

## PAULDING MUSEUM TO RAFFLE STEAM TRAIN TICKETS



caption: John Paulding Historical Society in Paulding is raffling two tickets for Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society's Nickel Plate No. 765 steam locomotive excursion on October 1 from Edon to Hillsdale.

PAULDING - The John Paulding Historical Society is raffling two deluxe coach tickets for the sold out Tri-

State Scenic Steam Excursion on October 1.

The tickets were generated for the sold out Tri-

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## SYDNEE SINN EARNS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Wayne Trace senior Sydnee Sinn has earned National Recognition from the College Board National Recognition program. Sydnee earned the Rural and Small Town Recognition honor for outstanding academic achievement. To be eligible a student must have a 3.5 GPA or higher and score in the top 10% nationally on the PSAT/NMSQT. Sydnee is the daughter of Josh and Christina Sinn. Wayne Trace congratulates Sydnee for receiving this honor.

## WAYNE TRACE FFA HOSTS PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Wayne Trace FFA will host a Pancake & Sausage

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## PAYNE CELEBRATES 150 YEARS



On Saturday, September 10-11, 2022, the Village of Payne Celebrated their Sesquicentennial with a full weekend of family activities. Saturday afternoon, there was a parade through town to the Payne Community Park. Pictured above are the Grand Marshals: Don Benschneider,

"Mac" Brigner Gary Cadwalader, Keith Carter, Ron Etzler, Roger Gerber, John Hall, Jim Henriott, Robert "Bob" Lichty, Jim Miller, Dr. Don Snyder, Nancy Speice

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## Community Calendar

### MON & WED

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

### September 20

• PC Library Exec. Comm. Meeting, Paulding, 4pm

### September 21

• WBESC meeting @ OSU Ext. Conference room, 5:30pm

### September 22

• Senior Saints Concert @ The Chapel, FW, 1pm

• Free Community Meal @ St. Paul UMC, Payne, 4:30-6pm

### September 24

• WT FFA Pancake & Sausage Breakfast @ WTHS, 7-11am

• Live Music & Ziffles BBQ @ Grounded CC, Paulding, 5-8pm

• Little Big Band @ Huber, Hicksville, 7pm

• Heritage Lions Ice Cream @ Hessen Cassel Fall Festival

• Annual Hog Roast @ Martini Luth. Church, NH, 4-8pm

• Republican Banquet, OSU Ext. Bldg., Paulding, 6:30pm

### September 25

• Senior Saints Concert @ Grabill Miss. Church, 6pm

• Bluegrass Praise Band @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm

### September 27

• JPHS meeting @ museum w/ 'John Paulding', 6:30pm

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**OBITUARIES**

ANTWERP, OH:  
**David Charles Sensabaugh**, Sr. 80, of Antwerp, passed away Sunday, September 11, 2022, at Vancrest of Payne. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

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ously donated by the Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, whose historic Nickel Plate Road steam locomotive No. 765 will pull the excursion train.

No. 765 has a unique connection to Paulding County: the Paulding museum owns 765's original bell and whistle.

Raffle tickets were available during our 21st ATHS Vintage Truck Show from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sunday, September 18, during the Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival at the adjacent fairgrounds. Raffle tickets also will be sold while the museum is open from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 20. The winner will be announced at 4:00 p.m. on September 20.

The October 1st trip is an all-day excursion that will treat passengers to a late summer ride from Edon, Ohio, to southeastern Michigan for a three-hour layover in the historic downtown of Hillsdale. Departing at 9:00 a.m., the train will arrive in Hillsdale for lunch, where guests can visit the local farmers' market, take a walking tour, and enjoy lunch on their own in a variety of area restaurants. With a scheduled departure from Hillsdale at 3:00 p.m., the train will arrive back in Edon at approximately 6:00 p.m.

For more information and answers to frequently asked questions about this Indiana Rail Experience excursion, visit [www.indianarailexperience.org/the-tri-state-scenic/](http://www.indianarailexperience.org/the-tri-state-scenic/).

JPHS will post any updates on its Facebook page at [facebook.com/jphsmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/jphsmuseum). For questions, leave a message at 419-399-3667.

Historic steam locomotive No. 765 is a high-stepping, 14-wheeled time machine that stands 15 feet tall, weighs 404 tons and can go

**NEWEST CLASS OF INDUCTEES WELCOMED INTO OHIO SENIOR CITIZENS HALL OF FAME**



**Fifteen Ohioans honored for lifelong achievements, contributions to their communities**

Columbus, Ohio - A group of 15 extraordinary older Ohioans who have dedicated their lives to helping others and improving their communities were honored today in a special ceremony in the Statehouse Atrium, where they became the newest inductees to the Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame.

This year's inductees hail from cities and towns across the state. They range in age from 66 to 101 and possess a variety of backgrounds. Among them are doctors, nurses, scientists, teachers, veterans, public servants, philanthropists, historians, preservationists, musicians, actors, advocates, and more.

"Today, we celebrate 15 amazing individuals whose passion and willingness to help people, quite frankly, stand out," said Gov. Mike DeWine. "One thing they have in common: they represent the best kind of Ohioan - one who serves others, changes lives, and makes us all stronger. On behalf of all Ohioans, thank you to our 15 newest Hall of Fame inductees."

The induction ceremony was hosted by Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) Director Ursel J. McElroy and co-hosted by John Corlett, Chairperson of the Ohio Advisory Council for Aging. "These amazing individuals challenge our society's notion of what it means to age. Far too many people misguidedly think of our Senior Citizens as mere consumers, whose days of

bringing value to the table are behind them. Not in Ohio," Director McElroy said. "In Ohio, we understand that our Seniors are contributors. By utilizing their decades of experience and continuing to work as fierce advocates for their loved ones and their hometowns, the value they bring to us all is immeasurable."

"Our seniors have given and continue to give so much to our communities," Corlett said. "We know that, by giving our seniors the opportunity to truly live, they will make the very most of it, as evidenced by the 15 outstanding new members of the Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame that we're all here to celebrate today."

These newest inductees bring total membership in the Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame to 501.

The Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame was established in 1977 to honor Ohioans age 60 and older for achievements and contributions to others, the roles they play in their communities, state and nation, and for what they do to promote productive and enjoyable lives. Their stories are compelling and represent lifetimes of dedication, ingenuity, perseverance, kindness, and compassion.

In addition to inductees' family and friends, several other dignitaries were on hand for the ceremony, including members of Gov. DeWine's Cabinet, leaders and members of the Ohio General Assembly, and leaders with the Ohio Advisory Council for Aging and the state's 12 Area Agencies on Aging, as

well as partner organizations and associations within the state's aging network.

The honorees were each invited on stage and presented with an award as the event hosts read short biographies of their accomplishments to the assembled crowd.

Three of the honorees were inducted posthumously, with family members accepting their awards on their behalf.

A recording of the full event will be posted to the Ohio Channel website as soon as it becomes available.

Detailed biographies of each of the honorees and their accomplishments are available on the 2022 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Inductees page on ODA's website.

2022 Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame inductees:

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- Greer Glazer, RN, PhD, FAAN, Solon
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- Ruby T. Miller, Cincinnati
- Jerry Rampelt, Columbus
- Betty J. Wiechert, Zanesville
- Vaughn Wiester, Columbus

**Scripture of the Week**

"Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom."

— James 3:13

**MATT'S MISHAPS**

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

— Matt



**Collateral Curtain Costs**

How long do a good set of cloth curtains last? Our primary home curtains overseas are going on 20 years of age, surely faded a bit, but have had a backcloth on them to protect from much of the sun.

When back in America, my wife and I would love running the streets of our small town in the dark, cold early mornings. I do confess I liked watching snippets of the morning news when running by someone's home that had their front window curtains pulled back and their big screen tv turned on.

However, we are all a bit inconsistent, not minding if the neighbors leave their curtains open, but want ours closed at times for our own privacy from them.

Curtains overseas for us have been even more important as they provide sun protection from the intense year-round sunrays and also privacy as an urban-apartment has people moving around just feet from our windows. After finding our apartment home, we began measuring our windows and headed to a large fabric store. My wife decided to take on the curtain sewing job and calculated and bought the material she would need.

At some point in the project, her Singer sewing machine had a glitch and she needed a new part for it. Singer is a world brand, and I found a Singer repair shop that sold parts in the capital city. I drove our car down to the shop, and as is common,

there was no parking. However, as is also common, I saw that cars had parallel parked along one side of the street with half the car resting on the sidewalk. I parked the same and ran into the sewing machine shop. When I came back 10 minutes later, I was shocked to find my car gone. I asked another shop owner what had happened, and he said, "A large city bus passes by here a few times a day and can't fit with cars partially blocking the street." All the locals knew to be ready to move their vehicles for the bus and then repark them partially on the sidewalk. I, however, didn't know to do this, and my car was towed away. I found a taxi and asked him to drive me to the police lot where towed vehicles are deposited. I unhappily paid my fine to get the car out of the lot. My wife fixed the sewing machine and finished the curtain project.

I still love those curtains twenty years later and cannot imagine replacing them, but maybe that is because they were a bit pricey with the collateral costs that went into making the curtains.

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

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A store near our overseas home called the "Kilogram" sold a hodgepodge of products from around the world in the 1960s, including pearls from Japan, cloth boxes from America. Textiles (sold by weight in kilograms, not by square feet) were the most successful product, so the store became known as "The Kilogram" to this day.

**Thank you**

The family of Beth Hammond would like to thank Dooley Funeral Home, Father Ammanniti, Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, Deacon Bob Nighswander, Antwerp EMS, & Deputy Mendez along with all of our family & friends who helped us through this difficult time. We are very blessed to have you all in our lives.

— Jan & John Reeb  
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over 70 miles an hour. It was one of the famous class of steam locomotives called the Berkshire; one known for its "superpower" technology and aesthetic charm.

Once a fast-freight and passenger engine for the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad - more commonly known as the Nickel Plate Road - the 765 is now a celebrated icon of American innovation and goodwill ambassador.

Powered exclusively by

volunteers as part of the Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society's educational programs, the locomotive has been restored to the way it looked and sounded when it was originally built by the Lima Locomotive Works in 1944. The 765 remains one of only a handful of mainline steam engines that still operate in North America.

This "iron horse" will pull more than a dozen vintage, meticulously restored passenger coaches, lounge cars and Pullman cars dating from the 1940s and '50s.

The railroad historical society - celebrating its 50th anniversary this year - has operated the Nickel Plate Road No. 765 steam locomotives for over 100,000 miles in public exhibition and passenger train excursion service. Routinely, the train welcomes visitors from all 50 states and half a dozen countries.

**"HEALTHY FOR THE HOLIDAYS" CLASS TO BE OFFERED AT PC OSU EXTENSION BLDG.**

Healthy for the Holidays is a fall program focusing on multiple aspects of wellness. Participants will discuss a variety of topics each meeting, as well as setting personal goals to focus on throughout the week.

Classes will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. for 12 weeks starting September 28th. Each session will cover a different topic or have a different activity. Most classes are free, but optional crafts will be offered as well. Classes will be held at the Paulding extension office.

Registration closes on Monday, September 18th, to view class topics and register, please follow the link:

<https://go.osu.edu/h4h2022>

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 — 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

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**PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS**

By: Nancy Whitaker

When I end my columns with, "I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts" if I ever see you, I will do just that.

I began writing this column after the death of my mama. She was not only my



mother, but my closest and dearest friend.

My mama always had a penny on her or was always looking for a penny. She used to play "hide the penny" with my kids when they were little and when she was ill I used to hide pennies in her room in the extended care facility. Anything at all having to do with a penny, I still think of my mom.

Since her passing, I have found pennies in strange places and also those I find are sometimes very unexpected.

One time right after my Mom passed away I was supposed to go play piano where my mom resided before she died.

I said, "I don't think I can play that piano especially in the chapel where Mom liked to go.

As I was looking around, right on the top of the piano was a penny.

I said, "Thank you God and thank you Mom."

I always think that if I find a penny it is a penny from heaven and I say, "Thank you, Mom."

