

## ZACHARY AREND LEAVES HIS MARK ON PAULDING



Paulding played Antwerp in a boys varsity baseball game on Friday, May 9. Before the game Paulding High School had a special presentation for one of their own.

Last year, while attending Bluffton University, Zachary Arend was killed as a result of the bus he was riding on crashed in Atlanta on March 2, 2007. He died seven days later or March 9. His family has worked hard to keep his memory alive with the sport he so loved - baseball. Zachary was a pitcher for the University's baseball team.

Baseball coach Parrett said Zachary had a vibrant personality that everyone loved. He was a leader and he showed his enthusiasm in everything he did. His parents and family stood at the pitcher's mound with the Paulding baseball team standing behind supporting them.

In Zachary's memory different groups of Paulding have pulled together and placed a memorial stone at the ball field where he played for the

school. New bleachers have been purchased and assembled by the Arend family in his honor.

A new flag pole has also been put up behind center field in his memory, also by the family. All of these items have been generously donated by various groups and people in and around Paulding and Oakwood. Zachary would be proud of this community who cared so much for him.



## WESTWOOD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER, INC. AWARDED THREE-YEAR CARF ACCREDITATION

CARF International announced that Westwood Behavioral Health Center, Inc. has been accredited for a period of three years for its:

\*Case Management/Services Coordination: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)

\*Case Management/Services Coordination: Integrated: AOD/MH (Children & Adolescents)

\*Crisis Intervention: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)

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\*Outpatient Treatment: Integrated: AOD/MH (Children & Adolescents)

\*Prevention/Diversion: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)

\*Prevention/Diversion: Integrated: AOD/MH (Children & Adolescents)

\*AOD = Alcohol Other Drug, MH = Mental Health

The latest accreditation is the second consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body has awarded to Westwood Behavioral Health Center, Inc.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that

its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

Westwood Behavioral Health Center, Inc. is a non-profit corporation with offices at 1158 Westwood Drive in Van Wert and at 501 McDonald Pike in Paulding, Ohio. It has been providing mental health and alcohol and drug addiction treatment services in the Van Wert County area since 1976 and in Paulding County since September of 2007.

In the survey summary CARF reported that:

\*The organization provides high quality crisis intervention services that are available to the tri-county area 7 days per week, 24 hours per day.

\*The organization has implemented fiscal policies and processes that support continuity of care and stability of operations.

Westwood Behavioral Health Center benefits from the caring work of dedicated staff members, who demonstrate a clear commitment to the organization's mission.

The Center's Mission Statement states:

"Westwood Behavioral Health Center, Inc. is a private non-profit community behavioral health center serving the residents of Van Wert and Paulding Counties and surrounding areas. We will provide a comprehensive continuum of behavioral health care services. These are provided through prevention, intervention, counseling, case management and referrals to appropriate levels of service in a client-centered environment, in a manner that enhances the quality of life and promotes human dignity. We believe that some of the conditions we address are preventable and that all are treatable with the appropriate support services and support systems. The Center continuously strives to evaluate, improve, and maintain the quality of

## MENDEZ - JOHNSON



Nick and Vicki Mendez of Antwerp wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Mendez, to Troy Johnson, the son of Rick Johnson Demotte, Indiana and Nancy Johnson Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Antwerp High School, Antwerp, OH and is employed as a Supervisor at Kohl's Department Store in

Fort Wayne.

Troy is a graduate of Bishop Dwenger High School, Fort Wayne, IN and of Lincoln Technical Institute Indianapolis, IN. Troy is employed as a Service Adviser at Don Ayres Honda in Fort Wayne.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on June 21, 2008 at the First Baptist Church in Antwerp, OH.

## CARDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR RUBIE MERIDITH

Rubie Meridith has been transferred to Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne and would like to hear from her friends: Rubie Meridith, Room 429, Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne, IN 46804.

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The auction will start at 3:00pm

Free will donations will be accepted and the proceeds will go to send the families of those who gave their lives last July to an EMS memorial dedication in Roanoke VA. at the end of May.

The lunch will be provided from 11:00am to 3:00pm on May 18th at the Antwerp EMS station.



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**OBITUARIES**

**Carol Ann Zellner**, 62, of Paulding died Friday, May 9, 2008 at the Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center, Defiance.

She was born in Bryan, OH on October 8, 1945 the daughter of Hubert and Pauline (Snyder) Kelly. On June 24, 1994 she married Arthur B. Zellner who survives.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Paulding and a former member of the Bryan Eagles.

She is survived by her husband Arthur of Paulding; two children: Tonya Beck of Grand Rapids, MI and Todd Beck of Seattle, WA; five step-children: Jeff Zellner and Tammy Cully both of Sherwood, OH, Sabrina (Dustin) Favorite of Montpelier, OH, Todd (Debbie) Zellner of Mansfield, OH, and Mark (Pam) Zellner of Ohio; one sister, Connie Kelly of Sheffield Lake, OH; two brothers: Larry (Mary) Kelly of Englewood, OH and Mark (Jane) Kelly of Bryan, OH; and 10 step-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services were May 13, 2008 at the First Presbyterian Church, Paulding with Rev. David Meriwether officiating. Burial was in Shiffler Cemetery, Jefferson Township, Williams County, OH.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be left at www.denherderfh.com

**Margaret L. Beamer**, 89, of Paulding died Tuesday, May 06, 2008.

She was born March 18, 1919 in Hardin County, Ohio, the daughter of Lawrence and Etta Mae (Rich) Miller. On November 10, 1956 she married Edward E. Beamer, who preceded her in death on March 12, 1992. She was employed as a corrections officer for the State of Ohio at the Lima State Hospital, retiring in 1983 after 17 years and a member of the First Christian Church, Paulding.

She is survived by two daughters: Helen (Rudolph

Black of Ney, OH, and Colleen Regina (Raymond) Cook of Luzerne, MI; 16 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Harvey Miller; a sister, Garenet Buchholtz; two grandchildren: Scott Cook and Vicki Strach; and three great-grandchildren: Caleb, Noah and Braedon Yonge.

Funeral services were May 9 at First Christian Church, Paulding, with Pastor Larry Grow officiating. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to First Assembly of God, Defiance, or First Christian Church, Paulding. Condolences may be left at www.denherderfh.com.

**Donald J. Fellers**, 78, of Paulding died Wednesday, May 7, 2008 at the Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center, Defiance.

He was born November 17, 1929, in Paulding County, the son of Harry and Anna (Eichler) Fellers. On December 8, 1951 he married Eleanor E. Carnahan. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving during the Korean War and a member of the First Christian Church, Paulding. He was employed as a heavy equipment operator for LaFarge, Paulding, retiring in 1990 after 39 years.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Fellers of Paulding; a son, Dave (Jeanne) Fellers of Antwerp; two daughters: Gail (Don) Stoller of Paulding, and Mendi Fellers of Columbus, OH; two sisters: Mildred Fann of Defiance and Maxine (John) Straka of Paulding; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Robert, Bernard, and Beryl Fellers; and three sisters: Francis Kramer, Thelma Igney, and infant, Betty Jane.

Funeral services were May 10 at the First Christian Church with Rev. Greg Bibler officiating. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding,

with military graveside rites accorded by V.F.W. Post #587.

Donations may be made to First Christian Church, or Defiance Caring Way & Hospice. Condolences may be left at www.denherderfh.com.

**George J. Omo**, 83, of Harlan, IN died at Laurels of Dekalb - Butler, Indiana on May 7, 2008.

He was born on July 27, 1924 in Allen County, Indiana the son of Earl and Birdena (Jackson) Omo. He married Jean Snyder on October 5, 1946. She survives.

He was a life long farmer and a member of North Scipio United Methodist Church. He was a (50) year mason in the Leo Masonic Lodge #224, Leo, IN and the Royal Arch #188 in Hicksville, OH. He was also a member of the Eastern Star.

He is survived by his wife, Jean; two sons: Paul (Becky) and Jim both of Harlan, IN; four grandchildren: Greg (Mandy) Omo of South Reading, VA, Kristina (Matt) Shively of Auburn, IN, Jeremy and Justin Omo of Ft. Wayne, IN; a great-granddaughter and a great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by a great-grandson.

A memorial service was held on May 12 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home - Hicksville, Ohio with Rev. Patrick Fulbright officiating. A private burial was at Scipio Cemetery, Harlan, IN.

Memorials may be made to North Scipio United Methodist Church.

**Robert D. Wyckoff**, 86, of Antwerp, passed away Friday, May 9, 2008, at Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center.

Bob was born in Hicksville, on April 6, 1922, the son of the late John B. and Katherine E. (Smith) Wyckoff.

He served in the U.S. Army as a Sgt in WWII and was a member of the Antwerp VFW Post 5087, Antwerp, American Legion Post 253, the DAV & Purple Heart Veterans. He had the honor of receiving his Purple Heart Award from President Clinton in 1996.

Bob worked at Dana Weatherhead, Antwerp, but also owned Bob's Barber Shop, Antwerp. On June 20, 1944 Bob married Roma Neiford, who passed away February 15, 2005.

Bob will be sadly missed by his children: Jackie (Jerry) VanCleve and Benny (Deb), both of Antwerp; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. His son, Robin, passed away.

His funeral service was at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp on May 13. Rev. Jim Edwards officiated. He was laid to rest at Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, with military honors.

The family requests donations to Paulding Area Visiting Nurses. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com



**Caroline Elizabeth Davis**, 90, of Payne died Saturday, May 10, 2008 at Country Inn Enhanced Living Facility, Paulding.

She was born May 18, 1917 in Paulding County, the daughter of Rudolph and Bertha (Harper) Schaefer. On January 16, 1935 she married Leo F. Davis. She was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Payne. She was also a member of John Paulding Historical Society. She was previously employed by G.E. of Ft. Wayne, and Magnavox, Ft. Wayne.

She is survived by her husband, Leo Davis of Payne; two sons: Jim Davis of Payne, and Roger (Patricia) Davis of Woodstock, GA; and two daughters: Barbara (Frank) French of Overland Park, KS, and Phyllis Davis of Windsor, WI; a brother, Roy (Dorothy) Schaefer of Payne; and two sisters: Rita (Bill) Kiester of Midford of OR; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Carl Schaefer; and a sister, Addie Radenbaugh.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 15 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Payne, with Rev. G. A. Fillman officiating. Burial will be in Lehman Cemetery, Payne.

Visitation will be 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 14 at Den Herder Funeral Home,

and one hour prior to services at the church on Thursday.

Donations may be made to St. John the Baptist School Endowment Fund or John Paulding Historical Society.

Condolences may be left at www.denherderfh.com

**MAY IS OSTEOPOROSIS MONTH**

A broken bone may seem like a minor inconvenience, but if you have osteoporosis, a broken bone may be the beginning of a lifetime of pain, disability, deformity, and lost independence. The US Surgeon General reports that half of all women and 25 percent of men, over the age of 50, will break a bone due to osteoporosis. When an older adult breaks a bone, the loss of independence sometimes lead to isolation, depression, and other health problems. Twenty percent of seniors who break a hip die within one year and many survivors will need long-term nursing care.

What's the good news? There is a lot you can do to keep your bones healthy to prevent osteoporosis. Good nutrition, including plenty of fruits, vegetables, and calcium is a good start. Couple that with regular exercise including strength training and you're well on your way to sustaining healthy bone mass. In addition, over the past 15 years there has been effective new treatment developed. Although not a cure, treatment can help, especially when you exercise and eat right.

Am I at Risk? If you have any of the following, consider asking your doctor about the benefits of having a Bone Density Test (DEXA Scan). This quick, painless, noninvasive test can tell if you have osteoporosis and how much the disease has progressed.

- Circle all that apply:
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**THANK YOU!**

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the following businesses that graciously supported American Mothers, Inc. It was an honor to represent our state as Indiana's Young Mother of the Year at the national convention in Lincoln, NE. Cheers to: Attorneys VanGilder & Trzynka, PC, Ruhl's Furniture, Stemmler Insurance, Paterson's Do-It-Best, Countryside Printing, Precious Beginnings Photography, Nemcomed, Window Watchers, Custom Maintenance, Woodburn MOPS, Hoagland Pizza and Pub, Steve Buuck Automotive, Central Lutheran School's Script program and the Gentz, Garcia, and Werling families.

Although I was not chosen as our national young mother of the year, I was humbled to be included among so many wonderful mothers. All too often, the media only presents us with horrific stories that scare mothers and families. However, after attending the American Mothers, Inc. convention, my faith in our families has been restored. Mothers and fathers are teaching and fighting for the traditional values that have made our nation great. Our nation is blessed with caring, incredible mothers from coast to coast who are nurturing and strengthening our children and our country's future.

