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Bazaar, supper set Nov. 19

PAULDING – First Christian Church will host its annual craft bazaar and chicken pie/steak supper on Thursday, Nov. 19. The craft bazaar will be open 9 a.m.-noon and 4:30-7 p.m. The supper will be served from 4:30-7 p.m. The church is located on Emerald Road in Paulding.

Church serving free dinner

PAULDING – St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church will be serving a free community meal at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19. The church is located at 601 Flat Rock Drive in Paulding.

Blood drive set

PAULDING – An American Red Cross bloodmobile is scheduled for 2-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14 at Paulding Church of the Nazarene, 210 Dooley Drive. To donate blood, download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information.

Early deadline

The upcoming Thanksgiving holiday will change the deadline for the *Weekly Reminder*. During Thanksgiving week, the *Reminder* ad deadline for the Nov. 30 edition will be at **noon Wednesday, Nov. 25**.

Our staff appreciates your cooperation.

Thanks to you ...

We'd like to thank Bekey Wetli of Fort Wayne for subscribing to the *Progress*!

By MELINDA KRICK
Progress Editor

PAULDING – Paulding Police Department arrested a local man on Saturday in connection with an armed robbery here last week.

Charges also are expected to be filed by Van Wert City Police Department and Defiance City Police Department for armed robberies there.

Police Chief Randy Crawford announced Monday that John J. Gosnell, age 26, of Paulding, has been charged with aggravated robbery for the hold-up at Maramart gas station on U.S. 127 on Nov. 12. Gosnell was taken into custody early Saturday.

At about 10 p.m. Nov. 12, a white male entered the Maramart gas station, located at 1001 N. Williams St., and demanded that the employee give him all the cash in the cash register. Crawford said a handgun was dis-

played, but never pointed at the employee.

The robber then exited the building and went south on foot around the building.

The clerk was the only person inside the Maramart during the incident. The individual got away with an undisclosed amount of cash.

At approximately 12:27 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, a man entered the Pak-a-Sak store at 800 N. Washington St. in Van Wert, displaying a small silver handgun and demanding money.

A few hours later, at 3:57 a.m., a male entered the Speedway Gas Station at 1802 N. Clinton St. in Defiance, produced a handgun and demanded all the cash in the register.

"We had an idea who we thought it was, based on the description," Crawford said. Officers Duane Gorrell and Seth Greear worked with the Defiance Police Department, Paulding County Sheriff's Office and

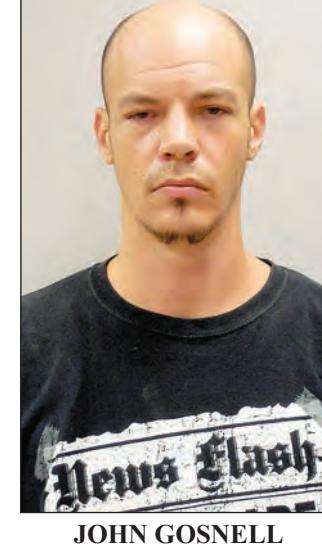
Defiance post of the Ohio Highway Patrol. Crawford said Gorrell and Greear questioned Gosnell, who allegedly confessed to the Paulding Maramart robbery and the ones in Defiance and Van Wert.

Crawford added that officers obtained a search warrant for Gosnell's residence and found a handgun and other evidence.

Gosnell currently is in Paulding police custody pending charges in the other counties. He arraigned Monday morning in Paulding County Court. Judge Suzanne Rister set bond at \$200,000 with no 10 percent cash privilege and set a preliminary hearing for 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23.

Gosnell moved to Paulding from South Carolina less than a year ago, according to Crawford.

"People will be glad to hear he's off the street and probably not getting out for awhile," Crawford said.



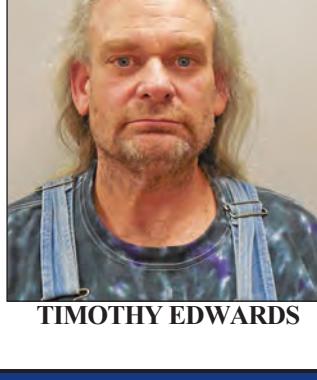
JOHN GOSNELL



Jim Bowers/Paulding County Progress

MERRY AND BRIGHT – On Sunday afternoon, about 50 4-H volunteers helped Paulding Chamber of Commerce put up lights and banners on light posts to decorate downtown Paulding for the Christmas season. The chamber has been raising money for new lights. Members expect to place new lights on the gazebo and some trees on the courthouse lawn late this week or early next week. New this year will be a Christmas parade at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1. Parade lineup will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Methodist church parking lot on Williams Street. Businesses or groups interested in participating in the parade should contact the chamber office at 419-399-5215 or by email at pauldingchamber@gmail.com.

Bust yields pot plants, arrest



TIMOTHY EDWARDS

ANTWERP – A multi-agency drug investigation led to the discovery of marijuana plants and the arrest of the alleged grower on Monday in Antwerp.

The Antwerp Police Department, West Central Ohio Crime Task Force and the Paulding County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at 303 W. Canal St., Antwerp, on Nov. 16. Five subjects were located in the rental house including the

renter, Timothy B. Edwards, age 56. Authorities located 198 marijuana plants in the residence.

Chemicals, lights, soil, fans, firearms and cash were also seized during the search.

Edwards is being charged with knowingly cultivating marijuana, a third-degree felony.

Other suspected narcotics

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Income survey results give Antwerp funding options

By JOE SHOUSE
Progress Staff Writer

ANTWERP — During the Antwerp village council meeting on Monday night, three ordinances were passed, the result of the moderate to low income survey was revealed and the West Woodcox replacement waterline was reported as being completed.

The ordinance establishing fees and charges in the amount of \$60, and increase of \$10, for zoning permits, amendments, appeals, variances and conditional use permits and other matters relating to the administration and enforcement of zoning in the village was unanimously passed.

A second ordinance receiving

a third reading and was ultimately passed unanimously was the rewriting of the village income tax amendment that meets the conditions of Ohio House Bill 5. The new ordinance does not change the tax amount or rate but just the wording to match the current House Bill.

Thirdly, an ordinance establishing a policy on the reimbursement to the village for emergency medical technician training cost in certain circumstances also passed.

The low to moderate income surveys were completed for the purpose of establishing if the village qualifies to access grant funds during a five-year period. The surveys needed to show a low to moderate income rate

of at least 51 percent of its residents.

After receiving at least a minimum of 300 completed surveys, the results showed the percentage was 51.84 and therefore qualifying the village for grant funding to offset any infrastructure improvement cost that is available to the village.

"This is great news and I am excited about the results. I want to thank the residents that participated in the income survey," said village administrator Sara Keeran.

The Woodcox waterline project has been completed. A change will increase the original bid award amount due to unforeseen concrete located under the pavement requiring additional labor and equipment. Ac-

cording to Keeran, once the change order is received it will be reviewed with the engineer and contractor to arrive at a fair amount for the additional work.

Council proposed to Paragon Glass a 2 percent increase in their water and sewer rate to be good for calendar year 2016 and 2017. After discussion, council agreed to disregard the increase for one year and then revisit the proposal in a year.

Keeran reported meeting with PUCO, Pioneer Railcorp and Ohio Rail Commission to review the Harrmann Road railroad crossing. Due to an accident last year when a local resident collided with a moving piece of railroad equipment at the intersec-

tion, the crossing needed to be reviewed for possible lights and gates.

After reviewing the railroad car count per day on the section of track and the less than 10 mile an hour speed, it was determined that the crossing did not call for lights and gates at this time.

The police report for the month of October showed that 123 calls for service were requested. There were 45 citations with 39 appearing in Mayor's Court. Mayor's Court took in \$7,479.38.

During the month of October 28 EMS runs were made to bring the total for the year at 259. Last year there were 187 runs made during the same period of time.

Steve Hall to be honored

HAVILAND — The Wayne Trace athletic department will be holding a special presentation when the Raider boys basketball team hosts Grandview Heights on Saturday, Feb. 13.

Members from both communities will be honoring the late Steve Hall, a 1988 graduate of Wayne Trace who led Wayne Trace to its first state basketball tournament appearance in 1987.

Hall also taught math and coached girls basketball and girls tennis at Grandview Heights, near Columbus. Hall's son, Eli, is a sophomore on the Grandview Heights Bobcats basketball team.

Hall will be remembered for his days as a Raider as well as a teacher and coach for the

Bobcats. Hall's jersey, No. 50, will become the first jersey number retired in the Wayne Trace school district that evening.

Following the game, a benefit auction will be held in the Wayne Trace Junior High gymnasium with all proceeds being presented to Eli and Emma Hall, son and daughter of Steve.

Anyone interested in potentially donating an auction item should contact Tony Langhals at 419-399-4100 Ext. 208 or Kevin Richardson at 614-893-2773.

The junior varsity contest between the Raiders and Bobcats will begin at 4 p.m. at Wayne Trace High School.

Hall died from colon cancer Feb. 17 at age 44.

Council, safety committee studying idea of full-time EMT

By SAMANTHA HABERN
Correspondent

PAULDING — A full-time member of the Paulding EMS could be added in the future. Paulding Village Council discussed the possible need at its Nov. 16 session.

The safety committee met with Sue Crossland, EMS coordinator, on Nov. 9. It was noted that the EMS department has over 900 EMS calls per year, and many volunteers have not been able to cover all shifts. By law, two qualified emergency medical technicians (EMTs) need to be present on a run.

Ideas for a full-time EMT were suggested. Items to con-

sider included pay scale, lodging (with sleeping quarters and showers), EMT responsibilities when not on a run, work hours, and possible grant funding.

More information is needed before any decisions are reached. The next meeting to discuss this further will be at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 11.

Mayor Greg White expressed his appreciation to the 45 4-H volunteers who helped decorate around the square. In total, \$3,600 has been donated for the lights around the courthouse.

Council unanimously ap-

proved on its third reading

Ordinance 1511-15 for the em-

ployment of Michael C. Jones

as village solicitor.

In other business, council:

- Heard the first reading of Ordinance 1512-15 amending and increasing appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31.

- Heard the first reading of Ordinance 1513-15 making permanent appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures during the year ending Dec. 31, 2016.

- Heard the second reading of Resolution 1310-15 authorizing the purchase of supplies, materials and services for year 2016.

The next council meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 7.

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More than 700 people toured John Paulding Historical Society's three buildings to view the annual Festival of Trees. The festival will continue next weekend, Nov. 20-22. Admission is free. This year's theme is "Mystical Magic Toyland." Santa arrived by horse-drawn surrey early Saturday, then visited with children at the museum, including Anabelle and Luke Saylor (above). The Progress has a photo gallery of this year's Festival of Trees on our website www.progressnewspaper.org. Look for "Festival of Trees 2015 slideshow" under "News."

Paulding Police receive anonymous donation to provide comfort to kids

By MELINDA KRICK
Progress Editor

PAULDING — "Winter is a rough time for children in Paulding County," began a letter to Paulding Police Department on Monday. Inside, Chief Randy Crawford found \$500 and a wish to help local youngsters in time of stress.

The anonymous donor asked that police buy fleece blankets with the money.

The letter continued, "With unemployment and scarcity of jobs, children always suffer most. I would like to donate to your department some money to be used for the little ones that are abused, homeless, runaways and anyone else you deem fit to receive a cuddly fleece blanket."

Crawford was surprised and very appreciative of the donor's thoughtful offer. He said the letter suggested the blankets could be purchased at Wal-Mart for under \$10 each, so he hopes

■ DRUGS

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"Kudos to the Antwerp Police Department for being proactive in this investigation," said Sheriff Jason Landers. "I am proud my staff was able to work alongside these other agencies to help make Antwerp a safer community."

"Taking drugs and guns off the streets of Paulding County is a primary focus of the law enforcement serving here," the sheriff added.

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they can buy about 50 blankets with the money.

"These blankets can be carried by officers in their cars, for when the need arises," the donor wrote. "I am unable to get out to buy these myself, so maybe

a few officers would be willing to purchase them with the funds provided. Children need a nice soft, warm blanket for themselves, in times of stress. Thank you all for doing a great job every day."

Grand jury indicts 12

PAULDING — On Thursday, Nov. 12, a Paulding County grand jury returned indictments against 12 persons, including a man apprehended in northern Michigan after escaping custody and four Detroit-area residents charged with forgery after an alleged fraudulent check scheme.

