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THANK YOU

Thank you for your kind words, gifts, and donations and support in the death of husband, father, and brother, Don Pierce. To the EMS squad, and Bob Herber for your quick response and support. Thank you to Fr. Ode, Deacon Bob Nighswander, and the priest from Blakesley who supported and prayed with us at the Hospital.

Thank you, Dooley Funeral Home for all that was done in our behalf. Thanks to all the friends and family who helped at our home through this trying time. Thank you to all the people who worked and provided us a meal after the funeral.

Thank you to all the neighbors, friends and family who was here for all of us. Your kindness and thoughtfulness and prayers will never be forgotten.

-The Don Pierce Family





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AUGLAIZE FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXIL-IARY SOUP SUPPER

On Saturday November 4, the Auglaize Fire Department Auxiliary are sponsoring a Soup Supper. They will start serving from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

The station is located at the corner of St. Rt. 637 and Rd 169, 2 miles East of Five-Span Bridge.

WE'RE OFF TO SEE THE WIZARD...



By: Sue Knapp

The hall to the school auditoria was filling up by 6:15. You could feel the anticipation in the air ... Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!

Before the play had started, I wondered how some of the things would be pulled off. I shouldn't have wondered, with 8 weeks of rehearsals and hard work everything was not only believable but you felt you were right there with the actors experiencing what they were experiencing.

Rachel Banks as Dorothy not only sounded like Judy Garland but with her gingham dress, basket, Toto and, of course, the ruby slippers, I was once again a girl watching the movie.

Brian Shetterly as the Tin Man, Jim Matusik as the Scarecrow and David Snyder as the Lion were incredible in their parts. They were so believable a person could identify with them.

Good versus evil between the Good Witch, Glinda (Lisa Clinton), and the Wicked Witch (Julie Hall) was like night and day. All said and done, good does overcome

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evil. These women played their parts with perfection.

Auntie Em (Sandra Gordon) and Uncle Henry (Michael Blaugher) provided Dorothy with the love and security she needed and showing her that there truly is no place like home.

OZ (Jared Griffiths) proved to us that we cannot look to another for peace and contentment. He played OZ as he was supposed to.

The whole cast was impressive. Everyone from the trees, the dancers, the monkeys, the

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... he's still looking for a woman with a boat!



RE-ELECT JUDGE

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> **Knights of Columbus** Fish Fry (All You Can Eat) St. John Catholic **Church Hall** Payne, Ohio November 3, 2006 Serving from 5-7 pm Meal includes Fish, Cole Slaw, Scalloped Potatoes or French Fries, Fruit Cocktail, Roll and Drink Adult \$7.00 6-11 yrs \$3.00 5 and Under Free **Carryout Available**

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ties across all levels of county government. However, the County Auditor has three "major" roles from which many of their other duties result. These major duties are Chief Fiscal Officer, Chief Assessor, and Chief Payroll Officer. As Chief Fiscal Officer, the Auditor is responsible to account for the millions of dollars received each year and issue warrants (checks) in payment of all county obligations, including the distribution of tax dollars. As Chief Fiscal Officer,

nancial report. As Chief Assessor, it is the duty of the Auditor to see that every parcel of land and the building hereon are fairly and uniformly appraised and assessed for tax purposes. The Auditor is also the Chief Payroll Officer of the County and is responsible for the preparation and distribution of the payroll for all county employees. The Auditor also prepares the required reports and makes deposits required for payroll taxes.



information courtesy of Susan Simpson **Paulding County** AUDITOR

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For Your Information

Paulding County and You!

The County Auditor is re- the Auditor is also required to

Paid for by Susan Simpson for Paulding County Auditor, 12147 Rd. 216 Cecil 45821 Next Week: Summary of "For Your Information" Articles

PAGE 2 – WEST BEND NEWS – OCTOBER 25, 2006 **TASTERS' BUFFET OBITUARIES**

Ted W. Perkins, 81, of Cedar Falls, IA, died October 16 in Cedar Falls, IA.

He was born August 25, 1925 in Fort Wayne, IN the son of Walter and Nettie Betz Perkins. He married Leola Ramsier May 20, 1944. She preceded him in death. He then married Leona Jeanne Gruber in 1977.

He worked at Dana Weatherhead in Antwerp for several years and Zollner's in Fort Wayne. He also farmed for many years in Indiana.

Survivors include his wife, Leona; sons: Johnnie (Noi) Perkins of Albuquerque, NM, Delvan (Ruth) Perkins of Showlow, AZ, Aldon Perkins of Honolulu, HI; daughter, Phyllis (Darris "Duke") Albert of Paulding; step-sons: Dennis (Joanne) Gruber of Arlington Heights, IL and Alan (Trula) Gruber of Denver, IA; step-daughters: Carol (Hap) Klammer of Cedar Falls, IA, Bev (Tim) Lanigan of Waterloo, IA, Joyce (John) McBride of Waterloo, IA and JoAnne (Ed) Blumenshine of Denver, IA; 31 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Ted was preceded in death by one son, Ted Vernon Perkins; one brother, Lloyd; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services was held at North Scipio Cemetery, October 23.

It is that time of the year again-the annual Dallas Lamb Tasters' Buffet dinner. Under the direction of Chris Schaefer, President of the Foundation Auxiliary, the Taster's Buffet will be held November 14, at St. John Catholic School Hall in Payne.

Dinner will be served beginning at 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. The menu consists of chicken breast, ham, dressing & gravy, and beverage. Sample the many salads and desserts made by the ladies of the community. The dinner is "All You Can Eat", so you shouldn't go away hungry (contact Dallas Lamb, if you want to know the prices ahead of time).

Profits of the dinner will be used to benefit the residents of Dallas Lamb.

A few things the Ladies Auxiliary provided in the past are: a Gazebo with flower garden and a small waterfall.

A large screen television is planned for the residents this year. Come and enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship.

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EXTRA-LARGE PIZZA

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Productions of "The Wizard

of Oz". It was truly a Com-

munity Theater Production.

The talent of the performers,

the set designs, costumes,

choreography, orchestra-

tion, sound, videos and spe-

cial effects were superb! The

use of the Antwerp School

Stage and Theatrical Equip-

ment was great. The Salute

on Sunday to David Snyder

for all his many years in the-

ater in Northwest Ohio and

Northeast Indiana was very

deserving. Let's hope the

Banks' will bring us more

—Don and Rebekah

Smith

wonderful entertainment!

NEW PAULDING COUNTY

The new Paulding Coun-

ty Jail is moving toward completion and Sheriff

David Harrow is supervis-

ing the training of new jail

ty Commissioners attended

the regular construction

meeting at the new facility

on Monday afternoon, Oc-

tober 16, 2006. The meet-

ing allowed the contractors

and the architects to review

progress and to plan ahead

ed that the exterior brick-

work is now complete. In-

terior finish work on secure

cement block walls is also

moving toward completion.

approved operating issue for

the jail is very important for

the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff

Harrow is working ahead

of time to insure that staff

is ready for the new facility.

The costs of this work are

supported by the earmarked

funds. The same dollars will

continue to be earmarked to

insure the new facility can

Sheriff Harrow stated,

"We are carefully plan-

ning operating procedures

for safety and efficiency.

The renewal of the operat-

ing issue will provide the

funds we need for this op-

eration. Harrow concluded,

"the fact that the funds are

earmarked means they can

only be used for the opera-

to answer any questions that

residents may have about the new jail," concluded

"I would be very happy

tion of the new jail."

Harrow.

operate efficiently.

The renewal of the voter

among the contractors.

insure coordination

The Commissioners not-

The Sheriff and the Coun-

Thank you,

JAIL PROGRESS

staff.

Hats off to the CC Banks By: Rose Kever

> One evening a while ago, Gary and I decided we'd go fishing. (it was really spur of the moment).

"ANOTHER" FISH STORY

We loaded our fishing gear, some bottled water, chewing gum, and headed for our favorite fishing hole on the Auglaize. It was right around 7:00 p.m. When we got there, and, of course, there were people in their speed boats, pulling skiers, making big wakes behind them and stirring up all kinds of debris, and making a mess up by the banks of the river.

Well, let me tell ya', the boaters look over at you, big smiles on their faces and take off like a demon with his tail on fire. I'm almost sure they do it purposely to aggravate us, because they know its going to make waves, and sitting on the bank and getting wet feet, is "not" my idea of a fun fishing trip. (When we got home, Duncan and Baxter were enthralled with our shoes, must have smelled pretty good to them, ha-ha).

After the boaters left the water, other fishermen came out. Some were using small fishing boats, some were on the banks, as we were, and some were using pontoons.

