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PAYNE'S FALL FESTIVAL EVENTS FINALIZED

Event planners for this year's Fall Festival Jamboree to be held on Friday evening October 28 and all day Saturday, October 29th firmed up the many different activities planned, including the sale of Krispy Kreme donuts by the Lutheran Church on Saturday morning in the lobby at Payne's Community First Bank and Trust.

Twenty six community minded individuals met at The Irish Indian in beautiful downtown Payne for the purpose of reviewing the event schedules, verifying the acquisition of necessary beer and food permits, and determining income sources to cover the approximately \$4,500 in overhead expenses to stage the event.

Stormy Doctor, chairman of the Haunted Cornfield reported on the Fire Safety Training that was hosted by Payne Fire Chief Dave Krouse the Saturday prior. He also reported that the paths would be cut in the cornfield on Saturday, October 22 at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to help harvest the corn (by hand!) and pick up the cut

stocks which will be used for decorating the tents. Stormy also inquired about having a uniformed law enforcement officer on hand both nights and one of the portable toilets placed at the event. Concluding his report he appealed to the group for volunteers to help with hosting this 'spook-tacular event'!

Event Chairman Chad Benschneider distributed the event schedule and reviewed the same ... reviewing anticipated income after expenses for each, etc. Benschneider reported that Jesse Hefner had donated the hog which will be roasted by Brad Wobler and that JTS Automotive is sponsoring the Merrin Street Tent.

It was reported that the Ohio State vs. Michigan raffle tickets would be sold as well.

The final meeting of the Festival Committee will be on Wednesday evening, October 19 at 'The Good Times' beginning at 7:30 p.m. All persons associated with the event are encouraged to be present.

Minutes taken by Jim Hooker.

ATTENTION CHURCHES: We want to put your articles in. Do you have an event coming up? Let everybody know in the West Bend News.

ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS PRE-SCHOOLERS ENJOY NEW SCHOOL



Sarah Hill (a preschooler with 4 & 5 year-olds) shows the class which one she thinks is the best on the vine

Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers are having a great time in their new school. On purple day, the students were given the opportunity to pick real wild grapes right in the preschool's backyard! If you are interested in enroll-

ing your child in an enriching year of preschool with qualified and experienced staff and age appropriate activities, it's not too late. We still have a few openings in our afternoon group. Please call Ann Miller at 419-399-KIDS.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL TO HAVE FUNDRAISER

The PTA of St. John the Baptist Catholic School in Payne is sponsoring an unique fundraiser. They have teamed with Antiquities, a Portrait Studio from Tennessee. Antiquities features awesome sepia-toned old-fashioned portraits of children from infants to 16 years old. They provide the clothing and props for the portraits. For a fraction of the retail value, you are guaranteed to receive a 10 x 13 portrait. After the portraits are taken, Antiquities will return in approximately two weeks with a variety of photos of your children. However, you will still receive the 10 x 13 portrait and there is no obligation to purchase others. Antiquities is coming to St. John's Hall on Saturday November 5th. These would make special and unique Christmas gifts for the entire family.

To reserve your space or if you have any questions, please call Rhonda Stabler at 419-263-2191, Heidi Reinhart at 419-263-2910 or St. John's School at 419-263-2114.

St. John's PTA has several fundraisers throughout the school year. The fundraisers provide events and materials for the students, teachers and staff at St. John's School. We appreciate the support of the Paulding County community!

If you mailed 9000 Postcards (circulation of West Bend News) it would cost \$2070 not including printing cost. A postcard size ad only cost \$60

OCTOBERFEST IN HAVILAND

An Octoberfest will be held at the Haviland Village Park on October 15. It is sponsored by Haviland Country Chapel Church/Latty Friends UMC/Village of Haviland.

We want to invite the community and surrounding areas to this family fun day that will include games for all ages, a puppet show, concert, movie, and of course, food.

The concert for the evening will be performed by "One A Chord", Harmonica John and Nancy, and Randy Long will be singing.

The schedule for the day is as follows: 3:30-5:00 -- games; 4:30-6:30 -- eat; 6:30-8:00 -- Concert; 8:00-? -- Movie.

A free will offering will be taken for the day.

GOLDIE GETROST VOICES HER GRATITUDE TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP

(This is a copy of the speech given by Goldie Getrost at Arts in the Park on August 13.)

It is great honor to have been chosen by you good people. Thank you.

I knew I would become speechless so I have written a poem of sorts to tell you what I wanted to say.

One of the reasons you have chosen me is because I am 93. I've been asked to tell you how this all came to be. I didn't drink, I didn't smoke, I ate the very best. But the most important thing I did was ask Jesus to be my guest. He has comforted and helped me and will help me through the rest. He gave me a good husband, two precious sons and a loving family. He gave me many loyal friends and helpful neighbors too, and then besides all these he gave me folks like you.

PAULDING LIBRARY SPONSORS MEET THE CANDIDATE'S NIGHT

The Paulding County Carnegie Library will once again host an informal Meet the Candidates Night. This event will take place Tuesday night, October 25th beginning at 6:30 in the main library at Paulding. There are over 100 candidates and issues filed for the November 8th General Election. All candidates and issue representatives are invited to attend. No formal invitations will be mailed. For more information contact the library at 419-399-2032 or e-mail shill@pauldingcountylibrary.org.

I'm glad I've lived in Antwerp, it's a very good place to be, and here's my thanks to everyone, for being so good to me.

Thank you. Thank you.
Goldie Getrost

TRICK OR TREATING IN ANTWERP

The Village of Antwerp has scheduled their trick or treating date for Saturday, October 29 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

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SCOUTING FOR FOOD

The Antwerp Scouts are gearing up for their annual Scouting For Food Drive. This food drive will benefit the food pantry at the Methodist Church, here in Antwerp. The district scouts moved the food drive to the spring, so Kammeyer's IGA has donated the bags for our drive. Antwerp's food pantry is better benefited in the fall when utilities begin to strain a budget.

The Cub Scouts will be distributing IGA bags to homes in Antwerp on Saturday, October 15. Please fill these bags with non-perishable food and can goods. The Boy Scouts will come back on Saturday, October 22 to pick the bags up. Please have the filled bags out by 9:00 a.m. If your bag does not get picked up or you do not receive a bag, please contact Ken Godeke 419-258-2869 or Rod Schaefer 419-258-2529. We will also have a table at the IGA from 9:00 a.m. through Noon on October 22 where you can donate food.

A Cub Scout promises to "give good will" and a Boy Scout promises "to help other people at all times." What better way is there to show your scouting spirit than by participating in the annual Scouting For Food Drive.

RETIREMENT PARTY HELD FOR JIM DONNELL

A retirement party was held for Jim Donnell on October 7 in the community Room at North Garden Apartments in Antwerp. The residents presented him with a rocker, gift certificates, and other things. Jim worked for the apartments for 14 years before he retired.