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—Renee' Spieth, Woodburn Indiana's Young Mother of the Year, 2008

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Front (l to r): Chelsea Vail, Rachael Taylor, Chelsey Murlin, Christy Kortokrax, Jacqueline Thomas, and Amanda Riebersal  
Middle (l to r): Zach Carr, Zach Arnold, Jen Womack, Bryn Schlatter, Lynn Haller, Alex

Wetli, Kyle Proxmire, and Cody Bok  
Back (l to r): Boston Hormann, Nick Cottrell, and Graham Hughes  
Photo provided by Antwerp Local School

# NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH, PROTECTING OHIO'S CHILDREN

From Our State Representative: Lynn Wachtmann

In 2006 there were more than 500,000 children in foster care in the United States, and thousands of children are placed into foster care in Ohio each year because their parents or guardians are unable to care for them. These children depend on the support and care of foster parents until they can be reunited with their families or placed in a permanent home.

Recognizing the critical role foster parents play in the lives of children, May has been designated as National Foster Care Month. This year in the Ohio House of Representatives, my colleagues and I have approved two bills to help strengthen the training and services available to foster parents and ensure children are placed with stable and loving families.

The first measure is House Bill 214, which was sponsored by my colleagues Representatives Jeff Wagner (R- Sycamore) and Courtney Combs (R- Hamilton). Under this bill, new foster parents will be required to undergo 36 hours of training prior to having a child placed in the home. Foster parents will also be able to complete up to 20 hours of their continuing education hours by teaching classes to other foster parents or through mentoring activities.

To help provide transparency and weed out those who would do our children harm, House Bill 214 also makes a foster parent's records public if their foster care license is revoked or if they are arrested or charged with a crime. This bill was passed by the Legislature earlier this year and has now been signed into law by the governor.

We have also worked to ensure the continued safety of foster children through the passage of Senate Bill 163, sponsored by Senator Tom Niehaus (R- New Richmond). This bill adds repeat drunk driving, permitting animal abuse and cruelty to animals to the list of offenses preventing a person from becoming a foster parent. In addition, foster parents must submit to an FBI background check prior to becoming certified and again when renewing their certification. This will help catch any transgressions that occur between the two applications.

Children in foster care need a meaningful connection to caring adults who become a supportive and lasting presence in their lives. Thanks to the work of dedicated foster parents across Ohio, many of these children will be reunited with their families or adopted into loving homes. My colleagues and I in the Ohio House will continue to work on legislation that improves our state's foster care system so that children receive the best care possible.

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent, contact your county department of Jobs and Family Services or Public Children Services Agency. You can also help children in foster care through tutoring and mentoring programs or other volunteer opportunities that assist foster children and parents.

# FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Dog Warden

We have had some pretty exciting success stories for the dogs at the Paulding County Dog Shelter recently. It is always so encouraging to see the dogs go on their way to a new and happy life.

\*\*Tessa, the Dutch Shepherd who was last week's featured pet is on her way to becoming the newest member of the New Haven Police Force. Tessa will be further evaluated at her new adoptive home and sent on to the Academy to Serve and Protect.

\*\*Gentle Ben, the senior age collie was rescued by Tri-State Collie Rescue. Ben enjoyed a van ride to Tiffin, Ohio by one of the Tri-State volunteers and from Tiffin he was flown by a private pilot volunteer to his permanent home in Pennsylvania.

\*\*Sarah, the German Shorthair Pointer was rescued and transported by the National German Shorthair Pointer Rescue. Sarah was taken to the National Convention of German Shorthair Pointers Clubs in Wisconsin and from there she will travel by volunteer to Connecticut to be a pampered east coast gal.

\*\*Jack and Jill, the pointer puppies went to homes in Dayton and West Virginia.

\*\*Bonnie, the basset mix got a great new home right here in Paulding County.

Due to the great exposure the adoptable dogs get from Petfinder.com we have had people travel from far and wide to Paulding County to adopt their new family member.

If you are looking for a great new addition to your family just take a short drive to The Paulding County Dog Shelter at 13387 US 127 just north of Paulding and give a great dog a second chance at happiness.

Mocha is this week's featured pet. Mocha is husky/sheltie mix with a rich coffee colored coat and stunning ice



blue eyes. She is a medium sized dog and loves attention.

See the dogs at [www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html](http://www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html) or come out to the shelter on Fridays from 2:00-6:00 p.m. or call to make an appointment.

# ANTWERP EMS COMMUNITY APPRECIATION LUNCH

The Antwerp EMS is supplying a chili and hot dog lunch for the community of Antwerp and the surrounding area. The lunch is in honor of the upcoming National EMS Week observance and in appreciation to the community for supporting the EMS since 1972 and for much appreciation on the support given to the families of those who gave their lives in the line of duty last July.

Free will donations will be accepted and proceeds will go to the families of the tragedy of last year's accident to send them to the EMS memorial ceremony in Roanoke, Virginia at the end of May. There will be a 50/50 Raffle and a silent auction that will be start at 3:00 p.m. Chili and hot dogs along with coffee and punch will be served. The lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on May 18, 2008 at the Antwerp EMS station.

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**MARK'S ARK VISITS WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Pictured above are Mark Kohlhorst, of Mark's Ark, as he shows "McClusky", a four-foot long alligator to students and teachers at Woodburn Lutheran School on April 18. Other animals that Mark brought for the students to

see included "Tangerine", an orange and red corn snake, a white rat, "Blizzard", who does one trick, a rooster, box turtles, a frog, a hedgehog, a giant king toad, a chinchilla, and guinea pigs. The students really enjoyed interacting with these reptiles, amphibians, mammals, birds, and "creepy crawlies".

**THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH LESSON 1B**

**By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ**

Last time we left off, talking about the prophecy of Isaiah and his prophecy of the Lord's house, which is the church. Now let us look at Joel 2:28-29. Notice it says it shall come to pass afterward, that the Lord would pour out His Spirit on all flesh. Did this happen? Yes, in Acts Chapter 2, which we will come to study in a later installment. But there is another prophecy we need to look at, and that is Daniel.

As we look at Daniel 2:40 we read about the 4th kingdom. Who is the Kingdom, you may ask and who are the others? The 1st Kingdom was Babylon which was ruled

by Nebuchadnezzar. The 2nd Kingdom would be Persia. The 3rd Kingdom would be Greece which was ruled by Alexander the Great. The 4th Kingdom would be the Roman Kingdom. Who was in control of Israel during the lifetime of Jesus? That would be the Romans. Now we will look at Daniel 2:44 and what it says.

Notice it says in the days of these kings God will set up a Kingdom that shall never be destroyed. What is this Kingdom you might ask? God is talking about a kingdom that shall never be destroyed. The word 'kingdom' is used interchangeable as Kingdom where Christ reigns today and for Church. When referring to the word 'Church', in the Greek language, it is called 'ekklisia', which means 'the called out,' a group or an

assembly. I Corinthians 3:11 tells us no other foundation but Christ. The Greek word for kingdom is 'basileia' and simply means of God's reign in the Christian's life. There will be more said about this at a later date in the future, the Lord willing. Remember Jesus loves you and so do I.

**GREATNESS HAS ITS PRICE**

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

Greatness has its price. It doesn't come free. Many of you are familiar with golfer Gary Player. Player is a man for whom both faith and accomplishments are important. He won more international golf tournaments in his day than anyone else.

When Player was competing in a tournament, people constantly came up to him and made the same remark: "I'd give anything if I could hit a golf ball like you."

One particular tough day, a tired and frustrated Player once again heard the tired refrain: "I'd give anything if I could hit a golf ball like you." Player's usual politeness failed him as he replied to the spectator, "No, you wouldn't. You'd give anything to hit a golf ball like me if it was easy. Do you know what you've got to do to hit a golf ball like me? You've got to get up at five o'clock in the morning, go out on the course, and hit on thousand golf balls. Your hand starts bleeding, and you walk up to the clubhouse, wash the blood off your hand, slap a bandage on it, and go out and hit another thousand golf balls. That's what it takes to hit a golf ball like me."

Do you want to be a world famous violinist like Isaac Stern? Then be prepared to practice eight hours a day beginning at the age of eight. That is Stern's secret.

Would you like to run with a football like the immortal Walter Payton? Then be prepared to run up a high hill every day until you throw up. That's what Payton did on a hill near his home in the off-season. When he threw up, he quit for the day.

Greatness has its price. I am amazed how many people adopt the Christian faith as their own with the thought that it really won't cost them anything. In so many areas of life, including our spiritual life, we want the product without the process. We want the results without assuming the responsibility. It is especially true in our growth in Christ. You may look at a Godly person and think, "Man, I wish I had that kind of faith. I wish I had that kind of wisdom. I wish I had his understanding of the scriptures. I wish I could quote verses from memory like that." Friends, there is no secret as to how to attain spiritual maturity. It takes time, effort, teachability, and discipline—rare commodities in our world of shortcuts, fast-foods, and instant everything.

Why not determine again to devote yourself to the daily disciplines of prayer, Bible reading, and walking in obedience to the scriptures. In time, as the Lord enables you, you'll begin establishing consistency and maturity in your spiritual life. It doesn't come cheap. There's a cost. But it's worth it—just ask Gary Player.

**JAMES DOUGHTY UPDATE FOR 5/5/08**

Good morning, We received the news Saturday morning that Jim's leukemia is back at 20% now (that is up from the 5% he had just a couple of weeks ago). So, obviously the Vidasia chemo has not done anything and is not strong enough to kill the blast cells. Dr. Holland suggested that we break out the big guns again do another round of FLAG chemo, which is the same induction chemotherapy he received when he was first diagnosed and is obviously the very potent stuff. That regiment goes Monday through Friday, and he is starting that today. We will most likely be in the hospital through next week as the side effects from the chemo will start showing up towards the end of this week into next week (fevers, mouth sores, not being able to eat and swallow, vomiting etc). The goal is to, obviously, get him back at 0% leukemia cells in order to give him more donor cells again. Providing that will happen, they are not going to give any immune suppressing drugs this time, to try to fully induce GVHD. It is crucial that he get a little bit of this in order for his new immune system to fully take over; so it knows to attack the leukemia cells. However, if the GVHD is not controlled, it could be just as deadly as the leukemia itself...

The shingles are finally starting to clear up... he is still having phantom pain, but at least they are scabbing over and he is not contagious anymore. The swelling is almost gone now as well. He is still battling fluid retention and is crazy swollen again since getting fluid around the clock. You can't see his ankles, he can't bend his toes and that swelling goes all the way up his legs and thighs. He is getting discoloration again and it looks as if his legs and feet are going to pop, so I hope they can get that back under control as well.

I am thinking maybe he got the shingles so that this high-dose chemo won't be so bad in comparison. Please continue to pray for our strength, for Jim's healing and for this to all come together and work for us this time... Jim has said as long as there is a chance this could still work and as long as I am by his side, he will continue to fight... and so will I!

God's Blessings to you all, —Sera

**WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL SERVING YOU AT MCDONALD'S**

Woodburn Lutheran School teachers will be showing their school spirit at the Northwood McDonald's in Ft. Wayne on Monday, May 19, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. They will be serving and taking orders. This is a fund raiser for the computer lab. Bring everyone and show your school spirit!

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**DONATIONS FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN BY ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



In the spirit of giving, the students of St. John Catholic School collected donations to send care packages to our servicemen and women in Iraq and Afghanistan. This was part of a program organized by the Postmistress from Antwerp. Boxes were distributed to different businesses and schools throughout Paul-

ding County. At the end of one week, the students had donated enough items to fill nine large boxes! Good job St. John's students!

Shown placing their items in the box are Taylor Williamson, Catie Strable, Carley Wright, Seth Rister and Colton Hower.



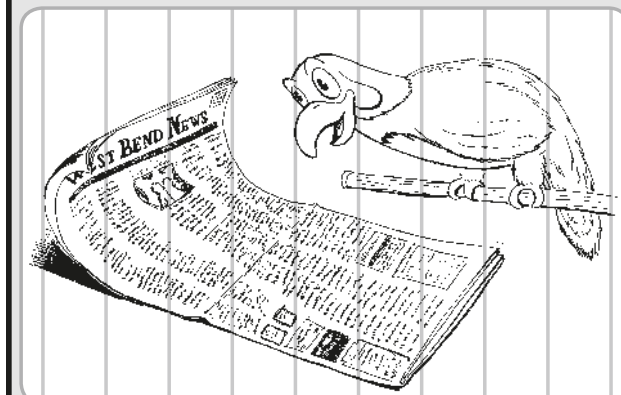
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**THE DREAMER**

A story is told of a man who had engaged in riotous living for many years. He was a drunkard. And then one evening at a tent meeting Gospel Revival, he came forward to be washed in the name of Jesus and was born again. Soon after, his former drinking buddies who thought it strange that he no longer ran with the pack, would heckle and ridicule him each morning on the corner as he passed by on his way to work.

This went on for several weeks, until one day, his wife found out about it! She followed him from a distance and heard the chant of one of his former friends saying, "There goes that dreamer!"