It sprinkled a little rain, but not enough to deter hardcore fishermen like us. Gary said I'd probably sit through a typhoon, if I could, just to catch one more fish-and I probably would surely try it.

Well, anyway, the fish were biting pretty good. We both caught a few "stick pike", as the river is full of dead trees and branches floating around and getting washed towards the shores. There's a sort of log jam about halfway out on the river, and thank goodness, its farther away than anyone could possibly cast a line to. However, there are a few weed patches in there and of course, we would get our line tangled in them, not be able to get loose and snap the line. (That river has eaten at least 5 of our bobbers so far this year.) I also lost my line and a brand-new bobber to a fish that was a lot stronger than my line could hold. (that's the one that got away!) Gary had gotten me a brand new tackle box, fully stocked with everything I could possibly need, and wouldn't you know I'd loose some of it right off the bat!

I've been fishing for most of my life. My dad was an avid fisherman, and he always took my brother, Larry and me with him. He would normally take us to "the tank", because he had a flat-bottomed boat nadlocked to a tree down the big hill. He would use a push pole to navigate us to a good spot. "The Tank" was on 24 west of Antwerp, just a stone's throw from Mike and Penny Hertal's home. Any sign of where it used to sit is gone now, but it's still a good fishing hole. I guess I should tell you what the "tank" was. It

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • westbend@verizon.net was a big water tank that sat

water got to the tank—if they

had to hand pump it or what,

I don't remember seeing it be-

ing used, but I was certainly

fascinated by the stories Dad

fishing with Dad and Larry,

so this summer was my very

first time. I was really excited

for this new adventure. We

had our Coleman Lanterns of

course, and they were the big-

gest bug lures you could ever

want. I had told Gary that it

smelled like someone was

having a cook out. He said

"Yeah, its us-we're cooking

the bugs!" All I can say is, I

must have been plenty hun-

gry, because it smelled like

hamburgers to me! I don't

think I could possibly eat a

"bugburger", but they don't

smell too bad when they're

about dusk, and boy oh boy

were they biting. We caught

four channel cat, a lousy

sheephead, and several cat-

fish. We also snagged a turtle,

poor little thing, got him in

the bottom lip and we had to

really work to get the hook out

without damaging his mouth.

The fish started hitting at

cooked.

I hadn't ever went night

told me about it.

I think he smiled at me when beside the railroad tracks we got it out (or maybe he was that pumped water out of the snapping at me). No, I'm sure river, to power the steam enit was a smile!! gines. I don't know how the

The next time we go fishing, we're going to try a new spot that the guy at the Bait store told us about. I hope its as good as he says it is or we'll have to go back to his shop and ask for "another fish story."

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soldiers and the munchkins identified with their parts and played them with passion.

Last but not least, Toto (Wallace)-what a dog! Truly a star in his own right. He was perfect, the next Benji or Lassie?

The way the scenery was done was great. The tornado not only had flying animals but Miss Gultch on her bicycle. The figure of OZ was also done impressively.

I loved the play. It was everything it was meant to be. It also had a moral: sometimes we have to paint ourselves into a corner before we can get out of a situation. We need to look around us and appreciate what we have.

Talking with some of them after the play they all said one thing; it was worth it and they would do it again.





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HALLELUJAH NIGHT

The Bethel United Methodist Church is at it again. Last week it was a fish fry, this Saturday its Hallelujah Night. Don't those people have anything better to do than get together and eat, laugh, share stories, sing, play games and go on hay rides?

But seriously, Hallelujah Night at Bethel is just that. Its a chance to show off your wienie roasting stick carving ability (there's a contest every year), roast a marshmallow, and sit by the fire. We have a lot of fun planned for the kids. They can make pudgy pies and smores. Eat warm soup, popcorn, cookies. We will play safe games, take a hay ride but remem-

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ber to bring your favorite song to sing on the ride. And don't worry the coffee pot will be on and so will the hot chocolate.

This night is designed for families to come and have fun together and maybe meet some neighbors or new friends. There is no cost for this night and every one is welcome. This is our safe way of celebrating the coming of fall. The fun all starts at 5:00 p.m. on October 28 at the Bethel Methodist Church and if you don't know where we are, we are east of Antwerp on 24 to county road 73 (Forders' Bridge) and right at the top of the hill. You can't miss us but you will miss the fun if you don't come.

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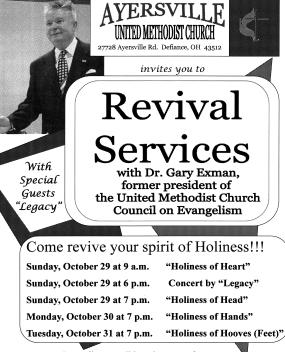


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LIVING LIKE CHRIST

By: Pastor Jeff Shadowen, Westwood Fellowship, Woodburn

We are down to only three more disciplines in this series of articles. Two of those are disciplines of engagement and the one in between will be a discipline of abstinence. Today, we look at the discipline of meditation.

Meditation is one discipline that is repeatedly spoken of in Scripture-especially the book of Psalmsbut it is also a discipline from which many believers shy away.

I can think of at least three reasons for this hesitancy on the part of most believers to enter into this very beneficial discipline.

(1) Many Christ-followers really don't understand biblical meditation. There seems to be a lack of practical instruction on how to meditate in the biblical manner.

(2) Many Christ-followers confuse biblical meditation with "eastern meditation" and understand the latter to be misguided at best and very dangerous at worst. Luke 11:24-26 speaks to the danger of "emptying oneself" and not filling up that which has been emptied.

(3) A general prerequisite for meditation is Scripture memory, and most adult believers don't do very well with this aspect of Bible study, either.

A definition for biblical meditation is really very simple, "a prayerful rumination (musing, pondering, thinking) upon God, His Word, and His world." It has also been described as "reflective thinking with a view to application." The goal is to connect Scripture to a "need area" of your life.

How do you do it? There is no one formula. Essentially, your goal is to examine a small portion of Scripture (a single verse or even a phrase) from as many different angles as possible-kind of like turning a diamond ring around to view it from different vantage points.

A first step should be to look at the context of your verse. "Context" refers to the verses that come before and after the verse you are examining. A good warning in this area is the following short statement-a text without a context is a likely pretext. In short, you need the context as a first "safety step."

Other possible means to meditate would be the following words, all of which begin with the letter "P" to facilitate their memory: (1) paraphrase the verse, (2) sonalize the verse, (3) pray the verse, (4) parallel verses to your verse, (5) problems in the verse, (6) possibilities in the verse, (7) protracted study of the verse. In summary, PULVERIZE the verse. Examine it from every angle possible. Live with it. Meditate on it. Allow Scripture to grow on you!

PAYNE AREA CHURCHES EMBARK ON YOUTH OUT-REACH AT FALL FESTIVAL

On Saturday, October 28, downtown Payne will be transformed for the fall festival but, this year's festival has a much larger focus. Payne area churches are coming together for the third time in 2006 to sponsor another youth outreach. The first outreach resulted in over 500 commitments to Christ through the ministry of Youth with a Mission (Impact World Tour) which was held at Wayne Trace High School. The second was the Great Picnic held at Paulding County Fairgrounds and it was also well attended. The site of this outreach will be the Merrin Street tent which will host three Christian rock and worship bands. Broken Yoke, Fortress, and Dooley Drive will kick off the evening starting at 6:30 p.m. and there will be a meet and greet following the concert. The cost of the concert is free but a love offering will be taken to offset some of the expenses. The Rock community center will host Gospel and praise and worship music throughout the afternoon starting at 12:00 p.m. The Payne youth ministries network will be selling food inside the Rock to raise money for future outreach opportunities. There will be activities for the whole family throughout the day including games, a parade and costume judging.

Our purpose is to provide the youth of Paulding County with every opportunity to make a commitment to Christ that will change their lives forever. This year has been a great year to watch God work in our communities and it is our prayer that he will continue next year. Please come and be a part this great event. I want to personally thank the area churches, businesses, and the ministerial association for their support this year.