I will admit, sometimes my thoughts are not worth a penny, but maybe yours are worth more than mine.

A lot of topics I write about are things that I wonder about, heard about or sometimes things I actually do.

Now I do not save pennies but a guy from Louisiana took in to the bank over \$5000 in penny's. He had been saving them for 45 years.

Here is the story: "Otha Anders started

saving his first penny more than 45 years ago when he found it on the ground.

The coin reminded him to pray and give thanks.

"I became convinced that spotting a lost or dropped penny was an additional God-given incentive reminding me to always be thankful," said Anders, 73. "There have been days where I failed to pray and more often than not, a lost or dropped penny would show up to remind me."

Fifteen five-gallon plastic water jugs and half a million pennies later, Anders on Tuesday deposited \$5,136.14 into his account to go toward a recent dental bill."

Yes my mom loved Pennies and she would sometimes jiggle pay phones and gum machines to see if a penny came out.

One day Mom shook a pay phone and reached in to see if anything came out and she got the scare of her life.

She reached in and out came a frog. She called me scared to death of the frog and said she was done shaking machines.

I always think too that my Mama or God put a penny down for me.

Sometimes we have good thoughts and sometimes bad ones, but are they worth a Penny?

Maybe some of my shared Penny stories aren't worth a penny, but maybe one of these thoughts will give you a laugh or bring back some memories but let me know and I'll give you a Penny for YOUR thoughts.

**FREE COMMUNITY MEAL AT ST. PAUL UMC**

There will be a free community meal at the Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Payne, OH on Thursday, September 22, 2022 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. All are invited.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

By: Dr. James Bachman

*Dear Parson, Why are unicorns mentioned in the Bible when unicorns are mythological creatures?*

The mythological unicorn and the Bible unicorn are two different things. The Old Testament unicorn could have become extinct, but more than likely it was the wild ox or some have even suggested the rhinoceros.

Looking at the descriptions of the unicorn in the Bible we see a large, strong,

**LIFEWISE ACADEMY HOLDS FIRST CLASSES AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY**



LifeWise Paulding Exempted launched in Oakwood Elementary last week.

Oakwood, Ohio - LifeWise Academy in Oakwood, Ohio commenced its first classes on Tuesday. LifeWise Academy currently enrolls students in grades Kindergarten - 6th grade. Students travel from the Oakwood Elementary School to Twin Oaks United Methodist Church, where they meet to receive Bible-based character education.

"Thanks to our supportive community, we are up and running and serving 175 students," said Traci Koenig, LifeWise Academy Director at LifeWise Paulding Exempted. "We are excited to be able to provide character-based Bible education to students at Oakwood Elementary."

Students can still sign up to enroll at [www.lifewiseacademy.org/pauldingoh](http://www.lifewiseacademy.org/pauldingoh)

What a student said walking to the LifeWise Classroom, "What is LifeWise?" This same student leaving the LifeWise Classroom, "Life-

Wise was my favorite part of the day, I like learning about God and the Bible."

LifeWise lessons are part of the school's intervention time, held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Students learn the Bible chronologically as part of the curriculum. Each lesson relates a Bible passage to a relevant character trait that the students are encouraged to practice in their families and communities.

LifeWise Academy is based in Hilliard, Ohio and is a Released Time Religious Instruction (RTRI) program that provides Bible-based character education to public school students. With parental permission, students are released from school during the day to attend classes that are off school property forty minutes per week.

For additional information about LifeWise Academy, visit [lifewiseacademy.org](http://lifewiseacademy.org).

wild, untrainable animal with dangerous horns. Job 39:9-10 - "Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib? Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? Or will he harrow the valleys after thee." Numbers 24:8 - "God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn: he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce them through with his arrows." Deuteronomy 33:17 - "His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns are like the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh."

The Hebrew word for unicorn is Reem which is like a wild ox. That is quite different than a cute little pony with a spiral horn protruding from its head.

The Bible is not a book full of myths!

Send questions and comments to: [jamesbachman@juno.com](mailto:jamesbachman@juno.com)

**STRENGTH IN WEAKNESS**

By: Doris Applegate

As believers in Jesus Christ, we find it very distressful to live in this evil, sinful adulterous world full of hatred and lawlessness. The only way that we can "keep our heads above water" and overcome the constant evil is to "turn your eyes upon Jesus and look full in His wonderful face. The cares of life will grow strangely dim, in the light of His Glory and Grace!" We MUST stay close to Jesus Christ and yield to the precious Holy Spirit given to us to be our HELPER, COUNSELOR and GUIDE! It is up to

us to PERSEVERE in our trials and STAND! We DON'T QUIT or GIVE UP!

When some of the people were leaving Jesus, He asked His disciples, "if they were going to leave Him too!" Peter answered and said: "To whom could we go - you (Jesus) have the words of LIFE!" This is how we must be in our FAITH WALK with God! It is NOT an option to GIVE UP! NO! We go on and finish the race we started with Jesus Christ! You will get your "second wind" and things will be better! The Apostle Paul had so many horrible trials but counted them as "dung" or manure so that he could discover all that could be found in Christ Jesus! Paul said that following about his afflictions: "In labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prison frequently. Five times I received 39 stripes, three times I was beaten with rods and I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have been in the deep (ocean). In journeys often, in perils of waters, of robbers, of my own countrymen, of false brethren, of the heathen, in the city and the wilderness. Many times hungry, thirsty, weary and in pain! In fasting and the care of the churches is on me! I have found that when I am weak, the Lord Jesus Christ strengthens me and I rejoice in my afflictions! (read Acts 11). "It is our privilege to suffer with the Lord Jesus because we will then reign with Him!"

If we deny Him, He will also deny us. Read 2 Timothy 2:12 and 13. Yes, we are overcomers! It all comes from the Grace and love of God! WE keep the faith, we don't quit and we Win! Read Revelation 22:14.

Amen!

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**MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY**



By: Mark Holtsberry  
Lionel David McCreary

Lionel David McCreary was an Antwerp boy who was born February 11, 1877 in Antwerp, Ohio.

By 1880, Lionel was living with his uncle and aunt, George W. And Izbella Coffelt in Antwerp area. George was a Civil War Veteran who served with Company G. 14th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. It is unclear why Lionel was not living with his family. His parents were David Benjamin and Caroline (Bruner) McCreary. By 1890, Lionel had two brothers and two sisters. In February of 1893, tragedy struck the McCreary household. Lionel lost his three sisters to disease, I figure. Four year old, Julia on February 1st, twelve year old Myrtle, on February 10, and one year old Zelda February 17. They were buried in Banks-Coffelt Cemetery, Antwerp. In 1898, with war looming with Spain, Lionel joined Company M. 2nd Ohio Volunteer Infantry. This Company was formed in Paulding. He was mustered into service June 23, 1898.

Medium height, slender build, dark hair, blue eyes. He was mustered out of service February 10, 1899. By 1900, with Lionel home from the military, he lived with his parents and four brothers. Two more brothers were born since the death of his three sisters. Lionel worked as a day laborer in Antwerp. In 1902, Lionel married a gal named, Ina Viola Bauserman. She was born December 8, 1883. By 1910, Lionel, Ina and five chil-

dren, were living in Antwerp. Lionel was working as a fireman at the Oil Mill. April 28, 1910, Lionel's mother, Caroline passed away. She was buried in Maumee Cemetery. On September 12, 1918, Lionel registered for the World War One draft. He was listed as working for F.E. Reeb as a clerk. But at age 41, Lionel was not selected to serve. By 1920, Lionel, Ina and eight children, plus Lionel's dad David, were living on Ervin Street in Antwerp. Lionel was a salesman at the local grocery store. Lionel's father passed away, October 1, 1926. He was buried with his wife at Maumee Cemetery. By 1930, Lionel, Ina and five children and two grandchildren were living at 115 Ervin Street in Antwerp. Ina's mother Sara passed away, July 16, 1932 and was buried in Maumee Cemetery beside her husband Abraham. By 1940, Lionel's health was in decline. Lionel, Ina, a



son Merle and a grandson Ronald were living in Antwerp. On March 22, 1940, Lionel passed away. He was buried in Maumee Cemetery, Lot 247, Old Block, Grave 2. Ina signed for Lionel's military tombstone in 1941. Ina passed away, March 14, 1959. She was buried beside Lionel. About two years ago, while doing research on Paulding County Spanish American War Veterans for publication, I came across his military stone. I took the time cleaning and weed trimmed his grave. But I would not have found his grave if it was not for Mr. "Pudge" Kennedy.

...Until Then!

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# FAIRVIEW FFA AT THE DEFIANCE COUNTY FAIR



(left to right) Summer Hiler, Carrie Zeedyk, and Kayla Mavis, after winning the girls hay bale stacking contest which was part of the Ag Olympics.



Fairview FFA members after winning the first half of Ag Olympics against Tinora and Ayersville FFA.



(left to right) Blake Zeedyk and Aubryn Viers competing in the Showman of Showman competition.

By: Elizabeth Bok  
This year at the Defiance County Fair there were many things that the Fairview FFA Chapter not only participated in but also greatly succeeded in. The members got to com-

pete in the Ag Olympics with the Tinora and Ayersville FFA chapters. After completing the two parts of the Ag Olympics the Fairview FFA came out on top and won 1st place. The chapter also helped work the

Barn and Grill food stand on Monday of the fair. Carrie Zeedyk and Kennedy Hill got to represent the chapter through the fair week by being a part of the Royalty Court. Carrie Zeedyk is the Fair Queen and Kennedy Hill is an attendant. Many of the chapter members participated in livestock shows throughout the week. Many of the members did very well in their shows and exhibited many champions. Auryn Viers had many champions with her horse and was very successful. She even got to compete in the Showman of Showman event later in the week. Blake Zeedyk also did very well in the Poultry show, and got to compete in the Showman of Showman event. There were also many other champions and successful members in the other shows. Overall, the Fairview FFA Chapter was represented very well by its members at the Defiance County Fair.

## CELEBRATE COMIC BOOKS AT SCI-FI CENTRAL ON 10/8

FORT WAYNE, IN (Sept. 9, 2022) - Comic books are the theme of this year's Sci-Fi Central, set for Saturday, October 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Science Central celebrates science fiction and pop culture at this annual event. Comic books will be highlighted in a special artists' area at this year's Sci-Fi Central. Local artists, whose work has been influenced by the craft of comic books, will be exhibiting and discussing their art.

Featured artists include Tim Baron, David Eisenhauer, Andy Shaggy Korty, Jeremy McFarren, and Aaron Minier. Eisenhauer will also be among the event's presenters in Science Central's Demonstration Theater, talking about the history of comic books.

Other presentations at Sci-Fi Central will be given by:

- Science Central's Sarah Vise, on the science of superheroes, using Science on a Sphere.
- Members of the 501st Legion, on the mission of their worldwide Star Wars costuming group.
- Midwest R2 Builders Club, on the process of building replicas of Star Wars' famous droids.

• Members of the Summit City Cause-Players, on creating cosplay outfits on a budget.

The Cause-Players' presentation will precede the Sci-Fi Central Cosplay Contest, set for 2:00 p.m. in the Demonstration Theater. The contest will be judged in two age divisions, 16 years and younger and 17 years and older. To pre-register for the contest and view the rules, visit Science Central's website.

The Cause-Players, plus members of the 501st Legion, will be attired as comic book characters and Star Wars characters, respectively, and eager to meet and take pictures with attendees. Science Central visitors will also have the opportunity to meet members of the Society for Creative Anachronism and Fort Wayne Foam Fighting.

In addition to the artists' area at Sci-Fi Central, there will be a vendors' space, where attendees can find wares from The Rcade and Jacob Minick.

Refreshments will be available from Kona Ice.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Brenley Jo Miller was born on September 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Brenley's parents are Tony and Staci Miller, of Grover Hill, OH. Brenley weighed 7lb. 13oz. And was 19 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Karl and Debbie Hiler of Defiance; and Sue and the late Lonnie Miller of Grover Hill.

