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## PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS CLOSINGS AND MEETING DATES

The Board of Elections will be closed the following dates:

1. Monday, January 15, 2007 in observance of the federal holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

2. Tuesday, January 23 through Friday, January 26 to attend the Secretary of State Conference in Columbus.

The February Board meeting will be held on Friday, February 9 at 8:30 a.m. at the Board of Elections' office, 105 East Perry Street, Paulding, Ohio.

## A NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

Because the nature of the human begin is not perfect, we here at West Bend News do blunder from time to time.

The two mishaps that stick out like a "sore thumb" in last week's issue is the fact that we spelled the name of a young woman wrong. Jean "Wappes" please forgive our oversight in getting this correct.

The other: I'll bet that nobody had trouble with the Crossword Puzzle last week! If you noticed it said, "Food Trivia" as the title but we actually printed "New Year's Resolutions"!! The funny

part is that right across Miss Chelsea Vail's photo was the answers!

Well, we will try "Food Trivia" again this week and see how you all fair!

Again, we apologize for our mistakes, thank you for your patronage, and to those who submit articles with names, PLEASE double check to make sure that the names you submit are spelled correctly because we type what we are given!!

—WB editors

## CPR CLASSES OFFERED AT PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL

Paulding County Hospital cardio-pulmonary services staff will teach American Heart Association CPR classes on Tuesday, February 6, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The classes are held at the hospital.

Instructors will teach participants CPR and choking maneuvers for the conscious and unconscious victim. Participants may choose adult CPR from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. and/or child and infant CPR from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Participants should dress casually and class size is limited.

For more information or to register call 419-399-1133 or 800-741-1743 and ask for respiratory therapy. Registration deadline is February 2.

## REP. GILLMOR INTRODUCES GIFTED EDUCATION BILL

Congressman Paul Gillmor (R-Tiffin) introduced legislation yesterday to increase funding for gifted and talented education programs across America. Gillmor's legislation was passed by the House in 2006 as part of the Higher Education Act. Gillmor reintroduced his legislation this year after the U.S. Senate failed to act upon his bill in the 109th Congress.

"My bill makes existing grant monies available to improve education for gifted and talented students. As we work to continue bettering the American education system, it is important to provide the funding necessary to properly train teachers of gifted students and empower their scholastic excellence," Gillmor said.

According to the National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented, gifted students may already know as much as half of the course materials to be presented in class. Unfortunately, more than 60 percent of their teachers do not have training in teaching gifted and talented children.

Gillmor's bill, the Gifted and Talented Education Enhancement Act, opens a section of Title II of the Higher Education Act to provide grant monies for teacher education to increase the awareness of the special needs of gifted and talented students. The bill does not require any additional federal funding instead allowing current funds to be used for gifted and talented teacher education programs.

"With our budget already stretched thin, I felt it was important not to create another federal handout but rather to open an existing pool of money for gifted and talented education.

I am a strong believer of improving the education system for every student. We need to ensure access to resources in the hope that teachers will be properly equipped with the expertise and tools required to educate students of all ability levels," Rep. Gillmor said.

Last fall, Congressman Gillmor and his wife, Dr. Karen Gillmor, received the Ohio Association for Gifted Children's 2006 Civic Leadership Award at its annual fall conference. At the conference, Executive Director Ann Sheldon said, "It is a real pleasure to present this award to the Gillmors. Very few public officials understand the connection between America's ability to compete globally and the need to provide appropriate education opportunities to our country's gifted students."

The Gifted and Talented Education Enhancement Act has been referred to the House Education and Labor Committee.

## GIRLS CAN'T BE WRESTLERS!



Wayne Trace's Katie Clemens seen here with the pin on Leo's Brandon Zolman.

By: Bryce Steiner

Saturday, January 13 proved to be a very exciting day for the Wayne Trace wrestling team. The Woodlan Wrestling invitational took place at Woodlan High School near Woodburn, IN and Wayne Trace participated along with eight other schools.

The Wayne Trace team is a young group of boys and one girl. The team itself ranked near the bottom in total points, but one person in particular received cheers from most all in the entire gym. If you haven't been to a wrestling invitational, here is how it works: one school invites many schools to their gymnasium and there are three rings of wrestlers wrestling at any one time. The winners stay in their current bracket, trying to get first place, and the losers are placed in a 'losers' bracket to see what place each comes in. Each wrestler is weighed in before the matches start and they are put in a certain weight class (a 103lb person wouldn't want to wrestle a 130lb person). The meet lasts most of the day, and is very exciting.

Katie Clemens lost her first match and was put into the losers bracket. She won her second and third matches (one match won by a 15 point limit). Her fourth match wasn't very easy, in fact, it wasn't looking good for Katie at all. Her challenger, Brandon Zolman, from Leo High School (Leo, IN) was racking up the points against her with take downs and reversals (2pts ea). By the third round she was down by five points and he twice had her on her back, but he wasn't quite able to get the pin. The second time that he had her down she was able to perform a reversal and within a blink of an eye had him on his back. By this time the entire gym was on their feet, cheering and

screaming. All eyes were on ring 1 with Wayne Trace vs. Leo. The other two matches that were occurring weren't even being watched. Three seconds had passed and Katie overcame the odds that she was up against. The referee slammed his hand on the mat, declaring her the winner. The wrestler from Leo had been pinned with Katie earning 3rd place at the invitational.

The cheers from the crowd continued. It seemed as though every school, except Leo, gave her their sup-

port.

Jake Reuille., of Wayne Trace, made a fantastic showing too. He didn't need to make any incredible comebacks when he ruled the ring the entire time. Jake placed 1st at 160.

Katie Clemens placed 3rd at 103

Aaron Mathews placed 6th at 125

Brandon Zartman placed 6th at 140

Good job to all wrestlers at Wayne Trace. May you have many good years of wrestling.

## WAYNE TRACE

### After Prom Committee Meal

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- Prior to the Wayne Trace Boys Basketball game vs. Spencerville
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- Sponsors: Cooper Farms, Blue Creek Market & Chief Supermarket
- Proceeds go to the After Prom Committee to provide a fun and safe evening!

## CORRECTION TO DRINKING WATER NOTICE

The Drinking Water Notice insert received in the January 10, 2007, edition of the West Bend News noted a Date Distributed Date of 3/10/07. This Date should have been 1/10/07, the same date the Notice was inserted in the West Bend News. The Village of Antwerp apologizes for any confusion this incorrect date may have caused.

Questions or concerns involving this water notice should be directed to Sara Keeran, Village Administrator, 118 N. Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio 419-258-2371

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services will be conducting a public hearing to discuss and comment on the proposed Title XX Plan for the period of July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009

The Plan is a cooperative effort of the Department of Job and Family Services, Department of Mental Health and Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities to provide needed services to residents of Paulding County. These services are funded by Title XX of the Social Security Act. The proposed plan will be available at this meeting.

Representatives from Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services will be available to answer questions about the biennial plan. The public is invited and urged to attend.

The hearing will be held:

January 29, 2007

Beginning at 8:00 a.m. until all testimony is heard  
at 303 W. Harrison St. Paulding, Ohio

**OBITUARIES**

**James Caden George** was stillborn on January 8 at Paulding County Hospital.

He was the son of James and Sara (Lothamer) George of Antwerp; brother of (his big sister) Skylar of Antwerp; grandson of Steven Lothamer of Hicksville and Diane Dacrus of Bellefontaine, Ohio; great-grandson of Penny George of Antwerp, Jim George of Paulding, Norma Lothamer of Antwerp, Shirley Elliott of Bellefontaine, Charlie Shaw of Wolcottville, Indiana, Mary Elkins of Antwerp and Betty Hannenkraft of Paulding.

Preceding him in death are his great-grandfathers, Rollie Lothamer and Burl Harman.

His graveside funeral service was Saturday, January 13, 2007, 2:00 p.m., at Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp.

Condolences may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)



**Raymond G. Heck Sr.**, 83, of Payne, died surrounded by his loving wife and children January 10, 2007 at the St. Joseph Medical Center, Ft. Wayne, IN.

He was born in Payne on April 11, 1923, the son of Joseph and Kathryn E. (Ditlinger) Heck. On October

14, 1950 he married Catherine J. Pepe, who survives. He was a WWII U.S. Army Air Corp Veteran. He was employed by General Electric retiring in 1982 after 40 years. He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Payne; American Legion Post #297, Payne; Knights of Columbus; Holy Name Society; and Ft. Wayne Antique Historical Car Society. He also retired from farming.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine J. Heck of Payne; four sons: John Heck of Antwerp, Randy (Mary) Heck of Sand Springs, Oklahoma, Raymond (Pam) Heck Jr. of Payne, and Bill Heck of Antwerp; seven daughters: Dawnita (Don) Smith of Ft. Wayne, Cheryl (Steve) MacDougall of Red Bud, Illinois, Colleen (Bruce) Summerfield of Hoagland, IN, Joanne (Harold) Warren of New Haven, IN, Cindy (Kurt) Michael of Sylvania, OH, Vicki (Ed) Baucom of Payne, and Jackie (Harold) McDougale of Paulding, OH; a brother, Everett (Barb) Heck of Payne; a sister, Beatrice Ankenbruck of Marion, IN; eighteen grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, David W. Heck; a daughter, Bernadette J. Heck; a brother, John Heck; and two sisters: Helen Seidler, and infant sister, Mary Catherine Heck.

