

MR. AND MRS. DON SHAFFER CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Photo by Memory Lane Studio

Mr. and Mrs. Don Shaffer of Cecil will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in February. Don and Sharon (Straley) were married February 16, 1957, at the Antwerp United Methodist Church, Antwerp, by Reverend Joseph

Turner.

They are the parents of three children: Mrs. Tammy (Mike) Johans of Paulding, Donnie (Linda) Shaffer of Mount Washington, KY, and Jody Shaffer of Antwerp. They have six grandchildren and two step-grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.

The Shaffer's will celebrate their anniversary with a mass at St. Michael Catholic Church, Hicksville, on Saturday, February 17, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. with an open house at the Hicksville Eagles, Hicksville, Ohio, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Oakwood Fire Dept. for all the fun at the "Fireman Frenzy." A special thanks to my sister, who started the idea, to Ron & Tom for helping get it started. Thanks to our shadow waitresses, mom, Ashley and Pam. Also, to the cooks, Tiffany, Opal, & Mary and Chaley for doing dishes. The fireman were a great group of people who did an excellent job!

—Wendy, Uncle Fudd's Diner

LOCAL FACILITY ADVOCATES EDUCATION AND FALL PREVENTION STRATEGIES FOR ELDERLY

Fall related injuries are the leading cause of injury, death and disabilities among older adults according to the National Institutes of Health. It is estimated that one in four people over the age of 65 who live at home will fall during the next year. The most serious fall injury is hip fracture with one half of all older adults hospitalized for hip fractures never regaining their former level of function.

To call attention to risk factors involved in falls, especially during the winter months when weather and icy conditions can contribute to falls, Hawthorn Court skilled nursing center is sponsoring a month-long Fall Facts and Prevention educational series at its facility in Paulding. Hawthorn Court is making available to the public free brochures and information relating to improving balance and strategies for preventing falls. In addition, the facility is sponsoring a free seminar on February 8, 2007 where professionals will present exercises for improving balance and ideas for making the home environment safer.

According to John Parsons, administrator at Hawthorn Court, effective fall prevention requires a multifaceted approach that encompasses improvement of strength and balance; home modifications to reduce hazards and medication as-

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A NEW LOOK, NEW FORMAT FOR PAULDING CHAMBER ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BANQUET

It's out with the old and in with the new. The Paulding Chamber of Commerce has decided to retire its annual breakfast in favor of a new, and exciting event to celebrate its successes and its member-investors.

The first annual Paulding Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held on Friday, February 9, at the Paulding Eagles. The evening's events begin with a networking reception featuring hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at 6 p.m., followed by a steak or pork chop dinner at 7:00 p.m.

The program will include raffle prizes, door prizes, 50/50 drawing, member-investor recognition, and entertainment. The featured speakers will be Glenda Ferris (Curves) and Ann Miller (Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool).

"We hope to make this one of the most eagerly anticipated events of the year," said Deb Adams, who became chairman of the chamber board January 1. "For many years, we've held an annual breakfast meeting, but not everyone is available to attend an early morning event. We have over 200 members and wanted to create something memorable for everyone to enjoy. Right now, we have close to 200 reservations."

She continued, "The chamber had a great year in 2006. We have a lot to celebrate, plus many things that will be happening in 2007."

CORRECTION FROM THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

The news release issued on January 18, listing February blood donation opportunities contained incorrect information concerning blood types and blood type matches as they relate to the African American community. Blood is provided wherever and whenever needed regardless of race, creed, religion or nationality.

SIXTH TOWNSHIP FLAG IN A SERIES



Flag six in my series of township flags is for Paulding Township. Flag designer Ann Dysinger's finished product was adopted by Trustees Jay Dangler, Paul Hill, Mike Kauser and fiscal officer Jane Buchman.

St. Paul Lutheran Church dominates the center of the red flag, which also features a coat-of-arms, with ears of corn and two pheasants on each side, and a white banner across the top. The name of the township is centered between shafts of wheat, with the organizing year of 1851 shown at the flag's bottom.

The only local church owned by a Township, St.

Paul Lutheran Church is located on Twp Rd. 114, 4 miles SW of Paulding Village, and is only used for special occasions. The flag's pheasants represent a time long ago when they were so plentiful that our county for a time was the "hot spot" for pheasant hunting in the U.S.'s eastern portion. As most of Paulding Township was farmed, the wheat and corn depicted are to denote the flourishing agricultural community.

Occupying the center of Paulding County, this township was the most populated, being settled in 1842 on the Flatrock Creek by a squat-

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WAYNE TRACE FOOTBALL FACILITY RECEIVES GENEROUS DONATION



The Paulding VFW Post 587 presented a \$3,500 donation towards new goal posts at Wayne Trace High School to upgrade their football facility. The existing goal posts were originally installed in 1970. The Wayne Trace Athletic Department is very

grateful for the support from the Paulding VFW. Pictured left to right are Jim Linder, Athletic Director; Brian Gerber, Superintendent; Steve Crowley, Senior Vice Commander; and Alec Coil, Quarter Master.

(Continued from Page 1) sessment to identify and minimize any side effects that might contribute to loss of balance and subsequent falls.

"Balance begins to deteriorate as most people age," says Kim Justinger, the program manager for rehabilitation services at Hawthorn Court. Balance, your body's ability to control and maintain its position as it moves through space, relies on three types of sensory information: visual, spatial orientation and inner ear function. Effective fall prevention addresses all three.

According to Parsons, those concerned with falls should have their eyes checked at least once a year to make sure they are wearing the proper prescription glasses and to rule out any conditions like glaucoma or cataracts that might limit vision. "As you get older, you need brighter lights to see well. Elders should consider improving the lighting in their homes and lightweight curtains or shades on windows will reduce glare while still allowing natural light in," says Parsons.

Strength and flexibility are also key components of maintaining proper balance. Even if vision and inner ear function are normal, there can still be risk of falls if muscles are weak. Arthritis, osteoporosis and other musculoskeletal disorders often affect older people making them more afraid to participate in physical activity. Ironically, lack of activity fosters inflexibility, limited mobility and a general weakening of muscles - thus setting the stage for even greater risks of falls. To maintain strength and flexibility, a regular exercise program can help older adults feel stronger and more confident in their daily activities. According to Justinger, exercises that improve balance and coordination, such as Tai Chi, are most helpful.

Parsons further advises elders to consult with their family physicians or pharmacists to determine if there are drug interactions, including over the counter drugs, which might contribute to a lack of balance. Persons concerned about inner ear function, should alert their doctors.

Making the home environment safer is also critical since half of all falls happen at home.

Justinger suggests removing things that can be tripped over from stairways and frequently walked areas of the house. Throw rugs should either be removed or taped down using double sided tape to keep them from slipping. Non-slip mats should be used in

the bath and shower. And persons should always wear shoes, preferably lace-up walking shoes, both indoors and out. Justinger says you should avoid going barefoot or wearing slippers.

