

## PAULDING FFA CHAPTER ELECTS NEW OFFICERS



The Paulding FFA elected its 2006-2007 chapter officers on Saturday, April 22, at the FFA annual banquet. The president has changed from Renae Schlatter to Joy Nice. Newly elected Vice Presi-

dent is Caleb Schlatter and the retiring Vice President is Adam Cook. The secretary is still Elizabeth Gottke. The reporter has changed from Tara Schlatter to Kari Gibson. Managing the chapter fi-

nances will be Jerrod Knodel who replaces senior Travis Schlatter. The student advisor has changed from Joy Nice to her sister Audrey Nice. Also, the sentinel has changed from Caleb Schlatter to Alex Straley.

The Officers will give leadership to the FFA Chapter starting April 24th, 2006 until the new election in 2007. To be elected to serve on the Paulding FFA Officer team members had to be nominated by a fellow FFA member, complete an application, answer questions about the overall structure of FFA Organization, complete an interview, give an extemporaneous speech and be voted into position by the members of the FFA Chapter. The new officer team will partake in an officer retreat on June 6 - 8.

Kari Gibson

## BATTLE OF THE BOOKS COMPETITION RESULTS

The Battle of the Books County Competition was held Tuesday, April 25, 2006 at 12:30 p.m. at the Youth Leadership Building in Paulding. Six schools competed in the competition. The competition was intense but in the end Paulding Middle School triumphed over all.

**1st:** Paulding Middle School.

**2nd:** Oakwood Elementary.

**3rd:** Antwerp Elementary.

**4th:** Grover Hill Elementary.

**5th:** St. John's Catholic School.

**6th:** Payne Elementary.

Paulding beat Oakwood in the final battle with a score of 20 - 8.

All teams in the county competition received a battle of the books t-shirt sponsored by Dr. Larry Tope and Jeffrey E Rhees DDS, Inc. They also received a bag with 2 free books, bookmarks, a bencil pencil, a Dairy Queen coupon, and a McDonalds coupon. Teams placing 3rd through 6th received ribbons and 1st and 2nd place received gold and silver medals sponsored by K & L Tool and Community First Bank and Trust. The winning school also receives a traveling trophy to display at their school for a year.

All students that participated in the battle of the books throughout the year received a certificate of participation, a McDonald's coupon, and bookmarks. Lafarge also provided the library with a grant to purchase the books to put in the school libraries.

Students participating in the county competition:

**Paulding Middle School** - Jenna Gasser, Jessica Harpel, Audra Phlipot, Katie Kohart, Kristen Beck, Kelli Schlatter.

**Oakwood Elementary** - Drew Burnett, Austin Land, Chase Fry, Eric Adams, Taylor Mock, Tyler Arnett.

**Antwerp Elementary** - Noah Ganger, Kyle Ryan,

Rachel Stewart, Lydia Yenser, Shawn Dooley, Cameron Huss.

**Grover Hill Elementary** - Miranda Harris, Beth Ross, Holly Ludwig, Starla Silvestri, Reuben Stoller.

**St. John's Catholic School** - Ann Reinhart, Ian Moore, Emily Shuherk, Kaleigh Young, Lyndsay Combs, Ashley Goeltzenleuchter.

**Payne Elementary** - Megan Pierce, Pete Sinn, Kelly Zartman, Ashley Saylor, Eli Cook.

The Battle of the Books program is a literary competition between Paulding County schools sponsored by the Paulding County Carnegie Library. Teams made up of 5th and 6th graders compete by answering questions about books on the Battle of the Books list. There are 50 book titles on the Battle of the Books list, which is available at the beginning of each school year. The participants form teams of no more than 6 people and have the school year to read the 50 books. In the spring preliminary competitions are held at each of the schools to determine which team will move on

to the county competition. This program encourages reading for pleasure and provides an opportunity for students to read books on a variety of subjects.

Rules of Competition:

Questions are randomly selected with 10 questions asked of each team on an alternate basis. Each team has 30 seconds after a question is read to confer and answer the question through their spokesperson. If a question is answered correctly, the team has 10 seconds to name the author of the book. If the answer is incorrect, the opposing team has an opportunity to answer the question. The question is re-read to the opposing team and they have 30 seconds after the question is read to confer and answer the question through their spokesperson. If the question is answered correctly, the team has 10 seconds to give the name of the author. If there is a tie at the end of 20 questions, 10 additional random questions are asked of the competing teams. Each correct answer is worth one point, and each correct author is worth one point.

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A big Thank You to the Antwerp EMS and all my family and friends that sent flowers, cards and gifts to me while I was in the hospital and since my return home. I fell on the first of April and broke my ankle in two places and had to have a plate and screws in it. I spent 19 days in Parkview and am recuperating at home. I can't put any weight on it yet, so its tough to get around.

A very special thank you and love to my wonderful husband and our two kids and their families for all their love, concern, and help.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Mildred Evelyn Noneman**, 91, of Paulding, died April 26, at the Country Inn Enhanced Living Center, Paulding.

She was born June 28, 1914, in Payne, OH, the daughter of James and Pearl (Merica) Davis. On October 7, 1933 she married Ernest J. Noneman, who preceded her in death on August 14, 1994. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paulding, and was previously employed as a nurse for the Paulding County Hospital, Paulding.

She is survived by two sons: Mark (Lynn) Noneman, of Ft. Wayne, IN, David (Janet Hagleberger) Noneman of Woodburn, IN; a daughter: Kathy (Daniel) Smith of Broomfield, CO; a brother: Leo (Caroline) Davis of Paulding; two sisters: Ruth (Fritz) Knoblauch of Woodburn and Esther Fisher of Scott, OH; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, James; siblings, Dean Davis, Eloise Webb, and an infant sister, Lela.

Funeral services were April 29, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

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

**Jane C. Knox**, 81, of Delaware, formerly of Columbus, Worthington and Powell, died April 26, at The Arbors at Delaware.

A homemaker, she was a former substitute teacher for

the Upper Arlington City School District. Upon graduation from Miami University (Ohio), she worked in business prior to raising a family. A pianist and vocalist, she enjoyed the arts, especially jazz, the theatre, the Columbus Symphony "Pop" concerts and was active for many years with Vaud-Villities. She was a gourmet cook and she loved gardening with flowers and vegetables. She enjoyed the woods at her family's homes in Worthington and later, in Powell.

She was born July 20, 1924 in Lucasville to the late John and Marie Collis and was predeceased by her husband, Wilbert "Bill" E. Knox on February 22, 2003.

She is survived by two sons, Timothy J. (Marcia) Knox of Brentwood, TN and Stephen C. (Jan) Knox of Marysville; seven grandchildren, Eric, Doug, Lindsey, Julie, Whitney, Mikayla and Jevon Knox; a sister, Nancy (Ralph) Brown of Antwerp; a sister-in-law Dorothy "Dot" (Russ) Maniglia of Mechanicsburg, PA; two nieces, Jennifer (Neil) Ramsier of Antwerp and Suzanne (Jon) Hollabaugh of Fremont, IN; a nephew, Richard (Liz) Maniglia of Philadelphia, PA; and other relatives.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 6, 2006 at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church in Lucasville. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Delaware Office of Central Ohio Chapter Alzheimer's Association, 39 West Winter Street, Delaware, OH 43015.

**ORIGINAL REVIEW: YOUNG AUTHOR LITERATURE THE GIVER BY LOIS LOWRY HOUGHTON MIFFLIN CO. 1993**

**By: Jamie Lassiter**

Jonas lives in a futuristically cold world. He is given the gift of feeling, but surrounded by those who don't. This book is filled with questions of conscience and difficult decisions that Jonas must face. It recalls the old adage "ignorance is bliss." In a poignant, delicately told story, Lowry questions even the most basic of our societal conventions. She toys with existence in a thoughtfully written "what if?" Lowry uses plot and character development to draw us into Jonas's psychological challenges and leaves us wondering what will happen next. A contemplative page turner. I would recommend this book highly to anyone age 11+ who is looking for something interesting and out of the ordinary. A contemporary questioning of social conventions and each person's role in the greater good.

**RELAY FOR LIFE HAPPENINGS**

Relay for Life is going on in Paulding on June 2-3 and our "Marathon Moms" team are doing a fundraiser.

New this year at the Relay for Life event will be a crowning of a prince & princess and a king & queen on Saturday, June 3. There will be two age categories 2-4 and 5-8. Registration forms can be picked up at the Village Apothecary and the Red Owl in Paulding and your local library. There is a small fee to enter. You must pre-register your child by May 29.

