

WCCH CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to a Christmas Open House at the Woodburn Christian Children's Home. Bring your family, bring your friends or just come by yourself. There will be tours and refreshments served. The Open House is scheduled for Saturday, December 5th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 6th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. All of the children and staff from the Woodburn Christian Children's Home hope to see you there. WCCH is located at 24902 Notestine Road, two miles east of State Road 101.

The Woodburn Christian Children's Home is a ministry of Christian Churches and Churches of Christ. Since 1972, this special home has provided a Christian family environment for children who are homeless or who have other special needs. Throughout these years about 200 young people (ages 6-21) have been

a part of our family. Some of these young people have been reunited with their families, some are in college and others have Christian families of their own.

The Woodburn Christian Children's Home is supported entirely by voluntary contribution. We receive no federal, state or county support. We are entirely dependent upon our private contributors whose strong support enables this ministry to operate on a cash basis.

WCCH operates very efficiently. Our cost of caring for a child is about half the average cost of similar child-care throughout the tri-state area. Children are evaluated for placement on a needs basis. Family participation is on a sliding scale. Over the years, numerous children have been accepted for placement even though their parents had little or no ability to pay.

—Daniel Grant, WCCH Ministry Coordinator

CHRISTMAS FEASTS IN OAKWOOD

Some festive events are being planned in the Village of Oakwood to which the public is cordially invited. On Saturday, December 5 guests holding tickets for the Mystery Dinner will be welcomed into the Cooper Community Library at 6:00. While feasting on an array of appetizers they will enjoy the Currier & Ives village pieces as well as five decorated trees, not to mention the ambiance of the beautiful library and mingling with friends. At 6:30 the door to the Community Room will open where guests will feast their eyes on eleven unique and festively decorated tables. Once seated, eight local actors will identify themselves before the salad course is served. The plot will continue to unfold before the main course is served and yet more clues given before dessert is served. By the time this feast ends guests will decide on "Who Killed Santa!"

Another feast is planned for Sunday, December 6. A bountiful brunch buffet

will be served while the Bell Choir from St. Paul's Lutheran Church entertains. Ham, cheesy potatoes, biscuits and gravy, fruit, coffee cakes, rolls, sweets and more will adorn the banquet table and guests will once again be seated in the formal dining room.

The final feast of the weekend will be one for the eyes. Once again, the eleven formal dining tables, along with the Cooper Community Library, a branch of the Paulding Carnegie Library, will be included in the Village Christmas Walk featuring several area homes. The library events are sponsored by the Event Planners, an arm of the Oakwood Library Association, with all proceeds used to maintain the library. Tickets are limited and can be purchased by calling 419 594-3337. And if you are looking for a special gift there are still tickets available for the ever popular Chocolate Extravaganza. Held two nights, January 28 and 29, this event is always a sell out so don't procrastinate!

PAYNE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEEDS YOU

To the residents of Payne, we really need your voice and your presence on Wednesday, December 9th. While this may seem like business as usual and more of the same, it will be unless you take action. A group of concerned citizens have already assembled on November 17th at the Rock to discuss the business and social climate of our town. Some came to vent; others came to offer advice. Many issues were discussed but one thing was clear, the Chamber needed some structure. While everyone agreed that there needs to be unity in our community, the first step is to determine officers that will provide order to chaos. So whether you are a current, former or soon to be member of the Chamber, come to help us determine officers for the next year. There has al-

ready been talk of changing the bylaws to reflect the new direction. So if you are sick of being critical and ready to see our community actually act like a community, come to the Rock on December 9th at 6:30 p.m. for your opinion to be heard.

TGIF DONATIONS NEEDED

The annual TGIF Give-away will be held on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at the Cecil Presbyterian Church. Donation drop off hours will be December 6 from 2:00-5:00 p.m., December 8 & 10 from 2:00-8:00 p.m. Acceptable donations are clean, used clothing, housewares, toys as well as used items.

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OBITUARIES

Pauline Ella J. Unger, 80, of Paulding died November 26, 2009 at the Paulding County Hospital, Paulding, Ohio.

She was born on August 24, 1929 in Weeksbury, Kentucky the daughter of George and Ella Marie (Adkins) Jackson. She was raised by her Aunt Tillie and Uncle Woots Slusher in Medaryville, Indiana, where she grew up and attended school.

On September 14, 1958 she married Robert N. Unger, who survives. She worked outside the home for most of her life but her number one priority was her family. She attended the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Paulding, Ohio.

Surviving are three daughters: Juanita (Bill) Sharpe of Antwerp, Terry (Jim) Clark of rural Cecil, and Gina (Brian) Vance of Paulding; one son, Gene (Nolene) Rowe of Grover Hill.

She is preceded in death by her parents; a son, James "Bo" Unger; two grandsons: Cody J. and Dustyn J. Unger; and one great-grandson, Darryl Hazuga Jr.

Funeral services were

conducted November 30, 2009 at the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Paulding. Rev. Gregory Bibler officiated. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Paulding Ohio or Donor's Choice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Jacqueline K. Yenser, 45, of Antwerp, passed away Tuesday, November 24, 2009 suddenly in a two vehicle accident in Woodburn, Indiana.

Jackie was born in Paulding on November 6, 1964, a daughter of Mary (Zimmerman) and Jack Gerber.

She was a nurse at Dr. Donald Giant's office, Monroeville, IN.

On June 22, 1986, she married Tim Yenser, who survives. She will be sadly missed by her husband, Tim; parents: Mary and Jack Gerber of Briceton, OH; daughter, Lydia; sons: Jacob and Isaac all of Antwerp; sister, Jana Tague of Sedalia, MO; brother, Paul (Nancy) Gerber of Chillicothe, OH. Her brother, Timmy, preceded her in death.

Her graveside service

was at Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, on November 28, 2009 with Rev. Dave Dignall officiating. A reception followed. At the family's request there was no visitation.

Memorials are to the Yenser Family College Fund, PO Box 452, Antwerp, Ohio 45813. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

JACQUELINE K. YENSER LAID TO REST

By: Sue Knapp

Time after time we ask why in circumstances such as these. Silence is the answer that is usually accepted. Jacqueline K. Yenser, from Antwerp, was taken in mid-life leaving a husband, children, parents, a sister and brother. Besides her family, she also worked as a nurse at Dr. Giant's office in Monroeville, IN. Jacqueline's teenage daughter, who was a passenger, was seriously injured in the accident.

Jacqueline's car was hit by a drunken driver who received minor injuries. He will have to live with this for the rest of his life. As of November 27th, 11,773 have been killed due to drunk driving. An average

of one death occurs every 40 minutes because of a drunk driver.

To be sure, Jacqueline will be missed. Memories of Jacqueline will last forever and her life will be celebrated and as time goes on Jacqueline stories will fill the minds of her loved ones.

HAILEY AND THE SPIDERS

By: Rose Keever

My son, his wife and two daughters were here from Toledo a couple of weeks ago. They stayed for about nine days since he is laid off for a while and he helped us with some remodeling we're doing.

Hailey, who is four, all of a sudden is afraid of any kind of insect (except flies). It must be a kid thing for it to happen so quickly. She was fine with bugs a month ago! And now, she absolutely panics when she sees one, especially spiders. I even took her on a computer bug tour, and explained to her which ones were kind of dangerous and the ones that look creepy and the ones that just make a lot of noise.

She got stung by a bee earlier this summer, and of course, she was on the brink of death with that. She even limped around for two days after it happened.

I think she should go into dramatic acting when she grows up, because she is the absolute drama queen! That girl would make a preacher cuss like a sailor on leave.

While Seth was here, (for me to babysit while his parents worked), at first she was okay to go out to play and then she graduated to only going out if someone was with her, then it blossomed to her holding onto Seth's shirt all the time they were outside, until the biggest excuse she could come up with is, "I don't think I should go out, it looks like it's going to storm any minute," even though it was 80 degrees and sunshine. I wonder how many of the neighbors thought they were conjoined twins?!

Then we had put her in the tub for her bath. What an escapade that was! She saw a spider on the wall and we all thought she must have fallen and put a four inch gash in her head. She screamed for Daddy and I would swear she was going to have a coronary before he got in there. Now, she won't take a bath in that bathroom. She has to use the other one and God and Hailey knows that the first spider she sees in there, well, I guess we'll have to bathe her in the kitchen sink. I think her stage name will be "Little Miss Muffet."

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Baker commented, "I graduated high school that I barely attended for the last two years

and with that education and only the bare fundamentals of typing skills learned, I set out in 1989 to write my life's story," Baker said.

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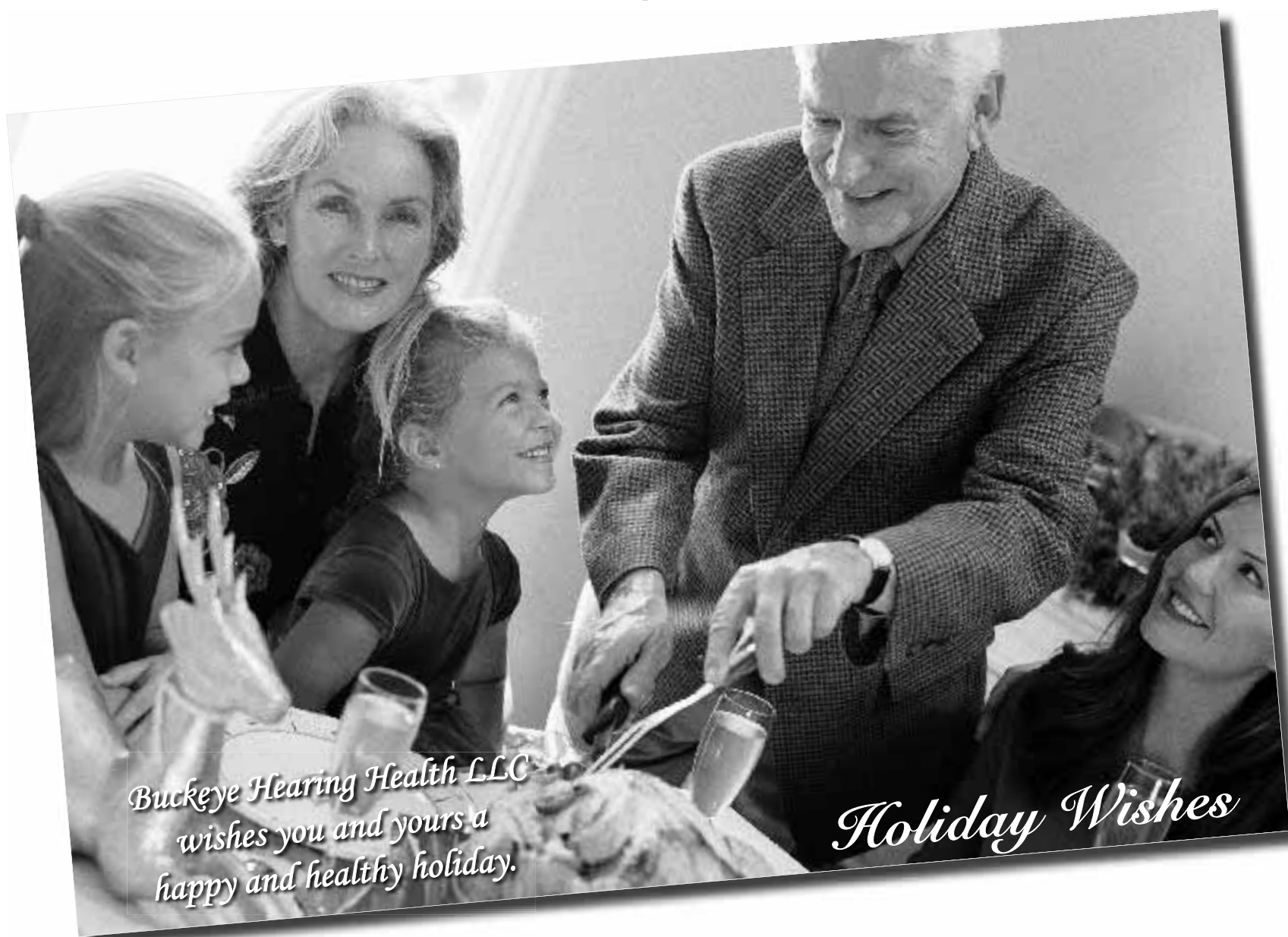
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PHONAK

THE ONE TRUE CHURCH RESTORATION #6

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

Today, we continue our study of John Calvin's doctrinal beliefs found in "The Institutes of the Christian Religion" and how unscriptural these doctrinal beliefs are. Loved ones, as I have said many times, study the Bible. Let the Bible speak and don't follow the doctrines or teachings of man in their creeds, manuals, church covenants, the statement of fundamental truth, and there are many more creeds. The Bible has all we need and especially the New Testament, as to how we can be saved, how to conduct our worship, how to govern the church, just to name a few.

Now to the third of five of John Calvin's teaching. Today we are looking at 'limited atonement':

Calvinism teaches that since God has elected only a portion of the human race to be saved, then Christ did not die for all, but only for the elect. As I study the New Testament and you can do this too, the Bible says different.

The first scripture verse we can look at is John 3:16. There is no sweeter verse in the Bible. This shows that God is love that He loved the world so much that He, God, allowed His son to die for all men; this includes everybody. To free all who

believe and obey Him, from their sins.

I would ask that you study these scripture verses: 1 Timothy 2:3-4; 2 Peter 3:9. These are some powerful verses against limited atonement. I am letting the Bible speak, not me, but I agree with what the New Testament is saying in these verses lest I find myself arguing against God and Christ!