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OBITUARIES

M. Elouise Lindsey, Paulding, 84, died October 5, at the Whitehouse Country Manor, Whitehouse, OH.

She was born April 27, 1921, in Ralls, Texas, the daughter of A. H. and Cora (Tucker) Booth. On October 12, 1940, she married Robert Lindsey Sr., who preceded her in death on December 16, 1981. She was a homemaker and a member of the Paulding United Methodist Church.

She is survived by a son, Robert (Mary Lou), Salem, VA; a daughter, Linda K. Lindsey, Whitehouse; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, and a sister Imogene Thorton.

Funeral services were held October 8, at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding.

Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity or American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Cora Mae Ward, 87, Defiance, died 9:17 AM (EDT) Sunday, October 9 at Kingsbury House, Defiance.

She was born September 12, 1918, in Robertson County, Tennessee, the daughter of William Carl and Mattie Ann (Poole) Gregory. In 1942, she married Charles W. Ward, who preceded her in death in 1982. She was employed by Borden's of Van Wert, retiring in 1974. She was also a cook for the Paulding County Hospital Paulding, and Bal-yeat's Coffee Shop of Van Wert, OH.

She is survived by two sons, Jesse (Sandy) Williams, Elgin, Illinois, and Richard (Peg) Ward, Cecil; five daughters, Louise (Larry) Wieble, Defiance, Betty Bland, Oakwood, LaDonna McCoy, Boise, Idaho, Zelma Grunden, Ft. Wayne, and Deborah (Rick) Merillat, Stryker; twenty-one grandchildren; forty great-grandchildren; twenty-one great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; a daughter, Shirley Williams; ten brothers, two sisters, a grandson, Wesley Bland; and a great grandchild.

Funeral services will be 1:30 PM (EDT) Wednesday, October 12, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Paulding, with Mr. Vernon Kirby officiating. Burial will be in Little Auglaize Cemetery, Melrose.

Donations may be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Ralph L. Taylor, 83, of Antwerp, OH, passed away, Sunday, October 9th, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Mr. Taylor was born in Antwerp, Ohio on November 7, 1921, he was the son of the late Ray and Olive (Overmeyer) Taylor.

He was the husband of Marylene L. (Matzen) Taylor, who survives. They were married in 1941.

Ralph was a member of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Antwerp; he served on the Antwerp Fire Dept for 25 years, 18 years as Fire Chief. He was instrumental in organizing the first rescue squad in Antwerp. He also served on the Antwerp Water Board and Village Council.

LOCAL FUNERAL HOME FEATURED IN NATIONAL PUBLICATION



Shawn Dooley demonstrates video service tribute

Shawn Dooley of Dooley Funeral Home in Antwerp was recognized in "The Director" magazine, the official publication of the National Funeral Directors Association.

Dooley's is a participant in the "For a Life Worth Celebrating" program. The program shows the public through advertising that you can personalize your funerals, you are able to "celebrate" your loved one's life through the funeral. There are three different series the ads personalize on: "Lifetime Events", which focus on memories we all have of our loved ones, "Testimonial", uses true stories, and "Reflections" explores two different people reflecting on their loved ones during the funeral. Because of these ads, the public is made aware that they can personalize their funerals.

Dooley Funeral Home was featured in the article because of their use of personalization with the families they serve. By showing Dooley's success with the program, the

National Funeral Directors Association is trying to encourage other funeral homes to use this program. They feel that it helps funeral directors help families that have experienced a loss.

The funeral home also offers memorial tribute videos that can be shown during visitations or even services. "During the arrangement process, I go through the family's photos with them to choose pictures to be used in the video tribute", said Shawn Dooley. They always ask families to bring items that were a part of their loved ones life to be displayed. Dooley's also encourages the use of photos, hobbies and interests in their custom memorial folders.

Antwerp's new playground also made headlines in the article, noting the Dooley family's involvement in the fund raising. Because of the Dooleys' involvement in community activities, they hope to set families at ease having been familiar with them during less sensitive moments.

He worked as a carpenter at Uniroyal Goodrich, Woodburn. He also worked at Langham's Body Shop & owned his own auto body shop in Antwerp

Daughter(s): Ellouise Copsey of Hicksville

He is also survived by 1 grandaughter, and 4 great grandchildren.

You are invited to participate in his funeral service at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp, at 11 am EDT on Thursday, October 13th, with Rev David Meriwether officiating.

You may call Wednesday 2 to 4 & 6 to 8 pm EDT and Thursday 10 am EDT at Dooley Funeral Home.

He will be laid to rest at Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, OH.

In his memory contributions may be made to Antwerp Fire Dept or Antwerp E.M.S.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

HAVE A WEDDING, ENGAGEMENT OR ANNIVERSARY?

Let your friends and neighbors know for **FREE** in the West Bend News. (pictures are extra)

ANTWERP HISTORY

Stan Jordan / Sue Knapp

In the late 20's and early 30's Fred and John Hertal ran an ice cream parlor with a jewelry store and watch repair shop in the back where the Oasis now sits. After the store closed, Fred opened the watch repair shop across the street.

The Antwerp Exchange Bank, Billy Pate had a drug store (everyone knew Billy, he was a character always with a story to tell), J. H. Haddock had a clothing store, A & P had a grocery store (after they closed, Kroger's then moved from the south side of town to the A & P location), and Graves and Doering had a mercantile with groceries in the front and clothing in the back. These stores sat where the Antwerp Pharmacy, Village Hardware, and Video Junction sits now.

The Graves and Doering store became Doering and Long. The second floor of the building held an auditorium. The high school held their plays there because the school had no auditorium in it at the time. It also housed the Odd Fellow Lodge and the Red Men Lodge.

West on 24, Frank and Annie Lamb had a hotel between Rister Law Office and the laundromat. The hotel was torn down in the late 60's.

A huge dwelling, housing first Dr. Brattain then later

Dr. Spragens sat where the laundromat sits now.

Walter Ross established a service station on 24W where Chuck's Tires is now.

Back to Main Street, Tom Foster had a clothing store—it was a two story building that extended out to Main Street where the West Bend Printing and Publishing sits. Between the WBPP and the Presbyterian Church was a house occupied by Gaylen and Jerry Cussen.

What is now Friend's Furniture Store used to be Shielb's. Harry Ely had a grocery store-butcher shop beside them. Then sat the Bee-Argus, then owned by D. C. and Ed Bickard. The Bickard's came from Ossian and bought the Bee-Argus from North Osborn. Gordon's Hardware sat beside the Bee-Argus. Ivan and Richard Gaisford bought Gordon's Hardware. In the late 30's it caught on fire and burnt down.

Ray Reeb had a grocery store after which the Bee-Argus bought the building where it still stands today and is still family owned and run by the Temple Family.

I want to thank everyone for the response to last week's article. We want to again remind everyone that this paper is not only about Antwerp but about all of Paulding County.

