresswoman Erin Houchin said. "Throughout his service to our state Congressman Banks has proven himself to

be a strong supporter of our shared conservative values. His unwavering commitment to the right to life, limited government, fiscal responsibility, Second Amendment rights, and national security make him the kind of U.S. Senator we need in these challenging times. I have every confidence that he will serve our state with honor and distinction once elected. I proudly endorse Congressman Banks for Senate and encourage all Hoosiers to join me in supporting his campaign."

"I am honored to have Congresswoman Houchin's support in my campaign to become Indiana's next conservative United States Senator," Congressman Banks said. "Congresswoman Houchin is a champion for Indiana and a valued colleague. It is a privilege to fight to preserve our conservative Hoosier values alongside her in the U.S. House of Representatives, and I am grateful to have her endorsement as I fight to bring those same principles to the Senate."

Congressman Banks was recently endorsed by Jennifer-Ruth Green, the Republican nominee for Indiana's 1st Congressional District in 2022 who narrowly lost her general election in a district that hasn't elected a Republican member of Congress since 1928.

Congressman Banks currently serves Indiana's Third Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives. He is running to replace Senator Mike Braun (R-IN), who is not seeking re-election. Born and raised in Indiana, Jim and his wife Amanda are the proud parents to three young daughters and they are honored to serve Northeast Indiana in Washington.

ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

THE STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

RONALD E. GOODWIN, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 22 162

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

12261 Road 224, Cecil,

Parcel Number: 13-12S-010-04

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

Said premises appraised at Thirty-six Thousand and No/100 (\$36,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

The first sale date will be on the August 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

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

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

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second on-line auction will be held on September 14, 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.

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ANTWERP POLICE REPORT

On July 18, a vehicle was stopped on Erie St for speeding. The driver was cited for no operator license and speeding.

On July 20, a resident reported that there was a hitchhiker coming north on 49 toward the village. The officer referred the situation to the sheriff department.

On Jul 20, animal neglect was reported on E. River St. An officer responded and investigated.

On July 20, officers were called to an apartment at Park Avenue Villas in reference to someone calling 911. They responded and determined a child dialed it by accident.

On July 20, the police department was called in reference to an individual who failed to ring up all the items at Dollar General. The case is under investigation.

On July 21, the police department received a complaint in reference to either stolen or fraudulent prescription forms where someone attempted to use them in Antwerp.

On July 22, a theft was reported on Wentworth Dr. An officer arrived and investigated.

On July 23, an officer received a complaint of people arguing on N. Main St. An officer arrived but could not locate anyone arguing.

On July 25, officers assisted the Chamber with a parade through town.

On July 27, the police department investigated situation of possible illegal parking on W. River St.

On July 28, a resident had located a village flag on the roadway and brought it to the police department.

On July 28, the police department received numerous calls in reference to the railroad crossing lights being activated and traffic being backed up. The railroad company was contacted.

On July 28, the police department received a protection order in reference to a resident of the village.

On July 30, a resident reported a set of keys and master lock near Dollar General. The keys are at the police department.

On July 30, a resident requested an officer in reference to his unruly daughter. An officer went to the address and assisted speaking with the daughter.

On July 30, a domestic dispute was reported at a residence on Canal St. An officer responded and investigated and prepared a report.

On July 31, a report of child abuse was received. The case was investigated and turned over to human services.

On July 31, a person inquired how to obtain their vehicle that was sold but not paid for out in the rural area of the county. The caller was forwarded to the Paulding County Sheriff's office.

On July 31, a person requested about a zoning violation notice. He was forwarded to the Zoning inspector.

On July 31, an officer was requested to go to Canal St to keep the street clear while a resident moved their belongings.

On July 31, an unattended open burning complaint was called in for a place on Wilcox St. The officer responded and documented the complaint.

On August 1, a call of trespassing was reported on Wilcox St. An officer responded and investigated.

On August 1, an employee of DG reported someone had stolen her phone. The officer responded and the case is being investigated.

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!

