

## BIG DEBATE TAKES PLACE TOMORROW NIGHT!

Be sure to send your questions right now!

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.

## PETRA CO-FOUNDER TAKES THE STAGE AT PAYNE FALL FESTIVAL

Former lead singer and co-founder of Petra, Greg Hough, and his band will be performing at Payne's Fall Festival Saturday, October 27. They will be joined by the "Fortress" band and "One A Chord" in the Merrin Street tent. There will also be praise and worship music, magic and a juggler in The Rock Community Center starting at noon. At 6:30 p.m. there will be games outside on Merrin Street and the music in the tent will begin. Food will be sold in The Rock with proceeds going to local youth outreach programs. Sunday, October 28 there will be a Community Contemporary Church service in the Merrin Street tent beginning at 10:00 a.m. This event is sponsored by Payne area churches and Youth for Christ.

## PAYNE COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE

On Sunday, October 28, the Payne community churches invite everyone to our Payne Community contemporary worship service. We're meeting under the tent on Merrin Street at 10:00 a.m. Worship music will be by One-A-Chord. Come on out and worship with us. This is a great way to wrap up Payne's Fall Festival and 135<sup>th</sup> birthday weekend.

## LOS GALLITOS CELEBRATES 23 YEARS



Natalie Genero (cousin), Socorro Torres and Katherin Torres (granddaughter)

By: Sue Knapp

Hector and Socorro Torres came to Paulding from Chicago and opened a restaurant. Los Gallitos is celebrating its 23<sup>rd</sup> anniversary on October 30 and wants to share the joy with you.

Los Gallitos started out in what was the Curves building.

After four years it burned and they moved the restaurant to 209 N. William Street where it is still located.

Los Gallitos offers Mexican and American food. Because Hector was from Puerto Rico, seasonings from that country are incorporated. Ev-

## PAULDING COUNTY HALLOWEEN EVENTS

**Paulding** - October 27 - The Paulding Lions Club is sponsoring the Paulding Halloween Parade. The Parade line-up is at 1:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Library. The parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. and is being led by the Paulding High School Mighty Marching Band. The parade route goes from the Paulding County Courthouse Square. Prizes have been donated by the Paulding Chamber. Trick-or-Treating, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

**Antwerp** - October 27 - Parade with judging after at Manor House, 3:00 p.m. (see Antwerp Chamber article for details). Trick-or-Treating, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**Oakwood & Melrose** - October 30 - Trick-or-Treating, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.; Judging at school at 7:00 p.m.

**Grover Hill** - October 27 - Trick-or-Treating, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.; Judging, 7:00 p.m.; Parade 7:30 p.m.; Clown, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.; VFW Fire

Dinner, 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

**Payne** - October 27 - Trick-or-Treating, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.; Parade, 6:00 p.m., line-up, 5:30 p.m., judging at firehouse.

**Scott** - October 27 - Trick-or-Treating, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.; Party, 6:30 p.m.

## INVITATION FOR ALL VETERANS AT OAKWOOD ARBOR

The Oakwood Arbor #759 would like to invite all veterans to a program on Thursday, November 1, 7:00 p.m. at the Twin Oaks United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, with guest speaker Gene Scarborough of Grover Hill.

—Dale Spitnale, president

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING IN ANTWERP

There will be a special meeting of the Antwerp Town Council on Monday, October 29 at 5:00 p.m.

This meeting will take place in order to read and pass various ordinances.

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**ATTENTION: Craft Vendors**

Antwerp United Methodist Church is hosting it's 3rd annual "Joy of Giving" craft show on Saturday, November 10th from 9:00 to 2:00 p.m. Card table space is \$7.50 and you provide your own table. 8ft tables will be provided at a cost of \$15.00. Spaces available, call Jennifer Ramsier at 419-258-7631 to reserve yours today!

Paulding County  
**Democratic Party Banquet**

Saturday, October 27, 2007  
5:00 p.m. - Paulding Eagles  
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- Ron Lane - Speaking on behalf of the Jail Levy

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**OBITUARIES**

**Donald Ray Tomlinson**, 66 of Mountain Home, AR, died at his home on Wednesday, October 17, 2007.

He was born August 3, 1941 at Hicksville the son of Keith and Lillian (Hanna) Tomlinson. He was a 1959 graduate of Hicksville High School. He was united in marriage to Sandra Lengacher. He was employed at Navistar in Fort Wayne, IN for over 30 years. After retirement in 1994, they moved to Mountain Home, AR.

Surviving him are his wife, Sandy of Mountain Home, AR; two sons: Rick (Laura) Tomlinson of Fort Wayne, IN and Keith Tomlinson of Hicksville; two daughters: Robin Hall of Mountain Home and Judy (Russell) Hampson of Fort Wayne, IN; five grandchildren; a brother, Larry (Judy) Tomlinson; and a sister, Dorothy (Russell) Hinsch both of Hicksville.

Funeral services were held at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville on October 23. Rev. Clarence Zimmerman officiated. Burial was at Highland Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Ozarks or Hospice the Caring Way of Defiance.

**James R. Hoisington**, 70, of Paulding, passed away October 16, 2007 at his residence.

Born in Greenfield, Ohio on February 7, 1937, he was the son of the late Floyd and Gladys (McConaughy) Hoisington.

He served in the U.S. Navy in the Korean War. Jim was a manager at Sea-

way Foodtown, Toledo, was a member of Paulding Church of the Nazarene, Christian Businessmen's Association, Toledo and was active in the Nazarene Light House Camp, St. Mary's, Ohio.

On June 3, 1955, Jim married Joan Eads, who survives.

He will be sadly missed by his wife, Joan; daughters: Cynthia (Allan) Helle of Paulding, Nancy Hoisington of Columbus and Melody (Kenneth) Arends of Prince George, VA; son, Mark of Toledo; sister, Connie French of Sarasota, FL; 12 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Jim's sister, Bonnie Thrasher; and granddaughter, Amanda Arends, have passed away.

Funeral services were October 19 at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene with Revs. Kim and Cindy Semran and Rev. John Dodds officiating.

He was laid to rest at Paulding Memorial Cemetery. The family requests donations to the church. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**Orlando J. "Mike" Lopshire**, 77 of Payne, died October 21, 2007 at the Dallas Lamb Foundation Home Payne, Ohio.

He was born in Paulding County Ohio on June 23, 1930 the son of Orlando M. and Madeline H. (Hook) Lopshire. On June 1, 1950 he married Arlette Ann (Burley) Lopshire, who survives.

He was a lifetime farmer, retiring in 1999. He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of Payne, Ohio.

Surviving are his wife, Arlette Lopshire of Payne; three sons: Jim (Sylvia) Lopshire of Paulding, Ernie (Donita) Lopshire of Payne, and David (Sue) Lopshire of South Whitley, IN; one brother, Pete Lopshire of Coldwater, MI; four sisters: Pat Yenser of Payne, Judy Puckett of North Carolina, Linda Lee of Payne, and Nancy Wobler of Antwerp; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be conducted 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Payne, Ohio. Rev. G. Allan Fillman will officiate. Burial will be in Lehman Cemetery Payne, Ohio.

Memorials to: Dallas Lamb Foundation Home Payne Ohio, Payne Ohio EMS or the Antwerp, Ohio EMS.

**Esther Begley**, 100 of Payne, died October 20, 2007 at her residence.

She was born in Lechter County, Kentucky on May 11, 1907 the daughter of Willie and Clara (Collins) Callahan. On June 19, 1921 she married Julius C. Begley, who died in 1950. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church Payne, Ohio.

Surviving three daughters: Coteal Lee of Silver Springs, FL, Mildred (Gene) Schoenauer of Payne and Diane Farling of Paulding; five sons: Paul (Ruby) Begley of Corbin, KY, James (Jean) Begley of Titusville, FL, Arnold Begley of Dothan, AL, David (Linda) Begley of Payne and Bruce (Jeanet) Begley of Cape Canaveral, FL; three sisters: Ruth Napier of Hyden, KY,

Erma Smith of Ash, NC and Lillian Evans of Mineral Springs, NC; 36 grandchildren, 81 great-grandchildren; and 29 great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Julius; one son, Michael; three daughters: Lorene Gordon, Bernadyne Rogers and Barbara Guyton; one grandson, Sean Gordon; and one granddaughter, Felicia Begley.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 a.m. Thursday, October 25, 2007 at St. Paul United Methodist Church Payne, Ohio. Pastors Amy Haines and Max Begley will officiate. Burial will be in Bethel United Methodist Church Cemetery, Forders Bridge, Cecil.

Calling at the Den Herder Funeral Home Paulding, on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Thursday morning one hour before services at the church.

Memorials to St. Paul United Methodist Church Payne.

**Jack Thomas**, 83, of Antwerp, passed away October 17, 2007 at Van Wert Manor, Van Wert.

Jack was born in Lorain, Ohio on July 15, 1924, the son of the late Herbert and Hazel (Russell) Thomas.

He served in the U.S. Army in WWII, worked at Tokheim and was a member of Antwerp VFW Post 5087.

Jack loved his family and enjoyed nature, playing horseshoes, bowling.

Jack will be sadly missed by his daughters: Sherri Miller and Shelley (Stephen) Marlin, both of Antwerp; sister, Hazel Meglich of Antwerp; brothers: Richard Thomas of Salem, OR and Jerry Scouter of Antwerp; four grandchildren: Melissa McVay, Kim Mendez and Stephanie and Andrew Marlin; and five great-grandchildren: Zachary and Kyler Mendez and Hailey Makayla and Gavin McVay.

Funeral services were at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp, on October 20, with Rev. Jim Edwards officiating.

The family requests donations to the charity of your choice.

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

**Arthur "Ray" Rinebolt**, 92, of Paulding, died October 16, 2007 at Country Inn Living Facility, Paulding.

He was born January 10, 1915 in McComb, OH, the son, of George B. and Ethel M. (Williams) Rinebolt. In 1939 he married Evelyn P. Vance who preceded him in death on March 13, 2006. He was a foreman for the Nickel Plate Railroad. He was a member of the Broughton Fox Club.

He is survived by a son, David Rinebolt of Paulding; three daughters: Patricia Miller of Henderson, NV, Janet (Joe) LaFountain of Paulding, and Sandra Forgette of Toledo; a sister, Waneta Kochel of Junction; seven grandchildren; twenty-four great-grandchildren; and eighteen great-great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife; great-grandson; brothers: Harry, Dick and Dean Sierer; two sisters: Ellen Manson and Irene Justinger; and two in-

fant sisters.

Funeral services were conducted October 19, at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial was in Hedges Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to Country Inn Enhanced Living Center Activity Fund or a charity of the donor's choice.

**John H. Rhodes**, 94, of Van Wert (former Paulding resident) died October 16, 2007 at Van Wert Manor, Van Wert.

He was born February 17, 1913 in Van Wert, OH, the son of John J. and Bertha (Gilbert) Rhodes. On February 26, 1937 he married Violet Smith, who preceded him in death on September 10, 2000. He was a member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding, a retired truck driver, and a member of Teamsters Union # 414.

He is survived by a son, Jerry L. (Dorothy Jean) Rhodes of Paulding; and a grandson, Jon (Sue) Rhodes of Paulding.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife; and a sister, Ruth E. Berle.

Funeral services were conducted October 20 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding with Rev. Mary Beth Smith Webb officiating. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding, or Van Wert Manor Activity Fund.

**HOLIDAYS & EVERYDAYS HOSTED BY ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Getting through the holidays in the absence of someone you love can be difficult and painful. Expectations for celebration and joy surround the holiday season making feelings of isolation, sadness, and fatigue more prevalent for the bereaved. In addition to the loss of the loved one, bereaved persons may also suffer losses of traditions, customary routines, and special times shared.

Bereaved persons may wonder, "How can I make it through the events of this season while missing so desperately the one I love?" "Would I be better off ignoring the holidays this year?" "Should I act as if everything's normal so that I don't ruin others holiday joy?" "How can I escape this sadness and ease my pain?"

With this in mind, we are offering bereaved persons time to gather and share thoughts, feelings, and ideas about getting through this holiday season.

The workshop will take place on Sunday, November 4, 2007 at St. John's Parish Hall, Payne, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Our guest presenter will be Wanda Gross, who is with the Paulding Hospice Program. Call for your reservations at 419-399-2576. Ask for Heather. This is a free workshop open to all in the community.

**Kevin Wilson supports the mental health and substance abuse replacement levy**



**Kevin Wilson**  
Principal,  
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I have seen first hand how mental illness and substance abuse can affect children and families.

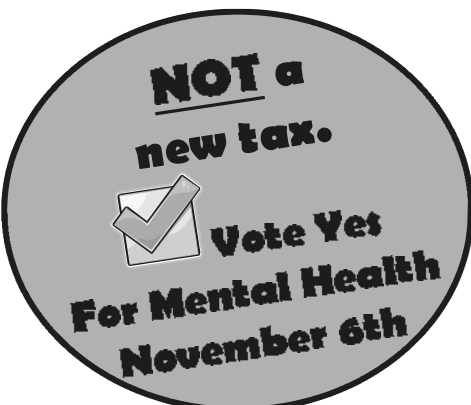
Many times these issues first become apparent in the school setting, creating disruptions and difficulties within the classroom. It is a comfort to know that local professional services are available to assist and serve this vulnerable population. Here in Paulding County, those services are provided by the staff of Westwood Behavioral Health

Services North and The Turning Point.

I urge you to continue supporting these vital services in Paulding County by voting yes on November 6th for the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Replacement Levy.


**Why the mental health replacement is needed**

State and federal dollars simply do not address our community's needs. Many local families requesting help don't have insurance or enough insurance to pay the cost of mental health and substance abuse treatment. The replacement levy will allow the system to maintain necessary services for children and families in our communities. It will help adults keep jobs and become productive, tax-paying citizens. The mental health levy is a good investment in our communities.



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**HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS-TIME AT JOHN PAULDING HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The John Paulding Historical Festival of Trees Committee has chosen the theme "Holly Jolly Christmas" for this year's decorating of the Festival of Trees.

We are so excited because we have approximately 50 trees again this year. What a great feeling to have so many trees that you have to really work at finding a place for them throughout the Historical Society. We have several of our decorators that have returned from last year and more that came on board for this year.

We will be including several of the displays throughout the main room, along with the trees. An added attraction this year will be the decorating of the inside of the barn that is just to the east of the main building. What a challenge this is going to be! Come see what the famous horse that stays in the barn, is up to this year!

We are adding an extra day to the schedule this year. The Historical Society will be open on Thursday, November 15 from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday, November 16, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Saturday, November 17, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. with a noon luncheon from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. open to the public, and Sunday, November 18 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

We will be having special entertainment by the Oakwood Alumni Band on Friday evening and barbershop music on Sunday afternoon with the Color 4 Tunes and Barbershop quartets from the Paulding High School.

And we can't forget the Talking Christmas Tree which is always a delight to the children. The tree will be there all four days at a variety of times.

Along with the trees, we will be having the "Silent Auction" with items being donated by businesses and individuals throughout the county. Bidding will close at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

People's Choice Award will again be given to the Tree that gets the most votes.

Friday, November 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. "The Bull" radio station 105.7 from Defiance, will be broadcasting from the Historical Society and we will be accepting canned goods and donations for their Christmas project—Families in Need.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Festival of Trees. Admission is free for this event, but if you choose to, you can make a donation to the Historical Society.

Committee members are Luella Thomas, Anna Kauser, Rose Munger, Becky Beech, Diane Stouffer, Deb Plummer, Eileen Kochensparger and, of course, the members of the Historical Society.