-Doug Roop, Paulding County CLC Director, Defiance area Youth For Christ

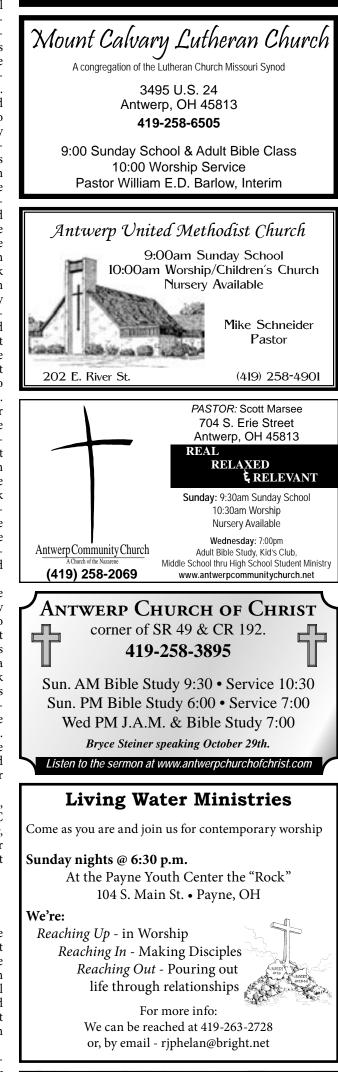
FALL REVIVAL WITH REV. **CLAUDE NICHOLAS**

Evangelist Rev. Claude Nicholas will be speaking at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene for fall revival on November 5-8. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday and at 7:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Reverend Claude Nicholas has been a pastor for over 30 years and has been in full time evangelism for the past eight years. He and his wife Janet have one daughter who is a missionary for Campus Crusade, another daughter who is a professor at Mount Vernon Nazarene University, and a son who is the worship leader at Warren Woods Church of the Nazarene in Michigan.

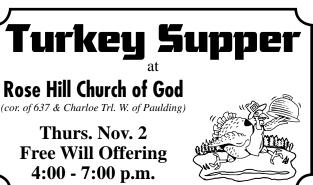
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Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6



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A love offering will be taken at each service. Call 419-395-1742 for more information.



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EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

PAGE 4 – WEST BEND NEWS – OCTOBER 25, 2006 TED STRICKLAND TO VISIT PAULDING

Democratic Candidate for Governor, Ted Strickland, will be visiting Paulding County Thursday November 2, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. at the Eagles Lodge at 206 West Perry Street in Paulding. Strickland will be meeting with voters to talk about his plan to Turnaround Ohio.

Turnaround Ohio is the Strickland/Fisher plan to keep the jobs we have by investing in our strengths and bring us the jobs of the future by making sure we have the most educated workforce possible. Turnaround Ohio will invest in Ohio's strengths, such as energy production, innovation and entrepreneurship relying on Ohio resources such as corn, soybeans and wind power. The plan calls for moving toward universal early learning, improving K-12 curriculum and making college tuition more affordable by establishing college investment accounts for neararound Ohio Plan will move Ohio forward. This event is open to the

public and everyone is welcome to attend.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPI-TAL OFFERS ADVENTURES IN PARENTING CLASSES

Paulding County Hospital maternity-OB staff will teach a five-session course on childbirth and infant care on November 1, 6, 8, 9, and 15 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The classes are held at the hospital.

Registered nurses will cover breathing and relaxation techniques, labor and delivery, development of the baby, infant care, infant feeding, car and toy safety, infant growth and development, first aid, and parenting skills.

It is open to all expectant mothers and their coaches whether they plan to deliver at PCH or not. A short refresher course is also available. Call the hospital's OB nurses station at 419-399-1116 or 800-741-1743, extension 116, for more information or to

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": FROM THE GROUND UP



Vantage senior Carpentry students are building the 2007 construction house project on Bruns Avenue in the Washington Place subdivision in Van Wert.

The Vantage senior carpentry class is hard at work building the 2006-2007 construction project house. Since the school opened in 1976, Vantage has built thirty different and unique houses as a part of the senior carpentry curriculum.

This year's house, a 1900 square foot ranch home, is located at 1085 Bruns Avenue, in the Washington Place subdivision in Van Wert. Highlights of the home include a full basement, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, a combined utility room and ½ bath on the main floor, a living room with 10 foot ceiling, stained front door with side lights, brick front with vinyl siding and an attached 3-car tandem garage, with interior steps to the basement.

The senior Carpentry students and their instructor, Roger Ruen, work at the house each afternoon during their scheduled lab time. They are currently finishing the framing of the house and installing the subsiding.

SOFTBALL PITCHING CLINIC

The Payne Ball Association will be hosting a fast pitch softball pitching clinic on Friday, November 3, and Saturday, November 4. The featured clinician will be Mr. Bob Pelle, who has worked with over 400 college pitchers as well as former United States Olympic team members Dot Richardson, Lisa Fernandez and Michele Smith. Beginning sessions are Friday night from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. with intermediate and advanced sessions on Saturday morning and afternoon. Register early as space is limited. Early registration discount ends on October 25. For more information, please contact Kevin Wannemacher at (419) 263-0805 or Matt Noggle at (419) 263-2130. You can also send an e-mail to payneballassn@yahoo. com with any questions.

Mr. Jerry Robinson's students in the junior carpentry class will be getting involved in the project very soon. They will be traveling to the house and installing hips and jack rafters for the roof framing. Later in the semester, they will begin building custom oak cabinets and raised-panel doors for the home. The senior electricity students, under the direction of their teacher, Mel White, have used their knowledge and skills to wire the house. They have installed the electrical service to the house, including the breaker panel and electric meter.

The Vantage House is for sale. If you're interested in seeing the house, you may arrange an appointment by calling Bob Vennekotter, Vantage Career Center Director at 419-238-5411 ext. 122. He can also be of assistance if you need directions or have specific questions about the house.

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • westbend@verizon.net of Antwerp will be selling **DOG SHELTER NEWS**

We are having a Home Interior Candle Fundraiser for our canine friends at the Paulding County Shelter. We have pulled 50 dogs so far. Some have been very healthy and some have needed medi-

cal care. This fundraiser will help pay for the vaccinations, worming, heartworm treatments, spay and neutering and other vet bills to make our local dogs healthy again. We will also use this money to pay the pull fees to get the dogs out of the shelter.

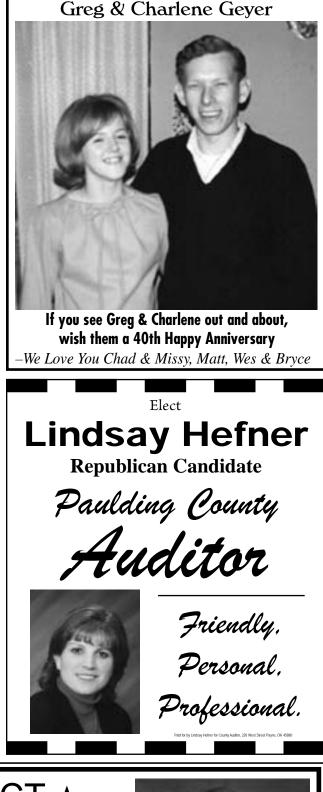
The entire 7th grade class

these candles. I met with these students and what a great group of compassionate kids! We also have area businesses, grooming and boarding clients who will be selling them too.

The fundraiser goes from October 18 - November 1. If you would like to help with this fundraiser please call Lynne Mansfield at 419 - 258-1442.

Look in future issues of the West Bend News for this exciting way to help our local dogs.

Together we can make a difference, one dog at a time!



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- Business & financial experience qualify me to manage our county's 4.2 million dollar budget.
- I will work with citizens of Paulding County in a friendly and cooperative manner.
- I understand the importance of well-maintained ditches to our farming community, and I will support our Paulding County Engineer and SWCD Ditch Maintenance.
- I support economic development efforts to create and retain jobs.
- I have the ability to work for Paulding County interests with legislators in Columbus.
- I will fight for what is best for all citizens of our county.

9 am asking for your vote on November 7th. Paid for by Committee to Elect Kay Langham, Terry McClure, Treas., 2684 Road 151, Grover Hill, OH 45849

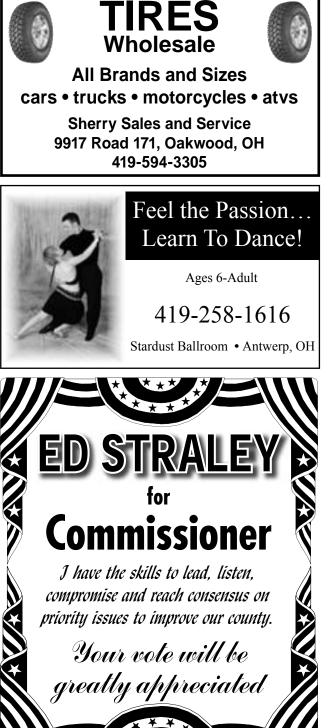
VFW GOLD STAR POST 5087 LADIES AUXILIARY HOLD "MAKE A DIFFER-ENCE DAY" PROJECT

The VFW Gold Star Post 5087 Ladies Auxiliary in Antwerp will do their annual "Make a Difference Day" project. On Saturday, October 28 they will check the smoke detectors of the area Senior Citizens and put in a new battery. This is at no charge to the Senior Citizens.

