

TACO BELL CHOOSES PAULDING COUNTY



Pictured from left to right: Jayson Dangler; Tim Copsey; Mayor Greg White; Marcus Price, Midwest Contracting Superintendent; Matt DaPra, Taco Bell Team; Michael Dangler; Ben Kauser

After years of hope, dreams and rumors, an investment team has purchased property and started the development of a Taco Bell restaurant in Paulding County. The groundbreaking took place on Tuesday with

the previous property owner, franchise owners, developers, the Village of Paulding, the Paulding County Economic Development office and many hungry onlookers on hand.

Black River Bells is the

group that purchased the property from local businessman Jayson Dangler for development. The General Contractor for the project is Midwest Contracting from Holland, Ohio. The site work

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PAULDING COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Paulding County has released the 2023 Paulding County Hazard Mitigation Plan for public review and feedback. This plan identifies the county's vulnerability to storm damage and other natural hazards, and establishes potential activities that may help reduce damages and casualties. The plan has been developed through a process of public input for the past ten months through public meetings and electronic data collection.

The 2023 Paulding County Hazard Mitigation Plan is

available for public review from Thursday, September 25th through Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 in two different ways. First, printed copies are available at various locations as listed below, or second, by accessing a digital plan online at www.consultsa.com/Paulding.

Printed copies are available for on-site review at the following locations:

- Paulding County Commissioners Office 451 McDonald Pike, Paulding
- Carnegie Library, 205 South Main Street, Paulding
- Antwerp Branch Library, 205 N Madison St, Antwerp
- Coppers Community Li-

brary in Oakwood, Ohio

- Payne Branch Library, 101 North Main Street, Payne
- Grover Hill Branch Library, 101 S Main St, Grover Hill
- Paulding County Economic Development Office, 101 East Perry Street, Paulding

Questions, comments and suggestions can be submitted in writing to Ed Bohn, Paulding County EMA Director at the EMA Office, 451 McDonald Pike, Paulding or by email to Mr. Bohn at ema@pauldingcounty-oh.com. All comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 11th, 2023.

HICKSVILLE ROTARY CLUB PRESENTS CHALLENGE TO COMMUNITY



At the 09/26/23 Hicksville vs. Paulding Volleyball game, Pat King from The Hicksville Rotary Club Foundation was present to offer a challenge to

the local community members and businesses in support of the planned Hicksville Splash Pad. The Hicksville

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MORENO TIES SCHOOL RECORD

On a night that saw an Antwerp school record tied, the Archers posted a tri-match win over Green Meadows Conference rivals Ayersville and Hicksville at Pond-A-River Golf Club.

Archer golf standout Braylen Moreno tied the school record for a nine-hole



score, shooting a total of 30 to lead the blue and white to the victory.

Antwerp finished with a 156 to nip second place Hicksville's 159 while the Pilots were third at 178.

Zaine McMichael added a 37 for Antwerp with Dylan Hahn carding a 44 and Drayven Baumert posted a 45.

NAMI MEETING SPEAKERS TO EXPLAIN TARDIVE DYSKINESIA

NAMI Four County's meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd will discuss tardive dyskinesia (TD) with presenters from Neurocrine Biosciences, a California based company that has developed two FDA-approved treatments for TD and Parkinson's disease.

The meeting, which is open to the public, starts at 7:00 p.m. on October 3, 2023 at the ADAMhs Board office, T-761 State Route 66 south of Archbold.

TD is a side effect that some people taking antipsychotic medications experience. It is characterized by uncontrollable movements affecting the face, torso, and other body regions.

The presenters will be

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

October 3

- NAMI meeting @ ADAMhs, Archbold, 7p

October 4

- Blessing of the Pets @ St. John Luth, Hicksville, 6-7p
- PERI meeting @ PC Senior Ctr, 10am

October 4-5

- NH United Women in Faith Rummage Fundraiser, 9a-5p

October 5

- Paulding Chamber Annual Banquet @ Grant's 5:30pm
- Antwerp Manor Open House, 5-7pm

October 6

- Night Under the Stars @ NSCC, 7-8:30pm

October 7

- Oakwood FD Soup & Sandwich Supper, 4-7pm

October 8

- Trap Shoot @ Ant. Cons. Club, registration, 12:30pm

October 8-11

- Auglaize Chapel Church of God Revival

October 9

- PCRTA Meeting @ Pancake House, 11:30am

October 10-13

- PCH Fall Health Fair @ Black Swamp Nature Center, Paulding, 7-9am



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OBITUARIES



LOUISVILLE, KY:
Charles "Chuck" Moore

passed away in Louisville, KY on Friday Sept. 22nd at the age of 79. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, Marion and Evelyn Moore, Woodburn, IN, brother David Moore, Sister Marge Yenser, and great-granddaughter Quinn Sitcler. Chuck is survived by his loving wife of 36 years Karen (Ballreich) Moore, his children Lisa Meyer (Dennis) of New Haven, IN, Brad Moore (Cathy), Las Cruces, NM, Julie Steele (Tony), Lebanon, OH; stepchildren Doug Maag, San Juan, PR, Andrea Bruns (Rich) of Louisville, KY; grandchildren Nicholas Meyer (Amanda), Kristen Sitcler (Mike), Andrea Miera, Shannon Moore, Amy Moore (Jules), Blaker Chapman (Danielle), Alayna Steele, Grace Bruns, and Quinn Bruns; and great-grandchildren Zoey, Iris, Maddux Sitcler and Saylor Chapman; siblings William Moore (Dorothy), Wolcottville, IN, Nancy Mohr, Woodburn, IN, Janet Meyers, Monroeville, IN, Rita Beam (Jerry), Monroe, TN and Mark Moore (Roxanne), New Haven, IN.

Charles received an additional six years of life due to being a transplant recipient. He retired from BFGoodrich in Woodburn, IN in the mid-1990s after 30 years, serving as a supervisor. He worked as a facility manager at Hickory Creek in Hicksville. He was a part-time farmer and loved spending time with his family and living a rural life. He owned various farms and rural properties in OH, IN, NM and KY, raising alpacas, horses, and a variety of other animals, including his most recent English Shepherd dogs, Eva and Annie. Having an appreciation for life, Chuck enjoyed working and producing food from his gardens, doing home improvement projects, listening to various music (jazz), and being on the lake boating and fishing.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11am Oct. 6 at Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 OH-500, Payne, Ohio. Visitation will precede the service between 10-11am.

Florist Lopshire Flowers in Ft. Wayne, lopshireflowers.com (260) 493-1581, will handle arrangements. Memorials can be made to Kentucky Donor Organ Affiliates <https://donatelife.org/> 10301 Linn Station Road, Louisville, KY 40223

ANTWERP, OH:

Marlene Pier, 84, of Antwerp, Ohio passed away at home on Wednesday, September 27, 2023. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

FALL REVIVAL AT AUGLAIZE CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD



Auglaize Chapel Church of God will host Fall Revival Services October 8-11, 2023 at the building located at 22652 County Road 60, Oakwood, OH 45873. Sunday services will be 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Bill Jones will be the guest speaker for the Revival.

Dr. Jones has served the Church of God in Michigan for over 18 years as State Pastor. During his tenure he has restructured the States Organization and spearheaded the focus on helping Church of God congregations in the state move from decline and plateau to growth. His heart's desire is to see every Church of God congregation changing its community through the love and message of Jesus Christ. Dr. Jones has had the privilege to teach and preach in many countries around the world including, Great Britain, Germany, Canada, Trinidad and Tobago, and Honduras.

Bro. Bill has served the Church of God in Michigan as Senior Pastor of the Sears Church of God and the Mio Church of God. At both churches he was instrumental in leading the congregations in both numerical and spiritual growth. He is past Chair of the General Assembly in Michigan, and has also served on the state's Youth Ministry Board, as well as chairing both the State Program Committee and Business Committee. He is past chair of the National Regional Pastors Association of the Church of God.

Academically, Dr. Jones is a graduate of Anderson University with a B.A. in Mathematics and Education; Anderson School of Theology with a Master of Divinity; and Grace Theological Seminary with Doctor of Ministry Degree. However, most of all he has the heart and calling of a pastor. His primary spiritual gifts are exhortation, pastor and leadership.

He is married to Jalene; his

wife of 47 years. They have two grown children, Jaela who is married to Nick along with their granddaughter Sylvie, from Grand Rapids, and James who is married to Christy, along with their two grandchildren, Dock and Charlie who live in Troy.

Dr. Jones is now retired from full-time ministry and now serves the Church as a Minister at Large; preaching, teaching and mentoring.

Mark off October 8-11th on your calendars and plan to attend the Fall Revival at Auglaize Chapel Church of God.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT AT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fun, Fellowship and door prizes!

Zion Lutheran Church, 7616 Bull Rapids Rd, is hosting a fall euchre tournament on October 14th, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, please call, leave message or text: Laurie Miller, 260-715-1170; Jackie Lantz, 260-416-8158; Sherry Schaper, 260-748-0914 (landline).

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,
Matthew 27:9-10 *at-tributes a prophecy found in Zechariah 11:11-13 to Jeremiah. Is this a mistake? "Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value; And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me."*

No! Not all the prophecies Jeremiah gave were necessarily limited to those in the book of Jeremiah. Besides, sometimes the prophets quoted each other. Zechariah likely quoted Jeremiah here even as he did in other places.

Folks are often eager to find mistakes in the Bible, thinking they will not be held accountable by God's holy, inspired Word.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

MORE THAN FRIENDSHIP

By: Doris Applegate; Scribed by: Cynthia Nicholson

Let the following song encourage you as you walk with Jesus Christ:

"I would love to tell you what I think of Jesus,

When I found in Him a friend so strong and true

He was who changed my life completely

He did something that no other friend could do

There's no other friend as kind as Jesus."

At the age of 12 years I accepted Jesus Christ as my savior and was forgiven of my sins. The Lord Jesus has truly been a friend to me. All of these 79 years. When Jesus rose from the dead and went back to Heaven He promised to send the Holy Spirit in His place as our comforter, helper, guide, stand-by and advocate. The Holy Spirit has to be acknowledged in our life.

As a born again believer in Jesus Christ we all need to depend on His presence every day. There is a worldly realm that we live in, ruled by our enemy Satan and there is a

Scripture of the Week

"Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God."

— John 3:20-21

MATT'S MISHAPS

"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



Walk slowly towards an old untold story

When was the last time you walked through an old barn or building? I always enjoy walking through an old barn, imagining how it was built and used, and the stories it could tell. The construction itself tells of a different era with different materials, tools, and construction techniques. The floors, doorways, walls and beams often give subtle clues as to how it was used – unrecorded stories of daily life that will go untold.

