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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006

# **PRIMARY ELECTION: MAY 2, 2006**

The Board of Elections of Paulding County, Ohio, wishes to remind voters that a primary election will be held Tuesday, the 2nd day of May, 2006, at the following locations:

<u>Auglaize Twp.</u> – Fire House Corner of SR 637 & RD 169;

<u>Benton Twp</u>. – Township House at SR 500 & RD 33; <u>Blue Creek Twp</u>. – Havi-

land Community Center, 201 Vine ST;

Brown East & Oakwood and Brown West & Melrose - Oakwood Legion Hall, 112 N First St;

<u>Antwerp Village and Car-</u> ryall Twp. – St Mary's Center; 303 W Daggett St.;

<u>Crane Twp. & Cecil</u> – Cecil Fire House, 301 Third ST; <u>Emerald Twp</u>. – Township

House RD 133 & RD 218; <u>Harrison Twp. and Payne</u> <u>Village</u> – Payne Legion Hall,

229 N Main ST; Jackson Twp. & Broughton – Township House RD 126 & RD 131;

Paulding Village 1, 2 and 3 – Co Extension Bldg Fairgrounds;

Latty Twp. & Grover Hill - Latty Twp. House, 204 E Jackson ST at Grover Hill; <u>Paulding Twp. & Latty</u> <u>Village</u> – Twp House, SR 500

& RD 87; <u>Washington Twp.</u> – Twp House, SR 114 & RD 177.

This election is to nominate & vote on the following Democratic or Republican candidates:

Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Auditor of State, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, United States Senator, Representative to Congress (5th District), Justice of the Supreme Court (one commencing 1/1/07 and one 1/2/07), Judge of the Court of Appeals (3rd District commencing 2/9/07), Member of State Central Committee Man & Woman (1st Senate District), State Senator (1st District), State Representative (75th District), County Commissioner (commencing 1/1/07), County Auditor, Clerk of Court of Common Pleas (unexpired term ending 1/4/09), and County Treasurer (unexpired term ending 9/6/09) and these issues:

Cecil Village - fire protection;

# GIBSON – BEREGSZAZI



Mae and Stan Gibson of Hicksville announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Nikki Renee, to Louis Arden Beregszazi, son of Louie and Lisa Beregszazi, Antwerp.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Hicksville High School and is employed at Spec-Temp in Antwerp. Her fiance is a graduate of Antwerp High School and is employed at NemCo Medical in Hicksville.

The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, May 13, at the First Baptist Church in Antwerp.

### GIVE THE GIFT OF HOPE: RECEIVE A CHANCE TO WIN TOLEDO MUDHENS BASEBALL TICKETS

Organ and tissue donation means the gift of hope for thousands of men, women, and children whose own organs and tissues have failed them due to disease or injury. Among them are employees, friends, and family members who have received lifesaving organ transplants or who are among the many waiting for that second chance at life made possible through the generosity of an organ donor.

This April, we join thousands of businesses, healthcare professionals, and others in celebrating National Donate Life Month, drawing awareness to the gift of hope given through organ and tissue donation. The Northwest Ohio Second Chance Alliance is offering you a chance to win a pair of Toledo Mudhens baseball tickets by visiting the Paulding county health department April 17-30. If you are a registered organ donor, you will be asked to present your driver's license showing that you are registered. If you are not a donor, you will

### be asked to fill out a donor registration form. The lucky winners will be awarded a pair of tickets to the June 10th Toledo Mudhens ball game, sponsored by the Second Chance Grant, Life Connection of Ohio, and Community Tissue Service.

Each of us, no matter how young or old, can be a lifesaver by choosing to be an organ and tissue donor. It is as simple as signing a uniform donor card, registering when you obtain or renew your driver's license, or registering online at www.donatelifeohio. org. Learn more about organ and tissue donation or request an educational presentation at your workplace or organizational meeting by calling Linda Earle at the Williams County Health Department (419-485-3141) or Judy Fisher, your local health department Second Chance representative, at 419-399-3921.

We are proud to support efforts in our area to educate the public about lifesaving organ and tissue donation. We honor the lives of people saved, the gift of hope selflessly given by organ and tissue donors and their families, and hope that we can offer to thousands of people waiting.

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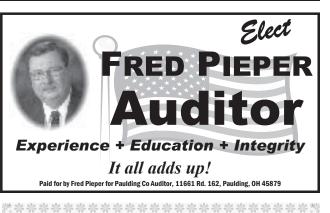


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# 40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF GENE AND SHERYL COX



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Nathanael, Jacob, Julianne, Taylor, Austin, Carter.

You are invited to help them celebrate their anniversary and Gene's 65th birthday at an open reception hosted by their children at the Rock Community Center 104 S. Main St.,

### MARJORIE LEINARD'S 100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Marjorie Leinard's 100th birthday party at the Methodist Church in Antwerp on April 28 has been postponed. Marjorie fell and fractured her femur.

She will be transferred to an assisted living facility in Van Wert. We will notify you of the address at a later date. HARRMANN Trucking/Excavating Deliveries of Gravel, Brown or Black Top Soil and Sand INSTALL SEPTIC SYSTEMS AND ROTO-ROOTER WORK! 419-258-7001 Antwerp. Ohio

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### **OBITUARIES**

Heinz W. Eppelmann Sr., 61, of Hicksville, died April 20, at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne, IN.

He was born September 20, 1944 the son of Heinz and Emelia (Baum) Eppelmann at Munich, Germany. He was united in marriage to Loretta J. Shreve who preceded him in death in 1990. He married Janice Shreve in 1991, she survives.

He was an employee at Midwest Stamping in Edgerton, OH. He attended Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witness in Antwerp.

Surviving him are his wife: three daughters, Crystal Boroff of Weaver, AL; Loretta Brook of Bowden, GA; and Amelia Haynes of Jonesboro, GA; a son Heinz Eppelmann Jr.; twelve grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters: Christine Linke of Woodville, OH and Nina Evans of Gainesville, GA and four brothers: Pete Karzyknow of Jewel, OH; Nicholai Eppelmann and Shook Karzyknow of Defiance and Evan Karzyknow of Livonia, MI.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The funeral service was April 22 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. contributions Memorial may be given to the Crippled Children and Adult Society.

