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#### **IMPORTANT ISSUES** UP FOR VOTE AT THE POLLS IN PAULDING COUNTY ON THE 3RD

Editor's note: A great number of our readership receive The West Bend News on Tuesday, February 3, and so we thought this information would be vital to our citizens.

On February 3rd the voting polls in Paulding County will be open from 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. All of Paulding County will vote on a bond issue for Vantage; Proposed Bond Issue Vantage Career Center Joint Vocational School District (a majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage)

Shall bonds be issued by the Vantage Career Center Joint Vocational School district, Counties of Auglaize, Mercer, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert, Ohio, for the purpose of Paying the local share of school construction under the State of Ohio vocational facilities assistance program, other improvements to school facilities, including renovations, additions, equipment, furnishings and site improvements, and all necessary appurtenances thereto, in the principal amount of seventeen million eight hundred sixty-nine thousand dollars (\$17,869,000) to be repaid annually over a maximum period of twenty-eight (28) years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue one and two-tenths (1.2) mills, for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to twelve \$0.12) for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 2009, first due in calendar year 2010, to pay the annual debt charge on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

For the residents in Ottoville School District, Washington Township. in Paulding County there is a Proposed School Income Tax Ottoville Local School District (A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.) Shall an annual income tax of 0.75% on the school district income of individuals and of estates be imposed by the Ottoville Local School District, for a continuing period of time, beginning January 1, 2010, for the purpose of current expenses?

#### KOENN – SULLIVAN



Jami Leigh Koenn and Daniel Leroy Sullivan were united in marriage in nuptial mass on November 22, 2008 at the Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Paulding.

The brides' parents are Bill

and Rainell Koenn of Cecil, and the grooms' parents are Toby and Carol Sullivan of Continental.

The officiating minister for the occasion was the Very Reverend G. Allan Fillman with music presented by Janet Miller, Diane Goyings, Joanna Arend, Stephanie Schweller, Randy Robinett, and Greg White.

The attendants of the bride are as follows:

Maid/matron of honor Traci Miller of Lima, friend of the bride

Bridesmaids – Jill Koenn of Cecil, sister of the bride; Julie Koenn of Cecil, sister of the bride; Jodi Griffith of Cecil, sister of the bride; Debbie Guller of Defiance, cousin of the bride; Julie Steineman of Columbus, friend of the bride; Katie Williams of Continental, friend of the bride; Kris Brown of Canton, cousin of the bride; Jenny Vasaris of Jackson, MS, cousin of the bride

Flower girls - Macy Collier of Continental, cousin of the groom; Jayla Griffith of Cecil, goddaughter of the couple

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Attendants of the groom are as follows:

Best man – Ben Sullivan of Continental, brother of the groom

Groomsmen - Ryan Winkle of Continental, friend of the groom; Jason Koenn of Cecil, brother of the bride; Jake Griffith of Cecil, brotherin-law of the bride; Jordan Streicher of Continental, friend of the groom; Shane Okuley of Continental, friend of the groom; Ross Morgan of Continental, friend of the groom; Drew Brown of Defiance, cousin of the bride

Ring bearers - Noah Brown of Marysville, cousin of the bride; Jackson Griffith of Cecil, nephew of the bride

The reception followed the ceremony at Continental American Legion Post 541 for approximately 500 guests. The couple honeymooned for a week in Cancun, Mexico. Jami and Daniel will reside in Continental.

Jami is a 2002 graduate of Paulding High School and a 2006 graduate of Defiance College. She is employed as the center director at Sylvan Learning Center in Defiance.

Daniel is a 2002 graduate of Continental High School and is employed as a mill operator by New Millennium in Continental

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All taxes are done by appointment only. Please call 419-393-4050 or 419-395-2665 for an appointment.

The Ohio Benefit Bank can also help you apply for other Federal benefits such as HEAP, food stamps, Medicaid, help with Medicare, and student financial aid, among others. The Benefit Bank is part of the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Food Banks. All services are free of charge but an appointment is required. Please call Mary at 419-393-4050 or Iana at 419-395-2665 to set up your appointment today.







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#### PAGE 2 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 OBITUARIES

Robert C. Helf, 61, died at his home in Hicksville on Tuesday, January 27, 2009.

He was born on August 10, 1947 in Defiance, Ohio the son of Frank and Gertrude (Fout) Helf. He married Norma Yoh on September 21, 1968.

He was employed at Parker-Hannifin – Hicksville and attended Hicksville Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving him are his wife, Norma; two sons: Chris (Katrina) and Shawn both of Hicksville; granddaughters: Jordan and Ashliee; a brother, James of Hicksville; a nephew, Mike Helf of Pensacola, FL; and a niece, Laura Helf of Ada, OH.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a sister, Amber Schlichter.

Private family services were held at Smith & Brown Funeral Home – Hicksville. Memorials may be made to Defiance Area Visiting Nurses Hospice or the Robert Helf family. Online condolences may be made at www. smithbrownfuneralhome. com

Donald E. Arnett, Sr., 80, of Hicksville, died suddenly at his home on Monday January 26, 2009.

He was born on July 23, 1928 in Churubusco, Indiana the son of Hagar and Dolly Mae (Moyer) Arnett.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran serving our country from 1948-1955 as an airplane mechanic on the USS Latty. He worked at Casad Depot in Fort Wayne, Indiana and Orange Groves in Florida for many years.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church

– Hicksville; former member of Eagles Aerie #2556 - Hicksville and VFW of Bucyrus, Ohio. He enjoyed his hobby

of building model airplanes. He is survived by his mother, Dolly Auck of Hicksville; two daughters: Syble Beecher and Cheryl Carver both of Waycross, GA; two sons: Danny Arnett of Waycross, GA and Donald Arnett, Jr. of Hicksville; 11 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; a sister, Bernice Ream; and a brother, Jack Arnett both of Hicksville; a step-sister, Mary Turner; and a step-brother, Bill Auck both of Bucyrus, OH.

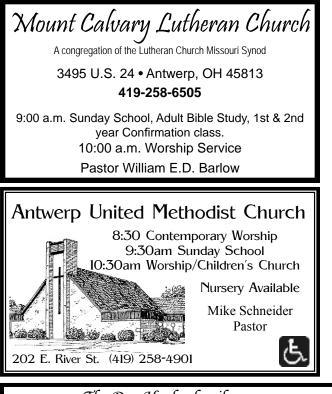
He was preceded in death by his father, Hagar; a daughter, Betty Nell; a brother, Buddy Arnett; and step-father, Calvin Auck.

Funeral services were on January 29, 2009 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home - Hicksville, Ohio with Rev. Tom Graves officiating. Burial was at Forest Home Cemetery Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to The Alley of Hicksville. condolences Online may be made at www. smithbrownfuneralhome. com

Vern H. Vogel, 75, of Paulding, died Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at the Paulding County Hospital.

He was born on January 30, 1933 in Paulding County, Ohio the son of Lloyd and Opal (Powell) Vogel. On July 18, 1953 he married Dorothy J. Schaeper who survives. In 1994, he retired after 19 years as owner/operator of the former Vogel's Greenhouse. He was also an insurance agent for the New York Life Insurance Company and a member



of the Divine Mercy Catholic Parish of Paulding.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Vogel of Paulding; 10 sons: Vern "Butch" (Patsy) Vogel of Archbold, OH, Mark Vogel of Leipsic, OH, Paul (Cathy) Vogel of Seminole, FL, Alan (Lori) Vogel of Cardington, OH, Tyrone (Terri) Vogel of Fort Wayne, IN, Robert (Dori) Vogel, Dana (Leslie) Vogel, and Patrick (Shelly) Vogel all of Cecil, Tony (Kellie) Vogel of Lancaster, OH, Todd (Paula) Vogel of Waterville, OH; four daughters: Rose (Pat Bowers) Sunday of Cecil, Rita (Jeff) Engle of Fremont, IN, Ruth (Bill) Graham and Regina Vogel all of Paulding; one sister, Mary Claussen of Archbold, OH; three brothers: Ralph (Lorraine) Vogel of Louisville, KY, Don (Betty) Vogel of Angola, IN, and John (Bev) Dunston of Paulding; 45 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Joe, Glen, and Bill Vogel; two grandsons: Justin and Brandon Vogel; and one sister, Vivian Schoenauer.

Funeral services were January 31, 2009 at the Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, Paulding with the Rev. G. Allan Fillman officiating. Burial was at Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Cecil.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Masses or to the Divine Mercy Catholic Parish School.

#### **ROMANS 11:25**

#### By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today let us look at Romans 11:25 and see why so many people are confused about this verse. I was going to write on this earlier, but something more important came up and I wrote a different study. There are different illustrations, like the lump, which was Israel, Romans 11:16, then verses, 17-18 about the wild olive tree being grafted in to a natural tree. The Gentiles were called a wild olive tree because they were a law unto themselves. When the Gentiles were grafted in, they could partake of all the root and fatness of the olive tree. This means that all of the spiritual blessings enjoyed by believing Jews and Christians, could in like manner be enjoyed by the Gentiles. Please read Galatians 3:27-29. When you read Romans 11:19-21, it tells us here that the Jews were broken off because of unbelief, not to make room

for the Gentiles. Please read Hebrews 3:10-11. Now for Romans 11:25 ing it.

tions.

for us.

to the values, trends, and

ways of this world. The Bible

teaches us, "Do not be con-

speak, think, and generally

live life like those around

us. The tendency for most of

us is to blend in with others

rather than taking a stand

for our Christian convic-

belled as an oddball or some

kind of fanatic. Yet, Jesus

clearly states that Christians

are to be distinct, living ac-

cording to His Word and

following His example. And

Jesus lived a life that was

name the Name of Christ

determine THIS year to live

according to God's designs

and not the patterns of the

world. Being different from

the crowd gained Jean-

Claude Killy tremendous

success. It can be the same

**ANTWERP V.E.T.S. UPDATE** 

In case you haven't no-

ticed a man is missing

from our village! Our Civil

War statue has left his cold

snowy post for cleaning and

repair. The fundraisers are

continuing to make sure we

are ready when he is. We are

currently collecting "gently used" jewelry for a "New To

You" resale. If you have any-

thing to contribute please

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tickets are being sold for a

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May those of us who

anything but typical.

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How easy it is to behave,

formed to the world.'

When one goes to Jerusalem today, where the church had its origin, is not a land of Christians, sure there are some, but they, the Jews, still view themselves as God's children and are awaiting the coming of the Messiah. Read about the Jews' unbelief in Acts chapter 22:17-22. Nothing so stirred the Jews' passion as an intimidation that Christ would be a savior to the Gentiles. The Jewish people persecuted Paul and others who preached Christ. This blindness, the word in Greek is 'Porosis' and means to harden, callousness or blindness. In 70 AD when the Roman army destroyed Jerusalem this ended the way of worship, and so forth for the Jews. After the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple, the Jewish people ceased to persecute the Christians as they had been. In Acts 1:7-8, Jesus told the apostles to preach the Gospel in Jerusalem, Judea, in Samaria-this covers all of Israel then to the utter most part of the earth. The fullness of the Gentiles has already been fulfilled in Paul's time. Read Acts chapters 10 and 11 about Cornelius, a Gentile, then read Romans 1:8; and then I Thessalonians 1:8.

Please remember that Jesus loves you and so do I! If you have any Bible questions please call (419) 393-4775 or (419) 399-5022.

#### THE WAYS OF A WINNER

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

When Jean-Claude Killy made the French National Ski Team in the early 1960's, he was prepared to work harder than anyone else to be the best. At the crack of dawn he would run up the slopes with his skis on, an unbelievably grueling activity. In the evening he would lift weights, run sprints – anything to get an edge.