While overseas I have enjoyed exploring old buildings, but they have been primarily castles, fortresses, bunkers, and batteries. Our overseas government's tight budget means they don't have funds to maintain nor restore them.

spiritual realm ruled by the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead.

God has given each of us who are born again a free will to decide which realm we will live in. If we choose the worldly realm and neglect the spiritual realm we are short sided and blind. (Read the books of Peter in the Bible).

Peter also says that we have a chance of falling away for the faith if we neglect so great salvation. We do not want to fall away and it is vital that we

These old buildings dot the public landscape along coasts, hiking trails, and even run-down parts of the city.

When we first moved overseas, in my childlike exuberance to actually explore a castle or fortress from centuries past, I'd be oblivious to the smells and go bounding in. I slowly realized my energetic mishap as these places (that can now serve as shelter) had new functions they were never intended for. Many of these decaying structures are used as bathrooms, place for druggies to shoot up, party houses for youth or homes for squatters. These mysterious and quaint relics of another time can now have tremendous smells from their misuse over many generations after their original use was abandoned.

A couple dozen military batteries and bunkers along our coastline built during WWII and decommissioned in 1950s were left abandoned. Our region overseas tried to stay neutral in WWII, so they feared both Allied and Axis invasion. They built batteries and bunkers but did not have the resources for the actual artillery.

I now try to walk slowly in front of excited visitors who we show old relics to, so they don't excitedly barge into trouble like I did many times.

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

grow and learn all of the truth. The Holy Spirit is the one to lead us into ALL truth.

Amen

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THE CHRISTMAS TRUCE

Penny For Your Thoughts
By: Nancy Whitaker

As Christmas approaches, our love and best wishes go out to our troops away from home. We are here in the land of the free and the home of the brave forever grateful to those who are served and have served to protect our freedom.

One story called The Christmas Truce was brought to my attention and I felt this story needed to be shared. The day was Christmas Day, 1914, during WWI. The French, German, and British soldiers were only five months into the war and they were sick of senseless killings and the battles. It was just after dawn on a biting cold Christmas Day in 1914, and one of the most extraordinary incidents of the Great War was about to unfold.

As the troops were hunkered down in their trenches in sub zero weather, there were an unmistakable words drifting across the frozen battlefield: 'Stille Nacht. Heilige Nacht. Alles Schlaft, einsam wacht'. To the ears of the British troops peering over their trench, the lyrics may have been unfamiliar but the haunting tune was unmistakable. After the last note a lone German infantryman appeared holding a small tree glowing with light. 'Merry Christmas. We not shoot, you not shoot.'

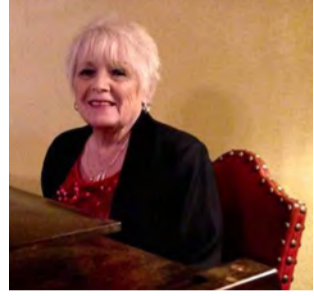
Weary men climbed hesitantly at first out of trenches and stumbled into no man's land. Walking over dead corpses, they shook hands, sang carols, lit each other's cigarettes, swapped tunic buttons and addresses and, most famously, played football, kicking around empty bully-beef cans and using their caps or steel helmets as goalposts. It was even reported they had roasted a pig. The unauthorized Christmas truce spread across much of the 500-mile Western Front where more than a million men were encamped.

A lot of speculation has arose out of the Christmas Trench story. One story is that a barber offered to cut all the troops' hair, even the enemies. While the guards were on duty, the young soldiers fraternized and celebrated Christmas, They told each other that

if they were told to fire, to just shoot up in the air.

According to records held by the World War One Veterans' Association, there is only one man, Alfred Anderson, in the world still alive who spent 25 December 1914 serving in a conflict that left 31 million people dead, wounded or missing.

Alfred Anderson was 18 at the time. In an interview with *The Observer*, he spoke of his experiences on that cold Christmas Day. He was happy, healthy and surrounded by most of his former school friends, who had all joined the Territorial Army together in



1912 and thought that they were at the start of an exciting adventure. He had left his home in Newtyle, Angus, in October, taking the train from Dundee to Southampton, then a ferry to Le Havre.

But by the first Christmas of the war they had already experienced horror and the death of young friends was commonplace.

His unit, the 1/5th Battalion The Black Watch, was one of the first involved in trench warfare.

A song came out of this Christmas Truce so many years ago.

Christmas in the Trench song

Two years ago the war was waiting for me after school.

To Belgium and to Flanders to Germany to here

I fought for King and country I love dear.

'Twas Christmas in the trenches where the frost so bitter hung,

The frozen fields of France were still, no Christmas song was sung.

Our families back in England were toasting us that day,

Their brave and glorious lads so far away.

I was lying with my messmate on the cold and rocky ground

When across the lines of battle came a most peculiar sound

Says I, "Now listen up, me boys!" each soldier strained to hear

As one young German voice sang out so clear.

"He's singing bloody well, you know!" my partner says to me

Soon one by one each German voice joined in in harmony

The cannons rested silent, the gas clouds rolled no more

As Christmas brought us respite from the war.

As soon as they were finished and a reverent pause was spent

"God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" struck up some lads from Kent

The next they sang was "Stille Nacht," 'Tis 'Silent Night', says I

And in two tongues one song filled up that sky.

"There's someone coming towards us!" the front line sentry cried

All sights were fixed on one lone figure coming from their side

His truce flag, like a Christmas star, shone on that plain so bright

As he bravely strode unarmed into the night.

Soon one by one on either side walked into No Man's land

With neither gun nor bayonet we met there hand to hand

We shared some secret brandy and we wished each other well

And in a flare-lit soccer game we gave 'em hell.

We traded chocolates, cig-

arettes, and photographs from home

These sons and fathers far away from families of their own

Young Sanders played his squeeze box and they had a violin

This curious and unlikely band of men.

Soon daylight stole upon us and France was France once more

With sad farewells we each began to settle back to war

But the question haunted every heart that lived that wondrous night

"Whose family have I fixed within my sights?"

'Twas Christmas in the trenches, where the frost so bitter hung

The frozen fields of France were warmed as songs of peace were sung

For the walls they'd kept between us to exact the work of war

Had been crumbled and were gone for evermore.

My name is Francis Toller, in Liverpool I dwell

Each Christmas come since World War I I've learned its lessons well

That the ones who call the shots won't be among the dead and lame

And on each end of the rifle we're the same.

Open House and enjoy the refreshments & door prizes. There are rooms available for immediate move in. "We look forward to meeting you on Thursday October 5th between 5PM and 7PM," stated Lisa Grindle Antwerp Manor director of business develop-

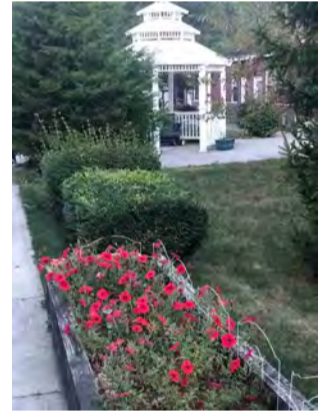
ment.

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Take a tour of the community while you attend the

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Jamie Hamill, DNP, APRN and PMHNP, who is the Midwest clinical practice liaison for Neurocrine Biosciences; and Suzanne Robinson, MSW, who is the senior manager of patient engagement and advocacy for the central region of Neurcrine Biosciences.

They will explain the symptoms of TD as well as the causes, prevention and treatment used to address this side

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Rotary Club is donating up to \$35,000 in matching funds. Any individual or entity that donates to the Hicksville Community Fund Hicksville Splash Pad project between now and the end of the year will be matched dollar for dol-

lar up to a total Hicksville Rotary Foundation donation of \$35,000.

If you are interested in making a donation to the HCF Splash Pad project contact Greg or Lisa Slattery, Denny or Sheryl Vetter, Jim or Karen Schmidt or Kirk Collins.

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry

Clyde Ervin Franklin was born May 29, 1897 in Payne, Ohio. The son of Samuel H. born February 27, 1859 in Ft. Recovery, Ohio and Mary Elizabeth (Faller) Franklin, born December 19, 1861 in Ohio.

This couple was married February 8, 1880 in Mercer County, Ohio. The Franklin family was living in Paulding by 1900. Samuel and Elizabeth had eight children with Clyde being the seventh child.

By 1910, the Franklin family had added a son and also added a boarder living with them on Harrison Street in Paulding. Clyde was in school in Paulding. On May 19, 1914, Samuel passed away in Payne, Ohio. He is buried in Wiltsie Cemetery outside Payne, Ohio.

On June 5, 1918, in Paulding, Ohio, Clyde registered for the World War draft. He was listed as medium height and build, blue eyes, light hair and working for Harrison Township. On September 5, 1918, Clyde signed up with the National Army out of Paulding. He was assigned to serve with the 158th Depot Brigade. He served until October 20, 1918.

On November 11, 1918, he

was assigned to the 112th Medical Department, Base Hospital and sent overseas. On February 12, 1919, Clyde boarded the ship, U.S.S. Rhode Island at Brest, France and set sail for Newport News, Virginia. He served until March 3, 1919. He was Honorably Discharged March 18, 1919. By 1920, Clyde was living with his mother and youngest brother, Clarence.

Clyde was working as a farm laborer and still single. But Clyde met a gal named Clara Lena Temple, born December 20, 1899. They were married June 7, 1921. This happy couple became parents of Ann Isabell born 1922, Bernice Cecilia 1923, John William 1924, Robert Ervin 1925, Richard Albert 1926, and William Francis 1928. By 1930 Clyde, Clara and four children had moved to Ft. Wayne. Clyde was a laborer at a tank factory. Son John had died in 1925 and son Robert had died in 1926.

The addition of Donald Edward, born in 1931, Daughters Dorothy Marie 1932 and Delores Mary 1937 completed the family. By 1940, the Franklin family was living at 1160 Edsall Avenue. Clyde was working as a laborer. On June 23, 1940, Clyde's son, Donald died. Clyde changed jobs and was working on the Railroad as a maintenance foreman.

On May 2, 1941, Clyde passed away at home from heart issues. He was buried in St. Johns Catholic Cemetery, outside Payne. His mother Mary passed away December 31, 1943, she was buried beside Samuel. As for Clara, she met a fella named Martin Gospodarick and they married November 24, 1960 in Ft. Wayne. She passed away July 27, 1975 in Ft. Wayne. She was buried with Clyde in St. Johns Catholic Cemetery.

