



DEJA BREW BY CASSY RIBBON CUTTING



On Monday morning, the Paulding Chamber held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony for Cassy Kushner, the new proprietor of Deja Brew by Cassy, mobile coffee truck. Cassy Kashner is shown above cutting the Paulding Area Chamber of Commerce Ceremonial Grand Opening Ribbon for Deja Brew by Cassy. Check out her Facebook page - Deja Brew by Cassy - for her weekly schedule. *Photo by Nicole Morehead Photography.*

MUSEUM UNVEILS NAME CHANGE, LOGO



John Paulding Historical Society in Paulding has announced it is changing its name to Paulding County History Museum.

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The State of Ohio granted the trademark or “doing business as” name this spring.

For legal purposes, the name John Paulding Historical Society Inc. will be retained, as it was the name under which the organization incorporated in 1977.

Why the change? “The new name reinforces our identity as being located in Paulding County,” said museum president Melinda Krick.

Hopefully it will eliminate confusion over the association with John Paulding, the Revolutionary War hero for whom the county was named. “He died in New York two years before our county was organized – he never set foot in Ohio, he never owned land here and he didn’t donate any land here,” Krick said.

Also, museum volunteers hope the new name better conveys the organization’s purpose. While “society” can imply a social group or club, the museum is an important

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EHD IN DEER POPULATION: THORN BOTTOM HUNTING PRESERVE HOSTS ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH DNR, LOCAL FARMERS & HUNTERS



Pictured above addressing the attendees questions about EHD in Northwest Ohio is ODNR division of Wildlife manager Todd Haines (left) and District 2 Wildlife Officer Levi Farley (far right).

On October 9, Brad Dysinger of Thorn Bottom Hunting Preserve near Grover Hill, OH hosted a discussion concerning the EHD disease that is affecting the deer population around the area including Defiance and Paulding Counties. EHD, EPIZOOTIC HEMORRHAGIC DISEASE is a virus that causes deer deaths sometimes within 48 hours of transmission. Transmission is by way of the bite of an infected midge (a type of fly) sometimes known as nose-ums.

Todd Haines, a manager for Ohio Department of Wildlife, along with District Manager Scott Butterworth of Findlay, and ODNR State Wildlife Officer for District 2, Levi Farley, led an informative discussion, including

a question and answer time, about EHD and the current deer population and subsequent decline due to the surge in disease instances in the county and surrounding area. Haines explained the symptoms of EHD — they vary and usually develop about seven days after exposure, deer appear disoriented and show little or no fear of humans, animals may appear feverish, pronounced swelling of head, neck, tongue and eyelids, and may have respiratory distress. With the coming of the autumn season and the first frost approaching, should kill off these midges and in turn end the disease outbreak in the deer population. EHD is one of the most common diseases of white-tailed deer in the USA. There is no

treatment for this disease, and is only found in deer.

Attendees asked many questions as Haines was explaining more about the uptick in the disease this season. There are several concerns that area residents have with the dead animals lying in ditches, fields and rivers, creeks, and ponds in the area.

According to the Dept. of Wildlife’s website EHD information page, townships in Paulding County have reported more than 50 dead deer from EHD infections this season (numbers updated October 8, 2024). Hundreds of dead deer between Paulding and Defiance counties have now been reported. Addressing attendees’ voiced concerns about

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

October 16

- WBESC board meeting @ ESC Conf Rm, Paulding, 5:30p
- DPLS Finance Committee meeting @ Def. Library, 4pm
- DPLS Personnel Committee meeting @ Def. Library, 5pm

October 17-18

- Fall Bake & Rummage Sale @ Martini Luth. Church NH, 8a-2p (Th) & 8a-12p (Fri)

October 18

- Last day of Nut Sale @ PCH Gift Shop

October 19

- Flat Rock Creek clean up @ CR 87 to Black Swamp Nature Center, 9am
- Halloween VR Extravaganza @ACPL Georgetown, 11am

October 21

- Business Pumpkin Contest, Woodburn, voting thru 10/25

October 22

- NOCAC Housing Workshop @ Paulding Library, 5:30pm

October 26

- Women's Retreat @ 1st Pres Ch, Paulding 9a-1:30p
- Halloween VR Extravaganza @ACPL Main, 12pm
- Paranormal Presentation @ ACPL Main, 3pm

October 28

- Fall Fest @ Johnson Mem Library, Hicksville, 4-6pm



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Flat Rock Creek / Maumee River Clean Up Project

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Flat Rock Creek

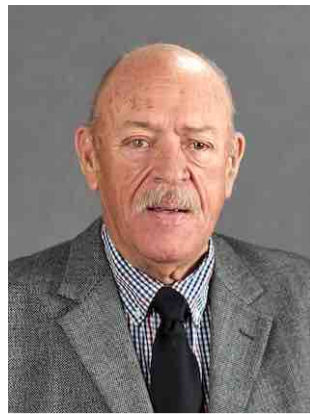
Date: Oct. 19th / Rain Date: Oct. 20th

@ 11:00 AM (meet @ Black Swamp Nature Center)

CR 107 to Black Swamp Nature Center (2.8 Miles)



OBITUARIES



PAYNE, OH:
Michael A. Winans, age 72, passed away on Monday, October 7, 2024 at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne, IN.

Michael was born on October 5, 1952 in Fort Wayne, IN to the late Allen W. and Jean C. (Miller) Winans. On February 9, 1973, he married Jeanne Meeke, who survives. Earlier in his career, Michael was a self employed farmer and then was the owner/operator of Anchor Propane. He was a member of the Flat Rock Masonic Lodge and the Wayne Trace Athletic Boosters. Michael served as President of the Paulding County Hospital Board, where he was currently serving his second term. He enjoyed following his grandchildren's many activities. He was an avid Richard Petty, Ohio State Buckeyes, Wayne Trace Raiders, and Snider Panthers fan. He loved spending time at Big Turkey Lake.

Along with his loving wife, Jeanne, Michael is survived by his children: Benjamin (Natalie) Winans, Payne, OH; Amanda (Caleb) Conley, Fort Wayne, IN; sisters: Susan (Jay) Castleman, Fort Wayne, IN; Sara Winans, Payne, OH; four grandchildren: Cale Winans, Boston Conley, Caroline Winans, and Careen Winans.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at Den Herder Funeral Home with Pastor Bud Larimore officiating. Burial will follow in Lehman Cemetery, Benton Township, OH.

Visitation will be from 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M. until time of services on Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be made in Michael's memory to Youth For Christ or Lifewise.

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



GROVER HILL, OH:
Linda Sue Miller, age 75, passed away on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 peacefully in her Ohio home surrounded by her loving family.

Linda was born on January 5, 1949 in Holden, WV to the late Ernest and Lola (Workman) Farris. On November 4, 1967 she married the love of her life, Keith Miller, who survives. Linda worked for Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative for 39 years in various positions. She enjoyed watching her grandkids do what they loved and was always their #1 fan. Linda was an Ohio State Buckeyes fan and loved watching them play. For the last 14 years, Linda and Keith spent their winters at their Florida home, which brought Linda much joy.

Along with her loving husband, Keith, Linda is survived by her son, Scott (Gina Geise) Miller, Grover Hill, OH; daughter, Rhonda (Stan Mansfield) Lee, Grover Hill, OH; brothers, Clifford (Kay) Farris, Harts, WV; Cledith (Rita) Farris, Grover Hill, OH; Ernest (Linda) Farris, Jr., Payne, OH; grandchildren: Dalton Lee, Bradley Lee, Cole Miller, Karson Miller, and Makenna Miller.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, October 14, 2024 at Den Herder Funeral Home with Pastor Jeff Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Middle Creek Cemetery, Washington Township.

Visitation will be from 3:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. on Sunday, October 13, 2024 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M. until time of services on Monday.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made in Linda's memory to Community Health Professionals Hospice.

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

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carcasses being in the waterways, Haines stated that they have been in contact with the local and state health departments to discuss the ramifications of having decomposing animal carcasses in the waterways. Thermal surveys over various wildlife areas is one way that Dept of Wildlife keep tabs of the death toll.

ODNR plans to continue with deer hunting season as planned for the 2024-25 season with developments being observed, heard and documented. They will be listening to comments and concerns and keeping the EHD data updated throughout this season. Haines wanted to assure everyone that their statements and concerns were being heard. He also encourages everyone to comment on proposals in the Spring through the website.

Officer Farley, commented that hunters are conveying their concern to him about the declining deer population and they understanding how to hunt responsibly for this season, may mean not hunting at all for deer. During this meet-

ing, a follow up meeting was offered to have Clint McCoy, ODNR division of Wildlife biologist come to Thorn Bottom and do further explanations of the EHD disease and how the farmers and hunters of the area can help handling the situation.

Upon observation, while driving in the NE Paulding County area, deer can be seen lying near waterways. It does seem to have affected the west side of the Auglaize River more than the east.

To hear more discussion, scan the QR code below to watch the entire meeting on YouTube. Or type in this URL in your favorite browser: <https://youtu.be/mPq3INVRwA>.



To report a deer carcass to ODNR, you can email, wild-info@dnr.ohio.gov, call 1-800-WILDLIFE (800-945-3543), or contact District 2 Wildlife officer, Levi Farley, 419-429-8390.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH IN WOODBURN SCHEDULES MIX MINGLE & JINGLE!

The Christ Lutheran church of Woodburn, IN Basement Ladies will be having their annual Mix Mingle & Jingle on November 9, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be several vendors on hand with homemade items. A lunch will be served, as well as baked goods.

Mark your calendars for November 9th and come out for a seasonal day of Mix, Mingle & Jingle!

ANTWERP GOOD NEWS CLUB RECEIVES DONATION

The staff of the Antwerp Good News Club would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all of those who attended the Community Worship Service on September 15th, prayed for our club, and donated so generously.

We are a division of Child Evangelism Fellowship which has been active in the USA since 1937 and now has over 550,000 volunteers worldwide. Last year alone, over 29 million children were reached with the Gospel message about the saving work of Jesus Christ. Mrs. Joyce Birkhold started the first Good News Club in Antwerp more than 40 years ago, and it is still going strong in Antwerp Schools. We meet after school once each week, average between 60 and 90 students each week, and operate at no cost to the community.

All of our teachers volunteer their time and provide devotional books, bibles, snacks, and prizes for the students at our own expense.

The monies received from the Community Service offering will be used to purchase new curriculum for our club, and we will donate a portion of the funds to our local CEF branch office in Fort Wayne to forward for missionaries in foreign countries. Since we do not conduct any fundraising activities, this gift is especially meaningful to us. We are grateful for you, Antwerp!

Scripture of the Week

“For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.”

— Pslam 62:1-2

SCRIPTURES OF ENCOURAGEMENT DURING THESE TROUBLED TIMES



Psalm 54:4 (KJV)

Behold, God is mine helper: The LORD is with them that uphold my soul.