## PAULDING COUNTY 3RD QUARTER BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL EVENT

PAULDING - The Paulding County Economic Development (PCED) office hosted the third quarter Business Advisory Council (BAC) meeting at the Paulding Eagles facility.

PCED Director Tim Copsy opened the event welcoming new participants and providing a brief history of the BAC. Copsy then followed up and reviewed the summer Teacher Boot Camp event, and the business building displays at the Paulding County Fair.

The agenda was flipped this quarter, to allow business members to share their thoughts on how future graduating students might be better prepared for the workforce and hiring frustrations they currently feel. Interactive discussion followed between businesses and school officials. Discussion was centered around the following topics: communication skills, life skills, employee housing, apprenticeships, mentoring and student tours at businesses.

Following the BAC business input, administrative representatives from the county high schools Antwerp, Paulding and Wayne Trace, along with Western Buckeye ESC, all provided positive updates in new opportunities that encourage work partnerships with local businesses.

Copsy shared information from a recently attended economic development meeting in Columbus. Details received in that meeting revealed that the business administrative teams, that are learning to adapt and meeting potential employees in their space, are succeeding in maintaining or gaining employees. Copsy noted the same to Paulding County officials. The BAC event ended with

# FAIRVIEW FFA ON THE DEFIANCE COUNTY FAIR ROYALTY COURT



In the picture attendant - Kennedy Hill, Queen - Carrie Zeedyk, Previous Queen - Kaitlyn Zeedyk

## By: Elizabeth Bok

Fairview FFA had a hand full of members that got to be on the Defiance County Royalty Court this year. Kennedy Hill was an attendant on the court and Carrie Zeedyk represented Fairview FFA very well as the 2022 Defiance County Fair Queen. These two were crowned on Saturday morning at the beginning of the week, where Kaitlyn

Zeedyk gave her outgoing speech as last year's Fair Queen. The Royalty Court was very involved during the week by doing things like Coloring with the Court, helping with shows and other events through the week. Carrie and Kennedy did very well not only being good models for the chapter but also for the Defiance County Fair in general.

new NSCC Technical Representative Tracey Campbell introducing himself and his role as the NW Ohio community college regional business advisory council. Business representatives were then reminded that September is a Tech Cred sign up month and also received contact information for several upcoming events for contacting students at several neighboring colleges.

The afternoon BAC meeting, attended by 20 individuals, representing 18 businesses from around the county, followed a morning meeting hosted by Northwest State Community College (NSCC). The NSCC administrative team was on hand to build a strategic plan for the new Van Wert campus curriculum, based on the input from attending businesses. Many of the same discussions took place in this earlier session.

The final 2022 PC BAC event will be held in December at a site to be determined. For more information about the Paulding County Business Advisory Council please reach out to the economic development office at 419-399-8295 or office@pced.net.

## OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL INVESTIGATING SERIOUS INJURY CRASH

Perrysburg Township - The Bowling Green Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is currently investigating a serious injury crash that occurred on Five Point Road east of Lime City Road in Perrysburg Township at approximately 12:22 a.m. on September 15, 2022.

A Jeep Cherokee operated by Alex Pease, 28 years of age, of Perrysburg, was traveling

west on Five Point Road when he traveled left of the center line and off the south side of the roadway, where his vehicle struck a culvert. Mr. Pease suffered serious injuries as a result of the crash.

Mr. Pease was transported by EMS to St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo.

Mr. Pease was wearing his seat belt at the time of the crash.

The crash remains under investigation at this time.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by the Perrysburg Township Police Department, Perrysburg Township Fire & EMS and Pat and Son Towing.

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Breakfast on Saturday September 24, 2022 at the Wayne Trace High School cafeteria. They will be serving from 7:00-11:00 a.m.

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property of unwanted trash items for pickup on September 24 offered semi-annually (spring & fall) by the City of Woodburn. For details, visit city's website www.cityof-woodburn.org Follow Woodburn Main Street on Facebook.

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# "HISTORIC WAYNE DALE" MUSEUM OPENS TO THE PUBLIC



For a limited time, the "Historic Waynedale" Pop-up Museum opened to the public on Wednesday, September 14 at 4:00 p.m., and will be open Monday through Saturday from 4:00-7:00 p.m. until October 7. It is located at The Waynedale News office at 2505 Lower Huntington Road.

This is truly a unique historical exhibit and a huge undertaking. Throughout the years, The Waynedale News has not only been a storyteller of historical information, but also a collector and preserver of significant historical artifacts from around the community. This 700sqft museum will host just a small portion of the pictures, documents, and other non-digital artifacts that The Waynedale News has collected from the past 100+ years. Waynedale News staff members were amazed by age, amount, and condition of the collection as they selected items to display.

Invoking a strong feeling of nostalgia, guests will get to see newspapers from almost

90 years ago, business cards over 50 old from people and businesses they may remember, and in addition to many other items, a large display of very early Elmhurst High School and Waynedale School documents, memorabilia and photos. A highlight of the exhibit is concert music from Elmhurst's Don Goss as well as a slide show of photos that he had taken during his 54 years as an Art and Theater teacher.

The Waynedale News joins the community in thanking everyone who has donated historical items from Waynedale's place in history. The newspaper takes pride in independently funding the effort to preserve these items so future generations may look fondly back on the area's history. Private donations and newspaper advertising primarily pays for this effort. Through experiencing this exhibit, guests will see the importance of preserving our history and the newspapers' important role it continues to serve in the community

throughout time. Simply put, the items in this exhibit would not exist without the newspaper, and guests would not be able to enjoy them without the newspaper's love for going above and beyond to serve the Waynedale community.

The Waynedale News welcomes all support and donations as the collection grows. If anyone has historical documents, photos or other artifacts, the newspaper would be glad to work with you to see if it is something that could be preserved in its collection. Call 260-747-4535 for more info.

## LAWN CARE FOR THE HOMEOWNER: FALL FEEDING AND CARE

Fall is here and I'd like to share with you a few things to help you keep your lawn in great shape this fall and to prepare it for next spring.

Fall is the best time to help your lawn develop stronger root systems for a thicker, more vigorous lawn. The warm days followed by the cool nights allows bluegrass to rhizome. Rhizome means that the grass roots shoot off from one plant and develop a new plant.

Early fall fertilization will provide maximum fall color and growth. Mid to late fall fertilization will give extended fall/winter greening and early spring response.

In order to get the best-looking lawn this fall, use a winterizer fertilizer. Winterizers have higher amounts of potassium, which helps the grass have better weather tolerance (cooler weather now). It also helps protect against diseases.

Potassium is the third number on a bag of fertilizer. For example, in a 24-0-12 or a 10-0-20 formulation, the 12 and the 20 is the percentage of potassium in the fertilizer. In winterizer fertilizers, anything that has higher percentages of potassium is good for fall feeding.

When purchasing a fall fertilizer, be sure to get a slow release fertilizer that gradually feeds your lawn over a six to eight week period.

A problem that can show up in the fall is weeds. Weeds, such as dandelions, are actively growing in order to store up food for the winter. Now is a good time to use weed controls so that they don't pop up next spring.

Some winterizers have weed controls in them. The same rules apply to winterizers with weed controls as do spring weed & feeds. Apply

the product when the grass is wet from dew or rain so that it sticks much better to the plant. Also, don't apply this product if rain is forecasted within the next 24 to 48 hours. This will allow the weeds to absorb the weed control.

You should continue to mow your lawn until the first frost or freeze. On your last mowing, you should set the mower blades a little lower to prevent snow mold from developing this winter.

— Len Schrock  
Jonathan Green Consultant  
Grabill & Woodburn Hardware

## WARNING FOR OHIO BUSINESSES ABOUT DECEPTIVE LETTER

COLUMBUS – Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose issued a warning to Ohio business owners about a deceptive letter offering to sell a government service that the State of Ohio provides for free.

One of the newest in a line of suspicious, misleading, and even fraudulent mailers involves Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) filings. This mailer claims to "obtain and mail a hard copy of your Ohio UCC Financing Statement Form" for a \$90 fee. The same PDF document being referenced can be downloaded and printed for free at the Ohio Secretary of State's website at <https://ucc.ohiosos.gov>.

**Warning:** A mailer has been sent to several Ohio businesses scamming them into spending \$90 to obtain a free form.

**Guidance for Ohio Business Owners:** These letters are not affiliated with the Ohio Secretary of State's office or any government entity. Businesses should report any suspicious solicitations to [business@OhioSoS.gov](mailto:business@OhioSoS.gov) or 877-767-3453 (877-SOS-FILE).

"While it comes as no surprise, there are many bad actors among us trying to target Ohio's hard-working entrepreneurs," said LaRose.

The Ohio Secretary of State's office has taken steps to refer this matter to the consumer protection division at the Ohio Attorney General's Office for additional investigation and prosecuted, if warranted.

# HERITAGE LIONS LEARN ABOUT CHANGING FOOTPRINTS



Recently, Cheryl and Jim Brockmann spoke about the Changing Footprints program. The project began in Indianapolis, in 2005, when co-founders Maureen Leisure and Bob Broughton learned there was a great need for children's shoes in Afghanistan. They gathered some friends and created an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that collects unwanted shoes and distributes them for free to kids and adults who need them.

Locally, Cheryl and Jim work from a small warehouse in New Haven. They pair the shoes by either tying the laces, or rubber-banding them together. Then they sort them by size and general type, and put them in banana boxes for easy stacking. Cheryl said women's donated shoes outnumber men's, five to one. The greatest need is for children's shoes. All new and gently used shoes are distributed to underprivileged, disaster-stricken, or homeless people locally, nationally, and internationally. Eighty percent of donated footwear stays in this area.

Changing Footprints is a 100% volunteer, non-profit, without any paid staff. No one is ever charged for shoes. There are 5 main distribution locations in Indiana: Rushville, North Indy, South Indy, Greenfield, and Fort Wayne. Over 500,000 pairs of shoes have been distributed in the past 17 years. Shoes are collected from a variety of sources: collection bins at shoe stores and churches, shoe drives by schools, churches, civic and governmental agencies, and donations of customer returns by shoe companies.

Collecting and redistributing shoes saves them from ending up in landfills. Changing Footprints accepts all

styles, types and sizes of shoes, no matter their condition. Damaged athletic shoes are converted into playground padding or running tracks through the Nike Grind program. Most people have garages and closet floors that are littered with their old shoes. Donating these old shoes to

Changing Footprints can clear up space in their home and help a good cause at the same time.

Locally, shoe collection bins are located at all Indiana Physical Therapy offices, six local Allen County Library locations, and the Central, Skyline and Jorgensen YMCA. A complete drop-off site list is online here: <https://www.changingfootprints.org/shoe-drops> If your organization would like to conduct a shoe drive for Changing Footprints, please call Rick Boys at 260-755-2162.

The Heritage Lions will be holding their Hoagland Shoe Drive in mid-October. The Changing Footprints motto is "Changing the world two feet at a time." Donate — don't trash — your unwanted shoes.

## READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

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**Charloe:** Charloe Store  
**Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

**Defiance:** Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid  
**Edgerton:** Kaiser Supermarket, USPS, Utilities Dept., H & W Napa, Marathon Main Stop, Marathon (East)

**Grover Hill:** N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library  
**Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center  
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**Milan Center:** Milan Center Feed & Grain  
**Monroeville:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland's Pizza Pub  
**New Haven:** ACP Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's  
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# ALTIMUS LEADS ARCHERS TO WIN OVER ACES



2022 Homecoming Court for Antwerp High School: (l-r) Seniors Pamela Schneider and Ethan Lichty, Seniors Ross Lee and Ashlynn Hinkle, Sophomores Caroline Rohrs and Dayne Sholl, Queen Makenna Smith, King Gavin Clevinger, Freshmen Raelynne Zuber and Zaine McMichael, Juniors Cohen Hitzeman and Aewyn McMichael, Seniors Aerial Snyder and Eli Reinhart, Princesses Deana and Whitney Miller and Prince Ezekial Laker



Antwerp's Landon Brewer receives the pass from Carson Altimus and is able to fend off numerous Aces defenders to score the touchdown! More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - Carson Altimus threw for 173 yards and ran for 127 more to lead the Antwerp Archers to a 41-6 win over visiting Hicksville Friday night in Green Meadows Conference football action.