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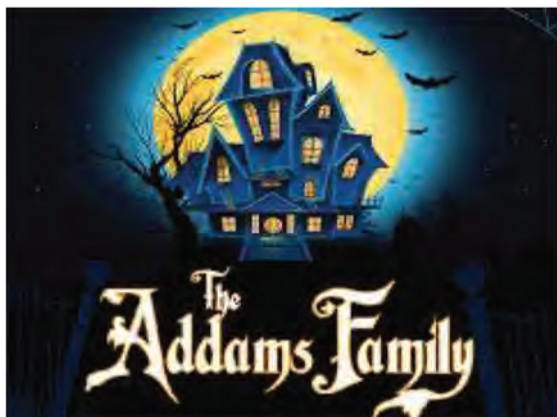
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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Our school year has gotten off to a great start thanks in large part to the effort parents and caregivers have provided to assure their children were prepared for the start of the 2023-2024 school year and promptness to arrive on time at school each day. Likewise, a big thank you to the Antwerp Local School staff for their preparation to assure the classrooms, cafeteria, buses, and building and grounds were ready to meet the needs of our student body.

The start of the school year has been very busy with several field trips, numerous meetings, and of course, a slew of athletic events. With regards to athletic events, we hope you have had or will have the opportunity to attend and support our Archer athletes. A reminder that residents of our school district who are at least 65 years old are eligible for a free all-sports pass. This is one of the many ways we thank our senior residents for their support of our school system. If you have not received a pass yet, see Mr. Altimus in the Athletic Director's Office. He is usually available from 12:00-2:30 each afternoon. The pass is good for admission to all home junior high and high school athletic events.

We are excited to announce that motivational speaker Blake Leeper will visit our school on Wednesday, October 11. Blake is a United States Paralympic athlete, eight-time Paralympic Track and Field international medalist, world record holder and three-time American record holder. He will share a message on mental health and wellness to our grades 6-12 students during the school day followed by a presentation at 6:30 p.m. in our Auditeria for our students in grades 3-5, their parents/guardians, and community members who would like to hear the message. The evening presentation is paid for by grant funding; however, a ticket is required to attend. Tickets will be given to students in Grades 3-5 and their parents followed by distribution to the public. Additional details regarding the evening event will be shared on our website and social media.

A big thank you to parents and students for your cooperation with the pick-up of students around the large circle drive after school each day. Your assistance and cooperation provide for a safer and smoother flow of students out of our school facility. Please continue to follow the directions of the staff supervising the circle drive and pull ahead as far as possible prior to picking up your child. Using the entire circle drive allows us to load children more efficiently. If possible, have your child get in the car on the sidewalk side.

School districts across America will promote "School Bus Safety Week" during the week of October 16-20. This year's National School Bus Safety Week campaign focuses on reminding motorists and students about the dangers that exist outside the school bus. This year's national theme is "BEEP! BEEP! School bus safety starts with me." School personnel seek your assistance with an effort to stress the importance of keeping our children safe around the bus and loading the bus.

Martin A. Miller, Superintendent

MR. LICHTY- HS/MS

We are off to a great start to the school year! We appreciate working with such a supportive community filled with great families. As always, if we can help your child in any way, be sure to contact us.

On October 7, the Archer Marching Band is set to dazzle the audience at Wayne Trace High School, alongside six other talented marching bands from the area. The showcase kicks off at 6:30 p.m. and each performance will last approximately ten minutes. Best of all, it's free for everyone to enjoy! Plus, if you're feeling hungry, they'll have you covered with some delicious food trucks offering dinner options.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY and NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY inductions will take place on Sunday, October 8 at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditeria.

Our first quarter ends Friday, October 13. Parents are encouraged to monitor student progress on ProgressBook. Mrs. Lucas can assist with your login information if needed.

Looking ahead, PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES will be scheduled for the evenings of October 24 and 26. More information will be communicated as we get closer to those dates.

There will be a 2-hour delay for Teacher In-service on Friday, October 27, 2023.

If your middle or high school child missed Fall Picture Day, Jostens will be here again on November 8 for retakes.

~ Mr. Travis Lichty, MS/HS Principal

HS/MS GUIDANCE NEWS

Our 7th grade students are participating in the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program throughout the first semester. For more information on this program, please visit <https://dare.org/>.

Students planning to take AP Exams in May must turn in their \$40 deposit to Mrs. Hammer by November 3. Students will be given information on paying for exam fees in early October.

Juniors will take the PSAT in October. Payment for the PSAT is due by October 3. Results of the PSAT will be available in early December.

Senior Parents: The FAFSA is delayed for the 2024-2025 school year, but you and your senior can still apply for your FSA ID. This unique ID will allow you and your student to enter the FAFSA site and complete the FAFSA when it becomes available. For more information or to create your FSA ID, please visit <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>.

HEARING/VISION SCREENINGS

Our school nurse, Mrs. Cline, will be conducting hearing and vision screenings throughout the school year for our students in grades Preschool, Kindergarten, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.

MRS. STOKES - ELEMENTARY

OHIO THIRD GRADE READING TEST
Third graders will take part in the Third Grade Fall Reading Test on October 17 and 18. The third graders are ready and we know they will do great! If at all possible, families, we ask that you avoid scheduling appointments on those dates so students are in attendance.

INDIANA WILDLIFE
The elementary PTO will be holding an opportunity for students to come and learn about and interact with some animals. The event will be held on Monday, October 16 from 5-7 p.m. We hope to see you there!

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
Parent Teacher conferences will be scheduled for October 24 and 26 from 4:00-7:30. Teachers will be in contact to set up conference times. We appreciate your family's support and ask you to continue to stay in contact with teachers throughout the year.

PRAIRIE DAY
On Wednesday, October 4, Antwerp Elementary will again host a day for students to explore the prairie garden next to the school. Thank you to Linda Mabis, retired Antwerp Teacher, for setting up the day.

BOOK FAIR
The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school October 23-27. It will be open during the school day and during parent/teacher conferences on October 24 and 26 from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. There will also be a Grandparents' Day on Wednesday, October 25 with details going home with elementary students soon. The book fair will close at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, October 27.

~ Mrs. Tracey Stokes, Elementary Principal

ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

The character trait for September was Friendship. Friendship is a vital theme for students to embrace. Through friendships, children learn essential life skills that extend far beyond the classroom. These experiences not only contribute to a more inclusive learning environment but also equip students with the social and emotional tools they will need to thrive throughout their lives. Students learned not only what it means to be a good friend, but also why it's important to be a good friend.

SENIOR RESIDENTS' BREAKFAST

We are excited to announce that our senior residents' breakfast & entertainment program will take place Tuesday, October 31 at 8:15 a.m. in the Auditeria. All district residents, age 65 and older, are invited to join us for the 75-minute program which will conclude at 9:30 a.m. In addition to the breakfast, Dr. Miller will have a brief presentation regarding updates to our school facility, State Report Card, and curriculum endeavors. The morning program will conclude with a performance by our high school band. Reservations are required and may be made by calling the district office at 419-258-5421, option 3, by Thursday, October 26.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

CROSS COUNTRY
Oct 7 9:00 Antwerp Invite
Oct 14 9:30 GMC @ Edgerton
Oct 21 TBA District

VARSITY FOOTBALL
Oct 6 7:00 vs. Ayersville
Oct 13 7:00 @ Paulding
Oct 20 7:00 vs. Edgerton

JV FOOTBALL
Oct 2 5:00 vs. Wayne Trace
Oct 9 5:00 vs. Ayersville
Oct 16 5:00 @ Paulding

JH FOOTBALL
Oct 3 5:00 @ Wayne Trace
Oct 10 5:00 @ Edgerton
Oct 17 5:00 vs. Ayersville

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL
Oct 2 5:30 vs. Continental
Oct 3 5:30 @ Ayersville
Oct 9 5:30 vs. Van Wert
Oct 10 5:30 vs. Paulding
Oct 12 5:30 @ Edgerton

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL
Oct 3 4:30 @ Ayersville
Oct 9 4:30 vs. Van Wert
Oct 10 4:30 vs. Paulding
Oct 12 4:30 @ Edgerton

JH VOLLEYBALL
Oct 3 5:00 vs. Ayersville
Oct 5 5:00 @ Hicksville
Oct 9 5:00 @ Montpelier
Oct 12 5:30 vs. Liberty Center
Oct 14 TBA GMC

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 4 Prairie Garden Day - Grades 1-5
Oct 7 Band Show @ Wayne Trace HS
Oct 8 NHS/NJHS Induction Ceremony
Oct 11 Blake Leeper Event
Oct 11 PSAT - Juniors
Oct 13 End of 1st Quarter
Oct 16 Indiana Wildlife Event
Oct 16-20 School Bus Safety Week
Oct 19 Board of Education Meeting
Oct 23-27 Book Fair
Oct 24/26 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Oct 27 2-hour delay - Teacher Inservice
Nov 2 Elementary Picture Retakes
Nov 8 MS/HS Picture Retakes
Nov 22-27 Thanksgiving Break

CAFETERIA MENU

Mon, Oct 2 Breaded chicken on bun, green beans, mixed fruit, & milk
Tues, Oct 3 Chicken strips, mixed vegetables, pineapple, & milk
Wed, Oct 4 Cheeseburger on bun, vegetable soup, pears, & milk
Thu, Oct 5 Sub sandwich, mini ravioli, peaches, & milk
Fri, Oct 6 Pepperoni pizza, carrots, applesauce cup, & milk

Our menus are subject to change without notice.



LIFE INSURANCE IS A RECESSION-PROOF WAY TO SUPPORT A CHARITY

As Americans, we can take pride in the fact that we are a nation of givers. And as the economy improves, charitable giving is on the rise. In fact, according to the National Philanthropic Trust in 2020 total charitable giving from U.S. individuals, corporations, foundations, and bequests exceeded \$471 billion with 69% coming from individuals.⁽¹⁾

While money may be tight for many Americans, it's nice to know that there is a way to support a favorite charity without having to worry about the impact it could have on your budget. How? By giving the gift of life insurance. Here are just a few ways you can use this proven method to contribute money to your favorite causes:

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the sole beneficiary, and it will receive the entire amount.

- **Purchase a separate policy**—There are times when it makes sense to have separate policies: one for loved ones and one for charitable gifts. This technique can prove especially helpful if you would like to retain ownership of one policy, but not the other.

- **Create a Charitable Remainder Trust**—While this planned-giving tool is designed to shelter appreciated assets such as stocks and real estate, you can also incorporate life insurance if it's set up properly. Be sure to consult a trusts and estates advisor before pursuing this approach.

Giving life insurance can be a lasting legacy to support causes dear to you. Depending on the method you choose, it may also offer a variety of tax benefits.