Of course, even the utmost of prevention can sometimes not ward off a fall. When a fall or serious injury occurs it is critical to receive proper care as quickly as possible in order to restore optimal function. "If you fall and are experiencing even slight discomfort, it is better to have your physician examine you to determine the extent of your injury than to ignore it hoping it will get better," says Justinger. Immediate treatment can help reduce inflammation, assure proper care and thus produce a better outcome from any resulting therapy.

According to Parsons, physical therapy and rehabilitation are key services offered by Hawthorn Court. "The goal of our rehabilitation services is to restore an individual to an optimum level of function and return them to their normal living arrangements prior to their fall. We actually begin therapy discharge planning on the very first day."

Justinger cites an elderly woman of 91 with a hip fracture who underwent rehabilitation therapy at Hawthorn Court. When admitted she was unable to bear weight and was non-ambulatory. She was in need of maximum assistance for dressing, personal care, meal preparation and other normal daily activities. She underwent physical and occupational therapy for a little over three months at Hawthorn Court and when her program was completed she returned home where she is able to move, prepare her own meals and enjoy a much higher level of independence and quality of life. "These are the outcomes that make my work so rewarding," says Justinger.

As part of a month-long focus on fall prevention, Hawthorn Court is offering the community free educational materials and clinics. Persons interested in learning more about how to prevent falls and improve balance can pick up free brochures at Hawthorn Court located at 1017 W. Wayne Street in Paulding any time between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. weekdays during the month of February.

Hawthorn Court is also sponsoring a free seminar focusing on fall prevention and balance which is open to the public. This seminar will take place Thursday February 8 at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

END OF THE YEAR IN-COME PUTS PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL IN THE BLACK

Paulding County Hospital's chief financial officer Rob Goshia presented his 2006 year-end financial report to the PCH board of trustees at their recent meeting. The hospital had a year to date net profit of \$340,876.

"Profits came from three main areas, two of which were year-end occurrences," said Goshia. "First, PCH is due a payment of around \$140,000 from the insurance it carries against being self-insured. Second, the Medicare cost report write-offs were significantly decreased. And third, outpatient revenue for December was approximately \$84,000 more than expected."

In other financial news, two Capital Expenditure Requests were reviewed. The board approved a capital lease for an integrated chemistry and immunoassay instrument for the laboratory at a savings of \$35,000 per year. The instrument detects and measures chemicals,

electrolytes, and drugs in blood and plasma. \$15,000 was approved to purchase a used pick up truck for the maintenance department.

Gary Adkins, hospital CEO, proposed a scholarship for medical student Catherine Gray. After completing her schooling and residency, Gray will return to Paulding County and practice family medicine for a minimum of five years to compensate for the scholarship.

Adkins also reported to the board that the Benevolent Society contributed \$5,200 to purchase a multi-channelled IV pump. "We deeply appreciate the Benevolent Society's continued financial support to help the hospital improve the health of Paulding County residents," he told the board.

Chief operating officer Randy Ruge informed the group that Lori Hockenberry, CRNA, started at the hospital in mid-January and is performing well. He also shared that lab manager Laura Roth is hard at work preparing for the upcoming Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations' survey.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Paulding County Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, January 24 and Monday, January 29, 2007.

At the January 24 meeting the Commissioners approved a recommendation from Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to reduce the weight limit on a bridge. The bridge is Paulding Township on County Road 87, as it crosses the Flat Rock. This is the bridge close to the Paulding Township House. The load limit has been reduced from 35 to 20 tons due to structural deficiencies.

In conjunction with the weight limit action the Commissioners reviewed McGarvey's 2006 Bridge Inspection Report. The report provides information to the County Commissioners, a comparison of bridges from year to year to identify changes and to allow for future planning for maintenance or replacement. The comprehensive report notes that there are a total of 192 county and township bridges on the inventory in Paulding County. Of these only 25 are posted with reductions in weight limits. The report is available for inspection at the Commissioners' Office.

During the January 24th session the Commissioners met with the county insurance committee to discuss the possible advantages of partially self-funded health insurance. The Commissioners consult with the committee members for advice on the health insurance plan.

At the same session the Commissioners reported on recent meetings they attended. Marty Harmon, Chairman on the Board of Commissioners noted attendance at the quarterly meeting of the Association of Paulding County Trustees and Clerks. Harmon

also attended the Sunday, January 21 meeting of the Paulding County Historical Society.

Dave Harrow, Paulding County Sheriff, talked with the Commissioners during the January 24th meeting about progress on the new jail. Harrow noted, "There is a lot more activity at the jail and progress on final details is more apparent. During the jail construction meeting last week, we were able to see the floors that have been completed, the new kitchen equipment installed and final painting of door and window frames," concluded Harrow.

The Monday, January 29 session featured a presentation by Bill Edwards of the Paulding County Health Department about the proposed no smoking rules being developed by the Ohio Health Department. Edwards shared a news release from the County Health Department that was intended to inform Paulding County citizens of the rule development process. Edwards also noted that the proposed rules would require businesses to post no smoking signs, remove ashtrays and prohibit smoking.

During Monday afternoon the Commissioners attended the quarterly Four County Solid Waste district meeting at the Williams County Commissioners' Office in Bryan. The Four County Solid Waste District operates two landfills and supports recycling activities.

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

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VERNON AND BONNIE CLINTON CELEBRATED 40 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

Vernon "Rex" and Bonnie Clinton of Hamilton, Indiana, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on December 30th, 2006.

On December 30th, 1966, Rex Clinton, son of Vernon and Ruth Clinton of Antwerp, Ohio married Bonnie Sue Beck, daughter of Richard and Donna Beck of Kunkle, Ohio. The union took place at the Presbyterian Church in Kunkle. The ceremony was attended by the families of the bride and groom. The couple was celebrated at two small receptions. The bride's sister,

Connie Beck served as maid of honor and the groom's best man was friend Byron Bolton.

The couple marked the occasion with an informal dinner. They reside on Hamilton Lake in Hamilton, Indiana. The couple has two children, Mindy (Troy) Overmyer of Maumee, Ohio and Adam Clinton of Hamilton, Indiana and two grandchildren, Kayleigh and Emily Overmyer of Maumee, Ohio. They are wished congratulations by family and friends.

GIRLS BASKETBALL AT WAYNE TRACE

On Thursday, February 1, girls basketball saw Wayne Trace and Fairview head to head.

The final score for the varsity game was Wayne Trace 64, Fairview 50.

Score by Quarters:
Fairview (5-9 overall, 2-3 GMC) 13 17 7 13=50

Wayne Trace (9-5 overall, 4-1 GMC) 24 15 17 8=64

Leading scorers for the varsity game:

Fairview - Bridget Eicher 10, Chelsea Rice 15.

Wayne Trace - Renee Bidlack 14, Becky Ruble 19.

Turnovers - Fairview 24, Wayne Trace 25.

Junior Varsity Score - Wayne Trace 32, Fairview 26.

GIRLS BASKETBALL AT WAYNE TRACE

On February 3, the girls basketball of Miller City traveled to Wayne Trace.

The final score for the varsity game was Wayne Trace 76, Miller City 49.

Score by Quarters:
Miller City (1-17) 7 15 13 14=49

Wayne Trace (10-5) 18 21 22 15=76

Leading scorers:

Miller City - Marcie Wenzinger 15, Stacey Schroeder 8.