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report

Payton L. Tunis, Hicksville, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Davian Javan T. Hamlet, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under FRA suspension, Guilty; Failure to control, Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Louis Grier, Toledo, OH; FRA suspension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Proof of insurance provided

Elijah S. Drysdale, Taylor, MI; No operator's license; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Anna R. Ciesinski, Livonia, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Ranjett S. Badesha, New Hyde Park, NY; Marked lanes, Guilty; Distracted driving, Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Haideen M. McLeod, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Calvin R. Adair, Yorktown, IN; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Riley A. Wannemacher, Fort Jennings, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jacob R. Hoisington, Paulding, OH; Domestic violence; Defendant paid all costs; Case dismissed with prejudice

Cody A. Beber, Payne, OH; Assault; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; 90 days jail, 86 days suspended; Complete jail days; Pay for stay

Cynthia M. Teegarden, Paulding, OH; Domestic violence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; No contact with victim; Remain compliant; Third party to pick up personal belongings or with law enforcement; Remain at given address; Maintain general good behavior; 100 days jail, 88 suspended

Christine D. Miller, West Chester, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Hunter J. Grimes, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Lasonia C. Williams, Orchard Lake, MI; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Anthony E. Longeway, Spring, TX; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Jennifer M. Hall, Orleans, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jack B. Hollar, Lima, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Sophie G. Gericke, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

Wayne, IN; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Dent Flemmings, Alta, IA; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Mary M. Kelley, Defiance, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

NOTICE OF ON-LINE SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF LIENS FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:

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

vs.

HELEN O. ENGLISH, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 23 035

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

417 Franklin Street, Melrose Parcel Number: 09-04S-023-00

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

The opening bid is Three Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-two and 86/100 (\$3,962.86) Dollars, sufficient to cover pro-rated taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges of this suit.

Whereas, said judgment orders such real property to be sold by the undersigned to satisfy the total amount of said judgment;

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel on Thursday, August 17, 2023 by on-line bidding at:

(RealAuction) <https://paulding.sheriffsaleauction.ohio.gov>. **Registration and a Ten and No/100 (\$10.00) deposit must be completed at least one week before the date of the sale.**

If this parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale on-line, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale on August 31, 2023 for the same minimum bid.

Bidding begins on scheduled Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. An auction will be conducted for each individual property/court case. After a property is sold, the next scheduled sale will begin.

The purchaser will be required to pay recording costs and transfer fee with the balance of the purchase price after the sale has been confirmed.

Purchaser(s) 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL SUCH REAL PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE, AND PURCHASERS OF ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY ARE URGED TO SEARCH THE FEDERAL TAX LIEN INDEX THAT IS KEPT BY THE COUNTY RECORDER TO DETERMINE IF NOTICE OF A FEDERAL TAX LIEN HAS BEEN FILED WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com
Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney



ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

CYNTHIA J. MOULDER, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 22 040

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

5014 Road 33, Payne, Parcel Number: 03-10S-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.

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Anthony Schievelbein, Attorney for Plaintiff

ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

MYCUMORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHAD L. SPEAKS, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 22 164

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

402 North Williams Street, Paulding, Parcel Number: 30-22S-031-00

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 One Hundred Twenty Thousand and No/100 (\$120,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

The first sale date will be on the August 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

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

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Benjamin M. Rodriquez, Attorney for Plaintiff

NOGGLE SPEAKS TO KIWANIS



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County had the pleasure of having Erica Noggle (Executive Director, Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce & Director of Marketing, Paulding County Area Foundation) as the guest speaker at the June 8, 2023,

club meeting. Erica spoke to the Kiwanians about her role with both organizations and discussed the many programs that they offer. Erica Noggle was invited to speak by Corey Walker, Director of the Paulding County Carnegie Library (pictured above).

FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One

State Wildlife Officers Chad Grote and Adam Smith, assigned to Marion and Logan counties, respectively, identified a suspect who harvested an antlered white-tailed deer and game-checked the deer under another person's name. The suspect was

found guilty in Bellefontaine Municipal Court and was ordered to pay \$490 in fines and court costs. In addition, the suspect's hunting privileges were revoked for one year.