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MARILYN HISSONG NAMED 2024 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR



Marilyn Hissong, superintendent of East Allen County Schools (EACS), was chosen by members of the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents (IAPSS) as Indiana's Superintendent of the Year for 2024, and will represent Indiana in the national Superintendent of the Year competition.

Hissong began her career in EACS as a school teacher and volleyball coach. She then moved into the role of principal, later serving as the district's director of curriculum, assistant superintendent, and became the district's superintendent in 2017.

EACS is unique due to its suburban, rural, and urban composition. The district covers 344 square miles, encompassing southeast Fort Wayne and all of Leocedarville, Harlan, Grabill, Woodburn, Hoagland, Monroeville and New Haven.

The district consists of 15 schools serving a diverse population of 9,958 students. In one school's attendance area, 60 percent of the population consists of Burmese students.

To meet the needs of so many different areas, in 2010 the district began the adventure of writing its own elementary and junior high school curriculum, created by its own teachers. The process was later expanded to include writing the district's own curriculum for high school students. These teachers come together every summer to rework the curriculum as needed.

"Our greatest success was going from a "D" district in 2010 to an "A" district in 2015, said Hissong. Hissong adds: "I am proud that over my six years as superintendent, EACS has had the lowest tax rate in Allen County."

Hissong is a graduate of Ball State University and Indiana-Purdue University.

IT'S LANGUAGE TIME AT ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS



Shown here from the left are part of our PreK class: Brynleigh Adams, Mateo Ash, Van Snyder, Ellie Kowalski, Lakelynn Sauber and Johanna Federighi.

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bid was won locally by Kauser Excavating. The group hopes to have the site work completed and a building started immediately. The whole project is looking to complete by the end of the year.

In January 2022, local businessman Jayson Dangler purchased the open lot located at 863 N. Williams Street, between the Premier Bank and Bureau of Motor Vehicles Plaza. Immediately after that purchase, Dangler contacted Tim Copey at the Paulding County Economic Development office. Dangler shared that he employees many in the county and there was a need for more food options locally. Dangler challenged Copey to find a group that would bring a new food option to this lot.

"Jayson and I have had some great business conversations in the past and he has helped us with other successful projects. I knew he was pretty adamant about making this project work when he came to us, so we went to work right away on the opportunity," stated Copey. "For over a year we had a lot of conversation with a lot of franchises, but once we fi-

nally got traction with the Black River Bells investment group we connected them with Jayson and we let them take the negotiating from there. We are so thankful they got this across the finish line."

The project took quite a while to develop. The Paulding Village council viewed, and was asked to approve preliminary drawings, months ago. Since then, many legal hurdles and approvals had to be overcome, all of which slowed the project down.

Now that the project is underway, the rumors can be put to rest that this was just another dangling carrot with no end project. Copey followed up, "This project has been on the radar in Paulding County for as long as I can remember. There are still files from way back in our office. Even as this project delayed, people commented that once again it was all just a farce. It is just reassuring to know that if we are going to build and move Paulding County forward, it is going to take persistence, but also patience, and we can still win. In today's society patience isn't always welcome but we are glad in this case it worked out."

Dangler closed out the day noting, "I am glad to see this deal finally get done. I would like to thank Tim and everyone at the Economic Development office for their hard work on this." "Live Mas".

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 - Pavne:** Village office, Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Maramart, Library
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RAIDERS POST SWEEP OF ARCHERS



Kacy Hornish broke the school record for the number of assists she has earned over her career! More pictures at westbendnews.net

HAVILAND - In the annual Green Meadows Conference rivalry matchup between Antwerp and Wayne Trace, it was the Lady Raiders who recorded a straight set victory over the Archers Tuesday night at the 'Palace.'

Wayne Trace took the opening set 25-16 and followed that up with a 25-14 win in the second set. The Lady Raiders then completed the sweep with a 25-20 win in game three.

Kacy Hornish led the way for the red, white and blue, dishing out 22 assists to break

the Wayne Trace school record for career assists. Hornish now has 1,315 for her career, eclipsing the old record held by Janelle Davis from 2010 when she totaled 1,295.

Hornish also picked up nine digs and recorded two blocks for the Lady Raiders. Harper Myers racked up 15 kills and seven digs for the red, white and blue with Torree Sinn recording a dozen kills, four digs and a block. Lexi Moore chipped in nine slams, one dig and three blocks.

Paige Alber finished with



Caroline Rohrs is up for the dig to save the ball from the floor in the picture against the Raiders. More pictures at westbendnews.net

18 assists for the red, white and blue and added five aces and eight digs. Lorie Sinn picked up two digs with Kaitlin Slade contributing 11 digs and one ace.

Caroline Winans added two aces and three digs while Caren Winans contributed six kills and five digs. Ava Zartman added eight digs with Amber Stoller picking up one kill, one assists and two digs.

LADY WARRIORS SWEEP WAY PAST ARCHERS

In a battle of cross-state rivals, it was visiting Woodlan who picked up the sweep on the night as the Lady Warriors posted victories in the varsity, junior varsity and freshmen matches.

At the varsity level, Woodlan recorded a pair of 25-14 victories in each of the first

Amelia Graham led the way for Antwerp with seven kills and Emma Townley chipped in five kills and nine digs. Maddy Peters posted two aces, six digs and 19 assists and Caroline Rohrs picked up 22 digs.

Alexis Otto chipped in three blocks and two kills with Hayden Lengacher posting three kills. Maegan Pendergrast had six digs for the Lady Archers.

two sets before concluding the match by defeating the Archers 25-23 in game three.

The Lady Warrior junior varsity recorded a 27-25, 25-9 victory over Antwerp while the Woodlan freshmen defeated the Lady Archers by scores of 25-15 and 25-14.

Marissa Smith posted a dozen kills for Woodlan while Alyssa Anderson added five and Taylor Kneubuhler chipped in four. Lauren Snyder led the way for the Lady Warriors with 16 slams.

Alyssa Harvey added three aces for the Indiana squad and Audra Smith chipped in two. Piper Clear and Makaila Gruber also had two blocks apiece for Woodlan.

Snyder, Alix Jacquay and Makenna Smith all had nine digs while Jade Lichty chipped in eight digs. Nora Werling and Audra Smith both picked up six digs and Alyssa Harvey recorded five digs.

Harvey dished out 23 assists for Woodlan with Audra Smith posting 14 helpers.

Maddy Peters dished out 17 assists to go along with seven digs and two aces for Antwerp while Amelia Graham finished with nine digs and four kills. Alexis Otto also had five slams for the Lady Archers and Emma Townley chipped in 11 digs, three kills and two aces.

Caroline Rohrs picked up 16 digs for Antwerp and posted four aces while Haydyn Lengacher totaled five kills and one dig.

IHSAA RELEASES SOCCER SECTIONAL PAIRINGS

Boys and girls soccer teams in the state of Indiana learned their tournament opponents recently as the Indiana High School Athletic Association announced the sectional matchups.

In Class 3A boys soccer at New Haven, Fort Wayne South Side and Fort Wayne Carroll will square off in a first-round matchup as will Fort Wayne North Side and DeKalb. Those two winners will then meet in a semifinal while the other semifinal has

ARCHERS STAY UNBEATEN



Antwerp's Tavin Sholl is in the midst of his opponents as he receives the pass from the quarterback Carson Altimus. Photo by Harlee Moore.

ANTWERP - The Antwerp Archers scored twice in the opening stanza and cruised from there to a 45-8 win over visiting Fairview Friday night in Green Meadows Conference football action.

After jumping in front 16-0 at the end of one period, the blue and white took a 24-8 halftime advantage as both the Archers and Apaches scored eight points in the second stanza.

Antwerp then put the game away in the third quarter with two more touchdowns to extend the margin to 38-8 entering the final period. The blue and white scored the only touchdown in the fourth quarter to set the final at 45-8.

The Archers totaled 472 yards of offense in the contest, running for 129 while throwing for 343.

Reid Lichty paced the Archer ground game with 97 yards on a dozen carries, including a pair for touchdowns. Gage Clevinger added

33 yards rushing for the blue and white.

Quarterback Carson Altimus ended the night 21 of 28 through the air for 343 yards and four touchdowns. Lichty was the top target with six receptions for 67 yards while Camden Fuller added five catches for 81 yards and a touchdown. Landon Brewer also posted five receptions for 68 yards and a score.

Kayden Winslow had four receptions for 120 yards and two touchdowns as well for Antwerp. Tavin Sholl had the other catch for the Archers, good for seven yards.

Defensively, Lichty picked up a pair of interceptions and Fuller recorded one. Derek Hines paced Antwerp with ten tackles in the contest while Winslow recorded eight and Syris Gale finished with seven.

Hines and Keegan Gray-Wyckoff each had a tackle for a loss with Gray-Wyckoff and Cohen Hitzeman both recording a sack.

Fort Wayne Snider playing host New Haven.

Woodlan will host a Class 2A sectional tournament that features a trio of quarterfinal matchups.

Leo takes on Belmont in the first quarterfinal game with Norwell battling Heritage in a quarterfinal as well. The two survivors then advance to meet in one semifinal.

The remaining quarterfinal game has Fort Wayne Canterbury taking on Woodlan with the winner advancing to play Fort Wayne Bishop Luers in a semifinal matchup.

In girls sectional action, all four East Allen County Schools squads are in Class 2.

At Leo, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran plays Culver Academy in an opening round quarterfinal with the winner advancing to play host Leo in the semifinals.

The other semifinal

matchup features Tippecanoe Valley against Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger.

At Norwell, opening round matchups feature Woodlan against host Norwell and Marion plays Belmont. The two victors then advance to square off in a sectional semifinal.

The other semifinal then has New Haven taking on Heritage.

All sectional soccer games are slated to take place between October 2 and October 7.



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PATRIOTS RUN PAST WARRIORS



Woodlan's Drew Fleek scores the first quarter touchdown as he receives this pass and runs nearly 40 yards for these points! Ava McAlexander scores the point after! More pictures at westbendnews.net

WOODBURN - Jay County totaled 318 rushing yards and used that to hold off Woodlan for a 34-29 victory in ACAC high school football action Friday night.

A.J. Myers rumbled for 251 yards over 39 carries and five touchdowns to provide the Patriots to improve to 4-2 overall and 2-2 in the conference. Sean Bailey and Bryce Wenk added 35 and 32 rushing yards for Jay County, respectively.

Bailey also completed five of eight passes for 30 yards on the night.

