

JULY 15, 2009 DEADLINE TO PURCHASE V.E.T.S. MEMORIAL GRANITE PAVERS

Memory or Honor Granite paver information must be given to V.E.T.S., along with payment, no later than July 15, 2009 to be included in the entrance walkway at the time the viewing platform is installed for Antwerp's "All" Veterans Memorial. Forms & sample pavers are available at several Antwerp area businesses or contact any VETS volunteer.

After July 15, 2009, you may submit paver information along with a minimum deposit. V.E.T.S. will offer a limited number of pavers in both sizes on a 1st come basis. Balance must be paid in full before engraving, which will be at the same time the name tablets are engraved.

A date has not been set for the engraving and installation of the tablets. At approximately \$6,000 each, much more fundraising and donations will be needed before we can complete Phase III. We will need seven tablets with the amount of names submitted so far. These names begin with the War of 1812 on up to present. Wondering who served

during the War of 1812, and owned property in Carry-all Township? His name is Thomas Wentworth.

Veterans, please turn in your information while it's fresh on your mind. Do NOT assume we know who you are or that someone else has done it for you. There is no cost to have your name engraved.

Call Karen Sanders at 419-399-5764 weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to check our list of names. No answer? Leave a name, number and who you are checking about along with the best time to call you back.

Donations are accepted from everyone, including veterans, with all contributions going toward the entire memorial. Please mail to V.E.T.S., P.O. Box 742, Antwerp, OH 45813.

BOY SCOUT RECYCLING THIS SATURDAY

The Boy Scouts of Antwerp will be accepting recycling at the Antwerp Fire Hall on Saturday, June 27, 2009 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Accepted items are cardboard, glass, newspapers in brown bags, aluminum and steel cans.

MILITARY CONVOY PASSES THROUGH PAULDING COUNTY



By: Stan Jordan

We just witnessed the 2009 Military Vehicle Preservation Association Convoy go north through Antwerp on its historic journey from Washington D.C. to San Francisco.

It is retracing the route of the other Convoy of 1919. As it went through Antwerp this morning it did the same thing 90 years ago. It was really a touching and historic event.

I understand that they stayed in Delphos last night. They will go through Hicksville and Auburn, then have lunch and then to that WWII Museum and then on north west to South Bend. They will spend two nights there.

In 1919 the U.S. Army decided to have a motor convoy of various Army vehicles to show off what they had and to draw attention to the newly finished, Lincoln Highway. It started in Washington D.C. All the way west to San Francisco. It was 3,250 miles and 62 days later it ended in Frisco as the first motor convoy ever to cross the nation.

The reasons for the trek was: 1. to put the equipment in various tests and trials, sort of an endurance test; 2. to study how the road conditions would effect each branch of the service; 3. a large recruiting drive for the service; 4. demonstrate the need for good roads and 5. the unwritten objective was to thank the American people for their backing and support of WWI.

The Convoy left Washington D.C. on July 7, 1919. All highways through Antwerp were stone or paved brick. Later they ran into gravel, mud, quicksand, no bridges or broken bridges. This Convoy consisted of 81 Army vehicles, 37 officers and a young Lt. Col. Dwight Eisenhower and 280 enlisted men. In equipment they had 46 trucks, five ambulances, 11 passenger cars, nine motorcycles, one Maxwell Caterpillar tractor, two ambulance trailers, four kitchen trailers, one platoon trailer, one mobile searchlight and a recovery vehicle.

As we watched the parade from down by the town hall, after the first big rig went by, I could see a pattern to it. Every service of our nation was represented. I could see Marine vehicles, Signal Corps, Armored Division Trucks, Field Artillery and Medical Corps. I'm sorry that I didn't start to study them right away.

There was even an old type jeep that served and rode on the famous aircraft carrier, 'Hornet'. That almost brought tears to my eyes when my mind strayed back to WWII.

Their logo, if you remember, was quite a bit like the Armored Corps shoulder patch, red, black and an orange.

This group called the MVP is nation wide and has 9,000 chapters. I guess I never thought too much about keeping some of the old WWII vehicles now. We keep one of each aircraft, why not each vehicle?

I have seen old movies on the History Channel of that 1919 Convoy, now I can put them together in my mind and really enjoy them more.

I know that you don't understand what I'm talking about if you don't live around SR 49 here in Paulding County. (Continued on Page 3)

URGENT ATTENTION FOR ALL LIBRARY PATRONS!

HELP! Your attention is needed immediately! The governor just announced today his budget reductions and has taken \$200 million away from the Public Library Fund. This would mean that libraries without a levy on the ballot would have to close at the very least, 50% of the time from now until they either pass a levy or the funding is restored.

We need everyone who values their libraries to contact the governor's office now! Otherwise, we will be looking at closing many libraries throughout the state, including probably, Paulding's.

LATTA, CONGRESSIONAL SPORTSMEN'S CAUCUS PEN LETTER TO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green), in conjunction with The Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus today urged U.S. Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano to withdraw the notice of proposed revocation of treatment relating to the admissibility

of certain knives with spring assisted opening mechanisms by the Office of Customs and Border Patrol.

The proposed regulation could have severe implications on all knives, not just assisted-opening knives, and would designate these knives as switchblades, although the federal law definition does not declare these types of knives as such.

The Switchblade Knife Act of 1958 as amended by Congress, and as codified in 15 U.S.C. Section 1241, clearly sets forth the definition of a "switchblade" as... any knife having a blade which opens automatically (1) by hand pressure applied to a button or other device in the handle of the knife, or (2) by operation of inertia, gravity, or both.

"This classification could render millions of law-abiding knife owners in violation of the law and expose major market retailers, manufacturers, dealers and importers subject to possible federal felony charges, and could drive domestic manufacturers and importers out of business, potentially costing thousands of jobs," Latta stated in his letter to Secretary Napolitano.

The intent of this regulation (Continued on Page 3)

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OBITUARIES

Ruth L. Hipp, 92, of Grover Hill passed to eternal life on March 11, 2009, at Greendale, WI.

Ruth was born December 6, 1916 in Allen County, Ohio, the daughter of Clifford C. and Mabel (Ewing) Biederman. She attended grade school in Van Wert County, the Pease School in Paulding County, and graduated from Grover Hill High School in 1934. On November 14, 1937 she married Laurence R. Hipp who preceded her in death on July 14, 1998. Mrs. Hipp was the proprietress of Hipp's Store in Grover Hill for 20 years and for several years the Editor of the Grover Hill News. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Clearwater, FL and a charter and life member of the John Paulding Historical Society. Mrs. Hipp had taught adult Sunday school classes at the Grover Hill Church of Christ, the First Christian Church of Junction City, KS, the First Christian Church of Leesville, LA, and the First Christian Church of Clearwater, FL. Mrs. Hipp had been active in the VFW Auxiliary Post 2873 at Grover Hill, the American Red Cross, Paulding County Extension Service, the Christian Women's Clubs of Ohio and Florida, and the Grover Hill Community Club.

Mrs. Hipp is survived by a son, Marcus (Elizabeth); a grandson, Andrew (Rachel); two great-grandsons, David and Louis; two step-sons: Jim (Anne) and Tom; and three step-grandchildren: Natasha, Stephen, and Nicholas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Laurence "Johnny"; two brothers: Glenn Biederman and Harold Biederman; and her sister, Maxine (Glen) Phillips.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on June 27, 2009 at the Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill with Rev. David Ray Jr. officiating.

Donations may be made to Alzheimer's Disease Research. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com.

Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, is handling arrangements.

John Ray Taylor, 80, of Hicksville, born in Mount Vernon Ohio, October 11, 1928 to Arthur and Juanita (Oldaker) Taylor and died June 17, 2009.

He graduated from Defiance College with a Bachelor of Science in Education in

1951. John served in the Korean War from June '51-53. Afterwards, he taught for 2½ years at Antwerp Junior High School and followed this as a chemical lab analyst at La-Farge Cement Company for (36) years until March, 1991.

He was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, American Legion, AMVETS, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Kiwanis.

The family he leaves behind includes his wife of 40 years, Frances; and children: Anne (Ric) Trimble, Robert (Sandra) Wyatt, Charles (Julia) Wyatt, and Debra (Anthony) Welly; his seven grandchildren: John Taylor Wyatt, Philip, Louis and Olivia Wyatt, Alex, Andrew and Abigail Welly; other family members include daughters: Joyce (Bill) Bauer and Linda (Jim-deceased) Kinder; and son John Taylor-deceased.

The funeral service was at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville on June 20, 2009. Pastor Greg Wack officiated. Burial was in Forest Home Cemetery with military honors provided by the American Legion Post 223.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church. Condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com

Marjorie Lentz, 90, of Payne, died Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at the Dallas Lamb Foundation, Payne.

She was born August 24, 1918, in Paulding, the daughter of George and Alva (Loop) Bailey. She married Ordean C. Lentz, who died in 1985. Marjorie graduated from Latty High School, attended Fort Wayne Business School and was a Legal Secretary prior to marriage. She was a member of the St. James Lutheran Church, Hesperian Chapter of the Eastern Star, the Sorocis, Friday Night social clubs and enjoyed cooking and travel.

Marjorie will be sadly missed by her son, Neil (Ann); grandsons: Brian (Susan) Lentz of Knoxville, TN and Larry (Kelly) Fry of St. Mary's; granddaughters: Sheila Fry (Aaron) Keller of New Port Richey, FL, Karen Fry (Mark) Lawson of Dayton; seven great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Also preceding her in death were her daughter, Patricia Fry; brother, (Little) George Bailey and sisters: Lucile McGrew and Betty Litzenburg.

Services were June 23, 2009 at St. James Lutheran Church in Payne. Pastor Joseph Al-

len officiated. Burial was in Lehman Cemetery, Payne.

Preferred memorials are to St. James Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or Dallas Lamb Foundation Payne. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

Ned E. "Tom" Schultz, 82, of Oakwood, died Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN.

He was born November 4, 1926 in South Bend, IN to the late Vincent and Blanche (Bidlack) Muinch. He married Doris E. Morain on September 19, 1959. She passed away on August 15, 1997.

Ned retired as a Crane operator for Ruckman & Hansen, Fort Wayne, IN. He was a Marine veteran serving in WWII and Korean conflict; a member of 2nd Marine division of WWII veterans and life member of Oakwood American Legion.

Surviving him are two sons: Samuel (Laura) Schultz of Mishawaka, IN and Thomas Schultz of Oakwood; one daughter, Catherine (John) Greene of Alexandria, OH; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were June 20, 2009 at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood, OH. Pastor Terry Porter officiated. Burial was in Prairie Chapel Cemetery, Oakwood with Military rites by Oakwood American Legion.

Arrangements were by Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood. Memorials to Paulding County Hospice or the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be sent to: www.heimeyerfuneralhome.com

MASONS TO CONDUCT GRAVESITE SERVICE

Jim Kline opened the Lodge and the Pledge was given. A get well card was signed and sent to Don Payton in Leesburg, Florida. Birthday cards were sent to Stan Applegate June 25, Marlin Miller June 25, Richard Todd June 19, Scott Ruppert June 13, and Fred Shaffer June 13.

The 50-year members present included Wm. Kenny Wonderly, Derrill Kline, Doyle Johnson, Richard Savage, Estel Cottrell, Elmer Woodcox, and Charles Carey. Others on the sidelines were Tim Betts, Hanson Lilly, Russell St. John, James Miller, Scott Ruppert, Tom Culler, Jamie Chapman, Mike Villeina, Raymond Gillespie, Alvin Copey, William Fleitz, Bill Metz and Greg Headley. Kenneth Crouch of Bryan Lodge #215 was a special guest.