Jeremiah 20:11 (KJV)

But the LORD is with me as a might terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: their everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.

Lamentations 3:24-25 (KJV)

The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (KJV)

Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the LORD thy God He it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Deuteronomy 31:8 (ESV)

It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.

Joshua 1:9 (KJV)

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Deuteronomy 20:4 (KeV)

For the LORD your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies to save you.

Hebrews 13:6 (ESV)

So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

Deuteronomy 20:1 (KJV)

When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses; and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

Isaiah 41:10-13 (KJV)

Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.

Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

For I, the LORD, thy God, will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

Be encouraged.
 Peace & Love,

—Pastor Dwayne

NEW HAVEN LIONS CLUB MAKE DONATION TO INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER MUSEUM



At the September 23rd meeting, the New Haven Lions Club Pres. Susie Hudson presented the check for \$500.00 to Shawn Norris, director of the International Harvester Museum in New Haven.

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A DISTRESSFUL JOURNEY

Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

I have always been curious about things that took place in history. One interesting thing to me is the many ships that have sunk to the bottom of the oceans.

I always wonder what is or was on those ships, I also think of the people aboard the ships of yesteryear and where they were sailing to.

While reading some older headlines, I became interested in a disastrous ill fated ship expedition which happened in 1847. The trip included 2 ships, 2 captains and 129 men. The story of the tragic trip begins in England.

A prominent man by the name of John Franklin who was an experienced sailor and also a noted author, naval officer and a man who was famous for his expeditions and voyages in search of the north-west passage.

He was born in 1786 in England and had 12 brothers and sisters He signed up for the military at age 14 and had fought in different battles.

Franklin had also made other trips to the Arctic looking for that NW passage. And in 1845 he was asked to lead another expedition. With Franklin's experience what could go wrong?

The disastrous expedition set sail from Greenhithe in England in May 1845 on a voyage to map and transit the Northwest Passage—the long-sought-after waterway through Arctic Canada connecting the Atlantic and the Pacific.

From all reports the ship was sturdy and stocked with enough supplies for 3 years. But after a few months, cold winds and winter set in. Even though there was heat on board, there were reports of the men being bundled in overcoats as temperatures reached a frigid -45 degrees. Brrrrr.

There were cows, chickens and pigs on the ship which was to be consumed by the men on the ship. Also on board was a dog, a cat and a monkey. The monkey was given to Sir Franklin by his wife Lady Ann.

Reports are that the monkey, Jack O was an annoying thief, however, no one wanted him hurt so he was tolerated. Jacko passed away on ship and an autopsy revealed he had

lead poisoning from eating food out of tinned cans.

A few weeks into the excursion, the Franklin Expedition was spotted in Baffin Bay by whalers, never to be seen again.

The story is a sad memory as all the men died and the ships came up missing.

It was in 1847 that the ships tried to sail and eventually got stuck in an ice berg. The poor guys could not get the ship out and supplies were running out.

There are theories and books about the fate of that failed expedition. After a couple years of not hearing from



her husband Miss Ann got a group together to go search for the missing men.

A crew was put together to search for the lost ships and its passengers, but the British only found a few bones and no sign of the ships.

As the men died from scurvy and starvation eventually all were missing or assumed deceased.

It was reported that the guys on board the ships and some who tried to get back to land were so hungry they turned to cannibalism.

It would take 170 years to find the lost ships and some human remains of the lost men. It was in 2014 the two ships were located at the bottom of the ocean in Canada.

There have been books written, movies made and many theories about the ill fated expedition of John Franklin. It makes me cry just thinking about this event.

This is said to be one of the worst disasters in Polar History.

I am sorry to have put such a sad story on everyone, but sometimes we think we have it bad, just remember we all have problems and disasters. May God Bless the ill fated expedition and those who were with him.

Authors note: After some DNA testing on some remains, some family members were located.

Have you ever heard or read about this tragedy? Would you like to read the books? I wonder if the library has any copies? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

EARLIER BREAST CANCER SCREENINGS CAN CATCH MORE CASES, IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR WOMEN



A Hologic Genius 3D mammogram machine is pictured in an exam room at the Parkview Packnett Family Cancer Institute in Fort Wayne. Parkview physicians recommend women begin screening for breast cancer annually starting at age 40.

More and more physicians now agree – women should start screening for breast cancer starting at age 40.

In an effort to catch more cancer cases emerging in younger women, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force announced earlier this year its recommendation that women should get regular mammograms starting at age 40, joining a growing medical community consensus advocating for earlier screening.

And as Breast Cancer Awareness Month moves on through the month of October, local doctors are adding their voices to the chorus and stressing the importance of getting routine mammograms.

Recommendations for when to start looking for breast cancer have been evolving in recent years. In the past, women were advised to start at age 50, but a rising incidence of cases in younger women has caused medical professionals to reevaluate their position, and the suggested screening age has fallen over time. It now is at age 40.

Breast cancer is the second-most common type of cancer in the U.S. after skin cancer, accounting for about 30% of all new cancer cases according to the American Cancer Society. Around 367,000 Americans are expected to be diagnosed with breast cancer this year alone.

Breast cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer death for women, although death rates have been in steady decline for decades due to increased screening, greater awareness and improved treatments.

Like all cancers, early detection is critical to improving outcomes. Five-year survival rates for localized breast cancers – cancer that hasn't spread to other parts of the body – are 99%, according to the American Cancer Society, and early and regular mammograms are more likely to catch a cancerous growth before it spreads throughout the body.

While chemotherapy and radiation treatments are more likely to depend on the type of cancer and tumor, earlier detection of smaller masses can give women more

flexibility in choosing their surgical treatment. Lumpectomies, where surgeons target the abnormal mass but aim to save as much healthy tissue as possible, are not always an option for larger tumors, so early detection can help patients maintain more of their natural breast, Hardley said.

Mammograms take X-ray images of a woman's breasts, allowing for an inside view of the tissue. During the procedure, the breast is held in place with plates while the X-ray is taken. Afterward, a radiologist reviews the images to check for any abnormalities and, if found, recommends follow-up testing.

Brittany Schreiber, lead mammography technologist at the Parkview Packnett Family Cancer Institute mammography department, said getting a screening has become quicker and easier over time. An appointment usually takes about 30 minutes to complete, Schreiber said, and although many patients are concerned about pain during the procedure, better imaging devices have helped to reduce discomfort.

"We do compress the breast and that's the one big fear of a mammogram is that it can be painful," Schreiber said. "Over the years things have gotten a lot better. Mammograms aren't as painful as they used to be because our technology has improved, and we don't need to compress the breast as much."

Women may develop other types of benign growths within their breast tissue such as cysts or fibroadenomas. Regular mammograms can help doctors differentiate between benign or cancerous growths and create a historical record to allow for monitoring of changes over time.

Indiana reported 921 breast cancer deaths in 2022, the latest year of data available through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and it was within the 15 worst states for breast cancer death rate at 20.4 per 100,000.

However, decades of research, new treatments, new technology and increased awareness have greatly improved breast cancer outcomes. Since 1989, the breast cancer death rate has dropped by 42% and the five-year survival rate has improved to 91%, according to the American Cancer Society.

Not only have treatments improved, but prevention has improved too, Yahanda said. The cancer institute hosts a Cancer Risk Reduction and Genetics Clinic where patients with a history of breast cancer can be evaluated and have their risk for cancer assessed. If appropriate, the institute also offers genetic testing to look for markers that might make them more likely to develop cancer.

Parkview offers mammography services through the Breast Diagnostic Centers located near Parkview Regional Medical Center and Parkview Hospital Randallia in Fort Wayne, as well as the new Parkview Southwest Outpatient Center. Patients can also schedule mammograms with the Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography unit at 260-483-1847.

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING OHIO



Clyde Barton Overmyer was born October 12, 1897 in Payne. The son of John Arthur Overmyer, born March 22, 1868 in Brownsville, Licking County, Ohio. And Ida Alice (Barton) Overmyer, born March 25, 1872 in Bluffton, Wells County, Indiana. This couple was married June 27, 1889.

They became the proud parents to Mytle Bloom Overmyer born in 1891. Followed by Orville in 1893, Clyde in 1897, Howard Opal in 1899.

By 1900, this family was living in Jackson, Allen County, Indiana. John was working in a factory. By 1910, the family had added children, Guy Kenneth in 1902, Emmett Gaylord in 1904, Lucille Berniece in 1907. Orcellia was born in 1910 and died later that year and Dewain Elmo in 1914.

The family was living on Laura Street, in Payne, Harrison Township. John was a railroad section foreman. Most of the children were in school.



Oliver Donovan Overmyer

On May 23, 1917, Clyde traveled to Hicksville and joined the National Guard. He served as a private in Company E. 2nd Ohio National Guard. He was listed as 5'8", light hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion, and a laborer by trade. As World War One broke, Clyde was enrolled into

Company F. 145th Infantry, 37th Division. On May 10, 1918, Clyde was promoted to Corporal. On June 15, 1918, Clyde was sent to Hoboken, New Jersey, where he boarded the ship, "Leviathon", and set sail for France.

He served in the Meuse-Argonne and Ypre-Lys defensive sector. He served in the army with excellent character until April 2, 1919. He was honorably discharged April 21, 1919. After returning home, Clyde moved to Ft. Wayne, living on Lafayette Street with his Aunt Pearl and Uncle Jesse and three cousins.

Clyde worked as a baker in a bakery. Clyde met a gal named Mary Ellen Trout. She was born in 1901. On June 20, 1925, this couple married in Hillsdale, Michigan. On March 23, 1923, a daughter, Jacqueline B. Overmyer was born.

On April 28, 1929, Clyde's father, John, passed away. He was buried in Lehman Cemetery. By 1930, Clyde, Mary, Jacqueline and Mary's mother, Edna H. Trout lived at 3717 John Street in Ft. Wayne.



Clyde Barton Overmyer

Clyde worked as a baker.

In 1937, Clyde, Mary and Jacqueline moved to 3117 South Monroe Street in Ft. Wayne. Clyde worked as a production manager for Holsum Bakery in Ft. Wayne. Clyde had been having health issues and on February 25, 1939, was Clyde's last day working on the job. Clyde was taken to Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne, where he was suffering from Coronary Disease and Acute Cardiac Infibulation. He will pass away from Pneumonia March 13, 1939. He will be buried in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Clyde's wife will pass away in 1977 and she will be buried alongside her husband. Their daughter, Jacqueline will marry and will pass away in 1981.

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PAYNE ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Payne Elementary honored the following students for displaying the character word "patience" in the month of October. A drawing was held for eight family Van Wert Cinema passes. Front Row: Demi Boyd, Evalynn Pierce, Addilynn Pierce, Aliyah Gerardot, Beau Strahley, Avery Stalsberg, Emersyn Showalter, Paisley Schabbing, Teresa Monterroso, Maia Lotz, Nimae Danner. Second Row: Aubrey Fairley, Emma Ringler, Jack Myers, Maylee Stoller, Brynlee Stoller, Aryah Loop, Cerenity Seibert, Hannah Mawer, Addilynn Danner, Ella Gonzales.

