

## BLACK SWAMP BOWL 2023: PANTHERS TAKE BACK THE TITLE; MOVE ONTO PLAYOFFS



Paulding football makes their first trip to the playoffs!

Friday Night Lights: old school rivals - Paulding Panthers and Wayne Trace Raiders came head to head for the traditional high school football game, the Black Swamp Bowl on October 20,

2023. This game started neck and neck with touchdown on both sides in the first quarter. Panthers added 8 more points in the 3rd taking the score to 7-14 Paulding. Raiders rallied in the last quarter but it wasn't

enough to out score Paulding. When time was called, Paulding stood with a 1 point lead, naming them 2023 Black Swamp Bowl champs. This leads Paulding into the play-  
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## ELKINS ADVANCES TO REGIONALS; BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD



Paulding Cross Country runner, Abby Elkins, placed 8th at Districts on October 21st and now advances to regionals Saturday, October 28th at Tiffin! Abby ran a time of 20:50 which also broke Paulding's girls school record time of 21:09 set by Elyse Manz in 2018!

The boys finished in 5th place as a team with Max Daeger leading the Panthers

finishing in 15th place and running a time of 17:58. Achilles Mead and Cully Thompson also finished in the top 25.

Go Panthers!

## VETERANS DAY DINNER

Antwerp VFW Post 5087 will be having a Veterans Day Dinner on Sunday, November 5th at noon.

This dinner will be for all veterans and their spouses or significant other (no children).

## WOODBURN CLOTHING BANK RELOCATES TO NEW FACILITY, CONTINUES TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

Woodburn Clothing Bank, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing clothing and basic necessities

to those in need, is pleased to announce its relocation to a new facility. The clothing bank has been operating from founder Tonya Thompson's house since November 2008 and has now moved to a more accessible location next door to Dollar General on 22399 Hickory Street, Woodburn.

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## PAULDING CUT-A-THON BRINGS IN RECORD-BREAKING DONATIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH HAIR LOSS



Pictured, front and center/left is Aubree.

By: Julie Anna Densmore,  
Paulding County  
Economic Development

Last weekend, stylist Kara Relyea of Hair Off The Square hosted a Cut-A-Thon event to benefit Children With Hair Loss (CWHL), a non-profit

organization that makes natural hair wigs for children and young adults with medically-related hair loss.

Held at the Paulding Eagles on Saturday, October 14th, Relyea rallied with friends,

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## Community Calendar

- MON & WED**
- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 9a-12p
  - November 2**
  - Rose Hill Church of God Turkey Supper, 4-6:30pm
  - November 3-11**
  - JPHS Festival of Trees
  - November 4**
  - 4K Race @ 4-H Camp Palmer, 9:30a
  - November 5**
  - Ant. Cons. Club IDPA Pistol Match, Reg @ 12p
  - Veterans Day Dinner @ Antwerp VFW, 12 Noon
  - November 9**
  - Beacon of Hope Dinner & Charity Auction
  - November 11**
  - Payne American Legion Veterans' Day dinner, 6pm
  - November 18**
  - Antwerp Chamber Wine Bus Tour, leaves @ 9am
  - Holiday Craft Fair @ Woodlan HS, 9a-3p
  - Ant. Cons. Club NRL 22 Rifle, sight-in @ 9am
  - November 19**
  - Ham & Turkey Dinner @St. Louis Besancon Catholic Church, 11a-4p

- November 22**
- Woodburn Comm. Hist. Soc. Meeting @ Comm. Ctr, 7pm

- November 25**
- Shop the Village, downtown Paulding

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**Pictured:** Kyle Mawer (PCH Chief Operating/Nursing Officer), Phil Recker (PCHF President), Estee Miller (PCHF Executive Director), Gene Olwin (PCHF Board member), Burce Ivan (Eagles Chaplain), Ryan Anderson (Eagles Vice President), Chris Moyer (Eagles Outside Guide)

In April of 2023, the Paulding County Hospital Foundation committed to matching up to \$25,000 in donations towards the Cardiopulmonary Department at the Paulding County Hospital. Recently, the Paulding Fraternal Order of Eagles #2405 donated \$25,000...a full match for the Foundation's matching campaign! The need for cardiac rehab services is increasing worldwide. This donation towards the Paulding County Hospi-

tal's Cardiopulmonary Department will ensure our community continues to have access to high quality health-care, close to home.

The Eagles have been a long time supporter of the Paulding County Hospital Foundation, including being the tournament sponsor for the Foundation's annual golf outing for the last several years. Both organizations believe there is value in having a strong and caring hospital in our community. The invest-

ment from the Eagles and various other supporters of the Paulding County Hospital and Foundation will truly make a difference in the lives of Paulding County residents.

The Paulding County Hospital and Foundation sincerely thank the Eagles and all donors for their support. Interested in learning how to give back to the Paulding County Hospital? Reach out to [exec.dir@paauldingcounty-hospitalfoundation.org](mailto:exec.dir@paauldingcounty-hospitalfoundation.org)

and other media, Emma plans to utilize research-based materials and experts to connect Paulding County with education to enrich the community.

"It's been a dream of mine to bring the OSU Extension Office back to full programming capacity since I joined late in 2013. After working at the state Extension Office while in college,

I knew our community would benefit by bringing the FCS program area back. With this position, our office is one step closer to covering all four program areas offered by OSU Extension. Horstman knows the community and it is great to have her on our team," shared Noggle.

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No matter which county you visit, you can find people who are helped by the four major OSU Extension program areas: family and consumer sciences, 4-H youth development, community development, and agriculture and natural resources. These program areas - and many other special topics - are continuously being evaluated and updated to meet the changing needs and issues facing each community.

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Horstman is welcomed by Erika Johanns (current SNAP-ED, Program Assistant) in the FCS program area. Johanns' role will remain with programming in the SNAP-Ed area while Horstman will have the opportunity to expand education further than SNAP participants.

For additional information on the Family and Consumer Science program contact Emma Horstman at [horstman.124@osu.edu](mailto:horstman.124@osu.edu). You may call her at (419) 399-8225 Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. Individuals can make an appointment to meet Emma at the OSU Extension Office, 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding.

## Scripture of the Week

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

— Hebrews 4:12



### THE BASICS OF LONG-TERM CARE

Aging is a fact of life and it comes with certain realities. While most of us probably don't want to picture ourselves eventually needing help with daily activities, Americans turning 65 today have almost a 70 percent chance they will need some type of long-term care during their remaining years. (1) As this type of care is not generally covered by private health insurance or Medicare, it's important to create a strategy to help protect yourself and your family from the financial and emotional impact of a possible long-term care event.

What is long-term care?

Long-term care encompasses a variety of services that assist those who can no longer perform everyday activities on their own. These activities, known as activities of daily living (ADLs), include dressing, eating, and bathing. A chronic illness or a physical impairment can lead to a need for long-term care, but it's most commonly needed as the result of a cognitive issue, such as Alzheimer's disease. Care services can be provided in the home, a community setting, or a facility such as a nursing home.

How much does long-term care cost?

On average, women need about 3.7 years of long-term care and men an average of 2.2 years. (2) The national average for a home health aide is \$29.12 per hour (so for example, 20 hours of care per week would cost more than \$30,000 per year), while a private room in a nursing home averages \$116,577.35 per year. (3)

Long-term care costs can quickly add up and can have a significant impact on your retirement and the assets you've worked so hard to accumulate. Understanding the various long-term care options available is critical to helping you create a strategy to ensure you have access to the type of care you prefer while protecting your finances.

How to prepare for long-term care

Depending on your age, health, means and needs, there are several ways to address long-term care.

Long-term care options:

- Standalone or traditional long-term care insurance solutions generally provide the

most robust long-term care coverage based on the premiums paid, can be customized to suit your needs, and offer the option to receive care at home, in an assisted living facility, or a nursing home.

- Linked-benefit or hybrid solutions combine long-term care insurance with life insurance, providing broader coverage and greater flexibility usually at a slightly higher price point since you are insuring multiple risks.

(1) "How much care will you need?" U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, February 2020.

(2) "How much care will you need?" U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, February 2020.

(3) "Cost of Care," New York Life Insurance Company, 2023.

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- Riders, such as chronic care riders on life policies, offer the most basic coverage, allowing a portion of the policy's death benefit to be accessible should you become chronically ill.

- You may be able to pay for long-term care out-of-pocket (self-fund) if you have significant assets. While this may be an option for some, it's often valuable to weigh the benefits of private insurance versus self-funding as there are additional advantages that come with private insurance including care management and risk sharing, which can benefit you in the event of a catastrophic long-term care event.

- Medicaid does cover some long-term care services (unlike Medicare, which most people are surprised to learn does not cover long-term care) but you need to spend down most of your assets to qualify and you need to receive care in an approved facility.

When to start preparing for long-term care

Health and age are key factors used in determining eligibility and rates for private long-term care solutions, so it's best to explore these options when you are in your 40s and 50s.

It's never too soon to start preparing for long-term care. The peace of mind you'll have knowing you're protecting your family and retirement can be an important benefit of creating a strategy, even if you elect to just protect part of your risk with a smaller amount of coverage. Take the first step and contact a New York Life agent to help you find a solution that best suits your needs.

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### PC OSU EXT. WELCOMES NEW FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATOR EMMA HORSTMAN

**By:** Sarah Noggle, Extension Educator, Agriculture, and Natural Resources, PauldingCounty; and Emma Horstman, Extension Educator, Family and Consumer Sciences

With the passage of the Paulding County OSU Extension levy in 2020 and funds being released in 2021, the Paulding County

Extension Office had the opportunity to expand the Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) program area. Our newest addition to Paulding County Extension, in the role of Family and Consumer Sciences, Extension Educator is Emma Horstman. The FCS Extension Educator will focus on information and resources in the areas of Healthy People, Healthy Finances, and Healthy Relationships.

Horstman is a 2023 graduate of Bowling Green State University with a Bachelor's degree in Human Development and Family Studies.



Local to Paulding County, she brings her undergraduate experience in family relations and lifespan development. More recently, she interned with the Northwest Ohio Community Action Commission (NOCAC).

"At NOCAC, I had the opportunity to partner with the Financial Opportunity Center, Head Start, and the Partnership Assistance to the Homeless (PATH) Center. In these programs, I developed skills working with individuals from all stages of life and had the opportunity to make local connections to expand programming. My internship prepared me for a future of serving my community. I loved the diversity of these programs and look forward to searching for opportunities to partner on the educational side of Extension," said Emma.

When the program was brought back in 2021 to Paulding County, it had been over 20 years since Paulding County Extension had an Extension Educator in the role of Family and Consumer Sciences. Horstman's programming will focus on the mission of empowering Ohioans with the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to make healthy choices, thus creating healthy communities of healthy people with healthy finances and healthy relationships. The position, formerly held by Casey Bishop, was vacant due to Bishop taking a position closer to her family in Putnam County. Through in-person classes, virtual meetings, and Ohio State University Extension websites, blogs,

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**A LITTLE TATTOOED GIRL**

**Penny For Your Thoughts**  
By: Nancy Whitaker

I am always amazed at stories about the pioneers and those who went through hardships to settle our country. Some things we may never think about is just how hard and terrifying their lives must have been. One story caught my attention and that is one about Olive Oatman. Perhaps no one has heard of her and maybe some of you are familiar with this girl with a tattooed chin. Here are some fascinating facts about her incredible life.

It all began in 1850 when Royce and Mary Oatman packed their 7 children and a few meager possessions into a wagon and left their Illinois farm. They headed for Independence, Mo. where the family joined a wagon train bound for California.

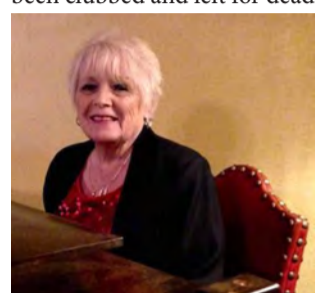
When the group got to Santa Fe, New Mexico, an argument arose and the wagon train decided to split. Some families took the northern route to California, while others (including the Oatmans) took the southern route through Arizona.

Somewhere near Socorro, Arizona, another dispute caused further division within the group. Despite warnings

from locals, Royce Oatman decided his family would carry on alone through the barren, Indian-controlled territory that stretched between them and California.

About 80 miles outside of Yuma, the Oatman family was attacked by Indians. Thought to be from the Western Yavapai, the assailants killed Royce, Mary and four of their children. Olive and her sister, Mary Ann, were kidnapped. At the time, Olive was 14 and Mary Ann was 7. A monument to the family was constructed here in 1954.

Their brother Lorenzo had been clubbed and left for dead



by the Indians. When he awoke, he found six of his family members dead and two of his sisters missing. Lorenzo made it to a nearby settlement, received treatment, and returned a few days later to bury the bodies of his family members.

