

## HEAP SERVICES ENTER ITS 30TH YEAR

Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission enters into its 30th year of providing Emergency HEAP services to low-income households.

NOCAC assisted 1,870 households with heating emergencies during the 2005/06 season and expects to surpass that total during the next five months.

Low-income households whose primary heating source and/or necessary secondary energy source (electricity) has been disconnected or threatened with disconnection, are eligible to receive HEAP emergency funds up to \$175. Households who have less than a ten-day supply of propane, fuel oil or kerosene are eligible to receive HEAP emergency funds up to \$450 to restore or continue their heating service. Emergency funding is also available for other bulk heating sources such as wood, coal, etc.

Households whose gross income is at or below 175% of the federal poverty guidelines are eligible (35,000 annually for a family of four). Applicants are required to bring proof of income, heating bill and electric bill, proof of disability if disabled and social security numbers for all household members. A household can receive Emergency HEAP assistance once per winter season.

Appointments for Emergency HEAP assistance will be accepted at NOCAC Community Service offices now through March 31, 2007. In Paulding County, contact Penny Cruszecki at 419-399-3650 for more information. The Paulding County office is located in the Paulding County Senior Center at 401 E. Jackson in Paulding. NOCAC also has Community Service offices in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams counties.

## "HAIR OFF THE SQUARE" PLANS OPEN HOUSE



Paulding's newest beauty salon is planning a grand opening to be held November 5 and 6 in their new location on North Williams Street, Paulding. Proprietor is Richelle Britt. A ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for November 6 at Noon.

At the open house people will have the opportunity to

sign up for drawings including products and services, including a straightening iron. Come and walk through the new facility and meet the staff. Enjoy some refreshments as well.

Sunday open house hours will be 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., November 5. Additional open house hours are Monday, November 6 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Missing pictures? We have a stack of pictures here at West Bend News from previous publications.

## DON'T PLANT IN PROPOSED US 24 RIGHT OF WAY

Land purchased for the expansion of U.S. 24 in Paulding and Defiance Counties will not be leased back to the former property owners to be farmed, said Norman R. Redick, Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 deputy director.

Right of way purchased for the project is to remain undisturbed until construction begins. "We occasionally lease property we've purchased for a project back to farmers and allow them to plant crops until construction begins. However, the U.S. 24 project will begin in early spring which will require the right of way to be cleared immediately," said Redick.

Crops which are planted within the right of way purchased by the state will be removed when construction begins. "We want to keep this from happening so we are issuing notice now," said Redick. "Crops that are currently planted in the right of way should be harvested by early January to ensure they are removed before construction begins," he said.

Surveyors will be work-

ing throughout the U.S. 24 corridor within the next few weeks staking the right of way for tree clearing, utility relocation, and to establish the U.S. 24 project boundary to eliminate any confusion by landowners as to where the boundary is, said Redick.

The expansion and relocation of U.S. 24 between the Indiana state line and Defiance, as well as the segment between Defiance and Napoleon are all scheduled to be under construction in the spring of 2007.

## PET PICTURE DAY WITH LYNNE MANSFIELD AND SYLVIA'S

Lynne Mansfield Dog Grooming & Boarding and Sylvias Country Portraits presents our 3rd Annual Pet Picture Day with Santa (kids invited too!) on Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Lynne Mansfield Dog Grooming & Boarding, 2187 CR 144, Antwerp.

Please call Lynne at 258-1442 to make an appointment.

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for Auditor



**Edward J. Straley**  
for Commissioner

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**OBITUARIES**

**Sanford "Sam" Porter**, 72, of Mark Center, OH, died at Hickory Creek of Hicksville, October 27.

He was born in Metz, Indiana on June 28, 1934 to Floyd and Luana (Blackman) Porter. He graduated from Metz High School in 1952. He was united in marriage to Joanne Stultz on November 29, 1959.

He worked for the Wabash Railroad prior to moving to Mark Center. He was employed at International Harvester, Ft. Wayne, for 23 years and then Johns Manville, Defiance, for eight years prior to his retirement.

He was a member of the Mark Center United Methodist Church and a Veteran of the United States Army, serving in the Korean Theatre.

He was a heart trans-

plant recipient 13 1/2 years ago. He was a member of the Defiance County Mounted Sheriff's Posse and an Honorary Member of the Defiance County Sheriff's Association. He loved to fish and hunt.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne; a son, Andrew (Teresa) of Union, OH; two daughters: Gwen (Charles) Beckwith of Jamestown, KY and Christine (Phillip) Brunner of Defiance. He has four grandchildren: Heather Mack, Lacey Beckwith, Dustin Brunner and Katelyn Brunner; two great-grandchildren: Aleyah and Mackayla Mack; a sister, Donna (Rex) Hartzell of Topeka, KS; three nieces and three nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers: Dean and Virgil Porter.

Funeral services were on October 30 at Smith & Brown

Funeral Home, Hicksville, and Rev. Tom Graves officiated. Burial was in Sherwood Cemetery with military honors by Sherwood VFW Post 5665.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Patient Transplant Assistance Fund or the Mark Center United Methodist Church.

**Vivian Cromwell**, 85, of Springfield, OH, formerly of Hickville, died on October 26 in Springfield.

She was born in Hicksville on January 30, 1921 the daughter of Vernion and Almeda (Flegal) Killian. She graduated from Hicksville High School in 1939. She married Harold "Hud" Cromwell in 1940. He preceded her in death in 2003.

She and her husband were owners of Cromwell Food Market, Hicksville and Cromwell's Antique's for over forty years and owned the Montgomery Ward Catalog Store in Hicksville.

She was an active member of First Presbyterian Church and United Presbyterian Women, Hicksville; she enjoyed antiques and developed her artistic talents through painting beginning at the age of 65.

She is survived by three sons: Dr. James L. (Sarah) of Springfield, OH, Dr. Thomas R. (Linda) of West Unity, OH, and Todd S. Cromwell of Columbus, OH; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, JoAnne Wise of Fort Wayne, IN.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brothers: Derrill and Elwood Killian.

Funeral services were October 29 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville and Pastor Ric Beals officiated. Burial was at Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Preferred memorials to First Presbyterian Church or Huber Opera House.

**Doris A. Mericle**, 74, of Paulding, died October 23, at Mercy Hospital, Defiance.

She was born December 27, 1931, in Paulding, the daughter of William and Mabel (Graham) Reinhart. On January 17, 1951, she married David Beltz, who died in Korea on May 29, 1951. In 1953, she married M.L. "Pete" Mericle, who preceded her in death on June 11, 2003. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paulding, a sales clerk for the former Lynallin Store, of Paulding, and owner/operator of the former East Market, Paulding. She was employed by McDonald's of Paulding for 10 years, and was assistant to the assistant activity director at the Laurels of Defiance.

She is survived by four sons: Mike (Debra) Mericle of Paulding, Kristofer, Patrick and Jerry (Marsha) Mericle all of Fort Wayne, IN; four daughters: Janice (David) Kaylor of Antwerp, Ronni Sue Mericle of Hicksville, Mary Ann (Jimi) Powell of Paulding, and Kathleen (Greg) Mericle-Adkins of Cecil; a sister, Elladean (Pete) McVay of Leesburg, FL; eighteen grandchildren; and twenty-six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husbands; and two brothers, Vernon and Howard Reinhart.

Funeral services were October 27 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Paulding. Reverend Herman Scherger officiated. Burial was in Pleasant Grove

Cemetery, Paulding County. Donations may be made to the Laurel's of Defiance Activity Fund or St. Joseph Catholic Church.

**Elsie Long**, 90, of Paulding, died on October 28, at her residence.

She was born in Milford, Indiana on November 11, 1915, the daughter of Silas and Priscilla (Kaiser) Rigenbach. On January 29, 1948 she married Arthur (Guy) Long who preceded her in death on February 1, 1995. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Christian Church, Paulding and the Christian Women's Fellowship.

She is survived by two sons: David A. (Nancy) Long of Paulding, Paul R. (Helen) Long of Monroeville, PA; one daughter, Joyce (Glen) Stewart of Nashville, TN; one sister, Ethel Cave of Fort Wayne, IN; five grandchildren and two step-grandchildren: John-Paul Stewart of Seattle, WA, Pamela and Jennifer Long of Monroeville, PA, David J. Long of Bowling Green, OH, Jamie Long of Paulding, J.R. Ritchey and Vickie Vega of Pitsburgh, PA.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers Earl and Richard Rigenbach and sister Ruth Paulus.

Funeral services were October 31, at the First Christian Church, Paulding and Rev. David Meriwether officiated. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the First Christian Church Building Fund or to a charity of the donor's choice.

**Charles B. "Chuck" Burtch**, 82, of Paulding, died October 29, 2006, at Hawthorn Court Nursing Home, Paulding.

He was born in Paulding on March 12, 1924, the son of James and Esther L. (Schmidt) Burtch. In 1951 he married Ruth Ann Roth, who preceded him in death in 1965. In 1969 he married Helen R. Weisheit, who survives. He was a veteran of the Merchant Marines.