Funeral services were conducted January 13, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Payne, with Reverend G. Allan Fillman officiating. Burial was in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Cemetery, Payne. American Legion Post #297 provided military graveside services.

Donations may be made to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Educational Fund; Caring and Sharing Food Pantry of Paulding County; or to Masses.



**Wilfred W. Clark**, 89, of Fort Wayne, died December 29, at Bethlehem Woods Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. He was born January 24, 1917 in Mt. Blanchard, Ohio to John F. Clark and Mollie Tuohy Clark. He was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, American Legion Post #47 and Fort Wayne Adjusters Assn.

Surviving are his wife, Sharon; son, Larry (Marty) Clark of Three Rivers, MI; daughter, Judi (Tom) Reinhart of Fort Wayne; two sisters: Ursula Hoste and Eleanor Justinger both of Paulding; a step-son Darren (Deb) Herschberger of New Haven; a step-daughter Elaine Shuller of Fort Wayne. 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and first wife, Dean Stoller Clark; brothers: John and Paul Clark and Robert Thomas; and sister, Margaret Clark.

Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday at St. Jude Catholic Church. Burial in the Catholic Cemetery.

Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home was in charge.



**Dorothy E. Green**, 77, a former resident of Blackman Lake, died January 12 at the Dallas Lamb Foundation Home in Payne, Ohio where she had been a resident since September 2005.

She was born January 14, 1929 in Paulding, Ohio a daughter of Elia F. and Rachel (Dix) Sontchi. She graduated from Paulding High School.

From 1958 until 1969 she was employed at Weatherhead in Antwerp, Ohio.

On June 28, 1969 she was united in marriage to William E. Green. They made their home in Wolcottville until 1994 when they moved to Blackman Lake. Mr. Green preceded her in death on September 11, 2002.

Surviving relatives include three daughters: Sandy (Jim) Bowers of Antwerp, Pamela Stevens of Topeka and Paula (Mike) Martz of Wolcottville; a son, David Michael (Pat) Maberson of Fort Wayne; a step-son, Ronald (Julie) Green of Corona; two step daughters: Diane (John) Anderson

of Van Wert, and Donna (Steve) Lippi of Cavette, Ohio; 19 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Homer Sontchi of Defiance, Ohio.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers: George Sontchi and Ed Sontchi; and two sisters: Florence Gelbuda and Marie Lehman.

The funeral service was January 15 at Smith & Sons Funeral Home, Columbia City with Pastor Mike Schneider officiating. The burial was in Greenhill Cemetery.

For those who wish, memorials may be made to Dallas Lamb Activities Fund or Paulding County Hospice.

**PAULDING CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

Pastor Kim Semran will be presenting a study of the Wilderness Tabernacle of the Old Testament. He will show how Christ and salvation was exhibited in the layout and practices of the Tabernacle. He will also show how the worship in the Wilderness Tabernacle still applies to how we worship today.

In the 1950's, Pastor Kim Semran's father, Reverend Henry Semran, built a replica of the Ark of the Covenant and created the attire of an Old Testament priest. These items will be on display. There will also be Powerpoint presentations to go along with the study.

The study will be on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene on January 21st and 28th. They will continue on February 11th, 18th, and 25th. The Paulding Church of the Nazarene welcomes visitors to come and be a part of this study.

**MISS CAROLINE IS COMING TO TOWN**

The John Paulding Historical Society will have its annual meeting on Sunday, January 21, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at the Museum located on Fairground Drive in Paulding.

Please join them to spend an afternoon of fellowship with the members and to learn about that "other" canal, the Wabash & Erie Canal.

Featured speaker will be Carolyn Schmidt, editor of The Hoosier Packet, a publication devoted to the "Canal Society of Indiana." A retired teacher, she and her husband were active in saving the Gronauer Lock that was unearthed in New Haven, IN in 1991, and have shared their vast knowledge with many groups throughout the tri-state area.

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—Cara Lou Strahley, JPHS Secretary

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**HICKSVILLE MASONS EX-EMPLIFY DEGREE WORK**

RWB Schilb opened the Lodge and the pledge was given. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Eric Clark January 15, John Grimm January 18, Raymond Gross January 13, Gene Stauffer January 14, and Kenny Wittig January 12. A Thank you card was sent to Brother Larry Brown for his generous donation that will be used for the Carpet Project.

Thirty five members were at this stated meeting which included 19 Past Masters. All eight 50-year members in attendance were asked to stand and be recognized. These included Doyle Johnson, Wm. Kenny Wonderly, Estel Cottrell, Derrill Kline, Fred Shaffer, Wayne Carr, Elmer Woodcox and Charlie Carey. Others at the meeting were Jim Wonderly, Russell St. Johns, Dick Savage, Jim Miller, Curtis Metz, Wilbur Wright, Randy Brooks Sr., George Underwood, Greg Headley, Tom Culler, Carl Clark, Raymond Gillespie, Lee Kallsen, Joe Stotler, Gerry Shidler, Norm Byers, Bill Metz, Walter Schilb, Dick Wann, Candidate Tyler Fleming, Walter Joe Ross, Byron Rasey, Scott Ruppert, Grover Blalock, Rick Evans, Dean Phillips, and Ron Farnsworth.

The newest member to add his name to our News Letter list was Fred Shaffer. This makes a grand total of

92 members that receive the news on Lodge activities.

After all the business was over, the Lodge began to exemplify the Third degree. It was done in the usual fine fashion. The Fellow Craft Team displayed their talents under the capable leadership of Dick Wann.

Lee Kallsen presented the Bible, Tim Betts administered the Lecture and Jim Kline delivered the Charge. Wilbur Wright, the candidates Grandfather then presented our newest Master Mason Tyler Wright a Masonic ring.

At Montpelier's Inspection held on January 12, Hicksville brought home the Traveling Trophy. Those making the trip to the inspection included. Walter Schilb, Scott Ruppert, Derrill Kline, Jim Kline, Lee Kallsen, Carl Clark and Bill Metz. The next Inspection will be held at Superior Lodge on January 29.

Upcoming Dates: Friday January 12 at 7:00 p.m. Montpelier will have their Inspection in the Fellow Craft degree. Wednesday January 24 at 7:30 p.m. is our next stated meeting. With no further business, WB Schilb closed the Lodge and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship.

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 "When you smoke, nicotine binds to certain parts of your brain. This causes a good feeling," says Dr. Robert Anthenelli, associate professor of Psychiatry at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. "When you stop smoking, your brain no longer gets nicotine. Then you have craving and withdrawal symptoms." If you want to quit smoking, talk to your doctor about the best way, Dr. Anthenelli advises.

or the National Women's Health Report. Both are available at [www.healthywomen.org](http://www.healthywomen.org) or by calling (877) 986-9472.

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# THE JOSHUA PROJECT: A HOMELESS SHELTER FOR MEN



Jay Stoner & Omar Jackson

By: Sue Knapp

Sunday evening, January 14 the Antwerp Church of Christ hosted a special service conducted by Jay Stoner minister of The Church of Northwest Ohio - The Church Without Walls and Minister, Motivational Speaker Omar Jackson. Also included was the Church's Praise Band with Jason Stoner on piano, Ryan Stoner on guitar, David Peggs on bass guitar and Carol Peggs singing.

in and out of prison for drug trafficking and receiving stolen property. He has been many things from a college student to being in the Viet Nam War. Because of all his experiences and through the grace of God he has become what he is today and able to relate to all the things that the hopeless bring to him. He's been there. During all his religious searching no one ever told him about Jesus Christ. Only when that happened did the loneliness begin to fill. Omar then became involved with The Joshua Project in Lancaster where he sold donuts on the street to help with the project.

Ministers Stoner and Jackson came to share with the congregation their project, The Joshua Project, named for Joshua and Caleb, two of the spies who went to search out the promised land for the Israelites in Numbers 13. Omar is the founder and director of the project while Jay is the co-founder.

Enter Jay Stoner, who received a brochure in the mail about the project and decided to act on it. He met with Omar and they decided to open a homeless shelter. Jay provides the spiritual needs, along with transportation to and from work, appointments and church along with others who want to be involved. Jay's wife keeps the books and also helps with transportation, while Omar provides what is needed physically through the shelter such as food and clothing—he will also help Jay with transporting. Omar has an apartment in the shelter so he can oversee things and be there for the men. He also speaks to groups about the shelter and enlists donations.

The Joshua Project, located in West Unity, Ohio, is a homeless shelter for men. The shelter opened on the first of January.

Future plans are to open homeless shelters all over the area. Jay and Omar also want to provide shelters for women and children.