But he other team members were working as hard and long as he was. He realized instinctively that simply training harder would never be enough. Killy then began challenging the basic theories of racing technique. Each week he would try something different to see if he could find a better, faster way down the mountain.

His experiments resulted in a new style that was almost exactly opposite the accepted technique of the

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chance to win a top prize of That principle is at the \$600.00 or second prize of \$100.00. Call 419-258-2232 heart of the Christian life. Christians are NOT to opfor more information. erate their lives according

Mark June 27 on your golf calender. A 1:30 tee time has been set by Dave Hitt and Andy Hahn for a V.E.T.S. golf outing.

Many veterans names are being turned in to be on the memorial. Please remember we do need documentation so no errors are made. Contact us if you need information.Our mailing address is: PO BOX 742, ANTWERP, OH 45813.

Now here is a partial list of the names we have received:

Richard H. Brooks, Anita R. Tolbert, Richard W. Quaintance, Julia A. Michael, Terry L. Warner, Jeffery S. Warner, Wallace L. Geyer, Allan Heckman, Robert L. Delong, Lawrence A. Kutzli, John R. Reeb, Jack C. Delong, James H. Hunt, Richard E. Reeb, John W. Kadesch, Bruce W. Doctor, Carl R. Kortokrax, Carl A. Kortokrax, Carol A. Kortokrax, Gregory L. Gever, Randy L. Brooks, Robert J. Seslar, Harry R. Friend, Walter Womack, Todd L. Barnhouse, Lewis E. Shuherk, Eddie C. Shuherk, Francis J. Lucas, Edward E. Bickhard, Clint L. Rager, Roger L. Schlegel and Kelly S. Mabis-Dincler.

#### **PAULDING COUNTY HOS-PITAL ADMISSIONS AND** DISMISSALS

Admissions: 1/28 - Elizabeth Lust, Antwerp 1/30 - Phyllis Haynor, Oakwood

2/1 - Stephanie Rhodes, Paulding

Dismissals:

1/26 - Billie Jackson, Antwerp

# Paulding Co. Hospital presents a: **Community Education Opportunity Diabetes Education**

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time. It involved skiing with his legs apart (not together) for better balance and sitting back (not forward) on the skis when he came to a turn.

He also used ski poles in an unorthodox way - to propel himself as he skied. The explosive new style helped cut Killy's racing times dramatically.

In 1966 and 1967 he captured virtually every major skiing trophy. The next year he won three gold medals in the Winter Olympics, a record in ski racing that has never been topped. Killy learned an important secret: success often means committing yourself to doing something differently from the way everyone else is do-

## **PCH Education Room**

## Please RSVP @419-399-1129

#### (Diabetic friendly snacks will be served)

Joyce Svoboda, Dietitian, will be talking about HgbA1C, pre diabetes and food ideas for the diabetic.



Natalie Koester, Physical Therapist, will be providing fitness recommendations.



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#### THE DEFIANCE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY PRES-ENTS: LADY AND THE TRAMP VALENTINE DINNER AND DANCE

The Defiance County Humane Society is hosting a dinner and dance on February 13, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Defiance Eagles Liberty Hall. A spaghetti dinner will be catered by Charlie's on the Road and The Defiance College Community Big Band Sound will provide the music. For information call 419-395-2125.

#### PAULDING LIBRARY SCHEDULES WINTER COM-PUTER CLASSES

The Paulding County Carnegie Library has released its free Winter computer classes:

Thursday, February 19, 6:00 p.m., Sell it on E-Bay Monday, February 23, 10:00 a.m., Introduction to

the Computer Tuesday, March 3, 6:00 p.m., Sell it on E-Bay Thursday, March 5, 6:00

p.m., Basic MS Word Monday, March 9, 6:00

p.m., Explore the Internet All classes—except for the Introduction to the Computer class—require basic computer experience. Space is limited, so register early by calling 419-399-2032. Classes may be cancelled if there is bad weather. Always call the library first if the weather is threatening. For more information call 419-399-2032.

#### HICKSVILLE MASONIC LODGE PLANS OPEN HOUSE

Joe Stotler opened the Lodge and the pledge was given. A sympathy card was sent to the Bob Cleland family and birthday cards were signed and sent to Jim Sidenbender January 20, Bill Cummins February 5, Larry Payton February 7, and Scott Wonderly February 8.

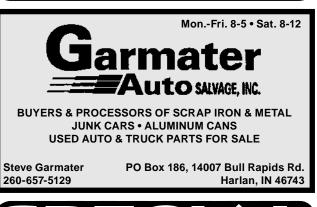
Those in attendance included Joe Stotler, Bill Metz, Tim Betts, Scott Ruppert, Richard Savage, Walter Schilb, Jim Kline, Ron Farnsworth, Lee Kallsen, and Mike Villena.

Scott Ruppert was appointed chairman for the Open House" which will occur on Saturday March 21. Richard Wann and Richard Savage were also assigned to the committee. This year every Masonic Lodge in the state of Ohio will plan and conduct an open house. This will entail guided tours of the complete Lodge. The members of Hicksville Lodge have been busy restoring, painting, carpeting, and stenciling the Lodge for this occasion. Hix-TV will be contacted to arrange a time when the Lodge can be filmed. A short history will also be available for this Cable presentation. The committee will work out all the details of the event and more information will be provided at a later date.

A generous donation was made to the Special Olympics to meet the Lodge's yearly commitment. Joe Stotler gave a report on the roof project. The lowest bid was accepted from Nye Roofing and Insulation. The entire 5,700 square foot roof will be replaced

"If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it. The lie can be maintained only for such time as the State can shield the people from the political, economic and/or military consequences of the lie. It thus becomes vitally important for the State to use all of its powers to repress dissent, for the truth is the mortal enemy of the lie, and thus by extension, the

truth is the greatest enemy of the State." —Joseph Goebbels, German Minister of Propaganda, 1933-1945 Presented by Phillip Piersma



when the weather breaks. The old roof was installed on the building in 1981 and is in constant need of repair. Letters are being sent to the members explain the need and cost that will be incurred.

The next stated meeting will be February 11. Degree work will be conferred.

#### NINE WAYS TO BETTER Manage Your Property Taxes

Everyone is looking for ways to save money. Saving or managing your property taxes more effectively is no exception. County Auditor, Susan K. Simpson recently said, "My job as County Auditor is to see that every parcel of land and the buildings thereon are fairly and uniformly appraised and assessed for tax purposes. In addition, I want to provide the education and opportunity for residents to apply for programs that may be available to help reduce their tax burden". Here are a few of her thoughts and available programs that may help the tax payers of Paulding County:

**1. Pay your bill on time.** This may sound absurd in relationship to lowering your property taxes; however, if your tax bill is not paid by the due date; penalty and interest will be added, increasing your tax burden. If for some reason you do not receive a tax bill, State statue declares the property owner is still responsible to pay the taxes. Contact the county treasurer on any questions related to billing and payment of your taxes.

2. Obtain a building permit. It is the property owner's responsibility to report any new construction. This is normally done by obtaining a building permit. State statue directs the county auditor to collect back taxes and to charge a 50% penalty against the unpaid taxes of unreported improvements (structure). Agricultural buildings are NOT exempt from property tax regardless of zoning laws; therefore, they require a building permit. If you chose to take a "wait until they find it approach" you may be facing the costly burden of back taxes along with penalties.

3. Report destroyed/ damaged structures. If you have a destroyed/demolished or damaged improvement (structure), whether from fire, high winds, or just cleaning up your property you want to report it to the county auditor's office. You will need to fill out a form and an appraiser will visit your property for verification. Depending on the time of the year, an adjustment may be necessary to your tax bill. At a minimum, the value affected will be removed from future taxation. 4. The 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% Rollback credit program. It is a statesponsored, county-implemented program to provide a measure of property tax relief for owner-occupied residential property. Most owner-occupied residential property qualifies for this program. However, the property owner must file with our office to receive the reduction. Once you are signed up for the program, you never have to renew unless you purchase and move to a different house. CHECK YOUR TAX BILL - if you are receiving

this credit, it will be on your

tax bill as 2½% Rollback with the reduced dollar amount shown.

5. The Homestead Exemption program. This program has various guidelines and rules property owners must meet to be approved. One of the most familiar rules is age 65 or older and owning and living in your home. Other rules and variations to this program include being permanently and totally disabled. This program is complex and application is necessary. You will want to check with the County Auditor's office for more information. The deadline to apply for the current program is June 1, 2009. Those already receiving this reduction will be mailed a renewal application. The renewal application must be returned ONLY if there have been changes as listed on the application form. CHECK YOUR TAX BILL-if you are currently receiving this reduction, "Homestead" will be listed on your tax bill with the reduced dollar amount shown

6. The Current Agricultural Use Valuation program. It is a state-sponsored, county-implemented application program providing property tax reductions on farmland of ten acres or more devoted exclusively to agricultural use or for timberlands. The program is available for tracts of land that are less than ten acres, IF the average yearly gross farm income for the past three years is at least \$2,500 from agricultural products. Income must be proven and applications filed. The filing period for CAUV is the first Monday in January through the first Monday in March for new applications. The applicant must renew every year by returning a renewal form that was recently mailed out. Also, if there is a change in ownership, the new owner must apply for the CAUV program along with paying the fee.

7. Exempt properties. Properties/structures owned by not-for-profit or government entities (i.e. schools,

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churches, etc.) and used for certain purposes may qualify to be exempt from paying property taxes. This requires an application be completed through the county auditor's office and forwarded to the State. The State then reviews and makes the decision to approve or disapprove the unplation.

application. 8. Be pro-active and review your property record card. If you haven't reviewed your property record card information recently, the most convenient way to do so is through the county auditor's web site www.pauldingcountyauditor.com. You may also access this information in the auditor's office or at public terminals provided by the auditor's office located in the county recorder and treasurer's offices. You can verify information such as number of bathrooms, fireplaces, square footage, etc. If you believe there are discrepancies, please notify the county auditor's office to speak with the real estate department.

9. Be an educated voter. The passive or expiration of a levy can have a significant effect on the tax calculations. Also the type of levy, for example, a replacement levy vs. a renewal levy will increase your tax burden. Property tax revenue is vital in providing many public services, understanding this revenue source is very important. Many taxpayers think if their valuation decreases their tax burden decreases. This is not correct; many levies are set to provide a certain dollar amount of revenue. Each year the county auditor's office receives "effective rates" from Ohio Department of Taxation that are used to calculate revenue for levies. The State will adjust the rates (up or down) so steady tax revenue is generated. Therefore, in order to generate the same revenue, you most likely will be paying more taxes if your valuation decreases.

Simpson commented, "I feel it is very important to be able to help the tax payers of Paulding County. This is sometimes difficult, because you would like to see someone benefit from a program but they don't meet the State regulations. My staff and I don't always agree with the State rules, but our job is to administer the programs. It takes action by the property owner and good communication with the auditor's office to get the most from these programs." You may reach the county auditor's office at 419-399-8205 or access our web site at www. pauldingcountyauditor.com to learn more.

#### PAULDING LIBRARY CHIL-DREN'S ROOM TO HOST VALENTINES PARTY

Join the Children's Department at the Paulding County Carnegie Library at a fun-filled Valentine's Party on February 12. The party will be held in the evening from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Children in grades pre-school through 2nd grade will enjoy games, crafts and refreshments. Kooky Kirk will provide loads of fun while he shares some of his favorite stories. To register or for more information, contact the library at 419-399-2032 or e-mail the children's department at awilliamson@pauldingcountylibrary.org.







This year the West Bend News will help you surprise YOUR VALENTINE in the newspaper with your special message! Whether it's your sweetie, friend or neighbor, your greeting will be in the February 11th issue. The cost is only \$10 for 30 words.