**NEW WEB PAGES FOR THE OSU EXTENSION OFFICE OF PAULDING COUNTY**

The OSU Extension office of Paulding County has recently updated their web pages to a new format. We invite everyone to check out the new layout and design of our new pages at our same address: <http://paulding.osu.edu>. In addition to information regarding Paulding County's Agriculture, 4-H and Family & Consumer Science programs, new features are available on the updated site. New to the site is a hot topics section that lists upcoming events, news articles are available on the home page, and there are many new links to information from Ohio State and Ohionline. We would welcome your comments and feedback, email us at [paul@ag.osu.edu](mailto:paul@ag.osu.edu).

**LIVING LIKE CHRIST**

**By: Pastor Jeff Shadowen, Westwood Fellowship, Woodburn**

This is actually our fifth week in this series of columns. And as I looked back over the past four, it doesn't seem like we have gotten very far along. I apologize for that! It was not my intention to put you to sleep with these columns.

The definition that we are working with is a good one - crafted by Eugene Peterson in one of his devotional books entitled, "Living the Message". Peterson writes, "a trained attentiveness to God in prayer, in Scripture reading, and in spiritual direction."

Discipleship is all about "a trained attentiveness to God". How do we train ourselves to be attentive to God? Most people would say that it begins early in the morning with "devotions"—a time of Scripture reading, prayer and reflection before racing off to another busy day. I have come to disagree with this commonly held theory . . . although I do believe in morning devotions.

I believe that the secret to a disciplined attentiveness to God in any given day is how you prepare the night before. In fact, the Hebrews mark the start of a new day at sundown. They begin their day with reflection followed by rest followed by a new morning and afternoon of activity. Rest and reflection to activity rather than activity to exhaustion to collapse (rest).

If you begin your new "day" with the previous evening, then your rest will be better, your early morning will be well prepared for, and you stand a much better chance of walking through your daylight hours in a trained attentiveness to God.

Brother Lawrence called this attentiveness to God "practicing the presence of God". He actually prayed each day before beginning his daily work that God would "grant him the grace of continuing in God's presence throughout the day". Then at the end of the day, he would reflect over his efforts. If successful, then he would thank God for answering his prayer; if not, he would confess his lack of discipline or "trained attentiveness" and ask God to help him do better the next day. No big "guilt trip". Just a genuine desire to be more and more connected with God each day.

That is exactly what I desire and what Peterson speaks of when he writes of a "trained attentiveness to God." What do you desire? If you want to practice the presence of God, then get started . . . the night before! Next week we'll look at daily helps.

**NEW WORSHIP TIMES FOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN ANTWERP**

Starting on May 7th, the new worship times for the First Baptist Church in Antwerp will be:

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.  
Morning Service: 10:00 a.m.  
Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

You will be welcomed at each service. The church is located east of Antwerp on US 24.

**EDUCATIONAL EXTRAVAGANZA: TEACH CHILDREN TO SAVE DAY**

The State Bank and Trust Company in Paulding and Oakwood are hosting an "Educational Extravaganza" in our office lobbies on April 25, for Teach Children to Save Day. We have invited the area elementary schools to join our celebration. The festivities will consist of activities that focus on saving money, games, prizes, refreshments and our own State Bank officers "playing teacher" for the day. Over 400 kids in grades 1-6 will be joining us throughout the day! (Our Main Office and several other of our branches are in an adjacent county are hosting the same event with approximately 700 students.) We're extremely excited about the positive response that we have received from the schools. For the few schools that are not able to join us due to schedule con-

flicts, we are setting up dates to take our program on the road and do an assembly at their school with all grade levels participating.

We will have stations set up throughout the bank that each group will visit. We will have a learning station where one of our officers will teach a lesson from the "Teach Children to Save" kit. Next, they will visit our games station where we will have games with a "money" theme. Then the students will enjoy a tour of the bank which will include viewing the vault, currency and coin counters. We will also have a SBT volunteer discuss "did you know" facts about our US currency and coins as well as our 104 year State Bank and Trust history. Our tour will conclude with the snacks and prizes station where we will distribute logos, pens, highlighters and notebooks and snacks of chocolate gold coins, \$ mints and cookies.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Spring is in the air - but there is something much more foul coming this spring. Folks, we have a hog factory debuting in our area. It will be approximately 3 miles northwest of Antwerp. While you think that the odor may be unpleasant, there are many more issues at stake. The first and most important is the health issues. We are not talking about spreading hog manure in the fields once in a while, we are talking about the odor of 2400 hogs on a daily basis. Even though the owners assure us that they will use the most modern facilities, the constant production of hog manure will make a major impact on the water tables from which we draw our water. The State's answer to this is to take water samples and have them tested now, and then periodically tested to determine when the water becomes contaminated enough that it poses a health risk to your families. This does not fall under the EPA guidelines, and it seems that the Ohio Department of Agriculture is turning a deaf ear to our concerns. There is no answer to the daily exposure of odor, which is actually toxic gases, as to when or whether it will affect your health. There is a current

lawsuit against a local dairy farm concerning serious health problems stemming from the contamination of cow manure. And to make matters worse, there is some question as to whether there will even be a building permit required for this 81' x 240' building. Rest assured that this will affect the village of Antwerp. It will be changing our quality of life. We will be spending less time out side in both winter and summer because of the odor. There will be days that you can forget about the outside cookouts, or the children enjoying playing on the playgrounds. For those of you who have air-conditioning, you may avoid some of the smell, but for those of you who do not have air-conditioning, you may have to close your house and run fans. Even then, you are still being exposed to those toxic gases. The next factor is the lowering of property values. Since our homes are one of the largest investments we make, we certainly don't want to lose any on this investment. As if this wasn't enough, once we allow one of these hog factories into our area, there will be more. Folks, wake up and smell the flowers, while you still can, because this June, you will be smelling more than flowers.

Lee & Mary Lou Kallsen

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION UNDERWAY



These three Vantage preschoolers are hunting for bugs on a recent "safari". Preschool registrations are now being accepted for the 2006-2007 school year.

Did you know that the Vantage Early Childhood Education curriculum revolves around its' being licensed through the Department of Education? Vantage Preschool provides developmentally appropriate activities for the total development of children ages three through five years old.

The children experience many hands on language, science, math, kindergarten readiness, literature and large muscle activities. High school juniors and seniors who are preparing for a career in early childhood education work directly with the preschoolers by planning and conducting the lessons. One major plus for the children who attend the Vantage Preschool is the very low staff-child ratio. There is usually one teacher to every one or two preschoolers. The high school students also receive additional training in first aid, CPR and common childhood illnesses.

Interested in sending your preschooler to Vantage? Registration is underway for the 2006-2007 school year. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. There are three options for preschool classes this year. For all options, children must reach the age of 3 by August 1. There is a \$10 non-refundable registration fee, which can be paid when you come in to complete the application.

The traditional half-day preschool sessions continue to be a popular choice. The morning preschool ses-

sion meets Monday through Thursday from 8:45 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and is taught by Mrs. Mary Ann Hall and the senior Early Childhood students. This session is for 3 year-old children and young 4 year-olds.

The afternoon session also meets Monday through Thursday from 12:15 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. and is taught by Mrs. Linda Morris and the junior Early Childhood students. This is a pre-kindergarten class for 4 year-olds and young 5 year-olds.

The FULL DAY option is available from 8:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Preschoolers can pack their lunch or purchase lunch from the Vantage cafeteria.

Curricula in the Early Childhood Education program uses the Early Learning Content Standards to meet the guidelines for preschool education as determined by the Ohio Department of Education. These early learning standards serve as a framework for designing and implementing meaningful curricula and intentional learning experiences within the preschool.

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JAMES EICH TO PERFORM AT BREWHOUSE 114

On May 6, there will be live music performed by James Eich at Brewhouse 114 in downtown Antwerp from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Jim was born in 1970 at a Toledo hospital and raised on a little farm by Cooney, Ohio. By around fourth grade, he took up trumpet playing, and it became his primary instrument throughout high school and into college. At university, he studied music performance with a focus on jazz and commercial music. After leaving college, he searched out opportunities to play out (perform for money). Trumpet doesn't "wow" too many folks, so he focused on learning some rock and folk style music on acoustic/electric guitar.

