

SUSAN SIMPSON FILES PETITION FOR COUNTY AUDITOR



Susan Simpson has filed her petition seeking the office of Paulding County Auditor on the Democratic ticket. Elected in 1995 to serve a four-year term as Crane Township Fiscal Officer (Clerk), Simpson has since been successful in gaining two additional terms. Simpson is a graduate of Paulding High School and International Business College. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in accounting and management from Defiance College.

In addition to her years of experience in township

government, Simpson also served as the first Village Administrator for the Village of West Unity. Simpson stated, "I have a unique background for a county office because I have worked in municipal and township government and understand the workings of both." She has over 20 years of work experience in the business field with an emphasis on accounting and fiscal management. Presently, Simpson is a Senior Trust Administrator with Reliance Financial Services, N.A., a trust company owned by State

Bank & Trust.

Simpson serves as the Secretary/Treasurer for the Paulding County Township Association. She is also a Central Committeeman for the Paulding County Democrat Committee and a member of the First Christian Church in Paulding.

Simpson has held offices with the Paulding County Democrat Committee and Paulding Chamber of Commerce. She has also served on the Paulding County Economic Development Board and volunteered as a 4-H Advisor for many years.

Simpson has been married to her husband, Charles since 1988 and they have four children, Amanda (David) Bok who taught kindergarten at Antwerp School, Nathan Bland attends and plays Men's Volleyball at Newman University in Wichita, KS, Megan and Amber Simpson are students at Paulding Exempted Village Schools. In a statement, Simpson said, "My desire is to earn the public's trust through knowledgeable service and efficient fiscal management. If given the opportunity, I would like to implement an open-door policy, increasing communication with the public through brochures, news releases and speaking engagements. I would also like to bring the Auditor's office into the Internet age by establishing a public access auditor's home page that would contain real estate and tax-related information along with easy-to-access forms and registrations. I would work close with and function as a resource for the other offices and agencies. The County Auditor position carries a lot of responsibility with it and plays a major role in the management of our county government. I have a very solid foundation through my education and work experience to fulfill these duties and I believe wholeheartedly in Paulding County!"

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

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP LIVES!



Good sportsmanship is still around. Pictured is Paulding's Scott Meyer, #51, giving a helping hand to Antwerp's Colt Kemerer, #44, with Antwerp's Mark Herber, #3, ready to jump in and help. This took place at an October 2005 football game between the two teams.

NEW TELEVISION CHANNEL IN THE AREA

Paulding Village Television - Channel 5 will begin airing during the morning of Wednesday, February 15th, 2006. PVTV - Channel 5 will air on channel 5 if you are an Adelphia Cable Network subscriber within the Paulding School District. Some minor interruptions may occur as all of the kinks are worked out of the system.

PVTV - Channel 5 is a local education/government cable access channel that is being run by the Village of Paulding and the Paulding Exempted Village Schools. More information about the channel can be found at the following website: http://pvhs.noacsc.org/panther_productions/index.html

CORRECTION

We at West Bend need to apologize for an incorrect time given in the Uncle Fudd's Sweetheart of a Meal Ad. The correct times were 6:30 - 8:00.

CURVES SUPPORTS COMMUNITIES NATIONWIDE WITH 8TH ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

Curves of Hicksville will be participating in the Curves Food Drive to benefit local food banks.

Last year, the Curves Food Drive collected 10.6 million pounds of food for local communities all over the world. That's almost 3 million more pounds than the year before!

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"The Curves Food Drive promotion is always exciting," said Jerrica Steffens, the owner of the Hicksville club. "We have a chance to help so many people at a time when the food banks are lowest, while we assist more women in reaching their fitness and weight loss goals. It's a win-win situation for everyone, and we're very proud to participate."

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OBITUARIES

Stewart I. Taylor, 88, of Hicksville, died on February 5 at Miller's Merry Manor, Ft. Wayne, IN.

He was born on March 18, 1917 in Greenfield, IN the son of Stewart F. and Ethel Bell (Shumway) Taylor.

He graduated from Greenfield High School. He married Wilma R. Kline on May 28, 1945. She preceded him in death in 1988.

He retired from International Harvester, Ft. Wayne. He was a member of Eagles Aerie 2556, the Masonic Lodge, and Grace United Methodist Church, all of Hicksville.

He is survived by a daughter, Nona (Hugo) Miller of Coldwater Lake, MI; two sons, Fred (Sue) of Hicksville and George (Terry) of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and a son, Perry.

A private funeral service was held at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville on February 8. Pastor Wayne Berkesch officiated. Burial at Lost Creek Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials to American Heart Association or American Cancer Society.

Glen L. Goeltzenleuchter, 78, Paulding, died February 6, at the Convoy Care Center, Convoy, OH.

He was born March 27, 1927 in Paulding County the son of Vern and Fran-nie (Bolinger) Goeltzenleuchter. On October 3, 1948, he married Myrtle E. Boroff, who preceded him in death on June 23, 1985. He was a WWII Navy Veteran. He was employed by General Motors, retiring in 1989, after 38 years. He was a member of Latty Methodist Church, a member of the Moose Lodge #2094 of Defiance, Paulding Eagles Lodge #2405, and the Paulding County Historical Society. He served as Town Marshall of Latty and on the Paulding County Sheriff's Department Reserves.

He is survived by a son Rex (Toni) of Defiance; three daughters, Glenna (Paul) Stabler of Payne, Nancy (Rick) Mabis of Antwerp, and Joy Goeltzenleuchter of Convoy, OH; fifteen grandchildren; and twenty-four great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife; five brothers, Bob, Morris, Bill, John,

and Vincent; and a sister, Ruth Jewell.