A letter was read from June (Jump) Cotrell requesting the Lodge's services for her departed husband Calvin Cotrell. A graveside funeral service will be conducted by the Funeral Team at Lost Creek Cemetery on Saturday, June 20 at 11:00 am. Members are to meet at the cemetery for this service at 10:45 am.

Hicksville had two candidates for the Grand Master's 1-Day Class. There were 26 new members inducted into Masonry that day in the 5th District. Craig Andrews and B.J. Kline were sponsored by Mentors Dick Savage and Jim Kline respectively. The class was held at Bryan Lodge #215 last Saturday June 13.

The "Last Meeting Cook-Out" will be held on Wednesday June 24th. The special meeting will begin at the

Lodge at 6:30. Brats and Burgers will be served at 6:45 at Tim Betts' house.

With no further business, the Lodge was closed and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship. The next special meeting will be Wednesday June 24 at 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH IN THE PARK WITH WOODBURN'S CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christ Lutheran Church in Woodburn is holding their annual Church in the Park this coming Sunday, June 28. The service starts at 10:00 a.m. at the Woodburn Park Pavilion. Everyone is invited to praise and worship our Lord along with our Praise Team.

Following the service a picnic lunch will be served at 11:30 along with homemade ice cream. Come and join us for free music, free food, and free grace.

CHRIST HUMAN GENERATION

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

Last time we left off talking about Revelation 12:5 and Christ defeating satan. Today let us look at some other prophecies of Christ. Today let us start off with Genesis 12:3; 18:18; 49:10; and Isaiah 11:1.

Let us begin with Genesis 12:3 and as we read this, God's promise to Abraham is seven blessings that he will receive, but the one I want you to look at and this includes the others: "in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." The reason I wanted you to look at this one, it is quoted in Acts 3:25 with reference to Peter's Jewish listeners and in Acts 3:12, this is Abram's physical descendants and in Galatians 3:8, Paul's Gentile listeners. So all the families of the earth are blessed as God told Abraham. I would like for us to go back to Acts 3:25 for a minute and look at one word which is 'seed.' The word seed—and the Greek word for seed is 'Sperma,' and there are different meanings—but notice the word seed is singular, not plural. And when you look in the Greek 'seed' in Acts 3:25 is Christ a progeny or offspring of Abraham. So we see this prophesy fulfilled in Acts 3:25. There also is another scripture verse you can read, Galatians 3:16.

In Genesis 18:18 is another scripture verse that is fulfilled in the previous verses; also Genesis 49:10 tells us that Judah the Great, grandson of Abraham would be a leader until shiloh comes, or Christ comes.

Let's look at Isaiah 11:1—this is another scripture verse telling us that Jesse, the father of David, would be descendants of Christ. The Messiah will grow as a shoot from that stump of David's dynasty. Christ being a descendant of David is right now sitting on David's throne at the right hand of God with all power. Acts 2:29-30; Matthew 28:18.

Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. For Bible questions please call (419) 399-

WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL ANNOUNCES CROSSWALK SUMMER PROGRAM



Woodburn Lutheran School is pleased to announce the Grand Opening of their new Crosswalk Summer Program. The theme for our first week was "Friendship." The kids enjoyed many games, activities and crafts throughout the week. They also enjoyed "Movie Monday," "Water Wednesday," and "Field Trip Friday," which will be held each week throughout the summer! The Crosswalk Summer Program is not only

for children of working parents, but also for kids at home with nothing to do and for moms that need a "day away." Kids can come and enjoy the Crosswalk Summer Program for one day, one week or one summer—it's up to you! If you have any questions regarding the Crosswalk Summer Program, please call Woodburn Lutheran School at 260-632-5493 or Teresa Warnock at 260-417-3146. We are looking forward to seeing you.

5022 or (419) 393-4775. For salvation the way the Bible teaches and tells us how to be saved:

Hear the word, which is the Bible: Romans 10:17; Matthew 7:24-27

Believe: Hebrews 11:6; Mark 16:15-16

Repent: Acts 2:38; 17:30; Luke 13:3

Confess: Matthew 10:32-33; Acts 8:36-37

Be Baptized: Acts 2:38; Matthew 28:19

Live faithfully unto death: Revelation 2:10

FROM THE PAULDING COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Paulding County Prosecuting attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted nine persons on Thursday, June 11, 2009.

David M. Ranes - Illegal

Manufacturing of Drugs, F-2; Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals for the Manufacture of Drugs, F-3; Possession of Drugs, F-5

Ricky A. Girod - Grover Hill, Complicity to Illegal Manufacture of Drugs, F-2; Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals for the Manufacture of Drugs, F-3

James R. Bechtol, Sr. - Curtice, OH, Non Support of Dependents, F-5, 3 counts

Michael K. Smith - Toledo, OH, Non Support of Dependents, F-5

Charles E. Bays - Paulding, Menacing by Stalking, F-4; OVI, F-3

Randall L. Sulfridge - Paulding, Illegal Cultivation of Marijuana, F-5

Patricia Messman - Paulding, Theft, F-4

Shannon R. Fry - Oakwood, Assault, F-4

Christopher R. Suffer - Paulding, Possession of Drugs, 3 counts

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Aaron Schneider, Kaitleen Fisher, Ashley Fisher, Martina Daugherty, Lydia Schneider. Second row: Boyd Hootman, Amanda Zielke, Adelia Hootman, Jeremiah Dealey, Thomas Brown. Third row: (far left) Becca Brandenburgh, Zeke Price, Abby Terwelliger, Dani Daugherty, Diane Watson. Back row: Joshua Dealey, David Schneider, Pastor Schneider, Brandon Dix, Tony Watson

From May 16 to 17 two area youth groups got together to fight hunger around the world: Bethel UMC and Antwerp UMC.

In those 30 hours we learned a lot about each other, made new friends and most importantly, learned about the conditions in other countries and our own. Even kids in this great country go to bed hungry and don't have all their needs met.

Through playing Survivor games we learned that the conditions in other countries like China, India and Sub-Saharan Africa are worse than ours. Not only have they gone through great lengths to get food and clean water, housing and medical supplies are not the best either. Although we only starved for 30 hours,

and got to end the event with a pizza party, we appreciated the opportunity to make a difference in some lives. We raised \$1,436.00 for the fight for hunger. The money goes to World Vision and all goes to the hungry. The money also helps to educate these people learn how to better themselves and take care of their own needs.

Youth leaders for this event were Tony and Diane Watson, Pastor Mike Schneider and Martina Daugherty. We are planning to do this again next year, and anybody that wants to join us, now with either youth group, or just for another 30 hour famine are more than welcome to do so.

—Bethel and Antwerp United Methodist Youth Group

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Latta

lation is to re-interpret the word "inertia" so as to cover all knives using a spring (even a Boy Scout knife or multi-tool has one that maintains a knife's inherent bias toward closure) and contradicts the intent of Congress. There is clearly no language in the statute describing these assisted-opening and one-hand-opening knives, all of which are in the same class mechanically. This proposal also contradicts the intent of the legislatures in many states.

Court cases in several states such as California, Illinois, Michigan, and Texas, have all ruled in favor of assisted-opening and one-hand opening knives not being switchblades because they do not possess the activating button or device on the handle of the knife.

"These knives are used not only by sportsmen, but also by police, firemen, skilled trade workers and others," said Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation President Jeff Crane. "The Office of Customs and Border Patrol proposed revocation does not identify any specific intrinsic health and public safety concerns which it is purportedly trying to protect by this new designation."

The Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation is also collecting signatures from members of the American Wildlife Conservation Partners for a letter to Secretary Napolitano supporting the CSC in its efforts to convince the Secretary to withdraw this proposal.

SENATE APPROVES BUEHRER BILL TO ESTABLISH WAR OF 1812 COMMISSION

The Ohio Senate this afternoon unanimously approved Senate Bill 93, legislation sponsored by State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta), which would establish the Ohio War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission to help enhance public understanding about Ohio's role in this pivotal conflict and work to strengthen preservation efforts of historic sites in Northwest Ohio and other areas across the state.

Sen. Buehrer explained that the War of 1812, or what many call America's "Second War for Independence," was a critical event in our nation's fight for independence from the British Empire, our expansion into the Northwest Territory—which, today, includes Ohio and surrounding states—and our relationship with Canada. He added 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 of 1812, it is important that we take time to honor the soldiers who lost their lives for this worthy cause, celebrate Ohio's contribution to this momentous event and work to preserve buildings and artifacts that will help tell the story of our state's role in the war to future generations," said Buehrer, who has been working with community leaders and historians from

Northwest Ohio to establish the War of 1812 Commission.

The War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission would consist of 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. Members of the commission would be responsible for planning celebrations and educational events to commemorate the anniversary of the war and its role in our state and nation's history.

Similar commemoration efforts are already underway in Michigan, Kentucky and other surrounding states, as well as Canada.

"The work of the War of 1812 Commission would not only help increase public awareness of the significance of the war to Ohio and the growth of our nation, but could provide a noticeable boost to state and local economies through increased tourism," Buehrer added. "I would like to thank my colleagues in the Senate for their support of this important bill."

After passing the Senate 32-0 this afternoon, SB 93 now moves to the Ohio House for further consideration.

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Military Convoy

This Convoy of 2009 is following the same route from Washington D.C. across the nation to San Francisco. That is where US 30, called the Lincoln Highway, ends at a place called Lincoln Park. We visited there I think in 1967 or 8.

Some early informational material was sent to Honorable Mayor Ray DeLong, Antwerp Village Administrator Sarah Keeran and Chamber President, Sandy Wann. Our Village Fiscal Officer, Loretta Baker, ran us off a copy of the Convoy's itinerary and we really appreciate it. I have read every word of it and I will tell you some of their future cities: The War Museum in Auburn, two nights in South Bend where they set up museum displays, one night in Rochell, IL at First Division Museum then Cedar Rapids and Jefferson, Iowa, two nights in Omaha an Rawlings and on into Utah and Nevada then Tahoe and later Alameda Naval Air Station and numerous big museums.

As I understand, this is not a Government Sponsored Convoy. All of these participants pay their own way. Some go all the way, others drop off at various towns and stations. I guess they have some sponsors in the various chapters of the M.V.P.A.

I'm truly sorry that everyone didn't get to see the Convoy. It done your heart and pride a lot of good to see those fellow Americans go by in their restored vehicles.

We at the West Bend News are proud to report about it. See Ya!



As with any successful team each member plays an essential part. Paulding County Hospital is proud of our team which includes great staff members like those pictured below, whose commitment and enthusiasm helps us exceed expectations every day. Together We Make a Difference!