YEARS AGO IN PAULDING COUNTY



October 1999: The Paulding Chamber of Commerce honored five business and professional leaders at its annual banquet. From left are Ron Eakins, Don Foltz Jr., Stan Searing, John Henry Kauser and Don Schweller.

By: PAULDING COUNTY HISTORY MUSEUM

25 Years Ago

From the Paulding County Progress, Oct. 20, 1999:

Five outstanding business and professional leaders were honored at the Paulding Chamber of Commerce banquet. Ron Eakins of R&B Fabrications in Charloe was named Small Business Person of the Year; Stan Searing, Leadership Award; Don Foltz Jr., Young Entrepreneur Award; Don Schweller of Schweller Electric and John Henry Kauser of Kauser Trucking, Silver Success Award.

Work is quickly progressing on the new county animal control facility. The structure, being built by Tri State Solarcrete, is located next to the existing dog kennel.

Decision time on a new jail facility is fast approaching for county officials, who have just two months to ready a bond issue before the spring primary filing deadline.

The fourth annual Family Life Day was Oct. 9 at the Paulding County Fairgrounds. Many events were scheduled throughout the day that ap-

pealed to the entire family, including a petting zoo, and COSI On Wheels.

Sonny Bashore of Paulding is building a stone frame for the new sign at the John Paulding Historical Museum.

50 Years Ago

From the Antwerp Bee-Argus, Oct. 16, 1974:

The cornerstone will be laid Sunday, Oct. 20, for the new sanctuary of the Antwerp United Methodist Church, presently under construction. The former sanctuary was razed in January 1973 and its cornerstone, which was laid in June 1900, was kept and laid in this new sanctuary.

"Are all the kids in Antwerp weird?" was the question raised Friday by an out-of-towner who saw scores of Antwerp youth wearing long dresses and slicked down hair. The occasion was Fifties Day at school and at the football game, with students and parents wearing or appearing like people did in the 1950s.

Payne Grange will meet Oct. 25 with a weiner roast and potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting will follow. Everyone come dressed for hard times.

Paulding County Hospital now has radiologist service four days a week, helping the medical staff with diagnoses and treatment of patients. Of the 297 laboratory tests available in any laboratory, the Paulding County Hospital lab can perform 90 percent of these tests in the hospital, sending out only the more sophisticated testing, for which results are received the following morning.

100 Years Ago

From the Paulding County Republican, Oct. 16, 1924:

First Style Show a brilliant success and proves to be quite popular. The business men of Paulding put on their first Style Show at the Grand Theatre Monday and Tuesday evenings. The event was largely attended and the crowds of people present are enthusiastic concerning the displays made and the way the show was conducted. The show was promulgated and managed by the National Amusement Co.

The merchants making the displays were: Bostleman, Ladies ready to wear and wraps; Miss Mary Sutton, the same; Mrs. Hardesty and Mrs. Wentz, millinery; George R. Bailey, shoes; C.E. Crowel, living room furniture; Greer's Drug Store, toiletries, cosmetics and cameras; R.C. Leslie, electrical dealer, provided the outfit for the lighting effects and the Paulding Green House the flowers for decorative purposes.

The suits, wraps, millinery and shoes were shown on living models. Those showing for the Bostleman dry goods store wore hats from the Wentz Hat Shop, many of which were made and designed in the shop. The models were Clela Geyer, Madeline Leinard, Verdean Taylor, Louise Bybee, Donna Clementz, Vernice Barnes, Aneta Barnes, Catherine Geyer, Pauline Armstrong, Mary Finley, Blanche Klingler, Genevieve Ruff, Fern Treese, Lola Ragan, Alice Bybee.

Children's Wear: Edna Margaret Treese, Jean Weigel, Phyllis Bashore, Ellen Bashore, Laura Bybee, Louise Weigel, Alice Bybee, Elizabeth Weigel, Mildred Kinaman, Margery Bailey.

For Greer's Drug Store: Dorothy Straw, Kodak Girl; Helen Schmidt, toiletries; Ellen Ray Guerin, candies.

Miss Suttor's models wore hats from the Hardesty Millinery Store and six of them presented shoes from the Bailey Shoe Store. Miss Sutton's models were Mrs. Dorothy Busted, Mrs. Harvey Dye, Mrs. Ruby Hart, Alice Deisler, Nina Baughman, Bernice Iler, Fay Cadwallader, Seneveda Treese, Irene Kimmey. Children's wear: Anna Louise Guerin, Ellen Ray Guerin, Catherine N. Miller, Lucile Bailey, Emily Suttor, Frances Suttor, Annabelle Suttor, Evelyn Kinaman. Mrs. Joe Dye assisted in arranging the costumes and make-up. Miss Ware, a professional model connected with the company directing the style show, exhibited one suit Tuesday evening. She wore a black velvet dress and coat from Suttor's, hat from Hardesty's and shoes from Bailey's.

150 Years Ago

From the Paulding Democrat, Oct. 15, 1874:

A Good Livery Stable, J.A. Ferguson, Proprietor. Persons stopping at the Paulding House can have their teams put up, watered and well-fed at this Stable, on the most reasonable terms. Hack runs daily to and from Emerald Station, in time for passengers to take the trains.

New Gun Shop! In Paulding, Ohio: Pyle & Mallonee, would respectfully inform the citizens of Paulding and vicinity that they have just opened out in the building formerly occupied by Elias Shafer, a Gun Shop, near Barnes Saw Mill, where they may be found at all working hours, busily engaged in repairing old guns and manufacturing Double-Barreled Shot Guns and Rifles, Guns, Pistols, Revolvers, etc.

Real Estate: Town Property in the Village of Paulding, Lot 67, good house on Main Street, plenty of fruit, stable, out houses, well, etc., price \$1,200. Four lots on Main Street and the largest and best mansion in the town, barn and so forth, all new and well furnished, price \$2,500.

To Whom it May Concern: The books and accounts of the Paulding Plain Dealer and the Paulding Journal have been placed in our hands for settlement. All those having accounts in either of those books will call on the undersigned and make settlement, either with cash or note, as those books must be settled up. - G.W. Potter.

Explore more local history by visiting the Paulding County History Museum from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays or by appointment. For special events and announcements, see our Facebook page at facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

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community resource whose mission is "Preserving the Past For Future Generations." "Although our organization is nearly 50 years old and our museum celebrated its 40th birthday this year, we continue to grow and improve, thanks to our amazing volunteers and public support," Krick added. "We are excited about becoming the

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I was disheartened to hear about the vote on the upcoming levy on behalf of building renovations. There are far too many negative factors that we are not considering, and

Paulding County History Museum as we look to the future."

The name change is an important first before launching new initiatives, such as a logo, branded merchandise and a website.

The logo, which Krick designed with board approval, is a circular design of dark green and cream. The center contains four icons:

- A tree, representing the timber that had to be cleared from the Black Swamp, and the source of the county's first industries.
- An arrowhead for the Native Americans who hunted, fished and lived here.
- A canal boat for the two canals that helped open up the county for settlement and export of timber products and commodities.
- An old windmill, representing the county's enduring agricultural heritage that emerged after the Black Swamp was drained.

Behind the icons, the background is tree rings, again representing the trees

these factors are entirely relevant for those of us who pay taxes for these levies. To begin, this proposed levy will increase our taxes by a substantial amount of money. This will disproportionately affect property owners, the elderly, especially those on a fixed income, increasing by \$172 for every \$100,000. What happens to the people living on a budget? Should we expect them to pay extra? Or in the event of tragedy, such as a house fire or death, paying this extra money would be a burden to them. I fear that this increase may drive people from the county, and I am even more worried that this will prompt people to start renting out properties instead of owning them. If renters do not pay taxes that affect this levy, will the added burden fall to home owners? That hardly seems fair.

On top of this, there are still existing levies that are being paid through. I do not believe that it would be wise to begin another levy while we are still paying those off. It feels extremely unfair, and it should not be on us to cover everything, especially when the information we are receiving on this proposal. The levy recently went up two million dollars in cost because the entrance way was forgotten. It makes me wonder what else is being forgotten or omitted. I do not want to be surprised by any other forgotten expenses. That is

as well as the passage of time.

An arrowhead from the museum's collection was used for the emblem in the logo. The tree is based on one growing at New Rochester Park, site of our first county seat.

The museum currently has some dark green T-shirts with the logo printed in white. Orders are being taken for other sizes and styles (long-sleeve Tees, sweatshirts and hoodies).

Similarly styled tote bags are for sale, along with new 2.5-inch square stickers and a Paulding postcard, commemorating designation of the Downtown Paulding Historic District, with the new logo on the back. They are available in the museum's Country Store! Proceeds will benefit museum operations and programs.

Volunteers currently are gearing up for the museum's Festival of Trees, Nov. 8-16. For more information about the museum and its events, see its Facebook page at facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

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

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

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

1st Weekend- Paulding , Fair Grounds

2nd Weekend- Grover Hill , VFW

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

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

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

3rd Wednesday of each month

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

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

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

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

For Questions Call : 419-399-3630
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not a professional way to complete a levy, and it certainly isn't any way to ask a community to pay for it. I would also like an explanation as to why we can not use more money from the state. Is there not any grants we could apply to? Or ways to break up the renovations based on necessity? Why is the brunt of the cost falling onto the community, and why does it all need to be done at once? Again, I feel that this project is too big to have so many questions attached to it.

Other schools are not putting up big buildings and costly projects without taking steps to ensure that the community is not only on board with it, but that they are protected at every major step. It is my opinion that there needs to be more planning and more community involvement. I ask that you vote no on this levy, and take some time to create a more developed and safeguard plan. I hope to see our community thrive, not be burdened by unfair levies.

—Theresa Lehman, WT Resident

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Think and Vote

In my 88 years I see our 2024 election as our most critical one ever. I strongly believe this would be "do or die" time for free America and our world. I see the world falling when America falls. I also see America falling if these communist loving ultra liberal Democrats should win this election, even if by crooked methods.

We have more rights and freedoms than most nations, mostly because we have God

with us. Not voting or voting for a communist lover could turn us into a loser people almost over night. If you don't vote, that is automatically a vote for Satan's side. Only Satan's warriors will cheer you on.

I realize these people don't believe they favor Satan but that is because Democrats forbid God in schools, court rooms, in public and in our military. To the Democrats delight most Americans don't read the Bible or go to a qualified God loving church.

Now if you don't believe we are witnessing a battle between God and Satan, it's past time to wake-up. Study your Bible, man's history, America's history and today's party actions. I think you will discover I know what I've been writing about since 2001.