If you have interesting or historic things you would like to see written about your town, share them with us.

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BIBLE BOWL KICKS OFF ITS 3RD SEASON OF COMPETITION

Sunday night, October 9, Antwerp Church of Christ hosted the first Bible Bowl Meet of the season. Around 150 kids and adults attended the meet.

Bible Bowl is a ministry sponsored by Christian churches/Churches of Christ to spur young people on to study and learn God's Word in a competitive atmosphere. This year they are studying Acts.

The kids along with their parents and coaches enjoy the competition and the fellowship with each other. The kids participating are from grades 3 - 12.

The Bible Bowl meets are held on the second Sunday evening of each month starting in October and ending in April. The churches take turns hosting each month, so the young people not only learn the Bible but have the opportunity to visit other area churches.

The churches involved this year are: North Side Church of Christ (Fort Wayne); Christ's Church at Georgetown (Fort Wayne); Newville Church of Christ (Newville, IN); St. Joe Church of Christ (St. Joe, IN); Antwerp Church of Christ; and Bronson Church of Christ (Bronson, MI).

If any churches/youth sponsors would like information concerning Bible Bowl contact Antwerp Church of Christ at 419-258-3895.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I am writing to the voters of the Wayne Trace School district. Many of you do not know Janet Priest. I have worked with Jan for over 32 years. If Janet Priest is elected to our school board she will definitely put the children first in making decisions that affect our school. I want someone on the school board that make our children and grandchildren's education a top priority.

Claudia Elliot
Grover Hill

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"POINT OF TRUTH" EPISODES TO FOCUS ON ABLAZE!

LCMS World Mission and "Point of Truth," The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's half-hour television worship program, are teaming up to produce eight special *Ablaze!*-themed episodes.

Scheduled to air October 30-December 18, the episodes are designed to teach Christians to share their faith with the unchurched in a specific setting or to witness to a specific category of people. Topics include witnessing to children, the terminally ill/dying, immigrants, and people in crisis situations. In each episodes, Dr. John Nunes, research associate for urban ministries with Wheat Ridge Ministries, will deliver an insightful sermon focusing on the Christian's call to share the Good News of Christ with all people. Each week Nunes also will interview a Christian who has been a model of *Ablaze!* witnessing in that particular setting.

"The satellite network is a gift given to us by the Lord. We are thankful that "Point of Truth" can bring *Ablaze!* encouragement and guidance to Christians who desire to share the love of Christ with others," said Bob Scudieri, associate executive director of national missions for LCMS World Mission. "This is one more way that the Spirit is using to share the Gospel with 100 million people by the 500th anniversary of the Reformation."

During each program, Dr. Charles Manske, host of "Point of Truth," will offer viewers a free *Ablaze!* Adult Bible Study booklet developed by LCMS World Mission and Concordia Publishing House. The first in what is planned to be a series of *Ablaze!* Bible Study booklets, this resource is designed to teach Christians to witness to the unchurched. Viewers also will be offered other Christian books free of charge, including *The Bible Promise Book*, *God, I've Gotta Talk to You*, and *At Life's End: Words of Comfort and Hope*.

Dr. Ardon Albrecht, producer and director of "Point of Truth", personally selected these books because of their

value for lay people who may not be comfortable talking about their faith. *The Bible Promise Book*, for example, provides lay people with more than 1,000 Bible promises designed to fit almost any witnessing situation. *God, I've Gotta Talk to You* is a classic CPH Arch Book that's designed to help an adult take the first step in bringing an unchurched child closer to God, teaching him to pray. *At Life's End* provides ideas for witnessing to someone who is terminally ill.

"Point of Truth" can be seen on Sundays on DIRECTV's The Church Channel, 371 (noon Pacific time, 2 p.m. Central), and on that channel's Web site (www.churchchannel.org) concurrent with its DIRECTV schedule. "Point of Truth" also can be seen in Europe, Western Russia, North Africa, Asia, Australia, New Zealand, and the Middle East through satellite service carrying Trinity Broadcast Network.

For more information, an updated broadcast schedule, or to learn how your congregation can be a part of "Point of Truth", visit www.pointoftruth.com.

Ablaze! began as a vision of LCMS World Mission to involve every member of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, its partner church bodies, and partner mission agencies in one focused and concentrated effort to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with those who do not yet know Him. It was the desire of LCMS World Mission to give this vision away — to ignite a spark that would become a mission movement of individuals, groups, congregations, etc., all committed to the goal of reaching 100 million unreached and uncommitted people with the Gospel by 2017, the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

GET YOUR MESSAGE OUT IN THE WEST BEND NEWS.

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A.C.D.C. / MOVING AHEAD

The Antwerp Community Development Committee is made up of people who like to make things happen for the good of the community. The nine structured committees that make up the A.C.D.C. have been meeting weekly to come up with plans and ideas to breathe a new breath of life into our community. Things are happening and ideas are taking shape that will make our town appealing and draw new people into our area. This will be good for the businesses in our community, our school system and our citizens in general.

The interest of the people and the positive attitudes of the committee members are like a refreshing north breeze on a hot humid evening. Just to sit in on a planning meeting is inspiring and seems to extract ideas for improvement from all of the participants with their diversified backgrounds. The members are very aware of the positive impact they potentially can have on this community and are very accepting of one another's ideas. Their concern to move this town forward and be politically correct is truly awe-inspiring. Other communities and their elected officials are going to be envious when they see and hear about a community of our size with so many active and motivated individuals ready to give of their time and talents to re-energize their hometown.

Here are a few of the things that are happening or being taken under consideration:

—The Beautification Committee is working out details to beautify the old train depot next spring with Steve Parrish donating his time and labor on the paint job. When you see Steve say, thank you! Plans are to replace rotted deck boards and landscape as well. This committee has also been cleared by Betty Layman to tear down the old Third Base Diner building on the East side of town which is a real eye sore for people coming into our town. Details are being worked out with Jim Pendegast on cost of tearing down the deteriorating structure.

—The Marketing Committee is in the process of drafting up Brochures to better market Antwerp. Plans are tentatively being discussed with Chuck & Ann Wiedman to bring back the "Cruise In" car show to Antwerp next summer. Tom McLaughlin is checking on having the Gold Wing Harley Show in combination with this event. Mike Bowers is working with the committee on possibly starting up the Antwerp Alumni at the old Antwerp School the following summer.

—Kirk Hopkins is working to see what can be accomplished with the Dana Weatherhead building for the good of the community.

—Committee members are offering to assist Tom McLaughlin in getting the YMCA into the old school building. Tom is working as well to get a restaurant and assisted living started there.