**BIG TRUCK DAY AT ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS SUMMER CAMP**



Summer campers at Ann's Bright Beginnings had a fun day seeing big trucks all day long. The first truck to arrive was a Baker Schindler cement truck being driven by Eric Johanns. The second truck was a semi truck with John Henry and Ben Kauser. The third to arrive was Mike Johanns with his Trak Tractor and the last was a garbage truck from Porter Sanitation.

Shown here with Trak Tractor are from left in back: Lily Knapp, Reid Johanns, Kaeli Bustos, Carson Rupp, Ethan Herman, Molly Adams, Kaden Phares, and Wyatt Beckman. From left in front: Ella Cook, Evan Burtch, Keller Morris, Sam Adams and Lucy Shuherk. In the very back are teachers Mrs. Ann Miller and Mrs. Chris Adams.

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL TO FOCUS ON BUS SAFETY OCTOBER 22-26**

Antwerp and the US House of Representatives has unanimously approved recognition of National School Bus Safety Week and Antwerp Local School joins the school districts throughout Ohio and the nation in celebrating this important week.

This year's theme, "Be Aware, Cross With Care" reminds Ohio's 1.1 million school bus riders to stay out of the danger zone and in direct eyesight of their school bus driver. Most students accidents involving school buses occur as a result of motorist who attempt to pass a stopped school bus with flashing red warning lights while students load or unload. Ohio Revised Code 4511.75 requires motorists to stop for a school bus any time it has stopped for students to load or unload. Motorists may not resume

motion until the bus resumed motion.

Nearly eighty percent of Ohio students ride on school buses each day, and nearly 17,000 bus drivers, mechanics, trainers, secretaries and supervisors are dedicated to providing safe transportation for children in the state. National studies show school buses are the safest method for transporting young people—30 times safer than passenger cars.

"Ensuring the safety of students as they enter and exit the bus is crucial," said Superintendent Mark Hartman. "We are training our bus drivers to be cautious, but we need help from parents to make sure they watch for school buses stopped to load or unload children. No issue is so urgent that motorists cannot wait for a school bus."

Superintendent Hartman offers the following tips to remind your child while getting off and on the bus:

- \*Always remain in direct eyesight of the bus driver;
- \*Get to the bus stop in plenty of time;
- \*Take 10 giant steps back from the curb while waiting for the bus and 10 steps when exiting the bus;
- \*Never try to get anything left on the bus after exiting;
- \*Never reach underneath the bus;
- \*Always follow the driver's directions for how to cross the street;
- \*Be alert to traffic and look both ways;
- \*Always cross in front of the bus, but only when the bus driver signals it is safe to do so.

(Continued from Page 1) Everything served there is made fresh—from the tortilla chips to the shells for the sundaes—nothing is processed. Socorro has quite a bit of relation that helps her in the restaurant including her four boys. She is very appreciative of all her customers and thanks God for them. Socorro who has kept everything the way it was when Hector was running it, is dedicating this year's anniversary in memory of him. Look at the Los Gallito's ad on page 7 of this week's paper for the anniversary special.

**BUEHRER LEADING THE CHARGE FOR SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS**

COLUMBUS—State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) today gave sponsor testimony on Senate Bill 184, legislation he introduced that would make needed reforms to Ohio's self-defense law. This bill is part of Senator Buehrer's ongoing quest to preserve our Second Amendment rights, while providing Ohioans with the tools to protect themselves, their homes and their families.

Sen. Buehrer, who testified on SB 184 before the Senate Criminal Justice Committee, explained that Ohio's current self-defense law unfairly places the civil and criminal burden on the victim to prove in court that they were truly acting to defend themselves from serious physical harm or death.

"For too long the pendulum has swung in the direction of protecting the rights of criminals over the rights of their victims," Buehrer said. "SB 184, by modernizing Ohio's law, takes an important step toward making Ohioans feel safer in their homes, businesses and communities."

SB 184 makes two important reforms to Ohio law. First, the bill will shift the rebuttable presumption from the innocent victim and onto the perpetrator. If a criminal forcibly enters or intrudes

into a person's home and that person chooses to act to protect themselves from harm, they would be legally presumed to be acting in self-defense.

"The burden should be on the trespasser, climbing through your window late at night, to prove that he is not there to cause harm," Buehrer added.

In addition, SB 184 would grant a victim civil immunity if it is proven that he acted in self-defense. Under current state law, even after a legal finding of self-defense, the victim still faces the possibility of being held liable for damages in a civil lawsuit.

"An Ohio citizen who has acted justifiably should not be subject to thousands of dollars of court costs nor held to further scrutiny by a jury," Buehrer said.

Buehrer noted that at least 19 states, including Kentucky, Indiana and Michigan have already enacted similar legislation, and contrary to opponent claims about these types of bills, these states have not seen an increase in violence or gun usage for self-defense.

"At the end of the day, SB 184 is about making Ohioans feel safer in their homes and communities," Buehrer explained. "This legislation is common sense policy that would return the law to the balance that has existed for thousands of years in civilized society."



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**CARPE DIEM!**

**By: Rich Phelan, Pastor, Living Water Ministries**

One of my favorite movies of the last twenty years is Dead Poets Society. Robin Williams (who has an outstanding performance) plays, shall we say, a very non-traditional teacher who returns to his very traditional alma mater to each literature to a class of teenage boys. On his very first day, he introduces himself to his students as well as a different way of seeing and understanding poetry in a very shocking way.

The first thing he does is to have one of his students read aloud the publishers' instructions on how to read and understand poetry from the text book. As the student droned on about rhyme and meter etc., he is stopped

suddenly from reading. The teacher tells the whole class to rip that page out of their text books. At first, all the puzzled students can do is stare at each other and at their new teacher, as if he were testing them. Finally, one student reaches for his book and tears the page from his book, a strange look of satisfaction etched across his face. Once the ice is broken, the rest of the class responds enthusiastically to his example.

Once the offending page is gone, Robin Williams has the students stand on their desks and yell at the top of their lungs, "Carpe Diem!" which is Latin for "Seize the Day". This becomes the rallying cry for the coming semester, and probably the rest of their lives.

Carpe Diem, seize the day, that's wisdom for sure.

There's a day coming up this month that I believe we need to "seize" Halloween. The Christian community seems to swing from one polar opposite or the other in regards to this day. "It's the devil's day!" some say, "it's just another day," says another group.

I share the concerns of some when it comes to people young or old using this day as an excuse to be destructive, or to cause trouble. There's never an excuse for that. But, I don't agree that Christians should shy away from this one day of the year, saying it is set apart as a day to remember or to worship Satan. The reason I don't agree is that I don't believe that Satan owns anything that we don't give him!

Look at what the Bible says, "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it." (Psalms 24:1). You see, this earth was created by God, and the Lord Jesus Christ paid for our sins with His blood. This is why I don't think that we should take a day on our calendars and chalk it off to the devil saying, it's the "devil's day." It's just not true! Some may believe it, some may even choose to worship the devil on this day. It doesn't mean that it's now "his" day. Believe it or not there are still people who believe the earth is flat. There are others who believe that we never went to the moon, that it was just a hoax filmed in Hollywood on a top secret back lot. Some people may believe those things, but it doesn't make them true. Just like Halloween.

I don't let my kids wear gross or scary costumes, but they still have fun dressing up and getting free candy with their friends. Shoot, I'd still do it today if I could get away with it! It's not Satan's day unless we let it be.

We, as Christians, have a great opportunity to carpe diem or seize the day and enjoy this day that the Lord has made for us. Get your candy, have fun and be safe. But most importantly, remember who's day it is. It's a day just like any other, and it belongs to the Lord and Creator of the Heavens and the Earth, our Heavenly Father.

switch to turn it on, then put your paper in that slot. That's all there is to it." The salesman smiled his, "Thanks!" and followed the instructions. The motor hummed and lights flashed as the document disappeared. Then he turned and asked, "Now would you tell me how to set it to make three copies?"

Yes, wrong assumptions can be costly—not only in the business world, but in the Christian realm, as well. Misconceptions not only perplex the believer, but often knock him or her for a loop, leaving them to land with a painful thud when undercut by reality.

Nowhere is this more seen than in the "things go better with Jesus" theology propagated by the electronic church. Too often our message of "victory in Jesus" is like the half-time highlights of Monday Night Football. The network replays only the touchdowns and the long gainers. Rarely do we see the plays that lost yardage, the broken pass patterns, the fumbles, or the injuries. In like manner, Christians are sometimes guilty of reporting only the spiritual highs, implying that they are the norm, and that spiritual lows just don't occur. Friends, it ain't necessarily so.

Certainly, the joy of the Lord is ours to be realized. But so often I find serving the Lord often trying and frequently difficult. The wind is seldom at my back, and the race I usually run is mostly uphill. Don't get me wrong: I don't believe for a minute that walking with Christ or serving His Church is misery. What I AM saying is that it's potentially not all gravy!

Chuck Swindoll writes insightfully, "Somebody needs to address the other side of the Christian life. If for no other reason than upholding reality. Christians need to be told that difficulty and pressures are par for the course. And no amount of biblical input or deeper life conferences or super-victory seminars will remove the struggles."

Did I hear an "amen" as you read those words? As we move ahead in our relationship with Christ, let's remember that the song of life includes both major and minor keys. Be encouraged. Without both, there would be no beauty and wonder in the music.

**THE PARABLE OF THE PUMPKIN SEEDS**

**By: Shawn Knapp**

I have had a garden off and on for a few years now. Even though I would expect to gain some type of experience during this time, it's humbling to see that I still don't know what I'm doing when it comes to growing vegetables.

This year I wanted to try growing some pumpkins. We've tried them once before and they turned out okay, but I (being the man that I am) wanted a bigger, better pumpkin. Well, when I purchased the seeds for the garden this year they asked me what type of pumpkins I wanted. Seeing that I know nothing about pumpkins and didn't realize that there were so many I simply said "give me the BIG kind". She seemed to know exactly what I was talking about and handed me a packet of seeds.

Satisfied with my purchase I planted the seeds and watched them grow. I was im-

mediately satisfied as I saw the large leaves sprouting out of the vine. I thought that I was actually catching on to gardening. After a few weeks I was excited to see that the pumpkins were developing quite rapidly. Not concerned yet I started to think that anyone can garden, it's easy.

After a couple of weeks I noticed that the pumpkins were at their normal pumpkin size but they didn't have the orange, pumpkin color. Oh well, I thought; let's allow them to grow a little longer. To my surprise they grew, and grew, and grew. All I can say is "wow" or "oops". I didn't think pumpkins grew this large without special intervention.

As I look at my pumpkins I remembered something that Jesus tells us in Luke 14:28. It says, "For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?" (KJV)

Sure, it was an innocent mistake for me to purchase such huge pumpkins without making sure that I had enough land to support them, but the mistake isn't so innocent when we jump into what we believe is Christianity before counting the cost.

Now don't mis-understand me. People can be convicted and give their life without a year of Bible Study. Just look at Saul. He was persecuting the church one day and then a few days later he became the Apostle Saul (Acts 9), later to be known as the Apostle Paul (Acts 13).

What concerns me is that many people claiming Christianity do not count the cost as Jesus commands in Luke 14. The decision to follow Jesus is more than taking that simple step of faith or being baptized on Sunday morning, which many people suggest. If you read the verses before Luke 14:28 you'll see that Jesus shows us the seriousness of dedicating our lives to Him. Luke 14:26-27 says, "If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple." (KJV) Again, Jesus continues in verse 33 "So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." (KJV)

Now, I realize that I could have opened a whole can of (Continued on Page 5)

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
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**Trunk & Treats!**  
Paulding community families are invited to the Paulding Church of the Nazarene on Wednesday, October 31 from 6:30-8:00 in the evening to celebrate a fun and safe Halloween!  
The church parking lot will be converted to a trick-or-treater's paradise with trunkfuls of candy and snacks! There will also be activities for the whole family with hayrides, a cookout, and games. Everyone is welcome! Wear your costumes and bring your friends!

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**WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS**

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 “pumpkin seeds” with these verses. What does it mean to hate your father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, and our own life? How do I forsake all of my belongings? If this confuses you then I encourage you to open the scriptures and ask God to reveal the truth to you. It’s been promised that if we seek then we will find. God will not withhold the truth from us if we open our hearts to Him.

If you’ve made this commitment did you realize the severity of it? If you did, then are you still living what you committed to? I just wanted to encourage you to go beyond what this country stamps as “Christian” and receive the calling of the Holy Spirit. Be truthful with yourself, and be honest with God. You’re not fooling him

by acting like this world is doing pretty good. Just look out the window, or in your heart.

Oh yes, there is another lesson for us all to glean from, concerning seeds. Matthew 13:3-3-8 says, “And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; and when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up: Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: But oth-

ers fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.” (KJV) What does this mean? Well, if you’re contemplating Christianity then this passage is important to read and pray over. I encourage you to open the scripture and study it for yourself.

If you would like to contact me my e-mail is: may-godlead@yahoo.com

**DON'T RUSH YOUR DECISIONS**

**By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church**

I’m amazed at the number of people I talk with on a regular basis who make major decisions without waiting and thinking through the implications. In our world where we want everything NOW, the fine art of waiting on the Lord is seldom developed.

Young people decide they want to get married NOW. People want to chuck their marriages and get divorced NOW. Things don’t go right at work so a person decides to up and quit NOW. A person decides he wants to make a major purchases but can’t afford it so he goes out and floats a loan NOW.

Yet, in almost all of these scenarios, if people would wait, pray, and give the Lord a chance to work, they might discover that their original plan wasn’t the best route after all. I read an interesting parable last Friday afternoon that illustrates this principle so well:

A certain court magi-

cian had fallen out of favor with the king, so his majesty sentenced the magician to die. On the day of the execution, the magician told the king that if he would allow the magician to live for one year, the king could become famous around the world. How? The magician would make the king’s horse talk.

If the magician failed, he explained, the king could kill him and the magician wouldn’t object. The king agreed, and the magician was spared for one year and sent to the dungeon.

On the way to the dungeon, the royal jailer (who was a friend of the magician) said to him, “You are indeed a fool. You and I BOTH know that you do not have the power to make animals speak. Now you will surely die.”

The magician responded, “I have a year. Many things can happen in a year. The king might die. I might die. And who knows? In a year perhaps the horse *might* talk.”

An intriguing tale, isn’t it? But it illustrates an important principle: Whatever you’re wrestling with today, don’t make a snap decision. Circumstances CAN change. Your feelings and emotions can change. People can change.

The Lord has the power to work in situations and produce results that are beyond our imaginations... if we give Him the chance.

So whatever the issue is that you are sweating right now, don’t give up. Don’t impulsively make the move. Instead, wait. Pray about it. Commit it to the Lord. Talk with Godly counselors. And determine to give it more time.

Who knows—maybe it will look totally different to you in a few weeks or a few months. If not, fine—at least you have the assurance that you didn’t rush into something without first consulting the Lord and giving Him time to work in the circumstances.

It’s always too soon to give up. Don’t make a decision today that you will regret months and even years from now. It’s not worth it. The Lord CAN work in your heart. The Lord can work in the other person’s heart. And who knows... as in the story of the magician, perhaps the horse WILL talk.



Pictured above are Jennifer Swanson and her daughter, Alexandria, as they prepare to eat breakfast at WLS on October 12. This annual breakfast is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher League of WLS. A large group of students, parents, and grandparents met in the gym at 7:15 a.m. to enjoy “breakfast with a buddy.”