Funeral services were February 10 at the Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding and Pastor Jim Edwards officiated. Burial was in Paulding Memorial Cemetery, Paulding with military graveside services.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, Parc Lane Training Center or First Baptist Church of Antwerp.

Frances K. Hardman, 95, formerly of Camarillo, California died Sunday, February 12 at The Laurels of Dekalb, Butler, IN.

She was born on September 19, 1910 in Defiance County, OH the daughter of Chauncey and Luella (Lytle) DeLong. Her husband, James Hardman, preceded her in death in 1996.

She was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a hospital volunteer in Camarillo. She was skilled in knitting, crocheting, ceramics, and doll making.

She is survived by two nieces, JoElla (Wolfe) Gregg of Ft. Wayne, IN and Marilyn Clayton of Santa Barbara, CA; a nephew, Clifford Landes of Walnut Creek, CA; ten great nieces/nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband; a son, William Livingston; three brothers: DeLiam, George and Edward DeLong; three sisters: Lelah Singleton, Elizabeth Wolfe, and Alice Krontz.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday, February 15 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Ric Beals, First Presbyterian Church of Hicksville will officiate. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park, Camarillo, CA. Memorials may be given to The Laurels of Dekalb, Butler, IN.

PUBLIC MEETING

The Antwerp Community Development Committee is having an open forum public meeting Thursday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Antwerp School auditoria and the public is invited. This is an informational meeting and the public input will be greatly appreciated. Come and catch a vision of what your community will experience in the near future.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NEWS

Applications are being accepted for the next Habitat for Humanity house to be built in Paulding County. Any family who might be interested in applying for a home can pick up an application at the libraries in Payne, Antwerp, Paulding and Oakwood.

Habitat committee met for re-organization recently. Several new members joined the Habitat board and we are excited to have them.

They were welcomed by the new president for Habitat, Keith Klopfenstein. Other officers are Paul Stabler, vice president, Eileen Kochensparger, secretary and Amy Haines, treasurer.

New members were made aware of the Habitat for Humanity rules and regulations that are specified by Habitat International. An informative question and answer session followed and proved to be instrumental to everyone.

At the present time we are in the process of continuing the work on the home being built in Melrose. So much paper work has to be done before the actual house can be started. It is hoped that as soon as the weather breaks the building can begin.

We welcome visitors and/or prospective members to our meetings. If you would like to attend please contact a Habitat officer and if you have someone you would like to nominate for a Habitat for Humanity house feel free to contact any of the officers and we will gladly get you an application or pick one up at the library near you.

Just a reminder that the work that will be done on the home for the Guyton family will be donated by friends, family, neighbors, local organizations, and church groups, and we hope that Paulding County residents will come forward and help to build the next Habitat for Humanity home.

PAULDING BLOOD DRIVE

On Thursday, February 23, a blood drive will be held at the St. Joseph Catholic Church located at 314 N. Main, Paulding. The times are 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule your blood donation appointment. Any questions, please call Christine Taylor at 419-594-3789.

HEALTH SCREENS AVAILABLE FOR LOW-INCOME WOMEN

Women in Paulding and surrounding counties may be eligible for health screening services that are available because of special grants through the Ohio Department of Health and the Komen Foundation.

To be eligible for this NO cost service that includes a clinical breast exam and mammogram and a pelvic exam and pap test, women must meet certain age and income requirements. Women must be 40 years of age or older and be within the income guidelines. A one person household could gross \$376 weekly and be eligible for the program. The women may not have insurance, or be on Medicaid or Medicare. Please call for individual eligibility determination.

Breast and cervical cancer are among the leading causes of death in women between the ages of 35-54. The number one risk factor of developing breast and cervical cancer is something that we cannot control - increasing age. But with early diagnosis and treatment of these diseases, the survival rate has risen tremendously. Each woman must take responsibility for her own health and ensure that routine exams are obtained.

Paulding County Health Department has a few slots open for a limited time for these no cost services. For more information or to determine eligibility and sign up for the no cost services, please call Judy Fisher, RN at 419-399-3921 or 1-866-399-3921 (toll free).

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In last week's article about the trains and where all they went, you mentioned Oakwood, Continental, and Payne. You never had Melrose in your listing. It has to go through Melrose to get to the other towns.

Enjoy your paper.
Loretta Peters,
Melrose, OH

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who loved Joe and to all his true friends. Thanks for your support. Take care.

Joe's family,
his wife, Stephanie
his daughters, Reece, and
Baby Buerkle p

WORSHIP ANYONE?

By: Pastor Jeff Shadowen, Westwood Fellowship, Woodburn

Last week we began a new series on worship. We gave a simple definition of worship - Worship is all about "worth-ship", that is, recognizing and rehearsing the value or worth of God in our lives.

If we truly know Jesus is our Savior and Lord, then worship should be genuinely meaningful and moving - because we are able to know God better and appreciate Him more with each passing day.

For many believers, worship may not feel all that exciting. Why? There are two reasons. Last week we pointed out that most people use the word "worship" as an adjective . . . as in "worship service". They falsely assume that worship can only happen with the rest of the church family on Sunday mornings.

Wrong!
The second most common use of the word "worship" is as a verb . . . "Let us worship as we SING". I love music. I have a Masters in Church Music. You certainly can worship as you sing, but singing never guarantees that you will worship. Why?

