

ANTWERP REMEMBERS FALLEN HEROES



It's been one year since the tragic accident that has plagued the families, friends and community of the lost in the EMS accident. July 20, 2007 was the date that took away Kelly Rager, Sam Smith & Heidi McDougall from our community.

The Antwerp EMS department honored these heroes with a small dedication last Sunday, July 20, the one year anniversary of the event.

Gale Jordan opened the service by thanking all of the people who helped during

the past year with the families and EMS. He then called up Pastor James Edwards for the opening prayer. Next the Antwerp Community Band played the Star Spangled Banner followed by the Antwerp High School Band playing a medley of patriotic songs.

Jordan then introduced Mayor Ray DeLong who said, "I want to thank the area people who came to honor our fallen heroes." He said many more words of encouragement to the people listening.

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DEVELOPING YOUR WORKFORCE CONNECTIONS SYMPOSIUM

Paulding County Economic Development, Inc., Paulding County Dept. of Job and Family Services and ACCENT Paulding County Job Center are pleased to announce our first annual employer symposium, "Developing Your Workforce Connections" on Wednesday, August 20, 2008, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Grants Reception Hall Antwerp, Ohio.

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Please join us in offering individuals, employers and the community the opportunity to achieve and sustain economic prosperity.

Questions may be directed to Paulding County Economic Development, Inc. at 419-399-8282.

PAULDING LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING RESCHEDULED

The Paulding County Carnegie Library August meeting of the Board of Trustees has been rescheduled. It will be held on August 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the main library in Paulding. The board is scheduled to review ballot language for the upcoming library levy. For more information contact the library at 419-399-2032.

PLANE CRASHES IN PAULDING COUNTY. PILOT OK!



Photo by Homer J. Sanders Jr.

Fifty year old Lynn Flaten of Sayre, Oklahoma was just doing his job, spraying fungicide over the area of road 124 and 87 mid-afternoon on Saturday, July 19. His biplane began to lose power and he tried to make an emergency landing in a bean field across the road but couldn't make it that far. There was also the problem of power lines keeping him from landing on flatter ground. He then landed in a cornfield and the plane became entangled in the corn,

flipped over and landed on its top.

There was moderate damage to the plane's wings and body and Flaten suffered minor head injuries. He refused treatment at the scene.

The Federal Aviation Administration arrived at the scene and then released the plane to its owner. There was no danger of a hazardous material.

Flaten has flown for 30 years and is a professional crop duster by trade.

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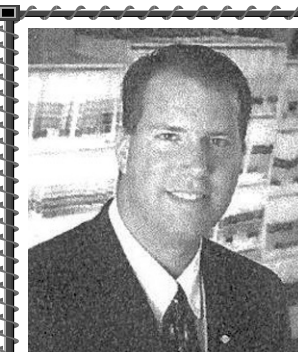


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OBITUARIES

Richard W. Bell, 78, of Fort Wayne, IN, formerly of Antwerp, died Tuesday, June 24 at Visiting Nurses Hospice, Fort Wayne.

He was retired from Phelps-Dodge.

Surviving are his wife, Treva; children: Connie Dygan of Hawaii, Bruce of Auburn, Gail Scheithauer, Colleen Hirsch both of Fort Wayne, Lisa Hubble of Arizona, a brother Harold of Antwerp; three sisters: Gladys Stultz, Helen Hunter, and Clarice Baker.

Preceding him in death are Merton Jr., Delores Stultz and Donnaaney.

Virginia Boehm, 81, of Hicksville died Thursday July 17, 2008 at Harborside Healthcare in Bryan, Ohio.

She was born March 4, 1927 the daughter of Albert and Eva (Hill) Ensign at Gandy, Nebraska.

She was a graduate of Farmer (Ohio) High School with the class of 1944. She attended Elkhart Business School for one year. She married Fred Boehm in 1955.

She was a member of the Grace Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne and worked at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne for over 20 years.

She is survived by a son Robert (Julie) Boehm of Hicksville; six grandchildren: Jeremy (Amy) and Andrew Boehm of Hicksville, Steve (Barb) Schultz, Mark Schultz both of Fort Wayne, Dawn

(Don) Koski of Albion, IN and Christina (Jim) Hammel of Kendallville, IN; and many great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a sister, Gloria; a brother, Walter; and a sister-in-law, Mable.

The funeral service was July 22 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home - Hicksville with Greg Wack officiating. Burial will be at a later date at Lost Creek Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Helen B. Johnson, 86, of Oakwood died Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice, Defiance.

She was born January 3, 1922 in Brown Township, Paulding County, OH, the daughter of Durl and Blanche (Burt) Horner. On February 18, 1939 she married Gerald H. Johnson, who preceded her in death on June 15, 1986. She was a homemaker and a member of Melrose United Methodist Church.

She is survived by two sons: Keith (Valerie) Johnson of Payne, and Donald (Marie) Johnson of Wilmington, NC; a daughter, Geraldine (Charles) Salyer of Oakwood; five sisters: Leota (Chester) Bemiss of Zephyrhills, FL, Ruby (Ivan) Buckmaster of Ashley, IN, Joan (Harlan) Bowman of Fort Wayne, IN, Jeanette Dimock of Defiance, and Nancy (Darrell) Noffsinger of Paul-

ing; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Bill Horner; and three sisters: Carolyn Heare, Hazel Sierer, and Lois Schweigel.

Funeral services were conducted July 19 at Melrose United Methodist Church, Melrose, with Pastor Eileen Kochensparger and Pastor Tim Burden officiating. Burial was in Sherman Cemetery, Charloe.

Donations may be made to Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center, Defiance or Melrose United Methodist Church, Melrose. Condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.com. Arrangements were handled by Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding.

Carole J. McDonald, 75, of Hicksville died on Wednesday July 16, 2008 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

She was born on August 21, 1932 in Paulding County, Ohio the daughter of Edward and Edith (Yearling) Durre.

She graduated from Hicksville High School with the class of 1950. She married Max D. McDonald on June 3, 1951. He preceded her in death in 2006.

She was co-owner of McDonalds Hardware; a bookkeeper for Luderman Associates; a teller at HBSL Bank - all of Hicksville; a secretary at Hicksville High School.

She was a member at St. John Lutheran Church of Hicksville where she was an organist for 50+ years; served as chairman of Worship & Music; and L.C.W. member; former member of Eastern Star; and a Community Memorial Hospital volunteer.

She is survived by a son, Keith (Judy) McDonald and a daughter, Cindy (Dave) Wonderly both of Hicksville; six grandchildren: Andrea (Ben) Shuman of Hicksville; Kara McDonald of Philadelphia, PA; Kristopher McDonald of Denver, CO; Kalyn McDonald of Athens, OH; Kyle (Kelly) Wonderly of Hicksville; Jared Wonderly of Hicksville; three great-grandchildren: Harlee and Emma Shuman; Abigail Wonderly; a sister: Linda (Harold) Towsley of New Haven, IN; two brothers: Ted (Janet) Durre of Hamilton, IN; John Durre of Hicksville.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Max; a sister-in-law, Mary Lou Durre.

Funeral services were on July 21 at St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville. Rev. David Proctor officiated. Burial was at Forest Home Cemetery - Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church. Arrangements were handled by Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville.

Robert Melvin Brooks, 68, of Chester, VA, passed away on Tuesday, July 8, 2008.

Born in Long Beach, CA, on June 1, 1940, he was the son of the late Robert D. and Ethel M. (Grape) Brooks.

He served in the U.S. Army for 17 years before working for Cherterfield County, Virginia Parks and Recreation Department.

He was also preceded in death by his wife of 18 years, Andrea Donnell-Brooks.

He is survived by his daughter, Stacy B. Vanlandingham of Mechanicsville, VA; sons: Robert M. Brooks, Jr. and wife Mary of Chester, VA, Rodney A. Brooks and wife Wanda of Titusville, FL; grandchildren: Paul, Lindsey, Kelsey, and Chad; brothers: George Brooks and wife Kathleen of Dinwiddie, VA, Wes Brooks of Leavenworth, KS, Gary Brooks of Frederick, MD, Gregory Brooks of Washington D.C.; sister, Sandra Baden and husband Buddy of Brandywine, MD; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held on Friday, July 18, 2008 with military honors at Maumee Cemetery, County Road 43, Antwerp.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Odyssey Hospice. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were handled by Dooley Funeral Home of Antwerp & Payne.



Jacqueline L. Wright, 65, of Paulding died Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice, Defiance, OH.

She was born September 19, 1942 in Columbus, Ohio, the daughter of Milburn E. and Mary A. (Watkins) Worthen. On September 30, 1961 she married James E.

Wright, who preceded her in death on March 13, 2008. She was a member of Junction Bible Christian Church, Junction, OH; and employed by I.T.T. Higbe of Archbold for 31 years.

She is survived by two sons: James Wright Jr. of Charloe, and Jeremy Wright of Paulding; a daughter, Judy Woodruff of Charloe; two brothers: B. Robert (Ruth) Worthen of Oklahoma City, OK, and Thomas Worthen of Gallipolis, OH; four sisters: Patricia Woods, and Lydia Satterfield both of Chillicothe, OH; Bertha Murch of Bainbridge, OH, and Sandra (Paul) Rhodes of Waverly, OH; and six grandchildren: Calvin Jr. (Amanda), Brandon (Kayla), Benjamin, and Randi Woodruff, and Levi and Caleb Wright.

