

## PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL EARN "EXCELLENT" STATUS ON STATE REPORT CARD



Pictured above the Paulding High School teaching staff is a new banner honoring the "Excellent" status on the state report card for the 2007-2008 school year. This was accomplished because of all that the teachers do to

prepare the students of our school district to achieve and prepare for the challenges of the global market. Their role in shaping the character of these young people will help them make a difference in their community.

## US 24/127 SEWER AND WATER SERVICE MEETING

The next meeting to discuss sewer and water service to the US24/127 area will be at the OSU Extension building on Thursday, November 6 at 9:00 a.m. If anyone has questions please call, Paulding County Economic Development at 419-399-8282.

—Tony Langham, PCED/PCAF

## SOUP AND SANDWICH SUPPER AT OAKWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Oakwood Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a Soup and Sandwich Supper on Thursday, October 23, 2008 starting at 4:00 p.m. A freewill donation will be accepted. All proceeds will be used for fire department equipment.

The Fire Department is located at 201 North Sixth Street, Oakwood, OH 45873.

## NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK IS OCTOBER 20-24!

The Antwerp Local School District joins school districts and transporting agencies throughout Ohio and the nation in celebrating the importance of National School Bus Safety Week, October 20-24.

This year's theme, "Stop on Red, Kids Ahead," reminds Ohio's motorists to be mindful of the presence of stopped school buses and to stop any time a bus is loading or unloading children. Student injuries and fatalities occur as a result of motorists who attempt to pass a stopped school bus with flashing red warning lights while students load or unload. Ohio Revised Code 4511.75 requires motorists to stop for a school bus any time it has stopped for students to load or unload. Motorists may not resume motion until the school bus has resumed motion.

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

for transporting young people—30 times safer than passenger cars.

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

Antwerp's transportation department offers the following tips to remind your child while getting off and on the bus:

\*\*Always remain in direct eyesight of the bus driver;

\*\*Get to the bus stop in plenty of time;

\*\*Take 10 giant steps back from the curb while waiting for the bus and 10 steps when exiting the bus;

\*\*Never try to get anything left on the bus after exiting;

\*\*Never reach underneath the bus;

\*\*Always follow the driver's directions for how to cross the street;

\*\*Be alert to traffic and look both ways;

\*\*Always cross in front of the bus, but *only* when the bus driver signals it is safe to do so.

## HERE'S THE BEEF...

...Brew, & Band! An Autumn Fund-Raising Bash on November 1st will take place at Grant's Reception Hall in Antwerp, hosted by the V.E.T.S. Memorial Committee. This is the committee's hottest fund-raising event so far which promises delicious food, story-telling, live music, raffles-including 50/50 drawing, and assorted fund-raiser items. Linda Grant, owner of Grant's Reception Hall, has been very gracious in support of Antwerp's All-Veterans Memorial. She will offer an anytime-all-evening buffet, from 6:00 p.m. to midnight, which includes hot entrees, vegetable sides, crisp salads, desserts, and refreshments. From 7:00-7:30 p.m. Antwerp native and WWII veteran, George Forrest, will present cheerful narrative and poetry. His autographed books will be

available for sale with proceeds being donated to the V.E.T.S. Memorial. Starting at 8:00 p.m. the band, "Blind Justice" featuring local guitarist Russ Pierce, will be playing Top 40 country music as well as soft rock. Raffles, T-shirts, and V.E.T.S. "Taste of Freedom" cookbooks will be on sale as additional fund raising items. Carol Temple, candidate for Paulding County Recorder, will be available with files of properly registered documents to assist qualified veterans in securing a space for name inscription on a granite tablet. The cost for this event includes two free-drink tickets. For persons 12 and under, there is no charge. The committee kindly accepts mailed donations sent to Antwerp V.E.T.S. P.O. Box 742, Antwerp, OH 45813.

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**OBITUARIES**

**William H. Coburn**, 45, of Albion, Indiana passed away Saturday, October 18, 2008 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

William was born in Defiance, Ohio on September 20, 1963, the son of Floyd Coburn and Wanda (Osborne) Sanchez.

He was a construction worker.

He will be sadly missed by his mother, Wanda Sanchez of Okeechobee, FL; father and step-mother Floyd and Dozzy of Butler, IN; daughter, Misty Swiger of Richmond, IN; sons: Brian and Devin of Fort Wayne; sisters: Sheila of Palm Springs, CA and Penny Harrison of Leo, IN; brothers: Dennis (Melissa) of Defiance, Noah Thacker of Fort Wayne, Scott of Michigan City, IN, Bruce of Shelby, Ohio, Mark (Laurie) of Butler, IN and Butch (Lisa) Coburn of Grover Hill, OH; and grandson, Bryton Woods.

He was preceded in death by his step-father, Joseph Sanchez and brother, Gregory Thacker.

Services are at Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 24, with Rev. Tim Dooley officiating. He will be laid to rest at Brunnersburg Cemetery, Defiance.

You may call Thursday, 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Dooley Funeral Home.

His family requests donations to the Devin Coburn Fund. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**Dennis R. Eibling**, 54, of Paulding passed away Saturday, October 11, 2008 at his residence.

Dennis was born in Fort Wayne on December 2, 1953, the son of the late Ralph and Margaret (Boyd) Eibling.

He was a truck driver at Hornish Brothers, Defiance, and a member of Christ's Hope Church, Fort Wayne.

He will be sadly missed by his son, Neil (Kendra) of Fowler, IN; daughter, Stephanie of Paulding; sister, Beverly (Bill) Rose of Antwerp; and five grandchildren. Preceding him in death was his daughter, Laurie.

Graveside services were October 15 at Wiltsie Cemetery, Payne, with Rev. John DiMarzio officiating.

His family requests donations to Christ's Hope Church, 2818 Carroll Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46818.

Arrangements by Dooley Funeral Home 5761 SR 500, Payne, Ohio 45880, Phone, 419-263-0000. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

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**Helen B. Segur Priest**, 98 of Paulding, died Sunday, October 19 at Country Inn Enhanced Living Center, Paulding.

She was born July 6, 1910 in Toledo, Ohio the daughter of Ernest E. and Gertrude Louise (Martens) Pelton. She married William Henry George Segur who preceded her in death in 1964. She then married George Washington Priest who preceded her in death in 1979. She was employed by Paulding County Hospital as a registered nurse for 15 years. She was also employed by Defiance Hospital, Defiance County Home, and Paulding County Senior Center. She was a member of Nurses Association of Ohio Division #26.

She is survived by a son, William George (Vivian) Segur of Ft. Myers, FL; two sisters, Dorothy Franks of Toledo, OH, and Betty Isaac of Minneola, FL; and two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; two husbands; infant twins, Helen Gertrude and Richard Segur; and five sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, October 23 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will be in Rochester Cemetery, Cecil.

Visitation will be 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 23 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding.

Donations may be made to Paulding County Senior Center or Paulding Area Visiting Nurses & Hospice. Condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**FROM THE ANTWERP POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Antwerp Police Department, Paulding County Sheriff's Office, Allen County Ohio Drug Enforcement Agency, and the Paulding County Prosecutor's office, in a joint effort, over the past several months, conducted an undercover drug sting operation. As a result, multiple felony charges have been handed down against five adults and one juvenile.

**ANTWERP TOWN COUNCIL MEETING CHANGED**

The regular meetings scheduled for the Antwerp Town Council has been changed to next Monday night, October 27 at 5:30 p.m. Topics of discussion will include increasing of water and sewer rates.

**LOOK FOR ELECTION INFORMATION NEXT WEEK IN THE WEST BEND NEWS**

For your voting information, look in the West Bend News next week for all candidates and issues affecting your voting choices in Ohio and Paulding County.

**STATE ACCREDITES PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF MR/DD FOR FOUR YEARS**

The Paulding County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities has been accredited by the State of Ohio for the quality services and supports it provides to people with disabilities.

An accreditation certificate has been issued to the Board by the Director of the Ohio Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities effective June 1, 2008.

The comprehensive state review was conducted in February and March, 2008. The accreditation review is a very rigorous and thorough process and takes nearly six months to complete. A team of surveyors from the Department of MR/DD reviewed all areas of county board operations including personnel administration, services and support, major unusual incidents, residential services, behavior support, adult services, transportation, early intervention, and the general efficiency and effectiveness of the county board.

The results of the review found that the Paulding County Board of MR/DD achieved substantial compliance with minimum standards and subsequently obtained a 4-year period of accreditation.

County boards are often given at a minimum of nine months notice to prepare for the review. The preparation

of an accreditation review requires many staff hours and a great deal of coordination between programs and departments.

The administrator and staff of the Paulding County Board of MR/DD should be commended for their efforts.

Mr. William Priest, President of the Paulding County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities stated that "The results of the accreditation process and review awarding Paulding County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities a four (4) year certification is a tremendous accomplishment. The leadership team, staff, and members of the Board, as well as the PC Workshop not-for-profit Board members have the Board's highest praise for ensuring quality programs and services which meet all laws and rules on behalf of those citizens of Paulding County that have mental retardation and other developmental disabilities."

**THANK YOU**

Drs. Bricker and Gray for your financial support of the Health Fair. To all the participants who represented their company or medical facility and to those that came. Thanks to those of the church that gave assistance. Your time is appreciated.

—D. Billman, RN

**THANK YOU**

Thank you for a special day I'll always remember.

Especially to my family: Laurel, Lita, Lance, Luann, and Lyndon and all their families, and to all those who wished me a Happy 80th Birthday in any way.

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—Wilma Donat

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# KOENN - SULLIVAN



Bill and Rainell Koenn of Cecil would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jami Leigh, to Daniel Leroy Sullivan, son of Toby and Carol Sullivan, Continental.

The bride-elect, is a 2002 graduate of Paulding High School and a 2006 graduate of Defiance College. She is employed as the center

director at Sylvan Learning Center in Defiance. Her fiancé, a 2002 graduate of Continental High School, is employed as a mill operator by New Millennium, Continental.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, November 22, 2008 at Divine Mercy Catholic Church in Paulding.

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# WESTERN BUCKEYE ESC GOVERNING BOARD HOLDS OCTOBER MEETING

The Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 in the Van Wert ESC Board Office with all Board members present. Board President Mr. William Poe II welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

The Board members approved the agenda for the evening and reviewed and approved the September bills and expenditures. Treasurer Kristine Stuart reviewed current investments and other financial reports with the Board. She also reviewed details of the upcoming Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Capital Conference that several Board Members and Administrators will be attending on November 9-12, 2008 in Columbus. Superintendent John Basinger reported on recent WBESC activities and personnel issues that were on the night's agenda. He also reviewed some preliminary rules and implication of the new Ohio Medicaid School Program with the Board Members.

In other business, the Board:

- \*\*Approved the minutes from the regular September 9, 2008 Governing Board meeting.
- \*\*Approved the current financial reports as presented by Treasurer Mrs. Kristine Stuart.
- \*\*Extended a one (1) year (120 day) contract to Amy Bilimek as the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant Coordinator, effective September 16, 2008 for the



2008-2009 school year, salary prorated per the certified salary schedule.

\*\*Advanced Sandra LeMieux to the Masters + 15 step on the salary schedule, effective for the 2008-2009 school year.

\*\*Approved purchase service contracts with Marilyn Link, Becky Link, Jack Albers and Yvonne Arling for CORE Grant instructor services for the FY09 CORE Grant project year.

\*\*Approved Heather Matthew's and Lisa Knoch's out of state attendance at the Integrated Neuromuscular Re-Education Conference held in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 16, 2008.

\*\*Approved Julie McGrath and Cathy Bonifas to attend the out of state American Association Speech and Hearing Convention to be held in Chicago, Illinois on November 20-22, 2008.

\*\*Approved Chris Feichter, Matt Krites, Kristine Stuart and Betsy Redd to attend the out of state Teaching American History Annual Conference in New York, New York on January 6-8, 2009. Expenses for the meeting will be paid out of the Teaching American History, Black Swamp History and the Northwest PEERS History Grant.

\*\*Approved the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NO-ACSC) Computer Hardware and Software Disposal Policy as presented.

\*\*Approved the following Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) Internet Service Provider fee schedule to go into effect July 1, 2010:

- T1 - \$11,400 FY2009; \$10,800 FY 2010
- 2mb - \$11,400 FY2009; \$10,800 FY2010
- 4mb - \$22,800 FY2009; \$19,200 FY2010
- 5mb - \$22,800 FY2009; \$21,000 FY2010
- 10mb - \$30,000 FY2009; \$26,400 FY2010
- 20mb - N/A FY2009; \$31,800 FY2010
- 45mb (FN only) - \$60,000 FY2009; \$60,000 FY2010
- 50 mb - N/A FY2009; \$54,000 FY2010
- 100 mb - \$70,000 FY2009; \$70,000 FY2010

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center is on November 11, 2008 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Paulding ESC Office.

# Golden Anniversary Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Larimore of Payne will be celebrating their golden wedding anniversary on Saturday, November 1st

Richard Larimore and Diana Helms were married on November 1, 1958 in the Payne Church of God by Rev. Howard Russel.

The couple have four children: Mrs. Doug (Joan) Baumert; Columbia City, Indiana; Richard Jr. (Julia), Payne; Mrs. Roger (Lisa Manz, Paul-

ding; and Scott (Rebecca), Lima.

They have ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Larimores will be celebrating the special occasion with an Open House on Saturday, November 1, 2008 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the Payne United Methodist Church Hall. Your presence is your gift along with good wishes, shared experiences, and happy memories.

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**A BREAK FROM ELECTION SEASON AT MELROSE UMC**

Do you need a break from the election advertisements, news programs and all of the signs in the yards?

The Melrose UMC Church is planning some good home made soup, and sandwiches made by the best cooks in the area on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

On the menu will be chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, potato soup, sloppy joes, hot dogs and lots of good pie to choose from.

The church family invites you to come and spend the evening meeting old friends and making new ones. The meal will be by donation only.

**TRUNK-O-TREATS AT PAULDING CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trunk-o-Treats night of Trick-or-Treating will be held at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene on Wednesday, October 29 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend this free and safe event for trick-or-treaters. Refreshments and hayrides will also be provided. Dress up in your best costume and bring your family!

**MATTHEW 24 LESSON 8**

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

In our last lesson, I was telling you about Matthew 24:14 about the things that people would see and how that they would know that the end was near. Matthew 24:14-15 go together, because in verse 15 it tells us that when they see the abomination of desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the Holy Place.