The WLS 2007-2008 school year began on Tuesday, August 21, with an opening chapel service. Preschool classes began on August 27 and 28. Faculty and staff members for this year are: Miss Emma Hockemeyer, new to WLS this year as our Preschool teacher; Mrs. Arlys Staub, full-day, five-day Kindergarten; Mrs. Linda Schlie, Grade 1; Mrs. Bonnie Hoffschneider, Grade 2; Mrs. Karen Hoepfner, Grades 3 and 4; Mrs. Ruth Schroeder, Grades 5 and 6 Homeroom, Grade 4 Language Arts, Grades 5 and 6 Literature, Language Arts, and Social Studies, Grades 7 and 8 Social Studies, and Grade 5 Math and Science; Mr. Scott Staub, Grades 7 and 8, Homeroom, Grades 5 and 6 religion, Grades 7 and 8 Science, Math, and Art, and Grade 6 Math and Science; Mrs. Wendy Singer, Grade 3 Math, Spelling, and Handwriting, Grades 7 and 8 Language Arts and Literature, Kindergarten PE, and Grades 1 and 2 PE; Mr. Dexter Hoyer, Principal and Teacher of Kindergarten through Grade 8 Computers, Grades 5-8 PE and Athletic Director; Rev. Joe Adams, Zion Lutheran Church, 7 and 8 Religion; Rev. Tim Edwards, Christ

Lutheran Church, 7 and 8 Religion; Mrs. Joan Woebeking, Secretary; Mrs. Deb Lindberg, Bookkeeper; Mr. Steve Coomer, Custodian; Mrs. Jennifer Osborn, Kitchen Manager; and Mrs. Jennifer Swanson, Cook. Choir directors this year include Mrs. Sharon Gerig, Mrs. Bev Rekoweg, Mrs. Sandy Bradtmiller, and Mrs. Arlys Staub.

Each Wednesday during our weekly chapel services, the WLS K-8 students donate their offerings toward the mission or ministry chosen for several months at a time. August and September Chapel offerings, along with three large boxes of donated food, were given to the Woodburn Christian Children’s Home. Offerings from October and November will purchase gifts and needed household items for two families from The Christmas Bureau.

Grades 3-8 students completed their ISTEP tests in September. The WLS PTL recently wrapped up its annual fund raiser through the Kleinhenn Company – profits go to the teachers to buy items to enhance their classrooms that are not in the WLS budget. The PTL also had a “Back to School” night on September 12. (Continued on Page 6)



## ELECT

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- Resident of Carrall Township for 17 years
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## Come Hear the Good News!

Antwerp Community Development Committee (ACDC)

Annual General Meeting

at Antwerp VFW Hall

Thursday, November 8, at 7 p.m.

Agenda: Review Accomplishments

Present Future Plans

Ongoing Projects:

All Weather Track • Depot Renovation

Otto E. Ehrhart collection • Fund-raising

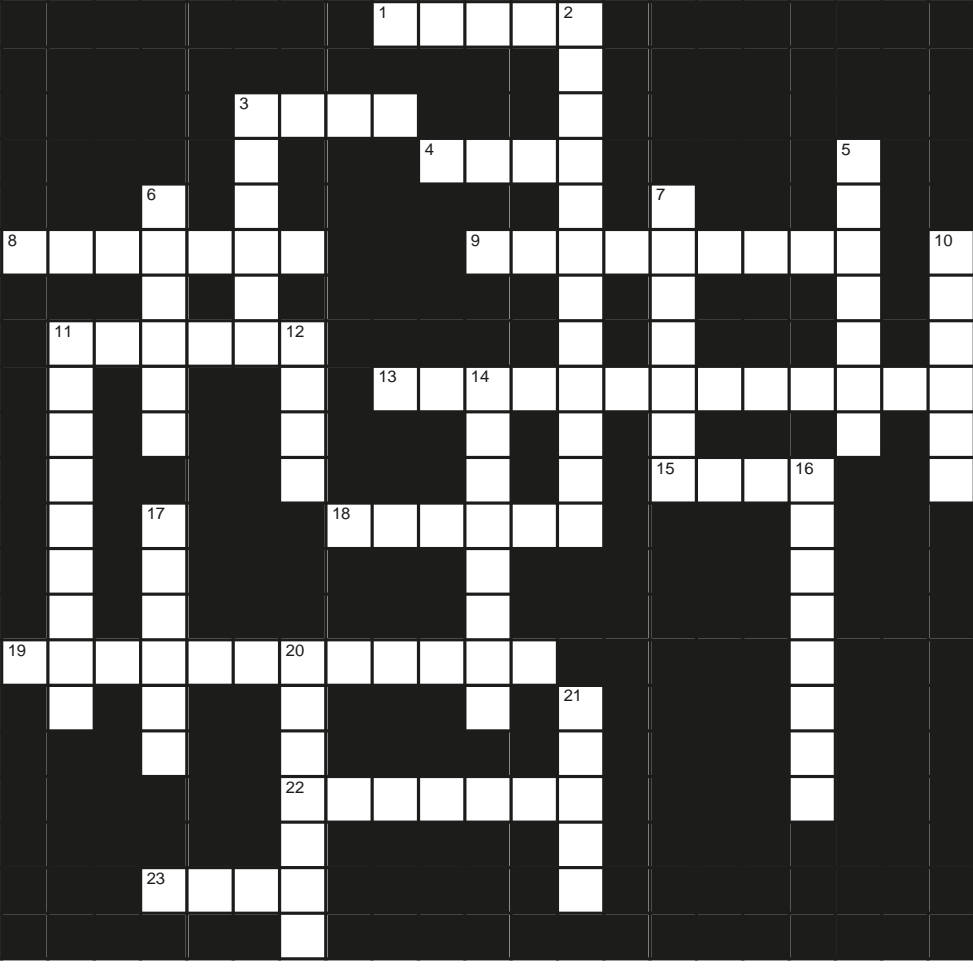
Financial Report • Officer Elections

All Community members are welcome to attend.

For more information 419-506-0133 - Steve Major



# Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

1. This kind of basket was used in the first basketball game.
3. Sportsman are hoping to find WHAT in a creel?
4. The name of the Texas A & M University Mascot.
8. This man holds the record for playing the most baseball innings. (2 words)
9. This sport involves a racket and bashing a bird.
11. The first puck in this sport was a frozen cow patty.
13. This youngster holds the record for the youngest professional debut in boxing. (2 words)
15. The only sport ever played on the moon.
18. The country where the first Olympic Games were held.
19. This Monday Night Football announcer was dubbed, "The Mouth."
22. The first U.S. auto race was in this city.
23. The company with the logo "swoosh".

**Down**

2. This Hall of Famer in Football was known as "The Galloping Ghost."
3. Auto racing began in this country.
5. More than 100 million people hold these licenses.
6. This sport features strikers and sweepers.
7. This sport has the largest participation in the world.
10. This sport became legal in 1901.
11. This major league baseball player hit 20 or more homers in 20 seasons. (2 words)
12. This famous toy started out as a weapon.
14. This was the first sport to be televised.
16. The most watched or attended sport in the world.
17. This racket sport can be played with four balls of differing bouncing qualities.
20. This sport used the term "home run" before baseball.
21. Shaquille O'Neal puts on a new pair of these before each game.



By: Chelsea Vail

Stay drug free - it's the way to be! So far this week Antwerp students have celebrated Red Ribbon Week by kicking it off Monday donning red attire, putting a "cap" on drugs by wearing hats on Tuesday, and getting tropical for Hawaiian Day. Thursday students are encouraged to wear a favorite sports jersey, and "give drugs the slip" on Friday, which is a great excuse to wear slippers to school. Kudos to SADD for such a snazzy lineup of themed days and, of course, for promoting drug awareness.

Over the past weekend, eight new members were inducted into the National Honor Society. Three seniors - Zach Carr, Christy Kortokrax, and Jacqueline Thomas - were admitted, as well as five juniors - Justin Donat, Alexis Godeke, Chris Henry, Kole Schlatter, and Mickae Schlatter. Additionally, new officers Graham Hughes (President), Alex Wetli (Vice President), Lynn Haller (Secretary), and Kyle Proxmire (Treasurer), were sworn in at the ceremony. Noblesse oblige!

In the way of fall sports, congratulations to the varsity volleyball team on becoming the reigning sectional champs in four games to overcome a strong showing from the Hicksville Aces. Belated though it may be - considering the first round of district competition was this Tuesday vs. Edon - good luck, girls!

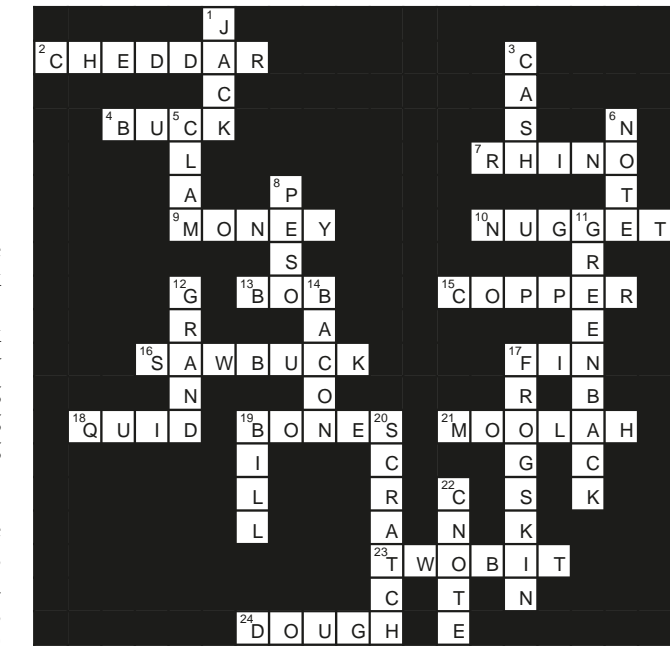
Varsity Football: October 26, 7:30, @ Hicksville

Varsity Volleyball: Watch for news about the girls' performance at the district level this week!

Word of the Week:  
Enmity \EN-muh-tee\ noun

1. Positive, active, and typically mutual hatred or ill will

Example: "Though both teams unquestionably want-



to win, the Archers and the Aces approached their match up with less enmity than friendly rivalry just as any team schooled in sportsmanlike conduct would."

Okay, so maybe there was a tinge of ill will involved. It's all good in the 'hood, though. Until next time... Hugs, not drugs!

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ber 17 - parents and students toured the building, the PTL held a short meeting, and then everyone was treated to root beer floats. Woodburn Youth Basketball for children from 6-8 years old began at WLS on October 10. Five sessions will be held before Thanksgiving and five sessions from January 2-30. Volunteers from Junior Achievement are now visiting students with their business lessons.

October 23 marks the end of the first quarter for this school year - first quarter grade cards will be given to parents at conferences scheduled for November 8 and 9.

Our one volleyball team for this year, composed of 4th, 5th, and 6th grade girls, recently completed their season - they were undefeated in regular play! Team members were Emily Miller, Caroline Meyer, Torie Moore, Caroline Hoepfner, Allison McConnell, Madison Swanson, Morgan Gerig, and Tara Gerig. Coaching this great group of girls were Heather Pyle and

Tracy Gustin. The two boys basketball teams, 4th and 5th boys, and 6th, 7th, and 8th boys, begin practicing on October 16 and 18, with games beginning on November 12 and 29, respectively. The 7 and 8 boys team will host a pre-season tournament on November 3.

Grade 2 "Grandparent Reading" began on October 16. Grandparents and friends of the second graders meet with them each Tuesday morning from October through April to help them with their reading skills, complete projects, and play word and number games.

Field trips that were taken by the various classes in September and October included: The three preschool classes and the lower grades visited the Woodburn Fire Department for Fire Safety Week; the Preschoolers visited the Kurtz Pumpkin farm; the Kindergarten class went to Safety Village and the Kurtz Pumpkin Farm; Grade 1 enjoyed a tour at Metea Park and a day at Science Central; Grade 2 went to the Fort Wayne Art Museum and participated in a program sponsored by the Woodlan FFA; Grades 3 and 4 enjoyed Swiss Heritage Days at Berne; and Grades 2, 3, and 4 will go to Goshen College on October 30 for a Merry Lea Adventure.

When returning to school for the 2007-2008 year, we were pleasantly surprised to see that the main parking lot and entrances had been changed, upgraded, and improved. New permanent in/out signs will be installed soon.

—Joan Woebbecking

## HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL: SECTIONALS

Saturday, October 20, balls were flying and nets were shaking as the High School Volleyball sectionals were underway. This match up saw the Antwerp Lady Archers pitted against the Hicksville Lady Aces. In a best three out of five match this was the end result: 25-21 (Ant), 26-28 (Hcks), 25-15 (Ant), 25-22 (Ant).

With Antwerp becoming Sectionals champs they moved on in play to go against Edon last night, October 23. (Results will be in next week's paper!) The winners move on to Napoleon for on Saturday, October 27

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**ANTWERP HISTORY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

In the History of Antwerp, the Schilb family name stands out quite brightly. Andrew Schilb started the first mortuary in Antwerp in 1857. It sat on the west side of South Main Street about where the McQuire Building now sits.

But this column is about a lovely lady of 92 years named Ruth Schilb, who with her



husband, Tom, I consider modern day pioneers for Antwerp. So why don't I start in the beginning.

Ruth was born on August, 29, 1915. At that time, her parents, George and Rose Clemmer lived right in the area of the Bethel Church and school. She did not attend that school. They moved to Antwerp in 1920. She had three brothers and two half sisters.

One of the sisters married Russell Jenkins and the other married Paul Jump.

After they lived in Antwerp a while they moved to Montpelier, Ohio. Ruth's father, George, was a construction man and there was plenty of work up there. While at Montpelier, George helped build the Roundhouse for the Wabash Railroad. I think the Clemmer boys graduated there.

They moved back to Antwerp and Ruth started in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. She liked school very well and she met a neighbor boy named Tom Schilb.

Tom graduated in 1933 and they were married that same year. While Tom was away to college in Cleveland she stayed with his parents and helped out at the funeral home. Tom's mother was very helpful in getting her used to her new job.

I forgot that Tom had a twin brother, Andrew, and they both went to college at the same time.

Tom and Ruth had a baby girl named Mary. After a few years they had Jane and then Walter. While this was going on Tom worked at the Schilb Furniture Store, the Appliance Store and the Funeral Parlor. Meantime, two of Ruth's brothers, Wilber and George, became teachers at Antwerp High School.

In the early years, they stored the funeral caskets on the upper floor of the furni-

ture store. Later on, the house was remodeled and made bigger and they had a casket showroom upstairs.

Tom built the appliance store across the street with an apartment upstairs, they lived there a few years. That building is now a laundromat.

Before this and during this time, Tom got interested in the new game of softball. He organized a good team and got permission to play and remodel the high school ball diamond.

Everyone helped at the ball diamond. The Schilbs made coffee in a ten gallon milk can. They then took the funeral tent to the ball park and used it as a concession tent. It was a good time then and a busy time. But everyone came to Antwerp on Sunday night. Schilb's Reds were as good as any area ball club and the town backed them also.

Well, after a few years, Tom retired from all the Schilb businesses and he and Ruth moved to Sebring, Florida in early 1970's. They fit in down there very well. Tom was a good golfer and they had a beautiful home just a stones throw from #1 tee. They had their own golf cart and there was an easement to the club house.

After a couple of seasons, Ruth became a good golfer and she was President of the Ladies' Golf Association. Tommy served a couple terms as President of the Country Club. Like I said, they really enjoyed living in Florida and they had a million friends.

After a good retirement life, Tom died in 1990. Ruth lived in Sebring for another 10-11 years. She came back to Antwerp to her children and grandchildren in the year 2000.

She lived in an assisted living apartment a couple of years and then her granddaughter, Karen (Walter's daughter) wanted her to come live with them. Now let me tell you about that situation. Her granddaughter, Karen Fenker and her husband and children live at the corner of Lockner Road and The County Line Road in Allen County. They have llamas, dogs, cats, birds, and various and asunder creatures for pets. Besides the llamas, they have a dog that is called Wahoo, a house dog (Bishon) named Coconut that loves Ruth, a cat named Patsie, Zebra Finches and a tropical bird that rides on Karen's shoulder.