# **MS Benefit** Garage Sale April 27, 28, 29 · 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. 202 Oak Street, Antwerp Lots of teddy bear "stuff"! Crafts, Books, Dishes,

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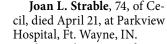
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She was born in Defiance, Ohio, on March 24, 1932, the daughter of Vincent and Lucille (Zipfel) Batt. On September 24, 1949, she married Eugene F. "Sport" Strable, who survives. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paulding, and Hawthorn Court Nursing Home Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, Eugene F. "Sport" Strable, of Cecil; three daughters, Melody (Gary) Hurtig, and Gloria (Robert) Craig, both of Cecil; and Diane (Steve) Wetli of Antwerp; six brothers: Vincent (Mary Kay) Batt, Tom (Joanie) Schlosser, Ron (Tina) Hiler all of Defiance, Dick (Eleanor) Schlosser of Sun City, AZ, John (Carol) Schlosser of St. Mary's, OH and Mike (Alice) Schlosser of Seattle, WA; three sisters: Sue (Grant) Neimann of Lancaster, OH; Mary Ann (Ralph) Reed of Galion, OH and Barb Schlosser of Defiance; and six grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, son Mark Strable, and siblings, Donald and Bobbie Batt, Louie Schlosser, Peggy Knappe, and Linda Emerling.

Funeral services were April 25 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paulding, and Rev. G. Allan Fillman officiated. Burial was in St. Stephens at the Bend Cemetery, Defiance County, OH.

Donations may be made to Hawthorn Court Nursing Home Activity Fund or to a charity of the donor's choice.

### **MAY MAMMOGRAM PROMOTION: CELEBRATE** WOMANHOOD

There is no creation like that of a woman. Celebrate life, celebrate yourself, you are a unique and special human being! During the month of May Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville wants to celebrate not only mothers, but all women for their special contribution to the softer things in life. Gentle touches, butterfly kisses, warm hugs, patient smiles. Whether you're a tough business woman, a student, a mother, a caregiver or all of these rolled into one, it's important to take care of yourself first, before you can give to others. You can't draw water from an empty well. Be good to yourself. Ensure that you're healthy, physically, mentally, and emotionally.

Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville, Ohio is celebrating womanhood by entering every woman who has a mammogram screening during the month of May in a drawing for a 45 minute massage donated by Julie Nickerson, LMT of Integrative Healing Arts in Defiance, Ohio. Have a mammogram in May and be entered into a drawing for a FREE 45 minute massage. LOVE YOUR-SELF!



THE LIGHT OF THE DANDE-LION

### By: Bryce Steiner, Antwerp **Church of Christ**

The dandelion: A weed to some, the most beautiful flower to others.

How do you see one of the earliest spring flowers? Yearly, bouquets are brought into the house in large quantities filled with a yellow brilliance that cannot be captured in a photograph. Fields are blanketed in something that would remind someone of nothing less than a scene from the Wizard of Oz.

A dandelion is actually not bright at all. It is really absorbing the other colors of the subtractive color spectrum, reflecting the yellow and thus appears to be very bright. The light of the sun is what makes it look so brilliant.

The Bible says that God created time, space and matter along with light on the 1st day of creation. Yet, the sun & stars weren't made until day 4. It means light was already in transit before the "light bulb" was plugged in. It also tells us that the God of the universe is so powerful that he can do anything, far more than our imaginations can conjure up.

With light really coming from God himself, the dandelions are only reflecting the awesomeness of the Creator.

Did you know that people are not very bright? No, in fact, they're not bright at all. Just like the dandelion, the people reflect too. We reflect either light or the absence of light. If Jesus the Christ is in your life first & foremost you will be brilliant & beautiful. Why? Not because you are, but because you are reflecting the only One who is.

You are made in His image, so come to the Lord today, reflect Him and the be light of the world. The dandelion reflects the Sun. Do you reflect the Son?

### **PAYNE POST OFFICE WILL PARTICIPATE IN FOOD DRIVE ON MAY 13**

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### **HOOPS REPORTS CAM-PAIGN CASH: STRONG GRASSROOTS SUPPORT**

Republican State Representative Jim Hoops is raising more money than his opponent in his campaign for Ohio Senate. Over 450 contributions were made to Hoops' campaign in the last three months - more than twice as many contributions as his opponent received.

Hoops reported raising \$85,027.83, giving him a balance-on-hand of \$168,282.53. Hoops raised almost \$30,000 more than his opponent.

"It shows a lot of grassroots strength in my campaign for the final stretch," said Hoops. "I'm honored that so many people are using their hardearned money to invest in my candidacy. These people know that as a State Senator, I'll continue to fight for lower taxes, more jobs and protecting the life of the unborn."

In addition to over 450 people financially supporting his campaign, Hoops has been endorsed by Ohio Right to Life, Moms for Ohio, Henry County Republican Central Committee, Paulding County Republican Central Committee, Paulding County Republican Women, Putnam County Republican Central Committee, Ohio Nurses Association, Republican officials and community leaders throughout Senate District 1, and was recently named 'Person of the Year' by the Northwest Ohio Regional Economic Development Association.

For more information about Hoops' campaign visit www.JimHoops.com.

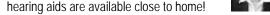
opens the door, I will come in..." Revelation 3:20 Vote Lou Ann Wannemacher reasurer Fully Endorsed by Betty R. Layman "Serving to Serve You" Antwerp United Methodist Church 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship/Children's Church Nursery Available Mike Schneider Pastor 202 E. River St. (419) 258-4901

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You can help by placing your food donations at your

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your letter carrier arrives, or

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### ANTWERP UMC TO HOST INFORMATIONAL MEETING ABOUT AMERICAN HERI-TAGE GIRLS

Antwerp UMC will be hosting an information meeting for families interested in being a part of a new American Heritage Girls troop in the Antwerp area. The meeting will be Sunday, April 30 at 1:30 p.m.