She is preceded in death

by her parents; husband; brother, Jack Worthen; sister, Nancy Johns; and three infant sisters.

Funeral services were conducted July 21 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Pastor Pat Shepard officiating. Burial was in Sherman Cemetery, Charloe.

Donations may be made to Jacqueline Wright's Family. Condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Alverda C. Stouffer, 95, of Paulding died Monday, July 14, 2008 at Paulding County Hospital, Paulding.

She was born September 10, 1912 in Paulding County the daughter of Charles and Florence (White) Hanenkratt. On May 29, 1936 she married Daniel H. Stouffer, who preceded her in death on October 24, 1985. She was a member of

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Divine Mercy Catholic Parish (formerly St. Joseph Catholic Church), Paulding.

She is survived by a son, Daniel H. (Jean) Stouffer II of Bosque Farms, NM; a daughter, Susan Stouffer of Paulding; a brother, William Hanenkraft of Paulding; two grandchildren: Daniel H. Stouffer III, and Laura Ann Stouffer both of Albuquerque, NM.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Margery Smith; and a grandson, Daniel Charles Stouffer.

Private family services were conducted July 15 at Sherman Cemetery.

Donations may be made to Paulding County Hospital. Condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Tona I. Roberts, 78, of Antwerp, passed away Friday, July 18, 2008 at Dallas Lamb Foundation Home, Payne, Ohio.

Tona was born in Fort Wayne on April 22, 1930, the daughter of the late Lorin and Margaret (Wallace) Marquiss.

She served in the U.S. Army as a Cpl. and married Jim Roberts, who survives. Tona was a school bus driver

for Antwerp Local Schools and later a volunteer. She was a member of the Antwerp VFW Post 5087, Antwerp American Legion Post 253 and Bryan Amvets Post 54.

Tona will be sadly missed by her husband, Jim; daughters: Martha (Tommy) Dangler of Bryan, Janet (Dennis) Happel of Hometown, IN and Laura (Jeff) Weaver of Payne; sons: Tom of Antwerp and Tim (Patty) of Churubusco, IN; sisters: Mary Keeley of Hicksville, Ethel Flaugh of Payne; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Her brother, John Marquis preceded her in death.

Calling was July 21 at Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp.

Preferred memorials are to the American Heart Association. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

Betty J. Holtsberry, 75, of Paulding died Saturday, July 19, 2008 at the Van Wert County Hospital.

She was born May 8, 1933 in Melrose, Ohio the daughter of Alva J. and Fayetta (Wilson) Good. On July 1, 1949 she married Paul Holtsberry who survives. She was a for-

mer member of the Melrose United Methodist Church and was a nurse's aide at the Paulding County Hospital for 12 years.

She is survived by her husband Paul of Paulding; three daughters: Linda (Jeffrey) Royer of Van Wert, Patricia (Todd) Messmann and Paula Sue (Charlie) Coe all of Paulding; one sister, Jennetta (Carl) Husted of Sherwood, OH; one brother, Earnest (Virginia) Good of Etna Green, IN; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by three brothers: Alva, Charles, and Walter Good.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23, 2008 at the Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding

will Rev. Ben Lowell officiating. Burial will be in Hedges Cemetery, Jackson Township, Paulding.

Visitation will be one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorial contributions be given to: American Cancer Society, American Heart Association or Retinitis Pigmentosa/Institute for Fighting Blindness. Condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

WARMING UP THE TURTLE

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

The following is a story told by an elderly gentleman as he was reflecting on his childhood.

"During my growing up years I remember staying for a week back on the farm with my grandparents. On one particular day during that stay, I remember once finding one of those little painted turtles. "Terrapins" is what they're technically called.

Being just a kid, I started to examine him and look that ol' turtle over. But he pulled his yellow and green striped head inside his shell just as tight as a drum.

He wasn't about to poke his head out, no matter what I would do. This intrigued me so I picked up a stick and tried to pry him open.

Meanwhile, my granddad, who was sitting on the front porch, saw all this and said, "No, son, that's not the way! You may kill him but you won't get him open."

So he took the terrapin inside that old farmhouse and I followed right behind him. We set that little creature on the hearth of the fireplace. Then we just waited.

It wasn't but a few minutes until that little ol' turtle started to get warm. Pretty soon, my newfound friend pushed out his head, then his feet, and started crawling across our hearth.

Then my granddad looked at me, winked and said, "Terrapins are like that. And people too. You can't force them to open up. But if you warm them up with kindness, more than likely they'll come out of their shell and do what you want them to do."

What a lesson for us to remember. The scriptures teaches us, "Love is kind." When we treat folks with warmth, kindness, consideration, and compassion, they usually respond.

They'll open up, drop their guard, and relax. And, generally speaking, they will cooperate and tend to get along with you.

Maybe you're dealing with a person in your life right now who is closed up tighter than a drum. They are shutting you out, protecting themselves, and being uncommunicative.

Want to know what they need? Warmth. Patience. Kindness. And love. They don't need you trying to pry them open with some sort of "stick".

That will only make them stay in their shell all the more. And it'll also make them mad.

But if you treat them with soft words seasoned with gentleness, warmth, and sensitivity, you'll be surprised how they eventually respond.

It works with turtles. The Bible tells us that it will work with people as well.

BOY SCOUT RECYCLING THIS SATURDAY

The boy scouts of the Antwerp area will be doing their monthly recycling on Saturday, July 26 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. They will be at the Antwerp Fire hall. Acceptable recyclables include cardboard, glass, newspaper in brown bags, and aluminum and steel cans.



BLESSING OF THE BIKES AT HARVEST FIELD CHURCH

A "Blessing of the Bikes" will be held at Harvest Field Church in Scott, OH. This event will be on Saturday, July 26 at 12 noon. Music by the Fortress Band.

A free lunch will be provided after the service. Everyone is welcome.

The location of Harvest Field is on Van Wert-Paulding County Line Road, one-half mile east of US Route 127, or seven miles west of Wetzeland (13625 Road 12, Scott, OH).

VBS AT MELROSE UMC

Come on down to SonHarvest County Fair for some down home fun!

Melrose United Methodist Church is excited about its upcoming Vacation Bible School to be held August 4 through 8. SonHarvest County Fair is a week of fun on the farm!

In SonHarvest County Fair children will discover how to grow the fruit of the Spirit. Specifically, children will learn to Grow Love,

Sprout Joy, Plant Peace, Produce Patience, and Pick Kindness. We will be having a great time with lively songs, crafts, games, Bible stories and snacks—all the things that make Vacation Bible School so much fun for children. On top of that, we will be helping children grow the fruit of God's Spirit.

A class for adults will also be given, so parents who bring their children can stay and learn about the fruit of the Spirit, too. Other adults in the community are also welcome to attend.

SonHarvest County Fair can be an inspirational and educational experience for the entire family. VBS starts at 6:15 p.m. each evening, and ends at 8:37 p.m. Parents are invited to join in on Saturday, August 9, from 10:00 a.m. to noon, as we create our own 'county fair' event, with fun and prizes.

Closing program for SonHarvest County Fair will be Sunday, August 10, at 10:30 a.m. Call Genevieve Noggle at 419-594-3411 for more information or to register. Plan to join us for a great time at SonHarvest County Fair!

Community Education Opportunity Blood Profile Results

As an educational opportunity for the community, Paulding County Hospital is offering an explanation of what blood profile test results mean. (for those who took part in the blood profile section of Family Health Day on June 14th you are welcome to bring those results with you to this session.) It is important to note that this educational session should not take the place of a visit with your physician, but it should be looked at as a tool to help understand the results.



Laura Roth, MT, ASCP Laboratory Director of Paulding County Hospital will go over lab results line by line and explain what they mean. Normal ranges will be discussed and the significance or insignificance of abnormal results.

Dr. Ahmed will discuss abnormal results and how they relate to various health issues. There will be a question and answer period at the end of the education session.



Thursday, July 31, 7:00 p.m. Paulding County Hospital Education Room

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By: Sue Knapp
 Every year the J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) kids from Antwerp Church of Christ work hard in donating money each week for the Woodburn Christian Children's Home. The J.A.M. kids and the Church also collect food for the Home.
 On Wednesday, July 16, the J.A.M. kids went to the Children's Home for fun and fellowship. A snack of ice

cream, cookies and juice was served.
 High School camp at Lake James Christian Assembly was going on so not all of the kids were there but that didn't stop the kids from having a good time.
 Nellie Beerbower presented a check for \$292.05 to Dan Grant for the Children's Home.
 Dan and Kathy Grant,

Dave and Kendra Smith and Hal and Carol Rogers are house parents at the Children's Home. These couples and their children have devoted their time to working with the kids and giving them a kind of home and the positive influence that every child needs.

LEARN MORE ABOUT MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

There will be an informational meeting about Multiple Sclerosis (MS) at the Laurels in Defiance. This meeting will take place on Thursday, July 24 from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

GET READY FOR THE DEMOLITION DERBY AT HARLAN DAYS 2008

Harlan Days 2008 is running a car Demolition Derby on Friday, August 1 in the arena area of Harlan Park. Doug Alt's Demolition Derbies of Celina, OH is bringing the "Big" car class, mini-cars, stock class, and an Allen County Drivers class to the event. Harlan Days is a new event for 2008 season with the derby running on Friday night, August 1. Registration will begin at 5:00 p.m. with heat races beginning at 7:00 p.m. Come watch the Crash and Bash excitement of the Demolition Derby on Friday, August 1 at 7:00 p.m.