What does this mean "abomination of desolation"? This is the sign they will see, and it was spoken of through Daniel the prophet. This phrase occurs twice in the book of Daniel and the word 'abomination' occurs three times - Daniel 9:27, 11:31, 12:11. What Daniel is talking about here is the pollution of God's house, the temple. This was fulfilled the first time in 167 BC, when Antiochus Epiphanes—a King of the Seleucid empire—erected a pagan altar over the altar of burnt offering, sacrificed a pig to Zeus, then forced the Jewish people to offer up swine daily on his altar. In the Catholic Bible I have, you can find this in I Machabees 1:54-64; II Machabees 6:1-5; also in Josephus' writing of Antiquities 5:4. These books I and II Machabees are not inspired books, they are books written by men as part of their way of keeping a record of the Jewish history.

Notice in the last part of verse 15, when it says, "let the reader understand" is in parenthesis. Why would this be in parenthesis? What Jesus

is telling the disciples, who would later be apostles, is to remember when you read the prophecy in Daniel and remember how the temple was desecrated before the Greeks, well it is going to happen again. This was prophesied by Daniel and this was one of the two abominations of desolation that would take place.

The Lord willing we will continue this study next week. Until then, remember that Jesus loves you and so do I! If you have any Bible questions please call (419) 399-5022 or (419) 393-4775.

**PAYNE FALL FESTIVAL FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT**

Payne's Fall Festival, held Saturday, October 25, will feature wholesome entertainment for the family. Trick-or-Treat will be held from 4:00-5:30 p.m. with a children's parade downtown at 6:00 p.m. Games for children and youth will follow the parade, sponsored by area churches. Food will be offered by various organizations throughout the day. Tim Mabis will be offering his magic act from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and Lance Weirick will be sharing his amazing juggling routine following trick-or-treat.

The tent on Main Street will be filled with Christian praise and worship music.

- Scheduled to perform:
- 2:00-2:45, Agape Project worship band
  - 3:15-4:00, Remedy fm worship band
  - 6:00-7:00, Letter to Smyrna worship band
  - 7:15-8:15, Dooley Drive Band
  - 8:30-10:00, The Fortress Band

**OF BAROMETERS AND HURRICANES**

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

I stumbled upon a true story of a man living in the Stamford, Connecticut suburbs who decided to fulfill a long-standing desire. He had always wanted to own a real-life barometer. After doing some catalog shopping and reading about the various types available, he finally walked two miles to the Abercrombie and Fitch Department store in downtown Stamford.

There he purchased the exact model he wanted. Delighted with his acquisition, the man took his new barometer home and spent the rest of the afternoon reading the directions and owner's manual. He then proudly hung the instrument on his living room wall.

There was one small problem—the reading indicated "Hurricane!" Disgusted, the man wrapped it back up and walked back to the department store. He handed the barometer to the clerk and snorted, "You sold me a defective instrument!" All it does is register "Hurricane!"

The sales person, quite embarrassed, replied, "No problem, sir. We'll replace it with a perfect one." Again the man headed for home with his new barometer. When he arrived, though, he discovered that his house had been blown away by a hurricane!

It was the great 1938 New England hurricane that came almost without warning—except for those people who had barometers—and more im-

portantly—those people who believed what the barometers said.

As I read that account I was immediately reminded of how the Word of God is like that barometer. It unashamedly states the truth. It tells us that we are sinners. It states that God's principles will give us freedom and blessedness when obeyed. And it warns us of the severe problems that will result when God's principles are violated.

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Great Food For All is a food service that has helped many families in our community to have access to top quality food items at a fraction of the retail cost. Christ's Cupboard Ministries brought this service to the Hicksville area earlier this year, and already over 150 families from our community have benefited from this program. We are now excited to announce that Great Food For All (GFFA) will be even more accessible to individuals in our community.

In the past we have only been able to accept cash for the pre-paid food orders. This past week we obtained an electronic point of sale (POS) machine that will enable us to accept and process food stamps electronically, additionally we will also now be able to accept debit, Visa, and MasterCard as payment for food orders. Customers wishing to pay with food stamps can come in or call in with their order, and their EBT card will be swiped and processed on the food distribution day (due to federal regulations, it cannot be swiped prior to that day). Customers wanting to pay with debit or credit cards can come in to the Nazarene Church, and pay with their card at the time they place their order. At this time we can only use the machine at this location; however, we hope to in the future have the capability of using it at the food pantry as well. We already used this machine with much success during our recent distribution on Saturday, October 18, 2008.

We will still be able to take cash or money orders for the food orders. However, since the national program does not allow us to take personal checks, we are hopeful that this POS machine will increase the buying power for those wanting to participate in the program, which before may not of had the cash available by the order deadline date. The GFFA food service continues to be open to anyone wanting to participate. The program has NO INCOME GUIDELINES AND REQUIRES NO APPLICATIONS. Anyone who eats and wants to save money can purchase the food. The only requirement to participate in the program is that an individual place an order for the food during the specified order period for each month. This is done by coming to one of the ordering dates and locations, and placing a pre-paid order for the food. Information about the GFFA program is available for online viewing at [www.greatfoodforall.com](http://www.greatfoodforall.com).

The deadline for ordering from the November menu is Saturday, November 1st. We will be taking orders on Fridays, October 24 and 31 from

3:00-5:00 p.m. at the old main entrance to Community Memorial Hospital, and at the Church of the Nazarene (Hicksville) on Saturday, November 1 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The November regular boxed unit includes: 4 - 6 oz strip loin steaks, 1 lb IQF Chicken Wings, 1 lb Bone-in Ham Steak, 27 oz Banquet Salisbury Steak Entrée, 1 lb Frozen Berry Mix, 2 lb Cut Corn, 1 lb French Fries, 1 lb Pollock Fillets, 1 lb RTC Chicken Thighs, 1 lb FC Sausage Patties, 1 lb Hash-brown Patties, 2 lb Peas & Carrots, 3 lb Spinach, Snack Pak - Chorito Lil' Bites, and a dessert item.

Additionally, there are several special value-paks offered each month, you can now purchase the specials alone, without purchasing the regular box. Visit the website or call us at 419-487-0442 for specific details on the value-pak contents. Orders placed from the November menu will be available for pick-up on Saturday, November 15 from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Hicksville Church of the Nazarene.

Additionally, for every regular boxed unit sold, \$2 comes back to Christ's Cupboard Ministries (CCM), and \$1 for each special value-pak

sold. Christ's Cupboard uses these funds to help cover administrative costs, so that all direct donated funds to CCM can be used for client services. If you have any questions or want any additional information about the program, please feel free to visit the website or call us at 419-487-0442. We will try to explain and answer your questions as best as possible.

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## HUNTER SAFETY EDUCATION CLASS HOSTED BY ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB



The Antwerp Conservation Club hosted the latest Hunter Safety Education Class on September 17, 20, and 21. Between 25 and 30 youth took the class.

Instructors were Dave Bagley, Chuck Sensabaugh, Jeff Lucas, Tom Friend, and Ray Friend.

Next on the schedule at the ACC is a Trapper Education

Class. On Thursday, October 23 it will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, October 25-26, the time is 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Call Chuck Sensabaugh at 419-258-2897 or 1-800-WILDLIFE for information or to sign up for the class. Recommended minimum age is 10. The ACC is located at 17814 Township Road 53.

## ANTWERP JR. HIGH GOLF COMES TO A CLOSE

The Antwerp Jr. High golf team finished the 2008 season at home Monday, September 29.

The team consists of 8th graders Shawn Dooley, Eddie Reinhart, Bob Wales, and 7th graders Savanna Fetting, Nate Hurley, Dan Manella, and Kyle Recker.

Matches were with:  
September 16 - Wauseon at Ironwood - Wauseon 199, Antwerp 255, Antwerp Medalist, Kyle Recker 59

September 18 - Fayette at Pond-A-River (6 holes) - Fayette 126, Antwerp 146, Medalist, Kyle Recker 28

September 25 - Wauseon at Pond-A-River - Wauseon 175, Antwerp 204, Antwerp medalist, Eddie Reinhart 49

September 29 - North Central at Pond-A-River - North Central 170, Antwerp 206, Antwerp Medalist,

Shawn Dooley 49

This was a rebuilding year, as the team consisted of a number of first year players. We are looking forward to continued improvement next season.

## WOODLAN KNOCKS OFF SOUTHERN WELLS IN VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan knocked off Southern Wells in straight games to take the girls' volleyball match over the Raiders at Poneto. Haley Emehiser had 17 kills and 9 digs for the Warriors. Lindsey Wheeler put in 4 aces on serves and Serena Fuelling set-up her teammates with 30 assists in the match.

Scores: 25-13W, 25-23W, 25-14W

The Warriors took the reserve match 25-10, 18-25, and 15-8.

## WOODBURN LEAF PICKUP STARTS

The City of Woodburn leaf program has begun. Leaves will be picked up on Mondays and Wednesdays on North and South roads and Tuesdays and Thursdays on East and West roads.

—Ryan Walls,  
Utility Superintendent

## JAMES DOUGHTY UPDATE

Family and friends,  
We got the results Friday that Jim once again has leukemia; he has 50-60% blast cells this time. As you can imagine, we are absolutely devastated. It has been wonderful being in our own home again and spending as much time together as we possibly can. I have been working at a specialty shoe store in Fort Wayne since August and though I am grateful to have my job, I had to take a huge pay-cut and they don't offer any health insurance. Needless to say the past couple of months have been a very hard adjustment for both of us. I am now gone between 50-60 hours a week and the decrease in pay has definitely put us way behind financially. We are currently trying to make cobra payments to keep Jim insured until the paperwork goes thru to have him covered thru Medicare.

We are not sure what the game plan is for treatment this time around. We are assuming more chemo to try to get the leukemia in remission and then hopefully Atlanta can send more donor cells. Our oncologist here, Dr. Whalen has been in touch with the doctors in Atlanta to try to find out what the course of action needs to be. We are thinking he will be starting chemo again this week and hopefully that will be able to be done out of Fort Wayne. If not there, it would have to be out of Cleveland. There is no way for us to go back to Atlanta for treatment again due to the fact that I have to work so we have an income coming in and we don't lose our house, insurance, etc. We also do not have dependable transportation to make the drive itself and then go back and forth to clinic everyday. If the treatment needs to be done out of Cleveland, that will put us in a bad situation as well because I have to have a job to keep the money coming in yet I am responsible for being the caregiver for Jim thru treatment.

I cannot express enough the need for thoughts, prayers and donations at this time (we realize it's a tough time for everyone right now... if you are able to make a contribution, donations can be made thru our website at [www.jamesdoughtyfoundation.com](http://www.jamesdoughtyfoundation.com) and updates are provided there as well). It has been a constant struggle mentally, physically and financially since we have been back from Atlanta and it's going to get even harder once again. We were hoping to celebrate our 8<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on the 21<sup>st</sup> somewhere nice this year, but I see that we will most likely be in the hospital again. We definitely need to prepare ourselves for yet another fight...

Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers as we face more difficult times ahead. I will send out updates as we get information.

God's Blessings to you all,  
—Sera

## BLACK SWAMP SCHOLARS' WORKSHOP "THE NORTHWEST ORDINANCE AND OHIO'S STATEHOOD" AT SAUDER'S VILLAGE

Teachers from Northwest Ohio (Van Wert, Paulding, Defiance, Williams, Henry and Fulton Counties) are invited to attend a workshop titled "The Northwest Ordinance and Statehood" on November 20, 2008 from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at Sauder Village, Archbold, OH. The presenter will be Laura Baird of the Ohio Historical Society.

Teachers of all grades will discover more about Ohio's road to statehood, from examining the Northwest Ordinance to the founding of Ohio's Constitution by completing primary source activities and hearing from well-known speakers on the subject of Ohio's statehood. Teachers will receive free books, resource CDs and other useful classroom materials.

The workshop is free and sponsored by the Western Buckeye and Northwest Ohio Educational Service Centers, Sauder Village, the Ohio Historical Society and the Teaching American History grant entitled "Black Swamp Scholars". The grant is a three year project, funded specifically for professional development for social studies teachers in the northwest Ohio region. It is designed to encourage teachers to deepen and broaden their knowledge of American history, increase the quality of instruction, increase teacher use of primary source materials and improve student achievement. Content for all of the professional development series will focus on making a connection between local and regional historical events and American historical events. Substitute teachers for the teachers attending will be paid through the grant.

For more information, contact grant director Chris Feichter at [cfeichter@wb.noacsc.org](mailto:cfeichter@wb.noacsc.org). For registration, go to [www.nwoesc.k12.oh.us](http://www.nwoesc.k12.oh.us) and register online using the PD registration link by November 13, 2008.

## LIONS CAPTURE WIN AT WARRIORS' HOMECOMING

By: Jeff Abbott

The Leo Lions' offensive line opened up big holes and their running backs chewed up big yardage as the Lions downed the Woodlan Warriors 35-29 in ACAC football at Etzler Field to claim the Olde River Bell trophy for the first time since its' inception.

The Lions ran for 362 yards, almost double that of Woodlan, with Connor Kascor churning out 213 yards and teammate Kyle Marzec getting 118 yards on the ground. The Lions went to the air, and needed to since the running game worked so well, just 4 times in the game.

Leo took the lead on their first possession, needing just 2 plays to score. Kyle Marzec ran for a 51 yard touchdown to put the Lions on the board and the Alex Egan PAT gave the Lions a 7-0 lead. Woodlan came back and tied the game on a Cade Hetrick 1 yard run and PAT to cap the 29 yard scoring drive. Leo regained the lead on their next possession, going 80 yards with Ian Brumm scoring from the 1 yard line for the Lions and the

## COUNTRY INN RESIDENTS VISIT THE TOLEDO ZOO



A few of the residents from the Country Inn recently traveled to the Toledo Zoo for their Senior Safari. The residents were served a delicious

Barbecue Chicken meal and were entertained by a local rendition of "Dancing with the Stars." It was a beautiful day to be at the zoo.

halftime score was in Leo's favor 14-7. Woodlan trimmed the lead to 14-13 when Cade Hetrick hit Chris Malfait for a 36 yard touchdown strike early in the third quarter. Kascor scored his first of 3 second half touchdowns on the next possession, going 25 yards for the score and Leo was back on top 21-13. The Warriors came right back, going 78 yards on their next drive, Jayme Schwartz running it into the end zone from 2 yards out and with the Hetrick 2 point conversion, Woodlan had tied the game at 21-21 going into the fourth quarter. One play into the final period, Leo got a 41 yard run for a touchdown from Kascor and on their next possession, Kascor added a 71 yard run for a score for the Lions and a 35-21 lead halfway through the fourth period. Woodlan got a score on a

Hetrick 13 yard run and then hit Luke Schwartz for the 2-point conversion to trim the lead to 35-29 with a minute to go on the game. The Warriors recovered the onside kick and got the ball to the Leo 25 yard line, but were unable to convert on 4th down and 2 to sustain the drive as time ran out on the Warriors.