We will replace up to two batteries, if you have more detectors please have batteries for us and we will replace them for you. If we miss you or you are not home, please call Mary Plum at 419-258-2151 or Helen Livingston at 419-542-7871 and we will return to do it.

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • www.westbendnews.net **GROVER HILL'S LADIES AUXILIARY TO RECOGNIZE AREA VETERANS**

The members of Grover Hill's Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be remembering and recognizing area veterans with a potluck dinner to be held at VFW Post 2873 on South Main Street in Grover Hill on November 11 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The dinner is open to all area veterans, their families, and those wishing to show their appreciation to our nation's heroes for their sacrifices on behalf of a grateful people. Meat, potato and beverages will be provided. Bring your favorite dish and plan on joining us as we recognize our veterans and what they've done for us.



PAULDING COUNTY PORTION **OF BUCKEYE TRAIL**



Pictured are Les Weidenhamer of the John Paulding Historical Society and volunteer Gene Dietrick of the Oakwood area, formulating plans to further clear the path for the Buckeye Trail cable bridge to be established just south and west of Charloe, Ohio. The work party organizers and volunteers worked October 21st and 22nd on both sides of the still standing remains of the north abutment of the Blue Creek Aqueduct near the former site of the town of Canal Port in Brown Township.

Getting to the work site involves traveling the former canal towpath where it is possible to see the remains of the once viable canal, now overgrown with weeds and trees. This preliminary trimming and clearing will enable the Buckeye Trail and North Country Trail Associations personnel to erect a swinging bridge, approximately 180 feet long, across the waterway, thus providing a major attrac-

GROVER HILL VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUX-ILIARY 2873 SPONSORS PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

A pancake and sausage breakfast is being planned by the members of the Grover Hill Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 2873 for November 4. Serving will be from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the VFW Hall on South Main Street in Grover Hill. Everyone is invited to attend. A free will offering will be accepted by the auxiliary, with proceeds going toward the various youth and community projects promoted throughout the year by the auxiliary. Take outs will also be available.



tion to the Buckeye Trail hikers in this part of the state.

The Ohio General Assembly passed a resolution in 1967 recognizing the Buckeye (Hiking) Trail as a unique hiking trail existing solely within Ohio. Today, the trail has expanded to connect the four corners of Ohio - over 1,435 miles of hiking, in a continuous loop encircling the state. The trail follows old canal towpaths, abandoned railroad rights-of-way, rivers, and primitive footpaths over forested public and private lands, giving the participant an overall idea of the state we call Ohio.

For more information and maps, e-mail at info@buckeyetrail.org or on the internet at www.buckeyetrail.org. To obtain an official guidebook, write: Buckeye Trail Assoc., P.O. Box 254, Worthington, OH 43085.

-Cara Lou Strahley, JPHS Secretary

FORT WAYNE BAROQUE **SOLOISTS TO BE IN HICKS-**VILLE

The Fort Wayne Baroque Soloists will be presenting a concert on Saturday, October 28, at 7:30 p.m. The concert will take place at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Hicksville. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. Families are encouraged to bring their schoolaged children, as there will be special "listening guides" given to younger audience members.

The Fort Wayne Baroque Soloists are a small ensemble of performers playing instruments from the 17th century, a time known to musicians as the "Baroque" period. Instruments will include violins, violas, cello, theorbo, and harpsicord. They will be performing the works of Antonio Vivaldi, one of the most famous and influential composers of the Baroque period. The Fort Wayne Baroque Soloists are directed by Jason Thompson, a doctoral student at Indiana University, and a professor at Indiana Wesleyan University. Other performers include Emily (Coplin) Thompson, Caitlyn Hunter, Go Yamamoto, Martin Kratky, Adam Wead, Janet Scott, Andrew Fouts, and Natalie Williams.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE AND COSTUME COMPETITION IN ANTWERP

The annual Halloween parade and costume competition in Antwerp will be held on Saturday afternoon October 28. Costumed participants wishing to be a part of the parade should assemble on Archer Drive in front of the Old School building, at 3:00 the parade will proceed to Main Street and go south to Daggett Street then west to Cleveland Street.

The judging will be held this year at the VFW pavilion on the corner of Daggett and Cleveland. There will be ten categorize to be judged: Little Treats (3 yrs and under); Animals, Monsters

and Hairy Scaries; Cartoon, Movie and TV characters; Pirates; Witches; Ghosts and Devils; Angels, Princesses and Storybook Characters; Cowboys, Cowgirls and Indians; Clowns; Miscellaneous. First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each category as well as an overall grand prize and one for most original.

Those attending are encouraged to dress warm and bring your folding chairs and seating is limited in the pavilion.

The event is sponsored by the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce. Trick-or-Treating will follow the costume judging and is sponsored by the Town Council.





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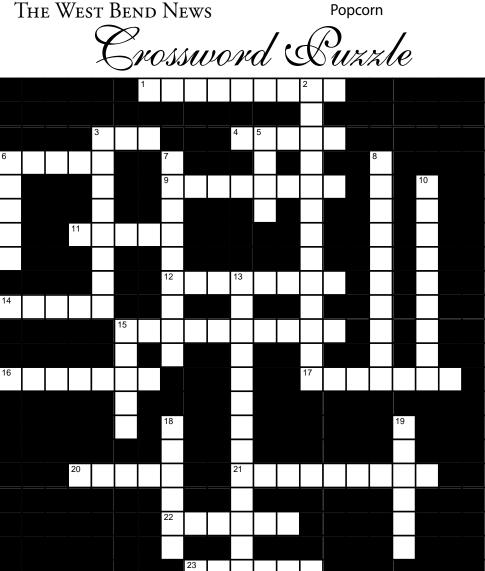
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Popcorn



Across

- Oldest ears of popcorn were found in WHAT 2. Popcorn is high in WHAT? 1. state?
- The best "grease" to use in popping corn is 3. WHAT?
- Popcorn comes in WHAT PLACE in use for 4. microwaves.
- Not enough grease will make your kernels 6. WHAT?
- 9. Popped corn can pop in this shape.
- 11. What makes popcorn pop?
- 12. The best place to store popcorn is in the WHAT?
- **14.** What "family" does popcorn belong to.
- **15.** Small Kernel, very tender to eat.
- 16. Some Native Americans used popcorn for this.
- 17. How many hundred of kernels are in one cup?
- 20. If your lid is on too WHAT it will cause your corn to be soggy.
- 21. Bowls or bags of popcorn have been found with these WHAT KIND OF bodies?
- 22. Keep your pan WHAT to avoid your popcorn from being burnt.
- 23. The world's largest popcorn ball was HOW MANY feet in diameter.

Down

- Kernels that don't pop are called THIS. 3.
- 5. Salting kernels before popping makes popcorn THIS
- 6. Drop 1-2 kernels into your hot grease and when it DOES THIS it's ready to pop.
- These early people threw popcorn into fire or heated sand to pop.
- 8. How many quarts of popcorn is eaten by an average person each year.
- 10. Popped corn can pop in this shape.
- 13. Another name for this popcorn is Ruby Red.
- **15.** How high, in feet, can popcorn pop?
- **18.** More popcorn is bought in this season.
- 19. Too much grease will make your kernels
 - WHAT?

The deadline for ads and article submissions is Friday at 5:00 p.m.

The Silver Ring Thing comes to NW Ohio

The NW Ohio Youth Collaborative is bringing the Silver Ring Thing to the Defiance Middle School Auditorium Sunday, October 29, 2006. The event is expected to be the largest event of its type to come to NW Ohio and is expected to fill the 1,460 capacity of the Auditorium. The Silver Ring Thing (SRT) is the fastest growing teen abstinence program in the United States and is rapidly gaining international recognition for its high-tech presentation style incorporating music, laser lights, fast- paced video, drama & comedy performances. Through this program, teens are able to understand

ED STRALEY – DEMO-CRATIC CANDIDATE FOR

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

By: Mike Knapp

I sat down with Ed Straley the other day. Ed was born and raised in Paulding County. He and his wife have 3 children and 6 grandchildren.

Ed is a graduate of Paulding County High School, has taken various college courses, studied at the OSU Extension for three years, and went to Northwest Tech for his real estate license.

He is very dedicated to his community; he stops by the senior citizen centers and visits with them. He is very dedicated to his church group, St. Paul's Lutheran Church. He is a member of the Paulding County Hospital Foundation, Farm Bureau, Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District Board, Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, and many more.