The Fenker's have five children: two boys and three girls and all the above mentioned pets. Ruth is very happy in this fine home, you can tell by the big grin and her smiling eyes. She gets along fine with all the pets except for the bird—he will bite once in a while.

She watched the Chicago Cubs along with her grandson, Mark, and they did plenty of coaching and umping from the living room. Mark now goes to college. There are two children left at home, with the rest being in college.

I have known this lovely lady all my life. When she and Tom had that lovely home in Sebring they had the Powells and the Jordans over for a fine dinner. You might say Tom was a role model for me and they had a zillion friends.

Yes, you bet, I really enjoyed seeing Ruth again and I think she enjoyed seeing Sue, Pauline and I. Ruth, a tip of

my ball cap to you and may you enjoy many more years at that very homey place.

See, Ya!

**picture  
STAN AND SUE ON THE ROAD**

**By: Stan Jordan and Sue Knapp  
Dorothy Hobeck**



This column is about a fine lady that I have known for many a decade, she is Dorthy Hobeck. She was born Dorthy Stevenson over in Allen County, Indiana in 1910. There were six children in her family, all girls. She went to school in Woodburn and graduated from there in 1928. She married Dale Hobeck in 1928, he was a neighbor boy. Dale graduated from Antwerp High School in 1926. They lived in the Defiance area a year or so then moved to Antwerp. She thinks it was the place where Keith Wiesehan lives. At that time, it was called The Hagedorn Place. Dr. Hagedorn practiced in Antwerp, but I don't remember him.

They moved away from there out onto SR 111 in 1930. They lived on one side of the road for 13 years then moved across the road and that became their permanent home. There they had horses, cows and all the animals that you see on a farm.

Dorothy helped in the field when she could, just like any farm wife at that time. Sometimes she took the baby, Marjorie, to the field with them.

During the depression she remembers churning butter and delivering it to Joe Carr's store with some eggs. That helped to buy other food stuff for the coming week.

She and Dale had five children. Marjorie married George Underwood and they lived around Antwerp and raised four children, three boys and one girl. Leland lived all the time in Fort Wayne and raised two boys and two girls. Harley lived all the time around Edgerton, OH raising one boy and four girls. Donna lives around the Paulding-Antwerp area and had one boy and four girls. Bill went to college in Ada, Ohio then settled down in Hicksville and raised two boys and two girls.

While they were still farmers she did everything on the farm. She ran the tractor as good as anyone. She did not run the planter though. But she did deliver the grain to the elevator.

She remembers before WWII coming to town on Saturday night buying the week's groceries and visiting with lots of people.

She was very active in the United Methodist Church all her life, you could count

on her and Dale for help.

Dale retired from farming (sort of) in the 1980's. Then he passed away in 1994. They were married about 66 years. Dorothy lived alone on the home place on SR 111 until the first part of October in 2007.

She came to the Manor House just a few weeks ago. She likes the House and all her friends and the staff.

Dorothy has 20 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren.

Her hobby is crocheting and she does a lot of that, mostly making afghans.

I'll tell you folks, I have known this lady all my life and it certainly was a pleasure to go to the Manor House and interview her. We talked old times and old friends and her memory is plenty good yet. I surely hope that my 96 year old pal has a lot of good years left.

See, Ya!



**Ida Mayer**

Ida has come to us from Long Island, New York. She was born in Brooklyn and lived in Long Island for 82 years.

Ida's parents, Anna and Frank Lemys left Brooklyn when Ida was four years old

and moved to Long Island. Her and her family lived in the suburb of Elmont, which is where she went to school. Her family owned a second home in Island Park and spent the summers swimming and entertaining.

She has one brother, one sister who is still in Long Island and another sister who is deceased.

Ida and her husband, Robert, were childhood friends, high school sweethearts and then married. Robert died two months short of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Robert went to the service after they got married. While he was in the Philippines she bought a house and she lived at that same house for 82 years. Robert was in heavy construction work and Ida worked for the school district as a senior account clerk.

Ida has two sons, Donald who is retiring in Arizona and Robert who lives in Antwerp. She has three granddaughters and one grandson. Two of the granddaughters and two great-grandchildren live in this area.

Ida likes Antwerp, she finds the people sweet, helpful, understanding and friendly. She likes the Manor House and enjoys the activities there. They make a different pie each month and she enjoys helping with that. She loves people and wants to become active with the Senior Center.

Ida, you are a great asset to Manor House and Antwerp is proud to call you one of their own. Thank you for coming to Antwerp.

—Sue, WBPP

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dergarten students Dakota Adams, Maggie Clark, Logan Dietel, Isabel Edwards, Helena Emenhiser, Blake Fuller, Jaden Keller, Taya Kitzmiller, Sydni Klopfenstein, Tori Mathews, Kirk Nahrwold, Hannah Sharrar, and Donny Stevenson, as they brought three large boxes of food items and a \$400.00 check to the Children's Home. Mr. Grant is pictured holding the check that was presented by the students and Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Arlys Staub. The check is from the total of Chapel offerings donated by K-8 students at WLS in August and September.

—Joan Woebeking

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**WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/24 THROUGH 10/30**

**Breakfast:**  
10/24 - Pancakes or waffles, sausage, milk  
10/25 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, milk  
10/26 - Turnover, milk  
10/29 - Pizza, milk  
10/30 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk

**Lunch:**  
10/24 - Chicken nuggets, french fries, pineapple, milk  
10/25 - Cheese quesadilla, tossed salad, mandarin oranges, milk  
10/26 - Toasted cheese sandwich, green beans, pears, milk WT: Bar b'que sandwich  
10/29 - Breaded chicken sandwich, french fries, mandarin oranges, milk  
10/30 - Rotini/meat, cheese stick, bread stick, mixed fruit, milk

**UPCOMING PARADES SCHEDULED FOR VILLAGE OF ANTWERP**

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce has finalized their plans for the season's Halloween Parade. This annual event will take place on October 27. Those wishing to be a part of the parade should gather at the Post Office on south Main street at 2:30 in the afternoon. They will leave there at 3:00 and proceed north on Main street to River street, then east to the United Methodist Church.

Local citizens and business persons will judge the following categories and prizes will be awarded to the top three winners in each group. The categories are:

- \*Little Treats (3 years and under)
- \*Monster & Hairy Scaries
- \*Animal costumes
- \*Cartoon, Movie, TV and Disney Characters
- \*Pirates
- \*Witches, Ghosts & Devils
- \*Angels, Princesses and Story Book Characters
- \*Cowboys, Cowgirls and Indians
- \*Clowns
- \*Miscellaneous
- \*Most Original home-made costume

Prizes are sponsored by local businesses and the Chamber of Commerce.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Lighting Parade and visit with Santa will be on Saturday, November 24 at 6:30 p.m. The community is encouraged to decorate anything they can on wheels (it must have lights), and join the parade. More information on this event will be released in November.

The 7<sup>th</sup> in a series, Memories of Antwerp ornaments, are now on sale. This year's Limited Edition ornament has the image of the A & W Drive In on it. This is sure to be a collectors' item and is limited. These beautiful glass ornaments are on sale at The Antwerp Pharmacy, The Antwerp Exchange Bank and Marilyn's Petals & Vines.

The next meeting of The Chamber will be at 12:30 on November 13, at the Essen House Restaurant. All Chamber members should attend.

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/24 THROUGH 10/30**

**Panther Paw Cafe - Breakfast**  
10/24 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk  
10/25 - Mini pancakes, sausage links, juice, milk  
10/26 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
10/29 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
10/30 - Fruit turnover, juice, milk

**Panther Paw Cafe - Lunch**  
10/24 - Cincinnati chili, green beans, garlic cheese biscuit or sandwich, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk  
10/25 - Cook's choice  
10/26 - Turkey club sandwich, spiral fries, assorted fruit, milk  
10/29 - Broccoli w/cheese sauce, or baby carrots w/dip, popcorn chicken or sandwich, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk  
10/30 - Toasted ham & cheese sandwich, potato soup, assorted fruit, milk

**Paulding Elementary - Lunch**  
10/24 - Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup w/ crackers, fruit cup, milk  
10/25 - Chicken fajita wrap, lettuce, fruit cup, milk  
10/26 - Cheese bread stick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit cup, milk  
10/29 - French toast stix, sausage, hash browns, fruit cup, milk  
10/30 - Corn dog, baked beans, fruit cup, milk

**Oakwood Elementary - Lunch**  
10/24 - Hot dog on a bun, oven potatoes, fruit, milk  
10/25 - Popcorn chicken, peas, bread, fruit, milk  
10/26 - Pepperoni cheese bread stick w/sauce, corn, fruit, milk  
10/29 - Chicken fajita, corn, fruit, milk  
10/30 - Taco w/soft shell, lettuce & cheese, fruit, milk

**PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS**

**Admissions:**  
10/8 - Betty L. Clark, Paulding  
10/9 - Catherine Densmore, Melrose  
10/11 - Joyce Bland, Paulding  
10/13 - Janice Cross, Cecil  
10/14 - Margaret Tope, Paulding  
10/15 - Chistopher Brigner, Payne; Mary Tribble, Paulding  
10/18 - Linda Akers, Paulding; Naomi Foltz, Paulding

**Dismissals:**  
10/13 - Joyce Bland, Paulding; Catherine Densmore, Melrose  
10/16 - Christopher Brigner, Payne; Janice Cross, Cecil  
10/17 - Betty L. Clark, Paulding, transferred to Lutheran  
10/21 - Linda Akers, Paulding

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**WORK OR JOB**

**By: Tommi Stahl**

Do your kids like the words "work" or "job"? It's normal that a lot of kids do not like to work.

Boys, for instance—all they want to do is play video games and football. Girls like hair, make-up and they love to talk about boys.

Boys and girls do not like jobs or work because they want to be kids as long as they can. They want to play all day long and, hopefully, if their parents ask them to

do something they will do it because they love and care for their parents.

When I grow up I want to be a lawyer. What do you want to be?

If you have any ideas for me to write about e-mail me at thomasstahl@tds.net.

Thank You for reading my article this week.

*editor's note: Tommi Stahl earned Student of the Month status at Oakwood Elementary for the month of September. From all of us here at West Bend—Congratulations and keep up the good work!*

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**Visitor From The Past**  
By Plelan Taulk  
I had a dream the other night that I didn't understand, A figure walked in thru the mist with a flintlock in his hand. His clothes were torn and dirty as he stood there by my bed. He took off his three cornered hat and speaking low to me he said, "We fought a revolution to secure our liberty, We wrote a constitution as a shield from tyranny. For future generations this legacy we gave. In this, the land of the free and home of the brave The freedoms we secured for you we thought you'd always keep But tyrants labored endlessly while your parents were asleep Your freedom gone, your courage lost, you're no more than a slave In this, the land of the free and home of the brave You buy permits to travel Permits to own a gun Permits to start a business Or to build a place for one On land that you believe you own, you pay a yearly rent Tho you have no voice in how the money's spent Your children must attend a school that doesn't educate And your Christian values can't be taught according to the state You read about the current news in a regulated press And you pay a tax you do not owe to please the IRS Your money is no longer made of silver or of gold You trade your wealth for paper so your life can be controlled You pay for crimes that make our nation turn from God in shame You've taken Satan's number and traded in your name You've given government control to those who do you harm So they can burn down churches and seize the family farm They keep our country deep in debt; put men of God in jail Harass your fellow countrymen while corrupted courts prevail Your public servants do not uphold the solemn oaths they've sworn And your daughters visit doctors so their children won't be born Your leaders send artillery and guns to foreign shores And send your sons to slaughter fighting other peoples wars  
Can you regain the freedoms for which we fought and died Or don't you have the courage or the faith to stand with pride And are there no more values for which you'll fight to save Or do you wish your children to live in fear and be a slave?  
Oh sons of the republic arise, take a stand Defend the constitution, the supreme law of the land Preserve our great republic and each God given right And pray to God to keep the torch of freedom burning bright.  
As I awoke he vanished into the mist from which he came His words were true, we are not free But we have ourselves to blame For even now as tyrants trample each God given right We only watch and tremble too afraid to stand and fight If he stood by your bed side in a dream while you were asleep And asked what became of the freedoms he fought to keep What would be your answer if he called out from the grave? Is this still the land of the free and home of the brave?



**LEGISLATION SEEKS TO BOOST AGRICULTURE'S ROLE IN DEVELOPING NEW INDUSTRIES IN OHIO**

**Capitol Letters Weekly Column by: Senator Steve Buehrer**

Ohio has always been a strong agricultural state, and its impact can be seen in everything from the food we enjoy for dinner each night to the shape of the landscape as we travel from town to town to the history and tradition of the local county fair. Also, what cannot be overlooked is the tremendous role the agriculture industry has played in our state's economic success, raking in almost \$80 billion annually and employing one-in-seven Ohioans. However, just like every other industry in Ohio and around the world, agriculture has had to find ways to adapt to changes in our economy in recent years, along with meeting the demands of a growing global, technology-driven society.

In this period of transition for Ohio agriculture, the state must work to support Ohio farmers, while helping the industry reach its full economic potential. This past week, the Ohio Senate took an important step toward this goal, voting unanimously to approve House Bill 233, legislation that would create the Ohio Agriculture to Chemicals, Polymers and Advanced Materials Task Force. Just as Ohio corn, soybeans and other crops have been used to produce alternative fuels to power our cars, the Task Force seeks to promote the use of Ohio agriculture

products in the state's nationally recognized polymer and advanced chemicals industry. Polymers are a type of molecular science often used in the production of specialty chemicals to create such commodities as plastics, paints, textiles, rubber, soaps and other materials.

Particularly in the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District, we have seen that the emergence of ethanol and biofuels have an important impact on our region's economy, brought on by rising oil prices, environmental concerns and a desire to gain more energy independence. These same concerns have fueled research and development of specialty chemicals made from agricultural products. What some may not realize is that many of the chemicals we use everyday are currently derived from petroleum or natural gas. Bringing agricultural products into the equation not only has the potential to spur new innovation, which will help attract business investment and jobs to Ohio, but it could have a positive impact on Ohio's environmental health, promote growth in the state's agriculture industry, and contribute to the overall success of our economy.

Ohio companies are already using agriculturally-based chemicals to create new products. For example, the Ashland company in Columbus is developing resins for high-performance plastic parts from soybeans. In addition, DuPont has announced that it will make its next round of polymer products strictly from corn instead of petroleum.

In another important effort to improve our local economies, I would like to note that HB 233 was amended in committee to include a provision that reauthorizes the Rural Industrial Park Loan (RIPL) program. The RIPL helps promote economic development in rural areas by providing loans for land acquisition, construction, remodeling or improving industrial park buildings.

There is also a bill pending in the Senate Agriculture Committee, House Bill 217, which would create an industry-funded, grain marketing program to raise awareness and demand for Ohio wheat, barley and rye. The hope is that this legislation will translate into growth and long-term economic success in the industry. The program would be similar to the "Beef, it's what's for dinner" campaign launched by the national beef industry.

While Ohio farmers will always play an integral role in putting food on our plates each night, as our economy changes, the agriculture industry must expand their business scope from traditional farming to include unique, innovative ways for using agriculture products. We have seen some success with the development of alternative fuels, and now, with the help of legislative efforts like HB 233 and HB 217, we can continue to develop and grow these budding industries.

I encourage all residents of the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District to contact me with any questions, thoughts or concerns, or if you need assistance working with a state government agency. You can write me, Senator Steve Buehrer, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio, 43215, or contact me by phone at (614) 466-8150. In addition, I can be reached by email at SD01@mailr.sen.state.oh.us.

