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Antioch Christian kicks off 150th year

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Antioch Christian Church is turning 150 this year and as part of its sesquicentennial celebration, the congregation will host series of special speakers.

"There is 150 years of history to cover," Barbara Perkins, a co-chair of the 150th anniversary committee with Peggy Wilson, said. "There are so many aspects to cover that are important to the church so we decided this would allow us to touch on some of those items."

"Missions, youth, family and our history are very important parts

of this church," Perkins said. "It's important we know our roots and what we stand for."

THE DECISION TO BUILD

In 1867, a need for a church was felt by several people in Barr Township.

"They had weekly meetings in each other's homes," Wilson said, adding since the group originally began meeting in October, the anniversary committee decided to start its celebration then as well.

After meeting during 1867-68, the decision was made to build a church. In the fall of 1868, a one room meeting house with the traditional two

front door entrance was built on land donated by Captain Green McDonald with much of the labor donated by Francis McDonald. Using native lumber, the structure cost \$1,000 to build.

In 1935-36, the original building was converted into classrooms and a new auditorium with a small basement was added. As membership grew, more classrooms were needed and in 1957, a full basement, including restrooms and a kitchen, was put under the entire building.

Some 36 years later Pastor Charles Grubbs, along with the elders, began

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ANTIOCH CHRISTIAN CHURCH invites the community to come celebrate its 150th anniversary. Church services are at 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.



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ROGER, HEZEKIAH AND ADRIANE CALLAHAN shared their adoption story during the Right to Life banquet Thursday evening.

County looks to develop next major project

MIKE GRANT
TIMES HERALD

For the past three years Daviess County has been working on a major upgrade of one of its county roads. Backed with both federal and state funding, the county has rebuilt CR 900E.

With the CR 900E project now winding down, the county faces the question of whether it might want to seek another federally-funded project.

CR 900E costs totalling \$27,039,345, including \$5,407,869 in local dollars.

The project is in its final phase, improving the road from CR 800N to Odon.

"It appears they will get about three-fourths of that done before the construction ends this fall," said Daviess County Highway Engineer Jason Heile. "It looks like they will be on schedule to get it done next year."

The 8.1-mile project, which was touted by state and local officials as a safety improvement, has made a major change along the roadway from its starting point at CR 450N. The road has been widened with turn lanes and buggy lanes added to separate slow moving buggy traffic from fast moving cars and trucks on the busy road that runs through the heart of the Daviess County Amish country.

It also provides the main link to more than 100 businesses that range from one-man cabinet shops to large building operations that employ hundreds of people.

"When we first started working on

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Seeing progress

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Right to Life efforts are paying off around the nation and in Indiana. That was part of the message to the 500 people attending the annual Daviess-Martin-Pike Right to Life banquet at the Simon Graber Center near Odon.

"It's amazing what you can do just by talking to some people," said Daviess County Right to Life organizer Louis Kavanaugh, Jr.

"We are making progress. It is a long hard road."

"This is an incredible event," said President of Indiana Right to Life Mike Fichter. "Turnouts like this reinforce that Indiana is a pro-life state and folks come out and support Right to Life. This one has special importance. It is unique and exciting."

Fichter notes the local Right to Life event is one of the largest rural events in the nation. He says because of that support the

movement is seeing real progress, including a ban on real American funds to pay for overseas abortions, a policy that allows some states to opt out of Planned Parenthood and the confirmation of Neil Gorsuch to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"The president's selection of Mike Pence as his vice president is perhaps his strongest pro-life statement," said Fichter.

One of the biggest signs of progress officials cited was the drop in

the number of abortions for the eighth consecutive year, falling by 3,642 in 2016 compared to 2008. "We look at stats like that and are very encouraged," said Fichter. "There are a lot of elected officials who are doing everything they can to protect life. The system sometimes gets gummed up. That's politics and that's frustrating but we deal with that."