Because worship is first and foremost an attitude. You must "recognize" the value or worth of God before you can ever hope to "rehearse"

or practice worship in an authentic way. As we ended up last week's column, " 'recognizing' comes before 'rehearsing'".

What attitude(s) are we looking for in worship? That is a crucial question . . . maybe even THE crucial question. In the devotional book, "Experiencing God Day-by-Day", Henry Blackaby and his son Richard write the following commentary over Isaiah 6:5. (Isaiah 6:1-8 is the first text I would search for if I wanted to understand more about worship.)

"An exalted view of God [worship] brings a clear view of sin and a realistic view of self. A diminished view of God brings a reduced concern for sin and an inflated view of self." They finish their paragraph with this line - "The best indication that we have truly worshiped is a changed heart."

I find that devotional reading (January 2) to be "right on the money"! Consistent worship should "grow" your understanding of and appreciation for God, but it should also help you to view the plague of sin with more clarity and view yourself in a more realistic manner. Is your sensitivity to sin increasing? Is God becoming greater as you become less (see John 3:30)? These three attitudes should help you to evaluate the quality of your worship . . . private/personal as well as what takes place in church.

" 'You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you', declares the Lord." Jeremiah 29:13-14

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FIRST CARDIAC REHAB PATIENT ENCOURAGES REGULAR EXERCISE

Mr. Dick Green was the first patient to complete cardiac rehab at Community Memorial Hospital in 1994. Dick states that he had been feeling extremely tired and went to his family doctor for a check up. After a battery of tests it was discovered that he had a blockage in his heart and he underwent by-pass surgery. "You don't have to have a heart attack to need by-pass surgery," states Dick. Following six weeks of supervised Cardiac Rehab at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville, Dick joined the fitness center. That was 11 years ago. "Mr. Green has been part of Health Fit since its conception", states Exercise Physiologist Mindy Reynolds. "Every Mon-

day, Wednesday, and Friday morning you'll find Dick in the fitness center performing his exercise routine, along with a very dedicated group of early risers". Changes Dick's seen over the years are growth from 8-10 people to over 400 fitness members, the addition of the new fitness facility, and more people staying with the program. "The camaraderie is a great motivator," he says. Dick states that he's made exercise an obligation, just a part of his weekly routine. "I do it for the health benefits", states Dick. "People are busy, but they need to make exercise an obligation and stick to it". If you're ready to make regular exercise a part of your weekly routine, call Health Fit at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville for membership information.

JH BOYS BASKETBALL: ARCHERS VS. ACES

On February 9, the JH Antwerp Archers boys basketball team travelled to Hicksville to battle against the Hicksville Aces. In the seventh grade game the leading scorers were: Antwerp - Jordan Koppenhofer 12, Logan Lucas 11, Dustin Hitzeman 6, John Brown 3, Anthony Reid 3, Tanner Copsey 2, Shaile Chamberlain 2, Dylan Crawford 2, Nick Stevenson 2. Hicksville - Hartman 12, Eminhiser 8, Brown 4, Green 3, Thiel 2. The Antwerp 7th grade boys finished their season on a high note Thursday night at Hicksville. The Archers beat the host Aces 43-29, in a non-league contest. The win gives the young Archers a 10-win season. This has not been accomplished in Antwerp for many years at this level. Jordan Koppenhofer led the way for Antwerp with twelve points and Logan Lucas added eleven markers. Hartman hit three 3-pointers and finished with twelve points for the Aces. The Archers finished Green Meadows Conference league play last week in second place behind Tinora, with a 6-1 record. In the eighth grade game the leading scorers were: Antwerp - T.J. Short 25, John Rindahl 9, Justin Johnson 9, Isaac Yenser 7, Travis Woodard 2, Joe Maggert 2, Chas Shidler 2, Mike Stuart 1. Hicksville Aces - Jake Bradbury 14, Dustin Yoder 11, Jeremy Slattery 4, Dillion Fogle 2, Seth Jackson 1. The 8th grade Archers also hit the double-figure victory column Thursday night, beating Hicksville 57-32. The win closes the Antwerp regular season. Their record stands at 10-4 heading into tournament play. The Archers were hot as the team hit double figure scoring in all four quarters. Antwerp's T.J. Short led all scorers with 25 points. Hicksville was led in scoring by Jake Bradbury with 14 and Dustin Yoder scored 11. The Archers began G.M.C. tournament play Feb 11, at Holgate.