Olive and little Mary Ann were kept as slaves by their kidnappers for about a year after the attack. They were abused and beaten regularly. It is hard to imagine how frightened those little girls were.

The two girls were eventually traded to Mohave Indians,

where they were taken in by tribal leader and his wife. In her many accounts of her long ordeal, Olive would always speak warmly of the tribal chief and his wife.

After being taken in, the girls received their now-famous tattoos to mark them as members of the Mohave tribe and to help ensure a good afterlife for them. The tattoos marked them also as slaves. They were blue and resembled pine needles. Plus, they could not be removed.

Around 1855, a severe drought struck the region. Mary Ann would die in the famine, along with many Mohave Indians. She was 12 at the time, Olive was 19. About this time, rumors began to spread about a white woman living with the Indians. Emisaries from a nearby town were sent to talk with the tribe, and after lengthy negotiations, it was determined that Olive would return to live with white settlers after five years with the Indians.

She was reunited with her brother soon after her return. Noted pastor, Royal B. Stratton, wrote a book about young Olive entitled, "Life Among the Indians". The book generated enough money for Olive and Lorenzo to attend university, and Olive would join the book tour and become a noted speaker.

In 1865, Olive married John B. Fairchild, a cattleman who moved into real estate and eventually founded the city bank in Sherman, Texas. The couple was relatively wealthy compared to others in the region. Olive's life has been portrayed in books and plays, most recently in AMC's "Hell on Wheels". The character Eva, played by Robin McLeavy, is based on Oatman's life. Olive suffered from depression on and off throughout the remainder of her life. Olive died of a heart attack in 1903 at the age of 65. She and her husband are buried in Sherman, Texas.

I find this account very interesting and somehow I would love to obtain a copy of that book about her life in captivity. I shudder to think that these are the people who fought, suffered and died to settle our great land. Well, from now on, if anyone speaks of Olive Oatman, I will know who she is. There is also a town in Arizona named for the Oatman family.

Have you ever heard of the Oatman massacre? Can you imagine having all of your family ambushed right in front of you? Do you think when Olive got back into society that she must have hated those chin tattoos? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your thoughts.

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**MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY**



**By: Mark Holtsberry**  
Robert Lain Holtsberry was born April 16, 1890 in Latty, Ohio. The son of Franklin T., born October 17, 1849 in Ohio and Sarah Ellen (Betts) Holtsberry born February 16, 1858 in Piqua, Miami County, Ohio. She is the daughter of Joseph Smith and Susan H. Betts. This couple was married on January 12, 1877 in Paulding. Robert has a brother, William Henry Holtsberry born in 1891 in Broughton, Ohio.

Franklin died October 9, 1894 and was buried in Hedges Cemetery. Sarah remarried in 1896 to a fellow named, James Kimmel. Sarah gave birth to a son Joseph Scott Kimmel.

By 1900, the family was living in Jackson Township. James was a farmer, Robert and William in school. By 1910, Robert, still living at home, was a farm laborer. The family was still living in Jackson Township on Staley Pike, not sure where this would be located.

Sometime before 1917, Robert had moved to Hobart, Indiana. He was working as a clerk for the Pennsylvania Railroad. On June 5, 1917, Robert registered for the World War 1 draft. Listed as Medium height and slender build, blue eyes and dark hair. On June 27, 1918, out of Crown Point, Indiana, he was in the army. Robert served with the 19th Company, 5th Training Battalion, 158th Depot Brigade. He served with this unit until July 23, 1918. Then he transferred to Company I. 336' Infantry, 84th Division.

On August 24, 1918, Robert boarded a ship at Hoboken, New Jersey and set

sail for France. He served with the 336th until October 15, 1918. He transferred to Company F. 359th Infantry. He was slightly wounded November 4, 1918 while serving in the Meuse-Argonne defensive sector. According to relatives, this is when he was partially gassed. He was Honorably Discharged, April 17, 1919.

Returning home from France, Robert met a gal named Clara Alice Gordon. Born September 16, 1903 in Ohio. The daughter of Samuel C. and Alice Geanette Gordon. Robert and Clara were married September 13, 1925. On February 16, 1927, Sarah, Robert's mother, passed away. She was buried in Hedges Cemetery, notice, she died on her birthday.



By 1930, Robert and Clara, were living in Paulding on South Cherry Street. The couple had two children, Robert E. born March 25, 1926 and Verna Jean born April 1, 1929. Robert was working as a manager at a Gas Service Station in Paulding. By 1940, the family had moved to 520 East Perry Street in Paulding. Robert was driving truck for Grizzley Manufacture Company in Paulding. In 1942, Robert had to register for the World War 2 draft, but was not selected at the age of 52. His son, Robert Edwin Holtsberry was selected to serve. Robert Lain Holtsberry's health began to fade because of his smoking, working at Grizzley, and being gassed in World War 1. He lost the function of one lung.

On December 12, 1947, he passed away at the Veterans Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. He was buried in Live Oak Cemetery, lot 76 and a half, space 1. Clara passed away, March 31, 1996 in Van Wert, Ohio. She is buried with Robert.

**TURKEY SUPPER @ ROSE HILL CHURCH OF GOD**



Rose Hill Church of God will host its annual turkey supper on Thursday, November 2 from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.

The church is located at St. Rt. 637 & CR 138 (Charloe

Trail), five miles east of Paulding, and will be offering a traditional Thanksgiving meal for free will offering and is available as eat in or carry out.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

**By: Dr. James Bachman**

*Dear Parson,*  
John 1:18 says, "No man hath seen God at any time..." but Exodus 24:9-10 says concerning Moses, and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: "And they saw the God of Israel." How can that be?

Though the passages seem contradictory, they are both true. Someone could ask me if I had ever seen my face. If he meant the actual flesh I would say no and be right. If he meant a reflection, or picture, then I could say yes and be right.

God is a spirit. "God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" - John 4:24. His eternal essence is invisible. "Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen" - I Timothy 1:17. However, He has taken on many manifestations to make Himself known to man, the greatest of which was His Son, Jesus Christ. "If ye had known me, ye should

have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? - John 14:7-9.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

**TWIN OAKS UMC CHURCH NAME CHANGE**

This notice is to inform everyone that effective November 1, 2023, Twin Oaks United Methodist Church will no longer be affiliated with the United Methodist Conference; we will become an independent church. Our mailing address will remain the same, but our new name will be:

Oakwood Community Church, PO Box 98, 201 East Harmon Street, Oakwood, OH 45873. Phone: 419-594-2992. (new email addresses to be determined)

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# ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS

## Home of the Archers



### November 2023

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

As we enter the month of November, our students and staff have settled into daily routines and procedures associated with attending school and advancing learning opportunities. With the daily routines established, it is an appropriate time to share some of the demographics associated with our school. There are currently 693 students in grades PK-12. Our pre-school class of 70 students is the largest pre-school class in the history of Antwerp Local Schools. Our largest K-12 class is the ninth-grade class with 61 students. Our smallest class is the second-grade class with 38 students. We have 36 students (Juniors and Seniors) attending Vantage Career Center in Van Wert, Ohio. We have four students attending the Opportunity Center in Paulding, Ohio, and two students attending the Autism Center in Bryan, Ohio.

Our school bus and van fleet transports an average of 337 students to school and home each day logging an average of 619 miles per day. The district's yearly expense for diesel fuel is \$58,185 and \$12,817 for gasoline. Our cafeteria staff serves an average of 18 breakfasts and 259 regular lunches per day. Approximately 36% of our students are designated as Free/Reduced Meal recipients. On the academic side, 15% of our students receive special education services. The school district's average monthly electric bill is \$16,616.31 and our gas bill is approximately \$7,501.06 per month.

Veterans Day is an opportunity to educate our students about the important role our Veterans have played in the history of our nation. Antwerp Local Schools will honor our Veterans with a Veterans Day Assembly on Friday, November 10 at 10:15 a.m. in the main gymnasium. To Veterans: We thank you for your dedicated service to secure our freedoms. We are free because of the brave.

November 13-17, 2023, has been designated as *American Education Week*. This is the 102<sup>nd</sup> observance of the event, which began in 1921 as a joint venture between the National Education Association and the American Legion. This event presents all Americans with a wonderful opportunity to celebrate public education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that every child receives a quality education. The employees of Antwerp Local Schools are proud to be part of a quality public school system and appreciate the partnership with the community. Together we can accomplish great things for our students.

A reminder for parents, students, and community members to download our school App! Go to the App or Play Store, search "Antwerp Schools," and install the free Antwerp Local Schools App. The App has numerous features that will keep you updated on news, events, school delays and closings, and more. You can also choose what notifications and alerts you receive through the MY ALERTS title.

Martin A. Miller, Superintendent

#### MR. LICHTY- HS/MS

Now that we have completed the first quarter of the year, I would like to remind students and parents about our Credit Recovery process. High School students who fail at least one semester of a class and subsequently become credit deficient will be required to attend Summer School. Middle School students will be required to attend if they fail a course for the entire school year. This will begin right after the school year and run for two or three weeks, depending on the number of credits that have to be recovered. If your student failed a class during our first quarter, please encourage them to have a better 2nd grading period and earn the credits required for graduation.

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our recent Parent-Teacher Conferences. We appreciate our working relationships with the families in our community.

Congratulations to the Archer Football team and Head Coach Jason Hale on winning their 2nd straight GMC Championship. The Archers finished the regular season with a winning record of 9-1.

As we wrap up the fall extracurricular season and look towards winter, I would like to send a shout out to all of the people behind the scenes who help make our events happen. Our grounds and maintenance staff, IT department, ticket sellers, concession workers, booster groups, coaches and advisors, trainers, athletes, cheerleaders, band members and more all work to make these events successful.

Go Archers!

~ Mr. Travis Lichty, MS/HS Principal

#### HS/MS GUIDANCE NEWS

Students planning to take an AP exam at the end of the 2023-24 school year should turn in their \$40 exam deposit to Mrs. Hammer by Friday, November 3.

7<sup>th</sup> graders will be participating in the CATCH My Breath Program the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>. This evidence-based prevention program provides students the skills to resist peer pressure and media influence on e-cigarettes.

The annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade tours of Vantage will take place on Monday, November 6, 2023. Students will tour all of the programs that Vantage has to offer.

#### NOTES FROM THE NURSE

Our school nurse, Mrs. Cline, would like to remind parents that this is the time of year to be watchful for head lice. Please remind your child not to share hats, scarves, or other hair related items. Head lice can affect anyone, regardless of background or hygiene. Please check your child's hair periodically for head lice and be sure to contact the school nurse for assistance if you suspect your child has head lice.

#### MRS. STOKES - ELEMENTARY

**PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION**  
Fundraiser delivery will be Thursday, November 9. Orders may be picked up from 3-5 p.m. in the auditoria.

**A/R REWARDS**  
Students in grades 2 through 5 are working hard toward their reading goals this year. On Monday, October 23, students were awarded donuts and juice for meeting the school-wide reading goal. We had 99 students who earned this award. Great job and keep up the hard work! A big thank you goes out to the PTO for supplying the donuts and juice for students.

**SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**  
Congratulations to our September Students of the Month. Keep up the great work!

- KA - Amelia Fidler & Eloise Scharr
- KB - Caylah Stapleton & Harrison Barker
- KC - Brady Howell & Ruby Coressel
- 1A - Lilah Martenies & Liam Gill
- 1B - Chloe Stapleton & Ethan Taylor
- 1C - Ezekiel Laker & Riley Henschen
- 2A - Deacon Miller & Mo Reyes
- 2B - Thorin Mylek & Sydnie Keeler
- 3A - Madilyn Hogans & Greysyn Hermiller
- 3B - Deacon Hitzeman & Roman Laker
- 3C - Skyler Pierce & Reece Bidlack
- 4A - Brock Barker & Ellie Kemerer
- 4B - Cora Rohrs & Soren Conley
- 4C - Greyson Smith & Jayden Fish
- 5A - Adrian Hogans & Jaxton Leinbach
- 5B - Braxton Fidler & Sylvie Zartman
- 5C - Makenzi Muir & Bradyn Miller

~ Mrs. Tracey Stokes, Elementary Principal

#### ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

This month in elementary guidance, all students were introduced to the character trait of the month, INTEGRITY. Kindergarten also practiced their listening and following directions skills by listening to the book, "No, David!" Then the students followed the directions given by Mrs. Lichty's magic wand.

First through third grade listened to the story, "The I in Integrity," and then they brainstormed ways they could show integrity in and out of school.

Fourth and fifth grade also learned about integrity and brainstormed how they could exhibit this trait. Then, they worked in groups, reading scenarios and deciding if integrity was exhibited in each scenario.

As always, Mrs. Lichty is available to meet with students individually. Please contact her at 419-258-5421, extension 2204, with any concerns about your child.