He was a member of St. Paul Evangelical Church, Paulding, where he served on the church council, was past president of the Men's Group, and Superintendent of Sunday School. He was employed by the State of Ohio as District Manager of the Department of Taxation, retiring in 1984. He served on the Paulding Cemetery Board, was a member of PERI and was a member and past Chairman of the Paulding County Republican Party.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Burtch of Paulding; four sons: Charles (Trish) Burtch Jr. of Fishers, IN, Steven (Lynn) Burtch of Great Falls, MT, David (Ingrid) Burica of McCall, ID, and Timothy Burica of New York City, NY; two daughters:

Cynthia (Tim) Burtch-Fraser, of Van Wert, OH and Cathleen Scott of West Chester, OH; two brothers: Tom (Dorothy) Burtch of Rockford, OH, and Karl (Joan) Burtch of Paulding; three sisters: Sally Coon, and Barbara Rhode both of Paulding, and Janet Choler of Elkhart, IN; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Ruth Ann; and two brothers: James and David Burtch.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 2 at St. Paul Evangelical Church, Paulding, with Rev. Mary Beth Smith Webb officiating. Burial will be in Paulding Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be 2:00-9:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 1, at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services at the church on Thursday.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, St. Leon's International, or to St. Paul Evangelical Church.

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If you, your children, or other family members were born at CMH and would like to be part of our grand opening tribute, please send us a copy of your favorite photo(s).

Send (or email) one photo per family member born at CMH, either a baby or a current photo. Group or family photos will also be accepted. Please label the back of each photo and mail it with a completed authorization form. If you want the photo to be returned, please include your mailing address. Send photos to: Community Memorial Hospital, ATTN: Pam Franklin, 208 N Columbus St, Hicksville, OH 43526.

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**Community Memorial Hospital 208 N Columbus St Hicksville, OH 43526 ATTN: Pam Franklin**

**PULLING A STEPHEN**

By: Bryce Steiner

Chapters 6 and 7 of Acts give us an accurate history of the end of Stephen's life on this earth. A quick summary might be: Stephen along with 6 other men became the first deacons in the Jerusalem church. Their job was to take care of the matters of the people so that the 12 Apostles could work more on the spiritual business of the church. While Stephen was doing this, he also was full of faith and power, and he was not afraid to preach Jesus. He did great wonders and no one could stand up and dispute what he said.

In the mean time, many of the Jews became angry with him and conspired to accuse him of blasphemy. They were successful in bringing him before the Sanhedrin. There he was asked about the accusations against him and he responded with the Word of God. His face shown bright like the face of an angel. By the time Stephen was finished speaking the prophecies to them, they became so angry that they gnashed their teeth at him and pushed him out of the city.

While he was looking up into heaven they stoned him to death.

This reminded me of something that happened recently in Iraq. Several reporters (some were Christian) had been kidnapped and were threatened with being killed if they did not convert to Islam. They all did.

I have to ask - would you disown Jesus if you had a gun pointed at your head just

to save your life? Would you deny Him if someone was you knew was being tortured such as a spouse or a child?

We can learn some things from Stephen. 1st Tell the truth no matter who, what, when or where is around you. 2nd You may lose your life for Jesus, but hey, you're in good company!

Do you say, "I can't tell others of Jesus, because I might get made fun of." Oh, that's so sad. I'm sure when you get to heaven you can tell that to Paul or Stephen or Daniel or Jesus or Noah or Naboth or Uriah or Peter or ... I supposed I could go on a long time.

The 3rd thing we can learn from Stephen is that even though you don't think you are making an impact on someone now, you still might have long after your gone. Saul, later known as Paul the Apostle, was there giving his approval to Stephen's death. I think that Saul was greatly influenced by this young man's testimony, courage and faith. If Stephen would have said "Okay. You're right. Just let me live, Puleeease." Paul may have never become the Apostle to the Gentiles. He would have thought the Way was nothing more than a fraud.

This month of November I encourage you to read of Stephen and his testimony. Read it with a friend and then act. Pull a Stephen and don't be afraid of people making fun of you. If they do, take courage, you must be doing the right thing because the scoffers laughed at a lot of people throughout the Bible. God bless you all!

**BREAD IN THE WILDERNESS: THE SALVATION OF GOD**

By: Mike Knapp

Just as the verses in Mark chapter 8 tells us. Jesus takes 7 loaves of bread and a few small fishes and they fed around 4,000 people and they had 7 baskets full that they gathered up. If you read this account in Mark chapter 8, you see the disbelief of the disciples in verse 4: "And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness?" The disciples did not know where Jesus wanted them to get enough bread in the wilderness to feed 4,000 people; they only had 7 loaves and a few small fishes.

Just as Jesus miraculously fed 4,000 with this little amount of food, God's abundant salvation is also a miracle. We see that the salvation of God is as broad as the sky is wide and as vast as space itself. We can read of many of the aspects of His salvation in the Word of God and we can meditate upon these thoughts. God's abundant salvation that was made possible through Christ has caused divisions in homes, countries and peoples. His abundant salvation is for anyone who believes in what God has said through His Word. His salvation is as abundant as those loaves and fishes that fed 4,000 and still had enough to fill 7 baskets. God's salvation is a well that is everlasting and when you drink of it you will thirst no more.

On November 3rd and 4th we are going to have a time of preaching expounding upon the salvation of God. It is going to be hosted by the Love of the Truth Fellowship at the Antwerp Church of Christ starting at 6:30 p.m. on Friday night and then again at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. The church is located approximately 1 mile north of Antwerp on St. Rte. 49 just past the river. Everyone is welcomed to come. It will be a time of thorough presentation of the message of salvation God has given us through His son Jesus Christ. It is going to be a time of refreshing consideration of the wonderful gospel. In a time of a drought in the land of true spiritual food, it will be a time of encouragement and edification for those who are hungry for the true spiritual food of God. Please come and join us on these two blessed days of encouragement and edification. If there are any questions feel free to call Mike at 419-258-2826 or e-mail at mikelisa@bright.net or Tim @ tmcculfor@msn.com.

**ELECTION DAY SUPPER AT CORNERSTONE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

A soup, sandwich, and apple dumpling supper will take place at Cornerstone United Methodist Church, Oakwood on Election Day, November 7, from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. This event is sponsored by the UMW. The public is invited. There will be a free will offering.

**ELECTION DAY HOG ROAST TRADITION CONTINUES**

The Men's Fellowship of St. Paul Lutheran Church, 601 Flatrock Drive, Paulding invite the public to a Hog Roast from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2006. The Menu includes: Roast Pork, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Applesauce, Dinner Roll, Dessert and Beverage. A Free Will offering will be received. Proceeds from this and other events are used to assist many outreach ministries in our community and beyond.

**PAYNE POST OFFICE PASSPORT FAIR**

The Payne Post Office will be hosting a passport fair on Saturday, November 18, 2006, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Passport photos will need to be brought with the customer.

The United States will soon require passports to and from many countries that historically have been exempt from this requirement for U.S. citizens. The Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative introduced with the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, will require all travelers to and from the Americas, the Caribbean, and Bermuda to have a Passport to enter or re-enter the United States by air. Travel by sea and land border crossings requirements which would require all travelers to have a Passport, have been recently changed to June 2009 (subject to change).

A passport is an internationally recognized travel document verifying the identity and nationality of the bearer. A valid U.S. passport is required to enter and leave most foreign countries. A passport is good for 10 years. You must apply in person if you are applying for a U.S. passport for the first time, if your expired U.S. passport is not in your possession; if your previous U.S. passport was issued more than 15 years ago, if your previous U.S. passport was issued when you were under 16; or if your currently valid U.S. passport has been lost or stolen.

Additional information regarding passports can be obtained at usps.com/passport.

—Michele Whetstone, Postmaster Payne

**TED STRICKLAND TO VISIT PAULDING**

The Paulding County Citizens are cordially invited to attend a visit in Paulding County by the candidate for Governor Ted Strickland.

Ted Strickland plans to visit Paulding County at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, November 2.

Ted is planning to stop in Paulding at the Eagles Lodge located at 206 W. Perry St. Free coffee and donuts will be provided.

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

**PAULDING UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HOSTS ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER**

The Paulding United Methodist Church will be hosting its annual turkey supper on Thursday, November 9. The meal will be served beginning at 4:30 p.m. and will be a free will offering. The menu includes turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, green beans, cranberries, rolls, drinks and desserts. Carry outs will be available. Come and enjoy a great meal and fellowship!!

Any questions, please contact Teresa Dye at 419-399-2848.

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ELECT

# Tiffany Beckman

FOR

## County Court Judge



### EXPERIENCE

Attorney in private practice in all Courts in Paulding, Defiance, Henry, Williams and Fulton Counties  
Self-employed attorney with own law practice for the past 7 years  
Experienced attorney in criminal law area

### EDUCATION

Paulding High School, Valedictorian, 1988  
The University of Toledo, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, cum laude, 1992  
The University of Toledo College of Law, Juris Doctor, 1998

### FAMILY

Married to Scott Beckman  
3 Children—Reta, Lexie, Wyatt  
Daughter of Rex and Barb Reighter  
Granddaughter of Altha and the late Earl Reighter  
Daughter-in-law of Jerry and Paulette Beckman

### POSITION

The Paulding County Court is the Court located in the "old Chief" Building  
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### PHILOSOPHY

When I decided to run for this office, I was concerned about the direction the Paulding County Court had taken. I am not a politician, but I can make a difference to the community I seek to serve. While Canon 7 of the Code of Judicial Conduct prohibits me from telling you what decisions I will make, I can tell you that I will be fair, and I will change what needs to be changed to be fair. I hope you will support me in this endeavor to bring fairness to all citizens of Paulding County.

### WHAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT ME

I was born and raised in Paulding County on my great-grandfather, Walter Reighter's farm

*I was voted "Class Brain" by my high school class*

I worked at Fry's Pharmacy and Stokely USA when I was in high school and college

*I played softball and volleyball in Junior high and high school*

I worked full-time at the Arthritis Foundation to help pay for law school, which I attended in the evenings.