Altimus completed 11 of 15 passes on the night, tossing four touchdown passes as the Archers moved to 4-0 overall and 1-0 in the league. The win sets up a key

matchup with Tinora, who enters the contest with a record of 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the league.

Antwerp scored twice in the first quarter, getting a three-yard Reid Lichty touchdown plunge as well as a 61-yard touchdown pass from Altimus to Landon Brewer.

The Archers extended the margin in the second quarter with 21 points in expand-

ing the lead to 35-0 at the intermission.

Altimus found Camden Fuller on a 34-yard touchdown pass before throwing a pair of scoring strikes to Parker Moore from 12 and 11 yards.

Altimus wrapped up the Antwerp scoring with a 69-yard scamper for a score in the third quarter.

In the Archer ground game, Lichty totaled 77 yards over six carries to lead the way while Brewer topped Antwerp receivers with three catches for 101 yards.

The Archers ended the night with 416 yards of total offense compared to 135 for Hicksville.

Antwerp now makes the trip into Defiance County to battle Tinora. The winner of the contest will be tied for first at 2-0 in the league with the Ayersville-Edgerton winner.

Hicksville, which falls to 0-4 and 0-1 in the GMC, hosts Wayne Trace (1-3, 0-1) in search of its first victory.

# WAYNE TRACE TRAVELS TO PIONEER FOR MID-WEEK CROSS COUNTRY

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

PIONEER - The Raiders traveled to Pioneer on Thursday for a rare mid week cross country meet on the road. Running at North Central High School the Raiders ran well with several schools represented but not accounting for full teams. A team score is recorded by adding the individual finish of the top five runners. If a team does not have at least five runners they do not qualify as a team.

In the boys race the Raiders were the only team represented with individuals from North Central, Edgerton, Edon and Stryker also running. North Central's Carter Eckley took top honors with a winning time of 18:55 followed by second place finisher Nathaniel Tomlinson from Edgerton with a time of 20:05. For Wayne Trace Prestyn Schnepf took third with a time of 20:10 followed by Aiden Scott from North Central at 20:31.

Gage Ogle finished fifth for the red, white and blue with a time 20:47 followed by Raider Aiden Lee in seventh at 21:01, Seth Rosswurm in ninth at 21:20 and Ryan Bostleman 15th. with a time of 28:15.

In the girls run the Raiders placed well with 18 points and a first place followed by Edgerton with 40 points. Edon and North Central did not have full teams in the race. The Lady Raiders took first and second with Kiara Bahena leading the way with a winning time of 23:44 followed by Abby Moore at 24:02. Edgerton's Cailyn Brobst took third with a time of 24:02.

Wayne Trace continued their dominance taking 4, 5, 6 and 8. Abby Elkins 24:21; Aubree Miller 24:30; Anna Meraz 25:00 and Elizabeth Mohr 25:25. Also running for the red, white and blue were: 13. Libby Meraz 28:06; 15. Laura Thornell 28:22 and 20. Kara Stoller 36:19.

## HS GOLF - A WEEK IN REVIEW

9/8/22: **Boys Golf at Auglaize Golf Course, Defiance**

Tinora (184) - Aiden Rittenhouse 41, B.J. Morlock 46, Mason McQuillin 48, Carter Bernal 49, Grayson DeLarber 55, Lane Maassell 58

Fairview (191) - Kasen Kauffman 44, Lester Smith

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# LADY ARCHERS TAKE TOUGH LOSS TO RAMS

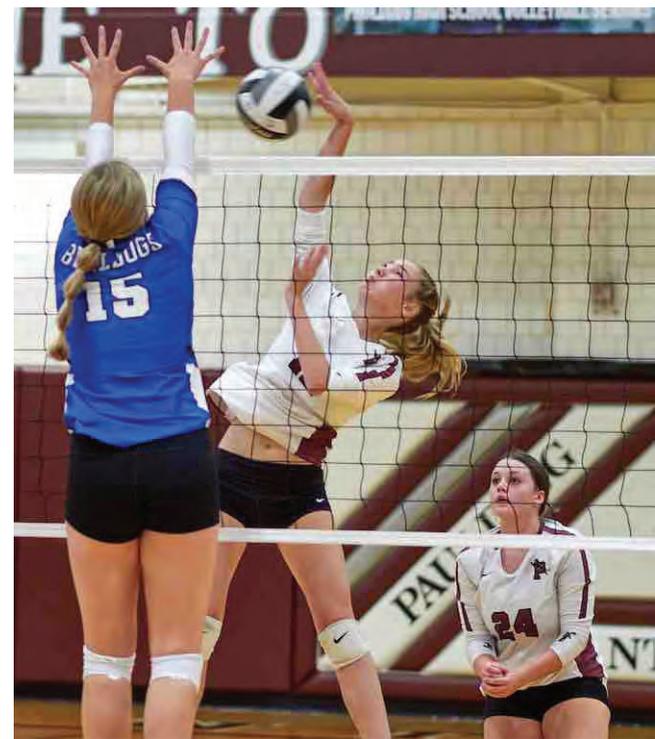


Antwerp Sophomore Caroline Rohrs is on top of her game as she bumps the ball to the Tinora side of the court. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> was a tough night for Lady Archer volleyball as they met at the net against the Tinora Lady Rams in GMC action.

Archer JV lost in 3 sets: 25-20, 9-25, 19-25 making their record 6-5. Varsity lost in 3 sets: 18-25, 7-25, 14-25. They are now 4-7.

# LADY BULLDOGS SPIKE PANTHERS



Panther's Aeylah Hitzeman spikes the ball back to the Bulldogs. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Our Lady Panthers fell to the Bulldogs Monday night, September 12<sup>th</sup> in Varsity action: 14-25, 15-25, 21-25.

Paulding JV stays undefeated - 25-20, 25-16

Kuckuck dominated the front row with 11 kills, 2 solo blocks, and 1 ace.

Beckman ended the night with 5 kills, 14 assists, and an ace!

Bakle had 3 kills and a blocking assist.

Hitzeman earned a kill, a solo block, and 2 blocking assists!

Parrett and Kauser worked

hard in the back row and each had 18 digs!

"It's never fun to lose, but there were a lot of good things in the game last night. The way we played didn't feel like we lost by so many points the first 2 sets. Our blocking game was the strongest I have seen it this season so far. We are becoming more consistent in our offense, especially serving. The girls are learning and it will all come together soon. I am proud of my two seniors that continue to work hard and lead this team!" Commented Coach Collins.



SEPTEMBER IS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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# LADY PANTHERS COMPETE AT ARCHBOLD SPIKETACULAR



This past Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, the Paulding-Lady Panthers 7th and 8th grade volleyball teams competed at the Archbold Spiketacular. The 7th grade earned the Runner-Up spot, while the 8th grade WON! Go Panthers!!

## HORNETS STING LADY WARRIORS



Woodlan's Lauren Snyder spikes the ball to attempt the ace in the first set against the Hornets! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Woodlan lost to Angola on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> in 3 sets: 10-25, 16-25, 14-25  
Woodlan Stats:

Taylor Kneubuhler - 7 kills  
Audra Smith - 12 Assists  
Kyra Parker - 3 blocks

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46, Jack Karzynow 49, Eli Meyer 52, Drew Ford 62, Levi Panico 66  
Paulding (200) - Isaac

Reeb 46, Aiden Miller 50, Johnny Lipps 51, Nico Stahl 53, Max Stork 54, Austen Kinder 54  
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### Boys Golf at Eagle Rock Golf Course, Defiance

Wayne Trace (175) - Evan Crosby 43, Kyle Sutton 44, Jared Varner 44, Kaden Clark 44, Nyle Stoller 48, Tyler Davis 51

Tinora (182) - Carter Bernal 39, Mason McQuillen 45, Grayson DeLarber 48, A.J. Morlock 50, Aiden Ritzenhouse 50

### Girls Golf at Pond A River Golf Course, Woodburn (IN)

Wayne Trace (210) - Riley Daeger 48, Raegan McGarvey 53, Brenna Parker 53, Kristin Wannemacher 56, Anna Miller 58, Ryann Jay 65

Tinora (223) - Adelaida Gill 54, Rylee Joost 55, Rose Billing 55, Marisa Raimonde 59, Alaina Dickinson 65, Maryann Meyer 68

Antwerp (224) - McCartney Lucas 45, Melanie Mills 54, Isabelle Litzenberg 58, Jill Magoulas 67, Brynn Reinhart 70, Kahlea Shook 72  
9/13/22

### Boys Golf at Oaks Golf Club, Lima

Lima Central Catholic (192) - Parker Judy 38, Zac Campbell 48, Austin Craig 52, Cam Stewart 54

Paulding (213) - Austin Kinder 51, Max Stork 51, Johnny Lipps 53, Aiden Miller 58, Nico Stahl 58

### Girls Golf at Pleasant Valley Golf Course, Payne

Wayne Trace (212) - Riley Daeger 45, Anna Miller 53, Kristin Wannemacher 57, Brenna Parker 57, Raegan McGarvey 60, Kristin McDonald 61

Tinora (231) - Adelaida Gill 53, Rylee Joost 57, Maryann Meyer 60, Rose Billing 61, Marisa Raimonde 65, Alaina Dickinson 76

Patrick Henry (232) - Kasey Nelson 46, Katie Johnson 58, Maddi Latta 64, Aly Gebers 64, Maya Lirot 66, Haley Schweibert 79

Fairview (individuals only) - Makeegan Bailey 59, Natalie Timbrook 64, Abri Elson 77

Boys Golf at St. Mike's Golf Course, Defiance

Edgerton (185) - Kaden Kennerk 39, Nathan Swank 44, Braden Leppelmeier 50, Landon Perry 52, Preston Bartlett 53, Cole Huard 62, Caden Leppelmeier 63, Jacob Duvall 64,

Fairview (186) - Kasen Kauffman 42, Eli Meyer 46, Jack Karzynow 47, Lester Smith 51, Drew Ford 53, Levi Panico 58, Owen Speiser 59, David Bennett 67

Antwerp (192) - Braylen Moreno 44, Ross Lee 48, Zaine McMichael 49, Draven Baumert 51, Griffin Kosch 57

### 9/14/22 Boys Golf at Pleasant Valley Golf Course, Payne

Wayne Trace (154) - Evan Crosby 35, Kyle Sutton 36, Tyler Davis 41, Nyle Stoller 42, Jared Varner 43, Kaden Clark 49

Ottoville (160) - Jace Langhals 35, Grant Leis 39, Keaton Schnipke 41, Michael Turnwald 45, Aiden Hilvers 48, Brayden Geise 54

### PANTHERS COME UP SHORT TO AYERSVILLE

DEFIANCE - Paulding posted a pair of touchdowns but Ayersville cruised to a 47-15 win over the Panthers in a battle of Green Meadows Conference football squads Friday night, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Blake Hauenstein scored three times for the Pilots, opening the scoring with a three-yard run that gave Ayersville the lead for good.

Hauenstein scored again late in the opening stanza on a ten-yard scramble to grab a 12-0 lead after one period.

After Paulding's Jacob Fife plunged three yards for a Panther touchdown, the Pilots closed the half with touchdown runs by Owen Berner (one yard) and Abe DeLano (ten yards) to open a 26-7 advantage.

The Panthers then trimmed the deficit to 26-15 at the half as Fife found Caleb Larson on a 99-yard touchdown pass.

In the second half, the hosts put the game away.

Weston McGuire scored on a 49-yard touchdown run before Hauenstein found the endzone on a run from a dozen yards out.

Lucas Fishpaw plunged into the end zone from one yard out to wrap up the game's scoring.

Ayersville recorded interceptions of three Paulding passes in the contest with Ray Wolfrum, Hauenstein and Berner grabbing one each.

Berner also led the Pilot ground attack after totaling 86 yards and McGuire chipped in 77 yards.