Omar had a vision, a vision to help homeless men regain hope and self-esteem by reconstruction of their Spirit through the Word of God and to be accountable for choices made. It is believed that the homeless suffer from emotional and mental health dysfunctions contributing to the alcohol, drug and family problems that these men suffer. Omar and Jay are there to help mend families together, only then can the men be productive in society and become responsible.

The shelters "give a new taste on life", a life full of hope, mended families, and a spiritual well-being. But the choice is the individuals, like all of us "who or what do you choose", in the end we are all accountable.

Omar was himself in a counter-productive position growing up. One out of eight children, born in Atlanta, Georgia, his family moved to Ohio when he was four. He grew up lonely, searching for something he could fill the loneliness with. He turned to drugs, alcohol, became a Black Panther then joined the Black Muslims. The problem he had was that when the leaders of these groups died, he still felt lost, when they died his hope died with them. He has been

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

How many infectious diseases do we have in our county? What have you been exposed to? You go to the stores, gas station and movies. Did you ever stop to think about this? I never did, until now. Being exposed makes you think about this. I think the Health Department should have to put a warning in the newspaper that their is an infectious disease in the county, that way we know if we might have been exposed to this disease. But, this doesn't happen. They could warn everybody without giving anyone's name. But no—they let us go day by day without letting us know what we might have been exposed to. I guess wait and find out when you get sick. Take a minute or two and think about this. Would you prefer not to know or be warned about diseases in our county?

They say Paulding people would panic—I don't think so. They don't quarantine anymore. They just try to keep it quiet so you don't know about it. Wake up people! Old diseases are back and in Paulding County. And I think we have a right to know what we might have been exposed to. I think people in Paulding need to stand up for their right to know before their family gets sick or die. You can't rely on being warned about this. They are taking away your rights. This smoking ban is just the start. Don't let them take your right away about infectious diseases. Your health and your family's health is at stake. Wake up people! Start asking questions. Why are we not being warned?!

I want to be allowed to call any health department in any county in the U.S. and ask what diseases are in their county—and be told the truth. These diseases are all over the U.S., not just here. I know for a fact that their was TB in our county. So what else is here? My mind is just spinning! What other infectious diseases are coming back and may be on the rise in the U.S.? We have the right to know. Get mad as H#ll and stand up for the right to know for yourself and family. Write your comments to this "Letter to the Editor—it's free, or your congressmen for your right to know.

—B. Fraley

## What To Do About The Flu

(NAPSA)—Flu viruses spread mainly from person to person through coughing or sneezing from people with influenza. Most adults may be able to infect others beginning one day before symptoms develop and up to five days after becoming sick. That means that you may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick.

In fact, a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine showed that most influenza infections in children were not diagnosed clinically.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 5 to 20 percent of the population will get the flu and up to 200,000 people will be hospitalized. Worse, every year, approximately 36,000 people in the U.S. die from influenza. Influenza can also lead to secondary complications including pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus and ear infections and worsening of chronic health conditions.

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Vantage Electricity juniors Ryan Miller (left) from Ottoville and Cody Markward from Van Wert, work together during lab to troubleshoot the servo robot.

At Vantage Career Center, nine different Trade and Industrial programs are offered to high school students. Here is a brief look at those programs.

In the Ag Diesel Mechanics program, students learn the techniques for the maintenance, service and repair of industrial diesel and agricultural equipment and engines. Students in Ag Diesel Mechanics belong to the Vantage FFA Chapter.

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The two-year Auto Technology program provides hands-on experience in the areas of hydraulic brake systems, automotive engines and suspension systems. Students learn the skills required to inspect, repair and adjust vehicles.

In the Precision Machining Technology program, students learn to operate and use lathes, grinders, mills and computer numerical controlled (CNC) machines to shape metal into useable tools and parts. Blueprint reading, computer aided drafting (CAD) and manufacturing processes are emphasized throughout the program.

The Vantage Welding program is a nationally recognized AWS (American Welding Society) training and testing facility. Students have the opportunity to earn industry certifications in plate and pipe welding. This program has earned the National Exemplary designation in career-technical education.

Industrial Mechanics students learn how to perform preventive and corrective maintenance and the set up and adjustment of plant machinery. Students learn the basics of welding, machining, metal fabrication, residential and industrial plumbing, heating, air conditioning and electricity.

The Electricity program provides entry-level training ranging from residential wiring to industrial electrical applications. Students learn how to install, maintain and troubleshoot a variety of electrical systems, including the installation of coaxial or fiber optic cable for computers and other telecommunications equipment. Seniors also use their residential wiring skills to wire the Vantage Carpentry House project each year.

In the Building and Grounds Maintenance program, students are introduced to a wide variety of skills necessary to keep buildings and their surrounding areas in good condition. Students learn basic electricity, plumbing, installation of concrete and masonry walls, landscaping, painting and light carpentry skills. This year, they are using their skills to renovate a home.

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Mark your calendars now for the annual Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner, which will be held on Monday, February 12, 2007 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. You can see for yourself the 18 different career-technical programs available to high school students. Don't miss it!

**JUNIOR HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL: ANTWERP VS. FAIRVIEW**

On January 8, the Junior High boys of Antwerp and Fairview took it to the net.

The Antwerp 7th grade boys opened 2007 in a battle with league foe Fairview. After opening the game in an 8-8 tie, the young Archers struggled in the middle quarters to go down 31 - 19. Antwerp woke up and finished with a flurry outscoring the Apaches 15-7 in the final stanza, but it wasn't enough as Fairview prevailed 38-34. Game high scoring honors went to Antwerp's Tommy Taylor with 13. Archer Bryant Miesle contributed 12. Fairview's Adam Yenser scored 10. Antwerp drops to 2-4 overall and 1-3 in league play.

Leading Scorers:  
Antwerp - Tommy Taylor 13, Bryant Miesle 12, Drew Taylor 4, Corbin Jones 3, Zac Dunlap 2.

Fairview - Adam Yenser 10, Brett Fitzwater 8, Zach Batt 8.

Scores:  
Antwerp - 8 5 6 15=34  
Fairview - 8 11 12 7=38

The 8th grade Archers opened the new year with their best first quarter of the season. However, turnovers slowed the Archers in the second quarter as they were outscored 11-2. The Archers worked hard at recovering throughout the second half, but it just wasn't enough as the Apaches came away with a 36-29 home victory. Antwerp's Tanner Copsey led all scorers with 12 points. Fairview's Quenton Yoder also hit double digits with 10. Antwerp drops to 2-2 in league action.

Leading Scorers:  
Antwerp - Tanner Copsey 12, John Brown 6, Dylan Crawford 5, Josh Hilton 4, Jordan Koppenhofer 2.

Fairview Apaches - Quenton Yoder 10, Luke Kuhn 8, Austin Zeedyk 7, Tony Meyer 6, Brock Mosier 5.

Scores:  
Antwerp - 6 2 10 11=29  
Fairview - 7 11 6 12=36

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1/19 - Chicken tender wrap, cheddar munchers, assorted fruit, milk  
1/22 - Country fried steak, whipped potatoes or beef stew w/biscuit, assorted fruit, milk  
1/23 - Ham chef salad, bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Lunch*  
1/17 - Pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk  
1/18 - Chicken fajita wrap, lettuce, fruit cup, milk  
1/19 - Pepperoni or cheese breadstick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit cup, milk  
1/22 - Hot dog on a bun, vegetable, fruit cup, milk  
1/23 - Nachos w/cheese cup, green beans, fruit cup, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch*  
1/17 - Pepperoni pizza, corn, fruit, milk  
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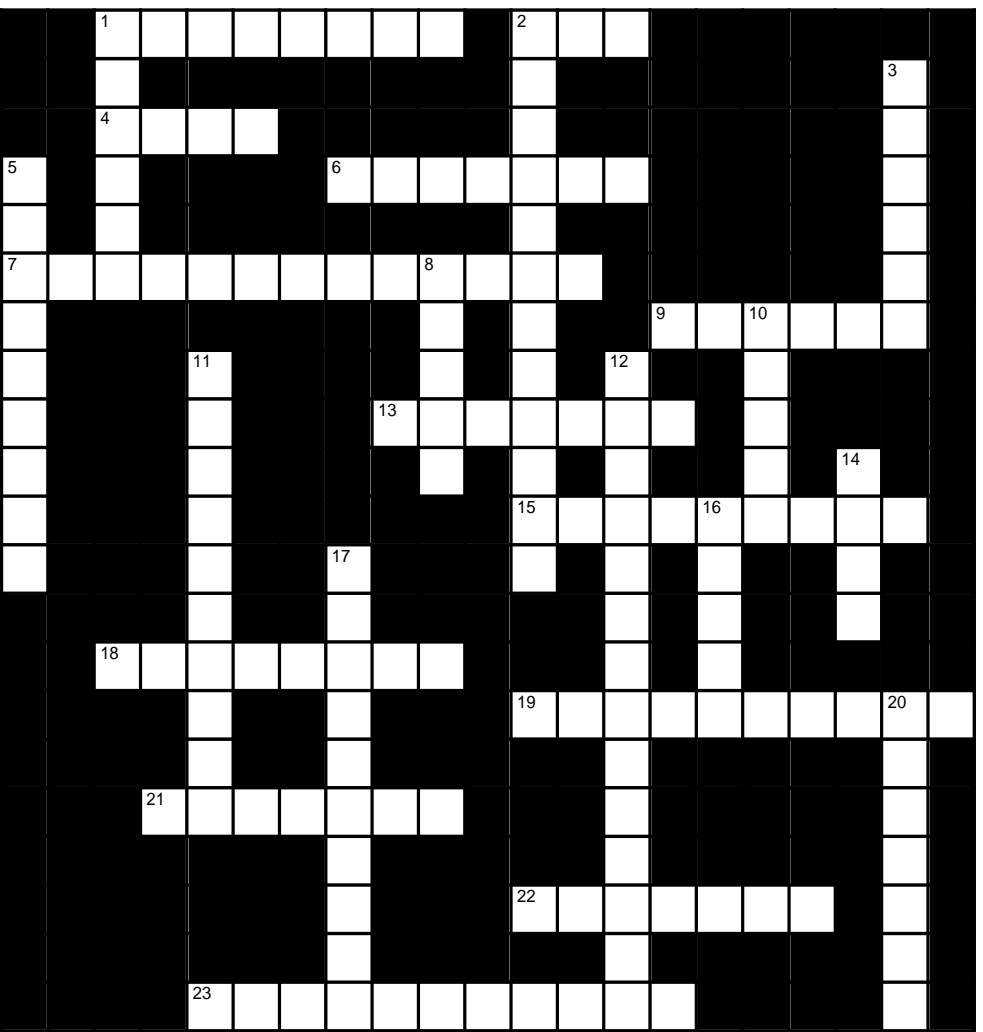
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# Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