For many years, until around 2000, he played out with a talented band called Nostalgia. They played music from the 60's on thru the 90's. Over time, the life style and schedule of a "rock band" musician became incompatible with his role as a husband, father, and spiritual man. So he left that behind and eventually took up performing solo in various Fort Wayne coffee houses.

Where he used to play with five other guys and a sound crew, he was now performing solo with an acoustic guitar. Quite a change!

Jim enjoys so many kinds

of music. He says, "The real challenge is choosing songs that sound good with one voice and one instrument. Most of my set list is made up of songs from the late 60's thru the 70's; although I do play a few from the 90's and 00's. Lots of Beatles, and other good stuff. Entertaining friends and strangers is something I enjoy. Add to the mix that I am a coffee lover (decaf only, please), and you can understand why I picked a place like Brewhouse 114 to set up camp. Life is hectic and stressful. Take time to stop and smell the coffee. I hope to see you there!"

UPDATE ON MARJORIE LEINARD

Marjorie Leinard is in Van Crest Health Care Center.

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Independence Dam State Park located in Defiance, Ohio: Independence Dam State Park was once a rich hunting and fishing area for Native American tribes in the region. Nowadays, the park provides visitors the perfect locale for hiking, fishing, boating, or canoeing. A diverse population of fish including northern pike, small mouth bass, crappie, catfish and an occasional walleye makes this the perfect spot for any avid fisherman. The park is situated on a seven-mile stretch of the Maumee River and accommodates a variety of activities from water ski-

ing to the leisurely canoe trip. Included in the 591 land acres of the park is a three-mile hiking trail that runs between the canal and the river through a dense hardwood forest. While there aren't any campsites ideal for an overnight venture, the park does have ample picnicking areas with grills, restrooms and drinking water. In addition, two shelter houses may be reserved for larger groups. For more information about the park, including reservation of the shelter houses, call (419) 237-1503.

**Van Buren State Park:**

A small, scenic refuge in the rich agricultural lands of Northwest Ohio, Van Buren State Park includes a 45-acre lake and 10-miles of hiking trails. The park was originally inhabited by the Shawnee Indians and named for our nation's eighth president, Martin Van Buren. Located just north of Findlay, the park offers a multi-use campground, fishing, hunting, boating, a picnic area and a number of other family-oriented activities. For biking enthusiasts, the 287-mile North County Bikeway runs through the park. In addition, just east of Van Buren, nature lover's will enjoy Springville Marsh, a state nature preserve and one of the largest interior wetlands in the till plains of western Ohio. For more information about the park, call (419) 832-7662.

**Mary Jane Thurston State Park:**

Named for a Grand Rapids schoolteacher who donated 14 acres of land to be used for the creation of a park, Mary Jane Thurston State Park was dedicated in 1968. Similar to Independence Dam, this state park is also situated along the Maumee River and provides great fishing, boating and canoeing opportunities. In fact, there are 20-miles of open water on the river to accommodate these activities. The park also offers visitors a small campground with 35 non-electrical camping sites and two deluxe camper cabins are available for rent. History buffs may enjoy exploring the old canal or taking a short trip to visit a monument to the Battle of Fallen Timbers, which is located between Maumee and Waterville on U.S. 24. For more information about Mary Jane Thurston State Park call (419) 832-7662.

**Harrison Lake State Park:**

Popular for swimming, fishing, camping and canoeing, Harrison Lake State Park is located in Fayette and boasts 175 campsites on the 142-acre site. The park also offers visitors a 3.5-mile hiking trail that circles the lake and provides the perfect opportunity to discover Harrison Lake's natural beauty. Originally under the waters of Lake Erie before it receded to its present size, the Harrison Lake area reverted to swamplands. In 1941, a dam was built over Mill Creek and created the lake. In addition to the natural landscape, the park offers campers recreation sports including basketball, volleyball and horseshoes.

As the weather gets warmer, and thoughts turn from winter coats and snow shovels to the great outdoors, I would encourage you to visit the beautiful state parks in our Senate District. Each park has a diverse landscape and provides recreational activities the whole family can enjoy. And don't forget-access to all Ohio State Parks is free!

As always, I welcome your views on state issues. If you have any questions, thoughts or concerns, or if you need assistance working with a state government agency, please write to me: Senator Lynn Wachtmann, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio 43215, or call my office at (614) 466-8150.

**OHIO TOURISM OFFERS WORLD OF FUN AND DISCOVERY FOR SPRING TRAVELERS**

From world renowned theme parks and spectacular zoos to fascinating museums and abundant outdoor adventures, Ohio's diverse tourist attractions provide the ideal get-a-way for any spring traveler. Last week, I shared information with you about four beautiful state parks in Northwest Ohio that offer the perfect outdoor haven for those warm spring days. While these state parks are a fun and economical way to relax with family and friends and stay close to home, there are a number of other travel and tourism opportunities around Ohio that can provide for the perfect vacation away from home.

**Sauder Village**

Making history fun for kids is sometimes challenging, but not when you visit Sauder Village in Archbold, Ohio. This unique destination offers costumed guides and craftsmen sharing and demonstrating how families lived more than 100 years ago. There are various original buildings and businesses to tour—from cabins to a spinning shop to a barber-shop to a doctor's office- and, depending upon the day and season, perhaps even actually take part in their daily activities. I am proud to say that Sauder Village is home to several nationally recognized craftsmen working right in our own Northwest Ohio. Of course, I couldn't mention Sauder Village without mentioning the various excellent restaurant facilities on site- the Barn Restaurant, the Village Café, the Doughbox Bakery, the Sweet Shoppe! For more information about visiting Sauder's, call 1-800-590-9755 or visit their website at [www.saudervillage.com](http://www.saudervillage.com).

**Pro Football Hall of Fame**

While football season is still several months away, Ohio sports fans only need to travel a short distance to get a genuine pro football experience year around. A five building complex located in Canton, Ohio, the Pro Football Hall of Fame houses a number of artifacts and memorabilia, as well as interactive displays and newly renovated Hall of Fame Gallery honoring each of the Hall's 235 inductees. There is even a Tailgating snack bar offering visitors stadium style food and refreshments. Also, in the mid-1990s, the Hall underwent a \$9.2 million expansion creating the Gameday Stadium where pro football action is presented to visitors in a turntable theater featuring a 20' X 42' Cinemascope Screen. There is even a Tailgating snack bar offering visitors stadium-style food and refreshments. The Pro Football Hall of Fame is open everyday except Christmas and offers discounted group and family packages. For more information about visiting the Hall call (330) 456-8207 or visit their website at [www.profootballhof.com](http://www.profootballhof.com).

**Air Force Museum**

Located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, the National Museum of the United States Air Force is the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the

world. Housed in a main complex that features more than 17 acres of exhibits, the museum offers the public a view into the mission and history of our country's military aviation tradition. With more than 300 aircraft and aerospace vehicles, as well as many rare and one-of-a-kind historical items, the museum attracts 1.2 million visitors per year. The galleries cover everything from the early years of aviation, including a wide history of the Wright Brothers, to both World Wars to space flight and modern-day aviation. One of the more popular exhibits includes the collection of nine presidential aircraft, including the Boeing 707 called "Air Force One" that flew President Kennedy's body back to Washington, D.C. from Dallas and served as the site of President Lyndon B. Johnson's swearing-in. The museum is open seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and admission and parking are free. For more information about the museum,

visit [www.wpafb.af.mil/museum/](http://www.wpafb.af.mil/museum/) or call (937) 255-3284.

**Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden**

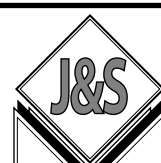
Rated the #1 attraction in Cincinnati and one of the top five zoos in the nation by Zagat Survey, the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden is the perfect place to bring your family for a fun, educational spring get-a-way. The zoo's 75-acre property is home to 510 animal species and over 3,000 different varieties of plants. Opening May 27th, the zoo's newest summer attraction is Adventure Down Under, brings the thrill and adventure of the Australian outback to Cincinnati, Ohio. Visitors can trek through the outback to see koalas, kangaroos, wallabies, emus, kookaburras, and many more Australian animals. Opened in 1876, the Cincinnati Zoo welcomes 1.2 million people annually and is the nation's second oldest zoo and a national historic landmark. For more information about the

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**Put-in-Bay (South Bass Island)/Perry Peace Memorial and Visitor Center**  
 Located on South Bass Island in Lake Erie, Put-in-Bay, Ohio may be famous for its night life, but many people don't realize the many family-friendly attractions the island offers. With shopping, boating, camping and ample recreational opportunities, as well as great restaurants, entertainment, historical monuments and museums and tremendous scenery, the island has something to offer any spring traveler. For more information about the island's many attractions visit [www.putinbay.com](http://www.putinbay.com). One of the island's main attractions, the

Perry Peace Memorial, a 352 foot monument named after Oliver Hazard Perry, a commander who led the Americans to victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Erie. The memorial has an elevator that takes visitors up 317 feet to an open-air observation deck providing a beautiful view of the lake and the surrounding islands. For more information about Put-in-Bay or the Perry Peace Memorial visit [www.putinbay.com](http://www.putinbay.com).  
 These are just a few of the many fun, educational attractions the State of Ohio has to offer. As we approach to summer months, and the weather warms, I encourage everyone to take advantage of all the travel opportunities our great state has. To learn about more travel opportunities, visit [www.ohiotourism.com](http://www.ohiotourism.com).