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Jennifer White



Luci Wong

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Cindy Woodring

20 Years of Service



Louise Goll



Brenda Wieland



Angela Zartman

2009 PAULDING COUNTY 4-H FAIR RESULTS

Senior Beef Showmanship: Nicole Lay, First
 Junior Beef Showmanship: Tiffany Spangler, First
 Champion of Champion Beef Showmanship: Nicole Lay, First
 Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds): Jacob Sukup, First
 Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds): Tiffany Spangler, First
 Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds): Nicole Lay, First
 Grand Champion Beef Feeder: Victoria Zuber, First
 Reserve Champion Beef Feeder: Gary Klopfenstein, First
 Champion Heavy Weight Market Steer: Victoria Zuber, First
 Champion Light Weight Market Steer: Isaac Nice, First
 Grand Champion Market Steer: Victoria Zuber, First
 Reserve Champion Market Steer: Nicole Lay, Second
 Rate of Gain Market Steer: Tiffany Spangler, First
 Senior Dairy Beef Showmanship: Gary Klopfenstein, First
 Junior Dairy Beef Showmanship: Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Champion of Champion Dairy Beef Showmanship: Gary Klopfenstein, First
 Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds): Megan Reineck, First
 Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds): Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds): Evan Klopfenstein, First
 Champion Junior Dairy Steer: Blake Miller, First
 Reserve Champion Junior Dairy Steer: Blake Miller, First
 Champion Dairy Steer: Jared Deatrck, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy Steer: Jared Deatrck, Second
 Champion Dairy/Beef Feeder Class A: Mara Kessler, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class A: Blake Miller, Second

Champion Dairy/Beef Feeder Class B: Eric Priest, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class B: Emily Derck, Second
 Champion Dairy/Beef Class C: Abram Klopfenstein, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class C: Wyattte Wolfle, Second
 Champion Dairy/Beef Class D: Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class D: Angela Klopfenstein, Second
 Champion Dairy/Beef Class E: Gary Klopfenstein, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class E: Blake Miller, Second
 Grand Champion Dairy Feeder: Abram Klopfenstein, First
 Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder: Gary Klopfenstein, Second
 FFA Best Carpentry Project: Jared Deatrck, First
 FFA Best Electricity: Stephen Wagoner, First
 FFA BEST SAE POSTER: Kelli Schlatter, First
 Paulding County Jr. Fair King/Queen Results:
 2009 Queen - Victoria Zuber
 2009 King - Jared Deatrck
 1st Runner Up Queen - Amanda Porter
 2009 Prince - Jonathan Meyer
 2009 Princess - Ashlyn Rice
 2009 Jr. King - Aaron Horstman
 2009 Jr. Queen - Meghan Todd
 The King Belt Buckle was donated by the Bill and Sue Deatrck. The King Savings Bond was donated by Frank's Precision Tool. The Queen's Savings Bond and trophy were donated by the Grover Hill V.F.W. The Queen 1st Runner Up Savings Bond was donated by American Family Insurance - Dana Bair Agency.
 The Prince and Princess trophies were donated by the Paulding County Junior Fairboard.

THE PAULDING COUNTY 4-H FAIR WRAPS UP FOR 2009



Kaleb Keezer of Paulding has a great time at the fair. He stands here with his Pygmy Goats that he worked hard to raise this year.

This year the Paulding County fair attracted a large number of people due to the fair board finding sponsors to enable everyone to attend for free. Many of Paulding's young people enjoyed the free rides and Saturday brought forth great weather. Cheerleaders, located south of the Youth Building, of the county schools earned money for their cheer squads by manning a dunk tank. The tractor pulls were also interesting to watch as antique tractors pulled the sled behind. Gene Ruble of Grover Hill won driving his IH Farmall-M pulling the sled 202'. Ed Hermiller of Ka-

lida came in second with 178'. More results to be printed next week. Not everything was fun and games at least in the horse race. One of the horses had to be put down as it was severely injured. The rider was also taken to the hospital in the EMS and survived. The 4-H animal buildings possessed cute little rabbits, pigs, goats, cows, sheep and others. The animals were all well behaved and seemed to like the attention. Perhaps next year will be even better, as the fairboard has worked hard on turning things around.

The Jr. King and Queen trophies were donated by the Paulding County Junior Fairboard.
 Junior Rabbit Showmanship: Jowaine Grimes, First
 Senior Rabbit Showmanship: Brandon Shuherk, First
 Champion of Champion Rabbit Showmanship: Jowaine Grimes, First
 Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds): Jowaine Grimes,

First Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds): Tyler Fry, First
 Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds): Katie Baumle, First
 Champion Single Fryer: Alec Kuhn, First
 Reserve Champion Single Fryer: Michael Dangler, Second
 Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen: Chelsea Miller, First
 Reserve Champion Rabbit Meat Pen: Katie Baumle, Second
 6 Class Senior buck: Alexis Howell, First
 6 Class Senior Doe: Anna Baumle, First
 6 Class Intermediate Doe: Alexis Howell, First
 6 Class Junior Buck: Katelynn Hughes, First
 6 Class Junior Doe: Katelynn Hughes, First
 Grand Champion 6-Class: Anna Baumle, First
 Best Opposite 6 Class: Alexis Howell, First
 4 Class Senior Buck: Jowaine Grimes, First
 4 Class Senior Doe: Alexis Howell, First
 4 Class Junior Buck: Alexis Howell, First
 4 Class Junior Doe: Austin Howell, First
 Grand Champion 4 Class: Jowaine Grimes, First
 Best Opposite 4 Class: Alexis Howell, First
 Mixed Breed Rabbit Overall: Austin Howell, First
 Best of Show, All Breeds (Rabbits): Anna Baumle, First
 Best Opposite, All Breeds (Rabbits): Jowaine Grimes, First
 Doe & Litter: Jowaine Grimes, First

2009 Junior Fair Booth Judging Results:
 Best Use of Jr. Fair Theme - The Out of Towners
 Most Creative Award - Doe-C-Doe
 Most Educational - Leaders of Tomorrow
 Best Use of Color - Stablemates
 2009 Junior Fair Parade Judging Results:
 First Place (\$40) - Leaders of Tomorrow
 Second Place (\$25) - Brown Betty's & Buster Brown
 Third Place (\$25) - Doe-C-Doe
 Clothing: Consumerism Projects - Frugal Fashions: Beth Reinhart, Best
 Beginning Projects - Ready Let's Sew: Kalen Kelly, BEST
 Joyful Jumper: Taylor Manz, BEST
 Advanced Projects - Dress Up Outfit: Lauren Holtsberry, BEST
 Bernadyne Rogers Memorial Award: Lauren Holtsberry
 Outstanding Clothing Award: Lauren Holtsberry
 Best Consumerism Project: Beth Reinhart, First
 Demonstration Contest Winners:
 Jr. Individual - Demonstrations: Matthew Klopfenstein, 1st
 Sr. Individual - Demonstrations: Tanya Collins, 1st
 Health & Safety Speaking Contest:
 Jr. Individual - John Ross-wurm, 1st

Sr. Individual - Gary Klopfenstein, 1st
 Modeling: Cloverbud Class - Emma Horstman, Trophy
 Beginner Class - Abbey Pierce, Trophy
 Intermediate Class - Alexis Howell, Trophy
 Advanced Class - Tiffany Spangler, Trophy
 Best Overall Model - Tiffany Spangler, Silver Tray
 Senior Sheep Showmanship: Evan Klopfenstein, First
 Junior Sheep Showmanship: Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Champion of Champion Sheep Showmanship: Evan Klopfenstein, First
 Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds): John Ross-wurm, First
 Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds): Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds): Mallory Ross-wurm, First
 Champion Light Weight Market Lamb: Matthew Klopfenstein, First
 Reserve Champion Light Weight Market Lamb: Gary Klopfenstein, Second
 Champion Middle Weight Market Lamb: Mallory Ross-wurm, First
 Reserve Champion Middle Weight Market Goat: JoEllen Fickle, Second
 Champion Heavy Weight Market Lamb: Luke Spangler, First
 Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Market Lamb: Evan (Continued on Page 5)

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Seven years ago my family made a huge leap of faith by moving to Paulding County. We sacrificed a lot in our lives to make the move. I was able to make a decent living as a union carpenter. Unfortunately the economy has taken a huge toll on my career. We went from living a comfortable lifestyle to struggling to survive.

Now a new leaf has turned for us and we made the decision to move back west. I just want to say we are very grateful for all the friends we made in our short time here. We have made some very close friendships and they will be cherished forever. We are sorry we weren't able to say goodbye to everyone personally as our lives have been very hectic over the last few months. To Dale and Amanda, Ron and Vicki, Chuck and Denise, Phil and Linda, Gary and Judy, Bruce and Diane, Darleen, Virginia and especially the West Bend News—your friendships will never be forgotten.

Paulding County has some of the nicest, caring people we have ever met. We will miss the place we called home since 2002. There will always be a special place in our hearts for Paulding County—the good times and the memories.

—Tim and Deanna Dauten

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This letter is in regard to Mr. Potter's column in the West Bend News the week of June 10, 2009.

After reading Mr. Potter's column I felt I needed to answer the statement he made about all prophecies concerning Christ had been fulfilled. This is not true. The ones up to the death, burial and resurrection have been fulfilled, but not the future prophecies. I can't list all of those prophecies in the space I have here. So I will list some of the more familiar in this letter.

First I must state I love the study of prophecy. Why do I love prophecy? I love to study it because it tells me of how the Lord is coming soon for His Church (the body of believers in the world) and the events that will soon take place.

Below please find several scriptures I looked up concerning these prophecies in the scripture.

In the book of Isaiah you will find this:

Isaiah 65:17 - "For behold, I create a new heaven and new earth: and: and the former (earth) shall not be remembered, nor come to mind."

Isaiah 2:4 - "He (God) shall judge the nations, and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation. Neither shall learn war anymore."

This prophecy has not been fulfilled as of yet.

Isaiah 66:22-23 - "For as the new heaven and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before Me, saith the Lord, so shall your

seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before Me, saith the Lord.

This prophecy has not been fulfilled and these are the words of Christ.

Jeremiah 23:5-6 - "Behold, the day comes that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch (Christ) and a King (Christ) shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth." In His days Judah shall dwell in safety; and this is His name whereby He shall be called, The Lord Our Righteousness."

This has not yet been fulfilled.

Daniel 12:1-2 - And at that time shall Michael stand up, that great prince that stands for the children of Thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time Thy people will be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep (died) in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to ever lasting life and some to everlasting contempt. (which book will you be listed in?)

This prophecy has not been fulfilled yet. There is still time to decide what book you will be listed in.

Joel 2:28 - And it shall come to pass afterward, that I (Christ) will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and daughters shall prophecy, your old men will dream dreams: your young men shall: and also upon your servants and upon the handmaids, in those days will I pour out My Spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible Day of the Lord comes. And it will come to pass, that whosoever shall call upon the names of the Lord shall be delivered; for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be delivered, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call.

This prophecy has not yet been fulfilled.

Zechariah 12:10 - "And I will pour out upon the house of David (Israel) and up on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and supplications: and they shall look upon ME whom they have pierced, and they mourn for Him, as one mourns for His only Son, and shall be in bitterness for His Firstborn."

This prophecy concerning Christ has not yet been fulfilled.

Zechariah 14:3-5 - Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against these nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north and half of it toward the south. And you shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal; Yea, you shall flee like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of

Uziah the King of Judah; and the Lord My God, shall come and all His saints with Him.

This prophecy has not yet been fulfilled.

Zechariah 14:16-18 - It shall come to pass that everyone that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, to keep the feast of tabernacles, and it shall be, that whosoever will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain."

This prophecy hasn't been fulfilled. There are also many other prophecies about Christ and the end times. I would be remiss in my faith to not challenge the statement that all prophecies about have been fulfilled.

Jesus is coming again, and very soon. First for His church (those who have trusted Him as Savior and Lord) in the air and then seven years later in power and great glory to defeat Satan once and for all.