The Pilots have a key Green Meadows Conference battle Friday as Ayersville made the trip to Edgerton to battle the Bulldogs. Both teams are currently 1-0 in GMC play with Edgerton unbeaten at 4-0 and the Pilots are 3-1.

Paulding travels to Fairview on Friday where the Panthers and Apaches come into the contest with identical records of 0-4 overall and 0-1 in the GMC.

(Look for this update next week!)

# RAIDERS GO FOR WIN BUT COME UP EMPTY



Wayne Trace's Tucker Antoine managed get past the Bulldog defense and take the ball to the goal line, scoring for the Raiders in the third quarter! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - A Wayne Trace two-point conversion attempt with just 22-seconds remaining came up short resulting in a 21-20 set-back last Friday night. The Raiders were looking to pin the first loss on Edgerton but to no avail. With the final going the Bulldog's way, they move their season mark to 4-0, 1-0, while the red, white and blue fall to 1-3, 0-1.

The Raiders entered the second half trailing 21-7 but their defense did their job by holding the Bulldogs scoreless after intermission. In the third quarter both teams struggled offensively but at the 2:06 mark the Raiders would strike. A Cole Morehead pass delivered to Tucker Antoine covered 34-yards into the end- one to put the Raiders within striking distance - trailing 21-14

In the final stanza following an Edgerton possession that stalled at the Raider eight-yard line the Raiders would take over; 92-yards from a potential touchdown. Morehead went to work, electing to go to the air, the sophomore converted several passes as he guided his squad down the field. A big boast came when the signal caller teamed up with receiver Cale Winans on a pass that covered 50-yards to place the ball at the 10-yard line and the Raiders having a chance. Morehead, after two incompletions, spotted Derrek Dangler open for a five-yard TD toss with just 22-seconds showing on the clock and the Raiders trailing by one 21-20. Electing to go for two and the win, the Raider quarterback was sacked in the backfield ending the Raiders bid for a come-from-behind win.

Mistakes and turnovers have plagued the Raider's play the last couple of games and it carried over to Friday night. Interceptions, fumbles and too many penalties were costly throughout the contest. Although they didn't lose any, the Raiders recorded three fumbles along with three interceptions while being penalized on eight occasions.

Edgerton proved they were worthy of their successful, early season start at 4-0 with

an opening drive that delivered their first score. The Bulldogs covered 72-yards of real estate with the help of two Raider penalties. Bulldog QB Corey Everetts powered his way into the end-zone from two-yards out to put Edgerton on the board. The extra point was successful to but the visitors on top 7-0.

With time remaining in the opening frame the Raiders would steal the momentum and literally the ball on a fumble recovery by Tucker Antoine. Starting their drive at the 32-yard line, the Raiders needed just two-plays, a Kyle Stoller pass to Jude Stoller covering 19-yards and a 13-yard Cole Morehead burst into the end-zone. The Ezra Sinn extra point was solid to knot the score at seven a piece to end the first quarter.

Edgerton managed to find the end zone on a couple of occasions in the second quarter. Everetts guided his squad on an impressive 80-yard drive that included a 58-yard touchdown by Owen Roth. The extra point attempt was good and the Bulldogs enjoyed a 14-7 advantage.

Prior to halftime and the Raiders moving the ball offensively, another costly turnover stopped the Raider drive. Kady Picillo came up with the big interception to give the ball back to Edgerton at the 40-yard line. Needing just three plays to cover the 40-yards including a 31-yard connection from Everetts to Scottie Krontz to rest the ball at the four-yard line. Everetts capitalized on the earlier Raider mistake as he maneuvered his way into the end zone for the score and the 21-7 Edgerton halftime advantage.

Everetts collected 72 rushing yards on 26 carries and 10-19 passing for 120-yards. Roth collected 72-yards on the ground on four attempts. For the Raiders Morehead rushed for 80 yards on 16 totes while calling 155-yards through the air on 12-21. Antoine recorded nine grabs for 89-yards.

Wayne Trace will be on the road as they travel to Hicksville while Edgerton looks to remain unbeaten when Ayersville comes calling.

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# THE LEFT TURN



11-year-old Carter Schlenk- Sportsman Feature Winner at Oakshade Raceway. Photo Credit: Charlie Orns.

**By: Ron Burt**

I must start this week with a big shout-out to 11-year-old Carter Schlenk picking up his 2nd feature win of the year in the Sportsman Division at Oakshade Raceway in Wauseon. What 11-year-old do you know spends his or her Saturday nights going 80-90 mph around a dirt oval with 23 other racers in a Late Model stock car? He comes from a racing family, and I hope to write a column on them this winter. Carter Schlenk started on the pole and lead the entire race. Carter Murday finished 2nd and Jesse Jones 3rd. In the UMP Late Model Feature, Carters father Rusty Schlenk took the checker and \$1500.00 and he led the race flag to flag, for his second win in a row at Oakshade. Devin Shiels got by Colin Shipley to finish second. Dusty Moore and B.J. Gregory were the rest of the top five finishers. Kolin Schilt grabbed his 6th feature win of the summer in the Dominator Super Stocks. Defending track champion Gabe Mueller managed a second-place finish with William 'Bubba' Cundick third. The Compact feature, saw another flag-to-flag race with Eric Carr getting the win. Jason Deshler came in second and asphalt racer Rayce Metdenpenningen posted an impressive third place finish after starting at the tail of the field in his first visit to Oakshade Raceway.

Berlin Speedway hosted the 500 Sprint Car Tour Race (asphalt) and some of racings top names showed up. This tour has been excellent all summer. A large crowd showed up for the Great Lakes Challenge. Tyler Roahrig was the fastest qualifier and eventual race winner. Every type of car he races finds it's way to victory lane. He's having an outstanding summer. Roahrig had a 2.260-second lead over runner-up Kyle O'Gara at the finish. Dakoda Armstrong was third, and Kody Swanson

4th. Only two more races remain in the series' inaugural season: Thursday, October 6 at Anderson Speedway in Anderson, IN, and Saturday, October 22 at Lucas Oil Indianapolis Raceway Park in Brownsburg, IN.

It took until the final race of the 2022 season at Attica Raceway Park, but DJ Foos finally found victory lane, leading all 30 laps of the 410 Sprint feature and \$4000.00 payday. Lemore, California's Cole Macedo wrapped up the 410 Sprints track title, but placed 3rd in the feature behind 2nd place Travis Philo. Rusty Schlenk grabbed the lead at the drop of the green for the \$2,000 to win Late Model feature with Ryan Markham 2nd and Colin Shipley 3rd. In the 305 Sprints the caution flags were flying but at the end, Brandon Martin took 1st followed by Kody Brewer and Kasey Jedrzejek. It's always sad to say goodbye. Prior to the night's racing Attica's director of operations Rex LeJeune was honored by track personnel, race teams and many family, and friends for his 40 years of service - the last 17 as the helm of Attica - to racing as he is now retired from the sport after making a huge impact. Until next week keep your wheels down, Ron out! ohioportsblitz@yahoo.com

## DAEGER LEADS RAIDERS PAST CRESTVIEW

**By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer**

VAN WERT - The Wayne Trace girl's golf team competed in a match with Crestview last Thursday at the Hickory Sticks Golf Course near Van Wert. The Raiders out distanced themselves past the Knights by 32 strokes to win 204-236. The top four golfers for the winners made up their 204 points. Riley Daeger led the way for the Raiders with a 44 followed by Kristin Wannemacher 49, Anna Miller

54 and Brenna Parker 57. Also participating for the red, white and blue were Ryann Jay 58 and Raegan McGarvey 59.

Crestview's 236 points came from Elizabeth Gent 53, Ash Motycka 55, Mattie Leppard 58 and Cameron Sinn 70.

## SHEPHERD SETS VOLLEYBALL RECORD

**By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer**

KALIDA - On Saturday the Raiders traveled to Kalida to participate in the Pioneer Volleyball Invitational. On the day the red, white and blue made their way to championship contest where they were upended by Liberty Benton 25-18, 25-23 in a hard-fought contest. The first match of the day for Wayne Trace pitted the Raiders against Kalida. The Raiders pulled off two consecutive wins 25-9 and 25-15 to advance to the semi-finals. Playing for the opportunity to advance to the finals the Raiders eked past the Roughriders after dropping their first match 24-26. Wayne Trace put it all together and slipped past St. Marys in the final two sets 25-18, 25-23.

The stat leaders for the tournament were: Gracie Shepherd 34 kills, 26 digs; Kacy Hornish 35 assists, 18 digs; Paige Albers 29 assists, eight aces; and Sydnee Sinn 24 kills. The Raiders improve their overall season record to 6-1.

CONVOY - Following a record-breaking night at Edgerton just two nights prior to the rival match at Crestview the Lady Raiders were up to the challenge. The Raiders remained perfect on the season with a hard-fought match where they prevailed 25-23, 16-25, 26-24, 20-25, 15-12. After splitting the first four sets with each team winning twice it came down to the winner-take-all fifth set with the team scoring 15 first is declared the winner. With the Raiders easing past their opponent 15-12 the Raiders improve their mark to 4-0 while the Lady Knights fall to 2-4.

Leading the way for the winners statistically were: Gracie Shepherd with 28 kills, 13 digs, three blocks and one ace. Kacy Hornish had a great night with 32 assists; Paige Alber recorded 22 assists and six digs while team mate Sydnee Sinn added 16 kills and nine blocks. Harper Myers contributed nine kills, and five blocks with Elise Miller adding five digs. Kaitlin Slade added eight digs with Lexi Moore dishing out four kills and Macy Doster with three digs. Toree Sinn came up with three kills and three blocks.

EDGERTON - Last Tuesday Wayne Trace traveled to Edgerton to compete in their first Green Meadows Conference match with the host Bulldogs. The Raiders were sporting a 2-0 record while Edgerton entered with an impressive 5-0 mark. The Raiders came out with the league win in four sets 25-22, 25-19, 25-27, 25-12. In the match Gracie Shepherd set a new school record for the most career kills. The record was held since 2008 by Natalie Snyder with 674. Shep-

herd entered the match needing just four kills to claim the new record and finished with 16 total kills to record a record breaking 681. Shepherd also managed 24 digs, two blocks and one ace.

In the contest, other Lady Raiders recording solid statistics were: Paige Alber with 22 assists and five digs; Sydnee Sinn adding 17 kills, 14 digs and one assist; Kaitlin Slade recorded 14 digs, three aces, three assists and one block; Kacy Hornish with 18 assists, 14 digs, seven aces and two kills; Macy Doster with 15 digs and one assist; Harper Myers adding six kills, three blocks and one dig; Toree Sinn with three kills and two blocks; Lexi Moore three digs; two kills and two blocks; and Elise Miller adding one dig and one assist.

## ANTWERP CROSS COUNTRY ACTION - A WEEK IN REVIEW

Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, the XC teams competed in the Spencerville Invitational. They had another strong showing.

The Varsity Girls were up first, they placed 6th as a team out of 20 schools. They were led by seventh place finisher Leigha Doster, followed closely by Aerial Snyder, Emma Saul, Lyla Clem, Isabelle Graham, and Sara Farr.

The Varsity Boys were up next. They placed 5th as a team out of 20 schools. They were led by 4th place finisher Kamren Johnson, 14th place finisher Avin Johnson, and 15th place finisher Alex Zijlstra. The top three were followed by John Bailey, Owen Franks, Skyler Octaviano, and Levi Shelton.

The Junior High were up next, and even though they weren't able to score as teams all but one ran a new personal best.

The girls ran first and were led by 39th place finisher Alia Clem, followed closely by Chloe Evilsizor, and Jen Lawhorn.

The boys closed out the day in strong fashion with Tucker Doster and Aiden Hook finishing 80 and 84th.

Tuesday night, September 13<sup>th</sup>, the XC teams hosted a tri-meet with Edgerton and Crestview.

In junior high action, the girls were able to score another win for their season. They were led by race winner Gabriella Snyder, followed closely by Emily Laker, Alia Clem, Chloe Evilsizor, Jen Lawhorn, Clare Ehrhart, and Anneliese Zijlstra.