Scores by quarter:  
Leo - 7 7 14=35  
Woodlan - 0 7 14 8=29

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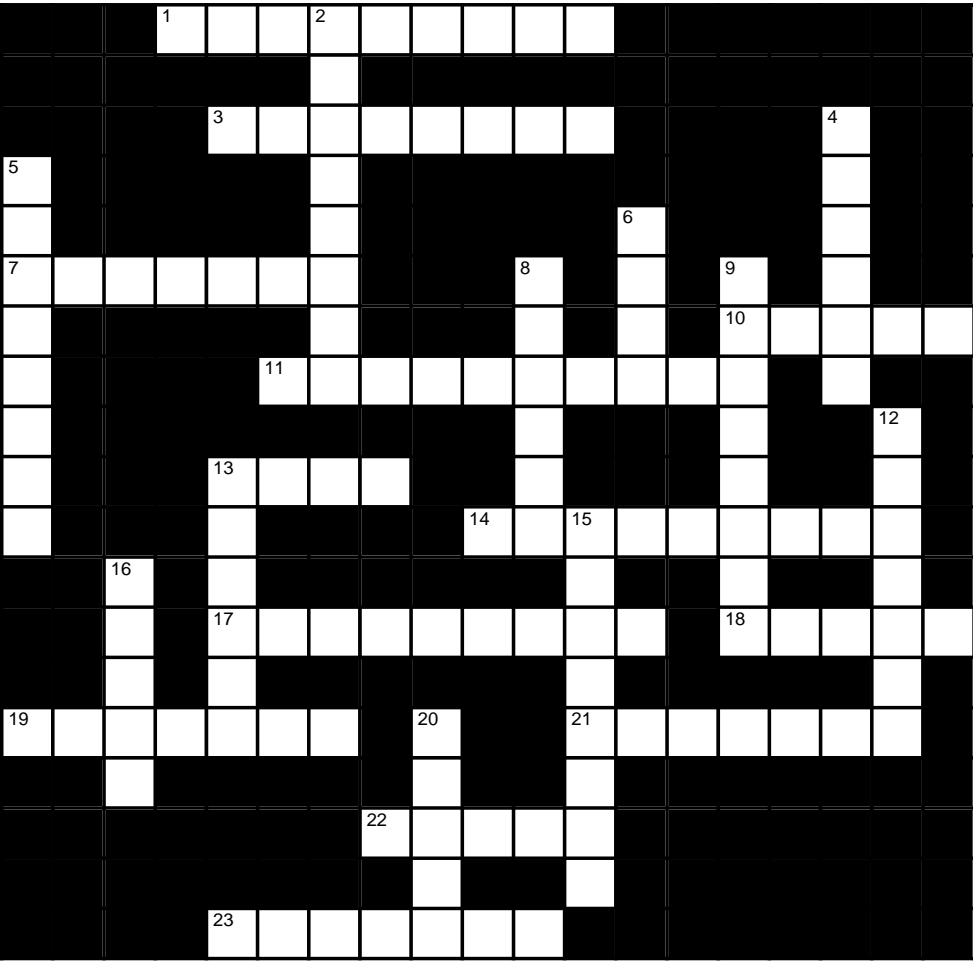
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1. This president personally answered the White House phone.
3. First president to attend a baseball game.
7. This president set the record for the most trips abroad.
10. The first president to preside in the White House.
11. The only president to be unanimously elected.
13. This president fulfilled all his campaign promises.
14. This president was the main author of the Declaration of Independence.
17. The first president to travel abroad.
18. The first president to visit all 50 states.
19. The youngest president.
21. This president was the smallest.
22. This president had the most children.
23. The first president to be born in a log cabin.

**Down**

2. This state boasts the greatest number of presidents' birth place.
4. The oldest president.
5. This was the only president who never married.
6. The heaviest president.
8. The first president to ride a steam boat.
9. The first president born after the Declaration of Independence was signed.
12. The tallest president.
13. This president was the first to have a Christmas tree in the White House.
15. This president was the last president born in the 18th century.
16. This president established Yellowstone as the first National Park.
20. This president held the first Easter Egg Hunt on the White House lawn.

## HALLOWEEN PARADE AND COSTUME JUDGING IN ANTWERP

On Saturday, October 25 at 3:00 p.m. in Antwerp the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring with the help of the Antwerp Rotary Club, Antwerp Pharmacy/Village Hardware and hosted by Antwerp Fire Department Auxiliary the annual Halloween Parade and costume judging.

The parade line-up will be in front of Manor House on Archer Drive at 2:30 p.m. From Manor House we will parade to Main St., south on Main to Daggett St. and end at the firehall. The costume judging will take place inside the firehall where you can also plan to enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, chili, and drinks brought to you by Fireman's Auxiliary. Bring your lawn chair and come and enjoy the afternoon.

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

The following people have something in common. Do you recognize any of these names? Allen D. Barnes, John Q.A. Conard, Francis M. Cooper, Reynolds Gordon, Oliver Applegate, George G. Banks, John Henry Beiderwell, Charles A. Boland, George W. Busby, Joseph S. Champion, Adam Cline, James C. Barnhart, Titus W. Chacey, John W. Clemens, David Ankney, Henry B. Clinton, Samuel Bell, Jedediah C. Banks, William Blakley, and Solomon Donat. These folks are all veterans. Could one or more be your ancestors? This is just a small listing of Civil War Veterans whose names will be inscribed on the "All Veterans Memorial" tablets.

During monthly V.E.T.S. meetings, eligible veterans' names will be randomly drawn for inscription on the new memorial. Are you or one of your family members entitled to be honored? Not sure? The next V.E.T.S. meeting is October 16, at 6:30 p.m. at Antwerp American Legion Post 253. Be present at the next meeting and find out. Remember, America's free society is directly founded on the service of The United States' military veterans. It is those veterans who are the force and inspiration behind this tribute.

### V.E.T.S. OCTOBER 16TH MEETING

Antwerp V.E.T.S. Committee conducted its October meeting at the American Legion Post 253. The six persons in attendance proceeded with matters at hand. The committee secretary read September's minutes and after discussing old and new business the meeting was closed. The remainder of the evening was spent developing the committee's November 1st fund-raiser - a Beef, Brew, Band Bash. The BBBB will be held at Grant's Reception Hall and advertising will be published in area papers. The next scheduled V.E.T.S. meeting will be November 20, 6:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 253. Here are some veterans' names that will be inscribed when the All-Veterans Memorial is completed: Edmond Barker, Jacob Emerling, Eli Crosby, Henry C. Boylan, George W. Coffelt, Fredrick Barnhard, John B. Carr, Timothy Aldrich, Reuben F. Doering, David Ballinger, William H. Corpe, Charles N. Adams, Benjamin Craigle, Jacob Fryman, Joseph Brisland, Adam Chafin, Seth Chaney, Adam Berg, John M. Banks, Benjamin Alltop.

These veterans, along with thousands of others, forfeited a portion of their lives militarily in support of The United States of America. They deserve to be honored with this tribute.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

I have never written a letter to the editor in my life, but my deep concern for the taxpayers of Paulding County—of which I am one—is prompting me to do so. I am especially concerned about the Prosecutor's race. The current environment is a part-time prosecutor that we pay \$56,226 (and some change) a year, plus all benefits. The current prosecutor also charges the county taxpayers \$850.00 per month for the use of his private business office to conduct county business. Most of us who work full-time don't even come close to that salary, let alone receive the additional benefits.

Business owners, are you tired of waiting several months for prosecution of bad checks? Private citizens, are you tired of waiting several months for prosecutorial action to be taken if you are a victim of crime? How many victims in Paulding County have had faith in the current prosecutors' office that justice will be served, only to discover that plea deals have been made without your knowledge and the offender walks away? I am by no means a po-

litical animal. I was raised to believe that right is right, and wrong is wrong. All of the situations that I have described have happened to my family, and more than likely, some of you. Something is gravely wrong with the operation of the current prosecutor. The citizens of Paulding County deserve a full-time prosecutor that will do the work of the people for the people without the distraction of his other employment.

Since I do not reside in Paulding County, I cannot vote to make a change. As a business owner and taxpayer in this fine county I can express my opinion. Our hard earned tax dollars need to be put to better use, budgeted far better than they have been and get results for our investment. This is not a political decision to be made on our part. It is one of looking and planning ahead for the future development and financial growth of our county during a very turbulent time. It is time for a change. Please help make that change when you vote on November 4.

—Ricki Slattery Starrett

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Is Joe Burkard really for victims' rights? I think not! To make a long story short, my three yr. old son was life-flighted last July while in his biological father's care. His father was uncooperative on the details that caused my son's injuries. After the test results came back at Lutheran it was found that my son had heat exhaustion, dehydration, and had ingested cocaine. Come to find out my son was locked in a car for who knows how long in 95 degree weather with the windows rolled up, and there is no explanation on how he ingested the cocaine. My son's father, who is a repeat felony offender, was indicted on a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree child endangerment and a 4<sup>th</sup> degree felony.

When the first court appearance came, I was not notified. As the minor victim's mother, why was I not notified? Where was our say? I

happened to be at the courthouse, and to my surprise his father was waiting to go in for a pre-trial. I went in and spoke with Burkard and let him know exactly what I wanted to happen. I told him that I wanted the max, no plea. He then responded to me not to have any worries that with my son's father being a repeat offender with a long rap sheet that he was looking at least 15 years.

Then once again I was not notified that the next court date was changed. At this court date Burkard made a plea bargain and my son's father only got 17 months on an attempted child endangerment charge! There was no attempt—it happened. Drug dealers and less crimes get more time than he did, and my son almost died. He went through a few agonizing days withdrawing from the cocaine.

Can you imagine if this happened to your child? Where was our justice? The sad part it that once he (my son's father) gets out this December, I may have to fight to keep him away. This man has never paid a dime in child support and has been in prison three and a half years of my now four yr. old son's life, and I may have to fight in our crooked system to keep my child safe from him. There are many other things that have happened that prove that my son is not safe with this man. What can I do? The system has failed us. Why would anyone make plea agreements with repeat offenders? Give them the max! Vote Russell Herman for the new prosecutor; we need someone who is really in it for the victims.

—Erica Sanders

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

In response to Erica Sanders' letter:

On July 9, 2007, the two year old son of Ms. Sanders was in the custody of the biological father for parenting time. The father reported to the investigating officer that his son was found unresponsive at his home. Father stated that when he went to his car to get medical assistance he found that his keys were locked in the car and he had to break the window. Medical testing did reveal that the child had heat exhaustion and had a trace amount of cocaine in the child's system.

Conflicting statements were allegedly made by the father to Ms. Sanders related to the child being locked in the car and that the father had cocaine in his possession, but to no one else. None of the alleged statements on the locked car situation were either admitted to by the father to law enforcement, or supported by another independent witness. Further, cocaine ingested into a person's system is present for many days in trace amounts in that person's system. Medically, there is no way to determine exactly when the cocaine was

ingested or how it was ingested.

As the State always carries the burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt, weighing the available evidence, the plea agreement entered into here was appropriate. This was a very serious and unfortunate situation. Based upon information from Ms. Sanders, the child did recover from the July 9, 2007 incident. Had this matter proceeded to trial based on what evidence was available, not mere speculation and statements allegedly made, the father may NOT have served the 17 month sentence in the State Penitentiary. The father was sentenced in the Paulding County Common Pleas Court on October 3, 2007.

—Joseph R. Burkard,  
Paulding County  
Prosecuting Attorney

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

To the Best Fans In The Land,

As a student here at Ohio State and member of the Sportsmanship Council (we promote positive and respectful sportsmanship), I cannot wait until the upcoming game against one of our Big Ten rivals, the Nittany Lions of Penn State. With everyone in Buckeye Nation, we all know what Ohio State stands for: Tradition, People, & Excellence. We especially pride ourselves on tradition, whether it being Block O, the Gold Pants, Carmen Ohio, Hang on Sloop, Mirror Lake, plus all the others. I for one especially know the potential Ohio State fans have when it comes to showing their support for our loved Buckeyes. But nothing is better than a fall night game in the Horseshoe, with 105,000 screaming fans wearing their scarlet and rooting their team on to victory. But we don't always live up to that potential because we are used to the excellence that I talked about earlier. Well, that needs to change, starting this weekend against Penn State. This Saturday gives us the perfect atmosphere for a titanic clash between two of the nation's best. We need to inject our Buckeye Spirit into the whole stadium, including the fans, players, and coaches in a respectful way. This is our time to shine.

As the season is winding down, I am asking you Buckeye fans to come to the game, cheer for our team, and share a part in the amazing atmosphere. Remember this is our "Scarlet Fever" game. Show Penn State we know how to unite and wear scarlet. It is up to each one of you to show up early, generate excitement, and hopefully sing Carmen Ohio in victory. As you know this game is the game of the week on ABC, so come prepared for a blockbuster! We know we have the Best %\$& Band in the Land; Coach Tressel once said we have the Best %\$& Team in the Land; now it's time for us to show the nation what we truly are:

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Go Bucks!  
—Chris Britt, Paulding,  
Ohio, Sportsmanship  
Council

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The members of the faculty council of Paulding High School felt we should write a letter to ask our community for help. We have a renewal (not a new tax) levy coming up in November that is essential to maintain the standard of education in our district. We would like to point out that our high school received an Excellent rating from the Ohio State Department of Education for the 2007 - 2008 school year. This means that we met or exceeded state standards for our Ohio Graduation Tests, our attendance rate, and our graduation rate. There are six rating designations, and Paulding High School received the second highest rating. This is quite an honor for our school, and we are striving to not only keep that rating, but also improve to the highest rating possible.

We would also like to point out that last year's Science Olympiad teams both qualified for state, earning second and fourth place finishes at the regional level. At state, four students earned medals. This is phenomenal for a school our size. Our engineering team continues to earn amazing results in competition. Last year, the varsity team placed fourth at the regional level, seventh in the state, and twenty-seventh at the national level. Twenty-seventh in the entire United States is astounding for any school and is a tremendous point of pride for us. Paulding social studies students have attended the Ohio Model United Nations in Columbus since 2003 and have won awards every year.