- South America is the country that first cultivated this vegetable.
- This is the number of sizes of chicken eggs that the USDA recognizes, including "peewee".
- This hit the market alongside spinach as the first frozen veggies.
- When Birdseye first introduced frozen food it was called THIS kind of food.
- The first commercially manufactured breakfast cereal.
- This nutty legume accounts for 1/6 of the world's vegetable oil production.
- The most widely eaten fish in the world.
- This company first condensed soup in 1898.
- The only fish that produces real caviar.
- This added ingredient keeps powdered sugar from clumping.
- This kind of egg will yield 11 1/2 average size omelettes.
- This type of lettuce was called Crisp Head until the 1920's.
- This was the first of Heinz's "57 varieties".

**Down**

- This is one of the two top selling spices in the world.
- This is the place where the pineapple plant originated.
- The USDA proposed this milk product as a meat substitute in school lunches in 1966.
- This edible comes in crimmini, morel, oyster, and wood ear varieties.
- This sweetener can be used as an antiseptic ointment for cuts and burns.
- This fallen fruit supposedly inspired Isaac Newton to write the Laws of Gravity.
- The breakfast cereal that Sonny, the bird, was "cuckoo" for?
- These cookies come in a box with a string handle--first made to hang on Christmas trees.
- This fruit tree gives us prunes.
- Black-eyed peas are really these.
- The name of Cheerios when it was first marketed.
- This food is the leading source of Salmonella poisoning.

# AHS Angle



By: Chelsea Vail

"Oh, it's a jolly holiday with Martin... Martin makes your heart feel light..." Okay, so the song just isn't quite the same as when Bert sings it about Mary, but Martin Luther King, Jr. Day certainly was a nice little break, and the sentiment the lyrics carry very well represent those of which I have for a day off school, which I have Dr. King to thank for. It was a most supercalifragilisticexpialidocious hiatus. Yes, supercalifragilisticexpialidocious has an actual meaning; you'll find it to be the Word of the Week.

Speaking of words, last week's Spelling Bee contestants had quite the challenge. Jessica Marlin, 7th, was runner up to Brandi Aldrich's win with "lilac". Brandi's win was the second in a row for the Aldrich family, her sister Tiffani receiving the honor in the 2006 competition. Congrats!

This week's athletic events:

JH Girls Basketball: Thursday, January 18th, 5:00, Crestview; Saturday, January 20th, TBA, GMC at Wayne Trace; Monday, January 22nd, TBA, GMC @ Wayne Trace

JH Boys Basketball: Thursday, January 18th, 5:00, @ Crestview; Saturday, January 20th, TBA, 7th Grade Tournament @ Wayne Trace; Tuesday, January 23rd, 5:00, Wayne Trace.

Freshman Boys Basketball: Thursday, January 18th, 4:30, @ Wayne Trace; Tuesday, January 23rd, 5:00, @ North Central.

Varsity Girls Basketball: Friday, January 19th, 6:00, @ Wayne Trace.

Varsity Boys Basketball: Thursday, January 18th, 6:00, Wayne Trace; Saturday, January 20th, 6:30, @ Lincolnview.

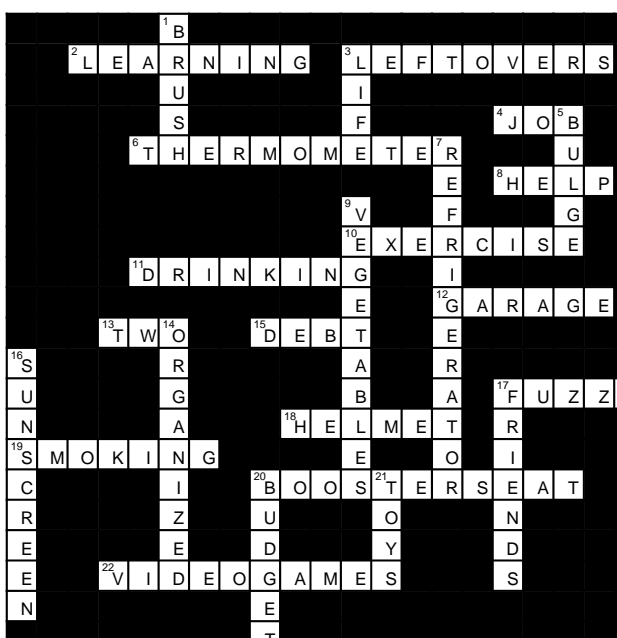
Word of the Week: Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious \soo-per-kal-uh-fraj-uh-lis-tik-ek-spee-al-i-doh-shuhs\ adjective

- Fantastic
- A nonsense word used by children to express approval

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## Last Week's answers to "New Year's Resolution" Again!



### JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL: WAYNE TRACE VS. PAULDING

On January 8, the Junior High girls basketball team of Wayne Trace and Paulding met up for some basketball.

In the eighth grade game the final score was Wayne Trace 40, Paulding 8.

Records - Wayne Trace 11-0.

Leading scorers: Wayne Trace - Jo Ellen Fickel 13, Kacey Hockenberry 12.

Paulding - Razo 5.

In the seventh grade game the final score was Wayne Trace 28, Paulding 11.

Records - Wayne Trace 9-4.

Leading scorers:

Wayne Trace - Ashley Saylor 8, Sarah Feasby 9.

Paulding - Beck 4.

### SCHOLASTIC BOWL MATCHES AT HOLGATE

These are the results for the Quiz Bowl matches that took place at Holgate High School on January 4.

Match #1: Holgate 59 Ayersville 40

Match #2: Holgate 56 Ayersville 47

Game 1:

Varsity - Hicksville 49, Wayne Trace 58

JV - Hicksville 24, Wayne Trace 42

Game 2:

Varsity - Hicksville 55, Wayne Trace 52

JV - Hicksville 25, Wayne Trace 39

Varsity Game 1 - Fairview 51, Tinora 62

Game 2 Fairview 43, Tinora 72

JV Game 1 - Fairview 30, Tinora 56

Game 2 - Fairview 44, Tinora 35

Match #1 - Edgerton 46 Antwerp 50

Match #2 - Edgerton 51 Antwerp 54

### GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 1/17 THROUGH 1/23

1/18 - Bluffton at Paulding

1/19 - Antwerp at Wayne Trace; Holgate at Hicksville

1/23 - Hicksville at Bryan; Tinora at Paulding; Wayne Trace at Delphos Jefferson

### BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF 1/17 THROUGH 1/23

1/18 - Hicksville at Holgate; Wayne Trace at Antwerp

1/19 - Crestview at Paulding

1/20 - Antwerp at Lincolnview; North Central at Hicksville; Wayne Trace at Continental

### FRESHMAN AND JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL AT VAN WERT

On Tuesday, January 9 there was some heated basketball playing by the Freshman and Junior Varsity teams of Wayne Trace and Van Wert.

In the Junior Varsity game the final score was Wayne Trace 41, Van Wert 33.

Records - Wayne Trace 7-2, Van Wert 7-2.

Quarter Scores:

1st - VW 12, WT 10

2nd - WT 23, VW 17

3rd - WT 27, VW 22

Leading Players:

WT - Alex LaBounty (12 points, 10 rebounds), Caleb Davis (9 points, 4 rebounds).