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/24 THROUGH 10/30**

10/24 - Pizza burger or italian dippers, broccoli rice w/cheese, pineapple, milk PLUS: Salad bar or bread sticks w/cheese

10/25 - Mac & Cheese or breaded veal on bun, mixed fruit w/marshmallows, vanilla wafers, green beans, milk PLUS: Salad bar or cheese-cake

10/26 - Fiestada or tuna salad sandwich, salad, pretzels, applesauce cup, milk PLUS: Salad bar or peanut butter bar

10/29 - Grilled cheese or smokie on bun, chicken noodle soup, apple crisp, corn, milk PLUS: Salad bar or cook's choice

10/30 - Hamburger or ham w/pickle on bun, scalloped potatoes, peaches, milk PLUS: Salad bar or potato soup w/rivels

**RAIDER REPORT**



Hi everyone, my name is Chelsy Shuherk, and I am a sophomore at Wayne Trace. This is my first article, and I hope you enjoy it.

The other day I walked into my U.S./World 10 class and on the board were two words: American and un-American. Still pondering those two words, I sat in my seat. Then, my teacher asked each of us to write down five things that make a person an American and five things that make a person un-American. So, as told, I started thinking of these different characteristics. The very first characteristic I thought of was patriotism, and I then thought of four more and five for un-American.

When I got home I did one of my favorite things, I googled quotes, but this time they were on patriotism. The one I liked the most was by Adlai Stevenson.

Adlai Stevenson said, "Patriotism... is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime."

Exactly! That is what patriotism means. A person should not just have patriotism on the Fourth of July or when tragedy strikes our country, but everyday. So, put your hand over your heart during the National Anthem, raise that flag, and say proudly, "I am an American."

*editor note: Chelsy is involved in many academic and extra-curricular activities at her school and surrounding community. Some of her accomplishments include: 4-H president, Jr. Leaders, Jr. Fairboard - vice president, Miss Jr. Teen Toledo, and Northtowne Mall's Top Model. We, at West Bend News, acknowledge these accomplishments, and say, "Welcome Aboard, Chelsy!"*

**BEINING RUNS FOR WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP FISCAL OFFICER**

Many young adults today don't have the ambition to become involved with their community. I, Neil Beining, am an exception to this. As a new member of this community and township, I am striving to become involved. My wife, Trisha (Jensen), a life-long resident of Washington Township and teacher at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary, and I have been married for 16 months and look forward to starting a family in Washington Township. We love this community and what happens within it, and want to become more active members.

I grew up just across the county line two miles north of Ottoville, where I was an active member of my school, church, and community. After I married Trisha and moved to Paulding County, I

searched for a way I could become involved within my new community. I attend Grover Hill Zion United Methodist Church and regularly volunteer my time there, but I want to do more. I believe that I am qualified for the position of township fiscal officer, and I am confident that my bachelor's degree in agriculture with a minor in geography from the Ohio State University will greatly help me within this position. I am employed by a government agency in Paulding and am already familiar with a large percentage of the county and its residents. I am 25 years old, and bring enthusiasm and ambition to the table. I have a willingness to learn new programs and meet new people which come with the position of fiscal officer. The skills I possess in financial applications and computer programs will greatly aid me within this position.

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# 2007 Payne Fall Festival

## & 135th Birthday Event Schedule

### October 26th & 27th

# Happy Halloween

## Event Schedule: Friday, October 26th

Time	Event
Time T.B.A.:	1st Annual Co-ed Pumpkin Ball Tournament At Payne Park \$125.00 Entry Fee (call Ben 419-786-0556)
7:00-11:00pm	Haunted House \$5.00 admission Above the new Chamber of Commerce Building, Main Street
7:30pm	sign-up Texas Hold'em Tournament at American Legion \$50.00 buy-in (with percentage going to charity) payout based on # of entries/ (food & drinks) win your table to advance to final round (Chad 263-0327)
9:00pm-1:00am	Mudbone performs at Goodtimes Saloon

## Saturday, October 27th

7:00am-11:00am	Methodist Church Pancake & Sausage Breakfast in the Methodist Church Hall
Time T.B.A.:	1st Annual Co-ed Pumpkin Ball Tournament at Payne Park, \$125.00 Entry Fee (call Ben 419-786-0556)
10am-10pm	House of Payne Memorabilia in the New Chamber of Commerce Building, Main Street
11:00am till gone	Payne Fire Dept. Chicken B.B.Q.
Noon-11pm	Rock Youth Center will offer food for sale
11am-8.00pm	Barney's B.B.Q. Ribs & Pork at Legion Post
11:00am-7:00pm	the Boy Scouts: Cobbler, Hot Dogs & Drinks Noon Hillbilly Horseshoe Tournament, Main Street \$5.00 person/\$10.00 per team (Cindy 419-263-2749)
12:30pm	sign-up Pedal Tractor Pull Merrin Street, beside the library Awards/\$1.00 entry fee
1:00pm-8:00pm	Payne Branch Library Open House
1:00pm-3:00pm	Bingo at the American Legion Post
1:00pm-7:00pm	Sons of the Legion Fried Baloney Main Street
1:00pm-12:30am	Payne Chamber Beer Tent on Main Street
3:30-6:00pm	Car Show Cruise-In at the Bank Parking Lot
4:00pm-till?	Payne Chamber Hog Roast Main Street Tent
4:00pm-5:30pm	Payne Trick or Treat
5:30pm	St. John's PTA Food Tent, Walking Taco & Drinks
5:30pm	line-up 6:00pm Start: Fire Dept. Halloween Parade Start at Catholic Church, Costume Judging at Fire House
6:30-Till Gone	The 49 Club will be selling: Turkey Legs & Roasting Ears
7:00pm-Till?	Payne Ball Association Food Main Street Tent
6:30pm	Start kids' games on Merrin Street
6:30pm-10:00pm	Christian Rock Bands One-A-Chord, Fortress & The Greg Hough Band (former Co-Founder and lead singer of Petra) play under the Merrin Street tent
7:00pm-11:00pm	<i>Haunted House \$5.00 admission</i> above the New Chamber of Commerce Building, Main Street
8:30pm-12:30am	the Reunion Band plays oldies & rock under the Main Street tent (sponsored by the Antwerp Exchange Bank & Payne Chamber of Commerce)
11:00pm-2:00am	Payne Chamber of Commerce offers free Safe Ride Home Program, (driver tips accepted) shuttle will leave from the Payne Maramart

## Sunday, October 28th

10:00am	Community Contemporary Worship Services under the Merrin St. tent
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**PAULDING VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 1, 2007**

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on October 1, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor Greg White called the meeting to order.

Finance Director Tope called roll call with the following members present: Randy Daeger, Roger Sierer, Ronnie Breedlove, Barb Rife, Sam Jeffery, and Kim Sutton. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present.

Rife motioned to approve the minutes of the September 17th meeting, seconded by Jeffery. Vote: all yea.

Jeff Hunt, owner of The Stake Company; along with his father, Dave Hunt; and investor, Matt Stoller, was present to discuss a letter he recently received from the Village Solicitor. The letter indicated The Stake Company was in violation of the Zoning Code's noise standard. Mr. Hunt noted he does not object to enclosing the dust collection system, which is the source of the noise, but believes the ordinance should be revised to express specific acceptable decibel measure-

ments for each Zoning District. He presented Council with decibel readings he took with the County Engineer's decibel meter. The decibel readings with the dust collector running ranged from 84 dB from five feet from the unit to 42 dB on West Baldwin with his truck window up. Mr. Hunt noted measurable guidelines are needed to not only enforce the legislation, but also to make the playing field fair to all business establishments within Village limits. He noted the readings he collected from other area businesses, along with normal everyday resident activities, generate higher decibel readings in Residential Districts than his facility. He inquired the number of complaints Council had received regarding the operation. Council informed him they had received one complaint from a resident located on West Baldwin. Mr. Hunt requested an extension to enclose the dust collection system due to the complexity and expense of the project. He also noted OSHA guidelines may not allow the unit to be enclosed. Mr. Hunt noted that dependant upon Council's decision regarding this issue he may move his facility to another location outside Village limits. Mayor White

relayed the Village will have its own decibel study performed to determine the adequate decibel levels for each Zone and amend the Zoning Ordinance. The Mayor noted Wiebe will maintain contact with Mr. Hunt regarding the study. Consensus of Council was taken to grant Mr. Hunt an extension to enclose the dust collection unit.

Ordinance 1367-07 re: An Ordinance Determining the Video Service Provider Fee to be Paid by a Video Service Provider offering Video Service in the Village pursuant to the State-Issued Video Service Authorization; Authorizing the Village Administrator to give Notice to the Video Service Provider of the Video Service Provider Fee; and Declaring an Emergency was read for the first time. Solicitor Jones informed Council that Janet Alter of Walter & Haverfield, the Village's legal council regarding its cable franchise agreement, recommended approving this legislation to be proactive in protecting its franchise fees. The General Assembly enacted Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Sections 1332.21 through 1332.34, effective September 24, 2007, to provide a state-wide "uniform regulatory framework" for cable television and/or other video services. The recent ORC enactment not only reduced the Village's authority to regulate the cable franchise, but also allows a cable operator to terminate its franchise agreement with the Village when a competitive provider gives notice it will begin (or actually begins) providing service to subscribers within the Village. According to Section 1332.32(C)(2) of the ORC, the Village has (10) ten days from receiving notice from the video service provider to provide notice of video service provider fee ("VSP Fee"), or the video service provider is not required to pay the VSP Fee to the Village. Jeffery motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency for the legislation, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea. Breedlove motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Jeffery presented the Utility Committee's minutes from its September 25th meeting. The Committee meeting concluded with the following:

—A recommendation replacing the old water line (from the north edge of the south drive at McDonald's to Gasser Road) with an 8" plastic line.

—A recommendation to move forward with replacing the lift station sludge pump with a submersible grinding pump, estimated cost \$3,000.

—Discussion regarding the number of contractors to utilize for the Water Treatment Plant pilot study. The EPA will allow only the contractor(s) chosen to perform the pilot study to provide the materials for the new Water Treatment Plant.

Daeger motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Breedlove. Vote: all yea.

Tope relayed to Council she and Solicitor Jones will be attending the Ohio Municipal League's 3-hour Certified Training Seminar on Public Records Law. House Bill 9 requires elected official and their designees to acquire 3 hours of public records law education for each term in office. The Attorney General's

Office will be conducting the seminar. Tope encouraged all Council members to obtain their certification. Solicitor Jones noted Tope's attendance will fulfill each member of Paulding Village Council's current term obligation. Mayor White, Councilman Sierer, and Councilwoman Kim Sutton's terms expire at the end of 2007; therefore, the individuals elected to fill those seats (or their designee) will need to attend a training seminar during the 2008-2012 office term. Sutton motioned to name Finance Director Melissa Tope as Paulding Village Council's designee at the October 5<sup>th</sup> Public Records Law Certified Training Seminar, seconded by Jeffery. Vote: all yea.

Mayor White relayed Mayor's Court collected \$778 in the month of September 2007. He also acknowledged Paulding School Board's "thank you" regarding the placement of the Paulding Panther's logo on the new water tower.

Wiebe presented the Administrator's Agenda. The agenda contained two items:

—Request for authorization to assess a residence owned by Ronald and Frances Craig for water, sewer and refuse charges.

—Informed Council that upon review of the Garfield Ave. waterline looping project a dead-end line between Hoover Ave. and Millerpark Drive was not included in the plans. A change order for the connection will be forthcoming.

Rife motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Wiebe noted he, Mayor White, and Winners will be attending a MRBPLG meeting in Findlay.

Jeffery motioned Council move into Executive Session for legal reasons, seconded by Breedlove. Vote: all yea. Council returned to Regular

Session.

Daeger inquired if the grass at 811 Centerfield Drive is being properly maintained. Solicitor Jones noted the property has been transferred to a bank in Michigan. He has left a voicemail message for an individual, but a call has not been returned. The property owner is scheduled to appear in Mayor's Court on October 10 regarding high grass.

The following Committee meetings were scheduled:

—Grounds & Building Committee - Tuesday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m.

—Salary & Allowance Board - Wednesday, October 10 at 5:30 p.m.

Sierer inquired why the Village did not submit a payment request for Scrub-A-Home's UV protection painting on the new water tower. Wiebe noted Scrub-A-Home has not submitted a bill for the UV protection, and believes Maguire Iron has expressed concern that the additional painting should be part of our contract with Maguire and not an agreement with Scrub-

A-Home. Sutton motioned to pay bills, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Daeger motioned to adjourn, seconded by Breedlove.

**ANNUAL POWDER PUFF COMPETITION AT JOHNNY APPELSEED FESTIVAL**

Clear blue skies and unusually warm temperatures of near 90 degrees for October, was the perfect setting for the Antique Tractor Pull during the 2007 Johnny Applesseed Festival on Saturday at Auglaize Village. Pullers from around the area brought their antique tractors to compete for trophies and bragging rights at the annual fall event. Every year one of the highlights of the event is the Powder Puff class where the ladies compete against one another, on the same tractor, to see who has the best driving skills.

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**ANTWERP COUNCIL MEETING**

**By: Sue Knapp**  
Antwerp's Council met on October 15 with everyone present.

Visitors included Tony Langham. Tony presented the Council with the latest on the Antwerp Community Fellowship and Care Campus. Things are progressing well with 32 more assisted living apartments being constructed in the Manor House, a daycare center being planned, an exercise studio to be located in the 'new gym' and a museum to be attached to the Essen House is in the works.

The original CRA needs to be amended because of increases anticipated for full time employment and all the construction and projects going on.

Oley McMichael questioned the trash issue. One question asked was whether the landlords would have to pay a trash bill on a house that isn't rented out. He also was concerned about the outstanding delinquent utility bills.

The average amount delinquent after the 15th of the month on the water bill is \$10,000, the average amount delinquent after the 15th of the month on the sewer bill

is \$8,000, the average amount delinquent after the 15th of the month on the storm bill is \$5,000. The question is, would the Village be able to pay the trash bill with all this money in arrears. Another question, would the residents receive another bill for the trash? The trash pick-up was put on hold.

Jayne Landers introduced herself and informed Council that she is running for Fiscal Officer for Carryall Township.

Jim Pendergrast explained the latest information on the Depot restoration. Although there is hurdles, the grant for restoration will go through. The ACDC's annual meeting is in November and at that time a committee will be formed to overcome these problems and wants the Council to be involved. The ACDC is asking for two Council members to serve on the committee, which will consist of seven people. ACDC agreed to pay the engineering costs and the Village needs to own the land or there won't be any grant.

Denny Brinkman questioned the tree cutting on SR 49. The Council responded that only the trees that will interfere with the sidewalk or is diseased will be taken down. The 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate is for

the cutting down of 18 trees, stump removal and trim is around \$5,900.

Darlene Fillmore talked about the EMS billing. If the Council decides to go with Medi-Count the Village would still have to pay someone to go over the bills before they are sent to Medi-Count. The Council will do more research on this before signing a contract.

Randy Shaffer announced that the new squad was in service. The permanent lettering to be put on the squad has to be decided.

The Police Department has received a \$1,000 grant from Wal-Mart for winter coats and gloves for the Police Department.

Mike Wilhelm and Debra Hellburg were in attendance to observe.

Administer's Report: Shaffer Road Waterline Project; The lowest bid for the project was entered by H&K Construction of \$112,657. The Council will award the project to them.

Charges have not been filed by the Paulding County Health Department yet on the properties on Oswald Street. Scott Figert has agreed to inspect questionable houses. He also includes asbestos and mold detection in his inspections.