After he had passed by, they glanced over to see the wife coming straight toward them! "Sirs, may I speak to you?" she asked. "That man who just passed by is my husband! He used to be a drunkard. He used to spend all of the money he made on whiskey. Sometimes he would come home late at night after drinking with some of you, and he would hit me. I spent most of the time crying. My children didn't have one decent pair of shoes between them or any nice clothes to wear to school, and we were behind on most of our bills. There was rarely any food in the house. We were near the point of despair. It was then that I began to pray as never before!"

"Then, at a local tent meeting, a marvelous thing happened! My husband heard a message of hope and deliverance and responded by faith and repentance in obedience to the invitation of Christ! And that man who was once enslaved by alcohol and in bondage to sin was buried with Christ in baptism and arose from that watery grave a FREE man - to walk in newness of life! The shackles were gone!" (See John 8:36)

"Today, my children have new shoes and new clothes! We were able to catch up on our bills. Our pantry and refrigerator are full and there is always enough to eat. He is home every night spending quality time with the children and me. We actually enjoy being around him now, and we do things together. We are finally a family!"

"So, I want to ask you to do something for me. If this man is dreaming, whatever you do, **DON'T WAKE HIM UP!**"

What a difference Christ can make in one's life!  
"If anyone is IN CHRIST, he is a NEW CREATION! The former things have passed away, BEHOLD all things have become new!" (2 Corinthians 5:17).  
He CAN make a difference in YOUR life if you will allow Him. He WILL make a difference if you will believe in Him (Acts 16:30-31) and trust Him, repent of your sins (Acts 17:30-31), confess Him before men (Romans 10:9-10), be baptized (immersed) in His name for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16), and continue to follow Him for the rest of your life (1 John 1:7).

Remember, some dreams DO come true!  
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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The Commissioners have been asked to present information regarding the needs of the County, and what resources are available to meet those needs. We continue to address these questions through news articles and personal contact. Unfortunately, since tough decisions need to be made, some view this information as a threat. We must balance a budget that has been eaten up by inflation, stagnant revenue, and the loss of the levy renewal money.

One reason we encourage passage of the Levy is because

we do value the contributions made by the 4-H Program, and our other non-mandated agencies. We not only support the 4-H Program as Commissioners, but also as private individuals through livestock sales, judging of their projects, donations, etc. To say otherwise would deny our past history with these programs. We commend the 4-H members for their efforts to convey to the public the value of their program, and we sincerely hope that the voters share their concern.

With our current financial resources, if we eliminate all non-mandated agencies' funding, it would still be less than half the projected shortfall. Without our funding, some agencies could survive, others could not. Even those that could survive would face drastic cuts. The idea of the agencies mentioned running their own levy is always an available option, but we all know how difficult it is to pass a levy.

State-mandated agencies such as the Sheriff's office, along with other county offices, would see reductions in funding, resulting in the loss or reduction of some services currently provided, if the levy does not pass. In the Sheriff's case, his options are limited. The jail must perform its purpose. The Sheriff would have to determine the reductions for his office, but it would most likely mean fewer road deputies. Is that a threat? No, it is dealing with the problem

presented to you. Remember, if we funded the non-mandated agencies at the present level, it would compound our problem to the tune of over \$200,000 more. To assume that all of the dollars needed to balance the budget could be eliminated from the Sheriff's budget, as mentioned in Mr. Dysinger's letter, is not realistic. The County Justice System is a required function of County government and must be provided for. Historically, it is the most expensive part of every county's budget.

We have all heard those three famous words, "If I'm Elected," and a promise often follows which may not reflect an understanding of the total financial picture. The words "I would not vote to cut" are easy to say and may be the popular stance. Of course, then you leave it to the other two Commissioners to make the hard decisions for you.

Respectfully Submitted,  
—Paulding County Commissioners

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The Paulding High School Junior class parents gratefully acknowledge the many individuals, businesses and organizations that so generously donated to the 2008 After Prom. The goal has always been to provide a safe, fun event for students with plenty of food, entertainment, games and activities and prizes. Without the overwhelming financial support we received, it would not have been possible. To those who so kindly donated, we want you to know that you have invested in our most valuable asset: our youth.

—Georgia Kohart,  
Co-chair Paulding High School  
After Prom Committee

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

On December 14, 2007 a bipartisan group of 51 U.S. Senators sent a letter to Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne requesting that the Department of Interior (DOI) change its regulations so that law-abiding Americans could carry firearms, in accordance with existing state law for protection in national parks and wildlife refuges. Recently, the DOI issued that proposed change. The National Rifle Association (NRA) led the effort to amend the existing policy regarding the carrying and transportation of firearms on these federal lands.

These new regulations will provide uniformity across our nation's federal lands and put an end to the patchwork of regulations that governed different lands managed by different federal agencies. In the past, only Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and For-

est Service lands allowed the carrying of firearms, while lands managed by DOI did not.

The current regulations on possession, carry or transportation of loaded or uncased firearms in national parks were proposed in 1982 and finalized in 1983. Similar restrictions applied in national wildlife refuges. The NRA has long held that amendments to those regulations were needed to reflect the changed legal situations with respect to state laws on carrying firearms.

As of the end of 1982, only six states routinely allowed citizens to carry handguns for self-defense. Currently, 48 states, including Ohio, have a process for issuing licenses or permits to allow law-abiding citizens to legally carry firearms for self-defense. Two states do not require permits, 38 states have a "shall-issue" permit process, and eight have a discretionary process for issuing permits.

This move will restore the rights of law-abiding gun owners who wish to transport and carry firearms for lawful purposes on most DOI lands, and will make federal law consistent with the state law in which these lands are located.

Some senators respected the Second Amendment rights of honest citizens and supported this revision to the federal law. Senator John McCain is one of those who does. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Hussein Obama are among those who do not.

—Duane Bailey,  
Cecil, OH

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

I am writing to the folks of Paulding County to let them know what a wonderful gem we have here in our county. Oh, it isn't a diamond mine, or a vault of gold, or even an underground well of oil, but much more than all of those things. It is a little pile of bricks and mortar that holds a wealth of caring, gentle hands, kind words, and loving hearts. It's Hawthorn Court, soon to be the Gardens of Paulding Skilled Nursing Facility.

Many people who have never been associated with the facility and it's amazing staff may feel that the building is old and unattractive. True, it's old, it isn't very pretty, but let me tell you it takes more than a beautiful facility to make a good nursing home. The people who work there are the best. They come to work every day with skill to do their jobs, but so much more. They love the residents, they touch them and kiss them and try so hard to heal the fractured souls of their charges. They don't clock in and put in their time,

they clock in and love those they care for. They smile at them and do much to ease the confusion of those lovely elders. The volunteers, who come to sing, worship, play bingo, read and just visit with the elders are an important piece of the puzzle. Working together all of those people give our community peace of mind. They touch the very souls of the families who have entrusted their loved ones to the care of the staff. While making the decision to place a loved one in a nursing facility is difficult to say the least, rest assured that the people who grace the floor of Hawthorn Court/The Gardens of Paulding will go above and beyond passing medicine, cooking meals or changing beds. They will love your elder nearly as much as you do.

We are SO lucky to have these people in our community to work and provide for our loved ones when we no longer can do the job. Soon, we will lose the old and unattractive building and move to the new beautiful facility. We will have the best of both worlds: first and foremost, a top notch staff and secondly a beautiful place for the residents to call home. Rest assured that if you ever need a safe, loving place for your loved one to live there is the best one right here in Paulding.

With much gratitude I say congratulations for a job well done for our community. Best of luck in the new facility and know those of us who have witnessed your work are forever in your debt.

Sincerely,  
—Cheryl Schier and family,  
Bob Davis and family

**A WORD OF THANKS**

The family of Maxine Davis wish to express their gratitude to Reverend Ben Lowell, Reverend Larry Hopkins, the staff of Hawthorn Court Nursing Home, the members of the Paulding United Methodist Church for graciously allowing us to use the church for mother's visitation, the ladies of the church for preparing a wonderful meal, and to Harter and Schier Funeral Home, Delphos, for such kind and loving services. Furthermore, we wish to thank all of our friends for the floral tributes, memorial money, food, visits, and prayers during our time of need. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

—Bob and Holly Davis & families,  
Joe and Cheryl Schier & families

**THANK YOU**

I want to thank everyone. Words cannot express our gratitude and heart felt appreciation for all who shared in our grief over the loss of our daughter, mother, sister, and aunt Wendy Burns.

A special thanks to Fr. Oedy, the kids of St. John's and Antwerp, the ladies of St. Mary's and the gals who took care of the kitchen while we were at the funeral home. Thanks to all who sent cards, food, flowers, and prayed for us. Last, but not least to Doolley's Funeral Home for the excellent job they did.

God bless you all,  
—Roger & Marlene Pier & all families

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**WHAT: Bake Sale & Car Wash!**  
**WHEN: May 24th & 25th!**  
**WHERE: May 24<sup>th</sup> - Bake Sale**  
First Federal Bank Next to McDonalds in Paulding 8am to noon

**May 25<sup>th</sup> - Carwash at Chief Supermarket** From 1 pm - 4 pm

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By: Chelsea Vail

Step right up and see the future... well, the planned stuff, anyways. Amongst all the various awards programs taking place through next week - Vantage on May 13, Choir on May 15, Academic on May 20, and Sports on May 21 - students will be nabbing kudos left and right! Save for the Vantage Awards, which has a rather ambiguous start time, all the ceremonies are set to begin at 7:30 p.m. Keep in mind that though they are not red carpet affairs, there WILL be cameras. Honorees are asked to dress accordingly (and if you're the one planning to wear flip flops and a cutoff, this means YOU!).

In addition to the award ceremonies, there is one more notable event going on under the Big Top this week - a SADD benefit concert planned for Saturday night. Beginning at 6:00 p.m., it will feature live performances from Dylan Willow, Age Old Stationery, and Brothers by Faith. Admission is set at \$5.00. Show a little love to the area bands and help out a student in need (i.e. be there!).

**JH Track:** May 20, 4:00, @ Hicksville (GMC meet)

**Varsity Track:** May 16, 5:00, @ Ayersville (GMC meet); May 19, 4:30, @ Wayne Trace

**JV Baseball:** May 15, 4:30, Hicksville; May 16, 4:30, @ Archbold

**Varsity Softball:** May 15, 4:30, Bryan; May 16, 4:30, @ Woodlan

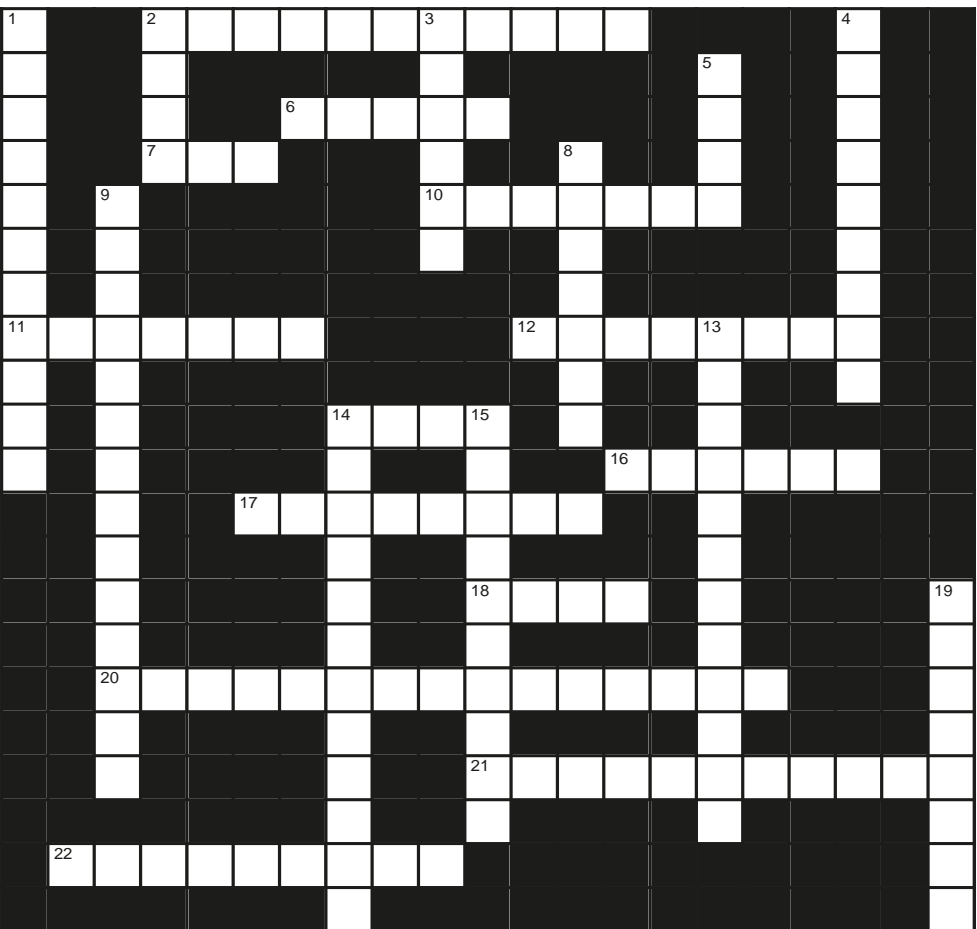
**Word of the Week**  
Tantamount \tan-TUH-munt\ **adjective**

1. Equivalent, as in value, force, effect, or significance  
*Example: "With all the hubbub surrounding the last few weeks of school, the atmosphere is tantamount to that of a three-ring circus."*

Now, if we could only find a cymbal-clapping monkey to perform at lunchtime... Enjoy the show!