In the interest of space I will report to the community next week on what all the other committees are doing as they give me their updates. Please remember and support the committee's fundraiser at the Antwerp VFW on Oct. 15th 7:00pm-11:00pm with "Stan-

ANTWERP COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR A SUCCESS



"We were very pleased with the success of the recent Antwerp Community Health Fair, said Brenda Wieland, MLT, Paulding County Hospital director of occupational health and guest relations. Both the United Methodist Church and the hospital, health fair co-sponsors, hope this becomes an annual event.

"With approximately 100 people attending and 63 blood profiles done at the first fair, we're confident it can be repeated," continued Wieland. "Those numbers are pretty close to the results from our inaugural Family Health Day in 2000 and that was county-wide."

"PCH's mission is '... to continually improve the health status of the resident in our area' and providing these low-cost blood profiles, so close to home for those in Antwerp, is a great way to help us fulfill our mission," said Gary Adkins, hospital CEO.

Other PCH departments offering healthcare services and displaying educational materials at the fair were the hospital's visiting nurses and the medical equipment and supplies department.

"We want to thank the Antwerp United Methodist Church for giving us the opportunity to work with them," added Adkins.

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PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL

ARCHER JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

By: Toni Winslow

The 7th grade Antwerp Archer Junior High Volleyball Team has an awesome record of 12-1. So far, our team has played Lincolnview, Edon, Fairview twice, Paulding, Tinora, Edgerton, Hicksville twice, Crestview, and Wayne Trace. During our first match against Lincolnview, I was so nervous, my legs were shaking, and I had butterflies in my stomach. The hardest team to play so far has been Wayne Trace. Our next game is against Ayresville on October 4.

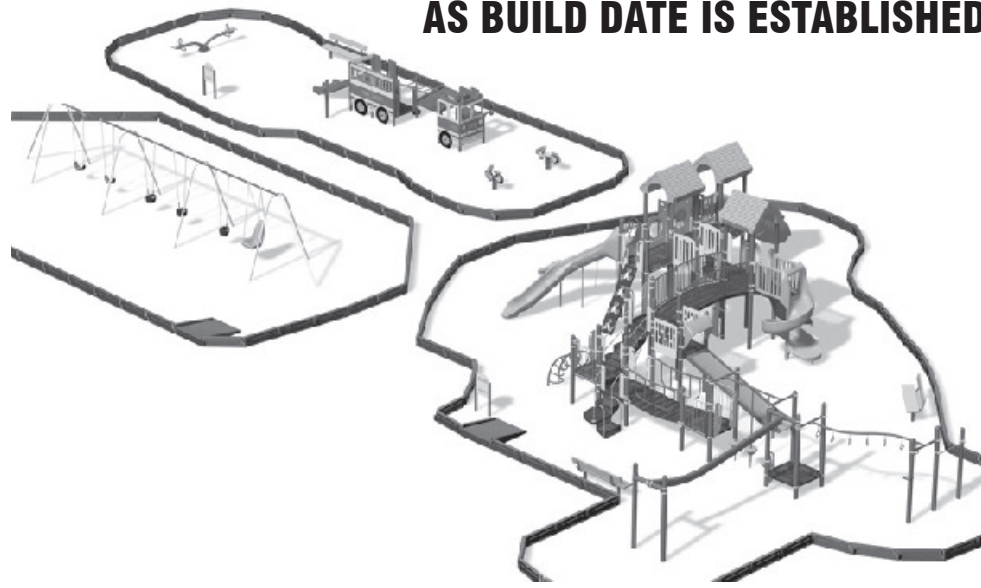
There are eight players on the seventh grade team: Taylor Vail, Sierra Short, Jessie Arnold, Loni Walk, Alaine Wetli, and myself, Toni Winslow. Our coach is Shelly Walters. Our team has excellent servers. Usually Alaine serves first, unless we don't start out serving.

Before every game, our team warms up until the other team gets to our school. After they arrive, we have our run-through. Our run-through is where the eighth graders do a cheer when we enter the gym. Then after our game, we do the same for them. We support each other a lot.

Our last game, in which we played well was against Wayne Trace. The Raiders had one girl, #3 on whom we had to keep our eye. She was a shocking spiker. It was frustrating that although she was short, she could get up into the air and knock the ball down. We lost our first match against WT. Fortunately, we went into our second match and won. If you go to a third match, the score goes to 15, not 25. The Archers were playing hard with the Raiders, but the final score was 15-11. They just came out ahead and beat us by a few points in a well-executed game.

The 7th grade volleyball team encourages you to attend our games to cheer us on. We appreciate your support!

ANTWERP PLAYGROUND "SLIDING" TO COMPLETION AS BUILD DATE IS ESTABLISHED



Antwerp Playground build date is October 24, 25, 26

After nearly a year of planning, fundraising, and preparation, the Friends of the Park Committee has established October 24, 25, and 26 as the build dates for the new community playground. Veterans Memorial Riverside Park will soon be the home for this modern, safe, and ADA compliant equipment. This playground has something for everyone. It will provide a safe and free avenue of physical activity within walking distance of every child within the village.

The Friends of the Park committee is excited to introduce this equipment to the entire community. The playground equipment will include a mini Fire Engine system for children ages 2-5. Children can pretend they are firefighters on this complete system that includes slides, climbers, overhead parallel bars, talk tubes, and play panels. Children ages 5-12 will enjoy endless fun on the large PlayBooster system. It includes four different types of slides, a variety of climbers, overhead events, bridges, ramps, play panels, and much more. A unique feature to the PlayBooster will be the Ridge. The Ridge is a climbing component that looks like a real rock. It will connect to the PlayBooster and provide children the opportunity to experiment with rock climbing. In addition, there will be new swings, a seesaw, whimsy riders, and benches for those who would rather watch than play.

The community has been extremely supportive of this project from the very beginning. It has been amazing to see the Antwerp citizens, area businesses, service groups, churches, school organizations, and children band together as we moved steadily toward our goal. The new playground equipment will bring new life to our beautiful park.

The community will provide the final support for this project as local volunteers will provide the labor necessary to build the equipment. The Friends of the Park is stretching their budget nearly 30% by choosing to install the playground with the help of an installation supervisor and community volunteers. During the build, volunteers will enjoy meals donated by local merchants and community members. The A&W and Subway have generously responded to donation requests. Other local businesses are stepping forward with donations needed for the actual build. For instance, Kauser Trucking will be donating limestone.

The Friends of the Park is sponsoring a Name the Playground Contest with the Antwerp Elementary students in grades K-6. Each child will be allowed an opportunity to give the new playground a name. The winner of this contest will receive a shopping gift card and a Golden Ticket to be one of the first children to play on the equipment.

Mark your calendars now for the Grand Opening Celebration which will be held on Sunday, October 30 at 2:00 p.m. This will be the first chance the children will have to play on the new equipment due to the amount of time needed for the cement to cure. While the new playground will be the main feature, there will also be a variety of entertainment to please young and old. To help celebrate this joyous occasion, there will be clowns, musical entertainment provided by Harmonica John and Nancy, refreshments, and many other exciting events. The children lucky enough to hold a Golden Ticket will be the first to play on the new playground. This will be a fun-filled family event you won't want to miss.