VW - Jake Bagley (9 points, 6 rebounds), Brady Dunlap (8 points).

In the Freshman game the final score was Van Wert 40, Wayne Trace 27.

Quarter Scores:

1st - VW 13, WT 3

2nd - VW 27, WT 11

3rd - VW 35, WT 17

Leading Scorers:

VW - Jacob Alson 10, Nathan Williams 9, Tyler Putman 9.

WT - Derrick Baksa 9, Eric Priest 6.

### PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE WINNERS

These are the winners of the Spelling Bee from Paulding Middle School.

Eighth grader Jared Ross, the son of Brian and Patricia Ross, of Paulding, was the champion of this year's school competition. His winning word: discipline. The runner-up was sixth grader Steven Strayer. Steven's parents are Matthew and Suzanne Strayer of Paulding. The word missed: consensus.

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**GEORGE**

By: Rose Kever

A few weeks ago, as my friend Sally and I were going to our favorite Friday night hot spot, we were discussing the animals that we've seen down by the Maumee River Bridge on Route 49. The raccoons and opossums that skitter across the road—some not quite so lucky as to make it clear across. (Granny Clampett would be in 7th heaven making dinner for her clan!)

Pretty soon we got on the subject of foxes. It seems like the fox population has been increasing around here. Sally had said she was going to work one morning and a fox ran in front of her vehicle. She said it was a good sized one and absolutely beautiful. As she was describing it, I had a memory flashback to my childhood.

Many years ago, my dad had brought home a baby fox. I think he had been out hunting for squirrel or rabbit, and he happened across the den. He said someone must have shot the mother, and some of the babies, as there were signs of such an occurrence and one lone little cub whimpering nearby. Anyway, Dad brought it

home and we fell in love with him instantly. He was so cute and just a little red fur ball. Well, my brother, Larry, laid claim to him and named him George. We had tried to housebreak George, but he wanted no part of that, so he had to be outside most of the time. We bought him a collar, chain, dog food and bowls. Everything the little orphan wanted, we got it.

Animal babies are very trainable, although they still maintain that little bit of a wild streak.

We lived on West Washington Street back then and the "little house" is where George was kept.

The "little house" was a three room, sort of cottage, that we lived in until my parents bought the two-story house from Fred Dunderman. I remember Dad saying they paid \$500.00 for it, plus the cost of moving it from Wentworth Rd. to our lot on Washington. I don't know what the cost of moving it was, but it was probably very little by today's standards. Then we rented a house from Hattie Bissell that sat where Richie Bauer's home is now. At that time, the Bauer's lived where Bob Johnson now lives. We stayed in Hattie's house until the house

was put on the foundation and electricity and water was installed. (excuse my trip down memory lane!) Now ... back to George.

As I said, George lived out by the little house and he grew, and was a good, tame "Red Fox".

One day we went out to feed him and he was gone. He'd been loose before, but he usually just came up to the back door and made yipping noises and we would tie him back up. But this time, he wasn't anywhere we could find him. Larry and Dad put fliers around town and especially with the hunters to be on the lookout for George. I don't remember who called and said he thought he had shot our fox. They went to see and sure enough—it was George. The guy felt really bad about killing him, but he really wasn't to blame. It was open season for fox and George just happened to be in the wrong place.

He handed George over to Larry and they brought him home. He was pretty upset, and didn't want to just dig a hole and throw him in, and since he had taken a taxidermy course from somewhere that I don't remember, he skinned George out and stuffed him. He kept George for many years, and then we found him in Dad's attic when they were moving to Texas. Larry had decided that he would donate George to the Ehrhart Museum and to my knowledge, George is still on display there.

The "little house" is long gone now. Mom and Dad and Larry have passed on, but I will always have my beautiful childhood memories.

**CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON IRAQ**

The Congressional Report by: Congressman Paul Gillmor

Like many of my constituents, I watched President Bush's Iraq address on Wednesday to understand what changes lay ahead in the Global War on Terror. President Bush defined in very plain terms his benchmarks for the Iraqi government, the flaws in the current war strategy and gave a realistic picture of the conflict.

I appreciate President Bush's honesty, his willingness to openly engage international experts in the direction of this region, and his accepting of responsibility for past failures. President Bush also placed heavy demands on Iraqi Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki which I believe are long overdue. Our military men and women have sacrificed greatly for the cause of freedom and while the Iraqi Security Forces have been rapidly assuming operational control of the battle, the United States must demand an even quicker transfer of control.

From the outset of this war, I have consistently said that I wanted U.S. troops home from Iraq as soon as we can leave a stable, democratic government in place. In his speech, President Bush committed more than 20,000 additional U.S. troops to stabilize Iraq. Personally, I do not know whether committing additional U.S. troops will aid Iraqi Security Forces in quickly assuming control. However, as Commander-in-Chief, it is the President's sole responsibility to direct our military operations.

In the coming weeks, I anticipate leaders of the Democratic Party putting forward non-binding resolutions regarding the troop surge. I expect the Democratic leadership will attempt to reject the President's decisions and may even bow to pressure from the extreme fringe of its party and allow a vote to reject additional funding for our troops in the field. If these tactics are employed, I will vote to continue providing funding for our troops. In addition, I do not believe Congress should use non-binding resolutions to attempt to run the Global War on Terror from the backseat.

I agree that failure in Iraq will be a disaster for the Middle East and for the United States of America. Swiftly transferring military control of Iraq to the Iraqi government is a goal that every person holds. While the costs of this war have been high, the stakes are even higher.

**SCHOLASTIC BOWL RESULTS FOR 1/11/07**

- At Ayresville: Ayersville 52, Hicksville 41. Ayersville 44, Hicksville 31
- At Wayne Trace: Tinora 64, Wayne Trace 35. Tinora 57, Wayne Trace 42.
- At Central: Antwerp 37, Fairview 52. Antwerp 53, Fairview 37.
- At Edgerton: Holgate 47, Edgerton 39. Holgate 43, Edgerton 30.

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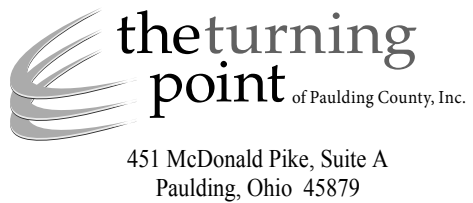
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A book called "Leonard Maltin's 2007 Movie Guide" (Plume, \$20) features reviews of more than 17,000 movies—including more than 300 movies that were not featured in any of the book's previous editions. Each movie review includes comprehensive information on date of release, running time, cast and crew and MPAA ratings. It also features Maltin's "Fifty More Films You May Have Missed." For more information, visit [www.penguin.com](http://www.penguin.com).

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## PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND NINE WEEKS

### SENIORS:

**4.0:** Ashley Clark, Megan Gonzales, Kody Kadesch, Jim Manz, Ashley Tope, Cody Wolffe.

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**3.0-3.49:** Heather Adams, Brittany Chaney, Lynette Davis, Katie Dirr, Richard Fraley, Andrea Ganter, Kaleb Kelly, Daniel Miles, Jerica Proxmire, Lucas Tracy, Meghan VanVlerah, Scott Vogel, Jordan Wilhelm.

### JUNIORS:

**4.0:** Tiffany Anderson, Jessica Carnahan, Amber Dohoney, Kayla Gawronski, Amber Gebers, Jerrod Knodel, Julie Koenn, Kevin Mumma, Tiffany Rosenhan, Jon Ross, Chelsi Sherry, Megan Simpson, Staci Smalley, Logan Sunday.

**3.50-3.99:** Brittini Bechtol, Chris Britt, Kim Cline, Michelle Colley, Jeanelle DeMuth, Gage Evans, Stacy Gallegos, Abigail Gross, Shannon Hankinson, Ryan Jones, Kassi Kadesch, Derek Koch, Autumn Leininger, Amber Manson, Kristen Porter, Tiffany Razo, Alfonso Rocha, Jessica Strable, Kara Suffel, Sarah Tracy, Paul Webb, Chantell Weidenhamer.

**3.0-3.49:** Justis Barron, Lareta Beckman, Dustin Carnahan, Sami Colley, Ashley Crowl, Alisha Crutchfield, Tyler Crutchfield, Alyssa Estrada, Jade Fee, David Fickel, Beth Gottke, Michael Halter, Alicia Jasso, Ben Kauser, Sierra Kennedy, Jacob Perl, Chris Phlipot, Jordan Phlipot, Clint Porter, Jarod Riley, Matthew Rose, Brandon Schang, Caleb Schlatter, Jennifer Schmidt, Shelby Smith, Zachary Stallkamp, Clint Svec, Seth Thomas, Jessica

Varner, Jon Villarreal, Emily Weller, Tiffany Westendorf.