Sincerely,
 —Barb Duffey

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- Klopfenstein, Second
 - Champion Market Lamb: Luke Spangler, First
 - Reserve Champion Market Lamb: Evan Klopfenstein, Second
 - Rate of Gain Sheep: Preston Gross, First
 - Junior Swine Showmanship: Chase Stoller, First
 - SR. Swine Showmanship: Austin Spiece, First
 - Champion of Champion Swine Showmanship: Austin Spiece, First
 - Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds): Tanner Cook, First
 - Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds): Jacob Cook, First
 - Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds): Jared Renollet, First
 - Market Hog Class A First Place: Austin Spiece, First
 - Market Hog Class A Second Place: Kiara Bruce, Second
 - Market Hog Class B First Place: Taylor Deatrack, First
 - Market Hog Class B Second Place: Jared Renollet, Second
 - Market Hog Class C First Place: Brett Beckman, First
 - Market Hog Class C Second Place: Jared Renollet, Second
 - Market Hog Class D First Place: Logan Fast, First
 - Market Hog Class D Second Place: Meghan Todd, Second
 - Market Hog Class E First Place: Adam Stalsberg, First
 - Market Hog Class E Second Place: Brett Beckman, Second
 - Market Hog Class F First Place: Jacob Todd, First
 - Market Hog Class F Second Place: Colby Spiece, Second
 - Market Hog Class G First Place: Jacob Arend, First
 - Market Hog Class G Second Place: Jacob Arend, Second
 - Grand Champion Market Hog: Adam Stalsberg, First
 - Reserve Champion Market Hog: Brett Beckman, Second
 - Third Champion Market Hog: Taylor Deatrack, Third
- More fair results will be published next week!*

COUPLE CELEBRATES 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



John and Esther Parker, of Woodburn, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their cabin in Northern Minnesota. They were married at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church, Kendallville on July 2, 1949. John is a 1944 graduate of Albion High School and Esther is a 1944 graduate of Avilla High School. Their children are Stephen (Deb) Parker of Rochester, Minne-

sota, Susan (Jim) Courtney of New Haven and John (Annette) Parker of St. Charles, Missouri. They have seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Dr. Parker is a 1954 graduate of Michigan State Veterinary College. He retired after 42 years of Veterinary Service in Woodburn. Esther worked with him in the office.

LATTA TO PARTICIPATE IN CAP AND TRADE HEARING

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green), a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, will participate in today's full committee hearing on the Waxman-Markey climate change and energy bill (HR 2454).

"I want to thank Chairman Peterson and Ranking Member Lucas for holding this very important hearing on the proposed Cap and Trade bill. I look forward to hearing testimony from today's panelists and exchanging in thoughtful debate on the ramifications of this legislation on our nation's agriculture community," Latta said prior to today's hearing.

Below is an excerpt from Congressman Latta's opening statement which will be submitted for the record at the hearing. The full opening statement can be found here.

"We meet today to examine H.R. 2454, The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, otherwise known as cap-and-trade. I represent Ohio's Fifth Congressional District, the largest agricultural and largest manufacturing district in Ohio. I strongly feel that cap-and-trade legislation is a transfer of wealth and an

attack on the Midwest. I have been working with my Republican Colleagues on the Agriculture Committee, as well as the Rural American Solutions Group and American Energy Solutions Group to show how this legislation will really harm America. The individuals who are pushing this legislation through Congress are individuals whose districts do no rely on coal for their energy generation, and whose districts do not have manufacturing and agriculture like states such as Ohio. The ramifications of this bill will be severe job losses and a national energy tax on every American..."

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NOW READ THIS

By: Stan Jordan
 Friends and readers, this picture is of me taken back in February 1994. It brings back so many memories and nostalgia that I could sit here and let my coffee get cold just thinking back to that fine afternoon.

I was in a lot better health and our country was in better condition and that Lake Istokpoga was still one of the best bass lakes in Florida.



You can tell by the shadows that it is in the afternoon. I am walking to the boat alone so that tells me that my brother-in-law, Ray Gross, had already gone to the boat with a five gallon gas can. We had a 15 horse Mercury with an Armstrong Starter. Our trailer was about forty feet back of my right elbow and the boat basin is about one hundred feet straight ahead of me.

The trailer that you see the back end of is Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Sampson's from Lima. She retired from a Lima school cafeteria and Chuck from the Nickel Plate Foundry.

This picture was taken by Mrs. Bob Mason and they are from the Lima area also. Bob had just retired as a Superintendent of one of the Allen County Schools. His father, Richard, and mother, Maxine, lived in a trailer just a few feet off my left elbow. Mrs. Bob Mason walked out and took this photo in color, I guess because she didn't have any thing else to do. Man, I'm glad she did 'cause I've looked at it a thousand times and even memorized it.

You see my Plano Tackle Box and one rod in my right hand. So probably when we came in at noon I left one rod down in the boat and took one to the trailer. Probably had a bird nest in the reel or needed to retie my line.

Then, in my left hand is a blue poke which carried our thermos, which in the afternoon probably was water. Sometimes I would put two water bottles into the freezer and let them freeze over night. You put them in the sun in the boat and it would melt fast enough to have a cold drink any time.

That is Ray's five gallon bucket which you have heard me mention before. In Ray's bucket was a collection that you would find on a table in a yard sale. One pair of wire cutters, two screw drivers, some good electrical tape, two shop towels, three oranges, a couple of those good club crackers, a dirty tee shirt, a light weight hooded jacket, a tube of sun block stuff, a

package of Twinkies, and a number of already opened plastic worm type bass baits and numerous other items.

On this afternoon it's probably around 3:30 and it will be dark by 6:00 p.m. Ray said, "Lets go down to the dam area." They are letting water go over the dam into the Government Cut and then into all those irrigation ditches in those thousands of acres of citrus in South Florida. That's called Indian Prairie and finally into the Kissimmee River and then into Lake Okeechobee.

When they are letting water go over the dam, sometimes the bass will congregate at the mouth of the Cut at the lakes edge and sometimes they will hit anything you throw at them.

At that time Ray had a 14 foot aluminum boat. It was quite wide and had three movable seats in it. We went down to the lake past the lily pads, past the Cormorant Trees, past the old red barn, then some rice weed and ended up at the Cut. That's about two miles by water.

There was only a couple of boats in the area. You see, the Florida people are at work and about the only fisherman during the week are the northerners.

Ray and I got started fishing. We just anchored and threw all around the boat. I had a small birds nest in one reel but soon got it out okay. The biting was slow, but we did get some hits.

I laid into one that felt like a nice one and my line snapped. Ray said, "You probably pinched the line when you had that bird's nest."

Well, I figured I had about thirty foot of line and a new lizard type bait. So, I just picked up my other rod and started casting.

Soon Ray said, "I got a pretty good one on so get the landing net." We soon got him and he would go between four and five pounds, a dandy bass. But the startling thing here is the bass had a lot of line coming out of his mouth. He had another hook and line in his mouth besides the one of Ray's.

I got the bass, and inside his mouth was my Lizzard bait and my number two hook and I rolled up about 30 feet of junk line. It was my fishing gear alright. But from the time he broke my line and then bit again for Ray, was not more than 1/2 hour. I had always heard that they would bite again, now I know they will. I think we picked up three more that evening and released them all.

We sat around the camp fire that evening and told of our tale with the bass. I guess we didn't impress anyone, but it was a new adventure to us.

Well, I ran across that photo of me going fishing down in Florida. Like Ben Franklin said, "A bad day of fishing is still better than a good day at work."

See Ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Maybe 20 years ago, my wife and I were coming back from Florida. For some reason we were traveling on a highway going through Fort Benning, GA. That is a big military installation and we were driving about 50 miles per hour looking on both sides of the road.

I looked out my left hand window (that was before air conditioning) and right down beside the car was a young white leghorn rooster. I was startled by his speed, so I slowly eased up to 55 as easy as I could.

Well, I told my wife I was going to ease up to 60 miles per hour, just to see if he would try to keep up. Well, he could do 60 easily. So we cruised along for a bit and at a crossroad, he made a left hand turn down another road.

I slowly turned around and came back to that corner and watched my friend, the rooster. It turned into a very neat and well-kept house and barnyard. It looked like a prosperous place. There happened to be a man in the barnyard and I drove up to him and asked if a white rooster had been running by the road. I told him about how fast he could run and I wanted to know more about him.

"Oh, yes," he said, "you see, that rooster has three legs. We have been developing that strain for some time and we got lots of them."

I made a quick notation in my head that there are usually nine pieces to a cut up chicken, this one had an extra leg. That means a ten percent increase in chicken pieces that should be about a ten percent increase in profit. By golly, that should be a good deal, a farmer can always use a bigger profit.

"How are things going?" He said, "I know it sounds good and we're thrilled about it but I can't tell you anymore, you see, we have never sold any of them."

"Well, gee whiz, why not?" Then he said, "We can't catch them!"

FROM THE PAULDING COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICE

Attention: All honorably discharged veterans:

The Department of Veterans Affairs has recently relaxed the income guidelines for enrollment in the VA Health Care System in Priority Group 8, (all other non service-connected veterans and zero percent, non-compensable service-connected veterans who agree to pay copays)

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—Randy L. Brooks, Paulding County Veterans Service Officer

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ANTWERP'S DAY IN THE PARK IS AUGUST 8, 2009

The new street banners, a joint effort of the Village and Chamber are up and welcoming one and all to the Antwerp downtown area. Some individuals and businesses also helped with the cost. The Community Garage Sales on June 12 and 13 seems to have been a huge success. Everyone should note that these are scheduled for the second Friday and Saturday of June each year.

At their June meeting, the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce used much of their time making some final decisions and plans for the August 8th Day In The Park. Extra effort is being made this year to be sure that there is food and activities for everyone. The Chamber is aware that the Antwerp School Reunion will be this same weekend and lots of extra folks will be in town.

Several civic and school organizations are offering food and games and the entertainment schedule is full. Again this year there will be short games, for children of all ages, interspersed with stage entertainment. New this year will be an apple pie baking contest, local celebrities have consented to be the judges. All the community

bakers are asked to perfect their recipe and submit an entry. There will be a first place winner and a 'People's Choice' award.

The ever popular Classic Car Cruise-in is sure to be a favored spot for those coming to town for the reunion. Perhaps they will find a resemblance of their own first car. Jay and Karen Sanders are hard at work on this event.

The Chamber will introduce their Gem of the Year at Day In The Park. The community is invited to nominate their choice of living person who has made a positive contribution to the Antwerp community. Forms and deposit boxes are located at Antwerp Pharmacy, Marilyn's Petals and Vines and Antwerp Exchange Bank or you may wish to mail your nomination to The Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 111, Antwerp OH 45813. Please be specific as to why this person should be the Gem of Antwerp. The deadline for your nominations is July 24.

By August The Memories of Antwerp, 9th in a series, ornament will be here. Many of you are collecting these limited edition glass balls. This year's ornament features a drawing of City Hall as it appeared in the early 1900's.

There is still room for craft vendors as well as anyone wishing to have an informational display. Anyone wishing information on availability may leave a message at 419-258-1722 or contact the chamber at the above mentioned address. Cheryl Farnsworth is receiving information on crafters.

There will be additional Day In The Park information coming next month after the July 14 Chamber meeting at the Essen House at 12:30 p.m.

Other items of discussion were the south SR 49 welcome sign, The Halloween Parade on October 31 and the Holiday Parade of Lights on December 5. There will be more information on these in the coming weeks and months.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 5/27/09

This 27th day of May 2009, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, Tony Zartman, and Joan Tope, Assistant Clerk.

Allowance Of Claims:
Warrants docketed as 158568 through 158580 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

In The Matter Of Juvenile Court Grant Agreement And Funding Application:

The Board of Paulding County Commissioners does hereby enter into a Juvenile Court Grant Agreement and Funding Application with the State of Ohio, Department of Youth Services on behalf of the Paulding County Juvenile Court. The Ohio Department of Youth Services will provide the base and variable allocations for each fiscal year for the biennial period beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011, subject to the terms and conditions of the grant agreement on file in the County Commissioners' office.