### FROM THE VANTAGE POINT™: FCCLA NATIONAL CONTESTANT



**Heading to National Competition – Vantage senior Culinary Arts student Lisa McNabb from Wayne Trace is all smiles as she is pictured with the first place trophy she earned at the State FCCLA Convention in the Entrepreneurship contest.**

The 61st annual Ohio FCCLA State Convention took place on April 20-21, 2006. The theme for the State Convention was "FCCLA: Featuring the Stars of Tomorrow." Over fifteen-hundred members from more than two hundred chapters across the state convened at the Ohio Expo Center. Vantage Culinary Arts and Early Childhood Education students competed at the state FCCLA contest, and one student has earned a trip to nationals. Vantage senior Culinary Arts student Lisa McNabb, from Wayne Trace, will be traveling to Nashville, Tennessee this summer to compete in the National FCCLA. Lisa received first place in the state of Ohio in the Entrepreneurship contest. For this contest, she had to create a company, "Cookie Bouquets by Lisa" using sound business practices and prepare a business plan. Lisa also served as a state FCCLA officer this year.

She received a "gold" rating in the Concept Curriculum contest. Also receiving a "gold" rating for their Early Childhood contest was the team of Kayla Crider, a junior from Van Wert and Andrea Ellerbrock, a senior from Kalida. Tiffany Eickholt, a junior from Ft. Jennings received a "silver" rating in the Language and Literacy contest. In the Learning Took Kit event, classmate Erica Wagner, also from Ft. Jennings brought home a "silver" rating. Throughout the year, FCCLA members tackle issues such as youth violence prevention, traffic safety, career exploration, and much more. FCCLA programs enrich student learning, improve self-esteem, and serve students with a range of ability levels, economic situations, and cultural influences.

Also competing in the Culinary Arts "Banquet Set-Up Team" event were juniors Nathan Thomas, from Van Wert and Ezekiel Schaadt, from Parkway. This skilled duo received a "gold" rating at the state contest.  
 The five Early Childhood Education competitors also brought home medals. Van Wert junior Meloni West re-

ceived a "gold" rating in the Concept Curriculum contest. Also receiving a "gold" rating for their Early Childhood contest was the team of Kayla Crider, a junior from Van Wert and Andrea Ellerbrock, a senior from Kalida. Tiffany Eickholt, a junior from Ft. Jennings received a "silver" rating in the Language and Literacy contest. In the Learning Took Kit event, classmate Erica Wagner, also from Ft. Jennings brought home a "silver" rating. Throughout the year, FCCLA members tackle issues such as youth violence prevention, traffic safety, career exploration, and much more. FCCLA programs enrich student learning, improve self-esteem, and serve students with a range of ability levels, economic situations, and cultural influences.  
 Congratulations to all the FCCLA competitors.  
 It wasn't just the students who made a splash at the state convention. Mrs. Kristy Bidlack, the Vantage Culinary Arts teacher, was one of only three adults named State FCCLA Master Advisor. Mrs. Bidlack was also elected to the State FCCLA Board of Directors for the next to years.  
 It's hard to believe that the end of the school year is just around the corner! The Vantage Awards Assembly will be held on Tuesday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commons and the last day for seniors will be Friday, May 19. The last day of school for all Vantage juniors will be Wednesday, May 24.

### The Opportunity To Explore Different Career Paths

by *Connie C. Smithson, President, Association for Career and Technical Education (NAPSA)*—Parents, educators and legislators want to give students the highest-quality educational foundation possible and today's career and technical education programs can play a key role in assuring educational excellence for many students.  
 Career and technical courses give students the opportunity to explore different career paths, to find out if the jobs involved are appealing and to discover which opportunities are best suited to their individual talents.



**Career and technical programs provide students with hands-on experience and reinforce the skills that an employer prizes.**

The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) wants to ensure that students and their parents are aware of the value of career and technical programs.  
 These programs can be a student's first exposure to the real-world aspects of a career field. They allow a student to build the strong skills that every employer considers essential: the ability to communicate well, an understanding of time management and promptness, problem-solving skills, and the ability to function as part of a team.  
 Careers in hotel management, food service, engineering, biotechnology, agriscience, recreation, nursing, and graphic design represent challenging, high-paying jobs, and the demand for skilled workers has never been greater.  
 The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that average annual salaries of technicians in some medical fields are more than \$44,000 a year, while dental hygienists can earn more than

\$58,000. Annual incomes of chefs and bakers reach \$40,000. Motorcycle technicians earn more than \$29,000. Engineering technicians can earn more than \$40,000 and biological science technicians can earn more than \$38,000.  
 What's more, a number of career and technical programs include internships, apprenticeships or co-op employment, which combines work and classroom study as part of the curriculum. Thus, students can get hands-on experience, have a chance to earn while learning and, best of all, gain a foot in the door of a potential future employer.  
 Career and technical education is an essential aspect of high school education, one that enhances academic achievement and provides the skills needed for success beyond high school. These courses prepare students for college and the workplace. To learn more, visit [www.getcareerskills.com](http://www.getcareerskills.com).

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**Across**

- 4. This is a special morning gift for Mother's Day.
- 8. Mama always said, "You have enough dirt behind those ears to grow WHAT?"
- 9. Mother of three very lovely girls all had hair of gold like their mother.
- 13. This state was the first to recognize Mother's Day as a holiday.
- 15. Mother's Day is the peak day for this activity.
- 17. Mother of Richie and Joanie from Happy Days.
- 19. This woman began the campaign to honor mothers.
- 20. Mama always said, "Always change these in case you are in a car accident!"

**Down**

- 1. This city and state is where the International Mother's Day shrine is located.
- 2. A mother who launched the Civil Rights Movement.
- 3. Mother of five children in the Cosby Show.
- 5. The flower symbol for Mother's Day.
- 6. She is the "mother" behind the famous children's entertainment books and stories.
- 7. This is something a mother always gives her children.
- 10. Mother of Ray and Robert from Everybody Loves Raymond.
- 11. A famous children's nursery rhyme about a mother with so many children.
- 12. Mother of Wally and Beaver of Leave It To Beaver.
- 14. The mother of the human race.
- 15. The average woman in the 17th century gave birth to this many children.
- 16. Mama always said, "Be careful, you'll poke your WHAT out!"
- 18. Mama always said, "If everyone jumped off this, would you?"

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## VANTAGE WELCOMES ALL SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Jamie Vollmer, a former businessman who now works to help strengthen community support for public schools and build professional pride among America's educators, was the featured guest speaker at the annual Vantage Career Center All Boards meeting and dinner held on Thursday, April 27. His uplifting, intelligent and humorous presentation entertained and enlightened those in attendance. The Vantage Culinary Arts students prepared and served a delicious feast in celebration of the occasion.

At the regular Vantage Board of Education meeting, which was held preceding the All Boards meeting and dinner, the treasurer's report included the approval of the March 30, 2006 regular board meeting minutes, the financial statements for the month of March, 2006 and the five-year forecast.

Superintendent Dr. Stephen Mercer discussed upcoming staffing needs for the 2006-2007 school year, including the need for a new science teacher, technology specialist and secondary administrator. He also updated the board on equipment needs for next year and the building project. He reviewed a cooperative project with Van Wert City Schools, Project Lead the Way, as well as the Vantage Senior Capstone project presentations which were held on Wednesday, April 26.