PRESIDENT SIGNS GILLMOR BILL: CONGRESSMAN SAVES OHIO'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS MILLIONS

Only a few months after it was introduced, a bill sponsored by Congressman Paul E. Gillmor (R- Old Fort) has been signed into law. Gillmor's bill to save states and Children's Hospitals in America millions of dollars was included as an amendment to the Deficit Reduction Act which President Bush signed into law today. Gillmor's amendment creates a savings to Children's Hospitals and states which provide outpatient services to low-income children through Medicaid. "I was very pleased to see this bill become law in such a short time," Gillmor said. "My amendment corrects a glitch in federal law which had excluded our Children's Hospitals and Ohio's Medicaid system from millions of dollars in savings every year. The law required that a discount be applied for services provided under Medicare, the federal program providing services for Americans over 65 years of age. However, our priceless Children's Hospitals obviously provide services to children, not seniors," Gillmor said. "As a result of this amendment, the approximately 75 Children's Hospitals across the United States and 6 in Ohio, may see average annual savings of more than \$2 million each. This amount is equivalent to hiring 32 more full time employees in each hospital. In addition, state Medicaid systems will benefit from nearly \$300,000 in annual savings per hospital in the state. These savings will help keep outpatient care affordable and allow our Children's Hospitals to continue providing their invaluable services to Ohio's 3 million children. Most importantly, these savings can be provided to the hospitals and the state, without any cost to the government, and without risking patient care," Gillmor said. The Ohio's Children Hospital Association, representing hospitals in Akron, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton and Toledo, said that these changes will allow the hospitals to "channel those savings into high priority areas." The Association called Gillmor a "dedicated champion for key children's hospital priorities." The National Association of Children's Hospitals also expressed their "enthusiastic appreciation" for Gillmor's "leadership in introducing HR 4036". "A lot has been said about the measures in the Deficit Reduction Act which will impact Medicaid and Student Loans. But there has been little attention about measures such as this amendment providing millions to Children's Hospitals. In the past month, I have been traveling throughout my district and I know that improving care and reducing the cost of healthcare through initiatives such as my amendment are consistent with the will of my constituents," Gillmor concluded.

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LASAGNA DINNER TO BE HELD AT WAYNE TRACE

On Friday, February 17, the Wayne Trace Performing Arts Association will host a lasagna dinner at the Wayne Trace High School. The dinner runs from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. before the boy's basketball game against Hicksville. Please show your support of the Wayne Trace band, choir, and drama department, and get a great meal at the same time. The dinner will be a free will donation.

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We are most appreciative for the spiritual guidance she received from Fr. Collins Asyone, Fr. Daniel Orr and Caren Bush from Grace Episcopal Church, Defiance.

Your cards, memorial gifts, flowers and food have helped ease the pain of her death. She lived a full life and was blessed to have been touched by so many caring individuals.

Sincerely,
Terry & Mary Derck
John C. & Juanita Price
Rick Price p

OAKWOOD ARBOR MEETING

The Oakwood Arbor #759 met February 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oakwood United Methodist Church basement with eleven members and one visitor present.

Several of our Arbor activities for the year were discussed.

Our benefit for elderly activity, of which our final plans will be brought to our meeting on March 2.

Our Join Hands Day is May 6 and we also discussed 50 & 75 year pins—members to be recognized.

Our State Association is at Bowling Green April 17, at the Elks Club. Information will be brought up at our next meeting.

We encourage all members to attend our next meeting March 2, 7:00 p.m. at the Oakwood United Methodist Church basement.

SOPHOMORES VISIT VANTAGE



This Antwerp sophomore is all smiles as she gets ready to test out the dental chair in the Health Careers lab during Sophomore Visitation Day at Vantage Career Center.

Vantage Career Center hosted "Sophomore Visitation Day" on Tuesday, February 7. Nearly 900 sophomores from all thirteen of our home schools spent two hours in the Vantage building. They had the opportunity to investigate and explore two different career technical programs of interest to them. During the one-hour visit, there were hands-on demonstrations and presentations prepared especially for the sophomores. Selected Vantage students were available to talk to the 10th graders, answer any questions they had and tell them what it's really like to take career-technical classes. This is a terrific opportunity for 10th graders to think about the different career fields available to them!

Below are a few frequently asked questions—and answers—about coming to Vantage.

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Curt, Vicky, Randi, and Demi Hatlevig p

DEMOCRATIC SPRING BANQUET

Committee members are had at work finalizing plans for the Democratic Spring Banquet on Tuesday, March 14 at the Eagles in Paulding.

Featured speaker will be Common Pleas Court Judge Jennifer Brunner from Columbus. Judge Brunner has extensive experience in both judicial and election matters. She recently gave a seminar in Paris on procedural innovations she introduced in her court.

Judge Brunner is the Democratic candidate for Secretary of State.

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The Ohio State University Extension of Paulding and Defiance Counties along with the Northwest Ohio Livestock Producers will host a meeting on Air Quality and Emissions of AFO's at 11:30 a.m. on February 21 at the Paulding Extension Center located on the Paulding County Fairgrounds.

This should be an informative meeting as Assistant Professor Lingying Zhao,

from The Ohio State University, discusses and answers questions regarding these important issues and how they affect our area.

All who are interested in attending are asked to pre-register by Friday, February 17. This program will be free for all who pre-register. After February 17, there will be a fee for late registration. To pre-register, call the Paulding County OSU Extension Office at 419-399-8225, or the Defiance County OSU Extension Office at 419-782-4771.