The Grand Opening Celebration will also be the last opportunity to have your child's painted handprint put on a tile. These adorable hand tiles will be mounted in a protected fence row leading up to the new playground. These hand tiles will be a lasting display of your children and grandchildren for future generations to share.

Many individuals have asked about purchasing a personalized brick. It is not too late. Order forms are available at the local libraries. The Friends of the Park committee would like to thank the entire community for helping us "build childhood memories".

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD CONSIDERS 2006 PLANS

At a strategic planning session, the Paulding County Hospital board of trustees reviewed the strategic plan for 2006. Hospital CEO Gary Adkins presented the plan, which had been developed with input from staff physicians, department managers, and the administrative staff.

The board also reviewed the 2006 budget, which was presented by Rob Goshia, chief financial officer. An operational profit of \$96,432 is budgeted. The proposed capital budget has two major expenses including \$175,000 for a new ultrasound system in the radiology department and \$265,000 for an information system upgrade.

Board members will make final decisions on the strategic plan and the budget at November's meeting.

In his monthly financial report, Goshia reported a net profit for August of \$28,083 and a year to date profit of \$193,940.

Prior to this board meeting, trustees had established a new committee to review, very closely, the hospital's larger capital purchases. Randy Brooks is chair of the Technology Committee; members are Tom Krick and Tom Litzenberg. The goal of the committee is to clearly understand why the hospital needs major purchases, how they operate, and what they bring to the hospital's mission "... to continually improve the health status of the residents in our area."

Adkins' CEO report included:

—The PCH website is in the process of being upgraded. Currently, new parents can give their family and friends an ID number so they can go to www.

pauldingcountyhospital.com and see new babies' pictures at the On-Line Nursery. The website also has a new page that details the hospital's improved Financial Assistance Program. Future plans include a video tour of many of the hospital's departments.

—The new Healthy Workplace Program will be kicked off in-house on October 17. There are two goals for the program. The first is to improve employees' health, which in turn will lower the hospital's insurance costs making it possible to pass along any savings to customers. Second, when we have proven the effectiveness of the program in-house, we can make it available to area businesses.

—Adkins agreed to co-chair next year's American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Chief operating officer Randy Ruge's report included:

—Upgrades to the radiology department continue. The mammography processor room will be completed October 7. The new equipment and remodeled procedure rooms for fluoroscopy and general x-ray will be completed by the end of October and the end of November respectively. Ruge added that these completion dates are always subject to the time it takes the State to sign off on plans.

—The physical, occupational, and speech therapy department is expanding its office space. The additional space is necessitated by the increase in staff size that was required by the continuing increase in the department's patient load.

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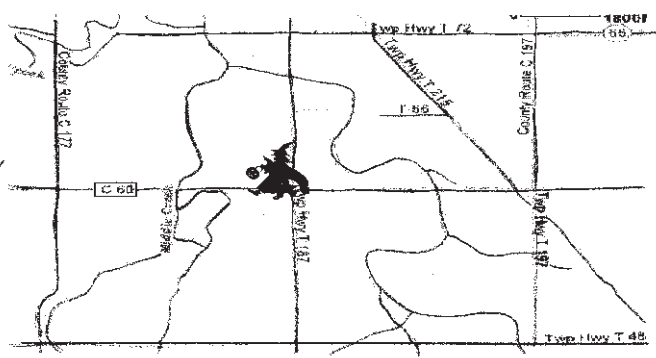
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PAULDING ELEMENTARY PTO

The Paulding Elementary PTO has discovered a new and exciting fundraiser! The new fundraiser is Scrip Cards. Scrip Cards are just like any gift card/certificate you would normally purchase from a retailer. You can use scrip cards to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and gasoline. Everytime you purchase a scrip card, you earn revenue for the PTO.

A company called Great Lakes Scrip Center acts on behalf of the PTO, to purchase large amounts of scrip from grocery stores, department stores, and other retailers. The participating retailers offer a substantial discount because the scrip is purchased with cash up front. PTO buys the scrip from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a discount and then re-sells the cards/certificates to families for full face value. The discount—from two to fifteen percent or more—is

the PTO's revenue.

Scrip is ideal because families don't have to sell anything. The purchases made with scrip cards are items families would normally purchase anyway such as groceries, clothing, toys, gifts and even gasoline.

Retailers on the list include, but is not limited to: Gap, Old Navy, KMart, Sears, JCPenney; Marathon, Shell, Speedway; Home Depot, Lowes, Menards; Applebees, Chuck E. Cheese, Pizza Hut, Wendy's; Kay Bee Toys, Bath & Body and Office Max.

To learn more about the program visit the programs website at www.glscrip.com. For more information about placing an order, to enroll in the Paulding Elementary PTO Scrip Program, or to get a copy of a more detailed list of retailers please contact Paulding Elementary PTO Scrip Coordinator Michele Arend at 419-399-9609 or smarend@alltel.net

ASK THE WATER EXPERT

Q. How do I know if I have iron bacteria?

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haps later through the whole house. The smell may also be more apparent in the morning or after extended periods of non-use.

Submit a water related question to West Bend Printing in care of "ASK YOUR WATER EXPERT" and it may be used in an upcoming issue.

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PREPARE IRON COOKWARE NOW

By: Bryce Steiner

Right now is the time to get your iron pans out and season them for winter, before it is too cold to open the windows.

Ever wonder why Grandma never had a problem with food sticking to the pan? You use the same pan she did, but no matter it still sticks. She probably used lard or other type of pork grease for the oil, and you more than likely use vegetable oil.

Iron really is the best cookware especially if you have a gas stove. Why you ask? Because iron has the best heat dispersion and retention of any other metals used in cooking. It is also the original non-stick surface with a major advantage: you can use your metal spatulas and not have to worry about scratching or ruining the surface. Iron cookware can be passed down from generation to generation.

This all sounds good but if your iron still has food sticking it's not doing you much good. Your pans need seasoning and you'll have a "non-stick" surface again.

To make your food not stick like grandma used to you'll need to 1st clean our pan with hot water and then dry thoroughly with towel. Second, wipe down the pan with bacon grease or liquid vegetable oil. Vegetable oil may cause the finish to feel sticky, but other than that it will be okay. I do feel that the bacon grease will make a better seasoning. Third, put the pan upside down in the oven. Be sure to do the same with the lid and outside of pan. Put a drip tray or aluminum foil on the lowest tray in the oven to catch oil that may run from the iron surface. Fourth, turn the oven on to 350°F for about an hour and five minutes (if oven is pre-heated, then one hour is fine).

When the oven has finished let it cool, because of the heat retention of iron, it will be very hot to the touch for at least an hour.