In new business, the board:

—Approved employment of the following employees: One year contracts – Jim Fisher, Adam Lee, Barb Huber, Duane Sheets, So-

### DOG NEWS FROM LYNNE MANSFIELD

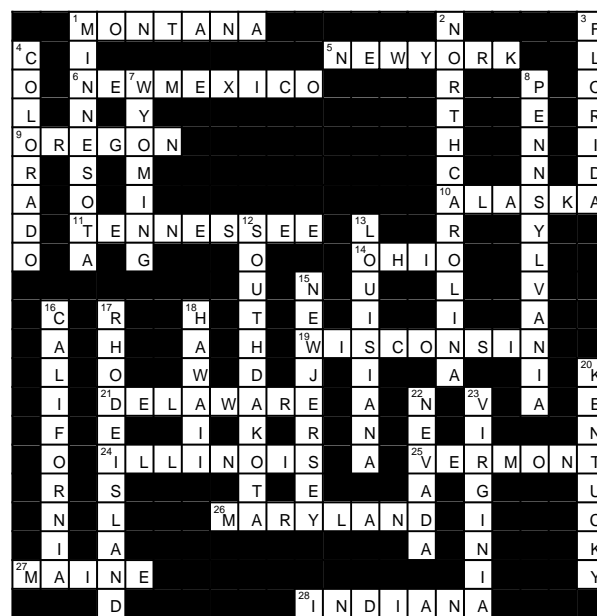


Many of you know how partial I am to Border Collie Mixes. OK, we will say "extremely" partial to border collie mixes. I found this little boy named "Dash" at an Akron area dog pound. He was to be put down on Friday at 9:00 am. After countless emails and rescue groups were notified, he was spared. My clients and I sponsored his vet care and medical expenses to a reputable 501C3 rescue group. He has since been fostered and adopted out to a loving home. There home is now the parents of Chelsea, Sam, Breanna, Ginger, Tasha, Sasha, Mckaya, Raven, Little girl, Haze, Josie, Molly, Bracie and Bandit.

At our Paulding County Shelter, Dave Cline and I were busy this week doing our own local rescues. We worked together and placed 3 of our local shelter dogs into rescue groups. Two dogs will be going to Illinois and one in Michigan.

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## Two Week's ago answers to "States"



nya Yenser-Hammon, Kelly Hilvers, Toby Bidlack. Two year contracts – Penny Baucum, Robin Burns, Alisha Coplin, Tony Francis, Amy Grothouse, Larry Mengerink, Theresa Ratliff-Dotterer, G. Marie Bentz, Richard Fry. Four year contracts: Kristy Bidlack, Tammy Deitsch, Jeff Duncan, Beth Evans, Linda McKitterick. Continuing contracts – Mary Ann Falk, Robert Hall, Stephen Peters, Keith Rydell, Laura Stockdale, Lori Allen, Cindy Harting, Diane Mercer.

—Approved employment of the following Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: One year contracts – Pete Prichard, Bruce Showalter, Richard Potter, Diana Becker, Jane Collis, Jackie Gunsett, Grace


Gonzales, Linda Morris.

—Approved a two year extension of the Delphos City Schools and Vantage Career Center contract for providing career technical education to Delphos city students.

—Accepted the resignation of Karen Pierstorff, Computer Technician effective April 28, 2006.

—Accepted with thanks a \$200 donation from the Out of Towners to the Haiti Committee and a \$1000 donation from the Van Wert County Firefighters Association Inc. for the Adult Education Fire Protection Program.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vantage science lab.



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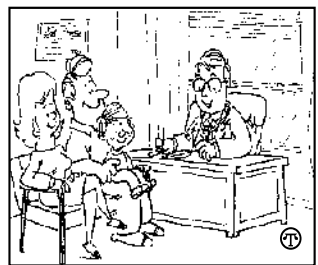
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treatment options for patients with colorectal cancer. There is a clinical trial being conducted around the country to investigate a potential new colorectal cancer treatment. The study, known as PACCE (Panitumumab Advanced Colorectal Cancer Evaluation), is a Phase 3 clinical trial designed to evaluate the effects of using two targeted cancer therapies in combination with chemotherapy for patients with colorectal cancer that has spread. If you are 18 years of age or older, have been diagnosed with colorectal cancer that has spread, and would like information about the PACCE trial, visit [www.amgentrials.com](http://www.amgentrials.com) or call (866) 57AMGEN (866-572-6436).

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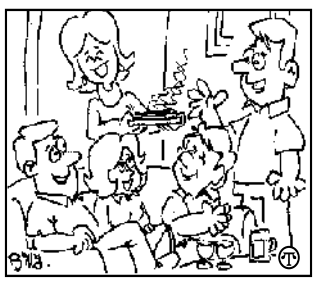
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# Food Ideas

(NAPSA)—It need not take any longer to prepare a satisfying, healthful and tasty meal from scratch than it does to order a pizza. One of the easiest and yet most effective ways to have family time is to sit down for dinner together every night. Find recipes and tips at [www.clabbergirl.com](http://www.clabbergirl.com).



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[www.wildamericanshrimp.com](http://www.wildamericanshrimp.com).  
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Unlike traditional corn, Super-sweet corn from Florida has more natural sugars and stays sweet longer. You can find recipes and tips at [www.freshsupersweetcorn.com](http://www.freshsupersweetcorn.com).

# HEART HEALTH

## Lose Weight For A Healthier Heart

(NAPSA)—Obesity has reached epidemic proportions in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the number of obese Americans continues to rise. In fact, 30 percent of adults over age 20—more than 60 million people—are obese, which means they are 30 pounds overweight and have a BMI, or body mass index (a measure of body fat), of more than 30.



**Obesity Is On The Rise**  
One of the goals of the National Institutes of Health is to reduce obesity among adults by more than half by the year 2010. However, current data suggests that the situation is getting worse. Due to rising rates of childhood obesity, life expectancy for the average American could decrease by two to five years over the next few decades unless major efforts are made to slow down the rising rates of obesity.

### A Likely Trigger For Heart Disease

Obesity, high cholesterol and high blood pressure are a common grouping of risk factors for people with heart disease. Managing all these risk factors will help reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke.

What's more, obesity is a risk factor for heart disease and other serious health complications:

### What You Can Do Today

- Overweight and obesity together represent the number-two preventable cause of death in the U.S. after smoking. There are many things you can do to get your weight under control and to help manage your risk for heart disease:
- Develop a diet and exercise plan that you feel is realistic and that you can maintain.
- Talk to your doctor about medicines that may help control your risk factors for heart disease. If you are prescribed medicines, take them exactly as directed and for as long as your doctor recommends.
- Resolve to make this year a healthier one—set a weight-loss goal and stick with it.

• Obesity is a risk factor for type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol. Having these disorders at the same time is a condition called the metabolic syndrome, which can lead to an increased risk for heart disease and kidney disease.

• High blood pressure, a risk factor for heart disease, is twice as common in obese adults than in those who are at a healthy weight.

• Obesity can also lead to arthritis, which is caused by stress on your joints.

For free information about cholesterol and heart disease, go to [www.cholesterolkit.com](http://www.cholesterolkit.com)

## A Colorful Plate Year-Round

by Mindy Hermann, RD  
(NAPSA)—Our family is in the habit of going to a local farmers' market during the summer and fall to get farm-fresh fruits and vegetables. I admit that I have to work a bit harder during the off-season, when seasonal produce is less plentiful, to make sure that my plate is just as colorful. For overall health, eating a variety of fruits and vegetables is essential year-round.

Studies show that the nutrition value of canned fruits and vegetables is comparable to fresh and frozen varieties.

A good starting place in your quest for color is the freezer case. Frozen melon cubes, berries, peach slices and even pineapple chunks are available year-round. Frozen spinach is one of my favorites for convenience—it is washed, cut and ready to be tossed into a soup or pasta dish. From a nutritional standpoint, it has just as much vitamin A and fiber as fresh-cooked spinach.

Next, stop in the canned fruit and vegetable aisle. "Our studies show that the nutrition value of canned fruits and vegetables is comparable to fresh and frozen varieties," notes Barbara Klein, Ph.D., professor of Food Science and Nutrition at the University of Illinois at Urbana. Dr. Klein points out that the canning process does not affect the amount of fiber in fruits and vegetables. Canned pumpkin, apricots, carrots and other orange fruits and

vegetables are a rich source of vitamin A. "In fact, vitamin A levels in canned pumpkin are much higher than in fresh cooked because canned pumpkin is less watery and more concentrated," says Dr. Klein.

Finally, visit the cereal aisle. New technology for freeze-drying fruit enables cereal makers to add berries and other types of fruit to their products. A bowl of Total® with Strawberries is a great way to brighten up breakfast. Top with sliced banana, slivers of dried apricots or a medley of dried berries. Dried fruit is a concentrated form of fresh and retains healthy nutrients like fiber and potassium.