Wayne Trace - Elyse Myers 19, Becky Ruble 16.

Turnovers - Miller City 25, Wayne Trace 11.

Junior Varsity Score - Miller City 30, Wayne Trace 28.

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REP. GILLMOR INTRODUCES BIPARTISAN BILL TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM SEX OFFENDERS ON THE INTERNET

Congressman Paul Gillmor (R-Tiffin) recently introduced legislation to require sex offenders to register their e-mail and instant message addresses with the National Sex Offender Registry. Gillmor's KIDS Act, Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act of 2007, was also introduced in the U.S. Senate by Senators John McCain (R-AZ) and Charles Schumer (D-NY).

"Social networking websites such as MySpace and Facebook as well as instant messaging like AOL and Google have become a chief means of communication for many children today. Unfortunately, the success of this new communication has also opened the door for predators wishing to lure our kids. We have all seen far too many television programs and newspaper articles with new stories everyday about sex offenders posing as children to bait our kids into the unthinkable," Gillmor said. "This bill today represents the perfect amount of coordination between the technology industry and the federal government to continue protecting our children," said Congressman Gillmor, who was a chief sponsor of the Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Website last year.

According to the KIDS Act, once a sex offender has registered their e-mail and instant message addresses

with the National Sex Offender Registry, the Department of Justice will make this information available to social networking sites upon request to compare with user profiles in order to protect children from online sexual predators. Offenders must update the registry before using any new identifiers or face fines or imprisonment of up to ten years. In addition, if the offender is on parole, providing false information or failing to register will result in mandatory revocation of supervised release. When a social network website requests information from the Department of Justice, it must provide appropriate contact information, the legal nature of the website, and a signed affirmation from the chief legal officer that the information will only be used to compare identifiers with the website's database.

In addition, Gillmor's KIDS Act makes it a crime, punishable with a prison term of up to 20 years, for anyone over the age of 18 to misrepresent their age with the intent to use the Internet to engage in criminal sexual conduct with a minor.

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- Ranked 15th on the Fortune 500 list of America's Largest Corporations
- Placed No. 4 on Forbes' list of America's Fastest-Growing Big Companies and one of America's Best Managed Companies.
- Ranked one of the Top Ten on Forbes' 2006 Platinum 400 list of America's Best Big Companies in the oil and gas category.

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ANTWERP HISTORY

By: Stan Jordan

Bryce Steiner and I recently visited the Hickory House Studio, that is the dream home of Terry Bowers.

Bryce and I walked into Terry's carving room/den, and it was sorta like being on the front of a beautiful Christmas Card with all the carved animals all around. I mean all around, on the window sill, on the deck, on the work bench and hanging from the ceiling. Some mounted birds, some carved birds and some unfinished work.

After we looked at everything and took a few pictures, then Terry started to explain everything to us. I saw this block of wood and I asked if that was a future duck? He explained that it was 4½x5½x17 inch block of Basswood. He uses that species of wood when he can, because the other good type is Tupelo and comes from the wetlands of Louisiana and is quite expensive. You draw the outline and measurements of your subject on the sides and top of the block. Then he uses the band saw, which is out in the work room and does the

rough sawing. Then he sits down and starts carving. His work bench is from his Grandpa Brueggemann who also was a good wood worker. Terry chisels, gouges and knives. He knives with straight blades, curved blades and boxes of these things. Some of his tools were handed down from his grandpa. He starts to carve the body, as the neck and head are separate.

He has made the head and neck and sanded it hundreds of times, they are glued into place with epoxy and modeling clay and then sanded some more. He buys the eyes from a supply house and they are an exact replica of that species real eyes. Then he puts some lead in the bottom of the bird to balance it. Now it goes to the painting table. Terry has a fine touch with the paint brush. He has a number of pictures of ducks, fish and birds. You can't sit in his den without getting the wildlife fever. Conservation is getting to be more important every year and Terry is big into it. His backyard is a beautiful hollow with big trees that go back a hundred years.

Terry was born in Milan Center, Indiana just off the



Here Terry is showing me how they make the tail feathers for a Mallard Duck.

Doty Road in 1940. As you go west on the Doty Road just before you come to the Milan Center Elevator on the north side of the road is a fine limestone ranch style house. Well, that house was built after WWII, but this is where Terry grew up.

His grandfather was Mr. Brueggemann and he owned and managed the store. He and his son-in-law (Terry's dad) owned and ran the feed mill and elevator. Terry had one brother and three sisters and all helped out of the store. They done alot of business with Amish people because that became an Amish settlement.

He has won at shows. If you remember a few years ago, Antwerp had a contest on the making of a logo for the Village of Antwerp. Well, Terry entered one called The Diamond of Northwest Ohio spotted on a replica of the northwest part of the State of Ohio. Well, Terry's entry won and you can see it on the East Water Tower among other places.

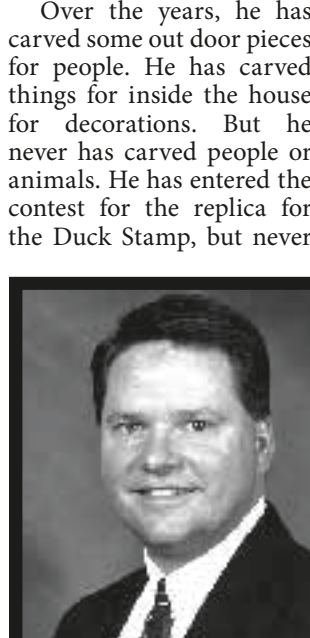
Over the years, he has carved some out door pieces for people. He has carved things for inside the house for decorations. But he never has carved people or animals. He has entered the contest for the replica for the Duck Stamp, but never

If you remember, there is a country school right across the road from the store. That's where the Bowers and a lot of other kids attended school. He went there two years and went to a Lutheran School up on State and the Maysville Road. He attended high school, in New Haven. He graduated there in 1958. He attended college at University of Florida at Gainesville. He came back north and graduated from International Business College.

He worked at the Fort Wayne National Bank for a few years. Then in 1972 he purchased the Schilb Appliance Store in Antwerp. That is where the Neat & Clean Laundry is now.

Terry has a son, Tim, from his first marriage. He is a teacher out in Colorado and has a fine family of his own.

Terry married Cindy in 1972 and they moved to Antwerp and she started teaching in Antwerp Elementary School. When they came here they lived in a trailer out on US 24 in Joe Vail's woods. In 1976, they bought the home of Eddie Shuherk on U.S. 24 East. As you remember, Eddie and Barbara



won it. He has a fine collection of shore birds that he has carved. I'm not going to mention them all, there are just too many.

Back in the days when Antwerp held a Chautauqua in the park, Terry designed and painted all the back drops of the city for that occasion. The logo for Antwerp called The Diamond of Northwest Ohio is on most of the city official letter heads.

Over in Indiana, SR 37 is the Brueggemann Do It Center. Well, they used Terry's grandpa's name, but he has nothing to do with the Center because he is gone now. But, Grandpa Brueggemann left his mark on Terry as he would rather be working with wood than anything else. With cold weather coming on he will be carving alot because he has a number of orders to fill.