State Wildlife Officer Brian Motsinger, assigned to Union County, regularly spoke to a local high school agriculture program during the latest school year. He enjoyed talking about wildlife issues and current events with students as well as answering questions. The students asked

questions based on their experiences hunting, fishing, or trapping. Officer Motsinger explained various hunting infractions and why it is important to follow the law. Officer Motsinger looks forward to getting to know another class of students during the upcoming school year.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

During the spring walleye run, anglers travel from all over the country to catch their limit of fish. While working sportfishing enforcement along the Maumee River, State Wildlife Officer Nathan Robinson, assigned to Van Wert County, and State Wildlife Officer Ethan Bingham, assigned to Williams County, observed a group of anglers snag several walleye. The fish were placed on stringers and the anglers continued to fish. The officers contacted the anglers, confiscated the snagged fish, and issued multiple summonses for the violations.

In June, State Wildlife Officer Brock Williamson, assigned to Seneca County, attended a Cops and Bobbers event hosted by Crestline Police Department in Crawford County. Officer Williamson helped children cast and took fish off their hooks for release. All in attendance enjoyed smiles and laughs.

Northeast Ohio - Wildlife District Three

State Wildlife Officers Michael Budd and Scott Cartwright, assigned to Tuscarawas and Carroll counties, respectively, investigated numerous complaints involving

an individual who kept undersized saugeye and harvested more than the legal limit at lakes in northeast and southeast Ohio. During the officers' investigation, they discovered the suspect possessed more saugeye than permitted by law as well as undersized fish. He was charged in Carroll County Municipal Court, where he was found guilty and received a one-year fishing license revocation.

State Wildlife Officers Randy White, assigned to Lorain County, and Michael Greer, assigned at-large in northeast Ohio, participated in a career fair at Ashland Middle School. They discussed the responsibilities of state wildlife officers with roughly 100 fifth-grade students.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four

State Wildlife Officer Benjamin Smith patrolled Appalachian Hills Wildlife Area during the 2023 spring wild turkey hunting season. Officer Smith noticed a pickup truck well off the designated roadway and spoke with the occupants of the vehicle. Officer Smith learned that the vehicle had travelled off-road and was no longer able to move. He used his radio to request that ODNR dispatch call a tow truck to the area. Officer Smith issued the driver a summons to appear in Morgan County Court for operating a vehicle outside of a designated roadway. Later, the tow truck arrived and was able to jump-start the vehicle and remove it from the mud. The driver was found guilty and paid \$155 in fines and court costs and was also responsible for paying the tow bill.

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife District Five

State Wildlife Officer Jason Keller, assigned to Warren County, received a request from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office to help locate an 89-year-old woman who had gone missing. Officer Keller and K-9 Officer Scout responded to the individual's residence. The Ohio State Highway Patrol searched the area via helicopter. K-9 Officer Scout quickly sensed a track and went through tall weeds and thorns directly to the woman's location. She was transported to a local hospital for evaluation.

State Wildlife Officers Gus Kiebel, assigned to Adams County, Micah Collier, assigned to Brown County, and Law Operations Manager Eric Lamb recently attended an event on the Ohio River. The Brown County Veteran's Home in Georgetown held the annual event for its residents. Thirty-five veterans attended and enjoyed lunch, boat rides, music, and fishing. Officers from multiple law enforcement agencies, including the Division Of Wildlife and the Division of Parks and Watercraft, participated in the event. One resident celebrated his 80th birthday while enjoying the day along the river.

SUMMER COVER CROPS

Wheat harvest is mostly complete and many fields are being baled for straw. Some farmers have planted double crop soybeans, but with the sporadic rains, many fields are lying bare. Looking at the calendar, it's too late to plant soybeans and bare fields just grow weeds! Another option is to plant a cover crop, depending upon your goals, and what crop will be planted next year.

Cover crops planted in August have an advantage over fall planted cover crops. First, they capture more sunlight.

Cover crops need to 60-90 days of growth before winter to survive. Second, if you spray the weeds first before you plant, there is less competition, so they produce better stands. Third, summer and fall rains allow cover crops to get better growth. Generally, what ever growth you get above ground is going to be matched below ground. For these reasons, planting cover crops after wheat has many advantages.