Today I'm asking you to be very careful believing uninformed people like Judi Grubb who has had letters in this paper. I don't believe she has any idea on how fast and how far down America will fall if we vote all blue as she stated. I, for one, haven't voted for a single blue candidate since Clinton's first term. Both Democrats and Republicans lie to us but Democrats have mastered the art. I believe today's Democrat leaders are very dangerous to our survival.

If you vote and favor blue that means you support teens and young unmarrieds having multiple sex partners which frequently leads to Democrats abortion.

You do know it's much easier to be a liberal than a conservative. Being liberal isn't very rewarding but you don't need morals, conscience or God. You just get to jump in

bed with anyone. We've become a soulless mockery of what we once were.

Thanks to loose liberal thinking and law, school prayer is a felony and pornography is protected speech. Democrats brought major troubles to us because they can't stand being under God's morality. I'm convinced they prefer the days of Sodom and Gomorrah to return. Those wicked days can be found in the Bible. Groups like LGBTQ would fit right in.

Did you notice how Biden had the White House decorated? He had the LGBTQ flag hanging between two American flags on one side and another side had their gay rainbow colors shining at night.

This misguided Van Wert lady asked "How can his MAGA followers ignore the things Trump has said and done?" It's obvious she believes all of the lies from CNN and others like them. I want to turn that around and explain how Harris will be a better president.

Any competent person knows that as vice president, Kamala had two specific jobs and 'botched' them both. She alone opened our border to twenty million illegals who are totally ignorant of America and are here only to destroy our economy and Christian nation. As I said in a previous letter, Democrats want to rule the nation of stupids.

President Reagan once said, "Freedom is never more than one generation away." I believe that generation is here now so vote wisely.

—Richard Mastin Hicksville, OH

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Support Conservative Justices for Ohio's Supreme Court

The Supreme Court of the State of Ohio has a number of functions, the first of which is to be the final authority on interpreting the Ohio Constitution. The Ohio Constitution is the basic governing document for the State of Ohio. It is the fundamental law of Ohio and is second only to the U.S. Constitution and Federal laws.

As an Ohioan, I want a Supreme Court that will equitably interpret Ohio's Constitution and its laws. I do not want justices to rewrite or legislate from the bench. I want a court that will be pro-law enforcement and tough on crime. I want experienced judges who are constitutional conservatives and I want a court that is committed to up-

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VOTE FOR SOLID INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

With the presidential election just a few weeks away, the public is naturally interested in not just the outcome but what the results will mean for issues of national importance. As a citizen, you likely share these concerns — but how about as an investor? After the votes are counted — or even before — should you make some moves in anticipation of possible changes in policy?

Let's look at the big picture first, through the lens of history. The financial markets have performed well — and at times, not so well — under Democratic and Republican presidents alike. And the same is true about which party controlled Congress.

While it might be an overstatement to say that decisions made in Washington have no effect on the markets, it's not always so easy to draw a direct line between what happens there and how the markets perform. For one thing, political candidates often make promises that are not fulfilled, or, if they are, have different results than intended. Also, other institutions can have a significant impact on the markets. For example, the Federal Reserve, which controls short-term interest rates, can certainly affect many market sectors. And there will always be external events, such as foreign conflicts and even natural disasters, that can make short-term impacts on the in-

vestment world.

So, rather than making changes to your portfolio in anticipation of what might happen if certain candidates get elected, or even in response to actual policy changes, look to other factors to drive your investment decisions. These factors should include the following:

- Your goals – You probably have short- and long-term goals you'd like to achieve. For your short-term goals, such as a wedding, a down payment on a house or a long vacation, you may want to invest in instruments that provide stability of principal. For your long-term goals, most important of which may be a comfortable retirement, you'll need to own a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments.

- Your risk tolerance – When you build and maintain your investment portfolio, you'll need to accommodate your individual risk tolerance. All investments carry some type of risk, but you need to be comfortable with the overall risk level of your investments.

- Your time horizon – Where you are in life is an important consideration when investing. When you are young and just starting out in your career, you may be able to focus more on growth, as you have time to overcome the inevitable short-term market downturns. But as you near retirement, you may want to consolidate any gains you may have achieved, and lower your

risk level, by moving your portfolio toward a somewhat more conservative approach. Even in retirement, though, you will need some growth potential to stay ahead of inflation.

- Your needs for liquidity – As you invest, you'll need to maintain an adequate amount of cash and cash equivalents in your holdings. Without this liquidity, you might be forced to sell long-term investments in case you have unexpected expenses.

In any case, when it comes to investing, you may want to pay less attention to what names are on the ballot — and instead "vote" for the longer-term strategies that reflect your needs and goals.

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

Cecil: 127 Maramart, Paulding Pancake House

Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

Defiance: Newmar's Marathon Carryout, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General (Clinton St), Junction Dollar General, Senior Center, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Marathon Main Stop, Rite Aid, Defiance Public Library

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Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library, Dollar General

Hicksville: Sailors, Vancrest, Shell Station, Citgo, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center, Village offices, Johnson Memorial Library, Red Angel Pizza, McDonalds,

Ney: Marathon

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Paulding: Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa Do It Best, Bargain Bin, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros, Courthouse, VFW Post 587, PC Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, PCH, Kwik Mart, PC Carnegie Library

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

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

Scott: Scott Post Office

Van Wert: CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Orchard Tree

INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Milan Center: Milan Center Feed & Grain

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

New Haven: ACPL Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, CVS, Clips, NH Bakery, Chamber of Commerce (Old City Hall), Richard's

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2024 HOMECOMING ROYALTY IN PAULDING COUNTY



2024 Wayne Trace HS Homecoming King Amos Sinn and Queen Isabella Knowles



Congratulations to the 2024 Paulding High School Homecoming King and Queen - Abbie Bail and Matthew Bail.



2024 Antwerp HS Homecoming Queen Caroline Rohrs & King Jonah Keys

master@nocac.org.

A panel of 5 speakers will share information on the following programs: NOCAC Weatherization, Maumee Valley Planning-CHIP Program, USDA home loan and home repair loan, State Bank Mortgage Loan Information, and NOCAC's Financial Coaching Program. All of these programs cover the five county areas of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams Counties. We encourage anyone from those counties to attend this event.

Amy McMaster, NOCAC Financial Opportunity Center (FOC) Financial Coach explains "most people aren't aware there are free programs to help them purchase their home or repair it. This workshop brings all of these agencies into one location so the public can learn more and have their questions answered by the experts. There are so many families on a fixed income, including our elderly, who are not in safe housing. NOCAC wants to make sure families are aware of programs that could make their home safe and more energy efficient. NOCAC looks forward to bringing awareness to the Paulding County Community."

NOCAC is a private, non-profit corporation that was created in 1965 to combat poverty in our six-county service area. NOCAC's mission is to combat conditions related to poverty in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, Van Wert and Williams Counties. NOCAC envisions a culture that supports opportunities for all people to thrive; build strong, resilient neighborhoods, and ensure a more equitable community.

McMaster went on to say "there are so many people who have the dream of owning their own home and do not know where to start. This housing workshop explains the process and links them to agencies that can assist them. Most families need a credit score of a 640 to purchase a home in Northwest Ohio. There are programs to help families reach this credit score and reduce the debt that could disqualify them from a mortgage loan. In addition, they can learn more about down payment assistance programs such as the \$20,000 Welcome Home Grant that provides a onetime down payment assistance if you purchase a home in March. Attendees will walk away with information and resources to make their home ownership dream come true.

NOCAC's Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) provides energy related home repairs and other modifications to make the homes safe, comfortable and energy efficient while reducing the heating and cooling cost paid by low-income consumers. Weatherization crews and technicians use an Energy Audit and diagnostic technologies to determine the most cost-effective measures to use for each home. Health and Safety issues such as furnace and water heater replacements are also assessed; however, funding for this is limited, and if the unit is a rental the landlord is recommended to contribute to the repair cost. To be eligible for this program, a person may not make over 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. To schedule an appointment with your local NOCAC Outreach office please call 1-419-

219-4641 or visit the NOCAC website at www.nocac.org, if you need more information contact Brandy at 419-784-5393 ext. 3110.

Maumee Valley Planning Organization oversees the Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program which provides home repairs/rehabilitations and often partners with other agencies. The CHIP Program provides funding to address housing-related activities including the full rehabilitation of the property. The goal is to bring the entire home into conformance with state codes (Ohio RRS) while addressing health and safety concerns. The improvements will include correction of structural issues, heating, electrical, plumbing, lead paint hazards, accessibility, roof/gutters and water/sewer issues. To learn more, contact Dottie Stratton at 419-784-3882 or visit <https://www.mvpo.org/housing>.

The USDA Rural Development's Section 502 Direct Loan Program provides a path to homeownership for low and very-low-income families. No down payment is typically required and there is no private mortgage insurance involved with low interest home loans. This provides an opportunity for families who do not have the funds for a down payment. In addition, the USDA Program has a Single-Family Housing Repair Loan and Grant. The Housing Repair Grant known as Section 504 Home Repair Program provides up to \$10,000 grant to anyone who is age 62 or older. Their income must be below 50% of the area median income, own the home and reside there, and unable to afford credit elsewhere. Grants must be repaid if the property is sold in less than three years. The loan or grant must be to repair, improve, or modernize their home to remove health and safety hazards. Individuals can also apply for a \$40,000 low interest loan for home repairs with no age requirement. USDA Section 504 Home Repair Loans can be repaid over a 20-year term with a fixed 1% interest rate. For more information contact Melodye Massey at melodye.massey@oh.usda.gov or 419-581-4507.

State Bank has many mortgage products available and you can contact Karen Varner the Paulding branch 419.785.3676 or her cell 260.927.7844.

As a result of NOCAC's mission, the Financial Opportunity Center was created to help under-resourced individuals and families achieve their goals. NOCAC's Financial Opportunity Center provides free financial coaching to assist community members to become mortgage ready, purchase vehicles, improve credit, reduce debt, sign up for federal student loan repayment plans, and access money saving resources. You can create a better tomorrow by contacting the FOC 419-990-5136 foc@nocac.org or visiting the NOCAC website at www.nocac.org.

BIG GREEN CRUISES PAST PANTHERS

Paulding made the trip to Putnam County Thursday night for a non-league high school battle in Ottoville where the host Lady Big Green cruised to a straight set win over the Panthers.

The Putnam County squad

APACHES ROLL OVER ARCHERS



Fairview senior Austin Gates kicks the ball for the point after for the Apaches! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Fairview scored twice in the opening quarter and the Apaches pulled away from there to record a 42-14 victory over Antwerp in Green Meadows Conference football action Friday night.

The Apaches racked up 377 yards of total offense in the contest, improving to 5-2 in all games and 3-1 in the league to stay alive in the hunt for the conference crown.

Antwerp, which posted 164 yards of offense, falls to 2-5 overall on the season with the loss while the Archers drop to 0-4 in league play.

