

## MAGIC & ROMANCE AT PROMS '10



Shown here is Kayla Emerson and Treavor Gross at Hicksville High School Prom.

### Magic Under the Stars at Hicksville High School

Kayla Emerson, a Junior at Hicksville came with date, Treavor Gross, 2009 Antwerp graduate. Her flowers came from Marilyn's Petals & Vines in Antwerp; her hair was done by Amanda Smith, and nails by Paige Carwile. Kayla purchased her dress at Deb's in Fort Wayne, IN.

Treavor rented his tux at Bridal Village in Hicksville

and the couple arrived at the prom in a '66 International truck

Tyler Levy, Junior Class President at Hicksville arrived with date, Paige Young, a Senior from Spencerville, IN Homeschool. Their flowers came from Posey Peddler in Hicksville. Paige got her hair and nails done by Paige Young. Tyler's tux came from Bridal Village in Hicksville.

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## DALLAS LAMB FOUNDATION COMES TO AGREEMENT

The Dallas Lamb Foundation has reached an agreement with the labor union. In an eleventh hour deal, concessions were agreed upon, and a deal was made between The Dallas Lamb Foundation and the labor union which will enable Dallas Lamb to remain open. After months of negotiations the two sides have finally agreed to terms which will allow The Dallas Lamb Foundation to continue to operate during these difficult financial times. The Dallas Lamb Foundation would like to thank all of its employees for maintaining the highest level of professionalism and for ensuring that the care level received by the residents of Dallas Lamb never wavered. It has been clear to the board that resident care has always been the first priority for everyone at Dallas Lamb and we want to thank the staff for its devoted service. Management and Staff are dedicated to working together to ensure that Dallas Lamb's last wishes continue to be a reality.

I am sure most of you have noticed that the construction has stopped at

the facility. The board was uncertain about the future of Dallas Lamb and halted construction until negotiations were complete. Now that an agreement has been made, the construction will resume shortly. We hope that these changes will enable Dallas Lamb to once again be the premier Skilled Care Facility in the region. There are rough roads ahead, but with everyone's help we know there will be a brighter tomorrow. We are aware that the cutbacks are an unpopular decision, but let us assure all of you that they are absolutely critical for the survival of Dallas Lamb. We are grateful that every member of the Dallas Lamb staff has agreed to cuts in compensation, and it is their sacrifice that will enable Dallas Lamb to continue. Again we would like to thank the staff for their dedication and understanding, and would also like to request the support of the community during this difficult transition. Dallas Lamb has been serving the needs of Paulding County for over 35 years, and we plan to keep serving them for many years to come.

## MOCK CRASH HELD AT PAULDING COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS: IS IT WORTH IT?



By: Sue Knapp

Did you know that 3/4 of all motor vehicle deaths between the ages of 10-24 is alcohol or drug induced?

Are you at the age where you think nothing could happen to you, that you are invincible? Do you think to have a good time you have to have that drink, or pill, or snort, or

huff, or, or, or?

What would you do, what would you think about, how would you react, if you were in an accident caused by drugs or alcohol and you were driving? What would happen when you faced the family of your friend that died in that accident? What if you or your

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## CELEBRATING BETTER SPEECH AND HEARING MONTH AT THE GARDENS OF PAULDING

The Gardens of Paulding would like to invite the community to help celebrate Better Speech and Hearing Month on Thursday May 6, 2010.

The guest speaker Kim Molitor, Audiologist will begin at 4:00 p.m. She will be discussing hearing loss, its effects in communication, and current options available for assist with hearing loss. She will be followed by guest speaker Lindsay Smith, Speech Therapist. Lindsay is certified in Vital Stim Therapy.

This is a free informational event for the community. The speakers will also be available to answer questions. Come and enjoy an afternoon of education and refreshments. For more information or questions please contact Mindy Edwards at 419-399-4940.

## MONTHLY SENIOR BREAKFAST AT GARDENS OF PAULDING

The monthly senior breakfast at Gardens of Paulding will be this next Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. Any seniors are invited free of charge.

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

## DALLAS LAMB UNDER CONSTRUCTION

By: Sue Knapp

As you are driving into or out of Payne on SR 49 you will see some changes at the Dallas Lamb complex. The first thing you will notice is a marquee being built on the front. New landscaping has also been added.

But the biggest surprise



is the inside. There is new paint and the physical therapy room has been redone with new equipment. A hospice room has been added and a cozy activity room with a fireplace is available. The dining room is beautiful with the tables being handicap accessible. There is a beautiful courtyard with a gazebo and a private picnic area. New carpeting has been added and the existing rooms will be redone. Each room will have a shower, a window and one occupant.

For the clients dining pleasure an alternative menu is provided if the special of the day does not suit them.

Activity Director, Stephanie Pease, and Aide, Angie Franklin, makes sure

the clients have lots to look forward to, such as to Defiance for shopping. Stephanie and Angie are also more than willing to bring things from town for the clients.

The Alzheimer unit is being remodeled along with a remodeled beauty shop and laundry room.

Did you know that Dallas Lamb has Independent Living Apartments? With these

you have a choice of eating in the dining room or preparing your own meal or eating out. A garage is provided for your car and, if needed, there is a call bell to ring for a staff member.

Mark Price, Physical Therapy Director, is from Payne. He graduated from Wayne Trace High School. He came back to Payne to help the people he grew up with and cares for. His goal for the clients is to help them achieve the best quality of life that they are able.

Dallas Lamb also receives clients from facilities that do not offer physical therapy. Price works with them so they can get back to functioning as before. Short term rehab is also accepted. If the client only needs to stay a week, that is okay. He likes to work one

on one with the clients and finds that they really like exercising with the Wii.

Client Sandy Richards quoted, "This is my home. I am happy here and the staff bends over backwards for you. They are willing to talk to you anytime."

Client Bob Putman says, "I like it here, the staff helps me a lot especially in getting ready to go to PC Workshop."

Wayne Humberger likes the facility and the food.

Norma Lothamer really likes it and her kids really appreciate the facility.

Watch Dallas Lamb change. You may call for information about the facility at 419-263-2334.

## PAULDING CURVES RECOGNIZES 3 LOCAL WOMEN

Paulding Curves recognizes a trio of Shull women for making decision to take charge of their health! Tera, Courtney and Stephanie Shull each joined Curves with differing needs, but one goal, permanent health and fitness!