#### ATHLETIC CALENDAR

**BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL**  
Dec 2 6:00 @ Holgate  
Dec 12 6:00 @ Ottoville  
Dec 16 6:00 @ Continental

**BOYS FRESHMAN BASKETBALL**  
Dec 4 5:00 vs. Edgerton  
Dec 7 4:45 @ Holgate  
Dec 12 5:00 @ Ottoville

**BOYS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL**  
Dec 4 5:00 vs. Lincolnview  
Dec 7 5:00 vs. Delphos Jefferson  
Dec 11 5:00 @ Parkway  
Dec 12 5:00 @ Bryan  
Dec 14 5:00 @ Woodlan

**GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL**  
Nov 25 6:00 vs. Ft. Jennings  
Nov 27 6:00 @ Edon  
Dec 5 6:00 @ Delphos Jefferson  
Dec 7 6:00 @ Holgate  
Dec 11 6:00 vs. Miller City  
Dec 16 6:00 @ Parkway

**GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL**  
Nov 27 5:00 @ Tinora  
Nov 28 5:00 vs. Holgate  
Dec 4 5:00 @ Paulding  
Dec 5 5:00 vs. Edon  
Dec 7 5:00 @ Wayne Trace  
Dec 11 5:00 vs. Lincolnview  
Dec 12 5:00 vs. Woodlan

**VARSITY WRESTLING**  
Dec 9 9:00 @ Hicksville  
Dec 16 9:00 @ Lincolnview Invite

**JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING**  
Dec 9 9:00 @ Hicksville  
Dec 16 9:00 @ Bryan Invite

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 2 Elementary Picture Retakes  
Nov 5 Time Change  
Nov 8 MS/HS Picture Retakes  
Nov 10 Veterans Day Assembly  
Nov 14 Winter Sports Pictures  
Nov 22-27 Thanksgiving Break  
Nov 16 Board of Education Meeting

#### CAFETERIA MENU

Wed, Nov 1 Cheeseburger on bun, green beans, mixed fruit, & milk  
Thu, Nov 2 Teriyaki chicken, mixed vegetables, peaches, & milk  
Fri, Nov 3 Cheese pizza, carrots w/ dip, applesauce cup, & milk  
Mon, Nov 6 Salisbury steak on bun, mixed vegetables, orange smiles, & milk  
Tue, Nov 7 Mini corn dogs, tater tots, pineapple, & milk  
Wed, Nov 8 Burrito, bean dip w/ chips, peach cups, & milk  
Thu, Nov 9 Fish on bun, mini ravioli, dried cranberries, & milk  
Fri, Nov 10 Pizza rippers, salad, applesauce cup, & milk

*Our menus are subject to change without notice.*



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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Biden's blank checks**  
A blank check, one that has been filled in and signed without an amount so someone can fill in their own price. It's everywhere anymore no matter what you buy.  
As soon as Biden was installed, the prices of everything started going up and continues as everyone takes advantage of it to gouge us. Gas, food, lumber, ridiculous anymore as well as anything else in every business but I

guess they are trying to get as much as possible before he financially destroys our country.

Gas prices, ridiculous. One station here in town had three different prices in one day, \$3.69 early, \$3.39 at 5:00 and \$3.67 at 8:30!!!! Wth is that since no gas was delivered that day. People say well the prices are down, from what?? Last year over \$5 a gallon here and much more over the country. You could see this, outrageous for one year then back it off a little to make people think they are getting a deal!! Thanks Biden!! What a joke.

Grocery stores are just as bad and trying ridiculous things to make their prices sound good. Local, you have to have a "loyalty rewards program" to get still ridiculous prices. Meijer has the same thing with "perks" or you have to buy so many to get a better price. If they can sell it for those so called rewards prices and make money why not sell them at that price all the time? Those places are NOT going to lose money no matter what they say.

Parts stores, same thing, prices 2-3 times higher than a year or two ago, Bidenomics at work and most of the stuff foreign crap from countries that he seems determined to start a war with or sell our country out to.

Property taxes are the same thing. Got them this year, they were up because supposedly our properties increased 25% in value?? But I was told they had someone from Columbus appraise our properties this time. Sure bring someone from an overpriced city and compare our properties with their high cost properties there. I couldn't get close to what they

appraised my property at just because of the location and everything going on in this end of town. So, my property went up 25% BUT my property tax went up almost 100%??? This doesn't make a bit of sense and I challenged it to try to get a simple answer. Had a meeting with the "powers that be" and just got political mumbo jumbo and excuses why we are being gouged. Basically they said we will do what we want, raise your taxes and you will pay them and have no choice or say in the matter. Don't pay and we will take your property. JUST TRY IT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

I'd hate to be a part of anything political in this town or country today, you have to be able to lie, make excuses and do it with a straight face talking to your taxpayers. Everyone is taking advantage of Biden's blank checks and us with everything we need, no wonder everyone I talk to talks about living on the edge and hoping nothing major doesn't happen to them. I used to be able to do an oil change completely including the labor for around \$30 or just over, now it's impossible to do one for less than \$50 and people can't believe it, I tell them before I do one what the situation is. Even those quick oil change places are double or more now. We are being financially destroyed by Biden and his administration that only cares about themselves and are sending millions and more to everyone but their own country. They are ignoring the cries of the retired, veterans and people out of work that want to work.

The UAW is striking for more money because of high prices while fast food workers want factory workers wages to do a menial job and have bad attitudes and act like they are being forced to work. \$11-\$15 per hour for them?? I worked 15-20 years in a factory actually doing HARD work to get that much and thought I was getting good money.

This country is out of control financially and the everyday person is paying the big price. I won't even get in to the medical field, it's so out of control it's insulting to the human race. We have had three years of that person's destruction of everything our country stands for and believes. In another year you might have to be flying a flag of a foreign country if he has his way that is if we are not at war.

America the great is now America, where money and lies mean more than truth and

integrity. Biden's blank checks, available to everyone who wants to help in the destruction of everything our veterans fought to keep out. The things going on here are the same things that went on in Nazi Germany under Hitler, take our guns, our rights and control everything we do and make us dependent on the government to supply us with just what we need to survive. See how that worked out for them.

We can't afford Biden and his administration much longer. America is the laughing stock of the world anymore. What a shame in only three years what we have become. Wake up before it's too late.

Thank you West Bend for allowing us to speak our minds.

—Gregg Gorman  
Paulding, OH

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Who will we follow when casting our ballots from October 11th through November 7th? Is it the one who has fearfully and wonderfully made us, forming our inward parts, knitting us together in our mother's wombs, intricately weaving us together (Psalm 139: 13-15)? Or will we forsake our Creator and Savior, offering our children and spilling the blood of innocents as sacrifices to Baal (Jeremiah 19: 4-5)?

Please be a David to the evil Goliath that wants to take away our parental rights, harm or mutilate our children, and enshrine abortion from conception to BIRTH. Please vote NO on Issue #1!

Blessings to all of you!  
—Judy McCalla  
Respect for Life  
Hicksville, OH

**WILKINS NAMED A TOP OHIO LEADER**



The Ohio State University's Jackie Wilkins has been named one of Ohio's top 50

women leaders in 2023 by Women We Admire, an organization of the most accomplished women executives and leaders across the U.S. and Canada.

Wilkins served as the first-ever female associate dean and director in the over 100-year history of the Ohio State University Extension. In this role, she provided leadership for carrying out the vision, mission, and values of OSU Extension; established priorities for investment in OSU Extension by local, state, and federal government; and provided oversight of an approximately \$77 million annual budget.

She has nearly 30 years of progressive and diversified experience in higher education, as well as profit and nonprofit management and consulting aimed at building organizational and community capacity. Wilkins began her career at Ohio State in 1994 as an Extension associate in the Department of Human Development and Family Science. In 2000, she became the parenting state Extension specialist. She also served as Extension's Northeast region director, providing leadership to 31 counties.

In 2017, she became director of operations for OSU Extension and was responsible for providing leadership to 88 counties and over 800 professionals on matters affecting personnel, finance, and business operations. In 2020, after a year as interim, she was appointed associate dean and director for OSU Extension, spearheading its mission of bringing research-backed information from the university to communities across the Buckeye State in the areas of agriculture and natural resources, community development, family and consumer sciences, and 4-H youth development.

In September of this year, Wilkins returned to her role as full professor focused on Extension scholarship, community-based education,

community engagement, and mentoring the next generation of employees.

Her research interests include prevention education, family policy, and organizational capacity building. She has received more than \$6.5 million in local, state, and federal funding to conduct research and provide prevention programming for Ohio's children and families.

Wilkins also has experience in the public sector as the owner of a business management consulting firm, where she designed and implemented many strategic planning initiatives and organizational analyses of efficiency, compensation, workflow, attrition, communications, and IT. Her clients included city and county governments, nonprofits, court systems, United Way agencies, philanthropic entities, and for-profit businesses.

Wilkins received her undergraduate degree in psychology from Ohio Dominican University, and her master's and doctoral degrees in human development and family science from The Ohio State University.

According to Women We Admire, the economic landscape of Ohio has witnessed a substantial transformation due to the involvement of women in leadership positions. With its strong manufacturing sector, prosperous agricultural output, and emerging service industries, women hold high-ranking positions across various Ohio sectors including government, education, health-care, and corporate organizations. The organization noted that this shift is not only a result of increased gender equality awareness, but also due to the proven benefits of having diverse leadership teams.

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**Bryan:** Chief, Town&Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General  
**Cecil:** 127 Maramart  
**Charloe:** Charloe Store  
**Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware  
**Defiance:** Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid  
**Edgerton:** Kaiser Supermarket, USPS, Utilities Dept., H & W Napa, Marathon Main Stop, Marathon (East)  
**Grover Hill:** N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library  
**Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center, Village offices  
**Ney:** Marathon  
**Oakwood:** Oakwood Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip  
**Paulding:** Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa Do It Best, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Kwik Mart, Library

**INDIANA LOCATIONS**  
**Fort Wayne:** Hahn Systems, Walmart, Walgreens, Great Clips & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Golden Years Nursing Home, Golden Years Assisted Living  
**Grabbill:** Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales  
**Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar Exchange, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank  
**Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub  
**Milan Center:** Milan Center Feed & Grain  
**Monroeville:** Mel's Deli, Phillips 66, The Village of Heritage Assisted Living, Dollar General  
**New Haven:** ACP Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, McDonalds, CVS, Clips, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's  
**Woodburn:** Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop, ACP Library, Willies Cafe II

**PAVNE:** Village office, Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Maramart, Library  
**Sherwood:** Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank  
**Scott:** Scott Post Office  
**Van Wert:** CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Family Video, Orchard Tree

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# QUEEN JUBILEE APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED



The Van Wert Peony Festival and Queen Jubilee Pageant committees are pleased to announce that applications are currently available for the 2024 Queen Jubilee pageant. Perspective candidates must be young women who are members of the class of 2024 at any of the following schools: Antwerp, Continental, Crestview, Delphos Jefferson, Delphos St Johns, Fort Jennings, Kalida, Lincolnview,

Ottoville, Parkway, Paulding, Van Wert, Vantage Career Center, or Wayne Trace. Each candidate is guaranteed to receive a scholarship, with possible scholarship opportunities exceeding \$5,000. Applications are currently available at each high school or by emailing vanwertpeony-pageant@hotmail.com. For questions contact Director Kim Ousley by email or by calling 419-302-3845.

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family, business owners and members of the community to provide free haircuts, a free will donation dinner and a variety of items for live and silent auction. An Art Me Party with a fall fairy, face painting, glitter tattoos and Justin the Clown were all there to provide plenty of entertainment for the kids.

Relyea's five-year-old daughter, Aubree, was diagnosed with a form of Alopecia at just three years old. By the time Aubree turned four and was about to start preschool, she had lost all of her hair, eyebrows and eyelashes. Worried about how the kids in school might treat her, Aubree grew insecure and was afraid to go. Needless to say, Relyea was concerned for her daughter who everyone knew to be such a confident child.

Relyea reached out to Children With Hair Loss, and by Aubree's first day of preschool, CWHL had provided her with a wig. With her sense of security and confidence renewed by the good people at CWHL, Aubree started going without her wig and was soon thriving and loving school.

Wanting to give back to a cause that gave her family so much, Relyea hosted a Cut-A-Thon for hair donations and to raise funds and awareness for CWHL. The Paulding County community did not disappoint. While Relyea had been collecting hair for donation prior to the event, 31 people had their hair cut at the event, and 88 ponytails were donated that night. With prior donations, Relyea had a

total of 140 ponytails. With each wig requiring 10 - 20 ponytails, Relyea potentially provided enough natural hair to create 14 wigs. Without the help of CWHL, a family would expect to pay around \$1,500 for a natural hair wig.