Here is some more scripture verses from the New Testament: 2 Corinthians 5:14-15; these verses teach that Christ died for all men, hmmm. Hebrews 5:9 tells us that Christ being made perfect became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him: being the author means Jesus was able to offer the Gospel to all nations and would save all who obey Him.

Now that the New Testament has shown you the truth about limited atonement, will you help those who are trying to restore people back to the truth of what the New Testament teaches, and the one true church?

Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Bible questions? Call Lonnie Lambert (419)399-5022 or James Potter (419) 393-4775. Loved ones, remember to study the Bible for truth with an open mind, so that as you learn this truth, you too can do what the Bible says and have a home in heaven.

VETERANS DAY AT ANTWERP'S VETERANS' MEMORIAL RIVERSIDE PARK



(l-r) Ray Delong, Mickie Dunakin, Neil Levy, Fred Rodriguez, Wm. J. Jackson, Robert Scott Sr., David Fisher, Glen Detmon, Damien Smith, Larry Smith, Rex Shaner, Keith West and Estel Cottrell. Ray Billman attended, but was absent in this photo.

The morning was beautiful and a historic event took place in Veterans Memorial Riverside Park; "Raising the Flag" at the Veterans memorial on Veterans Day!

About 11:00 am a crowd gathered to await the arrival of the local Veterans coming from a fine program and luncheon held at the Antwerp Local School.

It was quite moving to watch these Veterans representing WWII on upward toward present day as they gathered among the onlookers. It seemed out of nowhere, a young lady pulled in and asked if she could thank the Veterans with her voice. She turned on her music from the back of her van and sang Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA". She gave her thanks to our Veterans and for allowing her to "practice" as she was just passing by on her way to perform at another Veterans Day program. In a God's wink, she was gone leaving us wondering who she was.

Barry Delong's rendition of our National Anthem set the mood leading into the reason we gathered there that day. The Veterans began by saluting the Civil War Soldier while Larry Smith read the "Raising of the Flag" service. Estel Cot-

trell and Keith West proudly performed the duty of raising the United States and the Ohio State Flags for the first time at their Memorial. Ray DeLong and Damien Smith stood guard as we all watched the Flags ascend to the top, then as if right on key, unfold to wave in the light breeze. V.E.T.S. were proud to be a part of this historic event.

Are you just passing by? V.E.T.S. encourages everyone to stop at the memorial. Take time to reflect on what it means to you, your family, neighbor or co-worker who served this great nation honorably not only from the Antwerp area, but all Veterans. Representing nearly two hundred years of military service, the names of over 1350 veterans will be etched in black granite tablets that will stand in an arc formation encompassing the Civil War Soldier when the memorial is complete.

Shake the hand of any veteran you see, offer a "Thanks for your Time Served". These folks will be hard to spot, they don't ask for recognition, they just go about each day knowing they helped to keep the freedom we all enjoy!

Photo taken by Jay Sanders

JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY HAPPENINGS IN HICKSVILLE

The Pearl Harbor Day Movie, the Reindeer Craft Story Time, and the Christmas Movie Day highlight the week of December 7-12 at the Johnson Memorial Library.

Honor Pearl Harbor Day at the Johnson Memorial Library on Monday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. with an historical movie night. The movie night is free and is open to everyone. The movie will honor World War II veterans and remember the outrage and loss the United States endured with the surprise attack upon Pearl Harbor.

"We're losing more and more World War II veterans every day," explained Amy Murphy. "Many of our children and grandchildren don't realize the significance of Pearl Harbor Day. With this event, we're trying to do our part in honoring and remembering our veterans and their sacrifices."

Kick off the holiday season with a Reindeer Craft Story Time on Tuesday, December

8 at 6:30 p.m. The Reindeer Craft Story Time is free and is open to all children. It is sponsored by the Friends of the Hicksville Library.

The Reindeer Craft Story Time will include reindeer stories, songs, movie, and of course an edible reindeer craft.

Kick off the Christmas season with a holiday movie at the Johnson Memorial Library on Saturday, December 12 at 9:30 a.m. The Christmas Movie Day is free and is open to everyone. The Friends of the Hicksville Library will be providing popcorn and drinks to round out the event.

"Celebrate the Christmas Season with the Who's," invited Branch Manager Amy Murphy. "And discover the true meaning of Christmas with the Grinch."

If you have any questions about or would like additional information on any of the library programs, please call the Johnson Memorial Library at 419-542-6200 or email murphyam@oplin.org.

CHRIST OF THE DEEP, LORD OF OUR LIVES

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

After World War II, the people of Genoa, Italy, commissioned an eight-ton statue of Christ to be sculpted. Once it was finished, it was not put on a hilltop, as other statues of Christ have been. It was lowered into the depths of the bay in Genoa where a great naval battle had been fought during the Second World War and where many ships were sunk. It was a site where many sailors gave their lives. The symbolism of Christ being lowered into the deep where the bodies of those brave men rest is powerful and profound. The statue is called Christ of the Deep. It represents what Christ has done in our behalf. He emptied Himself and became as we are.

But Jesus did more than that. More than becoming a man and entering our world, Christ went one step further. He willingly died on Calvary's cross for our sins—your sins and mine. Even though this provision of forgiveness and new life is available, it isn't automatic. We can only realize Christ's forgiveness and the abundant life He offers by personally: Admitting our own sin, Believing in Christ's sacrifice for sin, and Committing ourselves unreservedly to becoming all that He wants.

The family of believers at Woodburn Missionary Church is a group of people who have taken those steps. We gather each Sunday morning at 9:00 and 10:15 for a time of worship and biblical instruction. This coming Sunday morning we will celebrate our life in Christ through the taking of the Lord's table, remembering His death so that we might have life. Join us as we focus our attention upon Jesus Christ and the wonderful forgiveness and freedom that is ours because of Him!

MELROSE UMC HOSTS MINI BIBLE SCHOOL IN DECEMBER

The church family at Melrose United Methodist Church is inviting children in the first through 6th grade to come to a mini Bible School on December 12 from 10:00 a.m - 2:00 p.m.

We will be telling the story of the Nativity, doing crafts, singing songs, serving lunch and at 1:00 p.m members of the church will be having a live Nativity until 2:00 p.m.

We will do the child sitting while you finish your shopping, complete the baking or candy-making or maybe you just need a break from the Christmas rush.

For more information or to RSVP please give the pastor, Eileen Kochensparger, a call at 419-399-5818.

REBIRTH: RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

During this season where we focus on Jesus' birth, our church celebrates our rebirth. The body of believers formerly known as the Antwerp Church of Christ is changing their name to Riverside Christian Church. The change is not just a change of name but so much more.

We want to be a real, authentic community in Christ, have a passion for Jesus and His work, and love people around us in tangible ways. It is our hope that through trying to be the people God wants us to be, He will transform us and those around us and add to our community.

If you're looking for a church to have a fresh start, come check us out this Christmas season. We are the church in Antwerp next to the river across the bridge. Our weekly worship gathering starts at 10:30 on Sunday mornings. God does not need a new year to start a new you. Come change with us!

Grace and peace,

—Regan Clem,
Riverside Christian Church

Who's Birthday is It?
Children first-6th grade are invited to come to a mini-Bible School December 12th; 10:00 a.m - 2:00 p.m.
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For more information or to RSVP please call pastor Eileen Kochensparger at 419-399-5818.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Extension has been a part of Paulding County since 1915 with a mission to strengthen our lives and communities through research based educational programs. These programs have not only given the farmers new practices and skills to help them make a living but it has offered our youth a lifetime of skills, memories and friendships through 4-H. However, it is this day that

Extension reaches out to you, asking you to help Paulding County.

The Paulding County OSU Extension provides programming in 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family Consumer Sciences, and Community Development. None of these services will continue if the Extension office is closed. How could losing the Extension office affect you? Do you have kids? Over 270 local youth participate in the 4-H program and 100 of those children attend 4-H camp. Do you or someone you know farm? More than 200 farmers annually attend agricultural and livestock programs for the latest in research information and updates in production agriculture.

The Paulding County OSU Extension Office needs your financial support to keep our office open and continue to assist our community. Historically, the financial funding of the Extension program was based on an agreement between the County Commissioners and The Ohio State University Extension. Local funding was provided by the County Commissioners through the general fund, and in return the county would receive state and federal funding from The Ohio State University.

In 2009, local funding from the County Commissioners was removed from the budget. The Extension office remained open because an anonymous donor generously

came forward with the local funding. The cost to maintain and operate the office in 2009 was approximately \$85,000. This amount covered the cost of an educator, a support staff member, staff to assist the office and to take on leadership roles for the 4-H program and camp, and general office expenses.

In order to find more permanent funding, the Extension office placed a .67-mill, five year levy on the 2009 November ballot. The levy would have provided the financial support to maintain the office for the next five years. Unfortunately, the levy failed. As a result, the Extension Advisory Committee, the Agronomy Committee and the 4-H Council have taken it upon themselves to find a way to keep the Extension office a part of Paulding County. The immediate goal of the committee is to raise sufficient funding to keep the Extension office open at this time. Your contribution would provide the local funding needed in order to receive the state and federal funding, thus allowing the office to operate in 2010.

At this time, the Supporters of Extension would like to encourage you to make a tax deductible donation and to help your community. If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact; the Extension office at 419.399.8225 or via email at lopshire.1@osu.edu; Roy Klopfenstein of the Paulding County Extension Advisory Committee at 419.622.3161; Rick King of the Paulding County Agronomy Committee at 419.263.2995; or, Chris Bercaw of the Paulding County 4-H Council at 419.769.2679. Donations can be made by sending a payment to either The Ohio State University Foundation or the Paulding County OSU Extension Office or you can go to Paulding County OSU Extension web site at <http://paulding.osu.edu> and click the link "Give Now" for an online credit card donation.

Thank you,
—Roy Klopfenstein & Jerry Zielke, Extension Advisory Committee
Rick King & Dave Hand, Agronomy Committee
Chris Bercaw & Tim Santo, 4-H Council

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I moved back to the Midwest after having spent the past fifteen years living in California. I lived in a city with so many people that criminals are able to lie, cheat and steal from a hundred

people a day, and never worry about crossing the same person twice. The traffic was miserable, the crime was through the roof and the cost of living was beyond the means of the average person. So when I hear people speak negatively of Paulding County I always think to myself, "You don't know how good you have it."

The ten things I like most about Paulding County—actually I like it so much I came up with an eleventh.

- 1) I like that when your kid leaves his bike laying in the front yard at night, it's still there in the morning.
- 2) I like that when your dog gets out while you're at work, your neighbor knows it's your dog and catches it and puts it back for you, instead of calling the pound.
- 3) I like that there's not a person you meet that you can't find a common person you each know.
- 4) I like that when there is a community fund raiser, the funds get raised.
- 5) I like that on fall Friday nights everyone goes to the football game whether they have kids in the game or not.
- 6) I like that the bank president knows each customer by name.
- 7) I like that when a call for volunteers goes out, the only responses you hear are where and when.
- 8) I like that when you hear gun fire it means that someone's hunting.
- 9) I like that when someone gives you their word, it means something.
- 10) I like that my home mortgage payment is half as much as my apartment rent was, and the house has twice as many square feet, a big yard and two-car garage.
- 11) I like that even though I don't live, but only work in Paulding County, when I'm here, I still get asked ten times a day, "How's your dad doing?"

By the way, he's doing much better, thank you for asking.
Your prayers definitely helped.
—Brian McLaughlin

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Voters of Paulding County,
The board of trustees of the Paulding County Carnegie Library would like to express their gratitude to the voters of our County for helping pass the Library funding levy on November 3, 2009. You have reaffirmed our belief in the knowledge that our Library system is a valued asset to the citizens of our county.

We understand, too, that many are experiencing difficulties in this economic downturn; and, this very fact makes the passage of this levy even more appreciated by the board of trustees. During this economic downturn, the library utilization has increased even when library hours have decreased. The library system is a wonderful resource for information for young and old alike; and, we are very pleased to restore the library hours that were reduced at all locations earlier this year.

The "PAC" committee members and all volunteers also worked so long and diligently to distribute levy information throughout our County.
The Library staff is espe-

cially to be commended for their dedication to serving the needs of library patrons while working shortened hours and with fewer staff members. Our staff greets everyone to our Libraries with welcoming smiles and eagerness to assist patrons.

If you have not been to one of our Libraries in recent times, we invite you to visit soon to take advantage of the many services that are offered through our Library system.

Board of Trustees of Paulding County Carnegie Library,

—Susie Thrasher, Michelle Stahl, Geoff Hyman, Terry Wehrkamp, Corey Walker, Sue Derck

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Paulding County: A Better Tomorrow,

Thank God for yesterday, thank God for today and thy-will-be-done for tomorrow. I enjoy Paulding County. It's a place rich with great history, a place where the true American Spirit speaks for itself, a place where our forefathers, by the sweat of their brow, worked for a better tomorrow. They raised their families, always going that extra mile, working from dawn to dusk, while always saving time to worship. They gathered around the dinner table, dad leading prayer, the warmth of a strong fire in the fireplace and the scent of a fresh pie wafting in from the kitchen. Even in the toughest of times the people of Paulding County always had faith that there would be a better tomorrow. The earliest settlers called a swamp home. With hard work, they dug ditches to drain the land so the fertile soil could be tilled

and planted. They cut down the forest to build their homes and their barns, always sacrificing today's hard work for a better tomorrow. The war of 1812, brought great hardship to Paulding County. The men and older boys went off to war, under General Harrison and the strong, brave women were left to tend the farms and take care of the animals as well as the children. The work was hard, but the women worked in faith, all for a better tomorrow. When the war was over the men returned home and were eager to build great communities. Young entrepreneurs started small businesses and towns sprang up, and then came the Canal. This was dug with Horse-drawn dump scrapers (there is one of these inside the entrance of the Es-sen House Restaurant in Antwerp.) Again their sacrifice of hard work brought prosperity to the region, as farmers and business men alike could get their goods to other markets. All of our ancestor's hard work and sacrifice was done with the faith of knowing that God helps those that help themselves. This lesson of our common history is so precious, and needs to be shared with the younger generations, who get lost in the government handout mentality of today. The only thing our forefathers felt entitled to was fair market value of their goods and services. Paulding County has a rich history and a respect for tradition and family that you don't find in big cities. Sure, there are issues that arise now and again, but I believe most of them can be worked out over a hot cup of coffee and a nice piece of pie.