American Heritage Girls (AHG) is a Christ-centered scouting program for girls in kindergarten through twelfth grade. The AHG program seeks to develop the whole child—physically, mentally, and spiritually. Girls earn badges doing age-appropriate activities in diverse areas of interest such as Outdoor Skills, Family Living, and Science and technology. Additional activities include camping, community service, patriotic salutes, and father-daughter events, AHG also stresses the importance of service to the community through several projects including participating in the annual Make A Difference Day.

For more information about this meeting, please contact Antwerp UMC at 419-258-4901.

### **NATIONAL MEN'S CON-**FERENCE COMING TO **WOODBURN MISSIONARY** CHURCH

Woodburn Missionary Church is partnering with a number of Fort Wayne area churches in sponsoring an Everyman Conference on Saturday, May 6.

Because Promise Keepers is not having an Indiana rally this year, the leadership Woodburn Missionary at Church felt this conference would be a great opportunity to reach out to men and help better connect them with the Lord and other guys in their home church.

The conference will be a great time of challenging our men to higher standards of commitment, honesty, pu-rity, and servanthood. God has used these national conferences to touch men's lives and encourage them to build strong relationships with Christ and with other men in their churches and communities.

"I see this conference as vital," stated Pastor Joel De-Selm, lead pastor of Woodburn Missionary Church. 'One of the greatest vulnerabilities in our society is the



lack of spiritual dedication, servant leadership, and Godly examples by men, husbands, and dads in our culture. We are committed to helping guys step up and fulfill those roles. The Everyman Conference is an incredible opportunity to move in that direction."

You can visit our website at www.woodburnmc. org/everyman for more information and registration forms, or contact Gary Hahn at 260-632-4615. Woodburn Missionary Church is located at 5108 Bull Rapids Road in Woodburn, Indiana.

### **SOUTHERN GOSPEL MUSIC AT FAMILY CHRISTIAN** CENTER

On Saturday, April 29 starting at 7:00 p.m. come and be ready to enjoy an evening of Southern Gospel Music at the Family Christian Center in Defiance located at the Kroger Plaza, 1834 E. Second St.

The evening will feature The Jubilees from Marion, IN; Trinity from Van Wert; and The McDowell's from Defiance.

Come for an evening of good gospel music and fellowship. A love offering will be taken.

### **BENEFIT AUCTION FOR ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S HOSPI-**TAL

On Friday, May 5, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. Porter Auction will be hosting their 10th Annual Benefit Auction for St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Many businesses and individuals from the Tri-State area have donated items. Among the items to be auctioned off to the highest bidder are: NASCAR items, Ft. Wayne Zoo passes, hotel gift certificates, car washes, oil changes, 2 pheasant hunts by R & K Ranch, Food & Candy items, pizzas, newspaper subscriptions, Yoder Salads donated by I & K distribution, Delphos, OH, many, many misc. items. We will be accepting donations until the auction starts at 6:00 p.m. So, if you have something you would like to donate bring it with you that night.

Please come out and support this worthwhile cause. Refreshment stand available. Good food and fun for all.

All proceeds go to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Last year, we raised over \$5,700.00 and we would like to meet or beat that amount. But we need all your help and support.

If we all do a little, it can help alot.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I am writing this to let you know how I feel, and to praise God for what He has done for me in my life.

Some years ago I had a lump on my breast. As it turned out, I had to have a mastectomy. A few years later the doctor had to remove my other breast. CANCER!! Was I afraid, was I scared, was I too dumb to realize I could die? No, I think not, because my God was with me. He was beside me. I felt on top of the world. Since that time, I have had a hysterectomy and a hernia operation. Was I still so silly to be unafraid during those times? But, I know my God was with me. I praise my God! I have since gone through knee replacement, and have had a doctor tell me I could go blind due to torn retinas in both eyes. I had surgery, and now have one good eye, and still need to have the other eye operated on. Then I needed cataract surgery in my one good eye, which I came through with flying colors. I am still allowed to drive, which was important to me because of a little thing called independence! My God was with me all the way!

I woke up last night having a nightmare, realizing there are people out there trying to take my God from me. These people want to take Jesus out of Christmas, they want to call Christmas trees, holiday trees, and don't want us to have nativity scenes in public places. Who's birthday do we celebrate for Christmas? If it wasn't for my Jesus, we wouldn't have Christmas.

on our freedom of religion, which was taken care of in the constitution, and fought for by our forefathers. Our money says "IN GOD WE TRUST". A lot of our government buildings mention God in stone on the front of them. Now, prayer has been taken out of school, and in a lot of our governmental systems. Our children cannot mention God, or have a Bible study in the school building. WHERE IS OUR FREEDOM?? I see missionaries on CBN teaching children about God in a foreign country that doesn't have as many freedoms as we do. I praise God for this, but why have we allowed those freedoms to be taken from us? Then there is the crazy people that think it is okay to abort babies. The Bible tells us that God knew us before PAGE 3 – WEST BEND NEWS – APRIL 26, 2006

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Brown East & Oakwood -Local Option Election; Antwerp LSD - permanent

### improvements; Wayne Trace LSD - ¾ %

Income Tax. The Polls for the Election will open at 6:30 a.m., and remain open until 7:30 p.m. of said day.

If you have any questions, please contact the Paulding County Board of Elections at 105 East Perry Street, Paulding. call 419-399-8230 or fax 419-399-8250. email address is paulding@sos.state.oh.us.

Janet L Commers, Director Brenda J Crawford, Deputy Director Paulding County Board of Elections

### SPECIAL MEETING FOR PAULDING COUNTY BOARD **OF MRDD**

The Paulding County Board of MRDD will hold a special meeting on Monday, May 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Board of MRDD, Administrative Conference Room; 900 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH.

The purpose of the special meeting is to address the school bus bids.

Jane A. Gray, Superintendent

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we were born, before we were formed in our mother's wombs. Yet, they get by with murdering babies!

My God, Your God, the One and Only True God, gave His Son to die on the cross for our sins. He loved us so very much. If we believe in Him we can spend eternity with Him. Doesn't this group of people that is against our God realize they will be spending eternity with Satan in a hell that will last forever and ever? How can we convince them? How can we stop them? What can we do? This is the nightmare I had last night. I felt compelled to tell someone. Who else can I tell?