*I am a member of the Paulding Kiwanis organization*

I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce.

*No matter how many times I try them, I do not like mushrooms.*



This is mainly in response to the comments and article entitled "Antwerp to Seek State Auditor's Aid in Solving Budget Woes" that was published in the Crescent-News Defiance written by Peter Greer on Wednesday, October 18, 2006.

It states that the police department has had a negative balance for a while and that officers were put on in the past with grant funds. To begin with, there was only one officer not officers put on the Antwerp Police Department with a federal grant entitled Cops First. This grant paid the additional officer's wages for three years. Furthermore, all the paperwork was completed to the satisfaction of the federal agency and the council members of the Village of Antwerp at that time.

Former Police Chief Randy Shaffer was the officer who initiated the grant and completed all the necessary paperwork that enabled the village to obtain an extra

police officer. When Shaffer resigned, Joyce Carr was appointed the new Police Chief for the Village of Antwerp. As anyone who has been involved in grant writing to obtain fund knows, all the paperwork is not completed at one initial time. After I (Joyce Carr) took over as Police Chief, I completed the paperwork involving all the necessary forms and reports to keep obtaining money for the wages of the officer that was hired due to obtaining the grant money. All the required paperwork and forms were received by the agency granting the money to the village. The additional officer's wages were paid for three years by the Cops First program. Another fact that was not mentioned was when the Cops First agency received the final paperwork; the village was advised by the federal agency of a remaining balance due to the Village of Antwerp. I cannot remember the exact figures on this, however I know it was approximately \$7,000 maybe

more. According to my figures, the Village of Antwerp had already received the entire amount the federal agency initially told us we would receive. As the village's figure and the agency's figures differed, it was decided not to apply for this extra money due to the village fearing it was incorrect and we may have to pay it back.

The comment about the police department having a negative balance for a while, I don't know what time frame is being referred to but when I was police chief, I was able to get the department out of the red and back into the black. This was mostly done by the number of citations that was written by another officer and me. We brought enough money into the general fund that allowed the village to transfer a large portion into the police department fund. This may have offended several persons, but with the amount of traffic that goes through Antwerp it also needed to be done for the safety of all persons traveling in Antwerp, not to mention our young children that are riding their bicycles and crossing the streets. When you have approximately 13,000 vehicles going through Antwerp in a 24 hour period and many of them speeding or running the red lights, this is a hazard to all involved.

As I am still a reserve officer with the Antwerp Police Department, may be this letter should not have been written but I know for a fact that the state of the village's budget problem is not due to previous actions of the police department and I did not appreciate anyone reading something into the budget problems that involved me personally. Thanks for your time and if this has offended anyone, I apologize.

—Joyce Carr

# ACDC ANNUAL MEETING 2006



The ACDC Annual meeting took place on Tuesday, October 24th at the Antwerp Local School Auditorium. President Kirk Hopkins opened up the meeting by congratulating the ACDC members for their hard work and giving to further the enhancement of this community. He jokingly told members that we need to change the name of the town to something different than Antwerp because whenever asked where we are from, people's response is 'close to Fort Wayne, Indiana.' He was referring to the town's name when spoken with a pause in the middle. He also told of ACDC's financial status.

Pete Vail gave a Powerpoint presentation next showing the past year's accomplishments and congratulated everyone who participated. Mark Hartman gave the current status of the school and said that the school needs more children to fill the extra capacity in the new facility. Sara Keeran, town administrator, told about the town's new water tower and other parts of the village's infrastructure. Jim Pendergrast also spoke for the ACDC.

A vote took place for the election of officers. Existing officers were re-elected.

Speakers included Kay Langham including for County Commissioner, Tony Langham from the Paulding County Economic Development. Other people from the county also gave speeches.


### TASTERS' BUFFET AT DALLAS LAMB FOUNDATION

Members of the Dallas Lamb Home Auxiliary are busy planning this year's annual event. It will be held on Tuesday, November 14 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. At St. John's hall in Payne. This is the primary fund raiser for the Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary was formed many years ago with the goal of making life more pleasant for the residents. Recently, a garden with a waterfall and gazebo was donated to the home. The big project this year is a large screen TV in the large gathering room which is nearing completion.

All are welcome to come and enjoy the delicious food and entertainment consisting of Nancy Morse playing the harp and Deb Case singing. The residents who are able to attend will also be present and enjoy the home-cooked food.





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# PAULDING SOIL & WATER HOSTS 57TH ANNUAL MEETING



The Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its Annual Meeting and Banquet on November 14, 2006 at Grants Catering Hall located in Antwerp. An election will be held to fill two positions on the Board of Supervisors. Candidates are Bill Koenn, Dave Mansfield and Steve Sukup. Voting for Candidates for Supervisor will be held prior to the banquet from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. You do not have to attend the banquet or buy a ticket to vote.

Our meal will be served at 6:45 p.m. by Linda Grant Catering followed by our evening entertainment provided by the Evangels, a gospel group, home-base in Van Wert, Ohio. The Evangels will present a program which ministers to people of all ages, by praising the Lord through testimony and song. For over 35 years their unique, easy-listening style of gospel singing has challenged and encouraged audiences throughout the tri-state area. For more information or to request tickets contact the Paulding SWCD Office at 419-399-4771.

**TRAGEDY ON THE FARM**  
**By: Troy Knapp**  
 I received tragic news at the supper table last night. We have a beagle on the farm (as most farms do) named Joker; a.k.a. "The Happy Hound-dog". Joker had a wife. A chicken-wife. That's right. He had a Buff-Orpington chicken that he allowed to live with him in his dog box. Our children affectionately referred to her as "Joker's Chicken Wife". For several months, they lived in perfect harmony (like ebony and ivory) at the back of our yard. This is not a common event in nature. Beagle's are bred and trained to chase and bark at anything that moves that's smaller than they are (namely rabbits). I must admit, he truly was hen-pecked. When it came to household hierarchy, "Chicken Wife" ruled the roost. But, it appeared that they loved each other. She would groom him of bugs. He would sniff and lick her in response. He even went so far as to eat her eggs that she laid in the dog box. October 24, 2006, marks the day that Joker put away his chicken wife. He did not follow biblical guidelines and give her a certificate of divorce. He gave her . . . more of a munch and a chomp. What triggered Joker to turn on his own chicken wife, we will never know. What ever possessed him to use his muzzle that was designed to drool, sniff and yelp as an instrument of terror and destruction will forever remain a mystery. As we reflect back on the life of Clucky . . . or Henny . . . or was it Big Comb or Red Comb . . . as we reflect back on the life of "Joker's Chicken Wife" we will always remember what could have been. The two of them growing old together. Sharing their food. Sharing their home. Sharing her leg. We will always remember them as husband and chicken-wife. We actually wondered together as a family if this was a true sign of the end of time. Lion and lamb. Beagle and chicken. Now we just know that it was a short span of confusion in nature. Rest in peace, Chicken Wife.

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Isn't it great how gas prices have come down, the Dow has reached new highs, and the politicians are finally doing something about the border? You know, just before the election. That should be good for incumbents come election day. Could all this good news be a coincidence or could it be that we are being manipulated? Maybe we should throw all the bums out—all of them, and start over from scratch. It will be interesting to see what all of this "good news" is like six months from now.  
 —Phillip Piersma

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# ANTWERP EXCHANGE BANK WELCOMES GEOFFREY L. HYMAN



The Antwerp Exchange Bank recently hired Geoffrey L. Hyman as a Loan Officer. Geoff is a graduate of Paulding High School and Bowling Green State Uni-

versity with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. He started his banking career in 1978 at Anthony Wayne Bank in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and was CEO of the former Union State Bank in Payne for seven years. Geoff is a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #3617 and St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Payne, where he serves on their Endowment Committee. Previously he has served in the Paulding County United Way, the American Heart Association, the Payne Chamber of Commerce, and the Paulding County Bankers Association. He and his wife Bonnie reside in Payne and have two children.

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 11/06/06 Monday - Health Dept.....8:00AM to 11:30AM & 1:00 PM to 6:00PM  
 11/07/06 Tuesday -Antwerp School - Main Entrance ..... 10:30AM to 1:00 PM  
 11/09/06 Thursday - Health Dept. ....8:00AM to 11:30AM & 1:00 PM to 3:30PM  
 11/14/06 Tuesday - Paulding County Library.....1:00PM to 3:00PM  
 11/17/06 Friday - Oakwood Elem. School - Flag Pole Entrance..... 9:00AM to 11:30AM  
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# MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY HELPS "MAKE A DIFFERENCE"



Make A Difference Day is celebrated every year to "make a difference" in the lives of those around us. Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28 are the dates chosen for the this year. The PARC Lane students from

the Paulding County Board of MR/DD chose Friday. They decided to bake cookies and visit with the residents of Hawthorn Court at Paulding. What better way to spend a rainy, drizzly Friday morning! The students visited with some residents in the activities room, then traveled throughout each of the individual rooms. The interesting thing about "Make A Difference Day" is realizing that it very well could be that more "Difference" was made in the lives of those giving than in those receiving the cookies. The contrast of a rainy drizzly day versus seeing lots of smiles on people's faces truly was "Make A Difference in Our Day."

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# AHS Angle



By: Chelsea Vail

Well, folks, our boys ended the fall sports season on a positive note, dealing the Aces a 29-point margin loss. How's that for a pun? Anyway, congratulations to all the fall sports teams. Now we can begin looking forward to the winter sports season, for which our teams have already begun conditioning. I'm sure glad that I'm not running those dreaded A-R-C-H-E-R-S (aka Suicides)! Perfectly content to cheer our teams on from the stands, I am.