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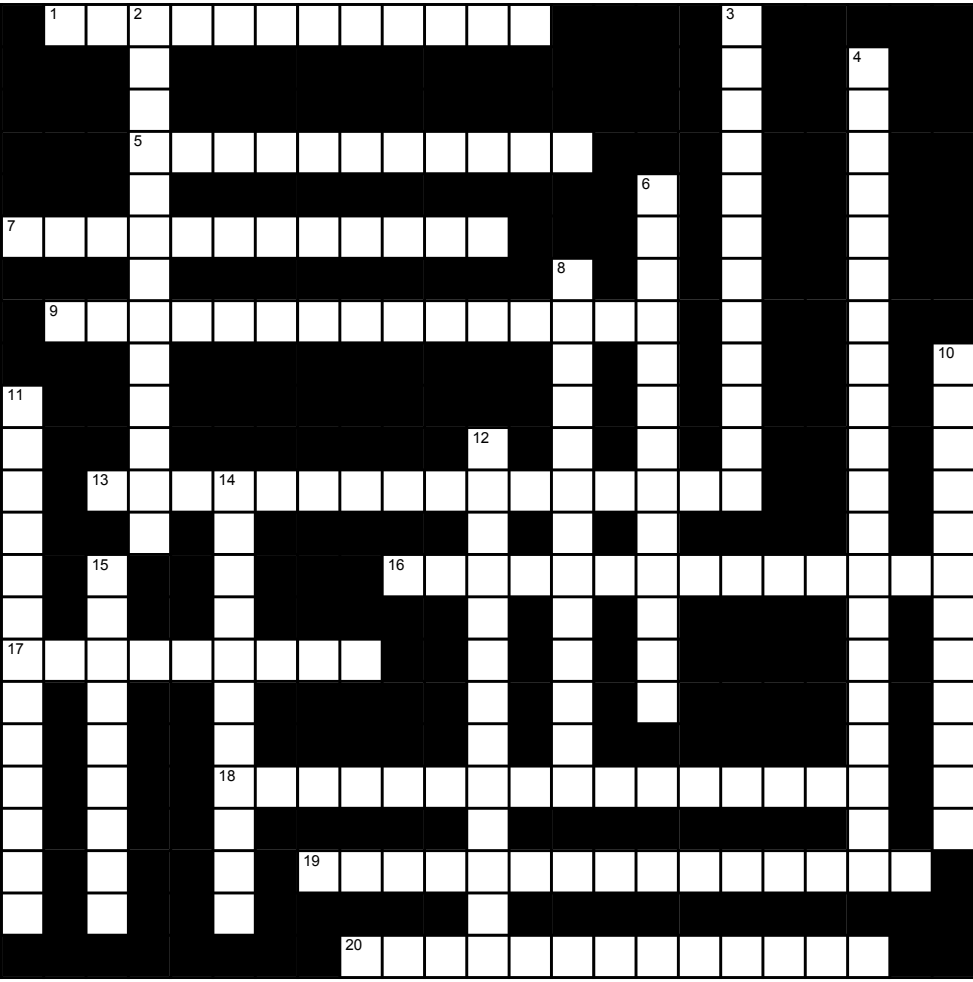
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Crossword Puzzle



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1. wrote "Profiles in Courage"
5. his birth name was William Jefferson Blythe IV
7. desert storm
9. the first president who was the son of a president
13. called "little Ben"
16. our 21st president
17. dubbed "His Accidency"
18. 19th president
19. only president who was a bachelor
20. the versailles treaty

Down

2. the scapegoat for the depression
3. ordered atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
4. battle at Tippecanoe
6. 18th president
8. "Old Rough & Ready"
10. watergate
11. president after Lincoln's assassination
12. shot in a Washington Railroad Station
14. his family were peanut farmers
15. first to live in the White House

Answers are available on the internet at www.westbendnews.net

REP. GILLMOR ANNOUNCES REELECTION BID

Fifth District Congressman Paul Gillmor (R-Old Fort) made his official announcement today that he will run for a 10th term in the United States House of Representatives in November. After winning reelection in 2004 by a two-to-one margin, Gillmor said he has spent 2005 serving his district and regularly meeting with constituents to hear their opinions.

"In 2004, I was proud to receive a strong vote of confidence from more than two-thirds of the district's voters. I have worked to uphold this confidence by maintaining regular contact with people throughout the district and voting the views and values of the people of our district," Gillmor said. "I have been honored to serve the people of the Fifth District in the U.S. House and I vow to continue advocating for you in Washington by promoting smaller government, lower taxes and a safer America."

As a senior Member of Congress, Congressman Gillmor continued his service on both the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Energy and Commerce. Gillmor was also a member of five subcommittees and remained Chairman of the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials Internationally, Rep. Gillmor was recently unanimously reelected to his position as the Chairman of the Economic and Securities Committee of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly. From this position, Gillmor maintains a dialogue with legislators from NATO's 26 member countries on behalf of the United States.

In 2005, Congressman Gillmor also introduced legislation to create a national sex offender database which would be accessible to all Americans. This bill passed the House and is awaiting debate in the Senate. Gillmor was also named to the bicameral Energy Conference Committee which finalized the Energy Bill that passed last year. As the sole Ohioan from the Energy and Commerce Committee to be named to the Conference Committee, Gillmor included several key provisions in the Energy bill including:

His position as a senior Member of the House, a seven-term member of the Republican Whip Team, and a Deputy Majority Whip has empowered Congressman Gillmor with the seniority to influence legislation on many different fronts and bring home federal dollars for the projects in Ohio which are most in need. Among the

many projects which received funding as a result of Congressman Gillmor's actions is the Fostoria loop road, a project which has been seeking federal assistance for more than four decades.

Prior to coming to Congress, Gillmor served in the Ohio Senate for twenty-two years. As a State Senator, Gillmor was unanimously elected Republican leader five times

and served as President of the Senate for three General Assemblies. Congressman Gillmor is an Air Force veteran and is married to Karen L. Gillmor, who currently serves as Vice Chairman of the State Employment Relations Board (SERB) in Ohio. He has two daughters, Linda and Julie, and three sons, Paul Michael, and twins Connor and Adam.

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QUIZ BOWL: ANTWERP VS. HOLGATE

On February 9, the Antwerp High School Quiz Bowl team travelled to Holgate for their meet.

Antwerp's varsity team consists of Scott Altic, Chelsey Vail, Zach Arnold, Jill Demongeot, Matt Woodcox, and Graham Hughes.

Their scores came out with game 1 — Antwerp 35, Holgate 36, and game 2 — Antwerp 19, Holgate 35.