Drop in, call, email or send your greeting to West Bend News, 419-258-2000 PO Box 1008, 101 N. Main St., Antwerp westbend@verizon.net Greetings due no later than February 6th.

#### PAGE 4 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SECOND NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

#### 1st Grade:

Garcia, Danee Jayde Krouse, Kylie Pfeiffer, Libby Wenzlick, Reed Zartman, Sydney Coyne, Nathan Gerber, Alex Reinhart, Chloe Thompson, Gage Waltmire, Tyrel Goings, Madeleine Laukhuf, Austin Pierce, Richard Williams, Gavin Carter, Caleb Flynn, Max Laukhuf, Zane Shaffer, Kaitlin Vest

#### <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:</u>

Caden Bland, Ethan Crosby, Brant Heck, Jaeden Jimenez, Gracie Laukhuf, Josiah Linder, Ellie Moore, Meagn Speice, Matthew Stouffer, Madison Coyne, Anne Eklund, Clark Laukhuf, Cameron Monroe, Evan Proxmire, Kaylee Shepherd, Haleigh Stoller, Addison Wesley, Madilyn Brigner, Brooke Greulach, Alli Hefner, Carissa Laukhuf, Cale Lehman, Levi Manz, Austin Smith, Chloe Stabler, Logan Hawn, Alec Dunham, Olivia Klinker, Evan Mohr, Mox Price, Julianne Roop, Wyatt Stabler, Reece Thompson, Braden Zuber

#### <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:</u>

Caleigh Burkley, Joel Johnson, Quinton Stabler, Jarod Galloway, Erica Mohr, Ian Vogel, Joey DeBoer, Esmee Oolman, Jadyn Flint, Kalin Gerber, Trisha Strickler

#### <u>4<sup>th</sup> Grade:</u>

Colin Doer, Meg Crosby, Kacey Reinhart, Allie Schmidt, Seth Saylor, Brooke Lelonek, Quentin Vielma, Henriette Akkerman, Ethan Dunham, Noah Ryan, Seth Yenser, Caleb Schultz, Ethan Linder, Kolyn Hilkey

#### <u>5<sup>th</sup> Grade:</u>

Hours:

Stacy Flint, Mayah Nance, Scott Wenninger, Kyle Bickford, Elizabeth Lassiter, Alec Vest, Erin Mohr, Victoria Ryan, Kenzie Clemens, Shayna Temple, Courtney Mead, Estie Sinn, Austin Winebrenner, MaKayla Brandenburg, Nate Roop, Jonnathan Krouse, Eddie Prieto, Cainan Carlisle, Cole Shepherd, Gabe Wobler

#### <u>6<sup>th</sup> Grade:</u>

Baumle, Addison IC Weaver, Darius Hale, Cassidy Hilkey, Nick Mansfield, Kristen Raab, Sarah Young, Matthew Baxter, Julia Laukhuf, Bryce Eutsler, Molly Crosby, Denver Burkley, Kayla Zuber, Rebecca Hamrick, Corbin Linder, Justin Pierce, Paige Rahrig, Jake Arend, Hank Sinn, Krystal Jones, Latasha Rivera, Mackenzie Swary

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3B - Celia Baker, Connor Baumle, Gracie Gudakunst, Megan Moore, Lily Sinn, Sara Sinn, Kylee Varner

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5A – Brianna Sinn

6A - Isaiah Ross, Jehane Hoagland

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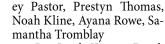
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6A – Carl Elliott

6B – Lynn Wells, Leah Sinn <u>All B's:</u>

3B - Elizabeth Tromblay, Brooke Sinn

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5A - Brooke Ludwig, Jayson Nowak, Zach Sinn

6B – David Sinn, Gina Sinn, Jill Ross, Kelsee Rittenhouse

#### **NEWSBANK, INC. A WORD OF INFORMATION**

#### By: Ellen Williams, Paulding Schools

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In the Early Childhood Education program, high school students discover that working with young children can be very rewarding. This program prepares students to work in a licensed child care facility, operate a day care center, become a nanny or teach young children. Students create and provide developmentally appropriate preschool materials for children, learn the day-today operations of a state-licensed preschool, and explore careers that deal with the education of young children. In addition to receiving instruction in planning and conducting lessons, the



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Vantage senior Culinary Arts students Drew Fisher (Delphos St. Johns) and Cassie Martinez (Lincolnview) are all smiles as they finish up a batch of cookies in the kitchen.

students apply principles of child development and child psychology as they prepare the children for kindergarten. Upon completion, students are prepared for college and immediate employment in the childcare field.

The Culinary Arts program is the starting line for many students who are interested in careers in restaurant services and hospitality management. Students in this program operate the Cup and Saucer Restaurant, a full-service restaurant located at Vantage, which is open to the public throughout the school year. This two-year program is also the foundation for students who plan to pursue further education for chef training or food service management. Students plan, prepare, and serve restaurant-quality meals for casual dining catered events, create menus and plate presentation and design banquet setup while gaining experience by working in a commercial kitchen environment. After graduation, students are prepared for professional culinary programs, immediate employment, and further education.

Avantage (French for "new beginnings") is the name of the Vantage Cosmetology Salon, a fully certified and licensed program by the state of Ohio and open to the public two days a week throughout the school year. Students create, cut, style, color and recommend hair designs for clients. They use advanced techniques to deliver a wide-range of skin care and nail treatments while experiencing a fullservice salon environment. Students completing the program, achieving the requirements of the state board of cosmetology and passing the state examination, have the opportunity to graduate as a licensed cosmetologist. They will be prepared for immediate employment in a salon/ day spa, advanced licensure, and further education. Providing a foundation in the food service industry, the Food Careers program concentrates on the development of skills and attitudes necessary for successful employment. In this program, students practice quality food preparation and customer service skills, use commercial kitchen equipment, and apply safety and sanitation skills. When students finish this program, they are prepared for entry

level employment in the food service industry.

Due to weather delays and cancellations, the Priority Application deadline has been changed. Applications for the 2009-2010 school year are now due to Vantage by Wednesday, February 18, 2009.

If you are interested in finding out about career opportunities in any of these fields or have questions about the service programs at Vantage, please call Tom Mershman, Student Services Supervisor at 419-238-5411 or 1-800-686-3944 ext. 140 or email him at mershman. t@vantagecareercenter.com.

#### **BUEHRER RESPONDS TO** STATE OF THE STATE

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) issued the following statement today in response to Governor Ted Strickland's State of the State address:

"The Governor's State of the State identified key priorities, such as the economy and education, which have been at the top of my list for some time.

"I applaud the commitment of the Governor to avoid tax increases and keep the cost of tuition low. However, I am concerned about new higher fees that raise costs for average Ohioans.

"As with many of the Governor's proposals, I will wait to see the details before adding some of my own ideas on behalf of the citizens of northwest Ohio.

'Specifically, in the area of education, I am encouraged about the ideas for more accountability for teacher behavior and school spending. However, I am concerned about rolling back protections for taxpayers from automatic tax increases. "In terms of the Governor's proposal for a second economic stimulus package, I think the Governor needs to first spend the money he has already been given. Unfortunately, much of the first state stimulus package has not been used. 'Government spending alone, whether it's at the state or federal level, will not resolve the economic challenges facing our community. "I certainly look forward to working with the Governor and all of my colleagues in the Legislature to ensure that Ohio, and all of its citizens, are better served in the days ahead."

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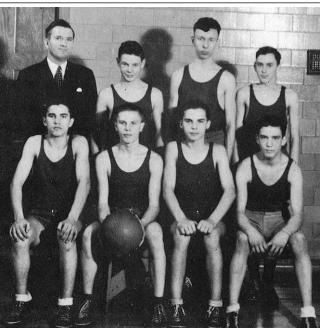
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#### ANTWERP HISTORY

#### By: Stan Jordan

This picture is of the reserve basketball team of the Antwerp High School of 1939. This picture was loaned to us by Harold Wann.

Front Row (l-r) Robert Culler, Norman Culler, Thurman Culler, Don Enderle Back Pow (l r) Mr. Carter

Back Row (l-r) Mr. Carter-Coach, Manuel Shuherk, Paul Deemer, Robert Taylor

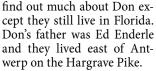
Robert Culler was a graduate Engineer and had his own business called Ace Equipment. He served a number of terms on the Antwerp School Board. He and Gilda had a fine family of five girls and one boy.

Norman Culler was a brother to Paul. He had one boy and two girls and lived north of Hicksville. His one boy, Steve, lived for years on US 24 east of Antwerp and then moved to South Carolina.

Thurman Culler was a brother to Bob. He lived up around Cedarville most of the time, but had a business in New Haven. Thurman had three children, and he and his wife reside in Florida now.

Don Enderle, I couldn't

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Mr. Carter was the reserve coach and he also taught music and history.

The next fellow is Emanuel Shuherk. He was a very good athlete, played football and basketball. But he was the catcher for the baseball team. He caught for Bob Chiles and Bob was a fireball pitcher. That summer, we won every game we played.

Manuel married and was in business in Findlay. Over there he used the name of Lewis. He was very well known in Findlay. I think they had two children.

Paul Deemer is the next player. Paul was in the banking business and lived in Antwerp. They had three children.

Robert Taylor was a good all around athlete. He married school mate, Bonnie Chester and had two daughters, they lived in Fort Wayne. Bob stayed in sports all his life as he was a licensed umpire in the major leagues in Fort Wayne. See Ya!

## NOW READ THIS By: Stan Jordan

Friends, these last weeks I have been writing about some of the bad guys that made history in the old west. I'm going to run a few more of them that were in 'Old Tombstone' and participated in The Gunfight at the OK Corral. I hope you will enjoy them. I will stick to the facts and the truth as well as I can, but the movie makers didn't always do that.

John Henry 'Doc' Holliday



He was born in 1851 in Griffon, GA. His father served in both the Mexican-American War and The Civil War. Doc died in 1887 at 37 years old. He was an American dentist, gambler, gun fighter of the Old American West. He is usually remembered for his relationship with Wyatt Earp and the Gunfight at the OK Corral.

He was born in 1851 and his mother died when he was 14. She died of tuberculosis, at that time it was called consumption. His father remarried and the family moved to Valdosta, GA.

Holliday attended the Valdosta Institute. There he received a strong classical secondary educational, all the usual subjects plus Latin, French and Greek.

In 1870 the nineteen year old Holliday left home to go to Dental School in Philadelphia. On March 1, 1872 he received a degree in Doctor of Dental Surgery. That year he opened an office with Arthur C. Ford in Atlanta. While in Atlanta he resided with his uncle and aunt.

Shortly after beginning his dental practice, Holliday was diagnosed with consumption. It is possible that he contracted this disease from his mother because it was not known then that tuberculosis was highly contagious. He was given only a few months to live but he thought moving to a drier and warmer climate in the south west might reduce the deterioration of his health.

In September 1873, he went to Dallas, Texas where he opened a dental office. He soon went to gambling and realized that was a better source of income then dentistry.

The people didn't patronize his office much because of his health condition.

On May 12, 1874 he and 12 others were jailed in Dallas for illegal gambling. He was arrested in Dallas in January of 1875 after trading gunfire with a saloon keepr, but no one was injured and he was found not guilty. He moved his office to Denton, Texas after found guilty of and fined for 'gaming' in Dallas, then he decided to leave the State. In the few years that followed, Doc was in a number of predicaments with a knife or gun. He drank a lot, was unpredictable and he thought that getting killed by that method was better than dying with tuberculosis. A professional gambler had to be tough or armed to back up his play at the gambling table. In 1876 Doc had followed the cattle drive into Denver, Cheyenne and Deadwood, where all the big money was. It is possible that Doc ran into Wyatt Earp at that time as he was there also.