Tera Shull joined Curves because she wanted to get into better shape and lose those last few pounds. "I also want to set a good example for my son," says Tera. When asked what her favorite thing about Curves is she answered, "The friendly staff and other members. I never feel out of place there. Its like one big, fun workout family!"

In her free time Tera enjoys reading a good book and attending sporting events such as Komet hockey, Tin Caps baseball, and her son's pee wee games. She attends



Riverside Christian Church in Antwerp and is a member of Antwerp VFW Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary. Tera also volunteers her time as Antwerp Cub Scout Den #2 Leader.

"I never thought I would enjoy working out, but at Curves - everyday I look forward to going to the gym!" says Tera about her workout time at Paulding Curves.

Courtney Shull joined Curves because she decided it was time to 'stop making silly excuses for why it's not the right time to change.' "Only I can change me, and its time," says Courtney! When asked what her favorite thing about Curves, she reports, "The Curves women are full of passion, experience, and diversity! For 30 minutes each day I can soak it all in. Everyone comes from so many different backgrounds with different needs and goals, but each made the same decision, to be in charge of their own health. Its unbelievably inspiring to learn from each Curves member!"

In her free time, Court-

ney likes to enjoy her family, Komet hockey, writing, music, Riverside Crew (Riverside Christian Church Praise Band), and her newest love, exercise!

"I love Curves so much I decided to work here!" Courtney states about her newest activity, facilitating the Paulding Curves Free Weight Management Support group.

Stephanie Shull came to Curves for three reasons, first she wanted to feel better about herself, she wanted to jump start a healthier lifestyle, and third "to have mommy time away from her kids and meet new women."

During free time, Stephanie enjoys reading, walking and shopping. When asked what her favorite thing about Curves is Stephanie answered, "I love walking into Curves 3-4 times a week, everyone is so welcoming!" She further said, "I thoroughly enjoy the workout circuits at Curves. I can feel my muscles and body working, but it doesn't exhaust me. I always walk out feeling happy and rejuvenated!"

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WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT GRACE

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today let us look at what the Bible says about grace. I have mentioned grace a number of times, but what is grace? In our salvation, grace is what God supplies, because men cannot supply grace. People were dead in trespasses and sin, no way to have salvation, but God showed us His grace, His unmerited favor in allowing His son to die on the cross for our sins. Grace alone does not save, faith alone does not save, there are other conditions we must do to be saved, and I have already pointed this out in previous studies.

Grace descriptive of: Genesis 6:8 – this is God’s grace at work but Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. John 1:17 – this is speaking of the Gospel. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:13 – for eternal life: wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Grace is the source of: Acts 15:11 – salvation but we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved even as they.

Galatians 1:5 – call of God: To whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. Acts 18:27 – faith: and when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who when he was come helped them much which had believed through grace.

Romans 3:24 – Justification: Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 1:7 – Forgiveness of sins: In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace:

Grace described as: Romans 5:15-20 – all abundant. Please read.

2 Corinthians 12:9 – all sufficient: and he said unto me, my grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may nest upon me.

1 Timothy 1:12-16 – undeserved: please read.

Believer’s grace: Romans 6:14 – Christians are under grace.

John 1:16-17 – Christians receive grace.

Romans 5:2 – Christians stand in grace.

2 Corinthians 9:8 – Christians abound in grace.

2 Timothy 2:1 – Christians are to be strong in grace

2 Peter 3:18 – Christians are to grow in grace.

Ephesians 4:29 – Christians are to speak with grace.

1 Peter 3:7 – Christians shall inherit grace.

Dangers of grace can: Jude 1:4 – grace can be abused.

Galatians 2:21 – Grace can be frustrated.

Galatians 5:3-4 – Grace can be turned from.

2 Peter 1:5-8 – Christian graces are qualities that are intended to be a part of the Christians life and we are commanded to grow in these graces.

There is so much more that can be said about grace, but this is up to you to study the Bible and to see the truth that is there. Yes, grace is part of salvation, but grace alone cannot save. Study these chapters in the Book of Acts for salvation: Acts 2:8-11; 16.

Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Got Bible questions? Please call 419 399-5022 for lonnie lambert or 419 393-4775 for James Potter.

WHEN THE STRINGS BREAK

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

The story is told of how Nicolo Paganini, the gifted Italian violinist, was standing before a packed house and playing a difficult concerto. Suddenly, to his horror, one string on his violin snapped and dangled ingloriously beneath his bow.

The maestro frowned and continued playing when, incredibly, a second string broke. Perspiration beaded his forehead as he continued to play, improvising as he went. Finally, a third string broke. As the accompanying orchestra played on, Paganini finished the piece on the one remaining string.

His final notes were swallowed in the wild applause of the audience. As they sank back into their seats, he waved them to silence and then, with a twinkle in his eye, signaled the conductor to begin the encore as he shouted, “Paganini... and one string!” Amazingly, he played on.

How did he do it? Ultimately, it was a matter of attitude. It’s been rightly said that it’s your attitude and not your aptitude that determines your altitude. To put it another way, life is 10% what happens to us and 90% how we react to it.

Strings seem to snap in life with incredible swiftness at the worst possible times, don’t they? And sometimes, it’s one string after another! We can’t do much about the strings that dangle. But the one thing we can do is set our jaw and give that last string everything we’ve got.

It was in the midst of a Paganini-type crisis that the apostle Paul wrote the familiar words, “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice!” (Phil. 4:4) When circumstances overwhelm us, we need to make a choice—to focus on what we’ve lost, or to remember what we still have; to focus on the problem or on the Lord.

When you’re down to your last string, it can be awfully tough. But remember, if that last string is the Savior, you still have enough to play a song.

THE SMUDGE ON YOUR NEIGHBOR’S FACE

Winning the Battle for a Generation Column by: Rick Jones, Executive Director, Defiance Area Youth for Christ

Sometimes it’s just too easy to see someone else’s problems before we see our own, leaving us to pass judgment or display a critical spirit to others. For example, there’s a story told of a young couple who moved into a new neighborhood.

The next morning while

they are eating breakfast, the young woman sees her neighbor hanging the wash outside.

“That laundry is not very clean,” she said. “She doesn’t know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better laundry soap.” Her husband looked on, but remained silent.

Every time her neighbor would hang her wash to dry, the young woman would make the same comments.