Apache quarterback William Zeedyk was 21 of 32 through the air for 284 yards, including one touchdown. Logan Olinger hauled in six receptions for 88 yards to lead the black and gold with Brody Williams catching five passes for 79 yards. Gavin Garza, Jesse Coolman and Gavin Meade posted three receptions apiece for the Apaches.

Zeedyk topped Fairview in the ground game with 50

yards on nine carries, including three for scores.

Hampton Rogge was 9 of 21 passing for 96 yards and two touchdowns with Kayden Winslow posting four receptions for 93 yards and two touchdowns. Tavin Sholl had four catches as well for the Archers.

Winslow led the blue and white with 47 rushing yards on 13 carries.



Antwerp Senior Kayden Winslow receives the pass and completes the short run into the endzone, scoring the touchdown in the third quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

SINNING & URBAN SPEAKS TO KIWANIS



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Cindy Sinning, RN/Business Dev (CHP Home Care & Hospice of Paulding) and Alycen Urban, CHP Event Coordinator, as the guest speakers at the October 10, 2024, club meeting. CHP came at the invitation of Elecia Wobler (Keepsake Beads by EAW and Boutique, Paulding, OH). Cindy and Alycen (CHP) spoke to the

Kiwanians about the many services provided throughout CHP and the benefits that they have for all ages and situations. CHP provides in home care for those that may need extra medical help and hospice services for end-of-life care for loved ones and their families. CHP also offers grief counseling and so many more programs that help the community and families.

posted a 25-17 victory in the opening set and followed that up with a 25-16 win in game two. Ottoville then wrapped up the night by defeating the Panthers 25-14 in the third set.

Estie Pease had 15 assists and Tori Schlatter picked up a dozen digs to lead the way for the Lady Panthers while

Kayleigh Dunham and Lucy Breier both posted six kills.

Addison Arend added five slams for the Lady Panthers with Marley Parrett recording four. Addison Shull, Addison Pease and Brianna Bermejo chipped in five digs apiece for Paulding while Grace Goyings dished out six assists.



NOCAC 2024 FALL HOUSING WORKSHOP ON HOME REPAIR AND HOME PURCHASING

Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission (NOCAC) is celebrating Oc-

tober Weatherization month by providing a Housing workshop on home repair and home purchase Tuesday October 22nd @ 5:30pm located at the Paulding County Carnegie Library 205 S Main St. Please register for this event by contacting NOCAC's Financial Coach, Amy McMaster at 419-990-5136 x 3122 or amc-

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APACHES ROLL OVER ARCHERS



Antwerp's Alexis Otto earns the point in this battle at the net against Paulding sophomore Kayleigh Dunham. More Pictures at westbendnews.net

Paulding vs Antwerp Volleyball

The night lasted long in the battle against the Archers vs Panthers as this volleyball match on October 10 went for the full five matches. The game started off with a severe Archer deficit to the Panthers in the first set, but Antwerp was able to start a scoring streak that lasted for 10 point, putting them over the top and by the end a powerful win. Paulding did not sit still and wait for the county rival to take the win home. The Lady Panthers ended the night with a 3-2 victory over the Lady archers.

Overall Paulding's record was 10-12 and 3-4 in the conference. Antwerp checked their regular season with a 7-15 overall record and a 0-7 conference record.



Paulding sophomore Tori Schlatter is set and bumps the ball back to the lady Archers. More pictures at westbendnews.net

MUSEUM TO HOST FESTIVAL OF TREES TEA

Paulding County History Museum will host a Christmas Tea and Preview night on Thursday, November 7, to open the museum's annual Festival of Trees.

The menu for the tea, which will begin at 6:30 p.m.,

includes orange scones with clotted cream and Christmas jam, dainty sandwiches, desserts and hot tea.

Before and after the tea, guests will enjoy a sneak preview of our three museum buildings filled with trees and holiday spirit reflecting this year's theme, "Let's Trim the Tree!"



For information stop by the museum on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., by calling 419-399-8218 (leave message) or emailing jph-s45879@yahoo.com.

The Festival of Trees opens to the public on Friday, November 8, and continues daily through Saturday, November 16. Admission is free. The

schedule includes musical entertainment, meals, a visit from Santa and other activities.

The museum is located at 600 Fairground Drive in Paulding, across from the fairgrounds.

Watch for more details and updates on our Facebook page facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

PILOTS RALLY TO NIP ACES

Ayersville scored the final 21 points of Friday night's Green Meadows Conference football contest as the Pilots rallied for a 21-20 victory over Hicksville.

The Aces struck first on a two-yard plunge by Owen Stuckey for a 7-0 advantage at the end of one period.

Hicksville added a two-yard touchdown pass from Garrett Turnbull to Parker Bassett in the second stanza as the Aces extended the margin to 14-0.

Stuckey picked up his second touchdown of the night, another from two yards out as Hicksville expanded the lead to 20-0.

Ayersville, though, answered.

Taurean Knueven picked up touchdown runs of five and three yards to trim the deficit to 20-14 before the Pilots took the lead for good.

Garrett McConnell found the endzone on a five-yard touchdown run that, combined with an Alexander Makewski, gave the Pilots a 21-20 advantage with 4:53 left in the third quarter.

Taurean Knueven led the way for the Pilots with 197 rushing yards on 32 carries, including a pair of runs for scores. Tucker Sprow added 58 yards over six attempts and Garrett McConnell chipped in 31 rushing yards on seven

rushes.

Alex Sigler was two of three passing for 24 yards with Knueven having both receptions.

Garrett Turnbull completed 19 of 30 passes for 291 yards to lead Hicksville, which got nine catches for 147 yards from Brant Langham as well. Parker Bassett posted six receptions for 116 yards and a touchdown for the Aces.

Cross Zeedyk totaled 23 yards on ten carries to top the Hicksville rushing attack.

FG SENDS RAMS TO WIN

Neither team found a way to produce a point in four quarters of high school football action Friday night at Raider Field.

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PAULDING FFA TRAVELS TO THE OHIO STATE HOUSE FOR LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



Pictured here are four Paulding FFA Officers standing on the steps in State House during the Ohio FFA Legislative Leadership Conference in Columbus. Left to right, Johnny Lipps, Brooklyn Schlatter, Addy Hunt and Johnny Lipps.

By: Addy Hunt, Paulding FFA Reporter

On Tuesday, September 24th, four Paulding FFA officers traveled down to Columbus for the Ohio Legislative Leadership Conference. The officers included Secretary Brooklyn Schlatter, Reporter Addy Hunt, Student Advisor Blake Rhonehouse, Parliamentarian Johnny Lipps and their FFA advisor, Mrs. Staci Miller.

In the morning, these students mingled with other FFA chapters by playing a game with half of the kids being part of a district and the other half were lobbyists. After the game was over everyone explored the State House, where they met with an aide from Representative Roy Klopfenstein's office to learn more about his office and

Ohio's government. Right before lunch the students heard from Todd Thatcher, Director of Legislative affairs for ODA.

The chapters were then served lunch met with State FFA officers, and various state representatives. After lunch, members listened to Representative Don Jones, who is state representative for Ohio's 95th district, talk about his time in FFA and how it has helped him where he is now.

Then everyone heard from the FFA State President, Anna Moeller talk about her experience in FFA. All of the officers agreed that they learned how important our legislators are to the state of Ohio and what a great experience the Ohio Legislative Leadership Conference was.

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THE LEFT TURN



Conner Zbozien wins the Outlaw Late Model feature.

By: Ron Burt

Two weeks ago, all the area racetracks fell victim to rain. Last week all the local tri-state tracks were able to run. Next week I will cover Winchester Speedways' big weekend featuring the annual Winchester 400 on the historic world's fastest paved half mile. Larry Boos and his staff have worked hard all year putting the weekend together for drivers, owners, crews and fans.



William Sawalich won the Owens Corning 200 at Toledo.

If you're a fan of pavement or dirt oval track racing you can follow tri-state racing and the national sanctions all winter on my Facebook page and high school football and bas-

ketball scores live on Ohio Sports Blitz.

Every Thursday on Facebook Live at 7PM, Scott Ham-



Mexico City's Andres Perez 2024 ARCA Menards Series Champion.

mer and Ron Miller have an hour talk show interviewing a variety of guests connected to our sport. You can find the Hammer Down Racing Report on Facebook. Scott is a race car driver at Oakshade Raceway and the tracks announcer. Ron Miller races Dirt Trucks at Fremont Speedway, a former Late Model driver and is one of the best car builders in the area.

Two weeks ago, Toledo

Speedway wrapped up their 2024 season with the annual ARCA Menards Series Owens Corning 200. Fans got to see history made. William Sawalich was the winner of the Owens Corning 200. He recently celebrated his 18th birthday and is a driver in the Joe Gibbs Racing Development team. It was his 9th series victory this year. William also won his 10th Pole Position Award of the year earlier in the day. Congrats to Mexico City's Andres Perez. He was crowned the 2024 ACRA Menards Series Champion. Andres is the first series driver born outside the U.S. to win the title. His REV racing stable teammate Lavar Scott is the series Rookie of The Year. Conner Zbozien won the 50 lap Outlaw Late Model feature. It was Conner's first Toledo Speedway win.

Waynesfield Raceway had a big Saturday night. Nate Dussel won the Great Lakes Super Sprints feature. Max Stambaugh finished 2nd and Zane DeVault 3rd. The UMP Modifieds were in action at the "Field of Speed". Jerry Bowersock won the feature, followed by Dillon Nusbaum and Scottie Williams.

Millstream Speedway reopened for the 3rd time this year hosting four classes of cars. They are trying to find what the fans will come out and support on future weekly shows. It was the first time this year the UMP Dirt Late Models tried out the Speedway, along with the Super Stocks and Fremont Dirt Trucks. They competed against each other in the yearly Super Stocks vs Trucks race and the 360 Winged Sprints returned for their 2nd time this summer.

McClure Ohio's Rusty Schlenk won the Dirt UMP Late Model feature. Kyle Moore was 2nd and Rusty Smith was 3d. Twenty cars started the feature that was made up mostly of weekly competitors from Attica Raceway Park and Oakshade Raceway.

The Hammer Down Clash brought out big numbers of Super Stocks and Fremont Trucks for the annual event with bragging rights between the two class on the line. It was a huge field of cars and trucks. Jordan Conover in a Super Stock started the feature outside the front row and managed to land in victory lane with Late Model ace, Kyle Moore racing in the event and placing 2nd and Dan Hennig taking 3rd.

The 360 Winged Sprint feature was won by Zane DeVault followed by Kasey Jdrzejek and Van Gurley Jr from Valparaiso. 6th place finisher Alex Hill made the Sunday night trip from Six Nations Ontario. Until next week, keep your wheels down. Ron out! (All featured pictures were taken by Charlie Orns. Of Freeze Frame).

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However, visiting Tinora dented the scoreboard on a Jacob Bishop 36-yard field goal in overtime to lift the Rams to a 3-0 victory over Wayne Trace.