GROVER HILL SUMMER-FEST IS COMING THIS WEEKEND!

On July 25, 26 and 27 Grover Hill is holding it's 2008 Summerfest. Three days of fun, games, food and fellowship is planned for this event.
 Friday at 5:30 brings the Parade of Players; 6:00 Crowning of the Summerfest Queen, 7:00 is the Small Engines Poker Run sponsored by Miller Lawn Care; 8:00 Guitar Hero Contest-sign-up at 7:30; and Euchre Tourney at the Log Cabin.
 Saturday starts out at 7:30-10:00 with breakfast at the Grover Hill VFW; 10:00 Parade; 11:00 Car, Motorcycle, Antique Tractor and Cushman Show; 11:00 Horse Shoe Tourney; 11:00, Poker Run starts at Welcome Park; 11:30 Raise the Barre' Dance Studio performs; 12:00-8:00 Children's Inflatable Games, Silent Auction; 1:00-4:00 Old Fashion Kids Games; 4:00 Duck Race; 5:00 Are You Smarter Than A Fifth Grader?; 7:00 Grover Hill's Talent Contest-sign-up starting at 6:30; 10:00 p.m. all Night Co-ed softball Tourney

Sunday begins at 10:00 with Community Church in the Park—bring lawn chair; 11:30-1:00 BBQ Chicken; 1:00 Horse Shoe Tourney; 1:00-5:00 Music in Park featuring Harmonica John and Nancy, Joe Weiss and the Oakwood community Band, plus more; 4:00 Duck Race and Community Softball Game—fun for all ages.

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LOL - Laughing Out Loud Photo Contest
 Grab your cameras and your imagination and enter the LOL Photo Contest at the Cooper Community Library, branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library.
 All you need to do is submit a framed photo that you have taken that will make us laugh! Be creative and have fun!

All entries are due by Friday, August 22. They will be on display here at the library during Labor Day Weekend. In order to qualify your name and phone number must be on the back. This contest is for all students in sixth grade through 12th.

Win A Free Backpack
 The library is in the midst of our annual drawing for a free backpack filled with school supplies. Four backpacks that are filled with school supplies have been donated by a patron and you have an opportunity to win one!

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Scrapbooking and Card Making Day
 Saturday, July 26, 9:00-1:00 at the library, the Oakwood Area Scrapbookers will be meeting. We invite anyone interested in joining us. Bring your projects and join us for a morning of sharing ideas and completing some pages or cards.

For more information on any of these activities contact Sue at the library, 419-594-3337.

MACK - FISHER



Heather Renee Mack and Christopher Joseph Fisher would like to announce their upcoming marriage on July 26, 2008 at Mark Center United Methodist Church beginning at 4:00 p.m.

The marriage will be performed by Pastor Monte Moore and Pastor Thomas Graves.

A reception will follow the ceremony at Grant's Hall in Antwerp, OH (200+ guests). Following the couple's honeymoon in New York City, NY for six days and five nights, they will reside in Sherwood, OH.

The bride's attire will be an ivory strapless wedding gown accented with rhinestones down the front and the back of the dress. Bouquet will feature pink roses and ivory calla lilies. The wedding color scheme is brown, pink, and ivory.

The bridal attendants will be:

Matron of Honor - Traci Shutts of Hicksville; Brides-

maids - Amanda Brown of Defiance, Angie Fellers of Hicksville, April Reinhart of Defiance, and Robin Higgins of Fort Wayne, IN; Flower girls - Aleyah Mack and Mackayla Mack both of Sherwood.

The groom's attendants will be:

Best Man - Brad Moore of Waterloo, IN; Groomsmen - Benjamin Ceballos of Defiance, Jonathon Ceballos of Abbottsford, BC, CA, and Roldando Ceballos of Cecil; Ring bearer - Jonathon Lederman of Auburn, IN.

The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Fairview High School, and is attending Northwest State University for a degree in Registered Nursing. She is currently employed by Graphic Design; The Wholesale House in Hicksville.

The groom-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Paulding High School, and is currently employed by Centennial Wireless in Defiance.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I am very disturbed by the letter to the editor written by M. Vanderpool about the sidewalk issue. I have lived in this community for about 60 years. My five children went to and graduated from Antwerp High School. I also had six of my 14 grandchildren do the same as their parents. They had to walk on the sidewalks that she was talking about. Maybe if she had attended the council meetings and opened her mouth and talked to them, it might have helped.

I would like to give her a little history lesson. Back in 1993 or 1994 our council was led by Louise Miller, the mayor. Well, there was a committee appointed by the mayor (I think) to get the bad sidewalks replaced. My late husband and I went to the council meetings for about a year to see what was going to happen. By the way, our sidewalk was in bad shape, so we wanted to know what the requirements and measurements were needed. Well, the council member that was the head of this

committee was building a new house on the south edge of town and when we found out that sidewalks were to be replaced and new ones put in, this council member dropped it like a hot potato. By the way, we were both retired and on fixed incomes, but we went ahead and had a contractor come, and then we talked to our neighbor to the north of us. Well, we had our sidewalks raised up, dirt brought in and a new cement driveway approach put in. Our new sidewalk, our neighbor's sidewalk and our driveway approach has steel rods to reinforce.

In closing, I would like to inform Marjorie Vanderpool that if she thinks she can live in Fort Wayne, Indiana cheaper, I wish her luck. We may have taxes to pay, but that is mild compared to her utilities and license for her car (if she has one)—which are much more than they are here. I also would like to say, don't blame the present village administration. They are not totally to blame. She should go back to the people that was on the council back in 1994 and 1995. Also if I have a gripe, I go to the source and tell those people.

—Edna Green

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Recently we were at St. Paul's Cemetery, Paulding Township, to find that someone stole the spray of flowers off my father and mother-in-law's stone.

I'm only hoping is made you feel good to put the stolen spray on your loved ones stone—hoping you don't encounter some freak accident like a couple I remember a few years ago, having fun tipping stones and breaking them in a cemetery only to have serious leg/ankle breaks and still limping today! Pay back—I wonder if your dead ones taught you to do this?

Saddened for you,

—Deloris Whirrett

HERB AND ART FAIRE, CIVIL WAR DAY AT AUGLAIZE VILLAGE THIS WEEKEND

If you're looking for something to do the weekend of July 26-27, and don't want to drive very far, then AuGlaize Village is the place to be. Much activity will be going on as three events take place then. Admission is free both days.

On Saturday, July 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the second annual Herb and Art Faire takes place. Area artists and crafters will show their works and offer them for sale. Crocheted items, jewelry, tie-dyed shirts or paintings are a few of the artistic wares to be found here.

Lunch will be available in the red Mansfield barn, which also contains exhibits of life in the late 1800's. The village buildings will also be open for viewing and the village crafts people, the spinner, weaver, and tinsmith, will demonstrate their skills.

Kim Buchholz is in charge of the Herb and Art Faire. Any crafters, artist, or herbalist that wants to set up at this event can still do so by calling her at 419-428-2008.

Continuing the activity at the village on Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. will be the Hobo Supper.

The Civil War reenactors arrive after the Herb and Art Faire is over and set up their tents and campsites. The public is invited to come out and enjoy the supper and mingle with the reenactors. Donations will be accepted for this open fire iron kettle stew.

Civil War Day takes place Sunday, July 27, starting at 10:00 a.m. with a church service. Beginning at 11:00 a.m. visitors can discover the life of a Civil War soldier, which was not "all glory". Much of it was routine, mundane camp life.

Some of the events scheduled for this day include musket firing and drill demonstration, medical demonstration, learning about a typical day for a soldier, a recruiting rally, and pay call for soldiers.

Expect the unexpected, though, because a skirmish

might take place as well as the village train being stopped by soldiers looking for a spy.

The buildings at AuGlaize Village will be open where costumed interpreters will explain the life of people during the 1800's, or demonstrate pioneer skills.

A new exhibit at the military museum honors contemporary soldiers.

AuGlaize Village is an educational restoration project of the Defiance County Historical Society. Donations are always accepted to help preserve the buildings and artifacts.

For more information, call 'mayor' Lynn Lantz at 419-782-7255, or go to www.historicalauglaizevillage.com.

AuGlaize Village is located on Krouse Road, 3 miles west of Defiance and one mile south of US 24.

From Paulding County, at US 127 north, go east on US 24 for six miles, turn right on Krouse Road. Or, take SR 111 north into Defiance County. Turn left on Hammersmith Road (across from the Power Dam). Go 1/2 mile to Krouse Road. Turn right, go two miles. AuGlaize Village is on the left, just after the new US 24 overpass.

STATEWIDE TEAM AMONG FINALISTS FOR LINCOLN FOUNDATION COLLECTION

Indiana is among the finalists to become the permanent home of the Lincoln Financial Foundation's (LFF) collection of Abraham Lincoln artifacts and documents. The statewide team, led by groups from Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, was informed by the LFF on Tuesday that their proposal is among those making it to the last round of reviews.

"This is a significant step in our journey to secure the collection," said Ian Rolland, former chairman of the Lincoln Financial Group and the team's leader. "We are working on plans to meet with organizations that can help fund an endowment to care for and increase accessibility to the collection."

