

PAULDING COUNTY COLLEGE AND CAREER INFORMATION NIGHT

The 21st annual Paulding County College and Career Information Night is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23, 2007. This event will be held from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the Wayne Trace Local High School on US 127.

Approximately sixty representatives from two and four year colleges, technical schools, schools of nursing, military organizations, and public service agencies will be in attendance to provide information and materials to anyone in attendance.

A cooperative project of the guidance counselors of the Antwerp, Paulding Exempted and Wayne Trace High Schools and the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center, this event assists students and parents in collecting information about admission requirements, application procedures, financial aid, and opportunities in various career areas.

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to attend with their parents. This is also an opportunity for high school graduates, persons who have dropped out of school, or anyone looking for a career change to get some information that may be helpful. College catalogs and applications will be available from representatives of each institution in attendance. Representatives from the various

branches of the Armed Forces will be available to discuss career and educational opportunities available through the military. Local school counselors, Sheila Caligiure (Antwerp), David Alt (Wayne Trace), Tricia Langhals, Jim Miller and Karen Schlatter (Paulding Exempted) will also be available. Questions about the event may be directed to any of the local school guidance offices or John Basinger or Carol Swary at the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center at 419-399-4711.

BIG DEBATE - BIG EVENT FOR PAULDING COUNTY.

The Jail levy is to be voted on in November and it seems that this can be a confusing issue when you hear such diverse information.

The West Bend News is hosting a public debate on Thursday, October 25 at the OSU Extension building starting at 7:30 p.m. between Brad Dysinger & Ron Lane.

Send your questions to Debate, P.O. Box 1008, Antwerp, OH 45813 or you can email at westbend@verizon.net Please put your name and phone number on the letter so if we need to clarify the question we can contact you. You must keep the questions related to the jail.

OCTOBER 15-19 IS TEEN READ WEEK



The students enjoying the joke books at Teen Read Week are (l-r): Andy Smiley, Cody Bradford, Jenna Gasser, and Katie Kohart.

Paulding Middle School/High School Media Center is celebrating Teen Read Week. Teen Read Week is a national celebration sponsored by the American Library Association. The theme this year is "LOL! @ your library*!" October 15-

19, 2007 is the week to boost your endorphins, lower your blood pressure, and improve your immune system by stopping by the Paulding MS/HS Media Center during Teen Read Week to laugh with a humorous book or graphic novel!

CLASSIC CAR & TRUCK SHOW COMING TO PAYNE

Payne will play host to its annual Classic Car & Truck Show on Sunday, October 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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UPCOMING DANA WEATHERHEAD PARTY

It is time once again for the Weatherhead Dana Pioneer Party. This was an annual event until the Plant's closing in 2003. Some of us have gotten together to send out invitations but unfortunately we don't have everyone's addresses yet. If you didn't get an invitation, please join us at the Paulding Eagles on October 20 at 5:00 p.m.

There will be a steak dinner and entertainment by Jason Pastor DJ.

Please RSVP to Shirley McMichael 419-399-5673.

THANK YOU

The Antwerp Jr. High Football coaches and team, along with the Jr. High cheerleaders and coaches, would like to say "thank you" to all our parents for the meals provided after our away games this season. We appreciate all of your support.

We would also like to say "Thank You" to Jenny and Al Manella, owners of Subway in Sherwood. They graciously provided 6ft. subs, chips and cookies after our Fairview game. The lunches were a big hit. For all of your catering needs, stop in and see Jenny and Al, along with their Subway team. They would love to serve you.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my family and friends for their visits, cards, food, flowers, calls, care and concern during and after my recent surgery. All of your prayers were most appreciated. May God bless you as He has blessed me by having all of you in my life. A special thanks to my husband Roland for all you do for me.

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ciating. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

The family suggests memorial contributions to be made to the Alzheimer's Association (Northwest Ohio Chapter) or to the First Presbyterian Church, Paulding.

Frances J. Monroe, 91, of Hicksville, died October 11, 2007 at Hickory Creek of Hicksville.

She was born on January 2, 1916 in Hicksville the daughter of Charles and Christina (Johnson) Olson.

She graduated from Hicksville High School in 1934. She married LeRoy

Monroe in Hicksville on June 8, 1938. He preceded her in death in 1974.

She was a lifelong homemaker; a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Hicksville; a 63-year member of the Order of Eastern Stars Masonic Order, Bryan chapter where she was a Past Worthy Matron; a member of the Ladies Oriental Shrine Dendarah Court #10, Toledo chapter.

She was also a member of the Red Hatters and the L'afleur de Terre Garden Club, Hicksville and active at the Defiance County Senior Center, Hicksville.

She is survived by two daughters: Joanne (Jack) McPherson and Karen Reynolds both of Perrysburg, OH; a son, David (Barbara) Monroe of Southaven, MS; nine grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and her caregiver, Ed McDowell.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Judith; three brothers: Rudy, Albert, and Robert Olson; three sisters: Helen Johnston, Alma Goodwin, and Agnes Olson.

Funeral services were on Wednesday, October 17, at 11:00 a.m. at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. Pastor Ric Beals will officiate.

Burial were at Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville. Memorials may be made to Defiance County Senior Center, Hicksville or First Presbyterian Church.

ANTWERP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TO HOST FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 20 will be time of excitement and fun for people of all ages as the Antwerp United Methodist Church will host a Fall Festival from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Available at the Festival will be carnival games for the kids with opportunities to win all kinds of prizes. Tickets will be available. There will also be a dinner of shredded chicken or beef, hot dogs, baked beans, chips and pies available for purchase. Finally there will be a silent auction. Items open for bidding include a quilt, a gift certificate for a full body massage, 2 dozen chocolate covered cherries made by the women of the church, and several other items. Winners of the auction will be announced at 7:00 p.m. Following the dinner, games and silent auction, there will be a free family movie. The movie will begin after the silent auction winners have been announced.

Please join us for a fun afternoon and evening of fellowship and fun for the whole family as we celebrate God's goodness.

GOSPEL MEETING AT PAULDING CHURCH OF CHRIST FEATURING BROTHER JAMES FARLEY

Paulding Church of Christ will be holding a gospel meeting on October 21- 24, 2007 featuring Brother James Farley from Crum, West Virginia.

Brother Farley is currently preaching at Crum, West Virginia where he's been for six years. He has preached full time at Clifton, Tennessee, Moorefield, West Virginia, Winchester, Virginia, Seth, West Virginia, Gallipolis, Ohio, Pikeville, KY, and at Crum, West Virginia. He has been preaching the gospel for 35 years as of August 2007. He typically conducts several gospel meetings each year and also speaks on various brotherhood lectureships. He is also busy writing articles for various papers in the brotherhood. Since February, 2004 he has edited "The Mountain Messenger" paper where currently 6200 are sent out each month.

Over the years he has preached in many gospel meetings and lectureships throughout the United States and Canada. He has preached and taught in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Florida and Texas. He has also been on the two lectureships in Montreal, Quebec, Canada (2000 & 2001). He had a wonderful opportunity to preach in the city of Jerusalem while with a group traveling to Egypt and the Bible Lands in 2001. "The West Virginia Christian" sponsored the trip and brother Lewis Mikell served as the leader of the tour. Twenty-four Christians made the trip together.

He and his brother, Albert E. Farley, have also begun the "West Virginia Christian Lectureship" annually, in conjunction with the paper, the "West Virginia Christian". They have published WVC for 15 years now. They had the first lectureship at Mannington, West Virginia in 2000 and the second was at the Central Church of Christ in Martinsburg, West Virginia in 2001. Congregations at Pennsboro, WV and Pumpkin Center, WV have also hosted the lectureship. The church at Pennsboro hosted again in 2005 and the church at Seth (Boone County) hosted the 7th annual lectureship in October, 2006. Pennsboro, WV hosted the lectureship again in 2007 and the Central Church of Christ in Martinsburg, WV will host in 2008. It is their plan to have this event annually in congregations around the state of West Virginia. Lectureships, such as this, serve well to spread the good news about Jesus and His church and to strengthen and ground members of the church. We are strong believers and supporters of such efforts among our congregations.