### SOPHOMORES:

**4.0:** Kelsie Carnahan, Alli Clevenger, Josh Duslak, Sara English, Christa Gasser, Staci Gunderman, Katherine Harmon, Heather Hemker, Britney King, Brenda Manz, Lilly Manz, Audrey Nice, Eric Ross, Haden Sholl, Logan Steele, Selena Switzer, Spencer Wilhelm, Ashley Yant.

**3.50-3.99:** Tyler Arend, MacKenzie Bayless, Brooke Bowers, Megan Butler, Kari Gibson, Morgan Hammon, Rachel Hemker, Cassie Kauser, Ashley Koenn, Amber Menzie, Andrew Mott, Brian Porter, Isaac Porter, Michael Reinhart, Mercedes Rios, Briana Ripke, Zakary Shafer, Dalton Stallkamp, Garrett Stoller, Ashley Switzer, Shuraa Thomas, Remy Tope, AJ Wolford.

**3.0-3.49:** Estee Arend, Eric Beck, Cody Bevins, Peter Brown, Eathon Coughlin, Nathan Edwards, Christen Evans, Levi Farley, Donna Highwarden, Cassie Jasso, Jessica Johnson, Lucas Keegan, Katie Keeran, Mara Kesler, Chrystal Lukaszek, Shelby McMichael, Jessica Miller, Whitney Morhart, Jennifer Nafziger, Chris Rohrs, Melinda Slattman, Bryant Troyer, Tess VanVlerah, Mark Wolffe.

### FRESHMEN:

**4.0:** Maycee Adams, Jamie Buchman, Stephanie Donaldson, Taylor Hatcher, Angie Manz, William Wilhelm.

**3.50-3.99:** Brittany Bail, Elizabeth Bradford, Chase Burnett, Jaclyn Carr, Gary DeVault, Ashley Fisher, Danielle Grindstaff, Aaron Gross, Samantha Habern, Staci Manz, Zachary Miller, Shabrie Moyer, Amanda Porter, Derek Schlatter, Bryant Sheppard, Audrey Smiley, Dakota Vogel, Mara Watson, Rachele Woodring.

**3.0-3.49:** Jessica Adkins, Sydney Antoine, Jesse Bollenbacher, Katarina Caryer, Jared Deatrick, Lindsey Frederick, Nathan Hancock, Caryn Johnston, Stephen Leininger, Trisha Manson, Alysha Mays, Brandon Moore, Tyler Rohrs, Ariel Speelman, Haley Vorlicky, Ali Wayne, Danielle Yoh.

## BOYS BASKETBALL AT WAYNE TRACE

On January 11, the boys JV and Varsity basketball teams from Wayne Trace and Tinora faced off on the court. The final Varsity score was Wayne Trace 60, Tinora 40.

Score by Quarters:  
Tinora (4-6, 1-1 GMC) 9 9 9 13=40

Wayne Trace (8-2, 2-0 GMC) 18 12 13 17=60

Leading scorers:  
Tinora - Layne Schroeder 13, Zach Beilharz 6, Jon Gerken 6.

WT - Lance Sinn 12, Aaron Hockenberry 11, Riley Linder 10.

Turnovers - Wayne Trace 13, Tinora 18.

Junior Varsity Score - Wayne Trace 42, Tinora 37.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL AT WAYNE TRACE

On Saturday, January 13, Wayne Trace put their talent to the test against the team at Archbold.

The final score for the varsity game was Wayne Trace 49, Archbold 42.

Score by Quarters:  
Archbold (9-4) 8 8 17 9=42

Wayne Trace (6-4) 9 11 19 10=49

Leading players:  
Archbold - Lex Kennedy 13 pts., 7 assists, 4 steals; Adil Lange 8 pts., 10 rebounds.

Wayne Trace - Becky Ruble 17 pts., 10 rebounds, 3 steals.

Turnovers - Archbold 24, Wayne Trace 20.

Junior Varsity Score - Archbold 33, Wayne Trace 27.

## Northwest Ohio Girls Basketball Standings

Northwest Conference		
Crestview	5-0	8-2
Delphos Jefferson	5-1	9-3
Lima Central Catholic	5-1	8-4
Columbus Grove	4-1	8-2
Paulding	2-2	5-5
Lincolnview	1-4	5-5
Ada	1-4	5-6
Bluffton	1-4	4-9
Allen East	1-4	3-7
Spencerville	0-4	0-11

Green Meadows Conference		
Holgate	2-0	8-4
Tinora	2-0	7-4
Wayne Trace	1-1	6-4
Ayersville	1-1	5-6
Fairview	1-1	3-6
Antwerp	1-1	2-10
Hicksville	0-2	6-5
Edgerton	0-2	2-9

## Northwest Ohio Boys Basketball Standings

Northwest Conference		
Crestview	4-0	10-2
Ada	3-1	8-2
Lima Central Catholic	3-1	8-2
Bluffton	3-1	8-3
Lincolnview	3-1	4-6
Spencerville	2-1	8-2
Columbus Grove	2-3	6-5
Paulding	0-3	0-11
Allen East	0-4	2-9
Delphos Jefferson	0-5	3-8

Green Meadows Conference		
Ayersville	2-0	9-1
Antwerp	2-0	8-2
Wayne Trace	2-0	8-2
Holgate	1-1	7-5
Tinora	1-1	4-7
Hicksville	0-2	8-3
Edgerton	0-2	5-5
Fairview	0-2	3-7

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## HOUSA PIZZA: A FAMILY TRADITION CONTINUES



Rachel and Jared Griffiths of Housa Pizza

By: Sue Knapp

It may not be on the square in Paulding, but this pizza parlor, cleverly named, Housa Pizza, makes pizza comparable to the big boys.

Beth and Greg Griffiths wanted to do something that their family could do together. In January of 1989 they opened the Housa Pizza. Located on 714 N. Elm across from LaFountain Park, the pool and around the corner from the school in Paulding. While off the beaten path, it is where the action is, especially in the summer.

While mom ran the business, the boys stayed in the "kid room", a room with a couch, TV and everything else that could make them comfortable. As the boys got older they helped with the business. It truly has been a family business.

Last year Beth and Greg

decided to semi-retire and turned the business over to their son, Jared, after he graduated from Ohio State University in March of 2006, and his wife, Rachel.

Jared moonlights in the summer with Creative Landscapes while Rachel works part time with UPS.

Mom runs a cleaning business, Emerald Cleaning, and she now fills in for Jared.

The pizza ovens run on gas so if the electricity goes out, you won't starve, just call Housa Pizza. It also has two tables so you can eat outside when weather permits. The business also boasts a drive-up window so you can get your pizza without getting out of the car.

Jared and Rachel are young entrepreneurs not afraid to step out of the box to keep the family legacy going.

## ANTWERP ROTARY CLUB TO PRESENT A DEDICATION CEREMONY

The Antwerp Rotary Club is a service organization dedicated to serving their local community. On January 18, 2007, immediately prior to the start of the varsity basketball game against Wayne Trace, the Rotary Club is presenting a dedication ceremony. For its 2006-2007 community service project, the Rotary Club has arranged for a new motorized American flag to be installed in the gymnasium at the Antwerp High School. The public is invited to attend this special event and to see the unfurling of the new flag for the first time.

The flag is 18' long by 12' wide and will be installed to the truss at the top of the gymnasium. It will hang horizontally in front of the home team bench. The motorized flag is a large electric video screen in a case but the screen is removed and an American flag is placed inside the case. The wooden screen case is 20'10" long. The flag will be lowered for the singing of the national anthem and raised at the end of the song. It is operated with a remote control.

Various other community organizations have contributed to the project including the Varsity "A" Club, American Legion Post 253, and VFW Post 5087. The American Legion and VFW posts will have their honor guards present to contribute to the dedication of the new American flag.

Dan Wiedman is supplying the lettering on the side of the wooden flag case. Schweller Electric installed the flag on Monday, January 15, 2007.

## GMC QUIZ LEAGUE SCHEDULE 2006-2007

**January 4:** Ayersville at Holgate; Edgerton at Antwerp; Wayne Trace at Hicksville; Fairview at Tinora

**January 11:** Holgate at Edgerton; Hicksville at Ayersville; Antwerp at Fairview; Tinora at Wayne Trace

**January 18:** Hicksville at Holgate; Edgerton at Fairview; Wayne Trace at Antwerp; Ayersville at Tinora

**January 25:** Fairview at Holgate; Tinora at Hicksville; Edgerton at Wayne Trace; Antwerp at Ayersville

**February 1:** Holgate at Tinora; Wayne Trace at Fairview; Hicksville at Antwerp; Ayersville at Edgerton

**February 8:** Wayne Trace at Holgate; Antwerp at Tinora; Fairview at Ayersville; Edgerton at Hicksville

**February 15:** Holgate at Antwerp; Ayersville at Wayne Trace; Tinora at Edgerton; Hicksville at Fairview.

**GMC Scholastic Bowl: Friday, March 9, 2007,** Northwest State Community College, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## ANTWERP MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX UPDATE AND TAX FORM AVAILABILITY

The Village of Antwerp would like to inform residents that 2006 municipal income tax forms will be mailed from CCA (Cleveland Collection Agency) toward the end of January 2007. Residents who would like their tax forms early can stop at Village Hall to pick one up or residents can call 419-258-2371 to have them mailed.