Love for Paulding County,
—Louis A Lengacher

"All politicians should serve two terms, one in office and the other in prison."
—unknown
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I was recently at a function in downtown Paulding and was appalled to see six cats wandering around the streets. This is not the first time. It seems every time I go anywhere downtown there is an overabundance of cats and kittens roaming freely on the streets. Can someone tell me why this is alright with the city of Paulding? If these were dogs, they would be taken to the Dog Warden or owners would be in violation. I understand these are hard times for many and taking care of a pet is expensive; however, cats are not disposable and anyone who owns a pet needs to be responsible enough to take care of it properly. If you cannot, then there are humane options in finding homes for them. Do we not understand how quickly cats multiply when they are not spayed and neutered and roam freely? Or how they spread disease and rummage through garbage to find food? They fight amongst each other becoming injured and cause problems when they run out in front of drivers just waiting to get hit!

I'm sure most of these cats are no one's and are the result of multiplication, but shouldn't someone step up and stop this from continuing? Is it my responsibility because I think it's a problem or can the city and owners begin to take action and start treating these animals humanely. This is cruelty and is preventable! Spay and neuter, feed and properly shelter (inside or out) and take care of what's yours. This problem makes me want to avoid downtown altogether.

—Heather Landfair

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR 11/4/09

This 4th day of November, 2009, the Board of County Commissioners met

in regular session with the following members present: Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Tony Zartman: Absent

In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriations:

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

FROM: 001-003-00007/General Fund/County Treasurer/Advertising/Printing
TO: 001-003-00002/General Fund/County Treasurer/Salaries
AMOUNT: \$36.00

FROM: 001-003-00010/General Fund/County Treasurer/Workers' Comp
TO: 001-003-00002/General Fund/County Treasurer/Salaries
AMOUNT: \$37.00

FROM: 001-003-00003/General Fund/County Treasurer/Supplies
TO: 001-030-00002/General Fund/County Treasurer/Salaries
AMOUNT: \$27.00

FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Salaries/Official
TO: 001-030-00003/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/Official Bonds
AMOUNT: \$750.00

FROM: 042-001-00010/Extension Center Fund/Refunds
TO: 042-001-00003/Extension Center Fund/Repairs
AMOUNT: \$388.00

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

Melrose Village, a municipal corporation within the County of Paulding, hereby makes 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: \$5,295.52

Amount available according to vehicle registration: \$1,482.27

Application date: October 15, 2009

Janet Stroup, Mayor, Village of Melrose

I, Travis McGarvey, Engineer of Paulding County, hereby grant the foregoing request of the Village of Melrose in the amount of \$995.52.

Approval date: November 3, 2009

Travis McGarvey/s/, Paulding County Engineer

Commissioners order to pay Melrose Village. The Auditor is hereby authorized to issue a warrant to Melrose in the amount of \$995.52 in conformance with Section 4505.05 of the Revised Code of Ohio, to be paid from the Municipal Permissive Tax Fund.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting Notes of Appointment:

Marsha Yuetter, Senior Center - Ms. Yuetter announced the Area Office on Aging has awarded the Paulding Senior Center Passport and Choices grants for the 2010 calendar year. She has two more grants to complete. The 3-B grant is used for transportation and senior center expenses. She also utilizes the Caregiver Support Group grant. Ms. Yuetter will provide copies of the Notice of Grant Approval forms to the Commissioners as her grants are considered. She also reported her inventory is due on November 20 to include the Senior Center building contents on the insurance. Mr. Yuetter continues to work on personnel job descriptions.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher presented several reports for the Commissioners' re-

view. The 2009 Investment Interest report lists all the investments the Treasurer's Office manages for various county entities. Ms. Wannemacher then reviewed the ProClaim Plus, Inc. Expense/Income, October, 2009, report. ProClaim Plus is the third party administrator for the county employees' health insurance plan. The Commissioners then reviewed the Year to Date Cash Report for real estate taxes collected. The final report Ms. Wannemacher presented was the 2009-2010 Summary of charges, which shows prior and current tax year delinquencies.

Tim Franklin, Ditch Maintenance - Mr. Franklin met with the Commissioners to discuss recent maintenance work done on the Markle Lateral No. 380 Ditch. He will discuss this with the County Engineer before requesting a resolution from the Commissioners.

Susan Simpson, County Auditor - Ms. Simpson stated she had recently received a bulletin from Auditor of State, Mary Taylor, regarding the distribution of the cost of the audit among various county entities. Ms. Simpson also shared she has been discussing the effects of the economy with other county auditors. Most all the other auditors she has spoken to say their counties are facing much the same situation as Paulding County. They reported reduced hours in their work week, employee furlough days, and rotating employees to maintain office hours. Ms. Simpson requested the Commissioners make a judgment on the paid holiday policy for Christmas day since it falls on a Friday. She also discussed various reports her office runs for several county offices. Alternatives are being considered in an effort to save paper usage.

VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD MEETING MINUTES FOR 9/14/09

A regular council meeting was held on 9/14/09 at the Fire/EMS building. Those present were Bonnie Baldwin, Pam Erford, Jason German, Mike Swansinger, Dallas, Bud Koenig, Gary Frederick, Vicky Long, John Keyes, Rod Davison, Mr. & Mrs. Glen Klinger, Leeann Booher, Bill Sherry, Ronnie Coleman, Walter Carnahan, Mark Figert, Mr. & Mrs. Derrick Seibert, and Kenny Thomas.

The clerk took roll call, all council members were present with Mayor Henke presiding.

Ed, Rod, and Dallas all spoke on the Natural Gas project. Ed started by stating that the plan that the Mayor is supporting would propose a 7-10 times investment back in first year. It would be owned by the village, supported by All American Energy—assuming that the council would adopt a plan structure. Council would determine the rate structure as they do with the water and sewer. Gas vs. propane is a big difference.

Don wanted to know who would be paying for this and who will be managing and maintaining the project. The village will pay and village would have Ed maintaining the operation through a lease.

Rod Davison an attorney for Bricker & Eckler was present to represent the village, if they will have him. He would work on a contingency plan but has experience as he has the similar situation in his city that he is Mayor of. He stated that he has around 4700 residents and it generates a couple of hundred thousand dollars a year. Bud Koenig asked what you are allowed to use the profits for. Rod said that he has just been approved through the courts that he will be putting up a new Recreation Center.

Walter Carnahan asked to explain the Bonding.

Rod explained that the Village has a certain amount of credit and able to borrow money, you issue bonds by allowing people to buy a piece of it, and you promise to pay all people back. Rod mentioned that it is a complicated formula and his associate would take care of all the details.

Dallas would be the bondsman, and he needs to make the village feel comfortable. He has had 22 years lending money to villages. A bond is basically a long term mortgage. There are a lot of details to go through before selling bonds to the public.

Dallas stated that he has looked into the general practices and feels that he can raise the bond money to finance.

Don wanted to know how much money are we talking, Dallas says it can vary but probably between 1.3 and 1.5 million. You really don't know until you bid it out. Ed mentioned that they are proposing a no tie in fee for an introductory offer. He said that it could be 3-4 years before generating revenue. Don wanted to know if the decision had to be decided tonight and the Mayor stated that they would probably need to have some kind of answer to get moving on project.

Mayor Henke stated that the Village Solicitor could not be present for meeting but was okay with the project but would be stepping down as it is not his expertise but he would continue to review for us.

Don made a motion to start with the processing, Phil seconded, and Roll call was taken with all years.

Don made a motion to accept the minutes as previously mailed, Jake seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

Phil made a motion to accept the financial reports and payment of bills. Don seconded, Jake opposed as did Todd, Melissa voted to accept. Mayor stated passed 3-2.

EMS—Bonnie and Pam will have an organizational meeting this Wednesday with the EMS. They have three people starting EMT classes and the first responder class is up to 10.

Vicky Long stated that she was suspended for 30 days because of bad attitude and disregard toward the policies of the EMS; she stated that that is not true. She has not got a bad attitude; she respects the EMTs and is not mad. She continued by stating that it was not fair that she is suspended and the others aren't. There have been others that have gone to other hospitals before and she didn't make the decision to go, the paramedic did. Vicky wanted to know why no one else was punished. Vicky stated that the Mayor had told Vicky and Susan to stay back from the meeting that was held.

Vicky stated that she never got any kind of warning before and then gets 30 days off. Not fair, where does the cooling period come from? Bud stated that the decision has already been made. Vicky said

what about the other people that have done this three or four times and never got a warning? This is discrimination.

Phil asked about the procedures? Vicky stated that she never got any warning or anything just days off. Phil asked why the procedures are being bypassed.

The Mayor stated that he wasn't going to go back and change it. The Mayor stated that that was part of the problem, no one warned Bill and therefore the whole situation was mishandled.

Vicky stated that you can't go back and change but it took Bill three weeks to do anything, this is definitely discrimination and that she was told that she has a good case.

Kenny Thomas wanted to welcome the Co-coordinators Bonnie and Pam as he is looking forward to working together and get things back to the way they should be.

Bud stated that this will be a good group to work with and in times will be back to the way it was.

Kenny stated that the fire siren is in need of repair or replacement. A new one cost \$2500 and he will continue to look into for a solution.

Fire prevention with the school is this week and the department will be working with students on several different drills.

Soup and Sandwich October 15th from 4:30 p.m. to 7?

Kenny would like council to set a date for trick or treat.

Brush truck in several parades and getting a lot of good comments and Kenny appreciates his guys and all the hard work that they put in.

John Keyes mentioned that the Superior street project has been started.

Mark Figert stated that he talked with Continental and they will let the village use the traffic sign anytime they want.

In old business, there are three cars behind the house that just burned, it needs addressed. Mark to look into.

Boat ramp still in progress and there is a meeting with ODNR Tuesday Morning at park.

Don made a motion to renew a contract for MJ Auto for six months. Todd seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

Dolly asked if or why we can't trade service for rent money that is past due, there were no comments.

Jake made a motion to pass 09-R-22 transfer \$2500 from general to police, Phil seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

The mayor stated that Tom Parrett should be off the Agenda as Jake told Tom 'no' on someone living in building.

Clerk asked about the EMS payroll for the Co-coordinators. Bud said that they wanted \$250 each. The clerk stated that Finance suggested \$187.50 each until probationary period is over. Pam stated no, we did not come to you, you came to us. Bonnie asked if they would get paid for runs they go on, the answer was yes. The girls agreed on \$200.00 per month each.

Don made a motion to give Pam and Bonnie \$200.00 per month for the first six months and redo after that, Jake seconded, all in favor with no opposing.

Phil made a motion to adjourn, Todd seconded, all in favor.

WESTERN BUCKEYE GOVERNING BOARD HOLDS NOVEMBER MEETING

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 in the Paulding ESC Board Office with all Board members present. Board President Mr. William Poe II welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

The Board members approved the agenda for the evening, which included personnel items, adjustments to several grants, as well as several action items for the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC). The WBESC is the fiscal agent for the NOACSC.

Superintendent John Basinger shared with Board members a packet of recommended Board policy updates and revisions. The Board will review the policy recommendations at the December Board meeting with anticipated final approval at the January, 2010 Board meeting.

Treasurer Kristine Stuart reviewed current financial statements and investments with the Board members noting that interest rates on investments continue to be very low relative to historical rates.

In the business portion of the meeting, the Board:

**Approved the minutes from the October 13, 2009 Regular meeting.

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

**Accepted the resignation of Amanda Vance from her position of LPN/Aide, effective December 22, 2009.

**Advanced Michele Porter to the MA + 30 step on the salary schedule, effective October 26, 2009.

**Approved Janine Warnecke to attend an out-of-state Sensory Processing Disorder Workshop held in Fort Wayne, IN on November 6, 2009.

**Approved Christine Feichter, Sandra Freeman, Peg Schilb and Matt Krites to attend an out-of-state Grant Writing Seminar held in Lexington, KY on December 15-16, 2009.

**Approved Cindy Moorman for the position of substitute Physical Therapy Assistant, to be used on an as-needed basis.

**Approved the revision of Administrative Procedures for interest allocation between Western Buckeye ESC, NOACSC, and Family and Children First Council with an effective date of July 1, 2008.

**Approved a budget revision to the FY10 Preschool-ARRA Grant and the FY10 21st Century Grant.

**Approved a budget revision to the FY10 Teaching American History Grant and the FY10 Black Swamp History Grant and increased appropriations.

**Accepted the recommendation of the NOACSC sub-committee to increase the NOACSC FY11 Student Services fee from \$2.50 per ADM to \$4.00 per ADM.