Brother Farley is a native of Fayette County, West Virginia, and graduated from Montgomery High School in Montgomery, West Virginia in 1970. He joined the Army after graduation and remained for nearly seven years where he was trained and worked as a heavy equipment operator for half of his Army time. The Army then trained him to be a "computer ana-

lyst" and he worked the other half of his time with United States Army Europe helping to maintain computer records of troop strengths throughout Europe in the 1970's. While in the U.S. Army and stationed in Germany he had opportunity to attend the "The Frankfurt School of Preaching" in Frankfurt, Germany. Their goal was to begin such schools throughout the world, near military posts and bases and allow the government then to send men throughout the world. After being honorably discharged from the Army, he furthered his education at Freed-Hardeman College (Now a University) from 1978-1981.

Brother Farley is married to the former Linda M. Talbott and they have two children: Timothy (33 years old) and Jennifer (31 years old). They also have four grandchildren: Hannah (11 years old), Ethan (4 years old), Mia (3 years old) and Mallie (3 years old). He and Linda have been married for 34 years.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN PAULDING HOLDS CASEROLE LUNCHEON

On Thursday, October 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The church is located at 1233 Emerald Road in Paulding. There will be a free will offering. Everyone is invited.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A Different View on Property Tax

So what is true freedom? Now here is a question that every real American should consider, meditate on, and know firmly where they stand. To not possess a firm conviction in this area, is a good way to surrender for ourselves and following generations, the freedom, which so many have fought and died for. In the following text, I hope to stimulate thought and discussion in one area I believe we have given up our freedom.

When you are forced to pay property tax, you never truly own your property. You are simply the surfer, working the land for the lord (the government). What is a surfer, you ask, here is the definition:

NOUN: 1. A member of the lowest feudal class, attached to the land owned by a lord and required to perform labor in return for certain legal or customary rights.

2. An agricultural laborer under various similar systems, especially in 18th- and 19th-century Russia and Eastern Europe.

3. A person in bondage or servitude.

Although the titles have changed, the concept remains the same. You want to stay on your land, therefore you must pay the lord of the land property tax. The shameful part is that we Americans have surrendered our property rights one election at a time.

We are often asked to vote in a new levy for all kinds of "feel good" reasons. Here is one: "Do it for the kids". HMMMM. Are you forcing me to sell my children and my children's children into bondage or servitude? If you think I am exaggerating, look at how long some of these levies last. We are forcing some people who have not even been born yet to pay a tax at a future date, a tax they never voted on. Talk about taxation without representation! The founding fathers of this country sure felt strongly against it. You have heard the phrase "Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness"? It comes from the United States Declaration of Independence. But did you know the phrase is based on the writings of John Locke, who had expressed the concept of "life, liberty, and estate (or property)". The phrase "life, liberty, and property" was used during the War

for Independence. There are documented accounts of colonists who became the king's revenue collectors being forced by the patriots to denounce their collecting and shout "life, liberty, and property" loudly three times or face the consequences. If we want to do the best for the kids, then let's have them take a class their senior year that studies nothing but the founding documents of this country, using only the original writings of people who were there, instead of our views on the subject. Let the student draw their own conclusion of what this country is all about. I suppose if we did it for a generation, the need for this type of article would be gone. They might not be so quick to submit to bondage as previous generations have been.

The next thing to consider is the entire tax burden we keep placing on our land and our children's land may seem like a small amount compared to our current income. However, has anyone else noticed lately that good paying American jobs are getting harder and harder to come by? Seems like they have become our best export lately. You don't have to read the news long to see an article about a plant closing, downsizing, cutbacks, benefit cuts, or pay cuts. Do you ever consider what might happen should we have a severe recession or possibly a large-scale depression? What if there were no jobs for the taking, even at the fast food restaurant on the corner. Even if you are blessed/fortunate enough to have no loan on your property you could still lose your land due to property tax. Don't fool yourself into believing that if things got that bad, they would start to waive the property tax owed.

The only waiving that would get done is the 'waving' the government eviction agent will do as you drive off your old property. If you still don't think it's true, maybe we need another little history lesson. Have you ever been to the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area in Tennessee and Kentucky? If you love the outdoors, this is a must-visit place. No houses, few roads, a great river, horse trails, hiking trails and lots of wildlife. This summer I had just come off a great 3-day canoe trip with my boys and some other fathers and sons. We pulled out at the Blue Heron mining community, which is kind of an outdoor museum today. While spending a couple of hours visiting the area and reading the historical information I came across a board that described where much of the Big South Fork Area came from. Now you have heard of the Great Depression. During the Great Depression, many citizens and companies were 'kind enough' to sign over their land, in order to get out of property tax obligations on the land. The interesting part is the fact that the park service is proud of the land grab, because they put it up on a big board with lots of pictures and make it sound like it is for the good of us all (note: the communist think taking private property for the good of the whole is a good thing also). Now, mind you, I do enjoy National parks and preservation of our heritage. I believe the government should obtain land by paying for it, and not by taxing for the land, and only when the owner is selling of their own free will.

Do you still believe you own your land? Then try this experiment: stop paying your property tax and see who the true lord of the land is! I know you won't get to keep it for too many years.

Some of you are sitting back saying, "I don't own any land or a house" so it will not cost me anything. Better think a little deeper on this one.

Do you live somewhere? Unless you get to live there for free, you are still paying property tax. I am sure you know that when you rent, the landlord is in business to make a profit. So if his costs go up, you know what is going to happen to your rent. You pay your property tax when you pay your rent.

Do you ever desire to purchase a house or land? You may not own any now, but I would sure hope you could buy something in the future if you choose to. It is sad to hear of a newly married couple who find a house they think they can afford, only to find out the extra hundreds of dollars a month in property tax knocks them out of loan eligibility.

I do believe some (not all) of the programs/services funded presently with property tax are areas the government should oversee, and that the community has the duty to pay for them. But property tax should not be the method to fund these programs/services. There are other Constitutional methods for government to raise funds (example: excise tax and tariffs on imports), but massive

spending cuts should be at the top of the list. We ask the government to supply far too many programs and services that could be better provided by the private sector. There are two points I would like to make regarding the expectation for the government to do what we as individuals should do for ourselves.

First, if you are asking because you do not want to pay for it yourself, you are really asking your neighbor to pay for it for you. The government does not make money like you do when you go to work everyday; it only takes money from one person (who may not want to give it) and gives the money to another. When the government provides a service, like the road and highway system, which is utilized by everyone, the gasoline excise tax is a great idea. You pay in proportion to the amount of gas you purchase and therefore in proportion

to your road usage. If you had no children and a neighbor walked over to your house on a nice fall evening and demanded you pay the college expenses for his children, what would you say to him? It is one thing if you volunteered to pay the college expenses; it is a completely different thing for him to demand/force it. Yet, the largest portion of our property tax is used for school/sports funding and we force people who never send a child to a public school to pay for it all the time.

Secondly, whenever we ask someone to do something for us that we could do for ourselves we surrender some of our rights and freedom to the government. If one does not agree with that fact, then let's go back to the property tax issue. When we ask the government to provide all sorts of things in exchange for our property tax, it is not just

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money we are surrendering. We are surrendering freedom. "What freedom?" you ask. We have surrendered the precious freedom to own land; we now only 'rent' it from the government. Whereas without property tax and one falls on hard times and doesn't have much money he may not be able to buy as much, but at least he will not lose what he does have.