Representatives from CCA will be holding 2007 Tax Payer Assistance Meetings at Village Hall on Monday, March 5, 2007 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and again on Saturday, March 24, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tax payers with questions on their individual or business withholding and/or estimates can stop in during these hours to meet personally with CCA.

The Village would like to remind new residents moving into the Village that they should stop in or call Village Hall to receive their registration forms for the municipal income tax. The initial mailing of registration forms when the tax was enacted was based on the Village's water customer list and not every resident was contacted in this mailing. Renters in particular might have been missed due to the registration forms being mailed to the owner of the rental property.

Businesses in the village who may use contractors or other service companies who will provide service inside the village corporation limits need to inform these companies that they may be required to pay village income tax and they should be referred to Village Hall to inquire and receive withholding forms.

Any resident or business that is unsure whether they need to pay the Village's income tax should call Sara Keeran, Village Administrator at 419-258-2371 or CCA directly at 1-800-223-6317, ext. 1761. Samatha Zelletz of CCA is the Village's representative. Tax forms and other helpful information can be accessed at CCA's web site: [www.ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us](http://www.ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us)

## Healthy Snacking Advice for Moms On The Go

(NAPSA)—Alarm clock rings. Family up, ready, fed, out-the-door. Race to work. Race home. Americans' lives are getting more and more hurried.

Especially during this hectic time of year, many busy parents find it tempting to scale back on the necessities of their own good health. But, now is when simple, everyday wise choices matter the most. Celebrity fitness trainer Valerie Waters is reminding all of us that the best way to take care of our families is to take good care of ourselves.

"I tell all my clients—from superstars, supermoms and everyone in between—that making wise choices can keep them on-the-go and feeling better than ever," Waters says. "The focus is on the basics: eating right, choosing to make time for yourself and exercising."

Eating right is important not only at meals, but while snacking, too. Waters says it's all right to have the same snacks as your kids—as long as they're healthy snacks like raisins. California Raisins are naturally sweet, fat-free, portable and a great source of energy.

Also, try getting up a few minutes earlier in the morning and taking a walk—whatever you need to do to get yourself centered. According to Waters, if you can make some time for yourself, you'll feel that much better for it.

Exercising is not only a great way to keep healthy, it's a great way to relax and reduce stress. You don't need to follow a rigorous exercise program that eats your free time and leaves you drained. Just a few minutes each day will make you both healthier and happier.

The benefits of following Waters' advice may be motivation enough to start taking action each day, but to sweeten the deal and



Celebrity fitness trainer Valerie Waters teams up with California Raisins to help moms make Wise Choices.

have fun in the process, California Raisins is offering a chance to win an amazing Wise Choices California Spa Sweepstakes.

Participants can go to [LoveYourRaisins.com](http://LoveYourRaisins.com), submit the wisest choice they have ever made, and automatically be entered to win a trip to the luxurious Miramonte Resort and Spa in Southern California. Also, sign up to receive a free Wise Choices On-the-Go bag, while supplies last. The Web site includes a library of California Raisin recipes, such as this healthy, great-tasting snack:

### Sunny Honey Candy

- ½ cup peanut
- ½ cup honey butter
- 1 cup non-fat dry milk
- 2 cups California Raisins
- ½ cup chopped nuts

**Blend honey and peanut butter together in bowl. Gradually add dry milk, mixing well. Mix in raisins and nuts. Shape into log. Wrap tightly and store in refrigerator. To serve, cut into ½-inch slices. Yields 3 dozen slices.**

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# SEWING: NO LONGER A DYING ART



Sewing, for many years has been a dying art, but not anymore. Today's GenXers, as well as teens, are finding sewing to be a rewarding way to display their creativeness. Sewing classes nation-wide are filling faster than the stores can offer them.

At Wayne Trace High School the trend is no different. Students, males and females alike, are learning to sew. The teacher used to joke that if you were a guy you couldn't play a sport unless

you could sew and or cook. Many of the male athletes can do just that. There isn't a stigma that sewing is just for girls or sissies any more. The guys are every bit as creative as the girls when it comes to sewing.

The students start out by learning some basic techniques and progress on to making lap quilts in the first level of sewing. Many students sign up for a second and third semester of sewing. At the more advanced levels

students make pieced quilts, T-shirt quilts, picture pillows and some have even made picture quilts that could be hung on the wall. A few students have used their math skills and designed quilts on graph paper and then made them a reality by bringing that design to life in fabric.

After high school some students further their knowledge by learning to sew clothes for themselves and/or others. Sewing is a class that will benefit a student for life.

## PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 2006-07 SECOND NINE WEEKS

**Grade 6:**  
*All A's:* Austin Miller  
*All A's and B's:* Benicia Barnett, Jessen Bussing, Mike Hernandez, Chay Jackson, Danielle Mays, Sarah Myers, Mikayla Pieper, Jacey Schroeder, Dalton Sholl, Denise Smith, Courtney St. John, Steven Strayer, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm.

**Grade 7:**  
*All A's:* Cody Bradford, Drew Burnett, Jill Busch, Jessica Harpel, Mesa Pracht, Derek Shrider.

*All A's and B's:* Jessica Antoine, Heather Bakowski, Brandy Beard, Kristen Beck, Wade Carnahan, Derrick Echols, Logan Englehart, Jessica Farr, Drey Gamble, Jenna Gasser, Jamie Gonzales, Steven Heilman, Ashley Kesler, Jason Koenn, Katie Kohart, Eric Krick, Taylor Mock, Kyle Mohr, Ian Munger, Audra Philipot, Anna Rickels, Kelli Schlatter, Rebecca Wilhelm.

**8th grade:**  
*All A's:* Shauna Darrigo, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Elise Hartzell, April Manz, Alex Mott, Jared Ross, Alex Snyder, Wesley Zeller.

*All A's and B's:* Cameron Aldrich, Adi-Lae Bergalowski, Devan Bermejo, Trenton Bradford, Joey Buchman, Hayley Clellan, Armando Deanda, Ryan Doan, Taylor Dotson, Andrew Favorito, Jesse Glass, Spencer Gross, Ashley Hahn, Grant Harder, Sam Heilshorn, Alex Knodel, Treslynn Laney, Ashley Myers, Breck Ripke, Patty Shaffer, Danielle Smith, Kaelyn Snyder, Alyssa St. John.

## ANTWERP HISTORY

**By: Stan Jordan**  
 Well, friends and readers, I have some corrections to make about my column two weeks ago.

First, on Pat Harris' daughter, it was Ruth who married Mr. Medaugh and lived in Paulding and Dorothy married Jim Hooker and lived in Payne.

My good friend, Arlene Billman, called to remind me that Dr. James Lynch lived in the Frank Smith house on North Main Street. By golly, she's right. Dr. Lynch had his office downtown the next place south of K.D.'s Kitchen. When I was a boy that second building was Joe Yager's Restaurant.

Tom Seslar lives in Chicago and is a newspaper man. He reads the West Bend News on Tuesday nights as he gets it off the Web Site. He called Martha Bender to tell her about my mistake. I said he had a sister, Linda, who lived in Ft. Wayne. Well, I think I was referring to Linda Schilb, Andy's daughter. Tom Seslar's sister's name is Diane and lives out in Oregon. She is a success story. She has a couple degrees and a Doctorate. She travels world-wide most of the time. She is married to Mark Svendsen and he travels a lot for BP Oil Co. He makes many trips to the Near East and part of his vocation has to do with irrigation. Plus, he is also a free lance writer.

Well, Tom, it was good to hear from you and to learn that you still enjoy hearing from the Old Home Town.

A good part of my childhood was walking by the Texaco Gas Station. Warren, Pearl, Delmar and Ruth Seslar always had time to stop and talk to a boy walking by going to school or doing an errand.

As I sit here and write, the nostalgia is belly button deep. I know you are very proud and should be of your forefathers because The Seslars are certainly a big part of Antwerp History.

This week we are going to go north on North Main Street and on the east side. If you notice, there is a big ravine just north of the Town Hall. If you will look closely, you will see that that ravine extends all the way east and went all the way west up Archer Drive and on past the Old High School. Our early settlers must have brought in a lot of fill dirt to raise those roads up as high as they are. In the early years, Antwerp had a number of deep ravines, some are still plenty noticeable.

The first house north is called Waldo's Hill. It was named after Waldo Witt, a fine old fellow, he lived to be well up in his 90's. I think he told me one time that they migrated here from Illinois. At that time Waldo lived on a farm out on Rd. 111.

As early as I can remember Frank Fleck lived in that house. His wife was named Amanda. They had three boys, Otha (most of his friends called him "Odie"), Forest and Ray. I knew Otha better than the other boys. Otha's middle initial was D. He was a supervisor in the railway "Mail Service", he ran from Ft. Wayne to St. Louis. I never ran with him but I subbed for him a couple of times.