Cindy started teaching here in Antwerp in 1972. Along with all that teaching, she raised two daughters, Carolyn has three children and lives in Ft. Wayne. Leslie has one daughter and also lives in Ft. Wayne. All together they have 12 grandchildren and more would be welcome.

Cindy has taught the first grade here in Antwerp for over 30 years. She plans on retiring in May of 2008. Our school system will lose one of our first class teachers.

I could go on and on about the Bowers and their great input into our community but I know what they would say to all of us. If we want our grandchildren to enjoy all the wildlife and

beauty that we do, we must all take care of the birds and animals and practice conservation of the wild habitats. The Bower's backyard is a good example of that.

I got a call from Wayne Carr about last week's column. Of course, he's right because that was the block he lived on. In the second block on the east side of North Main Street, there is a vacant lot and I neglected to tell about the residents. I first remember Dayton Harris lived there, then Ed and Maxine Parrott lived there. the last family I recall living there was the Jimmy Gustin Family.

In the next block going north where that new double wide sits was an old house where Vic and Jenny Waite lived. I said it was Vic Cromely that lived there.

On north you will find a vacant lot, that house has been torn down, but that is where the Millard Snyder Family lived. I knew that, I just didn't mention it.

It was good to hear from you, Wayne. Yeah, I blow one once in awhile.

See, Ya!

GIRLS BASKETBALL RE-SCHEDULED DATE: WAYNE TRACE VS. LIMA CENTRAL CATHOLIC

The girls basketball game between Wayne Trace and Lima Central Catholic, originally scheduled for January 30, has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 17. The junior varsity contest will begin at 12:00 p.m. and the game will be played at Lima Shawnee High School instead of Lima Central Catholic.

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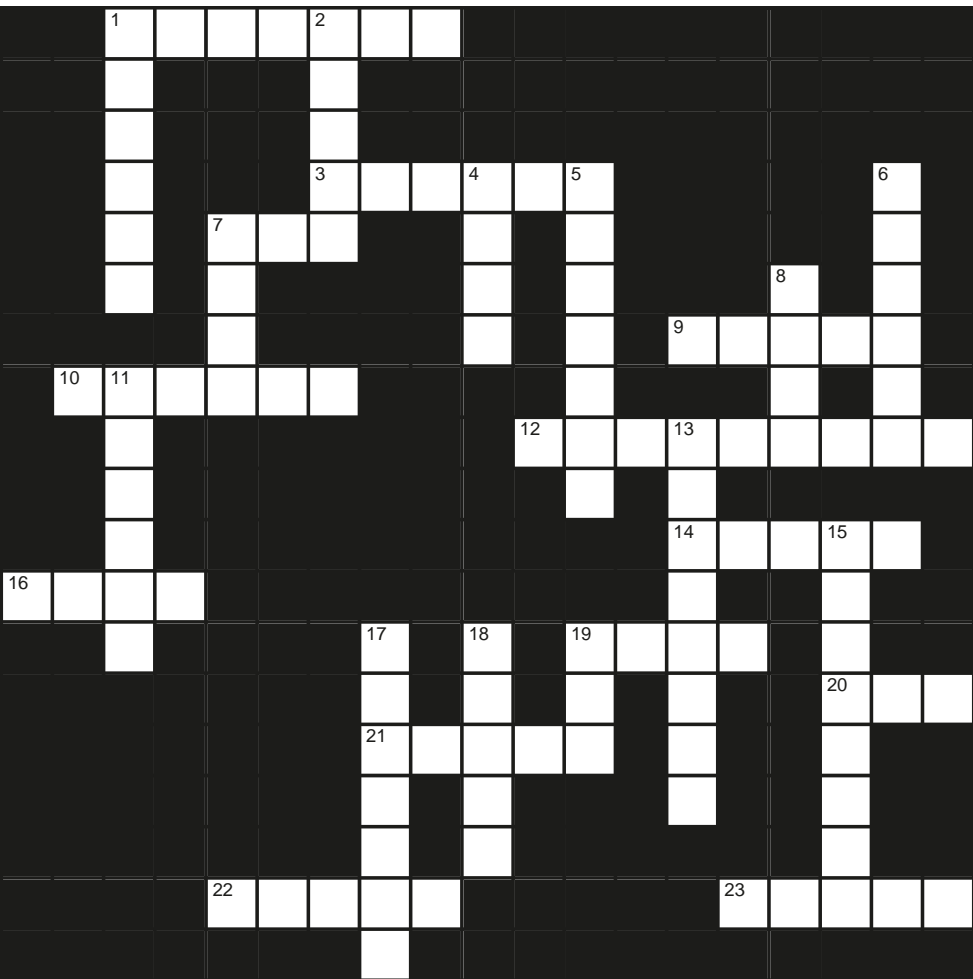
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- 9. Salmon?
- 10. Elephant seal?
- 12. Birds?
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by: **Chelsea Vail**

"L" is for the way you... long to see a wonderful collaborative performance of your favorite lovey-dovey ditties by Antwerp third and fourth graders. At 7:00 p.m. this coming Tuesday, you can! Their harmonious, heartfelt singing will be an excellent prelude to Valentine's Day goings-on, and I hear there will even be a special guitar rendition of the Counting Crows' "Accidentally in Love" by Alex Vail, a certain favorite brother of mine. It's sure to be a sweet treat to treat your sweetie to!

"O" is for the outstanding win our varsity boys gained over the Hicksville hoopsters last Friday. For more Archer basketball action:

JH Boys Basketball: Thursday, February 8th, 5:00, @ Tinora; Saturday, February 10th, TBA, @ Holgate (GMC Tournament); Monday, February 12th, TBA, @ Holgate (GMC Tournament).

Freshman Boys Basketball: Thursday, February 8th, 5:00, @ Tinora.

Varsity Girls Basketball: Thursday, February 8th, 6:00, Tinora.

Varsity Boys Basketball: Friday, February 9th, 6:30, @ Tinora; Saturday, February 10th, 6:00, Edon.

"V" is for the very interesting Word of the Week. And also for "vendetta", I've heard, another interesting word. Did that rhyme?

Word of the Week:
Vociferous \voh-SIF-uh-rus\ adjective

1. Making a loud outcry
2. Clamorous, noisy
Example: "The vociferous participation of the crowd in the game encouraged the basketball team to rally from a slow start and eventually overtake the opponent."

"E" is for the exceptional piece of writing upon which you've just feasted your eyes. Can't you just taste the modesty? I thought so...