The primary organizations involved with the effort are the Allen County Public Library and Indiana State Museum. The endowment will be dedicated to pay for expenses at the library and museum to maintain and to make the collection available to the widest possible audience.

The Indiana Historical Society, Indiana State Library and Friends of the Lincoln Museum also are providing significant support. Several additional organizations and individuals, including Governor Mitch Daniels and Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry, also are involved. Later this summer, the team will provide further details about endowment and its progress.

The Allen County Public Library is home to one of the largest genealogical collections in the world and has tremendous expertise in preserving and cataloging rare books, manuscripts and records. The Indiana State Museum has a collection of over 500,000 artifacts and natural history specimens and extensive experience in exhibition development, public programming and collections care. In 2010, the State Museum will host an exhibition of rare Lincoln artifacts from the Library of Congress in honor of the Lincoln Bicentennial.

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Heidi McDougall



Sammy Smith



Kelly Rager

to the families. Plagues were then given to various groups around the area who helped so much the night of the tragic accident: Paulding EMS & Fire Department, Cecil Fire Department, Antwerp Fire Department, Antwerp Police Department, Payne Fire Department, Paulding County Sheriff Department, Scott EMS, Oakwood EMS, Putnam County EMS, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Samaritan Flight Crew, Delaware Twp. EMS (Defiance County), and Pastor Scott Marsee. This is not an all inclusive list.

The community band then played "Amazing Grace". Gale Jordan closed in thanking the families and bands who have helped so much.

This date will live in infamy for both Antwerp and the area people. Two other people also were killed in this accident, Robert and Armelda Wells of Hicksville.

Carla Woodcox came next and read a poem. Following her was Danielle Friend. Danielle dedicated the new monument in honor of Heidi, Sam and Kelly. She said, with tears of love and sadness, how much each of these people meant to all in attendance.

Pastor Edwards spoke from II Corinthians 5 that if the earthly tent is destroyed, there is a heavenly place built by God. He went on to read



that those who are in Christ will meet the people who have gone on before. He also said to be sure to keep the families in prayers.

The community band then played a subset of "Faith of Our Fathers"

Randy Shaffer followed by asking April Fruit and DeWayne Price to help with passing out memorial flags

The memorial stone erected with a picture of an EMS, Fire and Police vehicle says the following:

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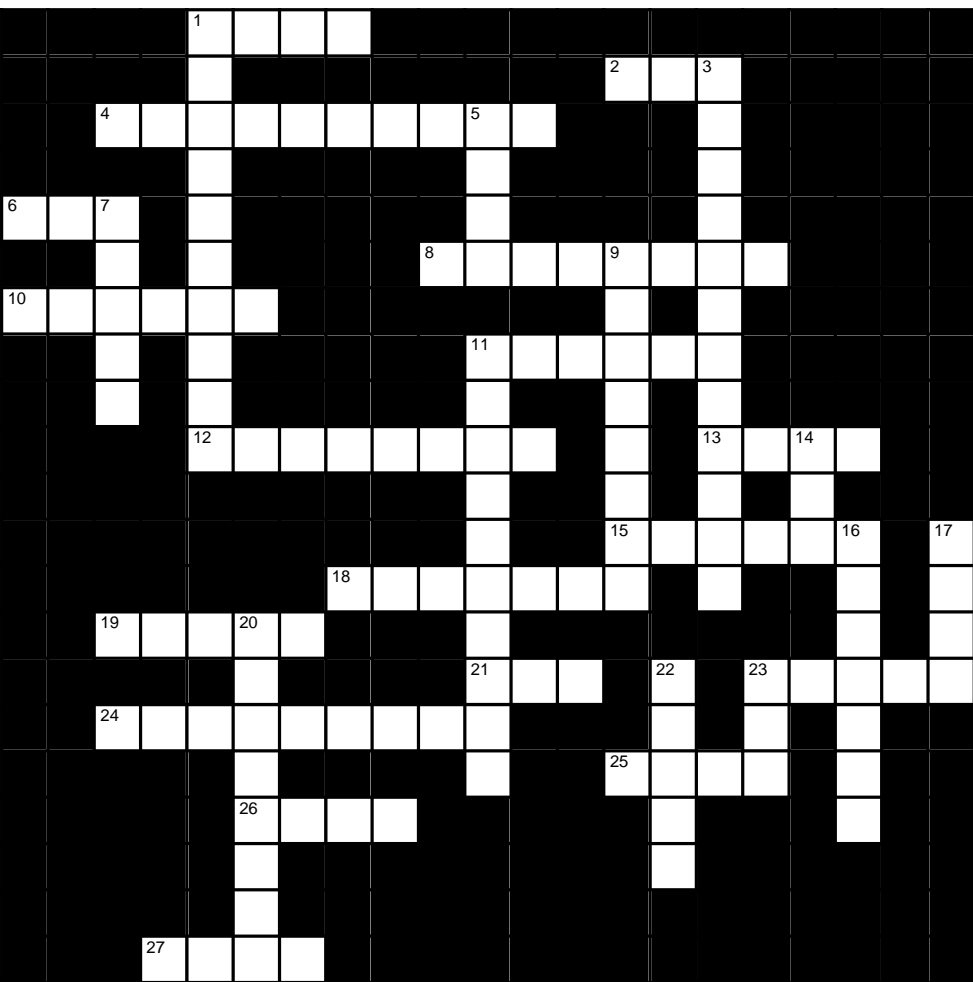
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2. A face.
4. Someone's creative idea.
6. A great time; something hilarious.
8. A stupid or foolish person.
10. New, but useless.
11. A souped-up car. (2 words)
12. Something excellent.
13. An FBI Investigator.
15. Dancer.
18. Money.
19. To arrest.
21. Deprived of money.
23. Dance to a fast, big jazz band.
24. To serve time in prison. (2 words)
25. To inform or tattle.
26. A gangster's girl.
27. Hands.

Down

1. To show off.
3. Double talk, long speech
5. Insincere flattery.
7. A spy.
9. Car, jalopy.
11. Pleasing.
14. An expert. (2 words)
16. An argument or struggle.
17. To kill.
20. Something splendid or stylish. (2 words)
22. Old, outdated.
23. To shoot down a plane.

PAULDING 12 & UNDER GIRLS FASTPITCH TOURNAMENT

Edgerton edged Homestead 5-4 to capture the 12-u girls tournament at Paulding Reservoir Park on July 20. The tournament was held this past weekend with 12 teams entered. The Bulldogs used a stellar defense and good pitching to cruise to the title. Each girl received a new 26" mountain bike donated by Baughman Tile Company and the second place team received tournament shirts donated by Midwest Sportswear. Subway also furnished free subs to all players in tournament.

BOYS "SUMMER SLAM" BASEBALL TOURNAMENT THIS WEEK AT PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK

Tournaments started yesterday, July 22 for the boys 12 & under and 10 & under baseball. The games continue through July 26.

There are 26 teams from all over the area registered for this tournament. The first place team will receive 12 new bikes and a pizza party. The second and third place teams will receive tournament T-shirts. These prizes are sponsored by Baughman Tile Company, Paulding Sheriff Department, Subway, Marco's, and McDonald's.

By: Rose Kever

There are a lot of old adages that very wise (and some not so wise) people come up with that I thought I'd write about - just in case you might need a snappy comeback or in case you want to impress the boss. These are not made up by me, because I can't remember to use them when I need to! (ha-ha!)

1. If you would like to spoil the day for a grouch - give him a smile.

2. If it were not for the hot water - the tea kettle would not sing.

3. Before you give someone a piece of your mind - make sure you have some to spare.

4. A Christian sees farthest, not on tip toes, but on bended knees.

5. There is nothing wrong with the younger generation, that twenty years won't cure.

6. Be careful how you live - it may be the only Bible some people read.

7. Blessed is he who expects nothing, for he shall never be disappointed.

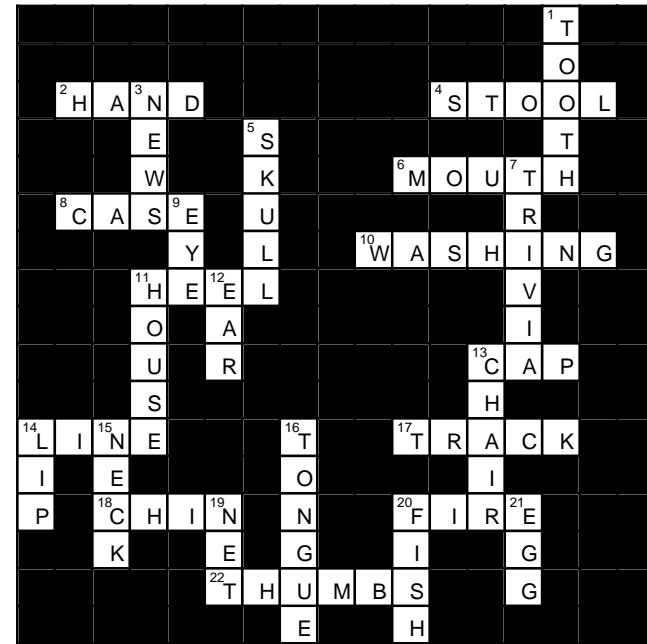
8. There's nothing wrong with having nothing to say - unless you insist on saying it.