Odie had one boy, Wayne, where he was a Naval Pilot in

WWII. After the war he married Lois Anderson and was a school teacher. He was also a good left-handed baseball pitcher and pitched for the White Sox.

I think the boy, Forest, worked for the telephone company. The Brown Family lived there for quite a spell. They had a nice family: Edgar, Barbara, Mary Ann and Bill.

The next house north was the home of Oran Frank Leinard, better known as "Jack". He and Marjorie had three children: Frank, Lyle and Carole. You all remember that Frank is a new heart recipient. He is doing well and is a whole bunch of history by himself. Lyle is retired now and gets in a lot of good fishing when he can. Carole married Mike Zedaker and lives in Van Wert. When I was mowing the cemeteries, Carole would take Marjorie for a ride through the cemetery on nice days and they would always be sure to wave at me. I was always glad to see them. They were two fine ladies. Marjorie lived to be 100 years old. She was good and sharp right up until she fell and broke her hip. Yes, the Leinard's are big in Antwerp History.

The next house north was the home of Pete and Lillie Schmuck. They had a nice family: Helen, Richard, Tom, Dorothy and Jim. Pete was manager at the West Elevator.

As I was sitting here thinking about Pete Schmuck and

the West Elevator, I thought about how long has the Elevator been here. Well, all I know about the East Elevator was that John Mosier owned it and Lawrence Sidenbender was the clerk and Harry Reeb and another man worked there. They were in business until after WWII and then it was taken over by the West Elevator.

All I could find out about that West Elevator was that it was already in business in 1886. Bruce Ely and C.A. Bissell bought it from somebody else and it was D.B.A. As Ely and Bissell Grain and Livestock. I remember the cattle pens and corrals were on up west by the railroad when I was a kid. But in 1900 this was sold again and became The People's Elevator Co. I cannot begin to tell you how much the Elevators have meant to this farming community. Maybe down the road I will do a column on it. "I'm fixin' to".

The next house north of Pete Schmuck's was the home of Chester Hawkins and his wife Caroline Snook. They lived in that big house on the corner. I guess after Mr. Hawkins died, she moved to the next house east and lived there a long time with a couple of daughters.

A number of people lived in that house later, I remember the Ryan Family lived there a long time.

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# JACKSON TOWNSHIP PRESENTS THEIR FLAG



Continuing our series on "Township flags", Jackson Township is the 3rd township to be discussed. In the spring of 2006, Trustees Rex Gray, Bill Strahley, Mark Holtsberry and fiscal officer Mary Howard accepted the final design done by Mrs. Jane Smiley.

Jackson Township's flag contained the requisite township name and year organized (1851). It features a blue band across it to represent the township's waterways, of which the Flat Rock Creek is the largest, flowing across the northern portion and Blue Creek, flowing across the southern portion of the township. Along with the waterways, the flag contains trees to denote the "Black Swamp" and a turkey (which are making a comeback), with opposite flag corners depicting the State and American flags. Also pictured is a headstone, with the printed names "John Moss" and "William Moss".

To pique your interest in this township, I'll tell you that John and William were brothers from England who purchased land from the government and built a cabin on the banks of the Blue Creek in Section 26 (known as the Keck District). Also of note is that the first sermon delivered by a United Brethren divine (clergyman) named Abraham Miller, was in 1840.

The settlers worshiped in homes until 1850 when they

organized and met at the Anderson School during the winter and beneath the "umbrageous" (shady) forest trees in the summer, finally erecting the first frame township church on the bank of the Blue Creek in 1875. Elm Chapel was known to be the first township church; and was a log structure built on the south bank of the Flat Rock Creek. In 1888, a church was built in Hedges.

Population in 1880, per the census, was 976; however, by 1890, the population was recorded as 2,266, an increase of 132% during the decade.

All the foregoing data is taken from the 1892 Paulding County Atlas, which is available for reading at all Paulding County libraries, and, for students and teachers, at all Paulding County School libraries. It can be purchased at the John Paulding Historical Society (across from the Paulding Fairgrounds) during Museum hours on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and also the first Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

—Les Weidenhamer, president  
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## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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The Paulding County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, January 3 and Monday, January 8.

The January 3rd meeting was the first for Ed Straley, newly elected to the office at the November general election.

Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer met with the Commissioners on January 3 to provide his regular monthly update. McGarvey reported on plans for roadwork during 2007. He estimates approximately 25 miles of paving work for the new year, all county roads. Another 30-35 miles on additional roads will receive the chip seal process that extends the life of the road surface. McGarvey also noted that during the winter, yet before snowfall, his staff is working on cutting brush along county road right-of-way. Other crews are tackling a list of drainage related concerns that have been reported to the Engineer's Office.

At the same meeting the Commissioners learned that the President of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) has requested Marty Harmon to serve a one-year term on the CCAO Board of Trustees. In this role Harmon will represent Paulding County as the statewide organization considers policies for legislative consideration.

Randy Shaffer, Director of the Paulding County Emergency Management Agency (EMA), also met with the Commissioners at the Wednesday, January 3rd meeting. Shaffer reported on progress to locate and purchase a previously owned se-

Across the road to the north has also had lots of renters, but Lonnie Bostleman has lived there for many years. Lonnie is a retired school teacher and a pretty good basketball coach.

But when I was growing up that house was the Presbyterian Manse. Rev. Fred S. Mallott was the minister here and over in Hicksville. He was a dandy fellow and well liked by all. He had the first hearing aid that I can remember. It was a little black box that he wore on a chain around his neck and hung on his chest and you talked right into it. It helped with his hearing problems.

When Pauline and I got married on January 12, 1944, I was on a "Ten Day Furlough" from the Army and Rev. Mallott performed the ceremony in his home in Hicksville. I guess he done a pretty good job!

There has been a number of renters in that house also. I know of one family Glenn Ellis who was with The Antwerp Parlor Furniture Co. and the Archie Bell family lived in that house also. They had two children, Richard (Buckshot) and Peggy. I'm happy to report that Peggy is alive and well and lives in Paducaha, Kentucky and she receives this paper every week. I'm always glad to hear from her. She likes to hear from all her friends.

This a line or so from an e-mail we received at the West Bend News from Peggy Bell Brown. "What joy it is to read about my home town of Antwerp, Ohio in Paulding County, the home of the best tomatoes ever grown. What a joy to read your paper each week!". Yes, Peggy, I remember you and your family. Your father, Archie, was a top shelf teacher.

See, Ya!

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Recycling in the office is good corporate citizenship, and provides economic and environmental benefits to the community.

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1. Research and learn what types of paper can be recovered for recycling. Your recycling company can provide details. If your building does not currently have a recycling program, consider starting one or explore local drop-off options.
2. Design a program. First, talk to management about creating or improving an office recycling program. Come prepared with cost information, environmental benefits, and how you may positively affect community relations. Once you get the go-ahead, organize collection procedures. For a detailed list of issues to consider, visit [www.paperrecycles.org](http://www.paperrecycles.org).

3. Create recycling teams, internal competitions, and incentive programs to engage employees and co-workers in the process.

4. Measure and share results to show the merits of recycling and motivate employees or co-workers. Success brings momentum, and helps grow the program.

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## PAYNE GRANGE HONORED THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Our January meeting was held at Mary Litzenberg's home on January 10. The members discussed various projects and it was reported that we had made donations to the local Salvation Army, Antwerp Ministerial Association and Payne Ministerial Association. Also a couple of members presented all the shut-in members with a fruit basket from Payne Grange. These shut-in members are located at the Country Inn of Paulding, Dallas Lamb Home of Payne, one member at her home, and one member's husband at the Convoy Care Center in Convoy, Ohio.

Since the arrival of the New Year - 2007 - meeting dates for this upcoming year were decided and will be held the second Wednesday of alternate months. The opposite months will be Pomona Meetings. There will be a Pomona Meeting on January 27 at Cletus and Alice Vetter's home in Hicksville, Ohio. There will be a potluck dinner at 12:00 noon preceding the meeting. This meeting is the Officers Conference and all members, officers or no officer, is welcome to attend to help make out the new calendars for the year. Everyone please attend with any new ideas you may want or have to present for projects to pursue this year. Any person who is interested in the Grange may also attend, especially if you have any questions as to what the Grange is or does.

Hope to see all of you on January 27.

—Patsy Blankenship, Payne Grange Sec.-Treas., Pomona Grange Lecturer

## HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL: ANTWERP VS. STRYKER



With Coach McMichael and his teammates watching anxiously from the bench, senior Mitch Fowler drives to the basket too quickly for the Stryker Panthers to block his shot. The Archer varsity basketball team defeated the

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During the Monday, January 8 meeting the Commissioners organized their own three-member body for the calendar year. Marty Harmon was elected to be the Chairman of the Board for 2007. Ed Straley was elected to serve as the Vice Chairman, also for 2007. Assignments to the many committees on which the Commissioners serve were also determined.

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

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