ODOT will re-construct portions of E. River on U.S. 24 in 2010. Included will be the replacement of the water line, new sidewalks and landscaping. The area this involves is from SR 49 intersection to the first entrance of Riverside Park. The section of 34W from SR 49 to the Village limits would be resurfaced.

The east side of the Village has had some water problems. EPA discovered the following deficiencies:

aerator plugged with sulfur/gravel, clear well chlorine diffuser corrodated, low chlorine levels were noted at the water plant, new water tower and at various locations on the east side of the village's water distribution system. These problems have been taken care of.

The lift station project is almost done. The lift station equipment has been installed with AEP to extend 3-phase electrical to the site in the next couple of weeks. After AEP has extended the service, the electrical contract on the project will be completed.

Ordinance # 2007-30 - an ordinance amending ordinance # 2001-19 establishing a program to charge a user fee for the delivery of emergency medical rescue services provided by the Village of Antwerp EMS.

Ordinance # 2007-31 - an ordinance authorizing the Fiscal Officer to amend appropriation and declaring it an emergency.

Ordinance # 2007-32 - an ordinance amending the official zoning map of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, specifically, an ordinance amending the zoning classification of real estate located at 111 Diamond Drive from A-1, Agricultural District, to R-1 Single Family District

Ordinance # 2007-33 - An ordinance authorizing the mayor of the village of Antwerp to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the water line improvement repairs on Shaffer Road; and declaring the same as an emergency

Ordinance # 2007-34 - An

ordinance authorizing the Village Fiscal Officer to transfer funds to the police fund in the amount of \$10,000 and declaring the same an emergency.

**MANHATTAN DANCE COMPANY TO PERFORM AT THE HUBER OPERA HOUSE**

HICKSVILLE—Back by popular demand, the Manhattan Dance Company will perform for the second consecutive year at the Huber Opera House and Civic Center in Hicksville on November 4 at 2:00 p.m.

The Manhattan Dance Company is made up of 25 Northwest Ohio women, most over the age of 50, from all walks of life and occupations. They have performed together for more than 15 years. The dance company will perform its annual showcase "We Do It for Kicks."

The Manhattan Dance Company has performed at the Toledo Zoo's "Music Under the Stars" for the last 14 years, for the Veterans Hall of Fame induction ceremony, for the Miss Ohio Pageant, for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, at the Kings Island Theme Park, and at the Eddie Boggs Annual Christmas Show. The dance company works out of the Off Broadway Dance Center in Toledo.

Mark Schnitkey will act as the emcee for the evening. He is a spokesperson for Andersons, Volkswagon, and Discover. Schnitkey has been a professional performer for over 30 years, is a native of Northwest Ohio, and currently lives in Defiance.

There will also be a guest performance by the Junior Dance Company, highlighting all of their young dancers.

Advanced tickets are recommended and may be ordered by calling 419-542-9553 or by stopping by the Huber Opera House and Civic Center in Hicksville on Tuesday or Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCORES**



Antwerp Senior Jared Delong makes a nice catch in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter against Edgerton in Friday night's game. Photo by John Rindahl with more at [www.archerpics.com](http://www.archerpics.com)

On Friday, October 19, area high school football teams took their aggression out on the field.

Antwerp triumphed over Edgerton with a score of 50-16.

Paulding battled for victory, but fell short against Bluffton with a final score of 20-25.

Wayne Trace slid past Holgate with a score of 13-7.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### I will vote No on the operating Levy

A few years ago the Paulding village council and the village administrator invoked a ½% income tax on the people of Paulding for the purpose of paying a 1 million dollar debt down, (how on earth did a small town get to be 1 million dollars in debt while having a village administrator to advise the council) and allocating 25% to the Fire and Police department. The main purpose for the income tax money was to upgrade the water treatment plant. The council said if the income tax passed they wouldn't have to raise the water rates but if it didn't pass they would have to. Earlier this year the village council advised that they would be raising the water rates by 80% over the next four years.

Several people went to the council meeting to object on the water rate being increased. The mayor advised that each one of them could speak for 2 minutes. The third meeting, without any discussion on

the water rates, the council changed it to 60% instead of 80% and the gavel fell.

This November 6, 2007, there will be a levy for current operating expenses replacement with a decrease on the ballot. Now the 2.4-mill levy brings in \$59,000 annually on 1984 valuation, the year the levy was first passed. The 2.4-mill will decrease by 0.4-mill then the levy will be 2.0-mill for five years and will bring in approximately \$93,000 annually, based on 2007 valuation. No one cares about the 0.4-mill decrease but they do care about the 63% increase in money on this levy.

At my age the village income tax, property tax and water rates won't hurt me but it concerns me greatly to think about our children, grandchildren and the next generations for what we will be leaving for them just here in the village. I think the village administrator and the council should look at ways that they can conserve and cut back \$93,000 annually. They should be searching for ways to cut taxes instead of raising them. I believe if the

council would form a committee of village citizens and work on problems and needs as they occur it would be fruitful for them. Choose the committee from the younger generation, the ones that are raising a family now. I believe the council has always used the emergency legislation rule too often. Even this levy was handled as an emergency option and it was known for five years that it had to be renewed this November. I feel that everything should have the three readings as required, invite people to come to the council meetings. I intend to take about 2 minutes (not the two that the mayor gives) and go into the voting booth and vote against the replacement/reduction 2.0-mill levy.

—Den Adams

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### North American Union

September 19-21, 2007 in Denver, CO the Great Plains International met to discuss the Port-to-Plains Trade Corridor project. This project is a transportation corridor that includes a multi-lane interstate for transportation of goods and services from Mexico through Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and Oklahoma. The ultimate goal would be Canada and the Pacific Northwest. There is also another corridor organization called the Trans-Texas Corridor. The plan is simple; build a super highway from Mexico to Canada going right through the United States.

In order to better understand this project, we need to go back to 1992 when President George H.W. Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari initiated the North American Free Trade Agreement, a.k.a. NAFTA. The three countries signed NAFTA in December of 1992, subject to ratifications by the three countries legislatures. In 1993 President Bill Clinton promised to review the agreement he felt was inadequate. President Clinton changed nothing from Bush's original agreement and on January 1, 1995 NAFTA went into effect.

NAFTA eliminated the tariffs on products traded between the U.S., Canada and Mexico. It removed restrictions from many items such as, motor vehicles, computers, textiles, agriculture and investments. It opened the door to many industrial companies to move their operations from the U.S. to Mexico in order to save money on labor.

The North American countries have created a tri-lateral group called the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP). It was launched in March of 2005 to "increase security and enhance prosperity among U.S.,

Canada and Mexico through greater cooperation and information sharing." www.spp.gov. This group has held several secret meetings that are not publicized. The website denies any secrets and will not give any information on what is discussed.

Many critics argue that the transportation corridor, NAFTA, the SPP and the immigration bill are the blueprints for something bigger; a European Union-style merger for the U.S., Canada and Mexico called The North American Union (NAU). The NAU would also create a common currency with the three countries called the Amero.

On October 7, 2007 The Larry King Live show had former Mexican president, Vincente Fox as a guest. Fox confirmed that a one-union currency is already in the works. He also claimed that a one-union continent is planned for a long-term goal. The Council on Foreign Relations documented that the NAU could integrate law enforcement and create a continental perimeter that replaces national boundaries.

Texas Congressman, Dr. Ron Paul (Republican Presidential Candidate), wrote a column a couple years ago about the NAU. This article is posted on his website at www.house.gov/paul. You can read the article and see that he knows something will happen if we allow it to. It is a very interesting article.

Would the NAU really be that bad for this country? YES!!! The 'superhighway' from Mexico to Canada would cost the taxpayers billions of dollars. Eminent domain would exist to a point we could not even imagine. Healthcare would be a mess. What would happen when you combine Canada's government sponsored healthcare with Mexico's absence of healthcare with our privatized, shaky healthcare? The taxpayers would again pay for the healthcare. Our borders would be more open, more accessible to terrorists. Notice a fence has only been erected in Southern California on our border with Mexico. The fence will never happen. Our

economy would collapse. Our U.S. dollar already is a global currency. Any new currency could cause a shift towards the euro or the yen.

President Bush was very adamant about passing the recent immigration bill. He wanted to grant amnesty to all illegals living in the U.S. now. Many believe this was to pave the way for the NAU. Many of the Presidential candidates, running on both sides, have expressed many ideas that fit the NAU game plan. Ask any over-the-road truck driver if they have heard of the superhighway from Mexico to Canada. I guarantee you they have. If our borders become free crossing for all, our jobs are all at risk. It means cheaper labor for many companies and industries. Is this all Bible prophecy? Have we been warned of this and just been too blind to see it? The bottom line is this; if this happens, the U.S. as we know it today will be gone. We won't add two more stars on the flag. Liberty will be a thing of the past that our grandkids will tell their grandkids about when they speak of the "good 'ole days". We won't adopt Canada and Mexico into our system. It won't work that way. It will be a whole new set of rules without our constitution and our sovereignty will be dead. And mother freedom won't be ringing any bells. We will have a new national anthem that will be sung in three languages. And so on.

It is to be regretted that the rich and powerful too

often bend the acts of government to their selfish purposes." Andrew Jackson, 7th President of the U.S.

—Tim Dauten

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

*Editor's Note: This is a letter that Christine West has submitted to our United States government. It is the first in a series of five that she is planning to send.*

October 15, 2007  
Representative(s) in Congress  
United States  
Representative(s)  
Washington, DC 20515  
Christina L. West  
Arthur, Ohio

Dear Sir and Madam Representatives,

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but it is with great urgency that I address my concerns and in doing so I will fashion each position with the lowest degree possible.

In times of discourse most would agree the only remedy to heal an ailing nation would be to reflect upon the stones on which its very foundation was laid upon. Past and present events, directions and crossroads have disintegrated the walls of our democracy. The radiant lights of Liberty are but a blur, shadowed by those who wish for a "Unitary" government. It is here, I will petition each lesion; that they have attached themselves to the fundamental Rights and Liberties causing an intolerable infection to the American sovereignty, American domestic and foreign tranquility, injury to American lives, and an insufferable waste to the American spirit.

Addressing only those transgressions directly with the Executive Office, but not limited to, including the staff, management, respective officers and/or office positions formally and currently held, to which aided the Executive Office. (All events consisted with or provoked by "Natural or Foreign Events" will not have any bearing, only to which that an occurrence of some magnitude transpired. Duly noted; any incident or occurrence created by natural or foreign force are unforeseeable, therefore not accountable, unless otherwise stated.)

It is fully understood, by myself and others, that the matters of State and Nation are to be respected and honored. In doing so, I would like it to be known that, first: as a humble citizen of The United States of America I accept and acknowledge that my knowledge is limited to only that information afforded to me by general avenues and therefore not considered an expert in U.S. affairs; nor am I privy to national matters or U.S. information pertaining to that which lays before your Honors; secondly: charging

an Executive Officer of The United States of America could be considered high treason, but I pledge before you today that I do not charge forth with malice or slander and that my cause to be true and firm. My grandfather, The Honorable Judge James C. Daugherty (OH), was held in very high regard. I would never tarnish his legacy nor sacrifice the freedoms that I so dearly love and enjoy and it is in that spirit that I proceed; third: I take full immunity and reflect upon the I, IX, X Amendments granted to me by The Constitution of The United States of America. By the same token The Declaration of Independence which states, "That all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it." So with sincere fortitude and determination I charge fully.

Most Humbly Yours,  
Christina L. West  
U.S. Citizen

Justice of the quorum, Justice in eye, Justice of oyer, Justice for all!

**Part I**  
"Unitary Executive Branch"

It is deeply troubling to see our nation in such turmoil, but what is even more disturbing is when the people whom you've come to rely on and trust blatantly misuse that which is given to them to secure. In light, our country is relatively new, 220 years old, and throughout our history we have had our hills and valleys. The state of our nation suffers immensely by an infection that attacks its wounds, the very core of our Democracy, yet the cures to aide its recovery are withheld.

I am a natural born citizen of The United States of America. While it is true that my interest in national matters derive partly out of self pres-

ervation it is my brethrens discord that drives my plea, "The conscience state of our nation is under siege and it is my right, my duty, to object to such offenses and to those who have offended them; request that the sovereignty of our nation be restored and that an honest attempt by the People's representatives redress all petitions and grievances that are subject to jus (as defined by law)."

"Cujusque rei potissima pars est principium," meaning, "the chiefest part of everything is the beginning." President G. W. Bush, the 43rd President of The United States of America, (including the staff, management, respective officers and/or office positions formally and currently held, to which aided the Executive Office), have insulted and injured the Commonwealth of The United States of America throughout this administration with no or little provocation. For any purposeful reasons they have escape all sensible meaning.

President Bush asserts that he serves no country, men or cause other than his own. That is, in his own words, "Unitary Executive Branch," which is no more than a well-thought, well-devised system of government that has penetrated and seethed through the very dams of our Democracy; polluting the streams and rivers with nothing more than raw sewage. To think about all that this man has done, nothing more would be so criminal than to permit him to remain so high; that he continue to rein discord and suffering among the American People would in-fact give credence to insufferable policies.

It is this claim and departure that Mr. Bush (and Administration) has set apart from the stones of our Democracy, and it should be the very grounds on which his removal begins.

1. The term "Unitary Executive Branch" is a distinguishable and distinctive form of government, one which is far and apart from the office and oaths that were sworn upon:

—The Constitution of The United States of America, Article II, Sec. 1, par. 8; "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my Ability preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

—The Constitution of The United States of America, Article II, Sec. 3; "he shall take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed, and shall Commission all the Officers of the United States."

—The Constitution of The United States of America, Article IV, Sec. 4; "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence."

—The Constitution of the United States of America, Prelude, "We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union..... do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

—The Declaration of Independence, Prelude; "That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among

Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed," and goes on to say, "...in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States,"

It could not be any clearer that the Founding Fathers of this country established our Democracy in such a way to maintain equitable Government and the power of the People, and in doing so, it gave rise to a "Whole" Nation. By affirming pledge(s), allegiance(s), and/or oath(s) to a "Unitary Government" Mr. George W. Bush, the 43rd President of The United States of America and his respective Administration perjured themselves. <sup>2</sup> "Unitary Government" or "Unitary Executive Branch," one of the same, is defined as: local governing bodies which are restricted to serving as administrative arms of the central authority, which locates an overwhelming concentration of authority in a central government. Unlike that of a "Federal Government" in that it divides the power between a central government and its component states. A Supreme Law of the Land, called a constitution,

defines the duties, rights, and privileges of each level of government. The balance of power between national, state and local governments is carefully spelled out; leaving the power to change or amend the Constitution with the people or their elected representatives.

2. In Bush's January 20, 2001 Inaugural Address he clearly defines his "pre-notion" of "Unitary" involvement into our sound sovereign government with full-intent to deceive the American People:

a. "slave-holding society that became a servant of freedom"

b. "American story--a story of flawed and fallible people, united across the generations by grand and enduring ideals"

c. "America's faith in freedom and democracy was a rock in a raging sea. Now it is a seed upon the wind, taking root in many nations."

3. President Bush issued 435 statements in his first term using the term "Unitary Executive" 95 times. By doing so he has laid a solid foundation on his stance with regard to his power, in that it will, for purposes intended, stand above all.

<sup>3</sup> According to Dr. Christopher S. Kelly, Professor of

Political Science at the Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, previous congressional limits on the presidency led "some very creative people" in the White House and Department of Justice Office of Legal Counsel attempt to foil or reduce these limits. Of course the President has a duty not to undermine his own office and is bound by his oath of office and the "Take Care clause," which in turn require him

As Findlaw columnist Edward Lazarus recently showed, the President does not have unlimited executive authority, not even as Commander-in-Chief of the military. Our government was purposely created with power split between three branches, not concentrated in one.