Now, on to the subject of property tax-funded building projects. We are stealing from our children to burden them with our debts. Don't fool yourself; that is what a 20 year levy is! If building projects are so important, then let's fund them up front. Let's pay for them now! If a new school is really needed, those in the community who are convinced it is so needed should come together voluntarily to raise the funds, and not force it by coercion (i.e. taxing my property for their desires). A community can hold fund-raisers and accept voluntary donations from private individuals and businesses. So, those of you who really, really, really, want to give your money to all these "important projects", do it. Nothing is stopping you from writing your check to any of

these building projects. Donate as much of your money and time as you want. Just stop trying to donate other people's money. I think people would consider each new building/project a little closer if they had to write individual checks to them each month. In that situation, we would not be gambling our property on what the national economy or an individual's economic situation will be like in the future, when we pass a 20-year levy. If a new firehouse, school, jail or name it, is worth having now, it is worth paying for now. Why ask the next generation (and folks who believe them unnecessary or wasteful) to pay for them? Like I said before, it is stealing to burden our children and others with our debts. We should invest in their future, not mortgage their future.

By now you may be shouting, "Get rid of property tax, that is crazy? It can't be done!" Yes, it can be done, one election at a time. This hole has been dug one shovel full at a time and will only be filled one shovel full at a time. When you vote down the levies against "life, liberty and property", those agencies will be forced to cut back or find better ways to fund them-

selves.

I know this may not make me very popular in some circles, but I have never desired popularity. My obligations are to God, Family, and Country, in that order. I know all my ideas are not perfect; the only perfect answers come from the Scriptures. II Timothy 3:16-17: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

—Kevin Atkins

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Operation Northwoods

I have been overwhelmed with those that have contacted me about writing more articles for the West Bend News. I have had one busy summer with no free time to write. Things seem to be settling down a bit so I should have more time now.

I want to travel back in time to 1962. Times were good for industry. The Yankees won another World Series. The song Monster Mash hit the charts. The Beverly Hillbillies, the Flintstones, and the Price is Right were hot on the television. Marilyn Monroe dies, apparently from an overdose of sleeping pills. John Glenn becomes the first American to achieve earth orbit. And the Cuban missile crisis was a wake-up call for America. There was something else that happened that year which was kept secret for many years to come. As a matter of fact, I bet many of you don't know this. You would probably be shocked and won't believe me. Operation Northwoods.

In March of 1962 the Department of Defense devised a plan to cause acts of terrorism on U.S. soil and blame Cuba. They wanted to gain public support for military action against Cuba and Fidel Castro. The Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Department of Defense wrote the memorandum and presented it to the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, for review. President Kennedy gunned down the plan and it never went anywhere. It was labeled Top Secret and was locked up until 1997 when the Kennedy files were released. What the files held were very disturbing. Staged attacks against Naval forces and military assets, sinking boats carrying refugees fleeing Cuba, sink a U.S. Naval Ship and lob mortar shells into Guantanamo Bay were some of the ideas thought of inside Cuba. Outside Cuba, the thought of hijacking planes and starting a terror campaign in Miami, other Florida cities and even Washington D.C. could help frame innocent Cubans living in the U.S. and help gain public support for military action.

There was another secret operation already in place before Northwoods. It was called Operation Mongoose. This was set in place by President Kennedy in 1961 and authorized aggressive covert operations against Cuba. President Kennedy wasn't seeing the results he had wanted to see, so that is where Northwoods came in to play. It is rumored that Kennedy personally rejected Northwoods, but there is no official record of this. Fortunately for the U.S., it

never was followed through with.

I recently watched a video of an interview with Jesse Ventura, former U.S. Navy Seal, former professional wrestler, and former Governor of Minnesota. This video can be seen at www.youtube.com/watch?v=nI8hfgad5Sc. He talked on several topics, including Operation Northwoods. Ventura said of this operation, "The fact that it was even contemplated, and the fact that it was even on the plate at the Pentagon, is very disturbing. If they did it in the 60's, they can do it again. If it works once, it will work again." Basically, if they thought of it in the 60's, why couldn't they implement it in today's world? Have they already?

Anyone can look at the actual Operation Northwoods documents online at www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/news/20010430/doc1.pdf. This is through the George Washington University website. I am sure it can also be found at any public library.

"Power always thinks... that it is doing God's service when it is violating all his laws." —John Adams, 2nd President of the United States
—Tim Dauten

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would like to take this opportunity to urge voters to support the work of the Paulding County Mental Retardation-Developmentally Disabled Board (MR/DD). When voting on Election Day, November 6, vote "yes" to renew the MR/DD levy. The levy will provide continued financial support for Parc Lane Training Center and Workshop, Early Intervention for developmentally delayed children and Senior Programs. This is NOT a new tax. The levy is for 5 years and will generate 1.4 mills, commencing in 2008 for the purpose of operating mental retardation and developmental disabilities programs and services, and acquisition, renovation, financing, maintenance and operation of MRDD facilities. All these programs provide a chance for individuals who face life with challenges to live more fully by reaching a higher potential. Please consider their needs so that they may live happier, more productive lives — that is a positive for all Paulding County residents. Vote "YES" November 6 for the Paulding County MR/DD Levy.

Sincerely,

—Tim Kohart,
Oakwood

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In its September 26th board meeting, the Paulding Chamber of Commerce Board voted to support the Paulding County MR/DD Renewal Levy. If there were ever a renewal levy worthy of our support, this is it. This 1.4 mill levy is a renewal levy originally passed in 1993, and replaced in 2002. This is not a new tax.

The renewal of this tax will allow continuation of programs and services to Paulding County residents who are mentally retarded or otherwise developmentally disabled.

Specifically, the levy supports the following: Parc Lane Training Center early intervention, PC Workshop,

employing over 100 individuals with disabilities, residential services to some 45 individuals, transportation services for the handicapped, and repair and maintenance on existing facilities.

Please vote FOR the renewal levy. It is a vital and caring program for Paulding County.

C.K. Clippinger,
President,
Deb Adams, chairman,
Randy Daeger, Vice
chairman,
Paulding Chamber of
Commerce Board

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Our family understands the importance of mental health and making sure that individuals and families who otherwise lack the means to pay for mental health care still have access to it. We know that mental illness affects many Paulding County families from all walks of life. Likewise, we know that with the right treatment and medication loved ones can get better and good times return. But, it's an on-going struggle because there is no cure for mental illness.

We know all this because our family has experienced mental illness. Fortunately,

we were able to seek and provide the help that our daughter needed. However, many of our Paulding County friends and neighbors aren't able to afford that help on their own. Without the financial support of the Tri-County ADAMHS Board and local mental health levy, treatment would be near, but unaffordable and they would suffer the torment of mental illness.

Because we know both the pain of mental illness and the promise of treatment, we ask you to vote for the mental health replacement levy on Tuesday, November 6. It's not a new tax and it does so much good for so many people and families in Paulding County who struggle with mental illness.

Please give them your support and vote for the promise that the one mill mental health replacement levy will provide.

—Wayne & Dorothy
Stoller

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Flat Rock Creek Dilemma

Digging a hole deeper and wider in Paulding County just makes the pond larger and deeper. The only way to lower the pond is to lower the

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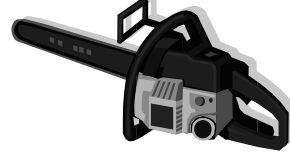


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outlet for the pond.

With that in mind when the dam on the Auglaize River was elevated 10 to 15 years ago. And the "pond" became deeper and the water backed upstream farther. The reason for raising the dam was to rebuild and renew the old inactive "Power Dam".

I used to farm land along Flat Rock and the "bottom ground" would sometimes produce a crop and would flood out at other times. At the same time my job required me to travel in the Auglaize River area. In the spring the dam was opened to allow people to clean up drift wood and debris from the channel. When the dam was open we could take a 3" rain with no flooding. When they closed it, a 1" rain would cause a flooding in the "bottom ground".

Now that the dam height has been raised and remains closed to generate electricity for the city of Bryan, Ohio all the bottom ground along the Flat Rock grows in weeds and brush.

The way to control flooding is to control the "Dam". Maybe Bryan, Ohio could be paid to lower the water level during high water times. The web site claimed they generated 4 to 5% of the city's power needs from the dam.