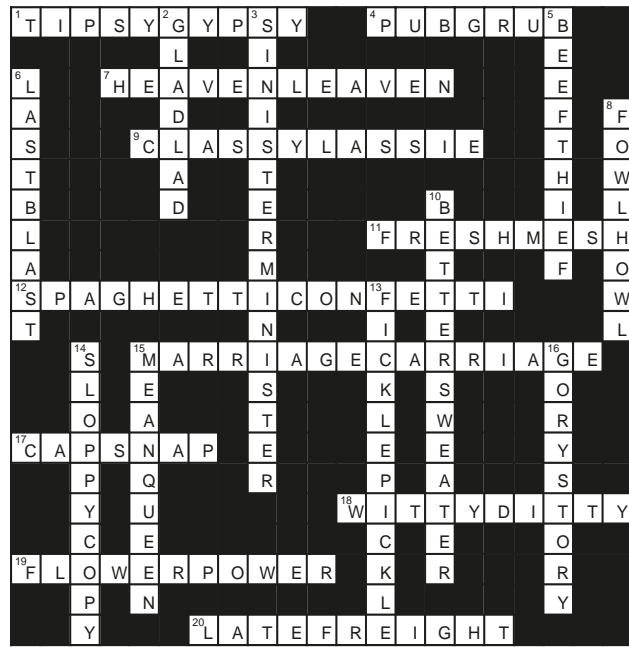
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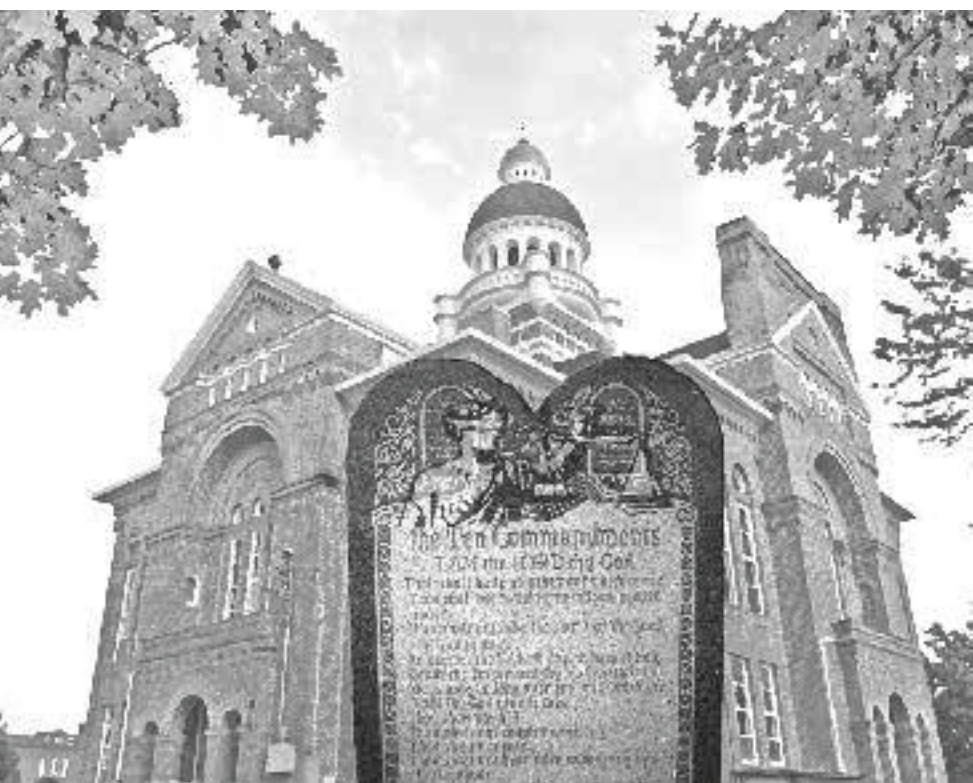
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Sunshine God's light exposes the darkness.

I have enjoyed reading many of the letters to the editor and many comments written by my fellow county residents. Some have angered me and some have encouraged and inspired me.

The combination of these has also prompted me to speak out.

Much written has exposed some areas in our county that need improvement. I liked Marty Harmon's recent letter, especially the part about following the laws that govern the commissioners and the need for us all to work together to improve our local government and making sure the people realize their meetings are open, as the law requires. Which law would that be, you may ask.

Yes your right, the Sunshine Law!

This leads to the heart of why I am writing. Sorry

Marty, but I also have a question, one that I sincerely would like you to be a part of answering. I voted for you and support your honesty and hard work acknowledging, of course, you can't do the job alone.

I understand from my attorney you may not have a direct route to take action, but that doesn't exactly leave your hands tied. We the people of Paulding County gave you a very difficult job and asked you to step up to the plate for us. Like many other residents I keep very busy with my job and family. My favorite title these days is grandma and I have no desire to run for any public office. But I do have a great desire if the Lord allows to leave a little something behind for my grandchildren. That's where you come in.

—I'd like to leave them the courage to stand for what is right even when they are threatened and encouraged

to not speak of things that are wrong because of what has happened to others who dared to speak up.

—I'd like to leave them a little peace of dirt in the county I was born on with a clear conscience that I have done all I could to right the wrong so they won't need to.

—Most important and above all else I would like to leave them with the knowledge Grandma trusted in God more than anything and believed that even in the darkness we walk through daily that God Reigns Supreme, not to eliminate problems but to make our way through them.

One of the problems we need your help with is that all elected officials are not as concerned with following the law. In this instance, the Sunshine Law.

We have elected officials to keep the records for us, not to keep them from us.

I work for The Crescent-News out of Defiance, our only Paulding County daily paper to date, with approximately 3,000 current subscribers with estimated readers approximately 7,000 county wide. Have you ever wondered why we get virtually no information on the incident reports from the sheriff's offices that occur in Paulding County? Do you really believe The Crescent-News doesn't bother to ask? You can plainly see the reports from the other counties we serve, why not Paulding?

You may ask how that affects our residents. Personally, I want to know if there has been an armed robbery, break-in, trespasser spotted or a more serious crime. Other counties in the area comply willingly as required by the Sunshine Law to provide

ing the law and holding them accountable for their actions with our votes. We have seen many changes in our state and national government as people nationwide cry out for a change and let their voices be heard. We the people still are in charge. Let's act like it! I appeal to you for help to right this wrong. Let the Sunshine! We deserve the same treatment as residents that live in other Ohio counties. Batter Up. Come on Marty, Ed and Tony, get on the team. I believe you can get us to first base. Swing!!!!!!! Score one for the Home team we need you to care about more than our vote. I'm tired of hearing who was broken into last night by the grapevine. Bring us out of the dark ages let the Sunshine, Swing!!!!

Are we trying to hide something in Paulding County? Is their more hidden in the manure than cow patties? Pray tell that isn't so, help us to be equally informed as others in our state. Paulding County is not a third world country why should it be treated as such?

We have a right to know, a right to be informed so that we may be prepared properly to take care of our children and grandchildren.

Marty let your voice be heard. Please, we gave you a title, Paulding County Commissioner. Use it to encourage others to willingly comply with our statewide laws. I'm sure you are very aware this is the tip of the iceberg, but we must start letting the Sunshine into the dark areas in our county to clean them up.

Our newly elected commissioner believes that we the citizens of Paulding County were uninformed in the past election and need education to make the right decision concerning funding for the new jail. Some of us are over informed and need to see changes made to bring compliance to current laws that are ignored. Before we consider opening our purses to throw our confidence and support behind more funding for the jail we need you to take action. 7398 voted no as I did, how many feel as I do?

Are you aware that the initial incident report from a police shooting is immediately open to any citizen anywhere in any state that requests it without a court order? It's all there in the 2006 edition of the Sunshine Laws.