With free will donations from the dinner provided, and from the donated items for auction, Relyea raised a total of \$7,008 the night of the auction. With additional donations and Cut-A-Thon sponsors, the whole event brought in a total of \$11,639. CWHL Founder Regina Villemure informed Relyea that with the exception of the group they partner with known as The Longhairs, Relyea's Cut-A-Thon brought in the highest amount any Cut-A-Thon has ever raised.

"I just want to say thank you to everyone involved, this was a huge community and group effort and so much was put into it. Every single person involved has made a huge difference in a lot of kids' lives, and know you are the reason a child will have a boost of confidence. I cannot wait to present everything to Children With Hair Loss on November 3rd," said Relyea.

A special thanks to the event sponsors and donors which included: Jason Moore; VFW Post 587; attorney Shane Lee; MTJ Farms, Matt and Christy Stoller; Boyd's Automotive; Gene and Mary Anne Baughman; Dr. Wendell Spangler; Cooper Hatchery; Paulding Eagles; Lisa and Doug Bragg; Black Angus on Main; and numerous clients and friends of the Relyea family who donated towards the

event as well.

Also, a special thanks to guest speaker Taylor Hesselring who shared his own story of coping with Alopecia and has helped raise awareness for the disease.

Relyea is planning another Cut-A-Thon 2024 that will differ from this year's event and hopes the community will join in again next year.

For more ways you can help children with hair loss, visit childrenwithhairloss.org

## ARCHERS FALL IN SECTIONAL FINAL TO PILOTS

In a Division IV volleyball sectional final at Ayersville, it was the host Lady Pilots who posted a straight set win over visiting Antwerp Thursday night.

The Pilots took the opening set 25-13 and held off the Archers for a 25-15 victory in the second set. Game three was dominated by Ayersville as the hosts rolled to a 25-7 win to close out the match.

Alexis Otto and Faith Clem each posted three kills and two digs for the Lady Archers while Caydence Shull added four slams and three digs.

Maddy Peters picked up seven digs while adding two aces and 14 assists for Antwerp with Emma Townley chipping in five digs and one kill.

Amelia Graham contributed five kills and nine digs to the blue and white with Caroline Rohrs picking up 15 digs and posting one ace.

Antwerp closes the season with a record of 6-17 overall.

## WARRIORS DROP SECTIONAL OPENER TO PATRIOTS

Senior Caleb Abbott and junior Braden Walter each had interception returns to lead the Heritage Patriots to a 35-0 win over host Woodlan in Class 3A Sectional football action Friday night outside of Woodburn.

Abbott picked off a Warrior pass and returned it 43-yards in the second quarter as Heritage turned a 7-0 advantage after one period into a 35-0 halftime lead.

Walter's interception return covered 57 yards for Heritage as the Patriots improved to 9-1 on the season.

Senior quarterback Kobe Meyer completed four of five passes for Heritage, covering 68 yards, including a 41-yard touchdown toss to junior Zeke Litchfield.

Meyer also topped the Patriots with 46 rushing yards on nine tries with one touchdown.

Senior Nolan Hoskins added 20 rushing yards on three carries for Heritage. Junior Eli Tigulis added a 25-yard reception and senior Ibrahim Williams posted two catches.

Walter finished with two interceptions on the night for Heritage with senior Eli Pilon and senior Landon Hicks picking up one pick apiece as well.

Heritage will now host Garrett in a sectional semifinal on Friday. The Railroaders, who are 5-5 on the season, recorded a 35-7 win over Belmont last week.

Woodlan concludes its season with an overall record of 2-8.

# FAIRVIEW FFA SUCCEEDING IN MANY DISTRICT CONTESTS



Dairy Foods Judging Team: Althea Spangler, Miguel Gracia, Brooke Pollard, Alex Garcia, James Smith, Kaitlyn McCord.

By: Elizabeth Bok

To start the school year off many chapter members got to compete in various contests. Freshmen and sophomores got the opportunity to be a part of the rural or urban soil judging teams.

The rural team consisted of; Owen Speiser, Kaitlyn McCord, Brooke Pollard, Althea Spangler, James Smith, Riley Schindler, Calvin Woodring, and Timothy Ankney.

The urban team consisted of; Ethan Guilford, Samantha Mavis, Kaylee Beam, Marissa Retcher, Hayden Bok, Jersey Cooper, Adalyn Zeedyk, and Brooklyn Zeedyk.

The two teams went to Pemberville to judge 3 soil pits and took two general knowledge tests. The rural team placed 11th out of 22 teams and the urban team placed 5th out of 16.

The top two individuals from the rural team were

Owen Speiser who placed 28th and Kaitlyn McCord who was 61st out of 157. From the urban team, Ethan Guilford was 16th and Samantha Mavis was 18th out of 93. Some of the junior members got to attend the floral contest.

The floral team comprised Kayla Mavis, Cheyenne Zeedyk, Kortney Grinnell, and Summer Hiler. At this contest, they were asked to make bud vases and corsages and identify flowers, bugs, and tools. The team placed 9 out of 11 teams.

The most recent contests that members competed in were the Dairy Cattle and Dairy Foods contests.

On the Dairy Cattle team were; Elizabeth Bok, Calvin Woodring, Brooklyn Zeedyk, Owen Spieser, Ethan Guilford, Riley Schindler, Renee Bok, Hayden Bok, Olivia Childress, Rachel Haver, Kadince Sauber, Audrey Crites,

Cheyenne Zeedyk, and Emma Zeedyk.

The Dairy Foods team was; Althea Spangler, Miguel Gracia, Brooke Pollard, Alex Garcia, James Smith, Kaitlyn McCord, Timothy Ankney, and Ruby Elston. At the Dairy Cattle Judging contest, participants got to judge three classes of dairy cows, one class of dairy heifers, placed sires, and pedigrees, as well as taking a general knowledge test.

The Dairy Foods Judging contest required members to taste/identify cheese and tainted milk along with a general knowledge test. The cattle team placed fourth.

The top two individuals for the team were Elizabeth Bok who placed 12th and Calvin Woodring who placed 14th out of 181 total participants. The food team was seventh and the top two individuals were Althea Spangler and Miguel Garcia who placed 7th and 26th out of 52.

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# SECOND QUARTER SPURT SENDS ARCHERS TO GMC TITLE



Antwerp recognized their seniors at the last home football game on October 20th. Photo by Harlee Moore



With the ball tuck securing in his grip, Antwerp senior Cam Fuller takes off down the field keeping Caden Sinclair at bay. More photos at westbendnews.net



Antwerp senior Kayden Winslow receives the pass and dodges, once again Caden Sinclair. More photos at westbendnews.net

Antwerp put up 22 points in the second quarter propelling the Archers to a 2023 co-Green Meadows Conference championship Friday night with a 38-16 win over Edgerton at Archer Field.

After both teams put up eight points in the opening stanza, the blue and white broke the game open with a 22-point second quarter that put Antwerp in control and on top 30-8. Each squad then scored eight second half points as well to set the final score at 38-16.

Antwerp closes the regular season with an overall record of 9-1 while the Archers improved to 6-1 in the league as well. The win also wraps up the conference title as the blue and white ties for the crown with Ayersville and Tinora.

Senior quarterback Carson Altimus led the way for Antwerp, throwing for 359 yards while completing 17 of 28 passes on the night. Altimus tossed five touchdown passes on the night.

Kayden Winslow hauled in seven catches for 150 yards and two scores with Landon Brewer posting four receptions for 139 yards and a pair of scores. Camden Fuller also chipped in five catches for 64 yards and a touchdown as well.

Ethan Thomas-Van Kirk led the way for the Archer rushing attack with 36 yards on 15 carries.

Winslow scored a pair of two-point conversions as well for Antwerp with Brewer and Altimus picking up one each.

Three Archer players reached twin digits in tackles on the night, led by Syris Gale with 22 stops overall. Cohen Hitzeman added 10-1/2 tackles in the contest while Derek Hines picked up ten stops.

Dayne Sholl and Caleb Laker each recorded nine tackles for the blue and white while Tavin Sholl added eight.

Camden Fuller and Kayden Winslow also picked up seven stops apiece for Antwerp.

## CAVALIERS END PAULDING'S SEASON

After winning a share of the Midwest Athletic Conference championship, host Coldwater advanced to the Division III district volleyball tournament with a straight set victory over visiting Paulding Wednesday night.

The orange and black took

the opening set 25-9 and cruised to a 25-10 victory in the second game. Coldwater then completed the sweep with a 25-8 win in game three.

Leading the way for the maroon and white was Kayleigh Dunham and Lucy Breier, each of which recorded three kills, while Brianna Bermejo added a pair of slams.

Dunham chipped in a block and a dig while Breier picked up an ace and an assist for Paulding. Bermejo chipped in a trio of digs with Estie Pease dishing out five assists and recording two digs.

Maci Kauser picked up six digs for the Lady Panthers and had one helper with Jocelynn Parrett recording two digs. Addison Shull also had three digs for the maroon and white.

Paulding completes the season with a record of 4-19 overall.

## SEASON CLOSURES FOR AREA SQUADS

In the boys portion, Leo was the only local squad that participated and the Lions finished 12th.

Leo senior Jaydon Steidinger punched his ticket to the state meet by taking tenth individually with a time of 16:10.2.

Other finishers for the Lions were senior Austin Johnson (46th, 16:52.5), sophomore Jiler Gould (53rd, 16:55.7), junior Will Lashure (117th, 17:46.3), senior Brayden Gustafson (123rd, 17:51.6), junior Jace Donahey (166th, 18:13.0) and senior Austin Parmerlee (239th, 20:10.4).

Heritage senior Jaxon Hoting took 79th place individually with a time of 17:23.1 while sophomore Corban Roth placed 161st in 18:10.6. Junior Hayden Amstein was 189th in 18:37.9 with sophomore Gabe Hanford placing 192nd with a time of 18:40.4.

Woodlan senior Ryan Hubbard wrapped up his season by posting a time of 18:57.5, good for 206th place. Sophomore Bryan Garcia of New Haven finished 29th in 16:31.5 and junior teammate Orion McGlaughn was 114th in 17:45.2 while junior Johnathan Baxter placed 154th in 18:07.8.

In the girls meet, Leo posted a tenth-place finish as a team while Woodlan took 20th overall.

Individually, New Haven junior Liliana Swihart took 200th in 23:05.7.

Leo freshman Rowyn Norris moved on to the state tournament by placing seventh in 18:35.3.

Completing the Lady Lions list of finishers were senior Maya Norris (49th, 20:01.8), senior Isabelle Shenfeld (85th, 20:56.8), senior Emily Cogdell (97th, 21:11.5), sophomore Ava Beaty (123rd, 21:42.9), freshman Alyson Sauter (233rd, 24:42.8) and senior Rachel Brooks (236th, 25:06.1).

For Woodlan, senior Madilyn Emehiser (41st, 19:48.8) led the Lady Warriors followed by freshman Viv Cook (94th, 21:07.6), senior Cara Chen (128th, 21:44.5), freshman Layla Hodson (169th, 22:25.1), sophomore Katy Niles (216th, 23:35.4),

sophomore Jordyn Kline (230th, 24:32.2) and junior Bethany Lockridge (240th, 25:41.1).

## WARRIOR XC SEASON CLOSURES

Saturday, October 21, the XC teams closed out their season at the District Meet in Napoleon.

The Varsity Boys started off the day, but were unable to score as a team. Undeterred, three of the four harriers recorded season best times. They finished in the order of Alex Zijlstra, John Bailey, Aiden Hook, and Levi Shelton.

The Varsity Girls placed 5th as a team out of eleven schools. They were led by 17th place finisher Reese Durbin, followed closely by Emily Laker, Emma Saul, Lyla Clem, Gabriella Snyder, Leigha Doster, and Taylor Steibling.

Coach Ehrhart & Coach Walk want to thank each of you for your hard work, determination, and leadership that you bring to the cross country program. Go Archers!

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

Woodburn Missionary Church and generous individuals, the clothing bank has been able to expand its services and reach a wider audience.

As a non-profit organization, Woodburn Clothing Bank relies on the support of the community through donations. All donations received are used to cover operational costs such as rent, storage units, utilities, laundry supplies, and other essential expenses. The organization greatly appreciates and depends on monetary contributions to continue its mission of helping those in need. Monthly expenses incurred are close to \$1400 per month.

Woodburn Clothing Bank is open to anyone and everyone, without the need for vouchers. The organization kindly requests that donated items are not intended for resale. There are no geographical boundaries, and individuals from all areas are welcome to access the services provided.

In addition to its core mission, Woodburn Clothing Bank actively collaborates



Raider Jordan Lotz and Panther Dillon Shough-Germann dive at the play as Raider Dylan Hildebrand waits to assist.



Raider Cale Winans takes Panther Kobe Foor.

