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## OHIOANS TESTS POSITIVE FOR SWINE FLU

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) today confirmed a case of swine flu involving a nine year old boy from Lorain County. The patient is considered to have a mild case of the disease and is recovering at home.

Because this combination of strains of the influenza virus is new, ODH and local health departments remind Ohioans of the precautions they should take to avoid exposure. As with all newly emerging flu strains, no vaccine has yet been developed.

"I urge Ohioans to be alert to information about this new flu," said ODH Director Alvin D. Jackson, MD. "In addition, the tried-and-true saying about washing hands and covering one's cough remains sound medical advice."

Symptoms of this swine flu virus closely resemble seasonal flu, and include fever, weakness, coughing and lack of appetite.

ODH and local health departments are working with health care providers and hospitals around the state to determine if there are other cases. According to recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention (CDC), all health care providers who see patients with flu-like symptoms and learn that the patient traveled to Mexico, affected counties in Southern California or Texas during the seven days preceding their illness onset, should have nasal swab samples from the patient tested. Recommendations from ODH and CDC include:

—Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

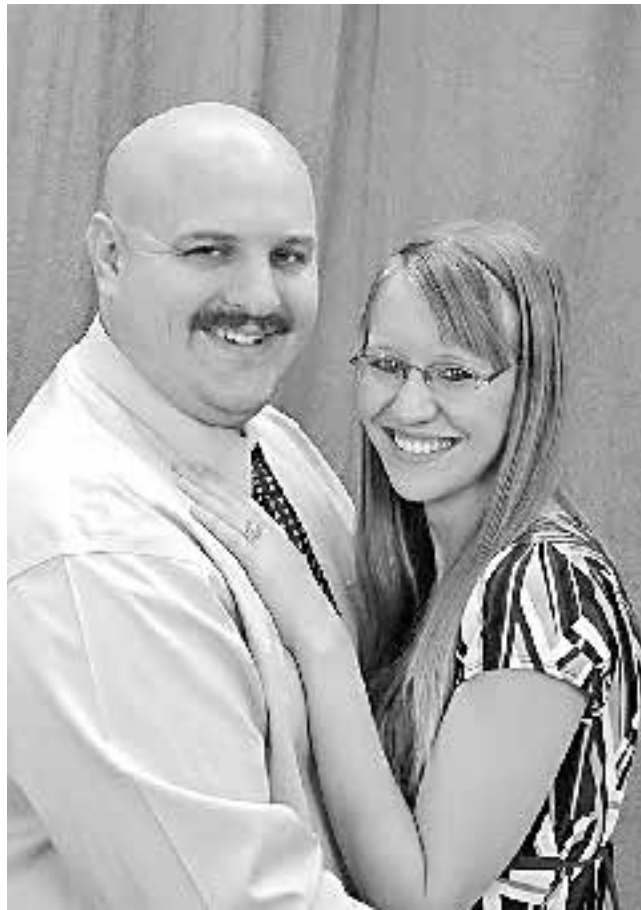
—Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.

—Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

—If you get sick with influenza, CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.

Additional information is available on the ODH and CDC websites at <http://www.odh.ohio.gov> and <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/>. The Ohio Department of Health will be providing additional updates as information becomes available.

## KOCH - MCDOUGALL



Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Koch and Ms. Brenda Koch of Paulding would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Ashley Koch to Matthew McDougall son of Mrs. Mary Ellen McDougall and the late Floyd McDougall of Cecil.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Wayne Trace

High School, she is employed by Paulding Medical Center and the Village of Paulding as an EMT. Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Paulding High School. He is employed with the Hicksville Police Department. The couple will exchange vows on June 6, 2009 at the First Presbyterian Church in Cecil, Ohio.

### REMINDER TO BE RESPONSIBLE WITH RECYCLING

The Antwerp recycling has been very successful due to all the Antwerp area residents who use the facility regularly. Recently, items have been placed in the trailer that are not recyclable or not a part of our recycling program. We are able to take #1 plastic, #2 plastic (milk jugs, detergent and oil containers which are cleaned out), newspapers, glass food containers and bottles, including beer and wine bottles (must be cleaned out), and aluminum cans. We are unable to accept rubber tires, residential window glass, construction debris, or any other items not listed above. If people continue to place non-recyclable items in the trailer, the trailer will have to be moved to a secure location and open only during very limited hours.

—The Antwerp Rotary Club

## A.H.S. ANNOUNCES VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

Chris Henry has been named valedictorian of Antwerp High School class of 2009. His GPA is 3.875 on a 4.0 scale. He is the son of April Fruit and William Henry.

He has earned the Scholar Athlete Award, vice president of National Honor Society, played varsity football, varsity track & field, student technology services, and Varsity A club.

He earned the Land Grant Opportunity Scholarship. His plans included attending the Ohio State University to study computer and information science.

Justin Donat has been named salutatorian of Antwerp High School class of 2009. He has a 3.831 GPA on a 4.0 scale. He is the son of Gary & Kristi Donat and Tracey & Richard McCombs.

Justin has earned the Academic Achievement Award; Academic Excellent Award for Biology, English I & English II; Outstanding band member - freshman, sophomore, and junior years; John Philip Sousa Award. He has been drum major for the



Chris Henry

high school marching band and National Honor Society treasurer. Justin has also been a part of the contemporary band at the Antwerp United Methodist Church.

His future plans include attending Butler University where he will study Pharmacy.



Justin Donat



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**THE LONG-LASTING INFLUENCE ON YOUR FAMILY**

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

Regardless what critics say, families who build their lives and their relationships on biblical principles and who are committed to Jesus Christ have the greatest likelihood of not just survival, but also lasting joy.

Not that destruction and devastation can't come to even the finest Christian families. But the odds are so much greater when a husband and wife have given their lives to Christ, covenanted to be another for life, and are striving to rear their children according to God's word.

The principles which govern your family life have influence not only on TODAY, but also on generations to come. Godly families leave their descendants a rich heritage and a sterling example to follow.

Apart from God's grace a damaged family is injured

for many generations to follow. Destroyed marriages and hurt children produce a progeny of discouraged offspring which beget the same... and worse. Max Jukes was a no-good horse thief, married to a woman of like kind. From their loins came 310 professional vagrants, 440 lives wrecked by debauchery, 130 prisoners, seven murderers, 100 alcoholics, 60 habitual thieves, and 190 public prostitutes. It is no wonder Andrew Murray said a hundred years ago that "the family is Satan's greatest stronghold."

But in contrast, a marriage built on godly principles will strengthen generations yet unborn. Unlike Max Jukes, the offspring of the great preacher, Jonathan Edwards, includes 13 college presidents, 65 professors, 100 lawyers and a dean of law school, 30 judges, 66 physicians, 80 public officers, three U.S. Senators, three mayors of large cities, three governors, one controller of the U.S. treasury, and one Vice President of the U.S. (study done by A.E. Winship)

Strong churches, communities, and countries do not make strong families; rather, strong families make strong churches, communities, and countries.

**CREATION 1**

**By: James Potter, The Oakwood church of Christ**

In our last study we made it through Genesis 1:5 and stopped with talking about day. Now, looking at Genesis 1:6-8, and the second day of creation. In verse 6 the word firmament is used and the Hebrew word for this is Ragia and means an expanse, the sky, the space above the earth. This is Hebrew for to hammer out, or to spread out.

Continuing with verse 6 it mentions dividing the waters, this means the water between the earth and the universe or space above, some Bible scholars called this fog; Read Jeremiah 10:12-13; 51:15-16. Read Psalms 136:5-9; II Peter 3:5-7; God divided our atmosphere from the universe and looking at two Hebrew words, Bara conveys the thought of creation out of nothing and the other word is asah and it is broader in scope and depth with refinement. The outer firmament is called heaven, which is the universe and not the heaven where God dwells. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

Genesis 1:9-13 these verses tell of dry land and vegetation. In verse 9 we read let the waters be gathered together, just how did God do this? Read Psalms 104:5-9 for the answer. Also in verse 9 dry land appeared and we read in verse 10 that God called the dry land Earth. There are two Hebrew words for earth, one is Adamah and is translated as earth, ground, land and country in the King James Version of the Bible. The other word is Erets and this word means earth, the physical planet and this word is much more diverse and frequent in its use than Adamah. Erets is the word used in Genesis 1:10. The word seas means the different bodies of water as I said earlier read Psalms 104:5-9.

In Genesis 1:11-12 God spoke and vegetation appeared according to its kind. Notice in the creation such as vegetation, this includes trees, grass, everything that is vegetation, then all the fowl, animals, fish, and humans were the last to be created, when all was created they were created in adult form. Notice in verse 12 God said after his kind and that it was good. This finishes the third day of creation. Please remember that Jesus loves you and so do I! For bible questions please call (419)399-5022 or (419)393-4775.

**30 HOUR FAMINE HELD BY TWO ANTWERP UMCS**

The Youth Groups of Antwerp UMC and Bethel UMC are getting together to fight hunger around the world. From May 16 at 9:00 a.m. to May 17 at 3:00 p.m. they are having a 30 hour famine which will be held at the Antwerp UMC. They "Will Starve For Food" is the motto and all proceeds will go to World Vision to fight hunger around the world. This does include the U.S.A. If anyone is interested in sponsoring these amazing youths in their efforts to raise money contact the UMC at 419-258-4901.