Bishop, who had missed a quartet of field goal attempts previously in the contest, calmly split the uprights in the overtime possession to give the green and white the 3-0 victory.

Tinora improves to 4-3

PAULDING FFA HOLDS SEPTEMBER TRAPSHOOT



Pictured here from left to right are the members of the Paulding FFA who participated in the trapshoot. Front Row: Nolan Schlatter, winner Matthew Bail with plaque, Sal Biliti, Mackenzie Leatherman, Remington Boroff, and Brooklyn Schlatter. Back Row: Owen Workman

By: Addy Hunt, Reporter-Paulding FFA

Over the weekend, on September 28th, 7 members from the Paulding FFA chapter attended the September trap shoot at The Paulding Fish and Game Club. This was the first trap shoot that we have done this year. The members went through the safety precautions with a fish and game member before the competition to ensure that everyone

had a safe and fun day hitting clay pigeons.

The members competed in two rounds where they had five different positions to shoot from. The members were placed 16 yards away from the electric clay pigeon thrower. The first round was practice but the second round is what determined the winner of the day.

The winner was Matthew Bail and he received a plaque

for his trapshooting skills. Mackenzie Leatherman placed a close 2nd in the competition. We had several new members participating in the trap shoot.

We have our second trap shoot scheduled for October 12th at 11:30am. We would like to thank the Fish and Game Club of Paulding for all their help and support of the Paulding FFA program.

overall on the season and 4-0 in the conference with the victory, remaining solely atop the league standings.

Wayne Trace dropped to 2-5 in all games and 2-2 in the league.

Cooper Replogle and Dominic Graziani rumbled for 60 and 49 rushing yards, respectively, while Tinora quarterback Owen Ferrell finished 19 of 27 through the air for 152 yards. The green and white ended the evening with 215 yards of total offense in the contest.

Josh Lieb and Bishop totaled seven and five receptions, respectively, for the Rams.

The Raiders managed just 82 yards of offense in the contest, highlighted by quarterback Jack Schoenauer completing 6 of 17 passes for 64 yards.

Tyler Head had five receptions for 50 yards to lead Wayne Trace.

LADY PIRATES NIP ARCHERS

Host Continental picked up a five-set win over visiting Antwerp in non-league high school volleyball action Monday evening as the Pirates took the decisive fifth set 15-12.

The Lady Archers won the opening game 25-18 before Continental answered with a 25-20 victory in the second set. After Antwerp captured game three 25-20, the Putnam County squad again responded to even the match with a 25-21 decision in the fourth set.

Caroline Rohrs picked up 26 digs to lead the way for Antwerp while also recording a pair of aces. Madison Peters dished out 34 assists and picked up 20 digs for the blue and white along with chipping in ten kills.

Amelia Graham posted 21 digs and 13 kills for the Lady Archers and Allison Sproles totaled eight kills and two digs. Alexis Otto finished with six digs as well for the blue and white.

Haydyn Lengacher aided the Antwerp cause with eight digs and two kills with Emery Jones totaling seven digs and Clara Rohrs picked up two digs.

Antwerp's junior varsity (Continued on Page 9)

PAULDING PRIDE CARD WINNERS



Each month students at Paulding Junior High School (PJHS) earn Paulding Pride cards for going above and beyond what is normally expected of Paulding Junior High students. Shown in the picture are the Paulding Pride card drawing winners for the month of September. From left the students are: Cierra Smith (Grade 6); Jackson Munger (Grade 7); and Cynthia Humphrey (Grade 8).

PJHS SEPTEMBER POSITIVE PANTHERS



Each month Paulding Junior High School teachers select one Positive Panther per grade level. These students are recognized for the positive character traits they exhibit as students of Paulding Junior High School. Shown in the picture from left are Cierra Smith (Grade 6), Rooney Gutierrez Cortes (Grade 8), and Larissa Bautista Enriquez (Grade 7).

PJHS SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Each month Paulding Junior High School teachers select one Student of the Month per grade level. These students are recognized for being some of the top academic performers at Paulding Junior High School. Shown in the picture from left are Allie Manz (Grade 6), Kenny Peffley (Grade 7), and Makenna Manz (Grade 8).

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PAULDING HS ANNOUNCES SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



PHS September Students of the Month are the following: (l-r) Freshman: Presley Barnes, Sophomore: Braylon Barnes, Junior: Jacob Harris, and Senior: Kaitlyn Goings

NEW SOLICITOR INTRODUCED, EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO SELL DEPOT DISCUSSED AT MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING



Mayor Jan Reeb welcomes Brandon Grigsby, Solicitor, as an employee of the Village of Antwerp. Grigsby from Columbus Grove is a 2023 law graduate of Ohio Northern University, and also associated with Hopkins, Schroeder & Von Sossan, LLC law firm in Ottawa, OH.

The Antwerp Village Council met Wednesday, October 9 to discuss village business. The packets were full of items to discuss with all council members present. The guests who were given about 15 minutes of time were from

Verano, the dispensary company that intends to rent space in the Village Depot to setup the marijuana dispensary. Ryan Dunne Ewing and Chris Fotopoulos were their representatives ready to answer questions by council.

There were several items of contention on the emergency list for council to vote upon. One was the expenditures needed in the budget to complete the fiscal year. Another was over the leasing of office space that has been occupied by the village administrator for over a month, yet had not been approved by council yet. Multiple council members found in the lease agreement a clause that intended to pay village utilities, not only at the business center, but also for the personal residence of the lessor. The resolution was tabled due to lack of support in current form.

The first readings of resolutions 2024-21 - Adopt Personnel Manual and R2024-22 Authorize transfer to street lighting fund took place.

The first reading of Ordinance 2024-12 Prohibiting Duplexing or Triplexing of Single Family Housing, as written by police Chief George Clemens. Councilman Jason Franks asked if there were statistics on how many houses in the village this involves. Councilman Bryce Steiner asked who the enforcement agent would be, and what would be the penalty for violation. Clemens replied that it would be up to council to decide.

The first reading of Ordinance 2024-13 took place for maintaining water rates.

The first reading of Ordinance 2024-14 establishing a time and place of regular council meetings in 2025.

The first reading of ordinance 2024-15 - Temporary Appropriations for 2025

The first reading of ordinance 2024-16 - Establishing compensation for employees in 2025

The longest part of the meeting took place towards the beginning of the meeting involving the contentious selling of the depot by an emergency resolution - which no guests were allowed to speak on except Verano representatives. The intended buyers were not present to ask questions to. Councilman Steiner attempted to convince the other members that it wasn't legal nor was it the intention of those that saved the national historic registered building, paid to have the building saved, and revitalized. He compared it to selling the park and the Holly Beach Splash Pad if somebody of-

ferred a million dollars. Others responded that the village is in desperate financial position with all of the upcoming projects that need completed. Two council members, Jordan and Franks, who in June voted no on this issue, stated they had met with representatives of Verano privately previous to the council meeting and decided to change their minds. Steiner said the issues are separate - the dispensary is one and the sale of the depot is the other, defending his stance with there are many empty buildings in downtown with owners who would love to fill their spaces. No representative from Zoned Properties Inc was present for questions. The Resolution 2024-19 was a 5-1 vote as an emergency, avoiding public comment.

Administrator Davis gave his report. The waterplant engineering is being fast tracked by the EPA due to being moved to Bowling Green.

Steiner presented a resolution to invalidate the ordinance of 2024-06 to prohibit marijuana sales in the downtown zoned areas of Antwerp, which was brought before council by Councilman Bill Boylan in August, and Steiner had made the motion to pass. Steiner stated that at the September meeting of Zoning and Planning it was brought up that that ordinance did not pass through their committee. Steiner continued that while he agrees with the ordinance, it was not proper by the code, and instead bypassed the proper channels required in ORC 713.07. Solicitor Grigsby wrote a response that in his professional opinion that it was passed acceptably by council by a 3/4 majority. However, Steiner responded that was incorrect as only four of the six council members voted to pass the ordinance, meaning it was only 2/3 approved. Steiner asked that the minutes reflect this. Grigsby was asked to look into this.

The mayor closed the meeting with her report.

Watch the entire meeting by scanning the QR code to the right, visit our youtube channel. Or type in this URL in your favorite browser: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O8yuk-CiD1Ic>



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picked up a straight set win over the Pirates, defeating Continental by scores of 25-15 and 25-18.

APACHES, ACES, PANTHERS CAPTURE ANTWERP INVITE TITLES

Fairview, Hicksville and Paulding all captured team championships at the Antwerp Cross Country Invitational held Saturday.

Hicksville won both the varsity boys and junior high boys championships while Fairview took home the varsity girls team title. Paulding claimed first place in the junior high girls meet as well.

The Aces captured the varsity boys title with 37 points to get past second place Paulding's 60 and third place Fairview's 77. Rounding out the schools with full squads were Antwerp (95), Montpelier (145), Edgerton

(154), Appleseed TC (165) and Edon (188).

Antwerp's Kamren Johnson posted a time of 17:09 to win the individual title. Second through fifth place went to Hicksville's Alex Rost (17:27), Paulding's Max Daeger (17:41), the Panthers' Achilles Mead (18:21) and Hicksville's Alex Franklin (18:27).

Rounding out the top ten individual finishers were Fairview's Aiden Casterline (18:28), Montpelier's Ethan Walz (18:47), Stryker's Garrett Moser (18:47), Hicksville's Brody Tribble (18:53) and Paulding's Cully Thompson (18:53).

Fairview dominated the varsity girls race as the Lady Apaches won the meet with just 19 points while second place Antwerp posted 60 points. Paulding (84), Edgerton (88) and Hicksville (89) completed the list of full squads.

The Lady Apaches took

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

the top three places as Autumn Becker (20:29), Kayla Mavis (21:27) and Cheyenne Zeedyk (21:52) finished first through third.

Paulding's Abby Elkins was fourth in 22:37 and Fairview's Lily Rabe placed fifth in 22:41. Other top nine finishers included Stryker's Grace Froelich (22:58), Antwerp's Reese Durbin (23:08), the Archers' Emily Laker (23:18), and Fairview's Summer Hiler (23:33).

The Aces won the junior high boys meet with 60 points followed by Appleseed TC (73), Stryker (77), Edgerton (95), Fairview (95), Montpelier (124), Antwerp (130), Paulding (141) and Edon (152).

Stryker's Logan Emmons claimed the individual race title in a time of 12:41 with Edgerton's Breck Hesselwardt placing second in 12:47.

Caleb Franklin led Hicksville by taking third in 13:08 with Fairview's Layne Ford finishing fourth in 13:15.

Logan Slattery (seventh), Carson Enderle (ninth) and Grayson Combs (tenth) also posted top ten finishes for the Aces. Paulding was led by Isaiah Koenig, who took 11th in 14:48, while Antwerp was paced by Marshall Rice in 15th place with a time of 15:09.