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

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

FROM: 001-030-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/CORSA
TO: 001-013-00003/General Fund/Coroner/Contracts/Services
AMOUNT: \$2,380.00

In The Matter Of Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 254):

The Board of County Commissioners amended the 2009 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 254:

Fund 254 - Professional Training, 254-001-00002/Tuition, \$2,000.00

In The Matter Of Approving "Then And Now" Purchase Orders And Payments:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 18, 2009:

Windstream, \$2,536.68; Windstream, \$790.68, \$519.01; Haviland Drainage, \$1,576.40; Baker Shindler Builders, \$1,730.63; Interstate Batteries, \$154.00; Stykemain, \$4,335.63; Treasurer, State of Ohio, \$6,577.99; Joseph M. Kuhn, D.O., \$280.00; PCDJFS, \$12,420.40

In The Matter Of Approving "Then And Now" Purchase Orders And Payments:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 20, 2009:

Bright.net, \$184.14; Fund 65, \$9,950.68; Carryall Twp., \$2,805.13; Paulding Co. Commissioners, \$1,903.00; Recovery Services of NW Ohio, \$550.30; DeFiance Co. Juvenile Probation, \$564.00

In The Matter Of Approving "Then And Now" Purchase Orders And Payments:

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 26, 2009:

Donald E. Stemen, \$115.29; Lou Ann Wannemacher, \$166.43; John E. Hatcher, \$118.00; Sandra Dieringer, \$300.00; Imaging Office Systems, \$166.59; Erwin Bandy, \$1,315.00; Todd Wolfrum, \$1,133.00; John Hatcher, \$374.00; Don & Perry Furniture, \$350.00; Den Herder Funeral Home, \$1,000.00; American Electric Power, \$612.13; Virtual Tech Group, \$567.60; Stoneco, Inc., \$1,245.04; Baker Shindler Builders, \$305.13; Haviland Drainage, \$235.60; Alenza, \$2,371.76; NOWAC, \$498.60; Douglas McVey, \$373.45

In The Matter Of Approving "Then And Now" Purchase Orders And Payments:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 27, 2009:

Glen Troth, Joseph Burkard, Brian Gorrell, \$850.00

Audit Committee:
The Board of County Commissioners met with members of the Audit Committee: Carol Temple, County Recorder; Ann Waldman, Assistant Clerk of Courts; Susan Simpson, County Auditor; and Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer.

Lou Ann Wannemacher presented the Sales and Use Tax 2009 report and the Sales Tax Monthly Breakdown report for review. Tax revenue from these sources received in May '09 was down almost 19% from May '08; however was up by \$689.00 from last month. Three-year averages for the month of April shows '09 down about \$20,000.00. Motor vehicle tax was up \$1,468.00 from April '09; but was 8.21% below April '08. Vehicle tax collected was below the three-year average by \$8,552.00.

Susan Simpson distributed reports prepared by her office for review. She reported cash in the general fund is just over \$1 million. She also reported correcting a posting error in real estate revenue from March, 2008. Ms. Simpson further stated expenses are down by 8.72% due to cuts by various offices.

Commissioner Burkley announced that Corey Walker has secured a foster family for the Jacob Eaton Children's Home. Mr. Walker anticipated three children who are currently in foster care will be placed in the children's home as soon as the foster family is settled in.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 6/1/09

This 1st day of June, 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.

Allowance Of Claims:
Warrants docketed as 158590 through 158734 for County Bills were ap-

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7	6	5	1	4	8	9	2	3
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5	3	9	4	2	7	6	8	1
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6	4	7	8	9	1	3	5	2
4	5	1	2	6	9	8	3	7
8	7	6	3	1	5	2	9	4
3	9	2	7	8	4	5	1	6

proved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

In The Matter Of Approving The Paulding County Auditor's Conveyance Fee Deposit Policy:

Effective November 29, 2007 the Paulding County Auditor adopted a Conveyance Fee Deposit Policy. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the Paulding County Auditor's Conveyance Fee Deposit Policy, effective November 29, 2007.

In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 001-021):

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

FROM: 001-030-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/CORSA
TO: 001-021-00003/General Fund/Health and Welfare/Handicapped Children
AMOUNT: \$552.09

In The Matter Of Permit Application From Dan Arend:

The Board of County Commissioners approved the permit application from Dan Arend to install a drive pipe for a field access. The work will be done 2640' east of CR 123 on the north side of CR 126. This will occur in Section 16 of Jackson Township.

In The Matter Of Permissive Tax Application For Funds Available Under Section 4504.05 Of The Ohio Revised Code For The Village Of Payne:

Payne Village, a municipal corporation within the County of Paulding, made an application for funds available under Section 4504.05 of the Revised Code of Ohio, to plan, construct, improve, maintain, or repair the following streets within the municipality shown on a map presented to the Paulding County Engineer.

Total amount of estimated cost of construction: \$3,303.00

Amount available according to vehicle registration: \$16,289.03

Application date: April 17, 2009

Ronald Etlzer, Fiscal Officer/Clerk /s/, Village of Payne

Travis McGarvey, Engineer of Paulding County, granted the request of the Village of Payne in the amount of \$3,303.00.

Approval date: May 27, 2009.

Commissioners order to pay Payne Village. The Auditor is to issue a warrant to Payne Village in the amount of \$3,303.00 to be paid from the Municipal Permissive Tax Fund.

In The Matter Of Authorizing Maumee Valley Planning Organization To Advertise For Re-bids For The Senior Center Roof Project (FY '08 CDBG Formula Program):

Bids were received May 13, 2009, for the Senior Center Roof Project to be completed under Paulding County's FY 2008 CDBG Formula Program; and upon further review of the bids, the warranty on labor and materials submitted

by the contractors, and the Commissioners' requirement for a 20 year warranty on labor and materials, it is Maumee Valley Planning Organization's recommendation that the Commissioners reject the bids and re-bid the project. The Board of County Commissioners authorized Maumee Valley Planning Organization to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for re-bids for the Paulding County Senior Center Roof Project to be completed under Paulding County's FY 2008 Formula Program; and the bids will be received in the office of the Paulding County Commissioners until 9:31 a.m. on the 22nd day of June, 2009.

In The Matter Of Permitting Courthouse Tours To Promote The Courthouse Heritage Fund:

The Paulding County Courthouse is an historical building; and a special Courthouse Heritage Fund has been created to allow donations for the upkeep and maintenance of the Paulding County Courthouse; and to promote contributions to the Courthouse Heritage Fund and to educate the public on the historical building. Mr. Stan Searing requests permission to conduct guided tours of the Paulding County Courthouse. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby allow and give permission to Mr. Stan Searing to conduct tours of the Paulding County Courthouse.

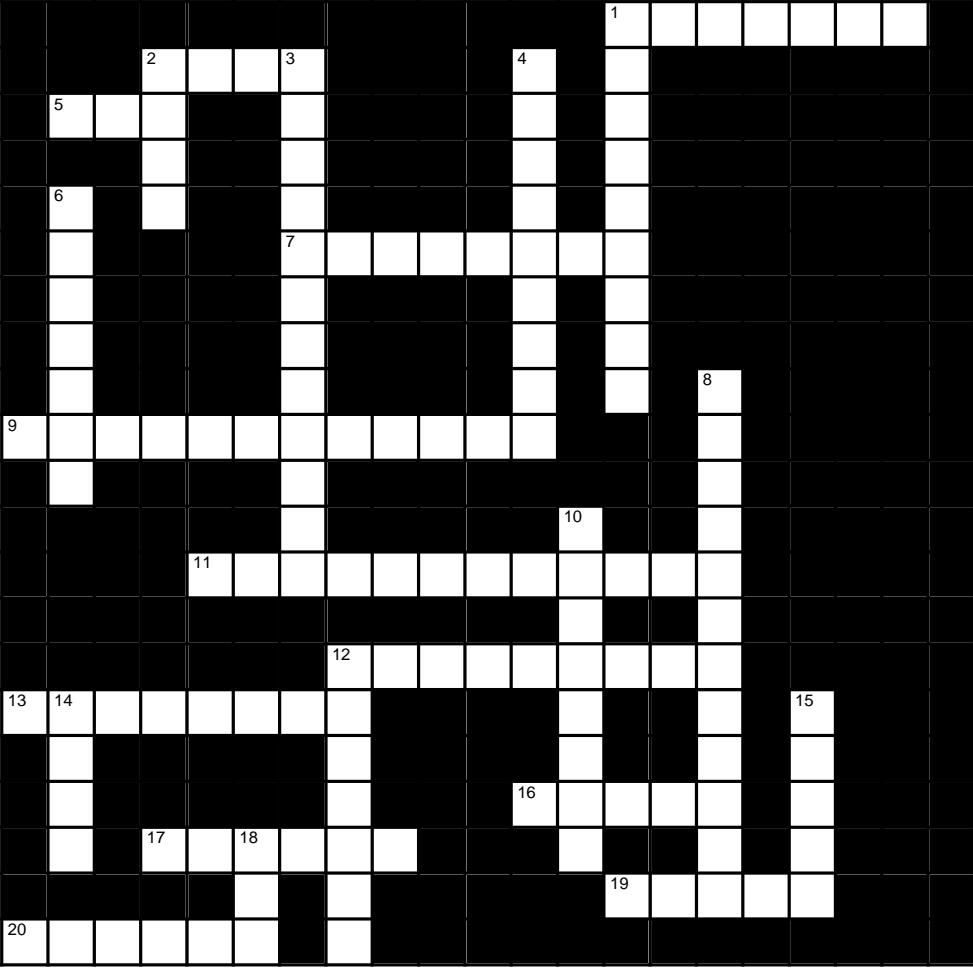
Meeting Notes of Appointment:
Stan Searing - Mr. Searing met

briefly with the Commissioners to ask permission to conduct tours of the courthouse to promote the Courthouse Heritage Fund (see resolution).
Tony Langham, PCED; and Otto Gerdeman, GNG Development Services - Mr. Gerdeman presented correspondence dating back to July 14, 2008, indicating engineering work was being done on the US 24 and SR 127 area waste water study. The Commissioners requested a detailed bill to substantiate the balance due of \$4,020.00. Mr. Gerdeman agreed to prepare a delineated statement and present it at the RLF meeting at PCED on June 8, 2009.

Marsha Yuetter, Paulding County Senior Center - Ms. Yuetter met with the Commissioners regarding an issue with damage done to the roof by a delivery truck. The Commissioners asked that she speak to the Prosecuting Attorney about the matter.

Susan Simpson, County Auditor; and Kathy Sanderson - Ms. Simpson and Ms. Sanderson met briefly with the Commissioners to request additional money in the Auditor's Office supply line for 2009. Ms. Simpson explained the current supply of budgetary warrants, payroll warrants, paper, and envelopes will not be sufficient for calendar year 2009. The Commissioners will consider her request. Ms. Simpson also discussed that savings could be realized if all county employees would take advantage of direct deposit for payroll purposes.

Crossword Puzzle



Across

- The first person to sign the Declaration of Independence.
- The Liberty Bell cracked the first time it was _____.
- The number of people who signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.
- The number of stars on the first flag.
- This document is the legal framework of the United States of America.
- The state in which the first national capitol was located.
- The national bird of the United States of America. (2 words)
- This comes after the introduction on the Declaration of Independence.
- The person responsible for shooting Abraham Lincoln.
- The last person to sign the Declaration of Independence.
- The first resident of the White House.
- Ben Franklin thought that this should be the national seal.