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By: Ellen Williams, PEVS
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Celebrate books and reading during Children's Book Week, May 12-18. Children's Book Week introduces young people to new authors and ideas in schools, libraries, homes, and bookstores.
The Johnson Memorial Library has a full schedule of programs and workshops planned for Children's Book Week. To celebrate Children's Book Week on Monday, May 11, from 3:00-5:00 p.m., the Johnson Memorial Library will be sponsoring a Children's Book Week Make & Take Craft Day.

games from home must have them approved by me prior to the event. Games cannot be rated higher than T for Teen," explained Youth Services Librarian Dustin Harris.
If you have any questions or would like additional information about Children's Book Week or the 70th Anniversary of Hicksville Library Services, please call or email the Johnson Memorial Library at 419-542-6200 or murphyam@oplin.org.

UNDERSTANDING H1N1 (SWINE) FLU

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Agent
Source: Steve Moeller, OSU Extension, OARDC
Ohio swine producers follow diligent swine production practices to prevent the introduction of disease-causing organisms in their herds. For consumers concerned about the recent swine influenza outbreaks and their impacts on pork safety, understanding such intensive protocols is important.

Woodlan Jr/Sr. High School
Student of the Month - April '09
Woodlan Jr/Sr High School's Student of the Month is senior Kirsten Unsicker. Kirsten is the daughter of Todd and Mary Ann Unsicker of Woodburn. Kirsten earned these honors not only because she is an outstanding student, but for the conscientiousness and work ethic she consistently displays. She is an out-of-the box thinker, who is fun-loving and has high moral standards. Kirsten has managed the volleyball team for three years, and track and baseball for one year each. In addition, she is a one-year member of service club and a two-year member of the National Honor Society.

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On Thursday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m., the Hicksville Community Service Center will sponsor A Tisket A Tasket Plant Yourself a Basket Program. Linda Owens will share information on container and basket gardening, and then the participants will plant their own basket garden. There is a supply cost for the workshop and workshop participants are asked to bring a basket and gloves. Since the workshop size is limited, please pre-register early by calling the Hicksville Community Service Center at 419-542-7173.
Rather than sitting around bored, come on out and enjoy the Johnson Memorial Library's free Video Game Days on May 15-16. On May 15 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. and May 16 from 9:00 a.m.-noon, the library will host free Nintendo Wii Days, which are open to everyone.
"We will be having video game days with our Gamecubes and our new Wii. Anyone wanting to bring in

note that the virus has not been isolated in any animals to date. In addition, swine influenza viruses are not spread by food; therefore, consumers will not be infected with swine influenza from eating pork or pork products. Eating properly handled and cooked meat products is safe for the consumer," said Steve Moeller, an Ohio State University Extension swine specialist. "Second, it's critical for consumers to know that Ohio's swine producers implement extensive biosecurity protocols and carry out best management practices to prevent the introduction of disease-causing organisms to their operations. These practices protect the pig, the producer and the consumer."
"Scientific advances in disease diagnostics, vaccine development, and effective vaccination protocols have allowed the swine producer to provide protection to the pig for numerous harmful diseases while simultaneously protecting the health of the caretakers and improving the safety and wholesomeness of the food products at the consumer level," said Moeller.
"There are swine vaccinations to combat the more common strains of swine specific influenza; however, the ability of the existing vaccines to prevent the new, multi-component avian, swine, and human variant is not known. At this time, it is also not known if this new strain of influenza causes any type of illness in swine. Unfortunately, the flu viruses found in human and animal populations continually adapt and change making vaccine development very challenging."
Maintaining the health of the swine caretaker is also paramount for the general public. To reduce the chance of transfer of influenza from animal to human, human to animal, or human to human, Moeller encourages animal caretakers to practice good personal hygiene, thoroughly wash hands after handling animals, consider use of plastic gloves and dust masks in swine facilities, and wear clean clothing and boots when entering swine facilities and between different production areas.
"Through multiple biosecurity approaches, swine

producers continue to make the care and well being of their pigs and caretakers a high priority as they strive to produce safe and wholesome pork for the consumers," said Moeller.
For additional information on swine influenza or biosecurity measures please contact the Ohio Pork Producer Council at http://ohio-pork.org, or the National Pork Board at http://pork.org.
PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS
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4/27 - Antonia Godoy, Payne
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# ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL'S HONORS DIPLOMA RECIPIENTS



These Antwerp High School seniors will receive the Honors Diploma on graduation: Front row (l-r) Mickae Schlatter, Michele Stuart, Alexis Godeke, and Kole Schlatter. Back row (l-r) Caleb Lee, Chris Henry, Derek Reid, and Justin Donat.

ODOT will then notify signal owners – often a city or county – about the problem and offer recommendations, such as increasing the sensitivity of the in-ground loop detectors which trigger the signal. Another possible solution is to paint symbols on the pavement where motorcyclists should stop to activate the loop detector.

ODOT will update the state's construction specifications later this summer to improve traffic signal safety at future intersections. Any new signals that are paid for using federal or state transportation money will be required to follow the updated specifications, which will include improved layout and sensitivity requirements for loop detectors.

With riding season now underway, ODOT is joining the Ohio Department of Public Safety and the Ohio Highway Patrol on a new campaign to improve motorcycle safety. "Ride SMART" encourages motorcyclists to ride Sober; ride Motorcycle endorsed; ride Alert; use the Right gear; and ride Trained.

Motorcycle fatalities have increased 35 percent over the last three years on Ohio's roads, from 133 fatalities in 2004 to 214 fatalities in 2008.

ODOT will display motorcycle safety messages on highway message boards in Columbus, Cincinnati, and Dayton over the next several weeks during weeknights and weekends.

Motorcyclists can get up-to-date road closure and construction information by visiting [www.buckeyetraffic.org](http://www.buckeyetraffic.org). ODOT's 24-hour online source for state roadway and traffic conditions.

### THANK YOU

The family of Wayne Shuherk would like to thank our family and friends for their prayers, support and words of comfort during this difficult time. Thank you for the flowers, cards, and food and all the beautiful mementos given in Wayne's memory. To those who made memorial donations, thank you. To the staff of Antwerp's Manor House Assisted Living, Paulding County Hospital, and Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center, thank you for the care and compassion given by all of you as caregivers to Wayne and to you Dr. Gray, a special thank you. Donna Stutzman, we would like to thank you for your presence at the Defiance Inpatient Hospice and for the beautiful service. Thanks to Shawn and Michelle Dooley and your staff for your professionalism. We also would like to thank the staff at the Essen House Restaurant for the meal following the funeral. It was wonderful. To everyone who paid their respects and sent condolences, God bless.

—Dennis W. Shuherk family,  
Douglas W. Shuherk family,  
Marc D. Shuherk family

### ELIZABETH HEDRICK CELEBRATES 80 YEARS!

A birthday celebration for Elizabeth Irene "Liz" Hedrick's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday will be held on Saturday, May 9 at 5:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 253, Erie Street (49S), Antwerp, Ohio. A buffet meal will be served and a covered dish will be welcomed.

### ODOT IMPROVING TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAFETY FOR MOTORCYCLES AND SCOOTERS

As more Ohioans choose motorcycles and scooters as their primary means of transportation in warmer weather, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is taking special steps to ensure their safety at intersections across the state.

Over the past several months, ODOT has worked closely with the American Motorcycle Association to target automated traffic signals that are not sensitive enough to recognize when a motorcycle or scooter is waiting for a light to change. Frustrated bikers or the drivers in cars behind them may choose to run the red light, putting them and other motorists at serious risk.

Last year there were 60 intersection-related motorcycle fatalities, representing nearly a third of all motorcycle fatalities in Ohio.

To enlist the help of Ohio's motorcyclists, ODOT has set up a special phone number (614) 387-0722 and email address [bike.report@dot.state.oh.us](mailto:bike.report@dot.state.oh.us) for motorcyclists to report these problem intersections.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

May 4-8, 2009 is National Teacher Appreciation Week. Teachers at all grade levels make a difference daily in the lives of their students. We would like to recognize teachers for their dedication to every child that enters their classroom. Teachers inspire children to learn and grow in so many ways. A teacher takes time out of his or her busy schedule to ensure that a child knows and understands what is being taught. A teacher is a person who is not only concerned about the education a child is receiving, but also addresses so many life issues as well. Teachers, we all notice what you do for children, but rarely express

our appreciation to you. I hope the community will join me in applauding the dedication and commitment of our teachers. Thank a teacher today!

—Jami Sullivan, Sylvan Learning Center

### USED BOOK SALE AT COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Oakwood Library Association will be having a Used Book Sale May 18-23 in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library. The Friends group is accepting donations of used books which you can drop off at the Cooper Community Library until May 16. The book sale will be open during library hours, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 11:00-7:00, Wednesday and Friday 10:00-5:00, and 9:00-12:00 on Saturday. All proceeds from the book sale will be used for library programming needs and utilities.