Be sure to tell the businesses you patronize, that you saw their ad in the West Bend News.

# Crossword Puzzle



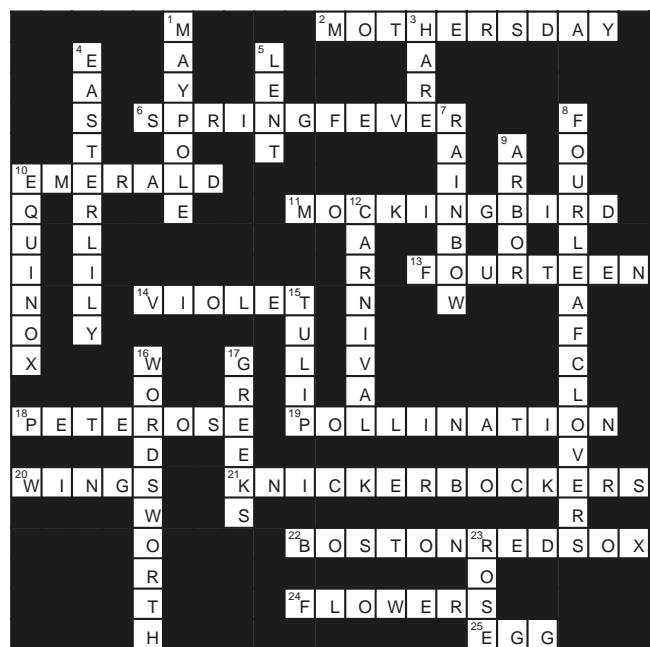
**Across**

2. Before He was Muhammad Ali, he was THIS. (2 words)
6. What watch takes a licking but keeps on ticking?
7. The nick name of a VW.
10. The battle cry of the hippies in the '60's was "Turn on, tune in, \_\_\_\_\_." (2 words)
11. "Get Your Kicks on \_\_\_\_\_." (2 words)
12. "The story you're about to see is true. The names have been changed to protect the \_\_\_\_\_."
14. The name of Dick and Jane's dog.
16. What was a "78"?
17. A large plastic ring you twirl around your waist. (2 words)
18. Where would you use Butch Wax?
20. Elvis Presley's first hit. (2 words)
21. This person left his heart in San Francisco. (2 words)
22. "A little dab'll do ya!" (2 words)

**Down**

1. This builds strong bodies 12 ways. (2 words)
2. Kookie, Kookie, lend me your \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Who pitched Alka Selzer?
4. NFL quarterback who appeared on a TV commercial wearing panty hose.
5. "Good night David, Good night, \_\_\_\_\_."
8. The Russians put the first satellite into orbit and it was called this.
9. This was the first TV show the Beattles were on. (3 words)
13. A group of protesters arrested at the Democratic Convention in 1986 were called this. (2 words)
14. What did the Lone Ranger always leave behind? (2 words)
15. Ipana was WHAT?
19. You had to send in this seal to receive a Captain Midnight ring.

Answers to "Spring Fever!"



**PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS**

Tuesday Night Men's League

1. On the Edge Construction 3-0
2. Miller Lawn Care/Red Owl 3-0
3. Raintech 3-0
4. Red Owl/Bud Select 2-1
5. Guilford Real Estate 1-2
6. Quality Cars 0-3
7. TJ'S/Eagles 0-3
8. Grace Home Improvements 0-3

Wednesday Night Women's League

1. Carpet wholesalers 2-0
2. Sherwood VFW/D&H 2-0
3. Red Owl/Budweiser 1-1
4. Casa Veija/Sun's Edge 1-1
5. Jay Dangler Excavating 0-1
6. Lafarge 0-1
7. Paulding VFW 0-2

Thursday Night Men's League

1. Millers/Country Cabnets 3-0
2. Taylor Brothers 3-0
3. Chico's 2-1
4. Larson's Body Shop/Ed's Car Center 2-1
5. Atwood 1-2
6. Red Owl/Firefighters 1-2
7. Haviland Tile 0-3
8. Hot-N-Here 0-3

**PAULDING TRACK TEAM POUNDS FAIRVIEW**

On May 7 Paulding once again played host for high school track—this time against Fairview.

- Girls team results:  
Paulding 98, Fairview 33
- Event results:  
High jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Razo P, 5'0"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Carr P  
Discus - 1<sup>st</sup> Anderson P, 77'6"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Donaldson P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Hammon P  
Long jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Schroeder F, 13'5.5"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Razo P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Clellan P  
Pole vault - 1<sup>st</sup> Hammon P, 6'0"  
Shot put - 1<sup>st</sup> Anderson P, 36.5"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Donaldson P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grinnell F  
3200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 11:47.21  
100 m hurdles - 1<sup>st</sup> Gross

P, 17.77; 2<sup>nd</sup> Schroeder F; 3<sup>rd</sup> Muller F

100 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Schroeder F, 13:77; 2<sup>nd</sup> Carnahan P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Myers P

4x200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 2:00.21

1600 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Suffel P, 6:09; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kohart P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Miller F

4x100 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 56.57

400 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Carr, 1:07; 2<sup>nd</sup> Suffel P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Chittenden P

300 m hurdles - 1<sup>st</sup> Gross P, 52:58; 2<sup>nd</sup> Schroeder F; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mueller F

800 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Laney P, 3:02.97; 2<sup>nd</sup> Breininger F

200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Clellan P, 30:11; 2<sup>nd</sup> Myers P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Carnahan P

3200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Miller F, 15:47

4x400 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding

Boys Team results:  
Paulding 92, Fairview 35

High jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Vance P, 5'10"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Porter P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Beck P

Discus - 1<sup>st</sup> Arend P, 118'1"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ross P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kohart P

Long jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Troyer P, 17'2"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mott P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Rhonehouse P

Pole vault - 1<sup>st</sup> Roughton P, 8'6"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Stallkamp P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sowder P

Shot put - 1<sup>st</sup> Arend P, 45'4"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Webb F; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kohart P

3200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Alvarez P, 9:09.62; 2<sup>nd</sup> Coolman P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tonneas P

110 m hurdles - 1<sup>st</sup> Tope P, 16:78; 2<sup>nd</sup> Roughton P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Shaffer P

100 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Rhonehouse P, 11:69; 2<sup>nd</sup> Webb F; 3<sup>rd</sup> Hahn P

4x200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Fairview 9:09.62

1600 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Perkins F, 4:54.39; 2<sup>nd</sup> Alvarez F; 3<sup>rd</sup> Porter P

4x100 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 47:68

400 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Mott P, 54.26; 2<sup>nd</sup> Schroeder P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tonneas P

300 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Mumma, 48.29; 2<sup>nd</sup> Shaffer; 3<sup>rd</sup> Glass

800 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Rhonehouse, 2:05; 2<sup>nd</sup> Coolman; 3<sup>rd</sup> Alvarez

200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Vance, 24:34; 2<sup>nd</sup> Sanderson; 3<sup>rd</sup> Wofle

3200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Perkins, 103.4; 2<sup>nd</sup> Singer; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kline

4x400 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding

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After the Zach Arend Memorial, Paulding and Antwerp Varsity Boys played against each other. Shown here is Haden Sholl sliding safely into second with Sophomore Aaron Hughes and another Archer attempting to get the out. Antwerp ended with a 8-6 win. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Wayne Trace played the Lincolnview Lancers Friday, May 9. Freshman, Andrea Padilla, made a diving catch at the top of the 7<sup>th</sup>. The Raiders, with one more time at bat, couldn't quite pull a win off. The score ended up 5-6. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Antwerp varsity softball had a fun game in the rain Friday, May 9 against Edgerton. The Archers played a double-header and won both. Junior Kole Schlatter takes a turn pitching as the girls traded to different positions. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

**ARCHER SOFTBALL WINS BIG IN CONFERENCE GAME WITH TINORA**

The Archer softball team closed out its conference schedule yesterday afternoon, May 8 with an 8-2 victory over Tinora, improving their record to six and one in the GMC and fifteen and five overall.

On the mound, Bryn Schlatter threw fourteen strikeouts and walked one in the victory while not allowing any earned runs.

At the plate, Kole Schlatter, Christy Kortokrax and Darcie Reinhart pounded out a single and a double each while Jessie Arnold belted to singles.

**WOODLAN SOFTBALL SCORE OVER SOUTHERN WELLS**

On Friday, May 9, the Lady Warriors took the win from the Lady Raiders of Southern Wells. The final score was 5-3.

Woodlan's record now stands at 14-5. For this game, with 5 runs, 8 hits, 1 error; 2B - Lengacher (W); 3B - Shinn (W); WP - Copeland; and SV - Kirkwood

Southern Wells had 3 runs, 6 hits, 4 errors; 2B - Carter (SW); and LP - Carter.

**ARCHER SOFTBALL SHUT OUT APACHES**

The Archer softball team took on GMC foe Fairview in a non-conference game Tuesday afternoon, May 6 and came away with a 6-0 victory over the visiting Apaches.

Kole Schlatter, Jessie Arnold, and Christy Kortokrax paced the Archers at the plate by pounding out two hits a piece while combining for four RBI's. Darcie Reinhart and Alaine Wetli chipped in with a double and triple respectively.

On the mound, Bryn Schlatter held the visitors at bay by striking out ten and walking one to record her sixth shut-out on the season lifting the teams record to 14-5.

**PAULDING VS. DELPHOS JEFFERSON IN HIGH SCHOOL TRACK**

The Paulding track team played host to the Delphos Jefferson team on 5/6/08.

Girls team results:  
Paulding 91, Delphos Jefferson 44.

Event results:  
High jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Razo P, 5'4"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mullenhour DJ

Discus - 1<sup>st</sup> Anderson P, 96'7"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Wilson DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Donaldson P

Long jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Razo P, 13'6.5"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Clellan P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Boggs DJ

Pole vault - 1<sup>st</sup> Blockberger DJ, 9'6"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Hammon P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Boggs DJ

Shot put - 1<sup>st</sup> Anderson P, 36'11"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Wilson DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Donaldson P

3200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 11:13.39

100m hurdles - 1<sup>st</sup> Gross P, 17:13; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mullenhour DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Vangronthees DJ

100 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Carnahan P, 14:08; 2<sup>nd</sup> Carr P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Ceigh DJ

4x200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 11:13.39

1600 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Suffel P, 5:47; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kimmett DJ

4x100 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Delphos Jefferson 52:83

400 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Carr P, 1:05; 2<sup>nd</sup> Razo P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Clausing DJ

300 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Gross P, 51:13; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mullenhour DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kohart P

800 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Suffel P, 2:37.7; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kimmett DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Klausins DJ

200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Carnahan P, 29; 2<sup>nd</sup> Leigh DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Volngroothurst DJ

3200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Laney P, 15:55; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kohart P, 15:57

4x400 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 4:23.01

Boys team results:  
Paulding 82, Delphos Jefferson 55

Event results:  
High jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Vance P, 5'8"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Troyer P

Discus - 1<sup>st</sup> Osting DJ, 126'11"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Arend P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Ross P

Long jump - 1<sup>st</sup> Troyer P, 18'3"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Tope P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Wiltsie DJ

Pole vault - 1<sup>st</sup> Roughton P, 13'6"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Stallkamp P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sowder P

Shot put - 1<sup>st</sup> Ostrig DJ, 45'9"; 2<sup>nd</sup> Arend P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Lauf DJ

3200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 9:52.93

110 m hurdles - 1<sup>st</sup> Sanders DJ, 16:07; 2<sup>nd</sup> Tope P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mullenhour DJ

100 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Allenbaugh DJ, 11:63; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mott P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Short DJ

4x200 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Delphos Jefferson 1:33.39

1600 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Porter P, 5:19.13; 2<sup>nd</sup> Mumma P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Kline P

4x100 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Delphos Jefferson 45:10

400 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Rhonehouse P, 52:19; 2<sup>nd</sup> Beck P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Schroeder P

300 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Sanders DJ, 43:13; 2<sup>nd</sup> Shaffer P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mullenhour DJ

800 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Atterberry DJ, 2:10.29; 2<sup>nd</sup> Carder DJ; 3<sup>rd</sup> Menke DJ

200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Allenbaugh DJ, 23:12; 2<sup>nd</sup> Rhonehouse P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Richards DJ

3200 m - 1<sup>st</sup> Svec P, 12:19.58; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kline P; 3<sup>rd</sup> Carr P

4x400 relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Paulding 3:56

**ARCHER BASEBALL VS. NORTH CENTRAL AND STATS THROUGH 5/6/08**

Antwerp (6-9) hosted NorthCentral (4-15) in a non league game. Final score was an Archer victory: 14-4.