Our FFA and FCCLA programs are outstanding. One FCCLA student organized a project three years ago called "Pretty in Pink" that she took to national competi-

tion. Our local cancer society has continued this program as an annual fundraiser to help pay the costs of people receiving cancer treatments. Our FCCLA is now organizing an effort to send Christmas trees and decorations to troops overseas. What a difference our young people can make! FFA awards are too numerous to mention, but one that needs recognition is the student who has qualified for a national award in Environmental and Natural Resources. He's in the final four out of 495,000 students!

Paulding High School stages a musical and a play every year. Our band and choir compete in district and state competitions and give concerts throughout the school year. These performances are not only enjoyed by the community, but they also provide our students with priceless opportunities that they may never again experience once they graduate. Our sports teams build character and discipline that prepare participants for real life experiences.

The list goes on and on. The point is that the opportunities and positive experiences that are provided by a caring, dedicated and professional staff are worthy of recognition and support. We urge all citizens of our school district to join us in preparing our youth, the future of this community and our country, for tomorrow's challenges by voting for renewal of the school levy in November. We work hard to do the best we can, but we need the support of the community, and we want to know our community members stand firmly behind us in our efforts. Our young people are our most precious natural resource, and they deserve the best we can give them.

Sincerely,  
—Faculty Council of  
Paulding High School,  
Julie McCullough,  
Melissa Dearth,  
Jeanne Windsor,  
Mark Wooton

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The Holidays will soon be upon us here in Antwerp. Will some family(s), youth group, school kids, or an organization take over putting up lights and decorations at Antwerp Riverside Veterans Memorial Park this coming Christmas season?

There are many decorations left from last year at the storage building in the park that is available. These were donated from area residents last year, just for the asking. It works two-fold, your storage area will get cleared out of the old stuff and in turn will transform our park into a beautiful lighted holiday display for everyone to enjoy.

Contact the Antwerp Village Administrator at (419) 258-2371 for permission to decorate, and gain entry to the storage building. You must also be willing to take down the decorations afterwards. I would be willing to help get you started. Changes over this past year do not allow me the time and effort to do it again this year.

Please step forward! This is just one more thing our community can do to keep Antwerp alive and people wanting to come patronize our local businesses. Antwerp has been blessed with the one of the largest, shaded, and accessible park in all of Northwest Ohio. Let me tell you, you will be overwhelmed with compliments from everyone and their brother from this community.

—Karen Sanders

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Recently, a lady by the name of Sue Metcalf spoke about Paulding County in a disrespectful way. The students were updated at Paulding Jr. High by our teacher. Sue was saying that Paulding County is not a good place

to live. I, Tommi Stahl, disagree.

Paulding County is a very beautiful place to live, but just because the buildings are beautiful on the outside does not necessarily mean that what is going on in the inside is not just as great. We understand that, Sue. You also spoke about the school and when you asked your child how school was going he said, "There are drugs, alcohol and violence, and that what they were teaching at the high school was the same thing they taught at a private elementary school."

First, about the drugs and alcohol. If the teachers at any school hear, see, or even are suspicious that a child/student has drugs or alcohol on school premise they report it to someone on a higher level for punishment.

Second, the teachers do not allow students to bully physically or mentally. If any student/child is using violence they (the teachers) punish the student with whatever consequence they deem appropriate.

Last, if your child can read and do math, knows spelling and social studies then it didn't hurt for the extra review as long as the child knows his stuff, it is okay. So, before writing the paper, understand your stuff. I hope you change your mind about Paulding County!

—Tommi Stahl

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

I watched the last debate between Senators McCain and Obama, and was thoroughly shocked by McCain's "I'd do away with all subsidies for ethanol!" What?! You mean you'd cut the farm bureau member's throats, the markets they have at the poet ethanol plants, the control that the U.S. would have on it's own destiny of oil depen-

dency from less than friendly countries! I think farmers need to think carefully about who to vote for, I hope that they listened to Obama's statement that "we need to pursue bioenergy and other renewable sources grown here." I burn b-20 in my tractors, and I don't want to let Brazil take over our ethanol industries, which bring money into our local markets, and make our farmers more profitable! We don't need more Bush giveaways—look at the auto, clothing, handtool, electronics and other victims of "free trade!" I'm not against fair trade, but the idea that McCain, the "biggest free trader" wouldn't screw our farmers out of a good income with cheap Brazilian ethanol is not that far-fetched! The "drill, baby, drill" policy is not renewing every year, when it's gone, it's gone! Fellow farmers, think hard on who's more farmer-friendly: McCain's policy of 'don't help with ethanol', or Obama's 'invest in ethanol and bioenergy', as he did as a senator in Illinois! Don't vote because the farm bureau tells you, vote to take care of your families' best interests! Choose wisely!

—Mike Porter

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

To The People,  
With the presidential election now only days away, it is imperative that we make educated choices. I have read about, listened to and observed the candidates, and for me there is only one choice. I will be voting for our country. I will be voting for my grandchildren's USA.

Our veterans have paid a grave price for the freedoms we enjoy. They have fought to defeat communism, but many are considering and will cast their ballot for a candidate who wants to 'spread the wealth around'. These are the words of Mr. Obama spoken this past week in Toledo. Spreading the wealth around is what communism did. How did that work?

When I was in high school we heard a communist leader say that they would take over the United States without firing a shot. If Mr. Obama wins this election, it will be one sure step toward that goal. The action of Congress these past few weeks shows us that they too are on that same path. Will you help communism take over America or will you help defeat it once again?

Another matter that greatly concerns me, is that so many of us are so willing to ignore Mr. Obama's position on abortion. He is willing to kill babies, through his support of abortion right up to when it is time for the babies to take their first breath. He has no more respect for life than that. He condones his position, stating that there must be an exception for the life of the mother. As I understand it, a woman undergoing this abortion procedure would be able to endure childbirth. If Mr. Obama would kill babies, what would stop him from eliminating older people who may become a burden?

I'll be voting for the candidate who has served his country well, who has the experience that matters. I'll be voting for John McCain.

—Sandra Wann

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The Cooper Community Library, a branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system, is quite the busy place. Our patrons have checked out over 28,500 items so far this year. This is an increase of 8,700 over last year this time! The library's computers are always busy and we are now able to offer Wi-Fi connection at the branch for all those that would like to bring their own laptop to the library and get on the internet.

In the Children's Room you will usually find children playing in the canal boat, working puzzles, coloring, playing at the enclosed sand table or dressing up with costumes from the costume box. Their imaginations run wild and you never know if the canal boat is a pirate's ship, a speedboat, a clubhouse or if it truly is a canal boat. As the children play, parents are busy picking out the next book in the series they are reading, or finding a new author, looking for a good movie, or talking with their friends. Our Toddler and Preschool Story Times not only provide an organized story time but before and after the programs the children spend time playing together as mothers, grandparents and caretakers enjoy time to talk with their friends.

The Oakwood Library Association, the Friend's Group for the Cooper Community Library, have special events planned each month for community members. These events are well attended and the community is always buzzing with excitement when the next event is announced.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system provides a great value to county residents. Here in Oakwood, families do not have to drive to other cities to borrow books or movies. They can do that at any of the library locations for free. Families can use our branch computers instead of having to purchase their own. Again, free of charge.

Our community is truly thankful for the privilege to have a public library within our village. It is a very valuable resource in the community. If you have not been inside the Cooper Community Library we invite you to come and discover what your library has to offer.

—Sue Thomas, Branch Manager  
Pam Kretz, Library Clerk  
Cooper Community Library  
Paulding County Carnegie Library

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is asking the citizens of Paulding County for help for the first time in 90 years. Funding for public libraries has been a struggle over the years, but in the late 1980s, the Ohio legislature – realizing the importance of public libraries – put a permanent funding mechanism into law for public libraries (libraries would receive a percentage of the personal income tax.)

The formula for funding has been tweaked over the past twenty years, but it was not until 2002 that we saw a dramatic change. State funding for public libraries was frozen. In 2008, Governor Strickland changed the for-

mula and source for Ohio's funds. Instead of libraries receiving funds from the personal income tax, libraries would now receive a percentage of Ohio's general revenue. This was an encouraging plan, with hopes for modest growth, but the economy in Ohio has not recovered and programs are facing additional cuts and shortages.

Paulding County's library system is providing more services with fewer funds. The Board of Trustees has cautiously dipped into savings in order to operate the library, with hopes that full funding would be restored. (Over 90% of our library funding comes from the State.) Our library system is operating as efficiently as possible, and is one of the few left in the state that has not gone to the voters; however, now we see no other way.

This levy will cost a person owning a \$100,000 home about 7 cents a day. If a family uses the library once – checking out free movies, books, magazines and using the computers, they will recoup their investment tenfold. And that's just from one trip. Imagine the savings if your family visited the library weekly or daily as many do.

In 2007, over 200,000 items were checked out from the library system. Paulding County residents use their public library, whether it is the main library in Paulding, or branches in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood or Payne. Help us keep your library strong. We can not do it without you. See you at the library!

—Susan Pieper, Library Director

**IF YOU DON'T VOTE, DON'T COMPLAIN!!!**

By: Brad Dysinger

By now I would think that all the readers of The West Bend News would have their minds made up about whether they were voting for me or against me. I can't imagine that anyone who reads The West Bend wouldn't know my positions on the issues. The election this year could affect the direction of our county for years so I'll give you a quick review of my core belief.



Giving the Government more money and not expecting them to waste it is like giving an alcoholic a case of beer and being surprised when the drunk wants more. Neither can help themselves. I won't support the General Tax Levy because I think it's just the jail levy reincarnated. If the county needs a jail levy then rerun it, don't cut everyone else 25% just because the jail levy failed last time. I've looked at current funding and I think there's plenty there now. It's being spent poorly. The county needs to cut out waste and duplicate agencies. I've heard many county officials say that the county needs to educate voters on the need for the tax levy; I say it's time for the voters to educate county officials on the need for fiscal responsibility.

I am however in favor of directed tax levies. I support stand alone taxes and I encourage SWCD, the 4H extension, and the fair board to run their own levies and I'll support them, just like I support the library levy this year. I think it's important for the voters to have the say on what they want tax money spent on.

Whether you're voting for me on November 4th or against me be sure to vote. If you don't vote you don't have any right to complain about what's happening. This election means too much to sit on the sidelines and if enough of you do vote for me and I am elected commissioner please tell me what you want done. One person didn't get us into the mess we're in and I'm not foolish enough to think that one person is going to get us out. I'm not a politician and I don't want to make a bunch of promises to get elected. I will however promise you one thing; I'll always give you a true answer and tell you what I think or why I did something, even if I know it's not the answer you want to hear.

—Brad Dysinger 419-587-3555

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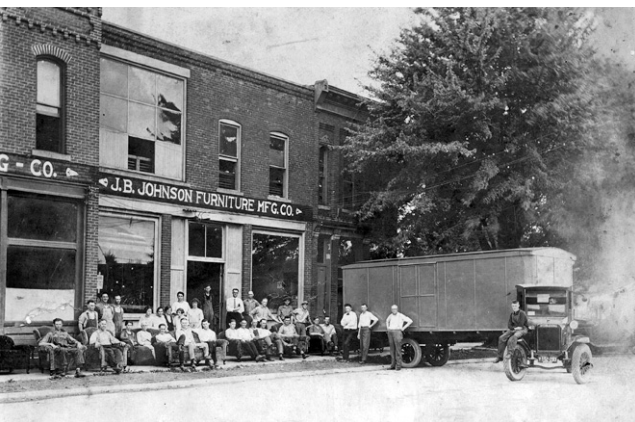
**ANTWERP HISTORY**

By: Stan Jordan

We have some pictures here of the Antwerp Furniture Co. Some of these we have run before but picture #3 has been loaned to us by

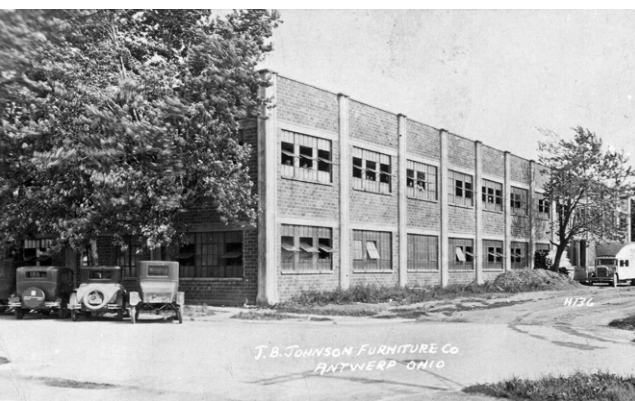
Marty Hunt.

In picture #1, the one with the old tractor and trailer. This was taken in 1924. It shows around 40 employees. This picture is facing the north and is about where the V.F.W. now sits.



In picture #2, that is the one that shows nearly all of the west wall. That picture is by the courtesy of Barbara

Reeb Cleland. I have a feeling that this picture was taken the same day as #1.



In picture #3, it shows the northwest corner with the north wall falling outward. The west wall stood like that for years until it was deemed unsafe. It was then torn down and it lays under the east side of the United Methodist Church's east parking lot. The parking lot used to be a big ravine with a house and barn down in there. Over the years that has all changed and the entire church complex moved to the northeast.

The V.F.W. was holding their meetings in the building south of K.D.'s Kitchen. Then in the 1960's they purchased the site of the old chair factory and built the building as it is now. That fire occurred on Saturday, March 1, 1950. It was a big loss to Antwerp at that time. To us 'Old Timers' it was a big part of Antwerp History. See Ya!



**NOW READ THIS TOO**

By: Stan Jordan

This is a story about a man and his pump.

Dear Mr. Pumpman,  
I ordered a new pump from your store in Arkansaw. I sent you your price of \$6.98 cents. I got the box today but no handle. What good is a pump with no handle? You said for 6.98 cents I would get a pump and handle. The pump is no good without a handle. We cannot use our well.

My wife and I, we drink out of the little brook in the meadow, but I don't want our cow, Bessie, to drink that stuff. So please send me a handle for my 6.98 cent pump.

My friend, Chuck, says I will probably need a gallon of Blue Vacuum to get my new pump started, once you send me my handle.

My dear Pumpman, since I wrote this letter, I found the pump handle in the bottom of the box, so please disregard this letter.

My friend, Chuck, keeps mumbling something about a screw loose.

But now I must go to Harold Layman's for a gallon of blue vacuum.

Well, anyhow obliged. See Ya!