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offs which are Friday, October 27th at Bluffton High School.

Score by Quarters:  
Wayne Trace — 7 0 0 6 = 13  
Paulding — 6 8 0 0 = 14

Scoring Summary:  
P - Kobe Foor 1 yd run (pass failed)  
WT - Tucker Antoine 2 yd run (Cale Winans kick)  
P - Jesse Shaffer 100 yd interception return (Jesse Shaffer run)  
WT - Tucker Antoine 3 yd run (pass failed)  
Wayne Trace Rushing - Tucker Antoine 18-69, Jordan Lotz 2-14, Jack Schoenauer 5-7, Jude

Stoller 1-(-5), Kyle Stoller 2-(-12), Cole Morehead 2-(-24)  
Paulding Rushing - Kobe Foor 17-39, Caleb Larson 2-22, Jacob Fife 3-16, Jesse Shaffer 5-9  
Wayne Trace Passing - Kyle Stoller 13-23-133, Jack Schoenauer 3-11-46, Cole Morehead 0-3-0  
Paulding Passing - Colten Hunt 8-18-60, Jacob Fife 0-6-0  
Wayne Trace Receiving - Hudson Myers 5-35, Tucker Antoine 3-41, Tyler Head 3-67, Dylan Hildebrand 3-18, Cole Morehead 1-9, Jude Stoller 1-9  
Paulding Receiving - Caleb Larson 2-22, Jacob Fife 2-8

with various ministries and organizations, including Big Brothers Big Sisters, Healthier Moms and Babies, East Coast Migrant Headstart, local schools for emergency clothing needs, Milk Crate Ministries, CPS fosters, Freedom House, New Haven Bread Ministry, and Rivers Edge.

To learn more about Woodburn Clothing Bank, individuals can visit the facility on Tuesdays and Thurs-

days from 10 am to 4 pm, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12 pm to 4 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For further inquiries, please contact Tonya Thompson at 260-255-0075. If unavailable, please leave a message, and Tonya will respond as soon as possible.

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Zach Wigal, 2023 USAC Thunder Midget Champion. Photo by Campbell Photography



Rusty Schlenk #91, Win's at Fremont. Stock Photo by Charlie Orns

By: Ron Burt

Racing fans had to say goodbye to a couple of well-known racetracks. The Midwest lost Rockford Speedway. This was a ¼ mile high banked paved oval that hosted many special racing events including the National Short Track Championships for several classes of cars. Southwest lost the famous Devils Bowl Speedway outside of Dallas Texas in Mesquite. The Bowl as it was known hosted the very first World of Outlaw Sprint Car race. Over the years besides the WoO the Edwards family brought in many national sanctions to the famed ½ clay oval including USAC, All-Stars and CRA events besides the weekly shows. Both tracks will be missed by race fans and drivers.

Schlenk and Dippman Win at Fremont

Fremont Speedway closed out the 2023 season on Tuesday, October 24th. This finished a make-up race that was stopped because of the weather. Fremont is home to the 410-winged sprints but Tuesday the UMP Late Models headlined the show for the Bill Hahn Memorial. Rusty Schlenk was involved in tangle and had to go to the work area to replace a tire. Rusty acted like the three-time national UMP champion. He worked this way from the back, took the lead on lap 19 and held off Ryan Missler for his third ca-

reer Fremont Speedway victory. This was Schlenk's 16th feature win in 2023 and he took home \$2023.00. Ryan Missler, Rob Anderzack, BJ Gregory, and Ryan Markham rounded out the top five.



Keegan Weese, A Teen to Watch. Photo by Left Turn Photo Works

This was part 2 of the Oakshade/Fremont Showdown, with the first race a few weeks ago at Oakshade Raceway in Wauseon. It puts Thunder Trucks racing against Dirt Trucks in a tribute race for legend Art Ball who recently passed away. The feature had several lead changes early on. Weekly favorites from both tracks swapped paint fighting for the top spot. At the end Craig Dippman the winner at Oakshade was able to wedge under Fremont Dirt Truck driver Jamie Miller on a late race restart and hang on for the win. It was Dippman's first Fremont win. Jamie Miller, Keith Sorg, Kolin Schilt, and Kyle Moore rounded out the top five.

In a pair of Australian Pursuits run in memory of Lin Potter, Ryan Missler and BJ Gregory cashed the over \$800 checks. In the "Call Out" match race, Kolin Schilt took

the prize and in the "Buy Back" feature, Scott Hammer collected the money.

Notes and Things

Work continues at the recently purchased Millstream Speedway near Findlay. It will be exciting to hear what class of cars will be on weekly shows and to see what big races and sanctions they have lined up to race in 2024. Eldora Speedway hosted the 43rd Annual Dirt Track World Championship for DIRTcar Late Models. Brandon Sheppard started 13th and was able to work his way through the field for the top spot. It was his 5th DTWC. He's now tied with racing legend Freddy Smith for the most wins in the 43-year history of the race. Sheppard earned \$100,000 for his victory. The current point leader for the Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series, Hudson O'Neal was 2nd, followed by Moran Ohio driver Devin Dresden, took the 3rd spot. In the last

USAC Midwest Thunder Midget race of the season, Zach Wigal won the series points championship in the closest points race in series history. His 4th place finish edged out Bryce Massingill by 3 points. The top 5 finishers at Gas City I-69 Speedway were 1st Matt Lux, 2nd Bryce Massingill, 3rd our local Otoville gal, Abby Hohbein, 4th Zach Wigal and 5th Adam Taylor. Congratulations on a fantastic season to 13-year-old Keegan Weese. The Ohio teen races in the NASCAR National Youth Series Quarter Midgets. He runs 13 divisions and placed top 10 in National points in all three entries including a 4th place in Unrestricted Animal. That will earn him a seat at the banquet to receive his honors. He has a total of 3 National Series A-Main wins in 2 seasons. Until next week, keep your wheels down. Ron out! (Ohio Sports Blitz on Facebook)

## WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL 1st NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2023-24

### ACADEMIC HONOR ROLL:

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**9th Grade:** \*Amber Stoller, \*Campbell Volk, \*Eli Treece, \*Cole Manz, \*Noah Schlatter, \*Kaelyn Vejar, Arianna Viola, Blake Noggle, Anna Manz, Grady Helms

**10th Grade:** \*Lucas Morehead, \*Clay Stoller, \*Addison Stoller, \*Caitlyn Mead, \*Whitney Boroff, \*Riley Manz, \*Aubree Miller, \*Natalie Richie, \*Torree Sinn, \*Deklyn Schweinsberg, \*Olivia Franklin, Hailley Duncan, Emma Stouffer, Griffin Williamson, Lily Boyd, Estrella Martinez Sandoval

**11th Grade:** \*Tori Young, \*Anna Meraz, \*Ryan Bostelman, \*Kathleen Stoller, \*Jarrett Jewell, \*Natalie Stoller, \*Isabella Knowles, \*Rylin Moore, \*Allison Noggle, \*Luke Stouffer, \*Nicholas Sinn, \*Lori Sinn, \*Dylan Coffman, \*Harper Myers, \*Tyler Sanderson, Morgan Elliott, Jordan Banks, Makenna Johnson, Ava Stoller

**12th Grade:** \*Dylan Hildebrand, \*Lynsey Pease, \*Laryssa Whitman, \*Olivia Meraz, \*Kyle Stoller, \*Melanie Dunham, \*Emma Lyons, \*Brenna Parker, \*KatieAnna Baumle, \*Brenna Thomas, \*Caitlyn Thomas, \*Maddox Treece, \*Emma Laukhuf, \*Meara Rager, \*Meg Thompson, \*Cale Winans, \*Allison Schilt, \*Briley Coffman, \*Kaitlin Slade, \*Eli Stuart, \*Paige Alber, \*Kacy Hornish, \*Hudson Myers, Kyren Karhoff, Zachary Wobler, Breven Anderson, Brianna Draper

### HONOR ROLL:

**7th Grade:** Elliot Parady, Jonah Sinn Corbin Stoller, Easton Jay, Witt Stoller, Emma Whitman, Kinlee Miller, Blaize Karhoff, Jennifer Treece, Kendall Folsom, Brooke Stoller, Olivia Stoller, Abigail Tarlton, Jacob Wobler, Makenna Schilt, Luke Stoller, Madison Silance, Evelyn Lyons, Ian Scarberry, Addilynn Gerardot, Brayden Sinn, Grace Ringle, Aaron Bohland, Waylon McCord, Addilyn Davis, Braylin Sinn, Nathan Benschneider, Paige Santos, Gabrielle Gurney, Layla

Shellenbarger, Robert Kennedy II, Addison Sennebogen

**8th Grade:** Madison Pease, Caylie Baker, Logan Gambler, Jenna Kipfer, Adydyson LaBounty, Brooke Tigner, Brinna Collins, Jensen Beining, Braxton Schnipke, Lilly Shepherd, Ashlyn Manz, Javiero Vielma, Brenan Miller, Khloe Merriman, Aubrie Stoller, Cayla Noggle, Owen Welch, Lashan Reynolds, Nora Wenninger, Lilly Holbrook, Isabella Lowe, Xylem Kashner, Payton Zehner, Nicole Gerschutz

**9th Grade:** Alex Doster, Grayson Sutton, Elizabeth Graham, KaMaury Sullivan, Christopher Dilling, Olivia Zartman, Benjamin Gurney, Myleigh Jacobs, Isabella O'Shaugnessey, Grady Manson, Corbin Varner, McKenzie Johnson, Camryn Finger, Zachary Stoller, Leah Bland, Stefany Lopez-Castillo, Isabel Gilbert, Madison Gilbert, Ella Crosby, Gavin Strawser, Reece Olwin, Kahlee Fore

**10th Grade:** Lance Whitman, Mylie Wittwer, Caden Sinn, Chloe McClure, Lexi Moore, Raegan McGarvey, Myleigh Sheets, Micah Sinn, Delana Noggle, Careen Winans, Lance Maenle, Audrey Dougal, Ryan Parker, Eric Reinhart, Caleb Cox, Jordan Hale, Hunter Lyons, Caroline Winans, Kaden Wilcox, Tanner Laukhuf, Isabella Foust, Sierra Young, Konnor Wannemacher, Jack Schoenauer, Amber Stoller, Ethan Fisher, Carter Clemens, Olivia Baughman, Landon Blankenship, Alicia Bahena

**11th Grade:** Tianna Sinn, Christian Bohland, Tyson Gerber, EmmaJane Benschneider, Jazmyne Roddy, Serenity Helms, Trista Evans, Nevaeh Jackson, Madison Gurney, Kyle Sutton, Ciarra Cotterman, Mackenzie Silance, Adela Collins, Dyson Scott, Brandon Shoup, Aiden Lee

**12th Grade:** Kaden Landwehr, Logan Miller, Olivia Longstreth, Caitlin Sanchez, Logan Bland, Kaden Clark, Kyla Hurd, Emily Thrasher, Rylee Johnson, Ava Zartman, Brooks Laukhuf, Royce Cooper, Tucker Antoine, Caden Tumblin, Kaylyn Taylor, Nathaniel Guyton

## PARKVIEW HEALTH'S JESSE STANTON NAMED BY BELLWETHER LEAGUE AS SUPPLY CHAIN 'FUTURE FAMER'



Bellwether League Foundation Chairman Barbara Strain, Bellwether Class of 2021, welcomes Parkview Health's Vice President of Supply Chain Jesse Stanton into the Future Famers Class of 2023.

FORT WAYNE, IND. - OCT. 23, 2023 - Parkview Health's Jesse Stanton, vice president of supply chain, has been named as one of two inductees into the Bellwether League Foundation's Future Famers Class of 2023, an award recognizing early-career supply chain professionals making an impact in the industry.

Stanton was one of two professionals who received the recognition, joining 37 past inductees. The Future Famers recognition honors supply chain professionals early in their careers who are not yet eligible for the Bellwether League Foundation's Hall of Fame, but have made notable contributions to the profession and their industry.

The Bellwether League Foundation, launched in 2007, identifies and honors men and women who have demonstrated significant leadership in, influence on and contributions to the healthcare supply chain. The organization also provides education and professional de-

velopment opportunities, as well as grants and scholarships to students pursuing future work in supply chain-related careers.

At Parkview, Stanton has served in several supply chain roles, including supervisor of purchased services, manager of purchasing and contracting, and director of supply chain integration. Stanton has been employed with Parkview Health for 24 years and is a U.S. Army veteran. He received his bachelor's degree from Purdue University and earned a master's degree in business administration and healthcare management from Western Governors University. He is also a certified materials and resource professional through the American Hospital Association.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Stanton helped ensure that Parkview maintained access to critical supplies and services for front-line clinical workers by expanding and vetting acquisitions from local, non-traditional and international

## 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, etc., 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.

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vendors. Because of his efforts, needed supplies never went out of stock, even during the busiest points of the pandemic.