Doc met Wyatt Earp in Griffin, Texas in 1877. This was an odd pair. Earp with a more even temper and controlled. Holliday was more

hot headed and compulsive. Legend has it that this friendship was cemented in 1878 in Dodge City, Kansas when Holliday backed Earp's play when he was surrounded by a number of cutthroats who were bent on killing Earp. Both Earp and Holliday followed the cowboys who brought the cattle north from Texas. After they sold the cattle the money flowed free for awhile at the gambling tables. Doc was a professional gambler and that is about all he done now.

Doc also met 'Big Nosed Kate' at Fort Griffom and that started a long time friendship. Doc once stated that she was his intellectual equal.

At that time, Doc was in a number of small shootings in the bars where he was rumored to be faster that Wild Bill Hickock but Doc was generally drunk and sometimes missed his target.

One instance on July 19, 1879 in Las Vegas, N.M. A former Army Scout named Mike Gordon was yelling at one of the saloon girls. When Gordon started from the saloon, Doc followed him. Gordon produced a pistol and fired one shot at Holliday and missed him.

Holliday drew his gun and killed Gordon. Holliday was placed on trial for the shooting, but was acquitted.

Dodge City was not wide open anymore so Doc left and traveled to Tombstone in Arizona Territory. Doc was good friends of the Earp's especially Morgan and Virgil. The Earp's had already been in Tombstone for about a year. Some people claimed that the Earp's had sent for Doc because of the 'Cowboys' and the Clanton's. Holliday quickly got om

Holliday quickly got embroiled in the local politics and violence that ended up in the Battle of the OK Corral in October of 1881.

Doc's part in the battle is being held back until all parties that was in the Gunfight at the OK Corral can be told in one issue.

After this battle was over an inquest was held and it was determined that the Battle was not a Criminal Act on the part of the Earp's and Doc Holliday.

Things got worse in Tombstone after Virgil was ambushed and permanently injured in December of 1881. Then Morgan Earp was ambushed and killed in March of 1882. then after Morgan's murder, the Earp's, their families and Doc Holliday left town. In Tucson, Frank Stilwell and Ike Clanton were in the train yard and Frank Stilwell was killed while he was setting up an ambush of the Earp's. Stilwell was hit by two shotgun blasts and three pistol rounds. Lots of people figure that this killing was the first of Earp's vendetta.

After the Earp families left for California and safety, Holliday, Wyatt, Wyatt's younger brother, Warren, and Wyatt's friends Sherman McMasters, Turkey Creek Jack Johnson, and Texas Jack Vermillion rode on a vendetta for three weeks, during which Curly Bill Brocius and at least two other men thought to be responsible for Morgan's death were killed. Eventually, with warrants out for six of the vendetta posse (including Holliday) in the Arizona Territory for the killing of Stilwell, the group moved to New Mexico, then Colorado, in mid-April 1882. While in New Mexico, Wyatt Earp and Holliday had a minor argument and parted ways, going separately to different parts of Colorado.

In 1887 Holliday was really in poor health. He went to Colorado to a place called Glenwood Springs. He went downhill from then on and passed away on Nov. 8th, 1887. None of his old friends were there, not even Big Nosed Kate.

Holliday's grave is in Linwood Cemetery which overlooks Glenwood Springs. He was 36 when he died.



#### By: Stan Jordan

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Toward the end of a church service, the minister asked the congregation, "How many of you have forgiven you enemies?"

All held up their hands except one small elderly lady.

"Mrs. Jones? Are you not willing to forgive your enemies?"

"I don't have an enemy in the world," she replied, smiling sweetly.

"Mrs. Jones, that is very unusual. How old are you?"

"I happen to be ninetyeight years young," she replied.

"Oh, Mrs. Jones, would you please come down in front and tell us all how a person can live ninety-eight years and not have a single enemy?"

The little sweetheart of a lady tottered down the aisle, faced the congregation, and said, "I outlived them all." See Ya!

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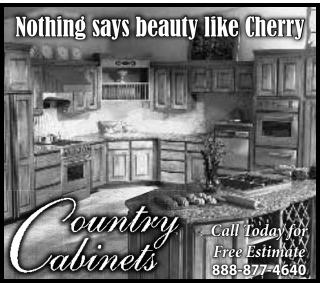
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#### PAGE 6 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY HAPPENINGS IN HICKSVILLE

Valentine Movie Night, Read, Rhyme & Romp, Valentines Story Times, Teen Candy Making Night, and the Role Playing Game Group highlight the week of February 9-13 at the Johnson Memorial Library.

Search for the perfect valentine with Winnie the Pooh on Valentine Movie Night at the Johnson Memorial Library on Monday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m. The Valentine Movie Night is free and is open to everyone, both the young and the young at heart. Popcorn and pop provided by the Friends of the Hicksville Library will round out the evening.

The Johnson Memorial Library and the Defiance Library System are pleased to offer the Read, Rhyme & Romp Program for the first time ever in Hicksville. Read, Rhyme & Romp will meet every Tuesday in February at 11:00 a.m. Read, Rhyme & Romp is an early literacy program that works with children (Age-0-3) and their parent or caregiver. Read, Rhyme & Romp includes short literacy activities including nursery rhymes, finger plays, board books, and circle time. All activities involve one-on-one interactions between a parent and child with most of programs taking place on the floor. Each program will last about 30 minutes.

"Read, Rhyme & Romp is a fun way to introduce children to books and reading," shared Johnson Memorial Library's Branch Manager Amy Murphy. "It's not about reading at a younger age. It's about developing the skills necessary to read and to love reading. It's also about learning activities, rhymes, and games that parents and children can enjoy together and share at home.

The Read, Rhyme & Romp Program will be presented by Early Literacy Special-ist Renee Tipton. She has a degree in early childhood education, has worked at the Defiance Public Library for several years, and is very

excited to be providing early literacy programming across Defiance County. Through the Ohio Ready to Read Initiative, the Read, Rhyme & Romp Program will target six early literacy skills or the skills children need to make reading development easier. They include the development of vocabulary, print motivation, print awareness, letter knowledge, phonological awareness, and narrative

skills. On February 10 at 6:30 p.m. and on February 11 at 10:00 a.m., the Johnson Memorial Library will host Valentines Story Times for children three years and over.

We're gearing up for Valentine's Day at the library," explained Branch Manager Amy Murphy. "We're decorating the children's room in red hearts and proclaiming, 'We Love Books!' We're also pulling out our craft supplies and are looking forward to decorating valentines during our February story times."

The story times are free and will include Valentines stories, video, activities, singalongs, and a heartful craft.

Come celebrate a sweet Valentine's Day at the Johnson Memorial Library with a Teen Candy Making Night on Thursday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. The program is free and is open to all preteens and teenagers.

The candy making will include chocolates, truffles, chocolate covered cherries, pretzels, and much, much more. All candy making supplies will be provided by the Friends of the Hicksville Library.

"Guys, did you forget to buy your sweet some sweets? Well, making her some homemade chocolates just might get you out of the doghouse. Girls, if he forgot about you, forget about him and come on out and make your own chocolates and candies at the library," with Youth Services' Librarian Dustin Harris.

The Johnson Memorial Library will be hosting its twice monthly Role Playing Game Group on Friday, February 13 at 4:00 p.m. The Role Playing Game Group is free and is open to teens and young adults, who are inter-

ested in fantasy role playing games. The group will be facilitated by Youth Services Librarian Dustin Harris. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Hicksville Library.

For more information on the Johnson Memorial Library, any of its services or programs, or to celebrate 70 years of library service, call 419-542-6200 or email murphyam@oplin.org.

#### **OHIO DRIVERS CAUTIONED:** DON'T CROWD THE PLOW - GIVE THEM ROOM TO WORK

With the recent hit of winter weather in the area, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is cautioning Ohio drivers: Don't Crowd the Plow.

So far this season, the department's safety experts have counted 51 crashes statewide involving ODOT snow plows and vehicles including one fatal accident - since November.

Last winter, there were 83 crashes involving ODOT snow plows hit by vehicles that were either traveling too close to the plow or at speeds too fast for the road conditions.

Because snow plows are wide and travel at much lower speeds, drivers are asked to give the plows extra room to work, especially when winter weather arrives during morning or evening rush hours. Drivers should remember the following:

Watch our for blind spots: The plow driver's field of vision is limited. If you can't see the plow's side mirrors, the driver can't see you. Always stay two to three car lengths behind the plow.

Ice and Snow... Take it Slow: Snow plows travel well below the posted speed limit, even slower on bridges and ramps. Be patient. Try not to pass the plow and remember, the snow plow makes sudden stops and turns.

Beware of Snow Clouds: Snow plows often create clouds as they clear roads and shoulders. These snow clouds can reduce your ability to see.

Throughout the months of January and February, ODOT will be reminding drivers of this need to give plows room to work. At outlets across the state, the department will begin distributing materials with the simple message: Don't Crowd the Plow.

Get the most up-to-date traffic information and 24hour road conditions at www.BuckeyeTraffic.org.

Lenhart and Pat Wagner. Transportation and respite will be available, call 419-782-3233.

The Support Groups are free and open to the public. Registration is not required, however it is recommended that you contact the facilitator of the group you plan to attend the first time to confirm the time, place, and date of the meeting. For more information on caregiver groups or other programs of the Alzheimer's Association, Northwest Ohio Chapter, call 419-537-1999.

#### **ANTWERP BALL ASSO-CIATION SUMMER LEAGUE** SIGN UPS

Antwerp Ball Association is having sign ups on February 7 and 14 at the Antwerp Auditeria from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Please bring your completed registration forms with you. If you do not have a form we will have forms available.

This year we are asking for copies of the birth certificates. We have had some questions in the past about ages of some players. The copies will be kept in a locked file cabinet by the board and will be available if a coach has a question about a player's age.



**FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S** DESK

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

This week's featured pet is Cody. Cody is a one year old male Rottweiler. He is a big boy and will need an owner with some experience with large dogs. Cody is a gentle guy and rather calm for a young dog.

Tired of sending roses and chocolates to your sweetheart for Valentines Day? Why not give a gift that will bring comfort to a homeless pet for years to come. We have some Kuranda dog beds which provide the dogs with a soft, dry place off the floor to sleep, but we don't have enough for everyone. The Kuranda dog bed company is offering special discounts for these beds through a donation program which sends the beds directly to the Paulding County Dog Shelter in

#### PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • westbend@verizon.net **2009 PAULDING COUNTY SPELLING BEE IS UPON US**

Sandra Freeman, Western Buckeye Coordinator of Gifted Education, cordially invites the public to attend the 2009 Paulding County Spelling Bee. The County Bee is scheduled for Monday, February 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Antwerp Local School Auditeria.

Ten school champions, in grades five through eight, will compete for the honor of representing Paulding County at the Journal Gazette Area Spelling Bee in Fort Wayne, Indiana in March.

Individual school champions Allison Taylor, Antwerp Elementary; Damian Fisher, Antwerp Jr. High; Dinah Pierce, Christian Home Educators of Paulding County; Kiana Recker, Divine Mercy Catholic School; Jacob Dingus, Oakwood Elementary; Zach Buckman, Paulding Elementary; Steven Strayer, Paulding Middle School; Emily Beech, Wayne Trace-Grover Hill Elementary; Cassidy Hilkey, Wayne Trace-Payne Elementary and Tiffany Hittle, Wayne Trace Jr. High.

Dr. Robert Scheidt of Van Wert, is the Pronouncer for the Spelling Bee. Judges for the contest are: David Stallkamp, Principal, Paulding Middle School; Jennifer Manz, Principal, Oakwood Elementary; and Sarah Deatrick, Principal, Wayne Trace-Payne Elementary School.