### PAULDING MASTER GARDENERS TO HOST PLANT SALE

The Paulding County Master Gardeners will be holding their annual plant sale from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 15 during the Paulding Garage Sale Days. The plant sale will still be located at 902 Kay Nora St. Items being offered for sale this year include bedding flowers, vegetable plants, and perennials. Proceeds from the sale benefit local community projects. Please direct all questions and phone calls to the Paulding County OSU Extension Office at 419-399-8225.

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**FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK**

**By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Dog Warden**

Tootsie is this week's featured pet. Tootsie is a young adult yellow lab mix. She looks like a lab but she is a really tall girl with little white toes. She is a happy go-lucky girl that I think would love to live in the country.

Cotton, the little poodle, did get adopted. The shelter had over 50 calls for her. I tried to get everyone called back that inquired about her but I am afraid I might have missed a few. So, for everyone that called for her please know that she did get a wonderful home here in the county.

Also, at the shelter we have a female black lab type mix

and a medium size female beagle mix.

Come out and see the dogs on Fridays from 2:00-5:00 p.m. or see the dogs on the web at [www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html](http://www.petfinder.org/shelters/OH709.html) any time.

**V.E.T.S. WRIGHT PATTERSON BUS TRIP CANCELLED**

The V.E.T.S. May 30<sup>th</sup> Bus trip to Wright Patterson Air Force Museum in Dayton has been cancelled due to reasons beyond our control. To those who have paid your reservations, you may transfer the payment towards another scheduled bus trip or you may request a full refund by contacting Sue Beck @ 419/399-3806.

V.E.T.S. looks forward to you joining us on a re-scheduled trip with Sue at a later date. Please call Karen Sanders at 419-399-5764 if you have questions.

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**OHIO PREPARED FOR FLU OUTBREAK**

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

The world was put on high alert this past week over growing concerns about the spread of a new, potentially deadly strain of flu called H1N1. According to statistics from the World Health Organization (WHO) as of May 4, the virus, which has been widely classified in the media as "swine flu," has infected 985 people in 20 countries and been linked to several deaths. Specifically, there have been more than 225 confirmed infections in the United States, including a young boy from Northeast Ohio.

On Wednesday, April 29, the WHO raised their pandemic flu alert to Phase 5, which is one step below a global outbreak. President Obama has also urged schools with confirmed or suspected cases of H1N1 to "strongly consider temporarily closing." As of Friday, nearly 300 schools across the country had closed, including 200 in Texas and 60 in Alabama, as well as schools in Ohio and several other states.

The H1N1 influenza virus is a common cause of illness in the world's swine population. While it can be transmitted from pigs-to-humans, as well as humans-to-humans, these cases are relatively rare. In fact the Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention (CDC) reported only 12 instances of human infection with swine flu from December 2005 through February 2009.

However, the current strand of H1N1 influenza making news across the globe is different than the common swine flu. This new virus appears to carry elements of the human flu, avian flu and swine flu, while demonstrating an ability to jump from human-to-human.

While scientists continue to study the situation, there are a number of questions still left unanswered. For instance, how many people have the virus? The WHO has confirmed 985 cases of H1N1 flu worldwide, but there could be thousands more people who have had the virus that simply didn't get tested.

When and where did it start? While the virus began to appear in Mexico several weeks ago, there is no guarantee that it originated in that country.

How serious will the problem get? Aside from Mexico, which has reported hundreds of infections and several deaths from H1N1, most of the cases of infection in the U.S. and elsewhere have been no more serious than the average human flu. However, the potential is there for the virus to become more dangerous.

As researchers work to find answers to these questions and slow the spread of H1N1, it is important to know that Ohio is prepared should the problem get worse. Several years ago, the Ohio Department of Health and other key state agencies helped develop the Ohio Pandemic Flu Preparedness and Response Plan, a comprehensive strategy to prepare for, identify, respond to and attempt to control a pandemic flu outbreak. The plan, which can be found at [www.ohiopandemicflu.gov](http://www.ohiopandemicflu.gov), requires a collaborative effort

between local, state and federal leaders, agencies, businesses and health care providers.

At the same time, Ohio has begun to receive several resources from the federal government to help prepare for a possible pandemic flu outbreak, including gowns, masks, gloves and other protective gear, as well as medications that can help treat the H1N1 virus. There have also been efforts to activate emergency preparedness plans at the local level.

While it is important to be prepared and take steps to protect against the spread of H1N1, because the virus has been widely classified as "swine flu," many people have been confused into thinking that they could get infected by eating pork products. First of all, there is no clear evidence that the current H1N1 virus in humans was transmitted from pigs. In addition, you cannot get swine flu from eating properly handled and cooked pork.

Fears about the spread of swine flu through pork products led China and Russia to announce a ban on imports from some U.S. states and Mexico. Also, health officials in Egypt unnecessarily ordered the slaughter of an estimated 300,000 pigs in that country. These actions and misinformation about the spread of H1N1 have had a tremendous financial impact on our country's already struggling pork industry.

After listening to the concerns of pork producers, the WHO recently decided to stop using the term "swine flu" to describe the current influenza outbreak. The organization will now call the virus "influenza A H1N1 flu." Other groups have also followed suit with similar name changes.

While many people are understandably concerned about the spread of H1N1 flu, I can assure you that in the coming days, with a solid emergency preparedness plan in place, state and local officials will continue to monitor the situation and do whatever possible to protect the health and well-being of Ohioans.

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

**REPRESENTATIVE WACHTMANN ANNOUNCES PAS-SAGE OF STATE BUDGET**

State Representative Lynn Wachtmann (R- Napoleon) yesterday announced the Ohio House of Representatives passed House Bill 1, the two-year, \$54 billion state operating budget. The bill includes funding for the operation of state government agencies and services.

The House-passed version of House Bill 1 increases government spending by more than \$1 billion over the next two years. House Democrats established the proposal using a more optimistic growth in tax revenue projections than the governor's proposal, when all indicators point to a decline in revenues of the over two years. In addition, the plan maintains the governor's original proposal to include more than \$4.3 billion in one-time revenue sources, including approximately \$2.2 billion in temporary federal funding and draining the state's \$1 billion rainy day fund.

Ohio's Medicaid expenditures are 40 percent higher than the national average. Yet, the House proposal continues the expansion of Medicaid without providing for any cost efficiency measures. Furthermore, the plan maintains the governor's proposal to institute \$1 billion in fees to raise funds for Medicaid and other government operations. For example, the House

Democrats increased the governor's proposed hospital franchise fee by \$111 million, which is essentially a tax on hospitals to pay for Medicaid.

"It's time we dispel the myth that welfare does our constituents a service," Wachtmann said. "Communities with the largest welfare systems are least able to help themselves, especially after calamities. More welfare weakens society, whereas hard work and initiative strengthen our society."

"Government programs are not the solution—they will simply create a reliance on government that weakens America and harms the future of our economy. Our forefathers warned us repeatedly that society will take a turn for the worse if ever we teach our citizens to be takers instead of givers."

While Medicaid spending increases, House Bill 1 flat funds state aid to Ohio's local school districts. Overall, the proposal cuts state funding for education by \$216 million and \$167 million in fiscal years 2010 and 2011, respectively, compared to 2009 funding levels. In addition, House Democrats have underfunded their plan by \$2.5 billion in fiscal year 2010 and \$2.7 billion in fiscal year 2011.

House Bill 1 was approved by a 53-45 vote. The bill now moves to the Senate for further consideration.

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**BABY FACE NELSON**

**By: Stan Jordan**

He was born December 6th, 1908 in Chicago, IL. He was born Lester Joseph Gillis. He was sometimes known as George Nelson. He was a gangster and bank robber in the 1930's and was called Baby Face Nelson because of his youthful appearance and small stature.

He was called George by his family, and in his early years around Chicago he spent a lot of time stealing cars and meeting some future members of the Roger "Terrible" Toughy Gang.

He was arrested for robbery when he was 13 and sent to penal school. He had a terrible disposition and a violent temper and sometimes he couldn't control it. His employment with Al Capone ended quickly because of his temper.

He was arrested in 1931 for robbery and sent to state prison; while he was being transported, he overpowered his guard and escaped.

He had a buddy, Eddie Bentz, and they robbed their first bank in Grand Haven, MI on August 18, 1933. The robbery was almost a com-

plete disaster, but all of them did escape and made a clean get away.

Nelson hit the big time in 1934 when he teamed up with the Dillinger Gang. But Nelson was the exact opposite of the sort of Robin Hood figure that Dillinger sometimes used. He did not hesitate to kill any lawman or even an innocent bystander.



Sometimes he was called Public Enemy #1; during this era he and Clyde Barrow, were credited with killing twelve lawmen.

But even with this, Nelson was a devoted husband and father. He sometimes had his wife and family with him when he was on the run.

After Dillinger's demise

Baby Face became Public Enemy #1. It is said that he planned to rob one bank every day for a month to outdo Dillinger, but I don't think that ever occurred.

The Battle of Barrington took place on November 27, 1934 outside of Chicago that caused the death of Special Agents Herman Hollis and Samuel P. Cowley.

Baby Face Nelson and his wife Helen Gillis and John Paul Chase were driving down the road, and they saw a police car driving in the opposite direction.

Nelson hated any and all police and carried a list of license plates of police and FBI cars. You see, there wasn't all that many automobiles in those days. He apparently recognized it as a police car and gave chase.