Drew Fleek scrambled for 123 yards on 14 attempts to lead the Woodlan ground game, including one for a score. Ty Loudon also scored for the Warriors, who drop to 2-4 overall and 1-3 in the

league.

Louden was 11 of 24 through the air for 181 yards for Woodlan, tossing two passes for touchdowns.

Braden Smith hauled in four receptions for 80 yards with Drew Fleek, Luke Meyer and Jayse Kuntz all picking up two receptions.

Defensively, Lucas Strait topped Jay County with ten tackles and Garrett Bennett added nine. Isaac Dues, Bryce Wenk and Austin Schoenlein all finished with five tackles for the Patriots.

Riley Van Camp posted a dozen stops to pace Woodlan and Jack Culler totaled nine tackles. Blake Reed chipped in eight for the Warriors while Hunter Bennet and Mason Richardson finished with six apiece.

LADY WARRIORS STOMP SOUTHERN WELLS RAIDERS



Woodlan senior Norah Werling in the back row digs the ball and prepares for the set. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Woodlan volleyball played host to the Southern Wells Lady Raiders on Thursday night September 28th. Wood-

lan varsity won in 3 sets against the Southern Wells: 25-8, 25-7, 25-15.

LADY PANTHERS FALL IN FOUR SETS TO ACES

In a Green Meadows Conference matchup, host Hicksville recorded a four-set win over visiting Paulding Tuesday night.

The Aces took the opening set 25-21 and added a 25-20 win in game two before Paulding outlasted Hicksville to record a 31-29 victory in game three. Hicksville then concluded the match by defeating the Panthers 25-6 in the fourth set.

Maci Kauser picked up 31 digs and added two aces and a kill for the Lady Panthers with Grace Goyings recording 15 assists, 13 digs and two kills.

Lucy Breier chipped in four kills, two blocks, three aces and four digs for the maroon and white while Addison Pease totaled six kills, 16 assists and 16 digs.

Kayleigh Dunham finished with seven slams for Paulding and Brianna Bermejo posted ten kills and six digs.

Paulding's junior varsity squad posted a three-set win over the Aces, dropping game one 25-20 before rallying to win the second set 26-24 and the third set 25-18.

The Lady Panthers are now 3-14 overall and 0-4 in the Green Meadows Conference.

SECOND QUARTER SURGE LIFTS PANTHERS OVER BULLDOGS

EDGERTON - Paulding broke open a close game with a 28-point second quarter as the Panthers coasted to a 54-20 victory over host Edgerton in high school football play Friday night.

The Panthers led just 8-0 at the end of one period but it was all Paulding in the second quarter. The Panthers put together a 28-point stanza to break the game open and post a 36-6 halftime advantage.

Paulding scored a pair of third quarter touchdowns while limiting Edgerton to one as the Panthers extended the margin to 48-12 entering the final period.

Owen Roth topped Edgerton with 67 rushing yards on eight carries while quarterback Maddox Baker threw for 194 yards.

Scottie Krontz topped the Bulldogs with nine receptions for 146 yards.

Paulding amassed 503 yards of total offense, led by Kobe Foor with 29 carries for 215 rushing yards and four touchdowns while hauling in a 37-yard pass as well. Jesse Shaffer added 70 yards rushing on eight attempts and picked up a trio of receptions for 42 yards.

Jalen Manz chipped in 46 yards rushing over three tries and hauled in three catches for 24 yards. Blake Rhonehouse posted six receptions for 60 yards to lead the Paulding receiving corps.

Jack Woods topped the Paulding defense with 18 tackles, including a pair for a loss, with Shaffer and Carter Evans both recording seven stops.

Rhonehouse chipped in six tackles with Foor and Colton Bashore both getting four tackles.

RAIDERS ADVANCE TO DISTRICTS

OTTAWA - Brody Rosswurm shot a 72 and Kyle Sutton chipped in a 77 to lead the Wayne Trace Raiders to a third-place finish in the Division III boys sectional golf tournament at Pike Run Golf Course near Ottawa last Thursday.

The third-place finish clinched a berth in the Division III boys district tournament on Thursday, October 5, at Stone Ridge Golf Club at Bowling Green.

Ottoville, Miller City and Wayne Trace took the three team slots in the district. The Big Green claimed the sectional championship with a 312 while the Wildcats were second at 313 and the Raiders finished third with a 323.

Conner Davis and Jared Varner both shot an 87 to aid the Raider cause and Tyson Gerber posted a 94.

Kalida's Robert Nartker posted a 72 to advance individually as did Leipsic's Brevin Brandt, who carded a 74. Patrick Henry's Jaxson Guelde took the final individual spot by winning a playoff over Kalida's Jack Stechschulte. Both Guelde and Stechschulte carded rounds of 75.

Antwerp finished with a team score of 353 and the Archers were led by Braylen Moreno with a score of 79. Draven Baumert (88), Zaine McMichael (89), Cohen Hitzeman (97) and Landon Brewer (104) completed the Archer golfers.

PAULDING JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL 2023-24



Pictured here is the 2023-2024 Paulding Junior High School Student Council: (front row, l-r) Brynlee Mangette, Preslee Cline, Savy Barnes, Bindy Font, Gia Wagenhauser, and Jack Daeger; (back row, l-r) Ms. Karnes, Dani Borland, Audrey Trejo-Marin, Civil Pumphrey, Gabby Stork, Kyler Foor, and Mrs. Crandall.

At last year's shot clinic, PPG - Family Medicine providers Thomas Mason, MD, (left) and James Ingram, MD, (right) enjoyed chatting with guests while serving up tasty breakfast fare."



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anyone age 6 months and older will be able to receive the protection of a flu shot. Regular quadrivalent flu vaccine (covering four strains of flu virus) will be available at the event. Since people age 65 and over tend to develop a less robust immune response, the high-dose or "enhanced" flu vaccine recommended for this age group will also be available.

In addition, Boy Scout Troop 169 will offer guests a free, hot breakfast of coffee and scrambled eggs with green pepper, onions, sausage, cheese and potatoes. Breakfast will be prepared by the Scouts and friendly Parkview Physicians Group (PPG) - Family Medicine volunteers and

served under the tent outside the MOB entrance.

Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. To make a vaccination appointment, call 1-877-PPG-TODAY (877-774-8632). For individuals with healthcare coverage, insurance will be billed; otherwise, patients will be billed for the shot fee.

Guests should plan to dress appropriately to allow clinic volunteers easy access to their upper arm to administer the vaccination.

Questions about the event may be directed to 1-877-PPG-TODAY.

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THE LEFT TURN



Rico Abreu "center" Photo Credit: Campbell Photos



Logan Seavey Photo Credit: Christopher Pedersen

Seavey Unbeatable At Eldora

USAC race fans witnessed history being made at the Big E during the USAC portion of the 4-Crown Nationals. This year Logan Seavey already won the Chili Bowl, took home a USAC Indiana Midget Week title and even posted two USAC National feature wins in one day At Eldora. Logan Seavey managed to top himself once more last weekend. The young driver had three USAC National feature wins on Saturday night during the 41st running of the 4-Crown Nationals.

In his first event he won the 25-lap USAC NOS Energy Drink National Midget main. After a short celebration he climbed into his Sprint car a few minutes later and led that feature wire-to-wire to win the 30-lap USAC AMSOIL Sprint Car National Championship. After a second brief victory celebration Seavey strapped into his USAC Silver

Crown Car for his 3rd win of the night and dominated the 50-lap event.



Cap Henry Photo Credit: Action Photos Ohio

With the three wins in one night, he joined an exclusive list of three drivers who've been able to accomplish the rare monumental task. Racing legend, Jack Hewitt swept all three USAC wins during the 1998 4-Crown Nationals and added a UMP Modified win. Kyle Larson in 2011 had three consecutive USAC wins on 4-Crown night. Logan Seavey collected \$10,000 for each feature victory, totaling \$30,000 in all. He put together one of the greatest

nights of racing in the 68-year history of the USAC.

Rico Abreu Goes Wire-To-Wire

The 410-World of Outlaw winged sprints portion of the 4-Crown Nationals was won by Rico Abreu. This was his 3rd WoO victory of the year at Eldora. The 31-year-old took the lead on the opening lap and led the field all 30 laps. He held off early challenges from Giovanni Scelzi and survived a slide job from David Gravel in the final corner to seal a win in the BeFour the Crowns Showdown as the World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Cars kicked off Four Crown weekend. The victory moved Abreu up to six in the WoO Point Standings. He now has four wins in his last 10 Sprint Car starts at the "The House that Earl Built."

Henry Gets The Trifecta

Cap Henry completed the trifecta of 410 Sprint racing in Ohio Saturday night. He got his sixth feature win of the year at Fremont Speedway to wrap up his first ever track title to go with a track championship he earned at Attica Raceway Park and the title of the Attica Fremont Championship Series in 2023. Seventime Fremont Speedway track champion Byron Reed would fight for 2nd, and finish in his final sprint car race as he is retiring after 34 years of racing. TJ Michael, Dan McCarron, and DJ Foos rounded out the top five.

Noonan Win's Trick or Treat Night

Oakshade Raceway had a Trick or Treat night for the hundreds of young fans in attendance, but the drivers during the UMP Late Model feature found tricks not treats, as the drivers battled in the feature. After the checked flag fell the only driver to get sweet treats was Casey Noonan. For the first half of the 25-lap feature he tried everything to pass leader, Devin Shiels. Slow traffic finally came into play and Shiels went low, and Noonan went to the top and ran the cushion. It turned out that the outside line was the fastest and Noonan took the lead and was able to get the win. In Sportsman action Josh Corkwell drove away from the field to pick up his first Sportsman feature win at Oakshade. Jarret Rendel won the Dominator Stock A-Main. Dylan Burt won the B-Main. Late Model driver Carter Murday had double duty Saturday. He raced Eric Carr's Sport Compact and won the feature. Joe Carr won the Sport Compact B-main. Until next week keep your wheels down. Ron Burt ohiosportsblitz@yahoo.com

VANTAGE CELEBRATES FALL SPORTS SPIRIT DAY



Vantage student athletes from all 13 school districts were recognized on Fall Sports Spirit Day. Over 130 athletes, and students who support athletics, are among the group, drenched with home school pride while wearing their jerseys and t-shirts.

These athletes participate in football, volleyball, cross country, golf, soccer, tennis, cheerleading, pep band and even fall softball. Vantage students gain advanced skills and training, graduating with industry recognized credentials and licenses, college credit, and an employer

connection, while maintaining an active home school experience in sports and other extracurricular activities. Wishing all of our student athletes and associate school districts continued success leading into your 2023 fall sports tournament season!