About one month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband: “Look, she has learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this?”

The husband said, “I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows.”

The words of Jesus speak to this issue when he said... Matthew 7:1-3 (MSG), “Don’t pick on people, jump on their failures, criticize their faults—unless, of course, you want the same treatment. That critical spirit has a way of boomeranging. It’s easy to see a smudge on your neighbor’s face and be oblivious to the ugly sneer on your own.”

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WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT FAITH

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today let us look at the word faith and see what the Bible says.

The nature of faith:

John 6:29 – Our first requirement to have salvation is our faith in Christ. This is the work of God.

Ephesians 2:8 – We are saved by God’s grace shown in the Gospels through faith, and verse 9 says not by works; this is talking about works of the law.

Romans 10:9-10 – Believeth unto righteousness; Believeth is the same as faith (look the word up in your concordance).

What results from faith?

John 20:30-31 – the Scriptures

Romans 10:14-15 – The importance of preaching the Gospel.

What is the object of faith?

John 14:1 – God

John 20:31 – Christ

John 5:46 – Moses

Acts 26:27 – writings of the prophets

Mark 1:15 – Gospel

Kinds of faith:

Saving – Romans 10:9-10

Temporary – Luke 8:13

James 2:19 – Thou believest, in one God; This is faith

in God. Notice the demons have faith, but are not saved.

James 2:17,20 – a dead faith; a faith that justifies produces works.

What is the place of faith in the Christian life?

Romans 1:17 – Christians must live by faith.

Romans 4:12 – Christians must walk by faith.

Matthew 21:22 – Christians must pray by faith.

Ephesians 6:16 – Christians must resist evil by faith.

1 John 2:13-17 – Christians must overcome world by faith.

Hebrews 11:13 – Christians will die in faith.

Please continue your study on faith and I would encourage you to read Romans 10:17 on how we receive faith. Bible questions, call James Potter at 419 393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419 399-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

DON’T BE A “WORRY WART”

Winning the Battle for a Generation Column by: Rick Jones, Executive Director, Defiance Area Youth for Christ

When I was a young boy I spent quite a bit of time at my grandmother Jones home. She was a loving grandmother, someone who always took an interest in me. Sometimes we would talk about life and some of its challenges. I can remember her saying... “We mustn’t become ‘worry warts.’”

We live in times where we can too easily become a “worry wart.” For example Parade Magazine mentioned in an October 2009 piece that... If you show someone a picture of a shark, an elephant, and a mosquito, their heart rate will escalate only when they see that infamous dorsal fin. Ironically, though, sharks are a miniscule threat compared with the other two.

Each year elephants kill more than 200 people and mosquitoes account for over two million deaths. As for those feared saltwater predators, they average 60 attacks with humans per year and six of those are fatal—worldwide. And what about the concerns that seem so pressing today?

The hot topic currently is global warming, but 100 years ago it was manure. In 1900, New York City utilized 200,000 horses to power machinery, transport people, and help with all types of labor. The Big Apple had one horse for every 17 people and that resulted in nearly five million pounds of manure per day. It lined the streets like banks of snow and was piled as high as 60 feet in vacant lots. It was an insurmountable problem that simply vanished with the arrival of electrical and com-

bustible power.

The things that create worry and angst are usually far less threatening than we think. Jesus put I the following way... Matthew 6:31-33 (NLT), 31 “So don’t worry about these things, saying, ‘What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?’ 32 These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers, but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. 33 Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.”

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MASONS PLAN FOR WIDOW’S NIGHT

WM Richard Wann opened a Lodge of FC and the pledge was given. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Guy Boylan, Greg Headley, and George Clemens.

50-year members present included Charles Carey, Doyle Johnson, Richard Savage, Estel Cottrell, and Elmer Woodcox. Others on the sidelines included Russell St. John, Ken Crouch, Curly Lilly, Ron Farnsworth, Lee Kallsen, Byron Rasey, Jamie Chapman, Scott Ruppert, Mike Villena, Jim Kline, Bill

Metz, Dick Wann, Walter Schilb, Richard Savage, Elmer Woodcox, George Underwood, Jimmie J. Volkert, Jamie Larson, and Michal Mazur.

The Chicken BBQ Committee reported on a couple dates and will confirm at the next meeting. Jamie Chapman, Hi-Way pick up Chairman, set the Hi-Way pick up date for Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00 pm. Dick Savage, Widow’s Night Chairman, said that the annual Widow’s Night will be held at the Hickory Hills Country Club on Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Four new petitions for membership were voted upon and passed. The Scholarship Committee Chairman, Richard Savage, reported that two Hicksville High School seniors will be receiving \$250 Scholarships to further their education. This year’s recipients are Elizabeth Coplin, daughter of Michael and Jane Coplin and Nicholas Mickelson, son of Jonathon and Lori Mickelson. These awards will be presented at the annual Hicksville Awards Night at Hicksville High School by Committee Chairman Savage.


Scott Ruppert presented an LEO Program on “Every Mason is a PR Man” at the end of the meeting. With no further business the Lodge was closed in full form and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

My purpose for writing today is two-fold. First, I would like to recognize Antwerp and the surrounding community for their support of the Antwerp Archer Softball team. Recently we participated in the Ohio High School Softball Coaches Association "Strike Out Cancer, Hit it Hard" program to raise money for cancer awareness and research. Through the efforts of our players we were able to raise one thousand dollars to benefit the Paulding County Relay for Life. Our ability to raise money in support of this worthwhile cause is due entirely to the generous contributions made by the Antwerp

community, our athletes, and their parents.

Secondly, over the past three years I have had the pleasure of being the head coach of your high school softball team. The experience has been most enjoyable to say the least. You, as a community, are fortunate to have quality athletes participating in your sports programs, as well as, outstanding young men and women who excel in the academic realm. For me, much of what makes Antwerp a great place to coach is the dedication the administration, board, and teachers have in ensuring that your children have a quality education. Athletics and extra-curricular activities, as should be, are a reward for hard work in the academic setting. The right to participate in any extra-curricular program is earned at Antwerp High School and due to the efforts of your teachers, students, and parents, the quality individuals that participate in your extra-curricular programs are not only representative of your community but of what the educational process is designed to achieve, preparing youth for life in the real-world.