Both cars stopped and all occupants got out. Nelson's wife and Chase used their car for cover. But Nelson walked right up to this police car, both pistols blazing. He yelled and fired and said, "I'm going to kill all of you SOB's!"

Nelson nearly fell flat from his 17 bullet wounds. The two agents lay dead on the road. Chase and Helen loaded Nelson in the police car and left the scene.

A team of agents was dispatched to the scene and found the bodies of the agents. They scouted the area for any signs of the car or people. They got an anonymous tip where to find Nelson's body.

The body was wrapped in a blanket in a ditch in front of St. Peter's Catholic Church in Skokie, IL.

His wife said he died at 8:00 p.m. the night before and she wrapped him in a blanket because he always hated being cold.

Baby Face Nelson and his wife Helen are buried in St. Joseph Cemetery in River Grove, IL.

Like the Good Book says—If you live by the sword, you will die by the sword.

Just a note from Stan—I remember when I was a little boy, my mom bought articles from The Jewel Tea Man, and their headquarters was in Barrington, IL.

See Ya!

**MACHINE GUN KELLY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

He was born George Kelly Barnes in 1895 in Memphis, TN. His father was a well-to-do insurance executive. He was raised in the traditional way with a number of brothers and sisters.

He graduated out of Cen-

tral High School in Memphis. It is still there and rated as the oldest one of Memphis' public schools.

He enrolled in Agriculture in Mississippi State University (MSU). Right from the start he was considered a poor student. The highest grade he earned was a C+ for physical hygiene.

He was constantly in trouble with the faculty, and he spent most of his time working off the demerits he earned and was soon flunked out.

About this time, he met and married Geneva Ramsey. They had two children. He



didn't want to rely on his parents support, so he took a job as a taxi driver. His father didn't like George's antics at college and he didn't like Geneva, that strained the relationship, so the couple soon parted.

As this was the prohibition era, he could find work anywhere as a bootlegger or anything tied to that profession. He had a few scrapes with the Memphis Police so he picked up a new girl friend and left town.

He changed his name to George Kelly to protect his family name. He had run ins with the Tulsa, OK. Police. He committed several small robberies and bootlegging misdemeanors. The Tulsa Police picked him up for selling liquor to the Indians in 1928. He was given three years in Leavenworth, but as he was a model prisoner, he got out early.

It was about this time that he married Kathryn Thorne. It was she who bought him his first machine gun. She went to great lengths to publicize his prowess with the Tommy Gun. She even coined the nickname Machine Gun Kelly. They say, she even arranged some small robberies, to make his name known.

Kelly's last criminal act was to kidnap a wealthy Oklahoma City resident Charles Urschel and his friend Walter R. Jarrett. This man Urschel was always blindfolded, but all while he was being held, he made mental notes of all sounds around him and he tried to leave his finger prints where ever he could. All of this was helpful to the FBI during the investigation and trial. They learned that Urschel had been held as a prisoner in Paradise, TX.

After 56 days of investigation the police located this bunch in the home of JC Technor there in Memphis. The FBI was summoned, and on the early morning hours of September 26, 1933 a raid was conducted and these people were arrested by Memphis Police.

As he was apprehended, he did not have a weapon, and it is said he shouted, "Don't shoot G-men! Don't shoot, G-men!"

The media started calling the FBI or G-men according to reports I have read, but I have heard other stories about the word G-men. The media

still has a penchant for using nicknames even in professional sports.

On October 12, 1933, George and Kathryn Kelly were sentenced to life in prison. But between Katie and her mother she go exonerated.

But their trial became a lot of firsts in the trial business. One was, it was the first and last federal trial in the United States that allowed movie cameras in the court room. It was the first trial after the passing the Linbergh Law that made kidnapping a federal crime and the first time that defendants were transported by airplane.

Kelly spent 21 years in Alcatraz. It was at this time that he was called Pop Gun Kelly. This was because he was a model prisoner, and not the brutal killer his wife made him out to be.

Machine Gun Kelly died of a heart attack in Leavenworth, KS in 1954; his 59th birthday. He is buried in Cottondale Texas Cemetery. As near as I know, he never killed anybody.

See ya!



**By: Stan Jordan**

There had been trouble in the barnyard for a few days. The old rooster was trying to be pushed out by the younger roosters.

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## PAULDING COUNTY ARRA FOR EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM

Paulding County has been chosen to receive \$8,833 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county. These funds have been made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from the Salvation Army; American Red Cross; United Jewish Communities; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; and, United Way of America. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the

country.

A Local Board made up of Paulding County representatives will determine how funds to Paulding County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds made available through the ARRA. The Local Board will meet Friday May 22, 2009 at the United Way of Paulding County office.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must; 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government; 2) be eligible to receive federal funds, 3) have an accounting system, 4) practice nondiscrimination, 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 6) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualify-

ing agencies are urged to participate and must request an application by Monday May 18, 2009.

Paulding County has distributed Emergency Food and Shelter funds previously with Center for Child and Family Advocacy, YWCA of Van Wert, St. Paul United Methodist Food Pantry, Grover Hill Food Pantry, The Caring and Sharing Food Pantry, and Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission participating.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for ARRA Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Nancy Hessler at United Way of Paulding County at 419-399-5300 or email pcuw@windstream.net for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is Wednesday May 20, 2009.

## BUEHRER URGES SUPPORT FOR BILL TO ESTABLISH WAR OF 1812 COMMISSION

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) recently gave sponsor testimony before the Senate State & Local Government & Veterans Affairs Committee on Senate Bill 93, legislation which seeks to raise public awareness about Ohio's role in the War of 1812 and help preserve important historic sites across the state.

"The War of 1812 was a key event in Ohio's history that should be celebrated and preserved for future generations of Ohioans," said Buehrer.

The War of 1812 was critical to America's fight for independence from the British Empire, our country's expansion into the Northwest Territory—which, today, includes Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin—and our relationship with Canada. Sen. Buehrer noted that the war was fought in 31 Ohio counties, including sites in Auglaize, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding and Putnam Counties in the 1st Senate District.

As the country approaches the 200th anniversary of the war, community leaders and historians from Northwest Ohio asked Sen. Buehrer to lead an effort in the General Assembly to help remember the significant contribution of the region and state to this important military conflict.

SB 93, which Sen. Buehrer introduced on April 2 with bipartisan support, would create the State of Ohio War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission to help plan celebrations and educational events to commemorate the anniversary of the war and its significance in our state and nation's history. The 18-member Bicentennial Commission would include two legislators and seven members of the public, including a representative from the Native American community, who all have substantial knowledge and appreciation of the War of 1812. In addition, the panel would include officials from the Ohio Department of Education, Ohio Department of Commerce, Adjutant General's Office, Ohio Division of Tourism, National Afro-American Museum, Ohio Humanities Council, Ohio Historical Society and Northwest State Community College.

"While not often mentioned in discussion about

our country's rich military history, the War of 1812 helped shape Ohio's landscape, influence our relationship with Canada, and most importantly, continued our Fore Fathers' fight for independence from Britain," explained Buehrer. "Ohio's role in this momentous event and all the people from our state who fought and died for this worthy cause should be celebrated and remembered."

SB 93 is expected to have further hearings in the Senate State & Local Government & Veterans Affairs Committee in the coming weeks.

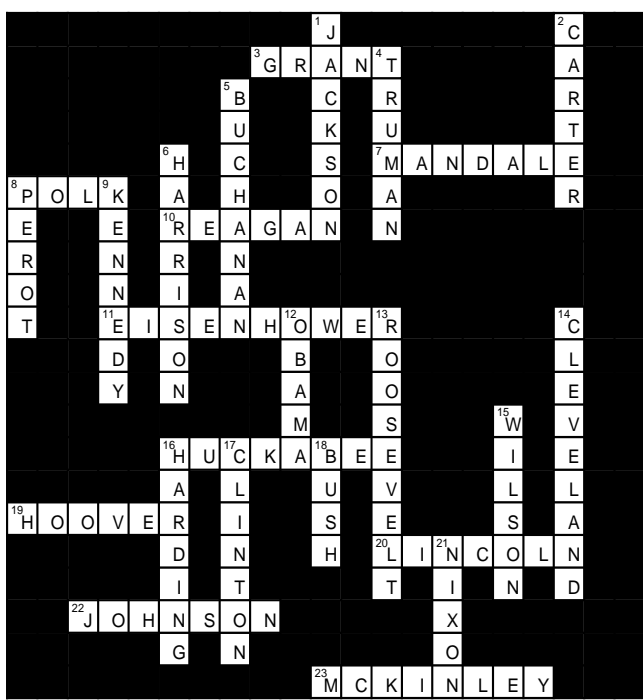
## REGULARLY SCHEDULED TRAC MEETING NOTICE

Ohio's Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) is scheduled to convene its next meeting on Thursday, May 14, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation's Central Office in Columbus.

ODOT Director Jolene M. Molitoris, who serves as chair of the council, will brief TRAC members on the department's investment of federal transportation stimulus funds through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Director Molitoris will explain the process by which ODOT researched and prioritized potential stimulus projects across Ohio, as submitted to the state's stimulus website, [www.recovery.ohio.gov](http://www.recovery.ohio.gov). The TRAC may be called upon to vote on any necessary actions based upon the ARRA project selections.