Ed started farming in 1956 while he was still in high school. Ed, with his two brothers, started up Straley real estate in Paulding, where they branched out into 4 different towns. Ed was in the real estate business for 9 years, where he thoroughly enjoyed the work and the people that he met, but because of health reasons, he had to get out of the business. At this time, his son came back from school; they branched out into livestock operations as well as their grain farming operation. About three years ago, Ed semi-retired from full time farming, but he still had a few head of steer that he enjoyed working with, but in August he sold the livestock that he had and now enjoys a little grain operation that he and his son work at.



He got into the political field because he loves working with people. He chose the Commissioner position because they have a very important roll in the community. He says that if he gets elected, he will be very conservative with the money and stretch it as far as it can go. He told me that if elected he will vote against any new tax that comes across the board. He says that he will be a full time County Commissioner; he is going to dedicate all of his time to the people of the county, he wants to serve the people and see what he can do for them. If elected, he wants to be able to communicate with the people of the County about the issues that come before the Commissioners; he will utilize the newspapers in the County for this purpose.

Throughout the years he has sat on many Boards in the County. One of the most enjoyable was the Soil and Water Board. Being on this Board, he utilized many programs that Columbus offered. They utilized grant money from the Capital to fund many of their projects. As Commissioner he will try to utilize all the grants and programs that Columbus has to offer, to save the County as much money as he can and bring in as much as he can from Columbus. He would highly push for bringing more jobs into the County. He sees many opportunities coming up in the future for the County and he will pursue these opportunities. With his farming business he works with many Government agencies, so he is aware of the programs that are out there that will benefit the community.

He feels that he is very capable of being our next Commissioner; he feels with all of his background and his love for the land, that he will be the best Commissioner for the County.



that abstinence until marriage is the best way to avoid contracting a sexually transmitted disease and to enjoy a richer and more blessed marital life. By offering a message of forgiveness and new beginnings the program reaches out to those teens that have become sexually active and offers an opportunity to embrace a "second virginity."

SRT was founded in 1996 in Yuma, AZ by Denny and Amy Pattyn who felt a burden to address the issue of skyrocketing teen pregnancies. In 2000, SRT moved to Pittsburgh, PA and has been traveling across the country and the world inspiring teens to make healthy choices for their future by committing to abstinence-until-marriage. Their goal is to reach teens and encourage a cultural shift to choose abstinence. This event addresses the issue of sex-saturated teen culture in an attention-grabbing way that teens will not soon forget. Led by a group of teens and young adults, the SRT program reaches teens on their level, in their language.

October 29th offers parents the opportunity to bring their teens (7th to 12th grade) and support the important message of abstinence. There will be a separate presentation for parents and teens during the first half of the program, and then all will join together for the remaining half. At that point, teens will be given the opportunity to make a decision to choose abstinence or strengthen their resolve. Parents are encouraged to attend and keep an open dialogue with their teens about choosing abstinence long after October 29th. Anyone concerned about the future of the teens of our community will not want to miss this event. Admission is free (teens should bring \$15 to purchase a ring) and the program lasts from 4:00 to 7:00 pm with registration beginning at 3:15pm. A free pizza party will immediately follow the program (7-8 pm) with entertainment from The Atonements. For more information, call Shirley Briggeman at 419-784-9006, or email respect@henry-net.com. You can also pre-register online at www.silverringthing.com. Mark October 29th on your calendars now, and don't miss The Silver **Ring Thing!**

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PAGE 8 – WEST BEND NEWS ERWIN BANDY – RUNNING FOR PAULDING COUNTY COURT JUDGE

By: Mike Knapp

I sat down with Erwin Bandy the other day. He and his wife have 3 children; they have lived in the area for the past 28 years.

Erwin was an enlisted man in the Navy. He then went to OSU for his undergraduate degree on a GI bill. Then he went onto Law School at Capitol Law School. After this he joined into a partnership with Pat Young. This partnership lasted for 6 years and then he set up his own office in 1984, the one he currently serves in. In 1986 he became the Assistant Prosecutor for the Paulding County Court. In 1989 he ran for Paulding County Court Judge and was elected, went unopposed in 1994 where he kept the position. In 2000 he was defeated as Paulding County Court Judge and he went back to his law practice full time. When Erwin was the County Judge he encouraged offenders of drunk driving to go to DUI school so that they would have an opportunity to change their behavior instead of just sentencing them to jail. He told me that many people came back to him and thanked him for sending them to DUI School instead of jail time, they turned out to be better people because of the school, that their behavior was changed. Since 1984 he has had his own office where he practices general law. For the last 10 years he

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has been part time college faculty at Northwest State Community College where he teaches paralegal classes. He finds this very rewarding, learning as he teaches the students. All together he has been an attorney in Paulding County for the last 28 years. He would like to become Judge again because he has found it very rewarding working with people. If elected he will make the Judgeship his full time responsibility. He feels that that is the only way to be in the position of Judge. He really loves the people and the county that he lives in, he finds it as a good place to live, work and raise your family. He is looking forward to serving as Paulding County Court Judge.

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Boo! Ha, I totally scared you! Ok, so I probably didn't really give you a fright. However, if you're looking for a good scare, check out the House of Haunted Horrors this Friday or Saturday. The junior class parents are once again sponsoring a haunted house. Prepare to be petrified as you walk through the creepy corridors, either on Friday from 7:30-11:00 p.m., or on Saturday from 7:30-11:00 p.m. A lights-on session will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Next, I must regretfully inform you that I made a boo-boo in last week's article. (No pun intended!) Friday's Red Ribbon Week theme is not Character Day for High School and Middle School students, but rather Give Drugs the Blues Day. Elementary students, however, will be encouraged to dress as their favorite storybook character on Friday, as it is the date of their fall parties.

The regular season of fall sports is coming to a close, and this Friday marks our last football game of the year. It'll simply be a scream to watch our boys take on the Aces!

Varsity Football: Friday, October 27th, 7:30, Hicksville.

It should be a boo-tiful evening to take in the game. Hope to see you there!

Word of the Week: Obstreperous \uhb-STREPadjective: uhr-uhs\ 1. Noisily and stub-

bornly defiant; unruly. 2. Noisy, clamorous, or boisterous.

Example: "Juneau, a somewhat obstreperous young pup, pulled on her leash until it broke away from the tree and enthusiastically barked in celebration of no longer being restrained."

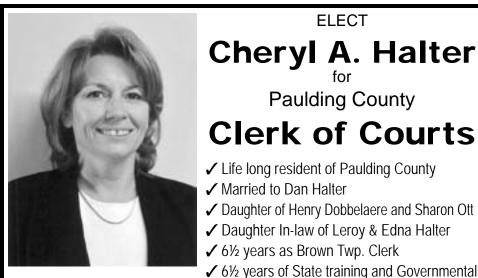
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PAULDING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN **CHURCH HONORS 50-YEAR MEMBERS**



Paulding's First Presbyterian Church honored its 50-year members in September. Pictured are (front) Marjorie Hyman, Berniece Kochenour, Ruth Alice Buehler, Betty St. John, Phyllis Crossland, Judy Robinson, and Herb Monroe and Terry Buehler. Not pictured are Frieda Good and Wilda Ross.





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20,000 THE MAGIC NUMBER

By: Brad Dysinger

According to the U.S. Census Bureau in an article printed in the June 22,2006 Defiance Crescent-News Paulding County's population has fallen to under 20,000. What makes this number significant is that sometimes money given to a county from the state or federal government is tied to the number 20,000. Another factor could be that elected officials salaries are also tied

to the magic 20,000 number, fall below 20,000 and salaries decrease.

If there are over 20,000 residents officials should be paid the higher figure, if under they should be paid less. Those in government shouldn't cook the population books for any reason whether to receive more money from the state, or in pay. If we in Paulding are truly under 20,000 we should be looking for why people are leaving. Some people vote at the ballot box while others vote with their feet and head for other places.



If the population trend continues in Paulding County, we will be closer to 18,000 in 20 years than 20,000. I don't know how to stop this but do know that more taxes aren't the answer.

If you are one of the people that I didn't see in my door to door campaigning don't feel bad, I don't do door to door. I just don't like to pester people at home after they've put in a day of work. I'd feel like an Encyclopedia, Avon or Fuller Brush salesman. Nothing bothers me more than to sit down for supper and have a sales call on the phone, but at least with a call you can ignore it but if I'm going door to door you might see me looking in the window at you eating your supper and I'd lose your vote, and I need all the votes I can get.

Don't you feel bad about calling me though, whether today or if I'm Commissioner, I'd like to hear from Paulding County residents. The last few weeks traveling around the county have been really fun. If you don't have your sign yet you may want to call soon because they're going fast. Brad Dysinger 419-587-3557.

Before I sign off for this week, I've got to get in one more cheesy Halloween joke. So, here goes!