You, as a community, have much to be proud of as it relates to your children. They work hard in the classroom. They excel on the stage, and on the field. They have high quality, caring teachers and administrators who understand the important role they play in preparing your children for the future and last but not least, they have caring and supportive parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles which realize our future is dependant upon the future success of this generation of students.

Though I am not a resident of the Antwerp community, as one who is able to touch the lives of some of your children I would like to extend my gratitude to you. You got it right. Your children, each of them, are fine representatives of your community and reflective of a community that cares deeply for their children.

Sincerely,

—Garry Rodenberger

## OHIO'S SNAIL RAIL TO NOWHERE

**Guest Column From Representative Lynn R. Wachtmann**

As your state representative, I have fought to improve Ohio's economy by making our state a better place in which to do business. Unfortunately, there are some policy makers in Ohio who have made decisions that will actually impede Ohio's economic recovery. One such policy lauded by the governor is the "high speed" passenger rail system. But will the limited benefits of the train justify the massive costs it will inflict on Ohio taxpayers? I don't think so.

First of all, the rail service will only be used by four percent of Ohioans annually, even though we will all be paying excessive taxes to keep it running. Taxpayers would be required to give up \$17 million a year for a rail system that costs \$29 million a year to operate. How does Ohio plan to compensate for this discrepancy? The taxpayers, of course! While the average ticket price will cost about \$23, taxpayers would be expected to front \$35, which is the average subsidy for each person. And this is just the beginning of the tax scheme.

By accepting Obama's \$400 million handout for this project, Ohio has agreed to spend at least \$340 million over the next 20 years to keep it running. In addition, the current administration stated its ultimate goal is 110 mile per hour high speed rail, which costs between \$20 and \$100 million per mile to construct. The 79 mile per hour rail Ohio is currently preparing for will eventually need to be completely reconstructed to allow for the 110 mile per hour high speed trains.

However, even the speeds of this new train cannot be taken at face value. Although Ohioans are being led to believe this train will travel at 79 miles per hour, when every stop is taken into consideration, this snail-rail will only average 39 miles per hour! This means that a passenger boarding the train in Cincinnati will arrive in Cleveland six and a half hours later! Who would opt to ride a train that moves slower than highway travel? Even the promised 110 miles per hour train would only average speeds of 55 to 70 miles per hour.

After the 110 mile per hour train tracks are constructed and the administration realizes this folly, I would not be surprised if they decided Ohio needed the even faster bullet trains. History proves that government is never content to rest, but continues to meddle and waste taxpayer money in such ridiculous initiatives. In any case, more taxes are looming on the horizon to fund the additional \$5 to \$25 billion it will cost to lay 250 miles of new track for their goal of 110 mile per hour "high speed" trains.

The handful of people who will take the train in no way justify this boondoggle. The snail-rail serves no useful purpose aside from raising taxes on our families. Ohioans have proven time and again that they are unwilling to pay the cost of inefficient passenger rails, which is the very reason Ohio rail ridership plummeted nearly 40 years ago—highways have

simply proven to be a more convenient and efficient mode of transportation. Our economy would be better served by not raising taxes on Ohioans to pay for a rail service that on average, they will use only once every 19 years.

Resurrecting Ohio's doomed passenger rail system with trains that will travel slower than locomotives did 75 years ago is simply irresponsible public policy, especially when considering that our budget is far from solvent and our taxpayers are already overwhelmed. Our state government has a responsibility to uphold the best interests of all Ohioans, which includes protecting them from this inevitable train wreck.

## OHIO VOTERS TO DECIDE FATE OF THIRD FRONTIER PROGRAM, LOCATION OF COLUMBUS CASINO

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

When Ohioans cast their ballot in the primary election on May 4, they will be asked to decide the fate of the Ohio Third Frontier Program, a 10-year, \$1.4 billion investment initiated in 2002 by the Ohio General Assembly and then-Governor Bob Taft to help Ohio companies and research institutions develop and commercialize high-tech products that could attract development, grow jobs and make our state's economy more competitive. The program, which is supported by \$500 million in bonds approved by Ohio voters in 2005, is scheduled to expire in 2012.

This past winter, the Third Frontier was a major topic of discussion at the Statehouse. While many legislators were supportive of efforts to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot to renew the program, the House and Senate initially disagreed about how much the Legislature should ask Ohioans to authorize to keep it going.

In early January, the House passed House Joint Resolution 12, a \$950 million renewal of the Third Frontier over five years. The Senate followed by approving a \$500 million plan, which mirrored the Third Frontier bond issue that Ohio voters said "yes" to in 2005. The disparity sent HJR12 to conference committee, where, after much deliberation, the House and Senate reached a compromise to put a four-year, \$700 million Third Frontier renewal package before voters in May. The proposal will appear on Ohioans' ballots as Issue 1.

The Yes on Issue 1 campaign has worked to champion the Third Frontier's impact on Ohio's economy and the program's potential to bring more investment and high-tech jobs to the state in the future. According to SRI International, Third Frontier dollars have been leveraged to help create more than 40,000 jobs and generate billions of dollars in economic activity. Supporters also argue that failure to renew the Third Frontier would put Ohio at a competitive disadvantage when competing for investment in the global marketplace.

Opponents of Issue 1, however, argue that despite the promised economic benefits of the Third Frontier, it is not fiscally-prudent for state government to borrow \$700

million at a time when Ohio is working with very limited resources. They also point out that while tax dollars from all regions of the state will be used to help pay for the Third Frontier, the impact of the program will not be felt everywhere. Third Frontier grants have primarily been awarded to businesses and universities around Ohio's major cities.

Ultimately, it will be up to Ohio voters to decide whether they believe the Third Frontier is worth continuing into the next decade.

Ohioans heading to the polls on May 4 will also be asked to decide the location of a future casino in Columbus. You may remember last November that Ohio voters approved a constitutional amendment to allow Las Vegas-style casinos to be built in Cleveland, Cincinnati, Columbus and Toledo. While residents in Cleveland, Cincinnati and Toledo all voiced support for gambling in their cities, a majority of voters in Central Ohio opposed the plan to build a casino, planned for the Arena District in Downtown Columbus. Despite this regional opposition, a casino could still be built on that site.

With such strong opposition to building a casino specifically in the Arena District, state, county and city leaders worked with representatives from Penn National Gaming to find an alternative location for the Columbus casino development at the site of an old Delphi facility on the west side of Franklin County. The General Assembly approved Senate Joint Resolution 8 in January to put the issue on the ballot in May. It will ap-

pear as Issue 2.