The boys were unable to score as a team, but ran as a strong pack of three finishing seventh, eighth, and ninth. They were Gage Barker, Tucker Doster, and Aiden Hook.

The Varsity Girls ran next and placed second as a team, just missing the top spot by three points. They were led by race winner Leigha Doster, followed closely by Aerial Snyder, Isabelle Graham, Emma Saul, Makenna Smith, Lyla Clem, and Sara Farr.

The Varsity Boys finished out the night and also placed second as a team. They were led by race winner Kamren Johnson, followed closely by Alex Zijlstra, John Bailey, Owen Franks, Skyler Octaviano, and Levi Shelton.

# WOODLAN CROSS COUNTRY CONTINUES STRONG SEASON



Carter Hohenbrink and Nate Lockridge finished 9th and 10th respectively.

Last week JH had a race Thursday night at Adams Central against three other teams in the ACAC Conference. For the girls Maddie Gentz won the race with a time of 12:49. For the boys, Nathan Culler got 3rd place with a time of 11:53 and Eli Washler was 4th with a time of 12:14.



Katy Niles earned a 4th place at the finish line in this race

Last Saturday we took all four teams to Indiana Wesleyan. This is normally a very fast course, but it turned out to be a very hot race. Both the HS ladies and men finished in 4th place. For the HS lady warriors, Katy Niles led the team coming in 6th place with a time of 21:30. Following close behind was Mae Emehiser in 9th place with a time

of 21:41, Cara Chen in 33rd place with a time of 23:48, Riley Zent in 52nd place with a time of 25:25, Morgan Miller in 61st place with a time of 26:19, Grace Martin in 64th with a time of 26:34, and Jordyn Kline in 75th with a time of 27:48. For the HS guys, Carter Hohenbrink led the team coming in 9th place with a time of 18:02, Nate Lockridge was in 10th place with a time of 18:08, Brady Garrison was in 33rd place with a time of 18:59, Collin Klepper was in 67th place with a time of 20:14, Ryan Hubbard was in 69th with a time of 20:18, Johnathan Baxter was in 72nd place with a time of 20:25 and Cooper McDaniel was in 81st with a time of 20:50.

For the JH teams, the girls finished 6th and the boys finished 5th. The girls were led by Maddie Gentz finishing 3rd with a time of 13:04. Brooklyn Hetrick was in 23rd place with a time of 14:55, Findley Harnish was in 45th place with a time of 16:16, Adisyn Gentz was in 49th place with a time of 16:21, Addy Carter was in 56th with a time of 16:50, Lenae Lothamer was in 70th place with a time of 17:49 and Lexi Ice was in 81st with a time of 19:39. For the boys, Nathan Culler finished in 7th place with a time of 11:41, Eli Washler in 17th place with a time of 12:24, Malachi Thulner place 21st in a time of 12:44, Cruz Lipscomb was in 39th place with a time of 14:13, Stephen Pavelek was in 50th place with

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credit, while maintaining an active home school connection in sports and other extracurricular activities. Wishing all of our student athletes and associate school districts continued success in your 2022 fall sports season!

## LADY RAIDERS WIN OVER ACES



Gracie Shepherd digs the ball for the Raiders in the third set just before the win in the game against the Aces. More pictures at westbendnews.net

On September 13<sup>th</sup>, Wayne Trace hosted the Hicksville Aces in volleyball play. Varsity – Wayne Trace over Hicksville: 25-15, 25-21, 25-18. Junior Varsity – Wayne Trace over Hicksville: 25-21, 25-17. Wayne Trace Varsity Stat Leaders: Elise Miller – 2 digs, Gracie Shepherd – 13 kills, 10 digs, Harper Myers – 8 kills.

Kacy Hornish – 2 kills, 18 assists, 11 digs. Kaitlin Slade – 2 assists, 10 digs. Lexi Moore – 4 kills, Macy Doster – 5 digs, Paige Alber – 21 assists, 7 digs. Sydnee Sinn – 10 kills, 9 digs. Torree Sinn – 6 kills. Records – Wayne Trace (7-1 overall, 2-0 Green Meadows Conference); Hicksville (5-2 overall, 1-1 GMC).

a time of 14:48, Ayden Detrick was in 54th place with a time of 15:04 and Miles Walton was in 94th place with a time of 18:03.

### LOCAL SQUADS CHANGE CLASSES IN BASEBALL

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana High School Athletic Association released 2023 classifications for both baseball and softball recently with local squads being affected.

On the baseball side, New Haven goes from Class 3A to Class 4A in 2023 with Leo and Heritage both remaining in class 3A.

Woodlan also joins the class 3A ranks this season after taking part in 2A a year ago.

Two other area schools switching classes in the upcoming season will have Fort Wayne Bishop Luers going from 3A to 2A while East Noble

drops from 4A to 3A.

The softball changes also include New Haven, which jumps to 4A in 2023 after being in 3A a season ago. Woodlan is included in the group that switches classes as well in softball, moving up from 2A to participate in 3A this season. Leo and Heritage both remain in 3A as well.

East Noble also falls a class in softball to 3A from 4A last year.

### WARRIORS ROLL TO FOUR-SET WIN OVER PATRIOTS

PORTLAND – Visiting Woodlan won the first two sets and then wrapped up the night with a victory in the fourth set as the Lady Warriors rolled past Jay County Thursday night in ACAC volleyball action.

Woodlan captured the first set 25-15 before taking game two 25-20 over the Patriots. After Jay County rebounded to win game three 25-19, the Lady Warriors coasted to a 25-14 fourth set victory that wrapped up the night.

Lauren Snyder had 11 kills to lead the way for Woodlan with Avah Smith recording six. Marissa Smith and Kyra Parker both had four slams as well for the Lady Warriors.

Marissa Smith also recorded three aces for Woodlan while Makenna Smith, Alyssa Harvey, Audra Smith and Avah Smith all had one.

Parker and Marissa Smith both recorded four blocks with Avah Smith picking up 14 digs and Makenna Smith recorded a dozen digs. Audra Smith finished with five digs as well for the Lady Warriors.

Audra Smith dished out ten assists for Woodlan and Alyssa Harvey totaled nine helpers.

Woodlan improves to 9-1 overall and is 1-0 in the ACAC while Jay County drops to 3-9 in all matches and 0-1 in the league.

### TIGERS CRUISE PAST WARRIORS

BLUFFTON – Host Bluffton kept visiting Woodlan off the scoreboard for the first three quarters and cruised to a 27-6 win over the Warriors Friday night (9/9/22) in ACAC football action.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Tigers' Hunter Wenger opened the game's scoring with a one-yard plunge that gave Bluffton a 7-0 lead that held until halftime.

The Tigers then doubled that advantage in the third quarter when Khamel Moore scooted four yards to extend the margin to 14-0 entering the final period.

Bluffton's defense then put the game away in the fourth quarter with a pair of scores as well.

Brody Lewis returned a Woodlan fumble for a score at the 7:02 mark of the fourth quarter, expanding the Tiger lead to 20-0.

Hutch Craighead followed with an interception return for a touchdown that widened the margin to 27-0 with 6:45 left on the clock.

Woodlan did break up the shutout with 4:18 remaining as Drew Fleek broke free for a 51-yard scamper that set the final margin at 27-6.

The Warriors finished with 159 yards of total offense, led by Fleek with 133 yards on the ground over 15 carries.

Woodlan quarterback Jake Snyder was 6 of 18 passing for 21 yards with Fleek totaling four receptions for a dozen yards. Ethan Vardaman also had two catches for nine yards.

Anthony Cruz ran for 167 yards on 30 attempts to lead Bluffton, which totaled 352 yards in all. Moore added 56 yards on ten carries and Braxton Betancourt picked up 49 yards over seven tries.

Chase Bennett led the Woodlan defense with 9-1/2 tackles and Blake Reed picked up eight stops. Carter Fleek and Ethan Vardaman both had six tackles.

Woodlan returns home on Friday to battle Southern Wells in ACAC action.

### LADY PANTHERS FELL TO THE BULLDOGS LAST NIGHT

On 9/12/22, the Lady Panthers volleyball fell to the Defiance Lady Bulldogs in varsity action. In three sets: 14-25, 15-25, 21-25.

Panther JV stays undefeated! 25-20, 25-16.

Stats of the Game: Carlea Kuckuck dominated the front row with 11 kills, 2 solo blocks, and 1 ace.

Katie Beckman ended the night with 5 kills, 14 assists, and an ace.

Brooklynn Bakle had 3 kills and a blocking assist.

Aeylah Hitzeman earned a kill, a solo block, and 2 blocking assists!

Jocelynn Parrett and Maci Kauser worked hard in the back row and each had 18 digs.

Coach made these comments after the games, "It's never fun to lose, but there were a lot of good things in the game last night. The way we played didn't feel like we lost by so many points the first 2 sets. Our blocking game was the strongest I have seen it this season so far. We are becoming more consistent in our offense, especially serving. The girls are learning and it will all come together soon. I am proud of my two seniors that continue to work hard and lead this team!"

### PAULDING JH VOLLEYBALL TAKES ON ARCHERS

On 9/8/22, Antwerp and Paulding junior high volleyball met at the net.

Antwerp 7th grade is 6-0 after they defeated Paulding in 3 sets: 25-15, 24-26, 25-22.

Antwerp 8th grade is 3-3 after a tough loss to Paulding in 2 sets.

### PAULDING VB FALLS TO FAIRVIEW

On 9/14/22, the Lady Panthers met up with the Fairview Apaches in varsity

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

and JV volleyball action.

Paulding Varsity played hard, but took the loss to the Apaches in three sets: 13-25, 18-25, 18-25.

Paulding JV won in 2 with scores of 25-22 both sets.

Stats of the Game:

Kuckuck had 6 kills and 2 aces.

Bakle earned 5 kills!

Beckman ended the night with 4 kills, 16 assists, and 5 digs.

Barton had 3 kills, 1 blocking assist, and 14 digs.

Kauser finished with 16 digs.

"Fairview is a good team! They are quick and smart. I think we played pretty well against them. We started all three sets strong and had the lead a few times. We gave up a lot of easy points in the middle, but then started to fight back at the end of each set. I think the girls had more fun playing tonight, even though we lost. They are improving in different areas each night. Hopefully it will all click and come together soon!" commented Panther VB coach.

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Parker also had five blocks for Woodlan while Makenna Smith picked up 24 digs. Avah Smith chipped in 17 digs for the Lady Warriors with Alyssa Harvey and Maryella Sharrar each recorded six digs.

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Harvey and Audra Smith paced Woodlan with 14 and a dozen assists, respectively.

### LADY WARRIORS RECORD TENTH WIN

BLUFFTON – The Woodlan Lady Warrior volleyball team upped its record to 10-1 overall and 2-0 in the ACAC with a four-set win over host Bluffton Monday evening, September 12th.

After the squads split the first two sets with Woodlan winning game one 25-15 and the Tigers taking game two 25-22, the Lady Warriors controlled the next two sets.

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### MULLINS LEADS LADY PATRIOTS PAST BRAVES

DECATUR – Raelyn Mullins posted a score of 40 to lead the Heritage Lady Patriots past host Belmont Tuesday 191-193 at Cross Creek Golf Course in Decatur.

Natalie Otte added a 46 for the Lady Patriots and Alexis Bremer chipped in a 50.

Aubree Rebeck carded a 55 for Heritage followed by Chloe Grebe (57), Olivia Minnich (57) and Elizabeth Buuck (62).

## 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

or Visit : www.pauldingcountywmea.com

# ASK THE EXPERT SESSIONS ALWAYS POPULAR AT FARM SCIENCE REVIEW



Ask the Expert sessions always address a variety of important agricultural topics. (Photo by Ken Chamberlain)

It's not every day that Ohio farmers can hear directly from 24 agricultural experts on a variety of hot topics. That's one reason the Ask the Expert sessions at Farm Science Review (FSR) are always so popular.

Hosted by the Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES), FSR is celebrating its 60th year of agricultural education and industry innovation in 2022. The three-day farm show will be held at the Molly Caren Agricultural Center, near London, Tuesday, September 20, through Thursday, September 22.