Here are a few simple ways to add color to your plate:

- Toss sliced radicchio, red onion and yellow peppers into a green salad.
- Sauté frozen spinach together with minced onion; top with pine nuts, golden raisins and a dash of balsamic vinegar.
- Simmer slices of yellow and red apples and pears with a dash of apple cider and maple syrup until soft. Top with crushed Whole Grain Total® for added flavor and crunch.
- Add frozen mixed vegetables to your favorite soup.

# ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS REGISTRATION



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers want you to know that registration for the 2006/2007 school year will be held this next Monday, May 8, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the preschool at 211 Emerald Road.

All parents of 3,4, and 5 year olds and their children are invited to attend. You can see our school, meet our staff and/or register your child for the coming year. See you there.

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**RODS, HOGS AND DOGS ON SCHEDULE**

By: Denny Lee

The special day planned for July 8th in Antwerp is on schedule and moving forward according to the A.C.D.C. marketing committee. The special day is called Rods, Hogs and Dogs and has been given that title for the car / motorcycle show and the A&W root beer stand, for which Antwerp is famous. The car show will be held on Main Street and the motorcycle show will be in the front parking lot of the Essen House building. There will be a hog roast at the parking lot and most of the local businesses and shops will be open to serve you.

Trophies will be awarded to 40 different categories in the car show and 20 different categories in the bike show. A master of ceremonies will announce the winners of each category along with the name of the trophy donor. If you would like a trophy engraved and donated in your name or your families name just send your information and money (contact ACDC for price) to the:

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Please identify your donation as being for the car / motorcycle show trophies or simply give your donation to any member of the Antwerp Community Development Committee. The money will cover the cost of the trophy and the engraving. A trophy may be engraved in any name, business or organization that you wish to honor or use as advertisement.

A big thank you goes to all the members of the marketing committee for the long hours invested in formulating the plans to bring this event to Antwerp. Chuck and Ann Wiedman have volunteered to be in charge of getting all the car club members to come and Tom McLaughlin is in

charge of the bike club members and the hog roast. This promises to be a fun day for all the families in Antwerp and just another example of the good works being performed by the Antwerp Community Development Committee in their efforts to help make the community an interesting and fun place to live.

Even though some of these committees' projects may seem trivial at first glance they all make up a part of the bigger picture, which is to draw people into our community and allow our small town to survive when other small municipalities have failed to do so. When outsiders look at a community in which to live they want an attractive location, with an excellent school system and a place that offers a diversity of events and entertainment. This committee is striving to accomplish all of these goals. Did you realize that Antwerp has over 100 businesses in the community already? The more people we attract to our town the more we'll see new homes being constructed and businesses flourishing. This in turn will generate more students and money for the new school. Growth is a win, win situation and this town will not fade away as long as we have people willing to give of their time to better the status quo.

The marketing committee is made up of these types of people. We are pleased to accept two new members into our ranks who have been instrumental in putting these plans and other goals on the agenda for the committee. We welcome Tracey Mc Combs and Amy Mc Creery and appreciate the enthusiasm they have brought to the group. If you wish to be a part of the Antwerp Community Development Committee or serve on any of the active sub-committees just contact President Kirk Hopkins at 419-258-4771 or Vice President Dan Fowler at 419-258-2410 or any committee member. Remember to mark your calendar for July the 8th for Rods, Hogs and Dogs day.

**Did You Know?**

(NAPSA)—High-quality bell peppers, summer squash and cucumbers are crisp, fresh and abundant at the supermarket. Mexico exports far more than just chiles, avocados, tomatoes and limes. For more information about fresh Mexican produce, visit [www.freshfrommexico.com](http://www.freshfrommexico.com).



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Instead of overloading the car with Lego bricks and coloring books, many parents are taking along all-in-one gadgets, such as smartphones, to keep children entertained. Kids stay busy surfing the Web, playing games and snapping photos. Smartphones, such as the Palm Treo 650 smartphone, combine a mobile phone, Internet access, e-mail, organizer, games and more into one compact device.

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A stitch in time—at 1,000 stitches a minute, a sewing machine makes personalizing a pair of jeans a lot easier. You can embroider your granddaughter's favorite Disney character onto her blouse, you can reproduce your grandson's baseball team logo on his baseball cap. The possibilities for customized gift-giving are endless. To learn how to choose a sewing machine, visit [www.brother.com](http://www.brother.com).

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If you have an itch to take care of your pet, here's some news you need to know. Fleas are making a comeback in homes across the nation, many professional pest control companies are reporting. For information on

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There's good reason bird watchers flock to Florida beaches. The newly opened south loop of the Great Florida Birding Trail brings 116 sites across south Florida, including the beautiful beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel area, into the 2,000-mile trail. For information on the trail, go to [www.floridabirdingtrail.com](http://www.floridabirdingtrail.com). For information on specific birding sites in The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel and for vacation-planning information, visit [www.FortMyersSanibel.com](http://www.FortMyersSanibel.com).

**Weighty Issues**

**Get Ready For Summer**

(NAPSA)—For a healthier you when warmer weather rolls around, it can be wise to think S.P.R.I.N.G.!



**Start Early:** If you know that losing weight will make you feel more comfortable in more revealing fashions, look into a weight-loss program now.

**Getting in shape and losing weight may be easier than you realize, with a little help from your friends.**

**Plan Your Results:** Science has found that a healthy rate of weight loss is no more than two pounds a week. So if you're expecting to drop 40 pounds in a month, you'll be disappointed. Instead, use a realistic and specific weight-loss goal to set yourself up for success. Identifying your goal will help you achieve it and can motivate you to keep making progress along the way.

to members share what works and laugh about what doesn't.

**Renovate Your Recipes:** Have your cake and eat it, too. Simply substitute unsweetened applesauce for a third of the oil or butter in your cookie and cake recipes; the end result will taste just as good without the extra calories and fat. You don't have to give up your favorite recipes, just find little ways to make them healthier. Many Web sites, including [www.weightwatchers.com](http://www.weightwatchers.com), have "renovated" versions of favorite recipes.

**Navigate Your Neighborhood:** Incorporate a walk into your daily routine. Walking is one of the few activities a person can benefit from at just about any fitness level. A pedometer can help you track your distance and improve it step by step.

**Identify Your Best Fit:** Learn about different weight-loss programs and determine which will work best with your lifestyle. For example, Weight Watchers guest policy lets prospective members sit in on a meeting, free, to see what it's all about—and to listen

**Gauge Your Commitment:** Many people think that they would look better in their swimsuit if they could drop a few pounds. But to find out if you're REALLY ready to make the commitment to change your behaviors, take a self-assessment, like the one found at [www.weightwatchers.com/health/asm](http://www.weightwatchers.com/health/asm).

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(NAPSA)—Most people walk nearly 115,000 miles in their lifetimes—the equivalent of walking around the world five times.



One person who knows the toll life can take on someone's feet is Katy Rowland.

**Foot health is particularly important for people with diabetes. Exercise can be a step in the right direction.**

"Foot care should be a number-one priority, especially for the more than 20 million Americans with diabetes," she said. "Diabetes can cause changes in the skin of the feet and nerve damage which impairs the sensation of feeling. It shouldn't be taken lightly since unhealed diabetic foot ulcers account for more than 60 percent of all nontraumatic lower limb amputations."

As senior vice president of clinical services for National Healing Corporation, Rowland is on the leading edge of foot-wound care for the firm, which manages 20 percent of the nation's wound healing centers.

and custom inserts prescribed by a doctor. Don't buy more than one insert at a time since the size and shape of your feet may change.

She offers these tips that everyone can use to put their best foot forward:

- Cut toenails straight across at a length slightly longer than the tips of your toes. Use an emery board to smooth the corners.

- Your feet contain 25 percent of all the bones in your body. Buy shoes that fit comfortably without expecting them to stretch to fit.

- Diabetics should never go barefoot and need to inspect the inside of their shoes daily for torn linings and foreign objects. They should also examine their feet each day for blisters, cuts and scratches using a mirror to see the bottoms of their feet. People with a chronic wound, one that has not healed in more than 30 days, should seek medical treatment.

- Most people's feet are two different sizes. Stand up when having your feet measured so that they are at their maximum width and length.

- Visit [www.nationalhealing.com](http://www.nationalhealing.com) to locate a wound healing center nearby.