Most all initial incident reports are public. No people, that's right. You are not required by law to pay \$3 for the top sheet of an incident report that contains very little information, you get the whole initial report at real cost of supplies (the Ohio Attorney General's office charges .05) and if you're denied and file a mandamus you also may, at the honorable (literally) Judge Webb's discretion, get your legal fees back to be paid for by the offending office. It comes right out of their operating budget. I am confident we can count Judge Webb in on fully following the law and letting the chips fall where they may.

Look it up for yourself. Don't trust your fate to what you are told by others. No, you're not lawyers, but you are literate. This is public information very easy to understand. May I recommend Lexis Nexus, and the Sunshine Law, www.ag.state.oh.us. Keep in mind if you feel you need an attorney to sort through this, may I suggest a private attorney. Some commissioned attorneys may have private financial reasons or be pressured by others to not disclose the truth, leaving you in the position of setting on thin ice. In a serious health issue you consult two doctors; I hope you take this serious it's your counties residents' safety you are considering.

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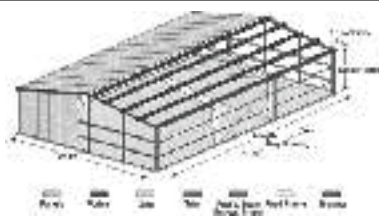
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by: State Representative Lynn Wachtmann

Over the years, Ohio has passed numerous laws designed to protect consumers from deceptive or unfair business practices. Next week, February 4th-10th, marks the ninth annual National Consumer Protection Week, and with that in mind, I wanted to take a moment to let you know about steps you can take to be a safe and responsible consumer.

A valuable resource available to all Ohioans can be found at your local Better Business Bureau (BBB). BBBs provide information on businesses to help you decide whether to hire a company to perform a service and can also help you resolve a dispute with a company. A BBB can also

provide information about a charity to ensure your donation goes to those most in need. For information about your local BBB, you can visit their website at www.bbb.org and find a link to the BBB that serves your county.

Consumers can also turn to the Consumer Protection Section of the Ohio Attorney General's office. This section investigates consumer complaints, mediates settlements, and also initiates legal actions against companies accused of using unfair or deceptive business practices. In addition, so consumers can lodge complaints or have their questions answered, the Consumer Protection Section operates a toll-free hotline, 1-800-282-0515.

Although researching a company is always a good idea before making a purchase, it is equally important to protect your personal information from falling into

the wrong hands. Each year, thousands of people become victims of identity theft, which is quickly becoming one of the top crimes in our country. Make sure you keep information (such as your social security and bank account numbers) in a safe place and avoid giving them out unless absolutely necessary. Many thieves will pose as legitimate companies and claim that you have a problem with your account. They then ask for your information to address the issue, a technique known as "phishing." If you are concerned about someone fraudulently seeking your information, ask to contact the company yourself to make sure the inquiry is legitimate.

Victims of identity theft can spend countless hours and hundreds of dollars to clean up the messes caused by the loss of their personal information. If you believe your information has been stolen, contact the major credit reporting companies and have alerts placed on your accounts so no one can open new accounts in your name. You may also want to close your bank and credit card accounts and open new ones. Here are the names of the major reporting agencies and their phone numbers: Equifax, 1-800-525-6285; Experian, 1-888-EXPERIAN (1-888-397-3742); TransUnion, 1-800-680-7289.

Here in Ohio, members of the legislature are taking an active role to help keep you from becoming a victim of identity theft. During the 126th General Assembly, we passed legislation that created the Identity Theft Verification PASSPORT Program in the attorney general's office. This program provides victims of identity theft with a document they can show to law enforcement and creditors that indicates their personal information has been stolen. In addition, the bill also increased penalties for identity theft in general and created even higher penalties for those who steal the identities of senior citizens.

I encourage each of you to become well-informed and educated consumers, and I hope you find this information helpful. As always, I welcome your thoughts on any of the matters we discuss here at the Statehouse. If you have any questions, thoughts, concerns, or need assistance working with a state government agency, please contact my office. I can be reached by mail at 77 South High Street, 11th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215 or by phone at (614) 466-3760.

SLEDDING DOWN BRICKER'S HILL



By: Sue Knapp

Who said all that kids do nowadays is sit around and watch TV and play video games? These kids took advantage of a snow day on January 30 and took to Bricker's Hill in Antwerp with snow boards and sleds.

The day was perfect with snow coming down in big flakes, enough snow on the ground and tolerable cold

weather.

These daredevil boys (some of Antwerp's finest) did go down the hill four high. They had lots of other "tricks" up their sleeves according to Vicky and George Clemens who was there joining in the fun with their family.

All in all there were other

parents there with their children adding up to a total of about 40 kids.

Bricker's Hill has been a favorite spot to go to in the winter for many years. My kids have slid down that hill and I'm hoping my grandchildren will be able to enjoy it as well.

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JAMES DOUGHTY UPDATE

This is an update on James and Sera Doughty for all their family and friends in North-west Ohio. James is the son-in-law and Sera is the daughter of Donald and Rebekah Smith of Antwerp.

James is not only battling a rare cancer for the third time (Recurring Hodgkin's Lymphoma, in the form of a large tumor by his heart), but he is now also fighting cancer of the blood and bone marrow (Acute Myelogenous Leukemia). He has returned to Atlanta for treatment and entered Northside Hospital on December 28, 2006.

Sera continues to work each day from the hospital and is staying with friends, Brian and Danna Nelson, 3949 Russell Street, Suwanee, GA 30024. These friends have opened their home to her.

While in the hospital Jim got pneumonia in both lungs. His pneumonia appears to be bacteria-based and non-fungal. Fungal pneumonia is much more difficult to treat. In late January he was tested and found that he was clear of leukemia cells. The catch is that blast cells can reset as either cancerous or non-cancerous. His pneumonia was still a primary concern.

On January 29th the doctors felt that because his counts are way up and the pneumonia had improved, they would release him from the hospital, but he will need

to return to the clinic each day for treatment. They are both now staying at the Nelson's and they return each day to the clinic and Sera works from that area on her lap top computer. The week of February 8th, Jim will get a CAT and PET scan and a bone marrow test to see where things stand. Depending on the results, his next round of chemo may be given to him.

Jim and Sera appreciate all the prayers, thoughts, inquiries of how he is doing and donations from everyone. It gives him strength to know so many are praying and thinking of him. Especially to St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville for sponsoring them as their Christmas Family this last year. You can continue to make donations to them through St. John Lutheran Church at 812 E. High Street Hicksville, OH 43526 or at The Antwerp Exchange Bank, PO Box 727 - 305 South Main Street, Antwerp, OH 45813-0727.

Brian Nelson has created a web site for the James Doughty Foundation and this can be used to get updates on Jim's condition, learning about these two cancers, donations, etc. The web site is www.jamesdoughtyfoundation.com. The web site is updated regularly and will give an assessment of Jim's current condition.