For North Central:  
6 hits - Lowmaster NC hit a 3 run home run in the first inning with Fee and Clements on. Groll had 2 hits and scored a run. Fee took the loss for NC (other pitcher Lowmaster)

For Antwerp:  
18 hits - A. Smith and Kobee each had 4 hits and Kobee had 4 RBI. Carr took the win (other pitcher Chamberlain)

Key Antwerp stats thru 5/6/08:  
Team Hitting Leaders:  
Sr. Anthony Smith - 23 hits; 48 AB; .479 avg; 1 HR; 16 runs scored

Sr. Zach Carr - 17 hits; 50 AB; .340 avg;  
So. Beau Kobee - 27 hits; 49 AB; .551 avg; 9 doubles; 20 RBI

Sr. Kyle Proxmire - 24 hits; 47 AB; .511 avg; 1 HR; stolen base leader

Jr. Mark Parisot - 14 hits; 33 AB; .424 avg; 1 HR

Sr. Tim Ryan - 13 hits; 42 AB; .310 avg

Sr. Jared Delong - 10 hits; 28 AB; .357 avg; 1 HR

Fr. Shaile Chamberlain - 8 hits; 21 AB; .381 avg

Team Pitching Leaders:  
\*Kyle Proxmire (1-3) 30 2/3 innings pitched 30 strikeouts

\*Zach Carr (2-1)  
\*Shaile Chamberlain (1-1)  
\*Mark Parisot (2-2)  
\*Anthony Smith (0-2)

**WOODLAN SOFTBALL VICTORIOUS OVER LAKEWOOD PARK CHRISTIAN**

On May 5, the Lady Warriors slid right over the Lady Panthers of Lakewood Park Christian in a 4-3 win for the Warriors.

Woodlan's record now stands at 12-5; with 4 runs, 6 hits, 1 error; HR-(W)Suder-2 Home Runs; and WP-Kirkwood for the game.

Lakewood Park Christian had 3 runs, 4 hits, 2 errors; HR-(LPC)Weaver; and LP-Heibel for the game.

**WAYNE TRACE JV SOFTBALL IMPROVE RECORD WITH WIN AGAINST COLDWATER**

Wayne Trace Junior Varsity hosted Coldwater on Tuesday evening, May 6. The Lady Raiders came away with a 15-5 victory and improved their record to 9 wins and 3 losses.

Macy Crooks led the way at the plate for the red, white, and blue with two singles and a double. A single and a triple were each contributed by Heather Bidlack and Kelsey Heck.

Abbey Linder faced 23 Coldwater batters over five innings, giving-up just three hits and walking two while striking-out three Lady Cavaliers. This improves her record to eight wins against two defeats.

**ARCHER SOFTBALL EARN BIG WIN OVER INDIANS**

The softball team traveled to Wauseon to take on the Indians on Monday, May 5, and came away with a 3-1 eight inning victory.

The Archer defense was solid committing no errors in support of Bryn Schlatter's eight inning pitching performance. On the day Schlatter allowed six hits and one run, while striking out eight and walking none.

Jessie Arnold led the team at the plate with a two out RBI double in the third inning to open the scoring for the team while Kole Schlatter added two single and Loni Walk a two RBI bunt in the eighth inning to win the contest.

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**PAULDING HISTORY**

**By: Stan Jordan**  
 These pictures are from the same book as those of last week's column. The book is *The First Chair of America in 1947*. It is about band members of the nation and some are from Paulding High School.  
 We have received quite a bit of comments about last week's pictures and students. They must have been pretty good to have made it into a national book of that year.  
 Top photo (l-r): Horn Quartet, Donna Mae Iler, Marilyn Moore, Phyliss Gillard, Patty Lee. Bottom photo (l-r): Flute Trio, Nancy Royer, Juanita Byer, Carolyn Bell.  
 See, ya!

**NOW READ THIS**

**By: Stan Jordan**  
 As I sit here at my desk, for some reason, my mind wanders back to 63 years ago today.  
 We hadn't seen any action (WWII) for a couple of days and almost no one or any Germans. We were in a small valley with hills all around and a mountain stream that ran along the north side of the valley down to a gristmill that was so arranged that the

stream turned the water wheel and powered all the grinding wheels. The Capt. had pointed over to the southeast and said that Pilzen, Czechoslovakia was about 12 miles that way.  
 Our tank crew, five men, was billeted in a brick farm house, on the lane from the grist mill. Sarge hollered and said everybody to the little cabin, where we ate supper. We all got inside and sat on the floor and was quiet to hear what Capt. Anderson would have to say.  
 He said, "The Germans have surrendered and the war will end tomorrow, May 8, 1945." The silence was deafening. No one said anything, it was the words we had waited years to hear. Someone did say, "Hot dog", but that was about all. We just sat there for a few minutes.  
 Our big mess Sgt. was a restaurant owner from Kansas City and he told us that Cpl. Matheny had killed a deer and the cooks would fry it up and we would eat tomorrow's bread, if that's okay. A sort of celebration with coffee, deer meat and bread. Boy! That was a banquet. We sat on the floor and ate and some guys played Euchre and Hearts. So that is the way the war's end was celebrated in our tank outfit in Europe.

We stayed in that area for a couple days and then moved north to a small town named Berneck, a mountain resort town in peacetime. About all we done there was play ball and guard duty.  
 There was a brewery at the edge of town and we parked our 17 tanks in that parking lot. Someone wanted to take a five gallon water can inside and fill it with beer. It was powerful Bock Beer, between 10 & 12%. But I don't remember anyone ever abusing the privilege by getting inebriated.  
 About the middle of July, they broke the outfit up and we went by 40 & 8 railroad box cars over to Camp Lucky Strike in Western France. We were there about two weeks and then on a little liberty ship back to the States. After 13 days on this ship the Capt. Said, "Dead ahead is Sandy Hook, NJ. We'll drop anchor here and make port in the morning."  
 That's the way it was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August. Japan surrendered on the 13<sup>th</sup> of August.

I am one person who was glad that we dropped the atom bomb, because they figured if we invaded Japan proper we would lose 1 million men. The bomb saved those men.  
 See, Ya!

**WOODLAN SOFTBALL DEFEATS SOUTH ADAMS**

Warrior softball team left the field with another victory on May 6. This time against the South Adams Starfires with a 8-3 score. Woodlan's record now stands at 13-5. They took 8 runs, 9 hits, 1 error; 2B-Hogue (W), Knoblauch (W), Suder (W), Neal (W); 3B-Lengacher(W); and WP-Copeland for the game.  
 South Adams took 3 runs, 8 hits, 3 errors; 2B- A.Lehman (SA); and LP-Melick for the game.

**PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/14 THROUGH 5/20**

*MS/HS - Breakfast*  
 5/14 - Bacon, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk  
 5/15 - Pancakes, sausage patty, juice, milk  
 5/16 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
 5/19 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
 5/20 - Cinnamon roll, juice, milk  
*MS/HS - Lunch*  
 5/14 - Taco salad or grilled chicken on a bun, baby car-

**ANTWERP HISTORY**



BACK ROW: Raymond Bender, George Deiser, Francis Linder, Robert Scribb, Mrs. Samuels, Richard Hemecover, Robert Meyer, William Malott  
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 A/J. Charles Mendez Thoe

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**By: Stan Jordan**  
 This is a picture of the 1948 graduating class of Antwerp High School. If there

was an Alumni Banquet this year this would be the Honoree Class of 60 years.

This picture, courtesy of Kathy Smith Wilson See, Ya!

rots w/dip, chips, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/15 - Pizza sticks w/sauce, corn, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/16 - Bacon cheeseburger, crosstrax potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/19- Popcorn chicken, broccoli w/cheese or stromboli, baby carrots w/dip, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/20 - Bar-b-que pork on a bun, crosstrax potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
*Paulding Elementary - Lunch*

5/14 - Cook's choice  
 5/15 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, fruit cup, milk  
 5/16 - Pepperoni & cheese, bread stick w/sauce, green beans, fruit cup, milk  
 5/19 - Cook's choice  
 5/20 - Turkey noodles or turkey gravy w/whipped potatoes, bread, fruit cup, milk  
*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch*  
 5/14 - Oven fried chicken or ham & cheese on a bun, corn on cob, bread, fruit,

milk  
 5/15 - Taco in a bag or ham & cheese on a bun, lettuce & cheese, fruit, milk  
 5/16 - Pepperoni cheese bread stick w/sauce or ham & cheese, green beans, fruit, milk  
 5/19 - Popcorn chicken or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit, milk  
 5/20 - Chili dog or hot dog on a bun or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, oven fries, fruit, milk

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**WAYNE TRACE PROM 2008**



Wayne Trace had their prom over the weekend, but the story was not finished by press time. Please look for the special section next issue. The pictures are up on the website now at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY, GOVERNOR REACH CONSENSUS ON ENERGY BILL**

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

For the past several months, the halls of the Statehouse have been a buzz with talk about Senate Bill 221, a key proposal designed to address the pending deregulation of the state's electricity industry and chart a path for meeting Ohio's future energy needs. After hours of negotiations and committee testimony from consumer advocates, small business owners, manufacturers, local and state leaders, electricity industry representatives and many others, members of the House and Senate as well as the Governor reached agreement on a final version of the bill.

SB 221 grew out of a concern that Ohio consumers could be vulnerable to potentially crippling spikes in their electricity bills after a set of rate stabilization plans between the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and electricity companies were

set to expire at the beginning of 2009. Nearly a decade ago, amid a growing trend in many other states, the Ohio General Assembly moved to deregulate the state's electricity industry. The goal was to remove control of the industry from the PUCO and make way for electricity companies to enter the open market with the hope that this would bring about more competition and lower prices for consumers. Unfortunately, for many reasons, this market never materialized.

SB 221 creates a hybrid approach for setting electricity rates in the state, designed to help maintain stability and predictability in Ohio's electricity market, while limiting increases in prices for consumers and businesses. When the current rate stabilization plans expire at the end of this year, utilities will be required to file an Electric Security Plan (ESP) with the PUCO. The ESP process is similar to the current state-regulated system of setting rates where the PUCO uses certain criteria to determine what a utility company can charge its customers for electricity.

At the same time, the bill also gives utilities the option of entering the unregulated electricity market by filing a Market Rate Option (MRO) with the PUCO. However, before a company can go to market, they must prove that certain competitive market criteria exist, so the move will not result in dramatic price spikes for consumers. Also, to further prevent substantial rate increases, the PUCO would have the ability to determine, over 10 years, what percentage of a utility's power can be sold at market rates.

In addition, in an effort to promote economic development, protect jobs and reduce the financial burden on many companies that use high amounts of power, SB 221 allows businesses to continue to negotiate with utilities for a discounted rate on their electricity bills. During committee testimony, many business owners, particularly manufacturers, testified that without these contracts they would not be able to afford to stay in business.

While ensuring stable, predictable electricity prices for consumers was a major goal of SB 221, the bill also works to address the growing demand for energy in Ohio by focusing on the development of advanced energy technologies in the state, including wind and solar power. Specifically, the bill calls for 25 percent of electricity sold in Ohio to be generated from renewable and advanced energy sources by 2025.

Renewable and advanced energy use has obvious environmental benefits, but research and development in this area also has incredible potential to spur economic growth and bring jobs to Ohio's communities. For instance, the state has already seen growth in the production of ethanol and other bio-fuels, particularly in northwest Ohio, as well as ongoing research into the use of fuel cells, solar power and other energy sources.

However, while the alternative energy industry is promising for the state's economic and environmental future, my colleagues and I in the Senate did not want any requirement for advanced energy production to place an unmanageable financial burden on Ohio consumers. Therefore, we worked to include a cost cap in SB 221 to ensure that the implementation of advanced and renewable energy standards does not result in electricity costs growing by more than three percent.

For Ohio's economy and communities to succeed now and in the future, the state needs an energy policy that balances the need for stable, affordable electricity prices for consumers and businesses with the need for a long-term plan to deal with increasing demand for energy across the state. While it is not perfect, SB 221 takes needed steps toward this goal.

I encourage all residents of the 1st 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](mailto:SD01@mailr.sen.state.oh.us).

**The Face Reader**

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**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": IN THE OPERATING ROOM... (WELL, SORT OF)**



Mrs. Sylvia Pickett (left), a surgical technician from Cincinnati, orchestrates a group of Vantage junior Health Careers students as they take on roles of operating room personnel in the Vantage Health Careers lab. Students pictured are (left to right) Lizzy Osborn (Antwerp), Chris Cunningham (Crestview), Sarah Korte (Lincolnview) and Michelle Foertch (Van Wert).