Antwerp's JV team consists of Anthony Bradtmueller, Christina Girardot, Zach Carr, Ashley Hughes, Justin Green, and Chris Derck.

Their scores came out with game 1 — Antwerp 30, Holgate 15, and game 2 — Antwerp 24, Holgate 18.

Deb Altic, advisor



LING TALKS ABOUT THAILAND

By: Abby Gross

Ling has settled in well here in the United States but still misses everyone back at home.

Her full name is Ling Phatwadee Kaeosunthorn. Ling is from Bangkok, Thailand where she enjoys the Thai food and loves to hang out with many of her friends.

Her parents' names are Pairoj and Vilai Kaeosunthorn. She has two younger brothers whose names are Woot, age 14 and Benz, age 11. Her parents work in the entertainment business. They record artists on CD's and DVD's. Sometimes Ling works in the office. They utilize her English skills for their English phone orders.

While living in Paulding, Ling is staying with Warren and Sue Thomas in Oakwood. Ling's hobbies include knitting, TV, and music. Her host mom, Sue, taught her how to knit. She enjoys making scarves and plans to try her hand at making a purse. She also likes to listen to all kinds of music, play on the computer, and talk to her Paulding friends in chat rooms.

In America, her favorite food is turkey noodles. Ling also enjoys cooking Thai food such as Tom Yum and Curry. Tom Yum is a sweet and sour soup made of any meat of your choice, a bullion cube, mushrooms, and other vegetables. Curry consists of a basic soup mix with onions, carrots, meat, and coconut milk.

Here at PHS Ling likes choir, band, dressing up for Spirit Week, and going to the dances. Ling says she likes to think: "Try harder and you will succeed."

Ling loves American school activities such as games, band, and music events. She is currently in "The Sound of Music" as one of the nuns. She sings alto in the choir and plays the clarinet in band. Clarinet is something she just started but loves the challenge and enjoys playing.

Ling's school in Thailand is called Assumption High School, which is a Catholic school. Students are required to wear uniforms of a red skirt, red tie, and a white blouse.

One of the interesting things Ling told us is that she has other family members living in the United States. One cousin lives in New York and one in Boston. She also has relatives in Maryland.

Next year she will return to Thailand as a junior and plans to go to college after graduating. She is uncertain as to a career.

This summer before she returns to Thailand, she hopes to travel around the United States a little more. She will be returning to her homeland in June or July.

DIVISION III GIRLS SECTIONAL DRAW AT VAN WERT

On Tuesday, February 21 at 6:15 p.m. the game will be Paulding (7-11) vs. Wayne Trace (6-12).

At approximately 8:00 p.m., playing will be Lima Central Catholic (7-10) vs. Parkway (1-13).

On Saturday, February 25 starting at 6:15 p.m. the game will be Coldwater (13-5) vs. Paulding—Wayne Trace winner.

At approximately 8:00 p.m. playing will be Delphos St. John's (14-5) vs. Lima Central Catholic—Parkway winner.

Seeds for Division III are as follows: 1. Coldwater, 2. Delphos St. John's, 3. Lima Central Catholic, 4. Paulding, 5. Wayne Trace, 6. Parkway.

DIVISION IV GIRLS SECTIONAL DRAW AT WAYNE TRACE

On Tuesday, February 21 starting at 6:15 p.m. it will be Lincolnview (5-14) vs. Antwerp (3-15).

The next game starting at approximately 8:00 p.m. it will be Fort Jennings (12-6) vs. Crestview (13-6).

The games on Saturday, February 25 will be at 6:15 p.m. — Ottoville (18-1) vs. Lincolnview—Antwerp winner.

At approximately 8:00 p.m. the next game will be Delphos Jefferson (16-3) vs. Fort Jennings—Crestview winner.

Seeds for Division IV are as follows: 1. Ottoville, 2. Delphos Jefferson, 3. Fort Jennings, 4. Crestview, 5. Lincolnview, 6. Antwerp.

DIVISION III BOYS SECTIONAL DRAW AT LIMA CENTRAL CATHOLIC

On Tuesday, February 28 the game will be at 7:00 p.m.: Bluffton (7-11) vs. Paulding (3-13).

On Friday, March 3 at 6:00 p.m. the game will be Ottawa Glandorf (13-3) vs. Bluffton—Paulding winner.

Then at approximately 8:45 p.m. it will be Crestview (11-6) vs. Wayne Trace (11-5).

Seeds for Division III boys are the following: 1. Ottawa Glandorf, 2. Crestview, 3. Wayne Trace, 4. Bluffton, 5. Paulding.

JH BOYS BASKETBALL: ARCHERS VS. PIRATES

On February 7, the JH boys Antwerp Archers faced off against the Continental Pirates.

In the seventh grade game the leading scorers were:

Continental — A. Sharp 7, J. Spitalne 7, S. Deken 6, D. Geckle 2, N. Keck 2, J. Sloan 1.

Antwerp — Tanner Copsey 7, John Brown 5, Jordan Koppenhofer 3, Dustin Hitzeman 3 Shaile Chamberlain 2, Logan Lucas 2.

Playing on the varsity gym floor, the Antwerp 7th grade boys closed out their home season in grand fashion. John Brown hit a 3-point bank shot, at the buzzer, to upset Continental 22-21. Trailing the entire game, the Antwerp offense struggled early mustering only 3 first-half points. The defense held up, however, as Continental was only able to manage 8 points of their own. The second half provided far more offensive excitement as the Archers worked at closing the gap and setting up the Brown heroics. The visiting Pirates (9-3) were led in scoring by A. Sharp and J. Spitalne with 7 points each.