One more observation: the Flat Rock and Blue Creek both flow to the Auglaize. Blue Creek has been cleaned and dredged. Flat Rock has had very little attention. There are two very nice homes along both creeks with water problems.

Point: we need an outlet not a deeper pond.

—Ray Gordon

LANDERS, HORMANN, ZUBER, DEMONGEOT RUNNING FOR CARRYALL TOWNSHIP FISCAL CLERK

Jayne J. Landers

Jayne graduated from Antwerp Local School as Jayme Hughes and has since married Jason Landers from Paulding. They live just outside the Village of Antwerp and have two sons: Jayvin and Jagger Landers. Jayme has worked as an



Administrative Assistant for over six years for the Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney. In this position she is responsible for financial accounting, maintaining daily interaction with federal, state and local agencies as well as elected officials, courts and the citizens of Paulding County. She has volunteered and served as the secretary to the Board of Directors for the Antwerp Childcare Center for the last two years and is an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Her commitment to serving the public and work skills utilized daily make her the most qualified person to be the Carryall Township Fiscal Officer.

Kelly Hormann

Kelly Hormann will be on the November 6 ballot for Carryall Township Fiscal Officer. Kelly has worked at the Antwerp Exchange Bank for over 11 years. Kelly and her husband, Jason, have two boys. The oldest, Boston, is a senior at Antwerp and is looking forward to college. Braeden is a 7th grader, also at Antwerp, who is just finishing up his first year of football. Kelly feels her banking experience enables her to do the job as Fiscal Officer successfully and efficiently. She is looking forward to working with the people of the Township and giving back to her community the best she can.

Amy Zuber

Amy has been a life long resident of Carryall Township. Her parents are Max and Marilyn Zuber. She attended Antwerp Local School and received an Associate Degree in accounting from Northwest State Community College in Archbold, OH.

Amy worked at Arend, Laukhuf & Stoller, Inc. in Paulding for four years where she was in charge of processing payroll for area businesses, performed accounting services on a monthly basis and was the Accounts Receivable Clerk.

Amy currently works at Milan Center Feed & Grain, Inc. in New Haven, IN. She has been there for three years and her job includes processing bills and entering inventory as well as being the Accounts Receivable Clerk.

She also currently has her own jewelry business. She is an Independent Distributor for Premier Designs, Inc. This is a home show based company where she is her own boss and gets to decide her own schedule.

In her spare time, Amy, enjoys camping, bike riding and spending time with her family and friends.

Twila Demongeot

Twila is a life-long resident of Antwerp and Carryall Township and grew up on East Canal street, the daughter of Mary Lou and Bob Mabis. She married Gary Demongeot in 1986 and have been blessed with two children: Jillian, a sophomore at Bowling Green State University and Derek, a sophomore at Antwerp High School.

Twila believes that she would make an excellent Fiscal Officer. She is hard working, conscientious and learns quickly. Her qualifications for



the position would be simply that she has experience on the job. You may know her from The Antwerp Exchange Bank where she has worked off and on for the past 26 years. She took some time off to raise her children, but have been filling in as a guest teller over the years. Currently, she is working full time at the bank in the operations area balancing various accounts, running monthly reports and doing accounts payable, which

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By: Chelsea Vail

Hark - the end of the first nine weeks draws near! This Friday will mark the conclusion of the first quarter of the school year. Now, if only someone could tell me how many days are left 'til Christmas break. Kidding! I'll try not to get too ahead of myself, here. A Thanksgivng count will do.

If you don't mind buckling your seatbelt now, hop in for quite a wild ride this week! Juniors will take their PSATs Wednesday, and Thursday brings a 6:00 Board of Education meeting. Seniors, take note. Those reports on either a school board or town council meeting aren't going to write themselves... Later Thursday evening, junior high and high school crooners will perform in the auditoria. The show starts at 7:30, sharp!

Fast forward to the weekend, and the schedule is just as full! The varsity volleyball team will play at Edgerton in the sectional finals Saturday, having garnered the top seed for a bye in their post-season competition. On Sunday, the newest group of juniors and seniors to join the National Honor Society will be inducted at 2:00 in the auditoria. More on the ceremony and new members next week, I pinky promise!

JH Football: October 18, 4:30, Wayne Trace (7th grade only); October 23, 4:30, Tinora

JV Football: October 22, 4:30, Edgerton

Varsity Volleyball: October 20, approximately 3:30, @ Edgerton vs. winner of Hicksville/Hilltop sectional game

Varsity Football: October 19, 7:30, Edgerton (Senior Night)

Word of the Week: Aplomb \uh-PLUHM\ noun

1. Complete and confident composure or self assurance; poise

Example: "I've always believed that approaching a test with aplomb is just as

important as having knowledge and understanding of the subject."

Juniors taking the PSAT this Wednesday, this one's for you. Seriously, a little faith in oneself can go a long way. Go forth with confidence, and conquer that wretched test! The rest of you can just be thankful you aren't actually paying a company to let you take one of those buggers. Oh, the humanity!

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who donated desserts to the VFW Annual Picnic. Also a big thank you to Tim, Mindy, and Jane Ankney, Rita Sensabaugh, Anna Clem, Nila Dunderman, Diane Smith, Jackie VanCleve, Tera and Courtney Shull, Angie and Karlee Hudson, Judy Hunt, Joan Murlin, Damien Smith and June Smith.

—Sue Molitor,
VFW Aux. President

THANK YOU

First, I want to thank the people who gave of their time presenting their service to our community. You are much appreciated. And to those of you who participated in receiving their service, I hope you will utilize their services as the need arises. And when those blood tests are returned, please follow up with your physician. Thanks also to Dr. Bricker, Dr. Gray, and Dr. Wiley for their support.

If it is God's will, we will have another Health Fair next year, same time, same place. Hope to see you there. And those that didn't make it this year, hope you can join us then.

—Darlene Billman, RN

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ANTWERP HISTORY

By: Stan Jordan

The picture today is of a birthday party for Barbara Quisno. It was taken back in 1942 or '43. It was loaned to us by Barbara Reeb Cleland and obliged. That is the way the old timers would thank you.

Lucille Tracy was Claude

ory and we talked about the old times because he grew up on East Canal Street too. Arlene Clinton Billman is an asset to the town because when she laughs it makes you feel good.

Barbara Quisno is married and lives in Van Wert. I think she had three children.

The pretty little girl in front is Martha Tracy Smith. I just talked to her on the phone. She grew up and married Loren Smith and had four children and lives closer to Hicksville on the Casebeer-Miller Road. Martha worked at the Hicksville Hospital for years. She retired from there but she is still very busy with the Home Health Care people. She enjoys that type of work.

See Ya!



Row 1 - Lucille Tracy, Ruth Quisno, Esther Shuherk, Evlynn Gordon, Wanda Drexler Row 2 - Mariann Marlin, Norma Clinton, Arlene Clinton, Barbara Quisno, Martha Tracy

Tracy's daughter. She married Homer Morrison and lives in Grover Hill. She had three children. She also has a brother, Robert.

Ruth Quisno married Gale Snyder and they had four boys. Ruth retired out of the Antwerp Insurance Agency. She keeps plenty busy by working some at the Meijer store and helping with her mother, Rena, who is 94 and doing great.

Esther Shuherk married Bill Morrow and they had three children. Bill is gone now but Esther still lives here in Antwerp.

Evelyn Gordon, as I understand, was Guy Gordon's daughter and went to Antwerp School for awhile then they moved across the county line and went to Hicksville School. Later she married a Phillip's boy whose parents operated The Yellowstone Restaurant. She had a brother, Dick, who I knew pretty well.

Wanda Drexler, later, married George Hunt and they had one son. Wanda retired out of General Electric and I see her pretty often. She is doing well.

Mariann Marlin married Norman Goetz and they had one daughter, Barbara, who is a teacher over on the East Coast. Actually, she teaches in Norfolk, Virginia. After Mr. Goetz died, Mariann married Harry Cottrell. She suffered a stroke, but by golly, she is doing okay. I talk to her now and then and I certainly enjoy it.