God Bless you, Iean Delong

Russell. I am 3 years old and already neutered I need a home without small children and a fenced in yard would be great. I love to run and play frisbees. I am looking for my forever home. Please call the Defiance County Humane Soci-

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### **PAULDING COUNTY AREA** FOUNDATION HOLDS BANQUET



The Paulding County Area Foundation (PCAF) held its second annual banquet at Grant's Catering Hall, April 18, with approximately 100 people attending.

The PCAF is a philanthropic non-profit organization that manages gifts given for charitable purposes to the people of Paulding County. Speakers included: Gary Unger, radio personality; Norman Cook, attorney; Roy Klop-fenstein, PCAF V.P.; Matt Reineck, CPA; Stan Searing, PCAF Trustee; and Tony Langham, PCAF Director.

Dinner Sponsors recognized were: Johnson Financial Management; Arend,

#### Laukhuf and Stoller; Cook Troth, Burkard and Gorrell; Edward Jones (Tim Stoller); and Family Chiropractic Center. For more information about the PCAF call 399-8282.

Tony Langham, PCAF

Caption: PCAF Trustees (L to R): Tony Langham, Director; Steve Sprow; John Aden; Lyle Ebel; Joe Woods; Myrna Cook, Sec./Treas.; Joe Barker; Rick King; Stan Searing; Norman Cook, attorney; Matt Reineck, CPA; Roy Klopfenstein, V.P.; not pictured, Dr. Saxton, Pres.; and Brian G. Miller.

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ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL



The staff from Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool participated in the Business, Health and Industry Fair held at the Paulding County Extension Building. Shown here from the left are: Linda Wilhelm, director and teacher of the 3's program. Chris Adams, teacher for 4's program and Ann Miller, owner and teacher of 3's and 4's program.

### **HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL:** WAYNE TRACE VS. NORTH CENTRAL

The Wayne Trace Baseball team played a doubleheader Saturday against North Central at Wayne Trace. The Raiders scored a run in the innings to garner the victory.

In the second game, freshman Joe Morehead faced just 16 batters in a 10 - 0 win. Morehead had 5 strikeouts and gave up one hit on the day.

Line Score: North Central 0-3-0-3-2-0 - 0 - 0

Wayne Trace 4-1-1-0-0-1-1-1

Winning Pitcher – Davis 4 innings, 0 runs, 2 hits.

Losing Pitcher - Clement, 7 innings, 8 runs, 11 hits.

Leading hitters - Wayne Trace – Ryan Davis 2 – 4, Jay Priest, 2 – 5, Joe Sinn 2 – 4 North Central - Clement

3 - 4. Second Game:

Winning Pitcher - Joe Morehead 5 innings, 0 runs, 1 hit.

Losing Pitcher - Maneval 2 innings 9 runs, 13 hits. Leading Hitters:

Wayne Trace – Adam Miller 2 – 2, Joe Sinn, 2 – 3, Riley Linder 1 – 2.

North Central - Kidston - 1 - 2.

I appreciate the opportunity to speak on behalf of Mr. Tony Burkley, who is a candidate for the Ohio House of Representatives, 75th District, in the May primary election.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I have personally known Mr. Burkley for a number of years. Tony is a great family man who possesses unique qualities, which make him the excellent choice to represent us in Columbus. He has the integrity, moral values, common sense, and good judgment, which are most imperative to represent us well.

Tony is a successful business owner and has many years of outstanding public service. He is well acquainted with the social, economic, financial and spiritual issues that confront us. He is determined to keep Ohio and America a strong and prosperous land where we can worship in freedom, raise our families with dignity and pride, and achieve our dreams.

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bottom of the 7th to take the game into extra innings where they put the game away with a Ryan Davis double to tally the score 9-8 for the Raiders. Nate Davis pitched 4 strong

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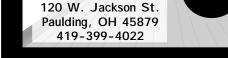
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### **HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL:** WAYNE TRACE VS. PAULD-ING

The WT Raiders pounded out 13 hits and scored a big 8 - 4 win over Paulding April 21 night at Panther field to raise their record to 6-5-1 on the season. The Raiders used almost every inning to plate a run and secure the victory. Trevor Wilson starting his first game of the year picked up the victory going 4 strong innings and allowing 3 runs, while Nate Davis came on for the save. The Raiders were led at the plate by Adam Miller, Jay Priest, Reid Linder and Joe Sinn all going 2 - 4. The Panthers were led by Zac Arend who went 2 - 4 with a 2 run homer. The Raiders were back in action Saturday, April 22 in a doubleheader against North Central at home. Linescore:

Wayne Trace 1 - 0 - 1- 4 - 0 - 2 - 0

8 - 13 - 2.

Paulding 2 -1-0- 0- 1- 0- 0 4 - 5 - 2

Winning Pitcher – Trevor Wilson: 4 innings, 3 runs, 3 hits.

Adam Miller: 1 2/3 inning, 1 hit. Nate Davis: 1 1/3 inning.

Losing Pitcher - Stallkamp 4innings, 6 runs, 9 hits.

Leading hitters: Wayne Trace—JayPriest 2-5; Nate Davis 2 - 4; Adam Miller 2 - 3; Joe Sinn 2 - 4.

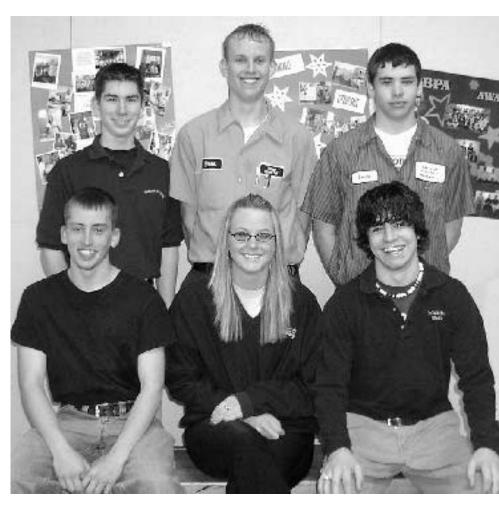
# **"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL HAPPENINGS**

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Vantage Spring Sports Athletes: Front row: Drew Kreischer, Crestview Baseball; Sarah Benien, Continental Girls Track; Alaina Ross, Wayne Trace Softball; Nicole Sargent, Delphos Jefferson Softball; Emily Funk, Wayne Trace Softball. Back Row: Ross Warnecke, Kalida Baseball; Tyson Brown, Van Wert Track; Adam Miller and Zach Miller, Wayne Trace Baseball; Ben Roop, Van Wert Baseball; Cain Warthman, Crestview Baseball; Brad Fetters, Crestview Track.