Q: How do you mend a broken Jack-o-lantern?

A: With a pumpkin patch! I told you it was cheesy!

VFW LADIES AUXILIARY TO SERVE SENIOR LUNCHES

The VFW Gold Star Post 5087 Ladies Auxiliary in Antwerp still serves a lunch for the Senior Citizens of the Antwerp area on the first Wednesday of each month. November 1, the Visiting Nurses of Paulding County will give Flu Shots, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at 12 noon. All Senior Citizens are invited.

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The Paulding County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, October 4, Wednesday, October 11 and Monday, October 16, 2006. The Courthouse was closed on Monday, October 9 in recognition of Columbus Day.

Frenchie Britt, owner of Town and Country Monuments, attended the October 4 meeting and presented the Commissioners with a one foot by one foot stone engraved with the outline of Paulding County, the county name and the 1820 date of the county's founding. Britt donated the stone and engraving to the county. Commissioner Ron Lane took the stone to Columbus where it will become part of the garden at the Governor's Mansion. First Lady Hope Taft has been collecting stones from all 88 counties for the garden. Marty Harmon, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, accepted the engraved stone and told Britt "we appreciate your generosity and contribution to this project."

Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, met with the Commissioners on Wednesday, October 4 to pro-



activities. McGarvey reported that the bridge replacement project on C171 in Auglaize Township is proceeding on schedule. The project has a May 2007 completion date. McGarvey also noted that Gerken Paving will be back in the county beginning the week of October 9. The Gerken projects include township roads as well as county roads.

Also at the October 4 meeting the Commissioners again approved advertising for the final steps to activate the new EMA radio tower near the Fairgrounds. Remaining to be completed is the construction of a secure building for computer connections and an emergency generator.

During the Monday, October 16 session the Commissioners conducted regular county business including approval of bills and responding to correspondence. Dennis Miller, Maumee Valley Planning Organization, met with the Commissioners during the Monday, October 16 meeting. The Commissioners have been asked to develop sewer districts, at least one in conjunction with the U.S. 24 improvements. Not having a county office with a background in running sewer projects the Commissioners talked with Miller about the possibility of contracting the operation of sewer districts to keep cost low and to avoid new personnel. The Paulding County

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

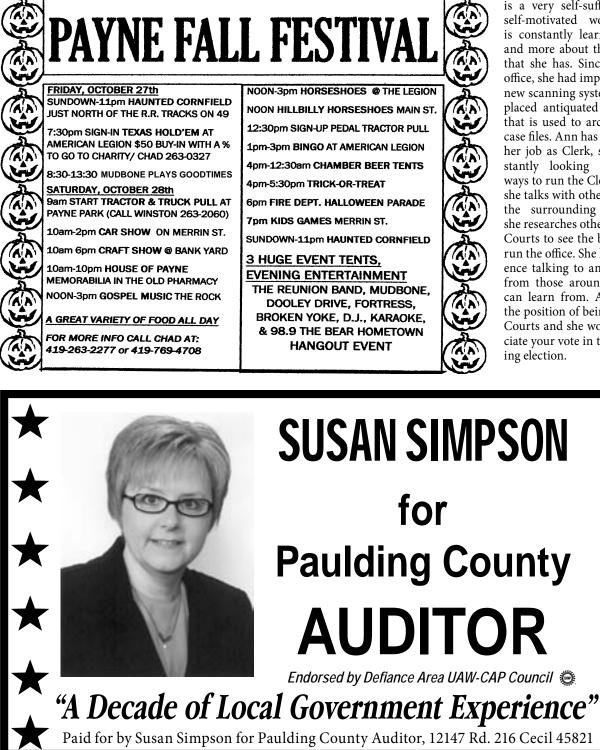
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We would like to express sincere thanks and gratitude to each individual and business for their contributions to the Nick Sheaks Fight Against Cystic Fibrosis Benefit. It would not have been possible without each and everyone of you. Auction City, TDS Telecom, Cooper Farms, B.J.'s Hair & Skincare Salon, Charloe Store, Kalida Country Acre Golf Course, Rhees Market, Continental News Review, Oakwood Hardware, Creative Hair Salon, Progressive Ag, Citgo, Quick & Clean Laundry Services, Homier Implements, Continental Flower Shop, Beautiful Reflections Skincare, Split Ends Salon, Jeff Rhees DDS, Franky's, Wollam Ag Center, The Cutting Edge, Continental Market, The Iron Skillet, Wood U Skating Rink, Carolyn's Custom Cuts, First Federal Bank, Sun Central, Vargo, Omnisource, Silgan Plastics, Dollar General, Ben Breese, Pizza Hut, Graff Chevrolet, Henry's, Red Pig Inn, Jerwers, C & G Dist., Phantasam Design, Lima Kohl's Store, All Phase Electric, Greg's Pharmacy, Ryan's Steakhouse, Sherry

Baringer & Jean Combs. Last, but not least The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Without their continued research we would have no hope against this terminal disease. For donations or information on the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation they can be reached at 1-866-347-2345, website www.65roses.cff.org, address-PO Box 96305, Washington, D.C. 20077-7215

Schilt, Jeff Adams, Marianne

-Nick & Jen Sheaks, their family & friends



ANN WALDMAN DEMO-**CRATIC CANDIDATE FOR CLERK OF COURTS**

By: Mike Knapp

I sat down with Ann Waldman the other day. Ann is the daughter of Kenny and the late Maurine Thomas. She is the mother of three children, and the grandmother of seven. Ann has lived in Paulding County all of her life and graduated from Paulding High School.

Ann is a member of the Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, Paulding County Hospital Board Member, Ohio Clerk of Courts Association Member, and the VFW Post 587 Ladies Auxiliary Member. She loves her community and wants to help in all that she can to give back to it.

Ann currently serves as Clerk of Courts; she has served in this position since 2005. The Democratic Party appointed her for this position after the resignation of the previous Clerk. She is the Democrat Central Committee member, as well as the Secretary, the past Director and Deputy Director of Paulding County Board of Elections, she has 25 years of experience co-owning and operating a retail business. Ann has worked very hard to learn the job as Clerk of Courts. When Ann was on the Board of Elections, she learned all that she could about the election laws from the Ohio Revised Code. When Ann accepts a position, she works very hard to learn that job and to be the best that she can be, it is very important to her that she knows as much as she can about the position that she has. She is a very self-sufficient and self-motivated worker, she is constantly learning more and more about the position that she has. Since being in office, she had implemented a new scanning system that replaced antiquated microfilm that is used to archive court case files. Ann has researched her job as Clerk, she is constantly looking for better ways to run the Clerk's office, she talks with other Clerks in the surrounding Counties, she researches other Clerks of Courts to see the best way to run the office. She has experience talking to and learning from those around that she can learn from. Ann enjoys the position of being Clerk of Courts and she would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election.

PAGE 9 – WEST BEND NEWS – OCTOBER 25, 2006 **GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY AT** PAULDING CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



The Paulding Church of the Nazarene ground breaking ceremony for the new Family Life Center took place on October 15, 2006. Dr. Larry Fairbanks, the Northwest Ohio District Superintendent spoke at the morning service. Following the service, the congregation walked out to the building site where Pastor Kim Semran read from Nehemiah 2:18-20. After a time of prayer, Pastors Kim an Cindy Semran and the church board members took part in the ceremonial breaking of ground. The children launched balloons attached to church information cards.

The Family Life Center will include a multi-purpose room that will function as a gymnasium and a fellowship hall, Sunday school classrooms, offices, a kitchen and a fireside room.

The church is looking forward to the new ministry opportunities the building will offer. Some of these ministries include Upward Basketball, MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), and afterschool tutoring. The Family Life Center will host ministries for men, women, teens, and children.









The House of Haunted Horrors

Friday October 27 7:30 - 11:00 Saturday October 28 6:30 - 7:30 (with the lights on for all the little Trick or Treaters) Saturday Ocotber 28 7:30 - 11:00

Location: Downtown Antwerp, ST. RT. 49 (above Papa Oley's Pizza)

Admission : \$3.00 All kids in costume will receive a treat during the lights on session.

Sponsered by the Class of 2008 Jr. Parents After Prom

PAGE 10 – WEST BEND NEWS – OCTOBER 25, 2006 JESSICA N. GOUDY GRADUATES FROM **BASIC MILITARY** TRAINING

ANTWERP HISTORY

These incidents took place

About 40 years ago or

between 30 and 55 years ago.

so a postcard came marked

"Grandpa, R. 1, Antwerp.

how many grandpas do you

have on your route? It was

a picture postcard and post

marked Cleveland, Ohio. It

had a message and signed Amelia. Well, I knew right

away who that was for. A week

or so before, Amelia Mendez,

who was about 8 or 9 and real

pretty, told me at the mail box

that she was going to Cleve-

land for a visit. So I knew that

was for José Mendez who lives

down on the Henpeck Road.