Scott Strahley during Cemetery Walk at Live Oak Cemetery

the perfect autumnal companion for any traveler, and this year it's even better. To ensure no fall festival or eerie encounter is missed, TourismOhio has made a free "100 Things To Do In Ohio This Fall" checklist, available online for print or download.

"Ohio is beautiful all year round, but there's something special about the fall season," said Lydia Mihalik, director of the Ohio Department of Development, which oversees TourismOhio. "Whether you've seen the seasons change before, or this is your first fall in Ohio, there's historic, picturesque, and even spooky adventures waiting for you in the heart of it all."

Fall is a beautiful time to explore Paulding County. If you're interested in history then you need to mark your calendars and join CoRP for their Annual Cemetery Walk at Live Oak Cemetery on Saturday, October 14th. We also have the Old Paulding Jail where you can schedule private or group paranormal investigations with 187 P.I.

"Paulding County is rich in history and adventure. We have some amazing coffee shops and local eateries where you can get a warm drink and a wonderful meal while you explore all the things that make our each of our communities amazing," says Erica Noggle, Executive Director of the Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce.

Check out festive weekends at Ohio's amusement parks, zoos and aquariums, or have an ah-maize-ing time at one of Ohio's corn mazes. Paulding County has an amazing nine-acre corn maze located at Auglaize Canoe and Kayak. This year the maze has been patterned for the logo of the Cooper Farms 85th business anniversary celebration.

Paulding, OH also has a trail system located at the Black Swamp Nature Center. These trails provide a beautiful landscape for a variety of activities, as well as an extraordinary backdrop for family pictures.

You can explore all this and learn even more, including

how to find the Ohio Department of Natural Resources 2023 Fall color report, at Ohio.org/Fall.

The Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to visit Paulding County and join in on all the Fall activities that have been scheduled by various businesses and organizations. You follow their events on Yodel - the Paulding County Community Calendar (<https://events.yodel.today/pauldingcounty>).

Operating within Ohio's Department of Development, TourismOhio works to showcase all Ohio has to offer as a place of adventure, a place of promise, and the place for you.

The Ohio Department of Development empowers communities to succeed by investing in Ohio's people, places, and businesses. Learn more about our work at development.ohio.gov.

LINKER LEADS HOAGLAND PARK MEETING



Madison Township Trustee Jane Linker led a meeting at the HAAA Pavilion on plans for the old school site in Hoagland on September 27th. Hoagland needs another park, as the HAAA park is mostly used for baseball and the demo derby. Here is what Mrs. Linker wrote for this

meeting:

"This project is in honor of the rich history of Hoagland School and our desire to keep memories alive and turn this property into a park for all in our community to enjoy. As you may not be aware, Hoagland School was demolished in 2019 after serving many students over the years from 1928 to 2014.

This 14.5 acre Old School Park area was donated to Madison Township by the East Allen School Board. Madison Township Trustee and Board wish to make it a park where all abilities and all ages can enjoy themselves.

For the park we want to incorporate a walking path with benches, flowers, and trees throughout the property. Also a picnic area with a pavilion and an all-ability play area that everyone can enjoy. We will retain and improve our basketball court. We wish to add some Pickle Ball courts, a Frisbee Golf area, with space for additional recreational activities. Restrooms will be added as well as a concrete area for entertainment/church services. This will be done in cooperation with a local church.

We have not asked for assistance in the past for a project, but we ask now if you would join with Madison Township in supporting us and partnering with us on this project. We are a small community but very rich in the history in Allen County and we wish to preserve the memory of Hoagland School along with some school memorabilia that we saved. Thank you for your time and consideration and we look forward to hearing from you with any ideas or questions."

Mrs. Linker reported on the several sources of grants she is pursuing, as her Town-

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FALL IN LOVE WITH 'FALL IN OHIO'

As the breeze turns crisp and the leaves start to crunch, TourismOhio's list of the "100 Things to Do in Ohio This Fall" is a fitting reminder of the many opportunities to get out and explore the heart of it all this fall.

"Fall is a wonderful time for adventure in Ohio," said Ohio Governor Mike DeWine. "In just a few weeks Ohio's fall foliage will light up with the colors of the season. I encourage you to pick a festival, a small town, or a park you've never explored before and experience the heart of fall in Ohio, the heart of it all!"

The annual "100 Things To Do in Ohio This Fall" list is

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

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

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

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

ship budget is very tight. A small army of volunteers have worked many hours to clean up the site of rocks and brush, saving the Township thousands of dollars. Those volunteers were asked to stand and they received a round of ap-

plause in appreciation for their hard work. A lively discussion, including suggestions for the park and possible ideas for funding, was held after Mrs. Linker's remarks. Light refreshments were available for the attendees.

GURNEY SPEAKS TO KIWANIS



Presented here is Kiwanian Dave Burtch with Anna Gurney, educator from the Paulding County SWCD.

The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Anna Gurney (Educator, Paulding County Soil & Water) as the guest speaker at the September 28, 2023, club meeting. Anna came at the invitation of Erica Noggle (Executive Director, Paulding Chamber of Com-

merce). Anna spoke to the Kiwanians about the Nature Center improvements that have happened recently and the trail project she is currently working on to improve and create trails through the Nature Center & Reservoir Park.

PARKVIEW'S RON DOUBLE SELECTED AS TECH EXEC OF THE YEAR



Ron Double, chief information officer, Parkview Health, was recognized as a Tech Exec of the Year by the Indianapolis Business Journal in an event in Indianapolis on Tuesday. Presenting the award is IBJ Managing Editor Greg Weaver. Photo credit: Indianapolis Business Journal.

Parkview Health's Chief Information Officer Ron Double has been named a Tech Exec of the Year by the Indianapolis Business Journal. Double was one of three executives picked statewide in the nonprofit category for the 2023 class of honorees. Double has been with Parkview for more than 30 years, serving in five different information technology roles

before being named chief information officer in 2008. He now oversees all of Parkview's technology needs for its more than 15,000 co-workers across its 12 hospital campuses, hundreds of Parkview Physicians Group facilities and home offices in northeast Indiana and northwest Ohio. "Technology has become an integral part of modern healthcare delivery," said Rick

Henvey, CEO, Parkview Health. "Ron has taken Parkview from the days of pen and paper into the digital age, allowing Parkview to serve its patients with the efficiency, accuracy and intelligence that technology brings to the healthcare industry."

One of Double's most notable achievements during his time as chief information officer has been introducing and implementing Epic within Parkview. Epic is Parkview's electronic medical records system that connects countless systems within hospitals and outpatient facilities, ranging from creation, management and storage of patient health information; to data collection, analysis and predictive modeling from interconnected medical devices; to workflow tools allowing clinicians to more easily document information, complete daily tasks with increased speed and accuracy, and provide more efficient and effective care through use of software at the point-of-care.

Double also led development of Parkview Community Connect, a program to extend Parkview's instance of Epic and associated applications to support independent, non-Parkview hospitals and providers in the region, creating a "single regional story of care" for patients no matter where they receive care.

Under Double's leadership, Parkview was recognized earlier this year with Stage 7 Validation from the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), a globally recognized adviser in health information technology. Parkview achieved Stage 7, the highest certification level, for the HIMSS Electronic Medical Record Adoption Model (EMRAM), which is the international assessment for hospitals, and for the HIMSS Outpatient Electronic Medical Record Adoption Model (O-EMRAM), the assessment for outpatient facilities.

For the most current version of the EMRAM assessment, Parkview is one of only 67 organizations globally to reach Stage 7, placing it among the top 20% of health systems. Meanwhile, its Stage 7 O-EMRAM rating puts Parkview in a class of only 15% of outpatient facilities to reach that level.

Double and the IS team also pivoted quickly to address the change in work environments following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, building systems to implement greater virtual healthcare capabilities as well as supporting Parkview's many co-workers who now work remotely.

Double is active with multiple northeast Indiana organizations working in information technology, including serving as vice chair of the Northeast Indiana Innovation Center board of directors. He is also a member of the computer science and information technology professional advisory boards for Trine University and Purdue University Fort Wayne, and a board member for Tech Point.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report
Muhammad A. Abdul-Haqq, East Cleveland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case

was waived by defendant **William R. Emch**, Perryburg, OH; Marked lanes, Guilty; Case was waived by defendant; Distracted driving, Guilty; Defendant completed course

Melissa N. Carrasco, Fort Wayne, IN; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course

Matthew R. Glass, Payne, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Christopher M. Bowen, Toledo, OH; No operator's license; Pled no contest, found guilty; Proof of insurance provided; License shall be released when paid in full

William T. Vance, Paulding, OH; Confine of dog; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Haylee Tracy, Paulding, OH; Confine of dog; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Jose P. Mendez, Fort Wayne, IN; Fishing without license; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kent R. Mason Jr., Paulding, OH; OVI/under the influence, Guilty, 90 days jail, 87 days suspended, License suspended 4/2/23 - 4/25/24 Submit to an evaluation by 10/27/23; Failure to control, Count B dismissed

Isaac L. Swary, Payne, OH; Hit skip, Pled no contest, found guilty, 90 days jail, 84 days suspended; Jail days to run concurrent with probation violation extra days, standard probation; Failure to control, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Snow D. Moy, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat/belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dennis W. Harter, Ossian, IN; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs paid by defendant

Jerel A. Tousley, Oakwood, OH; OVI/under influence, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived; Wrong plate, Count B dismissed; Marked lanes, Count C dismissed

Concepcion Villa Franca, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no unlawful contact with victim

Tony O. Dangler, Cecil, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Roy H. Browning, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Heather D. Browning, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Miranda D. Collins, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Joe E. Bonar Sr, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Maintain general good behavior

Christopher D. Suffel, Paulding, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Julian M. Zamora, Payne, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state without prejudice; Costs to be paid by defendant

Thomas J. Daugherty, London, OH; Seat belt/drive;

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Hunter A. Risler, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

STATE PATROL INVESTIGATES SERIOUS INJURY CRASH

The Ohio State Highway Patrol's Defiance Post is investigating a serious injury crash involving a commercial motor vehicle. The crash occurred at approximately 1:47 P.M. on Tuesday September 26, 2023. The crash was located at the intersection of US 20A and County Road 21/N in Williams County.

Bryan Corns, age 62, of Stryker Ohio, was eastbound on US 20A. Mr. Corns was driving a 1999 Kenworth when he struck a 1999 Ford F250 in the rear. The Ford was driven by Derek Kruse, age 27, of Napoleon Ohio. Mr.

Kruse was traveling east on US 20A slowing to make a turn onto 21/N. After impact both vehicles traveled off the north side of US 20A.