Down

- Life, liberty and the pursuit of THIS.
- The last name of the person who sewed the first American flag.
- The country from which the U.S. was declaring independence. (2 words)
- The person said to be the author of the Declaration of Independence.
- The Liberty Bell represents this.
- The Declaration of Independence was first read in this city.
- The major objection to being ruled by the British was "_____ without Representation."
- This person wrote the Pledge of Allegiance.
- The national flower of the United States of America.
- Immigrants land on this island when entering the U.S.
- This man wrote the "Star Spangled Banner." (last name)

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 6/3/09

This 3rd day of June, 2009, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, Tony Zartman, and Joan Tope, Assistant Clerk.

FROM: 001-013-00005/General Fund/Coroner/Travel TO: 001-013-00008/General Fund/Coroner/Workers' Comp AMOUNT: \$13.78

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 6/8/09

This 8th day of June, 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.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 6/10/09

This 10th day of June, 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.

FLASH FINISH SEASON AT WOODLAN



Shown here is 3rd year Flash player Heather Anderson being tackled by the 4-year Diamond and captain Karen Huff. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

The Fort Wayne Flash completed their season Saturday night at their home field, Woodlan High School. The Flash is an adult women's semi-pro football team based out of Fort Wayne.

step under the Pro teams. Saturday night at Woodlan the ladies went against the Dayton Diamonds (Dayton, OH).

Fort Wayne Newspapers Three Rivers Festival IT'S TIME FOR THE FESTIVAL JULY 11-19, 2009 Presenting many favorite events and new ones including: Major Concerts @ Event Pavilion Drowning Pool, July 11 Chuck Wicks, July 13 Hairbangers Ball, July 16 Pop Evil, July 14 Twisted Sister, July 18 Family Events National City Parade July 11, Starting Main & Van Buren Verizon FiOS Food Alley July 10-July 19, Headwaters Park East Children's Fest presented by Lutheran Children's Hospital & ITT Communication Systems July 17 & July 18, IPFW Fireworks Finale July 19, Downtown Fort Wayne 2009 Festival Souvenir Button ONLY \$2.50 Many button discounts offered including \$3 off Three Rivers Festival Concerts! Have a chance to win \$10,000 in cash and other prizes! Buttons available at: ProFed Credit Union, Lassus Handy Dandy Locations, National City Bank and the Three Rivers Festival Office. Visit www.trfonline.org or call 260-426-5556 Raffle License #116846

May total \$103,511.44. The Sheriff also noted the average inmates per day for May was 18.77. Mr. Harrow reviewed Captain Dave Clain's report projecting costs to re-open the jail, pointing out the many variables that do not allow exact cost projections.

Hughes, \$750.00; Ohio State Extension, \$180.00. In The Matter Of Approving 'Then And Now' Purchase Orders And Payments: The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following 'Then and Now' purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 8, 2009:

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING FOR 6/15/09

This 15th day of June, 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.

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replaced it while the ground was open and will bill separately for repairs. Jim Lauer sent list of sewer areas to be repaired to Gregg Guerretaz; they are estimating cost around 2.5 million dollars. Councilman Reichhart made 1st motion to approve the 2.5 Million dollar sewer project and proceed as engineer has designed, 2nd by Councilman Clegg, Councilman Mason, Reichhart, Zimmerman and Clegg voted, yes, Councilman Norden voted no, motion passed.

Underground Contractor submitted the first invoice for water line replacement on Main St; totaling \$36,301.40. Councilman Mason made 1st motion to pay and add to warrants, 2nd by Councilman Reichhart, all agreed, motion passed. Schnelker Engineering submitted an invoice for engineering services for the sewer project; totaling \$22,000.00. Councilman Mason made 1st motion to pay and add to warrants, 2nd by Councilman Zimmerman, all agreed, motion passed. Minutes were presented for approval. Councilman Zimmerman made 1st motion to suspend reading and approve, 2nd by Councilman Norden, all agreed, motion passed. Warrants were presented; Councilman Mason made 1st motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Zimmerman, all agreed, motion passed. Resident is asking for a sewer discount for filling their pool. Councilman Mason made 1st motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Clegg, all agreed, motion passed.

Mayor introduced the agreement with the county for bridge repair; 35% of Sur Tax will come back to the city, remainder to the county to repair bridges; this is pending County council approval. Councilman Clegg made 1st motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Zimmerman, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor reported the "If I were Mayor" essay winners have been picked, savings bond and certificates will be issued. Mayor was contacted by the Woodlan High School for the awards banquet on May 20, 2009. He would like to award a \$100.00 check to the winner. Councilman Clegg made 1st motion to approve, 2nd by Councilman Zimmerman, all agreed, motion passed.

Ryan Walls stated in his opinion running the new sewer line out to Woodburn Rd is not going to benefit the inflow problem, \$500,000.00 could be spent elsewhere in the City that would help with inflow. It will bring the sewer into the ponds faster and he feels it will back up. Ryan reported two leaks in the water main on Main St; boil water advisory was issued. Councilman Reichhart ordered a new sign for the recycling center; it should be in next week. A lock will be put on the door of the new shelter at the recycling center, the Lutheran School and the City will have keys. Councilman Zimmerman would like to record in the minutes that the new shelter purchased for the recycling center is the property of the City. Councilman Zimmerman feels we should take a more aggressive action with advertising the Industrial Park. The union hall is finishing their parking lot; he will get bids for the sidewalk to be put in on Elm St. from Stenger St. to Main St.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30
—Minutes submitted by Lesa Meadows



Ann's Bright Beginnings Campers were visited by two HUGE tractors recently! Mr. Mike Johanns and Mr. Jon Parrett brought their Caterpillar and John Deere Tractor to camp for the children to see. They even got to get inside the big tractors! Shown here not even minding the

OAKWOOD ARBOR #759 MINUTES FOR JUNE

The Oakwood Arbor #759 of the Gleaners Life Insurance met on Thursday, June 4, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Twin Oaks UMC Fellowship Hall.

President Ron Cooper called the meeting to order with Allen Hornish giving the prayer. We gave the pledge for our American flag. Roll call of officers present was given. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read, as well as the treasurer report. Approval was made to pay a bill for John Paulding Historical Society office. Report of the final "Join Hands Day," was given by Kevin Hornish. To finish our "Environmental Project" we will be helping the town of Oakwood with flowers and mulch. The Arbor members and community friends had brought in their pop tabs, box tops for education, and campbell soup labels. We have collected these all year for our "Wild Card" project to support Oakwood Elementary School.

Communicator Ruth Benien told of our Ohio State noon picnic at the Lighthouse in Findlay on Saturday, August 1st. Bring a carry-in dish to share. Those students who will be receiving scholarships will be present, as well as games for children and adults to be played, ending with prizes and some drawings. Our 54th Biennial Convention, October 2-4 will be held at Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI. Three or four will have a free trip from this Arbor. Delegates, first timer and bonus members. Gleaners would like items for the Silent Auction and Gift Cards for Service Projects.

The "Benevolent Project" scheduled for Oakwood Spring Clean-up was a huge success. Much appreciation to everyone who helped, gave their time, and those who helped with extra trucking. Especially to the Oakwood Boy Scouts for their distribution of the upcoming clean-up flyers.

ANTWERP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 6/15/09

Antwerp Village held their regular meeting on June 15 at 5:30 p.m. All present with Mike Rohrs excused.

Visitors: Oley McMichael asked Council for a one year extension of the completion of the Maumee Subdivision driveway due to economic issues. Motion carried and approved.

Nancy Lichty, representing the V.E.T.S., informed the Council that Homier has been paid \$9,260 for the restoration of the statue. They are hoping to break ground in August. Eighty-five foot of tile for storm drainage is needed, storm drain needs repaired, a limb behind the statue will need removed. Sarah Keeran will meet with the V.E.T.S. down at the park to note these items. V.E.T.S. asked if 180' more parking can be added. Sarah will get estimates. Nancy was assured that there would be a water source and she commented that the landscape will be completed.

Dick Gordon asked Council President Ron Farnsworth to meet with him about some issues. Dick also stated to Chief Clemens that the junk cars are not his.

Fiscal Officer Loretta Baker reported an estate tax revenue of \$30,694 received was noted by the county auditor per \$5,731.78 may be claimed for refund within three years of receipt and caution should be made as of accepting of these funds. Council suggested Loretta ask auditors how to handle this and report back next meeting.

The audit of years 2007-2008 will begin June 22 by E.S. Evans Co.

Ordinance 2009-15 - An ordinance authorizing the Village Fiscal Officer to transfer funds from the water fund to the W. Dagget/Stone Street waterline replacement project fund in the amount of \$26,625.00 and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Ordinance 2009-16 - An ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Antwerp, OH to require applications for the issuance of sidewalk permits prior to any construction, repair or replacement of sidewalks in the Village of Antwerp, OH and declaring the same an emergency.

Ordinance 2009-17 - An ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Antwerp, OH to amend the rear and side yard setback requirements for residential districts and declaring the same an emergency.

Ordinance 2009-18 - An ordinance authorizing the fiscal officer to amend appropriations and declaring it an emergency.

Resolution R2009-07-A resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation.

Police Report: Chief Clemens reported 184 calls for service for May with 93 offenses.

EMS Report: Randy Shaffer provided written report of 10 total runs for May. No written report available for EMS revenue.

Administrators Report: Sarah Keeran requested information from Larry Gorrell on how value is added when property is annexed to the Village.

She checks each day for weeds and high grass in the Village. A letter is sent to the owner of the problem before action is taken.

Mayor DeLong is working on the Oswalt Street properties. He has contacted the Fire Chief for the possibility of burning. Neighbors in the area will be contacted about the destruction being a problem before proceeding.

Solicitor Farr commented on the letter sent to Council regarding Highway 24 speed limit. After the road is returned to the Village the Village may return to speed limit to 35 mph. Solicitor Farr will check into this.

Council member Karen Lee was concerned about the sign at Country Times market blocking visibility and asked if it could be moved. Sarah Keeran stated ODOT will be cutting two trees in that area and possibly also move the sign since they recognize the visibility problem.

Solicitor Farr sent a letter to the Historical Society inviting them to this Council meeting. There was no response and no attendance from the Society. Council feels that the Public Safety Committee should meet with A.C.D.C., Solicitor Farr and invite the Historical Society to discuss what the next move will be.

Solicitor Farr announced the passage of law that employees do not have to live in the Village to be employed by the Village.

Council member Ryan asked about the funds coming from the Ohio Historical Society for the Depot Project. Sarah Keeran stated that we would not receive the funds until the Village is released from Fiscal Watch. Planning is still being done on the project.

Eight new picnic tables were purchased at cost from Lowe's. A 5' wide sidewalk and handicap ramp from the main pavilion to the road was installed. The metal roofs on all the buildings will be repainted and several large limbs will be removed that are over the playground. The speed bumps will also be painted.

Curbing will be replaced on N. Main Street in front of the Leinard property and after this new sidewalks will be installed.

Antwerp's Clean-Up and Recycling Day is set for June 27 from 9:00-6:00 at the Water Plant. Erie Recycling will be handling this.

The Sanitary Plant Brush Site is still being abused. Actions will be taken if this doesn't stop. One option is the residents losing the privilege of bringing brush and yard waste to the site.

The Utility Department has been busy with Village clean-up. Water meter replacement will continue during the summer months.

Mayor's Report: Mayor DeLong reported that \$9,765.57 was brought into general fund by Mayor's Court for the month of May.