Mr. Steve Arnold, Principal, Antwerp High School, will preside as Master of Ceremonies. Travis Lichty, Principal, Antwerp Elementary, is in charge of the physical set up of the competition.

The Antwerp Exchange Bank sponsors the awards for the County Spelling Bee, which include Savings Bonds and trophies for the first and second place finishers, as well as medals and certificates for all of the school champions. Mrs. Sandra Freeman, Western Buckeye ESC, is the awards liaison.

Contestants are reminded to report to the Antwerp High School office at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2009.

#### **ANTWERP BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM STATS** AS OF 2/2/09

These are some of the Antwerp Archer boys varsity basketball team stats as report on 2/2/09:

Wins – 11, losses – 1 #3 Bryson North - 8 FT, 1 2PT, 1 3PT, 13 Pts

#5 Quinn Tempel – 5 FT, 6 2PT, 2 3PT, 23 Pts

#10 Logan Lucas - 7 FT, 3 2PT, 2 3PT, 19 Pts

#11 Isaac Yenser - 0 FT, 0 2PT, 0 3PT, 0 Pts

#12 Justin Johnson - 2 FT, 0 2PT, 0 3PT, 2 Pts

#15 Adam Taylor - 34 FT, 45 2 PT, 11 3 PT, 157 Pts

#21 Jordan Koppenhofer 11 FT, 18 2PT, 8 3PT, 71 Pts #22 Travis Woodard - 18

FT, 20 2PT, 0 3PT, 58 Pts #30 Beau Kobee - 0 FT, 0

2PT, 0 3PT, 0 Pts #32 TJ Short - 48 FT, 66

2PT, 9 3PT, 207 Pts #42 John Rindahl - 10 FT,

20 2PT, 0 3PT, 50 Pts

#50 Shaile Chamberlain - 3 FT, 5 2PT, 0 3PT, 13 Pts



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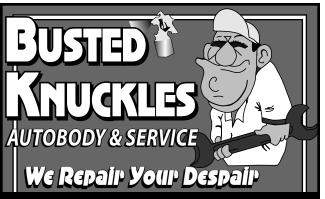
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#### **DEFIANCE MULTIPLE SCLE-**ROSIS SUPPORT GROUP HOLDS BAKE SALE AT FIRST FEDERAL BANK

The Defiance MS Support Group is hosting its second bake sale at First Federal Bank in Defiance on February 13, 2009. The bake sale will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This support group, which has been together for eight years, is a part of the national group located in Maumee, Ohio. All proceeds from this sale will go to people in northwest Ohio with MS.

#### ANTWERP COUNCIL MEET-**ING FOR JANUARY 19**

#### By: Sue Knapp

Antwerp held it's monthly council meeting on January 19, all were present.

Darlene Merriman reported on the year end report for the EMS. How to deal with unpaid bills was discussed. It was also noted that EMS is now in the black. There were 23 EMS runs in December. Workermans Compensation premiums for the EMS has went from \$5,000 to \$39,000.

Sarah Keeran announced that letters were sent out from CCA explaining their process of collecting money. One thing to remember and that is when you send in your tax papers to CCA don't forget to include a W2 form. CCA will be here to help you with your taxes on Monday, March 2 from 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 28 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Village Council Room at the Village Hall. This is your opportunity to ask any questions and sort out any confusions. They will also help you prepare your taxes, be sure and bring all paperwork with you.

Homier's from Defiance took the Riverside Park statue for repair. The V.E.T.S. organization turned in their quarterly report.

plaints made to council members about brush piles and litter around dwellings in the Village. The brush piles can be put by the street for the town to dispose. The litter and refuse will have to be disposed by the property owner. The council will enforce the ordinance that pertains to this.

There have been com-

The contents of the Ehrhart Museum was discussed. The contents need to be moved so that area can be incorporated into Village offices. The council is working with Mr. Ehrhart on this problem.

The Stone Street and North Main Lift Stations needs new telemetry. This is a system that will dial the Village workers if there is a problem with the pump. EPA has let Sarah Keeran know that this needs to be done as soon as possible. Since both lift stations need worked on it was agreed that it would be feasible to do them both at the same time.

The rest of the branches and limbs from the storm will be picked up as soon as possible. A chipper will come around and the wood chips will be taken out to the brush pile and put in a separate pile. The residents can use the chips this spring if they so chose.

Well #5 was repaired due to sulfur damage.

The steel bumper down on E. Canal and 49 was hit by a truck. The bumper will be repaired and painted this spring. A handicap access to the street will also be constructed.

Antwerp's Fiscal Watch will end after the water and sewer bills come out in April.

Privacy fences were discussed. As of now you have to construct your fence 25' from your property line. The zoning board recommended a measurement of no less than 5' from the line.

Clean-up day and leaf pick



up was discussed. Officer Bill Lyons reported 200 calls for service for December and 74 offenses in Mayor's Court.

A reserve officer has handed in his resignation. A replacement will be hired.

Mayor Delong reported that for the month of December \$9,758.05 was brought into the Mayor's Court. \$1,372.50 was sent to the State. \$8,145.55 was given to the Village of Antwerp, of this amount \$345.00 will go to the Police Computer Fund and \$345.00 will go to the Mayor's Computer Fund. \$240.00 in outstanding fees.

For the year of 2008 (December '07-November '08) \$77,964.81 was placed into the General Fund. This includes the Computer Funds. \$11,069.00 was sent to the State of Ohio.

Mayor Delong gave a State of the Village address: he expressed thanks to the council for all the projects completed in Antwerp this year. Included was the SR 49 sidewalk project, animal control ordinance and being able to exit fiscal watch. New projects for 2009 include: sidewalk replacement on River Street, install telemetry on the Stone Street and N. Main lift stations, street improvements and cleaning up the Village.

A web site is in the process of completion for the Village of Antwerp. You can get on Antwerp's Web Site at www. villageofantwerp.com. The sight will provide minutes, ordinances, alerts, a calendar, upcoming events, Village officials, maps, etc. The site is still in construction but you are able to get on and check it out.

Karen Lee's phone number is 419-506-0515 in case you need to get a hold of her.

Ordinance 2009-01 - Ordinance to establish time, and place of regular meetings of the Council for the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio, for the year 2009 and declaring the same as an emergency. (the meetings will be held on the third Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m.).

Resolution #2008-09 - A Resolution of the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio to convey real estate to the Antwerp Board of Education and declaring the same as an emergency.

Ordinance #2008-63 – An Ordinance authorizing the change of water and sewer rates, tap fees and re-connect fees for the Village of Antwerp, County of Paulding, Ohio, 3<sup>rd</sup> reading

Resolution # 2009-01 - A Resolution authorizing the Village of Antwerp to execute the cultural facility memo-

PAGE 7 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 **K-B SUPER KIDS OF OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY ENJOY LAURA** NUMEROFF'S WRITINGS



The K-B Super Kids of Oakwood Elementary and their teacher, Miss Jackson, have been busy. They have been reading books by the author Laura Numeroff. She is the author of If You Give a

same an emergency.

Ordinance #2009-04 - An

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**STATEMENT FROM REPRE-**

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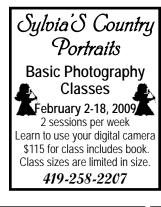
a Mouse to the Movies, and other great children's stories. In writing workshop, each small group wrote a book of their own. The K-B Super Kids are proud of

Moose a Muffin, If You Take

Credit will provide incentives for new jobs, but perhaps a more constructive approach would be to lessen business taxes across the board."

"Using what will be onetime federal funds will bankrupt future budgets. This short term fiscal malfeasance will, in the long run, kill jobs and chase more of Ohio's young people out of our state."

their books: If you Give a Dog a Cupcake and If you Give a Penguin Ice Cream. Be on the look out for more great things from this super class.





The following statements can be attributed in part or in whole to Representative Lynn Wachtmann (R- Napoleon), on the subject of Wednesday's State of the State Address:

"I'm glad that the governor has joined us in recognizing that our education system needs updated to meet the demands of the 21st century. But the governor still has not completely addressed the issue of school funding, a promise he made long ago."

"I applaud the governor for his call to make state government services simpler and less costly. Improving the way our state runs is imperative and, while he calls to make these changes, consolidating government services and reducing the size of state government should also be included in the cost-saving discussion."

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randum of understanding, the cooperative use agreement, the cultural facility construction administration and funding agreement and any other necessary documents in connection with the funding of the Village of the Antwerp cultural Railroad Depot Project and declaring the same as an emergency.

Ordinance #2009-06 – An Ordinance authorizing the Village Fiscal Officer to transfer funds to the Police Fund in the amount of \$27,500.00 and declare the same to be an emergency.

Ordinance #2009-05 - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to enter into a contract with Carryall Township for providing emergency medical service and declaring the

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# 2009 Antwerp High School Reunion August 7, 8, 9

We are organizing for the 2009 (every 3 years) AHS Reunion week-end. The format will be the same as our 2006 reunion. The most important item of business that we need to attend to is communicating to all the Class Representatives (CR).

The CR's are the persons that contact their classmates to let them know that this event is happening. Class tables will be set up again at the dinner/dance for each class that wants to attend.

#### For more information contact:

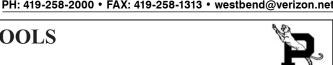
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Christy Williamson 419-258-1110 Karlann Lee 419-258-7671 Karl Mielke 419-258-2455 Abbey Niebel 260-338-2110 Laurel Hopkins 419-258-4771 Doris Smith 419-258-6625 Jerry Zielke 419-258-2502

Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 18, at 6 PM, at the Essen House in Antwerp. Come and join the fun.



## PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS **FEBRUARY 2009 NEWSLETTER**



Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

for the new Wellness Center on January 11. nine weeks, but we took some time in Janu- a BLOOD DRIVE in the MS gym as a com-The project was completed in December and ary to recognize students who made the petition between the Paulding School and is the result of hours of volunteer time for Honor Roll, earned Perfect Attendance, and/ community and the Bluffton, Ohio school fundraising and planning, along with dona- or gained the B.U.G. Club status (Bringing and community as a way of helping out the tions from many of our area contractors. I Up Grades) during the second quarter. We Red Cross in their need for blood. The am very thankful for all who donated to are very proud of these students! At each Paulding boys basketball team will be playmake this project a reality. A special thanks grade level, the work gets progressively more ing Bluffton the next night and we hope to be to the Athletic Boosters, Al Cook, Brett difficult and the expectations get higher as able to announce that our community do-Kauser, Mike Mott, and Stan Searing for we move through the year. We appreciate nated more pints of blood than the Bluffton their support of this project to provide ex- the efforts of all of our students and continue community. Of course, the ultimate goal is panded fitness and weight training opportuni- to encourage each of them to make these to support the Red Cross in this very importies for our students.

Thanks to all the parents and caregivers of our district for your cooperation during our We held our 2009 Spelling Bee on January delays, closings, and the recent early dis- 13. Thirty-three Oakwood Elementary 5th missal. Many of the radio and television and 6th graders competed for top spelling Finally, our annual local SCIENCE FAIR stations have automated systems that make it honors. Congratulations to sixth grader, will be held on February 20 in the upstairs of very difficult to have unusual circumstances reported, so we have decided to contract for and to fifth grader, Kasandra Cogswell, our stop in and see the many, many wonderful an instant alert system. We are currently working to get data loaded into the system job !! Jacob will represent Oakwood at the I thank you always for your continued supand will be sending further information home Paulding County Bee on February 9. with all students in the next month. An in- We have finished the Reading-Is-A-Sport me with any comments or concerns regardstant alert system will allow us to contact all program for the year. Several of our students ing Paulding Middle School by phone at 419families quickly in the event of a delay, early met their reading goals and were recognized 399-4656, ext. 1210 or by email at dismissal, school closing, or event cancella- at a PHS varsity wrestling match or basket- d\_stallkamp@pauldingschools.org tion.

district, please plan to attend parent-teacher cial for our star readers! We also look forconferences on February 5 or February 10. ward to hosting the PHS varsity athletes at Communication between home and school is our annual Oakwood Elementary pep rally in an important factor in success for all stu- February. If you listen closely on February dents. Working together will make Paulding 12, you might even hear us rockin' the place Exempted Village Schools a stronger school as we cheer for our teams. district.