Mr. Kruse was transported by Williams County EMS to Montpelier Hospital with minor injuries. His passenger Lane Good, age 25, of Stryker Ohio, was transported by Life Flight with serious injuries to St. Vincent's Hospital, Toledo Ohio. Mr. Corns was not injured in the crash. Both Mr. Kruse and Mr. Good were not wearing seatbelts at the time of the crash.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted by Williams County EMS, Brady Township Fire Department, Life Flight, and Hutch's Towing.

The crash remains under investigation. The Highway Patrol would like to remind motorists to always wear a seatbelt.

LEGAL NOTICE

In the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County, Ohio, Case No. CI 23 130

Wendy E. Tidd, et al.
 -vs
 Ernest Ellsworth Johnson, deceased, et., et al.

To Ernest Ellsworth Johnson, deceased, and Alice Ivy Johnson, deceased, and all of their unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, successors and assigns, whose names and addresses are unknown, and Mary Lois Kohart, Garold H. Johnson, Madonna Horner, Wayne E. Johnson, William E. Johnson, and Barbara Price, and all of their unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, successors and assigns, whose names and addresses are unknown.

Please take notice that, on September 12, 2023, Wendy E. Tidd, and Heather Jasso, Executor of the Estate of Rosemary Hall, deceased, filed a Complaint to Establish Easements by Prescription, Implication and/or Necessity in the above-captioned action in the Court of Common Pleas of Paulding County, Ohio, 115 N. Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio, 45879. The object of the Complaint is to obtain a judgment establishing that the Plaintiffs, Wendy E. Tidd, and Heather Jasso, Executor of the Estate of Rosemary Hall, deceased, each hold certain easements by prescription, easements by implication, and easements by necessity to use the rights-of-way designated as "Johnson Road," "Paulus Road," and "Petite Auglaize Street," all as depicted on the Plat of "Johnson's Subdivision" filed at Volume 5, Page 123 of the Survey Records of the County Engineer of Paulding County, Ohio, such easements being for the purpose of vehicular and pedestrian ingress and egress to and from the Plaintiffs' respective parcels of real estate, as more fully described in the Complaint.

Defendants are the heirs-at-law and next-of-kin of Ernest Ellsworth Johnson and Alice Ivy Johnson, both deceased, who are the last owners of record of the real estate where the above-described rights-of-way are located, who may claim an interest in the same.

Defendants are required to answer within twenty-eight (28) days from the last publication of this Legal Notice and to serve a copy of their Answer upon Plaintiffs' attorney who is Marc F. Warncke, P.O. Box 787, Defiance, Ohio, 43512, or default judgment may be granted against them, forever barring them from interfering with the right of the Plaintiffs, and their heirs, successors and assigns, to the use of such rights-of-way for purposes of ingress and egress.

Ann E. Pease
 Paulding County Clerk of Courts
 115 N. Williams Street, Room 104
 Paulding, Ohio 45879

By: Marc F. Warncke (0042133) of Clemens, Korhn, Liming & Warncke, Ltd. Block Six Business Center 419 Fifth Street, Suite 2000 P. O. Box 787 Defiance, Ohio 43512 Telephone: 419-782-6055 • Facsimile: 419-782-3227 Email: mwarncke@clemenslawoffice.com Attorney for Plaintiffs

PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

1st Weekend- Paulding , Fair Grounds

2nd Weekend- Grover Hill , VFW

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

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

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

3rd Wednesday of each month

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

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

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

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

For Questions Call : 419-399-3630

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PAULDING COUNTY STUDENT SHARES CREDENTIAL EXPERIENCE TO BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL



Pictured is Paulding High School Senior student Jay Estrada communicating to the Paulding County Business Advisory Council about credentials he has achieved through a collaboration of the school, OhioMeansJobs, Northwest State Community College and Paulding County Economic Development.

The Paulding County Business Advisory Council (BAC) held their third quarter meeting this week. It was the first meeting since the 2023-24 school year began. The meeting was attended by 22 business leaders, 11 school representatives and 3 college representatives.

The highlight of the event was hearing from student Paulding High School Senior, Jay Estrada. Estrada shared with the council how he has received credentials in OSHA, blueprint reading and welding basics. He is currently working through a program, hosted at the school, that will educate and allow him to receive carpentry knowledge and credentials as he and fellow students build a shed together. Estrada shared how he loves the "hands on" aspect of this class, rather than just reading and lecture style learning. Estrada, a current McDonald's employee, remarked how he hopes to use his earned credentials to enter the workforce right after graduation and noted that there should be more opportunities offered like this. Following his presentation, the attendees showed their appreciation of his presentation with a round of applause.

The meeting was hosted by

the Paulding County Economic Development (PCED) office, however this was the first meeting that the agenda was established by a BAC Steering Committee consisting of business, school and college leaders in the county. Participants that wanted to participate on the committee met nearly one month ago to discuss agenda items and determine what would be presented on agenda for this meeting.

PCED Director Tim Copey and Office Manager Kristen Schilt shared responsibilities in presenting the agenda items and aspects of business advisory history, objectives and new initiatives the group is trying to establish and bridge the communication gap between business and education.

Educators were asked to present to the group the current initiatives at their respective schools. Wayne Trace High School is working toward starting an E-Sports team this spring and developing their ART Technology class using many new machines and robotic in their STEAM Center. Antwerp Local School is working with equipment in their Innovation Center and utilizing the You-Science Student Assessment

tool for eighth grade and eleventh grade students. The tool was funded for all three county schools through the Vantage Career Center. In addition to the carpentry and welding classes, Paulding High School continues to use the Panthers for Careers program to help high school students gain insight into business and industry around the county. Due to a smaller class size, the number of student participants this year is 25, slightly down from 33 last year.

Vantage Career Center shared that enrollment is again over 500 students participating from the 13 partner schools. Adult Director Angie Fahy talked about September being a TechCred sign-up month. TechCred is a program through the State of Ohio to reimburse businesses for upskilling their employees. Community college partner Northwest State told how they just received the number one ranking for community colleges in Ohio and can also help businesses sign up for training and TechCred. Copey then shared about potential college partner collaboration through events on campus, including a recently attended meeting at Indiana Tech.

Schilt passed information to the group for the Defiance-Paulding County Ohio Means Jobs office. They have purchased multiple sets of virtual goggles that will be available to teachers and students in Defiance and Paulding Counties and also communicated how the PCED office will be funneling the open employment positions to the Ohio Means Jobs employment portal. Schilt closed out the meeting announcing the Paulding County Business, Industry and College Showcase date of April 4, 2024.

The group will reconvene with a steering committee meeting in November and a Q4 BAC meeting in December.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR LIBRARY IN OCTOBER

MAIN BRANCH:

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is ready for a colorful fall. The Main location is decorating their historic fireplace for a Christmas photo opportunity. The fireplace will be decorated October 2 through the 14th. Stop by anytime during library hours and take your Christmas photos for cards or gifts. The library will be closed

PAULDING FFA MEMBERS ATTEND FARM SCIENCE REVIEW



By: Paulding FFA Reporter, Grace Goyings

The Paulding FFA had 31 members and 2 advisors attend Farm Science Review on Tuesday, September 19th. Members started the early morning with breakfast then headed to London Ohio.

Farm Science Review teaches visitors about the arising discoveries happening in the agriculture industry, as well as shows off Ohio's local agriculture businesses and equipment dealers. There were over 700 different exhibits this year, including Farm Bureau, OSU Extension,

Ohio State FFA, and hundreds more. Farm Science also had many fields exhibits that you could go watch as well as test plots of crops for visitors to view.

While at Farm Science Review members walked around and visited the exhibits, talked with other FFA members who came, and talked with vendors. Alumni members, Baylee March and Sam Woods were also there who are attending OSU for agricultural degrees! Riley and Haley Noffsinger attended Farm Science review as well, representing a local agriculture busi-

ness.

The members were assigned to talk to vendors, get pamphlets or flyers from their company, and have to write a paper on the vendor they talked to discussing their education, their job responsibilities, and why they enjoy working for that company. This gave members the opportunity to learn about the many different areas of agriculture and maybe find a career they would like to have in the future after graduation. The group had a very busy day and enjoyed their time at the 2023 Farm Science Review!

Monday, October 9 in observance of Columbus Day.

The Adult section has the Black Swamp Bookworms reading Married to Millie by local author Jane Nice. Our discussion will be held later since we are closed on October 9th. Please call the Main library to reserve your copy at 419-399-2032. In conjunction with the Children's room, the Teens are invited to a Halloween costume contest on Monday October 30, 5:00-6:30 p.m., for a Spooky Halloween. Prizes and treats will be ready if you dare! Coffee Talk is every Thursday at 1:00 p.m., stop in for some lively conversation and snacks. Cookbook club is October 23 at 5:30 p.m. the theme is Black/Orange. Teen Recipe Club will meet on Monday October 30 at 4. Want to learn more about Medicare? The library is offering Medicare 101, presented by Postema Insurance and Investments, LLC. It is an important and informative series. The next workshop will be Wednesday, October 18 at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The Children's room is getting ready for a "Spooky" good time at our Halloween Party set for October 30 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. There will be lots of fun, games and of course a treat. Storytime is every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. A story or two, music, crafts and more.

ANTWERP BRANCH:

The Antwerp branch has story time every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Book Club is October 16th at 6:00 p.m. and Cookbook Club is October 23rd at 5:45 p.m. Stuff a Unicorn is Monday October 30th at 6:00 p.m. Call to register only a few spots open. Call 419-258-2855 to set up a time and date to make bread with Stephanie. Whatever date and time work for you. Crafts every Friday during library hours 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Stop by for some candy during library hours the week of October 23rd.

GROVER HILL BRANCH:

The Grover Hill branch is

having on Thursday October 12th at 1:00 p.m. the Golden age seniors (50+ can gather for a light lunch and few rounds of bingo. Munchkin club will be on Monday October 16th and 30th at 10:30 a.m., for ages 6 and under. On Thursday October 19th the library will join Grover Hill Elementary for Literacy Night at the school from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Monday, October 23 at 5:00 p.m. for adults and teens you will be crafting a cute scarecrow. Call ahead to sign up. Materials are provided free. GHBL Book Club will meet on October 25th at 4:00 p.m., with a discussion of the novel "One for the Blackbird, One for the Crow" by Olivia Hawker. Grover Hill Halloween will be held Saturday, October 28th. The Friends of Grover Hill Branch Library will be hosting free face painting at the library from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Stick around for the parade at 7:00 p.m. The front of the library will be a prime viewing area. On Monday October 30th from 3:30-7:00 p.m. will be a Halloweentown Movie Marathon, complete with popcorn and treats after school. As always be sure to sign up for our monthly basket of books giveaway. The drawing will be held October 31.