9. Behind every successful man is surprised father-in-law.

10. If you meet someone too tired to smile, leave one of yours. Nobody needs a smile as much as those who have none to give.

11. Three ways to get something done - do it yourself, hire someone or forbid the kids to do it.

12. Never serve meals on time. Hungry people enjoy food more and the starving will eat anything!



ANTWERP HOSTS SUCCESSFUL TOURNAMENT

The Antwerp Baseball Association hosted a boy's age 12-under tournament this past weekend. Teams participating this year included: Harlan, Hicksville, Defiance 11-12 team, Defiance 11 team, Paulding and Antwerp. The Defiance 11-12 team outlasted the Defiance 11 team 6-3 in the championship game. Harlan and Hicksville finished with 2-1 records. Those receiving game balls for excellent play on championship day included: Trey Hostetler from Harlan, Bailey Combs from Paulding, Jarin Jasso from Hicksville, and Derrick Smalley from Antwerp.

The Defiance all 11 team used the Antwerp tourna-

ment for a brush up as they will begin NW Ohio District play in the 11U Little League World Series, soon.

Bringing teams here from outside our own community, to the friendly confines of the Essen House ball fields, helps the entire Antwerp community.

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ANTWERP HISTORY

By: Stan Jordan

This picture was loaned to me and some others also, by a couple of good friends who are Antwerp Boosters. This picture, we think, was taken about 1910. It was a sales pitch for a new type of cookery range. You can see it drew a lot of people to town.

Take your time and your magnifying glass and look it over good. You will see something different each time. Nearly everyone wore a

trees. The computer tells us The Laurel Steel Range was very big around 1910.

If you notice the one sign on the building says to use Green Seal Paint. The DeLaval Cream Separators was a big seller at that time. Nearly all farmers, at that time, had milk cows and would sell milk and cream.

The building on the extreme left is now KD's Kitchen. The building with the restaurant sign is the Joe Yager Restaurant.



hat, some in overalls and some in dress suits. One little girl in a fancy long dress, some in short sleeves and some wore coats. There are leaves on the

The next building was the L. Smith and Son Hardware. I think about 1924 Smith's built that nice store that is now the H₂O To Go. The building that

is marked L. Smith and Son, when I grew up that was Harry Wolf's Bakery. I think that building was always owned by Smith's.

Notice on the second floor of Yager's Restaurant, the drapes are on the outside of the blinds. I'm sure that was done that way to help reflect the heat as there was no electric fans yet at that time.

Look at how many people are standing around the horses. The horses must have been a gentle bunch. In fact, it looks like to me that the demonstration was being held in the bed on one of the wagons.

By the looks of this crowd a good deal of the townspeople were in attendance.

See, Ya!

NOW READ THIS

By: Stan Jordan

When you stop and think about it, we live in one of the better parts of the United States. Of course, you can name a lot of things we don't have, but you can count a lot of things we do have.

Here in Northwest Ohio in Paulding County, we don't have much of a flooding problem. We are not the subject of tornadoes and excessive winds, as a rule. We have a few days of hot and humid weather, but nothing like the Midwest and the desert country.

We have snow in the winter, but the highways are soon passable. Our views are not marred by hills or valleys, and we don't have forest fires either.

Yes, we all like to leave and go on vacation but we are glad to be back home again.

But the biggest thing is our people, these are hard working, down to earth, friendly folks. I have been around quite a bit and you can't beat small town or country people for being helpful and friendly.

The report is if you want to make it big in Texas, you go to have a fiddler in the band. The report is, if you want to make it big in Northwest Ohio you have to have a 'Get Rich Quick Scheme'.

I was talking to Joe Meyers the other day and somehow he told me he was working on his second million. I was set back a bit because I knew he retired out of GM and Sue worked at Weatherhead and you are not going to lay up a million at those places.

Well, Joe, could see I was having trouble with the information so he said, "I'm working on my second million, because I gave up on my first

million." You have to have a 'Get Rich Quick Scheme' and I settled on one sometime back.

Years back, the government was trying to make amends with the Red Man Tribes. If you could prove you were a little bit Indian you could be the recipient of a lot of money.

Back in the late 1880's and 1890's, there was an Indian Tribe in the Northwest called Nez Perce. Their chief was a non-warring person and he believed in peace and you leave me alone and we won't bother anybody. They fished, hunted and farmed and kept to their selves.

Well, the old chief was called Mangus Colorado. Well, my wife's grandpa was named Mangus so I thought I might be paid a whole bunch of twenties. Well, right away Kenny Hahn said, "It will never fly," so I dropped that idea. I'm still looking for a 'Get Rich Quick Scheme'.

You know, those 'agents' make a lot of money. All those big actors and athletes have an agent. I think that's what I will be. I know a lot of retired people who have a lot of good years left yet.

Take Jan Hahn, my neighbor, she just retired with a good CDL and 34 years driving a school bus with 40 screaming, bawling, fighting, pushing, shoving, eating and nasty kids.

She surely has nerves of steel. Maybe I could hire her out to Kenny, her husband. He has two trucks, an 18 wheeler and some other big tractors and equipment. But with her experience and CDL we'll demand top wage.

Now take Darlene Billman, she has retired from Antwerp High School as a school nurse. Now she has over 40 years of fighting big germs and little germs, big folks and little folks. I can surely get top dollar for her work.

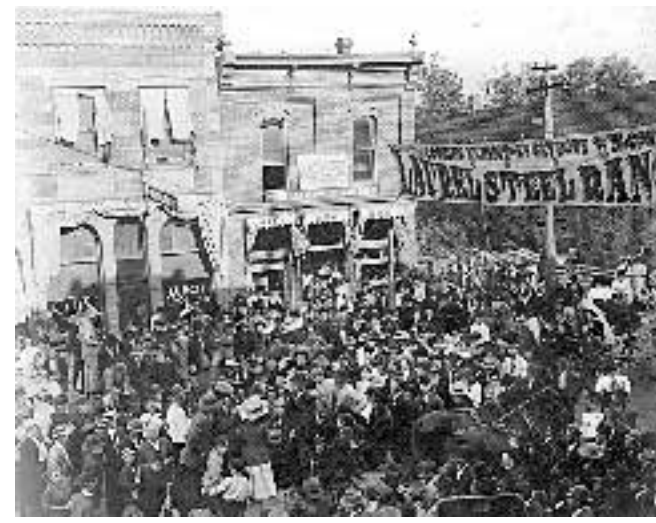
Then there is Cyndy Bowers. She retired from teaching school after 40 years. With her background and experience we could demand top dollar.

Then there is Shirley Gordon. She has taught school for nearly 40 years, is a singer, world traveler and well-versed in Irish Culture. We could demand all kinds of money for her appearances.

By golly, I think I've got me a 'Get Rich Quick Scheme'. Now don't you tell them because I got to go and sign 'em up. I'm on my way to Jan Hahn's now.

See, Ya!

NOW READ THIS TOO



By: Stan Jordan

This is a picture of the Farmer High School Girls Basketball Team. They won the Defiance County Tournament that year and all four years for the lady that we are talking about today.

Now she is Mrs. Glenn Detmon, but in the picture she is Gladys Wonderly. She was born in Defiance County somewhere between Hicksville and Mark Center. That was in 1921. There was three boys and two girls. If you remember her sister, Leona, was married to Wilbur 'Pappy' Reeb.

She and her siblings worked a lot for Carma Rowe of the Rowe Orchards. They raised 20 acres of tomatoes from the planting on up. They planted the tomatoes by hand. The girls could work as good as the boys. The pay was \$1.00 a day.

She started to school in Mark Center and even played a little basketball in the second grade. They then moved to Emmett in Paulding County and attended school there. They moved back to Mark Center and then over to Farmer, where she graduated in 1940.

She played basketball in the 8th grade and Sy Stockman was her coach.

All the four years that she was in high school, they won the Defiance County Tourney. The late Ollie Ze-

daker was her coach all four years. She tells me that at that time the girls played half court basketball. Their offense at one end and the defense used the other end of the court.

At that time, girls team did not go on to the State Tourney. The tournament was played in Defiance and consisted of Ney, Mark Center, Farmer and a couple other small schools.

She still has a lot of respect and acclamation for her coach, Mr. Zedaker and her School Superintendent, Mr. Kammeyer.

She met Glenn Detmon in the middle 1940's and they married a little later. Glenn served WWII in the 4th armored division and was awarded a purple heart and a number of unit citations.

Gladys and Glenn had three children. They now have five grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren.

Yes, Gladys was a good athlete and the game of basketball was her main love and still is.

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We will be showing afternoon movies on August 4 - "Jungle Book 2", August 12 - "Mist" and August 18 - "Call of the Wild". Show times start at 4:00 p.m.

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Jaime Leigh Tucker and Andrew Ross Holbrook would like to announce their upcoming marriage on August 2, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. at the Paulding United Methodist Church, Paulding.

The bride's parents are Kenneth and Marcia Tucker of Richmond, IN. Jaime is a 2007 graduate of Richmond High School and she plans to attend Ivy Tech, Fort Wayne in the Nursing Program. She is currently employed at Ap-

plebees, Fort Wayne, IN.