Have you ever wondered how doctors and nurses get organized in the operating room as they prepare for a surgery? The afternoon junior Health Careers class at Vantage got the chance to experience what it's like in the operating room (almost). Mrs. Sylvia Pickett, a Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) from Mercy Western Hills Hospital in Cincinnati, visited the class on Friday, May 2.

Her presentation was unique. The students were assigned "roles" and a corner of the Health Careers lab was turned into a set that looked very similar to an operating room. Sarah Korte from Lincolnview was the "surgeon", Lizzy Osborn from Antwerp was the "assistant to the surgeon", Chris Cunningham from Crestview was the "certified registered nurse anesthetist" and Michelle Foertch from Van Wert was the "certified surgical technologist".

The "patient" was CJ King from Van Wert. It was an incredible opportunity for the students.

Earlier in the week, all the junior Health Careers students spent time at Van Wert County Hospital. After touring the entire facility on Monday, the remainder of the week was filled with students observing in several areas including medical-surgical nursing, pediatrics, intensive care, radiology, cardio pulmonary services and other areas of the hospital. Students learned more about health care employment possibilities, the education needed for specific areas, approximate salaries that could be expected, the pros and cons of the job and the availability of jobs in the future.

A special thanks to everyone at Van Wert County Hospital who took the time to help these students get a glimpse into the health career field.

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**DEDICATED TO MY TEACHERS**

By: Tommi Stahl

It is almost the end of the school year, a very sad time for me. It is a sad time for me because it is my last year at Oakwood Elementary School. The teachers that I have had through the years are and will always be the best no matter what.

I will tell you a little about each. My pre-school teachers were Kay and Mrs. Shinners, who are very nice. During the summer I learned that Mrs. Shinners had horses, they are so pretty, so is Mrs. Shinners. Kay is like my grandma, she is the best. My kindergarten teacher was Mrs. Bradford. She is very pretty and the nicest kindergarten teacher. Mrs. Arend, my first grade teacher, is also very pretty and very understanding. In the second grade I had Ms. Erford, she is so cool and nice. Ms. Hornyak was my third grade teacher and she was great. My fourth grade teachers were Mrs. Yinger, Mrs. Holbien and Mrs. Harris. They were the best fourth grade teachers in the world. Uh-oh, here comes my fifth grade teachers, Mrs. Peir and Mrs. Brimmer. They are great, crazy and

I love them. My sixth grade teachers are Mrs. Bocrath and Mrs. Thornell. They are funny, nice, outgoing and awesome.

All of the teachers are loved by me 1,000,000%. I will miss them when I leave, but I will always think of them.

I think that most of them, when we leave, will have a big party! Just kidding. I know they love us. I will always think of them and love them forever.

So, what I can say about Oakwood and it's teachers? They rock!

**OSU EXTENSION-DEFIANCE AND PAULDING COUNTY TO HOST POND CLINIC**

The Ohio State University Extension Offices of Paulding and Defiance County will hold a Pond Clinic on Wednesday May 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Paulding County Extension Building located on the fairgrounds.

The 2008 Pond Clinic will be an informative night covering the proper use of aquatic herbicides and sprayer calibration. The program will focus on everything you always wanted to know about pond chemicals and their proper use and will be followed by a hands-on session on sprayer calibration. For the sprayer session, you are encouraged to bring your sprayer to participate in the calibration demonstration.

The clinic is free and open to the public. Please direct any questions to the Paulding County Extension Office at 419.399.8225.



front - Emily Deatrck. back - Taylor Deatrck, Heather Hershberger



front - Chelsea Farquhar. back - Eric Priest, Jaime Deatrck

**STABLEMATES SPOTLIGHT**

Emily Deatrck, age 7, daughter of Bill and Sue Deatrck is a 2 year member of Cloverbuds. Emily attends Paulding Elementary in first grade. She likes to ride horses in her spare time. When asked what does she like about the Paulding County Fair, "The fair is fun!" Emily likes the animals and the food. She loves the games.

Taylor Deatrck, age 12, son of Bill and Sue Deatrck has been in 4-H for eight years. He attends Paulding Middle School, sixth grade. Taylor's fair projects include: horse, market hog, dairy/beef feeder. His hobbies are wrestling, football, basketball. Taylor hopes to place first in all his classes at the Paulding County Fair and win Grand Champion Market Hog. Taylor says the fair has taught him how to be a good sport!

Chelsea Farquhar is the daughter of Bruce and Diane Farquhar. She is 13 years old and has been in 4-H for five years. Her interests are track, riding horses, and hanging out with friends. She serves as Stablemates Club Treasurer. Her fair projects are Learn To Jump and Chicken/Hen Meat Pen. Chelsea wishes to make

it to State Fair with her horse. The Paulding County Fair has helped me to be a better person and make new friends.

Jaime Deatrck, age 14, is the daughter of Bill and Sue Deatrck. She has been a 4-H member for eight years. Jaime is involved in choir, basketball, and she serves as health/safety officer for the Stablemates 4-H Club. Her 4-H project this year is Market Hog. Jaime hopes to make Grand Champion Market Hog at the Paulding County Fair. Jaime says, "The fair has made me a lot of friends from all over the county."

Eric Priest, age 16, is the son of Bill and Laura Priest. Eric has been a 4-H member for eight years. His interest center around playing guitar and riding horses. He hopes to go to State Fair this year. "The 4-H Club and Paulding County Fair has given me the opportunity to be a leader and learn responsibility in many areas," says Eric.

Heather Hershberger, age 14, is the daughter of Craig Hershberger and Cheryl Semer. She has been a 4-H member for six years. Her projects include Beef Breeding, Trail riding, and horse training. Heather's hobbies are riding, lazer tag, and hanging out with friends. She says 4-H has taught her to work hard, aim for a goal, and you can accomplish what you want to. Heather likes the fair because this is where she met her best four amazing friends and they always make the summer fun for her.

**JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY HAPPENINGS IN HICKSVILLE**

Discover and explore the 2002 bestselling novel, *The Secret Life of Bees*, by Sue Monk Kidd on Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Memorial Library's monthly book discussion group.

The discussion is free and is open to everyone. It will be facilitated by library volunteer Collette Knight. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Hicksville Library.

Set in South Carolina in 1964, *The Secret Life of Bees* tells the story of Lily Owens, whose life has been shaped around the blurred memory

of the afternoon her mother was killed. When Lily's fierce-hearted black "stand-in-mother", Rosaleen, insults three of the deepest racists in town, Lily decides to spring them both free from jail. They escape to Tiburon, South Carolina—a town that holds the secret to her mother's past. Taken in by an eccentric trio of black beekeeping sisters, Lily is introduced to their mesmerizing world of bees and honey, and the Black Mary.

The library has ordered copies of the book for the discussion, so each group member may have a copy. Please stop by the Johnson Memorial Library and pick up your copy today.

On May 20 at 6:30 p.m. and on May 21 at 10:00 a.m., come practice your colors and numbers at the M & M Story Times at the Johnson Memorial Library! The story times are free and will include M & M stories, activities, crafts, and of course an M & M treat.

"There's no better way to practice your colors, numbers, and counting than with your favorite candy treat...M & M's," shared Branch Manager Amy Murphy. "This is one educational lesson that's also delicious. Kids have a great time learning with M & M's, and don't even realize that these are 'math' lessons."

If you have any questions about the M & M Story Times or would like any additional information on the monthly book discussion group, please call the Johnson Memorial Library at 419-542-6200.

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walk throughout the day for this important occasion to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

Pictured is Student Council representative Marla Sinn presenting a check to American Cancer Society representatives Shannon Schilt and Janet Saxton for the funds that were raised while Student Council members Justin Davis and Angelo Harris look on.

**BUEHRER TO SERVE ON TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES TASK FORCE**

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) was recently chosen to serve as a member of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Transportation Priorities Task Force, a key group of state leaders and transportation industry experts, charged with develop-

ing a long-term plan for the growth of Ohio's transportation system.

"This is a tremendous opportunity to have a hand in the future direction of our state's transportation system and, most importantly, be a voice at the table to represent the interests of northwest Ohio in important discussions that could impact the

**Entertaining Ideas**

**Adventure Series Provides Educational Viewing**

(NAPSA)—Understanding the depth and breadth of the issues facing today's world can be intimidating for both children and adults alike. Even the events reported on a daily basis tend to reflect only the latest and most immediate updates to issues that are rooted in years of political and cultural complexity.

Seeking to provide young and old viewers with a fun way to navigate the seemingly impenetrable events of the past, creator George Lucas produced "The Adventures of Young Indiana Jones," a series of adventures set in and around some of the most important events of the 20th century.

"By introducing key figures from history through young Indy's adventures, I felt that I could reach children in a way that textbooks couldn't," says Lucas. "Understanding the people behind important events is the first step toward understanding the events themselves, and that provides an essential foundation for understanding the world we live in today."

Beginning with Indy's boyhood travels at the start of the 20th century, the series—which originally aired on television in the early 1990s—follows the young hero as he crosses paths with such influential figures as Winston Churchill, Albert Schweitzer, Sigmund Freud, Thomas Edison and more.

As he matures, Indy becomes embroiled in the tumultuous events of World War I as he journeys through the Middle East, Asia, Africa and Europe. With the conclusion of the war, he returns to America to take part in the



A popular TV adventure series, now on DVD, can help foster a family's interest in history.

Broadway boom, the early days of Hollywood and the Algonquin Round Table.

But for Lucas, Indy's adventures themselves were only the beginning. The series is available on DVD in three volumes—"The Early Years," "The War Years" and "The Years of Change"—each of which includes an unprecedented array of educational documentaries, games and more to further supplement the episodes themselves. Each companion documentary provides insights into the real-world figures and events that inspired Indy's adventures, and a unique interactive timeline allows viewers to trek through history on their own.

Watching as a family can be a great way for kids—and adults—to learn more about the present by gaining a greater understanding of the past. To learn more, visit [www.youngindya.com](http://www.youngindya.com).

quality of life in our region," said Buehrer, who is Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Transportation Priorities Task Force, which was established by the Ohio Department of Transportation, will focus on several key transportation issues, including the development of a safe, reliable, multi-modal system of transport, finding a sustainable funding source for future highway projects and using the state's transportation infrastructure to spur economic growth in our local communities. The group will be responsible for presenting recommendations to the Governor, Legislature and the Ohio Department of Transportation.

"A safe, easily-accessible, well-funded transportation system is paramount to our state's economic success, particularly the ability of rural communities to attract business investment and create jobs," explained Buehrer. "I look forward to working with my colleagues on the task force to develop a comprehensive plan for Ohio's transportation future that is mindful of our economy, the use of taxpayer dollars and the needs of our local communities."

The Transportation Priorities Task Force held its inaugural meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Ohio Department of Transportation's Central Office in Columbus. Buehrer noted that the committee will also hold six regional public meetings across the state in the coming weeks to gather public input and discuss ideas, including a meeting on June 10th at the University of Toledo. For more information, visit <http://transportationfortomorrow.ohio.gov>.

**"A TASTE OF HOME"**



Darla Kilgore, Starr Levy, Julie Balbaugh, Rita Canales, Neil Levy, these are just a few of the people who helped with the boxes.

By: Sue Knapp

Darla Kilgore, Postmaster of Antwerp Post Office, met with the QWL (an organization for postal workers) and after discussing what they could do for the communities, came up with the idea of sending filled boxes to our men and women overseas.

With the help of the Antwerp VFW, postal workers, businesses and volunteers, Darla got the project started. Empty postal boxes were delivered to the schools, businesses, organizations and whoever wanted to fill one. The boxes were then filled with personal hygiene products, stationary, snacks and lots of other goodies for the soldiers. Some of the school children included letters in the boxes. Antwerp Elementary is commended for filling 12 boxes and St. John's Catholic School filled 9 boxes.

The boxes were then delivered to the post office or brought to the Antwerp VFW on Saturday, May 3 where a program was presented with Barry Delong and Starr Levy singing. Bob Johnson from the Antwerp VFW spoke. Sarah Reeb from Antwerp, James Maxwell from Colorado and Jeremy Hurley from Paulding also spoke. These three young people served in Iraq and spoke on what it means to receive a box from home. It truly is like 'a taste of home'.

The Antwerp Chamber sent the boxes for some of the school children from Antwerp and Paulding. A total of \$120.00 was donated from the Chamber. These funds were from the Yellow Ribbon Program. A total of 130+ boxes were filled and sent.

Missing pictures? We have a stack of pictures here at West Bend News from previous publications.

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**WESTERN BUCKEYE ESC GOVERNING BOARD HONORS RETIRING EMPLOYEES**



**Western Buckeye ESC Retiring Employees.**  
Pictured left to right: WBESC Superintendent John Basinger, Darlene Billman, Mary Johns, Claudie Elliott, and WBESC Governing Board President William Poe II.

The Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Governing Board held their regular monthly board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, 2008 in the Van Wert ESC Board Office. Board President Mr. William Poe II welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

The first order of business for the Governing Board was to honor three retiring employees. First to be honored was Mrs. Claudia Elliott who is retiring after thirty-five years as an Intervention Teacher, all at Grover Hill Elementary School. The next employee honored was Mrs. Mary Johns who is retiring after eighteen years as an Administrative Assistant in the Van Wert ESC Office. The third employee honored was Mrs. Darlene Billman who is retiring after five years as Health Coordinator in the Antwerp school District. The Board presented the three retiring employees with a small gift and a certificate honoring their years of service to the Western Buckeye ESC and the students of the local districts.

The Board members then approved the agenda for the evening. Treasurer Kristine

Stuart review current investments and financial reports with the Board. Superintendent John Basinger reported on recent WBESC activities and personnel issues that were on the night's agenda. The Board also reviewed several sections of the proposed new Governing Board policies with Basinger. Final approval of the new Governing Board policy manual is scheduled for the July or August meeting.

In other business, the Board:

\*\*Approved the minutes from the regular April 10, 2008 meeting.

\*\*Approved the current financial reports as presented by Treasurer Mrs. Kristine Stuart.

\*\*Approved a motion for Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) to pay for the cost of background checks for current employees. Applicants and new employees will be responsible for the cost of the background checks.

\*\*Approved a 2.5% salary increase for all Administrative Contracts and a 2.5% base salary increase for all NOACSC Salary Schedules.

\*\*Approved the follow-

ing contracts effective July 1, 2008:

Continuing Contracts:

Melissa Drerup (Contingent on DASL State Funding); Amy Recker (Contingent on DASL State Funding); Denise McDaniel

Limited Contracts Non-Certified:

Chris Keller, 2 years (Contingent on DASL State Funding); Scott Schaffner, 2 years; Jennifer Schwartz, 2 years; Devin Laundry, 2 years (Contingent on DASL State Funding); Janice Ditto, 2 years (Contingent on DASL State Funding)

Administrative Contracts:

Lora Lawrence, 2 years (Contingent on DASL State Funding) Travis Thomas, 2 years (Contingent on DASL State Funding); Sharon Lawley, 3 years

\*\*Approved the NOACSC 2008-2009 employee calendars as presented.

\*\*Approved any necessary appropriation, budget or revenue modifications needed to close out the 2008 fiscal year for NOACSC.

\*\*Employed Catherine Bonifas as a Speech-Language Pathologist for the 2008-2009 School Year (1 year) effective August 25, 2008 as per salary schedule, (Masters+30/9 years exp.)

\*\*Approved the FY09 Competitive Application of the CCIP: Alternative Education Challenge Grant, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant and the Learn & Serve Grant.

\*\*Approved a 2% base salary schedule increase for the 2008-2009 school year for all WBESC certified employees on approved salary schedules.

\*\*Approved a 2% base salary schedule increase for the 2008-2009 school year for all WBESC non-certified employees on approved salary schedules.

\*\*Approved a 2% salary increase for all other WBESC employees who do not have a salary schedule placement.

\*\*Approved the Extended School Year and Summer 2008 contracts as needed.

\*\*Approved additional OT/COTA and PT/PTA hours as needed to complete the 2007-2008 school year.

\*\*Approved the OESCA Code of Professional Ethics as provided by OESCA.

\*\*Approved any necessary appropriation, budget or revenue modifications needed to close out the 2008 fiscal year for WBESC.

\*\*Approved a job description for the Central Office Secretary/Administrative Assistant position as presented.

The Governing Board meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center is on June 26, 2008 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Van Wert ESC Office.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The County Health Insurance Committee met to review the County's partial self insured policy that was implemented last year. Quotes from the re-insurer were such that the County will be able to provide coverage at the same cost as last year.

The Commissioners attended the open house of Representative Bob Latta's branch office in Defiance.

Commissioners held the 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing for the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP). The County is applying for \$522,000. Liz Keel is the coordinator of the CHIP program, administered through Maumee Valley Planning Organization. Ms. Keel explained \$100,000 must be used in a 'target' area and \$20,000 must be used for Habitat for Humanity.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding in the amount of \$58,000 will be available to the county in the year 2009. This grant that the Commissioners received provides dollars to the community for projects throughout the county. The emphasis is to provide assistance in low to moderate income areas or to be directed to control slum and blight. Niki Warnecke, also of Maumee Valley Planning Organization, coordinates this program. She announced applications are due May 16, 2008.

Commissioners awarded the 2008 Joint Township Sealing project to low bidder Ward Construction in the amount of \$211,567. Also recently awarded was the TR 15-.057 Bridge Replacement to low bidder R. G. Zachrich Construction in the amount of \$138,000.

Commissioners passed a resolution to join the Regional Port Authority of Northwest Ohio. The Port Authority includes the counties of Paulding, Henry, Fulton, and Defiance.

Paulding County Dog Warden, Mandy Lichty reported she has successfully completed American Humane Association's Euthanasia by Injection.

Doug McVey, director of Paulding County MR/DD, reported they recently received a four-year Accreditation Certification from the Ohio Department of MR/DD.

Carol Temple, Paulding County Recorder, reported that the recording fees in her office for the month of April were higher than any month so far this year and she hopes to show a significant increase in revenue from March. She states that the increase could possibly be from refinancing and some new home construction in the county.

She also reported that on April 9<sup>th</sup> the Paulding County Genealogy Society toured the Recorder's office and the Clerk of Courts of Common Pleas' office. Carol explained what types of records are available in the Recorder's office and Ann Waldman, Paulding County Clerk of Courts, informed the group what information is on file in the Clerk's office.



**NORTHWEST OHIO GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM TAKE FIRST PLACE IN SHOOTOUT**

The seventh grade Northwest Ohio Girls Basketball team recently competed and took first place at the Ohio Northern Shootout, at ONU

University.

The girls include: Front row - Madison Zuber, Abbey Edwards, Nikki Schroeder, Alexis Jones. Back row - Asst. coach Becky Ruble, Hanna Griffin, Kylee Bader, Hillary Heiby, Krystal Wannemacher and Coach Brian Welch.



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A garden filled with billowy hydrangea blossoms can be very popular. One of the most reliable is 'Limelight,' an easy-to-grow hydrangea readily available at retail garden centers. To find one nearby, visit [www.colorchoiceplants.com](http://www.colorchoiceplants.com).



(NAPSA)—Irritable bowel syndrome is a common disorder of the intestines that leads to crampy pain, gassiness, bloating and changes in bowel habits. For information on digestive health, tests performed by gastroenterologists and to find AGA member physicians in your area, visit [www.gastro.org/patient](http://www.gastro.org/patient).

On Saturday, May 3, Speaking of Women's Health will hold its annual Community Event at all 3,478 Wal-Mart stores across the United States—one of the largest single-day, free events focused on women's health and wellness. To learn more, visit [www.speakingofwomenshealth.com](http://www.speakingofwomenshealth.com).

The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers points out that people with allergies might benefit from a portable air cleaner with a Clean Air Delivery Rate seal to reduce indoor pollutants. Visit [www.cadr.org](http://www.cadr.org) or call (800) 267-3138 for a Consumers Guide to Selecting an Air Cleaner.

**Entertainment Schedule for 2008 Relay For Life:**

**Friday, May 16 Entertainment**  
5:15 p.m. - Survivor Registration  
5:30 p.m.-11:00p.m.-Brighter Days D.J. by Gary Looser  
6:00 p.m.-Opening Ceremonies and Survivor Lap  
• Featuring the PHS Quartet  
• Flag raising by VFW  
• Introduction of 2008 Relay Committee  
6:05 p.m.-Lap in honor of Caregivers  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.-Face painting, balloons by TNT Clowns  
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.-Performance by Reunion Band  
6:30 p.m.-Oakwood Community Band  
7:00 p.m.-Performance by Raise the Barre' Dance studio  
8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.-Performance by Blind Justice  
9:30 p.m.-Luminaria ceremony featuring St. Joseph's Choir  
10:00p.m.-12:00 a.m.-Performance by Dooley Drive

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Cheeseburgers - Fins of the Flatlands  
Creamed Chicken Sandwiches- Team Raptor  
Quesadillas and virgin daiquiris- Cancer Crashers  
Pulled Pork and Hot dogs @ Concession Stand - Stabler's Carpet Cleaning  
Snow cones- St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Pretzels and Lemonade - Taylor Made Glass and St. James  
Brats and kraut, nachos and cheese - Sinn / Hartwick  
Soup- Paulding Eagles  
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# PAULDING BALL ASSOCIATION HOST ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ



Deb Herman with other volunteers working hard for the Chicken BBQ Fundraiser.

On Saturday, May 10 the Paulding Ball Association held their annual chicken BBQ fundraiser. A perfect day for both the volunteers and those who were waiting in line. The line for the dinners doubled in size in the short time of the interview.

Susan Farr of the association said she was happy with all of the people who had ordered ahead of time and those who also just dropped by to pickup up a chicken. 600 chickens had been ordered by the association with another 100 coming later. The Red Owl Inn grilled the chickens on the premises.

Do you know what this is all for? The Paulding Ball Association is working to acquire land and put up a new Youth Ball Complex for the youngsters. The association has found about 30 acres they wish to purchase near the corner of CR 103 and SR 111. This would hopefully be used for youth sports for three seasons of the year.

It takes a lot of money to purchase 30 acres and the as-

sociation has until September 30 to raise \$200,000 or they will lose a \$900,000 grant. Currently approximately \$25,000 has been raised. They will need your help to succeed. Soon bricks will be sold to help raise money for this worthwhile event.

Want to know more? Visit [www.pauldinglittleleague.com](http://www.pauldinglittleleague.com)

Susan Farr, representing the association said, "This couldn't be done without the volunteers." There were about 20 volunteers who gave up their weekend to work for this goal. The hoped to make at least \$3,000 for this new project.

The games began that same day at the Paulding ball park. Approximately 20 games took place with about 350 kids and 50 coaches. Pete Schlegel also fixed up the baseball/softball pitching machine batting cage which had been damaged by previous storms. Check out more pictures of the events at Paulding at [www.westbend-news.net](http://www.westbend-news.net)

# CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR APRIL 21, 2008

Mayor Hoeppner suspended the reading of the minutes and asked for any additions or corrections. Council approved minutes. He attended a Fort to Port meeting; INDOT will bring equipment in to start work on Highway 24 on May 15th. Primco got the contract; they agreed to give the shed on the Rekeweg property to the City; it will be put at the maintenance shop to be used for City storage. INDOT will be holding bi-weekly meetings; the city can have a representative present, they will be sending minutes from the meetings to city hall.

Mayor stated a resident is having problems with cats and parking. After discussion council decided he needs to contact the humane society about the cats and the parking problems should be worked out between the neighbors.

He reported Officer Parker is having problems with his police car and would like to take it to Ohio for repairs, after discussion Mayor agreed and Officer will get an estimate for repair.

Mayor stated the resolution for the East Allen Communities was voted down and is a dead issue for now.

He would like a potted plant sent to The Corner Cafe from the city. Councilmen made motions to spend \$25.00 at Linda's Flowers, all agreed, motion passed.

Mayor received the "If I were Mayor" essays. Councilmen made motions, to give \$25.00 bonds to all participants, all agreed, motion passed.

A resident asked if anyone can use the compost piles by the maintenance shop. Council stated the compost is available for residents and should not be used by contractors.

A resident asked if she could put a TV out for the city wide clean up. Council explained anything can be put out except items that contain freon, tires, batteries or hazardous waste.

A resident would like to see additional, 25 mph when children present, signs put up on Woodburn Road. Council agreed, Ryan Walls will get the signs ordered.

Lesla stated if any councilman needs business cards, let her know, we will be placing an order.

The Indian League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers annual conference will be June 8-12 in Evansville. Councilmen made motions for Lesa and Cindy to attend; all agreed motion passed.

Warrants were presented with two claim registers; 1st totaling \$149.00 check #6107, 2nd totaling \$8,010.27, check # 6108-6127. Councilmen, made motions to pay warrants, all agreed, motion passed.

Lesla stated it is too late in the school year for the High School to make signs for the City; Mayor will contact Jeff Eager about this project for the fall.

Ryan Walls reported he is working on getting the barley filled socks on the sewer ponds. He has the High School lift station back up and running and the drains are finished at the maintenance shop.