Unavailable for pictures: Brandon Rue, Continental Track; Dustin Ladd, Continental Baseball; and Kera Vance, Paulding Softball.



Vantage Blue Chippers for the 3rd Quarter 2005-2006 (Front Row): Greg Brown, Sr. Welding (Crestview); Andrea Van Oss, Jr. Cosmetology (Kalida); Gevorg Yeghiazaryan, Jr. Interactive Media (Van Wert); (Back Row): Kevin Klinger, Sr. Network Systems (Crestview); Steven Becker, Sr. Precision Machining (Kalida); Dustin Ladd, Jr. Industrial Mechanics (Continental).

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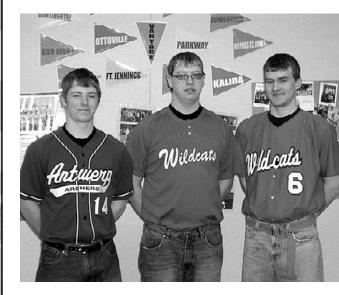


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More Vantage Spring Athletes: (1 to r): Seth Smith, Antwerp Baseball; Kurt Boecker and Jon Staples, Delphos Jefferson Baseball.

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The food pantry is a ministry of Auglaize Chapel Church of God, Oakwood. Their Benevolence Committee manages it. The church hopes to address both physical and spiritual needs of the community through

this outlet.

The second day of operation is planned for May 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Then, the pantry is scheduled to be open every second Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

If you would like more information or wish to contribute time or resources to the pantry, please contact Alan Seibert at (419) 587-3693, (419) 203-3502 or seibertsound@bright.net. Or, write Auglaize Chapel Benevolence, 22652 County Road 60, Oakwood, Ohio 45873.



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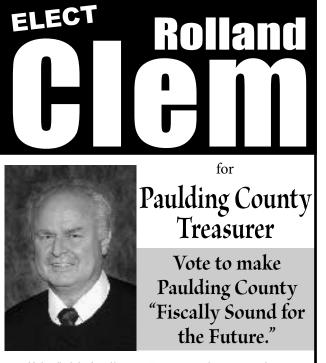
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### **UPCOMING PERMANENT IM-**PROVEMENT RENEWAL LEVY

On May 2, 2006, Antwerp Local School is asking its voters to approve the renewal of its permanent improvement levy for another five years.

The levy is for 2.9 mills and will result in NO NEW TAXES, NO INCREASE IN FUNDS, and WILL CRE-ATE NO ADDED COST PER HOUSEHOLD. No one in the district will be paying additional taxes because of this levv

Ohio law says permanent improvement funds must be spent for items with a life span of at least five years. Permanent improvement funds cannot be used for salaries and benefits of school employees.

The school needs to continue to receive permanent improvement funds for a variety of projects including the purchase of new textbooks, building a new bus garage, purchasing new buses and completing a drainage and parking lot project for the new field house/softball field. If you have questions, please contact the superintendent's office at 419-258-5421. All DJs Play Music...We Take It A Step Further

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### **BOOK REVIEW: THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES BY** SUE MONK KIDD, PENGUIN **BOOKS 2002**

By: Jamie Lassiter, **Book Review** 

Lily thinks she killed her mother. She is a young girl coming into womanhood while living with a neglectful father and her black nanny, Rosaleen. Set in the south amongst the racial tension of the sixties, Lilie's life is full of turmoil. When Rosaleen gets arrested after a run-in with two town racists, Lily knows she must break her friend out or see her die. What results is a whimsical adventure which leads them to the doorstep of August, May and June-beekeeping sisters created with such colorful character that you believe they do exist somewhere in Tiburon, S.C. Here, the women ban together and teach Lily the meaning of empowerment and the regenerative quality of love.

This novel is written with fierce passion and insight and forces us to remember a time when equality was not for blacks and violence was common. In this compelling coming of age story we see Lily unlock a secret door to her past and discover her future.

This is a spell-binding first novel by Kidd, who took some of the details directly from her own childhood. I would highly recommend this book as it leaves you with the feeling that you too, have taken a journey.

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### **CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP:**

**ANTWERP HISTORY** 

### By: Stan Jordan

Looking west on River Street from North Main Street, on the left side, what is now the Video Junction, at that time in the 1930's was Doering & Long's Grocery Store and Dry Good. Upstairs was the Odd Fellow's Lodge and The Red Men's Lodge. It also had a stage and auditorium where the Antwerp High School held their plays and drama events.

The little building behind the store which is now Rister's Law Office, at that time, was a storage place for the grocery store. It was also a barber shop for many years. Charlie Van Horn, Ed Smith, Joe Koenn, Charlie Mobley and Bob Wycoff were the different barbers over the years.

Then came the hotel. It was operated by Frank and Anna Lamb. For years Mr. Lamb had a barber shop on Main Street, what is now the Carla's Clip & Curl. The hotel was a two story affair with a large porch out over the sidewalk and a patio on top for the second story veranda. The last people to own it, I think, was Gabor Berenyi. In the later years it was torn down to become the present day parking lot.

What is now the Laundry mat, as far as I can remember, was a house. Dr. Brattain had his office there until the middle 30's.

I know in 1935 Miss Johanson started teaching the fifth grade in Antwerp (I was in that class). She lived in part of that house and Dr. Spragens had his office in the back where Dr. Brattain had been. Dr. Spragens was called away by the Army just before WWII. After a few years, Tommy

Schilb purchased that corner and erected the present day building. At that time, there were appliances on the second floor and the ground floor.