The individuals will be arraigned in Paulding County Common Pleas Court. Those indicted were:

- Brandon M. Cooper, 18, Paulding, one count aggravated arson, first-degree felony.

- Jason A. Brown, 37, Paulding, one count burglary, second-degree felony.

- J. Tucker Harman, 26, Paulding, one count escape, third-degree felony.

- Diamond A. Howard, 21, Detroit, one count forgery, fourth-degree felony.

- Dustin N. Ripke, 29, Paulding, one count possession of heroin, fifth-degree felony.

- John Reed Jr., 40, Paulding, one count nonsupport of dependents, fifth-degree felony.

■ GIVING

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tunities to drop off toys and donations during the various upcoming live drives. WDFM Mix 98.1 will make several stops in Paulding County, broadcasting live at surrounding locations, to receive toys for Christmas.

On Nov. 19 Radio personality Rick Small and the WDFM van will be at Divine Mercy School in Payne from 7-9 a.m.; Nov. 24 from 7-9 a.m. Wayne Trace High School will be the drop off point; Dec. 1 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Williamson Insurance in Payne will receive toys; Dec. 9 the First Federal Bank in Paulding will welcome donations from the community from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; later that evening the Oakleaf Restaurant on Oakwood will be the drop off location from 5-7 p.m.

Both toys and money will be gladly accepted at any of the

drop off locations. Checks are to be made payable to Christmas for Kids. If unable to make it out then please mail checks to Mix 98.1 at 118 Clinton St., Defiance, OH 43512. You may designated which county you wish to donate to.

Information is now available for those who are seeking assistance or for those who are looking for a project to support. With Paulding County folks working together, everyone can have the opportunity to feel special during this special time of year.

Check the Progress website at www.progressnewspaper.org and Facebook page at facebook.com/pauldingpaper for updates and reminders on these and other upcoming holiday events.

Please turn to Page 9A for a complete list.

OBITUARIESUpdated weekdays at www.progressnewspaper.org**MARIANNE
COTTRELL
1931-2015**

ANTWERP — Marianne Cottrell, 84, of Antwerp, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 10 at Hickory Creek at Hicksville.

**ROBERT
LADD
1932-2015**

PAULDING — Robert "Bob" Duwayne Ladd, age 83, died peacefully with his family by his bedside on Wednesday, Nov. 11.

He was born Jan. 21, 1932 in Leipsic, the son of the late Serge N. and Marie (Hittle) Ladd. On Feb. 28, 1932 he was enrolled in the "Cradle Roll" at West Leipsic Methodist Church. Robert was a U.S. Army veteran serving during the Korean War. He engaged in combat several times with North Korean soldiers. Before his yearlong tour of duty was up, he earned a Combat Infantryman Badge, Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, UN Service Medal and National Defense Service Medal. After his combat tour was done, Robert was sent to Fort Blair, Washington, D.C. to be part of the Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. He then went to Fort Myers, Va., where he was a driver for Army officers at the Pentagon, including Five Star General Omar Bradley.

He retired in 1992 as a brakeman and conductor for the former Nickel Plate Railroad; later the line became part of the Norfolk & Western and now is the Norfolk & Southern Railroad. He attended the Ebenezer Methodist Church at Flat Rock, Ohio, and was a member of Paulding United Methodist Church. On June 1, 2001, he married Marilyn (Parson) Shrider, who survives in Paulding. He was a member of the Bellevue FOE #490, VFW in Leipsic, and an avid Bellevue High School basketball fan. One of his highlights in life was going to Hawaii to see his granddaughter play summer college softball.

He is also survived by three daughters, Bobby Jean Ladd of Bellevue, Melissa (Chad) O'Neil of Flat Rock and Denise Stape, Bellevue; a son, Duwayne (Rebekah) Ladd, Derry, Pa.; stepchildren, Dr. R. Edward (Marsha) Shrider, Coldwater, Mich., Bruce (Marie) Shrider, Paulding, and JoEllen (Albert) Singer, Ney; brother, Serge E. Ladd, Leipsic; many grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by his sister, Jeannie Rohrs, and brother, Donald Ladd.

Funeral services were Monday, Nov. 16 at Paulding United Methodist Church with Pastor Roger Emerson officiating. Burial was in Sugar Ridge Cemetery, Leipsic, with military graveside rites accorded by Leipsic VFW. Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, was in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to Paulding United Methodist Church or Wounded Warrior Project.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

**EMMA PORTER
1919-2015**

OAKWOOD — Emma Porter, 96, of Oakwood, died at 4:05 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at The Gardens of Paulding.

She was born March 17, 1919 in Ormiston, Ind. to the late Carl and Edith (Peckhart) Merriman. On Sept. 8, 1937, she married Charlie Allen Porter, who died July 2, 1975.

Emma operated Emma's Beauty Shop south of Melrose for 20 years. She was a former clerk of Washington Township. She enjoyed square dancing and country and Western music. She was a follower of the Len Collier Band. Emma also enjoyed gardening in her greenhouse and giving away the plants she grew to others.

She is survived by two daughters, Wilma (Jr.) Fohner of Oakwood and Flora Jean (Dana) Welch of Sherwood; five grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one brother, Merle Merriman of Convoy; and two sisters, Georgia Geren of Oakwood and Jean Britsch of Cloverdale.

She also was preceded in death by three brothers, Edward, Leo and Bruce Merriman; and one sister, Hilda Geren.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Nov. 14 at Auglaize Chapel Church of God, Oakwood, with Pastor Stan Harman officiating. Burial was in Little Auglaize Cemetery, Oakwood. Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Continental, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences can be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneralhome.com.

**LYNN MATTHEWS
1956-2015**

NEW BAVARIA — Lynn A.L. Matthews, age 59, of New Bavaria, died Saturday afternoon, Nov. 14, in his daughter's home.

Lynn was born Aug. 24, 1956 to Charles Albert and Dorma Jean (Bland) Matthews. He formerly was employed by Sims Manufacturing, Payne. He enjoyed deer hunting, fishing and camping.

He is survived by his children, Stacy Matthews Hasch and Brandy (Robert) Nagel, both of New Bavaria, and Jesse Matthews, Bucyrus; grandsons, Tristen Dingus, Jordan Nagel, Caydin Matthews, Jerad Nagel, James Hasch Jr. and Xavier Nagel; siblings, Elvene (Justus) Holtsberry of Oakwood, Gordon Matthews of Sturgis, Mich., John (Edna) Matthews of Bryan, Ronald Matthews of Cecil, Dana (Te-

resa) Matthews of Broughton, Jerry Matthews of Cecil, Jody Matthews of Payne; and a sister-in-law, Peggy Matthews, Miller City.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Chucky Matthews Jr. and Lee Alan Leon Matthews; a sister, Wilda Justine Matthews; and a sister-in-law, Beth Ann Matthews.

Services were held Tuesday, Nov. 17 Zachrich Funeral Home, Holgate, with the Rev. Dale Kern officiating. Burial was in Hedges Cemetery, Paulding County.

Contributions can be made to the family to help with expenses.

Condolences may be left at www.zachrichfuneralhome.com.

**EVERETT SHARP
1919-2015**

ROCHESTER HILLS, Mich. — Everett Harry Sharp, age 86, of Rochester Hills, Mich., passed away on Saturday, Nov. 14.

Living father of James Sharp, Robert (Madelaine) Sharp, Barbara (Terrance) Filipiak, Beth (Baird) Hawkins, Patricia (Ben Gell) Williams, Kathryn (Floyd) Tate, Jeffrey Sharp, Douglas (Amy Osborne) Sharp. Also survived by nine grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and sister Erma Jean (Sharp) Strahley.

Everett was preceded in death in 2013 by Rose Mary Sharp, his loving wife of 63 years.

Everett was born June 2, 1919 in Ohio, but spent his adult and married life in Michigan where he and Rose Mary raised their eight children. He was a licensed professional engineer, held advanced degrees, authored numerous patents and operated a wide-ranging engineering consultancy for many years.

As he transitioned to retirement, both he and Rose Mary studied Spanish and German so that they could more deeply enjoy foreign travels. Later, he compassionately nursed and assisted Rose Mary through her health difficulties. Most recently, he delighted in visits with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 3-9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21 at the Potters-Modetz Funeral Home, 339 Walnut Blvd. in Rochester, Mich. Interment will be at the Van Hoosen Jones Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in honor of both Everett and Rose Mary to OCIMA Missions c/o St. Ireneus Catholic Church.

Online guestbook at www.modetzfuneralhomes.com.

JHPS members to hear financial advice

PAULDING — The John Paulding Historical Society will be holding its general meeting, open to the public, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24 in the museum located across the street from the fairgrounds in Paulding.

Speaker for the evening will be Jennifer Wiebke, a financial representative with Thrivent Financial. She joined the company over 2-1/2 years ago and brings with her 20 years of experience in the financial industry.

Wiebke's mission is to help protect individuals and families from unexpected losses as well as to help them prepare for a successful retirement. She will discuss the fraternal side of Thrivent, diving deeper into the benefits and programs available.

She will be discussing in detail how the company's action teams can help with community service projects in this area.

Refreshments will be served afterward.

Obituaries are posted daily

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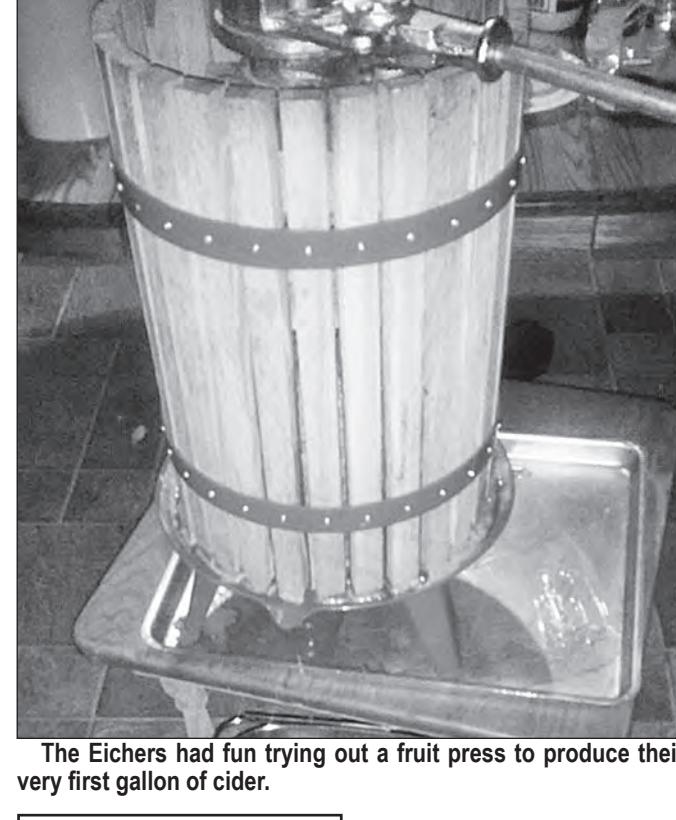
My husband Joe started our coal stove on Saturday for the first time this season. It seemed later than usual to start it. The house is nice and cozy now.

Saturday we were at Jacob and Emma's. Joe and our sons Benjamin and Joseph helped put siding on the new addition they are adding to the house. Things are falling into place. They will be so glad for more space. The windows and doors are in and some of the drywall is hung in the upstairs bedrooms.

Saturday evening Mose (Susan's special friend) grilled chicken and banana poppers while we prepared more food in the house. Daughter Elizabeth and Timothy joined us for supper. It was so enjoyable to have the whole family together. After we ate we sat in the living room and visited and sang some songs. Of course Izzy and Crystal (the Yorkies) were the center of attention. They love the attention they get here.

Son Benjamin, 16, and daughter Verena, 17, left to go to the community building where the youth gather on Saturday evenings to play basketball, volleyball, etc., and enjoy snacks. Two or more sets of parents usually go to chaperone and take the snacks. The building is usually closed at midnight. Verena and Benjamin didn't take the heater in the buggy so they had a cold ride home. It is still warmer with a covered buggy than the open buggy that I was raised with. We had some awful cold rides and the umbrella was a big help to block the wind. I feel spoiled now when we drive in the covered buggies. Some have heaters in them which makes for a warm ride to town and back.