- Your feet contain a quarter of a million sweat glands. You should always wear seamless socks with shoes and change them daily.

- Medicare and many health care providers will reimburse a certain amount of money for shoes

**JOHN PAULDING HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS**

The Country Friends Homemaker's Club is hosting a Kids Craft Day for Mother's Day at the John Paul Historical Society on May 6 from 11:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. At 1:00, a Country Friend will present an embroidery demonstration by hand. A variety of crafts for both girls and boys from Elementary to Junior High will be made. There will be free will donations with all the money going to the John Paulding Historical Society.

Tony Burkley, County Commissioner Kay Langham, Auditor Susan Simpson, Judge Tiffany Beckman, Clerk of Courts Ann Waldman and Treasurer Lou Ann Wannemacher.

Come and enjoy making a craft item and then tour the museum with your family. If you have any questions, please contact Kristine Stuart at 419-258-9319. This event is sponsored by Community First Bank, Sky Bank, Antwerp Exchange Bank, First Federal Bank, State Representative

The Country Friend's Homemaker's Club is a group of women who get together and do crafts, have speakers to come in and recycling at the extension building. They also go in and work with area nursing homes—entertainment, games, and pamper day.

Coming in the near future will be a Dinner Theatre "Black Swamp Review" honoring Paulding County Trustees. For tickets call Romaine Boundy at 419-399-2231 or pick up at museum from 10:00 - 4:00 Tuesdays and the first Saturday of the month 10:00 - 3:00 February through November. Admission is free.

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Don't you just love little kids. It does say in the Bible that we are to become like little children. They are so innocent and open. Their minds haven't been corrupted yet.

I am privileged to be around a lot of children. I have 16 grandchildren (unfortunately I don't get to see them as much as I like), and I see children at church and work.

If you allow yourself and really listen you can learn a lot of things from children. Like Art Linkletter said, "Kids Say the darndest things".

One Sunday I decided to curl my hair (if you know me you know that my hair is straight back behind my ears). After Sunday School I went to sit in a pew and a little 5 year old looked at me and asked if I had a wig on. He went on to tell me that I shouldn't curl my hair and that I looked like someone he knew.

A 3 three year old girl and her family were at a revival. She looked up at her dad and said, "this sermon lasts forever". Her dad asked her how long forever was and she said, "this sermon".

A 3 year old came up to me with a book. The children that visit me know I can't read without my glasses (I keep \$1.00 reading glasses all over the house) and the child said, "read to me, put your glasses on", she then pointed to them.

There's the story of a little boy who climbed a tree and his knee got caught between two branches. His daddy was at work, his mommy was home but she needed help in getting him out. A couple neighbor men came to help him get out, but every time they tried to pry the branches apart he got stuck in further. They finally got a chain saw and cut the branch off and got the kid out.

A child I know is 8 and a budding weatherman. I will tell you that his percentage rate on forecasting the weath-

er compares with the professionals. His percentage rate is probably better than the professionals.

I heard this story about an older (yes, "older") boy. He had some holes in one of his trees and someone told him to fill the holes with spray insulation. Well, he bought a can and proceeded to spray it in the holes. The nozzle broke off and instead of getting another can (that's why people have money and I don't) he tried to think of a way to use the can. He thought about poking a hole in it but then thought that wouldn't be very smart. He then came up with the idea of shooting it with a pellet gun. He put the can in the tree and shot it. It blew it up and into the air. Pink insulation came raining down landing on anything in its way. He made the comment that it was a bad idea gone worse.

I take 2 of my grandchildren and 2 other children to church with me on Wednesday night.

One of the girls I take is in the third grade. Her hair is the color of a new copper penny and she has big blue eyes. She climbs in the car and gets in the front seat and keeps up a steady conversation with me while riding to church. She knows no stranger. She's the type of person that when you see her, she brings sunshine with her. Her name is Logan Emerson. She jumped in the car one day and said, "Wanna hear a joke?" I said, "sure". She then began to rattle off several jokes. None of which I remember and I lost the paper I wrote them on (sorry Logan). But she is a joy and I do look forward to visiting with her and hearing her jokes.

As you can tell, I love children, they are one of my favorite things.

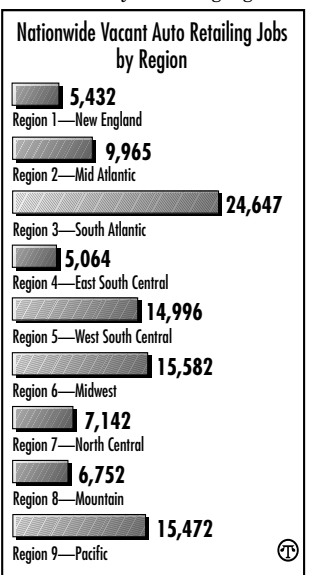
I have four children all grown up and gone with children of their own.

The best thing I can say about that is, appreciate them while they're young, even when they're "older" and shooting cans of insulation.

## Careers

### Automotive Retailing

(NAPSA)—Increasingly, the automotive industry is fueling employment. Salespeople and technicians are in the highest demand. There are also needs in management and administrative positions. "The careers available in today's franchised auto dealerships are intellectually challenging with



room for advancement," said Alan Starling, chairman of Automotive Retailing Today (ART). "Pay and demand for these positions are high, and these are careers that can not be sent overseas."

ART has developed a new Web site highlighting the career opportunities offered by dealerships. [www.autocareertoday.org](http://www.autocareertoday.org) provides information for students, career changers, educators, parents and military vets interested in the auto field. Salaries, training and job descriptions are available.

## HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL: RAIDERS VS. BULLDOGS

The Wayne Trace Raiders dropped a GMC contest 8 - 1 to the Edgerton Bulldogs Thursday evening April 27 at Wayne Trace. The Raiders held a 1 - 0 lead in the 6th where they committed 4 errors to allow Edgerton to plate 6 runs. The Bulldogs added 2 in the 7th to secure the victory. The Raiders slip to 7 - 7 on the season and 2 - 4 in the GMC.

Winning Pitcher - Nickels 7 innings, 3 hits, 1 run.

Losing Pitcher - Riley Linder 6 innings, 5 runs, 5 hits.

Box Score:  
Edgerton 0-0-0-0-0-6-2  
8-9-1.

Wayne Trace -0-0-0-0-1-0-0 1-3-5.

Leading Hitters: Wayne Trace - Riley Linder - 1 - 3, Jay Priest 1 - 4.

Edgerton - Thompson - 2 - 4, Faber - 2 - 4.

## LOUISE FREELAND CHILDREN OF EMPLOYEES/TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Winners of the annual Louise Freeland Children of Employees/Trustees Scholarship competition were congratulated by Tony Ahern, president/CEO of Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives, Inc. Jeffrey Derck, son of Terry Derck, board member of Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative, received a \$750 scholarship. Winners were announced at an April 18 dinner in Columbus.

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## Knowing And Reducing Your Risks For Stroke

by Lisa Chavis  
(NAPSA)—You can protect yourself from stroke. That's just as well, considering every 45 seconds, someone in the U.S. has one. It kills about 160,000 people a year, mostly women; annually, about 40,000 more women than men have strokes and over 60 percent of all stroke deaths occur in women.

It's important to know the risk factors, some of which are preventable and controllable, and to recognize the symptoms so that many of the serious side effects can be avoided.

**Blood Pressure:** According to the American Heart Association, high blood pressure is the number one controllable risk factor for stroke. Family history and obesity factor in developing high blood pressure and women who take birth control pills or have reached menopause are at higher risk. A healthy lifestyle helps but for many, medications are required.

**Cholesterol:** High levels of "bad" low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol raise the risk of heart disease and stroke; high levels of "good" high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol lower it. Studies show women's cholesterol is higher than men's from age 45 on and that low levels of HDL cholesterol seem to be a stronger risk factor for women.

**Diabetes:** Diabetes is associated with high blood pressure and interferes with the ability to break down clots, increasing the risk of ischemic stroke. Lifestyle modifications and medications can help.

**Diet and Exercise:** Thirty minutes a day of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity can help prevent heart and blood vessel disease and control blood cholesterol, diabetes and obesity, as well as lower blood



**Surprisingly, women are at greater risk of stroke than men.**

pressure. People with excess body fat—especially around the waist—are more likely to develop heart disease and stroke. Eat healthy foods low in saturated fat, cholesterol and sodium.