The featured speaker for the

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STUDENTS IN ANGEL ZOLLARS EIGHTH GRADE honors language arts class at Washington Junior High listen as they hear about the history of taking a knee

Forward thinking

■ Junior high students tackle more in class than meets the eye

LINDSAY OWENS
TIMES HERALD

Conversations flow freely in Angel Zollars eighth grade honors language arts class at Washington Junior High. Students don't just tackle sentence structure and reading. They use critical thinking skills and share opinions on everything from the best sports teams to current events.

"I don't tell them my opinion," said Zollars as her class of nearly 30 students prepared to read about one recent current event - NFL players taking a knee in protest during the "Star Spangled Banner." "I want them to be able to form their own opinions and discuss what they think. We need our kiddos to know what's happening outside of the classroom."

Zollars also saw the protesting as an opportunity for her students to not only learn more about the events that led President Donald Trump to

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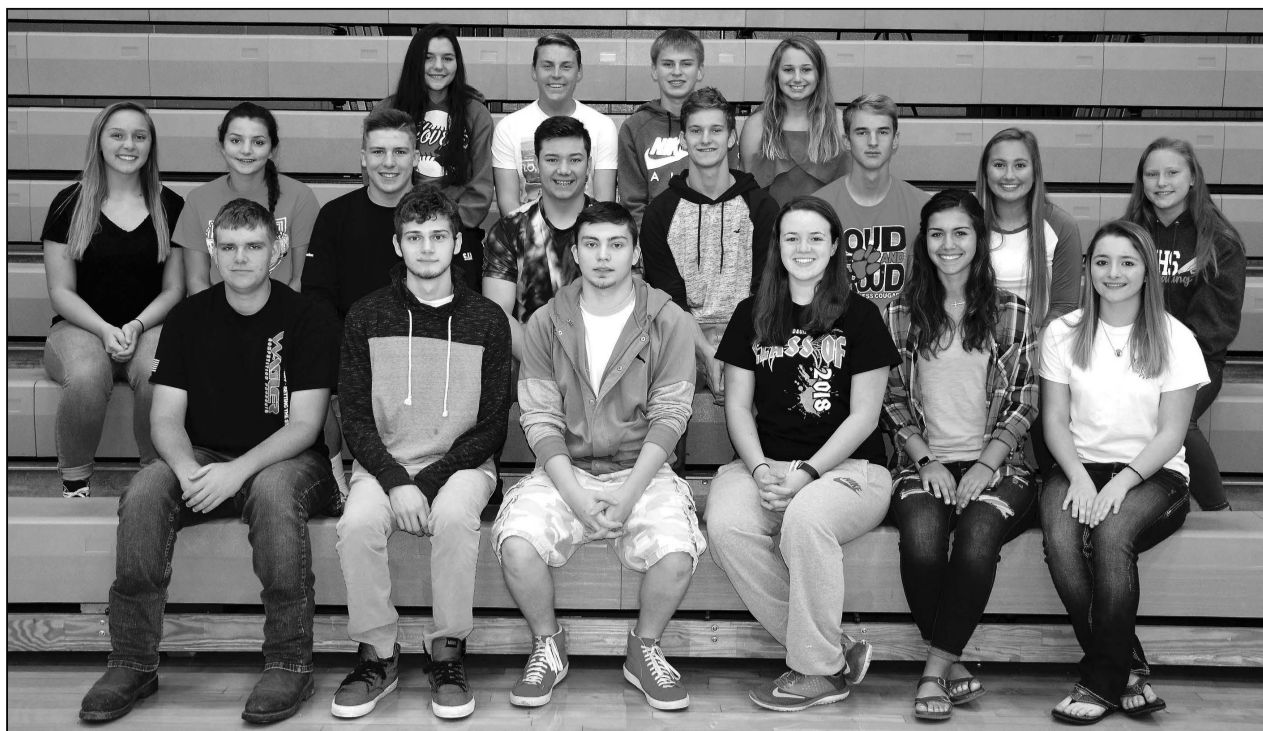