Friday evening Mose helped us make our first cider with a fruit press. He brought us apples from his parents' apple trees. We don't have anything to chop up that many apples so



The Eichers had fun trying out a fruit press to produce their very first gallon of cider.

**LOVINA'S AMISH KITCHEN**

both black and are hard to tell apart. The children are teaching them how to lead. They are calming down a lot.

I had several requests for the buttermilk brownies recipe so I'll share it this week.

BUTTERMILK BROWNIES

2 cups sugar
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
1 cup cold water
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1/2 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 eggs
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 400°. Sift the sugar, flour, salt, and cocoa together in a bowl. In a saucepan, bring the water, butter, and oil to a boil. Pour over the sugar mixture and beat until creamy. Add the buttermilk, baking soda, eggs, and vanilla. Stir thoroughly. The batter will be thin and soupy.

Pour into a greased 9x13-inch baking pan. Bake for 30 minutes until sides begin to pull away from the pan and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Makes about 15 (3-inch) brownies.

Historian to discuss Charloe-area Native Americans at talk Nov. 23

OAKWOOD — Did you ever wonder who the Native Americans were that lived in our area and what happened to them? On Monday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m., the Cooper Community Library in Oakwood will host Randall Buchman, Defiance City historian, who will help answer those questions as he delivers an illustrated lecture titled "The Ottawa People of Our Area Revisited."

The village of Charloe was once the center of Oquanoxa's Reserve, a three-mile square territory, established by the treaty of 1817 for the Ottawa people. The U.S. Congress' Indian Removal Act of 1830 set the stage for their removal to the West.

Buchman is the author of the book *A sorrowful Journey*, based on a recently discovered journal that reveals the details of this government act. Copies of the book will be available for sale.

The program is being sponsored by the Oakwood Arbor #759 of the Gleaner Life Insurance Society. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For further information, call 419-594-2797.

OSU Extension to host Agricultural and Natural Resources Issues Workshop

WAUSEON — Ohio State University Extension-Fulton County will be hosting an Agriculture and Natural Resources Agricultural Issues Workshop (webinar) on Monday, Dec. 14. If you are a farmer or represent farmers, this webinar will give you the information you need concerning specials issues with farm tax returns.

Fulton County was selected as one of 10 locations for this statewide webinar. You can choose to attend a host location or listen at your home or office. Host locations will provide a knowledgeable facilitator, refreshments and

lunch. You are encouraged to bring your computer, as there will be real-time question and answer.

If you choose not to attend a host location, a web address for the webinar will be sent to you the week before Dec. 14. Good web connectivity is required. Check in at the host site begins at 8:30 a.m. and the webinar runs from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pre-registration fee of \$130 must be received by Dec. 1 to receive the Agricultural Tax Issues Workbook and webinar. Registration should be completed online at www.osu.edu/taxschools or stop at the Extension Office to

pick up a mail-in registration form.

The following continuing education units are being offered: Accountancy Board of Ohio, CPAs (6 hrs), Office of Professional Responsibility, IRS (6 hrs), and Supreme Court of Ohio, Attorneys (5 hrs).

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FOR THE RECORD

POLICE REPORT

ACCIDENT REPORTS

None.

INCIDENT REPORTS

Tuesday, Oct. 20

10 a.m. Police were called to Paulding Middle School for an unruly juvenile.

Thursday, Nov. 5

10:23 a.m. An alarm sounded on Dooley Drive. It was unfounded.

Friday, Nov. 6

11:15 a.m. A juvenile was arrested on an Order of Arrest.

2:26 p.m. Motor vehicle accident at the intersection of West Perry and Williams streets was handled. No further information was available.

2:45 p.m. Unruly juvenile complaint was lodged from Emerald Road.

7:45 p.m. Family disturbance on Helen Street was looked into.

11:19 p.m. Officers assisted sheriff's deputies by providing witness to an investigation.

Saturday, Nov. 7

12:15 a.m. Two subjects came on station requesting a restraining order.

2:12 a.m. Suspicious vehicle was seen parked at a West Caroline Street business.

2:28 a.m. Family disturbance on Rita Street was handled.

3:08 a.m. Dog complaint was handled on Emerald Road.

7:17 a.m. Officers assisted sheriff's deputies by witnessing an investigation.

10:55 a.m. Assault complaint was investigated on Rita Street.

1:06 p.m. Unwanted person complaint was handled on Emerald Road.

8:21 p.m. Harassment by text was investigated on West Perry Street.

10:10 p.m. Police helped sheriff's deputies with a traffic stop at the intersection of North Williams and Perry streets.

Sunday, Nov. 8

4:30 p.m. Neighbor problems on West Perry Street were looked into.

9:30 p.m. Facebook harassment was reported from South Williams Street.

10 p.m. Junk notices were prepared for addresses on North Dix and South Williams streets.

Monday, Nov. 9

2:15 p.m. Theft and use of checks from a home on West Harrison Street was investigated.

Tuesday, Nov. 10

2:17 a.m. Suspicious vehi-

cle was noted at a North Williams Street business.

2:21 a.m. A suspicious vehicle was seen at a second North Williams Street business.

5:47 a.m. Possible child neglect was turned over to Job and Family Services.

8:07 a.m. Officers responded to a business alarm on West Perry Street. An employee accidentally set it off.

Wednesday, Nov. 11

6:07 a.m. Business alarm sounded from North Williams Street. The building was found secure.

8:30 a.m. Theft from a North Williams Street business was investigated.

3:15 p.m. Possible child abuse case was turned over to Job and Family Services.

7:30 p.m. Unwanted person complaint was registered from North Williams Street.

11:20 p.m. Neighbor problems were looked into on West Wayne Street.

Thursday, Nov. 12

1:41 a.m. An alarm sounded from a North Williams Street business where a delivery person accidentally set it off.

4:21 p.m. Police arrested a man for domestic violence on South DeWitt Street.

6:40 p.m. Facebook threats were reported by a West Perry Street resident.

Friday, Nov. 13

3:55 p.m. Theft of trailers was investigated on West Perry Street.

Saturday, Nov. 14

12:44 a.m. Officers assisted the probation officer and sheriff's deputies at a West Wayne Street address where they attempted to locate a female. She was not there.

12:56 a.m. Police assisted probation and sheriff's departments on North Main Street where a man and woman were arrested. The man for a probation violation and the woman for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

5:15 p.m. Witness was given to an OSHP investigation.

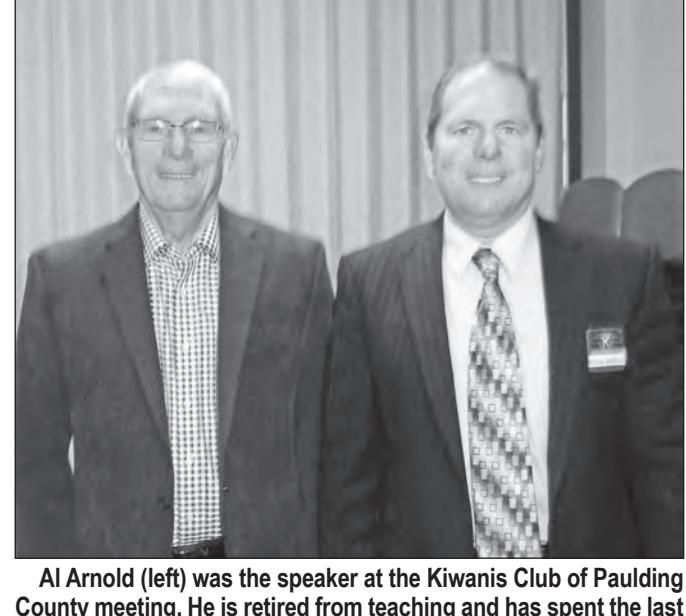
11:20 p.m. Vandalism to a fence at a North Main Street property was reported.

Sunday, Nov. 15

1:08 a.m. Neighbor problems involving a loud party on North Main Street were handled.

Monday, Nov. 16

3:47 a.m. Suspicious vehicle with damage was seen in the Paulding Place parking area.



Al Arnold (left) was the speaker at the Kiwanis Club of Paulding County meeting. He is retired from teaching and has spent the last several years traveling the world. He and his wife, Dorothy, spent a year in Europe, traveling to many countries by motor home. After returning, he began teaching for awhile. His most recent adventure was a trip to Alaska. Program chairman was Steve Arnold.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The term "et al." refers to and others; "et vir," and husband; "et ux," and wife.

Auglaize Township

Chad D. Collard to Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church; Sec. 25, Lot 13 and portions of vacated streets, 1.345 acres. Warranty deed.

Keith A. and Jandra M. Kilgore to Chad D. and Alexandria M. Collard; Sec. 13, 4.09 acres. Survivorship deed.

Melvin J. Myers, dec. to Judith A. Myers; Sec. 33, 80 acres. Certificate of transfer.

Benton Township

Charles A. Luther, trustee, dec. to Jason C. Luther and Amy L. Nadeau, trustees; Sec. 31, 2 acres. Affidavit.

Jason C. Luther, et al., trustees to Jason C. Luther; Sec. 31, 2 acres. Fiduciary deed.

Blue Creek Township

Mary Ellen Holbrook, trustee to Mary Ellen Holbrook; Sec. 18, 2.52 acres. Trustee deed.

Mary Ellen Holbrook to Andrew R. Holbrook; Sec. 18, 2.52 acres. Quit claim.

Brown Township

Edwin Collazo to Stephanie F. Price and Jacqueline K. Price; Sec. 20, Lots 42-44, Cooper's Second Riverview, 0.62 acre. Quit claim.

Melvin J. Myers, dec. to Michelle Myers; Sec. 4, 6.034 acres. Certificate of transfer.

Melvin J. Myers, dec. to Teresa Book, et al.; Sec. 4, 15 acres. Certificate of transfer.

Melvin J. Myers, dec. to Judith A. Myers; Sec. 4, 38.744 acres. Certificate of transfer.

Carryall Township

Alice Caple, dec. to Brian W. Rittenhouse Sr.; Sec. 32, 4.45 acres. Fiduciary deed.

Joseph H. and Barbara E. Barker, trustees to Stephen L. Barker; Lots 1-3, Joseph Barker Subdivision, 0.84 acre. Quit claim.

Crane Township

Drew A. and Kelly J. Gardner to Lori Drumm and Mark D. Leibst; Sec. 18, 5.76 acres. Survivorship deed.

Roger Simpson by Auditor to Linda Huss Hootman; Sec. 11, Outlot 14, 1.76 acres. Auditor deed.

Emerald Township

Charles A. Luther, trustee, dec. to Jason C. Luther and Amy L. Nadeau, trustees; Sec. 6, 16.67 acres. Affidavit.

Jason C. Luther, et al., trustees to Amy L. Nadeau; Sec. 6, 5.86 acres. Fiduciary deed.

Jason C. Luther, et al., trustees to Julie Luther; Sec. 6, 10.81 acres. Fiduciary deed.

Latty Township

Schlatman by Auditor to Choosers Inc.; Sec. 23, 0.82 acre. Auditor's deed.

Paulding Township

Lowell D. Noneman to Brent A. Bohner; Sec. 7, Lot 6, S-7 Arena Parcels, 0.327 acre and Sec. 7, 0.63 acre. Warranty deed.

Washington Township

John Stanford Young Jr. and Henry J. Dobbelaere to McClure Farms LLC; Sec. 16, 40 acres. Warranty deed.

Cecil Village

Windstream Ohio LLC to CSL Ohio System LLC; Lot 33, Original Plat. Warranty deed.

Simpson by Auditor to Larry Lilly; Sec. 11, Outlot 14, 1.227 acres. Auditor's deed.

Jeanne Lewis-Cummins

Jeanne Lewis-Cummins to Jade Poucher; Sec. 14, Outlot 4, 0.8 acres. Quit claim.

Latty Village

Oberdier by Auditor to V.E. and Amy Schlegel; Lots 6-7, Rixsom South Addition, 0.4 acre. Auditor's deed.

Oakwood Village

Huntington National Bank to Gabriel J. Buchman; Lot 5, Floyd Burt Addition, 0.2 acre. Warranty deed.

Paulding Village

True Grit LLC to Christopher E. Robinson; Lot 7 and part of adjacent valley, Dix's Second Addition, 0.22 acre. Warranty deed.

Windstream Ohio LLC to CSL Ohio System LLC; Lots 211, 222, 0.4 acres and Lots 18 and 19, Henning Addition, 0.267 acre. Warranty deed.