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# "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VISITORS FROM JAPAN



The Japanese Rotary Group Study Exchange team is seated in the front row as members of the Vantage Culinary Arts class and their teacher stand behind them after lunch in the Cup & Saucer restaurant.

It was a pleasure to receive a visit from Van Wert Rotary member Stan Agler a few weeks ago. He was arranging a schedule for Japanese Rotarians who would be stopping in Van Wert while visiting Ohio. When asked if they could come and see what Vantage had to offer, there was no hesitation.

our visitors toured Vantage. They were especially interested in Culinary Arts, Precision Machining, Carpentry, Electricity, Network Systems and Early Childhood Education.

It was a great opportunity for Vantage students and staff to share their knowledge with visitors a long way



Members of the Japanese GSE team and Van Wert Rotary President Phil Farris, watch closely as junior Electricity student Philip Luersman from Continental works on a motor control panel.

So, on a warmer-than-usual April Friday, five guests from Japan, along with some local Rotarians, came to Vantage. The occupations of the visitors were varied to say the least. One was a dietician, another was a professional musician, one was an engineer, another worked in for the city as a government employee and the leader of the Group Student Exchange was the head of a manufacturing company.

The Culinary Arts class and their teacher Ms. Kristy Bidlack, prepared and served a delicious feast as administrators and guests mingled in the Cup & Saucer restaurant.

After a flag exchange between the two Rotary clubs,

from home.

This school year is quickly winding down. The senior awards assembly will be held on Tuesday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commons. The last day for Vantage seniors will be Thursday, May 21 and the last day of school for all Vantage juniors will be Tuesday, May 26.

## PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK PLAYS HOST TO MEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Paulding Reservoir Park will host a Men's class d/e Worth Warm-Up Tournament on May 16th. The first 16 Teams signed will play. To enter please call 419-399-2981.

## OAKWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 3/23/09

A regular council meeting was held on 3/23/09. Those attending were Jim Varner, Susan Barron, Vicky Long, Bill Baker, Bill Sherry, Kenny Thomas, Mark Figert, Ron Eakins, Dan Eakins, Danny Akers, and John Keyes.

After the pledge the clerk took roll call with all council members present with Mayor Henke presiding.

Former clerk Susan Barron presented council with her resignation letter that she had turned in to council eight years ago. The purpose of the reviewing the past was to remind council and the Mayor how rude they were with her and forced her out the door, and reminded them not to do the same thing to the current clerk. You guys gave Dolly a raise and then turn around and say she gets paid too much. This is not an easy job and stated that Dolly has eight years of experience and does a good job. You people need reminded of duties and the responsibilities that the clerk has to consume. It's a tough job and it takes a strong person to stick with it. Dolly was here during the worst of times and she stuck it out when most of us would have walked out. Susan continued by stating that you could offer me \$50,000 a year to come back to that job and I would refuse. You need to keep what you have.

Jake replied by stating that the money is not coming in, we will have to take a look and cut the budget. Things have to be changed but must take time.

Susan stated that her main point is that the current clerk has eight years of experience and during this tough time, you need to keep what you have as it will cost a lot more to retrain someone else. Don't chase her out the door like you did me.

Vicky Long asked council if John, Jeanine, and Ronnie are getting paid for being on the ball park association. Not true stated the Mayor, they don't get paid, never had, this is volunteer work.

Danny Akers asked if he could put stone beside his house and Hakes Street, he said he wasn't any different than anyone else parking along the street. Don asked if Danny had a business in his garage. Danny stated he can do what he wants to, not here to argue I am here to see if I can put stone on the side of Hakes Street. Don asked would it be Hakes Street or personal property. Don and Jake said no.

Danny asked why Jake can park along the street but he can't. He continued on by stating that he has offered to donate the work because the town doesn't have the money. Don stated No because you will be parking in street before it's all over with.

Danny also wondered why his business is a big deal with Village, several other business are not in zoned area like Steve Cox, Avon lady, and babysitters. They don't have commercial licenses so why are you trying to chase me out of town.

Phil stated that he doesn't have a problem with Danny putting stone by the garage. Todd asked if it was going to be 20' out from garage, Danny stated it would be 20'. Jake replied by stating that it was going to be 20' and 21'. Danny stated that his offer still stood of doing the street. Todd asked if there was an ordinance on driveway installations. The mayor stated that there wasn't any as far as he knew. Carolyn says that this should be tabled and discussed, Todd agrees therefore, Carolyn made a motion to table, Jake seconded, all in favor no opposed.

Vicky Long questioned the alley by her house, Vicky states that people are driving thru the alley and she thought it was for emergency vehicles only. Jake said to put a sign up stating it is not a drive thru. Vicky asked that the town keep it mowed.

Danny asked what he needs to do to get commercial license. Don stated it was not zoned commercial. Jake said that the zoning would not change to commercial. Danny said that no wonder you can't get business in town if you won't work with the people.

Don made a motion to pay the bills and accept the financial reports. Adam seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

The mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Todd said he doesn't approve the minutes as mailed, it should read Mark Figert pointed at Jake and Don and said Dolly told you and you when we were doing the budget and I said I was willing to take pay cut and you guys wouldn't listen.

The mayor mentioned the ball association comments should have read that a couple of years ago a few people were running the association and money was unaccounted for.

The clerk made the amendments and Todd made a motion to pass minutes as amended, Don seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

EMS report was reviewed, it is on file.

Fire department chief stated that there were 16 runs for the year with eight structure fires. They are working on old brush truck and would like council's approval to take vehicle to Gorrell's for auction. Mayor asked if any questions, there was no comment. Kenny mentioned that the Easter Egg Hunt would take place at the park at 11am on 4/11/09. There would also be a breakfast with the Easter Bunny. The Twin Oaks Youth helped with preparing for the celebration.

June 27th will be the 5K run. Registration forms are available for participants.

Kenny also asked for council's permission to get the pump fixed. Nothing was said.

Police Department report was reviewed and it is on file.

Village Administrator stated that he had cleaned up the park and is fixing catch basins on towns property at the lagoon.

The litter list was discussed with the mayor stating that 306 N. First was added to list and the property by church was also included. It was asked if someone was living in the old Braun building and mentioned that there are a collection of cars piling up at the Braun property. Mark to look into.

Phil asked if MJ Auto was paid up on rent and the clerk replied that he is two months behind. Jake asked about a contract, and the mayor mentioned that it will be up in September for renewal.

The mayor mentioned that the Aerator grant will pay for half of proposal.

The proposal is for \$52,000 but grant will only pay for 26,000 therefore the remaining will come out of Capital.

The mayor mentioned that he has contract for the Superior Street project, half of the cost will come out of Capital also. The clerk and Mayor to sign for acceptance. The mayor mentioned that he was applying for the Stimulus plan for the Superior project and also for a new well. If accepted the well would be done by 2010.

The mayor advised council that the bids would be accepted for the boat dock on April 14th at noon in council chambers. The mayor mentioned that the blueprint had changed somewhat and the plans are available at town hall for review.

The clerk mentioned that she did not take a loan with bank as previously agreed to because the tax money came in and instead of borrowing money from bank, she transferred \$3500.00 to police dept from general.

Phil made a motion to pass 09-R-05 transferring \$3500 to Police in place of loan, Jake seconded, all in favor.

The clerk mentioned that someone had complained about 4-wheelers going up and down Superior and Third Streets. Mark will look into.

Vicky Long asked if the town could do something about the electrical line in tree, John Keyes stated that the electric company will not do.

The Mayor asked for approval for Superior St. project - the engineering cost would be \$19,000. Phil stated that he wants another engineering company to give estimate for project. The mayor replied by stating that Poggemeyer did all of the preliminary work. Jake made a motion to accept Poggemeyer, Adam seconded, Roll call was taken with all years except for Phil and he opposed.

The finance committee made decision for Option #4 for the health insurance. The mayor stated that they were basically going to HSA program; it's something that we need to do but not going around insurance.

Carolyn asked who was going to pay for, where will the money come from. Todd stated that it would come out of general. Clerk stated that it can't come out of general it will have to come out of the perspective departments.

The premium was \$2125. monthly and now with switching to HSA policy, it will change premium to \$1311 monthly. The town to set figure on what wishing to give to employee in the HSA accounts to avoid increasing premium rates in future. They are a follows: \$700 month for family, \$500 month for couple, and \$225 a month for single. The difference between the premium and cap will be put in HSA accounts. Vicky asked if each employee will be paying for premium and Todd said no, the town will pay all.

Jake made a motion to pass the insurance plan as presented to council, Todd seconded, all in favor except for Carolyn as she opposed.

Phil made a motion to go into executive to discuss personnel of EMS, Todd seconded, all in favor.

Adam made a motion to come out of executive session, Don seconded, all in favor.