The groom's parents are the late Ralph L. Holbrook Jr. and Mary Ellen Holbrook of Paulding. Andrew is a 2004 graduate of Paulding High School. He is also 2006 graduate of Lincoln Tech in Indianapolis, IN with an Associate's Degree in Diesel Mechanics and Management. He is currently employed at Truck Maintenance in Fort Wayne, IN.

PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST AT WOODBURN COMMUNITY CENTER LAUNCHES WOODBURN PANCAKE RACE

On July 26-27, pedaling and pancakes will highlight the Pancake Stage Bicycle Race sponsored by the Woodburn Fire Department and the Team Koehlinger/Kelley Cycling Team and promoted by the IN/KY Cycling Cup Championship Series. The mission and goal of the event is to promote a quality, family-oriented event to benefit the Woodburn Fire Department. The funds raised will support the WFD to improve their ability to protect the more than 8,000 people in their coverage area. Racers from the tri-state area and beyond will converge on Woodburn, IN, to give us a little taste of the "Tour de France".

Bring your friends and neighbors Saturday for an All-You-Can-Eat pancake and sausage breakfast extravaganza provided by Hall's Restaurants and Crazy Sisters Coffee Roasters and served by the Woodburn Fire Department Auxiliary. Serving will be from 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the air-conditioned Woodburn Community Center.

The road race on Saturday will take the racers through Woodburn and into the countryside for up to 60 "pancake-flat" miles. Kids will want to decorate their bikes and strikes for a 10:00 a.m. parade through the park. After the judging, free helmets will be provided for each registered participant.

Sunday brings more excitement, as the two-day race opens at 12:15 p.m. with a kid's race in the park. All kids, age 2-13 are invited to bring their "wheels" and a helmet and

join in the competition and fun. The adult competition then continues with a 13-mile time trial and a NASCAR-style criterion around Woodburn and through the park.

Following the kid's race, Parkview Hospital will host a bike safety rodeo in front of the Community Center. Again, free helmets will be given out to all participants. The family fun then continues with a watermelon eating contest, 50/50 hillbilly horseshoe tournament and a 50/50 hillbilly golf competition, food, Parkview Samaritan helicopter and free popcorn.

Free blood pressure checks will also be given.

If you've never watched an official bike race, you won't want to miss this! Come for fun and come to support our local volunteer Firemen and EMTs.

IT'S THE OBAMA, MCCAIN SMACK DOWN

By: Christian Pancake, Groverhill, 4H Project

Now that Hilary Clinton has stepped down from the rat race that the democratic nomination has been, John McCain and Barack Obama can start their own 15 round fight. I think John McCain is definitely the conservative one in this race. He has said he will keep the men in Iraq, and that's good in my opinion, but not for a long period of time. I think we need to slowly pull troops out and things should stay stable for a while at least.

But Obama, the young gun, has yet to prove himself in the ring in my opinion; he has to show the people of America that he can change this country for real. Obama has to be wise about taking the troops out of Iraq,

ANTWERP BABE RUTH BASEBALL FARES WELL

The Antwerp Babe Ruth boys baseball team finished the season with a fine overall record of 12-3. The 13-15 age team ended with a first place finish during regular season play by defeating Montpelier in a playoff game to move their record to 10-1. The only defeat of the regular season was to Pioneer.

The Archers then moved to league tournament action and finished third out of eight participating teams at host site Edgerton. Antwerp remained in the winner's bracket by defeating both Edon and Stryker, but again fell to Pioneer and ran out of gas against a pesky Montpelier team. The team received a large team trophy and beautiful individual plaques for winning the league, along with medallions for finishing 3rd in the tournament. The team trophy is on display at the ball field concession stand during tournaments the next couple weeks.

NOTE: The Antwerp Baseball Association would like to acknowledge Bob Winslow who is retiring his position as Commissioner of the Northwest Ohio Babe Ruth/Pony League, a position he has filled for many years. His years of service in helping organize and maintain a great baseball league for our own Antwerp boys and all area teams to compete in and be proud of will be missed!

because if he decides to just yank them out like they're rag dolls, we're going to be in for it and we'll end up being back there in a couple of years.

One thing is for sure, that whomever it ends up being, it will hopefully be different in a good and positive way. I think we need to seriously sit down and think about how we're going to change this county. Whether it be passing a law that we need to all drive hybrids, or the healthcare situation—we need to think before we act.

5 GENERATION FAMILY



Front: Regina Donnell, great great granddaughter Kayla Wamstead, Back LTR: Judith Clinton, daughter; Michelle Dahl, grand daughter, Stacie Dahl, great granddaughter. Regina has lived in Antwerp all of her life. She is still at home and doing pretty well. Stacie, Michelle and Kayla live in Minnesota and surprised her for Mother's Day & was able to all have their picture taken by Sylvia's Country Portraits.

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Sunday, July 27th

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- Parkview bicycle rodeo at 12:30 ~ free helmets (limited)
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4-COUNTY SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



By: Rose Reinhart

On July 12th the 4-County 15 year old and under Girls Softball League Championship game went to the Antwerp Blue Eagles. They finished the season 12-1 and were runners up in the League

Tournament. The Blue Eagles lost a hard fought battle to Wren in the Championship game. The Blue Eagles rallied in the 7th inning scoring to tie sending the game into extra innings. In the bottom of the 10th inning Wren scored one

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The girls worked hard and had a great season.

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WOODBURN: SMALLEST INCORPORATED CITY IN INDIANA

Information From: Gaylen Goff Stetler and Eugene Norhwald

Written By: Sue Knapp

Johnny Appleseed (Johnathon Chapman) roamed the area with his bag of apple seeds. Johnny's nephew, Timothy Chapman lived in a home close to the Maumee River, near the state line. Timothy's wife and daughter rode on a canal boat while Johnny and Timothy took turns riding Johnny's horse along the tow path. Timothy then took care of Saylor's Lock which was near his home. Johnny and Timothy planted an apple orchard on the south side of the river close to the state line.

Bull Rapids got its name because of a large buffalo being slain there. James Shirley didn't like the name and sold lots and named the area Indiana City. That didn't work so the area is still known as Bull Rapids.

George Jackson settled in the Bull Rapids area in 1833. He built a log house and tavern. The keel-boats and pirogues would land there and be accommodated by the tavern. Even though his business prospered, he didn't clear the land and didn't live there long. The main attraction at Bull Rapids was a groggery. It was an unsavory place and a good place to avoid.

In the early 1800's pirates would hang around the rapids and when the river was low, people would have to get out of their boats and push them, the pirates would then rob them. (This information from Stan Jordan)

A settlement was devel-

oped close to the rapids with cabins and a general store. Small cemeteries were all along the river banks with the weatherbeaten markers telling the stories of people past.

A partial list of settlers coming to live in the area are: Barnes, Johnson, Swisher, Ashley, Phillips, Harding, Sweet and Platter. We recognize some of these names yet today.

Woodburn started out with the name of Phelps Station which had nothing but a station on the railroad. Later on Phelps Station was re-named Woodburn. Joseph K Edgerton and Joseph Smith platted Woodburn in 1835.

Shirley City came about in 1895 when William Gerhardt platted an addition to Woodburn. Shirley City was also incorporated which made it the smallest incorporated town in Indiana. In 1956 the name Shirley City was officially named Woodburn.

In 1835 the first road was surveyed from Defiance to Fort Wayne and in 1843 a stagecoach line was put on River Road located north of US 24 along the river. The stagecoaches carried the mail.

The area was swampy and didn't grow very rapidly. Joseph K. Edgerton saw the possibilities with all the timber and owned over 8,000 acres. Two sawmills and a stove mill were erected and did well until destroyed by fire after two years. In 1871 a severe drought causing forest fires occurred and Edgerton's estate was burned with the fire lasting for weeks.

The fire didn't help the town that was known as a wilderness and snake farm. All the area was almost unbroken wilderness. Only five families and one business with the owner, Christian Rosener, living in the store at the time. There was also a broken down sawmill and four plank houses close to the railroad station.

Edward and Clement Edgerton (sons of Joseph K. Edgerton) managed the estate and thousands of acres were purchased by a Mennonite community. With this 'boom' two elevators were raised, new houses were built and in six years 37 businesses were established.

The streets were mud until 1906 when stone replaced them, wooden sidewalks, hitching racks and an open ditch running east and west along Main Street with wooden bridges crossing it graced the town at that time.

The town grew with numerous additions being built. Next time: Woodburn's first churches and schools.

This information taken from: 'Bringing Back the Good Old Days - Woodburn Centennial- 1865-1965'



ANTWERP'S GEM OF THE YEAR 2008

By: Sue Knapp

Antwerp's Gem of the Year for 2008 is Dick Dunderman. Dick has lived in Antwerp all his life.

After high school he farmed and joined the National Guard. He then joined the Navy and retired from there after giving them 23½ years.

In 1950 he and Ottilie married and had five children. After he retired from the Navy, he worked for Jack Leinard, then in the emergency room at Defiance Hospital. He joined the police force in Antwerp when Chief Joe Lichty hired him in 1971. He then put in 22 years as Police Chief of Antwerp. He really got along well with the kids and they called him grandpa.

Dick talked about how he had good officers to work with. They used common sense and they treated the people how they wanted to be treated. Dick says they were the best officers in Paulding County.

Dick and Oattie raised four grandchildren. They have 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Dick has quite a collection of schooners and light houses, many he brought back from the Navy with him.