That building also had a cou-

ple other owners in the appli-

ance business, but then it was

remodeled and became the

to the west, was the home

of Tom Johnson. He was the

telegrapher at the Wabash

Depot. In the last part of the

1930's, he was transferred to

there for many years. He and

his brother, Dick, had pur-

chased the Gordon Hard-

ware on North Main Street

and it burned down around

1939. Ivan and his wife had

a daughter, Donna, who lives

that side of the street was

the home of Ed Bickard. He

was co-owner and publisher of the local paper, the "Bee

Argus". They had purchased it from the Osborn's. The Ed

Bickards' had two daughters,

Anita & Norma. Norma lives

in Hicksville and Anita lives

in the next house for quite

awhile. After Tom retired,

they lived in Sebring, Florida

in the next house, two of his

boys were school teachers

late 1920's and early 30's

was the home of the Richard

Mooneys. I think they moved into Ft. Wayne and the Ed

Durre family lived on that corner for quite awhile and

later moved in the Hicksville

the South side, was the home of Warren and Pearl Seslar.

For as long as I can remember they operated the Texaco gas and oil dealership for the

Antwerp area. They had a son

named Delmar and they were

side was the home of John

pied by Hi Overmeyer and his

wife. Another lady stayed with

them named Gertie Hughes. I

remember them so well because they all sat on the large

porch on those hot summer

days when I delivered the Ft.

Wayne News-Sentinel. They

were always glad to see me. I

was 12 years old at that time. The last house in that

block was the home of Man-

Langham and family.

The second house on that

The next house was occu-

all fine people.

Across Madison Street on

for a good many years.

Tom and Ruth Schilb lived

George Clemmer, Sr. lived

The next house, in the

here in Antwerp.

here.

area.

The next house west on

Then Ivan Gaisford lived

the Napoleon Office.

over by Woodburn.

Across Cleveland Street

present day Laundry Mat.

they had in those days (1920's) she must have been a very resourceful person. He sold the new item "television" and other appliances.

PAGE 7 – WEST BEND NEWS – APRIL 26, 2006 home to Mr. And Mrs. Jay Dave's grandmother and I understand she built their house Clingmon, and Bill Dick lived herself. Considering the tools in the other house. A lady named Mae Pio lived along these about that time also.

The next two houses was

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- +Member and Trustee Paulding County Fish and Game Club
- +Past Member Paulding Consumer's Board **CIVIC DUTY:**
- +Veteran of the United States Navy

+Member and past chairman — Paulding County Republican Party



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dus Reeb. He worked in the County Court House-I think he was County Treasurer. In his younger days he was also a minor league baseball player. After he retired from the Courthouse, they moved to Texas.

Across Monroe Street where Violet Hughes now lives, was the home of Mrs. Anna Mickelson. This was

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undelivered and uncashed stock dividends, credit balance, uncashed checks or intangible contents of safe deposit boxes.

According to the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 169, accounts become unclaimed when, over a specific period of time, there has been no activity, and the holder of the funds cannot locate the owner. The time frame varies depending on the property but in most cases, it is three to five years. One exception is payroll checks, which are only held for one year. The funds are then turned over to the State, which acts as custodian of the funds until they can be returned to the rightful owner.

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According to a recent

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# What's the Difference Between These Career Politicians? Absolutely Nothing!



# All have ties to Coin Dealer Tom Noe!

Republicans aren't alone in this one. Ted Strickland's running mate, Lee Fisher carried the legislation that gave Tom Noe's industry a tax break which has cost Ohioans over \$50 Million! (Sources : Toledo Blade, Ohio Democratic Party Website)

# All have benefited from **Pay to Play Politics!**

Again, Strickland joins the other politicians. He first voted against the Energy Bill. Then, he received thousands of dollars in campaign contributions from energy executives including \$25K from the family of an Ohio coal company before voting for the bill days later! (Sources : Project Vote Smart, Library of Congress, Cleveland Plain Dealer)



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### PAULDING COUNTY HOS-PITAL FACES FINANCIAL CHALLENGES

Paulding County Hospital's board of trustees was updated on the efforts being made to address reimbursement shortfalls at its most recent meeting. Hospital CEO Gary Adkins is working with the Ohio Hospital Association (OHA) to minimize the negative financial impact.

"We have two basic strategies," Adkins told the board. "One is to establish a national coalition of states to work with the Federal government to increase reimbursement. The second is through OHA. The association is working with the consulting firm of Health Management Associates to develop plans to address the shortfall."

In addition, Adkins participated in a meeting of Ohio's 13 public hospitals with State Senator Lynn Wachtmann and State Representative Jim Hoops.

The shortfall is a result of changes to two Federal Medicaid programs administered through the State-the Health Care Assurance Program (HCAP) and the Medicaid Supplemental Upper Payment Limit Program.

The Ohio legislature significantly reduced the Medicaid Supplemental Upper Payment Limit Program in next year's budget to accommodate for Medicaid managed care. The action also reduced income from HCAP. The changes to these two programs will result in a total loss to the hospital of around \$329,000 annually.

The negative impact was evidenced in CFO Goshia's financial report. He reported a net loss of \$18,794 for February and a year to date net loss of \$13,209.

In other hospital finances, the board approved two capital requests. One was for a replacement voice mail phone system costing \$25,488. The other was for a cardiac telemetry (heart monitor) station

for the medical-surgical care unit costing \$75,000. The board HR committee

recommended acceptance and the full board approved a cost reduction plan to save \$174,000 through 2006. It will address this year's anticipated financial shortfall.

The board also approved a 2007 pay scale for managers that will be tied to the results of the ongoing customer satisfaction surveys.

The board's physician relations committee reported that the hospital's new wound care clinic, conducted by Dr. William Strawter, is doing well. They also reported that the most recent mailing of the ongoing educational-marketing effort, which focused on early identification of colon cancer, was successful. Several area residents contact general surgeon Dr. William Strawter's office to pursue screenings.

Chief operating officer Randy Ruge's report includ-

-Administration is investigating being able to provide expanded vascular ultrasound services.