Mayor DeLong will attend Mayor's Court Training the 22nd and 23rd of this month in Columbus.

Mayor thanked Vulcraft for their service at the park, painting and various cleanup projects.

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A 10-u and 12-u Boys Baseball Tournaments will be held July 20-25.

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To Enter, please call 419-399-2981 (Ron) or Ronzneon@hotmail.com

AIR CONDITIONING ANNOUNCED FOR AHS AUGUST REUNION

The 2009 AHS Reunion Committee held their meeting at the Essen House on June 17.

It will probably be a hot August, but Lewis Lengacher, owner of the Essen House/Manor House has announced that he intends to have air conditioning installed in the old big gymnasium in time for the A.C.D.C. sponsored AHS Reunion, Saturday August 8. Constant improvement has been the rule for the former Antwerp School since it's purchase four years ago. Mr. Lengacher wants the entire old school facility to be of service to the community and Antwerp is a better place because of his investments and efforts.

At the reunion meeting reports were given by committee chairs, Jerry Zielke, Pam Hartman, Cathy Gamely, and Laurel Hopkins. The colors for the AHS weekend festivi-

ties are red, white and blue to commemorate our wonderful country and the great times we had growing up in such a great town as Antwerp. Treasurer, Christy Williamson reported reservations are coming in as expected.

The reunion is the same week-end as the Chamber's Day in the Park. Like Ed Sullivan used to say, "It's going to be a really big show." (Ed was on black and white TV for you youngsters.)

Reservation forms are being distributed to the Antwerp Bank, Antwerp Insurance Agency, the Oasis, and Fowler Insurance Agency. Flyers will be provided to Kammeyers IGA to be put in grocery bags. The word is getting around that the big AHS Reunion is August 7, 8, and 9.

Kirk Hopkins, President of the A.C.D.C. wants everyone to know that all persons who attended AHS are welcome to come to the reunion. Sign up early, we want to have room for everyone.

It will be a big week-end with events planned for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. For more information call 419-258-1110 or 419-258-2609.

—The AHS Reunion Planning Committee

JOHN PAULDING DAYS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS RESULTS

- Mens':
1. ABC Countetops/Sylvania, OH
 2. Toledo Elite/Toledo
 3. Goody's/John's Bar, Maumee
 4. Blackies, Defiance
 5. K&K Collision, Napoleon
- Coed:
1. Blackies, Defiance
 2. Pack Rats Pawn Shop, Paulding
 3. Bare Metal, Bryan
 4. R&D, Payne
 5. Ozzies, Portsmouth, OH

CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR MAY 4, 2009

Mr. Jim Nedif discussed the PERF program for the Police Department. Mayor stated if we receive the grant for the additional officer we would have to provide PERF. Underground Contractors found a crack in the Storm Sewer lead pipe and

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ESTIMATING SOYBEAN STAND

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Agent

Soybeans are now emerging and an evaluation of your stand may be needed. If a poor stand does occur, producers need to investigate and determine the cause. Was the poor stand the result of cold wet soils, planting too deep or shallow, soil crusting, herbicide injury, insect feeding, poor soil to seed contact, or disease infection? Your need to determine the cause will be beneficial in avoiding a similar situation in the future.

After the cause of the poor stand is determined, it is essential that an accurate estimate of the soybean stand be determined. Purdue research indicates that a relatively uniform stand of 100,000 plants per acre in drilled or 15 inch rows and 80,000 plants in 30 inch rows will yield 100%. Data also indicates that a stand of 50,000 plants per acre will yield only 13% less than the maximum yield.

Another factor growers must consider at this time is planting date. Since we are past that optimal date, growers must now factor in decreased yield potential into the replant decision. In some years this window can stretch into the first two weeks of June. However, the risk of yield loss is increased once we get past late May.

If soybean stands are only thin in certain areas of a field

it is a common practice to fill in those areas with a 30" row planter. Purdue data suggests that there is no advantage to filling in a thin stand of 66,000 plants per acre with rowed soybeans. The damage done to the original thin stand coupled with decreased yield potential from the supplemental seeding, due to late planting and competition from the original stand, will yield the same as if the grower did nothing. Totally replanting this thin stand would significantly reduce yield.

If the decision is made to replant the field, consider planting the crop in intermediate or narrow row widths, and use a seeding rate 10-20 percent higher than normal. These management strategies are recommended because late-planted soybeans remain shorter and have fewer pods and seeds per plant than earlier-planted soybeans of the same variety. Late-planted, wide-row soybeans probably will not close the canopy between the rows, allowing sunlight to reach the soil surface. Failure to achieve canopy closure limits photosynthesis and promotes weed growth and competition. Use of narrower rows and slightly higher seeding rates increase plant growth efficiency of late-planted soybeans, resulting in more pods per acre and reduced weed competition.

The decision to replant can be an informed decision if you consider the cause of the stand loss, the uniformity

and stand counts per acre of the remaining stand, and the yield potential of the remaining stand and the replanted crop.

ODOT: WORK BEGINS ON OHIO'S FIRST STIMULUS-FUNDED PROJECT

Work is underway on Ohio's first transportation project funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) marked the start of the project near downtown Cleveland - a \$1.8 million investment of stimulus funds to widen the ramp from Interstate 490 eastbound to Interstate 77 northbound.

"Today we are making history," said ODOT Director Jolene M. Molitoris, who was joined by local leaders and Congressional officials to launch work on the project. "This is an important job for Clevelanders who have come to rely on this link into downtown Cleveland, especially during recent restrictions on the I-90 Innerbelt Bridge. This is also important for the laborers who have a reliable job because of this investment of stimulus funds."

Starting today, motorists will also notice new signs at this construction site, announcing "Putting America to Work: Project Funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act." Similar orange-and-green signs will be erected when work begins at stimulus-funded projects across Ohio.

Over the next several months, crews will widen the I-490 ramp, improving the substandard shoulder widths and allowing for an additional lane of traffic to travel into downtown Cleveland, but only during restrictions or closures of the Innerbelt bridge. The I-77/I-490 interchange continues to see an increase in daily traffic, as an alternative route during restrictions on the aging Innerbelt Bridge.

In October 2008, ODOT engineers restricted traffic on the 50 year old Innerbelt Bridge and rerouted heavy truck traffic after inspections revealed that a number of steel members were aging faster than expected. In March 2009, ODOT announced it would build a new \$400 million, five-lane, westbound I-90 Innerbelt Bridge with an investment of stimulus dollars.

Advancing More Stimulus-Funded Projects:

ODOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) continue to advance additional infrastructure projects closer to the construction phase. To date, FHWA has authorized more than \$166.9 million in stimulus investments, including strategic projects at Ohio's water ports and along its railroads. An additional \$182.9 million in projects has been submitted for authorization by FHWA in the next three weeks.

Under ARRA requirements, ODOT must have authorized approximately \$327.5 million of its \$774 million stimulus allocation by June 29, 2009. The remaining amount must be authorized by March 1, 2010. States that meet these time line requirements can compete for additional money lost by other states that fail to meet these deadlines.

Connecting Workers with Jobs:

All companies awarded ODOT contracts funded by Recovery Act resources are required to post any new job opportunities at www.OhioMeansJobs.com, an online source to match job seekers with employment openings across the state.

A complete list of the transportation projects prioritized for stimulus funding - with updates on projects which have been authorized, contracts which have been awarded, and new employment opportunities - can be found online at www.dot.state.oh.us

PAULDING RESERVOIR LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF 6/20/09

Tuesday Night Men's League

- 1. On The Edge Construction 11-1
2. Anger Management 8-2
3. Red Owl 7-3
4. Buffalo Wild Wings 6-5
5. Hoffman Builders 6-5
6. Guilford Reality 6-4
7. Edward Jones/Gorrell's 4-6
8. Mad Anthony Brew 3-9
9. M.P.R. 2-9
10. Cooper Farms 1-9

Thursday Night Men's League

- 1. TJ's Bar 8-1
2. Larson's Body Shop/Grace 6-3
3. Chicos 6-4
4. Doghouse Diner 6-3
5. Antwerp Pharmacy 6-4
6. Lafarge 5-4
7. Taylor Brothers Roofing 5-5
8. Wolfpack 4-7
9. Poor Boys 2-7
10. Tri County Roofing 0-9

Wednesday Night Women's League

- 1. Carpet Wholesalers 9-1
2. Red Owl/Budweiser 10-1
3. Jay Dangler Excavating 5-5
4. Paulding VFW 5-6
5. On The Edge Construction 4-6
6. Boss Sign Shoppe 2-8
7. The Gardens 1-9

Monday Night Summer Coed League

- 1. Pack Rats/Red Owl 7-1
2. Paulding Eagles 7-1
3. Welch Trophy 6-2
4. Staten's Lawn Service 5-3
5. Dairy Queen 2-6
6. Signature Embroidery 2-6
7. Boss Signs 2-6
8. Ballerz/Walmart 1-7

LATTA, AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE REPUBLICANS SEND LETTER TO SPEAKER PELOSI

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green), a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, along with all 17 Republican members of the Agriculture Committee sent Speaker Nancy Pelosi a letter on 6/17/09 asking for more time to consider the Waxman-Markey climate change and energy legislation (H.R. 2454). Rep. Pelosi told committee chairmen that they had until June 19 to consider H.R. 2454. This timeline has allowed the Agriculture Committee to hold only one public hearing on the bill with no time for a markup. To date, only the Energy and Commerce Committee, of which Rep. Henry Waxman is the chair, has been able to hold a markup out of the nine committees that have jurisdiction of this bill.

NOTE: Congressman Latta's recent floor speech highlighting the impact of Cap and Trade on rural America and the agriculture community, in addition to his opening statement from last week's Agriculture Committee hearing on Cap and Trade can be found here.

The text of the letter is included below:

June 16, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi,

Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Speaker,
We write to express our concern over the artificial timeline that dictates the consideration of H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009. We respectfully request that appropriate time be allowed for the legislative process to be

completed.
As a result of your stated deadline of June 19 for consideration, the Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture has told us that there is insufficient time to completely hear from all of our constituents, analyze this complex proposal, and act. With the magnitude of this bill, it is critically important that the House Agriculture Committee has sufficient time to work its will.

On Thursday June 11, our Committee held a hearing to review the impact of H.R. 2454 on rural America. The Committee took testimony from eight witnesses, covering a wide variety of rural interests. All witnesses said they could not support the bill. Beyond these witnesses, 99 agriculture organizations have already publicly expressed opposition to the bill and more are added to the list each day. This is indicative of the growing concerns we are hearing throughout the agriculture community.

Madam Speaker, please extend your June 19 deadline. Both supporters and opponents agree this legislation will have far-reaching effects on generations to come. This matter deserves thoughtful consideration and a careful legislative process.

Sincerely,
Rep. Frank D. Lucas (R-OK), Rep. Bob Goodlatte (R-VA), Rep. Jerry Moran (R-KS), Rep. Timothy V. Johnson (R-IL), Rep. Sam Graves (R-MO), Rep. Mike Rogers (R-AL), Rep. Steve King (R-IA), Rep. Randy Neugebauer (R-TX), Rep. K. Michael Conaway (R-TX), Rep. Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE), Rep. Jean Schmidt (R-OH), Rep. Adrian Smith (R-NE), Rep. Bob Latta (R-OH), Rep. Phil Roe (R-TN), Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO), Rep. Glenn W. Thompson (R-PA), Rep. Bill Cassidy (R-LA), Rep. Cynthia Lummis (R-WY)

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**WOODBURN BRANCH
LIBRARY EVENTS FOR JULY
2009**

Smart Start Storytime:
Fridays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 a.m. - This Storytime features finger plays, songs, stories of various lengths and crafts.