**Accepted the results of the July 12, 2008 through July 2, 2009 NOACSC Auditor of State SAS-70 audit as presented.

**Accepted the FY10 NOACSC Continuous Improvement Plan Narrative as presented.

**Approved the SAS EVAAS contract to allow NOACSC districts improved access to the SAS value added toolkit.

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regularly scheduled Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center is on December 15, 2009 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Van Wert ESC Office.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS

Admissions:

11/23 - Inella Finnegan, Paulding

11/25 - Richard King, Oakwood

11/26 - Patricia Pack, Paulding

Dismissals:

11/26 - Inella Finnegan, Paulding

11/27 - Patricia Pack, Paulding

11/29 - Richard King, Oakwood

ANTWERP ALLEYS WEEKLY HONOR SCORES FOR THE WEEK OF 11/27/09

Men High Games

1. David Koscher 221

2. Scott Hudson 209

3. Kevin Taylor 208

4. Alan Grant 207

5. Scott Lichty 204

6. Philip Bauer II 201

7. David Bauer 200

8. Mike Kennedy 199

9. Jeff Lucas 190

10. Mike Walley 187

Men High Series

1. Scott Hudson 536

2. Philip Bauer II 534

3. Kevin Taylor 527

4. Scott Lichty 518

5. Alan Grant 515

6. David Koscher 514

7. Scott Kaufman 512

8. Jeff Lucas, David Bauer 507

9. Phil Bauer 503

10. Ray Delong 502

Women High Game

1. Sherry Reinhart 191

2. Angie Hudson 189

3. Marie Bauer 177

4. Michelle Litzenberg 176

5. Pat Friend. Paula Lichty 170

6. Deb Lucas 169

7. Lisa Syndram 166

8. Jeanette Yerks 161

9. April Litzenberg 156

10. Sheila Bassett 154

Women High Series

1. Angie Hudson 551

2. Sherry Reinhart 525

3. Marie Bauer 483

4. Michelle Litzenberg 479

5. Pat Friend 452

6. Paula Lichty, Jeanette Yerks 450

7. Mary Brown 436

8. Sue Molitor 434

9. Deb Lucas 431

10. Leslie Ross 421

Youth Boys High Game

1. Kaleb O'Donnell 179

2. Shawn Dooley 160

3. Nick Herndon 153

Youth Boys High Series

1. Kaleb O'Donnell 438

2. Nick Herndon 400

3. Shawn Dooley 330

Youth Girls High Game

1. Skylar Howell 140

2. Avrial Sawyer 129

3. Samantha Dailey 101

Youth Girls High Series

1. Avrial Sawyer 379

2. Skylar Howell 373

3. Connor Howell 259

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JOHN DILLINGER

By: Stan Jordan

Friends and readers, a few months ago I wrote a story on John Dillinger, and within a three weeks period, I have had quite a few readers talk to me about John in one way or another.

Dillinger was a no good bank robber, killer, thief, convict and most any other words that belong to the underworld. He operated in the depression times. He was not known much until the early '30's but he had a life of crime dating back into the '20's.

He buddied up with Homer Van Meter who was born in Fort Wayne and Harry Pierpont who was born in Liepsic, OH.

The other day I met Randy MacNamara at Dr. Gray's office and he was telling me about his mother's experience as a teenager. She was employed as a waitress in a small restaurant near Roanoke, IN on US 24. At that time US 24 and US 30 were both paved highways across northern Indiana and Ohio. These roads were used pretty heavily by all the robbers and crooks and the Mafia out of Chicago.

One day a fleet of six big black cars turned in and parked. The second car held a big man in fancy clothes, it was 'Capone'. Some of his men came inside and some were on guard outside.

She was impressed by Capone's fancy clothes and his friendly demeanor. He was a good tipper and not a problem at all. He made a lot of friends there. At some-

time or other she feels that Dillinger had also stopped in. They got a lot of small time hoods because of the nearness of Chicago, Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland and the lake shore.

Over in south Paulding County, Bob Laukauf tells me that he has a newspaper clipping that tells of Dillinger's gang robbing a small store in Briceton. I have heard of that clipping before. Steve Knapp tells me that when Dillinger was in Fort Wayne, his Uncle Dick was a policeman and was one of them trying to catch Dillinger.

Here at WBN, Bryce Steiner is the head ink dauber, but his father tells me about a Dillinger Museum in Northern Indiana. He says it is pretty much authentic.

Old timers say that Dillinger robbed the police station in Warsaw and Auburn, IN for arms, ammo and bullet proof vests. I got an e-mail from Vern Mees some time back. His father, Sam Mees, opened the A&W Root Beer Stand years ago. They lived on the corner where the kiddies toys are now. Anyhow, Vern lives in Crown Point, IN over where Dillinger used a homemade wooden gun to escape with. Vern says in this area people are going to exploit the Dillinger Era for tourism by a big renovation of the Crown Point Jail.

Anyway you call it, John was a gangster, murderer, robber and any word that means a no-good-nick.

The lady-in-red, Anna Sage, sold John out to the

F.B.I., then the feds backed out on the deal with Anna. Shortly after, she was banished to Austria, where after a few bad years she committed suicide.

Ben Franklin told me one time, "There is no honor among thieves."

See Ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes to the belly. He was 71.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he was still a crusty old man and considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife, Play Dough; three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough; plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

GLEN L. HISSONG TURNS 90 YEARS

Glen L. Hissong will be celebrating his 90th birthday on December 15. His wife has planned a card shower for him. If you would like to send Glen a card mail it to: Glen L. Hissong, Po. Box 655, Antwerp, OH 45813. He would like hearing from you.

CITY OF WOODBURN POLICE ACTIVITY FOR SEPTEMBER 2009

43 traffic stops, 2 assist for E165, 1 civil investigation, 5 follow-up investigations, 1 fire/audible alarms, 2 dog complaints, 6 parked vehicles tagged, 1 vehicle lock out, 6 open doors, 1 found items, 2 thefts, 1 wires down, 2 VIN checks, 10 suspicious vehicles, 3 suspicious persons, 5 thefts from vehicles, 1 burglary attempted, 2 loud music/fireworks complaint, 2 property damage accident w/ injuries, 1 fight, 1 disabled vehicles, 1 traffic hazard, 1 warrant served/attempted to serve, 1 911 hang-up, 3 property damage only, 1 reckless driver, 1 parking violation, 1 juvenile investigation, 2 disturbances, 7 assist ACSD, 2 stolen vehicles, 1 vandalism to cars/property, 3 domestic disturbances, 1 neighbor disturbance, 1 intrusion alarm, 2 meet, 1 lost or stolen plate, Total Calls 123.

GLENN DETMON

By: Stan Jordan

Lillian Matzen Detmon and LeRoy Detmon had two boys, Arthur and Glenn. Glenn was born in 1925 out on the Ernie Matzen place.

Sometime along in there, they moved to Elmore, Ohio and Glenn started to school there. Then they moved back to Antwerp and finished his schooling here in 1943.



The war started while he was still in high school. He tried to enlist in the Air Force but he had trouble distinguishing colors and they wouldn't take him.

The Army took him in September of 1943 and sent him to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas for 13 weeks of Basic Infantry Training for an Armored Infantry Battalion.

After a few more weeks of advanced training they loaded all their gear onto the Wabash Railroad and headed north ending up at Fort George G. Meade at Maryland, one of our bigger P.O.E.'s.

After a week of bad weather they landed at Liverpool. They trained a little more at a camp in England. They were still the 18th Armored Infantry Battalion. They were assigned to Patton's Third Army upon landing in Europe. He served with Patton from south of Paris up to Bastogne, Belgium.

In the fall in northern France, a German 88mm shell exploded on the front of the tank track tread and loaded Glenn's right leg full of shrapnel. He said it was a nice September day and he laid on the ground and let the medic's fix him up.

He put some weeks in a hospital in France. They took out 16 more pieces of shrapnel and left at least eight still in his leg. That was the front end of that 88 mm German shell, a very good weapon. This was in a French town called Xe-

moth, or close to that word. They treated as many Krauts as they did Americans.

After a while he was shipped back to England for more rehab. They shipped him around and he ended up at Liverpool, P.O.E.

Glenn was loaded up on the U.S.S. Manhattan. That was a big luxury liner converted to a troop ship (I went over on the Manhattan). He ended up at the great Walter

is catching up to them. They used to follow the polka band for years and enjoyed the festivals. They both are avid sport fans and they also follow the NASCAR circuit.

I really enjoyed reminiscing with Glenn.

See Ya!

ROUGH START TO LADY ARCHERS BASKETBALL SEASON

The Antwerp Lady Archers opened their 2009-10 basketball at Delphos Jefferson on November 28. Delphos Jefferson beat them in the end after a fairly close match in the first half: 40-22.

Score by the quarter:
Delphos Jefferson - 12 10 7 11=40

Antwerp - 7 10 2 3=22
Archer individual stats:
#10 Winslow - 1 FT, 1 Pt
#12 Reinhart - 1 2PT, 2 Pts

#20 Bashore - 1 2PT, 4 FT, 6 Pts
#21 Koppenhofer - 1 2PT, 1 3PT, 1 FT, 6 Pts
#22 Arnold - 1 2PT, 1 FT, 3 Pts
#32 Stuck - 2 2PT, 4 Pts

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/9 THROUGH 12/15

Breakfast:
All days - Cereal, crackers, juice, milk

Lunch:
12/9 - Corndog or pizza-burger on bun, peas, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Taco bar

12/10 - Fish on bun or burrito, diced potatoes, mixed fruit w/marshmallows, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

12/11 - Pepperoni pizza or chicken salad sandwich, cole slaw, go gurt, milk; PLUS: salad bar or pudding cup

12/14 - BBQ beef or breaded pork on bun, green beans, orange smiles, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

12/15 - Chicken strips or cook's choice, tator tots, peaches, milk; PLUS: salad bar or brownie

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR 11/9/09

This 9th day of November, 2009, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Tony Zartman: Absent

Allowance Of Claims:
Warrants documented as 162933 through 163170 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.
Travel Requests:
Gregory Geyer - OSAVSC Fall Conference, Dublin, Ohio - Nov. 20-22, 2009
Timothy Baumle - OSAVSC Fall Conference, Dublin, Ohio - Nov. 20-22, 2009
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 October 14, 2009:
Donald E. Stemen, \$152.08
Shane Lee, \$142.00
Defiance County Juvenile Probation, \$2,880.00
Matthew Bender & Co., \$121.46
Williams Shugars, \$141.38
Cheryl Detmon, \$101.50
Ronald Schmidt, \$141.38
Village of Paulding, \$853.11
Treasurer of State, \$3,730.68
Smartbill LTD, \$3,500.00
Decks-N-Place, \$216.00

William Edwards, \$143.55
Cardmember Service, \$416.82
Mark Lucas, \$115.00
Hanenkratt Plumbing, \$2,575.00
CORSA, \$547.50
Sam's Club, \$248.71
Stykemain, \$6,866.25
Gerken Paving Inc., \$883,300.74
H & W Automotive, \$371.42
Lehigh Hanson Inc., \$10,289.41
Gerken Materials Inc., \$17,702.63
Farm Plan, \$349.92
Century Trading, \$639.93
Laub Auto Parts, \$249.05
Stonewall Inc., \$956.88
Porter's BP, \$3,633.50
Terminal Supply, \$219.83
Defiance County Engineer, \$29,414.40
Vomac Truck Sales & Service, \$340.00
Harts Machine Service, \$1,313.50
Schweller Electric LLC, \$1,665.40
Cintas, \$312.06
NOWAC, \$15,300.00
Inclusive Solutions, \$511.11
The Marsh Foundation, \$7,050.00
SAFY of Ohio, \$9,705.00
Office Equipment Finance, \$187.58
Paulding County Health Dept., \$500.00
EZ Wheeler, \$1,819.95
Nuwave Technology, \$105.00
Koolatron Inc., \$840.00
Brown Mackie College, \$3,466.65
Vantage Career Center, \$17,843.45
C & Y Oil, \$1,031.76
State of Ohio Treasurer, \$136.00
The Paulding County Commission-Orders approved the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor
In The Matter Of Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 078):

The Board of County Commissioners modified the 2009 Annual Appropriation and directed the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 078:
Fund 078 - Infrastructure Projects, 078-001-00001/Projects, \$9,058.70
In The Matter Of Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 142):
The Commissioners amended the 2009 Annual Appropriation and directed the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 142:
Fund 142 - J E Activity Fund, 142-001-00001/Other Expenses, \$20,000.00
In The Matter Of Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 154):
The County Commissioners amended the 2009 Annual Appropriation and directed the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 154:
Fund 154 - HAVA, 154-001-00001/Equipment, \$1,601.70
In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 001-014):
The Commissioners modified the 2009 Annual Appropriation and directed the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:
FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Health Insurance
TO: 001-014-00018/General Fund/County Court/Indigent Defense
AMOUNT: \$8,000.00
In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 128):
The Board of County Commissioners modified the 2009 Annual Appropriation and directed the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:
FROM: 128-001-00003/Defiance/ Paulding Counties Joint Auglaize Sewer Project/Interest

TO: 128-001-00005/Defiance/ Paulding Counties Joint Auglaize Sewer Project/Medicare
AMOUNT: \$20.00
In The Matter Of Appointments To Paulding County Emergency Management Board:
The County Commissioners appointed the following to the Paulding County Emergency Management Board for a two (2) year term beginning July 20, 2009, and ending June 20, 2011:
Tony Burkley, Paulding County Commissioner; Gary Benschneider, Harrison Township Trustee; Gene Sheets, Mayor, Village of Cecil; Lynn Noffsinger, Washington Township Trustee; Greg Hughes, Carryall Township Trustee; Greg White, Mayor, Village of Paulding
In The Matter Of The Endorsement Of The LEPC Membership For Paulding County:
The Commissioners endorsed the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) as follows:
Allen Beamer, Paulding County Fire Marshall; Bill Edwards, Paulding County Health Dept; Corey Walker, Paulding County DJFS; George Clemens, Law Enforcement; Mary Hohenberger, Paulding County Hospital; Jeff Hunyor, Systech, Site Manager; Nancy Whitaker, Paulding Progress; Greg White, Paulding Mayor; Jerry Zielke, Facility Representative; Glenna Doster, American Red Cross; Dr. Larry Fishbaugh, Paulding County Health Director; Randy Shaffer, Paulding County EMA, Director; Tony Zartman, Paulding County Commissioner; Andy Porter, Paulding Health Department, Sanitarian

LARSON'S BODY AND PAINT GOING GREEN

By: Sue Knapp
Larson's Body and Paint in Paulding at 320 W. Caroline Street is upgrading their service. The first to do so in Northwest Ohio, Larson's Body and Paint is changing their solvent-based paints to Martin's Senour Waterborne Paint System. This system claims a 96% decrease in organic compounds that can be toxic or harmful to the environment and reduces the hazardous air pollutants released by using regular solvent based paint. Using this system is easier and requires less paint. The cleanup is also easier, all you need is water instead of paint thinner. The paint is also safer for those who work with it.