Robbie L. and Candace L. Egnor to Derrick P. Pease; Lots 54-55, Noneman Second Addition, 0.224 acre. Warranty deed.

WCWS Limited to PSG Holdings LLC; Lot 148, Original Plat, 0.033 acre. Warranty deed.

Larry W. Burkley by Auditor to JBI Properties; Lot 14, Cullen's Addition, 0.202 acre. Auditor's deed.

Weather report

weekly summary as recorded at Paulding Village's water treatment plant

Observations recorded for the 24 hours ending at 7:30 a.m. on the morning of:

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIPITATION
Nov. 10	57	29	0.44"
Nov. 11	52	36	-0-
Nov. 12	57	34	0.10"
Nov. 13	49	37	0.08"
Nov. 14	46	31	-0-
Nov. 15	51	31	-0-
Nov. 16	65	37	-0-

SHERIFF'S REPORT

ACCIDENTS:

None.

INCIDENTS:

Thursday, Nov. 5

12:40 p.m. Two deer carcasses were found along road 176 in Crane Township.

8:42 p.m. Car/deer crash on Ohio 111 in Emerald Township was documented.

Friday, Nov. 6

3:07 a.m. Deputies responded to an alarm in Melrose.

10:20 a.m. Dog complaint was handled on US 24 in Crane Township.

4:07 p.m. Dog complaint was lodged from Road 180 in Crane Township.

4:10 p.m. Cecil resident filed a dog complaint.

5:23 p.m. Threats were investigated in Payne.

7:13 p.m. Car/deer crash on Ohio 66 in Washington Township.

ship was documented.

7:41 p.m. Car/deer accident on Road 95 in Paulding Township was handled.

Saturday, Nov. 7

6:02 a.m. Suspicious vehicle was spotted near the intersection of Road 107 and 12 in Blue Creek Township.

8:47 a.m. Pigs were seen loose on Road 143 in Emerald Township.

9:38 a.m. Vehicle search was conducted along Road 138 in Jackson Township.

2:49 p.m. Deputies assisted Post 81 on US 24 in Carryall Township.

8:48 p.m. Domestic dispute in Oakwood was looked into.

10:01 p.m. Telephone harassment was reported from South Williams Street in Paulding.

11:14 p.m. Deputies docu-

mented a crash into a couch on Ohio 111 in Paulding Township.

Sunday, Nov. 8

11:59 a.m. Dog complaint was handled in Grover Hill.

12:01 p.m. Crane Township resident of Road 180 lodged a dog complaint.

1:11 p.m. Dog complaint was handled on East Jackson Street in Paulding.

4:20 p.m. Law enforcement was called to Payne for a fight in the street.

5:56 p.m. Car/deer crash on Road 176 in Crane Township was documented.

6:28 p.m. Juveniles were seen running at vehicles in Melrose.

Monday, Nov. 9

1:22 a.m. Motor vehicle accident on Ohio 637 in Auglaize Township was handled. No fur-

ther information was available.

5:20 a.m. Someone was heard yelling in the vicinity of the river near Road 171 in Auglaize Township.

11:49 a.m. Theft from a garage was investigated on Road 156 in Auglaize Township.

1:40 p.m. Telephone harassment was looked into on Road 8 in Emerald Township.

4:14 p.m. Unwanted calls were the complaint from Melrose.

5:58 p.m. Deputies assisted probation officers in Melrose.

6:39 p.m. Dog complaint came in from Grubb Street, Broughton in Jackson Township.

7:22 p.m. Grover Hill EMS and two fire units responded to a car/deer crash with injuries on Ohio 637 in Latty Township. No transport was made. Further

details were not available.

Tuesday, Nov. 10

12:12 p.m. Deputies assisted Antwerp police on North Madison Street.

2:12 p.m. Probation officers were given assistance on Ohio 66 in Brown Township.

2:24 p.m. Telephone harassment was reported from Helen Street in Paulding.

2:25 p.m. Deputies assisted Job and Family Services on Road 8 in Emerald Township.

5:06 p.m. Employees of the county engineer's office requested a welfare check on a woman they saw walking along Ohio 49 in Harrison Township. She was being followed by a black car and a subject inside was yelling at her.

7:02 p.m. Car/deer crash on Road 95 in Paulding Township was handled.

8:18 p.m. A Cecil resident told deputies they heard gunshots.

10:09 p.m. Suspicious vehicle was seen along Road 48 in Blue Creek Township.

11:39 p.m. Car/deer collision on Ohio 111 in Emerald Township was handled.

Wednesday, Nov. 11

10:38 a.m. Deputies responded to an alarm sounding at a business on North Main Street in Payne.

2:31 p.m. Theft of jewelry from Payne was investigated.

Thursday, Nov. 12

4:27 a.m. An alarm sounded in Haviland.

7:11 a.m. One Paulding fire unit and the EMS responded for about five minutes to a woodpile/burner being on fire along Ohio 613 in Jackson Township.

COMMON PLEAS

Civil Docket

The term "et al." refers to and others; "et vir," and husband; "et ux," and wife.

In the matter of: Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill and Danielle M. Rumsey, Haviland. Dissolution of marriage.

Cassie R. Jennings, Paulding vs. Aaron M. Jennings Sr., Lima. Divorce.

Civil Docket Concluded

Wendy R. Speiser, Continental vs. Ronald J. Speiser II, Paulding. Divorce granted.

Yvonne M. Stahl, Paulding vs. Thomas R. Stahl, Payne. Divorce granted.

Jennifer R. Richards, Paulding vs. Randall L. Richards Jr., Paulding. Divorce granted.

Stephanie L. Altic, Antwerp vs. Scott A. Altic, Berne, Ind. Divorce granted.

Lisa L. Dobbelaere, Oakwood vs. Dustin A. Dobbelaere, Oakwood. Divorce dismissed.

Stephanie F. Collazo, Oakwood vs. Edwin Collazo, Portage, Ind. Divorce granted.

Karen Bidlack, Oakwood vs. Terry Bidlack, Oakwood. Divorce granted.

In the matter of: Matthew Spannig, Defiance and Ashley Rae La-Combe-Spangler, Bryan. Dissolu-

tion of marriage granted.

In the matter of: Sandra S. Reinhardt, Oakwood and Dennis L. Reinhardt, Oakwood. Dissolution of marriage granted.

Matthew L. Shepherd, Middle Point vs. Haviland Plastic Products Inc., Haviland and Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Columbus. Worker's compensation, dis-

missed.

The First National Bank of Pan-

dora, Pandora vs. Scott B. and Kim-

berly A. Haver, Hamilton, Ind. and

Eddie D. Collins and his unknown

spouse if any, Defiance and First

Federal Bank of the Midwest, De-

fiance and Paulding County Treas-

urer, Paulding. Foreclosures, Sher-

iff's sale confirmed and proceeds

distributed.

Green Tree Servicing LLC,

Tempe, Ariz. vs. Barbara A. Tritsch and her unknown spouse if any, Paulding and Ohio Department of

Job and Family Services, Colum-

bus and Paulding County Treasurer,

Paulding. Foreclosures, Sheriff's

sale confirmed and proceeds

distributed.

The Bank of New York Mellon,

Coppell, Texas vs. John M. Marti-

nez, Paulding and Heather Martinez,

Paulding and Ohio Department of

Taxation, Columbus and Paulding

County Treasurer, Paulding. Fore-

losures, Sheriff's sale confirmed

and proceeds distributed.

The Bank of New York Mellon

Trust Company, Rapid City, N.D.

vs. Wendy R. Short, fka Speiser,

Paulding. Replevin, dismissed with-

out prejudice.

Carolyn J. Baird, Paulding vs.

Keith E. Baird Jr., Paulding and The

State Bank & Trust Company, Defi-

ance and Van Wert County Depart-

ment of Job and Family Services,

Van Wert and Paulding County

Treasurer, Paulding. Partition, dis-

missed with prejudice.

The Bank of New York Mellon

Trust Company, Rapid City, N.D.

vs. Wendy R. Short, fka Speiser,

Paulding. Replevin, dismissed with-

out prejudice.

Jonathon Joseph Lichy, 34, Payne,

director of Veteran Services and

Elizabeth Nicole Richardson, 40, Payne, registered nurse. Parents are Robert Lichy and Mary Stech-

schulte; and Frederick A. Wiley and

Kathryn Gaerte.

Administration Docket

In the Estate of Kenneth C.

Thomas, application to administer

file.

In the Estate of Marjorie M. Mast,

application to administer file.

Criminal Docket

William W. Paholak III, Defiance

and Deborah J. Paholak, Defiance

vs. Brian Saylor, Stryker and Bev-

erly Saylor, address not listed and

Beverly Saylor's unknown heirs

and assigns, names and addresses

unknown. Cancellation of land con-

tract granted, defendants' rights to

property forfeit; plaintiffs to recover

\$18,717 for damage with interest

and costs.

Automotive Credit Corporation,

Columbus vs. John Egnor, Payne.

Money only, plaintiff granted judg-

ment in the sum of \$8,618.53 plus

interest and costs.

Marriage Licenses

Michael Joseph Vowles, 57, Ant-

werp, tire manufacturing and Denise

Annette Pauken, 44, Antwerp, in-

spector. Parents are John M. Vowles

and Gloria Gerriola; and Jerry Wise

and Elizabeth Ernest.

Jonathon Joseph Lichy, 34, Payne,

director of Veteran Services and

Elizabeth Nicole Richardson, 40, Payne,

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Dinner! Kids! Mom! Love!

One activity I am involved in is volunteering for the Niswonger Performing Arts Center, located here in Van Wert. The other evening I volunteered for the show "Veggie Tales," which of course is geared towards children. My post that night was to be a greeter. This is a job I love because I get to see all the folks coming in and welcome them to the show.

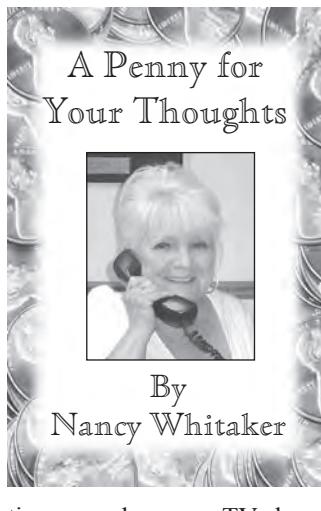
As people began to arrive, I was so happy to see families bringing their children to see this production. There were dads carrying a child on their shoulders, moms and dads holding hands of their little ones as they walked inside the door. As I told each one to "Enjoy the show" most adults and parents seemed just as excited as their offspring.

Smiles and excitement ran high as there was a place set up for kids to color pictures and they could also get their photo taken with a Veggie Tales character. There were grandpas buying little tokens for their grandchildren and their faces were beaming more than the children.

Why did all this mean so much to me? Because, I observed families taking time to spend quality time with each other. There is nothing more pleasing to the ear than that of people and children laughing together. From this observation I knew that even though lifestyles have changed, the unit of families is still the same. Whatever the situation is, that family unit remains strong and the love of a family never really changes.

Of course, we have different situations now than in the 1950s. The family suppers are an example. When an informal group of 52 Americans of different ages, professions and hometowns were asked what family meant to them the first thought that came to all of their minds were Dinner! Love! Kids! Mom!

Of course in the 1950s-1960s, family meal-



A Penny for Your Thoughts

By Nancy Whitaker

time was shown on TV shows such as "Father Knows Best," "Leave It to Beaver," "Happy Days" and yes, those "Beverly Hillbillies" were at their dinner table passing around their pot of opossum stew.

One thing I have always enjoyed when my family was all at home was the special time which we called "supper." We would sit around the table and talk and discuss what was happening at school and in our lives. I can still recall one time when we tried to get a daughter to try peas. I told her she had to at least try them and eat at least three. So with three peas on her plate, she finally said, "Okay, Mom. I ate them. I ate all three."

Unsuspecting Mom cleared off the table and found three peas under the plate. It wasn't as funny then as it is today, but it is those kind of memories about families which remain.

During the wars, mealtime images of families eating were a sign of social stability and strength. Norman Rockwell's "Freedom from Want" depicted this and was published in the *Saturday Evening Post* in 1943.