Approximately 40 free Ask the Expert sessions will address a variety of important agricultural topics including:

- Boom or bust: Where are Ohio farms financially?
- Agricultural trade in the shadow of the Russian invasion of Ukraine
- Mitigating and Managing Landowner Liability
- Biosecurity: Managing current disease challenges and future risks
- Agricultural labor: Who will work on my farm?
- Long term care: Are you betting the farm?
- Dysfunctionality in family business succession: Can we do better?
- Carbon credit programs: Opportunity or hype?
- Managing life when what you normally do doesn't work

The always anticipated Talk on Friday Avenue session will address "Global Uncertainty and the Heartland" at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 20. Hear from a panel of three faculty members from the CFAES Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics: Ian Sheldon, professor and An-

dersons Chair of Agricultural Marketing, Trade, and Policy; Ani Katchova, professor and farm income enhancement chair; and Seungki Lee, assistant professor with expertise in environmental economics, climate change, and the impact of new technologies in the agricultural sector.

Ask the Expert sessions are held each day of the show across from the Firebaugh Building at 426 Friday Avenue. The experts are either Ohio State faculty members or OSU Extension educators from throughout Ohio. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of the college with offices in each Ohio county.

"We encourage farmers, growers, people in the ag industry, to attend these quick-hitting, 20-minute sessions, where they're able to speak one-on-one with experts in farm management and veterinary medicine to ask questions specific to their needs," said David Marrison, professor and OSU Extension educator in Coshocton County. With expertise in farm management, Marrison will be leading two sessions on dysfunctionality in family business succession.

This year, a new mobile ticketing option will allow FSR visitors to print tickets at home or save to a mobile device for entry. The presale ticket price of \$10 will be available online at fsr.osu.edu. and at participating sales locations such as county offices of OSU Extension and at participating agribusinesses, until midnight Monday, September 19th.

Review hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday. For more information, visit fsr.osu.edu.

# PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

**Robert L Carnahan;** assault; guilty; defendant to pay all costs; submit an evaluation; placed on probation; no contact with victims; complete 20hrs community service; complete a risk assessment; no alcohol; no bars; SCRAM may be removed today; Assault; guilty; defendant to pay all costs; same conditions as count A

**Amber L Vance;** domestic violence; j-guilty; defendant may complete 40 hrs community service in lieu of fine; placed on standard probation; may be released when conditions are met; no unlawful contact w/victim; complete a risk assessment through probation; pay all costs

**Daisha K Brickman;** FRA suspension; guilty; proof of insurance not provided; seat belt; dismissed; count b dismissed; DRIV/FRA Suspension; guilty; proof of insurance not provided; Display Plates; dismissed; count B dismissed

**Michael R. Scarbrough;** driv under suspension; guilty; TRF CNTRL light; dismissed

**Dale A Testroebe;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Cynthia E Perkins;** distracted driving; guilty; defendant completed course

**Jeanann L. Campbell;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Casey R Wilcox;** stop sign; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Justin C Parks;** DUS; A-dismis; case dismissed at defendant's cost

**Jak V Jerdha;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Brandon G Routson;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Tony L Stephey;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Terry L. Hasch;** left of center; guilty; case was waived by defendant; Distracted driving; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Brian M Cereghin;** drug paraphernalia; dismissed; case dismissed per stat; costs to defendant; contraband; shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; possession marijuana; no contest; defendant to pay all fines and costs; maintain general good behavior; all contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; physical control; no contest; ALS terminated; placed on standard probation; secure a valid driver's license; complete 40 hours of community service; risk assessment; show proof of insurance by 9/15/2022; marked lanes; dismissed; count B dismissed

**Paul A Pulliam;** stop sign; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Ashley J Whitehead;** child restraint; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Trisha M Pierce;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Robert M Gilmore;** permit violation; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Dimitrios Vasilakis;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Jobenpreet Singh;** high-

way use tax, guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Jeffrey A Fraley;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Clinton R Zeedyk;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Randol S Wendt;** stop sign; guilty; case was waived by defendant; distracted driving; guilty; defendant completed course

**Jennifer N Morningstar;** off invol minor; j-guilty; defendant to pay all fines and costs; maintain general good behavior

**Vance L. Glick;** off invol minor; j-guilty; defendant to pay all fines and costs; maintain general good behavior

**Michael J Brock;** seat belt; guilty case was waived by defendant

**Thomas Karacsony;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Jesus E Ramos;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Levi J Troyer;** DUS-OL Forfeit; A-dismissed; case dismissed at defendant's cost

**Daniel A Eccard;** DRIV/FRA suspension; j-guilty; suspend fine if working on OL issues; placed on standard probation; secure a valid OL; show proof of insurance by 9/15/22; seat belt; j-guilty

**Harold A Ricker;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Alexander Strauh;** traffic dev/signs; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Meagan R Feuerstein;** traffic dev/signs; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Hannah L Pence;** seat belt/drive; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Christopher J Daly;** seat belt/drive; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**James J Hopf;** seat belt/drive; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Troy A Climie;** seat belt/drive; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Uriel Pascual Garcia;** over-height; guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Mindy Newsome;** seat belt; guilty; case was waived by defendant

## FROM THE PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY

Paulding County prosecuting attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted (11) persons on Thursday, September 8, 2022.

**Marc William McNabb;** Defiance, OH; 3/21/1982; Assault F4

**Skyler Wayne Howard;** Silver Lake, IN; 9/3/1989; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5

**Jay A. Watson;** Paulding, OH; 4/3/1967; Rape F1; Sexual Battery F3; Sexual Battery F3; Sexual Battery F3

**Tracey Marie Pardo;** 4/14/1986; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5

**Leighton Byron Mullins, Jr.;** Defiance, OH; 8/2/1975; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5

**Jeffrey M. Haslage, Jr.;** Fort Wayne, IN; 2/25/1996; Aggravated Possession of Drugs F5

**Jeremy Thomas Paige,** Payne, OH; 1/8/1984; Domestic Violence F4

# CROAKING FOR PRESCHOOL!!



Ann's Bright Beginnings recently talked about the color GREEN and made frogs to go along with the lesson. These weren't just ordinary frogs, these frogs were made out of canning jar lids and would croak when you pressed down on them! We had a croaking good time!

Shown here from the left are: Mateo Ash, Olivia Rorick, Brynleigh Adams, Baxly Schweinsberg, and Lillian Wehrkamp. These children attend the Tuesday/Thursday class of three and young four year olds. Call 419-399-KIDS (5437) for more information to enroll YOUR child!

## HERITAGE LIONS ANNUAL COAT DRIVE

It is time for the Heritage Lions Annual Coat Drive. All coats this year will go to Cross Border Partners. We will accept any style coats, winter hats, gloves, scarves, heavy socks, sweaters, sweatshirts, etc. Please check your closets and tell your friends and relatives to do the same. All donations should be given to a Heritage Lion, or brought to the Hoagland Park pavilion on Tuesday, October 11th, from 6:00-7:00 p.m., before the Heritage Lions' meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Bullerman at 260-602-7755.

## JW'S "RETURN TO KNOCKING"

After suspending in-person ministry for some two-and-a-half years, Jehovah's Witnesses resumed their trademark door-to-door activity September 1. Robert Hendriks, spokesperson for Jehovah's Witnesses, says the move coincides with a global campaign to distribute a new interactive bible study program: "We want to reconnect with our neighbors on a more personal level - face-to-face."

The house-to-house ministry helps us to do just that - bringing a message of comfort and hope right to their door. It's not the only way that we preach, but it has historically been the most effective way."

Stephanie Smith is one of the 1.3 million witnesses in the U. S. Eager to resume this work: "Making phone calls and letter writing. It was a nice alternative. However, there is nothing like face-to-face contact. I am so excited to get back to the door-to-door ministry." Despite the pause in all of their in-person activities, Jehovah's Witnesses grew by more than 400,000 congregants in the first two years of the pandemic. To find out more about why Jehovah's Witnesses knock on your door or to ask for a visit, go to jw.org.

## KATHERINE KOESTER GRADUATES FROM MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (September 9, 2022) - Katherine Koester of Defiance, OH, graduated from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Koester earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Operations and Supply Chain Management.

## SEPTEMBER 26th ONLINE CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

Bidding starts closing at 8 pm  
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## I SPY LANDSCAPE & EQUIPMENT ONLINE AUCTION

**AUCTION PREVIEW:**  
Wed., Sept. 21, 4-6 pm  
28554 Hoffman Rd.  
Defiance, OH 43512

Bidding starts closing  
**Sept. 28 @ 7:30 pm**



Ford F-350 Amarillo, GMC Sierra plow truck, Ford E-350 diesel dump truck, JD 4700, JD 855, Grasshopper 722D mower, 3-pt attachments, landscape equip., tools, trailers, ATVs, furniture, appliances & more!



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# PATRIOT RAIL COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF PIONEER LINES



## Increasing Service Capabilities for Rail Shippers Across the Country

Sept. 14, 2022 (Jacksonville, FL) — Patriot Rail Company LLC today completed the acquisition from BRX Transportation Holdings of Denver-based Pioneer Lines, Inc., a railroad holding company including 15 short line railroads. The transaction closed following regulatory authorization.

The acquisition advances Patriot Rail's growth strategy, increasing the Jacksonville, Florida, company's short line operations from 16 to 31 railroads. Patriot now serves customers with operations in 23 states.

"We are pleased to bring Pioneer Lines railroads into Patriot Rail," said John E. Fenton, Patriot Rail's chief executive officer. "Doubling our footprint across the U.S. furthers our commitment to exceed customer expectations as a best-in-class rail partner. Patriot Rail takes great pride in delivering value to our cus-

tomers with safety always as our core foundation, and our expansion will drive deeper commercial and logistics relationships."

"Patriot Rail's accelerating growth opens more opportunities for innovative and sustainable freight transport solutions," said John Ma, Patriot board member and co-head of North America for Igneo Infrastructure Partners, Patriot's majority investor. "Igneo continues to see strong potential for long-term returns through our investment in the Patriot Rail platform."

Patriot Rail board chair Deb Butler added, "Patriot Rail has the growth mindset and financial capacity to invest in profitable initiatives benefitting rail shippers and our long-term investors. We welcome our new Patriot team members to our employee-first leadership culture, and the future is bright for the customers, stakeholders, and communities we serve."

## UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS TO CAMPUS

FINDLAY, OH – The University of Findlay recently welcomed new undergraduate and graduate students to campus for fall 2022. New students began their studies at UF on August 15, 2022.

Local students include: Faith Nestleroad, of Antwerp, OH, is pursuing a degree in animal science. Jagger Landers, of Antwerp, OH, is pursuing a degree in business administration.

Gabriella Casper, of Paulding, OH, is pursuing a doctor of pharmacy degree. Tianna Cooper, of Grover

Hill, OH, is pursuing a doctor of pharmacy degree.

Located in Findlay, Ohio, the University of Findlay is known not only for science, health professions, animal science and equestrian studies programs, but also for cultivating the next generation of business leaders, educators and global citizens through a dedication to experiential learning, both in and outside of the classroom. Established in 1882 through a joint partnership between the Churches of God, General Counsel and the City of Findlay, the University of Findlay has more than 80 majors leading to baccalaureate degrees and offers 11 master's degrees, and five doctoral degrees. More than

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**FOR SALE in Leinard Mobile Home Park: 2bdrm/2 full bath, 18X66 Victorian Home with 2X6 construction, shingled roof, sky lights and porch. The mobile home has a large kitchen with a separate laundry room with vinyl and carpet throughout. \$27,500. We are a no dog park and a background check is required. Call 419-258-2710. tf**

**TOP SOIL FOR SALE:** Scott area. Call or text 419-203-4927. Please leave message if no answer. 37-38

**GARAGE SALE: Sept. 21 – Sept. 24, 9am – ? 621 W Gasser Rd., Paulding. Kim Sutton residing. Lots of misc. no children's clothes. 38**

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**GROOMING: Dogs/Cats, large/small – Clippings, nails, bath, glands. 419-399-3389. tf**

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**DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IS FRIDAYS AT 12 NOON!!!**

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3,500 students are enrolled at Findlay, and the University is nationally recognized by U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review.