Switching gears to academics, the National Honor Society inducted 12 new members this past Sunday. With Mrs. Jean Detmon as Advisor, current members Mark Herber, President, Jason Gaisford, Vice President, Jessi Smazenko, Treasurer, Scott Altic, Secretary, and Victoria Knuckles welcomed the inductees with speeches explaining the meaning of the emblem and the four values of scholarship, service, leadership, and character that determine who is selected to be in the Society. The 12 new members of the NHS are, in alphabetical order (because that is how we do everything!), Zach Arnold, Cody Bok, Lynn Haller, Boston Hormann, Graham Hughes, Chelsey Murlin, Kyle Proxmire, Amanda Riebersal, Rachael Taylor, Chelsea Vail (that's me!), Alex Wetli, and Jen Womack. Founded in 1921, the NHS motto is "noblesse oblige", which translates from French into "nobility obligates". The Antwerp Chapter of the NHS was nationally chartered in 1967, with then-Advisor Mr. Charles Foster. Follow new members, congratulations!

Word of the Week:  
Facile \FAS-uhl\ adjective:  
1. Easily done or performed; not difficult.  
2. Arrived at without due care or effort; lacking depth.  
3. Ready; quick; expert.

Example: "I completed the math problem so facilely that I mistrusted myself and reworked it for fear of it seeming so simple that I completely overlooked something."

Doesn't it aggravate you when something seems so easy that you think you must have done something incorrectly? That really gets my goat! Until next time, good-baa!

## ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL WINTER SPORTS PICTURE DAY SCHEDULE

On November 17, the Antwerp High School Winter Sports Picture Day will take place. This is the schedule for the day:

3:00 - High School Boys Basketball, varsity team and individuals, \*returning letterwinners, \*captains; junior varsity team and individuals, \*managers, \*coaching staff, \*head coach.

3:20 - High School Girls Basketball, varsity team and individuals, \*returning letterwinners, \*captains; junior varsity team and individuals, \*managers, \*coaching staff, \*head coach.

3:50 - High School Cheerleaders, varsity team and individuals; junior varsity team and individuals, coach.

4:05 - Jr. High Boys Basketball, 8th grade team and individuals; 7th grade team and individuals.

4:30 - Jr. High Girls Basketball, 8th grade team and individuals; 7th grade team and individuals.

5:00 - Jr. High Cheerleaders, 8th grade team and individuals; 7th grade team and individuals.

## ANTWERP OLD SCHOOL PROJECT UPDATE

To clear up any confusion there may be in the Antwerp community, we are proud to announce that the entire old school project has been lease/purchased by a group of investors from out of state. Any and all previous owners will continue to remain involved in the project.

At this time the same personnel will remain.

Manor House Assisted Living is looking forward to opening in November and hope you will join them at their Open House, Sunday, November 12 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be entertainment and refreshments provided.

The new owner's emphasis will be on completing the Assisted Living, however they are interested in serving the needs of the community with regard to the ball fields and the gymnasium.

There will be a meeting November 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Essen House to hear the ideas of the community and in preparation for the Open House of the gymnasium.

For the next six months the gymnasium will be available at no cost so that programs have a chance to get up and running.

For more information, the AAA (Antwerp Athletic Association) will also be holding an Open House of the Gymnasium in conjunction with Manor House Assisted Living on November 12 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Bring the whole family! Refreshments will be provided.

As sure as it's going to rain, the classifieds sell.

## WAYNE TRACE FFA STARTS FRUIT SALES

Now through November 27, the Wayne Trace FFA will be selling fruit and other yummy items.

The list includes: Navels, Tangelos, grapefruit, tangerines, juice oranges, small mix box, large mix box, apple/pear combo, holiday twin, red delicious apples, gold delicious apples, fuji apples, gold rush apples, skinless peanuts, honey crunch peanuts, peanut brittle bites, butter toffee peanuts, honey roasted pecans, shelled pecan halves, chocolate covered pecans, whole cashews, roasted almonds, mixed nuts, peanut gift pack, chocolate gift pack, honey ham snack stick, pepperoni snack sticks, beef snack sticks, beef slices, original BBQ sauce, spicier BBQ sauce, beef sausage combo, snack pack, gourmet combo, party pack, cheese combo package, cheese lover's pick, cheese spread cups.

New items this year are: juice oranges, snack sticks, beef slices, original BBQ sauce, spicier BBQ sauce, all sausage/cheese combo packs.

If you are interested in ordering fruit or other items, please contact any Wayne Trace FFA member or call the school and place an order from Miss Heiby, 419-399-4100 ext. 223

—Chelsea Williamson, Wayne Trace FFA reporter

## VARSITY FOOTBALL: WAYNE TRACE VS. EDGERTON

By: Kevin Wannemacher

On Friday, October 27, high school football wound down with Wayne Trace facing off against Edgerton.

Final score was Wayne Trace 68, Edgerton 7. Scoring summary is as follows:

WT - Riley Linder 7 yd. pass to Brandon Germann (Jay Priest kick), 9:53 1st.

WT - Lance Sinn 33 d. run (Jay Priest kick), 6:34 1st.

WT - Riley Linder 12 yd. pass to Zach Gerber (Jay Priest kick), 2:57 1st.

WT - Riley Linder 37 yd. pass to Jay Priest (kick failed), 11:45 2nd.

WT - Riley Linder 40 yd. pass to Jay Priest (Jason Gordon kick), 5:33 2nd.

WT - Lance Sinn 57 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick), 2:03 2nd.

WT - Ryan Davis 68 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick), 11:38 3rd.

WT - Ryan Davis 51 yd. run (Jay Priest kick), 9:42 3rd.

WT - Tevin Hale 7 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick), 2:45 3rd.

E - Jimmy Lucas 58 yd. fumble recovery (Alex Reidt kick), 5:47 4th.

WT - Calvin Sinn 2 yd. run (kick blocked), 4:33 4th.

Stats for the evening:

First Downs - WT 9, Edgerton 5.

Rushing - WT 26/353, Edgerton 31/(-19).

Passing - WT 7-15-131, Edgerton 2-15-15.

Total Offense - WT 484, Edgerton (-4).

Had Intercepted - WT 0, Edgerton 1.

Fumbles/Lost - WT 4/1, Edgerton 3/2.



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**EIGHTH GRADE FOOTBALL:  
WAYNE TRACE VS. HOLGATE**

**By: Kevin Wannemacher**  
On Tuesday, October 17, the eighth grade football teams from Wayne Trace and Holgate clashed. Final score was Wayne Trace 50, Holgate 0. Wayne Trace is now 4-2.  
Individual stats are the following: Chris Hartzell - three touchdowns, two two-point conversions.  
Zach Hartzell - one touchdown, one two-point conversion.  
Cody Stahl - one touchdown, one two-point conversion.  
Cody Roth - one touchdown.  
Cole Rosswurm - one touchdown.

**VARSITY FOOTBALL:WAYNE TRACE VS. HOLGATE**

**By: Kevin Wannemacher**  
On Friday, October 20, football action saw a heated battle between Wayne Trace and Holgate. Final score was Wayne Trace 42, Holgate 8.  
Summary:  
WT - Lance Sinn 15 yd. run (kick failed); WT - Ryan Davis 20 yd. run (Riley Linder pass to Lance Sinn); WT - Seth Litzenberg 30 yd. interception return (Jason Gordon kick); WT - Lance Sinn 48 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick); WT - Riley Linder 65 yd. pass to Jay Priest (Jason Gordon kick); H - Joe Green 45 yd. run (Clady pass to Baker); WT - Lance Sinn 5 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick).

**VARSITY FOOTBALL: ANTWERP VS. EDGERTON**

Friday, October 20 pitted Antwerp against Edgerton in Varsity Football action. Final score was Antwerp 49, Edgerton 8.  
Score by quarters:  
Antwerp - 20 19 10 0=49  
Edgerton - 8 0 0 0=8  
Stats for Antwerp and Edgerton:  
Antwerp - total rush, 196 yds.; total pass, 102 yds, 8/15; total yds, 298; T.O., 1 interception.  
Edgerton - total rush, 55 yds.; total pass, 127 yds., 8/31; total yds., 72; T.O. 5 interceptions, 1 fumble.  
Antwerp individual stats:  
Quarterbacks - Quinn Tempel 7/14, 89 yds., 1 int. 1 TD. Tim Ryan 1/1, 13 yds.  
Rushing (leaders) - Josh Smith 17 rushes, 70 yds., 3 TD. Tim Ryan 5 rushes, 63 yds., 1 TD. Josh Laney 5 rushes, 38 yds. Ryan Butcher 1 rush, 8 yds.  
Leading Receivers - Challen Stewart 2 rec., 60 yds., 1 int./TD. Nate Gerenscer 1 rec., 21 yds., 1 TD. Jared DeLong 2 rec., 12 yds. Tim Ryan 1 rec., 2 yds.  
Returns - Challen Stewart 1 K.O., 85 yds., 5 punt, 1 TD return. Sam Beregszazi 1 K.O., 21 yds.  
Kicks - F. Cruz FG (1/4), Ex.Pt. (4/6), K.O. (9/435).  
Tim Ryan - 3 interceptions.  
Josh Hahn - 1 interception.