Anyhow, it makes you feel

good when you can deliver a

letter when the address is not

a letter for, we'll say, Sally

Jones, R. 1, Antwerp, Oh.

That wasn't her name, but I

promptly forgot it after the

incident. I didn't have a Sally

Jones, but the letter was post

marked Oklahoma City. Well,

I remembered a couple days

ago, a car with Oklahoma

plates was parked in Murray

Mendenhall's front yard. So, I

got out of the car and went to

the door and Alice Menden-

hall said "Yes, she's here and

how did you know that?" So

I told her about me watching

people's houses and strange

vehicles in the yard or drive-

way. So that car, being there

a couple of days, was probably

Ralph Morhart came out to

the mail box and asked if I

had seen any strange cars at

his house yesterday. Well, I

couldn't rightly say, I didn't

But, back in the '50's,

some relation to them.

Years later, I was handed

all there.

By: Stan Jordan



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remember. He said while they were in Hicksville someone had entered their house and stole their TV, a good floor lamp and a lot of meat out of their freezer. Well, from then on, I always watched for anything amiss around an area. The Postmaster said, "Stan, I even left some notes with some license numbers when I saw a strange vehicle. But all those proved to be okay.

In the 1970's, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gillepsie built a new house on the County Line Road. When Christmas time came, she would put a big plastic tray, decorated like the season, full of home made everything that is good. They had a big number 2 mail box, but to get that tray inside it had to be tilted a little. Oh, those were the days!

A few miles on in my route was the home of Francis Meyers. They lived in the Arthur Trembly house, 'cause Mrs. Meyer was a Trembly. They had a number of children, but my story is about one of the daughters. She met me at the mail box one day and while we transacted some business, a huge airplane came out of the east, just a few hundred feet high and buzzed the farm house. It was a big Air Force Cargo plane that had two tail booms, like a P-38 fighter. After the deafening roar settled down, she told me that was no accident. The pilot of that plane was her boyfriend. They were later married and raised a nice family. He went on to be a Captain in those big engine jets and later from one of the commercial airlines. I think her name was Joann, but I'm not sure. Anyway, she was one of Francis Meyer's daughters.

You go on down the road and you come to where Luther Reeb lived. He had a big number two mail box. They also had a pretty daughter named Charmain, who was very popular at the Antwerp High School. I opened up that mail box on that day and I was met by a big, mad coon. He probably had been in the mail box for 10-12 hours and he had a good mad on. I slammed the box shut and drove around to the back door and handed the mail to Neina. She said, "Oh my goodness, it's those high school boys again! When Luther comes in for lunch he will get rid of the coon."

Just down around the corner was the Jude household. Charlie, Reed and their sister, Hazel, live there. None of these three ever married. I remember my dad telling me that the boys had a new Model "T" back in the twenties. It was new to them and they were certainly not familiar with the operation of the machine. It stopped on the railroad and they got flustered and couldn't move it. So they got out and the locomotive demolished the vehicle. After both brothers passed away Hazel lived alone. A number of times she would call me at home and say "when you come tomorrow, come on in the house." Well, I would take my stamp box and cash box with my paraphernalia in it and her mail and go on in the house. She would have some bills to pay or some other job. After we finished the chores, she would send me on my way with fresh homemade hot rolls or bread. That hot bread aroma would fill my car and soon I couldn't stand it any longer and I would sample that fresh, hot, homemade bread. Oh, if I only had a

quarter pound stick of butter. There was always some left to take home.

In her later years, Hazel took on some weight and it was a little hard for her to get up and get around. In her living room her main chair was of the swivel type and she had a rope tied to a door knob. She could swivel her chair around and use the rope to pull on and it helped her to get up. When you live alone you do the best you can with what you got. About everyone on my route knew that I liked to eat because sometimes during the year and always on Christmas they rewarded me with goodies.

Just a little ways down the road was the Harry Terrill home. He had a ditching machine and at that time they used clay drain tile. Harry was good at handling dynamite. Some farmers would have him blow tree stumps or big rocks that were a problem in one of their fields. Three of the Terrill boys are still living. We have been friends ever since I can remember. Raymond, the eldest, lives just around the corner at the old Oss Ruppert place. Nearly everyone knows him as 'Mose'. Virgil and Norman live in Hicksville. Norm told me a line one time that I have sued and I will never forget it. He said, "Your grandchildren are a gift that God gives you for not killing your kids."

AREA HIGH SCHOOL VAR-SITY FOOTBALL FINALS

By: Kevin Wannemacher Ada 35, Delphos Jefferson

Delphos St. John's 49, New

Bremen 0. Coldwater 55, Fort Recov-

ery 13. Minster 14, Parkway 13. Tinora 53, Hicksville 7. Waynesfield Goshen 21,

Fairbanks 0. Bryan 36, Swanton 12.

Evergreen 37, Montpelier 16.

St. Henry 51, Versailles 8. Bluffton 40, Paulding 26. Columbus Grove

Crestview 32. Spencerville 41, Fort Gay Tolsia (WV) 20.

Wapakoneta 52, Lima Bath 10.

St. Marys 42, Elida 14. Kenton 48, Van Wert 21. Findlay 41, Sandusky 0. Antwerp 49, Edgerton 8. Lima Perry 34, Marion Catholic 0.

Liberty Benton 38, Hardin Northern 7.

Cory Rawson 28, Pandora Gilboa 13.

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • westbend@verizon.net **HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY: ANTWERP VS.** WAYNE TRACE

By: Kevin Wannemacher High School Girls: Team -

Wayne Trace 26, Antwerp 30. Individuals - 1. Alexis Godeke A 22:01, 2. Michelle Hille W 22:37, 3. Katie Reinhart A 23:15, 4. Samantha Davis W 23:31, 5. Kelsey Hinchcliff W 23:33, 6. Mindy DeLong A 24:18, 7. Cassie McDougle W 24:32, 8. Jenna Gordon W 25:01, 9. Alyssa Hughes A 25:44, 10. Chelsea Klewer W 27:07, 11. Liz Foust A 28:23, 12. Kim Jewell W 30:12, 13. Gina White W 30:37.

High School Boys: Team Wayne Trace 21, Antwerp 36. Individuals - 1. Rodney Miller W 18:22, 2. Karl Klop-

DIVISION III VOLLEYBALL SECIONAL AT VAN WERT

By: Kevin Wannemacher Saturday, October 21 saw Volleyball sectional play. It was Delphos St. John's against Wayne Trace, and Paulding against Fairview.

Final result: Delphos St. John's over Wayne Trace 25-12, 25-22, 25-19 and Paulding over Fairview 25-22, 25-22, 25-15.

fenstein W 18:40, 3. Zach Wannemacher W 18:42, 4. Spencer Timbrook A 19:06, 5. Jake Reinhart A 19:59, 6. Hayden Krick A 20:20, 7. Tyler Dunham W 20:23, 8. Wade Sisson W 20:43, 9. Steve Carslile A 20:59, 10. Angelo Harris W 21:39, 11. Lucas Gordon W 21:39, 12. Matt Rhodes A 22:14, 13. Jeremy Zartman W 23:33, 14. Dusty Woodcox A 24:12.

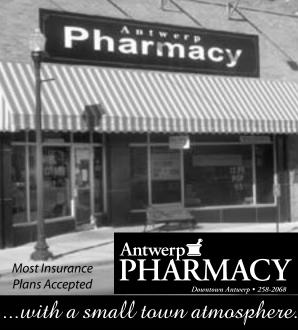
Jr High Boys: Individuals 1. Nick Berry A 12:10, 2. Josh Hilton A 12:17, 3. Colin Klopfenstein W 12:58.

Jr High Girls: Individuals - 1. Vanessa Gordon A 14:46, 2. Jessica Wenninger W 15:22, 3. Amanda Hill W 15:31, 4. Harlee Hudson A 16:19, 5. Jessie Marlin A 16:48, 6. Laurren Cline A 16:50, 7. Nikki Hughes A 18:00.

Records: Delphos St. John's 9-10, Wayne Trace 8-15.

Wayne Trace Individual Leaders: Dayna Keirns (61-69 setting, 21 assists, 11-11 serving); Kara Benschneider (5-5 passing, nine digs, 10-11 serving, two aces, 7-10 serve reception, seven kills); Becky Ruble (14-14 hitting, four kills); Sara Priest (8-11 serve reception, eight kills); Natalie Snyder (14-14 hitting, six kills, four blocks).