Adam made a motion to adjourn, Todd seconded, all in favor. Submitted by Dolly Shisler, clerk and Mayor Erhard Henke

## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR 4/22/09

This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2009, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, Tony Zartman, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

**In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 001-022):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2009 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Health Insurance

TO: 001-022-00011/General Fund/Insurance/Unemployment Compensation

AMOUNT: \$25,000.00

**In The Matter Of Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 137):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby amend the 2009 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 137:

Fund 137 - Help Me Grow, 137-001-00001/Other Expenses, \$31,754.03

**Meeting Notes Of Appointments:**

Tony Langham, PCED; and Mari Yoder, NW State College - Ms. Yoder promotes institutional advancement at NW State College in Archbold. She stated they offer classes at Vantage in Van Wert and also in the back office of the Paulding County Economic Development. Classes are via satellite distance learning. Ms. Yoder commented there are currently four students taking two college classes. She asked permission to place a banner in the courthouse lawn to make the public aware of the opportunity to take college classes locally. Ms. Yoder also announced that NW State College will soon be offering an alternative energy program. This program will concentrate on the installation and maintenance of alternative energy equipment.

## WBESC MONTHLY BOARD MEETING SET

The Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Governing Board Regular May Meeting has been set for Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The location for his month's meeting is at the Paulding ESC Office, 202 N. Cherry St., Paulding, OH.

## ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLANS A BUSY SUMMER

The annual June Community Garage Sales are fast approaching. This is always held the second Friday and Saturday of June, this year the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a map available. The chamber advertises the date, it will be up to individuals to advertise any specific information that they wish. For those who wish, Veterans Memorial Park is available to set-up for the sale, the V.E.T.S. committee will be located in the large pavilion with their items for sale. At the end of the day on Saturday there will be a cruise-in organized by Rex Shaner.

The biggest chamber event of the year is the August 8<sup>th</sup> Day In The Park. The committees are rapidly filling the park with food and craft vendors as well as games and entertainment. It promises to be an exciting day as the Antwerp School Reunion will also be that weekend. Anyone wishing to participate as a vendor for this event should call the chamber at 419-258-1722 and leave a message. A parade is not planned this year.

The community is encouraged to begin thinking about who they would like to see honored as our Gem of the Year for 2009. Very soon there will be containers around town where you may pick-up and deposit your nominations, or you may mail a nomination to the chamber at P.O. Box

1111, Antwerp OH 45813. The nominee should be a community minded, living person, who has made a positive influence in the Antwerp school district area.

Currently the chamber is partnering with the city council to purchase new summer banners for Main Street. We did this for the Christmas/winter season and we were very pleased. These banners are about \$100 each and approximately 12 to 15 are needed to make a good impression. Anyone wishing to help defray this cost may do so by making a donation to the chamber indicating their intention. These donations may be sent to the chamber address above.

Besides the Halloween Parade in the fall, the chamber is planning a Holiday Parade of Lights which will be December 5<sup>th</sup>. It is hoped that businesses, organizations, churches and individuals will plan to participate in this event. Any vehicle decorated with lights, including floats, in keeping with the spirit of the season, will be welcome. Many do not understand how to make the lights operate. The chamber will make this information available very soon in a separate news release.

The chamber welcomes suggestions and volunteers, as many hands makes lighter work. The next meeting of the Antwerp Chamber will be on May 12 at 12:30 at the Essen House Restaurant on Woodcox Street.

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# HIGH SCHOOL BALL HAS SOGGY SEASON WHILE LITTLE LEAGUE KICKS OFF



The cold & rainy Friday night proved to be too much for Paulding against Crestview. The Lady Panthers varsity softball team lost 10-2 in a difficult game. Shown here is freshman Kayla Owens at 2nd trying to throw the player out at first after fielding a grounder. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)



Little league has started around the county! Antwerp's A&W played a scrimmage against the VFW team. Shown here is Alex Vail pitching a great game.

## WARRIORS CLUBBED BY BULLDOGS

By: Jeff Abbott

New Haven stroked 6 homers and scored every time the Bulldogs came to bat to pick up a 19-6 clubbing of Woodlan at New Haven. The Bulldogs piled 8 runs on the Warriors in the first inning and 17 hits in the game. Corbin Bell hit a homer for Woodlan.

Score by the inning:  
Woodlan - 1 0 5 0 0=6  
New Haven - 8 1 3 7 x19

## PANTHERS/ACES/ARCHERS TRACK TRI-MEET

The Paulding/Hicksville/Antwerp track tri-meet was held recently.

In the boys meet, Paulding came in 1st with 66 pts., Hicksville earned 2nd with 41 pts., and Antwerp came in 3rd with 13 pts.

Event results:  
3200 run - Reid (H) 1st, 10:57.4; Furrow (H) 2nd; Sweet (H) 3rd

4x800 relay - Paulding 1st, 9:09; Antwerp 2nd, 9:13; Hicksville 3rd, 9:27

4x200 relay - Paulding 1st, 1:33.8; Hicksville 2nd, 1:34.1

4x100 relay - Paulding 1st, 45.5; Hicksville 2nd, 46.1; Antwerp 3rd, 50.3

4x400 relay - Paulding 1st, 3:39.4; Hicksville 2nd, 3:45.0

110 hurdles - Tope (P) 1st, 16.0; Bradbury (H) 2nd; Shafer (P) 3rd; Roughton (P) 4th

100m dash - Pier (P) 1st, 11.8; Battershell (H) 2nd; Troyer (P) 3rd; Emehiser (H) 4th

1600m run - Krick (A) 1st, 4:59.3; Reid (H) 2nd; Schooley (H) 3rd; Deatrick (P) 4th

400m run - Rhonehouse (P) 1st, 55.5; Schroeder (P) 2nd; Berry (A) 3rd; Miller (H) 4th

300m hurdles - Tope (P) 1st, 43.0; Bradbury (H) 2nd; Shafer (P) 3rd; Roughton (P) 4th

200m dash - Mott (P) 1st, 24.4; Michael (H) 2nd; Pier (P) 3rd; Sailor (H) 4th

800m run - Porter (P) 1st, 2:12.3; Reinhart (A) 2nd; Dysinger (P) 3rd; Schooley (H) 4th

In the girls meet, Paulding won the meet with 48 pts., Hicksville came in 2nd with 34 pts., and Antwerp 32 pts.

Event results:  
3200m run - Kohart (P) 1st, 14:44.4; B Reinhart (A) 2nd

4x800 relay - Paulding 1st; Hicksville 2nd; Antwerp 3rd

4x200 relay - Hicksville 1st; Paulding 2nd

4x100 relay - Paulding 1st; Hicksville 2nd

4x400 relay - Antwerp 1st; Paulding 2nd

100m hurdles - Vail (A) 1st, 19.8; K Reinhart (A) 2nd; Flanary (H) 3rd; English (A) 4th

100m dash - Shull (H) 1st, 15.2; Wilhelm (P) 2nd; Jurick (H) 3rd; Hesselwardt (H) 4th

1600m run - Kohart (P) 1st, 6:55.7; Woodring (P) 2nd; Poth (H) 3rd; Short (P) 4th

400m run - Carr (P) 1st, 1:05.1; Hesselwardt (H) 2nd; Marlin (A) 3rd; Cline (A) 4th

300m hurdles - K Reinhart (A) 1st; English (A) 2nd

200m dash - Shull (H) 1st, 29.8; Wilhelm (P) 2nd; Schlegel (P) 3rd; Hesselwardt (H) 4th

800m run - Carr (P) 1st, 2:42.8; Wetli (A) 2nd; Horn (H) 3rd; Wayne (P) 4th

## ALL SCORING IN FINAL INNING IN WARRIOR ACAC MATCH UP

By: Jeff Abbott

All the scoring came in the seventh and final inning as Woodlan and Adams Central battled for the first 6 innings to a scoreless tie in a ACAC boys baseball game. The visiting Warriors picked up 3 runs in the top of the seventh, aided by a double from Jerriid Rydell and then held on in the bottom half when Adams Central threatened to extend the game but came away with just 1 run. Jerriid Rydell was the winning pitcher for Woodlan in the 3-1 win over the Jets.

Score by the inning:  
Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 0 3=3  
Adams Central - 0 0 0 0 0 1=1

## ONE LOSS & ONE WIN FOR WARRIORS IN DH WITH CADETS

By: Jeff Abbott

Five of the first 6 batters reached base and came around to score as the Concordia Cadets went on to beat Woodlan. 12 batters reached base and came around to score as the Concordia Cadets went on to beat Woodlan 12-6 in the first game of a Saturday doubleheader at Woodlan. Warrior pitching gave the Cadets 9 bases on balls in the game with 5 of the free passes scoring. Josh Kinsey was 3 for 4 in the game and Aury Keller went 2 for 4 with a homerun for the Warriors.

Score by the inning:  
Concordia - 5 3 0 1 1 0 2=12  
Woodlan - 3 0 0 0 0 3=6

Woodlan took an early 2-0 lead over Concordia in the second game of the doubleheader with the Warriors without the benefit of a hit in the bottom of the first inning. Concordia fought back to tie Woodlan 3-3 in the third inning, aided by a 2-run homer from Jake Owens of the Cadets. Woodlan showed some of their own power in the sixth inning, taking a 2 run lead on a 2-run homer from Jason Maier. Concordia got the leadoff batter on in the seventh and then score on a RBU single before Woodlan ended the attempted rally when the Cadets' Nate Stucky popped up to Woodlan catcher Aury Keller. Jerriid Rydell had a solo homer for the Warriors as well as Jason Maier's come-off-the-bench homer in the sixth.