Paulding nipped Antwerp to win the junior high girls team championship as the Lady Panthers totaled 38 points compared to the Archers' 46. Edgerton (62), Appleseed TC (89) and Fairview (107) rounded out the list of full squads.

The Lady Panthers' Gracie Elkins won the individual race in 13:51 while Fairview's Meredith Alvarez (14:02)

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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.
WILLIAM COLLINS, ET AL., Defendants,
Case No. CI 24 104

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

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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, October 31, 2024 by on-line bidding at:

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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 November 14, 2024 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.

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The first sale date will be on the October 31, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

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

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

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second on-line auction will be held on November 14, 2024 at 10:00a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. However, the purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
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LATTA RECOGNIZES OHIO MANUFACTURERS ON NATIONAL MANUFACTURING DAY



Kreate produces a variety of goods, including sustainable polymer products, utility sinks, Adirondack chairs, and more.

On National Manufacturing Day, Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) released the following statement highlighting the crucial role manufacturing plays in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District and across the country:

"Ohio's Fifth District is home to more than 1,000 manufacturers that support 86,000 manufacturing jobs — the most in the state of Ohio. In 'The Heart of It All', we produce countless goods that are shipped across the country and world. This is made possible by the hard-working men and women who make up this industry and are truly the backbone of our economy in Northern Ohio and across the state. On National Manufacturing Day, please join me in recognizing and thanking them for their tireless efforts,

hard work, and ingenuity.

"And when I'm meeting with our manufacturers, I hear the same sentiment over and over: we need affordable, reliable energy to stay competitive. As a senior member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, I've been working to invest in U.S. energy production to ensure we have the baseload energy capacity to power our manufacturers and keep the Buckeye State's economy running.

"As the Representative for Ohio's Fifth District in Congress, I'll continue championing policies that allow our businesses and manufacturers to thrive. Again, to the hard-working men and women who make up our manufacturing industries: Thank you for all you do!"

IHSAA RELEASES VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT MATCHUPS

Indiana high school volleyball teams learned of their tournament matchups on Sunday as the Indiana High School Athletic Association held the statewide draws.

Angola will be the host site in Class 3A, Sectional 21, action with seven teams battling to advance.

East Noble and DeKalb will tangle in a sectional quarterfinal with the winner ad-

vancing to play Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran in semifinal action.

The other two sectional quarterfinals will feature host Angola against Leo while Garrett plays Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger. Those two winners will meet up in a sectional semifinal as well.

In Class 3A, Sectional 22, five squads will travel to Norwell with hopes of moving on down the tournament trail.

Opening round play will feature Heritage against Mississinewa with that winner moving on to take on Marion in semifinal play. The other sectional contest features host Norwell against New Haven.

Woodlan will be a host site in Class 2A as the home of the Warriors will feature seven squads visiting in Sectional 36.

Fort Wayne Blackhawk Christian and Fort Wayne Bishop Luers will open the action with a quarterfinal round match as the winner advances to play the host Lady Warriors in sectional semifinal action.

The other two quarterfinal matches have Whitko against Bluffton as well as South Adams taking on Adams Central. Those two winners move on to the sectional semifinal.

Sectional tournament play will take place between October 15 and October 19 in the state of Indiana.

WARRIORS ROLL OVER RAIDERS

Visiting Woodlan made the trip to Southern Wells High School last week in ACAC volleyball action where the Lady Warriors rolled to a straight set sweep of the host Lady Raiders.

Woodlan took the opening game 25-16 and the Warriors cruised to a 25-14 victory in the second set as well. In the third set, Woodlan wrapped up the sweep with a 25-13 win over Southern Wells.

Alyssa Anderson led the Lady Warriors with 14 kills while Makaila Gruber adding in eight slams. Katy Bottoms (six), Victoria Crozier (four), Carsyn Wills (two) and Makenna Smith (one) also posted kills for Woodlan in the contest.

Jade Lichty had four aces to lead Woodlan followed by Makenna Smith (two), Alix Jacquay (two), Gruber (two) and Alyssa Harvey (one).

Gruber also finished with two blocks while Anderson, Eve Eager, Wills, Crozier and Bottoms all had one block. Crozier dished out 18 assists to pace the Lady Warriors with Harvey chipping in nine. Lichty (two), Anderson (two) and Emma McDaniel (one) added assists as well for Woodlan.

In digs, Jacquay and Makenna Smith each recorded 17 while Lichty picked up eight. Others adding to the Lady Warriors cause were Harvey (three), Bottoms (three), Anderson (two), Gruber (one), Eager (one), Wills (one) and Crozier (one).

WARRIORS ROLL TO WIN OVER PANTHERS

The Woodlan Warriors posted their third straight victory Friday night and improved to 4-3 overall in the season with a 42-0 victory over Prairie Heights.

The Warriors dominated the contest on the ground as Woodlan ran for 368 yards

overall in cruising to the win. Drew Fleek amassed for 179 yards on six carries and three touchdowns to pace the Warriors with Shaiden Snyder rumbling for 71 yards over five attempts and one score.

Jake Ley picked up 62 yards on three attempts for Woodlan, scoring twice, with Brandon Stauffer totaling 25 yards.

Ty Loudon completed his only pass attempt to Carter Fleek for 25 yards.

Emmerson Spieth topped the Woodlan defense with seven stops on the night while Drew Fleek and Eli Funk both getting six tackles.

Stauffer and Snyder each picked up five tackles as well for the Warriors with Carter Fleek and Ashtin Jacquay recording four apiece.

Stauffer, Jacquay, James Goldin, Gavin Vachon and Gideon Blackburn ended the night with one tackle for a loss each.

Drew Fleek, Funk and Ryan Kline all picked up one sack for Woodlan.

DEFIANCE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES 9/23/24

The Board of Defiance County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 23, 2024, in the Defiance County Commissioners' Conference Room. President David Kern called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioner Dana Phipps; Commissioner Mick Pocratsky; County Administrator, Sherry Carnahan; and Clerk, Liz Stuart.

The Commissioners met in General Session to approve and sign various resolutions, contracts, and documents. The Commissioners also reviewed the calendar of events and discussed upcoming meetings.

The Commissioners met with Jen English of the Defiance County Metro Parks Board for a quarterly update. She reported that they are working with the parks organizations in various communities to formulate their strategic plan.

The Commissioners met with Clerk of Courts Amy Galbraith to discuss her transition out of office.

The Commissioners met with Jerry Overmier for an update on the renovation design of Defiance County West, which is the former Vancecrest building in Hicksville. He presented the Board with several options and discussed variations on those options. He anticipates that construction could begin on this project in spring of 2025 after a final plan is approved.

HICKSVILLE'S JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY TO HOST ANNUAL FALL FEST

Prepare for a ghoulish good time as Hicksville's Johnson Memorial Library gets ready to host its annual Fall Fest.

All ages are invited to Fall Fest, taking place Oct. 28 from 4-6 p.m. at the library, 116 W. High St., Hicksville. This year's fest features a costume contest, BINGO, crafts, popcorn, games, and more.

No registration is needed. Fall Fest is sponsored by the Friends of Johnson Memorial Library.

WOODBURN 7th ANNUAL BUSINESS PUMPKIN CONTEST

Woodburn 7th Annual Business Pumpkin Contest. Go to Woodburn Main Street Facebook page to vote. Voting October 21-25.

DPLS FINANCE COMMITTEE TO MEET 10/16/24

The Finance Committee of the Defiance Public Library System (DPLS) Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 16, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St., Defiance, to review the September financials. Meetings of the board and its committees are open to the public.

STRAHM SPEAKS TO HERITAGE LIONS



Submitted by: Rick Boys and Cindy Wolf

Brian Strahm, who established the Heartbeat of Hoagland Foundation and owns Barney's Heating and Air, Inc., gave a "heartfelt" talk to the Heritage Lions on Tuesday October 8.

Brian was persistent in his search for answers to his medical challenges, which included sleeplessness, feeling cold in warm summer temperatures, and several other symptoms. He suffered for almost ten years before he was finally diagnosed with a rare heart condition called Cardiac Sarcoidosis. He was told he needed a heart transplant, which he received on March 27, 2021. The surgery went exceptionally well and only took four hours, where the norm is usually six. His total treatment cost almost two million dollars, most of which was covered by insurance that he had wisely taken out three years prior.

Brian could have easily died had he not been properly diagnosed and a compatible heart had not been found in time. There are currently 89 people in Indiana waiting for a donor heart, and the mortality rate on the nationwide list is fairly high. The donor can be either a man or a woman and must be matched in approximate age, height, weight, blood type, and distance between hospitals. In 2021, medical personnel had only 4 hours from the time of death of the donor to

the implantation if the heart into the recipient's chest.

Various improvements in technology have increased that window to as much as 24 hours. It now may be possible for a donor to be found anywhere in the world.

Brian is a deeply religious man and he described the almost spiritual experience of being gifted with a heart, the brief preparation before the surgery, and the surgery itself. He felt that the Holy Spirit had intervened to allow him to continue in this life. Everyone listening could feel his deep emotion and gratitude as he struggled to continue his talk.

His determination to heal and return to a normal life motivated him to begin walking the corridors very soon after the new heart was in. His medical team repeatedly warned him "not to overdo it." But Brian pushed himself to grow stronger by walking as much as possible. When he returned home, he started walking through the cornfield by his house to build his body back up. He refused to be a victim. Instead, he used his circumstance as an opportunity to help others. His doctors called him "the picture-perfect patient" when he followed up with them after six months.

While in the hospital, Brian noticed the challenges that many patients faced. As stated on his website: "Brian shared his vision with a group of individuals and cre-

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and Paulding's Daniella Borland (14:05) placed second and third, respectively. Antwerp's Gianna Laker took fourth in 14:08 and Edgerton's Nora Gerschutz claimed fifth in 14:28.

Karlee Kohart (15:15) and Maggie Hayes (15:35) also finished seventh and eighth, respectively, for Paulding with Edgerton's Addyson King (15:45) and Hicksville's Vaida Van Horn (15:56) taking ninth and tenth.

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The Red Cross Bloodmobile returned to Hicksville on October 3rd, collecting 50 units of the gift of life. Drive coordinator and Red Cross Ambassador Zeldia Zimmerman was pleased with the turnout and expressed her gratitude for all who showed up to donate.

In addition to the donors, the drive was supported by the First Church of Christ, site for the event, and members of the Rotary Club for assistance with setup and teardown. Rotary also footed the bill for sandwich ingredients. Alice Breidenbaugh, Marilyn Guilford, and Sara Green prepared food for the canteen, with cookies provided by Grace Methodist Church. Registration was done by Susan Guilford and Colleen Richter.

Due to the hurricane destruction in the South, more than ever, blood is urgently needed! Please consider donating. Be sure to make an appointment for the next blood drive, which will be held on December 5th in Hicksville, from 1 - 6 pm. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org.

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DPLS PERSONNEL COMMITTEE TO MEET 10/16/24

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S.R. 37 TO CLOSE FOR CULVERT REPLACEMENT

INDOT announces the closure of State Road 37 for a culvert replacement near Harlan.