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 7**

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11/3 - sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
11/6 - breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
11/7 - breakfast hot pocket, juice, milk  
Panther Paw Cafe - Lunch  
11/1 - pepperoni pizza or grilled chicken on a bun, corn, assorted fruit, milk  
11/2 - mandarin chicken salad, bread stick, assorted fruit, milk  
11/3 - chili dog on a bun, cheddar munchers, assorted fruit, milk  
11/6 - breaded chicken on a bun, broccoli w/cheese sauce or carrots w/dip, assorted fruit, milk  
11/7 - italian dunkers, green beans, assorted fruit, milk  
Paulding Elementary - Lunch  
11/1 - hamburger on a bun, hash brown, fruit cup, milk  
11/2 - chicken strips, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit, milk  
11/3 - pepperoni 'n cheese bread stick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit cup, milk  
11/6 - breaded chicken on a bun, vegetable, fruit cup,

milk  
11/7 - vegetable beef soup w/crackers, bread w/margarine or peanut butter, fruit cup, milk  
Oakwood Elementary - Lunch  
11/1 - Nachos w/picante sauce, cheese stick, green beans, fruit, milk  
11/2 - cold ham on a bun, scalloped potatoes, fruit, milk  
11/3 - hot dog on a bun, oven potatoes, fruit, milk  
11/6 - hamburger on a bun, pickles, oven potatoes, fruit, milk  
11/7 - cheese filled bread stick w/marinara sauce, lettuce salad, fruit, milk

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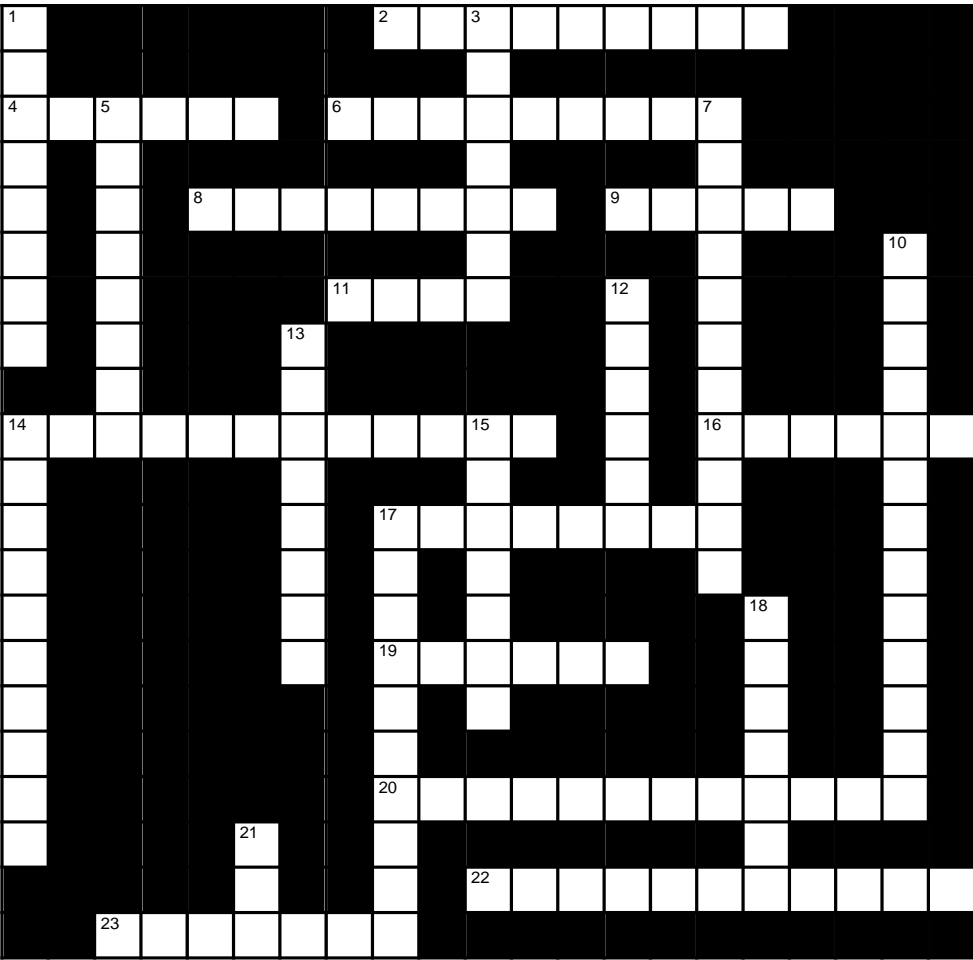


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# Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

- 2. In what country is the largest ranch in the world?
- 4. An oven used for heating pottery is called a WHAT?
- 6. A litter of these babies can fit into a teaspoon when born.
- 8. Gin and Canasta was derived from this Chinese game.
- 9. What percent of our weight is water?
- 11. Louis XIV owned 413 of these.
- 14. The first and last city in the world to operate cable cars is?
- 16. What reptile breaths with one lung?
- 17. How old was Dolly Parton when she released her first record?
- 19. Where are the world's two largest dams located?
- 20. Identical twins do not have identical WHAT?
- 22. What bird must eat every 30 minutes?
- 23. What bird can fly up to 260 mph?

**Down**

- 1. What soup company uses the most stars in its Chicken & Stars soup?
- 3. Fine turkey and honeycomb are terms used for WHAT?
- 5. The state of Tennessee used to be called WHAT?
- 7. A good milking cow will give HOW MANY quarts of milk a year?
- 10. The NFL granted this football team a franchise in Los Angeles in 1946.
- 12. Rummage sales in Great Britain are called "?" sales.
- 13. In what state is it against the law to throw eggs at a public speaker?
- 14. A duckbill platypus can store HOW MANY worms in its cheek pouches?
- 15. What people invented the playing cards?
- 17. Gas-wise, a car operates at the maximum economy at 25-? mph.
- 18. What part of the day will ducks lay eggs.
- 21. This 1954 movie was the first to feature a computer as a main character.

## FALL SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT

By: Kevin Wannemacher

The Wayne Trace Athletic Department has released the following information concerning the fall sports awards nights.

The junior high fall sports awards program will be held on Monday, October 30, at 7:00 p.m.

The high school fall sports awards program will be held on Monday, November 6, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The full schedule for this night is as follows:

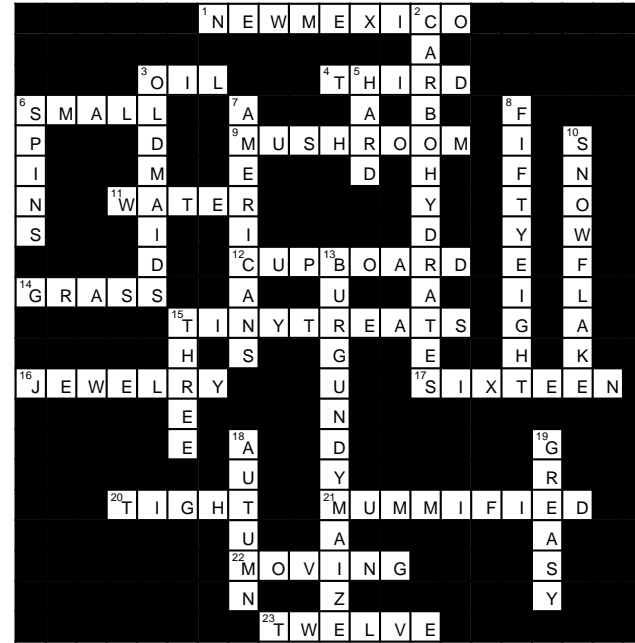
6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.: Volleyball awards in the junior high gymnasium.

6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.: Cross Country awards in the high school gymnasium.

7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.: Golf awards in the junior high gymnasium.

7:35 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.: Cheerleading/Football awards in the high school gymnasium.

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**ANTWERP HISTORY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I had some nice people on my route and Earlen and Pearl Starry. Earlen worked at the Grizzly Brake Business in Paulding. But he also had a trailer so arranged that he could secure a cow and saw her horns off. Lots of times he would get mail addressed 'Starry, the Dehorner', Ant-

werp, OH. That was no problem. But this story is not about Earlen, it's about Pearl. I always tried to be at the designated place at the same time every day. There is a number of reasons for that and this is one of them. When I served Starry's mail box, it was on the west side of a south bound road. I would turn my head to the east and wave at them as they came out to the mail

box. This day was chilly with a slow rain that had been coming down since last night. I put Starry's mail in the box and by habit I turned to the left and looked at their house. "Holy Smoke", Pearl was lying flat on the back porch in the rain and waving her arms to draw my attention. You see, they had a back porch about 12x12 made of ship lap boards with no roof over it. Those boards get as slippery as snot

when the are wet. Well, Pearl had ventured out doors and slipped on those boards and went down. She was alone since her husband was at work. She said she knew it was about time for the mail man to come. At that time 40 years ago, there was hardly any traffic and they wouldn't see her lying there anyhow. She told me later that I always looked in to her house and she prayed that I would this time. Well, I did look in and saw her lying in the rain. So I ran over to her and "Holy Moley", her left ankle was broken and the bone was sticking out. She was so relieved that she was going to get some help. She figured she was on her back in the cold rain about 10 minutes. First, she wanted me to go in the living room and get a blanket to cover her up. I know that I couldn't handle her alone and they did not have a telephone. It so happened the next house was my mother-in-law's, Thurman and Ola Powell and they had a phone. Thurman and I went back to Starry's and we brought out a kitchen chair and put her on it and carried her into the kitchen. We got some more dry blankets and tried to get her warm. In the meantime, my mother-in-law, Ola Powell, had called Schilb's. You see, Antwerp did not have an EMS Unit at that time. If you needed help you called the funeral home and their hearse was used as an ambulance. But, I think, all small towns operated like that. Anyhow, she also called Dr. Caine and he came along with Tommy Schilb. I did what I could, we loaded her into the ambulance and they went on to the Paulding County Hospital. I gave Thurman his mail and we talked a little about what she went through and we were glad we could help. I was glad that I turned and looked toward her house that cold, rainy day and she was also. She mentioned it later and thanked me a number of times. All those folks are gone now. Pearl got that compound fracture taken care of but she was not very mobile after that.