Back in the 1960s, most homes only had one bathroom and one TV. Kids could not go in their bedrooms and chat with their friends because we only had one telephone. It was common for all of our family members watch the same TV Shows. There were "Gunsmoke," "The Brady Bunch,"

and my very favorite, "Name that Tune." In fact, our family would watch it every evening at 7 o'clock and would make it a contest.

Want to talk bathrooms? Complete plumbing (hot and cold running water, a bathtub or shower, and a flush toilet) was only available in 64.5% of homes in 1950. That would change too and by 1960, only 16.6% of homes were without complete plumbing. Today it's around 1%.

Now, as a family with four children, a husband and a mama, how in the world did we survive with only one bathroom? Well, we just had assigned times and went from there. Again, it is a part of the family unit of working and living together.

What, you may well ask, did kids do for fun? We visited with one another. In those days, you could walk home at night without ending up on a milk carton. If you were a little older, after school you went to a soda shop or diner. Like Arnold's in "Happy Days." We just hung out. But there were no malls, no computers, no stereos, no video games and, gasp, no cell phones or texting.

I do love technology and I am sure in the future we will have a lot more updates and changes in our lifestyles.

Today, we may lead busier lives, play video games, have more than one TV, enjoy our cell phones, and just so many more ways to have fun and communicate. However, one thing will remain steadfast and that is our families.

When I see kids and adults, grandmas and grandpas come through a door to enjoy a nice evening and a show together, it lets me know that even though we are not the Cunninghams, the Nelsons or the Andersons, our family lives and units are still very much alive here in America.

What is family? Dinner? Love? Mom? Kids? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

Local findings inspire Payne American Legion ALS fundraiser

By JIM LANGHAM
Feature Writer

PAYNE – Local medical findings that seemingly substantiate a connection between military service and elevated incidents of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease), has further inspired the Payne American Legion in their continued support of the dreaded disease through their fundraiser, Miles for Mills.

The fundraiser was founded six years ago in specific honor of local veteran, Bobby Mills, who has been afflicted by the illness for several years.

"Miles for Mills is geared to make awareness for ALS and to get the word out of how severe it is and how much we need money to keep supporting its researching," commented Toby Fulk, of the Legion's Miles for Mills Committee.

"Seventy-one percent of the people who come down with this are veterans, but they don't know why they are getting it," continued Fulk. "Our fundraisers' money goes to research, primarily at Northwestern University where a lot of research is done on behalf of ALS. We want to make awareness of how this disease affects a lot of different people."

The local legion was further inspired by a guest speaker that spoke on the topic to the local veterans, said veteran Bob Williams.

"We like to help our local families as much as we can for the greater good," said Williams. "If Bob wouldn't have had this and joined the American Legion Riders, we might not have been doing this."

The ALS Association recently noted that the U.S. Department of American Affairs recognizes ALS as a service-connected disease and provides financial and medical support to those with at least 90 continuous days of military service.

Although a specific cause has not been found for a seeming connection, ALS officials insinuated that the increased risk may include exposure to lead, pesticides or other environmental contacts. Tobacco use also increases the risk of ALS, independent of military service.

The recent ALS report indicated that ALS increase is not associated with any particular war

or conflict, but with military service in general.

"The Institute of Medicine's conclusions help to validate what the ALS community knows all too well that if you served in the military, you are more likely to die from ALS," commented Steve Gibson, vice president of Government Relations and Public Affairs for the ALS Association, in a recent news release.

"We strongly support calls for expanding ALS research at both the Department of Veteran Affairs and the Department of Defense. We also believe that ALS should be considered a service connected disease regardless of when a veteran served in the military."

Over the past six years, the local legion has raised in excess of \$25,000 toward ALS research.

"We founded Miles for Mills under Toby Fulk's watch," commented veteran Neal Burk. "We approached the family and asked for their blessings."

Many members of the Mills family in Paulding County have been diagnosed with the disease over the years. In addition to Bob Mills who continues to be afflicted with the illness, most recently Mills' sister, LeeAnn Hock, has been diagnosed with the illness.

Benefit scheduled

GROVER HILL – Nate and Nikki Kuhlman, owners of N&N Quick Stop in Grover Hill, are expecting their fourth child in early December.

Baby Kuhlman has been diagnosed with a congenital heart defect, known as atrioventricular canal defect (ACD), and possible Down Syndrome. Basically, ACD is a hole between heart chambers causing problems with blood flow regulation.

A benefit for the family, "Bless Baby Kuhlman Benefit Dinner," is being held from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21 in the Grover Hill VFW. In addition to a meal, there will be a silent auction, euchre tournament and kids' crafts.

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Grover Hill sixth graders take a closer look at their worm bin.

Students recycle compost to feed their worms

By Staci Miller
Education specialist
Paulding SWCD

Last week, Staci Miller with the Paulding SWCD taught Grover Hill sixth grade students about the importance of worms in our ecosystem.

Staci went through a PowerPoint presentation, teaching the students about the anatomy of a worm as well and how red worms are able to survive in a worm composting bin.

Students learned about the different food scraps that worms like to eat, as well as foods such as meat and dairy products that the worms won't eat. They learned about how the worms consume the food scraps and are able to eat their body weight in food each day.

Once the worms consume the food scraps, they create a natural fertilizer through their worm castings or worm poop. This material is dark brown and rich in nutrients. This natural fertilizer can be used to help plants grow in a garden instead of buying expensive fertilizers from the garden store.

The students then got the opportunity to construct their own worm bin using plastic totes. The students drilled holes in the containers, added shredded paper for the bedding then put in the red worms to start their own worm composting bin.

The students plan to use their worm castings from their bin as fertilizer for their plants in their outdoor science lab.

Fair board elects 2016 officers

By SAMANTHA HABERN Correspondent

PAULDING – The senior fair board considered several new ideas and improvements for future county fair when it met on Nov. 11.

The following officers were elected for the 2016 year: president Larry Colley, vice president David Phillips, treasurer Stephanie Thomas and secretary Sue Miller.

The board inducted Chase Stoller. Members were re-appointed to townships.

Ideas were tossed around for future fairs and other events, such as doing something for Veterans Day, getting more rides/games at fairs, making the horse arena safer/move the west gate, having an open hog show, putting more money in Tug-A-Truck and leveling out the land to avoid trip hazards.

Other suggestions included more money/better advertising, different weight classes for livestock to give kids chances to show off their animals, better organization with

camper gate, smaller goat show for the kids, a sheep show, better education on rabbits, and board members having something to identify themselves to fairgoers.

The junior fair board talked about the livestock sale and upcoming light display. They also asked the senior fair board if they could store their things in one spot, keeping things organized and secure.

In other business, the board:

- Accepted the resignation of Katelyn Hughes and Allison Stoller.

- Approved to have meeting minutes and treasurer's report emailed to board members to look over before the meeting.

- Received a \$2,500 donation from Richard Parrish to help paint and fix up the grandstand.

- Approved to advertising and pre-sale tickets for a dinner on Dec. 12.

- Approved keeping Livestock Quality Assurance the same as in past years.

- Decided not purchase ra-

dios as they are too expensive and not justifiable.

Upcoming dates include: Dec. 12, dinner; April 24 (tentative), Envirothon; May 5, Horse Power Weekend.

The next fair board meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9.

Christmas lights to be displayed on fairgrounds

PAULDING – Paulding County Fair Board is making plans to reinstate its annual Christmas light display on the fairgrounds.

After taking last year off due to the new barn construction, this year's display will be Dec. 11-13 and Dec. 18-20.

Watch for more information in the *Paulding Progress*.

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Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday the deadline for the November 30th Weekly Reminder will be noon on Wednesday, November 25th.



BUSINESS NEWS**CMH receives quality award**

HICKSVILLE – Recently, Community Memorial Hospital, located in Hicksville, received a performance leadership award at the 14th annual NHRA Rural Health Clinic and Critical Access Hospital Conference.

This award was given to recognize hospitals that are out-performing the majority of hospitals around the country. Critical Access Hospitals are not required to report quality outcomes at this point,

but CMH has decided to be transparent and report the data, just as larger hospitals are required to do.

Due to this early reporting, iVantage, a healthcare analytical company, has compiled the data for Critical Access Hospitals and Community Memorial Hospital is in the top quartile performers.

The data submitted includes Process of Care, Patient Experience, Outcomes, Efficiency and Safety.

On Nov. 19, the nation will celebrate National Rural Health Day and the standards are being set by a local hospital, Community Memorial.

Other awards given to CMH in the spring of 2015 include a Five Star rating for Outstanding Patient Experience Award from healthgrades and from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ranked CMH as a 5-Star Hospital, compiled with the patient experience in mind.

PCH offers echocardiography

PAULDING – Paulding County Hospital has started its own echocardiography service.

Holly Burget is the new technician that performs the studies. She has been instrumental in selecting equipment for performing the studies and for setting up the testing program.

This test is available five days a week and will be very useful in determining how and where to treat patients.

Using ultrasound waves, a picture of the heart is made to show both still and moving pictures of the heart. This picture,

an echocardiogram, is used by the physician to determine how well the heart is working.

The physician is able to see how the valves in the heart are working, how thick the heart muscle is, determine if the heart is filling and emptying properly, and determine if further study is necessary.

Sometimes the study is combined with a stress test to study the heart after the patient has exercised.

Persons having a physician order may schedule a test by phoning the radiology department at 419-399-1131.

**HOLLY BURGET****Looking to get ahead? NOCAC to offer local class**

PAULDING – Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission is offering a class in Paulding County for interested people to find resources to help them "get ahead."

The class, "Getting Ahead in a Just Gettin' By World," will begin Nov. 18 in downtown Paulding.

Participants will meet three hours, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., once a week for a 16-week period of time. Getting Ahead helps struggling low-income families gain the knowledge, motivation and support to change their thinking about the future and to achieve a higher standard of living. Participants will learn to evaluate their lives and make plans to change the

course it's on.

Stipends (\$25 gift card), snacks and beverages are offered at each class. Graduation from the program will result in a certificate of completion.

Topics of discussion include financial resources, support systems, emotional supports, relationships and role models, mental resources, coping strategies, spiritual supports, and knowledge of the hidden rules of social class.

For more information on how to become a participant, call Tracey Backhaus at NOCAC at 419-784-5136 at Ext. 1129 or email tbackhaus@nocac.org.

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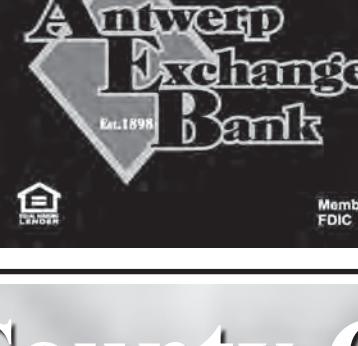
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Paulding County Church Directory**ANTWERP AND SURROUNDING**

Antwerp Community Church, 704 S. Erie St., SR 49, Antwerp; Pastor Ricky L. Grimes 419-258-2069. Bible Study Fellowship 9:30 a.m.; Contemporary Worship 10:30 a.m.

Antwerp United Methodist Church, East River Street, Rev. Pastor Mike Schneider, church telephone number is 258-4901, Contemporary service 8:30 a.m., Sunday school 9:30 a.m., Traditional Service 10:30 a.m.

Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, 303 S. Monroe, Antwerp. Office: 417 N. Main, Paulding, 399-2576, Rev. Joseph Poggemeyer: Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church, 5482 CR 424, Pastor Todd Murray, 258-2056, Sunday school at 9 a.m., Sunday worship 10 a.m.; evening service 6 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church, 126 W. River St., Pastor Mike Pennington, 258-2864, Sunday school at 11:15 a.m., Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2937 US 24, 258-2290. Public talk 10 a.m. Sunday, Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School & Service Meeting, Theocratic school 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Rev. Derek Evans. Sunday school at 9 a.m., Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

Riverside Christian Church, 15413 St. Rt. 49, (corner Ohio 49 and Road 192), Antwerp. 258-3895, Pastor Regan Clem. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday gathering 10:30 a.m.

St. James Lutheran Church, Rev. Mike Pennington, 258-2864, Sunday school at 11:15 a.m., Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

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In this Season of Giving

The Paulding County Progress staff urges you to take this opportunity to give and share to ensure that everyone in Paulding County has a blessed Christmas.

Peace

Christmas for Kids

WDFM Mix 98.1 radio station is working with the **Christmas For Kids** project.