**Smoking and Drinking:** Smokers and those exposed to smoke daily are at a greater risk for stroke. Excessive alcohol intake can contribute to high blood pressure.

**Stroke Symptoms:** It's vital to recognize the symptoms of stroke and to seek help immediately. Time is of the essence when it comes to preventing debilitating and long-lasting effects. Symptoms include sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body; sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding; sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes; sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination, or a sudden, severe headache with no known cause.

For more information about strokes and cardiac conditions, visit [www.medco.com/health](http://www.medco.com/health).

Lisa Chavis, RPh, is a lead pharmacist for the Drug Utilization Review department at Medco Health Solutions, Inc. Her books include "The Family Pharmacist" and "Ask Your Pharmacist."

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- 3/4 cup water
- 12-14 oz. taco sauce (or salsa)
- 9 flour tortillas
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 can refried beans
- 2 cups sour cream
- 1/2 cup chopped green onions
- 1 can sliced ripe black olives, drained

Brown beef, drain. Stir in taco seasoning and water. Add sauce, simmer 5-10 minutes. Cover bottom of 13 x 9 inch pan with 3 tortillas. Spread half of meat mixture over tortillas. Sprinkle with 1/2 cup cheese. Layer with 3 more tortillas. Spread refried beans over tortillas. Cover with sour cream, sprinkle with onions and olives. Place last 3 tortillas over top, cover with remaining meat mixture and cheese.

Bake at 350 for 25-30 minutes. Let stand a little while before serving.

Sandy McDaniels

**CHIEF SUPERMARKET DONATES FOOD PANTRY SHELVING AND CART**



Pictured with pantry shelving and produce cart are Chief Supermarket manager Janice Merriman with members of the Auglaize Chapel Benevolence Committee. From left to right: Alan Seibert, Sharon Foust, Mary McVay, Pennie Baughman, Janice Merriman, Sherri Good, Jane Harmon, Stan Harmon, pastor.

Chief Supermarkets recently donated complete shelving and a large produce cart to the Auglaize Chapel Food Pantry located in Melrose, Ohio. The shelving and

cart will be used to help feed those-in-need in Melrose and the surrounding communities. The food pantry is a ministry of the Auglaize Chapel Church of God, located

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—Alan Seibert

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Our school just had its annual Hoops for Heart event. Years back one of our older sons participated in this basketball fund raiser of the Am Heart Association.

Our concern is how the Antwerp school runs this charity. It is held during school hours (to get more money). The students are required to get no less than a \$10 "donation" OR spend the time in study hall. (This year lasting for 4 hours). We were told the kids could do

door-to-door soliciting if the parents could not pay the \$10. Although we agree that the AHA is a worthy cause, we feel the methods used are not quite "charitable".

We have voiced our concerns to those in a position to make a change. Their response was "this is how it has been, we get a large sum of money, and this is how it will be".

Hoops for Heart should be a positive community experience. Not a pay or be left out. We do not think the relatives of local heart disease patients would want it this way. (And we ARE relatives of local heart disease patients). The AHA representative said this was not their policy. But Antwerp does raise approximately \$4,000 a year for the AHA. All about the money.

We asked about lowering the "cost" to include all students, since this fund raiser is held during a school day, and was told then they wouldn't get the larger donations if

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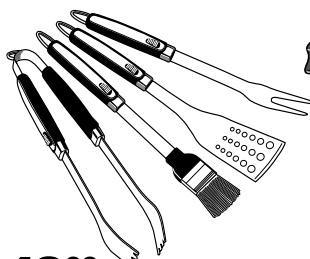
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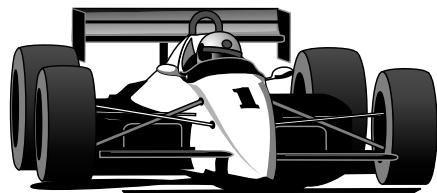
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**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Paulding County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, April 19 and Monday, April 24.

The first discussion on Wednesday, April 19 was a review of the Monday jail construction meeting. The Commissioners noted the contractors are reporting that the inside demolition should be complete by April 21. The new footers for the new kitchen should be begun during the week of April 24. The contractors agreed at the meeting that construction was on schedule.

The Wednesday, April 19 meeting included a bid opening for a joint township sealing project. This process allows interested township governments to work together with the Paulding County Engineer's office to obtain competitive bidding on the sealing projects. It is possible to obtain a savings for each township by working together to find the lowest cost for the public projects. Two bids were received and were referred to the County Engineer's office for review with recommendations for action at a later date.

At the same session the Commissioners met with Sheriff David Harrow. Harrow reported on the mileage numbers on the small fleet of Sheriff's cruisers. As of April 19 nine of the fourteen vehicles have over 115,000 miles on the odometers. Sheriff

Harrow recommended that two be replaced every year. New vehicles, prior to receiving lights and radios, cost approximately \$21,000 each.

Additional action at the Monday meeting included a preliminary planning session on the health insurance policy that is available for county employees. The health plan has an August 1 renewal date and the initial work to obtain comparative costs normally begins several months earlier.

The Paulding County Commissioners hosted the Four County Joint Solid Waste District meeting on April 24. The Four County Joint Solid Waste board consists of the commissioners from Fulton, Williams, Defiance and Paulding Counties. The Solid Waste District has responsibility for the landfills and recycling programs.

Following the solid Waste District meeting the Defiance County Commissioners stayed in Paulding and met with the Paulding County Commissioners and Lee Sonnenberg of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to review questions about the long planned Auglaize River Area Sewer Project. This project has been delayed for a number of years due to cost. Possible funding sources were reviewed with no action needed.

The Paulding County Commissioners meet in regular session from 8:00 a.m. to the close of business on Mondays and Wednesdays.

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We will have these rifle shoots the 4th Saturday of the month. So come out and enjoy the fun. The Trap Shooting events are as follows: The second Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. and practice shooting every Tuesday evening. Starting at 4:00 p.m. for the summer.

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**ANTWERP HISTORY**

**By: Stan Jordan**  
 In 1917, in Cecil, Ohio, was born a bouncing baby boy named Walter Glenn Ross. He grew to be a fine student at the Cecil Elementary School for four years. About the time he was ten he crawled up on the windmill to write his name. The board hanging there was too short to write his name Walter, so he just wrote "Joe" and he has been called "Joe" ever since that day.  
 Joe was bussed to the Paulding School from the fifth grade on and he graduated in 1936. He then came to Antwerp and looked at a service station on the lot what is now Chuck's Tires. This was a white building and he sold Linco gas. Joe made a deal with the owner and the Ohio Oil Co. and he took over ownership in 1937. He remembers they did light tire work and serviced cars or what ever the customer wanted. Gas was 15 cents a gallon at that time and you didn't make much profit.  
 Joe was married to Ruth Elizabeth Stiebling in 1939, but she was called Betty most of the time. He also dealt in used cars. His line was "love

cars, hate money".  
 The depression was behind us and the economy was looking pretty good. People were getting back to work and business was pretty good. That is a good thing because Joe and Betty had a little girl named Sue in 1940. Everything was going along fine and they had a boy named Terry in 1941.  
 Back in 1939, the Ohio Oil Co. went through a name change and Linco Joe's became Marathon. Regular gas was 15 cents, Ethanol was 16 cents and White gas was 12 1/2 cents a gallon.  
 World War 11 started on Dec. 7, 1941 and that put a change in things. Gasoline was rationed, tires were also. The tires were hard to get and poor quality. The federal speed limit was set at 45 miles per hour. Everybody adhered to that law because it saved lives and gas and it was the thing to do. Everybody helped with the war effort any way they could. The Army needed Joe so they called him in 1944. He put some time in over in Europe. He was discharged at Camp Atterbury late in 1945. All the time he was in the Army the station was closed.

The station went with Sunoco in 1947. It was no longer Linco Joe's. It became Sunoco Joe's. Things were looking up and that's good because the Ross's had another boy named Bill.  
 The Fett boys had built him a new station and in 1955 he added a four bay car wash. That was new to the area and it helped business.  
 Joe lived under the rule that "if I don't hear a rumor by 9:30 in the morning, I will start one". They were generally far fetched.  
 I forgot to mention that the Ross's had a baby girl in 1952 and named her Jill.  
 Joe managed the station until 1981, he then sold it to Phil Marlin. He had been in business for 44 years and to us "Old Timers" he was 44 years of Antwerp's History.

His daughter, Sue, became a Registered Nurse, married Walter Schilb and has a fine family.  
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