A few houses down the road, later on, Dick McCalla had a nice place. But in the early 50's, Ed and Maxine Parrott lived there. She was a Bidersell girl and they had a couple children. They moved to Florida in the mid-'50's when they left her, Uncle Elmer Parrott and his wife lived there. One day I stopped at their mail box and looked toward the house and she was running as good as she could, screaming and waving her arms. I drove in and she cried, "it's my husband and I know he's gone!" Yes, he was sitting in the rocking chair, his head thrown back and he had passed on. Well, I called my mother-in-law and she came and got things settled down and made the phone call to Schilb's. Well, these folks were neighbors and knew each other very well. I left in a few minutes, there wasn't anything more I could do. My mother-in-law was a kind person and she got everything under control. I met Schilb's ambulance coming down what is now 204.

Where Larry Dunderman now lives, back in the '40's, '50's & '60's, was home to John and Bertha Majors. East of that house in the late 1930's was an old house and there was a Beet Hunky Trailer there. There was a couple of Hungarian men who lived there and they were sugar beet workers. They called them Big John and Little John. I never did know their last names. They were just older, good working, jolly fellows who were glad to see you and talk a spell.

On up on the corner of St. Rd. 49 and CR 204 is where Dave and Joyce Carr lives now. But in the late 1800's they built a school house there called The Stinger School. There was the Armstrong School two miles east and another school one and a half west on 204. At that time schools were so arranged that no student had to walk more than one mile to attend a school.

There on the corner where Dave Carr lives, in the very northwest corner of his yard, you will see that big Lilac Bush. The children of the Stinger School, back in 1906 or 1907 planted a sprig of a Lilac Bush. They had a celebration with a group photograph being taken. At that time, Harve Manges lived about 200 yards south of the corner and the sprig came from their bush, as my mother-in-law and her twin, Nola told me years ago. They brought the little starter that morning. Later on, Harve Manges built a new house across the road and the old house and barn have been gone for decades. In that old photo, we knew the Manges twins, Thelma Wallace Culler, Dayton Wann and Everett Wann. I will have to get that picture out and make some inquiries.

Across the corner to the northwest, that beautiful place belongs to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pier. Mr. Pier is very active in conservation and wild

life. Recently, he turned loose 32 quail or "Bob Whites". We all hope that some of them stay around here!

But in the 1930's, Raymond Dunderman lived there. As I remember, he was an authorized dynamite dealer. That's right, if you needed to blow a troublesome stump or a big rock, it was perfectly legal to go get some dynamite and get rid of your problem. I talked to Dick Dunderman the other day and we both think that later on you had to get permits and a license and with a lot of safe storage rules, Raymond let his dealership expire.

Now you ponder over that scene a little and that's another part of Antwerp's old history. See ya!

**VARSITY FOOTBALL: WAYNE TRACE VS. AYERSVILLE**

**By: Kevin Wannemacher**

On Friday, October 13, Wayne Trace and Ayersville battled in high school football action. Final score was Ayersville 57, Wayne Trace 27.

Score by Quarters:  
Ayersville - 6 15 15 21=57  
Wayne Trace - 7 7 0 13=27

Scoring:  
Ayersville - Rob Luderman 4 yd. run (kick blocked).  
Wayne Trace - Riley Linder 18 yd. pass to Jay Priest (Jason Gordon kick).

Ayersville - Jarred Hageman 29 yd. run (Anthony King run).

Wayne Trace - Riley Linder 4 yd. pass to Jay Priest (Jason Gordon kick).

Ayersville - Rob Luderman 4 yd. pass to Travis Flint (Rob Luderman kick).

Ayersville - Rob Luderman 5 yd. run (Travis Flint run).

Ayersville - Rob Luderman 18 yd. run (Rob Luderman kick).

Ayersville - Rob Luderman 35 yd. pass to Travis Flint (Rob Luderman kick).

Wayne Trace - Riley Linder 11 yd. pass to Jay Priest (pass failed).

Ayersville - Jarred Hageman 74 yd. run (Rob Luderman kick).

Ayersville - Dylan Flint 45 yd. run (Rob Luderman kick).

Wayne Trace - Derrick Baksa 53 yd. run (Jason Gordon kick)

Stats for the evening:  
Ayersville - First Downs 14, Rushing Att-Yds 44-342, Passing Yards 126, Total Offense 468, Pass Comp-Att 11-17, Had Intercepted 1, Fumbles-Lost 2-2, Penalties-Yards 2-20.

Wayne Trace - First Downs 8, Rushing Att-Yds 15-61, Passing Yards 170, Total Offense 231, Pass Comp-Att 14-31, Had Intercepted 3, Fumbles-Lost 0-0, Penalties-Yards 1-7.

Ayersville moves to 8-0 overall, 5-0 in the Green Meadows Conference.

Wayne Trace falls to 4-4 overall, 2-3 in the GMC.

**NOVEMBER 7th  
HERE WE COME!**

**By: Brad Dysinger**

The first thing I want to say this week is thank you Paulding County. The last couple of weeks so many of you have called to ask for signs or give me support that it's really been something. It's good to see so many having the same concerns as me. When I started campaigning for commissioner a lot of my friends wondered if I was serious, or if I even had a chance of winning as an Independent. Any doubts they had should have been tempered by knowing me and by the numbers of registered voters of Paulding County. Although Paulding County is perceived to be a Republican county it is only partially true. As of Tuesday, October 24 there are 3,767 registered republicans and 2,688 registered democrats. **There are 7,164 registered Independent voters in Paulding County**, more than republicans and democrats added together. This fact confirms what I have long thought to be true, Paulding, County residents think, act, and vote for themselves not as a part of any political machine, national or local.

Tommy Lasorda past manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team has a quote that applies to this years commissioner's election race. "The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a persons determination."

I know that there is a lot of determination in Paulding County, as well as a lot of determination in me. If you help me to become commissioner on Nov. 7th, I promise to do my best to not let you down. A commissioner should be a leader and make decisions. He should be the county PR man and cheerleader. He should do all he can to keep government from being a hindrance to private business. A commissioner should oversee the budget but not delegate that responsibility to an unelected bureaucrat.

These are some of the things that I hope to bring to the job if elected. Again thank you because this campaigning has been more fun than it should be, and thanks for the calls, please keep them coming. Brad Dysinger 419-587-3557.

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**BUCKEYE TRAIL ASSOCIATION TO START NEW HIKING CLUB**

The Buckeye Trail Association, Inc. is planning to start a Hiking Trail Club for all of Northwest Ohio. The purpose of this club will be to open up the historical canal and also it will be part bike trail.

The next work party is scheduled for November 11 in Napoleon along the canal.

The Buckeye Trail is the first and only long distance hiking trail located entirely within the state of Ohio which traverses over 40 of Ohio's 88 counties. Recognition of the unique status of this trail was given in 1967, when the Ohio General Assembly passed a resolution recognizing the Buckeye Trail as a unique hiking trail existing entirely within the state of Ohio.

The Buckeye Trail Association (BTA) is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1959 initially to establish the trail between Mentor Headlands Beach on Lake Erie and Eden Park in Cincinnati. Today the Buckeye Trail has expanded to connect the four corners of Ohio—over 1200 miles of hiking and walking are available to you in a continuous loop that encircles the state.

As a statewide trail it follows old canal towpaths, abandoned railroad rights of way, rivers, lake shores, rural byways and primitive footpaths over forested public and private lands. The

Buckeye Trail Association seeks to make accessible the historic and scenic spots in the Buckeye State. The trail passes through forests, state and local parks, many small towns and urban areas where traveling on foot gives you an entirely new and unique perspective of the Buckeye State. The members of the Buckeye Trail Association are all dedicated volunteers!

Public use of the Buckeye Trail, at no cost to the user, is made possible through the permission and cooperation of many agencies and individuals. These include the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, the Ohio Historical Society, the U.S. Forest Service, the Muskingum and Miami Conservancy Districts, numerous local park districts, other governmental agencies, and private landowners.

The trail exists for the enjoyment of the citizens of Ohio and other states only due to the volunteer work, inspiration and efforts of hundreds of members of the Buckeye Trail Association. Your membership benefits include the Trailblazer, the official publication of the Association, which will notify you of organized hikes, special events, meetings, trail maintenance and other volunteer projects.

The BTA is involved in an aggressive campaign to save

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**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - REALLY COOL STUFF!**



Vantage senior Network Systems student Anthony Bradtmueller from Antwerp, works on the inside of a computer.

Interested in seeing how a computer works from the inside out? Always wanted to know how to make those animated 3D images on computer games? The Network Systems program at Vantage provides students with the opportunity to work on state-of-the-art equipment so they can stay on the leading edge of rapidly changing computer technologies. This Tech Prep program is designed to prepare students for "high tech" careers in information technology, by blending academic and technical subjects that emphasize problem-solving and critical thinking skills as well as hands-on experience.

Junior Holden Profit from Antwerp didn't pause at all when I asked him why he chose this program at Vantage. "I'm really into game development and programming. I've learned so much more about computers in the two months we've been in school. And I really like coming to school now."