Norma Clinton, I think she has worked all her career in the medical field. She lives out in Illinois and I think she has retired now. I saw her not long ago and she looks good.

Arlene Clinton grew up and married Max Billman. They had six fine children. Max is gone now and I miss him also. He had a fine mem-

and she operates The Clip and Tan Beauty Salon in Woodburn.

Paul served many years on the Antwerp Fire Department. I remember when the department had their annual carry-in dinner. Jean would bring her specialty, Apple Pie and believe me, she didn't have to take any of it home. It was very good. Jim Friend will attest to that.

She told me that all her life she liked to crochet. She made each of her children two afghans and one each for each grandchild.

She and Paul were married 49 years and he passed away on May 13, 1996.

She was 79 on September 7 and they had a party for her at the Manor House.

She moved into the Manor House on February 1, 2007. She likes it there very much and likes her neighbors and the staff workers.

See Ya!

Rosalie Koenn

Rosalie Tobias was born in Huntington, IN on October 19, 1924, the youngest of Jess and Grace Tobias. Rosalie's siblings included an infant brother, deceased; sisters Doris (Carl) Heckelman and Wanda (John) Wannemacher. Rosalie's mother married Perry Jackson and the family moved from Payne to Paulding.

Before moving to Paulding her mom bought a restaurant in Payne when Rosalie was five years old.

In high school, Rosalie worked at Mentzer's (dime store) in Paulding and cleaned houses. She graduated from Paulding High School in 1943 and continued to work at Mentzer's and met Virgil Koenn of Cecil and married him on April 23, 1949. They moved over by Cecil and lived there all their married life. Virgil farmed and Rosalie stayed home with the children. They had two boys and two girls: Beverly passed away in 1969 and Ted passed away in 2001, Phil has retired from GM and Barbara (Koenn) Wappes works at Antwerp School as a Pre-School teacher. Rosalie has six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Rosalie loved being a farmer's wife. She was up early in the mornings. In the early spring she planted a big garden for canning and grew potatoes, early potatoes and a later potato. She canned at least 100 quarts of green beans and peaches. She canned tomato juice, whole tomatoes, pears, and froze peas and corn. They raised cows, pigs and chickens at different times. They butchered beef and hogs, stuffed their own sausage and also butchered chickens.

Rosalie used a wringer washer and hung clothes out to dry, she was so grateful when she got an automatic washer and dryer, it made life a lot easier.

Rosalie and Virgil were married 38 years and Virgil passed away in 1987 and his brother Ted and his sons, Leo and Bill, now farms the land.

Rosalie moved into the Manor House on August 15, 2007 and enjoys the activities. She likes interacting with the residents, going to Bible Study on Thursday's and is able to have communion every Sunday.

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is similar to the duties of the Fiscal Officer. In the past her other accounting experience would be assisting a local accountant with accounts receivable, Assistant Purchasing Agent/Accounts Payable at Nemcomed. She has also volunteered as treasurer with the Antwerp PTO as well as both of her children's classes.

Since moving to a rural area north of Antwerp in 1986, she has seen the township trustees and employees hard at work and would like to learn more from them. She would be able to support them with necessary reports that they would need to make their decisions. The invoices and bills would be paid in a timely fashion and all reporting would be kept up to date.

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Junior Natalie Snyder spikes the ball onto the competition. In the last game of the season Wayne Trace Varsity beat Edgerton the best 3 out of 5 with scores 25-20, 25-13, 25-14. Wayne Trace JV lost to Edgerton in the best 2 out of 3. They won the first match. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net Antwerp JV Volleyball won Friday night against the Aces 25-15, 25-9, 25-20. Antwerp

Varsity won 25-20, 25-21, 25-14. Antwerp Varsity participated in a tri-match on Saturday and beat VanWert 25-10, 25-21. Next they beat Lincolnview 27-25, 25-18 Friday night football results: Antwerp beat Holgate 30-12; Paulding lost to Columbus Grove 16-21 and Wayne Trace lost to Ayresville 49-7. All Paulding County Football teams have home games this Friday!

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NEW YEAR'S BABY HAS GENERATIONS BEHIND HIM

Robert James Kyser was born January 1, 2007. Even though that birth date is special, little Bobby has four sets of five generations behind him. He traveled to Florida to meet his two sets of the five on his grandpa Kyser's side this summer.

He is also the 4th to carry the name Robert.

Picture one is Grandma Kyser's side which has a double 5 with both great-great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beamer (formerly from Paulding).



(1) Starting with Little Bobby in his mom's lap, Jessica Kyser, then going clockwise to the left, Great-grandma Marsha Perl, great-great-

grandparents Donald and Phyllis Beamer, and proud new grandma Margo Kyser.



(2) Starting with mom, Jessica Kyser, holding Bobby, then from left to right: Great-great-grandpa Robert Jacob Kyser, Great-

grandpa Robert Norman Kyser, and proud new Grandpa Robert Neal Kyser.



(3) Left to right: New mom, Jessica Kyser, proud new Grandpa Robert Neal Kyser, Great-grandma Frieda May Kyser who is holding

her great-grandson Robert James Kyser, and Great-great-grandpa Kendall Allen.

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A.C.D.C. FUND-RAISER SUCCESSFUL

By: Denny Lee

It was a golf scramble event set up by the Antwerp Community Development Committee that proved to be a successful means of raising money. This was the first attempt by the committee to put together an event such as a golf outing. The idea was to help defray expenses in preserving the old train depot west of Antwerp. John McCreery presented the idea to the committee and volunteered to lead the project if others would volunteer to assist in his efforts. This was not as bravado as some might think because within the rank and file of the A.C.D.C. is a group of the finest volunteers that one can find in any community!

These volunteers find their job is always made easier by the support of the local businesses that are always ready to assist the committee in any project designed to improve the community. For example, food and beverages were given free of charge to all the golf team participates, donated by businesses like Kammeyers

IGA, Pop-N-Brew and Papa Oley's Pizza along with individual ladies making mouth-watering desserts. Add to this the fact that Mother Nature has, thus far, blessed the committee with beautiful weather every time an event is planned and you begin to think maybe this committee has higher support than just its membership. What are the odds of planning a golf outing on October 6 and having a temperature of 89 degrees?

Prize money was given to the first place team led by Curtis Nestlerod, second place team led by Travis McGarvey and third place team led by Matt Santilli. Prize for best poker hand went to Gene Harris. The longest drive went to Kirk Hopkins who must have driven three mile on that golf cart! Many door prizes were awarded and other honorable mentions presented. There were 19 teams entered in the competition and along with funds raised, they brought to the event a spirit of comradeship and a lightheartedness that made the event a bigger success than just financial gain. Many comments were expressed about how much fun everyone seemed to be having and it was evident on everyone's face.

Vote FOR the Mental Health Replacement Levy

Our family understands the importance of mental health and making sure that individuals and families who otherwise lack the means to pay for mental health care still have access to it. We know that mental illness affects many Paulding County families from all walks of life. Likewise, we know that with the right treatment and medication loved ones can get better and good times return. But, it's an on-going struggle because there is no cure for mental illness.

We know all of this because our family has experienced mental illness. Fortunately, we were able to seek and provide the help that our daughter needed. However, many of our Paulding County friends and neighbors aren't able to afford that help on their own. Without the financial support of the Tri-County ADAMHS Board and the local mental health levy, treatment would be near, but unaffordable and they would suffer the torment of mental illness.

Because we know both the pain of mental illness and the promise that treatment brings, we ask you to vote for the mental health replacement levy on Tuesday, November 6. It's not a new tax and it does so much good for so many people and families in Paulding County who struggle with mental illness.



Wayne and Dorothy Stoller of Latty

What the levy does...

This levy funds mental health and addiction treatment services such as counseling, crisis intervention and hospitalization for more than 5,000 children and adults from Paulding, Van Wert and Mercer counties each year.

What the levy costs...