**FLY-FREE DATE SPURS WHEAT PLANTING**

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Agent

Farmers are busy with the beginning of fall harvest and will also be planting soft red winter wheat. The reason farmers started planting wheat last week is because they need to wait until the Hessian fly-free date has passed because of the possibility of severe damage by diseases and by the Hessian fly.

The fly free date was September 24 for Paulding County, September 23 for Defiance County and September 26 for Van Wert County. These dates have been selected and determined from years of research for wherever wheat is grown in the county.

The Hessian fly can be one of the most destructive pest species in wheat. This insect originated from Russia and was accidentally introduced into North America when Hessian troops imported straw bedding during the American Revolutionary War. Hessian flies were first observed on Long Island, New York around 1779. To-

day, they are present in most wheat growing areas of the United States. Around the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, this insect destroyed millions of bushels of wheat in Missouri.

In late summer and early fall, Hessian fly adults begin to emerge from wheat stubble and the "fly-free date" is set to occur after the peak emergence of Hessian fly adults. When wheat is planted after the fly-free date, there is not a suitable host for females to lay eggs on. These females will then die without laying their full complement of eggs. If these eggs are laid and then hatch, the larvae will feed between leaf sheaths and stems until they pupate in mid-autumn. Infected plants become weakened and fail to tiller. Plants may also "lodge" (plant falls/lies down) during grain fill, which is usually where the damage is noticed the most.

Research has also shown that farmers, by planting after this fly-free date, are not only controlling the Hessian fly - but also aphids that carry a harmful virus called Barley Yellow Dwarf, and also other foliar wheat diseases.

It is certainly a win-win situation when a farmer is able to control harmful insects and diseases merely by planting after a certain date as opposed to applying other chemicals and pesticides.

Research has also determined that long-term average yields are actually highest for wheat planted during a 10-day period after the fly-free date. The use of resistant wheat varieties was an early and relatively successful response to control this pest. Unfortunately, hessian fly populations seem to adapt to resistance by producing new "biotypes". These biotypes are able to feed on the various resistant varieties.

So with the fly-free date passing, as soon as the soybeans are harvested... the grain drills will be rolling to plant next year's wheat crop.

**V.E.T.S. MEMORIAL - VISIBLE PROGRESS**

Antwerp V.E.T.S. committee gathered in mid-September for its first formally conducted meeting. Along with committee volunteers, additional community members were present. Aside from addressing financial matters and other business, the meetings also provide the opportunity to create history. Ten months have passed since interest in this unique "All Veterans Memorial" was generated, and research into the creation of Veterans Memorial Park, as well as the present Civil War statue, has been minimal.

Lori Manon, historian, has been collecting published articles, pictures, and related information documenting the committee's progress. A compilation of materials, at the conclusion of the project, will be donated to the Paulding County Library, Antwerp Library, and other interested institutions.

The first visible stage of progress has been made for the memorial with the site layout being staked out and the elimination of a few trees by Goliath Tree Service and Stump Removal. The committee hopes to have fill material brought in to create an appropriate platform area and additionally tackle drainage issues before winter. Also, a billboard illustrating the proposed design by HJS Construction has been erected at the park. V.E.T.S. next fund-raising event will be a 'Beef, Brew, and Band Bash' held at Grant's Reception Hall on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. This event promises to be delicious, easy-listening, and enjoyable! Watch for specific news articles and local advertising for BBBB! The next scheduled V.E.T.S. meeting is October 16, 6:30 p.m. at Antwerp American Legion Post 253.

**GROVER HILL HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES**

The Grover Hill Fire & EMS departments will be sponsoring the Grover Hill

Community Halloween Festivities on Saturday, October 25. Trick or Treat will run from 5:00-6:30 p.m. TNT the Clown will be performing in front of the fire station from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The Fire & EMS departments will be serving a meal at the VFW from 5:00-7:30 p.m. The parade will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in participating in the parade can contact Dave Volk at (419) 587-3700. Parade lineup will begin at the Grover Hill Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. Costume judging will take place at the school at 7:00 p.m. Kids games in the street will immediately follow the parade. The Grover Hill Fire & EMS will also be conducting a silent auction from 5:00-8:30 p.m. at the fire station.

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**PAULDING RESERVOIR COED LEAGUE FINAL STANDINGS**

- Tuesday Night League**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Northwest R.E./Red Owl 11-2  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Blackies/Red Owl 10-3  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Bruce Kunesh Auto 9-3  
 4<sup>th</sup> - Wildcat Popcorn 7-5  
 5<sup>th</sup> - Eagles 7-5  
 6<sup>th</sup> - Tri County Roofing 3-9  
 7<sup>th</sup> - Sinners Bar & Grill 2-10  
 8<sup>th</sup> - Solid Ground 1-11
- Thursday Night League**  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Carpet Wholesalers 10-0  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ed's Car Care 9-1  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Red Owl 8-3  
 4<sup>th</sup> - Hoffman Builders 5-5  
 5<sup>th</sup> - Haviland Tile 5-5  
 6<sup>th</sup> - Great Clips 4-6  
 7<sup>th</sup> - Lafarge 4-6  
 8<sup>th</sup> - Padrones Pizza 3-7  
 9<sup>th</sup> - D&M Grill 2-8  
 10<sup>th</sup> - Concrete Guys 1-9

**ARCHERS BACK AND FORTH WITH COUGARS**

The Archers fought in battle with the Van Wert Cougars in varsity volleyball recently. Although the Archers' defense was the strong, the Cougars' pounce was mightier than the Archers' bow.

Scores: 22-25, 25-21, 21-25. Which takes the Archers to an overall record of 15-7, and still 6-1 in the GMC.

Individual Archer stats:  
 Kelsey Bashore - 16/19 serving, 55/55 setting, 12 assists, 17/19 passing, 21/22 hitting, 9 kills, 5 aces, 11 digs, 2 blocks

Mickae Schlatter - 9/10 serving, 15/17 passing, 26/31 hitting, 6 kills, 2 aces, 9 digs

Kole Schlatter - 11/11 serving, 19/20 passing, 18/23 hitting, 5 kills, 2 aces, 17 digs, 7 blocks

Loni Walk - 9/10 serving, 28/28 setting, 12 assists, 6/8 passing, 2 aces, 5 digs

Taylor Vail - 11/11 hitting, 4 kills, 8 blocks

**ODOT ISSUES WARNING TO DRIVERS: BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR DEER**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) says the autumn season often brings the highest number of deer-vehicle crashes, and drivers need to stay alert and watch for deer-crossing warning signs to stay safe.

In 2007, there were a total of 26,304 deer-vehicle crashes, including 11 fatalities and 1,166 people injured. These numbers are down from the previous year. However, many deer-vehicle collisions go unreported to authorities, so the actual number of crashes throughout Ohio may be as high as 60,000 crashes each year.

From October to December, the number of deer-vehicle crashes spikes to as many as 4,200 incidents per month. The average number of crashes is less than half that number, or 1,500 crashes each month from January to September.

Ohio has eight million drivers, 121,000 miles of roadway and 600,000 deer. Trying to predict when and where a deer and motorist will meet is an impossible task. But drivers who understand how deer behave are more likely to avoid a crash.

ODOT advises motorists to use these driving tips to help avoid a collision with a deer:

—Watch for deer-crossing signs and drive with extreme caution especially in areas where those signs are posted.

—If you see a deer near the road, expect other deer will follow.

—The times when deer are most likely to be on the road are dawn when 20 percent of most crashes occur and between 5:00 p.m. and midnight when 50 percent of the collisions occur.

—After dark, use high-beams when there isn't oncoming traffic. This will illuminate deer eyes, allowing more time for the driver to react.

—Always wear safety belts, and drive at safe, sensible speeds for road conditions.

Deer make up the bulk of the 530,000 animal-related auto accidents reported in the United States annually, according to the Ohio Insurance Institute.

**FUND-RAISING BEGINS FOR RELAY FOR LIFE 2009**

Be sure and mark your calendars for the upcoming Craft Bake Sale. It will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2008 at the St. James Lutheran Church in Payne.

We will be serving soup and sandwiches throughout the day. It starts at 10:00 a.m. and runs till 6:00 p.m. We will also provide childcare while you browse.

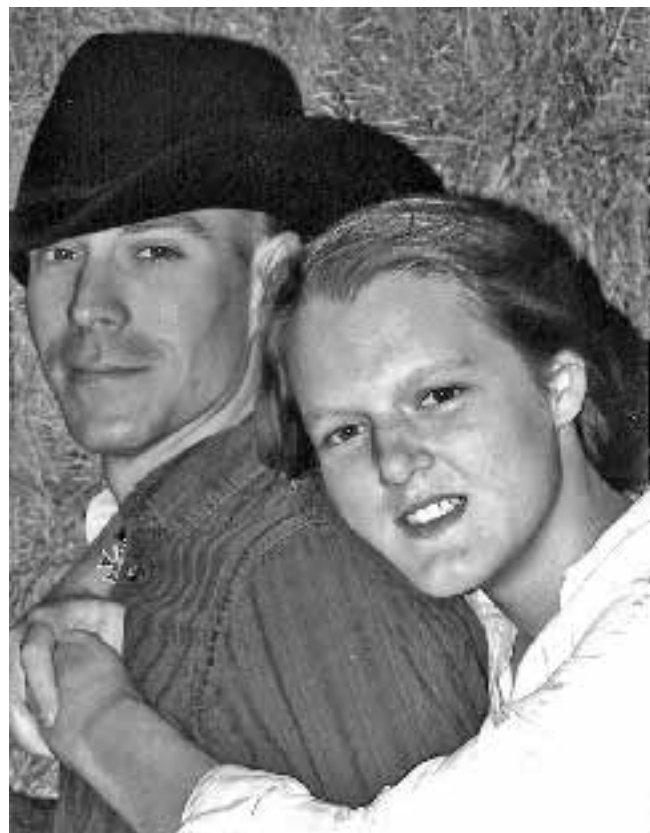
Any questions, please feel free to call Deb Baumert, 419-263-2587 or Teresa Moser at 419-258-2044.

We are also collecting old cell phones. So if you have one and don't know what to do with it, bring it with you to the sale!

**5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE SUPPER AT SHERWOOD VFW**

The Sherwood VFW Hall will be hosting its 5<sup>th</sup> annual Pancake and Sausage Supper on Saturday, October 25, 2008. The meal will be served from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

A free will offering will be appreciated and proceeds will go toward Christmas For Kids. This meal service is dedicated to Central Shares and Christ's Cupboard.



**LEWIS - LEHMAN**

Aimey Lewis and Dustin Lehman would like to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Aimey is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and is currently enrolled at Rhodes University. Her parents are Mike and Jeanene Lewis who reside in Cecil, Ohio.

Dustin Lehman is cur-

rently employed with PSI in Ottoville, Ohio. His parents are Ken and Dorothy Lehman who reside in Ottawa, Ohio and Dave and Pam Claybaugh who reside in Lima, Ohio.

Their wedding is set to take place Saturday, November 1, 2008 at Wesleyan Church in Delphos, Ohio at 4:30 p.m. A reception will follow at the Middle Point Community Building in Middle Point.

**BOY SCOUT RECYCLING THIS SATURDAY IN ANTWERP**

The Boy Scouts of Antwerp will be hold its monthly recycling project on Saturday, October 25 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the Antwerp Fire Hall. The items accepted are cardboard, glass, newspaper in brown paper bags, and aluminum and steel cans.

**MASONS CONFER DEGREE WORK ON NEWEST CANDIDATE**

Jim Kline opened the lodge and the pledge was given. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Mark Gobel, Jim Diehl and Paul Culler. A thinking-of-you card was sent to 50-year member Wayne Carr.

There were five 50-year members in attendance. These included Derrill Kline, Estell Cottrell, Doyle Johnson, Elmer Woodcox, and Charles Carey. Others on the sidelines were Tim Betts, Russell St. John, Dick Savage, Jim Miller, Ron Farnsworth, Jim Kline, George Underwood, Walter Schilb, Steve Schilb, Tom Culler, Byron Rasey, Ralph Brown, Raymond Gillespie, Scott Ruppert, Joe Stotler, Dick Wann, Bill Metz, and Lee Kallsen.

Joe Stotler reported that the 2009 inspection date was set for Friday, January 16. Dick Savage mentioned that the Hicksville Masonic Lodge plaque that was purchased by the Lodge will be placed in the floor of the new school. The engraver needed a Square and Compasses picture to be copied on this memorial.

Grand Lodge will be October 17 and 18 this year in Columbus. Bill Metz and Walter Schilb will be attending this annual function. There are several pieces of new legislation that will be voted on this year. They will give a summary of the events at the next stated meeting. It was reported the 2009 dues are now being accepted.

With no further business, the Lodge was closed in due form and harmony and all retired to the dining room for "Suzy Kline's" famous beef & noodles and loads of fellowship.

There will be degree practice for all officers on Thursday, October 16 at 7:30 p.m. The next states meeting will be Wednesday October 22.

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**HERE WE GO AGAIN... THE PAULDING LIONS CLUB**

Lions Clubs International, founded in 1917, is the world's largest service club organization with 1.3 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in 202 countries and geographical areas. Lions are men and women who volunteer their time to answer the needs that challenge communities around the world. Known for working to end preventable blindness, Lions participate in a vast variety of projects important to their communities. These projects range from cleaning up local parks to providing supplies to victims of natural disasters. Not only do Lions help with these types of projects but they also organize fun community events as well. Currently, the Paulding Lions Club is finalizing the details for their two big community events.

First, the Paulding Lions Club is preparing to sponsor the Paulding Halloween Parade on October 25, 2008.

Line up will begin at 1:15 p.m. at the Paulding County Carnegie Library. The parade will start at 1:30 p.m. with the Paulding High School Mighty Marching Band leading the way. The Parade will go around the square and end at the gazebo on the square where costume judging will take place. There will be six costume categories. The categories are pip-squeaks (ages 0-3), witches, creepy creatures, mythical characters, barnyard fun and celebrities and sports. The Paulding Chamber of Commerce is donating cash prizes. The village of Paulding will then hold Trick-or-Treat from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Come one, come all, to the village of Paulding and join in on the fun.

The other community event that the Paulding Lions Club is preparing to host is Lunch with Santa. This event will be held at the Paulding Eagles on November 29, 2008. More details will follow when they have been established. Keep watching the paper, as the Lions Club will keep the public updated on information as soon as possible. Remember, Christmas is rapidly approaching.

To raise money to help struggling community members afford eye examinations and eyeglasses, the Paulding Lions Club operated a food booth at several local events. In addition to operating the food booth, members are also holding a raffle to increase the chances of raising money to be able to approve more applications for eye care services.