As supply chain manager, Stanton also developed processes for managing substitute products acquired to offset backorders and minimize waste. He's generated more than \$65 million in contract savings and cost-avoidance within the last five years.

"It takes incredible effort and commitment to stock all of Parkview's 13 hospitals and more than 200 physician practices to ensure they operate without interruption," said Dena Jacquay, chief administrative officer, Parkview Health. "We are grateful to have Jesse Stanton as part of our all-star team of supply chain professionals who ensure that our providers and co-workers have the tools they need to deliver care."

Stanton's induction is not the first recognition Parkview has received from the Bellweather League Foundation. In 2021, Senior Vice President of Support Services Donna Van Vlerah received the Dean S. Ammer Award for Healthcare Supply Chain Performance Excellence. Prior to that, she was also a Future Famers inductee in 2015.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report

Michael R. Smith, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct (2 counts), Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior; Disorderly conduct, Count B dismissed

Justin C. Adkins, Melrose, OH; Assault; Guilty; 180 days jail, 179 suspended; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Placed on standard probation; No unlawful contact with victim; 20 hrs of community service; Complete a risk assessment; Evaluation at Westwood; Online classes; Placed on SCRAM; Court pay

Dalton J. Johnson, Grover Hill, OH; Driving/FRA suspension; Pled no contest, found guilty; Proof of insurance provided

Ian M. Clevenger, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brian L. Brougher, Aliquippa, PA; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kevin J. Casale, Seffner, FL; Over width; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Evan M. Edwards, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Harold E. Fenter, Oakwood, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed, without prejudice; Costs waived

Joseph H. Allsup Jr., Paulding, OH; 12 point susp; Guilty; Show proof of insurance by 10/26/23

Victor L. Palma Martinez, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Shawn R. Greiner, Defiance, OH; Marked lanes; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tiffany A. Scott, Holgate, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Derek L. Arnold, Monroe, MI; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Sally M. Fifer, Defiance, OH; Left of center; Guilty;

Case was waived by defendant Roman Vaslyshyn, Shaumburg, IL; Over length; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

ANTWERP JH/HS 1st NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2023-24

Gold Card 4.0-3.67 (with no grade less than a B-)

SENIORS: \*Carson Altimus, Landon Brewer, Myranda Brooks, \*Camden Fuller, Cohen Hitzeman, Ad-dyson Hormann, Reid Lichty, Falynn McAlexander, \*Aewyn McMichael, \*Brooke Molitor, \*Hannah Molitor, Emma Saul, Benjamin Savina, Kahlea Shook, \*Leila Spyker, \*Emma Townley

JUNIORS: \*Allison Carnes, \*Derek Hines, Jonah Keys, \*Braylen Moreno, \*Madisyn Peters, Caroline Rohrs, \*Eden Shuherk, \*Gracelyn Stoller

SOPHOMORES: Kalli Billman, \*Krystal Bradbury, Nikalas Brandenburg, Marcelo Cruz, \*Leigha Doster, Sara Farr, Dylan Hahn, Miley Jewell, Andrew Johnson, Griffin Kosch, Hay-dyn Lengacher, Harlee Moore, Landon Orozco, Mara Phlipot, Hampton Rogge, Colten Sargent, Corbin Sargent, \*Taylor Shull, Lauren Walters, Raelynne Zuber

FRESHMEN: Briley Bagley, Lucy Conley, Roman DeLong, Maclaren Ehrhart, Maddox Friend, Josie Hahn, Tyler Overman, Nathan Sanders, Gabriella Snyder, Keira Spyker

EIGHTH GRADE: Hudson Bagley, Bryceton Barker, Gage Barker, \*Wyatt Cline, Tucker Doster, Avery Honigford, Taylor Lockhart, Monica Maynez, \*Braxton Peters, Kora Zuber

SEVENTH GRADE: Brennan Barker, Braxton Bauer, Tyler Bradbury, \*Simon Conley, Pearce Cottrell, Teagen Eaton, Charlotte

Hook, Brooklyn Lawson, \*Annabelle Mowery, Evan Overman, Alaina Reinhart, Garrett Robbins, Aleta Sorrell

SIXTH GRADE: Layla Bermejo, Parker Bermejo, Eliza Cline, \*Conner Fidler, Isaac Friend, \*Hayden Grant, Anderson Honigford, Luke Jones, Alivia Kiracofe, \*Isaac Meyer, Benton Rogge, Jordan Steel, Kolton Stuckey, Bentley Taylor, Emma White, Rylan Winslow, \*Briggs Zartman

Blue Card 3.66-3.33 (with no grade less than a C+)

SENIOR: Quince Dickess, Syris Gale, Austin Miller, James Sherwood IV, Connor Shiple, Lucy Wales

JUNIORS: Noah Bradbury, Elle Clem, Drew Eaken, Lillian Friend, Aiden Lichty, Teeghun Marlin, Brynn Reinhart, Keira Sargent, Tanessa Sherwood, Kayden Winslow

SOPHOMORES: Corbin Eaton, Raelley Franklin, Amelia Graham, Estee Lichty, Zaine McMichael, Alexander Stevenson, Ethan Thomas-VanKirk

FRESHMEN: Tatum Boyer, Avalon Coney, Madeline Coressel, Keegan Gray-Wyckoff, Blake Gribler, Aiden Hook, Eliana Hormann, Emery Jones, Isabella Krenkel, Alyssa Lawson, Lincoln Lucas, Kara Pierce

EIGHTH GRADE: Alyvia Bell, Gabriella Brandenburg, Alia Clem, Reese Franklin, Aaden Friend, Brayden Fuller, Lilly Halsey, Camden Herber, Noah Lucas, Elise Meyer, Kati Phares, Allison Rice, Franco Rivera, Clara Rohrs, Anabelle Saylor, Izaiah Thompson, Jazmine Yanez, Annelise Zijlstra

SEVENTH GRADE: Devin Hicks, Gianna Laker, Robert Montgomery

SIXTH GRADE: Bradyn Coleman, Krayston Eicher, Jameson Graham, Kyler Johnson, Marshall Rice, Christopher Yanez

Honor Roll 3.32-3.0 (with no grade less than a

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

C) SENIORS: Caleb Laker, Jill Magoulas, Taylor Morales JUNIORS: Jace McCreery, Keegan Friend, Dayne Sholl, Tavin Sholl SOPHOMORES: Kane Hines, Ella Hughes, Dominic Laker, Addisen Lehman, Ethan Porter, Jarod Traxler, Cayman Williamson FRESHMEN: Jonnothan Coker, Payleigh Dickess, Maddilan Doster, Kole Elston, Lexy Hicks, Emily Laker, Danica Lehman, Alexis Otto, Kage Slattery EIGHTH GRADE: Taylor Hogans, Kaira Jones, Jason McKay, Alyssa Phillips, Case Trabel SEVENTH GRADE: Liam Bryant, Elliana Burtnett, Ad-dison Friend, Bralyan Angel, Caleb Keeler, Allison Miller, Emerson Morrow, Lorelai Mylek, Cate Rohrs, Maddox Snyder

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, Plaintiff, vs. LISA ROSS aka LISA CAPERTON ET.AL. DEFENDANTS,

Case No. Cl-23-112 Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

TO: Lisa Ross aka Lisa Caperton; Unknown Spouse of Lisa Ross aka Lisa Caperton; Gregory Ray Ross, Robert Payton, Unknown Spouse of Robert Payton, Freedom Property Interests, LLC

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: unknown Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against the above Defendants seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Lisa Ross aka Lisa Caperton; Unknown Spouse of Lisa Ross aka Lisa Caperton to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 570 Page 1263 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated as follows:

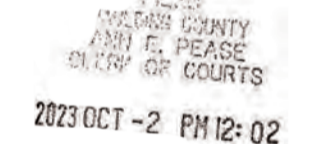
Parcels 1 & 2 Situated in Village of Oakwood, County of Paulding and State of Ohio:

Being Lot Number 12 in Grove Addition to Oakwood, Ohio, less and except 54 feet by parallel lines off the North side. Also 42 feet off the North side of Lot Number 15 in Grove Addition to the Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio.

Auditor's Parcel #10-09S-009-00 / #10-09S-010.00 Property address: 316 N. First Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873

Parcel 3: Being a part of Lot 15, Grove Addition, Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio, and which is more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an iron pin found at the Southeast corner of Lot 16, Grove Addition; thence North 0°25'26" West, (assumed bearing for the purpose of this description) on the East line of



Lots 15 and 16, Sixty-three and fifty hundredths (63.50) feet to an iron pin and cap set and the POINT OF BEGINNING for the parcel herein described;

thence North 88°42'12" West, One hundred thirty-one and eighty-eight hundredths (131.88) feet to an iron pin and cap set on the West line of Lot 15; thence North 0°25'26" West, on the West line of Lot 15, Three and zero hundredths (3.00) feet to a point: thence South 88°42'12" East, One hundred thirty-one and eighty-eight hundredths (131.88) feet to an iron pin found on the East line of Lot 15; thence South 0°25'26" East, on the East line of Lot 15, Three and zero hundredth (3.00) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 0.009 acres, (395.46 sf) of land more or less.

Auditor's Parcel #10-09S-008-01 Property address: N. First Street Oakwood, OH 45873

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

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

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

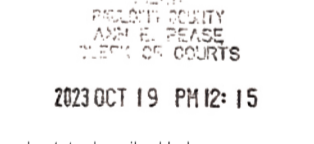
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR LEGACY MORTGAGE ASSET TRUST 2021-GS4 C/O RUSHMORE LOAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. BETH ANN DAVENPORT, AKA, BETH A. CARPER, ET AL. DEFENDANTS,

Case No. Cl-23-072 Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

Defendant(s), Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper And John Doe, Real Name Unknown, the Unknown Spouse, if any of Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper, whose last known address is 5774 SR 500, Payne, OH 45880, Carma J. Doctor, whose last known address is 5774 SR 500, Payne, OH 45880 And John Doe and/or Jane Doe, Real Names Unknown, The Unknown Heirs, Devises, Legatees, Administrators, Executors and Assigns of Carma J. Doctor, Deceased, whose Identities and Addresses) Unknown, will take notice that on August 15, 2023, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2021-GS4, C/O Rushmore Loan Management Services, LLC, filed its Amended Complaint in Case Number Cl 23 072, Paulding County, Ohio, alleging that the defendant(s), Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper, John Doe, Real Name Unknown, the Unknown Spouse, if any of Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper, Carma J. Doctor And John Doe and/or Jane Doe, Real Names Unknown, The Unknown Heirs, Devises, Legatees, Administrators, Executors and Assigns of Carma J. Doctor, Deceased, have or claim to have an interest in the



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real estate described below:

Premises commonly known as: 5774 SR 500, Payne, OH 45880 Parcel No.: 17-35B-012-00 & 17-35B-013-00

The Plaintiff further alleges that by reason of default in the payment of the promissory note, according to its tenor, the conditions of a concurrent mortgage deed given to secure the payment of said note and conveying the premises described, have been broken and the same has become absolute.

The Plaintiff demands that the defendants named above be required to answer and set up their interest in said real estate or be forever barred from asserting the same, for foreclosure of said mortgage, the marshaling of any liens, and the sale of said real estate, and the proceeds of said sale applied to the payment of Plaintiffs claim in the proper order of its priority and for such other and further relief as is just and equitable.

The defendants named above are required to answer on or before 11th day of December, 2023:

Publication Dates are as follows: October 30, 2023; November 6, 2023; November 13, 2023.

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2021-GS4, C/O Rushmore Loan Management Services, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper, John Doe, Real Name Unknown, the Unknown Spouse, if any of Beth Ann Davenport, aka, Beth A. Carper, Carma J. Doctor And John Doe and/or Jane Doe, Real Names Unknown, The Unknown Heirs, Devises, Legatees, Administrators, Executors and Assigns of Carma J. Doctor, Deceased, have or claim to have an interest in the

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes: LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff, vs. ROBERT P. ADKINS, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. Cl 23 099

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

308 East Plum Street, Cecil Parcel Number: 15-08S-014-02; 15-08S-014-01; 15-09S-019-00

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

The opening bid is Seventy-four Hundred Eighty-five and 98/100 (\$7,485.98) Dollars, sufficient to cover pro-rated taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel on Thursday, November 30, 2023 by on-line bidding at:

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

If this parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale on-line, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale on December 7, 2023 for the same minimum bid.

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

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

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

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

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



# RAZO SPEAKS AT KIWANIS



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Carol Razo (Fiscal Officer of Crane Township) as the guest speaker at the October 26, 2023, club meeting. Carol came at the in-

itation of Joe Burkard (Paulding County Prosecutor). Carol spoke to the Kiwanians about the upcoming Bicentennial Celebration for Crane Township which is being planned for 2025.

## WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY 1<sup>st</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2023-24

No honor roll for grades K-2

### THIRD GRADE:

All A's: Elise Steffen, Maylee Stoller

All A's & B's: Jerica Gonzales, Aubree Phlipot, Henry Childs, Norah Mawer, Jack Myers, Nellie McMillan, Luna Schmidt, Allie Wilcox, Megan McKinney

### FOURTH GRADE:

All A's: Raylynn Gerardot, Adalyn Litzenberg, Hannah Mawer, Brynlee Stoller, Callen Stoller

All A's & B's: Pieper Mansfield, Boston McGarvey, Lydia Shepherd, Piper Mills, Dylaine Carr, Demiriana Goings, Evander Neff, River Rittenhouse, Wade Stoller, Bryleigh Wieland

### FIFTH GRADE:

All A's: Zander Lelonek

All A's & B's: Kaylee Miller, Gabe DeWaard, Nuria Valdez, Catherine Seibert, Luke Shepherd

All B's: Londyn Dargenson

### SIXTH GRADE:

All A's: Olivander McCague, Megan Parker,

Krandon Crites, Mailey Stoller, Laina Matthews  
All A's & B's: Hudsyn Burkley, Ryleigh McGarvey, Scarlett Neff, Elizabeth Holbrook, Aubree Lamb, Audrey Reuille, Lienna Stoller, Avery Welch  
All B's: Chaz Moore

## PAULDING ELEMENTARY 1<sup>st</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2023-24

\*Denotes all "A's"

### GRADE 3

Mrs. **Doster:** Emma Steingass, Caydius Dobbelaere, Miracle Eutsler, Abby Leal

Mrs. **Buss:** Elizabeth Cortes Becerra, Kolby Ringler

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Mrs. **Agler:** \*Nora Gochenour, \*Jacob Shaffe, Mallory Coressel, Evelyn Dangler, Harlow Kipfer, Noah Miller, Libby Sprow

### GRADE 4:

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Stoller, Zoey Watson

Mr. **Harder:** \*Kendra Manz, \*Rebeka Mericle, \*Sage Paputsakis-Mead, \*Venecia Rodriguez Reyes, \*Nolan Rosalez, \*Ella Spangler, Logan Dasher, Leigha Hahn, Daniel Heymann, Hadlyn Hunt, Alexis Kennedy, Carson May, Milo Workman

Mrs. **Tressler:** \*Carter Crossland, \*Sienna Harris, \*Caroline Miller, \*Rya Wirts, Troy Dunbar, Isabella Gonzales, Erick Hernandez Palacios, Bayne Kauser, Reese Lero, Avery Parrett, Jeremiah Sajuan, Bristyl Stoller, Landen White

### GRADE 5:

Mrs. **Arellano:** \*Blaze Bassler, \*Jaxson Lindsey, \*Alexandria Manz, \*Zoey Manz, \*Raegen Nicelley, \*Jack Roddy, \*Devin Scott, \*Kinley Sunday, Chandler Fitch, Dasha Lopez Santiago, Tyler Manz, Brantley Myles, Jack Pennington, Iridessa Reyes, Perla Reyes, Kolten Ringler, Abel Worman

Mrs. **Stoller:** \*Alanna Bassler, \*Mia Cameron, \*Averie Kline, \*Kinsley Pease, \*Melissa Ramirez-Cortes, \*Trenit Valle, Mallory Elder, Joey Griffith, Aubrea Grimes, Julia Hull, Carlos Lechuga, Noah Martinez, Daryus Mitchell, Lexi Sunderman, Hunter Walz

Mrs. **Richards:** \*Teagan Bland, \*Chad Gonzales, \*Margaux Luty, \*Cierra Smith, \*Landyn-Michael Watson, \*Reagan Wilson, Kyra Aldred, Logan Apkarian, Hunter Bullinger, Julio Cortes Becerra, Eva Densmore, Harmony Finch, Kale Mead, Jocelyn Molina, William Repka, Elliana Wiswell

## VANTAGE OCTOBER SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HELD

The Vantage Board of Education held their October Special Board meeting on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 in the District Conference Room.

Treasurer Laura Peters welcomed the following guest to the meeting: Mercer County Educational Service Center Treasurer Kurt Wendel.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), the Board President hereby requests that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering personnel matters of the school district.

Adjournment at the call of the President and at the pleasure of the Vantage Career Center Board of Education.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, October 5, 2023 Board of Education Meeting at 8:00 p.m. in District Conference Room, Regular Board Meeting.

## HICKSVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 10/16/23

Hicksville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, October 16. All members were in attendance except Charles Martin. Previous minutes and bills to be paid were accepted.

Mayor Ron Jones introduced special guest, Rachel Hammersmith, who has been recommended by the Personnel Committee to become the Village's Solicitor in January. She introduced herself and answered a few questions from Council members. She will succeed retiring Solicitor Troy Essex who has served as solicitor for over 10 years. He will be taking over as Defiance Municipal Court judge on January 1.

A notice of public hearing for the Board of Zoning Appeals was announced for October 18 to consider a request by Bruce Guilford for a sign variance.

A report was given on the recent CRA (Community Reinvestment Area) board meeting. Two applications were accepted.

Councilman Eric Bassett reported the Finance Committee was scheduled to meet on October 23 and 24 to discuss the 2024 budget.

Village Administrator Cory Wann updated Council on water tower and wellfield projects. He announced the early leaf pickup schedule seems to be working well. He also asked for Council's approval to dismantle a Village owned building on Defiance Avenue near the Hicks Street viaduct. Council approved.

Solicitor Essex presented the second reading, by caption only, for Resolution 2023-25, to enter into a contract with Hohenbrink Excavating LLC for the water main replacement project at Cornelia and Rock Street and declaring an emergency.

Police, Fire and Rescue and Park Department heads had no special reports for the month.

Fiscal Officer Cheryl Smith presented several reports to Council. She advised that employee flu shots are available at the Hicksville Pharmacy. Council approved. Mayor Jones reminded citizens that

the October 28 Village wide Trick or Treat will be held from 4-6 pm.

Council adjourned. The next regular Council session will be Monday, November 6 at 6 pm in Council chambers.

## ODOT ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Defiance, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert Counties next week. All outlined work is weather permitting.

### DEFIANCE COUNTY: U.S. 127 PROJECTS

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

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

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

• Southbound truck route: SR 15 to U.S. 24, back to U.S. 127.

• Northbound truck route: SR 249 to SR 15, back to U.S. 127).

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

U.S. 127 between the village of Sherwood and the Williams County line will be restricted to one lane with temporary traffic signals for drainage work.

### PAULDING COUNTY:

State Route 49 between Buffalo Street and Canal Street in the village of Antwerp will close Monday, Nov. 6 for five days for storm sewer installation.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: U.S. 24 to U.S. 127 to County Road 424, back to SR 49.

### PUTNAM COUNTY:

State Route 108 just south of the village of Miller City will close on Monday, Oct. 16, for approximately four weeks, for slope repairs along the Miller City Cut-off.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: SR 18 to SR 109 to SR 613, back to SR 108.

### VAN WERT COUNTY:

Van Wert County will not have any work anticipated to impact traffic.

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## PARKVIEW HEALTH NAMED TO NEWSWEEK'S LIST OF TOP 100 MOST LOVED WORKPLACES FOR 2023

Parkview Health was named to Newsweek's list of Top 100 Most Loved Workplaces for 2023, being recognized for its outstanding employee sentiment and satisfaction.

Parkview is the only workplace in Indiana to make the national recognition list for 2023. This is the first time Parkview has made Newsweek's highly selective and competitive listing.

The 2023 Top 100 Most Loved Workplaces® are the result of a collaboration with the Best Practice Institute (BPI), a leadership development and benchmark re-

search company. BPI previously recognized Parkview on its own Most Loved Workplaces list in July.

Results for this year's list were determined after surveying more than 2 million employees from businesses with workforces varying in size from 50 to more than 100,000 co-workers. The list recognizes companies that have created a workplace where co-workers feel respected, inspired and appreciated, and are at the center of the business model.

"Once again, we're humbled to be recognized as one of the nation's Most Loved Workplaces," said Rick Henvey, CEO, Parkview Health. "At Parkview, we've built a culture of excellence to ensure our co-workers are well supported and able to grow, allowing them to provide the best quality care to the patients they treat and the families they serve. As we continue to seek out new talent to join our team, awards like Newsweek's Most Loved Workplaces help prove that Parkview is a place where they can thrive."

"Our obsession with creating the best workplace culture has led to incredible recognitions, such as this one from Newsweek," said Dena Jacquay, chief administrative officer, Parkview Health. "We have immense pride in the work of our more than 15,000 co-workers who focus every day on delivering excellence. Those highly engaged co-workers go on to produce high-quality care for our patients in northeast Indiana and northwest Ohio."

The largest employer in the region, Parkview Health regularly solicits feedback from its co-workers about their job satisfaction, loyalty and engagement. This year, Parkview launched its first-ever companywide culture survey to continue gathering insight and better support co-workers with the tools needed to succeed in their daily activities, growth and development. The survey indicated that more than 90% of co-workers agreed they were proud to work for Parkview.

A few Parkview co-workers recently shared their praise: "I really enjoy my job at Parkview," said Kristy Scheer, coding specialist, Parkview Physicians Group. "I've never been treated better through all my years of working. I'm proud to tell people that I work for Parkview, and how they continually care for their

employees. I feel valued and like I am a real part of the team."

"I am so thankful to work at a place like Parkview," said Jill Hitzeman, RN, Endoscopy, Parkview Regional Medical Center. "I can't say thank you enough for all the things they do for their teams. I am Parkview Proud!"

Parkview has been frequently recognized as both a great place for its co-workers as well as a top pick for patients. This year alone, Parkview has been recognized among the Best & Brightest In Wellness by the National Association for Business Resources, was selected as the top medium-sized healthcare system for patient excellence by NRC Health, and was recently ranked among the top 10 in Indiana on Forbes' Best-in-State Employers list.

Newsweek's analysis is based on how well companies demonstrate the areas within the SPARK Model as defined by BPI. SPARK stands for Systemic collaboration, Positive vision of the future, Alignment of values, Respect and Killer achievement. Employee sentiments and emotions indicating how engaged employees are, how positive they feel about their workplace, and how committed they are to the organization's success were analyzed to identify the Top 100 Most Loved Workplaces.

To identify the top 100 companies for the Newsweek ranking, companies were evaluated and scored based on employee survey responses, analysis of external public ratings from sites such as Comparably, Careerbliss, Glassdoor, Indeed and Google, and interviews with and written responses from company officials. Newsweek then conducted additional research into every company on the list, as well as the top runners up, to determine the final list of 100 companies and their ranking.

"Fully understanding and acting upon employee sentiment, emotion and recommendations continues to be a challenge and top priority of executive leadership," said Louis Carter, CEO of Best Practice Institute. "The companies on this list have committed to listening carefully to their employees to create a workplace employees love."

For the full Newsweek list of 2023's Most Loved Workplaces, please visit: <https://www.newsweek.com/rankings/most-loved-workplaces-america-2023>

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# THE ROARING 20'S



Warren G. Harding & his wife, Florence, "Flo".

The only decade that has been named, and yes, they were roaring. A time of prosperity for America. A time of jubilation. The war to end all wars was over, and now we were looking forward to a time of peace.

A time when cars were just coming into vogue, and we could go places we had never dreamed of before. We could cross the entire continent and come back if we wished. Henry Ford's dreams of a car that everyone could afford, if you had 700 bucks. A great time to be alive.

In 1920 a president took office that was quite popular, Warren G Harding, and it seemed everyone liked him. He had a devoted wife, and a young daughter. His wife was his secretary, or you might say his business partner. She played a role in nearly everything he did. She had been the operations manager of the prosperous newspaper which he owned, and she also played a big part in helping him get elected. He was somewhat of a playboy and she was the serious one.

That year the 19th amendment went into effect, so it was the first year that women were allowed to vote for president. Florence campaigned heavily trying to convince women to vote for her husband. He was elected by a wide margin and things were going great until a problem started to surface. He was a ladie's man, a womanizer. He could make Bill look like a Sunday school boy. (By the way where is Bill?) Flo was just beginning to realize that. He even picked some of her friends to have an affair with. His most famous affair was with Nan Britton. Flo became jealous and cautious.

Flo was 5 years older than Warren. She had had her

problems in life. She was born into a rich family, but her parents didn't approve of her boyfriend. They eloped and Henry DeWolfe turned out to be a bum and an alcoholic. Her parents disowned her, although she made every effort to reconcile with them. She became destitute and gave her son to them to raise.