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CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2009

A&Z Engineering suggests Mayor Hoepfner speak with Bob Alderman concerning the stimulus money, we are not in the November letting. Councilman Reichhart stated the county has 3.2 million for road repairs; he would like to send a letter requesting some of it be spent on the surrounding county roads. Council agreed to send a letter. Mayor will not be able to attend the next council meeting; Councilman Reichhart has agreed to chair the meeting. Public meeting for the water rate hike will be December 7th; notice will be sent out. Council would like Gregg Guerrettaz to be present. Arnold Gerber's would like to plow snow on the sidewalks again this year. Councilmen made motions to approve at \$90.00, same as last year, Steve Keller's attorney suggests a set price be added to the easement contract, he will decide on a price and send contract back for City's approval. Mayor stated the Christmas round table party is in Hammond IN, he feels this is too far for the city representatives to attend and is suggesting we have a Christmas dinner at Bob's restaurant for City representatives. Councilman made motions to approve a dinner at Bob's Restaurant, all agreed, motion passed. Sunday December 6 works best.

Lesa spoke with Attorney Pat Proctor concerning the Trash contract. He recommends the recycling program be offered to the Elementary School also; they should have the opportunity to raise funds as well. Councilmen made motions to approve a 3-year contract, all agreed, motion passed. Lesa presented Trash Ordinance G-09-1187, Councilmen made motions to pass in one meeting, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor read, Councilmen made motions to approve, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor read second reading, Councilmen made motions to approve, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor read third reading, Councilmen made motions to approve, all agreed, motion passed. Officer Carpenter submitted September's incident report. Attorney Pat Proctor is looking at the Standard Operating Procedures for the police department. Furniture for the police department should be in next week. Lesa reported a new police car can be ordered this year or wait till next year and do an additional appropriation. Council agreed to wait till next year. INDOT has been contacted to move the road-closed sign on Main Street. Warrants were presented, Councilmen made motions to approve and add Naomi Hoepfner cleaning charges, all agreed, motion passed. Minutes were presented for approval, Councilmen made motions to approve, all agreed, motion passed. Mayor spoke with representative from the Co-op; they are waiting on poles to repair the fence. Councilman Norden built racks to hold new Christmas decorations; Council decided to sell the old yellow ones. Ryan Walls stated they are discharging the ponds, sidewalk repairs are complete on Main Street and they are working on leaf pick up. Tires are needed for trucks to be ready for snow removal. Councilman Zimmerman believes the siren board was put in, he will check into, test will be Wednesday. He will attend the Highway 24 project meeting on Thursday. Councilman Clegg ask if the speed limit sign was put in on Homestead, a 20 MPH sign was agreed upon, Ryan will get done. Noise Ordinance is being looked at. Several people have been caught violating the dumping rules at the compost site. The city is investigating putting up a camera to catch and fine violators. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Minutes submitted by Lesa Meadows.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN: PAULDING

Saturday, December 5, 2009 the Paulding Lions Club and the Eagles Lodge Ladies will bring Santa, with the help of the Paulding Fire Department, to the Eagles Lodge at 12:30 p.m. till 2:00 p.m.

The ladies will start serving hot dogs and extras, for a small fee, at 11:00 a.m. At the same time Mrs. Helle's class will be helping children with free crafts while they wait for Santa to arrive.

Margaret Philpot will be on hand to take the children's picture while they talk to Santa.

Hope to see everybody at Paulding Eagles Lodge Saturday, December 5 at 11:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Santa arrives at 12:30 p.m. till 2:00 p.m.

Colors of Christmas - Coloring Contest

West Bend News wants to see the Christmas spirit in our young people! So if you can color and are between the ages of 0 and 12 years of age, color the page below, fill out the entry form, and send it to:

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HICKSVILLE MASONS ENTERTAIN 150 THANKSGIVING MORNING

Well it's official, according to the official count, there were 150 Masons at Hicksville Lodge #478 Thanksgiving morning bright and early. There were 57 of Hicksville members in attendance at a meeting. This number represents almost 40% of their membership. This event was started in 1948 and the tradition has never been broken. One 60-year Hicksville member, Robert L. Stotler Sr. has attended all 62 of these "Special" meetings.

Those from Hicksville included Richard Wann, Scott Ruppert, Steve Schilb, Tim Betts, Bill Metz, Mike Vilena, Jamey Chapman, Richard Savage, Hanson Lilly, Jim Kline, Charles Carey, Lee Kallsen, Raymond Gillespie, Randy Brooks, Jim Corkwell, Robert Stotler Sr., Richard Evans Sr., Richard Evans Jr., Will Fleitz, Max Kemerer, Robert Stotler Jr., Bruce Guilford, David Fisher, George Underwood, Mark Savage, Brent Savage, Robert Volkert, Richard Rowan, Don Greninger, Doyle Johnson, Russell St. John, Wm. Kenny Wonderly, Scott Wonderly, Derrill Kline, B.J. Kline, Mike Kline, Gene Stauffer, Estel Cottrell, Jimmie J. Volker, Guy Boylan, Tom Culler, Eric Betts, Dick Altman, Richard Gordon, Justin Krohn, Greg Headley, Raymond Gillespie, Elmer Woodcox, John Woodcox, Jim Coleman, Robert Elliott, Walter Schilb, Calvin Worden and Fred Leavell.

Here are the Lodges from four different states that attended. Ohio Lodges included Liberty Center #518, Bryan #215, Sherwood #620, Montpelier #547, Napoleon

#256, Edon #474, Blendon #339, Robinson Locke # 659, Genoa # 433, Barton Smith #613, Sylvania Pyramid #287, Continental #570, Wood Co. #112, Northern Light #40, North Baltimore #561, Stokes #305 The Indiana Lodges were Leo #224, Star #187, Concord #556, Butler #239, Wayne #225, Huntertown #689, Columbia City #189, Avilla #460, Kendallville #276, Three Rivers #733 The Michigan Lodge represented was Mount Vernon #166 and Maine was #2

This special Meeting was also served as our "Awards Presentation". Those receiving pins were as follows: 35-Year Pins - Tim Betts, Richard Evans Sr., Richard Gordon, Don Greninger, Fred Leavell, Walter Schilb, Robert Stotler Jr., and John Woodcox; 40-Year Pins - Tom Culler, Lee Kallsen, Max Kemerer, Hanson Lilly, Richard Rowan, Russell St. John, Gene Stauffer, and George Underwood; 50-Year Pin - Calvin Worden; 60-Year Pins - Charles Carey, Robert Elliott, Derrill Kline, and Wm. Kenny Wonderly

Robert C. Rill Jr., Charles R. Murphy, and current District Deputy Grand Masters Jeremy Z. Sharninghouse & William L. Metz assisted in passing out the service awards.

When all the dust settled, Charles Murphy was called upon for some closing remarks. He then closed the Lodge as only F. B. "Chuck" Gorrell would have done if he were present in the building. Come to think of it, I think his presence is felt every time we enter the Lodge! I have heard some say at certain times before the meetings, his likeness can be faintly seen in the distant corner of the Lodge room telling one of his renowned jokes to a brother.

ANTWERP ALL-WEATHER TRACK COMMITTEE RECEIVES MORE DONATIONS



Pictured here are Steve Arnold, coordinator of the Antwerp All-Weather Track Committee, and Lee Zuber, representing the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church Outreach Committee, which along with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, has recently made a Blue-Level donation of \$500 to the all-weather track project.

Also pictured here are Mr. Arnold and Mark Hartman, who has recently made

a Gold-Level donation of \$2,000 to the track project. With these two recent donations, the All-Weather Committee has raised close to \$135,000, all through fund-raisers and private donations. Speaking of fund-raisers, the next scheduled fund-raiser for the Track Committee is the second annual "Antwerp Dancing with the Stars" contest, scheduled for January 17, 2010, in the Antwerp School auditoria. For more information about this fund-raiser or the all-weather track project in general, contact Mr. Arnold or any member of the Antwerp Athletic Booster Club. The boosters meet the second Wednesday of each month at 5:00 in the board of education room at the Antwerp Local School.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/9 THROUGH 12/15

- Breakfast:*
 12/9 - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk
 12/10 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, juice, milk
 12/11 - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk
 12/14 - Pizza, juice, milk
 12/15 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk
Lunch:
 12/9 - Hot dog/bun, chips/pretzels, carrot sticks w/dip, milk; WT: bar-b-que pork sandwich
 12/10 - Sloppy nachos (meat/bag of scoop chips), corn, mandarin oranges, milk
 12/11 - Cheese or pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, applesauce, peanut butter fudge, milk
 12/14 - Breaded chicken sandwich, seasoned fries, pears, milk
 12/15 - Pepperoni or cheese pizza, green beans, mandarin oranges, cookie, milk

2010 CROP ENTERPRISE BUDGETS

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Enterprise budgets represent estimates of income, costs, and potential net income associated with the production of crops and livestock. Income and costs often are difficult to estimate in preparing a budget because they are numerous and variable. Therefore, think of sample budgets as a first approximation and then make appropriate adjustments that reflect specific production situations for your operation.

Enterprise budgets are designed as tools for projecting costs and returns for crop and livestock enterprises, and more importantly, as guides for planning individual farms. As farmers begin preparing for a new crop year, budgeting acts as a guide in the decision making process of committing resources that provide the most profitable enterprise for the farm. Without some form of budgeting and some method of tracking the enterprises' progress, it is difficult to determine if the goals of the farm have been reached.

Budgeting is often described as "pencil it out" before committing resources to a plan. The Ohio State University Extension has had a long history of developing "Enterprise Budgets" that can be used as a starting point for producers in their budgeting process. Barry Ward, Production Business Management Leader, has updated the Enterprise Budgets for

2010 and posted these budgets to the Farm Management Website of the Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics. Updated Enterprise Budgets can be viewed and downloaded from the following website: <http://aede.osu.edu/Programs/FarmManagement/Budgets/>

These enterprise budgets are compiled on downloadable Excel Spreadsheets that contain macros for ease of use. Users can input their own production and price levels to calculate their own numbers. Barry Ward indicates these Enterprise Budgets have a new look with color coded cells that will enable users to plug in numbers to easily calculate bottoms lines for different scenarios. Detailed footnotes are included to help explain methodologies used to obtain the budget numbers. Starting this year, Extension will be updating these Enterprise Budgets periodically during the year if large changes occur in price or costs. Budgets will include a date in the upper right hand corner of the front page indicating when the last update occurred.

Crop management decisions should be made in accord with the goals, objectives and mission of the farm operation. You may not be able to make perfect decisions, but by developing and using enterprise budgets you can improve the quality of information available to you. This information can make it much easier to analyze the economics of alternative enterprises.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR 11/16/09

This 16th day of November, 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

Warrants documented as 163171 through 163180 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

Travel Requests:
Sande Buffington - CSEA Directors' Meeting, Findlay OH - November 6, 2009

Sande Buffington - CSEA Directors' Meeting, Findlay OH - December 4, 2009

In The Matter Of Supplemental Appropriation (Fund 078):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize and direct the Paulding County Auditor to make a Supplemental Appropriation for the following:

FROM: Various Pay-Ins
TO: 078-001-00001/Infrastructure Projects/Expense
AMOUNT: \$253,105.81

In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 001-013):

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

FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Health Insurance
TO: 001-013-00003/General Fund/Coroner/Contract/Services
AMOUNT: \$544.00

In The Matter Of Modifying The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 001-013):

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

FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance
TO: 001-013-00005/General Fund/Coroner/Travel
AMOUNT: \$374.85

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

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2009 Annual Ap-

propriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-022-00001/General Fund/Insurance
TO: 001-022-00011/General Fund/Insurance/Unemployment Comp.
AMOUNT: \$374.85

In The Matter Of Creating Line Items And Amending The 2009 Annual Appropriation (Fund 216):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following line items and amend the 2009 Annual Appropriation by appropriating unappropriated funds in Fund 216, FY 2007 Citizen Program Grant, County:

Auditor of State, \$7,000.00
Other Expense, \$7,000.00

In The Matter Of Turning County Roads Over To Townships For Maintenance:

The construction of the US 24 four lane highway has been completed and is officially open for traffic; and ODOT has abandoned approximately twelve miles of the old US 24 highway, now known as County Road 424, and has turned over said miles of roadway to the County Engineer for maintenance purposes; and roads that dead end do not meet the definition of a County Road. Section 5541 of the Ohio Revised Code states that a County Road is to connect with a state highway, another county road, or connect a village or center of population to a county of state highway; and Section 5541 of the Ohio Revised Code also allows County Commissioners to remove a road from the County Highway System and establish a Township Road from an already existing County Road for maintenance purposes; now therefore, the Board of County Commissioners do hereby authorize the following existing dead end county roads be turned over to the appropriate township for maintenance purposes, effective November 23, 2009:

1) County Road 33 from CR 162 to the Village of Antwerp turned over to Carryall Township

2) County Road 180 from CR 43 to TR 61 turned over to Carryall Township

3) County Road 216 from the Village of Cecil to US 127 turned over to Crane Township

4) County Road 224 from US 127 east to the township line turned over to Crane Township

5) County Road 224 from the township line to CR 115 turned over to Emerald Township

In The Matter Of Entering Into An Agreement With Maximus, Inc. For Professional Consulting Services:

Paulding County has programs which operates with Federal funding and said programs are supported by Paulding County's appropriated funds; and Paulding County desires to engage Maximus, Inc. to assist Paulding County in developing a cost allocation plan which conforms to federal requirements to recover funds due Paulding County for the years 2009, 2010, and 2011; and the County's financial year-end data for 2009, 2010, and 2011 will be the basis for recoveries to be claimed for calendar years 2011, 2012, and 2013, respectively; now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby enter into an agreement with Maximus, Inc., 7523 Fredle Drive, Concord Township, OH 44077 to implement the cost allocation plan for Paulding to recover funds due Paulding County for the year 2011, 2012, and 2013; and the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the total sum for the three year period not to exceed Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Dollars, and 00/100 (\$18,600.00) for all services required and hereby authorize the Consultant to be paid the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Dollars, and 00/100 (\$6,200.00) per year (2009, 2010, and 2011) for all services required to prepare the cost allocation plans under current federal standards.