—Donald & Rebekah Smith

VANTAGE BOARD HEARS ABOUT UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE

The regular monthly meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held on Thursday, February 1, 2007 in the Vantage science room. The treasurer's report included the approval of the January 4, 2007 regular board meeting minutes and the financial statements for the month of December, 2006 were approved. Funds in the amount of \$20,000 were advanced into the 408 Race Street house project.

Principal Keith Rydell extended an invitation to the board and the public to attend the Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner, which will be held on Monday February 12 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. He also provided the board with an academic update and discussed Praxis III assessors evaluating new staff members. Director Bob Vennekotter updated the board on local and regional skills competitions and Sophomore Visitation Day on Tuesday, February 6. Community Relations Coordinator MaryJo Wilhelm reported on the recent visits to 10th graders at all home schools and the successful results of the recent "Step Into Your Future" workshop held on January 27. Adult Education Director Jim Grant informed the board of preparations for the Firefighter/EMT charter renewal, short term winter class enrollment and current customized training for local business and industry.

In new business, the board:

—Approved supplemental contracts for Diane Mercer, Mandy Hoaglin and Theresa Ratliff-Dotter for the "Step Into Your Future" workshop and for Bill Keith for the development of cabinet blueprints for carpentry project.

—Employed the following Adult Education instructors as needed, as scheduled: Michele Porter, Paulding County Youth Tutor; Robert Hall, Electrical Wiring; Andrew Berelsman, Assistant Fire instructor; Keith Mulder, computer classes;

Amy Wirts, ABLE instructor; Thomas McKee, Stained Glass instructor and Terry Burgei, Programmable Logic Controllers instructor.

—Approved the Vantage Interact Club trip to Haiti. The tentative dates are March 19 - March 26. This trip will involve several staff members and students. Cost incurred will not be paid by Vantage Career Center.

—Approved moving the April All Boards Meeting/ Dinner to Thursday, March 29 at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the regular May meeting to May 10 at 7:30 p.m.

—Accepted with thanks the following donations: \$750.00 donation from the Van Wert Rotary Club for the Vantage Haiti Interact Club, automotive paint from Delpha Chevrolet, Buick, Pontiac & Oldsmobile to the Auto Body class, automotive paint from Superior Collision to the Auto Body class and electrical supplies valued at \$250.00 from Flat Lands Supply for the Electricity class.

The Treasurer and Superintendent requested an Executive Session to discuss the Draft Audit Report for FY06. The board entered into a second Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the search for a new superintendent. No board action was taken.

The next Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vantage Career Center Science Room.

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": NO WINTER BLAHS!

It's February and exciting activities continue at Vantage Career Center. Students throughout the building have begun preparing and competing in local skills contests. On Monday afternoon January 29, Vantage hosted the Region 16 Business Professionals of America (BPA) competitions. Four hundred and twenty-four business students from four area career centers participated in a variety of contests ranging from Digital Media to Presentation Team to Small Business Management and many more. Twenty-five high school BPA advisors and 60 judges participated in the annual event.

Trade and Industrial students also held their SkillsUSA local contests at Vantage. Students are awaiting their results. A list of students who will advance to the next level of competition will be in a future Vantage article.

"Step Into Your Future" - a workshop for girls in grades 7, 8 and 9 was held at Vantage on Saturday, January 27th. Nearly 40 students and their parents explored nontraditional careers for women including welding, electricity, carpentry and network systems. Students had an opportunity to weld a metal "person", build a wooden step stool, solder together a flashing LED kit and try their hand using innovative software for video game creation. It was a fast-paced morning for students to learn a few new skills!

Justin Davis, a junior Culinary Arts student from Ottoville and vice-president elect of the Vantage Interact Club, just returned from a trip to Haiti where he helped build houses and delivered items to the Borde School carpentry class.

Sophomores from the 13

schools that Vantage serves will have the opportunity to visit two Vantage programs on Tuesday, February 6 during Sophomore Visitation Day.

Last but not least, the annual Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner will be held on Monday, February 12, 2007 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. All 18 career technical labs will be open. You can meet the teachers and see the different career-technical programs available to high school students. Adult Education representatives will also be available to answer your questions about adult education classes or Wright State University courses. An "all-you-can-eat" Fish and Tenderloin dinner will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. There will be a small charge for the dinner. Tickets are available at the door. Help Vantage celebrate career technical education! See what's new at Vantage and support the Vantage Scholarship Fund.

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REP. GILLMOR VOTES TO RENEW FISCAL DISCIPLINE IN FEDERAL BUDGET

Less than one month into the 110th Congress, Representative Paul Gillmor (R-Tiffin) says the new Democratic leadership is already "way off course" of the views of his district. Gillmor today voted against the federal spending which he says contains billions of dollars in earmarks and runs afoul of the promises by the House leadership.

"I had been hoping to receive legislation to fund federal programs consistent with the will of my constituents and the needs of the federal government. Unfortunately, this bill has more pork in it than a spit-roasted pig. I cannot imagine how Members of Congress will be able to go back to their districts and justify a \$45 million Tropical Rain Forest in Iowa," Gillmor said. "At the end of the day, politics has overtaken promises and this bill has taken us way off course."

A traditional continuing resolution is used to continue funding from a previous year with only minor adjustments. The 2007 continuing resolution was brought to the floor under a closed rule, which does not allow for amendments, realigns significant federal dollars and adds an additional \$6.1 billion in federal spending.

Among the realigned funding, U.S. foreign aid is

cut by \$1.25 billion, NASA funding is cut by \$545 million, the jobs of 160 DEA Agents are now on the line, and Army and Air National Guard construction funding is slashed by \$121 million while other programs receive additional funds beyond what President Bush had requested. Although the bill technically includes no new earmarks, it does continue many earmark programs from 2006 including a \$45 million Tropical Rain Forest in Iowa, \$266 million for earmarks through the Department of Energy which had been cut in 2006, and \$50 million for Fossil Energy Research which is already being funded as a result of the 2005 Energy Policy Act.

"A typical resolution to continue funding the federal government is 19 pages long. This resolution is 135 pages long. Without debate or amendment, I cannot tell whether all of these projects are worthy, but on first glance, I can tell that many of them are not. For \$463.5 billion dollars, the leadership of the House of Representatives is only allowing one hour of debate. This is not consistent with the will of the American people and is not how our democratic process is expected to work," Gillmor said.

The Continuing Resolution passed the House by a vote of 286 to 140 and will now be debated by the U.S. Senate before it can be signed into law by President Bush.

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GILLMOR ANNOUNCES \$49,495 GRANT FOR TIFFIN TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Congressman Paul E. Gillmor (R-Tiffin) announced today that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training has approved a \$49,495 grant for the Tiffin Township Volunteer Fire Department in Defiance County.

"Receiving money from the federal government has become much more difficult as we work to reduce our deficit spending. However, it has always been the priority of Congress to fund projects which protect public health and welfare. I have no doubt that the money which the Tiffin Township Fire Department received today will better protect the residents of our area," Gillmor said.

"Having the most advanced equipment for our firefighters is a national goal which everyone shares. These first responders play a critical role in safeguarding Defiance County and the monies approved by Congress will deliver the resources necessary to excel in their mission. This grant is an investment by the Federal government in the Fifth District of Ohio and I think it is money well spent," Gillmor concluded.