WDFM is in the process of broadcasting live toy and money drives to be held in Paulding and surrounding areas.

The proceeds received from the live broadcasts in Paulding will remain in Paulding.

- Nov. 19, 7-9 a.m., Divine Mercy School in Payne
- Nov. 24, 7-9 a.m., Wayne Trace High School
- Dec. 1, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Williamson Insurance in Payne
- Dec. 9, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., First Federal Bank in Paulding
- Dec. 9, 5-7 p.m., Oakleaf Restaurant in Oakwood

People can also make donations by making checks payable to Christmas for Kids and mailing them to the Mix 98.1 station at 118 Clinton St., Defiance OH 43512.

You may designate in the memo portion of the check which county you wish to donate to.

Christmas Elf Project

The Twin Oaks Church will be sponsoring the **Christmas Elf Project** again this year. Trees are going to be placed in The State Bank, Cooper Library, Oakleaf Restaurant and Twin Oaks Church. Those seeking help need to live in the Oakwood school district and be under the age of 18. The sign up date is Tuesday, Nov. 24 from 2-6 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 25 from 8 a.m.-noon at Twin Oaks Church.

Following the sign up, requests for assistance will be placed on the trees giving details. Residents will then have opportunity to select names from the tree to assist.

Gifts that are purchased do not need to be wrapped and are to be returned to the same location where the requests were picked up. The deadline to make donations is Dec. 10.

For more information, call Amber Brown at 419-439-3537.

Love

Free Giveaway Day

The Mandale Church will hold its annual **Christmas Giveaway** on from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 12.

The Mandale Church has been holding the event for several years. The church will have slightly used clothing and used toys as well as new toys and some household items. New toys will be available for children ages 2-12 years. Everyone is welcome.

To donate slightly used items or new toys, please contact Tom Keller 419-453-3283.

The church is located on Ohio 66 in Paulding County.

Joy

Operation Christmas Stockings for Soldiers

Den Herder Funeral Home, an exclusive, certified Veterans and Family Memorial Care provider, is proud to be participating in their seventh annual **Christmas Stockings for Soldiers** initiative.

Residents in the community may visit Den Herder Funeral Home and pick up a free Christmas stocking to take home, decorate and stuff with Christmas cheer. Stuffed stockings must be returned to the funeral home by Tuesday, Dec. 1. Den Herder Funeral Home will then ship the stockings to troops abroad in time for Christmas.

Den Herder Funeral Home is one of nearly 800 family-owned funeral homes nationwide certified as an exclusive Veterans and Family Memorial Care Provider.

VFMC providers are also official drop off centers for "Cell Phones for Soldiers." Thousands have been collected in the past four years translating into more than 250,000 free calling time minutes for our brave men and women in the armed services.

Please drop off an old cell phone on your visit to the funeral home to pick up a free Christmas stocking.

Anyone wishing to stuff a Christmas stocking for one of our heroes overseas may stop by Den Herder Funeral Home, located at 1000 W. Wayne St., Paulding, between the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through Dec. 1.

Love

Bell Ringers

The **Salvation Army** will be doing kettle collections beginning Friday, Nov. 27 in

Paulding. Volunteers are being recruited to ring bells at Chief Supermarket in Paulding. Kim Tracy is the Kettle coordinator for Paulding County. If you or your group is interested in donating your time and help ring the bells for the Salvation Army, please call Tracy at 419-956-2025. The Salvation Army Service Unit assists individuals and families daily with emergency needs.

New this year will be a live-drive-by at the intersection of Williams Street and Gasser Road/Dooley Drive on Dec. 12.

Joy

TGIF

The Paulding United Methodist Church will host the 17th annual **TGIF (Thank God It's Free)**

giveaway on Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Paulding County Extension Building at the Paulding County Fairgrounds. The event will run from 9 a.m.-noon.

Donations for the giveaway will be accepted beginning Monday, Nov. 30 from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily through Wednesday, Dec. 2. On Thursday, Dec. 3, donations will be accepted from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. only. No donations will be accepted on Friday, Dec. 4.

Items wanted include new or gently used clothing, small appliances, stuffed animals, towels, toys, blankets, bedding, Christmas items and other small miscellaneous items. No large appliances, furniture, encyclopedias, large electronic products or large household items will be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact Sue Wannemacher (419-399-7245).

Peace

Mitten Tree

The Paulding County Carnegie Library will be sponsoring its annual **Mitten/Scarf Tree**.

People can place new hats, scarves or gloves on the tree, and they will be distributed throughout the county. The tree will be on display beginning Friday, Nov. 20 and will stay up through the holiday season.

Love

COMMISSIONERS' JOURNAL

Commissioners' Journal October 19, 2015

This 19th day of October, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Tony Zartman, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS

County Sheriff Jason Landers met with the commissioners for his scheduled monthly update. He presented September 2015 Projections report for the commissioners' review.

Also provided was the inmate report for the month of September prepared by Captain David Cline, Paulding County Jail Administrator. Total inmates held in September was 68, for a total of 939 days served. Average inmates per day was 31, with an average stay of 13 days.

The Paulding County holding facility 84 inmates for 112 hours, 129 inmates were transported in 49 trips to Putnam County.

In other matters, Sheriff Landers presented Putnam County's counteroffer for 2016-17 out-housing of inmates. He also reported we have paid Putnam and Van Wert counties \$1,736,047.75 for out-housing since November 20, 2008. Landers and the commissioners discussed the possibility of running a jail levy.

Sheriff Landers reported the DARE officer is on the job and has been busy in the Paulding and Oakwood elementarys, as well as at the Payne Elementary.

He then reported the cameras on the deputies are very effective and especially helpful when writing incident reports.

County Treasurer Lou Ann Wannemacher and Auditor Claudia Fickel submitted travel requests to their respective conferences. A short BOR meeting was held.

Sarah Noggle, Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension educator and county director; and Michael Schweinsberg, 4-H Youth Development Extension educator - The Paulding County OSU Extension staff met with the commissioners for a third quarter update.

Schweinsberg reported the 2015 Paulding County 4-H Camp, "Stepping into the World of Seuss at 4-H Camp Palmer," was a successful. He noted that nearly 100 campers and 25 Cloverbuds, led by 29 counselors, enjoyed the many activities. Schweinsberg noted the dates for 2016 4-H Camp are set for July 9-13.

He reported 31 Paulding County

4-H youth competed at the Ohio State Fair in both livestock and still projects. Twenty awards were earned from 16 of our youth.

Schweinsberg reported he is now at the Paulding Middle School one day a week, teaching with Ms. Jackson's seventh and eighth graders about financial literacy, career goals and career development. He has also met with numerous teachers to discuss in-school programming. Teachers are requesting for hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education in their classrooms that follow the curriculum that is being taught. Schweinsberg is anxious to start the STEM education with the passage of the levy.

Noggle then reviewed the Agriculture and Natural Resources portion of the report. She noted participating in surveys and gathering data for soybean research. She reported Paulding County shared a grant-based intern with Defiance and Fulton counties through the ACRE program. He scouted fields for insects and collected leaf samples from the main site south of Grover Hill.

Noggle noted the Paulding County Master Gardener volunteers have been experiencing high volume of questions through their hotline. She also added the Junior Master Gardener program has been expanded to include two schools in the county.

Noggle reported she has been invited to teach and support a variety of groups and organizations. Topics include current agricultural practices and issues as well as horticulture and natural resources.

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State Patrol reminds motorists to buckle up this holiday season

VAN WERT - There is no disputing that wearing a safety belt can save your life. The Ohio State Highway Patrol is encouraging all motorists to buckle up this upcoming holiday season and continue to do so throughout the new year. From 2012-14, 1,157 people who were not wearing an available safety belt were killed in crashes across Ohio.

"It's simple - safety belts save lives and reduce injury in crashes," said Lt. Tim Grigsby, commander of the Van Wert Post. "It is the easiest and most effective action you can take to protect yourself, your family

and your friends."

The National Highway Traffic Administration estimates 361 lives were saved in Ohio and 12,584 were saved nationwide in 2013 as a direct result of motorists buckling up.

According to Ohio's 2014 Observational Seatbelt Survey, 85 percent of motorists were found to be in compliance with Ohio's safety belt law. This is the highest usage rate seen since observational studies began in 1991. While these rates appear high, far too many Ohioans still do not buckle up.

Ohio's safety belt law remains a secondary violation;

however, troopers continue zero tolerance enforcement when motorists are stopped for other violations and are found unbuckled. Troopers wrote 121,945 citations last year for failure to wear a safety belt.

Troopers ask that you wear your safety belt every time you travel in a vehicle and insist that those who travel with you buckle up as well.

For a complete statistical analysis of safety belt violations, visit www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/doc/Safety_Belt_Bulletin_2015.pdf. The public is encouraged to call #677 to report impaired drivers and drug activity.

Title fund yields money for new DARE vehicle

By JIM LANGHAM
Feature Writer

Special funding from the county's Certificate of Title Fund have made it possible to purchase a 2016 Ford Explorer to serve as the DARE vehicle for the program.

The local sheriff's office recently reinstated a DARE officer, Deputy Nick Mendez, to serve as the county's new head of the DARE program.

Sheriff Jason Landers explained in an earlier *Progress* story that 50 percent of Mendez's time in the classroom is reimbursed from the grant through the Ohio Attorney General's office. The non-competitive grant is based on the number of students

anticipated to participate in the program and related activities.

County Clerk of Courts Ann Pease said that in 1993, the auditor of the state asked local authorities to account for all fee income retained for the clerk of courts office. He established that all funds brought in should run that office.

"If there is excess money, it can be used for other county programs," said Pease.

"The sheriff and commissioners needed a DARE vehicle," she continued. "They approached me about using this money and I happily agreed. We need to bring the DARE program back to the county to help our kids recognize between right and wrong."

"In bringing this together, we decided that we need proper transportation," continued Pease. "The Certificate of Title Fund could be used for this. A lot of work went into this to make it all happen."

The new vehicle was purchased for \$26,614 and is already in use.

The DARE program includes visiting the kindergarten and fifth grade classes in each county school system.

Fifth graders get lessons once a week for a 10-week period. Classes last from 45-to 60 minutes and involve some role play activities, short videos, learning the DARE decision making model and a short talk.

Winter weather reminders from the Paulding EMA

The following public service announcement is a friendly reminder from the Paulding County EMA concerning prudent preparations for the coming winter chill.

Don't let the mild weather that we have been experiencing fool you, winter weather is right around the corner. This week is Ohio Winter safety Awareness Week.

Whether you believe what the Farmer's Almanac predicts for our region this winter or the reports of an El Niño-type winter, we still need to get prepared for the winter weather that can hit northwest Ohio.

We need to dress for the cold, multi-layer of loose clothing, have our faces covered, and wear gloves or mittens and heavy socks. Ears, nose, fingers and toes are the most vulnerable to frostbite.

Our bodies react differently to extreme conditions as we age. Among other factors, young children play outside in the snow and tend to get their clothing wet.

This draws the heat away from their bodies quicker. Adults who work out in the frigid temperatures not only need to dress for the climate, but get out of the weather and warm up on a regular

basis.

And let's not forget the elderly. Older adults are at a higher risk because they tend to lose body heat more quickly and are more likely to take medications that affect their ability to regulate body temperature. As a result, they are at higher risk for complications from hypothermia, frostbite and other cold weather illnesses and injuries.

When the snow falls and the mercury drops, call or visit older friends, neighbors and loved ones to ensure they have what they need to stay warm and healthy.

Let's not forget to win-

terize your vehicle as well: check or have a mechanic check on the following items on your vehicle:

- Antifreeze levels - ensure antifreeze levels are sufficient to avoid freezing.

- Battery and ignition system - should be in top condition and battery terminals should be clean.

- Brakes - check for wear and fluid levels.

- Exhaust system - check for leaks and crimped pipes and repair or replace as necessary; carbon monoxide is deadly and usually gives no warning.

- Fuels and air filters -

replace and keep water out of the system by using additives and maintaining full tanks of gas. A full tank of gas will keep the fuel line from freezing.

- Heater and defroster - ensure it works properly.

- Oil - check for level and weight; heavier oils congeal more at low temperatures and don't lubricate as well.

- Thermostat - ensure it works properly.

- Windshield wiper equipment - repair any problems, replace blades and maintain proper washer fluid levels.

- Tires - make sure the

tires have adequate tread; all-weather radials are usually adequate for most winter conditions.