To optimize cover crop growth, the best thing to do is bale the straw. It is not a deal breaker, but it helps growth. The chaff and straw sometimes has an allelopathic (poisonous) effect on cover crop seed germination. The next option, do you drill it or broadcast it. Drilling is always preferred over broadcasting seed. The stands are better with drilling. For broadcast seed, there are several problems. One is timely rains. Second are pests: slugs, voles or field mice, and even earth worms like to eat exposed seed lying bare on the soil surface. For these reasons, drilling or planting or even lightly tilling seed into the soil is beneficial.

If you want to purchase cover crop seed, whether for fall planting or summer planting, the earlier you order it the better. With the H2O Ohio program and other various government and private initiatives, some cover crop seed may be in short supply. Farmers should look into the various programs. Deadlines to apply for government compensate to plant cover crops generally occurs around late fall (about November 1st) so apply early. To get compensated, you have to follow NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service) rules for planting cover crops.

NRCS requires cover crops that over winter, specified seeding rates, and seeding deadlines. Seed quality can be harmed by weed seed (purity) and low germination. NRCS requires adjustment factors (need more seed) if seed purity (too many weed seeds) or seed germination is less than 86%. See NRCS Appendix A for adjustments. Farmers can use bin run seed or their own seed, but seed testing or seed tags are required for purity and germination to get payment.

Farmers have to decide why (goals) they are planting cover crops. If fighting weeds is a goal: cereal rye, radish, buckwheat, and oats are the best weed fighters. Cereal rye has a natural chemical in stems and leaves which reduces weeds seed germination. Radish roots have glusinate, a natural herbicide that also prevents weeds from establishing. All cover crops help reduce weeds to some degree simply by out-competing weeds for sunlight, water, nutrients, and shading.

If the goal is to reduce compaction, improve soil structure or improve drainage: plant deep rooted cover crops like kale, rape, daikon radish, sorghum or sudan cover crop varieties. For shallow compaction or soil crusting use oats and/or buckwheat with fibrous roots near the soil surface. For manure applications, use grass species that absorb manure nutrients: cereal rye, barley, oats,

millet, sorghum or sudan varieties. For manure, generally plant grass species that over winter for fall application: cereal rye, barley. For manure applied in the summer: oats, sorghum, sudan, millets can be planted but these species will die in the fall with a hard frost.

Plant cover crops that compliments the crop to be grown the following year. For corn, try to plant some legumes and/or clovers which produce nitrogen(N). Hairy or common vetch on well drained soils, Balansa, crimson clover, red clover on poorly drained soils. All legumes and clovers need inoculation with the proper species of Rhizobium bacteria to maximize the free production of N in the nodules at planting. Some legume/clover cover crop species may produce from 50-150# N for the corn crop. Often oats and radish are included in a blend going to corn. The oats are highly mycorrhizal, meaning they promote beneficial fungus for both corn and soybean production. Soybeans, responds best to the high carbon cover crops with fibrous root systems, mainly grass or brassica cover crops. Cereal rye, barley, oats, and wheat are high in phosphorus and loosen the soil. Low rates of brassicas (kale, rape and/or radish) can be added to mixtures. Wheat fields offer many possibilities for planting cover crop mixes.

James J. Hoorman
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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about, but not before, August 28, 2023, the Paulding County Commissioners will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Project Name: Grover Hill WWTP Improvements, Professional Fees Activity

Source of Federal Funds: CDBG Critical Infrastructure (Grant #:B-X-22-1CF-1)

Project Description: Paulding County will assist the Village of Grover Hill with sewer facility improvements. The project will upgrade an existing wastewater treatment plant that is currently in critical condition and incapable of reliably disinfecting residents wastewater by installing a UV disinfection system and constructing an equalization bin. The project was qualified via income survey; the primary beneficiaries are 362 individuals, 64.96% of whom are LMI. The project utilizes \$20,000 of leveraged funds

Identification of Multi-year Project

Location: Village of Grover Hill, Paulding County, Ohio

Estimated Cost of Project Activity: \$20,000

Project Name: Grover Hill WWTP Improvements, Sewer Facility Improvement Activity

Source of Federal Funds: CDBG Critical Infrastructure (Grant #:B-X-22-1CF-1) and CDBG ED Program Income (RLF-22-1CF-1)

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Identification of Multi-year Project