In The Matter Of The Markle Lateral Ditch Maintenance Assessment:

The Paulding County Engineer has prepared a request from the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District to change the Markle Lateral Ditch Maintenance assessment from 3% to 15%; and the change will be forwarded to the County Auditor to be placed on the 2010 tax duplicates; now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the change to the Markle Lateral Ditch Maintenance assessment from 3% to 15%, effective on the 2010 tax duplicates.

Meeting Notes of Appointment:

Travis McGarvey, County Engineer - Mr. McGarvey met with the Commissioners to discuss the transfer of maintenance of dead end county roads as a result of new US 24. (see resolution above) He will correspond to the three townships involved in this change. Mr. McGarvey also noted the County Road 179 culvert project in Auglaize Township will soon be completed. He also stated the paving work done on County Road 87 bridge is going to be re-done.

Marsha Yuetter, Senior Center - Ms. Yuetter reported having an offer from NOCAC to continue to rent office space at the Senior Center. The Commissioners agreed it would be a good service to Paulding County to retain NOCAC's satellite office. Ms. Yuetter also reported the Passport grant for the Paulding County Senior Center has been approved. She is currently working to complete the 3-B grant. Ms. Yuetter then presented the new Paulding County Senior Center letterhead and logo. Effective January 1, the Senior Center will no longer be administered through NOCAC and will be a county entity, funded by grants and levy revenue.

Allen Beamer, County Fire Marshal - telephone conference - The Commissioners spoke with Mr. Beamer regarding his duties as County Fire Marshal. He reported having done several fire inspections throughout the county. He also confirmed that some services are available when fire chiefs, mayors, or the sheriff request them. Mr. Beamer can be called to monitor open burning or to burn abandon buildings and other accumulated junk piles. He agreed to communicate with the various fire chiefs to determine if his position can be better utilized.

Gary Adkins, CEO, and Rob Goshia, Financial Manager, Paulding County Hospital - Mr. Goshia presented the Commissioners with Paulding County Hospital's 2010 budget. He stated the budget had been approved by the PCH board for the Commissioners' review. Mr. Goshia highlighted the reduction of debt on the balance sheet. He also reported they anticipate an increase in bad debt in 2010 due to the stressful economy.

Tony Langham, Paulding County Economic Development - Mr. Langham presented paperwork to be completed prior to the RLF meeting scheduled for later today.

KIDS CUTS FOR CHRISTMAS



Styles Unlimited in Paulding is making Saturday, December 5th Kids Day. From 8:00-11:00 a.m., all kids hair cuts are free.

Because of the economy and unemployment times are rough now. Styles Unlimited

is doing something for the community. All stylists will be donating their time to make this kids' day a gift to each child during the holidays. No appointments will be taken.

SENATE URGES REVIEW OF OHIO WORKERS' COMPENSATION SYSTEM

Capitol Letters Weekly
Column by: Senator Steve Buehrer

For Ohio's economy to recover and experience growth in future years, our state must not only work to attract new investment and jobs, but ensure that existing businesses, some of which have called Ohio home for decades, have the resources to compete with companies in other states and across the world. To accomplish this goal, state and local leaders must take steps to eliminate burdensome regulations, support education and workforce development initiatives and help keep the cost of doing business in Ohio low.

While there has been progress on all three fronts in recent years, my conversations with business owners in Northwest Ohio and across the state reveal that there is still much more work to be done. In particular, the business leaders I have talked to consistently say that the cost of workers' compensation premiums in our state is a major hit to their bottom line, threatening to put some companies out of business and impacting the ability of others to expand and hire additional employees.

Even more disheartening is that the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation approved new rules earlier this fall that would actually raise workers' compensation premiums for thousands of businesses in the state by reducing the maximum discount that employers can receive through Ohio's group rating program. On October 20, I invited BWC Administrator Marsha Ryan to come before the Senate Insurance, Commerce & Labor Committee to discuss these changes. After her testimony, many groups came forward to express their opposition to the plan and explain how rate hikes would hurt their businesses.

In addition, I sent a memo to the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of Directors last month urging them to postpone further premium increases. I explained that at a time when large and small employers across our state are struggling to keep their doors open and their employees working, this proposal would serve as a detriment to job growth and economic recovery. Despite

this plea and opposition from other lawmakers, the Board voted to move forward with the group-rating changes on October 30 meaning that nearly half of Ohio employers will see higher workers' compensation taxes in 2009 and 2010.

While the BWC administration believes that these changes will help as part of a larger reform strategy, the verdict is still out on the impact on Ohio's future economic development efforts. In the meantime, my colleagues and I in the Ohio Senate are working toward other reforms including studying the possibility of alternatives to our state's government-operated workers' compensation system in an effort to reduce premium costs and provide more options for workers and businesses.

Senate Resolution 118, which passed the Senate on November 17, creates the Competitive Workers' Compensation Task Force to review the feasibility of allowing Ohio employers the option to obtain private workers' compensation insurance. Members of the Task Force will include business owners—both from Ohio and other states—workers, legal experts, insurance industry representatives with workers' compensation experience, local officials, legislators and several other state leaders, including the Administrator of the BWC and the chairperson of the Workers' Compensation Board of Directors. You may recall that the Senate included a similar provision in our version of the BWC budget in June, but it was removed during conference committee deliberations on the bill.

Ohio is currently one of only two states in the country that still relies totally on a government-operated workers' compensation system. Many other states have moved to an entirely private system or a public-private hybrid. For example, West Virginia converted its workers' compensation program into a private plan and opened the door to competition from

other private insurers. I recently had an opportunity to speak with the Governor of West Virginia, a Democrat, and several legislators from both sides of the aisle, all of whom said they were very pleased with their state's new approach.

Ohio is not West Virginia, Nevada or one of the other states that have moved to a private workers' compensation system, and the task force may conclude that that is not the best course for our state, but I believe we owe it to Ohio workers, businesses and the future economic success of our state to at least study the idea. As this review gets underway, I will continue to do everything I can to promote a workers' compensation system in Ohio that cares for injured workers, keeps costs low for businesses and helps our state move forward.

I encourage you to contact me with any questions, thoughts or concerns, or if you need assistance working with a state government agency. You can write me, Senator Steve Buehrer, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio, 43215, or contact me by phone at (614) 466-8150. I can also be reached by email at SD01@senate.state.oh.us. In addition, for more information about my work in the Ohio Senate, please visit my page on the new Senate website at www.ohiosenate.gov/steve-buehrer.

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PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS DECEMBER 2009 NEWSLETTER



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

December is a busy month for the school district with many Christmas programs as well as the beginning of the winter athletic events. We are very proud of our many talented students and invite the community to attend our December concerts, programs, and athletic contests. What a wonderful way to celebrate the season. Check the calendar at the right side of this page for dates and times. Most programs and concerts are free and it's not too late for our district residents, 65 years and older, to stop at the administration building and pick up a senior citizen pass for free admission to all athletic contests.

I have always believed that our school district provides a quality education to the children of our communities and have often wondered about the accomplishments of our graduates. After much discussion, we have decided to create an Academic Hall of Fame to recognize and honor graduates who have achieved a significant degree of success in their pursuits of higher education and in their professional careers. The inductees to the Paulding Exempted Village Academic Hall of Fame will provide outstanding role models to our current students. Nomination forms are available on our website at www.pauldingschools.org or may be picked up in any office. Nominations will be accepted for graduates of Paulding High School, or any high school that was within the boundaries of the current Paulding Exempted Village Schools District. The deadline for submitting names for our inaugural class is March 1, 2010. This class will be recognized during our Graduation Ceremony on May 30, 2010.

Pat Ross
Superintendent

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Paulding Elementary-Wendy Nashu

We have been working hard at Paulding Elementary School to improve our academics and behaviors. We use the PAWS program to promote catching kids doing the right things. We focus weekly on different character traits and reward students with PAWS that they turn in to the office for their good work and a chance at being drawn as the PAWS winner for the week. At home and in the community you can help by asking the children what the word of the week is and talking about what behaviors show this trait. An example is "patience" which we used recently. Students often have to learn about waiting for something they want as well as how this word applies to work in the classroom or with their peers. We see that together we all are better because each of us have unique strengths and skills. I would like to thank each and every family and community member who takes a moment to make a difference in the life of a child. This is a very caring, giving community that I am certainly proud to be given an opportunity to grow with as the new principal at Paulding Elementary.

Our kindergarten and second grade classrooms took the time to prepare decorations for the Festival of Trees. Their trees were quite beautiful and they enjoyed the time visiting the display. I hope you had the opportunity to visit this beautiful display of Christmas trees from many people and organizations in the community. A lot of work goes in to this through many volunteers making it an exceptional event.

The intervention teachers in our building are reaching out and connecting with the Senior Center and The Gardens. Pam Young and Donna Allen have their students reading with community members at the Senior Center. They also have students being pen pals with community members at the Gardens. We are so excited to be connecting with our valued members of our community who have so much to offer our children. A big thank you goes out to everyone because the excitement and motivation that is coming out of this connection is invaluable.

Our 4th grade will be putting on the Christmas program December 3rd at 2:40 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditoria. A lot of extra effort on the part of students and staff has gone in to this production. Please come and enjoy the program.

On Veterans Day we took time to honor those who have fought to keep our lives better. We thank all the Veterans who came out to join us and make this day extra special. The students and staff together put up a Veterans Hall of Honor which will remain up until Christmas break. In this Hall of Honor many pictures and write ups about veterans are displayed. The pride our students have in

these individuals who have given so much for so many comes through in their writings and the large turn out of postings on the walls. Please stop in to see this tremendous tribute. It is located in the entrance way by the elementary office.

Finally, but most certainly not least, many families have contributed to the Neighbors in Need and sent in pennies for our OSU (\$316.50) vs. MICHIGAN (\$166.07) penny war for Christmas for Kids. WOW!!! The outpouring of generosity once again is stellar at Paulding Elementary.

I am very Thankful for all the opportunities we have here at Paulding Elementary to learn and grow together as a caring, giving community. Enjoy your time together over the holidays.

Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz

Hello from Oakwood Elementary on a chilly November day! Time continues to fly by, and we are now halfway through the second quarter of this school year. Thank you to all of our parents who attended Parent/Teacher conferences earlier in November. Many of our teachers reported 100% attendance at conferences. Our students definitely benefit in a big way when we all work together. Please remember, parent/teacher communication is not limited to twice a year at fifteen minute appointments. Any time questions or concerns arise regarding your child's education, please contact us.

Our kindergartners and second graders would like to thank the members of the John Paulding Historical Society for inviting them to tour The Festival of Trees. The second graders enjoyed decorating their tree with ornaments created in Mrs. Nofziger's art class. The talking tree was again a BIG hit.

Oakwood Elementary participated in Christmas for Kids by holding a penny pitch with donations going to the Oakwood Christmas Elf Project. We were visited by Rick Small from 98.1 WDFM on November 18; and our student council was able to report on the progress of our penny pitch during a Christmas for Kids live broadcast. They presented our collection of over \$700 to Jan Lowe on November 23. Thank you to all who donated to our penny pitch - we truly have wonderful, giving families in our community!

November had seventeen school days and December has only sixteen. Each one of those days is packed with learning activities and plenty of special holiday events are mixed in, as well. These are busy times at Oakwood Elementary - no different than at your homes, right?! We would love to have you mark your calendars and join us on the following dates:

**Our 5th/6th grade choir and 6th grade band invite you to their Christmas program on Thursday, December 10, at 7:00.

** Our 4th graders will perform a Christmas musical, "Paint The Town December," on Thursday, December 17 at 7:00.

Oakwood Elementary wishes you and your family a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

Middle School-David Stallkamp

I hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving break. Our winter sports are warming up for their seasons with many hard practices. Please visit our website for the schedule of events. I thank all of our coaches and athletes for their hard work and I look forward to very successful seasons in boys basketball, girls basketball, cheerleading and wrestling.

Mid term reports go home December 1. Please stay in close contact with the school if your child is struggling. The second nine weeks grading period ends on December 22. Grade cards will be coming home in early January.

Have a great holiday season and in case I do not get to tell you before then - Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The year is flying by.

High School-Todd Harmon

Paulding High School would like to thank all the parents and guardians that were able to meet with teachers and to make plans to help their child succeed. Our goal is to see all students achieve and grow and have doors of opportunity open to further their education and occupational choices. If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher but would like to talk with them, please do so by leaving a message at the school or finding out when they have a conference period. Our teachers would be more than willing to talk or meet to help your child.