-Surgery volumes were up in February. General surgeon Dr. William Strawter's cases increased 15 percent and OB/GYN Dr Stephens Triplett's cases increased 44 percent.

Adkins' CEO report included:

-The direct mail educational-marketing project is proceeding on schedule. The postcards reviewing prostate cancer were mailed mid-March to men over 50 in Paulding County.

-As a follow up to the luncheon PCH hosted at the Antwerp VFW to discuss Medicare Part D, Barb Hoersten, RPh, met personally with six individuals to assist them in selecting and signing up for a plan.

-PCH hosted the first Paulding Chamber of Commerce After Hours networking event in March.

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### **REP. GILLMOR SAYS U.S.** ECONOMY IS "BOOMING" **AS HE RINGS IN RECORD** HIGHS

Ohio's Fifth District Representative, Paul Gillmor (R-Old Fort), was in New York City this week where he rang the bells at two of the nation's largest stock markets. Gillmor, a senior member of the Financial Services Committee, rang Nasdaq's closing bell on Wednesday and the opening bell of the New York Stock Exchange on Thursday.

'One of my responsibilities in Congress is to monitor the health of our economy and our markets. Nationally, our economy is booming," Gillmor said. While Ohio's economy has been affected by declines in the auto market, Gillmor said the economy in the Ohio is growing. "I hear of new industries and new employers coming into the Fifth District on a regular basis now. Today, Ohio's economy is strong and getting stronger."

On Wednesday, Congressman Gillmor closed the Nasdaq at the highest level in 5years. The next day, Gillmor opened the New York Stock Exchange to trading that would finish with the Dow Jones at its highest level since January 2000, a more than 6year high.

"While I was ringing the bells on two of the brightest days in the markets' recent history, I commented that our economic growth is a

direct result of our national economic policies," Gillmor said. "Before President Bush's 2003 tax relief went into effect, our economy was only growing at 1.3 percent per year. Since that time, the economy has been growing at 4 percent and our unemployment rate is down to 4.7 percent- lower than the averages of the 1960's, 70's, 80's, or 90's. Since the attacks on September 11th, we have rebounded to add more than 5 million new jobs in our workforce and gracefully recovered from a disaster which could have devastated our economy for decades. It is clear to me that the Republican policies which Congress and President Bush have developed are working and are vital to the future of our economy," Gillmor concluded.

After 18 years in Congress, Gillmor has become an important figure on the House Financial Services Committee which oversees banking issues, insurance, international monetary policy, our capital markets, and public and private housing. Because of his seniority and expertise of economic issues, Gillmor has become a resource to both the domestic and international communities- in the House and in his post as Chairman of the Economic and Security Committee of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly. While in New York, Gillmor toured the trading floors of the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq, and New York Mercantile Exchange.

### **HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL:** WAYNE TRACE VS. HICKS-VILLE

The Wayne Trace Baseball team evened its' record in the GMC to 2 - 2 with a 9 - 0 win over Hicksville Tuesday night at Wayne Trace. Each team battled through a 0 - 0 tie until the Raiders plated 2 in the 5th. The Raiders then put the game out of reach with a 7 run sixth, highlighted by Jay Priest grand slam. Brandon German, (2 - 0) went the distance for the Raiders giving up 8 hits in the win. The Raiders are back in action on Thursday as they travel to

PAGE 9 – WEST BEND NEWS – APRIL 26, 2006 Aversville to battle the Pilots. The are 4 - 4 - 1 this year. Line Score:

- Hicksville 0 0 0 0 0- 0 - 0 - 0 - 8 - 3
- Wayne Trace 0-0-0-0-2 - 7 - 9 - 8 - 0

Winning Pitcher - German 7 innings, 0 Run, 8 hits. Losing Pitcher - Miller, 6

innings, 7 runs, 8 hits. Leading hitters: Wayne Trace – Nate Davis 2- 4, Riley Linder 2 – 3, Zach Miller 2 - 4, Jay Priest 1 - 2 with a Grand Slam.

Hicksville - Klepper - 2 –3, Parker – 2 – 4, Ŵhitman 2 - 3.



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PAGE 10 – WEST BEND NEWS – APRIL 26, 2006 PAULDING COUNTY AREA **PAULDING EAGLES MAKES DONATION TO** FOUNDATION SCHOLAR-SHIP AVAILABLE

The Paulding County Area Foundation has announced that we have 6 scholarships to give out this year. An anonymous donor has offered to give a scholarship of \$1,000.00 each to 2 graduating seniors from Antwerp, Paulding and Wayne Trace School that are going on to college. Scholarship preference will be given to those students majoring in agriculture per the donors wish. The recipients should have the intention of returning to NW Ohio after their college graduation, but this is not a requirement.

For a student to be eligible for a scholarship grant, they must submit a letter including: student's name, address, grade point average, attendance record, activities and future plans about their chosen field. This information is needed by May 1, 2006 at the address listed below.

The Paulding County Area Foundation is located at the Marshall Memorial Supporting Foundation Building at 101 E. Perry Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879, or call 419 399-8282.



Ed Straley, representing the Paulding Eagles, who is also a candidate for Paulding County Commissioner, presented a check to Marsh Yeutter and Connie Deatrick, from the Paulding County Senior Center for \$1,000. The donation is to be used for the purchase of new vans through the Operation Transportation campaign.

Due to the Election Coverage, the crossword puzzle is not included in this issue. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. The puzzles along with the previous weeks answers will continue next issue.

### Have Something to sell?

Classified ads are \$4.00 for 25 words or less and only \$.10 for each additional word.