Oattie passed away after 57 years of marriage and Dick says that she hung with him all that time.

Two weeks before Oattie died she was accepted into the Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan. She was able to get all of her children and most of her grandchildren into the tribe also.

Antwerp is blessed to have had a person like Dick Dunderman to serve Antwerp all those years.

The Chamber will honor Dick on August 9th at Day in the Park at Riverside Park in Antwerp, Ohio.



JACQUELINE GAN ART-WORK AT ANTWERP PHARMACY

By: Sue Knapp

Jacqueline Gan from Antwerp has always loved art. She majored in Art in college and has traveled to many museums. She draws in pencil and does some painting. Right now she does contemporary collage. She is very particular in finding materials for her work—they have to be just right.

You can see a variety of

Jacqueline's Collages at Antwerp Pharmacy in Antwerp.

FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Dog Warden



Gully is this week's featured pet. Gully is a one year medium size female mixed breed dog. She is very affectionate and loves attention. Gully's owners moved away and left her behind.

Also at the pound, we have Snickers a male chocolate lab. Snickers has some obedience training and he is already housetrained. If you would like to meet Gully, Snickers, or any of the other dogs at the shelter please stop out on Fridays from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. or call and make an appointment at 419-399-9728.

Please be sure to provide your pets with clean fresh water at all times especially during these long hot days.

VANTAGE BOARD HOLDS SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 in the Cup & Saucer Restaurant at Vantage Career Center.

The superintendent requested an executive session for the purpose of discussion of employment of personnel. The Board added resolutions to the agenda regarding the employment of personnel as recommended by the superintendent.

The Board approved a resolution requesting the fiscal officer to certify maximum security of bonds, a resolution of Necessity for the VFAP Bond Issue, and a resolution of Necessity for Replacement of Operating.

The superintendent reviewed the OSFC shortlist for the Construction Manager and informed the Board that interviews would be held July 18 in conjunction with Celina City Schools.

In new business, the board:

**Approved employment of the following, as needed, as scheduled: Jill DeWert, Interactive Media; Lynda Ragan, Van Wert Satellite/Family and Consumer Science;

**Approved stipends for curriculum development to: Jill DeWert, Andrew Rager, Sarah Noggle and Lynda Ragan;

**Approved changes to the job description of guidance counselor as presented by the superintendent;

**Approved employment of a guidance counselor.

The next regular Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, July 31, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cup & Saucer Restaurant.

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BRYAN LEGION SPONSORS STATE WINNER



(L-R) Nicole Estle of Oakwood holding her District Honor Plaque presented at the District Summer Convention on June 8, in Toledo and Philip Lupien, Jr. First District Commander congratulates her upon receiving the Ohio Department of Ohio Social Worker of the Year award presented to her by Commander Michael Morman on Saturday morning, July 12 at the 90th Annual American Legion Summer Convention in Dayton.

At the 90th annual meeting of the Department of Ohio, American Legion Summer convention, Bryan Post 284 saw their nominee for Social Worker of the Year honored for her work on behalf of children. Nicole Estle of rural Oakwood received the prestigious Social Worker of the Year award. She was presented the Award by Ohio State Commander Michael Morman.

She was cited for her work as a medical social worker and bereavement coordinator with the Hospice the Caring Way of Defiance program in Defiance. Estle, for the last four years, has spearheaded the "Rays of Hope" bereavement camp for children ages 6-17 from the immediate NW Ohio area. Camp is usually conducted in July or August at Camp Libby, outside of Defiance. Estle is a graduate of the University of Toledo social work program in 1993. She began her career work-

ing various positions in Lucas and Erie County's prior to returning to her home county of Paulding to take a position with Hospice and starting her family. She is married to Lance Estle and they have two children, Katelyn and Joseph. She is the daughter of Ray and Sharon Johanns of Paulding. Earlier this year, Mrs. Estle began a new position with the Area Office on Aging as a PASSPORT Care Manager. She is responsible for the program in Paulding County and the village of Hicksville.

Estle was nominated by First District Commander Philip Lupien, Jr., of Bryan Post 284. He learned of her accomplishments through his son, a co-worker at Hospice in Defiance. David completed the paperwork for his father. By November of 2007, she had been named the First District Social Worker of the Year. Her application was now sent on to the Department Child Welfare Committee for judg-

ing and at the Mid-Winter Conference of the State, Bryan legionnaires learned of her being named the Department of Ohio Social Worker of the Year for 2008. Mrs. Estle traveled to Dayton on Saturday, July 12 to be recognized and presented to the delegates of the Ohio American Legion.

Mrs. Estle in accepting the honor thanked all concerned and involved in making this happen for her. But, she emphasized the importance of caring for our children. In times of death in a family, parents can be overwhelmed and children's needs just overlooked. Children are forgotten and that is what the "Rays of Hope" program is all about. During their time at camp, kids can be kids again and caring adults can assist them to deal with grief issues.

MATINEES AT THE PAULDING COUNTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Feature movies are scheduled frequently at the main library and all three branches. The library has purchased movie licenses to allow the showing of movies to a group. The Children's Room at the main library in Paulding has new feature movies scheduled each Monday and Wednesday at 12:00 noon through August 18th. These movies are rated "G", "PG", or "PG-13", so it is important that parents call in advance to determine whether the movie is appropriate for their child. The library is air-conditioned, so bring a drink (with a lid) and enjoy a free movie and popcorn. For more information call the Children's Room at 419-399-2032.

PAULDING EMS VISITS ANN'S CAMPERS!!



Two Paulding EMTs recently visited with Ann's Bright Beginnings campers on teddy bear day. They wrapped us up in bandages, put our arms in slings, necks in collars and took our temperatures. They even checked our teddy bears! They declared all children and bears were healthy and strong!! Shown here in the front from the left are EMT Deanna Rhonehouse, Emma

Shuherk, Nash Saylor, Oliver Zamarripa, Lucy Shuherk, Ryan Rupp, Zachary Gorrell and EMT Brenda Koch. In back from the left are: Carson Rupp, Ella Cook, Emily Zamarripa, Ethan Herman and Molly Adams. Standing way in the back are: Sam Adams and Wyatt Beckman. Give us a call if your child would enjoy these activities at Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool!

LIBRARY LITERACY INFO FOR NEW PARENTS



Youth Services team member, Amy McMaster (left) is pictured with Angie Zartman, the home visit nurse for the Welcome Home program.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is pleased to announce a new partnership with the Help Me Grow program of Paulding County. Through this program, a federal grant has been received to fund "Welcome Home" which provides anyone with a baby a free home visit with a registered nurse. The library's emerging literacy program, Diaper Chapters, puts information in the hands of new parents about the importance of reading aloud to their baby and young children. "Reading aloud to your baby is a proven way to not only connect and bond with the child, but also introduces them to words and the rhythmic sound of reading," states Susan Pieper, Library Director. The library's youth services team compiles the special reading bags made possible with help from the local Kiwanis Club of Paulding County. Each bag contains a free book, bookmarks, a magnetic frame, and easy to read information from the

Department of Education. Angie Zartman, a registered nurse conducts the home visits and distributes the library information. For more information about Welcome Home, contact Mrs. Zartman at 419-399-1160. For more information about the Diaper Chapters program contact the Youth Services department of the Paulding County library at 419-399-2032.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is a rural library system that serves about 20,000 residents through the main Carnegie library in Paulding and branches in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood and Payne. The library opened as the first library in the country funding by Andrew Carnegie to serve an entire county in 1916. It is a registered historical landmark on both the national and state level. For more information about the library visit the website at www.paulding-countylibrary.org.

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END OF THIS DISPENSATION 9A

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

Today as we read the newspapers, hear the news on the radio and on TV, they tell us of earthquakes, famines, rumors of war and so forth, are these the signs of the end of time? If you listen to religious groups on the radio or see them on TV, they would have you believe so.

But loved ones, what does the Bible say about Armageddon; the millennium; the number 666; the tribulation; the rapture; the 1,000 year reign; about Israel and the Anti-Christ. When studying the Bible, study by subjects, such as salvation, search the scriptures about salvation

and see what the Bible says, and keep the information in the context of what the Bible is saying. Read what Paul told young Timothy in II Timothy 2:15. No one, not even me, has the right to change God's word. Reading in Deuteronomy 4:2; Proverbs 30:6; and Revelation 22:18-19, these scripture verses say not to add to or take away from God's Holy word. Let us look at the word anti-Christ. Is there a date in the future that someone in the political world would arise and lead the world toward Armageddon? Just what does the word

anti-Christ mean? It means instead of or against. When a person is anti-, as it is being used here, it simply means instead of Christ give me something else, like the Buddha religion, the Hindu religion and/or any other religion that man puts in place of God and His Holy word.

Loved ones there are only four verses in the Bible that uses the word Anti-Christ and they are all found in I John 2:18,22; I John 4:3 and II John 1:7. We will continue this study in our next lesson. Remember Jesus loves you and so do I!

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nounce that it will be meeting through the summer months at its regular meeting times, the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

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DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS IS MONDAYS AT 12 NOON!! DEADLINE FOR "FOR SALE BY OWNERS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS" IS FRIDAYS @ 5PM!!