We are looking forward to seeing the efforts of our student athletes as the winter sports season is upon us. Extracurricular activities are such an integral part of the student experience that should teach character, self-discipline and teamwork. We expect that through these experiences, classroom achievement will steadily progress higher,

students will develop leadership capabilities, and students will represent themselves and the Paulding community in the highest standards. Please assist us in this process by encouraging your student athlete to work hard and support the coach and the program in which they participate. We all have a part to play on the team to make PHS and its programs the best they can be. Season schedules can be picked up in the office.

Our winter activities and programs are just around the corner and these dates can be helpful reminders. December 9 is the Senior Citizen breakfast starting at 8:00 a.m. The middle school/high school band Christmas concert will be on December 13 at 3:00. The choir concert will be on December 20 at 3:00. National Honor Society and Student Council will be having a canned food drive and participants will have the opportunity to be rewarded. Thanks in advance for the efforts by the advisors, Sharon Bradford and Linda Lamb (NHS) and Josh Neilson (Student Council). May the holiday season bring family close, help us to be the kind of people we all want to be, allow us to make a difference in the lives of those around us, and remind us of those that defend and protect the rights we all enjoy.

Special Education-Tillman Karl

The students with disabilities in high school have welcomed into their classrooms a student teacher. Ms. Amber Ricker, BGSU, has joined our professional staff for the first semester of the 2009-2010 school year. Ms. Ricker is directly teaching classes to our students in English, Math, Social Studies and Science. Ms. Ricker then spends the remaining part of her day in inclusive classrooms. Ms. Ricker has already taught her students many new class concepts; but her most important lesson she has taught her students and fellow faculty members to date is determination and taking responsibility for your self and your actions. Ms. Ricker comes to us from the Bryan, Ohio area, but we are proud to call her a Panther. Ms. Ricker has taught all of us to play with the hand we are dealt, and make the best of that ability-not to make it a disability.

We have had an overwhelming beginning to our early learning and school readiness programs this year. Our programs are virtually full, with over 100 children participating, and waiting lists have been made to accept additional students in case someone leaves the program during the school months. Newest member of the teaching staff at Paulding Elementary is Nr. Nick Alvarez. We have six teachers working with our preschool age children. Our program is fully certified by the Ohio Department of Education and meets strict guidelines and inspections.

SENIOR CITIZEN CHRISTMAS

The annual Senior Citizen Christmas Breakfast will be on Wednesday, December 9. All district residents 60 years and older are invited to join us from 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. (doors open at 7:45 a.m.) in the auditoria for a great breakfast, fellowship and entertainment. We will be showcasing the talents of our students in each building. Please call the school at 419-399-4656 to register. Parking will be available in the lot on the corner of Emerald Road and Caroline Street.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

American Education Week was a great week for our students and staff. Paulding Exempted Village Schools would like to thank our school community for its support. The partnership of students, parents, teachers, staff and community helps PEVS reach its goal of providing students with a quality education so they can grow, prosper and achieve in the 21st century. Again, thanks to everyone in the Paulding Exempted Village Schools District for all you do to make our school a great place for students to learn.

WINTER SPORTS

Good luck to our athletes and coaches as their seasons begin. The scheduled activities will provide an opportunity for students to participate and for fans to enjoy the events. The National Federation of State High School Athletic Association advises the following for parents and other fans:

- Realize that a ticket is a privilege to observe a contest and support school activities, not a license to verbally assault others or be generally obnoxious.
 - Respect decisions of contest officials.
 - Be an exemplary role model by positively supporting teams in every manner possible, including content of cheers and signs.
 - Respect fans, coaches and participants.
 - BE A FAN...NOT A FANATIC
- All students are to remain seated once the game starts until half time. Once the second half starts, students are to remain seated until the end of the game, even if they are seated with parents.

LIVE BROADCAST OF GAMES

Radio station 1620 AM will be broadcasting all of the home boys' basketball games and some of the girls' home basketball games. The games can also be heard live on wpaulive.com.

WALKING FOR EXERCISE

Walkers may use the buildings according to the following schedule: Oakwood Elementary-Monday-Thursday, 6:45-8:00 a.m. and 4-6:00 p.m. Please use the First Street entrance by the flag poles. Paulding High School-Monday-Thursday, 6-7:30 a.m. on the balcony and 5-6:30 p.m. on the ramp.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Paulding Exempted Village Schools are in need of substitute teachers for our school district. If you have a teaching license, substitute teaching license, or a bachelors degree and are interested in becoming a substitute teacher, please call or visit Diane Goyings in the administration building. The telephone number is 419-399-4656, x 1512.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. Please go to the school's webpage at www.pauldingschools.org. On the Parents drop down list, click Board Policies, click Forms (on the left side of the screen), click 8000 Operations, click 833f9 Annual Notice to Parents Regarding Students Records and Specific Events/Activities.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

JH Wrestling		
Dec. 7	Lincolnview/Lima North-H	5:00
Dec. 12	Bryan Invitational-T	9:00
Dec. 17	Antwerp@Fairview	4:30
Dec. 21	Edgerton/Tinora-H	4:30
Varsity Wrestling		
Dec. 12	Lancer Invitational-T	10:00
Dec. 19	Edgerton Invitational-T	10:00
Dec. 22	Ayersville/Grove-H	6:30
JH Boys Basketball		
Dec. 8	Crestview-H	5:00
Dec. 10	Van Wert-A	5:00
Dec. 14	Bryan-H	4:30
Dec. 15	Spencerville-T	5:00
Dec. 17	Tinora-H	4:30
Dec. 28	Wayne Trace-T	4:30
Freshman Basketball		
Dec. 10	Allen East-H	5:00
Dec. 14	Defiance-T	5:00
Dec. 15	Wayne Trace-T	5:00
Dec. 21	Van Wert-H	5:00
Boys JV/Varsity Basketball		
Dec. 4	Continental-H	6:30
Dec. 5	Antwerp-H	6:30
Dec. 11	Defiance-A	6:30
Dec. 12	Wayne Trace-H	6:30
Dec. 18	Bluffton-T	6:00
Dec. 22	Van Wert-T	6:00
JH Girls Basketball		
Dec. 3	Wayne Trace-T	4:30
Dec. 7	Antwerp-T	5:00
Dec. 8	Crestview-T	5:00
Dec. 10	Van Wert-H	5:00
Dec. 14	Bryan-T	4:30
Dec. 15	Spencerville-H	5:00
Girls JV/Varsity Basketball		
Dec. 1	Antwerp-H	6:00
Dec. 3	Edgerton-A	6:00
Dec. 8	Hicksville-H	6:00
Dec. 10	Allen East-T	6:00
Dec. 15	Wayne Trace-H	6:00
Dec. 17	Bluffton-H	6:00
Dec. 28	Bryan Invitational-T	TBA
Dec. 29	Bryan Invitational-T	TBA

DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

Dec. 1	OakEl 1st gr-Historical Museum	12:30
Dec. 2-4	OakEl PTO Santa's Secret Shop	
Dec. 2	4th-6th gr. Geography Bee-Oak & Pldg	
Dec. 2	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
Dec. 3	PldgEl Xmas Prog-Aud.	2:30 & 7:30
Dec. 3	OakEl Kdg Family Math Night	7:00p
Dec. 3	FFA Sub Dist. Parli Pro-Delphos	
Dec. 4	FFA Fruit Pick-up Day	2:30-5:30p
Dec. 4	OakEl Kdg Family Reading Day	7:00p
Dec. 5	SAT Test	
Dec. 5	FFA State Food Science-Columbus	
Dec. 7-11	PldgEl PTO Book Fair	
Dec. 7	Sci Olymp Bstr Mtg-Adm Bldg	7:00p
Dec. 8	FFA Dist. Parli Pro-Delphos	
Dec. 9	Senior Citizens' Xmas Breakfast	8:00a
Dec. 9	OakEl November Student/Month Lunch	
Dec. 10	FFA Dist Ag Sales-NewRiegel/Mohawk	
Dec. 10	OakEl 5th/6th gr. Choir & 6th gr Band Concert	7:00p
Dec. 12	ACT Test-Commons	7:30a-1:00p
Dec. 12	AfterProm Parents Soup/Sandwich Supper-Auditeria	4:30-6:30
Dec. 14	FFA Chapter Meeting-Ag Room	6:30p
Dec. 13	Band Concert-Gr. 5-12-Auditeria	3:00
Dec. 15	Board Meeting-Adm. Bldg.	7:00p
Dec. 16	OakEl 5th/6th gr. Spelling Bee	9:30a
Dec. 17	OakEl 4th gr. "Paint the Town December" Xmas Program	2:30 & 7:00
Dec. 18, 21, 22	High School Exams	
Dec. 20	Choir Concert-Auditeria	3:00
Dec. 21	Choir Concert Make-up Date	8:00
Dec. 22	End of Second Quarter/First Semester	
Dec. 23-Jan. 1	CHRISTMAS BREAK	
Jan. 4	Classes Resume	

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FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Chief Dog Warden

This week's featured pet is Pupcake. Pupcake is a four month old scottie/schnauzer mix. She needs a special home because she came into the shelter with a broken leg. She just got her leg rechecked at the vet and she got a new cast put on. She will need to see the vet in two weeks and maybe get one more new cast in four weeks. Pupcake is just a little doll and is very friendly and playful.

We have several dogs in the shelter with serious medical needs. Unfortunately our Mercy Medical fund is very

low right now. If anyone would like to help Pupcake or any of the other dogs in need please send donations to the Animal Clinic of Paulding.

Also at the shelter we have Lady, a housetrained shepherd mix; Marta, a nice german shepherd; Winter, an all white husky mix; Petey, a boxer mix; Chloe, a schipperke mix; Danny, the golden; and Murphy, the beagle.

The shelter will be open Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Thursday from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ONLINE DOG LICENSING NOW AVAILABLE VIA COUNTY AUDITOR'S WEB SITE

Ohio law (955.01 ORC) requires that all dogs more than three months of age be licensed each year not later than January 31st. A Paulding County Dog License (dog tag) is available online via the Paulding County Auditor's web site www.paulding-countyauditor.com through

the NEW! Dog Licenses Link. A convenience fee is charged to your credit card and postage if you chose the online service. Dog tags will also be available in the Auditor's office or at the dog shelter. Auditor Simpson said, "I am pleased to be able to bring this online service to the residents of Paulding County. It was necessary to make some changes and it came at a very good time since the online service company offered a FREE six-month trial period. Many county auditors are making use of an online service due to reduced office staff and hours. It provides a very convenient method for the public and allows for a higher quality of licensing records and fiscal control."

You will no longer be able to purchase your dog license through an authorized dog licensing agent (e.g. local hardware store). The elimination of licensing agents was necessary due to reduced staff, budget constraints, and fiscal controls being tightened by the county auditor. Auditor Simpson added, "I just don't have the staff to administer licensing agents scattered all over the county; my office is responsible for the money and records and we can't achieve good controls under the current reduced general fund budget. We were handling ALL applications twice (manually and electronically) and now that can be reduced significantly with this dog licensing software. Unlike

many counties, our office has never had dog licensing software. Therefore, maintaining over 3,000 dog tags each year has been very time consuming and difficult; this software allows for better processing. I will not put good fiscal management at risk; the best solution was to offer online service. After our initial free trial period, the Dog and Kennel Fund should be able to support the online service. We will also be able to retain the necessary fiscal controls, improved records, and better public service."

You will still be able to mail in an application form by cutting one out of the local newspaper or printing an application form off the web site. License programs are administered by the county auditor; license fees are set by the commissioners. A penalty, which is equal to the cost of the tag, is charged for purchasing a license after January 31st. If the dog is obtained after January 31st the owner has thirty (30) days to license the dog without penalty.

An Ohio dog tag is valid for the entire calendar year for which it is issued and is valid anywhere in the State of Ohio. If it qualifies, a license may be transferred upon payment of a small fee and recording the transfer within the auditor's office. The auditor's office is located within the courthouse. The telephone number is 419-399-8205; please call ahead for office hours due to reduced hours.

After July 1st license fees will be one-half the original fee for the following reasons ONLY:

—A dog becoming three (3) months old on or after July 1st

—A dog brought from outside the state on or after July 1st.

—If a tag is lost, a duplicate shall be furnished by the auditor after we verify registration and payment of a small fee for each duplicate tag issued.

A dog license is your pet's ticket home if he gets lost. Even homebody dogs can get out an open door or gate, so even if Spot never leaves home by design, he can still get out accidentally. Many dogs never find their way back home because they lack identification, and the best way in town for identification is the state-mandated dog license. License money is deposited into the dog and kennel fund to pay the administration of the program and the incarceration of stray dogs.

Kennel licenses will ONLY be sold at the auditor's office. By definition of the Ohio Revised Code, a kennel owner is a person, partnership, firm, company, or corporation professionally engaged in the business of breeding dogs for hunting or for sale. (ORC 955.02). Again, Ohio law requires that all kennels be licensed each year no later than January 31st. New kennel owners have 30 days to acquire a kennel license. After

30 days, a penalty is applied to the licensing fee. If you are selling dogs, state law requires that you also purchase a vendor's license for collecting and submitting sales tax to the State of Ohio. "I am interested in knowing how the online service is working for dog owners and your comments concerning it. Since this is our first attempt at this, I would really like to hear your feedback," added Simpson. "Please call my office at 419-399-8205 or email me at susans@pauldingcountyoh.com with your comments or questions."

SUCCESSFULLY HATCHED PLAN IN OAKWOOD

Three people from the Oakwood Library Association hatched a plan on October 19th. We would open the Cooper Community Room for trick-or-treaters. We asked local people and businesses if they would like to set up a table and hand out treats.