One of the newest and most exciting areas covered in this class is game creation. Using Maya 7 and Clay Tools software, students are able to create 3D objects and environments used in game development.

Students also learn advanced software features, basics of networking, computer architecture and business applications. They learn Visual Basic programming which is used in a variety of applications such as database development and banking. Network+ covers routers, local area networks and wiring. A+ gives them knowledge of the physical parts of the computer - all the hardware that is used. Network administration involves handling and maintaining a network. That means being responsible for

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rights-of-way through purchase. Your help, together with that of other volunteers, will enable the Association to maintain and improve the trail for future generations. The Buckeye Trail has been recognized as vital, since its path was chosen for both the North Country National Scenic Trail and the American Discovery Trail. Your dues and contributions may be tax deductible.

For more information about the Association or details about the work days, please contact Allen Deemer, the Defiance section supervisor at PO Box 627, Antwerp, OH 45813 or 419-258-2274.

implementation, network security and monitoring.

A brand new component for seniors has been added this year - Computer Forensics. If you're a fan of TV's CSI or NCIS, you'll know that computer forensics is used during crime investigations. Students are learning how to investigate evidence that remains on a computer well after the user thinks it has been deleted.

In addition to all of this, students in this class still learn how to tear apart a computer and put it back together again, how to make basic repairs and troubleshooting within the system. Students also have the opportunity to prepare for professional business certifications such as A+ and C++.

Network Systems teacher Nancy Moore has been teaching for 8 years. A lot has changed since she began. "The most significant change I've seen has been the technology explosion. Just when I think I have it down, it changes - and something new and better comes along. I've also noticed that students know more and more each year. They've been exposed to computers longer and they're not afraid to try something new. This year I have 17 junior students and they're eager and excited to learn about game development and network security."

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**HOW TO CATCH A SQUIRREL**

By: Betty Hissong

My husband and I retired and bought a mobile home and lot in 1999. It is on a small lake, quiet, not much traffic on the water. We have several trees. We like it real well.

A couple of years ago we kept hearing chewing and gnawing inside the trailer but couldn't find a place where it was coming from.

Last fall, my husband went to the bathroom to take a shower, a couple minutes later I heard banging and a lot of noise. I went to the bathroom door and said, "Are you OK?" He answered, "Don't open the door, there is a squirrel in the bathroom. Don't open the door!"

He opened the closet door to get a towel and a squirrel ran over his feet and the fight was on. The banging and noise kept on for an hour and 15 minutes or more.

Finally, he came out of the bathroom, had found a bath tub brush, he was holding

the bath tub brush. He was soaked with sweat. He had boxer shorts on and the legs were hanging to his knees in the back from the sweat. His shorts were soaking and dripping.

He dried himself off and then went back to the bathroom.

The frisky squirrel jumped out of the bath tub, ran across the shower rod and jumped up on a wicker shelf. While my husband was fighting with the squirrel he spotted a bottle of cleaner for tubs, "The Works." He sprayed the squirrel's face. The squirrel was so nearly dead, he got a good shot in and killed the squirrel.

Most men go squirrel hunting with a gun, not my husband, he went with a tub brush and a bottle of "The Works".

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appreciative of being informed. I know that our government officials are there to "serve the public" and I would fulfill those expectations. I would appreciate the opportunity to make a valuable contribution to OUR local community. Thank you for your interest and your time.

-Susan

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**ELDRIDGE - JONES**



Dana Eldridge, daughter of Don and Charlene Eldridge of Cecil and Brian Jones, son of John and Connie Hasch of Cecil, and David Jones of Sherwood will be married on December 2, 2006 at the 2nd Baptist Church, Defiance. Dana is a 2002 graduate of Paulding High School, a 2006 graduate of the University of Toledo, and is currently pursuing her doctorate of Physical Therapy at the Medical University of Toledo. Brian is a 2002 graduate of Tinora High School and is currently serving in the United States Marine Corps.

**REP. GILLMOR NAMED GUARDIAN OF WORKER FREEDOM**

The Alliance for Worker Freedom (AWF) recently presented Congressman Paul Gillmor (R-Tiffin) with its prestigious "Guardian of Worker Freedom Award" for advocating on behalf of the America's workers throughout the 109th Congress. Upon receiving his award Gillmor said, "I am honored to have been recognized for advocating for America's workers. Our nation has the best and brightest workforce in the world. It is the responsibility of Congress to ensure our workers remain competitive in the global marketplace and continue growing our economy." The Guardian of Worker Freedom Award was presented to Members of Congress who received at least an 80

percent voting record based on the AWF's scorecard. Among the votes for which the AWF commended Rep. Gillmor for are his support of raising the minimum wage, positive trade agreements, OSHA reform and pro-labor market immigration reform. "Paul Gillmor clearly knows the difference between being pro-Big Labor and pro-American worker," said AWF Executive Director Ryan Ellis. "When it comes to keeping American workers competitive, Paul Gillmor is a tremendous advocate for a twenty-first century workforce." The Alliance for Worker Freedom Association is a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization dedicated to advancing America's workforce. For more information, please visit [www.workerfreedom.com](http://www.workerfreedom.com).

**SUSAN SIMPSON: DEMOCRAT CANDIDATE RUNNING FOR PAULDING COUNTY AUDITOR**

**By: Mike Knapp**  
I sat down with Susan Simpson the other day. Susan and her husband Charlie have been married for 18 years. They have 4 children. Her parents are Leonard (Sam) and Genelta (Nel) Levos and her in-laws are Robert and Mable Simpson. Susan is a lifelong resident of Paulding County. The family manages a 1,200-acre grain farming operation in Crane Township. Susan graduated from Paulding High School. Susan's biggest qualification for the Auditor's position is her experience. She has over ten years of experience to the local government. She is currently on her third term as Crane Township Fiscal Officer (Clerk). As the Township Clerk she has computerized all of the Township's financial payroll records. She has attended several classes offered by the State of Ohio Auditor and Treasurer's office to expand her knowledge of local government fiscal management. She was the first Village Administrator for the Village of West Unity where she managed public water, wastewater, street dept. and personnel. She has experience working with both municipal and township governments. She sees this as being a good foundation for going into the Auditor's Office. She has experience in both Government and public accounting systems; with this experience she has a unique opportunity for her to go into the office. She graduated with honors from Defiance College and has a Bachelor's Degree in accounting and management. She was the Senior Trust Administrator/Asst. Vice President at Reliance Financial Services where she managed over 125 accounts totaling \$30 million dollars in assets. When Susan decided to run for the position, she wanted to influence the public's attitude toward elected officials. She hopes to bring hard working ethics and honesty to the elected positions. Susan would like to be a resource for the people and the other elected officials. She

would like to implement an open-door policy, increasing communication with the public through brochures, news releases and public speaking. She would like to allow the people to understand what is done at the Auditor's Office, and not only the adults, but also the youth of the community. She feels if the youth is educated, they will be more interested in the local governments and in general later on be better adults for our community. She would like to work closer with the local schools so she could educate the students on local government. She would like to bring the Auditor's Office to the "internet age" by establishing a public access auditor's homepage that would contain tax related information along with easy access forms and registrations. She has spent many hours researching the Auditor's position. She takes the initiative to research to broaden her knowledge for the position. She has contacted and talked with other Auditors in the surrounding area and knows what works and what doesn't work. Her desire is to earn the public's trust through knowledgeable service and efficient management. She is a member of the Ohio Township Association, Secretary/Treasurer of the Paulding County Township Association, lifetime member and elder of the First Christian Church, United Way Board Member, Central Committee member and past Treasurer of the Paulding County Democratic Party, Past member of the Paulding County Economic Development Board, past Treasurer of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, Church Youth Advisor and 4-H Advisor for many years, and Paulding County Farm Bureau member. Susan feels that it is important to give back to the community in which you live by serving on local boards and being a volunteer with community minded organizations. Susan's quote on her flyer says "I have a very solid foundation through my education and work experience to fulfill the duties of Auditor, and I believe wholeheartedly in Paulding County."

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His Father also was an avid gardener too, who enjoyed turnip growing. Dean said he used to dig a 4' x 4' hole in the ground and line it with straw putting more on the bottom.

Next a layer of turnips would be set in the hole on top of the straw with the "greens" up. This layering would continue until about 8" from the ground level and then more straw would be put on and then covered with dirt. This would cause the turnips to sweeten as they aged. At the same time, they would not rot. The "greens" would continue to grow even without sunlight, and after a time (a couple of months) they would turn white.

Turnips are mainly grown for their enlarged root, although there are some people who also enjoy eating the greens. The root usually has an oblong globe shape and is two-toned, with purple-pink on the top and white on the bottom. Some can be round or cylindrical.

**CHERYL HALTER: REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE RUNNING FOR CLERK OF COURTS**

**By: Mike Knapp**  
I sat down with Cheryl Halter the other day. Cheryl and her husband Dan have been married since 1977. They have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Cheryl is a lifelong resident of Paulding County and says they are a typical farm family and she is a real down to earth person. She loves her community and the people that are in it. Cheryl says that her family and the community in which she lives are the priorities in her life. Her values are very family structured.

Cheryl is a member of the Paulding County Farm Bureau, Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, Paulding County Township Association, Paulding County Republican Women, Paulding County Amateur Radio Club, Paulding County Historical Society, and is a past member of the Oakwood EMS.