Many Ohioans outside of Franklin County may wonder why they should have a say in where a casino in Columbus is located. Since the November vote amended Ohio's Constitution any change must also amend Ohio's constitution. Therefore, all voters in the state must approve the move whether it directly impacts their community or not.

Specifically, a "yes" vote on Issue 2 would authorize Penn National to build a casino at the Delphi site in western Franklin County. If Issue 2 fails, Penn would still have the rights to move forward with the casino development in the Arena District. Even if voters say "no", the casino will still be built. Issue 2 is only about the location of the Columbus based casino. The proposal would not affect the casino projects in Cleveland, Cincinnati or Toledo.

I urge all voters in the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District to study the arguments on both sides of these issues and make an informed decision on May 4. For more information on Issues 1 and 2, please visit the Ohio Secretary of State's website at [www.sos.state.oh.us](http://www.sos.state.oh.us).

I encourage residents from the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District to contact me with any questions, thoughts or concerns about state government issues. You can write me, Senator Steve Buehrer, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, OH, 43215, or contact me by phone at (614) 466-8150 or by email at [SD01@senate.state.oh.us](mailto:SD01@senate.state.oh.us). In addition, for more information about my work in the Ohio Senate, please visit my page on the new Senate website at [www.ohiosenate.gov/steve-buehrer](http://www.ohiosenate.gov/steve-buehrer).

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## ANOTHER BEAR STORY

By: Stan Jordan

In the summer of 1775 I traveled to Philadelphia, and Ben Franklin and I attended a night ball game between the Phillies and the Kokomo Konkons! It was then that Ben told me to never let a little falsehood keep you from telling a good story. This next story comes under that category.

I have told you a few months ago about my friend, Bob Thompson, and where he lives just across the state line in Indiana. He is about 92 years old now and has slowed up a little, but he has led a very useful, active and varied life.

Back in WWII he served with the 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Div. He fought all over North Africa and then into Anzio and on up into northern Italy. The 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Div. had nearly 400 days of combat.

After he came home from the service in 1945 he worked in the construction business as a high rise steel worker. They mostly built bridges on highways in the Chicago area.

He was a very good sportsman, a good shot with a rifle and he won a lot of awards in archery. He worked long and hard in conservation of ecology and wildlife. For siblings he had three brothers and three pretty sisters. Most of them still live in Allen County.

Like I said, he is interested in ecology as he owns some acreage in Allen County and a spread up in Minnesota, in the Effie area.

Well, along about here the story gets fuzzy, and I'm not too sure about the authenticity of the following.

In the area of Effie there is the Big Fork River, it is about the size of the Flat Rock Creek in Paulding County. But just up the river from Bob's spread, there is a swift riffle and about a six to eight foot waterfall. It is very beautiful from any standpoint and in the last few years it has been made into a State Park, leaning toward the nature side.

Bob's spread is on both sides of the river about ¼ of a mile downstream from the falls. There is a family living in a house on one side but across the river is a small cabin. Over the years a large Oak tree has blown across the river and that tree is plenty wide to walk across from one side to another. But Bob didn't have any trouble walking across that tree trunk because he used to walk across those steel supports and girders when he worked construction.

In the small cabin was one big room, large enough for a few fisherman to eat and sleep and enjoy the wilds. About one hundred feet behind the cabin and into the forest was a two-hole outhouse (there wasn't any electricity within six miles of the place). Then right behind the privy was acres and acres of blueberry bog. Lots of people knew about the blueberries and came there often and so did the bears. A blueberry to a bear is like a french fry to a teenager.

Well, on this late afternoon Bob took a small plastic pail and went to the blueberry bog to get some for a pie. After Bob had about one third of a pail, he started for the cabin. As he came around from behind the outhouse, he spied a

medium sized bear between himself and the cabin.

"Oh, woe is me," Bob didn't have a weapon of any type—he had been picking berries. If that bear caught the odor of Bob's berries he would take them—and Bob.

So Bob slipped into the outhouse and watched the bear through a crack in the door. Bob has always been a good woodsman so he was nervous and excited but not scared yet. He knew not to try to outrun that bear. He had to think of something pretty soon, because of the big trees, it got dark early.

Bob made a little noise so the bear could hear him. He certainly didn't want to surprise that creature. Bob knows all about bears from Teddys to Browns, Blacks, Polars, Grizz and the Chicago's.

If said bear found out that Bob had a bucket of berries he would soon have them for himself and Bob knew all of this.

So Bob started out of the privy and walking a common pace toward the back door of the cabin. Old Man Bear watched Bob move to about half way to the cabin and then he made a few steps in that direction. Now Bob is getting a little concerned as he jolly well should be.

Bob is about half way to the cabin, Mr. Bear has moved to about 35-40 feet from Bob, who now realized that he was standing under a walnut tree with walnuts lying all over the area.

Now if you know anything about walnuts, you will know that after a walnut lays on the ground awhile, the outside shell or peeling will turn soft and the inside will become black and greasy and smelly.

So, Bob, remembering his baseball days, scooped up a good sized walnut and threw it right at the bear's head. The walnut hit Mr. Bear on the nose, right between the eyes. This over ripe shell smashed and sent black greasy crap right into both eyes. The bear gave a sharp grunt as his eyes were burning and he was rubbing them with both paws.

Our hero was running at top speed for the cabin and bolted through the back door and stood inside against the wall huffing and puffing and glad to be safe. But that wouldn't have been necessary as the bear turned and crashed through the woods back into the berry bog.

In a few minutes Bob walked across the fallen oak and up to the door of the house and handed the lady his bucket of blue berries. He said nonchalantly, "This is enough for a pie."

See Ya!

## THE GNADDENHUTTEN MASSACRE

By: Stan Jordan

Readers, if you have a weak stomach or a jittery disposition, I recommend that you don't read this column. Because it is true and leaves one of the worst blemishes on our early history. It is worse than the "The Battle of Wounded Knee" or the "Wagon Box Affair."

This happened in 1782 in Eastern, Central Ohio and sometimes is called the 'Moravian Massacre'. It took place around what is now Gnadenhutten and another place called New Schoenbrunn and Salem, Ohio. This is east of I-75 and a little south

of New Philadelphia about 60 miles west of the Ohio-Pennsylvania State Line.