## AVIAN INFLUENZA DETECTED IN COMMERCIAL CHICKEN FLOCK IN DEFIANCE COUNTY

REYNOLDSBURG, OH September 6, 2022 – Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) has been detected in a backyard flock in Ashland County and a commercial chicken flock in Defiance County. The positive detections were confirmed by the United States Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS). The samples were first tested at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory and confirmed at the APHIS National Veterinary Services Laboratories in Ames, Iowa.

HPAI is a highly contagious virus that spreads quickly and can be fatal to flocks and devastating to poultry owners, both commercial and non-commercial. HPAI can infect poultry (such as chickens, turkeys, pheasants, quail, domestic ducks, geese, and guinea fowl) and is carried by free flying waterfowl such as ducks, geese, and

shorebirds.

State officials quarantined the affected premises, and birds on the properties will be depopulated to prevent the spread of the disease. Federal and State partners are working jointly on additional surveillance and testing in areas around the affected flocks. Surveillance activities will be conducted in a 10-kilometer zone around the infected premises.

The recent HPAI detections do not present an immediate public health concern, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. No human cases have been detected in the United States. According to USDA, HPAI cannot be transmitted through properly cooked meats or eggs. Products from any HPAI-affected flocks are prohibited from entering the food system. As a reminder, the proper handling and cooking of all poultry and eggs to an internal temperature of 165 °F is recommended as a general food safety precaution.

The best defense against HPAI is vigilant disease prevention. Biosecurity and best management practices include:

- Prevent contact with wild birds and waterfowl. Keep birds indoors when possible.

• Keep visitors to essential personnel only. Only allow those who care for your poultry to have contact with them and make sure they follow biosecurity principles.

• Wash your hands before and after contact with live poultry. Use soap and water. If using a hand sanitizer, first remove manure, feathers, and other materials from your hands.

• Provide disposable boot covers (preferred) and/or disinfectant footbaths for anyone having contact with your flock. If using a footbath, remove all droppings, mud or debris from boots and shoes using a long-handled brush BEFORE stepping in. Always keep it clean.

• Establish a rodent and pest control program. Deliver, store, and maintain feed, ingredients, bedding, and litter to limit exposure to and contamination from wild animals.

• Use drinking water sourced from a contained supply (well or municipal system). Do not use surface water for drinking or cleaning.

• Clean and disinfect tools and equipment before moving them to a new poultry facility. Trucks, tractors, tools, and equipment should be cleaned and disinfected prior to entering or exiting the property. Do not move or reuse anything that cannot be cleaned.

• Look for signs of illness. Monitor egg production and death loss, discoloration and/or swelling of legs, wattles and combs, labored breathing, reduced feed/water consumption.

If you notice any symptoms or unexpected deaths in your flock, please report them immediately to the Ohio Poultry Association (614.882.6111), or the Ohio Department of Agriculture (regular business hours: 614.728.6220; after hours: 888.456.3405).

## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 8/10/22

This 10th day of August, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following mem-

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## Sudoku solution from page 9

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bers present:  
Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, Mike Weible and Heather Barnhouse, Clerk

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
Warrants documented as 278311 through 278428 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**Meeting Notes of Appointments:**  
• Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor, Sheriff, Jason Landers, and Jennifer Wiswell, Sheriff Office/ Jail's Administrative Assistance, discussed with the Commissioners procedures and policies pertaining to the County's Employee Handbook Manual on comp time for the new payroll software system.

• Land Bank Meeting was held in the Commissioners' Chambers

• Sheriff, Jason Landers, discussed his office operations and procedures and presented his 2022 Monthly Projections and Jail report as of July 31, 2022. There were 45 male inmates serving 616 days and 18 female inmates serving 191 days in the month of July for a total of 807 days served. Total inmates held were 63. The average inmates held per day was 26.0 with 19.8 being male and 6.1 female. The average inmates stay per day was 12.8 with 13.6 being male and 10.6 females. Total meals served for the month of July totaled 2,284 meals. Sheriff Landers noted that the Sheriff's App is moving forward and the console for dispatch is waiting on a part from the vendor before it can be installed. Sheriff Landers also noted that the jail received donations towards jail ministry. At the end of September, several deputies will be taking Four County's EMR training.

• Daniel Foust, SWCD, informed the Commissioners that the Joint Board of Supervisors for Paulding and Defiance County is ready to set a Public Hearing for the Nile Weible Ditch. Commissioners' Clerk will contact Defiance County to set an appointment to form the Joint Board of Commissioners and set the Public Hearing date for the Nile Weible Ditch. Clerk will then be in contact with Mr. Foust to let him know when the hearing date has been set.

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# MERCER LANDMARK HOSTS THE AGROW EXPO



Saturday, September 10th was the day to learn and celebrate in the agriculture community as Mercer Landmark (Latty Agronomy facility) hosted The AGrow Expo event. During the morning and afternoon, farmers had the opportunity to take part in sessions to keep up to date

with the latest in farming — Global Trends and their Impact on the local Granin Markets with Kirk Roetgerman and Aaron Ulland.

Later in the afternoon, attendees also had the opportunity to have a tour of the Latty Agronomy facility, and it is more than meets the eye,

that's for sure. The public enjoyed a festive evening of entertainment by Jay and Julia Riethman and Forty Acre along with Food trucks, and kids activities — inflatables, bouncy house, face painting and axe throwing!

## 'JOHN PAULDING' TO SPEAK AT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Meet "John Paulding," portrayed by Ian Ferguson, on Sept. 27 at John Paulding Historical Society in Paulding. The 6:30 p.m. general meeting is open to the public.

PAULDING — John Paulding Historical Society will host a general meeting and special program at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 27. The meeting is open to all.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Ian Ferguson, who will portray famed Revolutionary War hero John Paulding.

John Paulding was a 22-year-old militiaman in New York, part of General Washington's ragtag forces during the Revolutionary War. Sergeant Paulding, along with Isaac Van Wart and David Williams, captured the British spy John Andre on Sept. 23, 1780, and kept

him from delivering key military information from Benedict Arnold to the British army.

Ohio's Paulding, Williams and Van Wert counties were named to honor the three young patriots who helped save the war.

Ferguson also will talk about the vital role spruce beer played in the Revolutionary War.

As a Revolutionary soldier, John Paulding would have been given the standard rations at the time. Spruce beer was an important part of a soldier's diet. It helped fight scurvy. Rich in vitamin C, those in the new world began brewing beer with spruce branches and buds. It was easy to make using common ingredients found in the northern colonies. When revolution broke out, spruce beer was "drafted" into the war effort on both sides.

At the meeting, guests (age 21 or older) will be able to sample some spruce beer Ferguson has brewed. The authentic recipe, made of fresh spruce tips, maple syrup, yeast and water, is very similar to something John Paulding would have consumed.

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

Admission is free. Re-

freshments will be served after the meeting.

For those who have never visited the museum, this is a perfect opportunity to learn about the organization and see some of the amazing artifacts in the museum's collection.

Any updates or notices will be posted on the historical society's Facebook page at facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

## PAULDING, DEFIANCE & VAN WERT COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY LINCOLN-REAGAN BANQUET



The Paulding, Defiance and Van Wert County Republican Party Lincoln-Reagan Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022 at the Paulding County Fairgrounds Extension Building, 501 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH.

5:00 p.m. — VIP Meet & Greet — Youth Leadership Building

6:30 p.m. — Dinner (Grant's Catering)

7:00 p.m. — Speakers  
8:00 p.m. — John Tamny (Keynote Speaker)

John Tamny is the Director of the Center for Economic Freedom Works. He is also editor of Real Clear Markets and a Senior Economic Advisor to Toreador Research & Trading

OTHER SPEAKERS:  
Roy Klopfenstein, Candidate for 82th District State Representative; Robert Latta, 5th District US Congressman; J.R. Majewski, Candidate for 9TH District US Congressman; Robert Sprague, Ohio State Treasurer; Keith Faber, Ohio State Auditor; Frank LaRose, Ohio Secretary of State; Rob McColley, Ohio 1ST District State Senator; Craig Riedel, 82th District State Representative; Justice Pat DeWine, Ohio Supreme Court; Justice Sharon Kennedy, Ohio Supreme Court; Justice Pat Fischer, Ohio Supreme Court

To RSVP by September 16: call: Paulding County: Laurie Lucas 419-393-2317 or 419-789-8902; Van Wert

County: Thad Lichtensteiger 419-203-1835; Defiance County: Pete Lundberg 419-438-4767. Contact any Republican Central Committee Member.

## PC CARNEGIE LIBRARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE SET

The executive committee of the Board of Trustees for the Paulding County Carnegie Library will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 in the meeting room of the Library in Paulding Ohio. Purpose of the meeting is discussion of personnel matters.

## WBESC SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTICE

The next Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at 900 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH.

## PC OSU EXTENSION TO OFFER ZUMBA CLASSES

Do you get bored doing the same workout routine? Do you get motivated exercising with others? Do you need a place to let loose and dance?

Join the Zumba Group at Paulding County OSU Extension office building!

Have fun learning dances from music around the world and move at your own pace.

This class will take place at the OSU Extension office located at the Paulding Fairgrounds on Wednesdays at 5:30-6:30 p.m. COST IS FREE

## NEW EXHIBITION EXPLORES NUTRITION, FITNESS

FORT WAYNE, IN (Sept. 12, 2022) - Science Central visitors will have the opportunity to explore nutrition and fitness at the center's next temporary exhibition, Eat Well, Play Well, opening Saturday, September 24.

Presented by MHS, Eat Well, Play Well is a highly interactive exhibition that encourages healthy living by teaching the science of making healthy food choices. The exhibition also helps children and adults discover that there are many fun and interesting ways to stay active.

# OH REP CRAIGRIEDEL SPEAKS AT KIWANIS OF PAULDING



The Kiwanis Club of Paulding County was privileged to have Craig Riedel (82nd State District Representative) as guest speaker at the September 15, 2022 club meeting. Craig came at the

invitation of Jim States (Banking Center Sales Manager, State Bank). Craig spoke about the state legislature and what he hopes to accomplish before leaving office.

Visitors will find out what an appropriate serving size looks like, see firsthand what it takes to burn off calories, test their flexibility and balance, review the latest clinical research, and realize that they can reduce their risk of disease with healthy choices that are within their reach.

Eat Well, Play Well was created by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. It is a bilingual exhibition, with English and Spanish text panels.

The exhibition is located in the center's Temporary Exhibitions Gallery on the Lower Level. It will be on display through December 31.

## COOPER FARMS FEATURED IN OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE'S AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY SPOTLIGHT



Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose recently recognized Cooper Farms for the company's significant contributions to Ohio's agriculture industry. As one of just seven companies featured in Secretary LaRose's Agriculture Industry Spotlight, Cooper Farms was recognized for creating jobs, supporting Ohio communities and embracing

modern farming operations that are propelling the industry into the future.

"Secretary LaRose understands the crucial role agriculture plays in Ohio's economy, and he's always been a great friend to our state's large agriculture community," said Gary Cooper, chief operating officer of Cooper Farms. "As a family-owned company with more than 2,500 team members working every day to help feed Americans, we appreciate Secretary LaRose doing his part to keep our state as business-friendly as possible so we can continue to focus on creating jobs and supporting the communities where we live and work."

Agriculture is Ohio's number one industry and today most of Ohio's 77,000 farms are run by families. As farmers and the small businesses who support them are busy preparing for the harvest this month, Secretary LaRose is highlighting special businesses that provide not only for their families, but for their communities across our state.

"Working on a small family farm taught me valuable life lessons, such as work ethic and grit," said Secretary LaRose. "Ohioans are known for these values and they're exemplified in our agricultural community. These are traditions that will continue to be passed on from generation to generation as Ohio's oldest and largest industry continues to provide the food, fiber and fuel the world needs and to power our state's economy."

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