Yarn Lover's Gathering:
Thursdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:00 p.m. - If you already know how to knit or crochet or if you want to learn how to knit or crochet join us at Woodburn. We have people that can help you get started or teach you new techniques. Join us for a creative evening.

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**REPRESENTATIVE LYNN
WACHTMANN ANNOUNCES
BUDGET TO MOVE TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

State Representative Lynn Wachtmann (R- Napoleon) today announced that House Bill 1, the state operating budget, will move to conference committee for further deliberations and the final step of the budget process.

"I appreciate the Republican Senate's improvements to House Bill 1, although more can certainly be done," Wachtmann said. "The hospital bed tax imposed by Governor Strickland needs to be completely removed from the final version of the budget. This tax is an unnecessary burden on those in the health care profession, and it will only per-

petuate the governor's march on killing jobs in Ohio."

The bill was sent back to the House after changes were made by the Ohio Senate. The Senate faced a budget gap of nearly \$1 billion after the Strickland administration's revenue estimates were once again off target. In addition, the House Democrats had increased government spending by more than \$1 billion. In the end, the Senate was able to reduce spending by \$1 billion overall.

Issues still in the budget that remain a concern for House Republicans include nearly \$1 billion in fee increases, the overreliance of federal stimulus funds for ongoing programs and the continued growth of state government. House Republicans offered cost-saving amendments to the House version of the budget which would have streamlined state government saving taxpayers approximately \$1 billion annually and reformed Medicaid to make the system more efficient.

The Legislature is currently awaiting revised revenue projections. Some have estimated that the new projections will be \$2 to \$3 billion lower than the Strickland administration's previous estimates. This estimated shortfall will need to be addressed in conference committee.

By a vote of 1-98, the Ohio House voted to not concur with the Senate changes and recommended the bill move to conference committee, where a compromise measure must be crafted by July 1st. The committee will consist of three members each from the House and Senate.

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BUEHRER RECOGNIZED BY OHIO CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE FOR ADVOCACY OF PRO-LIFE CAUSES

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) was recently recognized by the Ohio Christian Alliance for his strong advocacy of pro-life policy in the General Assembly.

Sen. Buehrer received the Ohio Christian Alliance's "Life Award" at their annual Freedom Banquet on June 11th in Columbus for his work to ban human cloning in Ohio and protect the sanctity of human life.

During the 127th General Assembly, Sen. Buehrer sponsored Senate Bill 174, legislation designed to establish safeguards in state law to ensure human cloning does not take place in Ohio. He also sponsored

an amendment last year to House Bill 554—the state's \$1.57 billion economic stimulus package—that would have blocked state tax dollars in the proposal from funding human cloning research, but the provision was vetoed by Governor Strickland.

"Sen. Buehrer has been a tremendous champion for pro-life causes throughout his tenure in the Legislature and has displayed unwavering resolve in defense of the sanctity of human life," said Chris Long, who is President of the Ohio Christian Alliance and a former pastor. "I look forward to working with him in the future to further pro-life, pro-family policy in this state."

"Every human life is a unique, creation of God that should be protected, and I will continue to do all I can in the Legislature to defend this sanctity of life and fight to strengthen the pro-life campaign in Ohio," said Buehrer.

The Ohio Christian Alliance is a non-profit organization that works to inform Christians about timely issues and legislation, advocate for truth and morality in the public arena, educate voters about state and local elections and train Christian leaders for effective social and political action.

WANTED
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V.E.T.S. JUNE MEETING & UPDATES

If you haven't heard, our June 12 and 13 garage sales were a huge success. Sold at "Free Will Donation" V.E.T.S. deposited a total of \$1,796.17! Of course, Walt cornered the shoppers and jokingly wouldn't let them leave without a sack.

Free will donations at the Cruise In and various raffles added another \$680 towards the memorial. Many helped to load, haul and carry the "stuff" into and out of the pavilion, and at the Cruise-In. With rain all around us we still had 19 show off classic vehicles or just attended our fundraiser. It's you who help make this all possible.

V.E.T.S. attended the Alumni meeting on July 17th to present the idea of considering Granite "memory or honor" pavers from each of the Antwerp graduating classes. The alumni board offered to discuss our proposal and get back with V.E.T.S. With a July 15, 2009 deadline recently established for the engraved pavers, V.E.T.S. is offering the Alumni classes or anyone else an extended time period to order pavers. They would be engraved later at the same time as the name tablets. This extension will be on a first-come basis, with a limited number of pavers in both sizes to be offered, and must include a minimum deposit with the order form. Balance due before engraving.

V.E.T.S. received an estimate for the electric and lighting at the new memorial from R.J. Scott Electric for \$5,700 less a \$2,600 donation towards the Veterans memorial leaving their quote at \$3,100. A vote was taken and approved to accept R.J. Scott Electric's generous offer provided the V.E.T.S. committee, Homier Monumental and Antwerp Village Council agree his proposal meets our criteria. Mr. Robert Scott also included his military service information and his name will be engraved on the memorial.

Preparations were made for the upcoming Co-Ed Golf outing at Pond-a-River Golf course on Saturday, June 27th. Sign in at 1:00 p.m. and shot gun start at 1:30 p.m. If you care to join in the fun, contact John Chilcote at 260-632-5481. Proceeds go to the Antwerp Veterans Memorial. Free will donation for brats, burgers and beverages served by V.E.T.S. volunteers.

Upcoming JULY 2009 Events:

July 11 - POKER RUN by the American Legion Riders Club held at the Payne, OH American Legion Post 297 on SR 49 (Main St) one block north of the railroad tracks. This event is for Motorcycles and Autos. Registration begins at Noon. First out bike/auto out at 1:00 p.m. and last Bike/Auto in at 5:00 p.m. Hog roast begins at 5:00 p.m. followed by live music with Josh Denning from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., 50/50 drawing, cash bar/food. If you have any questions, please contact Neal Burk at 419-399-3374 or Toby Fulk at 419-263-2745. Proceeds go to V.E.T.S. Memorial fund and American Legion Riders Post 297.

July 13 - Monday Night Cruise-In from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Riverside Memorial Park on E. River (US 24) in Antwerp. Get those Classics out of the garage and show them off. Everyone welcome. There will be door prizes, food, beverages and raffles.

July 25 - BIG Boy\$ Toy\$ will be hosting their annual Car Show on the downtown streets of Antwerp. V.E.T.S. will be serving food and beverages by free will donation along with an information table about the Veterans Memorial. Please stop by and support our cause. All proceeds will go towards the Memorial fundraising efforts.

Please send donations to V.E.T.S. P.O. Box 742, Antwerp, OH 45813. While you're at it, area Veterans may include your military information. There is no charge for engraving any veterans name on the tablets. Please check with family on both sides, ask if they served and have they turned in their information

to V.E.T.S. Call Karen Sanders at 419-399-5764 weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to check to see if a name has been submitted or if documentation is needed.

"FEEL THE BURN" 5K RUN/WALK TO BENEFIT OAKWOOD VFD

The Oakwood Volunteer Fire Department will be sponsoring "Feel the Burn" 5K Run/Walk on June 27, 2009. The run will be begin at 4:00 p.m. sharp rain or shine. Registration begins at the Fire Station parking lot, 201 N. 6th St. at 2:30 on the day of the race. Preregistration deadline is June 19. To mail in entries, send to Oakwood Volunteer Fire Department, 500 Burt St., Oakwood, OH 45873. For entry forms visit <http://www.geocities.com/fuffinator>.

There will be prizes awarded for the top three males and female runners. Also, a cook-out will be offered afterwards for a free will donation.

CONGRESSMAN BOB LATTA OP/ED ON AMERICAN ENERGY ACT

This week, House Republicans introduced the American Energy Act, an "all of the above" energy plan as an alternative to the Democrats misguided Cap and Trade (Tax) proposal that is currently under debate in the House of Representatives. The American Energy Act is based on three principles of increasing production of American-made energy, promoting alternative and renewable energy, and encouraging greater efficiency and conservation.

As energy prices continue to rise, our nation needs an energy plan that will immediately stabilize and lower energy prices, while providing a plan for our long term energy solutions.

Since the beginning of the energy debate last year, many of my constituents have asked why we as a country do not utilize the natural resources we have and instead continue to rely on Middle Eastern oil. I have advocated for the recovery and production of our natural resources as a simple way to increase our supply of oil and natural gas, while reducing our dependency on foreign oil. One of our nation's untapped resources for oil and gas is the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Interior Department estimates that the OCS holds up to 86 billion barrels of oil and 420 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. Significant portions of the OCS remain unavailable because the current Administration continues to delay leasing activities.

The American Energy Act increases the supply of American energy by immediately moving forward with a leasing program on the already open OCS. The bill also simplifies and harmonizes the OCS mileage restrictions, expanding state territorial waters to 12 miles offshore (most state borders stop at three miles) and gives coastal states a share of the receipts from such energy exploration. A portion of the revenues created by OCS exploration would go to a renewable energy trust fund to pay for a variety of renewable, alternative and advanced energy programs.

Last year, I traveled with my Republican colleagues to Alaska to see first-hand

the oil production that is currently taking place and to learn more about the potential oil production in the area. During our trip, it was abundantly clear that responsible, economical drilling can take place in Alaska. Our bill further increases American energy by opening the Arctic Coastal Plain to exploration in an environmentally-sound manner, which could provide an additional 1 million barrels of oil per day.

An important piece of the House Republican "all of the above" policy is clean and renewable sources of energy, including nuclear power. The 104 nuclear reactors in America today provide the United States with 20 percent of its electricity and 73 percent of its CO2-free electricity, yet no new reactors have been ordered since 1978. Last month, I had the privilege of touring the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant in San Luis Obispo, California with the American Energy Solutions Group. During our tour, we heard repeated stories of bureaucratic red tape that power suppliers must cut through to continue to operate or establish a nuclear power facility. The American Energy Act looks to simplify this process and establishes a goal to bring 100 new nuclear reactors online over the next 20 years by outlining an accelerated regulatory process for new nuclear applications for companies who already meet certain requirements set by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Lastly, the American Energy Act provides tax incentives for businesses and homeowners who improve their energy efficiency. It also extends tax credits for using energy efficient appliances and energy efficient upgrades made to existing homes, a tax credit for individuals who purchase a new energy efficient home and a tax credit for energy efficient commercial buildings, home energy audits and smart meters.

Under the proposed Democratic Cap and Tax policy, rural congressional districts like mine would be especially hard hit because of our reliance on coal generated power and petroleum based fuels for work, travel, and recreation. Cap and Trade is nothing more than a national energy

tax that will only raise energy prices and increase our already staggering unemployment rate. As we continue to debate Cap and Trade in the House of Representatives, Republicans want to be part of the solution of our nation's energy policy. I am proud to be a member of both the American Energy Solutions Working Group, in addition to the Rural America Solutions Working Group where we continue to generate thoughtful debate and alternative plans to present Members of Congress with options when considering energy legislation.

Attending were parents, Shane, Nicole Lockhart; grandparents, Rex and Cathy Shaner; brother, Mac; and sisters, Lisa and Daisie. Also attending were Sea Cadet officers, Marines, and other naval personnel.

The ceremony was impressive which caused a few tears to fall. A reception was held after the ceremony in the reserve center.

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Petty Officer 3 Brad Botteron graduated from the Sea Cadets on Sunday at Camp Perry in Perrysburg, Ohio.

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