Since the white man came to America and especially from 1730 to 1770 the Delaware Indians had been pushed out of their habitat and on westward to about the Coshocton, Ohio area and had settled down there.

While the American Revolution took place, the Delaware Indians were undecided on which side to take, if any. The area they settled in was in the middle between the American Forces in Pittsburgh and the British Forces in Detroit.

Among the Delawares was a number of Moravian Indian converts. The Moravian people had established churches and communities from Georgia all the way to upstate New York. All these people were forced to go more west and in 1770 they thought they could live with the native people from Europe and the other Indians who were not Christians yet. All these tribes wanted to build religious utopias.

When war started, the Delawares decided to fight against the Americans so they moved north to around Detroit and Sandusky. Those that wanted to help the United States remained in the Coshocton area. They signed a peace treaty in 1778 with the Americans that they hoped would come to be an Indian State inside the United States. The Moravian converts were in the group.

The Indian Chief, White Eyes, was murdered in 1778 by an American soldier and he was the negotiator of the Peace Treaty, so the Delawares at Coshocton joined the war against the Americans.

The town of Coshocton was burned down by the Americans in 1781 and the rest of the residents fled north. The Christian Indians at the Moravian villages remained unaffected as they were unarmed and non-combatant.

In 1781, the British and their Indian friends, the Wyandots, Hurons and Delawares forcibly removed the Christian Indians and missionaries from the Moravian Villages and took them north to a place on the Sandusky River.

At the new Sandusky village the Indians were starving to death so on February of 1782 about one hundred of them were allowed to return to their old Moravian villages and harvest the crops that they were forced to leave behind.

However, the brutal war was still going on and in March of 1782 a raiding party of 160 Pennsylvania Militia, under a Colonel David Williamson, went to that area to burn all that was left of the Moravian villages. They didn't want those places to be used by war parties as a headquarters.

It was later proved the raid was not approved by anyone above the Colonel. It was an expedition to destroy all the villages because they thought some raiding parties came out of them.

When the Militia arrived at Gnadenhutten on March 7<sup>th</sup> they told the Christian Indians they would be moved to Fort Pitt where it would be a lot safer. They collected some other Indians from the Salem area.

Instead of moving them they accused the Indians of taking part in some raids over by the border. This was all untrue and a made-up story. The Moravians were always known as peaceful and pacifists. The Moravians were valuable to America, but these bordermen were looking for scalps and loot.

Colonel Williamson held a council whether to take the Indians back to Fort Pitt or kill them here. Out of the 160 men only 18 voted to save them.

On the evening of the 7<sup>th</sup> the Indians were praying and singing because they knew it was their last day on earth. They didn't struggle or fight back, none resisted. The next morning the women and children were killed in one building and the men in another. The men and women, young and old, infants and babies were massacred. As they came into the slaughter house some were singing and praying the Word of God was on their lips as the mallet or the tomahawk crashed into their skulls. The dull crunch was sickening. This went on for hours and they just sat and waited their turn.

The more I think about this scene the queasier I get.

All the corpses were heaped inside the building and the entire town was burned to the ground as well as any other Moravian settlement in that area.

Two small boys survived the massacre and lived to report it along with most of their names.

The borderman who committed this revolting mess were treated like heroes when they returned to Fort Pitt.

This was used by the other tribes to get revenge against the Americans whenever and wherever they could. This situation never healed until after the war of 1812 was settled.

A Mr. Charles McKnight wrote the following lines about this sordid affair well over 100 years ago:

"This whole massacre leaves a stain of deepest dye on the page of American History. It was simply atrocious and execrable, a blistering disgrace to all concerned, utterly without excuse and incapable of defense."

See Ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Carlyle was a little slow and he was being home schooled by his mother. He was plenty sharp in lower school learnings as he watched those classes on the television.

His mother had a job in the afternoons with a medium sized company downtown doing book work. She was very good at her job and her boss was pretty lenient as he knew that sometimes she had to go home and check up on Carlyle.

She would call home in the afternoons and check up on Carlyle and to see how things were going. It was one of these calls that shook her a little. She called and asked Carlyle, "How are you doing?"

He answered, "Everything is okay. I've been watching the Smurfs and they are funny. Oh, yes, I caught me a troll."

The mom stared into the telephone a few moments and said, "You what?"

"I caught myself a troll." He replied.

So she played along with him and said, "What did you do with your troll?"

"I put him in the bedroom closet," said Carlyle.

"Well, can't he get loose and escape," asked mom.

"No, because I pushed the chest of drawers against the door," said the boy.

The mother thought, 'I don't understand what he has done so I better go home and check on him.' Like I said, she had done this before, go home in the middle of the afternoon and check on her boy. When she got home, Carlyle was deeply engrossed into a Smurf's episode.

He soon answered her question that everything was fine, just another afternoon on the tube.

Mom asked, "Well, what about this troll?"

"Oh, yes, I caught a troll and I will show you," said Carlyle.

So they made their way into the bedroom. "Here, let me move the chest of drawers."

Then he opened the closet door and stepped aside. His mother looked inside and to her amazement he had captured a dwarf!

This story was given to me by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Franklin

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# FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Chief Dog Warden

This week's featured pet is Twix. He is a seven month old mutt puppy. He is quite small and black, tan, and white. We have all looked at him for quite some time and we can't really narrow down what breed he resembles. Re-

gardless of his parentage, he is very cute and lovable and would make a great little buddy for anyone.

Also at the shelter we have Maisie, a golden retriever puppy; and Trevor, a big handsome black shepherd mix. New dogs end up at the shelter everyday. Be sure to check the website at [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com) for [www.adop-tapet.com](http://www.adop-tapet.com)

The shelter is open on Tuesdays from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Ticks seem to be very plentiful this spring. Be sure to check your dog over well if he has been out running in the woods or grassy area. Ear scratching and head shaking can be caused from a tick in the ear canal. Also be sure

to check between toes too! Those pesky bugs can hide anywhere. Frontline and Advantix can also be applied monthly to dogs to avoid ticks.

## SAFETY TIPS FOR MOTORISTS DURING PLANTING SEASON

By: Jim Lopshire, Paulding County Extension Educator

The spring planting season presents safety challenges on Paulding County roadways. Both motorists and farming personnel must share in the responsibility of preventing accidents on the road.