The raffle drawing will be held at the end of the Lunch with Santa event. The items being raffled include Komet Hockey script tickets, a Mary Kay gift set, 2 autographed Blue Jackets pennants, Splash Universe water park passes, 2 Lafarge goodie packs and a Van Wert YMCA New Youth Membership. Raffle tickets are available from local Lions

Club members and are available from now until the end of the Lunch with Santa event on November 29, 2008. The money raised from the raffle tickets will help offset the cost of the growing demand of eye care services because of limited employment and job loss in our rural community.

If interested in finding out how to become a Lions Club member contact Danny Workman at (419) 399-4512. The Paulding Lions Club meets at the Paulding Eagles the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm. The Lions Club would love to have more community members get involved.



The 2008-2009 Vantage construction house project in the Washington Place subdivision in Van Wert begins to take shape.

**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" IF I HAD A HAMMER...**

The Vantage senior carpentry class is hard at work building the 2008-2009 construction project house. Vantage Carpentry students have built over thirty different and unique houses as a part of the senior carpentry curriculum.

This year's house, a 2,063 square foot home is located at 1271 Madison Avenue in the Washington Place subdivision in Van Wert. Highlights of the home include a great room with 10 foot ceilings, a dining room with double tray ceiling, 3 bedrooms (the

master bedroom has a cof-fered ceiling and a front bedroom has a 10 foot cathedral ceiling), 2 ½ baths, a laundry room with mop sink, custom organized closets, a 10' x 13' covered back porch and an attached 3 car garage with interior steps to the full, unfinished basement. The outside of the house will boast a stained front doors with side lights and brick front with vinyl siding.

The senior Carpentry students and their instructor, Mr. Jerry Robinson, work at the house each afternoon during their scheduled lab time. They are currently in

the process of completing the framing of the house.

Mr. Roger Ruen's students in the junior carpentry class will be getting involved in the project very soon. They will be building custom oak cabinets for the home.

The senior electricity students, under the direction of their teacher, Mr. Mel White, have used their knowledge and skills to install the electrical service to the house, including the breaker panel and electric meter. They have also installed temporary receptacles and lighting for construction purposes.

The Vantage Carpentry

house is for sale. If you're interested in seeing the house, you may arrange an appointment by calling Bob Vennekotter, Vantage Career Center Director at 419-238-5411 ext. 122. He can also be of assistance if you need directions or have specific questions about the house.

**CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 22, 2008**

Ron Reichhart presented a bid to insulate the ceiling at the maintenance building. This is tabled till the roof can be checked.

Mayor stated the City had agreed to pay for the Lloy Ball banner and the key that was presented to Lloy; Tiara Bremer would like to donate \$500.00 toward the cost of the key and banner from donations she received; it will go into the promotional fund.

Mayor reported Cindy Keller has asked the City to help with purchasing scarecrows for decorating the planters around the City. Councilmen made motions to spend up to \$100.00, 4 yes, 1 no, motion passed. Councilman stated this is a Chamber of Commerce issue. Mayor stated these would be purchased for future City use.

Mayor received a pocket calendar embossed with the Cities information and asks council if they would be interested in purchasing for \$1.99 with a minimum order of 50. Councilmen, made motions not to purchase, all agreed, motion passed.

Mayor stated Jim Lauer and Matt Vondran would be present at the October 6 Council meeting to discuss the Grant and Sewer infrastructure repairs. Mayor Hoepfner would like Ryan to check on having the speed limit signs on Woodburn Road moved.

Councilman Mason re-

ported Chief Carpenter was unable to attend; he is in dog training. Part time officer is asking for paid vacation; after discussion Mayor denied the request stating part time employees do not get vacation pay.

Warrants were presented in the amount of \$5,731.83. Council wants Commercial Signs added, total \$267.50 bringing total to \$5,999.33, checks 6389-6408. Councilmen made motions to approve warrants with the addition, all agreed, motion passed.

Ryan Walls stated water being used by INDOT is being metered and they will be billed. He reported he has not had to discharge from the sewer ponds for two months. He presented quotes for a new utility line locator. After discussion Councilmen made motions to purchase the SR-60 at \$4,578.66, motion passed. Ryan will be on vacation Oct 6-17. The Platter Parkway subdivision pump station is up and running.

Councilman Reichhart presented the proposed salaries for 2009. Mayor - 1 1/2% raise, \$18,300.00, split between general fund, water and sewer. Clerk Treasurer - 1 1/2% raise, \$32,500.00, split between general fund, water, and sewer. Deputy Clerk - Ordinance will be \$8.00 - \$15.00, 30 hours per week, salary to start at \$10.00 per hour. City Council Members - 3%, \$2,370.00, all from general. Board of Works will remain at \$600.00, split between water and sewer. Crossing guard will remain at \$30.00 per day. Police Chief - 1% raise, \$38,400.00. Part Time officer - 1% raise, \$17,070.00. Budget for 2009, part time officer - \$5,000.00.

Councilmen made motions to accept proposed salaries, all agreed, motion passed. Lesa will prepare salary ordinances. Councilman Reichhart proposed a Hydrant rental to be added to utility customers of \$2.00 and refuse needs to be raised to \$12.00 to meet rises in the contract with Waste Management. This is tabled till next council meeting. Woodburn Road will be closed through October 6 for railroad repairs. Councilman Reichhart stated the Industrial Park farm rental property contract is up this year; an article will be put in the paper to accept bids for a 1-year rental agreement, with the option to renew for 3 years.


Councilman Zimmerman stated after re-measuring the proposed sidewalk repairs to be made there is a total of 616 feet. He request T & C and Reichhart's submit new bids using the confirmed footage and adding an additional section on Clovedale. After receiving the new bids, he reported T & C submitted the lowest bid. Councilmen made motions to accept T & C's bid, all agreed, motion passed. Councilman Zimmerman will notify T & C. Councilman Zimmerman suggested getting the state permits required for work to be done on 101 next year.

Minutes were submitted for approval, Mayor suspended the reading of the minutes. Councilmen made motions to accept the minutes, all agreed, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20. Minutes submitted by Lesa Meadows

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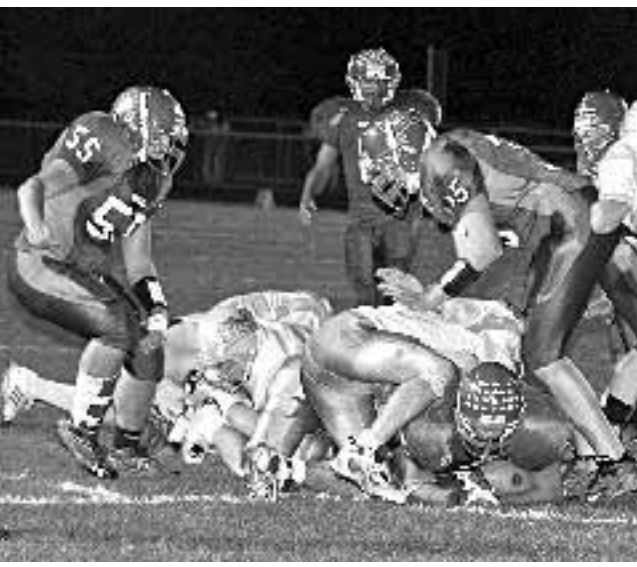
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## FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL ACTION



Ayersville dominated against Wayne Trace Friday night, but the Raiders fought hard and scored well. The Raiders defense struggled to hold the Pilots' yardage. Shown here is Sophomore Gage Critten scoring a touchdown. Senior Tevin Hale also scored two touchdowns in the 4th quarter alone. Final score 56-35. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)



Antwerp had a great game Friday night against Holgate. Final score was 35-6. Summary: Holgate 0 0 0 6 - 6; Antwerp 14 14 7 0 - 35. Shown here is Junior John Rindahl dragging down his Holgate opponent. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

## LADY WARRIORS LAND 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE IN NORSE CLASS VOLLEYBALL INVITATIONAL

The Lady Warriors spent a day battling with sets, bumps, digs and serves in the "Norse Classic" Volleyball Invitational at Northfield High School.

Woodlan moved along nicely by winning the first three rounds of play. The championship round was close but ended a Northfield victory; Woodlan left the court with 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Round 1:  
Delphi vs. Woodlan - 25-14, 25-12.

Round 2:  
Wheeler vs. Woodlan - 25-17, 25-20

Round 3:  
Elwood vs. Woodlan - 25-8, 25-15

Championship:  
Northfield vs. Woodlan - 11-25, 25-18, 11-15

Warrior stats:  
Emenhiser - 2 kills, 6 errors, 14 attempts, 1 setting assist, 7 digs

Potter - 3 kills, 3 errors, 9 attempts, 1 ace

Sieger - 5 kills, 1 error, 6 attempts, 13 setting assists, 1 ace, 2 digs

Spindler - 4 digs

Wheeler - 4 aces, 4 digs

Fuelling - 6 digs

Koeman - 3 kills, 2 errors, 8 attempts

Carver - 4 kills, 7 attempts, 1 dig

Kirkwood - 2 kills, 2 errors, 10 attempts, 3 digs, 1 blocking solo

## WAYNE TRACE VOLLEYBALL AT AYERSVILLE

On October 7 it was Wayne Trace over Ayersville: 26-28, 25-21, 25-23, 25-9. Wayne Trace is now 14-7 overall, and 4-2 in the Green Meadows Conference.

Leading Players:

Maria Schaefer - 31-31 serving, eight aces, three blocks, 11 digs, 10-10 passing

Sara Priest - 7-7 serving, 24-25 passing, eight blocks, 42-48 hitting, 20 kills

Kristi Wenninger - 8-9 serving, 13 digs

Janelle Davis - 111-116 setting, 45 assists

Natalie Snyder - 35-38 hitting, 19 kills, 28 digs, 12-12 passing, eight blocks

Jenna Stoller - 20-27 hitting, 11 kills

Junior Varsity - Ayersville over Wayne Trace 25-15, 25-11. Wayne Trace falls to 10-8 overall, and 1-5 in the GMC.

## ARCHERS SHOOT THEIR ARROW THROUGH TIGERS IN VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

The Archers demonstrated their aggression by ruling the volleyball court on October 7. Antwerp took out Holgate in three straight sets: 25-16, 25-16, 25-11. Antwerp overall record is 13/6, and league record is 5-1.

Archer stats:

Kelsey Bashore - 35/35 setting 14 assists, 12/12 passing, 15/20 hitting, 8 kills, 3 aces, 3 digs, 3 blocks

Kole Schlatter - 15/15 passing 18/19 hitting, 11 kills, 2 aces, 8 digs, 1 block

Mickae Schlatter - 14/15 serving, 3/3 setting, 13/13 passing, 22/25 hitting, 10 kills, 1 ace, 7 digs, 1 block

Loni Walk - 12/13 serving, 49/49 setting 15 assists, 8/8 passing, 1 ace, 7 digs

Darcie Reinhart - 11/12 serving, 11/11 passing, 2 aces, 9 digs

## WT 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FOOTBALL SHUT OUT HICKSVILLE

The Wayne Trace 7<sup>th</sup> grade football team shut out Hicksville last night, October 9, by a score of 22-0. Korbin Showalter had three touchdowns. Two by rushing and one though the air. Jared Sherry and Colby Speice had positive yards rushing. Jake Gerber threw a two point conversion pass to Colby Speice to conclude the scoring. The offensive line led the way. Big Blocks were recorded by Brock Worden, TJ Blackmore, Aaron Stoller, Devin Wenzlick, Arlen Stoller, Matt Klopfenstein, Broc Forrer, Marcus McVay, Aaron Miller, and Wesley Goings.

The defense shut out Hicksville. Colby Speice and Eric Hicks recorded sacks. Jake Gerber and Wesley Goings recorded 10 tackles apiece. Other big defensive plays were made by Devin Wenzlick, Broc Forrer, Jared Sherry, Aaron Stoller, Marcus McVay, Andrew Ludwig, Cole Bennett, Adam Stahlsberg, and Aaron Miller.

## WT 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FOOTBALL TAKE THIRD SHUT OUT AGAINST ANTWERP

The Wayne Trace 7<sup>th</sup> grade football team recorded their third straight shut out by defeating Antwerp by a score of 38-0 at Raider Field. The scoring was opened up when Korbin Showalter threw a 25 yard halfback pass for a touchdown to Jake Gerber. Colby Speice then threw the two point conversion pass to Gerber for an 8-0 lead. Showalter then ran in the second touchdown from 55 yards out.

Jared Sherry scored the third touchdown on a five yard run. Sherry also caught three-two point conversion passes from Speice. Wesley Goings ended the first half scoring by intercepting an Archer pass and returning it for a 70 yard touchdown. Showalter scored the fifth and final touchdown on a 65 yard run. Big offensive blocks were recorded by Brock Worden, TJ Blackmore, Aaron Stoller, Broc Forrer, Marcus McVay, Devin Wenzlick, Matt Klopfenstein, and Arlen Stoller.

The Raider defense recorded three interceptions to go along with their shut out. Aaron Miller, Wesley Goings, and Korbin Showalter all had interceptions. Other big defensive plays were made by Colby Speice, Jared Sherry, Broc Forrer, Devin Wenzlick, Jake Gerber, Marcus McVay, Andrew Ludwig, Eric Hicks, Cole Bennett, Adam Stahlsberg, Brock Worden, TJ Blackmore, and Matt Klopfenstein.

## LADY WARRIORS GO 1 FOR 4 AT SOUTHWOOD INVITATIONAL

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan went 1 for 4 at the Southwood Invitational girls volleyball tournament. The Warriors beat Blackford, but dropped matches to Kokomo, Leo, and host Southwood.

Woodlan over Blackford 25-11 and 25-12

Kokomo over Woodlan 25-15 and 25-15

Leo over Woodlan 25-16 and 25-15

Southwood over Woodlan 25-22 and 25-21

## LADY ARCHERS WIN 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GMC VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



On Saturday, October 11, 2008 the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lady Archers successfully defeated Wayne Trace, Tinora and Fairview to win the GMC Volleyball championship. Their record for the season was 12-4.

Pictured are:  
Front row - Rachel Stewart, Lydia Yenser, Kacy Brummett, Maddie Reinhart, Megan Slattman.

Back row - Tara Richhart, Morgan Williamson, Alexis Jones, Katie Bissell, Aerial Sawyer

Junior High Coaches: Joni Taylor and Patti Kammeyer.