The Archers (9-6) were led in scoring by Tanner Copsey with 7 and John Brown with 5.

In the eighth grade game the leading scorers were:

Continental Pirates — C. Weisenberger 13, C. Ordway 7, M. Recher 6, Boden 2, Slattman 1.

Antwerp — Travis Woodard 11, T.J. Short 10, John Rindahl 10, Isaac Yenser 3, Justin Johnson 2.

The 8th grade Archers paid Continental back for a loss from a year ago, defeating the Pirates 36-29. The game was anyone's for the taking as there were no leads greater than three points at any of the first three quarter stops. The Archer big men, Travis Woodard and John Rindahl, then stepped up their offense with a combined nine fourth quarter points. The Pirates (7-5) were lead in scoring by center C.Weisenberger with 13 points. Antwerp (9-4) scattered out their scoring with Travis Woodard scoring 11, John Rindahl 10, and T.J. Short 10.

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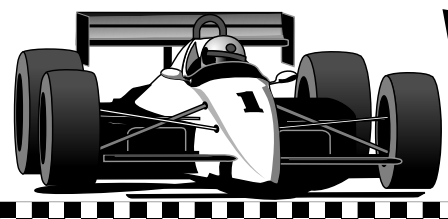
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of days and ended up back at UPMC with an infection in his belly wound. We have gotten over that hump as last week he had plastic surgery for the wound to finish healing. He now has an infection in the heart pump itself. He is on the transplant list, but is not active right now until the infection is better. He will remain in the hospital until then and our hopes for a new heart. Floyd has never given up. He tells me frequently, "Mary, things are going to be alright", "We will get through this together."

He reads his Bible daily. We do know one thing, our faith has gotten us to where we are today.

We ask that all of you keep us in your thoughts and prayers as you have been. Pray that Floyd gets a heart soon. We think of all of you often and thank God for such wonderful family and friends. Knowing that we have everyone's support is a big plus, for this ordeal we are going through.

The doctors are telling us now that Floyd will remain in the hospital until the blood cultures remain negative. As long as they remain negative for ten days, he will once again be listed 1A on the transplant list and be top priority. Every day things change so now we hope and pray for a great outcome.

You can send cards to: Floyd Brown c/o UPMC-Presbyterian Room 952 200 Lothrop St. Pittsburg, PA 15213-2582

A benefit for Floyd will be held on February 18, from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church Auction at 4:30 p.m. February 19, a Bowl-a-thon is to be held at Antwerp Alley's from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



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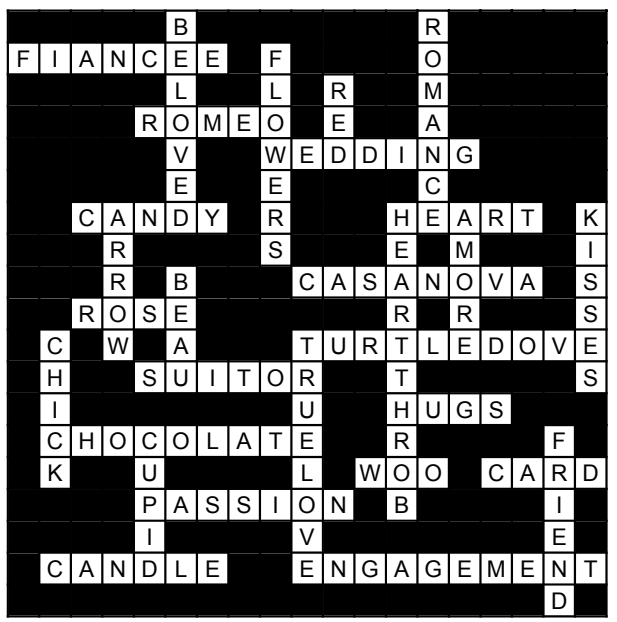
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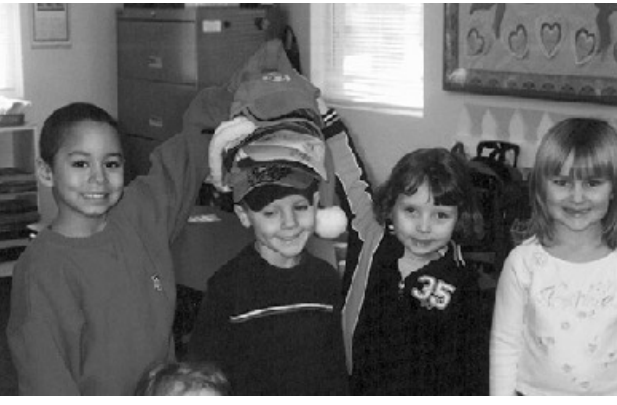
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 From Issue #6 - 2006 (2-8-06)



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Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers are learning about the letter H! Everyone wore their favorite hats to school and then we read and acted out Hats For Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina. Shown here from the left are Trent Wells II as the monkey, Westen Phlipot as the peddler, and Ashlynn Rice and Hannah Wilhelm as monkeys. These children are in the afternoon class of four and five year olds with Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Miller.