To make a very good season, repeat steps 2-5 a couple more times. It is best, but not required, to cook bacon or sausage first on your newly seasoned pan. When you cook now put a light oil in the pan and it won't stick.

Washing your iron in soap and water will ruin the seasoning. The best thing is to wipe then with a paper towel when you are finished.

If you plan on storing your cookware it is a good idea to put a light coat of oil on all surfaces to keep from rusting.

How often should you season? You should only need to once unless you wash it with soap and water or if you find surface rust on it.

Ironware is available at antique shops and garage sales, but your local hardware store may carry it also. New unseasoned iron will be a gray color and after its first seasoning will become a caramel color. If it is used a lot it will soon become black and this is normal.

Ironware is great because it is one thing that you can pass on to your children and grandchildren, that can be used daily and every time they say, "This was my grandmother's and every time I use it, it brings my memory of her back to me!"



ALERT recovery team.

"ALERT" CADETS HELP WITH HURRICANE EFFORTS

On September 15, ALERT received a call from the Mayor of Abita Springs, LA. The mayor requested an ALERT team assist with disaster relief efforts in Abita Springs, which is located just north of Lake Ponchartrain. The team left on September 17 and served for one week under the direction of Mayor Fitzmorris and Abita Springs' fire chief. Joining the ALERT men on this deployment was a large contingent from the 1st Ohio Alpha and the 1st Indiana Bravo ALERT Cadet Unit. This deployment had a very specific and special mission—to come to the aid of widows and the elderly. The team coordinated with a local church to find elderly citizens and widows, and folks who simply do not have the funds to help themselves out of the dire situation they face in Abita Springs. The ALERT men, Cadets (8-17 years), and their fathers spent the day going house to house, removing trees, downed limbs, and clearing debris out of their yards. The ALERT men, Cadets and their fathers used this special opportunity to pray with, sing to, and encourage those they served when each task was completed. 2nd Lt Jim Snyder of the 1st Indiana Bravo said, "many had tears in their eyes", after hearing 29 men & boys sing hymns acapela.

Not only did Katrina strike Abita Springs; the

town was ravaged by at least seven tornadoes. The living conditions for those serving on this deployment were less than ideal. The group lived in tents, in a church parking lot. Yet, the team lived on MRE's (meals-ready-to-eat) and one home cooked meal a day provided graciously by the hosting church. They also set up a field shower in the parking lot. The weather was extremely hot and humid, with daytime temperatures reaching into the upper 90's. Declared 11 year old Cadet Garrett Atkins, "I didn't know I could sweat that much. Our clothes were drenched by 7:30 a.m., but we didn't complain because we were working for the Lord." Although the conditions were deplorable, the group remained in good spirits, and continued to be a shining light in a dark place. Even though they had to leave a day early due to hurricane Rita's approach, causing them to become evacuees also, they were still able to serve 17 residences.

About ALERT and ALERT Cadets:

The Air Land Emergency Resource Team (ALERT) seeks to train young men 17 years and older in emergency and life skills. ALERT is headquartered at the International ALERT Academy in Big Sandy, Texas, about 100 miles east of Dallas. The ALERT Academy is a former college campus located on 2,200 acres of land with lodging, instructional, conference, and outdoor adventure facilities.

The ALERT Cadet program seeks to give fathers tools necessary to train their sons to be effective servants and leaders. ALERT Cadets was founded in 1996 as an outgrowth of the ALERT program, with the mission to assist fathers in winning and keeping the hearts of their 8 to 17-year-old sons. It accomplishes this objective by creating opportunities for quality time, as fathers and sons complete exciting and challenging character and skill building projects in the handbooks along side other fathers and sons with similar goals. Fathers must attend all activities with their sons.

ALERT Cadets also helps fathers train young men in the disciplines necessary to excel in ALERT, such as service to others, Scripture memory, obedience to God-given authorities, and physical training. A well-trained ALERT Cadet will more easily be successful in ALERT Basic Training.

2nd Lt. Kevin Atkins is the new ALERT Cadet squad leader for the newly formed 1st Ohio Alpha squad in our area. We invite you to join ALERT Cadets and be part of a growing international organization seeking to assist fathers in raising sons to Biblical manhood. If we can assist you in developing young men who are "Strong to Overcome", contact Kevin L. Atkins of Paulding County 1-567-235-4125

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VANTAGE BOARD HEARS FROM INTERACTIVE MEDIA STUDENTS

The Vantage Board of Education met for their October 6, 2005 regular meeting in the Vantage Science room. They visited the newly renovated Interactive Media lab, where instructor Bob Hall and students Heather Adams from Paulding, Chazz Roger from Van Wert, and Melissa Figert from Wayne Trace, told the board why they made the decision to come to Vantage. They also demonstrated a project using multi-media software applications. A soundproof room was added to the lab over the summer to enhance audio/video multi-media projects.

The treasurer's report included the approval of the September 1, 2005 regular board meeting minutes. Financial statements for the month of August, 2005 were approved. A discussion was held regarding the five-year forecast before the board adopted a resolution to approve it. Director Bob Vennekotter provided the board with an update of the Ivy Technical College Dual Enrollment Agreement meetings that were recently held. Students receive high school and college credit simultaneously for particular coursework in twelve Vantage programs. Principal Ann Harvey reported on the day-to-day activities over the first six weeks of school. Superintendent Dr. Stephen Mercer proudly displayed a picture of the first ever Adult Education Licensed Practical Nursing Program graduates, and provided the board with information regarding the campaign for the renewal of the 7/10 of one mill permanent improvement levy that will be on the ballot on November 8th. He discussed upcoming evaluations for the Superintendent and Treasurer, and the OAJVS Breakfast at the Capital Conference. He told the board that the Vantage Haiti Rotary Interact Club will have a booth at the Student Achievement Fair at the Capital Conference on November 15th. Dr. Mercer announced that Mr. Jamie Vollmer, a friend of public education and a powerful ally to create schools that give all students the opportunity to unfold to their full potential, will be the keynote speaker for the Vantage All Boards Dinner, which will be held on

April 27, 2006.

In new business, the board:

—Approved employment of the following list of banquet employees, as needed, as scheduled: Kristy Bidlack, Keith Rydell, Marcia Osenga, Robin Burns, Cindy Harting, Gail Gillett, Nancy Sheets, Lisa McNabb, Robert Kennedy, Heather Binkley, Chris Robison, Nathan Thomas and Ezekiel Schaadt;

—Approved supplemental contracts for Michele Porter, Keith Rydell, Marcia Osenga;

—Employed the following Adult Education instructors as needed, as scheduled: Darrel Rhoad, Fire Protection; James Haggerty, Dennis Wagonrod and Matthew Grunden, Police Academy; Aaron Brown and Patrick Vogel, Welding; Carolyn Fast, Basket Weaving; Stacey Goecke, Health Careers; Ted Tumbleson and Kevin Gehres, EMT Training; Clarence Beach, Blueprint and Industrial Wiring; Brian Baker and Keith Mulder, Computer; Pam Knodel and Michele Prichard, Evening Library Monitor;

—Accepted with a \$100 donation from DeWayne LaRue of D & K Motor Sales/Service Center for the Student Ambassadors;

—Authorized out of state field trip for selected Vantage Ag Diesel students to attend the FFA National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky;

—Authorized the Vantage mileage reimbursement to follow the current IRS rate.