## WARRIORS UNABLE TO TAKE STARFIRES IN VARSITY FOOTBALL

South Adams rolled up a 27-0 lead over Woodlan by halftime and then protected their lead for a 27-6 win over the Warriors in ACAC football at Berne. The Starfires went to the air for 244 yards in the game with Nick Teeter going 15 for 27 and 2 touchdown passes. Kyle DeArmond ran for 164 yards on the ground and scored a pair of touchdowns. Woodlan's lone score came in the fourth period, Taylor Gorrell on the receiving end of a 10 yard pass from Cade Hetrick for a touchdown.

Score by the quarter:  
Woodlan - 0 0 0 6=6

South Adams - 13 14 0 0=27

Summary:

SA - Cody Meshberger 3yd pass from Nick Teeter (conversion failed)

SA - Kyle DeArmond 41yd run (Kinsey Lengerich kick)

SA - Chris Stutzman 15yd pass from Nick Teeter (Kinsey Lengerich kick)

SA - Kyle DeArmond 11yd run (Kinsey Lengerich kick)

W - Taylor Gorrell 10yd pass from Cade Hetrick (kick failed)

## PAULDING FALLS TO COLDWATER IN DISTRICT VOLLEYBALL

On October 14, the Panthers fought but lost to a tough Coldwater team in the district

art, Lydia Yenser, Kacy Brummett, Maddie Reinhart, Megan Slattman.

Back row - Tara Richhart, Morgan Williamson, Alexis Jones, Katie Bissell, Aerial Sawyer

Junior High Coaches: Joni Taylor and Patti Kammeyer.

volleyball tournament.

Scores: 13-25, 11-25, 7-25

Paulding team stats:

serving 29/32, passing 61/79, setting 50/54, serve reception 44/52, attacks 37/44

Panther stats:

Kelsie Carnahan - serving 5/5, passing (serve receive) 12/14, hitting 11/11, 2 kills, 4 digs

Kristen Beck - serving 7/7, 6/6 hitting, 11 digs

Maycee Adams - serving 5/5, serve receive 11/13, 8/8 passing, 2 digs

Mesa Pracht - serving 4/5, 31/34 setting, 5 assists, 5/5 hitting, 2 kills, 1 dig

## PANTHER VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TAKE DOWN PIRATES

The Paulding Panthers battled hard for victory against the Bluffton Pirates on October 7 in varsity volleyball. The Panthers took it down to the wire and pulled out a victory in three of five sets: 12-25, 25-22, 25-22, 25-23, 9-15.

Panther team stats: 77/80 serving, 123/136 passing, 123/125 setting, 88/101 serve reception, 136/154 attacks (hitting)

Panther individual stats:

Kelsie Carnahan - 20/21 serving, 26/26 serve receive passing, 4 kills, 1 ace, 8 digs

Morgan Hammon 12/12 serving, 32/36 hitting, 8 kills, 17 digs

Ashley Meyers - 28/30 hitting, 6 kills, 1 ace, 1 block

Mesa Pracht - 61/62 setting 17 assists, 30/33 passing

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Isaac Yoder demonstrates the proper way to exit a second-story window.

**HOMESCHOOLERS AWAY FROM HOME**

By: **Lindsay Clem**

The Hicksville Area Christian Home Educators (HACHE) recently took a field trip to the Fort Wayne Safety Village to learn about fire safety and proper procedures to escape a house fire safely. Captains Mark, Dave, and Carlos were very accommodating to this unique group. Although they typically gear their interactive presentation toward 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, they easily adapted to an audience with children whose ages ranged from 2 to 12 years. Even the youngest in the group learned to crawl on the floor when a fire alarm rings, how to feel a closed door for heat before opening, and the proper way to exit a window if necessary. The older students in the group also participated in a simulated house fire, which consisted of realistic flames and smoke. Everyone involved, including parents, received a lot of crucial information and valuable experience.

Families from Hicksville, Antwerp, and Harlan participated in the trip to Safety Village, but HACHE consists of families from Paulding and Defiance, as well. HACHE is a fast-growing community of active and involved homeschooling families. The group tries to organize a field trip once every month. Currently, the first-ever HACHE co-op is taking place twice monthly, where students preschool to 12<sup>th</sup> grade take part in art, gym, drama, and U.S. History. This semester will end in December and the next semester will take place March through May 2009, with an array of new classes to be offered.

Any homeschooling families (or families considering homeschooling) in the area are welcome to attend the monthly meetings and/or sign up for the next co-op. A family does not have to participate in the co-op to take part in the monthly meetings or field trips. For more information, contact Pam at pnkunes@yahoo.com.

**APACHES WHOOP WAR CRY VICTORY OVER RAIDERS**

Wayne Trace had a tough night against Fairview. The Apaches defended their turf with a win over Wayne Trace.

Final score: Fairview 73, Wayne Trace 21

Score by the quarter:  
Wayne Trace - 0 21 0 0=21

Fairview - 32 27 14 0=73

Summary:  
Fairview - Woenker 54-yard pass from James Elchinger (kick failed).

Fairview - John Elchinger 66-yard pass from James Elchinger (run failed).

Fairview - Wonderly 47-yard interception return (pass good).

Fairview - John Elchinger 60-yard pass from James Elchinger (kick failed).

Fairview - Wonderly 81-yard pass from James Elchinger (kick failed).

Wayne Trace - Dias 5-yard pass from Baksa (Gordon kick).

Fairview - James Elchinger 10-yard run (Murray kick).

Fairview - Webb 47-yard pass from James Elchinger (Murray kick).

Wayne Trace - Hale 11-yard run (Gordon kick).

Fairview - James Elchinger 50-yard run (Murray kick).

Wayne Trace - Hale 74-yard kickoff return (Gordon kick).

Fairview - Webb 29-yard pass from James Elchinger (run failed).

Fairview - James Elchinger 18-yard run (Murray kick).

Fairview - James Elchinger 42-yard run (Murray Kick).

G - Nick Moynahan, 7yd pass from Jak Schultz (kick failed)

W - Cade Hetrick, 2yd run (Luke Schwartz conversion)

**WOODLAN FALL TO NORTHROP IN VOLLEYBALL**

On October 16, the Lady Warriors fell down against the Bruins. The varsity, JV and freshman teams all fell to the Lady Bruins.

Varsity:  
Northrop over Woodlan - 25-17, 25-15, 25-23

Northrop Varsity stats:  
J. Fullove - 3 aces, 31 passing assists

B. Price - 32 attempts, 5 errors, 15 kills, 11 digs

S. Sherrill - 15 attempts, 3 errors, 9 kills

C. Dean - 3 aces, 15 digs

A. Wilson - 6 blocks

Woodlan Varsity stats:  
Emenhiser - 18 attempts, 3 errors, 9 kills, 12 digs

Potter - 10 attempts, 2 errors, 4 kills, 1 block

Stieger - 9 attempts, 5 kills, 24 assists, 5 digs

Spindler - 3 digs

Wheeler - 1 ace, 2 digs

Fuelling - 11 digs

Koeneman - 10 attempts, 3 errors, 1 kill, 1 assist, 3 digs

Carver - 12 attempts, 2 errors, 7 kills, 1 block

Bontrager - 1 ace

Kirkwood - 8 attempts, 2 errors, 3 kills, 1 block, 2 digs

In the JV game, Northrop over Woodlan - 10-25, 10-25.

In the freshman match, Northrop over Woodlan - 11-25, 18-25.

**WT 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FOOTBALL DEFEAT HOLGATE**

The Wayne Trace 8<sup>th</sup> grade football team defeated Holgate last night by a score of 26-8. Cade Harvey scored two touchdowns and had 85 yards rushing. Nick McClain returned an interception 75 yards for a touchdown and rushed for another 25 yards. Jorddan Childs had a key punt block to set up the third touchdown. Jake Gerber threw a 27 yard touchdown pass to Dalton Sinn. Gerber finished the game by completing six passes for 80 yards. Jared Sherry ended the scoring with a two point conversion run. The offensive line led the way with Big Blocks coming from Ryan Wannemacher, Victor Williams, Tim West, Caleb Mead, Colby Speice, Marcus McVay, Jared Eklund, Jacob Roop, and Aaron Stoller.

The defense shut out Holgate in the second half. Big defensive plays were made by Nick McClain, Ryan Wannemacher, Caleb Mead, Jared Eklund, Victor Williams, Jorddan Childs, Colby Speice, Jared Sherry, Broc Forrer, Dalton Sinn, Cade Harvey, Aaron Miller, and Tim West. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade team improved their record to 4-2.

**2008 ACAC GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT AT HERITAGE**

Opening Round:  
Adams Central over Gar-

rett 25-10 and 25-12  
Woodlan beat Bluffton 25-10 and 25-14  
Leo tops South Adams 25-10 and 25-16  
Heritage bests Southern Wells 25-15 and 25-8  
Semi-Finals:  
Heritage over Leo 25-23 and 25-18  
Adams Central topped Woodlan 23-25, 25-11, and 25-20  
Championship Match:  
Adams Central beat Heritage 21-25, 25-18, and 25-20

**IHSAA FOOTBALL SECTIONAL PAIRINGS FOR THE ACAC SCHOOLS**

Opening round games for the IHSAA football sectionals are to be played on Friday, October 24.

Class 3A, Sectional 19:  
West Noble at LEO  
Lakeland at HERITAGE  
Class 2A, Sectional 26:  
Oak Hill at BLUFFTON  
Class 2A, Sectional 27:  
WOODLAN at Harding  
GARRETT at Fairfield  
Class A, Sectional 34:  
Northfield at SOUTHERN WELLS  
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Live Entertainment—Josh & Greg 6:30-9:00  
Mudbone 9:30 pm - 1:00 am

**WARRIOR/RAILROADER FOOTBALL GAME MORE FULL OF INJURIES THAN GAME**

By the time Garrett and Woodlan finished their football game on Friday night, it looked like Hawkeye Pierce and Trapper John would be needed on the field. The MASH stars could have kept busy treating injured players. Spencer Burns, Garrett running back, went down just 6 plays into the game with a broken leg and left in an ambulance. Aury Keller, Woodlan running back, was taken off the field later in the game with a season ending leg injury. Play was halted on a few other occasions to bring trainers on the field to attend to wounded players.

In the end, Garrett changed their offensive style, sending Bryce Schendel on the field to run, and relying on the arm of Jak Schultz to get the Railroaders a 27-20 win over the Warriors in ACAC football. Schendel had 52 yards rushing and 2 touchdowns and Schultz hit for 2 TD passes and 144 yards through the air.

Scores by the quarter:  
Woodlan - 0 6 6 8=20  
Garrett - 0 14 7 6=27

Stats:  
G - Gavin Wisel, 20yd pass from Jak Schultz (Brayden Moreau kick)

W - Aury Keller, 23yd run (kick failed)

G - Bryce Schendel, 23yd run (Brayden Moreau kick)  
W - Ben Schlie, 37yd run (conversion failed)  
G - Bryce Schendel, 5yd run (Brayden Moreau kick)

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**NOW READ THIS**



By: Stan Jordan

This is another photo of the eagles loaned to us by Homer Sanders. This was taken last March in the area of where Rd. 53 butts up against US 24. Mr. Sanders got a one-in-a-million shot of one of the eagles with an American Flag in the background. Homer said that this photo was taken in the front yard of the Ray Friend residence, that is only about 1/2 mile distance between those two pictures.

That is about two miles east of Antwerp, right on US 24. A number of people who live in that area tell us of seeing the birds. People tell us that you can see eagles all the way to the Power Dam and they frequent both sides of the river. But folks tell me they think there are at least three families of eagles in the 40-50 mile area.

Capt. Oley McMichael has taken Mr. Sanders up and down the route of the new US 24 bypass. Mr. Sanders took up a complete roll of film of the ponds, crossings and closed roads. He has some very interesting shots. He is becoming a very good wild life photographer. And I would like to add, keep those good pictures coming. See Ya!

**MEET THE CANDIDATES**

By: Sue Knapp

The Paulding Progress sponsored a Meet the Candidates at the Paulding Eagles on Thursday night, October 16. The large crowd enjoyed hors d'oeuvres, punch and socializing.

With two weeks before the election the crowd and the candidates were ready to be heard.

Each candidate gave a statement and then the audience were allowed questions either sent in by mail to the Progress or written before the forum.

Mr. Nutter, Publisher of the Paulding Progress, opened the meeting and Mike Farmer was the moderator and introduced each candidate.

Each candidate listed their qualifications, cares and concerns. Bob Vennekotter from Vantage Career Center, Pat Ross from Paulding Exempted Village Schools, and Susan Pieper from Paulding Carnegie Library informed the crowd the pros in passing their levies. Sheriff Dave Harrow spoke for the 911 levy and Ed Straley, Commissioner, spoke for the General Levy.



Susan A. Paulus, candidate for Paulding County Treasurer.

Some of the questions presented for the candidates for Commissioners were: What can we do in Paulding County to take advantage of the 127 interchange near Cecil? Brad Dysinger commented we need to have sewer and water run out there so it can be developed, Ray Johanns commented that it needs to be accessible, someone with ideas to develop and a good motel was mentioned; Tony Zartman said that we need to work hand in hand with the Economic Development Office, and Tony Burkley said that a pipe has been laid out there for water and sewer hook-up.

How is the old US 24 going to be maintained after the new US 24 is in operation? Tony Burkley said monies from the Wheeler Bill will go for repairs. The Wheeler Bill is financed through gas taxes. ODOT will have to repair the roads damaged by them after the project is done.

What's going on with the Children's Home? Ray Johanns reported that the office has a new director and putting children in foster homes means more security for the children. The Children's Home needs repairs and will eventually be used again. Brad Dysinger commented that the monies from the farms goes towards the children. Tony Burkley said they were looking for a family to move into the home and run it and take care of the children. This would produce a more secure atmosphere for the children. The monies for the children goes into a special fund used for the children.

How can we get the megafarms out of the county? Tony Zartman and Ray Johanns said that the county needs to have more control over them, especially in the area of manure and disposing of dead animals.

Brad Dysinger commented that if you have a problem go to the authorities and Tony Burkley said the county can only do so much and the Tiff Tax the farms pay is used for damages incurred by the farms. All concurred that the farms are here to stay.

If elected, how do you plan on funding the 4-H, Soil & Water, etc if the levy doesn't pass.

Brad Dysinger thinks the money is there and needs to be under it's own levy, Tony Zartman said it needs to have it's own levy and Tony Burkley said this year is taken care of through an anonymous donor and to vote for the levy.