Starting on or after October 14, crews will be working on S.R. 37 between S.R. 101 and the Indiana State Line. Work on the culvert is expected to last for approximately one week. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.

During the closure, drivers should use the approved detour of State Road 101, State Road 8 and Ohio State Route 18, or seek an alternate route.

INDOT encourages drivers to consider safety for all by slowing down, using extra caution and driving distraction-free when travelling in and around all work zones.

LADY ARCHERS GET SWEEP OF COUGARS

Antwerp posted a sweep of the night Monday in Van Wert as the Lady Archer freshman, junior varsity and varsity volleyball squads recorded victories over the Cougars.

The Antwerp freshman team started the night by recording a two-game win over Van Wert, taking the opening set 25-11 before outlasting the Cougars in game two 26-24.

In the junior varsity match, the Lady Archers also won in two sets as Antwerp recorded victories of 25-14 and 25-10 on the night.

Antwerp then wrapped up the night by sweeping

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past the Lady Cougars in the varsity match, posting a 25-23 victory in game one before adding wins of 25-14 in the second set and 25-15 in game three.

Madison Peters dished out 30 assists to top the Lady Archers while adding eight digs, five aces and three kills. Clara Rohrs recorded seven digs for Antwerp and Caroline Rohrs picked up 15 digs.

Briley Bagley chipped in 18 digs for the blue and white with Amelia Graham totaling seven kills and five digs. Alexis Otto recorded eight kills to aid the Lady Archer cause and Haydyn Lengacher finished with seven kills and two digs.

Emery Jones finished with five aces and five digs while Faith Clem chipped in six kills for the Lady Archers.

CHRISTMAS & COATS FOR KIDS SIGN UPS APPROACHING

Sign up for Christmas For Kids and Coats For Kids sign up is November 2, 2024 from 9am to 4pm at Antwerp Global Methodist Church, 202 E. River Street, Antwerp, OH. Please use the entrance on the west side.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report

Roselyn J. Perdomo Montero, Orlando, FL; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

James M. Orozco, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Seat belt/drive, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

Tyler D. Fenter, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Matthew T. White, Payne, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Pled no contest, found guilty; 30 days jail, 25 days suspended; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; No contact with victim; Maintain general good behavior

James S. Brown, Payne, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Edward V. Pate Jr., Paulding, OH; Improper backing; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

William E. Kyle, New Boston, OH; Assault; Guilty; 180 days jail, 166 suspended; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Pay restitution; Placed on standard probation; Complete online course; Evaluation at Westwood; Risk assessment

Jamal L. Block, Bossier City, LA; Driving/texting; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

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Napoleon, OH; FRA suspension, Guilty, 30 days jail, 26 days suspended, Placed on standard probation, Secure valid operator's license; Driving/texting, Count B dismissed

Alyssa F. Jewell, Paulding, OH; Driving/texting; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Ralph L. Grennay Jr., Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Eddy C. Mendez, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brooke N. Raber, Yoder, IN; Domestic violence, Pled no contest, found guilty, 90 days jail, 88 days suspended, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Placed on standard probation, Complete 40 hours community service, Risk assessment, Evaluation and counseling, Complete any outstanding conditions of diversion; Domestic violence, Pled no contest, found guilty, Same conditions as Count A

Barton W. Taube Jr., Paulding, OH; Failure to register dog; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

Emily N. Sorg, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicholas T. Campbell, Ann Arbor, MI; One way traffic; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Juan G. Santie Hernandez, Delphos, OH; No operator license, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Driving/texting, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs

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LITTLE FOOTPRINTS MEMORIAL WALK: REMEMBRANCE AND HEALING



By: Angel Steiner
 In Antwerp on October 6th, Little Footprints Memorial Walk held its inaugural event at the Antwerp Local School's campus. With the efforts of two local mothers, Megan Martenies and Kortney Dooley, they were compelled to organize an event to help others in the community honor their little loved ones that did not get the chance to continue life on this earth with their families. At 2:00 p.m. over 100 people convened in front of the conces-

sion stand complex on the track at Antwerp Local School. After a brief introduction of how the walk would work, the walkers were released to begin their journey of remembrance. The path of the walk was lined with yard signs all around the school grounds of all of the children who went on before their families. It was a touching sight to see families pause before their child's yard sign to say a prayer and pose for a photo to commemorate the occasion. Grief and loss is what brought a small community together at the Antwerp School campus on October 6th, and it gave all a chance to remember, pray, and heal from a somber event in the families' pasts. When all returned from the walk, Martenies and Dooley announced all the children who were remembered during this walk, and balloons were avail-

able for families to release when their child's name was called. It was a sobering time of reflection and love from all who observed.

Little Footprints raised funds for an organization called Remembering Rowan, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that exists to serve bereaved families that have experienced a miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant loss by providing financial assistance with funeral costs and medical expenses.

From Megan and Kortney (as posted on the event's facebook post), "We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all who attended the Little Footprints Memorial Walk, bought merchandise, and donated to Remembering Rowan, resulting in a \$1,338 donation. Thank you again for your kindness. We hope to see you next year!"



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PAULDING COUNTY OFFERS DROP OFF LOCATIONS FOR ANNUAL "EAT HOG, NOT TURKEY" SUPPER

Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County's Annual "Eat Hog, Not Turkey" Supper on October 17th will offer delivery to 17 places around the county this year. The supper consisting of a pulled pork sandwich, homemade ham & bean soup, Cole slaw, cornbread and a homemade dessert can be pre-ordered

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 15-16. A minimum of five meals per stop for delivery with a free will donation upon pick up.

Below are the listing of drop off/pick up locations to be offered this year.

Main Drive Thru @ Paulding County Extension building from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

AEB - Payne - 5:45-6:00 p.m.

AEB - Antwerp - 6:15-6:30 p.m.

Grover Hill Library - 6:00-6:15 p.m.

Oakwood Park - 6:00-6:15 p.m.

For more information or to order, call 419-789-8902.

CHP TO HOST BEACON OF HOPE DINNER AND CHARITY AUCTION

An evening of fun and remembrance to benefit local hospice patients and families will be hosted by CHP on November 7, 2024.

This will be a dinner and charity auction, held at the Paulding OSU Extension Building, 503 Fairground Dr. Paulding, OH

5:30 p.m. will be Social Hour; 6:30 p.m. Dinner with auction to follow. Dinner is free, but RSVP required by Oct. 31.

There will be live and silent auctions.

JUDGE SHANAHAN STOPS BY PC COURTHOUSE



Judge Megan Shanahan stopped at the Paulding County Courthouse this past week. Judge Shanahan is running for Ohio Supreme Court Justice position in November's election. Pictured is Sarah Shuherk Republican running for Paulding County Recorder, Sarah Harpel, Republican, running for Clerk of the Court of Pleas, Claudia Fickel, Republican, Paulding County Auditor, Judge Shanahan, Lou Ann Wannemacher, Republican, Paulding County Treasurer, running for re-election and Judge Tiffany Beckman, Republican, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.



CHRISTEN BAUER - ANTWERP'S GIRLS WRESTLING COACH BEGINS AN ERA

Antwerp Local School has joined the ranks of the largest growing high school sport in the state of Ohio and the country. Christen Bauer is set to be Antwerp Local School's first girls wrestling coach for the 2024-25 season.

Bauer has been a 5th grade teacher at Antwerp Local Schools since 2018. After attending Antwerp for her entire education, she decided to come back to Antwerp to settle down after an opening became available. She is married to Phil Bauer II, an Antwerp resident and graduate. Together they have been raising Tyler, Braxtyn, and Ava at their home in the Antwerp school district. Although Tyler is now graduated, Braxtyn and Ava attend Antwerp schools and are involved in the Antwerp wrestling community.

Over the last few years, there have been a few girl wrestlers who were competing in the boy's schedules all year, with the exception of one or two girls tournaments. After the school and other stakeholders approved the creation of a girls wrestling team and

therefore a coaching position, Bauer knew this was something that would be beneficial and much needed to grow girls wrestling at Antwerp. The position was posted internally earlier this fall and after some consideration, she decided to apply. Bauer was offered the position and she accepted gladly. "I want to be a part of the growth of girls wrestling so that young girls, including my daughter, have the option to continue girls wrestling through JH, HS, and beyond," she stated.

Christen's wrestling experience began after high school since, at the time of her attendance at Antwerp, they didn't have a wrestling program at all. Wrestling wasn't a part of her life until she met her husband. His son Tyler was involved in the youth wrestling club. Tyler decided that he wanted to expand his wrestling experiences and so as a family they had to learn quickly all about competitive wrestling lifestyle - from traveling to extra club practices around the NW Ohio and NE Indiana area, to year-round wrestling camps and practices, to National tournaments all around the country, and more. Fast forward ten years and now the Bauer's other two children Braxton and Ava have entered the wrestling world. Christen commented, "Some of our favorite memories are mat-side during competitions of my children and attending youth-aged to collegiate wrestling events as spectators."

Bauer is anticipating growth for this first season, "This first season, I expect to grow girls wrestling in both the JH and HS so that we can add new members who feel supported and seen as the unique student-athletes they are. The addition of this pro-

gram at Antwerp Schools is a way for the coaching staff and me to build confidence in our female wrestlers that will last a lifetime."

As of this news release, there will be both a junior high and high school girls wrestling team to represent Antwerp. Bauer is aware of at least two students will be joining the ranks of the high school team of in this maiden competition year. While the junior high girls will not have a separate schedule, but will follow the junior high boys schedule the majority of the season. The high school girls will have their own schedule, attending six area girls tournaments, as well as dual tournaments and GMC tournament to end their regular season. They will also compete at OHSAA girls sectionals in the newly formed girls division.

Official first practice will be in early November, with all potential athletes welcome to open mats on Wednesday 4:30-5:30 p.m. and Fridays 3:45-5:00 p.m. during October. Tentative rosters for both the junior high and high school teams is forth coming after regular practices begin for the season..

Antwerp Boys Wrestling Coach, Dustin Carnahan, commented about the addition of a girls wrestling division at Antwerp, "The addition of a girls coach to the Antwerp program is a blessing. I am excited to see such growth in a sport that I love. A sport that teaches us so many great values and helps build confidence. During the last few years I have witnessed tremendous support and sportsmanship in the girls wrestling community. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to be a part of it."



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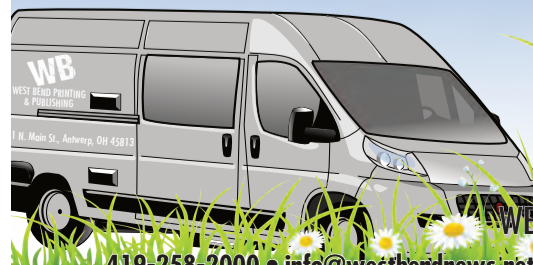
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