Separation of powers, then, is not simply a talisman: It is the foundation of our system. James Madison wrote in The Federalist Papers, No. 47, that: "The accumulation of all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary, in the same hands, whether of one, a few, or many, and whether hereditary, self-appointed, or elective, may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny."

Another early American, George Nicholas, eloquently

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articulated the concept of "power divided" in one of his letters: The most effectual guard which has yet been discovered against the abuse of power is the division of it. It is our happiness to have a constitution which contains within it a sufficient limitation to the power granted by it, and also a proper division of that power. But no constitution affords any real security to liberty unless it is considered as sacred and preserved inviolate; because that security can only arise from an actual and not from a nominal limitation and division of power. It seems a nominal limitation and division of power - with real power concentrated solely in the "unitary executive" - is exactly what President Bush seeks. His signing statements make the point quite clearly, and his overt refusal to follow the laws illustrates that point: In Bush's view, there is no actual limitation or division of power; it all resides in the executive.

Thomas Paine wrote in Common Sense: "In America, the law is king. For as in absolute governments the King is law, so in free countries the law ought to be king; and there ought to be no other." The unitary executive doctrine conflicts with Paine's principle - one that is fundamental to our constitutional system. If Bush can ignore or evade laws, then the law is no longer king. Americans need to decide whether we are still a country of laws - and if we are, we need to decide whether a President who has determined to ignore or evade the law has not acted in a manner contrary to his trust as President and subversive of constitutional government.

4. The cries from across this vast nation, stemming from top leading government officials to simple citizens, such as me, are screaming for a full examination of the administration, yet the halls of justice ring empty. One of the Founding Fathers feared such a day, a time when the possibility of an executive would in-fact penetrate the dams of Democracy, "Hamilton wrote:

"Schemes to subvert the liberties of a great community REQUIRE TIME to mature them for execution. An army, so large as seriously to menace those liberties, could only be formed by progressive augmentations; which would suppose, not merely a temporary combination between the legislature and executive, but a continued conspiracy for a series of time. Is it probable that such a combination would exist at all? Is it probable that it would be persevered in, and transmitted along through all the successive variations in a representative body, which biennial elections would naturally produce in both houses? Is it presumable, that every man, the instant he took his seat in the national Senate or House of Representatives, would commence a traitor to his constituents and to his country? Can it be supposed that there would not be found one man, discerning enough to detect so atrocious a conspiracy, or bold or honest enough to apprise his constituents of their danger? If such presumptions can fairly be made, there ought at once to be an end of all delegated authority. The people should resolve to recall all the powers

they have heretofore parted with out of their own hands, and to divide themselves into as many States as there are counties, in order that they may be able to manage their own concerns in person."

"But it is an evil infinitely less likely to attend us in a united than in a disunited state; nay, it may be safely asserted that it is an evil altogether unlikely to attend us in the latter situation. It is not easy to conceive a possibility that dangers so formidable can assail the whole Union, as to demand a force considerable enough to place our liberties in the least jeopardy, especially if we take into our view the aid to be derived from the militia, which ought always to be counted upon as a valuable and powerful auxiliary. But in a state of disunion (as has been fully shown in another place), the contrary of this supposition would become not only probable, but almost unavoidable. PUBLIUS."

The Federalist Papers, Number 62 (Madison):

"First. It is a misfortune incident to republican government, though in a less degree than to other governments, that those who administer it may forget their obligations to their constituents, and prove unfaithful to their important trust. In this point of view, a senate, as a second branch of the legislative assembly, distinct from, and dividing the power with, a first, must be in all cases a salutary check on the government. It doubles the security to the people, by requiring the concurrence of two distinct bodies in schemes of usurpation or perfidy, where the ambition or corruption of one would otherwise be sufficient."

In times of political discourse the Founding Fathers gave you, The Legislative Branch, the powers to prevail. President Bush has demonstrated an arrogant total disregard to the nation's policies, laws, and general will of the People. Today is not soon enough; Tomorrow will be too late; you are the People's last defense against this tyrant.

"Thomas Paine writes, "That men mean distinct and separate things when they speak of constitutions and of governments, is evident; or, why are those terms distinctly and separately used? A constitution is not the act of a government, but of a people constituting a government; and government without a constitution, is power without a right."

Part I of V C.L. West Arthur, OH

<sup>1</sup> Black's Law Dictionary (Fifth Edition), page 341

<sup>2</sup>Basic Principles of American Government, Sanford and Green, Pg. 10, 3 par.

<sup>3</sup>-Sentence excerpt from The Unitary Executive: Is The Doctrine Behind the Bush Presidency Consistent with a Democratic State?

By JENNIFER VAN BERGEN [http://writ.news.findlaw.com/commentary/20060109\\_bergen.html](http://writ.news.findlaw.com/commentary/20060109_bergen.html)

<sup>4</sup> The Federalist Papers, The Federalist No. 26, Hamilton, pg.70-75

<sup>5</sup> A Great Improvisation, Franklin, France, and the Birth of America, Beaumarchais, Half the Truth is Often a Great Lie 1776-1777, Stacy Schiff

<sup>6</sup> Rights of Man Common Sense, Thomas Paine

**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": DO YOU HAVE THE RIGHT INGREDIENTS??**



**Cassandra Martinez (left) a junior from Van Wert and Shantel Bowen (right) a senior from Lincolnview in the Vantage Culinary Arts program, show off the decorative platescape desserts they prepared in the lab.**

All recipes list ingredients. Does your "recipe for success" include Vantage?? The Cup and Saucer Restaurant at Vantage serves as the learning lab for students enrolled in the two-year Culinary Arts program. Students arrive in the kitchen with very little or no experience. By the time they graduate, they have experienced many different aspects of restaurant management, including front of the house (hospitality and cashing) as well as meal planning, preparation and serving. This program concentrates on preparing students for careers in hospitality and restaurant services, but is a practical life skills program too. For those students planning to continue their education in chef training or restaurant management, it serves as an excellent introductory experience.

Students in the Vantage Food Careers program concentrate on the development of skills and attitudes necessary for successful employment in the food service industry. Food preparation skills needed by grill and entrée cooks are taught, while the students also learn how to plan and prepare meals and store food products. They focus on larger quantity servings of delicious food.

Both classes recently had the opportunity to attend the Sysco Food Show in Columbus. Students were able to talk with manufacturers of the different food items they use in the daily operation of the kitchen.

Most food distributors were happy to hand out samples of their newest tasty tidbits to the students. Among the many demonstrations going on, two student-favorites were ice sculpting and garde manger (a French term referring to the task of preparing and presenting cold foods in a creative and decorative fashion). Jeff Prowant, a junior Culinary Arts student from Continental said, "The garde manger demo was awesome!

His demonstration of flowers and animals cut from fruits and vegetables impressed us so much that we bought the video."

While in Columbus, the students were also able to visit the Columbus Culinary Institute. The Columbus Culinary Institute at Bradford School is a post-secondary school known for providing a high-quality culinary education in a hands-on environment. The Culinary Arts program there offers students the opportunity to work with and learn from professional chefs in the state-of-the-art kitchen facilities. Students were given a guided tour of the culinary area, where they observed students in action. A question and answer session by the head chef followed the tour. "We were shocked to see the size of their kitchens!" said Katie Pavel, a Ft. Jennings senior in the Vantage Culinary Arts program. "We could only dream of kitchens like that. They had so much equipment available to work on."

Students in the Vantage Culinary Arts and Food Careers programs are getting experience in the kitchen and in running the "Cup and Saucer" restaurant. The restaurant just opened a few days a week for the Vantage staff as the students sharpen their skills before opening to the public for lunch.

Preparations are already underway for the annual Thanksgiving Feast luncheon cooked by students in the Culinary Arts program at Vantage. It will be held on Thursday, November 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and will include a sumptuous buffet of salads, meats, vegetables, breads and desserts. Reservations are necessary for this special event. To reserve your spot, call 419-238-5411 ext. 130.

The Culinary Arts class will also be assisting the Peony Festival Committee at their fundraiser on Thursday, October 25. A Mexican dinner

will be served from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the Cup and Saucer restaurant. Tickets may be purchased from any committee member or by calling Bob Exline at 419-238-6223. Carry outs will also be available. This year, the Cup and Saucer Restaurant is open to the public for lunch on a limited basis, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Please call for a schedule and a reservation. If you would like more information about the Culinary Arts or Food Careers programs, please call 419-238-5411 ext. 130.

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The Career Day Story Times are free and are open to children, three years of age or older. The programs will be based upon Mercer Mayer's Little Critter career books. Little Critter tries out several pretend careers including cowboy, doctor, police officer, astronaut, and fire fighter. In addition to the Little Critter career stories, there will be Little Critter movies, activities, songs, crafts, and a career parade.

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**DOG NEWS: WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO**

We are Friends of the Paulding County Dog Shelter. We are a not-for-profit, all volunteer dog rescue group who has been EXTREMELY busy this year saving our local dogs from euthanasia. I even hesitated to use the "euthanasia" word but its the cold hard truth. So far this year we have saved 98 dogs from our pound plus an additional 52 dogs that were intercepted from going into the pound from owner surrenders. That's a whop-

ping 150 dogs from January this year to present. Yeah, we know, that's a lot of dogs. I think we have a serious pet over population problem. Too many unwanted dogs and not enough homes.

We have vaccinated, wormed, treated them for heartworm, had mammary tumors removed, and skin conditions treated. We have provided vet care for dogs with embedded collars, hit by car and emaciated. We have took in the abandoned pups who are not socialized and think humans are from another planet. Ever met one of them? They are a real eye opener. I could go on and on about what we do for these homeless dogs, but by now I am sure you get the picture.

We are a group of very dedicated, compassionate volunteers who are making a difference in our county with the homeless and abandoned canines. Our next fund raiser will be Pet Picture Day with Santa on Saturday, November 17. Watch this paper for details and info.

But for now, what can you do to help? We urgently need donations. Right now it cost us \$25 per dog to get them out of the pound and we are also very low on vetting money. Donations large or small can be mailed to: Lynne Mansfield, 2187 CR 144, Antwerp, Ohio 45813 or directly to the pound at Paulding County Dog Shelter, 13387 US 127, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

We need transporters: Have dog, will travel. A network of all volunteer drivers from Paulding County fetches the canine orphans and takes them to a place of hope.

Transports are actually relays, well-planned trips that can cover a few miles or hundreds of miles. A driver takes an animal x miles, then turns it over to the next driver. And so on, for hours or sometimes days. Coordinators plan things down to the mile, to the minute. They plot hand over locations and pass on details, like the color of your vehicle and cell phone numbers. One of the large dog transport groups we are

now affiliated with is featured in the November issue of a national magazine called Dog Fancy. The name of the group is called Stop the Suffering and the magazine is on the news stand now. We are proud to be part of that transport group.

Celina, Maumee, Waterville and Fort Wayne, Indiana are the major transport areas at this time. Want to help transport? Call me.

We need local dog "pullers". There is many times a dog needs removed from the dog pound and one of us can't get there. I need someone local who is willing to pick up a dog from the pound, take it to the vet's office in Paulding and drop it off at a foster home. All of these locations are in the Paulding area and most generally are done M - F daytime hours.

We need two more foster homes. The foster home provides a safe and temporary home. Anyone have an empty outside pen with dog house we can use to put a dog in? You feed, water and take care of

until it leaves on a transport. Average length of stay can be anywhere from 2 - 9 days.

Last but not least, please don't read this and think you can take your unwanted dog to the pound and we will save it. The truth is we don't and can't save them all. Purebred labs and lab mixes are the hardest dogs to help. Shelters are loaded with them and there is not enough rescue groups willing to take them. Spay and neuter your dog, it makes our job so much easier!

—Lynne Mansfield  
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**ROBIN WEIRAUCH CHALLENGES REPUBLICAN ON SCHIP**

NAPOLEON, OH—When President Bush vetoed the bill expanding SCHIP, Democratic congressional candidate Robin Weirauch couldn't believe it.

Today Weirauch's campaign is releasing a web ad entitled "Disbelief" on YouTube

emphasizing her commitment to expanding the program.

The ad can be viewed at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nxq3OuN7WXA>

"While Bob Latta and Steve Buehrer are focused on tearing each other down, I'm focused on the issues that matter to working families," asserts Weirauch.

"Where would the Republican candidates be on this critical issue? Would they side with the bipartisan coalition fighting for children or with the President who denies them care? Voters deserve to know."

Robin Weirauch, 50, grew up in Henry County, Ohio and graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1975. She went on to earn her degree in Business Administration from Bowling Green State University where she later earned a Masters in Public Administration. Weirauch previously served as the Assistant Director of the Center for Regional Development at Bowling Green State University from 1998 to 2006. The center provides economic and community development research and assistance to communities in 27 counties across northern Ohio.

Weirauch has been married for 30 years to Bruce Weirauch, a recently-retired 21-year veteran of the Napoleon Police Department.

They are members of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Wauseon, where they were married. The Weirauchs make their home in rural Napoleon.

In 2004 and 2006, Weirauch was the Democratic nominee for Congress in Ohio's Fifth District.

**CHRISTMAS TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP AT THE LIBRARY**

HICKSVILLE—Has technology slipped past you? Are you having trouble figuring out what your children or grandchildren want for Christmas? Do you have trouble setting up your cell phone? Then join us on Thursday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial Library and catch up on the latest technology and get a preview of what your children or grandchildren may want for Christmas.

The Christmas Technology Workshop is free and is open to everyone. The workshop is sponsored by the Friends of the Hicksville Library. It will be led by Youth Services Librarian Dustin Harris. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Hicksville Library.

For more information on the Christmas Technology Workshop or the Friends of the Hicksville Library, please call the Johnson Memorial Library at 419-542-6200.

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES SCHEDULED FOR PAULDING MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL**

Parent-Teacher Conferences for the Paulding High School and Middle School will be held on Thursday, November 8 and Tuesday, November 13 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Please plan to attend. You may call the respective offices to schedule appointments with teachers. There will be school on Friday, November 9, but no school on Wednesday, November 21.

**THE GREAT PAULDING COUNTY DEBATE**

The JAIL has been a topic of concern for some Paulding County residents and much has been spoken about it. Many are asking questions, but aren't sure who to ask them to.

You can now have your question directed to Ron Lane or Brad Dysinger in this live PUBLIC debate!

Mail your questions to: DEBATE • P.O. Box 1008 • Antwerp, OH 45813 or email [westbendnews.net](mailto:westbendnews.net) Questions must pertain to the jail!

**DATE: Thursday, October 25th, 2007**

**TIME: 7:30 p.m.**

**PLACE: Paulding County Fairgrounds, OSU Extension Building**

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**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Paulding County Commissioners meet in regular session on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

The Commissioners and Sheriff David Harrow reviewed the funding for operation of the new jail. The existing operating levy expires at the end of 2007. Harrow noted that it has been reported before that the funds have been maintained in a special account. These funds have been used exclusively on the new jail. The current levy will be expiring soon. The levy request at the November election will allow for the continued operation and maintenance of the new jail.

The proposed removal of logjams along the Flat Rock Creek continues to generate questions. Most phone calls are from individuals living within the boundaries of Payne and Paulding. Their questions are understandable as they receive water and sewer services from the village systems. However, their storm water, the same as water draining from a farm field, eventually drains into the Flat Rock Creek. Ohio law requires that all affected property owners be notified, thus the letters to these individuals.