She began hanging out at a roller skating rink, where she met Warren. He was 5 years her junior. Warren had a prosperous newspaper business, and was running for US senator. Flo stepped in and took over the job of running the newspaper, where she excelled. Flo was always by Warren's side, and took an active interest in everything he did. Warren called her "The Boss," and she called him, "Sonny."

She was the first, first lady to take an active role in guiding the country. She campaigned heavily for women's rights, and was an advocate for soldiers wounded in WWI. She hosted parties for veterans and was quite active socially. She was not an attractive lady but she was a stylish dresser, and made her presence known. She opened the White House grounds to the public and called it "The People's House." She suffered her entire life from a kidney disease and would be in bed for weeks at a time.

In 1923 Warren scheduled a long trip, to the West Coast, then down to Panama, and back to Washington. He died August 2, of that year in San Francisco. There was much talk that Flo might have poisoned him, but that rumor was never substantiated. She succumbed to the disease she had suffered with the next year. They are both buried in their hometown, Marion, Ohio.

Again I don't remember studying the Roaring Twenties in School. That must have been an interesting time to have been alive. When I think of that era I think of dancing the Foxtrot, listening to the big band sound, and a time when our country was strong. Today the world is again at war, and good times seem to have passed us by.

—James Neuhouser

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#### UPDATED MANURE VALUE

Manure is a valuable commodity to farmers for its fertilizer value and it beneficial role in feeding soil microbes and plants. As fertilizer prices have moderated, the value of manure has declined slightly, but its still a good product for the soil if put on thin with live plants (cover crops) to recycle it quickly. Manured fields on average have a yield increase of 4.4%. That adds value to any farm. To get the best results from manure applications, follow these recommendations

Manure should always be tested because nutrients values vary. Take a manure sample close to the date of application to get accurate results. Soil testing is also recommended to avoid over application. Pre-side dress nitrogen tests (PSNT) are commonly taken in the spring or early summer but take these tests close to manure application date. Weather, moisture, soil temperature, and overall soil microbial activity changes PSNT values tremendously.

To protect water quality, apply manure based on the phosphorus (P) plant needs to avoid over application of N. Target fields first with the lowest soil P, then the lowest K, then the lowest N based on soil test. Applying manure nutrients to fields that have high soil test values reduces the value of manure since those extra nutrients do not increase crop yields immediately. Applying manure at the

lower P-rate means you may have to supplement your fields with additional commercial N fertilizer but it's safer for the environment and utilizes your manure more efficiently.

The nitrogen (N) value of manure is usually the most difficult to determine due to expected storage and application losses. Solid or semi-solid N manure losses can be 20-40% in manure pack, 25-50% in deep pit poultry manure, and 25-50% in litter, 40-55% in open lots and 40-55% in open lots. In liquid systems, pits under floors can have N losses of 15-30%, 10-30% in above ground tanks, 20-40% in holding ponds, and 70-85% in lagoons. In manure, only about 50% of the N may be available the first year, while generally 80-90% of phosphorus (P) and potassium (K) are available immediately. Source: Ohio Livestock Management Guide, Bulletin 604.

Valuing manure is based on the commercial value of N-P-K and any micronutrients. For simple analysis, current commercial fertilizer for actual N is around \$0.40 to \$0.60 (assume \$0.50), actual P is \$0.57 and actual K is \$.42, all per pound. For poultry manure with 52# N, 72# P and 38# K per ton of solid manure, the maximum value for these three nutrients is \$83 per ton. However, N losses can be quite high so usually the manure value of N is reduced by 50-75% reducing the value of poultry manure to \$64-\$70 plus there are

higher costs for applying manure. The price paid for manure is challenging and is usually negotiable. Depends upon who is hauling it, who is applying it, and how it is applied.

For dairy manure, pen pack values might be 7# N, 5.5# P, and 5# K depending on the amount of bedding resulting in a maximum value of \$8.60 per ton. Again, the amount of bedding and moisture content varies. Liquid dairy manure from a holding pond might have an analysis of 19# N, 14# P, and 14.4# K per 1000 gallons with a maximum value of \$22.50 per 1000 gallons. Adjustments for N losses in storage, handling, and application losses and application costs reduces the manure value.

Similar analysis can be done for hog manure with pen pack values around 6.6# N, 6# P, and 5# K depending with a maximum value of \$8.80 per ton. Liquid hog manure from a holding pond might have an analysis of 18# N, 16# P, and 13# K per 1000 gallons with a maximum value of \$23.60 without making any other adjustments (storage, handling, application) for manure value. Manure values were obtained from OSU Bulletin 604.

1	3	6	4	7	5	9	8	2
5	9	4	3	2	8	7	1	6
7	2	8	6	9	1	5	3	4
8	6	5	1	4	3	2	7	9
2	4	9	7	8	6	1	5	3
3	1	7	9	5	2	4	6	8
9	7	1	8	3	4	6	2	5
4	5	3	2	6	7	8	9	1
6	8	2	5	1	9	3	4	7

Sudoku solution from page 9

For corn production, corn removes about .37# P and .27# K per bushel. Based on a P-rate, a 200-bushel corn crop removes 74# P and 54# K. To replace the P with pen pack dairy manure (P=5.1#, K=5.2#) requires 14.5 ton but also supplies 75# K. Assuming 50% plant use of N in the manure, the dairy manure supplies about 50# N. On liquid dairy manure, 5,300 gallons of dairy manure supply the P needs but also add 76# K and about 47.7# N, based on 50% N loss. Manure is a valuable resource as a fertilizer but as you can see, putting a value on it can be difficult depending on many factors and assumptions.

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# ANNUAL JPHS 'FESTIVAL OF TREES' OPENS NOV. 3



Festival of Trees visitors will be greeted with a display inspired by How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Most of these Grinch items are up for bid in the historical society's silent auction.

"A Story Book Christmas" is the theme for this year's Festival of Trees at John Paulding Historical Society in Paulding. Books, Christmas tales, beloved characters and picture-perfect holidays have inspired decorators throughout the museum buildings. The dates will be Friday, November 3 through Saturday, November 11.

Admission and parking are free. Donations are greatly appreciated.

The festival will be open daily throughout the entire nine days. Explore nearly

25,000 square feet of holiday trees, displays and decorations in three buildings. More than 80 unique trees, decorated by local individuals, families, organizations and businesses, are waiting to delight visitors.

Don't miss the adjacent Barn 1 and Barn 2, which are filled with lights, animated figures, nativity scenes, inflatable characters and model train layouts.

The festival committee has been hard at work planning and preparing for the museum's largest event and fundraiser of the year. The

trees and decorations came out of storage on Sept. 26, thanks to Paulding FFA students and museum volunteers. It takes six weeks to get everything ready to open the doors to around 1,500 visitors.

Meals and special activities are planned for almost every day. All meals are by free-will donation.

The festival officially begins Friday, November 3. Hours will be 4:00-8:00 p.m. The Paulding County Senior Center is providing a baked ziti pasta dinner from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Live music in the evening will be provided by pianist Nancy Whitaker, and also by We 3 Teens from 6:30-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 4, is Kids' Day. Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. From 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., museum volunteers will serve a lunch featuring soups, hamburgers and hot dogs. Watch the classic "A Charlie Brown Christmas" at 1:00 p.m. For supper, a baked potato bar will be open from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 5, kicks off with a brunch from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Chris Bercaw will make balloons for the kids throughout the afternoon. As a special treat, the Antwerp Community Band performs at 2:00 p.m. The festival will be open until 4:00 p.m.

Monday, November 6, hours will be 4:00-8:00 p.m. See the movie "A Christmas Story" at 6:00 p.m. to find out whether Ralphie gets the Red Ryder BB gun he asks Santa for.

Tuesday, November 7, is Senior Day. Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Seniors from local nursing homes have been invited to lunch at the museum. At 4:00 p.m., Kirk from Paulding County Carnegie Library will visit for a storytime for kids of all ages. Limited space is available for craft night with Lori Sponseller at 5:30 p.m. Reserve your seat by November 4 by contacting her at 419-786-2028.

Wednesday, November 8, the museum will be open 4:00-8:00 p.m. Stop in for storytime with Kirk at 4:00 p.m. The popular St. Paul Lutheran Bell Choir performs at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 9, hours will be 4:00-8:00 p.m. Storytime will begin at 4:00 p.m. A craft night with Margaret Phlipot begins at 6:00 p.m. A few seats are still available. Contact Margaret by Nov. 1 at 419-399-7617.

Friday, November 10, the festival is open from 4:00-8:00

# BLACK SWAMP NATURE CENTER IS NOW HOME TO A BEAUTIFUL PAVILION



**By: Erica Noggle**  
Paulding, Ohio - On Wednesday, October 26th, 2023, the Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce marked a special moment at the Black Swamp Nature Center by hosting the ribbon cutting of the new Pavilion!

"We are thrilled to announce that our new pavilion is now open to visitors," says Anna Gurney, Educational Specialist, Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District. "This project has been a labor of love, and we are grateful to everyone who has contributed to its suc-

cess."

The ODNR NatureWorks grant was awarded in November of 2021 for Black Swamp Nature Center improvements. The amount awarded was \$40,726. Those funds were used for updates to the interior of the Nature Center Building in 2022 and the pavilion was built in 2023. To complete the pavilion, additional funds were needed. Many donations were received from the community including those from the Paulding County Area Foundation, Cooper Farms Foundation, Paulding Put-

nam Operation Round Up, and Ag Credit Mission Funds allowing for the completion of the project.

The beautiful pavilion is custom designed for the site allowing it to fit perfectly into the natural setting. It is open to the public during daylight hours and is first come, first served. We are proud to have it as an improvement to the Black Swamp Nature Preserve. Come enjoy the Pavilion's serene surroundings, a perfect spot for gatherings, picnics, and appreciating the beauty of nature.

p.m. Enjoy the Heavenly Dessert Bar from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The Divine Mercy Adult and Children's choirs perform at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 11, is the final day of the festival. Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. For just "a little bit more" holiday spirit, watch "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" at 10:30 a.m. St. Paul Lutheran Church serves lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The winners of our sixth grade Christmas essay contest will read their entries at noon. This will be the last chance to bid on the silent auction or enter the annual OSU raffle. At 2:00 p.m., auction bids close and the raffle winner will be drawn.

The historical society is collecting nonperishable food items for the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry.

The always-popular OSU Raffle sponsored by the Weidenhamer/Borkosky families is a chance to win a collection of Ohio State University merchandise and memorabilia. Raffle tickets may be purchased throughout the festival.

Another continuing feature is the Memory Tree. Remember loved ones by adding their names to the tree, located near the dining room.

Place a bid one one of the exciting items in the silent auction. Last year, 80 items went to the highest bidders. This year, some of the offerings include toys, holiday decor, a variety of gift baskets, quilts, OSU items and Grinch items.

Visitors have the chance to vote for their favorite tree. Look for the jar under each tree and "vote" with coins, dollars or even checks. The tree that collects the most money wins a prize. A prize also will be awarded for the tree that best follows this year's theme.

Children can take part in the fun Mouse Hunt. A photo booth location is available for taking for family photos. Browse the museum's Country Store for some unique gift ideas.

Those who attend the festival will have the opportunity to sign 1,000 Christmas cards for U.S. servicemen and women. After the festival, the cards will be boxed up and mailed to a distribution point, with Paulding VFW paying for postage. Look for the many military and patriotic themed trees on display at the museum.

The John Paulding Historical Society volunteers hope to see everyone in November.

For any questions, call the museum at 419-399-8218 on Tuesdays, leave a message at 419-399-3667, email jphs45879@yahoo.com.

The festival schedule may be subject to change. Watch for more details and updates on the museum's Facebook page facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

## ANTWERP GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTS ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR "THE JOY OF CRAFTING"

Fall is such an exciting time of the year. It is a time of getting back into the activities of life after the "fun and leisure" of summer. God gives us such a beautiful backdrop of colors and change of weather. The kids are back in school. And as parents, we are running in circles trying to get everyone where they need to be, along with all the other issues that life presents.

Our creative juices begin to stir and we start thinking of all the wonderful festivals and craft shows that happen. Many of us start making things and stocking up so we can participate in these shows. It is a time of anticipation and renewing friendships, good food and some amazing purchases and gifts.

At Antwerp Global Methodist Church we are so blessed to be able to bring all this to you at "The Joy of Crafting" annual fall bazaar. Many local craft vendors and artisans from all around the area will be joining us.

Throughout the day homemade pies, soups, sandwiches and other yummy food will be served.

So, if you are looking for fun and fantastic fellowship, along with a jump on your holiday shopping, Antwerp Global Methodist Church invites you to join us at 202 E. River Street, Antwerp, OH from 9am to 3pm, Saturday, November 25th, 2023 for "The Joy of Crafting" Fall Bazaar.

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