What happens when six businesses and 21 people show up to support the Oakwood community? We had over 300 kids come through our Trick-or-Treat Event. There were some candy fights—oh wait, that was the adults! There was some popcorn mess—oops, adults again! Maybe some whining—again the adults. Some playing in the street—yep adults again.

We even had some candy for the adults at the Library Levy table. I saw a lot of adults laughing, talking and having fun. Under the candy bowl at our table I found empty wrappers. I think my sister has some explaining to do! I'm pretty sure all the adults

sampled the candy. The kids were great, from the sweet little babies to the ugly ghouls. The Cooper Community Room provided a safe, fun trick-or-treat stop. The costumes I personally liked the best were the salt and pepper shakers, the handsome young Batman and the sweet Webkins pink poodle.

After visiting all the tables the kids went next door to the Cooper Community Library for one more candy treat and a bag of fresh popcorn.

This event was a huge success due to the following people who gave their time and candy. The businesses were R&B Fabrications, the Charloe Store, the State Bank, Cooper Hatchery, Creative Hair and Dr. John Saxton. Maybe you didn't recognize all the people helping because some of us were in costumes. Handing out candy were Mike and Lily Porter, Dan and Brenda Thomas, Marty and Jane Harmon, Amy and Tony Carlisle, Jerry and Kelly Feeney, Shawna Feeney, Tom Kieffer, Jim and Anada Cooper, Savannah and Kaity Roughton, Karen Jacobs, Liz Meeker, Pam Kretz and Phyllis Behringer (AKA Junior Carmel eater).

We think the Trick-or-Treat room was a great idea and turned out great. Hope to see you next year.

—Shelly Roughton, Oakwood Library Association Board Member

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Paulding County Dog License Application

Once again it is time to purchase and renew dog licenses. Licenses must be purchased **December 1st 2009 to January 31st 2010**. Licenses purchased after January 31st 2010 will be assessed a penalty fee of \$15.00

All dogs over three months of age must have a license and must be wearing the license at all times according to the Ohio Revised Code. Dogs purchased or adopted after January 31st must be licensed within 30 days of purchase/adoption date.

Dog license may be purchased online at www.pauldingcountyauditor.com a convenience fee of \$2.50 will be added to all online purchases to cover credit card processing and postage.

Dog licenses may also be purchased at the Paulding County Auditor's Office (please call to check open hours at 419-399-8205), or at the Paulding County Dog Warden's Office located at 13387 US HWY 127 (next to Jacob Eaton Acres) on Tuesdays from 10am-2pm, Thursdays from 2pm-5pm, and Saturdays from 10am-Noon

Dog licenses may also be purchased by mail with the form below. Please note that credit/debit card purchases are only available by using the online sales system.

Note: According to Ohio Revised Code, a kennel owner is a person, partnership, firm, company, or corporation professionally engaged in the business of breeding dogs for hunting or for sale. If you are not registered to collect sales tax in Ohio and are in the business of selling dogs, you must be registered to collect and submit Ohio sales tax by purchasing a Vendor's License. **A kennel license can only be purchased at the Auditor's Office.**

After filling out the form below please mail it along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Paulding County Auditor's Office
115 N. Williams St., • Paulding, OH 45879

Make checks payable to: Paulding County Auditor

FEES: Dec 1 to Jan 31 - \$15.00 per dog license fee
After Jan. 31 \$30.00 per dog license fee

2010 Paulding County Dog License Application

Susan Simpson, Paulding County Auditor

Owner's Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Dog's Name _____
Current License Number _____ Age _____ Sex (M/F) _____
Short/Medium/Long Haired _____ Breed of Dog _____
Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/9 THROUGH 12/15

MS/HS - Breakfast: 12/9 - Sausage, egg & cheese muffin, juice, milk 12/10 - Stuffed french toast, sausage links, juice, milk 12/11 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk 12/14 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk 12/15 - Sausage biscuit, tator tots, juice, milk MS/HS - Lunch: 12/9 - Pizza sticks w/marinara sauce OR bar-b-que pork w/bun, green beans, assorted fruit, milk 12/10 - Ham & cheese croissant, broccoli cheese OR potato soup, assorted fruit, milk 12/11 - Patty melt w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk 12/14 - Country fried steak, potatoes w/gravy OR chicken pot pie, biscuit, fruit, milk 12/15 - Turkey club salad, garlic biscuit, assorted fruit, milk Paulding Elementary - Breakfast: 12/9 - Poptart, juice, milk 12/10 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk 12/11 - Yogurt, whales, milk 12/14 - Muffin, apple-sauce, milk 12/15 - Assorted cereals,

graham crackers, juice, milk Paulding Elementary - Lunch: 12/9 - Pizza, corn, assorted fruit, milk 12/10 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, bread, assorted fruit, milk 12/11 - Sloppy joe, scoops, green beans, goldfish cookie, assorted fruit, milk 12/14 - Ravioli, peas, bread, assorted fruit, milk 12/15 - Egg/cheese omelet, hash browns, raisin muffin, juice, milk Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast: 12/9 - Rainbow yogurt, cinnamon gold fish crackers, juice, milk 12/10 - Bob Evans breakfast burrito, juice, milk 12/11 - Bob Evans breakfast sausage biscuit, grapes or juice, milk 12/14 - Warm cinnamon bun, juice, milk 12/15 - Assorted cereals, assorted crackers, juice, milk Oakwood Elementary - Lunch: 12/9 - Mini corn dog, oven potatoes, fruit, milk 12/10 - Pepperoni bread stick w/sauce, green beans, fruit, milk 12/11 - Cheese pizza, corn, fruit, milk 12/14 - Breaded mozzarella sticks w/sauce, lettuce salad, fruit, milk 12/15 - Chicken nuggets w/sauce, whipped potatoes w/ gravy, bread, fruit, milk

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AREA'S FIRST "MOM 2 MOM" SALE JANUARY 9TH AT GRANT'S

A "Mom 2 Mom" sale is a fun event that can benefit many people in the community. First, it can help families who are looking for a convenient way to sell items that their children have outgrown or no longer use. Second, it benefits moms, grandmas, and other caregivers who are interested in buying clothes, toys, books or other children's things at prices much lower than they would be able to buy them at retail stores. Finally, the Mt. Calvary Lutheran Women's Missionary League will distribute proceeds from table rentals and admission to charitable causes. This sale is completely open to the public, and anyone wishing to rent a table to sell things may do so. The only requirement is that items are limited to those for children or maternity wear. Sales are not restricted to used items; people wishing to sell handmade toys, baby blankets, etc. are invited to rent a table as well. Doors will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday January 9th at Grant's Reception Hall in Antwerp. Grant's Catering will have a Soup and Salad Buffet available for purchase. Ladies should consider meeting up with some friends for a nice lunch and a little shopping. Moms could also hunt for bargains, while Dad enjoys lunch with the kids. The "Mom 2 Mom" name and concept comes from a group of women in Southeast Michigan. These sales have become extremely popular in that region and many are held every month at various churches and schools. The women of Mt. Calvary are optimistic that this "Mom 2

Mom" sale will be successful and well-attended, and would like to consider organizing others in the future. For more details or to rent a seller's table, please contact Amber Zuber at 419-258-1096 or amberraezabawa@aol.com.

WOODLAN BASKETBALL OPENS 2009-10 SEASON WITH DEFEAT

The Woodlan Warriors opened their basketball season on November 25th against the New Haven Bulldogs. The Bulldogs reigned in the victory for the evening with a final score of 52-29. Score by the quarter: New Haven - 12 16 17 7=52 Woodlan - 16 17 5=29 Warrior stats: #10 Bell - 1 3FG, 3 Pts #11 Hines - 2 2FG, 3 3FG, 13 Pts #14 Schwartz - 5 FTA, 3 FTM, 2 Pts #22 Romines - 1 FTA #32 Patterson - 1 2FG, 1 FTA, 1 FTM, 3 Pts #42 Evans - 1 2FG, 3 FTA, 1 FTM, 3 Pts #50 Mumma - 1 2FG, 4 FTA, 2 FTM, 4 Pts

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EAST ALLEN AG AND TURF GOES TO JEFFERSON POINTE

John Deere and East Allen Ag and Turf are spreading

the holiday cheer by opening a store in the Jefferson Pointe Mall on Friday November 27, 2009. Through the holiday season East Allen Ag and Turf will fill shelves with John Deere merchandise includ-

ing toys, clothes, hats, baby items, decorations and the list goes on for holiday shoppers. The seasonal store is located across from DeBrand Chocolates in the Von Maur building. Store hours will be 1:00-

7:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 12:00-9:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 12:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Please stop and check us out.

ANTWERP VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING FOR 11/16/09

By: Sue Knapp
November 16 Antwerp Village Council met for a regular meeting. All were present and the two new council members, Steve Derck and Rudie Reeb, were introduced.

Visitors Pat Suever and Kalen Mingle from the Lima Processing and Distribution Plant informed the council of plans being made to close the Lima Processing and Distribution Plant and having the mail routed to Toledo. You may go to the web site www.458postaltaskforce.com for more information on this.

Administrator's Report:
The W. Daggett and Stone Street Project is coming along well and should be done by the first or second week of December. The traffic lights on Oswalt and Madison will continue as is for a year and the light on River Street and 49 will continue with plans to change the timing. The speed limit on W. River Street will be lowered.

The Public Safety Committee met with the Maumee Valley Planning Commission about the homes on Oswalt. Plans are proceeding to demolish. The owners can opt to bring the houses up to code.

Sarah Keeran is part of a three county marketing committee to promote the three counties along 424. Billboards and a web site are being planned.

There have been problems at the sewer plant. Things have been put out by the brush pile that shouldn't be. The Council does not want to close this public service area up but anything but yard waste in this area is unacceptable. Cameras were discussed along with manned special hours.

Poggemeyer turned in the final blueprints of the depot. Monies for the project should be received in February with construction starting in the spring of 2010. Completion should be done in the fall of 2010. Monies will be taken from general fund to pay Poggemeyer with reimburse-

MR. AND MRS. GERRY SHIDLER CELEBRATES 40 YEARS



Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Shidler will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on December 2, 2009.

Gerry and Kim were married December 2, 1969 in Seoul, South Korea at the American Embassy. Gerry was a US Army Sergeant serving with the 13th Engineers at the time of the wedding. Gerry and Kim celebrated

their special occasion with a wedding party this past summer at their daughter's home with friends and family.

They have two daughters: Angel and Jan Perry of Antwerp, and Tammy and Dan Layton of San Diego, CA. They also have three grandchildren: Callie and Collin Perry and Jackson Daniel Layton.

On the 8th day of December try one from your favorite Coney stand, and a portion of A&W's roast beef!

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Police Report:
Chief Clemens reported 129 calls for service and 64 offenses for Mayor's Court.

Mayor's Report:
EMS reported 25 runs in October and Mayor DeLong reported that over \$14,000 was turned over to Keybridge for EMS arrears. In October \$8,459.86 was brought into the Mayor's Court. \$1,132.00 was sent to the state. A total of \$7,288.86 was given to the village with \$225.00 going to the Police and Mayor's Court Computer Funds. A total of \$39.00 for a new total of (\$310.50) was held for the Indigent Driver ALC Treatment Fund. (Submitted by Victoria Clemens)

Mayor DeLong asked if the Council wanted to continue their membership with the PCED. It was accepted with Karen Lee expressing to the Council to use money to provide services to the community such as leaf pick up.

Resolution #2009-12: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the north side of Lot 13 East 1/2 and East 1/2 West 1/2 Lot 13, Daggett 1st addition in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax parcel #1210S02900). 2nd reading

Resolution #2009-13: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the north side of Lot 2 West 53 feet South, Block D in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax par-

cel #1205S00500). 2nd reading

Resolution #2009-14: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the south side of Lot 6 Forder Addition in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax #1215S00800). 2nd reading

Resolution #2009-15: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the north side of Lot 3, Block D in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax #1205S00600). 2nd reading

Resolution #2009-16: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the south side of Lot 7 west 1/2 Forder Addition in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax #1215S00600). 2nd reading

Resolution #2009-17: A Resolution declaring the necessity of repairing and/or constructing the sidewalk on the north side of Lot 4 40 feet East, Block D in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio (tax #1205S00700). 2nd reading

Ordinance 2009-31: An Ordinance authorizing the Fiscal Officer to amend appropriations and declaring it an emergency. approved and accepted

Ordinance 2009-32: An Ordinance replacing Ordinance #83-27 and to provide for the issuance of a note for the purpose of waterworks system and declaring the same an emergency. Approved and accepted

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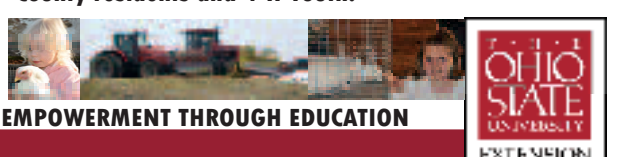
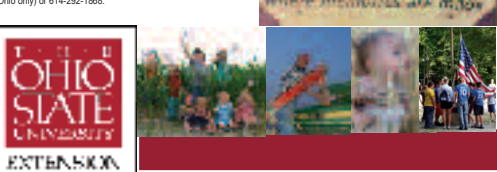
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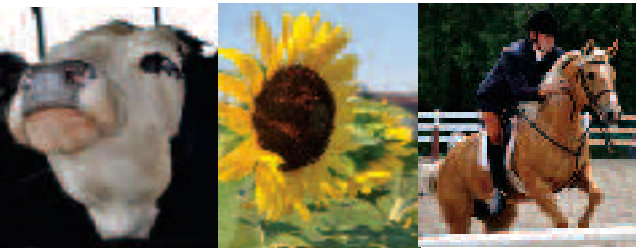


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