Ohio law also specifies the manner to notify individuals at each step along the process. Some notices must be sent by mail, requiring more than 3,000 separate pieces of mail. Whereas other notices in the process may be a newspaper advertisement. These rules were established to insure that no one involved would be missed. Ohio law also establishes the amount of money the petitioner must deposit to cover the costs of preparing for and conducting the hearings. As this project is so large Ohio law required a \$11,000.00 deposit. Dr. Snyder paid \$10,000.00 and the Village of Payne added \$1,000.00. This money was placed in a special account

and some of it is used for the costs of associated with the preliminary steps. In the event that the process would go past the first hearing, the petitioner would have all of their deposit returned. The costs incurred are then added to the assessments of the affected landowners if the petition proceeds to the second hearing.

It is the right of Dr. Snyder and the Village of Payne to submit the petition to request a study of cleaning the logjams. The Commissioners are assigned the responsibility of hearing reports from the County Engineer as well as public comments before a decision is made. County Commissioners, staff in the Commissioner's Office and in the Engineer's Office have been answering questions and will continue to do so. The Commissioner's Office also has the file including legal references and all information submitted on the petition. Further information will be available at the meeting scheduled for October 24 at 10:00 a.m. at the OSU Extension Center.

Doug Dunakin and Bud Henke are the two county citizens appointed by Judge John David Webb to substitute for Tony Burkley and Ed Straley. Dunakin and Henke met with the Commissioners to discuss their role. The conversation dealt primarily with the correct procedures for the viewing and the first hearing. It was noted that the viewing usually could take place at the point along a regular ditch to be cleaned where landowners can observe the proposal. The Flat Rock, also called the Flat Rock Interstate Ditch No. 777, is some 36 miles in length in Paulding County. The County Engineer's Office is preparing a slide presentation for the 'viewing' to provide an overview of the logjams. Commissioner Marty Harmon stated that he appreciates the willingness of Dunakin and Henke to take on the responsibility of conducting the viewing and following hearings.

**ANTWERP POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDED GRANT**



Recently the Antwerp Police Department was awarded a \$1,000.00 dollar grant from the Defiance Walmart for the purchase of equipment for the Police Department.

On October 17, 2007, Pam

Smith, representative of the Defiance Walmart, presented officers Garry Smiddy and Eric Brubaker of the Antwerp Police Department with the check for \$1,000.00.

**WESTERN BUCKEYE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVES FY08 APPROPRIATIONS**

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 11, 2007 in the Van Wert ESC Board office. Board President Mr. Ron Treece welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

The Board members approved the agenda for the evening, which included several personnel items for the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) located in Lima. The Western Buckeye ESC serves as fiscal agent for NOACSC, which provides computer software support services for over 50 school districts in Northwest Ohio.

The Board approved the FY08 appropriations document as presented by Treasurer Mrs. Linda Clark. The appropriations included the budgets for two new recently approved grants written by WB ESC personnel. The two news grants include an Ohio Department of Education Duel Credit Grant that was written for the Region 1 Advisory Council, and a Paulding County TANF Grant for after school tutoring for selected students. The FY08 appropriations totaling \$11,692,119.64 includes \$5,472,715.20 in grants and NOACSC funds that the WB ESC manages as part of its operations.

In the business portion of the meeting, the Board:

- \*\*Approved the minutes from the regular September 13, 2007 meeting.
- \*\*Approved the September financial reports as present by Treasurer Mrs. Linda Clark.
- \*\*Employed Rhonda J. Burroughs as a Speech Language Pathologist, 1 year contract - 159 days per prorated salary schedule (M+30/ 8 yr exp), effective 10/1/2007 in association with the OMNI Program.
- \*\*Approved a depository agreement with Huntington National Bank for the period of 9/22/07 through 8/31/09.
- \*\*Approved Linda Clark, Treasurer and Kristine Stuart, Assistant Treasurer as Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board designees to attend required Public Records

Training.

\*\*Approved a Family Medical Leave for Rosanah Foster for the period of October 8, 2007 to January 4, 2008.

\*\*Approved ASCD annual membership for Karla Treece.

\*\*Approved the following NOACSC action items:

- A. Approved the final FY08 NOACSC budget as presented.
- B. Approved a NOACSC Fund transfer of \$90,000 from the NOACSC General Fund to the NOACSC EMIS Fund.
- C. Approved a NOACSC agreement with law firm Womble Carlyle Sandridge for \$3500 for Erate consulting.
- D. Approved a NOACSC agreement with Jeff Wyatt for Local DASL Development at a rate of \$45 per hour as needed.
- E. Accepted the resignation of NOACSC employee Nik Landauer from DASL State Support, effective 8/17/2007.

F. Employed Jennifer Simon for the NOACSC position of Student Services Liaison-DASL State Support, 1 year contract per NOACSC salary schedule (Bach/0exp)prorated, effective 9/24/2007.

G. Employed Sharon Lawley as NOACSC Manager of Office/Fiscal Services, 1 year administrative contract as presented with salary set by (Continued on Page 20)

Hawthorn Court is in need of a couple of part-time Activity Assistants and the Laundry Dept. is in need of part time help. If interested please stop at the Facility and fill out an application. 1017 West Wayne St., Paulding, Ohio 45879, Ph: 419-399-4940

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
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**ANTIQUES - AUTO MEMORABILIA - ADVERTISING**  
 LOCATION: LOCATION: 133 W. High St., Hicksville, OH.  
 AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Budd Smith was a well known & respected businessman in the automobile, hardware & furniture business for many years. Mr. Smith was also co-owner of L. Smith & Son in Antwerp, OH & the following items offered at auction are a condensed list of his personal property collected over his lifetime. . . \*\*  
**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES:** Furniture: walnut Duncan Phyfe parlor sofa; 6 walnut caned bottom chairs; tall walnut 6 drawer chest made for Carma Rowe by her father; solid cherry dresser & mirror; wicker rocker, chaise lounge & couch; 8 oak plank bottom bent wood chairs; oak desk chair; oak rocker; 8 oak chairs; tall record cabinet from the Palace of Sweets; 2 child's chairs; cane top child's stool; painted oak step back cupboard top; step back cupboard top w/ glass doors; parlor table; Tell City tanbar oak dining table w/ leaves, 4 chairs & kitchen stool; art deco cast iron smoking stand; sm. cast iron parlor stove; ornate gold framed mirror; **Automotive Memorabilia:** automotive literature from 1980's & 90's; '59 Pontiac award; parts catalogs & service manuals for AMC, Hudson, Buick, & Pontiac; Ohio license plates; advertising; Guns: Winchester .22 cal. model 290; Daisy BB gun model 95; metal gun locker; Clocks & Pocket Watches: Hamilton Sangamo electric wall clock from Park Murphy's Jewelry store; Shultz carriage clock & anniversary clock; Seth Thomas mantle clock; Black Forest cuckoo clock; Hampden 17 jewel, Illinois 11 jewel & Waltham pocket watches; Radios: Radiola; Philco early transistor; radio tubes; other misc. radios; **Glass & Pottery:** Weller Woodcraft fox trio planter; 6" Weller matte yellow vase; McCoy triple Lily vase; jardiniere; Wedgwood vase; Dresden lace miniature figurine; porcelain toothbrush holder; English ironstone; powder jar; Gorham crystal vases; pink stemware; Kentucky Derby glasses; painted plates; Lenox pieces; 60's pop art canister set; Misc: National cash register & candy scales from Palace of Sweets; framed paintings by Edith Smith; Hicksville Presbyterian church plate; 20 Hixonians; 19?? Antwerp Exchange Bank calendar; GAR flag pole stands from Sherwood School; jeweler's balance scale on oak box; fountain pens; oil lamps; wall oil lamp bracket w/ mercury reflector; compasses; horn handled carving set; chrome Hamilton & Sunbeam standing mixers; Lucite frames; pyrography boxes; baskets; linens; buttons; skelton keys; matchbooks; political buttons; RCA Victor dealer cups; plastic Coke cartons; egg baskets; chicken waterer; milk box; glass washboard; chimney covers; sheep bell; Van Camp Hdwe gas can; Niehoff Ignition display box; Stanley folding ruler; WWII AAF life jacket & gas mask; pocket knives; deer skin; record albums; Wapak sad iron; 1871 Bunyan's Complete Works; 1855 London Illustrated News; movie posters; **HOUSEHOLD:** Furniture: cherry desk w/ file cabinet; Ethan Allen tri-fold screen & maple computer station; blue Lazyboy recliner; Queen Ann end table; rattan couch; wing back chair; entertainment cabinet; 5 PC. maple bedroom set; double bed w/ bookcase headboard; table lamps; file cabinet; Haas hickory kitchen cabinets; **TV & Appliances:** Frigidaire heavy duty washer & dryer; Whirlpool 18 cu. ft. refrigerator; Frigidaire electric range; Zenith 26" console stereo TV; Sylvania 14" TV; new 8,000 BTU air conditioner; GE undercounter TV/radio; microwave; Misc: Sears 1HP air compressor; Homelite chain saw & weed-eater; McCullough generator; Simplicity push mower; kerosene heater; electric heaters; Bearcat 210 XL scanner; Simplicity garden tractor wagon; cordless drill; step ladders; oxygen generator; blood pressure monitor; fire extinguisher; ice cream freezer; bedding; costume jewelry; jewelry & music boxes; Christmas decorations; books; misc. & antique hand tools; more items being added daily (some items consigned by the children).  
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# SOUP SUPPER PLANNED AT AUG- LAIZE FIRE DE- PARTMENT

The Auglaize Fire Department Auxiliary will be hosting a Soup Supper at Auglaize Fire Department at the corner of SR 637 and Rd. 169 on Saturday, November 3. They will be serving from 4:00 through 7:00 p.m.

The menu for the evening includes our famous chili and chicken noodle soup, sandwiches and pie.

# FAST PITCH SOFTBALL CLINIC HOSTED BY PAYNE BALL ASSOCIATION

The Payne (Ohio) Ball Association will be hosting a fast-pitch softball pitching and hitting clinic on November 3 and 4. Hitting and pitching clinics will be held for beginner to intermediate players on November 3 with a more advanced session for older players on November 4.

The clinic will be presented by Mr. Bob Pelle, who is known both nationally and internationally for his softball expertise. Mr. Pelle has worked several former USA Olympic team members as well as many college athletes.

For more information, please contact Kevin Wannemacher (419-263-0805) or Mike Krouse (419-263-1393). Information may also be obtained on the website at [www.payneball.com](http://www.payneball.com).

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# KNITTING & CROCHETING GROUP FORMING AT THE LIBRARY

**HICKSVILLE—The Teen Advisory Group** will be forming a monthly Knitting & Crocheting Group on Tuesday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial Library.

The Knitting & Crocheting Group is free and is open to everyone interested in knitting or crocheting or anyone who is interested in learning the two crafts. The teens may be organizing the group, but they welcome individuals of all ages and skill levels.

The groups will meet every month on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial Library. Group members are encouraged to bring along the knitting or crocheting project that they are currently working on or a project that they would like to begin. The groups will be facilitated by Teen Advisory Group Members and library volunteers Naomi Barkman and Natasha Tonneas.

For more information on the monthly Knitting & Crocheting Group, please call the Johnson Memorial Library at 419-542-6200.

# BE THE CHANGE: BECOME A 4-H VOLUNTEER

The Ohio State University Extension of Paulding County is seeking volunteers to lead and educate local youth through the 4-H Youth Development programs. 4-H is a non-formal, youth development program that is offered to young people in kindergarten to age 19. Volunteer opportunities include working with after-school programs and starting neighborhood based 4-H clubs. The time commitment for volunteers can be one-time or ongoing of a minimum of one hour each week. Youth in Paulding County can benefit from volunteers by building positive relationships with caring adults and developing life skills through hands-on activities. Call for information at 419 399-8225 and ask for Sylvania.

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**4 BEDROOMS AND 4 BATHS AND SOOOOO MUCH ROOM.** Beautiful park like setting offers quiet country solitude with shaded river front access. Nice landscaping, blacktop drive, great floor plan, 3 car attached garage, fantastic deck & patio with hot tub and features 2 outbuildings. All this sits on 6.62 acres. Great space for living, entertaining and more. #4615612

**INNOVATIVE FARMERS OF OHIO OFFERS PROGRAM TO BEGINNING FARMERS**

TOLEDO—Opportunities exist in farming especially for those who respond to the growing consumer interest in healthy food and stewardship of natural resources. A range of Ohioans have started or hope to start a farm. Often passionate for farming, these beginning farmers face formidable challenges not only in gaining access to land and in financing their dreams, but also in finding good mentors, developing new networks, identifying high quality information sources, and securing learning opportunities customized to their needs for new production and business knowledge and skills and to their time-sensitive availability.

Beginning farmers are not only people at early stages of their working lives, but also mid-career changers and those retired from another occupation. Others are experienced farmers either beginning to assume primary responsibility for an intergenerational farm or beginning major changes in production or market-

ing practices to achieve increased sustainability.

IFO announces a third program of Wisdom in the Land, a USDA-North Central Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)-funded program for beginning farmers. Since its launching in November 2006, the program now serves more than 20 farmers, matching participants with mentors; providing stipends for books, educational fees, and transportation; delivering seminars and workshops customized to a group's unique learning needs (see www.ifoh.org for upcoming events open to all interested farmers).

Beginning farmers are invited to apply to Wisdom in the Land 2008, a 9-day program of small group conversations with mentors, on-farm mentoring, advisory discussions with other beginning farmers in Ohio, a seminar selected by participants, and a networking event with providers of farm services of high interest to participating farmers.

To request an application, call 1-800-372-6092, ext. 3 or email sharon@ifoh.org. Applications will be ac-

cepted through December 15 from 20 farmers.

According to Sylvia Zimmerman, IFO Board President, nationally half of all current farmers are likely to retire in the next decade and young entry-level farmers are not replacing them at the same rate. Without new farmers land will concentrate in large farms. Now is the chance to shift to a more sustainable system of agriculture by focusing training, resources, and research on smaller farmers, those inheriting farms, and on mid-sized family farms. Ohio is represented on the Senate Agriculture Committee by its own Sherrod Brown. All of us should be advocating for the components of the 2007 Farm Bill that improve opportunities for beginning farmers.

Sharon Sachs, Ph.D., who manages Wisdom in the Land, reports that statistics from the 2002 Census of Agriculture indicate that there were more beginning farmers in the northeast and southwest regions of Ohio compared to other regions. While Wisdom in the Land 2008 targets farmers central Ohio where the program will operate, Sachs highlights 15 counties in and around central Ohio because of their reported numbers of beginning farmers, specifically, Ashland, Champaign, Coshocton, Delaware, Fairfield, Greene, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Logan, Miami, Morrow, Muskingum, Richland, and Union.

Advisors for this program are Bruce Benedict, Ohio Department of Agriculture; John Ellerman, Ohio Farm-

ers Union; Carol Goland, Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association (OEFFA); Bob Hendershot, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS); Chris Henney, Ohio Farm Bureau; Mike Hogan, OSU Extension; Nancy Reger, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission; and Deborah Stinner, OSU Ohio Agriculture Research and Development Center (OARDC).

**About Innovative Farmers of Ohio**

Innovative Farmers of Ohio, founded in 1993, is a membership-based farmer organization dedicated to the advancement of sustainable agriculture in Ohio.

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Board at \$70,000, effective 7/1/2007, and to accept her resignation from her classified continuing contract.

H. Accepted the resignation of Sharon Lawley for the purpose of retirement, effective 11/30/2007.

I. Approved the NOACSC CIP as presented and to submit it to ODE by the 10/1/2007, 2007 deadline.

J. Approved the NOACSC Information Technology Security Policy as presented.

K. Approved the NOACSC Data Retention Policy as presented.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center is on November 8, 2007 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Paulding ESC Office.

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