Pat Ross

Superintendent

#### NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Paulding Elementary-Martin Miller Congratulations to our Spelling Bee champion, Zach Buchman. Zach will represent boxes, we would gladly take it. our elementary school at the Paulding County Spelling Bee Monday, February 9 at Antwerp High School. The Spelling Bee will begin at 7:00 p.m. Jarrett Sitton finished as runner-up and will fill in for Zach if he is unable to compete.

The 2008-2009 Elementary Memory Book sale begins Monday, February 2. The sale will conclude February 23. The memory book price is \$11.00. Make your check payable to Paulding Elementary School.

Parent-teacher conferences will take place Thursday, February 5 and Tuesday, February 10. Progress reports for the third nine-weeks will be distributed to parents at Parentteacher conferences. Students will bring home progress reports Thursday, February 5 to parents not attending conferences. There will be no school Friday, February 13.

The PAWS Program character trait word for the month of February is Positive Attitude. During the following three weeks of February, the character trait words of kindness, compassion, and self-respect will be fea-Staff members will be teaching the tured. meaning and trying to reinforce the application of these character traits with our students. Students observed demonstrating the character trait work of the week will receive a PAWS card. Students may turn the card into the office and be eligible for a weekly prize drawing. Your help at home with reinforcing the development of the character traits will be gratefully appreciated. As you may know, I will assume the principalship in another school district beginning Monday, February 2. Mrs. Swary will take over my duties as principal upon my departure. I offer a sincere thanks to the staff, PTO officers, and parents who assisted with the endeavors of educating our students. for students to receive a quality education.

article. And let me tell you, that is a BIG are due in the office by February 25 so tickevent to our primary grade students!

quarterly awards part of their goals for the tant service. Watch for future announcethird and fourth nine weeks.

Runner-Up! Both students did a remarkable projects our students will have on display.

ball game. We want to thank our varsity If you have children attending school in our Panther athletes for making the events spe-

> As you read this, we are in the middle of a and locations. special event at Oakwood. We are calling it "Operation School Supplies." We are collecting school supplies (boxes of crayons, pencils, pens, notebooks, etc.) to send to troops in Iraq who are in charge of rebuilding Iraqi schools. If you have any of these items you would like to give to help us fill our

#### Thank you for your continued support!

#### Middle School-David Stallkamp

Greetings from the Middle School!

January has come and gone quickly and I the Wellness Center and those students who would like to bring you up to date on what helped the athletic department move equiphappened this month and what we are look- ment into the new facility. I would also like ing at for February.

with 70 participants. Emerging as our local project a reality. winner was 8th grader, Steven Strayer. Ste- I hope you have the opportunity to meet with ven will be representing Paulding Middle teachers during parent-teacher conferences. School in the Paulding County Spelling Bee We also encourage you to check your child's to be held at Antwerp on February 9, at 7:00 grades on our website and please do not hesip.m. Good luck to Steven! Ashlyn Strahley tate to contact your child's teachers any time was our runner-up and will represent us if you have any questions about grades or aca-Steven is unable to attend.

January 8, and 8th grader Savannah Rough- emergencies that may arise. ton was victorious in this very grueling com- PHS is continuing to prepare students for petition. Eighth grader Austin Miller fin- success and just around the corner in March ished in second place. Savannah will now be will be state testing. We will operate on a 2taking a state exam to see if she qualifies to hour delay schedule the week of March 16go to the State Bee to be held at a later date. 20, **EXCEPT** for the freshman and sopho-

third nine weeks grading period. Parent- practice test that week. If you have any teacher conferences are scheduled for Thurs- questions regarding testing please call the DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS day, February 5, and Tuesday, February 10, high school office. from 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. both evenings. PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES PLEASE contact the school office at 419-399-4656, ext. 1212 to set up meetings with school year will take place on Thursday, for these very important meetings. For the second nine weeks, we had 18 students attain all A's and join our Gold Card is an important opportunity to discuss your Club. Seventy-three students received all A's child's progress with the teachers. Everyone and B's and made our Green Card Club, and is strongly urged to participate. 89 students joined our White Card Club by There will be a post-secondary enrollment Feb. 13 cards. Congratulations to these students for their hard work in the classroom. Through your efforts, Paulding Elementary Our annual Memory/Yearbook sale will be- DELAY/CLOSING INFORMATION has developed into an excellent environment gin February 12 and run through February 23. Cost for a 2008-2009 memory book will again be \$11. This is a great way to always remember your middle school years. Order Day on February 16, that day will be used as forms will be coming home soon.

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE the weather cooperates, we will have had our scheduled for June 9. Cost for each student Please check the school website for the most ets can be ordered and ready to go by June.

It was my privilege to attend the Open House We are well on our way through the third On Thursday, February 26 we will be hosting ments concerning this event, and if possible, please volunteer that day to donate blood and help us beat Bluffton.

Jacob Dingus, our Spelling Bee Champion, the middle school from 2:30-4:00. Please

port of "our kids." Please feel free to contact

#### High School-Todd Harmon

We would like to thank all the parents and community members for their support at our student athletic events with their cheers and attendance as we start to wrap up the regular season and look forward to tournament play. Please contact Mr. Etzler for any information you may need in regards to tournament times

Preliminary scheduling/registration for the 2009-2010 school year will begin early in February. Parent-teacher conference night would be an ideal time to meet with the guidance counselors to discuss options for next year. If you have any questions pertaining to student course requests, please contact either Ms. Schlatter or Mr. Miller. You may contact the high school office to schedule an appointment.

Thanks to all who attended the opening of to thank the Athletic Boosters for all the January 6 we held our annual Spelling Bee time, organization, and efforts to make the

demic progress. We expect our teachers to The local Geography Bee finals were held on do their best to keep you informed of any

We are now close to half way through the mores who will be taking the state test or

100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration before you read this will be \$20. All money and permission slips up-to-date delay and closing information at www.pauldingschools.org. Announcements are also put on the switchboard answering machine and area radio/TV stations.

#### AFTER PROM PARENTS

The junior class parents will again be hosting the after prom this year. Donations are being collected to sponsor this event. If you have not been contacted and would be interested in donating, please contact Jill Hatcher at 419-399-3873.

#### VALENTINE GIFT DELIVERIES

Paulding High School and Middle School are asking that Valentine flowers/gifts not be delivered to the school. Other arrangements should be made to deliver such items as the school will not accept them. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

#### GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY

The Henry County Health Department in Napoleon, Ohio will host "Give Kids A Smile Day" on February 6, 2009. Kids (18 years and younger) that are uninsured and can not afford the dental care they need can receive FREE dental care on that day. Services offered are cleanings, exams, fluoride, x-rays, restorations and extractions. Please call 419-591-3060 and ask the receptionist to schedule your child for "Give Kids A Smile Day".

#### FREE PRESCHOOL SCREENING

A countywide preschool screening will be offered February 13 from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Antwerp Methodist Church for children ages 3-5. Snow date is February 20. A second screening will be offered March 20 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding from 12:00-4:00 p.m.

#### SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

At the Board's January organization meeting, Elizabeth Hunt was elected President and Tamera Stoller was elected Vice-President for the 2009 calendar year.

Varsity Wrestling		
Feb. 3	WT@Edgerton-T	6:00
Feb. 14	NWC@Spencerville-T	10:00
JH Boys Basketball		
Feb. 2	Wendy's Classic@CV-T	5:30
Feb. 5	Delphos Jefferson-H	5:00
Feb. 10	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Feb. 12	Defiance-T	4:30
Feb. 17	Lincolnview-H	5:00
Freshman Basketball		
Feb. 2	Continental-T	4:00
Feb. 3	Fairview-T	4:30
Feb. 5	Ada-H	5:00
Feb. 10	Hicksville-H	5:00
Feb. 16	Ayersville-H	5:00
Feb. 19	Allen East-T	5:00
<b>Boys JV/Varsity Basketball</b>		
Feb. 6	Ada-T	6:30
Feb. 7	Van Wert-H	6:00
Feb. 13	Spencerville-H	6:30
Feb. 20	Allen East-T	6:30
Feb. 21	Bryan-T	6:00
Feb. 27	Bluffton-H	6:30
<b>JH Girls</b>	Basketball	
Feb. 5	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Feb. 10	Delphos Jefferson-H	5:00
Feb. 12	Defiance-H	4:30
Feb. 14	McDonald's Classic@LN	TBA
Feb. 17	Lincolnview-T	5:00
Girls JV/Varsity Basketball		
Feb. 3	Fairview-T	6:00
Feb. 5	Ada-H	6:00
Feb. 7	Continental-H	1:00
Feb. 12	Spencerville-T	6:00
Feb. 17	Defiance-H	6:00
Feb. 19	Allen East-H	6:00

#### **Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz** Hello from Oakwood Elementary! I am writing this on the 97th day of school. If

Our 8th grade class trip to Cedar Point is on February 16.

The second parent-teacher conferences of the Feb. 4 Feb. 5 our staff. I would like to see a large turnout February 5 and Tuesday February 10 from Feb. 7 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. both days at all build-Feb. 9 Feb. 9 ings. There will be no school Friday, February 13. Please mark your calendar. This Feb. 10 Feb. 10 Feb. 12 Feb. 12

getting nothing lower than a C on their grade options meeting for parents of children in Feb. 13 grades 8-11 in the H.S. Media Center from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. on February 10. Feb. 17

As of January 30, school has been closed six Feb. 20 days due to inclement weather. The 2008-Feb. 20 Feb. 23 2009 school calendar specifies that if more Feb. 24 than five days are missed prior to Presidents' Feb. 26 Feb. 27 a make-up day. We will be going to school Feb. 28

FFA District Job Interview-Clyde Feb. 2 Feb. 2 Science Olympiad Booster Mtg 7:00p Feb. 4 FFA Sub District Eval C/D-2:30Athletic Booster Meeting 7:00p Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:30-7:30p ACT Tests 7:30a-12:30 FFA Chapter Mtg-Ag Room 6:00p Pldg Cnty Spelling Bee-Antwerp 7:00p Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:30-7:30p Post-Second. Mtg-Media Center 6:30p ASVAB Tests for Jrs/Srs 7:40a-11:00 FFA Sub Dist Public Speak C/D-Delphos Feb. 12 Oak.El. Pep Rally w/var athletes 1:10 NO SCHOOL FFA Distr Evaluations-OSU Lima Feb. 16-21 FFA Week FFA Dist Public Speaking-Gibsonburg Feb. 17 Board Meeting-Adm. Bldg. 7:00 7:40a-11:15 Feb. 18 HS Group Pictures M.S. Science Fair 2:30 Oak.El. January Student/Month Lunch Band Bstr Mtg-Band Room 7:00p HS Band/Choir Concert-Aud. 7:00p Oak.El. 5th/6th gr. Band Concert 7:00p Oak.El. Kdg. Family Reading Day 3:00 6:30-10p Band Music/Night-Aud.