Score by the inning:  
Concordia - 0 0 1 2 0 0 1=4  
Woodlan - 2 0 1 0 0 2 x=5

## RAIDERS TAKE DOWN ARCHERS IN VARSITY BASEBALL

Wayne Trace beat Antwerp recently in their varsity baseball ball match up, 6-3.

Score by the inning:  
WT - 2 2 0 1 0 0 1=6  
Antwerp - 0 0 2 0 1 0 0=3  
Summary: Wayne Trace had 6 runs, with 9 hits and 1 error. Antwerp stuck in 3 runs with 5 hits and 1 error.

Winning Pitcher: Andrew Horner (4 innings, 3 runs, 4 hits, 4 k's, 6 BB, 3 HP, 1 error); Save: Joe Morehead (3 innings, 2 hits, 0 runs, 4 k's, 1 BB)

Losing Pitcher: Logan Lu-

cas (7 innings, 6 runs, 9 hits, 9 k's, 1 BB, 1 HP)

Hits:  
Wayne Trace - Evan Dasher 3 hits, Andrew Horner 1 hit (HR), Joe Morehead 2 hits (double), Justin Davis 1 hit, Dylan Horner 2 hits (HR)

Antwerp - Bryson North 1 hit, Ken Kohn 2 hits (double), Justin Johnson 2 hits, S. Chamberlain 1 hit (double)

## WARRIORS TAKE A LOSS AGAINST RAILROADERS

By: Jeff Abbott

Four runs crossed the plate and Woodlan never recovered as the Garrett Railroaders got a 8-5 win over Woodlan in boys baseball at Warriors' Field. The first 3 batters reached base for Garrett and came around to score, aided by a Jordan Jones triple for Garrett. Woodlan cut the lead to 5-3 in the third, getting 3 hits from the top of their order. Garrett stretched the lead back out, getting 1 run in the fourth and 2 in the fifth to help seal the game. Jerriid Rydell was 2 for 3 for the Warriors and Josh Kinsey was 2 for 4 in the game.

Score by the inning:  
Garrett - 4 1 0 1 2 0 0=8  
Woodlan - 0 0 2 0 2 1 0=5

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The Allen County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the ACCENT One-Stop System of Allen, Paulding, and Putnam Counties, and the Paulding and Putnam Boards of Commissioners seeks proposals to provide services through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for WIA eligible youth in Allen, Paulding and Putnam Counties to enhance education and training opportunities. The successful provider(s) for each county will need to enter into a fiscal agreement with the County's Department of Job & Family Services. Proposals will be opened at the Allen County Commissioners' Office, Allen County Courthouse, Third Floor, Lima, Ohio, May 19, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

The Request for Proposal packet may be obtained beginning April 30, 2009 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday at the Allen County Board of Commissioners, 301 N. Main St., Lima, Ohio 45801, the Allen County Department of Job & Family Services, 1501 S. Dixie Hwy., Lima, Ohio 45804, The Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services, 303 West Harrison Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879, and the Putnam County Department of Job and Family Services, 1225 E. 3rd Street 100, Ottawa, Ohio 45875, or by calling (419) 999-0360. A bidders conference will be held on May 8th at 10:00 a.m. at the Allen County Department of Job & Family Services, 1501 S. Dixie Hwy, Lima, Ohio. The Boards of Allen, Paulding and Putnam County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and/or all bids, and waive all irregularities in favor of the counties.

BENEFIT AUCTION FOR ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Porter Auction will be hosting their 13th annual Benefit Auction for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The auction will be held on Saturday, May 9, at 4:00 p.m. Many businesses and individuals from the Tri-State area have donated items. Among the items to be auctioned off are: NASCAR items, food items, pizza and restaurant gift certificates, car washes, oil changes, R&K Pheasant Hunt, bicycles, and many more misc. items.

Porter Auction is located at 19326 Co. Rd. 60, Grover Hill, OH. We will be taking donations until the auction starts. So you can still donate and help all the kids at St. Jude's. Call for more information at 419-587-3511.

Last year we raised over \$5300.00 and we would like to meet or beat that amount. Please come out and help us out. If we all do a little, it helps a lot! Also, we will be having our Chinese Cake auction. This is always a fun and crazy time. There will be a 50/50 cash drawing the night of the auction.

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BOARD MEETING

The Paulding County Board of Elections May Board meeting will be May 12 at 12:00 noon at the office, 105 East Perry Street, Paulding.

ODOT'S FIRST STIMULUS PROJECTS MOVE CLOSER TO CONSTRUCTION AS ADDITIONAL PROJECTS ARE CERTIFIED AND ADVANCED

As part of the continued coordination between the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the first 15 projects in Ohio have been authorized for funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) - allowing these projects to move closer to construction.

This initial federal authorization of \$12.8 million of stimulus funds includes investments in three interstate projects and three bridge replacements. FHWA expects to authorize more Ohio projects soon. A complete list of the projects prioritized for stimulus funding - with updates on which projects have been authorized by FHWA - can be found online at www.dot.state.oh.us. ODOT expects to award contracts for this first round of stimulus projects starting in May.

Certification of Prioritized Stimulus Projects:

ODOT will send to the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) the next list of projects to be certified for stimulus funding: 69 of the projects announced by the Governor in March; 65 local projects identified by the state's Major Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and 142 investments in Ohio's Rural Transit Systems.

This certification letter is required by US DOT to verify that projects to be funded with stimulus dollars meet all federal eligibility requirements, including inclusion on Ohio's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

A total of \$161.5 million was directly allocated to Ohio's eight major Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). The MPO sub-allocations include \$14.1 million to Akron, \$6.6 million to Canton, \$30.1 million to Cincinnati, \$44.2 million to Cleveland, \$28 million to Columbus, \$17.4 million to Dayton, \$11.8 million to Toledo, and \$9.3 million to Youngtown.

As part of the Recovery Act, Ohio also received \$29.8 million for Rural Public Transit capital projects, including dollars set aside for rural intercity bus capital projects. Combining the Recovery Act dollars with Ohio's annual federal transit funding, ODOT will be able to fund every rural transit system request for new vehicles.

ODOT has already certified 38 of the projects announced by the Governor in March; 19 local projects identified by the state's Major Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and 88 investments by Ohio's Urbanized Transit Systems.

Additional Stimulus Projects:

To make certain that the stringent timelines to obligate stimulus funds under the Recovery Act are met without delay, ODOT will also certify 52 additional projects to receive Recovery Act resources. These projects have all been previously announced by ODOT as part of the state's 2009 construction season.

Adding these previously announced ODOT projects to the list of those slated to receive Recovery Act resources will be accomplished by exchanging the planned allocation of state transportation funds for these 52 projects dollar-for-dollar with the more than \$115 million in federal stimulus resources currently allocated to the Interstate 90 Innerbelt Bridge in Downtown Cleveland.

The funds saved by exchanging these state transportation projects off of the 2009 ODOT project list to the stimulus project list will then be redirected to fully fund the \$400 million replacement of the Innerbelt Bridge, one of the state's most pressing transportation needs. Under the state's previous stimulus plan, approximately \$200 million in state and federal dollars were to be combined with \$200 million in stimulus funds to build the new five-lane structure. Under this plan, more than \$315 million in state and federal dollars will be directed at the projects, with \$85 million in stimulus resources added to fully fund the project.

No previously announced stimulus project on the priority list will be funded less than previously announced, and no project will encounter delays in resources as a result of this action.

Under ARRA requirements, ODOT must obligate approximately \$327.5 million of its stimulus allocation by June 29, 2009; the remaining amount must be obligated by March 1, 2010. States that meet these timeline requirements can compete for additional money lost by other states that fail to meet these deadlines.

"While many other states prioritized only existing state transportation projects to receive federal Recovery Act resources, Ohio took a more innovative approach to ensure that local and regional projects received due consideration in the review, analysis and selection process," said ODOT Director Jolene M. Molitoris. "ODOT has worked closely with our partners at the Federal Highway Administration since announcing our prioritized project list. We have come to the mutual conclusion that these additional projects will help to make certain Ohio meets the June 29 obligation deadline."

"Our commitment remains unchanged—we must make use of every available federal stimulus resource to benefit Ohioans and the Ohio economy," said Director Molitoris.

ODOT and FHWA are working closely to assure that the ARRA is successfully implemented in Ohio, making adjustments when necessary to advance stimulus projects and better position Ohio to compete for additional stimulus transportation funding.

A complete listing of the projects identified for full or partial stimulus funding - including these additional projects - can be found online at www.dot.state.oh.us.

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WOODBURN ELEMENTARY FIFTH GRADE FRACTION TOURNAMENT



The Woodburn Elementary fifth graders competed in a double elimination fraction tournament during the month of April. Students competed in head-to-head competition with math fraction problems. This tournament is a very exciting and fun activity for students to review adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. This Indiana math standard will be tested during the Spring ISTEP+ testing. Students had to work on both speed and accuracy

when competing in the tournament. Mrs. Salzbrenner and Mrs. Price would like to congratulate the students on an excellent tournament and fine sportsmanship.