Taxpayers have been paying the mental health levy since it was first approved in 1988. As a replacement levy, taxes on a \$70,000 home would cost about \$21.44 for an entire year.

NOT a new tax.

The mental health levy for the Tri-County ADAMHS Board was first approved by voters in 1988 and was renewed 10 years later.

Paid for by Citizens for Mental Health, Dorothy M. Glicker, treas., 1054 S. Washington St., Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

HELP US CELEBRATE TEEN READ WEEK AT THE LIBRARY

HICKSVILLE—Help us celebrate Teen Read Week, October 14-20, at the Johnson Memorial Library. And we really do need your help. This month we will be kicking off our first Teen Knitting/Crocheting Group meeting. To make it a success, we need your help. As you sort through your old craft supplies, please think about donating your old yarn, knitting needles, crocheting hooks, or patterns to the Teen Knitting/Crocheting Group at the Johnson Memorial Library.

They will be having their first group meeting on Tuesday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m. The Teen Knitting/Crocheting Group is free and is open to all middle school and high school youth, who love to knit or crochet or who want to learn. The monthly groups will be led by Teen Advisory Group Members and library volunteers Naomi Barkman and Natasha Tonneas.

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FICKEL SEEKS RE-ELECTION AS FISCAL OFFICER

Claudia Fickel has filed for re-election as Fiscal Officer of Washington Township.

She brings over 25 years of business experience to the township. Fickel has received good audits reports from the state auditor's office and has complied with the G.A.S.B. standards. She has attended numerous conferences and training workshops to broaden her knowledge of government and the responsibilities related to Fiscal Officer. She has implemented a township policy manual and is continually striving to improve the financial stability of the township.

Claudia is a life-long resident of Paulding County and has resided in Washington Township for 26 years. She is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and International Business College.

As a member of the Dupont Church of the Brethren, she has been on various committees in the past and is currently Assistant Treasurer. Also, she volunteers at the Cooper Community Library. She and her husband Blane have been married for 26 years and have two children, David, 17 and JoEllen 14.

As Fiscal Officer, she enjoys serving the people and is committed to improve the financial condition of Washington Township.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL VOTING INFORMATION FROM THE PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Paulding County will conduct two elections on Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

General Election - Voting on Village offices; Township Trustee; Township Fiscal Officer; School Board members; Village issues; County issues; and the State issue.

Special Congressional Primary Election (5th Congressional District) - This Special Congressional Primary Election must be held to fill a vacancy that occurred in the Office of Representative to Congress due to the sudden death on September 5 of Congressman Paul Gillmor. In this Special Congressional Primary Election, voters must nominate one Democratic and one Republican candidate that result from two (2) Democratic candidates and five (5) Republican candidates whose petitions have been certified. Any person wishing to vote in this Special Congressional Primary Election must designate their party affiliation of either Democrat or Republican.

The Special Congressional Election will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 and registered voters will be voting for one of the following candidates that are certified: the Democratic candidate, the Republican candidate, an Independent candidate, or a write-in candidate. (Independent candidates or Write-in Candidates have until November 5 to file their petition or declaration of intent)

The Board of Elections is encouraging all voters to allow a little extra time to vote November 6 due to the two separate elections being conducted at each polling location. Voters who desire to vote in both the General Election and the Special Primary Election will be signing separate signature books and will have a separate voter access card for each election. You will vote in each election on the machines so designated at your polling location.

The polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6. Remember, when the voter enters his/her polling site, they must state their name and current address, and must provide identification. Many forms of identification will be accepted; Ohio Driver's License; or Ohio photo identification; bank statement; utility bill; paycheck; and any government-issued document showing your current address.

Also, any registered voter may vote by absentee ballot. You no longer have to state a reason for requesting an absentee ballot. The request must be applied for in writing and must contain your name; original signature; address at which you are registered to vote; your date of birth; a statement identifying the election for which you are requesting an absentee ballot; a statement that you are a qualified elector; and the address to which you wish your absentee ballot to be mailed to. Due to two elections in Paulding County on November 6, 2007, a separate request for each election is required. If you want to request an ab-

sentee ballot for the Special Congressional Primary Election on November 6, you must state your party affiliation (Democratic or Republican). Or, if you contact the Board of Elections and make a request for an absentee ballot, the Election Board Office can print your application for an absentee ballot and mail the request to you for your signature. You must return it to the Board of Elections in a timely manner so your absentee ballot can be processed and mailed to you. You may also request an Absentee Ballot for the December 11, 2007 Special Congressional Election by another separate request. If you have any questions, or need additional information, you may contact the Paulding County Board of Elections at 419-399-8230 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FROM THE PAULDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Paulding County Sheriff's office is investigating a fatal tractor crash that occurred at 8622 US 127 in Jackson Township, Paulding County, Ohio on October 13, 2007 at 2:21 p.m. Dead is 56 year old Mark L. Stoller from Paulding, Ohio. Stoller was operating an International 1066 tractor pulling a 3 point mounted furrow opener. At this time investigators believe Stoller was turning the tractor in the driveway of the family farm, and the furrow machine caught in the stones, rolling the tractor onto its top, trapping Stoller. Paulding County Coroner Dr. Larry Fishbaugh pronounced Stoller dead at the scene.

Assisting at the scene were Paulding EMS and Fire, and Scott EMS and Fire. Parkview's Samaritan Helicopter was also on scene. The investigation continues by the Paulding County Sheriff's Office.

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PAULDING PUTNAM BOARD COMPLETES RATE RE-STRUCTURING

The Board of Trustees for Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative, Inc. completed the second phase of their rate restructuring project at their board meeting held on October 9, 2007. Board President, Dr. John Saxton commented, "The membership was very concerned about the rising cost of electricity and I believe this board acted to address those fears and to insure financial stability for our future." Most members will see a slight decrease in their monthly bills, based on the utility company's estimates. The electric cooperative instituted the first step in the rate restructuring process in July of this year by adding a Wholesale Power Cost Ad-

justment to all member bills. This adjustment follows the increases or decreases in the actual price Paulding Putnam pays for wholesale electricity from its providers. Members saw between 14% and 17% increase in rates with the addition of the Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment. George Carter, CEO, stated "By using this two-step process we were able to spread the rate increase over several months, lessening the rate shock to our members." Mr. Carter continued by adding, "We were losing nearly a cent for every kilowatt hour (kwh) sold prior to this change, so it was absolutely necessary for our future."

The cooperative has aggressive construction plans for the future. These plans call for the rebuilding of utility lines throughout the ser-

vice territory, three (3) new or upgraded substations in the next 3 years, and the installation of new "Smart Metering" for all members. President Saxton called the construction plans, "extremely ambitious" for a small utility, but he added "Excellent service is our top priority and we can not achieve that goal without upgrading our electric facilities."

Mr. Carter said that the new rates would become effective on January 1, 2008 and all members will receive notice of the increase in future mailings. The company's CEO stated that "after this change cooperative members will still be paying \$10.99, per month, less than the average Investor Owned Utility customer and nearly \$5 less than other cooperative members in the State." He also pointed out that the Cooperative's rate schedules are available for viewing on the company's website, www.ppec.coop.

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a Touchstone Energy Cooperative. The coop serves nearly 13,000 members in Ohio and Indiana.

BURT WINS BMX CHAMPIONSHIP

Ashley Burt won the 2007 Hire Park BMX track championship for girls/women Saturday, October 13 in Warsaw, Indiana. The 5th grader who attends Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary School and is the current National #12, won all three of her motos Saturday to secure the championship for the second straight year. This is her third local track championship of the year and the outdoor season still has three weeks of racing left. One week ago Ashley won the 2007 nine state Midwest Regional championship in Norwalk, Ohio and placed 3rd in the National, getting nudged at the line by the current World #4 rider.

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GREEN MEADOWS CONFERENCE CROSS COUNTRY MEET

The GMC Cross Country meet took place Saturday, October 13 at Welcome Park, Grover Hill.