Location: Village of Grover Hill, Paulding County, Ohio

Estimated Cost of Project Activity: \$180,000; \$160,000 (Grant #:B-X-22-1CF-1); \$20,000 ED Program Income (RLF-22-1CF-1)

Project Name: Grover Hill WWTP Improvements, General Administration Activity

Source of Federal Funds: CDBG Critical Infrastructure (Grant #:B-X-22-1CF-1)

Project Description: Paulding County will assist the Village of Grover Hill with sewer facility improvements. The project will upgrade an existing wastewater treatment plant that is currently in critical condition and incapable of reliably disinfecting residents wastewater by installing a UV disinfection system and constructing an equalization bin. The project was qualified via income survey; the primary beneficiaries are 362 individuals, 64.96% of whom are LMI. The project utilizes \$20,000 of leveraged funds

Identification of Multi-year Project

Location: Village of Grover Hill, Paulding County, Ohio

Estimated Cost of Project Activity: \$18,000 CDBG Critical Infrastructure (Grant #:B-X-22-1CF-1)

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Paulding County Commissioners have determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) which is available for review on the Maumee Valley Planning Organization's website at <https://www.mvpo.org/> latest news and on file at Paulding County Commissioners, 451 McDonald Pike, Suite E, Paulding, Ohio 45879 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:00 P.M. The ERR may also be provided upon request electronically via email. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Dennis Miller, Maumee Valley Planning Organization, 1300 East Second Street, Suite 200, Defiance, Ohio 43512 or by email to dmiller@mvpo.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Paulding County Commissioners by U.S. mail or email at the addresses above. All comments received before August 24, 2023 will be considered by the Paulding County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Paulding County Commissioners certifies to the State of Ohio that Mark Holtsberry in his capacity as President of the Paulding County Commissioners consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The

State of Ohio's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Paulding County Commissioners to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Ohio will accept objections to its release of funds and the Paulding County Commissioners' certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Paulding County Commissioners; (b) the Paulding County Commissioners have omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State of Ohio; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Ohio Department of Development, Office of Community Development at OCD@development.ohio.gov. Potential objectors should contact the State of Ohio to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mark Holtsberry, President
Paulding County Commissioners

FOR SALE BY SEALED BIDS

For Sale by Trustees of Brown Township, Paulding County, Ohio, a gas powered Galion Roller. Brown Township Trustees will open sealed bids on August 16th, at 6:30 PM at their regularly scheduled meeting located at 200 S. First Street, Oakwood Ohio 45873. The Brown Township Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Bids must be in an envelope clearly marked Galion Roller. Bids can be mailed to Brown Township, 200 S. First St. Oakwood OH 45873, and must be received by 6:30 PM August 16th, 2023.

Anyone submitting a sealed bid will have the opportunity to increase their bid at the time of opening.

If you have any questions or would like to view the roller call
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING HICKSVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Hicksville Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on an application for a LOT SPLIT on Thursday, August 17, 2023 starting at 6:00pm in the office of the Zoning Inspector, located at 108 N. Main Street, Hicksville, Ohio 43526

The Application, submitted by Audrey Haver, is a request to split LOT 52, Clearview Subdivision, with a physical address of 941 Haver Dr. The request is to split .14 acre, more or less.

— Mike Bailey,
Zoning Inspector
Village of Hicksville

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

The Board of Elections of Paulding County, Ohio issues this Proclamation and Notice of Election.

A GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023

at the usual places of holding elections in each and every precinct throughout the County or at such places as the Board may designate, for the purpose of choosing the following offices:

Mayor: Antwerp, Broughton, Grover Hill, Haviland, Latty, Melrose, Oakwood, Paulding, Payne, Scott; Village Council: Antwerp, Broughton, Cecil, Grover Hill, Haviland, Latty, Melrose, Oakwood, Paulding, Payne, Scott; Village Board of Public Affairs: Latty, Payne; Twp Fiscal Officer: Auglaize, Benton, Blue Creek, Brown, Carryall, Crane, Emerald, Harrison, Jackson, Paulding, Washington; Township Trustee: Auglaize, Benton, Blue Creek, Brown, Carryall, Crane, Emerald, Jackson, Latty, Paulding, Washington; School Board: ALSD; DCSB, OLSB, PEVSD, WTLSSB; Western Buckeye Distric 5.1,3 Putnam Co ESC

and determining the following question or issue:

Board of Health, Paulding Co. Library, Enhanced 911, Paulding Exempted Village School, Village of: Antwerp: Replacement; Haviland: Renewal; Paulding, Payne: Replacement; Townships: Crane: Renewal; Harrison: Additional; Jackson: Additional; Sunday Sales Liquor Office: Auglaize Township

The polls for the election will open at 6:30 a.m., and remain open until 7:30 p.m. on election day.