The winners and runner-ups from each classroom were rewarded with shopping sprees to the Woodburn Elementary Scholastic Book Fair. Congratulations to the 2009 champions, Kelly Collins and Wil Stuckey. Runner-ups include Mike Singer and Ean Luker.

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Home Health LPN Opening

Private Duty Services, a part of Community Health Professionals of Paulding is looking for a LPN to staff a Pediatric case in Paulding County. This position is a part-time position. Days, evenings and some weekends. Must have reliable transportation and a working phone. Experience helpful in pediatrics but not necessary. Applications can be filled out at 250 Dooley Dr., Suite A, Paulding or call 419-399-4917 Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

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**ANTWERP COMMUNITY BAND PRESENTS ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT**

The Antwerp Community Band will present their annual spring concert on Thursday, May 7, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditoria at Antwerp Local Schools.

Some wise person has observed that "you can't please all of the people all of the time", but hopefully this concert will come close. The evening will open with the "Fall River Overture", then play the "Klaxon", a rousing Fillmore march, follow with a blending of the American classics "Shenandoah and "Simple Gifts", and finish with the gorgeous, lush "Scheherazade" by Rimsky-Korsakoff.

Two selections on the second half of the program have a distinctly Western flavor: Aaron Copeland's "Scenes from Billy the Kid" and Robert Smith's 2005 work, "Buffalo Dances", in which the band members must not only play their instruments, but use their feet as well. Also being presented will be Holst's "Moorside March" and another serving of "lush" for the second half of the concert: the rich mesmerizing Gershwin "Prelude No. 2".

A good audience is an inspiration to performers. When you attend these concerts, your support is greatly appreciated and is, of course, visible. Although they are not always "visible", the Antwerp Community Band could not exist without these individuals and organizations whose generosity enables them to continue providing music to the community: Antwerp Chamber of Commerce, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Antwerp Gold Star Auxiliary #5087, Antwerp Bee-Argus, Antwerp Insurance Agency, Antwerp Pharmacy, Antwerp Rotary Club, Dr. William Bricker, Mr. and Mrs. William Cleland, Dooley

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Please mark the time and date and take a break from your busy spring schedule - come out at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, May 7, in the Auditoria. There is never a charge for admission, but if you choose to make one, your free will donation is greatly appreciated.

**IN FINANCIAL STRAITS? OHIO BENEFIT BANK MAY BE ABLE TO HELP**

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The Ohio Benefit Bank is a program of Ohio Association of Second Harvest Food Banks. All of OBBs services are free of charge and non-discriminatory. There are many programs available. We do not guarantee that you will qualify for benefits, we only help you apply.

Please call Mary McMillan, OBB Counselor between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for assistance. The number is 419-393-4050. Leave a message if no answer and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

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**THE WOODBURN MOPS group** (Westwood Fellowship Church, 4100 Becker Road, Woodburn) is having a rummage sale on Friday May 8th from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm and Saturday May 9th from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. There will be women's, children's, men's, maternity & baby clothes. Books, toys and household items. We will be having a bake sale with all the proceeds going to the Woodburn Children's Home. Pop, water, coffee and popcorn also available. 17-18p

**GARAGE SALE: Wed., May 6, 2009. 11432 SR 500, Paulding, OH—stone drive behind Paulding Hospital. Items: Beanie Babies, College Loft Frame, twin comforters and sheets, misc. household items. New items added! p**

**GARAGE SALE:** 1 mile east of 49 on 111. May 7,8,9 - 9:00-? A little bit of everything. p

**PAULDING GARAGE SALE DAYS:** May 15th and 16th, 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m. Maps @ 127 Marathon & Valero Gas Stations. p

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Saturday May 9th at 9:00am.

Real-Estate will be sold at 12:00 noon!



**AUCTION LOCATION:** 09898 Co. Rd. 9-L Montpelier, Ohio 43543. From the intersection of Co. Rd. 10 and S.R. 107, go 1/4 mile north on CR 10 and then 1/8 mile West on 9-L to auction site.

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**Terms of Real Estate:** \$2,500 down day of auction, balance due at closing.

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**Guns, Antiques, Glassware, & Misc.:** 1- New England Fire Arms Co. Inc. 20 ga. Ser# NC290052, 1-16ga. Ranger/Sears & Roebuck, 1- Tudor Plate Oneida silver set, 1- Large Silver set, Glass Lanterns, 3 & 4 gal. crocks, 1- bean crock w/lid, Lanterns, Antique Meat grinder, LC Smith typewriter, 1- Little Red Wagon, Carnival glass many assorted pieces, McCoy Vase, Lawn Furniture, Ice fishing tackle & poles, Newer Charbroil grill, Exercise machine, and much more.

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**PAULDING & ANTWERP PROMS: WEEKEND OF GREAT FUN!**



Hannah Butcher and Kevin Dillinger are the first to arrive at the Antwerp High School Prom Saturday, May 2. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

Prom for some is the most memorable part of high school. We may not remember much of high school, but for many people it can be recalled like it was yesterday.

The classes of 2009 and 2010 for Paulding and Antwerp experienced their proms this past weekend with great weather to be thankful for.

Antwerp High School scheduled their splendid evening at Grant's Reception Hall off of Canal Rd. east of Antwerp. The evening was warm, the sun was dropping to a warm glow while the cars pulled up to drop off the young gentlemen and their dates in front of the many people watching from both sides of the aisle. The crowd's attention was quickly grabbed as the beautiful young people came forth on the black carpet to be introduced by Barry DeLong. While the dates were serenaded by professional harpist, Nancy Morse, their pictures were taken by hundreds of clicking shutters.

Prom Court: Queen - Katie McCague, King - Michael

Girlie, Senior Attendants - Quinn Tempel and Victoria Zuber, Mark Parisot and Jamie Fry, Junior attendants - T.J. Short and Christy Goudy and also Natalie Cottrell and Jacob Reinhart.

Not be left undone, Paulding also had a red carpet affair at the school called "Beneath the City Lights". The gymnasium was all decorated up looking like a city scene with white lights outlining each "building". The young people at Paulding really knew how to have a party! The whole room was dancing to the beat of the songs having a great time. The prom court for 2009 is listed below under the picture.

Both proms had beautiful young ladies dressed in their best. The young men's attire was outstanding and classy.

The most disappointing part of prom is the fact of knowing school is nearly out for the year. Yet many of you think that's great!

More pictures of Antwerp and Paulding proms at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

**PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/6 THROUGH 5/12**

*MS/HS - Breakfast:*  
 5/6 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk  
 5/7 - Sausage & egg burrito, juice, milk  
 5/8 - Sausage gravy w/biscuits, juice, milk  
 5/11 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
 5/12 - Cinnamon roll or cherry turnover, juice, milk

*MS/HS - Lunch:*  
 5/6 - Popcorn chicken bowl or sub sandwich, celery & carrots w/dip, assorted chips, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/7 - Pizza pockets, green beans, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/8 - Chicken fajita, cheddar munchers, assorted fruit, milk

5/11 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/gravy & bread or corn dog, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 5/12 - Turkey club salad, garlic toast, assorted fruit, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:*  
 5/6 - 5/12 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Lunch:*  
 5/6 - Abracadabra chicken strips, hocus pocus potatoes w/goblin gravy, invisible assorted fruits, magical milk

5/7 - Alakazam pizza, uni-corn, fantasy fruit, pixie dust milk

5/8 - Harry Potter ham deli, kaboom carrots, wandalicious cake, sorcerer's assorted fruit, drinkable potion

5/11 - Pizzaburger w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

5/12 - Breaded chicken w/bun, broccoli w/cheese, assorted fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:*

5/6 - Coco roos cereal, crackers, juice, milk  
 5/7 - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk

5/8 - Assorted cereals, juice, milk

5/11 - Pancakes, mini sausage, juice, milk

5/12 - Cereal bars, teddy grahams, juice, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:*

5/6 - Hamburger w/bun, cheese & pickles, oven potatoes, fruit, milk

5/7 - Chips w/cheese sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

5/8 - Soft taco w/lettuce & cheese, fruit, milk

5/11 - Popcorn chicken, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, fruit, milk

5/12 - Cheese bread stick w/sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/6 THROUGH 5/12**

*Breakfast:*  
 5/6 - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk  
 5/7 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, juice, milk  
 5/8 - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk

5/11 - Pizza, juice, milk  
 5/12 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk

*Lunch:*  
 5/6 - Turkey roast, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, yum yum cake/whipped topping, milk  
 5/7 - Nacho chips, meat/cheese/salsa/sour cream, corn, apple/orange, milk

5/8 - Chicken nuggets, Raider tators, peaches, milk  
 5/11 - Toasted cheese sandwich, mixed veggies, cookie, pears, milk

5/12 - Breaded chicken sandwich, fries, trail mix, milk

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU FOR THE WEEK OF 5/6 THROUGH 5/12**

5/6 - Sloppy joe or polish sausage on bun, french fries, pineapple, milk; PLUS: soup & salad bar

5/7 - Breaded chicken or pizza burger on bun, green beans, pears, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

5/8 - Chicken quesadilla or egg salad sandwich, cole slaw, orange smiles, chips, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

5/11 - Corn dog or grilled chicken on bun, corn, pineapple, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

5/12 - Chicken nuggets or BBQ pork on bun, peas, strawberry cups, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

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