The next meeting of the Vantage Board of Education will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Paulding High School Library.

ANTWERP EMS FUND RAISER

The Antwerp EMS is now holding their 2nd annual harvest meal fund raiser.

Meals are served Monday through Saturday: Lunch at 11:00-2:00 p.m., supper: 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the EMS building.

We will not be serving supper if another club or organization is having a supper at the same time as long as we have been informed of the event. We will be serving meals through the first week of November. Thank you for supporting the Antwerp EMS Harvest Meal Fund Raiser. 6-9

HOUSE PASSES BILL TO REDUCE GAS PRICES

Congressman Paul E. Gillmor (R- Old Fort) today voted for legislation to increase American fuel supply, promote conservation, and ban price gouging. The Gasoline for America's Security (GAS) Act passed the House by a vote of 212 to 210.

"With gasoline prices in America soaring, this bill is another step by the House to create the energy infrastructure our nation needs," Gillmor said. "This bill, along with the Energy Bill passed in July, will increase capacity and streamline our fuel supply, all in an effort to reduce the burden of high prices and the lack of available resources."

Among the provisions of the GAS Act are:

—Encouraging U.S. refineries to increase supply;

—Preventing price spikes by limiting the number of "boutique" fuels in America from 17 to 6;

—Promoting conservation through carpooling and fuel-efficiency;

—Banning price gouging;

—Requiring the FTC to study processing fees from credit card companies and their impact on price inflation.

"The GAS Act and the Energy Bill have been two major policies produced by Congress this year to increase energy supply and ease prices. With 47 percent of our refining capacity in the Gulf states, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita have had devastating effects on our nation's energy supplies. This crisis will not go away on its own and has now become an issue of national security. I am hopeful that the U.S. Senate will pass the GAS Act soon so that we may provide the relief our citizens desperately need," Gillmor concluded.

The Gas Act awaits debate and passage in the U.S. Senate before it can be forwarded to the President for his signature.

JOY OF GIVING BAZAAR

The Antwerp United Methodist Church will be hosting the first annual Joy of Giving Bazaar on Saturday, November 19 from 9:00-3:00 at the church.

This will be a craft show made up of many area crafters coming in to display and sell for the day such as was held at the Antwerp school in past years.

There will be lunch served by the ladies of the church featuring homemade soups, sandwiches, pie, and drinks.

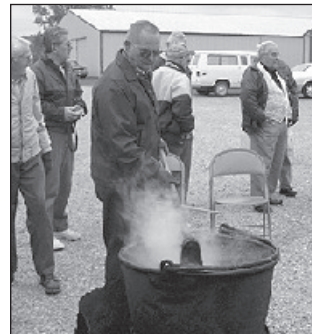
We still have craft spaces available for rent if you would like to be a part of this show. You can rent 10 foot spaces and 5 foot spaces. Call for pricing. If you are interested in setting up contact Jennifer Ramsier 419-258-7631 or Cheryl Lichty 419-258-2429 ASAP.

At this time we are expecting crafts, toys, jewelry, lots of baked goods and candies (this is the Saturday before Thanksgiving) and even a quilt show and sale.

Mark your calendar or better yet call and participate. Group money making projects are welcome.

Any questions, call Cheryl at 419-258-2429..

JOHN PAULDING HISTORICAL SOCIETY HELD COMMUNITY EVENT



The John Paulding Historical Society Events on October 8th.


On Saturday, October 8, although it was a chilly autumn day, many families came to enjoy some time at the John Paulding Historical Society for a demonstration day.

They had a wonderful day planned for people of all ages. With a pumpkin decorating contest for the children and a hog butchering and apple-butter demonstration for the adults.

The Museum staff had a wonderful menu available for purchase for lunch, and baked goods to take home. The museum was open to the public all day with other demonstrations going on throughout the building, such as making rugs on a loom, making butter in a hand crank churn, and clay pottery. There were many talented artisans present from

the surrounding area including a teachers from Paulding and Bryan displaying their craftsmanship.


Everyone who attended was enlightened on the ways of our past culture and how far we've come in the way of technology and industry, but it still was a great reminiscent time to be had.



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- There is no way to recover these major assets. Hope for a new jail is more remote.
- The county's General Fund would pay a minimum of \$400,000 more per year to "outhouse" all of our prisoners. This is 10% of our General Fund.
- The county's General Fund was cut 6% last year. There is no more room in the General Fund and "necessary" services would be cut dramatically.
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Getting Gardens Ready For Cool Weather

(NAPSA)—Cold weather doesn't have to mean the end of your garden. In fact, the mercury dipping below freezing can be a good excuse to use your garden in different ways. For instance, many people dry their garden herbs and use them in cooking or to make flavored vinegars. Others bring some favorite plants inside and enjoy their gardens year-round.

However you use your garden, following a few tips can help flowers, shrubs and even vegetables survive whatever Mother Nature throws their way.

• **Come In From The Cold**—Gardens should be moved indoors when the temperature starts averaging about 40 degrees at night. While this may sound complicated, moving a garden could be easier than you might think. First, use a hand shovel to remove plants from the earth. Place each plant with soil inside a pot. Then use a rake to spread straw around the empty garden to help protect it from the elements. Try using a wheelbarrow to bring potted plants inside.

• **Winterizing Is Wise**—Not all plants can be safely moved indoors, so it's important to learn the basics of outdoor winterizing. Start by using fallen leaves to make a compost pile for the plants as soon as the mercury drops to 40 degrees. This can help keep them moist and warm. Union Tools makes a Wet N Dry Rake that can be helpful in



The right tools can make it easier to winterize a garden.

dry or damp weather. The company also makes a Stow N Go Wheelbarrow that's lightweight and can help with the winterizing process.

• **Protecting Herb Gardens**—Herb gardens generally can't survive temperatures below 32 degrees. Instead of leaving herbs out in the elements, try drying them in an airtight container away from sunlight or hanging them upside down in a cool, dry room. You can also pick fresh herbs, then chop them up and freeze them in baggies. The herbs can be used in the kitchen to spice up salads, vinegars and sauces or to add kick to some classic cold-weather recipes. They can even be used to make potpourri.

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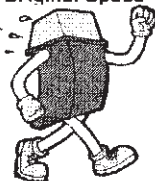
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OR352 - Triplex, spacious single family, or commercial property known as Waldo's Hill in Antwerp. 4 BR, 3 ba., and a 104'x225' lot. **\$79,900**.