The Tiffin Township grant can be used to fund different expenses such as training, the purchase of fire fighting equipment, personal protective equipment, vehicles and modifications to stations and facilities. This is a competitive grant program intended to enhance the ability of local first responders to protect the health and safety of the public as well as their personal.

"Our goal is to greatly enhance the collective preparedness of the nation while making certain that finite resources are directed to areas most at risk and to solutions that are innovative and regionally driven," said Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. "The Department is committed to ensuring that our partners have the training, equipment, and resources they need to become better prepared."

The grant Tiffin Township received came as a result of money appropriated by Congress for direct assistance to provide smaller law enforcement and emergency responder agencies with equipment items that will enhance and support regional response, mutual aid, and interoperability of responder equipment.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION SLATED FOR ANTWERP ELEMENTARY

It's time to begin registration for the fall '07 kindergarten class at Antwerp Elementary School. According to state law, all children must complete kindergarten before entering first grade. Appointments are now being scheduled for March 20 and 21, when Antwerp Elementary will do its kindergarten screening. If your child will be 5 years old before August 1, 2007, please call the elementary office at 258-5421, ext. 2200 to schedule an appointment.

Canola Oil: Take It To Heart



(NAPSA)—Here's heartening news: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) ruled that just one and a half tablespoons of canola oil per day may reduce the risk of coronary heart disease when used in place of saturated fat.

It can be easy to get your daily dose of heart-healthy canola oil. Start with a muffin homemade with canola oil or slide a little canola oil on your omelette pan in the morning. Mix canola mayonnaise with tuna and spread non-hydrogenated canola margarine on your whole-grain bread at lunch. Sauté lean chicken in a few teaspoons of canola oil for dinner. You've just had a day of hearty eating.

You can also try this hearty recipe that really satisfies.

Zesty Chicken Wrap

- ½ cup canola oil
- 2 Tbsp. lime juice
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ½ tsp. ground cumin
- 2 tsp. ground fennel
- 1 Tbsp. grated lime zest
- 2 tsp. chopped fresh mint
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro

- 4 large skinless, boneless chicken breasts, cut into ½-inch strips
- 6 whole-wheat tortilla wraps
- 6 small tomatoes, chopped
- 4 green onions, chopped
- ½ English cucumber, diced
- low- or no-fat sour cream

In a large bowl, combine canola oil, lime juice, garlic, cumin, fennel, lime zest, mint and cilantro. Add chicken to bowl and toss to coat with mixture. Let stand 15 minutes.

In large, nonstick frying pan, cook the chicken mixture over medium-high heat for 6 to 8 minutes or until chicken is cooked through and the juices run clear.

Place chicken on wraps. Add tomato, green onion, cucumber and a dollop of sour cream. Fold and serve immediately. Yields 6 servings.

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In honor of Dr. Drew and his contributions to the American Red Cross and the development of the blood program, all community members are encouraged to donate blood.

Help save lives by giving blood on Thursday, February 22 at St. Joseph Catholic Church from 11:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. St. Joseph Catholic Church is located at 314 N. Main St. in Paulding.

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2/9 - Turnover, milk
2/12 - Pizza, milk
2/13 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk

Lunch
2/7 - Breaded chicken sandwich, fries, peaches, milk
2/8 - Walking taco w/ meat, cheese, lettuce, & salsa, corn, pears, milk
2/9 - Hot dog/bun, tator tots, mixed fruit, milk (WT: barbecue sandwich)
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2/12 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
2/13 - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk

Panther Paw Cafe - Lunch
2/7 - Chicken fajita or sandwich, lettuce, warm apple dessert, milk
2/8 - Sub sandwich, baby carrots w/dip, assorted chips, assorted fruit, milk
2/9 - Bacon cheeseburger on a bun, spiral potatoes, assorted fruit, milk
2/12 - Chicken tender bowl, sandwich or bread, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk

2/13 - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, garlic toast, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Lunch
2/7 - Ham deli on a bun, mini carrots, cookie, fruit cup, milk
2/8 - Burrito, vegetable, fruit cup, milk
2/9 - Breaded chicken on a bun, peas, fruit cup, milk
2/12 - Chicken fajita wrap, lettuce, fruit cup, milk
2/13 - Pizza, vegetable, fruit cup, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Lunch
2/7 - Ravioli, lettuce salad, bread, fruit, milk
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LATTYWAX CANDLES: A NEW SCENT FOR PAULDING COUNTY



Amanda Stoller and Pennie LaBounty with their Lattywax Candles and Lattywax Handbags.

By: Sue Knapp
 Pennie LaBounty and her daughter, Amanda Stoller, love being stay-at-home moms. They also wanted to help out with the household finances so they came up with the idea of candles. Not just any candle, but a candle with a lasting scent, made out of natural, biodegradable, non-toxic products. Lattywax Candles was born. Lattywax Candles are made out of soy which burns clean, cool and longer. It also cleans up easily.
 The candles are made in the basement of Amanda's house in Latty, OH. The ladies enjoy making them and, Nyle, Amanda's two year old son, is the official quality control person. Nyle smells the candles and they have to

"pass his nose" inspection. Jude, Amanda's 11 month old son, watches all the action from his corner of the room. A family businesses in all areas!
 Amanda and Pennie also make handbags. They are colorful and sturdy with deep pockets inside and one outside.
 They will be attending craft shows, town and county fairs. They also would like to place their products in local retail stores.
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BOYS BASKETBALL AT FAIRVIEW

On Saturday, February 2 Wayne Trace and Fairview Boys Basketball saw an exciting match up.
 The final score for the varsity game was Wayne Trace 62, Fairview 47.
 Score by Quarters:
 Wayne Trace (11-4, 5-0 GMC) 10 15 24 13=62
 Fairview (4-11, 1-4 GMC) 13 18 2 14=47
 Top Players:
 WT - Aaron Hockenberry - 18 points, five assists, four steals; Riley Linder - 14 points, six rebounds.
 Fairview - Ross Joost - 14 points, 11 rebounds.
 Turnovers - Wayne Trace 9, Fairview 20.
 Junior Varsity Score - Wayne Trace 51, Fairview 38.

FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL: FAIRVIEW VS. WAYNE TRACE

On Thursday, February 1, Fairview and Wayne Trace faced off in boys freshman basketball. The final score was Fairview 40, Wayne Trace 16.
 Records - Fairview 6-5, Wayne Trace 5-6.
 Leading Scorers:
 Andrew Woenker (F) - 14
 Derrick Baksa (WT) - 7

SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON

The Christian Women's Fellowship at First Christian Church, Paulding, will be serving a Soup and Sandwich luncheon on Thursday, February 15, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The public is invited. A free will offering is for the benefit of the church parsonage.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

A baby boy was born Friday, February 2, 2007 to Kevin and Amanda McVicker of Coldwater, MI.
 Garrett Edwin weighed 10 lbs. 2 oz., and 20 in. long.
 His grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. R. Edward Shriver of Coldwater, MI. Great-grandparents are Bob and Marilyn Ladd of Paulding.

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