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10/25 - Soft shell taco,

10/26 - Hot or cold bolo-

10/27 – Cheese pizza, car-

10/30 - Corn dog, mixed

10/31 – Hamburger on a

Panther Paw Cafe - Lunch

10/25 - Taco salad or pizza

10/30 - Chicken nuggets,

whipped potatoes w/gravy, or

cheeseburger on a bun, oven

stix, vegetable, assorted fruit,

bun, pickles, corn, fruit, milk

gna on a bun, potato chips,

rot sticks w/dip, fruit, milk

vegetables, fruit, milk

<u>Oakwood</u>

corn, fruit, milk

<u>– Lunch</u>

fruit, milk

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milk 10/31 - Ham & cheese on a bun, cream of broccoli soup, assorted fruit, milk

<u>Elementary</u>

<u>Paulding</u> Elementary <u>– Lunch</u>

10/25 - Turkey deli, mini carrots, ginger bread, fruit, milk

10/26 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit, milk

10/27 - French toast, sausage, potatoes, fruit, milk

10/30 - Pizza hot pocket, corn, fruit cup, milk

10/31 - Corn dogs, vegetable, fruit, milk

Panther Paw Cafe - Break-<u>fast</u>

10/25 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk

10/26 - French toast stix, 10/26 - Cavatini, green sausage links, juice, milk beans, bread stick, assorted 10/27 - Sausage gravy w/

biscuits, juice, milk 10/27 - Turkey club sand-10/30 - Breakfast pizza, wich, cheddar munchers, as-

juice, milk 10/31 - Tator tots w/cheese

sauce, sausage links, juice, milk





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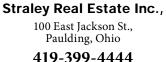
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PAGE 12 – WEST BEND NEWS – OCTOBER 25, 2006 MARY HOWARD DEMO-**CRATIC CANDIDATE FOR** PAULDING COUNTY TREA-SURER

By: Mike Knapp

I sat down with Mary Howard the other day. Mary has been married to her husband Don for 26 years. They have 2 children, a son and a daughter, and they have 1 grandson. Mary is the daughter of the late Robert and Rose Free of Paulding.

Mary has sat for 2 years on the board of the Paulding County Economic Development group as Township representative; she is active in the Paulding County Township Assoc., a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, a member of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, an Auxiliary member of the Paulding V.F.W., and an Auxiliary member of the Paulding Eagles. She helps in the community as much as she can.

She has been the Jackson Township Clerk for the last 6½ years, which brings in some Governmental experience. She has been self-employed as a Managing Licensed Cosmetologist for 23 years, where she has kept the books for that time. She has also done book work for 24 West L.L.C. in which she handled large amounts on money. In 1998, Mary and her husband owned and managed West Side Market in Paulding. So she has had a lot of business experience.

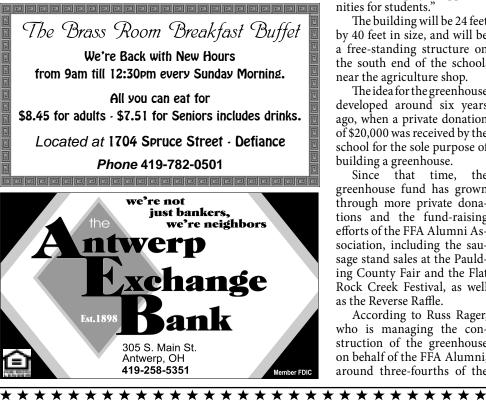
She is a graduate of Paulding High Šchool, Fredrick's School of Cosmetology in Lima, she has taken basic computer classes at Vantage, has had business training with the Business Institute

of America in Sandusky, and annual accounting and computer classes through the Auditor of States office.

She has improved the Jackson Township accounting records by posting all accounts to a computer system from the Auditor of States Uniform Accounting Network. She continues to make improvements by attending annual training with the Auditor of State. Her duties as Jackson Township Clerk includes detailed fund accounting, posting revenue, checking account reconciliation, pursue local banking establishments for investment purposes, various reporting to the County Auditor, payroll, makes up the beginning of the year budget and much more. She is very familiar with working with Commissioners and other elected officials and other entities of the county.

Mary says that if she is elected Treasurer, she will be your County's local tax collector and the Chief investment officer. She commends Betty Layman for doing a very good job and would like to build upon what she has accomplished. Mary would like to implement a pre-pay plan, which will allow the taxpayer to make monthly payments toward their property tax balance; accept online payments if feasible; invest the County's money by seeking the best, current investments rates with local banking establishments within the laws of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mary is very honored that the Defiance area U.A.W. Cap Council endorses her. She also would be honored to work for the people of Paulding County.



GREENHOUSE AT PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL TO BREAK GROUND SOON

Very soon, ground will be broken on the construction of a greenhouse at Paulding High School, thanks to the generosity of past and future donors.

The construction and fund-raising aspects of the project are being handled by the FFA Alumni Association-a group that consists of parents, past members and people interested in FFA. But the greenhouse and its potential uses will be for the kids.

Paulding High School FFA advisors, Sarah Noggle and Brad Smazenko look forward to students using the greenhouse for agri-science fair projects, classroom science-based experiments, and genetics research.

"The greenhouse will expand opportunities for FFA members to compete in more career development projects like the Nursery and Landscape Contest, the Floriculture Contest, the Forest Contest, Skills Classic, and the Floral Design Contest," she adds.

FFA Alumni President Ralph Schlatter sees many benefits to providing students with opportunities for the hands-on learning experiences that the greenhouse will provide. "One of the fastest growing segments of agriculture is small-scale agriculture, which includes things like greenhouses," says Schlatter, noting the recent growth in the popularity of farmers' markets. "It enthuses me that a student could later purse this as a career." Noggle agrees, "I hope the greenhouse develops job opportunities for students."

The building will be 24 feet by 40 feet in size, and will be a free-standing structure on the south end of the school, near the agriculture shop.

The idea for the greenhouse developed around six years ago, when a private donation of \$20,000 was received by the school for the sole purpose of building a greenhouse.

Since that time, the greenhouse fund has grown through more private donations and the fund-raising efforts of the FFA Alumni Association, including the sausage stand sales at the Paulding County Fair and the Flat Rock Creek Festival, as well as the Reverse Raffle.

According to Russ Rager, who is managing the construction of the greenhouse on behalf of the FFA Alumni, around three-fourths of the

\$58,000 needed to complete the project has been raised. Although that is enough to proceed with building, donations are still being accepted to fully fund the construction.

Some of the professional labor is being donated, and many hands will be needed to construct the greenhouse from the kit, which is due to arrive in November.

Anyone wishing to donate time or materials to the greenhouse project can contact Russ Rager at 419-399-3893 or Sarah Noggle at 419-399-4656, ext. 1170.

INVESTIGATION ONGOING IN THE OAKWOOD BANK ROBBERY

The Oakwood Police Department is investigating an armed robbery that occurred at 9:40 a.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2006. The robbery occurred at the State Bank and Trust Company in Oakwood. A male subject, 6'0" 6'4", wearing a hooded sweatshirt pulled around his face, brandished a silver automatic handgun and demanded money from a teller. The subject was able to take an unreleased amount of cash and then fled the bank on foot. The Paulding County Sheriff's Office and the FBI out of Toledo assisted at the scene. If anyone has any information regarding this robbery, please call the Paulding County Sheriff's Office at 419-399-3791.

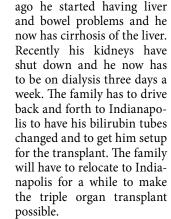
-Chief Mark Figer

MARK ALTIC BENEFIT

On Saturday, November 4, there will be a spaghetti supper, silent auction, bake sale and karaoke. We also plan to have a 50/50 drawing with members of the committee selling tickets. A dance is planned for November 18 at the school with Mark & Deb's boys' band playing.

This benefit is to try and help Mark and Deb Altic with the expenses associated with Mark getting on the transplant list and his associated expenses.

Mark Altic is in desperate need of a liver, kidney, and pancreas transplant. He has been an insulin dependent diabetic for 28 years and is legally blind. Mark has lupus and several other medical



problems. Almost two years

An account has been set up at the Antwerp Exchange Bank in Antwerp for Mark. The account is the Mark Altic

Benefit Fund. Any monetary donations may be sent to the bank with this account information on it.

The money generated by the benefit will be used by the family for medical expenses, transportation, food and lodging expenses incurred with this process. Any donation you can make to the family will be greatly appreciated. Questions, suggestions, offers to help, pickup of donations please call Beth Derck at 419-258-2512 or Chris Hounshell at 419-399-5107.

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