Update the emergency kit in your vehicle when it comes to winter weather. Have the following additional items in your vehicle.

- Shovel
- Tow strap
- Windshield scraper and small broom
- Road salt and kitty litter
- Water and snack foods
- Matches
- Extra hats, socks and gloves
- Necessary medications.
- Blankets.

3 hurt in wrong way crash on US 24

ANTWERP - The Ohio State Highway Patrol's Van Wert Post is investigating a serious injury motor vehicle crash on US 24 near mile post 2 in Paulding County.

On Thursday, Nov. 12 at 3:52 p.m., a report of a wrong-way driver was taken on US 24. Witnesses reported a westbound vehicle traveling in the eastbound lanes from Road 115.

A 2006 Mercedes R500 SUV, driven by Caroline A. Dangler, age 71, of Cecil, was traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of US 24 when she struck a 2013 Chevrolet Malibu driven by David W. Pessefall Jr., age 45, of Sherwood. Kathy J. Pessefall, age 46,

also of Sherwood, was a front seat passenger in the Malibu.

All occupants were transported to Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Safety belts were utilized by all occupants and alcohol is not believed to be a factor.

The highway's westbound lanes were closed for a short time during scene cleanup.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by Paulding County Sheriff's Office, Antwerp EMS and Fire, Woodburn Fire Volunteer Fire and EMS, R&O Towing and J&R Towing.

The crash remains under investigation.

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PAULDING COUNTY PROGRESS

2015 ALL-COUNTY FOOTBALL AWARDS

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Cole Shepherd

WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

"Cole was a do-it-all type of kid. He was our number one receiver and he became our number one running back after we put him there. He was just a kid we could put anywhere on the field and he would do the job for us."

— Raider coach Mike Speice

HONORABLE MENTION



Noah Stoller
WAYNE TRACE
SENIOR



Jarrett Sitton
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Shepherd is county's Final county football stats Player of the Year

2015 final statistics for Paulding County high school football, compiled by sportswriter Kevin Wannemacher:

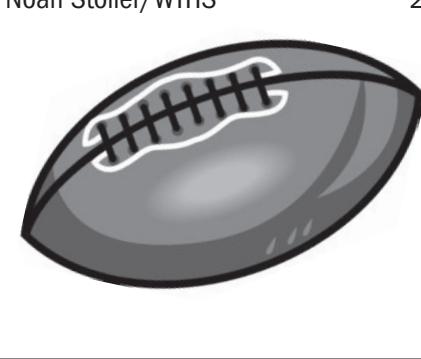
RUSHING YARDS				
PLAYER/HS	ATT.	YDs	Avg.	TDs
Cole Shepherd/WTHS	50	385	7.7	5
Preston Ingol/PHS	77	354	4.6	1
Zach Buchman/PHS	63	174	2.8	1
Cameron Doster/PHS	39	144	3.7	1
Hunter Showalter/WTHS	25	113	4.5	3

PASSING YARDS				
PLAYER/HS	Comp.	ATT	Yds	TD
James Mourey/PHS	31	87	417	2
Trae Sinn/WTHS	24	54	326	3
Corbin Edwards/PHS	20	61	321	0

RECEIVING					SACKS	
PLAYER/HS	NO.	YDs	Avg.	TDs	PLAYER/HS	No.
Cole Shepherd/WTHS	32	538	16.8	7	Clint Sinn/WTHS	7
Luke Miller/WTHS	33	502	15.2	6	Conner Arend/WTHS	4
Seth Saylor/WTHS	19	401	21.1	8	Scott Wenninger/WTHS	4
Eli Sinn/WTHS	28	337	12.0	4	Caleb Schultz/WTHS	4
Nathan Gee/PHS	15	259	17.2	1	Jarrett Sitton/PHS	4

TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS	
PLAYER/HS	No.				PLAYER/HS	No.
Noah Stoller/WTHS	99				Luke Miller/WTHS	3
Jarrett Sitton/PHS	76				Branson Minck/PHS	3
Austin Kuhn/WTHS	72				Hunter Showalter/WTHS	3
Scott Wenninger/WTHS	59				Cole Shepherd/WTHS	2
Conner Arend/WTHS	56				Noah Glass/WTHS	2
Caleb Schultz/WTHS	54					
Cameron Doster/PHS	54					
Luke Miller/WTHS	49					

FUMBLE RECOVERIES				
PLAYER/HS	No.			
Caleb Schultz/WTHS	2			
Noah Stoller/WTHS	2			



All-County Football Players of the Year

Year	Offensive POY	School	Defensive POY	School
2015	Cole Shepherd - Wayne Trace			
2014	Tyler Showalter	Wayne Trace	Jacob Dingus	Wayne Trace
2013	Colby Speice	Wayne Trace	Devin Wenzlick	Wayne Trace
2012	Colby Speice	Wayne Trace	Tyler Showalter	Wayne Trace
2011	Dylan Horner	Wayne Trace	Austin Speice	Wayne Trace
2010	Shaile Chamberlain	Wayne Trace	Drey Gamble	Paulding
2009	Derrick Baksa	Wayne Trace	John Rindahl	Antwerp
2008	Haden Sholl	Paulding	Rodney Baxter	Paulding

Year	Offensive POY	School	Defensive POY	School
2007	Quinn Tempel	Antwerp	Tim Ryan	Antwerp
2006	Lance Sinn	Wayne Trace	Tim Ryan	Antwerp
2005	Lance Sinn	Wayne Trace	Seth Wenninger	Wayne Trace
2004	Brad Denning	Wayne Trace	Blake Sinn	Wayne Trace
2003	Jeremy Hanson	Paulding	Zach Walls	Antwerp
2002			Dan Leininger - Antwerp	
2001	Drew Linder	Wayne Trace	Paul Cottrell	Antwerp
2000	Gabe Denning	Wayne Trace	Adam Denning	Wayne Trace



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Fri., Nov. 27 - 10:00 A.M.

JD 870 Tractor w/ Loader - IH 986 Tractor - MM 335 Tractor

JD X729 4x4 Tractor - Golf Carts - School Bus - Fire Truck

Farm Equipment - Grooming Mower - Shop Tools - Pony Carriage



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JD 870 Compact Utility Tractor with Woods 165 Loader, 3 Pt., 4x4MFWD 4WD, wd ft, 330 hrs. Minneapolis Moline 335 Tractor, Wide Frt, 3 Pt, Hydraulics **JD X729 4x4 Wheel Steer Garden Tractor** with 6 ft. mower deck, 505 hrs. (Bradbury Farms).... **IH 986 D Tractor**, cab, 3 pt, TA needs repair (Jim Johanns Family).... **Unassembled 8N Ford Tractor** **2002 GMC Blue Bird School Bus**, Cat 3126 Engine, Allison AT 545 transmission, Air Brakes, 72 Passenger, 231,702 mi. - In use through early Nov. - replaced with new bus - maintenance records available (Consigned by Paulding Exempted Village School).... **1989 Chevy Truck with 2,500 Gal Stainless Steel Tank Fire Truck**, 7 liter engine, 5 spd / 2 spd, PTO water pump, newer tires, 55,829 mi. (Consigned by Auglaize Fire Dept.).... **Harley Davidson Gas Golf Cart** **EZ Go Electric Golf Cart**.... Like New Agri-Fab 26 Bu Hard Top Mow-N-Vac, Briggs Engine **Unverferth 230 Gravity Wagon w/ Kory 6072 Gear** **P&H 2910 A Gravity Wagon** **Land Pride FDR 2572 3 Pt. Grooming Mower**.... Nice 2 seat pony carriage w/ SS floor & shafts Kewanee 9 Hyd Angle & Tilt Blade 9' Lilliston Field Chopper.... 3 Pt Post Hole Auger, 12" & 8" Augers. Wince 23,000 Watt PTO Generator.... Heavy 3 Pt. Log Splitter.... 3 Pt Boom.... 3 Pt, 2 Btm Ferguson Plow.... 3 Pt, 2 Btm Dearborn Plow.... 3 Pt. 6' Dearborn Blade.... 3 Pt Ford Chopper.... 3 Pt, 7' Disc.... Large Rear Slip Scoop.... 3 Pt. Sprayer & Related.... Small Mayrath Auger Short Auger on Wheels.... David Bradley Wall Behind Garden Tractor (project piece).... Walk Behind Gas Reel Grooming Mower (type for golf greens).... Small Harroga.... Plus Power Backup, Shop & Hand Tools including Power Whisperer M Type Portable Backup Power Unit and other shop tools and related that are from Harold Eschbach's former Shop and others including Welder, Cutting Torches, Central Pneumatic Steel Sand Blaster Cabinet, Grinder, Cabinets, Wrenches, Vice, Wagon Load Of Hand Tools, Older Power Hack Saw, Drill Press, Belt, Chin Hoist, Portable Air Compressor, Chain Saw, Grease Pump, Clamps, Chain & Binder, Small Gas Motor, Floor Jack, Partial Wagon Load of Primitives From The Barns, Bolts, Bins, etc., etc., etc. **Inspection:** 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Mon, Nov 23 through Wed., Nov 25 and beginning at 8:30 A.M. on the day of the auction Call For Brochure With Detailed List and Information or Visit our Website at www.gorrellbros-paulding.com for photos and detailed list ... **Terms:** Cash, Check, VISA, Mastercard or Discover Card **Gorrell Bros. Auctioneers** Aaron Timm - Don F. Gorrell - Larry D. Gorrell - Chris Aufrance (Apprentice) - Nolan Shisler, Auctioneers



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VAN WERT - Learn With Friends fashion show will be Monday, Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Wassenberg Art Center. Proceeds will go toward the Blessings in a Backpack program.

Full runway and events will be featured. Local celebrities will model fashions from MOD Boutique.

Complimentary lunch is provided.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at Van Wert Manor's business office or at MOD Boutique.

For more information contact Erin Shaffer at 419-238-6655.

Town & Gown series continues

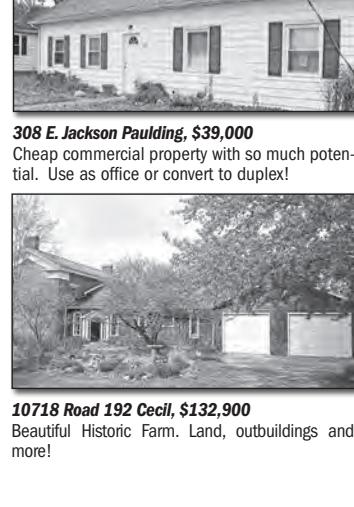
DEFIANCE - The final fall Town and Gown program will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19 in the Schomburg Auditorium on the Defiance College campus.

"What Are Those Students Doing?" will introduce interns at the Andrew Tuttle Memorial Museum. Their involvement in preserving and researching Defiance's history will be explained by Dr. Don Buerk at this very informative event.



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Thanksgiving by the numbers

Thanksgiving Day: Nov. 26, 2015

In the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims - early settlers of Plymouth Colony - held a three-day feast to celebrate a bountiful harvest. This event is regarded by many as the nation's first Thanksgiving. The Wampanoag Indians in attendance played a key role. Historians have recorded ceremonies of thanks among other groups of European settlers in North America. These include the British colonists in Virginia as early as 1619.

The legacy of thanks and the feast have survived the centuries, as the event became a national holiday 152 years ago (Oct. 3, 1863) when President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday of November as a national day of thanksgiving. Later, President Franklin Roosevelt clarified that Thanksgiving should always be celebrated on the fourth Thursday of the month to encourage earlier holiday shopping, never on the occasional fifth Thursday.

WHERE TO FEAST

117 million - Number of occupied housing units across the nation in the second quarter of 2015 - all potential stops for Thanksgiving dinner.

4.5 million - Number of multi-generational households in the U.S. in 2014. It is possible these households, consisting of three or more generations, will have to purchase large quantities of food to accom-

modate all the family members sitting around the table for the holiday feast - even if there are no guests!

4 - Number of places in the United States named after the holiday's traditional main course. Turkey Creek Village, La., was the most populous in 2014, with 443 residents, followed by Turkey Creek, Ariz. (412), Turkey City, Texas (396) and Turkey Town, N.C. (296). There are also 11 townships in the U.S. with "Turkey" in the name.