# ANTWERP - WAYNE TRACE TRADE WINS



The Wayne Trace Ladies invited the Archers over for a game. The game was a close match throughout, but the Raiders came out on top in this game. The final score was 27-30. Shown here is Senior Renee Bidlack scoring followed closely by Sophomore Jesse Arnold. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



The Archers took on Wayne Trace at home in a hotly contested game. Antwerp started in the lead with Wayne Trace quickly taking the lead. The 4th quarter Antwerp kept the narrow lead to win 32-36. Shown here is Senior Tevin Hale knocking down Junior TJ Short while scoring. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

Both the JV and varsity 8, #42 Saylor 4, #52 Feasby 4 Antwerp girls basketball In varsity, much the same occurred in the first half. But teams traveled to Wayne in the second half the Lady Trace on January 29. Archers began to battle back

#### LATTA STATEMENT ON H.R. 1: LATTA SUPPORTS **REPUBLICAN ALTERNATIVE** PACKAGE

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) made the following statement after voting against H.R. 1, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

"Stimulating our nation's economy cannot come from pork barrel spending. The Democrat majority have littered H.R. 1 with wasteful government spending that only puts our country further into debt with no real effect on our economy in the immediate future. The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office projects that 60 percent of the discretionary spending in this bill will occur after 2010.

Our economy needs fast and immediate relief, and unfortunately, spending \$50 million on the National Endowment for the Arts, \$600 million for new cars for federal government employees, \$1 billion for the census, and \$194 million for repairs to the Department of Agriculture headquarters and the Smithsonian Institute, do nothing to quickly pull our country out of recession. Furthermore, members of Congress have asked repeatedly for numbers showing how many jobs will be created with this package. To date, we have yet to see any statistics that prove this package will work in terms of job creation or reducing the growing unemployment rate. I, along with my Republican colleagues in the House, believe that the fastest way to recover from this recession is immediate tax relief for small businesses and incentives to promote job growth. The private sector, not the Federal government, is best suited to stimulate the economy and this can be done through tax relief which will put money directly in the hands of American families and businesses- where it deserves to be.

The Republican alternative reduces the lowest individual income tax rate from 15% to 10% and 10% to 5% which will put an average of \$500 and \$1200 respectively back into the pockets of American taxpayers. This plan would also save married couples up to \$3,200 per year as well. This package allows businesses to take an (up to) 20% deduction on their income which will allow them to put our neighbors and friends back to work. People in the housing market with 5% down would receive a \$7,500 tax credit for new home purchases. By drastically reducing the size of the spending package, including much needed tax relief and an extension of unemployment benefits, our package is far better suited for both short and long-term economic growth. With our national debt at a staggering \$10 trillion, the American people, along with House Republicans, know that we as a country cannot borrow and spend our way out of this recession. Americans already owe foreign governments \$3 trillion, with China owning \$683 billion of that alone. With the final price tag of H.R. 1 being over \$1 trillion, we cannot in good faith continue to drive our national debt higher and place future generations of Americans in peril by enacting a plan that is little more than a "shot in

the dark."

\*Prior to voting against H.R. 1, Congressman Latta supported the House Republican Economic Recovery Act. Details of the package can be found at http://republicanleader.house.gov/ News/DocumentSingle. aspx?DocumentID=109659

#### WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING **CLUB COMPETES AT NAPO-LEON TOURNAMENT**

On January 25, 2009, the Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed in the Napoleon Invitational, held at Napoleon High School.

Placing for the Raiders were the following:

First place: Hunter Long, Brandon Laney, Brendan Dingus, George Clemens IV, Tyler Showalter, Robbie Bowers, and Zackery Westley

Second place: Dylan Laney, Austin Smith, and Jacob Dingus

Third place: Kameran Bevis, Worth Clark, Hunter Showalter, James Coyne

#### WARRIORS OUTSCORED BY PATRIOTS

#### By: Jeff Abbott

Heritage outscored Woodlan in every quarter, enabling the Patriots to take a 58-37 over the Warriors in ACAC boys' basketball play at Heritage. The Patriots got double figure scoring from three players, led by Cory Snider with 20 points including two three-pointers. A 16-7 fourth period sealed the win for Heritage.

Score by the quarter:

Woodlan – 10 13 7 7=37 Heritage – 14 17 11 16=58

Woodlan - Evans 7, Mumma 6, Rydell 6, Bell 5, Malfait 4, Hines 4, Gorrell 4, Romines 1

Heritage – Snider 20, Page 14, Axt 10, Harris 6, Norris 6, Beard 2

Heritage got a pair of freethrows with under 4 seconds to go to get by Woodlan 26-25 in the reserve game.

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PAGE 9 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 LADY PANTHERS BREAK THROUGH LANCERS TWICE



The Paulding JV Girls team took on Lincolnview and won 39-29 in a good game. Shown here is Sophomore Kass Hammon scoring for the Panthers. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



The Paulding Varsity Girls team took on the Lancers Thursday night & won 55-54 in a very tight game. Shown here is Junior Taylor Hatcher coming in from the side and taking a shot for the Panthers. More at www.westbendnews.net

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In JV, the Lady Raiders took control early and kept that momentum for the entire game. The final score was a Wayne Trace victory, 28-22. Score by the quarter: Antwerp JV - 2 4 9 7=22 Wayne Trace JV - 4 11 6 7 = 28Top scorers: Antwerp - #5 Stuck 6, #24 Smalley 6, #4 Wetli 5 Wayne Trace – #34 Padilla

Score by the quarter: Antwerp - 6 9 4 8=27 Wayne Trace - 6 17 0 7=30 Top scorers: Antwerp - #22 Arnold 9, #20 Bashore 8, #10 Winslow 5 Wayne Trace – #22 Myers 12, #23 Bidlack 10, #3 Hockenberry 6

at the net. The quarter was a

nail biter, and the Raiders had

the win at the buzzer, 30-27.

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#### PAGE 10 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 CONCORDIA OUTSCORE WARRIORS IN A RESCHEDULED GAME



The Lady Warriors took on Concordia Tuesday night. Concordia took home the win 41-51. Shown here is Sophomore Megan Kirkwood scoring for Woodlan. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

#### By: Jeff Abbott

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It took over two minutes for either team to score, but Concordia got the first basket and lead the rest of the way to down Woodlan 51-41 in girls' basketball at the Warriors' gym. The Warriors played an early start game, due to rescheduling games from weather canceled events earlier in the month. Andrea Newbauer led the Cadets with 17 points, including 7 points in the second quarter when Concordia built their lead to

a comfortable 11 points at the half. Taylor Carver led Woodlan scoring with 14 points.

Score by the quarter: Concordia - 12 15 13 11 = 51

Woodlan - 7 9 10 15=41 Concordia - Newbauer 17, Pusey 10, Doeffler 10, Meiklejohn 4, Borchelt 4, Watson 2, Luley 2, Starks 2

Woodlan - Carver 14, Bontrager 6, Kirkwood 6, Keller 5, Emenhiser 3, Hogue 3, Knoblauch 2, Kayser 2

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#### HARDING PULL OUT VIC-**TORY AGAINST LADY WAR-**RIORS

#### By: Jeff Abbott

Harding pulled away from Woodlan in the second quarter, outscoring the visiting Warriors 24-12, and the Hawks got a 81-55 victory in girls basketball. Onnie Jordan scored 25 points for the Hawks and shot 10 of 15 from the floor including 4 of 6 from long range. Taylor Carver led Woodlan scoring with 12 points.

Score by the quarter:

Woodlan - 12 12 21 10=55 Harding - 17 24 18 22=81 Woodlan - Carver 12, Hogue 9, Emenhiser 8, Bon-

trager 8, Koeneman 8, Yoder 4, Kayser 4, Kirkwood 2

Harding – O Jordan 25, V Jordan 12, Jackson 10, Burney 8, Sanders 8, Lindsey 6, Weemes 4, Causey 3, E Cammack 3, A Cammack 2

#### **WOODLAN OUT SHOOTS** STARFIRES

#### By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan got double figure scoring from three players, including 20 points from senior Sarah Koeneman, and the Warriors downed the Starfires 64-48 in ACAC girls' basketball at Woodlan. Woodlan pulled away from a 23-23 halftime, outscoring the Starfires 22-13 in the third period and 19-12 over the final 8 minutes.

Score by the quarter:

South Adams - 9 14 13 12 = 48

Woodlan - 16 7 22 19=64 South Adams - Morgan 27, Beitler 9, Bollenbacher 5, Miller 4, Liechty 2, Hawkins 1

Woodlan – Koeneman 20, Carver 10, Bontrager 10, Kirkwood 6, Kayser 6, Hogue 5, Yoder 3, Emenhiser 2, Spieth 2

Jamie Zehr had 8 points to lead Woodlan past South Adams 30-11 in the reserve game

#### **WOODLAN WRESTLER TAKE** LAST PLACE AT ACAC

Despite having just one individual champion, Garrett scored five runner-up spots to secure the ACAC wrestling title, slipping past South Adams 182.5 to 182 at Berne Indiana. South Adams had three championships, at 103, at 215, and at 285. Garrett's champion was at 152

Team Results: Garrett 182.5, South Adams 182, Leo 164.5, Adams Central 150, Bluffton 130.5, Heritage 117.5, Southern Wells 105, Woodlan 98

Championship Round:

103 Batt (SA), pin, Logan Buuck (W), 1:48

112 Hirschy (AC), dec, P Gerber (B), 2-1

119 Perry (B), dec, Schultz (AC), 7-0

125 T Fiechter (SW), dec, Novy (G), 8-7

130 D Fiechter (SW), dec, Her (SA), 10-7

135 M Gerber (B), major dec, Schendel (G), 12-1

140 Beck (L), major dec, Burnfield (SA), 16-5

145 Cam Friend (L), dec, Isham (G), 8-3

152 McCray (G), dec, Sprunger (SA), 7-4 160 J Fiechter (B), dec,

Taube (G), 5-1 171 Biberstine (SW), in-

jury def, Schultz (AC) 189 Scott (H), dec, Demar-

co (G), 8-7 215 Werst (SA), dec, Feasel

(AC), 8-1

285 West (SA), dec, Joe Grueb (W), 3-1

#### LADY PIRATES OVERTAKE ARCHERS

The Antwerp Lady Archers entered Pirate territory travelling to Continental for some girls basketball action.

The Lady Archers just couldn't get an edge to come out with a win, Continental kept the victory at home, 33-

Score by the quarter: Continental – 18 13 21 9=61

Antwerp - 12 5 6 10=33 Top Lady Archer scorers: #10 Winslow 9, #20 Bashore 6, #21 Koppenhofer 10

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • westbend@verizon.net TIGERS CRUISE TO VICTORY OVER WARRIORS



Bluffton came to the Warrior gymnasium for a basketball game and Bluffton went home with the win. Final score: 32-66. Shown here is Freshman Kyle Nieuwlandt taking the shot. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

#### By: Jeff Abbott

Once Bluffton got hot, the #3 ranked Tigers showed their stuff at Woodlan and cruised to a 66-32 win over the Warriors. Bluffton almost had as many points at the end of the first half as the Warriors had in the game, 32-31. Cody Cochran, junior guard for Bluffton, led the Tigers with 14 points and 11 players scored in the game. Brock Hines came off the Woodlan

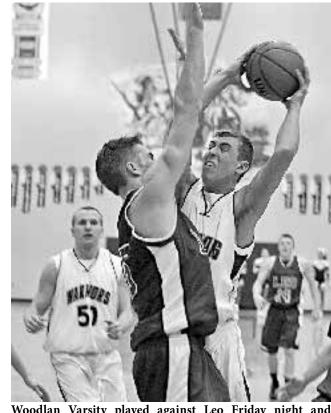
bench to led the Warriors with 9 points.