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The North Daviess Cougars will battle North Knox in Homecoming action tonight. The Homecoming ceremony will take place prior to the 7 p.m. game at approximately 6:40 p.m. A bonfire with hot dogs, chips and drinks will follow the game until 10:30 p.m. for all current North Daviess JH/HS students.
Homecoming Court Members: Front row (from left): Homecoming King and Queen Candidates are Craig Parsons, Logan Gingerich, Phillip Archer, Brittany Mullis, Addison Wittmer and Jacqueline Bell. Middle Row (from left): Homecoming Court underclassmen juniors are Shelby Taylor, Libby Knepp, Brandon Craven and Chris Reed. The sophomores are Kirk Wagler, Jalen Knepp, Lauren Kain and Gracie Lindy. Back row (from left): The freshmen are Mya Knepp, Dryce Graber, Isaac Wolford and Emma Gray.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The following are area closings for the Columbus Day holiday Monday:
PACE Community Action Agency will be closed.
City of Washington offices will be closed.
Daviess County Family Y.M.C.A. will be open.
The Daviess County Courthouse and Highway Department will be closed.
Senior and Family Services will be open.
Daviess County Chamber of Commerce Office and Visitor's Bureau will be closed.
Economic Development Corp. will be closed.
Washington Carnegie Public Library will be closed.
U.S. Postal Service will be closed.
The license branch will be closed.
Retired Senior Volunteer Program offices will be closed.
Daviess County WorkOne office will be open.
Daviess County Landfill will be closed.
The Washington Times-Herald office will be open.
Ride Solution will be open.

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evening was President of SaveOne, an international not-for-profit abortion recovery organization, Sheila Harper. "We help men, women and families recover after an abortion," she said. "From personal experience, I know what abortion does to you and how it leaves you. There is no way a mother or father could take the life of their child and not suffer somehow afterward."
SaveOne has a chapter in the Washington Pregnancy Care Center. "We help them through Bible study and meeting weekly with people who have been through what they have been through," said Harper. "We help them heal, teach and learn from each



Kristi Sanders | Times Herald

THE WINNER OF THE 2017 RIGHT TO LIFE AWARD was Joe Sponn for his humanitarian efforts.

other." Kavanaugh points out the development of the Pregnancy Care Center here and

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encourage owners of NFL teams to fire all players who refused to stand during the national anthem via Twitter but also get in some test preparation.
"This is all response to reading to help us get ready for ISTEP testing," said Zollars, who said students in her class also do journaling, research and more. "We read, we discuss and then we write."
Students took turns reading the passage that focused on not only the current protests but also NFL player

Colin Kaepernick taking a knee in 2016 in protest of the oppression of color and the history of the peaceful protests.
"Take a knee has direct ties to the civil rights movement of the 1950s and '60s," said Zollars. "Think about Martin Luther King, Jr., and his peaceful protests."
While reading, students learned how television has served as a catalyst for change.
With Sunday television dominated by NFL coverage, the protests gained attention from not only Trump but also those with little interest in football.
"You probably saw it on

social media," said Zollars. "People were really upset about this but it wasn't about the flag or not supporting the military. They were trying to bring attention to the unjust killing of people of color and the lack of accountability for police officers who commit the acts. It's uncomfortable but sometimes we need to talk about the uncomfortable stuff."
Once the reading was done, students spent the next 30 minutes discussing everything from other ways the players could have supported their cause without taking a knee to the role social media plays in the news.
"Maybe they could do some

others around the country are providing women with options to abortion. "We're not perfect but we are supplying them with support," he said. "We aren't just wanting women to have babies on their own. That is also why we promote adoption and not abortion."
Leaders say that while things may be looking up for the pro-Life movement, the job is not finished. "We are in for the long haul," said Fichter. "We will stay in it until every life is protected."

ANNUAL AWARDS

The Right to Life Adoptive Family of the Year was Roger and Adriane Callahan and their son Hezekiah.
The organization also honored Joe Sponn for his service over the years.

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discussing the possibility of moving the growing church to a new, more visible location. In 1993, 65 people took a giant leap of faith and purchased ground on East Highway 50.
Antioch Christian Church held its first service in the new building on Easter Sunday 1994. The stained glass windows from the country church were removed and, with much care, installed in the new facility.