7 - Number of places and townships in the United States that are named Cranberry, a popular side dish at Thanksgiving. Cranberry township (Butler County), Pa., was the most populous of these places in 2014, with 30,170 residents. Cranberry township (Venango County), Pa., was next (6,546).

32 - Number of counties, places and townships in the United States named Plymouth, as in Plymouth Rock, the landing site of the first Pilgrims. The two counties, both named Plymouth, are in Massachusetts (507,022) and Iowa (24,874).

Plymouth, Minn., is the most populous place, with 75,057 residents in 2014. There are two places in the United States named Pilgrim:

one, a township in Dade County, Mo., had a population of 129; the other, a census designated place in Michigan, had a population of 36. And then there is Mayflower, Ark., whose population was 2,345, and

Mayflower Village, Calif., whose population was 5,662.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE FIRST FEAST

24.4 million - Number of U.S. residents of English ancestry as of 2014. Some could very well be descendants of the Plymouth colonists who participated in the autumn feast that is widely believed to be one of the first Thanksgivings - especially the 655,000 living in Massachusetts.

6,500 - Number of members of the Wampanoag American Indian tribal grouping, as of 2010, roughly half of whom reside in Massachusetts. The Wampanoag, the American Indians in attendance, played a lead role in this historic encounter, and they had been essential to the survival of the colonists during the newcomers' first year. The Wampanoag are a people with a sophisticated society who have occupied the region for thousands of years. They have their own government, their own religious and philosophical beliefs, their own knowledge system, and their own culture. They are also a people for whom giving thanks was a part of daily life.

PREPARING THE FEAST, ENJOYING THE DAY, AND THE AFTERMATH

98.6% - Percentage of households in 2011 with a gas or electric stove - essential for cooking their Thanksgiving feast. Another 96.8%

percent had a microwave, also helpful in preparing the meal.

98.3% - Percentage of households with a television in 2011. No doubt, many guests either before, after or perhaps even during the feast will settle in front of their TVs to watch some football.

35.8% - Percentage of households with a stand-alone food freezer in 2011. Far more (99.2 percent) have a refrigerator. Once all the guests leave, it will be time to clean up. Fortunately, 69.3 percent have a dishwasher to make the task easier.

CULINARY DELIGHTS

6,286 - The number of supermarkets and other grocery (except convenience) stores in the United States in 2013. These establishments are expected to be extremely busy around Thanksgiving as people prepare for their delightful meals.

3,235 - The number of baked goods stores in the United States in 2013 - a potential place to visit to purchase tasty desserts.

2,761 - The number of fruit and vegetable markets in the United States in 2013 - a great place to find holiday side dishes.

228 million - The forecast for the number of turkeys the United States will raise in 2015. That is down 4 percent from the number raised during 2014.

40.0 million - The forecast for the number of turkeys Minnesota will

raise in 2015. The Gopher State was tops in turkey production, followed

SCHOOL MENU

Menus are subject to change

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS

Week of November 23

Grab & Go Breakfast

available daily

MONDAY - Grilled chicken sandwich, green beans, applesauce, milk. Plus: Salad bar.

TUESDAY - Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, roll, cinnamon apples, milk. Plus: Salad bar.

WEDNESDAY - No school due to conferences.

THURSDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

FRIDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL

Week of November 23

MONDAY - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza sausage, bacon and egg, juice or fruit, milk. Lunch: Pizza sticks, marinara sauce, green beans or salad bar, garlic breadstick, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Pancake and sausage wrap, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Buffalo or regular popcorn chicken salad, tomatoes, dressing, cheese breadstick or assorted entree items, pickle slices, oven fries, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY - No school due to conferences.

THURSDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

FRIDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY

Week of November 23

Packed lunch: Peanut butter and jelly uncrustable, cheese stick, cinnamon graham, fruit, milk.

MONDAY - Breakfast: Warm cinnamon roll, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, lettuce salad, roll, sherbet, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dog sandwich, corn, carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY - No school due to conferences.

THURSDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

FRIDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

PAULDING ELEMENTARY

Week of November 23

Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, string cheese, crackers available daily instead of main dish

MONDAY - Breakfast: Yogurt, Goldfish graham, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Cheesy bread w/ marinara, green beans, carrots, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Pancakes, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Turkey gravy over whipped potatoes, fresh vegetable, dinner roll, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY - No school due to conferences.

THURSDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

FRIDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

WAYNE TRACE SCHOOLS

Week of November 23

MONDAY - Breakfast: Sr/Jr High - Sausage pizza, fruit, juice, milk. Elementary - Cheese ripper, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Sr/Jr High - Chicken teriyaki w/rice, oriental vegetables, green beans, roll w/butter, fruit, milk. Also offered to HS: Chef salad, pizza sub or grilled chicken on bun with salad bar. Elementary - Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Egg, cheese muffin, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch: Pepperoni pizza rippers, lettuce salad, w/ dressing, green beans, fruit, milk. Also offered to HS: Chef salad, pizza sub or breaded chicken sandwich with salad bar.

WEDNESDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

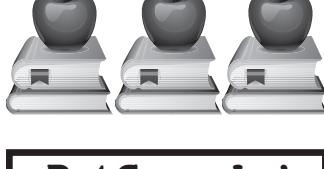
THURSDAY - No school - Thanksgiving break.

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DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL

Week of November 23

Same menu as Wayne Trace; no breakfast served.



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Ashland University, Dingus begins Division II playoffs

ASHLAND - Jacob Dingus of Paulding, who played his high school football at Wayne Trace, is a cornerback for the Ashland University Eagles Football Team. The Eagles begin their quest for a national championship at home against Grand Valley State in an NCAA Division II Super Region 4 quarterfinal on Saturday. The Eagles (10-0) are co-champs of the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and is the super region's third seed, while the Lakers (9-2) are its sixth seed.

AU has won two consecutive games against GVSU, including this year on Oct. 31, a 45-31 decision at home. The Lakers lead the all-time series, 16-4.

"It's tough to beat a good football team once, much less twice, in the same season," said Ashland head coach Lee

Owens. "Grand Valley is so talented. We played really, really well the first time we played them, and you have to hope that we can play as well this time.

"They're a tough out. They've got great players and a great tradition, and they're playoff-tested. It's a tough draw for us."

Ashland earned its second undefeated regular season in

the last four years this fall. The Eagles have won a school-record 12 consecutive home games.

This is the Ashland football program's sixth trip to the Division II playoffs (1986, 1996, 2007, 2008 and 2012). Saturday's game will be the program's third-ever home post-season contest.

"We're a little bit more battle-tested, I think, than 2012,

with the schedule we played, which is important," Owens said. "We need to be battle-tested to play a team like Grand Valley. We don't have the playoff history or tradition that they do, we haven't had the playoff success they have. It's going to take a tough effort on our part to win."

Dingus, a 5-foot-10 freshman, is the son of Don Dingus and Tira Shuler.

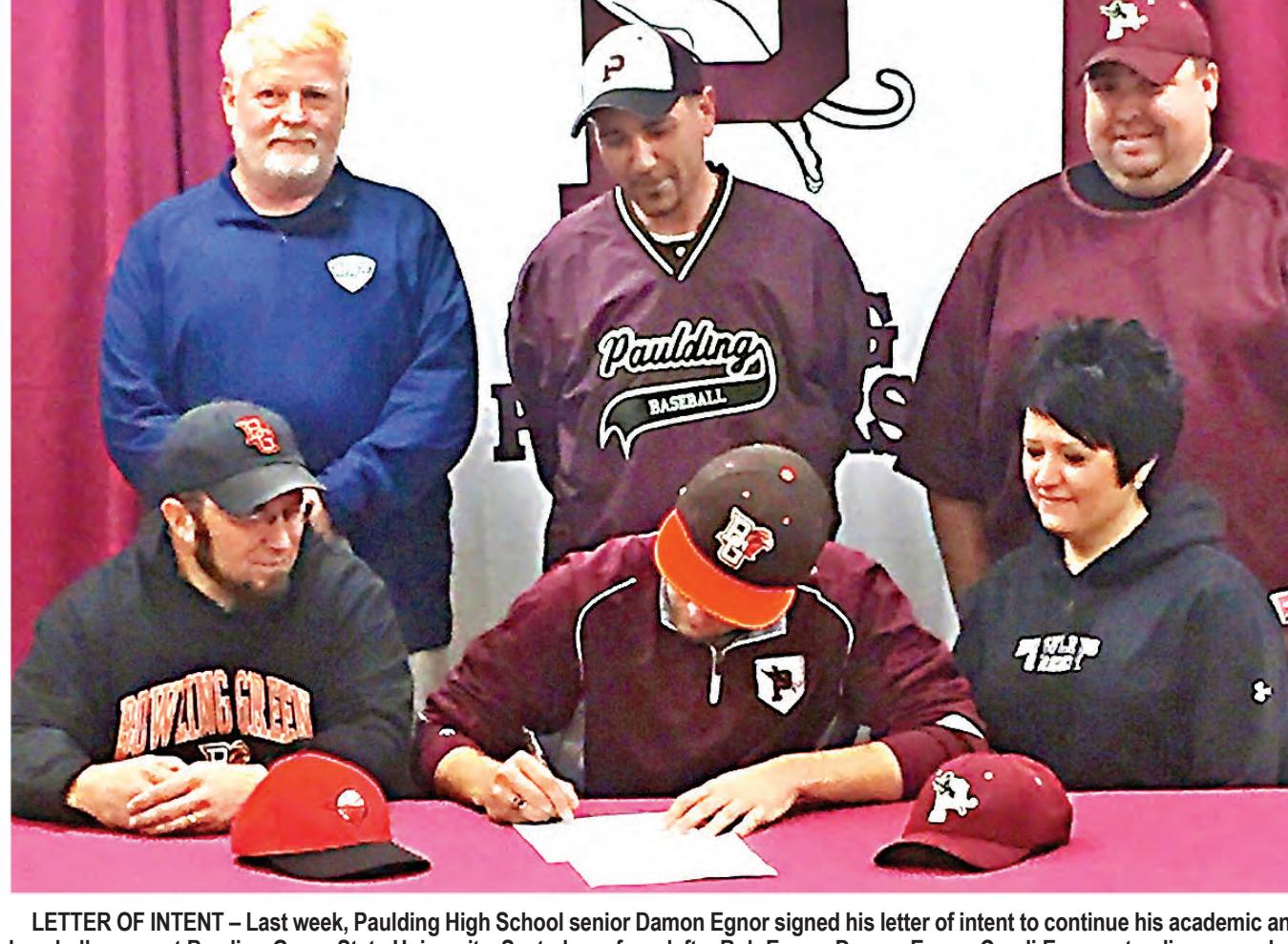
Varsity Games of the Week

Sports schedule

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 - Girls Basketball: Wayne Trace at Van Wert

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23 - Girls Basketball: Paulding at Edgerton

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 - Girls Basketball: Antwerp at Paulding



LETTER OF INTENT - Last week, Paulding High School senior Damon Egnor signed his letter of intent to continue his academic and baseball career at Bowling Green State University. Seated are, from left - Rob Egnor, Damon Egnor, Candi Egnor; standing - coaches Randy Bachman, Matt Hodge and Ben Barton.

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SALUTING VETERANS – On Nov. 11, third and fourth grade students at Payne Elementary presented an inspirational Veterans Day program. Under the direction of Mr. O'Donnell, the students sang patriotic songs and recognized all branches of the military. Thank you, veterans.



SPECIAL PROGRAM – Grover Hill Elementary students know it is really important that we appreciate our veterans for all the freedoms we enjoy. Here, first, second and third grade classes sing patriotic songs during the Veterans Day program.



Oakwood Elementary School presented a Veterans Day program. Pictured are veteran Chuck Parrett with three of his granddaughters, Joclyn Parrett, Brooke Kilgore and Baylor Kilgore (standing in front of Chuck); veteran Bud Ratliff with two of his granddaughters, Libby Dotterer and Emma Dotterer; and the school custodian, veteran Jeff Sheppard. The flag shown behind the veterans is a flag that flew over the VA Hospital in Shreveport, La.



PATRIOT PEN CONTEST – Winners of this year's Paulding VFW Ladies Auxiliary's Patriot Pen essay contest from Paulding Middle School are first place Zoe Kochel, second place Jordan Muel and third place Katelyn Strayer. This year's theme was "What Freedom Means To Me."

THE PAULDING COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICE

The Paulding County Veterans' 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.

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