It's important that motorists understand that spring planting season is a heavy travel period for farm machinery on the roads. Farm machinery is typically moving at 25 mph or less so it is all too easy to come upon equipment much faster than expected. Farm machinery typically is not going to be on the road for long distances, so if a motorist can be patient chances are that farm machinery will turn off into a field or a home farm operation.

The Ohio Highway Patrol has several tips for motorists this planting season:

—Use caution when passing farm machinery. Farm machinery has a legal right to use public roads just as other motor vehicles.

—Farm machinery operators may not be able to see you because the large equipment or a load can block part of their rear view. If you can't see the driver, the driver can't see you.

—Remember farm vehicles and equipment typically do not travel more than 25 mph so motorists should slow down as soon as they see farm equipment on the roadways. Keep in mind that if you are driving at 55 mph and come upon a tractor that is traveling 15 mph, it will only take you five seconds to close a gap the length of a football field.

—Do not rush to pass farm machinery. Make sure no vehicles are coming the other

way. Some farm implements are extra wide or extra long, which motorists don't consider when they plan to pass. To avoid these types of accidents, do not assume that the farmer can move aside to let you pass.

—Watch for the SMV (slow moving vehicle) sign and reflective tape on most slowing moving agricultural equip-

ment

—Look for roadside obstacles such as mailboxes, bridges, or road signs that may cause the operator of the farm machinery to move to the center of the road.

Farmers can do their part by using lights and flashers at all times during the day and pull over to the side when

there is a safe road edge to do that and let traffic pass. If possible they should also avoid peak motor traffic times.

With common-sense, care and caution, motorists can reach their destinations safely, farmers can get their work done safely, and needless roadway injuries and fatalities can be avoided.

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Back (l to r) Juniors Steven Girlie and Desiree Delgado, King Casey Schaefer and Queen Kucera Hull, and Juniors Nick Berry and Vanessa Gordon



**Paulding High School Prom**  
From left: Senior Attendant Alicia Carnahan and Senior Escort Ben Wiswell; Queen Bridgett Black and King Dakota Vogel; Prince Beau Hahn and Princess Alyssa St. John; Junior Escort Wesley Zeller and Junior Attendant Taylor Dotson. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)



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### Prom

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The couple arrived in a Dodge Sierra 4x4.

Karina Bates and John Sailer are both Juniors at Hicksville. Karina dress came from Angola, IN, and John's tux from Bridal Village, Hicksville. Her flowers were from the Posey Peddler, and her hair was done by Creative Hair, Hicksville. Karina's mother did her nails.

A fantastic meal was served at the prom for the students.

**Grecian Gardens Cruise Ship at Antwerp High School**  
Antwerp's prom took place at Grant's Reception Hall.

Jake Reinhart, a Senior, came with date, Samantha Smith, a Freshman. Her flowers came from Marilyn's Petals & Vines, and her hair was done by Keystone Hair Salon in Antwerp. Samantha's nails were done at the Nail Stop in Fort Wayne. Her dress came from David's Bridal, Fort Wayne. Jake's Tux was rental from Louie's Tux Shop in Fort Wayne. They couple enjoyed a dinner at Casa Grill, Fort Wayne. They arrived at Grant's in style in a Volkswagon Golf.

Brock Bell, a Senior arrived in a 2009 Sierra with Freshman Rachel Stewart. She had on a gorgeous dress from Peaches in Chicago, IL. Brock's tux was rented from the Bridal Village in Hicksville. Rachel got her hair done by Keystone Hair Salon in Antwerp and had her nails done by Golden Nails. They also enjoyed dinner at Casa

Grill.

Senior Casey Schaefer came with Junior Harley Miller. She bought her dress at Deb's in Fort Wayne and he rented his tux at Louie's Tux Shop in Fort Wayne. Harley had her hair done by Clip-n-Tan in Woodburn and her nails done by her mother, Donna Miller. They dined out at Applebees, and arrived at the prom in a '03 Sierra Truck.

### Mock Crash

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friend would be disabled for life? What if, what if—what if you had to spend a good portion of your life in jail?

Paulding County Fairgrounds was the site for a mock accident, April 30 at 1:00 p.m. Students from all three county schools were in attendance.

The crash was a set up. The kids had been to a party, drinking. They left because they heard the cops were coming. They took their beer with them. They t-boned a car, the driver had on a seat belt, she was bloody and shook up. She was able to get out and she tried to get her friends to respond to her. She ended up trying to run away several times. The front seat passenger (male) ended up on the top of the other car... dead. The crash ended up with three young people dead and one was life flighted. The driver was taken away in a police car. The dead were laid out on the road with sheets over them until the living were taken care of, after which the dead were put into body bags and taken away for their last journey here on earth.

Does the mock crash do any good? Does it have an impact? Will you drink and drive, or will you think, 'Is it worth it?'

## PEVS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/5 THROUGH 5/11

### MS/HS - Breakfast:

5/5 - Sausage, egg & cheese muffin, juice, milk

5/6 - French toast sticks, sausage links, juice, milk

5/7 - Sausage gravy w/biscuits, juice, milk

5/10 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

5/11 - Sausage, egg burrito w/sauce, juice, milk

### MS/HS - Lunch:

5/5 - Italian dunkers w/ marinara sauce or Breaded chicken w/bun, green beans, assorted fruit, milk

5/6 - Ham & cheese stromboli, vegetable soup, assorted fruit, milk

5/7 - Chili dog w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

5/10 - Chicken fajitas or Cheeseburger w/bun, cheesy tators, assorted fruit, milk

5/11 - Teriyaki chicken salad, bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

### Paulding

- Breakfast:

5/5 - Assorted cereals or cereal bar, graham crackers, juice or applesauce, milk

5/6 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice or applesauce, milk

5/7 - Muffin, graham crackers, applesauce, milk

5/10 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice or applesauce, milk

5/11 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice or applesauce, milk

### Paulding

- Lunch:

5/5 - Chicken strips, whipped potatoes, gravy/bread, assorted fruit, milk

5/6 - Pizza, corn, fruit, milk

5/7 - BBQ pork w/bun, oven potatoes, fruit, milk

5/10 - Hamburger w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

5/11 - Sack lunch for field day: PB&J sandwich, mini carrots, apple, milk

(Packed lunch is available daily as an alternative)

### Oakwood

- Breakfast:

5/5 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

5/6 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk

5/7 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

5/10 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

5/11 - Warm cinnamon roll, fruit, milk

### Oakwood

- Lunch:

5/5 - Ham sub, baked beans, potato chips, fruit, milk

5/6 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy/bread, fruit, milk

5/7 - Taco in a bag, lettuce, cheese, fruit, milk

5/10 - Cheese bread stick w/sauce, lettuce salad, fruit, milk

5/11 - Chicken & noodles, whipped potatoes, bread, milk, fruit

(Packed lunch is available daily as an alternative.)