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ROLES OF WOMEN IN THE CIVIL WAR AT THE NEXT DCGS MEETING

The next meeting of the Defiance County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society will be July 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. John United Church of Christ located at 950 Webster Street, Defiance. Webster St. is on the NE side of the Defiance College Campus and the Church is next to the college gymnasium. Non-members are very welcome and members are encouraged to bring guests. Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

The speaker for the evening will be Janett Calland from Port Clinton, Ohio. Her presentation is entitled "Roles of Women in the Civil War". Janett is the President of the Lt. Jacob W. Parrott Circle #107 of Oak Harbor; a dual member with Major Daniel McCook Circle #104 of Middleport, Ohio; and is Sr. Vice President of the Department of Ohio L.G.A.R. She has written articles about Civil War Women that have been published in the Ohio Genealogical Society News and OGS Civil War Journal. Currently Janett is researching Civil War Spies and trying to locate descendants of the Andrews Raiders of which Jacob W. Parrott was a member. She is a direct descendant of Daniel Baker who served with the Third Ohio Volunteer Cavalry and Wilson Pontius who served with the Squirrel Hunters and in the 188th OVI.

For those interested in researching Defiance County ancestors visit The Defiance County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society's website www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohdcgs. Note this URL is a new, so please update your records. Questions concerning Defiance County ancestors may be sent to Defiance Co. Chapter OGS; P.O. Box 7006, Defiance, OH 43512.

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GORRELL BROTHERS HOSTS AUCTION FOR THE PAULDING YOUTH BALL ASSOCIATION

When thinking of summer activities, kids playing baseball is an image that often comes to mind. Although the kids are done with summer baseball, the activities still go on. Last summer Paulding Village Council was given the opportunity to assist the Paulding Youth Ball Organization and hundreds of children in our area. Council members recognized the need for better safety conditions in the current location where summer softball and baseball takes place. The Park and Recreation board submitted several proposals for the Lela Jeffrey funds and the first proposal was for new ball fields.

When the ball organization was approached, they were given the task of securing funds for the land and the Jeffrey funds would provide the fields. Since that time, efforts have been underway to accomplish the task. Representatives from the ball organization have secured land and written several grant requests. The dream of having summer baseball fields has expanded. Several different youth organizations are now participating and the group plans to be able to house not only baseball and softball, but to be able to provide the opportunity to add football, soccer and wrestling facilities, making the complex used on a year-round basis and able to serve over 700 children. Dennis Combs, Paulding Youth Ball Organization President, is very excited to see this

project get underway. "It has been obvious for many years that we need to address the parking and safety concerns on both the Water Street and Emerald Road fields. The Village and Jeffrey funds will provide the chance for our kids to have many activities at the new fields and it will also provide our community with a place we can all be proud of."

Fundraising efforts have been underway with the biggest event taking place Saturday July 26. This is the day that Gorrell Brothers will be hosting an auction with hundreds of donated items. On hand will also be kid's games, concessions, a bake sale and a silent auction. Volunteers have been busy collecting items and organizing for the day. Event coordinator, Ted Stallbaum, has been working on this event for several months and expects a great turn out. Ted states that the community has been very supportive and he is excited to see such support for our kids. In addition to the auction, donations have been accepted and a brick sale is underway to raise funds as well.

At this time \$50,000 has been pledged and grants totaling \$100,000 have been applied for. Representatives will find out about the majority of the grants by mid August. The Paulding Youth Ball Organization members will continue to work up to the September 30 deadline to secure the nearly \$200,000 needed to purchase the land for this project. With a little bit of effort and a lot of community support for the children, members are confident that this will be a project that will make the community proud.

LARSON'S BODY & PAINT SHOP MOVES TO NEW LOCATION



By: Sue Knapp

Larson's Body & Paint Shop in Paulding has moved to 320 W. Caroline Street. The bigger building will make it easier to make your vehicle look like new. He does colli-

sion, custom and restoration and they now offer 24 hour towing service.

Jamie Larson has done body work for 18 years and has been in business for 1½ years.

LEAD POISON - BE AWARE - PREVENT THE PROBLEM

Do you live in a dwelling built prior to 1978? Is there cracked, peeling paint inside or out? If so, according to the Paulding County Health Department, you and your children may be exposing yourself to the fall out lead dust. The older the home, the more lead paint was used.

The Paulding County Health Department has a limited amount of FREE cleaning supplies with instructions to help families deal with this problem. If you have the above mentioned situation, call 1-866-399-3921 (toll free) or stop in at 800 E. Perry St. for these supplies.

Why worry about lead? Lead accumulates in the body, especially in younger children because they are growing so fast and have faster metabolisms. They have a lot more hand to mouth activity and so easily ingest more lead if exposed. This lead poisoning can cause such symptoms as speech and hearing impairments, difficulty learning including attention deficit, slowed growth, behavior problems, digestive disorders, sleep disorders, poor muscle coordination, and fatigue to name just a few.

Where do you find this troublesome lead? It can be found in the peeling or cracking of old paint and in the dust from this both inside and out of the building. If the siding has dropped its paint, the lead stays in the ground forever unless the ground is excavated. It can be found in water running through old lead soldered pipes, leaded gasoline, lead fishing sinkers, lead soldering in electronics to name just a few. Many occupations and manufacturers deal with lead. Some folk remedies, old pottery, and even current toys are lead contaminated.

How do you prevent lead poisoning? Avoid exposure! The American Academy of Pediatrics Journal in 1999 reported on a study that showed effective housecleaning efforts reduced children's blood lead levels living in the home. The effective cleaning was focused on wet mopping of floors, damp sponging of walls and horizontal surfaces and vacuuming with a high-efficiency vacuum.

So, do the cleaning with the all purpose cleaning solution at least every two weeks and use a hepa vacuum. Wash

toys and pacifiers often. Create safe play areas - grassy areas - not bare dirt outside. Put the baby on a blanket inside to play instead of the bare floor. Wash children's hands frequently.

Nutritionally, feed children regularly throughout the day as lead is absorbed more easily on an empty stomach. Give children foods rich in iron, calcium, and Vitamin C. Avoid fried and fatty foods which allow the body to absorb lead faster. All children under the age of six years should be screened for lead poisoning. This is done by means of a simple blood test. Anemic children are also more prone to have lead poisoning if exposed.

Because lead poisoning is an ongoing danger, we must all be aware of the problem and be continuously working to prevent exposure. It is a medical problem that can be avoided.

PCH AUXILIARY ANNUAL BOOK SALE

Books of all kinds will be on sale August 1, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Hospital in the lobby of the hospital. This is the annual book sale sponsored by the Hospital Auxiliary. Prices will vary on the books.

Need a gift? Buy a book! Bored with nothing to do? Buy a book! Tired of cooking that same old food? Buy a new cook book and surprise the family! You will find a large variety of books that can be purchased and taken home with you.

Throughout the year we offer a variety of sales where all of the proceeds go to the hospital for the benefit of the employees and the patients.

In the spring we sell "Cookie" jewelry. This jewelry is seen daily on the Price Is Right Show. We recently completed the "TLC Canvas" sale. We hope you will continue supporting the auxiliary by coming to the book sale August 1st.

Be watching for the annual craft show and bake sale which is held on November 15 at the Fairgrounds. We are hoping for a good turnout of displays as well as guests to come an view what we have to offer for the day.

The auxiliary is open to anyone who would like to join the auxiliary and volunteer at the gift shop. Usually we

work only one or two times a month and for three hours at a time. You can choose morning or afternoon or if you'd just rather substitute that would be fine also.

Meetings are held every other month beginning in September and ending in May on the first Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the hospital board room. We invite you to join and help our organization to grow.

You can contact the president of the auxiliary Eileen Kochensparger 419-399-5818 for more information or any of the officers of the auxiliary.

Other officers are Shirley Cramer, Vice President; Pat Doster, Secretary; Shirley Baldwin, treasurer; Eleanor Brune, Carol Gross, Ruth Ann Zigovits, Donna Peiper and Lee Ann Mosier, gift shop; Rosemary Reinhart, membership; and Elaine Sier, Craft show chairperson.

The next scheduled meeting will be September 2, 2008.

With your help, the auxiliary recently donated approximately \$6,000 to the hospital for a variety of items that were on the wish lists of the different departments that will help both the employees and the patients. When we

asked for the opinions of the administration as to what we should choose their first reply was "take care of the patients needs first." And we followed that advice. If you would like to see what we purchased we will gladly show you.

If you haven't checked out the gift shop for a while stop in. You might find just the right item to give as a gift, and help us to support the hospital at the same time.

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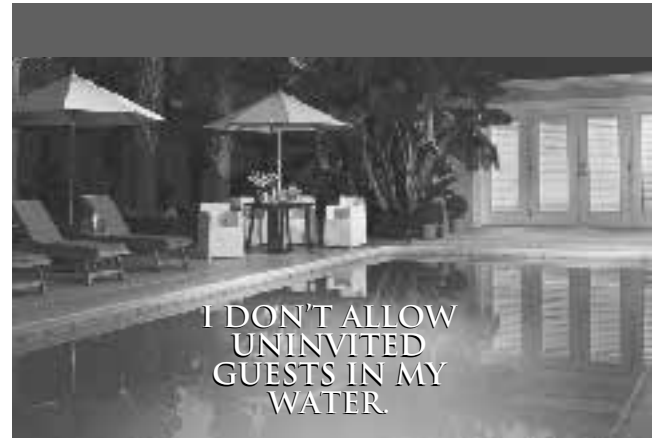
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