Cheryl has been Brown Township clerk for 6 1/2 years, and is in her second term. She has taken all of the state training that entails the Township Clerk's job. She has annual training from the Auditor of State and the Treasurer of State offices. At these training classes she has learned a lot by meeting with others in her field and other fields. As Township Clerk she prepares annual budgets, monthly minutes, polices, procedures, and pre-

pare resolutions, posts all revenues into proper funds, processes all expenditures and warrants, prepares all payrolls, prepares all monthly and quarterly reporting to Local, State and Federal entities, and prepares all annual financial statements submitted to State and County Auditor and other duties that involves her position. She has implemented the new financial accounting system, GASB 34. She has been audited bi-annually by the State Auditor and has received clean audit reports. She is used to a lot of files and the systems in place for the files so she is able to go into the Clerk of Courts position knowing what is expected of her. She believes that the transition from Township Clerk to Clerk of Courts will be an easy transition for her.

Cheryl says that the County needs good Government to draw people to the community. There are changes that could be done in Paulding County's Government and she would like to be a part of those changes. If elected she is wanting to implement a Clerk of Court's web site so people could get information online or be able to print forms and documents that they need so

they do not have to go into the office as much. She wants to go in and make the office the best for the community. Having a good Government is a must for people to move into a community. Here is a quote and goal of Cheryl's in her flyer "As an elected official of Paulding County I would serve the people with honesty, dedication and the integrity that they deserve. I would like to serve as Clerk of Courts and diligently perform all the duties of the Court in an orderly and respectable fashion, while maintaining the standards of accessing and preserving information at levels that keeps Paulding County in the highest standards of any County throughout the State. This is my promise to the people of Paulding County."

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**TIFFANY BECKMAN: CANDIDATE RUNNING FOR PAULDING COUNTY COURT JUDGE**

**By: Mike Knapp**  
 I sat down with Tiffany Beckman the other day. Tiffany would like to explain what the County Court does. It hears primarily misdemeanor criminal cases such as speeding violations, operating vehicles while under the influence, driving without a valid license, civil suits between parties up to \$15,000, small claims and evictions. That is the bulk of the County Court.

Tiffany is a lifelong resident of Paulding County. Between her and her husband Scott they have three children, two daughters and a son. Tiffany's father and mother are Rex and Barb Reighter, she is the granddaughter of the late Earl and Altha Reighter and she is the daughter-in-law of Jerry and Paulette Beckman.

She is a Paulding High School graduate where she graduated in 1988 as valedictorian. She graduated cum laude from the University of Toledo with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and from the University of Toledo's College of Law. She has been an attorney for 7½ years primarily in the Paulding and Defiance area. She opened her own practice in Defiance in 1999. Tiffany has argued cases before the Third District Appellate Court, the Sixth District Appellate Court, and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. She has been before all of the surrounding county Judges, she has experience in what works and what doesn't work, she understands what the Judges position entails. She started out practicing mainly in criminal law. She

started out on her own and at the beginning, as most of new self-employed jobs, took a lot of work getting off of the ground. The early days of the practice were very hard because of all the work; she was the secretary, cleaning lady, accountant and so on. Those days were very hard, but she has learned a lot from those days. It has built her character over the years since starting out. She is very thankful for the support that she has gotten from her family and the people of the community. One of Tiffany's quotes is "I have worked extremely hard for all of my accomplishments. I have been blessed with a strong work ethic and a wonderful family and my achievements are a direct result of both."

She is on the Board of Directors of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors of the Women and Family Services where she is the Paulding County representative, a member of the Paulding Kiwanis, and the Paulding, Defiance, and Ohio State Bar Associations. She has chosen to stay in Paulding County because she loves the community and the people.

As County Court Judge she will be fair and impartial. She has represented numerous clients that the County Court Judge sees. She believes that respect for others and accountability for actions can be equally maintained as a Judge. Plaintiffs, defendants, victims, landlords, and tenants alike can and should be given their day in Court, treated with respect in the courtroom and judged fairly and impartially. Tiffany says that it is not about the judgeship as it is about the community.

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"The Notch Fairness Act" (H.R. 615) introduced by Representative Ralph Hall (TX), is a bipartisan effort to provide "Notch Babies" a \$5,000 lump-sum or improved monthly Social Security benefits. The bill is nearing the highest level of support in well over a decade, says one of the nation's largest seniors organizations.

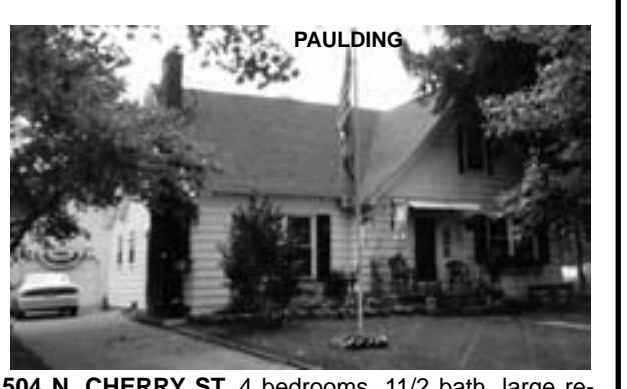
"The disparity in benefits can be significant," says Ralph McCutchen, Chairman of TREA Senior Citizens League (TSCL). According to studies for TSCL, many Notch Babies who had average earnings over their working years receive a Social Security benefit that's about \$100 per month lower than a senior with a similar work and earnings record.

TSCL urges seniors to ask their members of Congress to support "The Notch Fairness Act." To voice your opinions to Congress or take other grassroots actions, go to TSCL's Web site at: www.tscl.org/action/.

As one of the nation's largest seniors organizations, TSCL is concerned about the protection of earned Social Security, Medicare and other retirement benefits. For more information, contact TREA Senior Citizens League, Department N615 909 N. Washington St., Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314, or visit the Web site at www.tscl.org.

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**Weekly column by: State Senator Lynn Wachtmann**

While the calendar says there is almost a month left of autumn, over the last few weeks, Ohio has seen below average temperatures and even traces of snow in some parts of the state, making the last weeks of fall feel like the middle of winter. As a result, many Ohioans have been forced to kick on their furnaces and go digging through the closet to find their winter coats. Unfortunately, the winter season not only brings the burden of heavy clothes and frigid temperatures, but also higher home heating costs.

Last year, in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, natural gas prices skyrocketed, leaving many families struggling to pay their heating bills. Fortunately, this year, record levels of gas supplies and forecasts calling for warmer-than-normal temperatures have led many analysts to predict a significant drop in our heating bills this winter. Some utility companies estimate the average November residential bill—assuming the weather is normal—will be about \$25 less than a year ago. While this is encouraging, we should continue to limit gas use and conserve energy to keep supplies high in case of an unexpected change in the weather. In an effort to encourage energy conservation and efficiency, the U.S. Department of Energy publishes their "Easy Ways to Save Energy" fact sheet, which provides information

on ways to keep home heating bills manageable while keeping your home warm and your family safe.

One of the best ways to ensure your home will be warm without breaking your bank account is by properly maintaining your heating system. The Department of Energy recommends having your furnace or heat pump evaluated each year to see how efficiently it operates. It can be very cost effective to have a pre-heating season tune-up, which will help reduce the chances of breakdowns on chilly winter days, will improve safety and will pay for itself since your heating system will operate in an energy-efficient manner. In addition, it's important to replace air filters, which not only ensure more efficient operation, but will also keep the air in your home clean. It's important to remember that like cars and computers, heating and cooling equipment doesn't last forever. While purchasing a new heating system may seem expensive on the front end, in the long run it can cost a lot less than keeping an older and less energy efficient system.

While keeping your heating system well-maintained will go a long way to keep your winter energy bills down, other energy conservation procedures such as making sure that there is proper insulation in your attic and walls and resealing doors and windows will provide additional protection from the cold. The Department of Energy asserts that these simple measures can save up to 10 percent on your energy bills. To check for drafts, they recommend

holding a lit candle next to windows, doors, electrical outlets and light fixtures on windy days to test for leaks. If you find any drafts, plug these leaks with caulking, sealing or weather stripping. Similarly, ensure there are no air leaks in your duct system. According to the Department of Energy, your heating system can lose between 25 to 40 percent of its warm air before it reaches the register if ducts are not properly insulated.

Along with these seasonal evaluations and repairs, making other energy conservation habits will help keep bills manageable. These include turning off kitchen, bath and other ventilating fans within 20 minutes after you finish cooking or bathing to retain heated air; opening curtains on south facing windows during the day to allow sunlight to naturally heat your home and, if you have a fireplace, closing dampers when not in use since it will allow warm air to escape.

Following these procedures and adopting some new habits will not only go a long way to conserving energy, it will ensure more manageable heating bills this winter. For more information about these measures, I encourage you to visit [www.winterheat.ohio.gov](http://www.winterheat.ohio.gov).

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.

**VARSITY FOOTBALL: ANTWERP VS. HICKSVILLE**

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Score by the quarter:  
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Stats for the evening:

Rushing (leaders): J. Smith 22, 184 yds.; T. Ryan 9, 90 yds.; A. Smith 2, 5 yds.  
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QB: Q. Tempel 3/7, 30 yds.  
Kicking: F. Cruz K.O.-6, 273 yds.; F. Cruz 1/2; J. Smith P-2, 49 yds.  
Team totals:  
Antwerp - Rush yds, 266; passing yds. 30; T.O. 3; punts 2/49 yds; kickoffs 6/273 yds;

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*"I feel privileged to have had the opportunity to grow up in Paulding County and now I would like to serve the people of this community and help our county prosper in the future as your county commissioner."*

**--Ed Straley**