Councilmen made motions to pay Reichhart Builders the \$10,850.00 for the drain work at the mainte-

nance building, all agreed, motion passed; Councilman Reichhart presented bids for redoing sidewalks on Bull Rapids and in front of the Fire station; Reichhart Builders bid \$32,008.07 for sidewalks and a bid for the section on Maple court. Councilman Reichhart presented written notes from T & C Concrete with a bid of \$16,800.00 for the sidewalks; they have not given a bid yet for the section on Maple court. Councilmen made motions to accept T & C's bid for sidewalk work. Councilman Mason was concerned because of the difference in bids and wants to see a bid sheet from T & C. Councilman Reichhart will get a bid sheet before any work is done. Council voted 4 yes, 1 abstained. Councilman Reichhart stated he doesn't have it in writing yet but Larry Moon verbally agreed to do the ditch work on Tile Mill road for \$3,500.00 - \$4,500.00 and Eddie Schneck verbal bid is \$12,640.00. Councilmen made motions to accept Larry Moon's bid, pending a written agreement, all agreed, motion passed. He reported Larry Lengacher signed the easement agreement for Hickory St. and the attorney will get it recorded. He would like the maintenance dept. to seed an area by the vet's office on Bull Rapids road; Ryan Walls will take care of it. Councilman Reichhart ask if the Council would like him to plant flowers in the pots around town again this year.

Councilmen made motions to purchase flowers for the pots, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor stated Cindy Keller has some ideas and would like to help with this. Councilman Reichhart will contact her.

He contacted Indiana Michigan power to take a pole out and move the light to a pole by Linda's flowers.

Councilman Zimmerman stated Jim Lauer would have information together for the sewer repairs by June and we needed to find a new grant writer before then.

Council would like Lesa to contact Lynn Witt to come to the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

—Minutes Submitted by Lesa Meadows

## NAMI MONTHLY MEETING

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Paulding, Mercer and Van Wert Counties will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 19, at the Drop-In Center located at 407 N. Franklin in Van Wert.

A 'Support Group' to assist family members who need help in understanding the effects of mental illness on the family is planned. All meetings are open to the public.

Families of individuals with mental illness endure a wide range of difficult and stressful situations such as guilt, anger and helplessness, stress, role confusion, social isolation, fear of violence, conflict among family members, disrupted family relationships and daily life, and a sense of loss.

It is estimated that one out of every five families are directly effected in some way by a mental disorder.

The local NAMI Affiliate may be reached by calling 800-541-NAMI (6264) or 419-238-2413.

## BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/14 THROUGH 5/20

**Breakfast:**  
 5/14 – Pancakes or waffles, sausage, milk  
 5/15 – No school, In-service day  
 5/16 – Turnover, milk  
 5/19 – Pizza, milk  
 5/20 – Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk

**Lunch:**  
 5/14 – Pizza/pepperoni or cheese, tossed salad, peanut butter fudge, applesauce, milk  
 5/15 – No school, In-service day  
 5/16 – Hot ham/cheese sandwich, tator tots, pineapple, milk  
 5/19 – Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, pears, milk  
 5/20 – Taco wedges, salsa, tossed salad, fruit crisp, milk

## ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/14 THROUGH 5/20

5/14 – Chicken nuggets or deli wrap, yum yum cake, tator tots, peaches, milk; PLUS: salad bar or veggie basket

5/15 – Taco or pizza burger on bun, peas, mixed fruit w/ marshmallows, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cheese jammer sticks

5/16 – Pizza bagel or chicken salad sandwich, cole slaw, applesauce, chips, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

5/19 – Chicken nuggets or fish on bun, scalloped potatoes, peaches, g-force bar, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

5/20 – Meatball sub or burrito, chips w/bean dip, apple crisp, milk; PLUS: salad bar or pickled beets & eggs



## JOAN WOEBBEKING: RETIRING AFTER 26 YEARS

By: Sue Knapp

Woodburn Lutheran School will miss their Secretary, Joan Woebbeking, who will be retiring after 26 years of faithful service. A school secretary's job is like the hub in a wheel. He or she keeps everything going on an even keel.

Joan really has enjoyed her job and will miss the kids and co-workers. She has enjoyed the flexibility that the job has allowed. When she took the job it didn't take her very long to find out that she had found her 'niche'.

Joan has also coordinated the school recycle program for the last 15 years. She schedules the kids to work recycle day (the third Saturday of each month), she also schedules them to work the concession stand during the sporting events at school. She keeps track, and if they fulfill their obligations, they get to go on their class trip for free.

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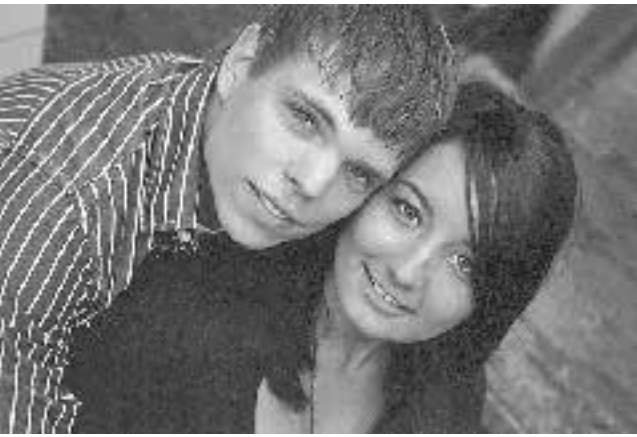
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Marie Bauer both of Antwerp. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Don and Lisa Fisher both of New Haven, IN. The couple are looking forward to sharing their special day with family and friends.

## PAULDING VILLAGE COUNCIL FOR APRIL 21, 2008

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on April 21, 2008, 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: Barb Rife, Roger Sierer, Randy Daeger, Sam Jeffery, Ronnie Breedlove, and Kim Sutton. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present.

Jeffery motioned to approve the minutes of the April 7<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> meetings, seconded by Daeger. Vote: Rife, yea; Sierer, yea; Daeger, yea; Jeffery, yea; Breedlove, abstain; Sutton, yea.

Ordinance 1374-08 re: An Ordinance Prohibiting through Truck Traffic on West Baldwin Avenue as Designated between North Williams Street and North Walnut Street in the Village of Paulding, was read for the first time.

Ordinance 1375-08 re: An Ordinance to Accept a Transfer of Two 8" Water Lines to the Village of Paulding, Ohio and to Dedicate said Water

Lines as part of the Public Water Distribution System within the Village of Paulding, Ohio, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Rife motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Breedlove. Vote: all yea. Breedlove motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Jeffery. Vote: all yea.

Ordinance 1376-08 re: An Ordinance Designating the Stokley Ponds as a Park and/or Recreational Area within the Village of Paulding, was read for the first time. Sierer noted the Park Board had previously recommended granting park status to the Stokley Ponds continent upon setting up an account within the General Fund to track the park's maintenance and operations, and enacting the same rules and regulations at the ponds as that of Reservoir and Lafountain Park. Solicitor Jones noted he will make the appropriate modifications to the legislation before the next meeting.

Daeger presented the Street Committee's April 14<sup>th</sup> minutes. The following items were discussed:

\*\*Police Chief Randy Crawford suggested replacing yield signs in Country Side

Estates with stop signs.

\*\*Requested the Police Department patrol particular streets in town more frequently, and issue speeding tickets if necessary.

\*\*Requested an ODOT representative be present at the next meeting to discuss the increased traffic congestion at the intersection of Gasser and Williams Streets.

\*\*The Ordinance Committee presented legislation (Ordinance 1374-08) to the Street Committee to prohibit heavy truck traffic on W. Baldwin Avenue.

\*\*Sidewalk repair/replacement program. This year's focus will be on S. Williams Street beginning at Harrison Street and proceeding south. Cherry Street from Garfield Avenue to Caroline Street will be the next area of focus.

\*\*Alley improvements. Sutton presented the minutes of the Ordinance Committee's April 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> meetings. She noted the Committee reviewed and discussed Ordinance 1374-08 at the April 14<sup>th</sup> to prohibit through truck traffic on W. Baldwin Avenue. The April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting focused on Ordinance 1375-08 and 1376-08. All legislation was presented at tonight's meeting.

Mayor White thanked the Cooper family for the \$1,000 donation to the Paulding Fire Department. Rife noted discussions with URS are becoming more in depth, and requested Council members be present at all future meetings. Jeffery inquired of the status of the drain next to Solicitor Jones' residence. The Mayor noted All-Purpose Construction has been contacted and has agreed to fix the problem.

Sutton noted she has not been successful in finding any grant monies available to assist local governments to finance repairs to mausoleums, but relayed there are monies available to non-profit organizations such as a "Friends of the Cemetery" organization. She requested a meeting between the Cemetery Board and the Grounds & Buildings Committee to discuss the issue further.

Wiebe presented Council with an article he found in The Crescent-News entitled "Tapping into better water". The following Committee meetings were scheduled:

\*\*Salary & Allowance Board – Monday, April 28 at 5:30 p.m.

\*\*Utility Committee – Monday, April 28 at 6:00 p.m.

\*\*Committee of the Whole – Wednesday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m.

\*\*Finance Committee – Thursday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss notes.

\*\*Safety Committee – Wednesday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m.

\*\*Utility Committee – Tuesday, May 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Daeger motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Jeffery. Vote: all yea.

Sutton motioned to adjourn, seconded by Breedlove. Vote: all yea.

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Sutton motioned to adjourn, seconded by Breedlove. Vote: all yea.

## PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS

Admissions:  
5/9 – Cynthia Bowers, Paulding; Jean Simpson, Paulding  
5/11 – Martha Roby, Paulding

## ANTWERP V.E.T.S. GROUP MEETS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS

Antwerp 'All' Veterans Memorial group's April 30<sup>th</sup> meeting predominately dealt with answering questions, approving flyers, and nailing down last minute fund raiser details.

Present at the last meeting were Joyce West and Bob Nighswander. Group members responded to their questions with regard to the premise of the All Veterans tribute as well as the restoration of an existing statue. The comments, interest, and support shown were encouraging.

In addition to queries, fine-tuning the circulars for the group's first fund raiser was completed.

The handbills will be posted throughout the area to garner support for the memorial project.

With flyer approval and questions addressed, details for an up-coming fund raiser were finalized.

The first free-to-the-public fund raiser, for the All Veterans memorial, will be "Flutes In Concert".

This program is truly American-Made. The instrumental presentation will be given by Jerry Dowding of Illinois. Jerry is a veteran, retired from the U.S.A.F., a hand-crafter of his own instruments, and an equally accomplished flutist. The concert will cover a wide genre of music including Native-Style American, blues, jazz, Celtic, among others. Jerry will also reveal his own community's undertaking of a similar project to pay tribute to their veterans, and his pride in being honored.

Concert dates are Saturday, May 17, 6:00 p.m. at Antwerp United Methodist Church, with light refreshments to follow. Also, Sunday, May 18, 2:00 p.m. at Antwerp Local School Auditoria followed by a bake sale. The performances and refreshments are free but donations will be delightfully accepted.

Donations may also be mailed to: Antwerp V.E.T.S., P.O. Box 742, Antwerp OH 45813.

The next V.E.T.S. meeting will be scheduled for later in May with the date, time, and place to be publicized.

## CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF MAY 12, 2008

Paulding County – Ohio 500 between Township Road 95 and Township Road 93 – Cutting of trees may reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 500 at two locations, two miles east of the Indiana state line and two and a half miles west of Ohio 111 – Culvert replacement at two locations will close the route for five days beginning May 27. Traffic detoured onto Indiana 101, US 30, Ohio 49 and Ohio 111 back to Ohio 500. Work is being performed by Anderson-Pitzen Construction Inc., Metamora.

Ohio 500 from Paulding to Payne – Tile work at various locations along the route will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Putnam County – Ohio 15 from the Defiance County

line to just east of County Road 12 – Drainage repair will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Putnam County ODOT.

US 224 from the Van Wert County line to Ottawa – Drainage repair will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Putnam County ODOT.

Ohio 109 between Ohio 613 and Township Road 9D, west of West Leipsic – Route is now open.

Van Wert County – Ohio 66 (Main Street), Ohio 697 (Second Street) from Main Street to State Street, and Ohio 190 from Fifth Street to the Putnam County line, Delphos – Paving began May 5 with traffic maintained through the work zone. Work is expected to take two weeks to complete. Work is being performed by Bluffton Paving.

Ditch work will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone at the following locations. Work is being performed by Van Wert County ODOT.

\*\*Ohio 637 between US 224 and the Paulding County line

\*\*US 30 between Middle Point and Delphos

\*\*US 224 between Van Wert and the Putnam County

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## LATTA OPPOSES DEMOCRAT HOUSING MARKET CORRECTION BILLS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) made the following statement after the House considered H.R. 5818, a bill that attempts to stabilize the housing market, and H.R. 3221, a bill to prevent home foreclosures.

"The two housing market bills considered by the House today punish American taxpayers who have paid their mortgages on time with a \$3 billion tax increase brought on by predatory lending. Part of this massive tax increase will provide cash payments to housing groups who foster this type of behavior, and Congress has the responsibility to put an immediate end to this waste of taxpayer money."

"Meaningful housing market reform must start with stricter enforcement of laws to prevent irresponsible lending and better financial education to consumers. It should also provide a boost to the housing market with market-based initiatives that have been introduced by my Republican colleagues."

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