Questions for the Prosecutors were: how well you handle abuse or criminal acts by an officer? Joe Burkard said that a special prosecutor would be brought in to review the case, handle it or deem it for insufficient evidence. Russell Herman commented that he would make sure that justice would be served for all.

Which would cost less: a full time or part time prosecutor? Joe Burkard commented that you have a choice to have a private practice while prosecutor and it is cheaper to be part time. Russell Herman said full time would save, needs would be met better and wouldn't need three assistants.

What about plea bargaining with criminals convicted of felony crimes? Russell Herman said victims have a right to be heard and the bargaining needs to be stopped. Joe Burkard said that you have to understand all the circumstances including an understanding of the courts and judge.

A comment by Mr. Herman about the Victims Rights Advocacy being discontinued raised a rebuttal by Mr. Burkard that it was indeed up and going.

It seems that there are a lot of issues between the two candidates for Prosecutor that need to be corrected and that's why meetings like this are important.

Door prizes were handed out and kudos go to the Paulding Progress for sponsoring this event.

**GUEST COLUMN FROM OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE LYNN WACHTMANN**

This November, in addition to the many local races and issues on the ballot, voters will also have the opportunity to decide several statewide initiatives. This week, I want to focus on Issue 1, which deals with the filing deadline for statewide ballot issues.

Under current law, petitions to place a constitutional amendment or state law on the ballot must be filed with the secretary of state's office at least 90 days before the election in which it will be voted on. Referendum petitions, which ask voters to approve laws or sections of laws approved by the Legislature, must be filed at least 60 days before the election in which it will appear on the ballot. If the filed petitions do not contain enough valid signatures, collectors have an additional 10 days to gather the required number of signatures for the issue to appear on the ballot.

In some cases, as county boards of election and the secretary of state's office are verifying whether the signatures on a petition are valid, they are also working to prepare advertising material and absentee ballots. You many have read about some of these recently, including an issue on gambling and another on payday lenders. All materials for voting on these issues must be ready by the time absentee voting begins 35 days before an election. If a group needs additional time to gather signatures or if there are court cases involving a particular issue, ballots can include issues that have not been completely verified for the election.

If an issue has been placed on the ballot but is subsequently ruled invalid, this can result in voters casting votes for an issue that will not be counted as well as boards of elections spending thousands of dollars on printed materials related to the issue. A scenario like this one occurred just last year, when the secretary of state's office spent nearly \$300,000 advertising a statewide issue involving regulations for adult businesses that was ultimately rendered invalid.

To help reduce voter confusion and prevent boards of elections from unnecessarily spending thousands of dollars on statewide issues, my colleagues and I in the General Assembly approved House Joint Resolution 3 earlier this year. This resolution proposes a constitutional amendment that would change the filing deadline for all statewide issues to 125 days before the election at which it is to appear on the ballot. Voters will see this as Issue 1 on their ballots.

In addition, Issue 1 would require the secretary of state to determine if there are enough valid signatures on a petition to qualify for the ballot by 105 days before the election. It also requires all challenges to the petitions and signatures to be filed with the Ohio Supreme Court no later than 95 days before the election, and the court must rule on these challenges by the 85th day prior to the election.

Our local boards of elections work hard each year to ensure that Election Day runs smoothly. They should have ample time to perform

duties for complex matters such as statewide ballot issues, and voters should not have to worry that their vote on a particular issue will not count because it was placed on the ballot before it was verified. I believe Issue 1 will make needed changes to Ohio's statewide petition process that will help save money and reduce voter confusion at the polls.

As always, I welcome your thoughts on any of the matters we discuss here at the Statehouse. I can be reached by phone at (614) 466-3760 or by writing me, State Representative Lynn Wachtmann, 77 South High Street, District 75, Columbus, OH 43215.

**ARCHERS FACE OFF AND WIN AGAINST THE LANCERS**

Recently the Antwerp Lady Archers stood strong against the Lincolnview Lady Lancers in varsity volleyball. The Archers took home the win with the scores - 25-16, 25-13. The Archers' record now stands at 14-7 and 6-1 in the GMC.

Individual Archer stats:  
Kelsey Bashore - 10/11 serving, 24/24 setting, 10 assists, 18/18 passing, 12/13 hitting, 7 kills, 10 digs  
Mickae Schlatter - 6/7 serving, 17/20 hitting, 8 kills, 6 digs, 4 blocks  
Kole Schlatter - 6/7 serving, 6/6 passing, 15/17 hitting, 7 kills, 6 digs, 3 blocks  
Toni Winslow - 8/8 hitting, 7 kills, 3 blocks  
Loni Walk - 6/7 serving, 26/26 setting, 13 assists

**ARCHERS FLY OVER PILOTS IN JV FOOTBALL**

On October 13 Antwerp went head to head with Ayrersville in JV football. It was an Archer victory: 19-12.

Summary:  
Brown pass to Anthony Reid 5 yd. Shidler kick failed  
Brown pass to Anthony Reid 30 yd., 2 pt. conv. failed  
Brown pass to Anthony Reid 7 yd., Shidler kick good



**FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK**

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Dog Warden

This week's featured pets are Harley and Diesel. Harley and Diesel are two very precious lab/shar pei mix puppies. They have been at the shelter for a long time and they really need to be adopted so they can romp and play like regular puppies.

Also at the shelter, we have a female lab/golden mix, a four month old female setter mix, a very cute brindle medium size mix, a male boston terrier mix, and a male lab mix.

Due to the poor economic conditions facing families adoptions are very low at animal shelters across the county. At the Paulding County Dog Shelter we have a lot of very nice dogs that really deserve a second chance. If you have room in your home and your heart for a new loving family member please call the shelter.

The Dog Warden's Office will be displaying a Christmas tree at the John Paulding Historical Society's Festival of Trees. Photos of the adoptable dogs will be on the tree in hopes of finding them a home for the holidays. If anyone would like to donate a strand or two of white lights for the tree or a few dog-themed ornaments please call the shelter at 419-399-9728.

Adoption hours are Fridays from 2:00-5:00 p.m. See the dogs at [www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html](http://www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html)

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*MS/HS - Breakfast:*  
 10/22 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk  
 10/23 - French toast stix, sausage links, juice, milk  
 10/24 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
 10/27 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
 10/28 - Sausage biscuit, tator tots, juice, milk  
*MS/HS - Lunch*  
 10/22 - Idaho nachos, breadstick or breaded chicken, corn, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/23 - Ham chef salad, garlic toast, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/24 - Footlong chili dog, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/27 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread or grilled chicken/bun, lettuce & pickles, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/28 - Cold meat sub, pickle spears, chips, assorted fruit, milk  
*Paulding Elementary - Breakfast*  
 10/22 - Assorted cereals, juice, graham crackers, milk  
 10/23 - Poptarts, juice, milk  
 10/24 - Assorted cereals, juice, graham crackers, milk  
 10/27 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk  
 10/28 - Pancake sausage on a stick, juice, milk  
*Paulding Elementary - Lunch*  
 10/22 - Pizza, corn, fruit cup, milk  
 10/23 - Chicken alphabet soup w/crackers, mini carrots, bread w/margarine or peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/24 - Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, fruit cup, milk  
 10/27 - Ham & cheese stromboli, corn, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/28 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread w/margarine, assorted fruit, milk  
*Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast*  
 10/22 - Coco-roos cereal, juice, milk  
 10/23 - Apple zings cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk  
 10/24 - Assorted breakfast w/fruit, milk  
 10/27 - Vanilla clodhoppers, apple cinnamon, waffle snaps, fruit roll, milk  
 10/28 - Cinnamon breakfast bar, juice, milk  
*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch*  
 10/22 - Chicken nuggets w/sauce, whipped potatoes,

bread, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/23 - Chili soup w/ crackers, bread, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/24 - Cheese pizza, corn, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/27 - Chicken noodle soup w/crackers, celery & carrot sticks, bread, assorted fruit, milk  
 10/28 - Philly steak w/ cheese, corn on the cob, assorted fruit, milk

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/22 THROUGH 10/28**

10/22 - Salisbury steak or BBQ smokey on bun, mixed veggies, jello cup, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice  
 10/23 - Fish or sausage patty on bun, tator tots, apple crisp, milk; PLUS: salad bar or chocolate cake w/peanut butter frosting  
 10/24 - Pepperoni pizza or ham salad sandwich, creamy cole slaw, peaches, sherbet cups, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice  
 10/27 - Pizza burger or BBQ rib on bun, green beans, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: salad bar or fruit cup  
 10/28 - Hamburger gravy or pork fritter on bun, peanut butter/jelly bar, peaches, mashed potatoes, milk; PLUS: salad bar or brownie

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/22 THROUGH 10/28**

*Breakfast:*  
 10/22 - Pancakes, sausage, milk  
 10/23 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, milk  
 10/24 - Waffles, sausage, milk  
 10/27 - Pizza, milk  
 10/28 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk  
*Lunch:*  
 10/22 - Walking taco, meat/cheese/lettuce/salsa, corn, pineapple, milk  
 10/23 - Mac/cheese, green beans, pears, milk  
 10/24 - Sloppy joes sandwich, french fries, rice, cookie, sherbet, milk  
 10/27 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, peaches, milk  
 10/28 - Corn dog, french fries, mandarin oranges, milk; WT: Barbeque sandwich

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Wayne Trace	1-4	2-6
Holgate	0-5	0-8

**Northwest Conference**

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LCC	4-2	4-4
Bluffton	3-3	4-4
Spencerville	3-4	4-4
Paulding	2-4	4-4
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**PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS**

- Admissions:*  
10/6 - Nelly Robinson, Paulding  
10/9 - Eugene Vance, Paulding  
10/10 - Lori Manon, Defiance  
10/11 - Erma Pratt, Haviland  
10/13 - Frances Comer, Payne  
10/15 - Jeanette Dimock, Defiance  
*Dismissals:*  
10/6 - Nelly Robinson, Paulding, transferred to Lutheran  
10/8 - Kathleen Pendergrast, Payne  
10/10 - Gayle Sarver, Paulding, transferred to Lutheran  
10/13 - Lori Manon, Defiance  
10/16 - Frances Comer, Payne; Jeanette Dimock, Defiance (transferred to Lutheran); Erma Pratt, Haviland

**READY, SET, GO BUY YOUR STEERS AND START YOUR PROJECTS**



By: Sue Knapp

At a meeting between 4-H parents and the Commissioners on Tuesday evening, October 14, the 4-H's and parents were told that 4-H was safe for 2009. If the levy doesn't pass an anonymous donor has offered to keep the 4-H going for another year.

A large group of people attended the meeting to get some answers about the future of 4-H. Heather Parrett, Lisa Land and Tina Kesler were the spokespersons for the 4-H parents. They provided a petition with 625 signatures and 40 letters to the Commissioners stating their cause.

Tony Burkley, Marty Harmon and Ed Straley were in attendance with Tony Burkley being the spokesperson for the Commissioners.

It was expressed to the Commissioners that "can we afford not to give the youth of this county this opportunity?"

4-H parents also stated on how 4-H helped them while growing up. The positives are endless in helping children in responsibility, self-esteem and a sense of accomplishment among other things.

One question for the Commissioners was why, if the levy did not pass, they could only guarantee monies for 4-H for one year. Tony Burkley commented that nothing is guaranteed, no one knows what will happen in the future.

Tony Burkley also expressed for the Commissioners that they did not want to see 4-H go, but there is only so much they could do. The answer they came up with is to put OSU Ext. on its own levy.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN PAULDING**

A blood drive will be held on Thursday, October 23, at the Extension Building on Fairground Drive in Paulding from 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule your blood donation appointment. You can also call Christine Welty with questions at 419-594-3789. Join Red Cross Racing and earn rewards at redcross-racing.com from now until January 19.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. Please bring your donor card or positive identification with you when you come to donate.

Let West Bend News announce your engagement, wedding or anniversary. It's only \$5 per column for the photo and the announcement is community news.

**WORKING TO STRENGTHEN OHIO'S ELECTIONS PROCESS**

Capitol Letters Weekly  
Column by: Senator Steve Buehrer

When Ohio voters head to the polls this November, they will have an opportunity to not only participate in a historic election for the next President of the United States, but help decide the outcome of several congressional campaigns, state house and senate contests and local government races. In addition, Ohioans will be asked to support or oppose a number of statewide ballot issues that could have a significant impact on the growth of Ohio's economy, the efficiency of our elections process and the quality of life in our communities.

Over the next few weeks, I will use this column to provide some background on these issues and discuss how each one could influence the future direction of our state. With so much at stake this fall, it is important that all voters are prepared to make an informed decision.

Issue 1, which the General Assembly approved for the ballot through passage of House Joint Resolution 3 in June, is a constitutional amendment designed to build confidence in Ohio's elections process, streamline elections administration and save taxpayer dollars. It would require all petitions for statewide ballot initiatives to be filed at least 125 days before an election. The current deadline is 90 days.

In addition, the proposal sets firm deadlines for when the Ohio Secretary of State must determine if there are enough valid signatures to qualify an issue for the ballot, as well as a strict timeline in which legal challenges to signatures or petitions must be filed and ruled on by the Ohio Supreme Court.

While these changes may appear trite, they would have a significant impact on voters, local board of elections and Ohio taxpayers. During the past two elections, Ohioans have cast votes for invalid state issues, because legal challenges to petition signatures had not been resolved at the time ballots had to be printed. This not only impacted voters' confidence in Ohio's

elections system, but cost the state thousands of dollars. In fact, in 2007, Ohio taxpayers paid more than \$300,000 to advertise information about statewide issues that did not qualify for the ballot. Passage of Issue 1 would help alleviate these needless costs and frustrations and restore faith and certainty in the election process.

I would also like to remind all residents of the 1st Senate District that Monday, October 6th is the last day to register to vote in the November election. If you have not registered, please go to your local board of elections to fill out a registration form.

This is a crucial time in our history. What happens on November 4th will have a tremendous bearing on the future of our state and national economy, our country's security, and the quality of life in our communities. I look forward to continuing the discussion about the statewide issues in the coming weeks, and as we approach Election Day, I urge everyone to study the ballot and get involved.

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.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

I would like to take this opportunity to urge you to support the library levy. The branch library in Oakwood has breathed new life in our community. It has become a center of activity for children, teens and adults. I am sure that the ones in Antwerp and Payne have become equally valuable to their communities.

Libraries are one of the great bargains we have in this life and I hope you will lend ours your support.

—Jeanne Calvert

Due to the overwhelming response in favor of the Library Levy, our "Letter to the Editor" section was overstocked. More to come next week.

—WBN Editors

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