As the congregation continued praying for the 18,000 unchurched in Daviess County, the congregation grew and more space was needed. In 2003, a steel structure was obtained, erected and completed in 2004.

"It's really important new people know where we came from and that we have stuck to that through the years," Perkins said.

Six special services will be observed beginning Sunday and running through Oct. 7, 2018. Special speakers at these services will be Timothy's, people from Antioch God has raised up and sent to do ministry in other communities. The church invites anyone to attend regular services at both 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

"We serve the community and we would like to invite the community to come celebrate with us," Wilson said. "God's plan is for us to serve each other and the community. I think this goes back to our roots."

At Sunday's event a special display that might be of interest will be in the parking lot.

"There will be a banner that says 'Antioch goes to church,'" Perkins said. "Then on display there will be buggies, cars and other different means of transportation that they have used to attend church over the years."

IF YOU GO

Oct. 8, 2017
The first special service will be honoring the pioneers of Antioch Christian Church.

Richard Smith, from Plainville, will be the first to tell his Timothy story when he discusses his time at Antioch and as a missionary in foreign lands. Special displays will be in the atrium.

Dec. 3, 2017

The second service will focus on mission minded Antioch Christian Church with Rajesh and Mini Paul from India sharing their Timothy journey in connection with the local church. Missions supported through the years will be displayed in the atrium.

March 4, 2018

Antioch's youth will be celebrated and Jeremy Clark will be returning to speak. Memories from many youth activities such as vacation bible school, mission trips and other youth activities will be displayed in the atrium. The kid's band will also be leading worship.

May 27, 2018

To celebrate the tradition of homecoming on Memorial Day weekend, an old time revival is planned with Jonathan Miller, formerly from Montgomery, speaking. The church cemetery will be highlighted and a special offering for the cemetery upkeep will be taken. Only one service will be held that day at 10 a.m. with a traditional Antioch basket dinner following.

July 15, 2018

AAC church families through the history of the church will be honored. The special speaker will be Shawn Clark, formerly from Washington. Following the second service, a church picnic will be held with food, games and fun on the agenda.

Oct. 7, 2018

This will be the official Antioch Christian Church birthday celebration. There will be one service at 10 a.m. and pastor, Keith Meece, will tell of his Timothy journey and preparing for the future of the Antioch Christian Church. A time capsule will be dedicated and box lunches will be served along with the anniversary cake after lunch.

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that road, we got a lot of criticism," said Commissioner Michael Taylor. "Now that some of it is finished, we get a lot of compliments from the people traveling out there."

Now there's a decision to be made if the county wants to consider another federal project.

"INDOT has put out a call for federal projects," said Heile. "It's been a little while since the last one was done, so we asked the commissioners what they would like to do."

Commissioners asked the county highway department to consider two projects. One would be to upgrade the bridge over the railroad tracks in Montgomery and the other would be to continue the CR

900E project south toward Cannelburg.

"Always in the back of my mind, the CR 900E project, Odon-Cannelburg Road, wouldn't be complete until we got it down to CR 200N," said Taylor. "If we are going to make this a safety project, I think we need to run it down to CR 200N to finalize it. That would probably catch 99 percent of the buggy traffic down through there, so in my mind that is where it needs to go."

Commissioner Tom McCracken questioned whether it might even need to be expanded further south.

"Do you think we ought to take it all the way to the tracks there in Cannelburg?" he asked.

While a lot of concentration has been put on the bridge over the railroad on 15th Street in Washington and the

county and city are preparing to bid that project, the bridge over the railroad in Montgomery has some of the same problems.

"Next to the Washington overpass, that is our next worse rated bridge," said Heile.

The bridge in Montgomery has a load limit and like its counterpart in Washington, is not tall enough to handle some modern freight trains.

"I think Montgomery is a little bit higher than Washington, but it is not the required 23 feet that is needed for double stacks," said Taylor.

For the county highway department, the suggestions have them at the drawing board looking at numbers and possible ways to make those projects happen.

"What we have been asked to do is give them some fig-

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