OR340 - West side of Antwerp w/easy access to New Haven & Ft. Wayne. 3 BR, 1 ba., newer roof, windows, siding, etc... Wrap around front porch, central A/C, gas F/A heat & partial basement. **\$64,900**.

OR354 - Totally remodeled 1 1/2 story home w/2100+ sq. ft. including 3 very large BR's, gigantic lot and barn. **\$123,900**.



OR347 - Limestone ranch on 1+ acres. Electric ceiling heat, crawl space, central A/C, coved ceilings, 3 BR's, 1 1/2 ba., att garage, deck & more. **\$81,500**.

OR358 - Antwerp schools on 2.27 acres with pond, fruit trees & 2200 sq. ft., 4 BR, 2 ba. home. **\$89,900**.



OR356 - Where can you buy a 3 BR, 1 1/2 story home on a shaded 1/2 acre lot for **\$45,000?** Antwerp!

OR368 - 4 BR, 2 1/4 ba., ranch on a finished partial basement. 12'x20' deck overlooking the above ground pool with a river view, close to Pond-A-River golf course. **\$149,900**.



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OR348 - Gigantic 48'x72' (3456 sq. ft.) pole barn w/approx. 1564 sq. ft. of living area inside including 3 BR., 1 1/2 ba., family & living rooms. The remaining workshop has (2) 12'x14' overhead doors & 16' ceilings. Pond & 6.4 acres of land. **\$129,900**.



OR360 - Older historic home with most of the work done in last 10 years including replacement windows, roof & siding. 4 BR, 2 full ba., deck off the back w/hot tub. **\$98,900**.

OR362 - 3 BR, 1 ba., 1424 sq. ft. ranch on a 1/3 acre lot east of Antwerp. Hardwood floors, new roof 12 yrs ago and new vinyl siding 7 yrs ago. **\$63,900**.



OR365 - Very neat & clean, 3 BR, 2 ba., 1352 sq. ft. ranch on 2 acre corner lot close to the new school. New floor coverings, 14'x15' deck w/auto lights & 18'x30' det. garage. **\$78,900**.

RA238 - Great country setting w/many updates & lots of storage. Over 2500 sq. ft. w/ 4 BR, 2 ba., partial hardwood floors, new roof in 2000. Barn w/water, elec. & stalls. **\$139,000**.



"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": MAKING A DIFFERENCE



At the Day of Caring Blood Drive Vantage Senior Health Career Students Jessica Baumert (Antwerp) left, and Dan Travino (Paulding) right, share a laugh and hug with the Vantage Blood Drop (Amanda Mullins, Antwerp).

The 7th Annual Van Wert County United Way "Day of Caring" was held on Friday, September 30, 2005, and Vantage Career Center is proud to have been a part of such a successful day. More than 80 students pitched in to help make a difference by volunteering.

In early September, students in Mrs. Linda Morris' junior Early Childhood Education class helped plan, design and make decorations for the Van Wert Chamber of Commerce front window. Medical/Legal Specialist students, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Linda Bales, sponsored and organized the Vantage food drive. Each morning, students collected food donations from each program, displayed the food in the commons area window and tallied the totals. Spearheaded by Mrs. Bales and her class, a friendly competition was held between all the Vantage programs to see which one could contribute the most food per student. The top three programs were Culinary Arts, senior Network Systems and Senior Health Careers. Vantage students and staff contributed 3,960 non-perishable food items to the Salvation Army this year.

Mr. Steve Peters and students from the Senior Electricity program followed the truck that was picking up food at other local schools and

drop-off points to provide the additional muscle to get everything loaded and unloaded at the Salvation Army.

Junior and senior Industrial Mechanics Classes, along with their teachers Mr. Mike Klutka and Mr. Kevin Van Oss, volunteered a few hours of their lab time to work at the Salvation Army Food Drive to unload, sort, box and store donated food items.

Senior Health Careers students and their teacher, Mrs. Shirley Jarvis, Culinary Arts students and their teacher, Mrs. Kristy Bidlack, and junior Medical /Legal Specialist students and their teacher, Mrs. Linda Bales, volunteered their expertise at the bloodmobile held at Trinity Friends Church Family Life Center. Using what they've learned from class, along with their practical experiences, they performed duties in the kitchen, canteen and on the bloodmobile floor to assist the American Red Cross and insure that things went as smoothly as possible.

Participating in community service projects like these are so important to our young adults. Being able to give help without expecting anything back in return, is an important lesson in life. A big "Thank you" to all Vantage students and staff who donated food, time, finances or blood to help make the "Day of Caring" a huge success.

LOCAL PAULDING COUNTY GIRL SCOUT RETURNS TO FLORIDA TO VOLUNTEER



Sara with Shadow, a rescued horse.

Sara Turner a member of Appleseed Ridge Girl Scout Troop 508 returns to Leesburg Florida for the 4th year in a row to volunteer at the Leesburg Humane Society (a no kill shelter). Sara and her

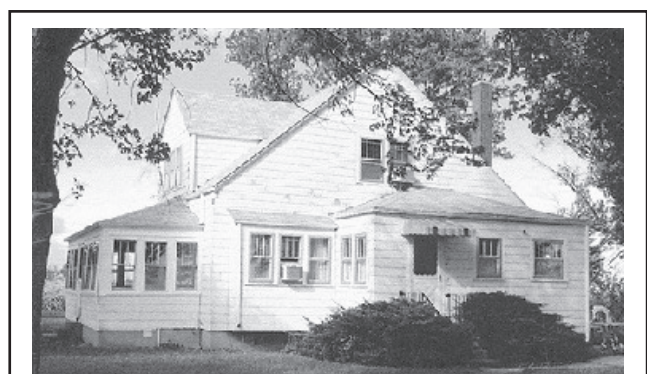
mother traveled to the Lake County Florida area on July 17th to volunteer their time at the shelter. This annual trip started 4 years ago while the Turners were on vacation. They helped to care for over



Sara with several of the cats she helped take care of in Leesburg, Florida

100 cats, dogs, and 3 horses. Sara is the sponsor of Shadow a rescued horse and spends time with him each year. Sara also loves the cats and kittens and makes sure everyone gets some lovin'. While mom

works with the numerous dogs for feeding and kennel cleaning. Sara has over 25 hours in the 4 years time of service hours to homeless animals. Congratulations Sara for your dedication to the animals.

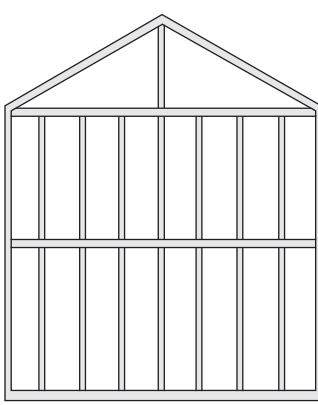


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