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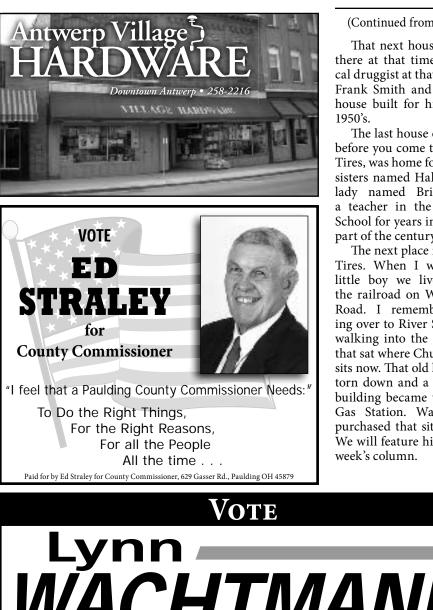


### **FISCAL OFFICER** Village of Antwerp

Antwerp Village is accepting resumes for the position of Fiscal Officer. The position is parttime, 24 to 30 hours per week, annual salary of \$19,000.00. Computer skills required. The position is in charge of disbursements and investments, payroll, quarterly reports, annual reports and the Village's annual budget. Position also serves as the Clerk of Antwerp Village Council. Knowledge of public administration municipal accounting procedures and important.

Please send resumes by Arpil 28, 2006 to:

**Mayor Margaret Womack** P.O. Box 1046 Antwerp, OH 45813



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That next house was not there at that time. Our local druggist at that time was Frank Smith and he had a house built for him in the 1950's.

The last house on the left before you come to Chuck's Tires, was home for a couple sisters named Halinan. The lady named Bridget was a teacher in the Antwerp School for years in the early part of the century.

The next place is Chuck's Tires. When I was just a little boy we lived across the railroad on Wentworth Road. I remember walking over to River Street and walking into the old house that sat where Chuck's Tires sits now. That old house was torn down and a one room building became the Lenco Gas Station. Walter Ross purchased that site in 1937. We will feature him in next week's column.





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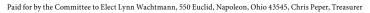
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TERMS: Everyone is cautioned to exercise care while attending the auction. Any statements made day of auction by the auctioneer take precedence over any printed material. Horse consigners must have Coggins papers within 30 days of the auction Consignment Deadline is April 28, 12:00 pm. All bidders must register and provide proper ID. All items sold "as is, where is" and must be paid for in full on Saturday, April 29. Now accepting Cash, Check, Visa & MasterCard.

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#### PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • www.westbendnews.net THANKS FROM PAULDING PTO

On April 1, the Paulding Elementary PTO held its annual spring carnival. Hundreds of students and parents enjoyed the event filled with games, food and fun. The PTO would like to publicly commend the numerous patrons from the area that donated prizes or money for the carnival. Without the generosity of these people and businesses, the carnival would not have been the success that it was.

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List #367 401 Park Street Melrose, Here's an 8 room home that's built to last Features 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, Large living, eat-in-kitchen, room that was used for a shop but could easily be turned back into a garage, large lot with lots of flowers, 2 car detached garage, \$52,000, To show you this property Call Sue Rau.



Subway "The Trash Lady" (Becky Suvar) Warren Bissel (Dinner Bell Rep.) Woodbridge Campground Colleen's Cutting Edge Dairy Queen First Federal Bank John Mumma Drainage McDonald's Paulding Co. Hospital Robert's Manufacturing Straley Insurance The State Bank Travis McGarvey, Paulding Co. Engineer Wild Cat Creek Farms West Bend Printing & Publishing, Inc. We would also like to recognize the Paulding High School National Honor Society, football team, and cheerleaders. These high school students took time out of their busy Saturday to work at

the carnival running games,

making snow cones and pop-

corn, and working the food

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FOR RENT: 2 bedroom/2 bath mobile home on Country lot. Available May 1st. Call 419-258-2635 for more information. 16,17p

ENTRY LEVEL SER-VICE and delivery person needed. Must be able to do heavy lifting, have ability and limited experience to install and repair water softeners. Need good driving record and valid driver's license. Service van and cell phone available after job training. Please call 800-264-2195 for a confidential application or send resume/job info to: Ambitious Job Seeker, P.O. Box 676, Grabill, IN 46741. 16-18 FOR SALE: 1996 Dodge Ram – 1500 Sport 4 x 4 (white). 139,000 miles - full loaded. Runs great, looks great. Asking \$6,900.00 Call Doug or Vicky Etzler, 419-263-5064. р

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GARAGE SALE: Multifamily April 27 & 28 (9-6), 29th (9-1). Clothes, infant thru adult; household and much more. 19843 SR 111 near Auglaize Golf Course. (1 mi. north of The Cabbage Patch)

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HUGE GARAGE SALE: Crafts, supplies, all season, new Avon, toys, shoes, boys' clothes. Noon until dark, Sunday, April 30. 18254 Rd 108, near 613-637 intersection.

POLE BARN FOR SALE: 419-594-3402. Ask for Gerald.

GARAGE SALE: Fri. & Sat. April 28th & 29th, 9-5. From Antwerp, take 49 south to Co. Rd. 162, turn left to Rd. 51, turn left to first house. 2" trash pump; camo netting; organ; new white vinyl siding; phaltzgraff tea rose pattern dishes (12 place setting, with extras); lot of misc. dishes, camping items, tools, 19 inch computer monitor, teen jeans size 1-3, and lots of misc.

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1ST AND LAST SATUR-DAYS at 6 pm-new & used variety. Baker's Auctionnorth on 49 to 14597 Rd. 31 Antwerp, OH, 419-258-5605, 419-542-7530. 13-24

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HUGE 4 FAMILY GA-RAGE SALE: Tons of kids' clothes 2T to 16, adult clothes, double and single stroller, Gazelle exerciser, heaters, bar stools, Kirby sweeper. April 28th & 29th, 9-4. 3405 CR 144, Antwerp. 1 1/2 mile west of SR 49. p

TWO GARAGE SALES north of Cecil at 9566 and 9628 Road 230. Wed, and Thurs. 8-5. Boys 0-4, girls 6, 6x, Weider Pro Weight System, hanging wine glass rack, toys, baby bed, high chair, dressing table, lots of misc.

APARTMENT FOR **RENT: In Antwerp 3 bed**room, 1 bath, A/C, utilities paid. Non smokers only. Call 419-542-7871. to see. р

6 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: April 26-29, 8-? Adult clothes, children girls, NB to 6x, boys NB to 2 toddler. Books, antiques, old sewing machine, aquariums, knick-knacks, oak table, yard trailer, 8' pick-up bed trailer. Rd 192 to State Line Rd, turn right, next to Pond-a-River Golf Course.



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