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The Village of Paulding is accepting applications for position of pool manager for the 2006 season.
Applications and a description of the position can be picked up at the Village Office 116 S. Main St.
 For information Call: 419-399-4011.
 Deadline is March 1, 2006

The Village of Paulding is accepting applications for lifeguards and pool concession workers for the 2006 season.
Applications are available at Paulding High School, Antwerp High School, Wayne Trace High School or at the Village Office 116 S. Main St.
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PAULDING COUNTY TOWNSHIP OFFICERS



The Paulding County Township Association met recently and elected officers for the 2006-2007 years. They are from left to right: Susan

Simpson, Secretary/Treasurer, Charles Simpson, President, John (Benny) Wyckoff, Vice President.

ANTWERP HISTORY

By: Stan Jordan

About 1936, the High School was remodeled and our first gymnasium and auditorium was built. My good friend, Leota Davis tells me that she was in the first class to graduate from the new school in 1937. She remembers there was 20 boys and 10 girls, but they are pretty well scattered now.

In the fall of 1938 the football team went undefeated, untied and un-scored upon. That was a very remarkable feat. The biggest share of those players were seniors and played offense and defense. Down the road we will do a column on this team.

In the spring of 1941, we had a good high school baseball team. That summer we played American Legion baseball. We played eleven games with neighboring towns and won them all. Bob Chiles was our pitcher and he had a dandy fast ball. His father was the local Methodist minister. Bob went on to become a minister somewhere on the East Coast. Manuel Shuherk was the catcher and he had to keep a pound of round steak in his catcher's mitt to help keep the sting of that fast ball from hurting his hand. Bob Taylor was first base, Homer Hargrave, Jr. Lowell Weller and Budd Swann rounded out the infield. Myself, Wade Welty and Floyd Bitler was the outfield, plus a few other boys, but I can't remember them now. We should have gone on to play in some of the tournaments, but no one sent in the proper papers that was needed because that was our first attempt at American Legion ball. Mr. Horney was our coach that summer and we all had a good time. But again, a lot of those boys were seniors and our team the next spring wasn't all that good.

It was about this time that the war was declared on December 8, 1941. Antwerp is a very patriotic town and a lot of men were called to service. A little later some of the boys were called right out of high school.

We are now going to jump ahead to 1946. We will cover some more of this later.

In 1946, Tommy Schilb got together a team to play that new game of softball. They were called Shilb's Reds.

They generally played on Sunday evenings. There was no lights or concession stand yet. Some of the leaders went to the school board to see if they could erect some bleachers, a larger back stop, a two story concession stand and a P.A. Booth.

Well, they said the school owned the ball field and the people owned the school so it was okay to do these projects but without much help financial help from the board.

That first year of the ball games they were well attended. Shilb's Funeral Parlor would erect the tent that was used at the cemetery for funerals and this housed the concession stand for that night. About the fourth inning three or four men would go through the crowd with coffee cans to accept donations for the repairs.

Well, by the next season those repairs were made, but still we was not a lighted field. The concession stand was about 10 x 10 with a second story for the public address system.

Cecil and Thelma Billman (Pinky's and Max's parents) did about all the purchasing and organizing of the concession stand. It was fairly simple to start with: coffee, pop, hot dogs, popcorn, chips and other packaged goodies. I remember Bert Major, Sr. and his daughter, Ruth Margarie Clinton also worked in the stand, along with a lot of other people.

Friends, I want you to know that there was no T.V. at that time and lots of people came to the games. With all the revenue from the coffee cans and all the profit from the stand and some financial help from Tommy Schilb, by the next spring we had a lighted field. Paulding also had a lighted field but the other towns didn't.

We played towns from Bull Rapids (Harlan area), Woodburn, Payne, Convoy and anyone else who had a team and an open date.

About this time, Tommy Schilb asked if I would do the announcing on the P.A. System. Father Flynn from St. Mary's church was the official score keeper. He knew his baseball pretty well and I spent a lot of nice evenings with him up in that booth. I think he was transferred to Edgerton.



Dan Hahn and his Moose

Many of us have hobbies. Dan's is making things by welding them out of sheet metal. Dan made this moose for Tom Clounie of Clounie Landscaping out of Huntington, IN.

The measurements of this moose is 8'6" high and almost 8' long. The sheet metal is 3/16" thick. It took him 32 hours to make.

Dan has 18 years of welding experience. He is now working at B.F. Goodrich and

now does his creations on the side. He has also made wood and metal signs for the Antwerp Conservation Club and for the High Hill Sportsman Club. He also makes beautiful yard decorations, for example, corn stalks and flowers and beautiful wreaths for doors. He also does welding repairs.

caption: Dan, his wife, Karen, along with their two girls, Taylor and Morgan live north of Antwerp.

PAULDING EAGLES #2405
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PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

A.C.D.C.

ANTWERP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AN IMPORTANT INFORMATIONAL MEETING TO BE HELD

Thursday, February 16th, @ 7:00 p.m. in the Antwerp School Auditoria.

Come and see why we believe Antwerp is poised for tremendous future growth opportunities.

GUEST SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE:
Jim Hoops - State Representative
Tony Burkley & Marty Harmon - Paulding County Commissioners
Tony Langham - Paulding County Economic Development

Also, Speaking will be local Village, Chamber and A.C.D.C. officials to give insight and information addressing Antwerp Growth potential & projects underway.

Information on how you can help will also be available or you can contact us by email: proantwerp@yahoo.com

ADVERTISING SCAMS BACK

Reports have been made again for advertising scams. There are companies misrepresenting the schools, the chambers, Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Economic Development Partnership in the county. These advertising companies want your money for programs, maps, seat cushions, place mats, sporting events, etc. The latest scam has been from a company called Hometown Productions promoting a "county map". If you are not writing a check to a local address, then it is not benefiting the community.

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