OAKWOOD BRANCH:

The Oakwood branch offers story time every Monday at 11:00 a.m. and Ladies card club from 2:00-5:00 p.m. October 7 we will be having children's bingo, please call to register. Good Morning Book Club will be Tuesday, October 10 at 11:00 a.m., interested in joining call to get the book we are reading this month. Senior Bingo luncheon will be held Thursday, October 12 at 11:30 a.m. hosted by the Meadows of Kalida. We will be having a Family pumpkin decorating contest starting October 17, stop in and pick up your pumpkin and rules. Be sure to bring your pumpkin back for a People's Choice Award. Judging will be held during Oakwood's Trick or Treat. On October 17 at 4:00 p.m. will be

making a Halloween wood block craft for adults. Please call to register. October 19 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. will be a machine embroidering kitchen towels with a Halloween theme, call to register. It is starting to cool off so grab your yarn and come in and make a hat with our knitting machine, all month-long during library hours. Hats take about 45 minutes to make.

PAYNE BRANCH:

The Payne branch will be hosting an Adult Leaf Painting class on October 5 at 1:00 p.m. There will be an Essential Oils class on October 16th at 6:00 p.m., they will be making Fall Room Sprays. There is a nominal charge for materials. The Wayne Trace Art Club will be at the library on October 24 from 3:30-5:00 p.m. for our Halloween party for kids. There will be games, crafts and fun. You won't want to miss it. Every Friday we offer movie buckets when you check out three movies or more. We provide popcorn and some goodies. Every Tuesday is Story time for kids at 11:00 a.m. Please join for a story and craft. Coffee Talk is every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m., come and join us.

Friends of the Library will not meet on Monday October 9th due to Columbus Day closure. The next meeting will be November 13 at 6:00 p.m. The Buy the Book bookstore is open on Wednesdays 3:30-6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

2024 TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE UPDATE

On April 8th, 2024 the State of Ohio will be the center of attention, not only in the United States but the whole World, as the Total Solar Eclipse occurs after 3:00 p.m., and will last the longest period of time in the United States. It is being estimated that the population of Ohio could nearly double, with the amount of people coming from other state and other countries. That's right twice the number of people from

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RUTH MEETS JOHNNY



Some years ago we had a gentleman that walked the Grabill Fair parade, and also walked downtown portraying the legendary Johnny Appleseed. He looked more like Johnny Appleseed, then Johnny himself, except for his overalls sticking out underneath his gunny sack. (Toga.)

I ran across a picture of him recently and memories flooded back of years ago. He has passed now, but I still remember what a gentle man he was. He would come to town in his little pickup truck, with his cute little dog and just sat on the tailgate and watch the world go by.

He must have come to town quite often and I must have gone downtown quite often because I saw him quite a bit. He came to several Grabill Fairs and it was striking how he looked like Johnny. His given name was also John. When he was dressed up as Johnny Appleseed he was always barefoot.

This was quite a feat, because the parade was over a mile long, and he walked around barefoot all day. One day I asked him if he would come home and meet my mother-in-law Ruth. He stopped everything he was doing and came. You can imagine Ruth was quite excited and they talked for quite a long time.

My mother-in-law lived to be 96 and was sharp as a tack until the day she died. I never understood how she knew everything about everything. I called her the lady with eyes in back of her head. My wife would spend hours explaining things to her, and she wanted to know about everything.

I shall never forget how they talked about everything under the sun. I learned where John lived and stopped to visit him several times. The last time I saw him, the kitchen floor was covered with newspaper and the place had a bad smell.

John's dog was sick and was in the last days of his life. It wasn't long after that John's dog passed and it wasn't but a few days later John had passed, although he had looked well when I saw him. Every time I look at the picture of he and my mother-in-law Ruth I remember the day they met and talked just like they were old friends. I can see her curious eyes.

A kind lady, and a kind man met and talked like they had known each other their entire life. A legend of a man that has spent his entire life spreading the gospel, bringing living water to all he met, and apples to feed his fellow man. A strong Christian lady, a blessing to all she met.

—James Neuhausser

all walks of life, and that includes right here in, Paulding County!

The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency has been planning for this event since September of 2022. There is already a task force of county leaders that are working on making the once in a lifetime event be a success and more importantly, as safe as possible. Some of the areas of concern

are; established locations for view, managing the increase in traffic, having enough food, refreshments and fuel on hand for the weekend. Organization of businesses and retail, including merchandising of items to remember the event by, Paulding County's EMA Director, Edward Bohn stated.

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tal are coordinating efforts to provide service throughout the entire weekend. Schools will be taking part in the special occasion, with the teachers planning activities leading up to the eclipse and discussions following it as well. The State of Ohio has a statewide taskforce in place and has been in contact with a number of state and federal agencies to gear up for the overwhelming number of people, Director Bohn said.

Once the advertised location for viewing have been established, organizations, clubs, sports teams, etc. can get with the Paulding County Health Department, and find out what the recommendation will be to have food stands set up, what environmental guidelines one has to go by and so on. There will be a monthly and bi-monthly article in the Paulding Progress to keep the public informed of updated information, pertaining to the April 8th, 2024 Total Solar Eclipse. In the mean time if any club, organization, school, church group etc., would like a 30-minute presentation along with a Q&A, about the eclipse, they can contact EMA Director Edward Bohn, at (419)399-3500 or email the office at ema@pauldingcounty-oh.com.

—Edward Bohn Director Paulding County EMA

OAKWOOD VFD HOSTS SOUP & SANDWICH SUPPER

The Oakwood Fire Department has planned their Soup & Sandwich Supper for October 7, 2023 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. It will take place at 201 N 6th Street, Oakwood. This is a dine-in or drive-thru event.

On the menu will be Chili, Beefy Vegetable, Potato and Ham & Bean Soup. Sandwiches: Hot Beef, Sloppy Joes, Cream Turkey, Hot Dogs. Each meal will include a soup, cornbread, sandwich, and drink.

access to care at Mercy Health without cost increases for our members and employers.”

“We understand that being out network can be very difficult, and we are pleased that patients with Anthem insurance can now see our physicians and use our hospitals at an in-network cost,” said Bob Baxter, president, Mercy Health - Toledo. “We sincerely believe that access to quality health care services is vital for our communities. This new agreement protects our patients’ access to compassionate care close to home.”

Details of the agreement are not being released due to confidentiality provisions in the contract. As part of the agreement, Mercy Health has agreed to dismiss the Virginia lawsuit as the organizations form collaborative teams to address claims submissions and payment processes.

Anthem members may contact the Member Service phone number on their Anthem ID card for assistance with any questions. Mercy Health patients may also call 888-354-0205 for more information.

SORRY! WRONG CHIMNEY! AUDITIONS SET AT VWCT

Van Wert Civic Theatre, 118 S. Race St. will be holding auditions for their next play, Sorry! Wrong Chimney! on October 15-16 at 7:00 p.m. Jan Miller is the director.

This lighthearted farce revolves around David Tuttle, a man who pretends to be Santa Claus to impress his wife. However, his plan backfires when he becomes entangled in a series of misunderstandings and mistaken identities. Hilarity ensues as David tries to untangle the web of confusion and keep his true identity a secret, leading to comedic chaos and surprising revelations. The cast includes 4 men and 3 women.

DAVID TUTTLE,
SAMANTHA TUTTLE,

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Sudoku solution from page 9

NATALIE WELDON, WILLIAM WELDON, KRIGLE, SHEILA, and POLICEMAN.

Sorry! Wrong Chimney! is set to be performed on Nov 30, Dec 1, 2,3*, 7,8,9, 10*, 2023. Curtain time is 8 PM,; *2PM on Sundays.

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This is a truly free show. There are no costs to be a spectator or an exhibitor.

This year's show promises to be an eye opening event. You can see steam engines, sterling engines, internal combustion engines, and hit & miss engines. All engines are machined by our members.

These engines range in physical size from tiny enough to fit in the palm of your hand, to large enough to take up most of your coffee table. All are perfectly finished, looking like a fine work of art.

Twenty-six years ago, founding member Heinz "Pete" Menger wanted to display his collection of engines, and thus began our annual engine and hobby show. Now all these years later, we honor Pete's vision by naming this show after him & his legacy as a craftsman.

Please join us this October 14th and make this our largest show yet.

PAULDING EX. CHARACTER ACADEMY HIRES SCHIMMOELLER CONSTRUCTION



It's official the Paulding Exempted Character Academy has hired Schimmoeller Construction Inc. of Kalida to build the Paulding Exempted Character Academy Oak-

wood building! Thank you to the outpouring of support from the Oakwood Community the PECA Oakwood building has received enough funding to begin construction. Small steps have been completed so far, but now it is time for big movements, keep your eye on the Oakwood property because things are going to start happening!

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE CRASH ON I-75

The Findlay Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a single vehicle commercial crash on Interstate 75 north of Findlay. The crash occurred at approximately 3:52 p.m. The crash resulted in multiple lane

closure and a traffic back up. Travis Frazier, 45, Springfield, OH was SB on I-75 driving 2019 International Semi. The semi drove off the right side of the road, struck a guardrail, overturned, and caught fire. Frazier suffered minor injuries and was transported from the scene by Hanco EMS to Blanchard Valley Hospital. The semi was towed from the scene by Dick's Towing.

The Patrol was assisted by Allen Township Fire, McComb Fire, North Baltimore Fire, Hanco EMS, Hancock Wood Electric, Ohio Department of Transportation, Dick's Towing.

The driver of the semi was wearing his safety belt at the time of the crash. The crash remains under investigation.

ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPONSORS 1st CHOCOLATE WALK



The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is excited to sponsor a Chocolate Walk at 13 Antwerp businesses. On Wednesday evening, October 25, 2023 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. begin your evening at the Leland Smith Insurance building on S. Main St. or text Angel at 419-258-0656. For more information about obtaining tickets, follow The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page.

bottle of sweet or dry wine at the end of your evening of chocolate sampling.

To register for this first ever event in Antwerp, stop in at the Leland Smith Insurance building on S. Main St. or text Angel at 419-258-0656. For more information about obtaining tickets, follow The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page.

PC RETIRED TEACHERS LUNCHEON

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will meet for a luncheon meeting on Monday, October 9 at 11:30 a.m. at the Paulding Pancake House located at 18187 U.S. 127, Cecil, Ohio. Members should note this is a change of location. A representative from ORTA will be present. Local dues for the 2023-2024 school year may be paid. All retired educators are invited to attend.

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