Varsity Boys results:

By School - Wayne Trace (WT) 108, Edgerton (EG) 107, Hicksville (HI) 89, Tinora (TI) 76, Antwerp (AN) 57, Fairview (FV) 56, Ayersville (AY) --, and Holgate (HO) --.

Individuals (top 10) - Jordan Karnes, EG, 16:19; Justin Perkins, FV, 16:31; Levi Kurtz, WT, 17:01; Gregg Gerken, TI, 17:04; Logan Alvarez, FV, 17:10; Hayden Krick, AN, 17:18; Taylor Tripoli, FV, 17:25; Spencer Timbrook, AN, 17:47; Zach Meyer, HI, 17:56; Dakota Reid, HI, 17:56

Varsity Girls results:

By School - Wayne Trace (WT) 161, Hicksville (HI) 153, Edgerton (EG) 95, Fairview (FV) 93, Antwerp (AN) 84, Tinora (TI) 54, Ayersville (AY) 41, Holgate (HO) --

Individuals (top 10) - Alexis Godeke, AN, 20:41; Olivia Stewart, AY, 21:15; Chelsea Mottashed, AY, 21:27; Ashley Meyer, TI, 21:57; Sadie Lehman, TI, 21:59; Alecia Daniels, EG, 22:10; Kelsey Dockery, AY, 22:20; Shana Daniels, EG, 22:24; Vanessa Gordon, AN, 22:32; Kaylie Tekelenburg, FV, 22:38

Junior High Boys results:

By School - Wayne Trace (WT) 124, Edgerton (EG) 105, Fairview (FV) 94, Antwerp (AN) 82, Hicksville (HI) 50, Tinora (TI) 30, Holgate (HO) --

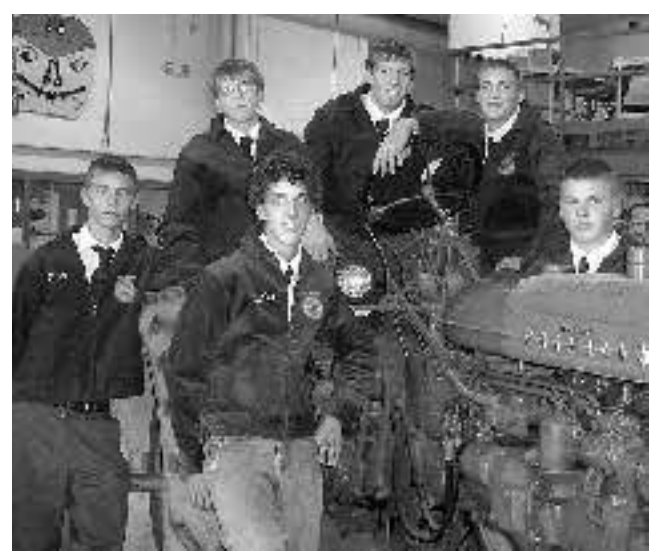
Individuals (top 10) - Kyle Brinkman, HO, 12:17; Tyler Garman, HI, 12:31; Kyle Thomas, FV, 12:42; Jordan Harpest, TI, 12:58; Alex Elkins, TI, 13:07; Bryant Dietrich, TI, 13:17; Schuyler Winkler, HI, 13:28; Alec Lymanstall, TI, 13:33; Noah Ganger, AN, 13:34; Drew Taylor, AN, 13:38

Junior High Girls Results:

By School - Fairview (FV) 32, Edgerton (EG) 23, Antwerp (AN) --, Ayersville (AY) --, Hicksville (HI) --, Holgate (HO) --, Tinora (TI) --, Wayne Trace (WT) --

Individuals (top 10) - Leighe Nickels, EG, 13:32; Kaitlyn Henricks, EG, 13:46; Alicia Meyer, TI, 13:52; Sammi Rhodes, FV, 14:13; Brook Muncy, HI, 14:40; Hannah McKibben, AY, 14:45; Kathleen Walsh, FV, 14:46; Allison Cole, EG, 14:53; Anna Bostater, EG, 14:53; Harlee Hudson, AN, 14:55

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE AG DIESEL CLASS GOES TO FARM SCIENCE REVIEW



Vantage FFA Officers for 2007-2008 (front row) Adam Schnipke, Joe Barker and Rustin Adam. (Back row) Adam Eickholt, Tom Zuber and Calvin Sinn. Bob Bair was unavailable for the photo.

By: Ag Diesel seniors Adam Schnipke and Nathan Arn

On Tuesday, September 18, the Vantage Ag Diesel class had their annual trip to the Farm Science Review. It was held at the 2,100 acre Molly Caran Agricultural Center just outside of London, Ohio. This was the 45th annual event.

This year brought new technology and experiences to the show. There were Global Positioning Systems (GPS) hands-on demonstrations in the demonstration fields. New equipment displays included new Case tractors, new and larger John Deere and Massey Ferguson combines and tractors and even new prototype equipment that wasn't available yet such as New Holland's newest baler.

Marketing crops for making renewable fuels and using alternative energy on farms were two new topics covered in the Energy Education Tent at the Farm Science Review. There were also live exhibits on display that showed ev-

everything from bio-fuels to animals. This year's show also had many field demonstrations. Some of these included new soil conservation methods, manure spreading and multiple combine harvesting displays from the larger companies such as John Deere, CAT, and Massey Ferguson. There were harvesting, strip-tilling and tillage demonstrations. Even the ATV companies had a place where you could ride their new ATV's.

The class had a good time at this year's show and the juniors are already looking forward to attending again next year.

The Vantage FFA chapter has elected officers for the 2007-2008 school year. They are Tom Zuber (Antwerp) President, Joe Barker (Antwerp) Vice-President, Rustin Adam (Crestview) Secretary, Calvin Sinn (Wayne Trace) Treasurer, Adam Schnipke (Ottoville) Reporter, Adam Eickholt (Ottoville) Sentinel and Bob Bair (Paulding) Student Advisor.

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Private Duty Services, a part of Paulding Area Visiting Nurses has a pediatric case in Paulding. We are looking for caring RN/LPN interested in evening hours, some weekend hours. Please call 419-399-4917 or apply in person at 250 Dooley Dr., Suite A, Paulding. Monday - Friday 8 am to 4 pm.

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GARAGE, TOTE, BAG AND Box sale: Halloween, Christmas misc. items, ladies plus size clothes. Oct. 18,19 (Thurs, Fri) 9 to 5 pm. North of Antwerp on 49, 2 1/2 miles, turn west on 204, 2 miles. The Waltenburgs. p

GARAGE SALE: BABY BED complete, high chair, baby clothes (boy & girl) 6mo.-3T, adult clothing, teen boys size 16, girls size 10, Barbie jeep, Friday 9:00-4:00, Sat 9:00-3:00, Oct. 19&20. 14667 Rd. 115 (Emerald Rd) 2 1/2 miles N. of Paulding.

FIND YOUR TREASURES AT Fort Defiance Antiques across from Defiance County Courthouse. 511 West Second St., 10-5, Mon-Sat. Phone 419-782-6003. 42-50

OAKWOOD ARBOR OCTOBER MEETING

The Oakwood Arbor #759 held their October meeting with the activity of "Healthy Lifestyle" and bring-a-guest night, with 22 present. Our speakers were Belinda Laney of the Defiance Clinic and Cindy Weasel from Napoleon. Ms. Laney talked about Nutrition Diet and how the diabetic diet was very similar. Ms. Weasel told about the exercise, portion control and the pyramid of foods. They gave a very good amount of information and handouts for our references at home. Refreshments were different fruits and vegetables along with a choice of beverage.

Our guests were welcome to stay for the meeting. President Dale Spitnale called the meeting to order, prayer was given by Dorothy Hornish,

in the absent of our chaplain. Pledge was given by all. Helen Parrish told of the road side pickup on Monday, October 8, 9:00 a.m. Discussions were held for the November meeting and activity, as well as our Christmas Dinner. Six members will be attending the Gleaners Bi-Annual Conference at Indian Lakes Resort in Bloomingdale, IL later this month. Our basket will be given to a Family Service at Bloomingdale, members were asked to help donate items that they need. Our Community Service Recognition Awards for an adult and youth were discussed. Names were voted on.