Score by the quarter:

- Bluffton 12 19 18 17=66
- Woodlan 6 11 8 7=32 Bluffton - C Cochran 14,

Woodward 12, Johnson 10, K Cochran 8, Paxton 5, Landrum 5, Campbell 4, Graham 3, Bowman 2, Okey 2, Herman 1

Woodlan - Hines 9, Malfait 6, Bell 5, Gorrell 4, Evans 4, Mumma 2, Rydell 2





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By: Jeff Abbott

couldn't keep up with the Lions. The Warriors lost 48-67. Shown here is Senior Jerrid Rydell taking a shot from under the basket. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

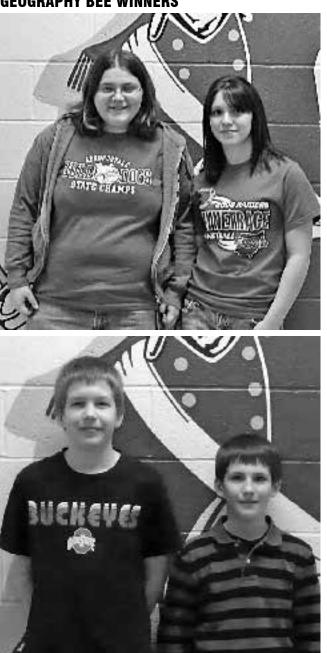
#### **2ND ANNUAL PINK OUT AT ALLEN COUNTY WAR ME-MORIAL COLISEUM**

#### By: Jeff Abbott

IPFW Athletics will paint the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum "PINK" as it sponsors the second annual Pink Out on Saturday, February 7. The IPFW women's' basketball team will take on Summit League opponent Oral Roberts at 1:30 p.m. Pink Out is an NCAA nationwide initiative in women's intercollegiate athletics to support breast cancer awareness and research programs.

During last years' inaugural event, players practiced with pink basketballs and wore long-sleeve pink t-shirts to commemorate those who lost their battles with breast cancer and to honor survivors as well. Additionally, the Mastodons wore pink basketball shoes, donated by Fred Toenges Shoes and Pedorthics. A portion of ticket sales, last year totaling \$5000, was divided between the American Cancer Society and Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography. Breast Cancer Survivors will be admitted to the game for free.

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • www.westbendnews.net WAYNE TRACE JUNIOR HIGH SPELLING BEE AND GEOGRAPHY BEE WINNERS



Wayne Trace Junior High School held it's annual Spelling and Geography Bees on Tuesday, January 20. Pictured are the spelling bee winner and runner-up,

#### ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIA-TION ANSWERS QUESTIONS ABOUT MEMORY LOSS: "MEMORY AND AGING: WHAT'S NORMAL, WHAT'S NOT"

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This program will explore forgetfulness and memory Tiffany Hittle and Danielle Hoffman, and the Geography Bee winner and runner-up, Sytse Akkerman and Matthew Klopfenstein.

loss. Examples of memory changes that are part of the normal aging process will be compared with memory changes that may be the result of disease or other factors besides aging. Participants will learn about treatable causes of memory loss, methods of memory improvement, and influences on memory functions.

For more information on this program or other available services, or to register, call the Alzheimer's Association at 419-227-9700 or 1-800-272-3900.

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PAGE 11 - WEST BEND NEWS - FEBRUARY 4, 2009EXTENSION FEBRUARY6:00 to 8:00 p.m.OUTLOOKOther February programs

Other February programs and meeting include the: Extension Advisory meet-

11 beginning at 4:30 p.m.

p.m.

ing on Wednesday, February

Thursday, February 12 at 7:00

Certification Training pro-

gram for Monday, February

23 from 6:00 to 9:15 p.m. in

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By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

With all the snow on the ground, it is hard to believe now is the time to begin preparing for our spring and summer activities. The Paulding County Extension office has several meetings, programs and 4-H due dates scheduled for the month of February. Get ready to mark your calendars and let us begin preparing for those warm weather activities that we enjoy most.

Let us begin with the 4-H February activities.

For those who placed a turkey order with the Extension office for the 2009 county fair, you can pick up your turkeys on Tuesday February 3 at the Extension office from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

4-H Advisors are preparing for the 2009 county fair as well. The 4-H Advisor Update is scheduled for Friday, February 6 at 10:00 a.m. or they can attend the 5:00 p.m. update on Monday February 9.

4-H enrollment is due on Thursday, February 19. For those who are interested in and would like to become a 4-H member, you can contact the Extension office for more details.

4-H Camp Counselors will continue their training on Monday, February 23 from



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#### PAGE 12 – WEST BEND NEWS – FEBRUARY 4, 2009 TAYLOR JONES GETS HIS BUCK



Taylor Jones, a 13 year old from Antwerp, shot his first buck in December 2008. It

was a good 12 pointer. Taylor is the son of Don and Kathy Jones.

#### FIND LOVE IN THE STACKS AT THE LIBRARY

The Paulding County Carnegie Library – as one of the events during "Love my Library Week" – will sponsor a Singles Mingle event. This casual event is geared to all single adults. The basic premise is, if you're single and like to mingle, what better place than at the library? You might meet that special someone in the 641.6 section (cookbooks) or, the 302 section (social interaction) or the 840s (romance languages) or even the fiction stacks. Each single will receive a special heart badge to identify them as single.

So, as you are perusing the gardening section in the 630s, you might spy someone

in the horse section 636.6 and see they are wearing a heart badge. This might be your love connection. At the very least, you might make a new

friend and discover all the li-

brary has to offer. The library will be open for business as normal. Library Director, Susan Pieper, says that this special night is just an extra option and nothing more than a bit of fun. "Other libraries have sponsored a "singles night" and have found it is a great alternative to meeting someone at a bar. It offers many people an environment that they will be more comfortable. By looking at books and DVDs, it will provide an opportunity to spot someone with similar interests."

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ed. Just pick up your "heart badge" at the front desk starting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10. Refreshments will be served. For more information call the library at 419-399-2032. Love is in the air... at the library!

#### **AUGLAIZE TOWNSHIP BALL ASSOCIATION LOOKING** FOR PARTICIPANTS

The Auglaize Township Ball Association is looking for players, parent help, and coaches for the 2009 ball season. Forms can be picked up at the Cabbage Patch or Oakwood and Paulding Elementary. Forms may be returned to schools or sent to Auglaize Township 22490 Rd. 178, Oakwood, OH 45873. Checks may be made to Auglaize Township Ball Association. For any questions contact Karin Weible at 419-393-2216.

#### **GMC QUIZ LEAGUE SCHED-ULE FOR 2/5**

This is the GMC Quiz league schedule for February 5, 2009. All meets begin at 4:00 p.m. at the host schools.

1. Fairview at Holgate

2. Tinora at Hicksville 3. Edgerton at Wayne Trace

4. Antwerp at Ayersville

#### **ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL** LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 2/4 THROUGH 2/10

2/4 - Spaghetti w/meatballs or burritos, bread stick, green beans, pears, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

2/5 - Mini corn dogs or salisbury steak on bun, peas, pineapple crisp, milk; PLUS: salad bar or spaghetti salad

2/6 - Pepperoni pizza or chicken salad, rosey applesauce, cheese curls, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice

2/9 - Hot dog on bun or spicy chicken strips, baked beans, pears, milk; PLUS: salad bar or celery w/dip

2/10 - Ham and cheese or pork fritter on bun, diced potatoes, peaches, milk; PLUS: salad bar or pudding cup

#### **PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAK-**FAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 2/4 THROUGH 2/10

*MS/HS – Breakfast:* 2/4 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk

2/5 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk

2/6 – Sausage gravy w/biscuits, juice, milk

2/9 – Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

2/10 - Sausage biscuit, tator tots, juice, milk MS/HS – Lunch:

2/4 - Pepperoni pizza or corn dog, corn, assorted fruit, milk

2/5 - Chili soup, cheese bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

2/6 – Cheeseburger w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

2/9 - Idaho nachos, bread stick or grilled chicken w/ bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk 2/10 - Southwest chicken

salad, churro, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary Breakfast:

2/4 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk

2/5 – Poptart, juice, milk 2/6 - Assorted cereals,

graham crackers, juice, milk 2/9 - Assorted cereals,

graham crackers, juice, milk 2/10 – Pancake wrap, juice, milk

Paulding Elementary Lunch:

2/4 - Cook's choice, sandwich, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk

2/5 - French toast, oven potatoes, sausage, assorted fruit, milk

2/6 - Hot dog w/bun, baked beans, assorted fruit, milk

2/9 - Turkey deli w/bun, mini carrots w/dip, pretzels, assorted fruit, milk 2/10 - Vegetable beef soup

w/crackers, bread w/margarine or peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk

Oakwood Elementary – Breakfast:

2/4 - Coco roos cereal, juice pak, milk

2/5 – Whole grain strawberry poptart, juice, milk 2/6 – Assorted cereals,

fruit, milk

2/9 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

2/10 - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk

Oakwood Elementary Lunch:

2/4 – Chicken noodle soup w/crackers, celery w/peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk

2/5 - Ham & cheese sub, carrots w/dip, doritos, assort-

ed fruit, milk 2/6 - Cheese pizza, corn, assorted fruit, milk

2/9 – Cheese & pepperoni breadstick w/sauce, lettuce salad, assorted fruit, milk

2/10 – Ham & cheese stromboli, green beans, assorted fruit, milk

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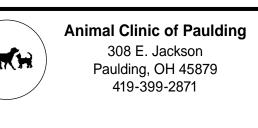
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Hours:

fudge, applesauce, milk

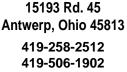
ployees who understand the importance of service to their members. Pictured are: Doug Burtch and Maribeth Fulk.

2/10 - French toast sticks, hash browns, sausage links, 100% OJ, milk



Dr. Tom Wilkin Mon-Tues - 12-5 Dr. Missie Bowman Wed-Thurs - Fri - 9-5 Audrey Hanenkratt, Mgr

# DERCK'S LANDSCAPING SUPPLIES





419-587-3524

17146 SR 114

#### Mulch Colors: Red, Brown, and Gold

Black Dirt and Small Gravel. Everything is in Bulk

# **Mercer Landmark** & CW Service **Customer Appreciation Days**

## "ALL YOU CAN EAT"

# **PANCAKES & SAUSAGE LINKS**

FEB. 10, 2009 - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Van Wert Co. Jr. Fair Building

FEB. 12, 2009 - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Celina K of C Hall

# **Ebel's Butcher Shop**



**TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS** BUTCHER & PROCESS Cattle, Hogs, Deer, Chickens, Turkeys FOR THE WEEK OF 2/4 419-587-3524 **BEEF:** 2/4 - Pancakes, sausage, Front Quarter..... 150 lbs @ \$2.10 lb. = \$315 2/5 - Egg/cheese omelet, Hind Quarter ...... 150 lbs @ \$2.30 lb. = \$345 2/6 – Waffles, sausage, 2/9 – Pizza, juice, milk Half of Half ...... 150 lbs @ \$2.20 lb. = \$330 2/10 - Egg/cheese/bacon **PORK:** 2/4 - Mac/cheese, peanut Half Hog ......70 lbs @ \$1.60/lbs = \$112.00 butter sandwich, celery/carrot sticks/dip, juice bar, milk Beef Packs ......\$50.00 2/5 – Broccoli/cheese, breadsticks, cheese, pineap-Pork Packs ...... \$35.00 Hours 2/6 – Breaded chicken M-F 8:00 - 5:30 sandwich, french fries, pears, Sat. 8:00 - 1:00 Mastercard Visa Ohio Direction Grover Hill, OH 45849