By Order of the Board of Elections,
Paulding County, Ohio

Sinda P. Weidenhamer
Chair

Attest: *Kaitlin A. Wilson*
Director

ONE MORE RIVER TO CROSS



Photo by Amanda Neuhouser Lindsner. Chicago skyline on Chicago River bridge.

This is the song that is playing on my pocket phone this morning.

"I've got one more River to Cross

One more mountain to climb

One more valley that I got to go through

I'm leaving my troubles behind

One more battle with the devil and I know he'll understand

I'm going through with Jesus hallelujah holding his nail scarred hand"

Last night my wife had a massive heart attack, completely unexpected. She is in fairly good health, is quite thin, and not the type you think that would have a heart attack. She was brought back to life by the Grabill EMTs

and sometimes one wonders if life is worth the effort.

Our Christian faith helps us to believe that if she is still here

God has something for her to do. She is the type of person that God would like to have up in heaven with him. We know life will be a struggle, and all we can do is rely upon Jesus to see us through.

This time of year we think about Jesus' death. "If it be possible take this cup from me, if not, thy will be done. I promised her dad that I would take care of her, and I so hate to see her suffer. I haven't always done a good job when I could. I saw her go limp and prayed that God's will be done if he wish to take her or bring her back. She is my reason for living, and I hope to take care of her as long as I can, and I know she will try to take care of me.

"I've climbed a lot of high mountains, crossed a lot of little streams,

But when I see old Jordan cold and dark it'll be there.

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USDA, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY BREAK GROUND ON NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITY

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for a new Plant Sciences Building that will house scientists from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and Washington State University (WSU).

ARS and WSU hosted the ceremony for the new building that will be located on the campus of WSU. Research conducted at the new facility will focus on improving the health, sustainability, and profitability of dryland and irrigated agriculture in the Pacific Northwest. The collaboration between WSU and ARS began in 1931 and is one of the nation's most robust federal-state partnerships.

"Robust and innovative agricultural research is a requisite to confronting many of the challenges we are facing, from feeding a growing world population and improving farming practices, to tackling the effects of a changing climate," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "The collaboration between USDA and Washington State University we celebrate today opens a new era in a long research partnership and pushes the boundaries of what is possible for agriculture through a commitment to ensuring our farmers are equipped with

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world-class research that leads to real-world, practical solutions."

Four ARS research units will be housed in the new building—Wheat Health, Genetics, and Quality; Grain Legume Genetics and Physiology; Northwest Sustainable Agroecosystems; and Plant Germplasm Introduction and Testing. In addition, members of the WSU Departments of Plant Pathology, Crop, Soil Sciences, and Horticulture will share lab and office space with federal researchers.

Working on behalf of ARS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Interagency and International Services program is providing the planning, envi-

ronmental, contracting, design and construction contract oversight for this project. The new building will house approximately 15 ARS scientists and 15 WSU scientists. The collaborative research benefits growers, commodity groups, agricultural businesses and the public, which depend heavily on this partnership to solve agricultural and environmental problems.

"The groundbreaking of the new USDA-WSU building reflects USDA's commitment to innovative research and cutting-edge solutions that make our farmers more productive, profitable, and resilient," said USDA Chief Scientist and Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics Dr. Chavonda Jacobs-Young. "It also underscores the importance of our partnerships with Land-grant Universities and USDA's commitment that the best and brightest agriculture scientists and researchers are working in state-of-the-art facilities equipped with the tools they need to take on the world's greatest agricultural challenges."