Ten members of the Oakwood Arbor met for the "Environmental Activity" of cleaning the two mile road side of North SR 66 on Monday morning.

—Edna May Spitnale

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RURAL SETTING SE OF ANTWERP - 5 acres with a circle drive. Plenty of room to add a pond and large outbuilding! The home is planned for easy living - Great Room effect through the kitchen/dining/living areas, Split bedrooms! The exterior is enhanced by a front bay window, rear patio, & brand new roof shingles! The home was double wrapped for warmth & cooling. All ceilings are vaulted. The kitchen has a nice window view over the sink, a breakfast bar and pantry closet. There is a slider door in the dining area to a concrete patio. Priced at \$89,000. Call Sandra Mickelson



212 E. Canal, Antwerp - This 3 Bedroom has been meticulously remodeled! Vaulted ceiling in the living room, New oak kitchen with all appliances, large utility, 2 bdrm down & large dormitory bdrm up. Rear deck, Detached garage \$69,900



This home has great curb appeal with its concrete driveway, covered front patio, and wide walkway to the front porch. Step through the front door directly into the sunny 28' living room. The kitchen has quality cabinetry and comes with the appliances. Large utility with pantry, 2 Bedrooms, Attached 1 car garage. Large 111'x132' Lot. You name the best use for the 20x27' concrete block building on the alley. Antwerp. \$74,900

#1074 Very desirable 3.23 Acres along the Maumee River! Lots of trees, Large Pond & 30x40 Pole Building. The building is insulated and has several 220 outlets. The home was built in '03' and has 3 Bedroom, 2 1/2 Baths. The formal dining room has a slider door to the rear wood deck with a view of the wild! Beautiful kitchen with built-in Brerakfast booth, & Family room in the walk-out basement. Located 1 mile east of Antwerp. \$155,900. Call Sandra Mickelson.

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NEW RECIPIENTS OF HOUSE FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Marla Hershberger, Kari Gibson, Rusty Gibson, recipients of house and Keith Klopfenstein, President of Paulding County Habitat for Humanity

By: Sue Knapp

On October 13, 2007, Habitat for Humanity recipients, Marla Hershberger, daughter, Kari Gibson and son, Rusty Gibson, along with many others, broke ground for their new house in Paulding. Also in attendance were Jane Gray, Karen Fetter, Lisa McClure, Mark Stoller, Becky (Marla's mother), Jan Commers, Tom Diaz, Evelyn Goings, Chris Corwin, Marty Harman, Jim Betzer, Tex Guyton, Marla's sister Tana, sister-in-law, Gwen and niece, Jamie. A prayer was said by Roger Gasser before the ground breaking.

This will be the fourth

house in Paulding County. Paulding will have two, Antwerp has one and Melrose has one.

Habitat for Humanity is a Christian organization and it's mission statement is to "Provide every family in the world a decent affordable house to live in".

The criteria to be chosen for a house is that you have to be able to pay off the loan, not make too high of an income and you have to help in the building of the house. A zero percent loan will be signed and the more labor and materials donated the less the house will cost.

SEN. BUEHRER URGES CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE WITHOUT RAISING TAXES

COLUMBUS—State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) recently joined fellow Senators in passing Senate Concurrent Resolution 19, which urges the United States Congress to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), but to do so without increasing taxes on working families. Additionally, Buehrer voted to defeat an amendment which would have urged Congress to increase taxes to pay for an expansion of the federal bureaucracy.

"We all want to ensure Ohio children have access to affordable health care, but not at the expense of imposing higher taxes growing the size of government," Buehrer said.

In June, Senator Buehrer supported the state budget bill, which expanded health care coverage to 24,000 additional uninsured children in Ohio through SCHIP. Ohio's SCHIP program is run through Medicaid and relies upon a federal match to cover Ohio's neediest children. Due to the responsible manner in which Ohio has structured its program, it is sustainable at current funding levels for the short-term; however, for Ohio to continue the program into the future, Congress must reauthorize federal SCHIP funding.

Senator Buehrer noted that unlike the proposal being debated on the federal level, Ohio legislators took a more fiscally-prudent approach and required newly-eligible families to pay an affordable monthly premium and thereby, share in the cost and responsibility of meeting their children's health care needs. This approach helps to off-set the cost of the program so that it is sustainable in the long-run. In contrast, the proposal Congress passed and President Bush subsequently vetoed, would expand coverage, but proposed paying for it with increased taxes.

"Many Democrats are pushing for a veto override and trying to turn health care for children into a political issue. In fact, we heard this mantra from the Ohio Senate Democrats yesterday during our floor debate. Make no mistake about it, what they are calling for means higher federal taxes," Buehrer said. "The resolution I supported urges our representatives in Congress to put politics aside and look to what we did on the state-level as proof that we can provide health care to more uninsured kids without overburdening taxpayers in the process."

LUNCH MENUS FOR ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL FOR THE WEEK OF 10/17 THROUGH 10/23

10/17 - Sausage links, french toast sticks or salisbury steak on bun, hash browns, fruit juice, milk PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice (no french fries)

10/18 - Goulash or sloppy joe on bun, pineapple, peas, B&PB, milk PLUS: salad bar or banana pudding

10/19 - Stuffed crust pizza or egg salad sandwich, brownies, orange smiles, carrots w/dip, milk PLUS: salad bar or jello w/fruit cup

10/22 - RED RIBBON WEEK - Star chicken nuggets or chips w/meat & cheese, french fries, jello w/pears, milk PLUS: salad bar or caramel rice

10/23 - Tex mex chili or tacos, sports snack, diced potatoes, peach crisp, milk PLUS: salad bar or cottage cheese w/fruit

PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/17 THROUGH 10/23

Panther Paw Cafe - Breakfast

10/17 - Bacon, egg & cheese muffin, juice, milk

10/18 - French toast stix, sausage links, juice, milk

10/19 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk

10/22 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

10/23 - Tator tots w/cheese sauce, sausage links, juice, milk

Panther Paw Cafe - Lunch

10/17 - Idaho nachos, bread stick or sausage pizza, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk

10/18 - Turkey & noodles, whipped potatoes, biscuit, strawberries, milk

10/19 - BBQ pork on a bun, cheddar tator munchers, assorted fruit, milk

10/22 - Biscuits & gravy or sub sandwich, tator tots, assorted fruit, milk

10/23 - Ham & cheese chef salad, cheese bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Lunch

10/17 - Nachos w/cheese cup, vegetable, fruit cup, milk

10/18 - Chicken strips, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit cup, milk

10/19 - Pizza, corn, fruit cup, milk

10/22 - Meat 'n cheese taco, lettuce, crackers, fruit cup, milk

10/23 - Ham deli, carrots, pretzels, fruit cup, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Lunch

10/17 - Ham & cheese wrap w/lettuce, corn, fruit cup, milk

10/18 - Cheese pizza pocket w/sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

10/19 - Mac & cheese, tossed salad, bread, fruit, milk

10/22 - Chicken nuggets,

whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit, milk

10/23 - Chicken noodle soup w/crackers, bread, carrots w/dip, fruit, milk

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/17 THROUGH 10/23

Breakfast:

10/17 - Pancakes or waffles, sausage, milk

10/18 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, milk

10/19 - Turnover, milk

10/22 - Pizza, milk

10/23 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk

Lunch:

10/17 - Breadsticks/cheese, broccoli/cheese, or green beans, apple crisp, milk

10/18 - Chicken noodles, mashed potatoes, roll, pineapple, apple, milk

10/19 - Corn dog, fries, mixed fruit, milk WT: potato wedges, meat/cheese

10/22 - Nacho chips, meat/cheese/salsa, corn, peaches, milk

10/23 - French toast sticks, hash brown, sausage, 100% OJ, milk

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