Other leaders who spoke at the groundbreaking included U.S. Senator Patty Murray; U.S. Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers; ARS Administrator Dr. Simon Liu; Dr. Elizabeth Chilton, Provost/Executive Vice President and Pullman Chancellor, Washington State University; Dr. Wendy Powers, Dean of the College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences, Washington State University; and Mary Palmer Sullivan, Vice President, Washington Grain Commission.

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Sudoku solution from page 9

In May, USDA released a three-year science and research strategy, which establishes a scientific framework to transform the U.S. food system and support our nation's farmers, ranchers, producers and foresters. Facilities like this new ARS Plant Sciences Building enhance USDA's continued efforts to respond to the needs of the diverse communities we serve across the nation.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate-smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean-energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit www.usda.gov.

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3rd Weekend- Payne,

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New Schedule For Smaller Villages

3rd Wednesday of each month

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HEAVY DAMAGE FROM LAST SATURDAY'S EARLY MORNING STORMS



The NWS confirmed a EF1 tornado did touch down during last Saturday's early morning storm (July 29th). The storm rolled through NE Indiana and into NW Ohio in the early morning hours of the 29th around 4:00 a.m. After FEMA workers and drone footage did some investigation of the area, heavy damage was reported. The worst of the damage was in Defiance County just northwest of Hicksville near the intersection of Casebeer-Miller and Buckskin Roads. Home owners impacted by the storm will be busy with cleanup of home

damage and uprooted trees for a time. There was also quite a few damaged barns with walls ripped out and roofs torn off that were in the path the storm along the Indiana-Ohio State line. A line of strong to severe thunderstorms raced across northern Indiana and northwestern Ohio during the early morning hours of July 29th producing pockets of damaging winds. Surveys were conducted by the National Weather Service in conjunction with Emergency Management officials in Cass and Jay counties Indiana and in Defi-

ance county in Ohio to determine whether brief tornadoes may have occurred. Findings in Cass and Defiance county are complete and can be found below. In Jay county, reports of tree damage as well as some structure damage has been reviewed with most damage consistent with straightline winds. However we are awaiting drone footage to investigate additional areas in the damage swath for possible signs of a tornado. Review of this data and any additional findings will not be completed until Monday at the earliest.

VVWHS "CLASS OF 1973" PLAN ON 50TH YEAR REUNION

The Van Wert Class of '73 is planning on an array of

events during the last weekend of August. Friday, August 25th begins with the options of either enjoying a VW Cougar football game or participating in an evening at

the Van Wert Elks outdoor patio. These events start at 7:00 pm and the Elks's patio will continue to be open after the game. A cash bar will be available.

NEW YOUTH OPPORTUNITY AT FLAT ROCK CREEK FALL FESTIVAL



Paulding County Economic Development (PCED), in collaboration with First Financial Bank, Small Business Development Center, and Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce, have organized a Youth Business Showcase for young entrepreneurs to showcase and sell their products or services. Youth up to age 18 are invited to sign up for this year's fall event. The Youth Business Showcase draws inspiration from successful events in neighboring communities and showcases the unwavering belief in the limitless potential of Paulding County's talented youth. The event will be held at the OSU Extension Building, located

at 503 Fairground Drive in Paulding, and is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 16th, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. This is part of the much-anticipated Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival. PCED Office Manager Kristen Schilt is thrilled to be associated with hosting the first Youth Business Showcase, saying "This event aims to provide a platform for our young innovators, offering them an opportunity to turn their dreams into reality by showcasing their creations to a broader audience. We firmly believe that our community is brimming with talented youth, and this showcase is our way of encouraging their entrepreneurial pursuits."

For those eager to participate, registration is now open until August 31, 2023. Participants will be judged for People's Choice and Judge's Choice awards in addition to receiving feedback from local business leaders. To register, scan the QR code provided or contact Paulding County Economic Development at (419) 399- 8295 or email at office@pced.net. Residents and visitors are encouraged to support the youth entrepreneurs during the Youth Business Showcase hours. Attendees will have the chance to shop and explore a range of products and services, while also participating in the voting process to determine their favorite vendors.

PC CARNEGIE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING SET

The Board of Trustees of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will meet in regular session at 5:30pm on Tuesday, August 15, 2023. This will be held in the conference room of the Library in Paulding, Ohio.

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