## ROTARY INBOUNDS

### By: Hayley Feichter

I don't know how much you may know about the Rotary International Youth exchange Program, but it's the best and cheapest program for students, hands down. With the Rotary program you have so much support from the families, the hosting Rotary Club, and other students who are also inbounds as well as the returning exchange students, known as Rebounds.

While you are on exchange you are hosted by a Rotary Club that is in a Ro-

tary District. For example, I am in District 1830. There are other students from all over the world who are also hosted by clubs in District 1830. These students, including myself, are called Inbounds. In my district, we have 19 Inbounds altogether. Countries represented with in that group are: Mexico (two students), Argentina (three), Canada (one), Spain (one), Japan (one), Australia (one), Taiwan (two), Brazil (two), and of course, USA (six).

These 18 other Inbounds are the best people you could ever meet! They are so supportive! The great thing about having the other inbounds as friends is they know exactly what you are going through. You are not alone. In the beginning and again during the holidays, when homesickness hit us all, we clung to each other and pulled each other through the tough times. It works out to be the best support system for inbounds.

Rotary districts coordinate several "Rotex Weekends" where all the Inbounds and Rebounds get together in a city for some planned activities and time together. Our most recent weekend was in Munich. Through these weekends, we've bonded together so close and become a family. They will forever be my life-long friends from all corners of the world! My two closest friends are Americans and we already have plans to get together when we get back to the States.

The really great thing about the Inbounds is you get to learn not only about the German culture, but also about each of their cultures. Because most of them speak English, communication has never been a problem. And by this time in the year, we just all speak German! I now have a whole group of friends that will be from one end of the world to the other and I love it! Exchange students are the future!



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## BULLDOGS OVERTAKE RAIDERS IN VARSITY BASEBALL



Wayne Trace took on Edgerton at home Thursday, April 29. It was another close game for the baseball team who had great hits and a fantastic double play in the 4th inning. The Raiders ended up falling to the Bulldogs 9-8. Shown here is junior Gage Critten hitting the ball to between short stop and second. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)



The Lady Raiders also took on the Bulldogs Thursday night. Unlike the boys, the ladies pulled off a win of 3-0 against Edgerton in a fantastic win. Shown here is senior Ashley King sliding back into first after leading off. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

On Thursday, April 29, Wayne Trace hosted Edgerton for varsity baseball. It was a slow start for both sides with only 1 run scored by Wayne Trace in the 1st and no other until the 4th inning. Both teams then stayed together until the Bulldogs pulled ahead in the 6th inning taking 5 runs. Edgerton took the win home to Bulldog country: 9-8.

Line score:  
Edgerton - 0 0 0 1 1 5 2=9  
WT - 1 0 0 1 2 2 2=8  
Edgerton pitcher, Newman, had 1 strike outs, 13 hits allowed, and 2 walks

Wayne Trace pitcher, Andrew Horner, had 6 strike outs, 9 hits allowed, and 5 walks

Edgerton hitters - Flegal (1B), Knecht (1B), Nichells (2B), Radabough (1B), Schroeder (HR), Mchaey (HR), Elliott (HR, 1B), Newman (1B)

Wayne Trace hitters - Dasher (2 singles & double), Jerome (single), A Horner (2 singles), Critten (single), Duer (2 singles), Haney (3 singles),

Willborn (single)

Wayne Trace's GMC record now stands at 2-4; and overall record now is 3-14.

### RAIDERS SLAM BIG GREEN

Wayne Trace and Ottoville clashed bats on 4/28 in varsity baseball action. The Raiders started the game with a strong lead, with the Big Green catching up toward the end of the game, the the win went to the Raiders by the end of the 7th: 11-6.

Line Score:  
Ottoville - 1 0 0 0 3 1 1=6  
WT - 1 3 1 1 5 0 0=11

Winning pitcher: Ashton Duer with 3 strike outs, 5 hits allowed, and 5 walks

Losing pitcher: Honiford with 4 strike outs, 7 hits allowed, and 5 walks

Game hitters:  
WT - D Horner (2 singles), A Speice (single & 2 doubles), A Duer (2 singles & double), D Haney (double & single)

Ottoville - Delong (3B), Schimmoeller (1B), Wehri (1B), Markward (1B)

## THE JETS GET A WIN OVER WOODLAN

By: Jeff Abbott

The lead-off batters reached base and came around and scored for Adams Central to help the Jets get a 7-4 win over Woodlan in ACAC boys' baseball conference action at Warrior Field. Ben Mishler and Nathan Busse each scored a pair of runs for Adams Central. Mack McClain pitched 5 innings for the Jets, allowing just 3 hits and striking out 11. Jason Maier had a pair of doubles for the Warriors and Colby Kirkwood had a hit and scored for Woodlan.

Line score:  
Adams Central - 2 0 2 2 1 0 0=7 6 1  
Woodlan - 0 0 1 0 0 3 0=4 4 3

## CARR LEADS PILOTS OVER ARCHERS ON THE MOUND AND AT THE PLATE

By: Josh Hahn



The Antwerp Archers took on the Ayersville Pilots Tuesday evening in a Green Meadows Conference matchup at Archer Field. The Pilots were lead to a 5-2 victory over the Archers by Austin Carr. Carr pitched well on the mound, throwing a complete game and only allowing three hits and two walks.

Ayersville did most of their damage in the second inning when they piled four runs on the Archers. After a lead-off walk and back-to-back bunt singles, the Pilots had the bases loaded when an untimely Archer error put their first runs on the board. The rally was capped off when Austin Carr helped his own cause with a two RBI double. The Pilots extended the score to 5-0 in the fifth inning.

The Archers threatened to come back in the sixth inning when they took advantage of a Pilot error and scored two runs on a Mike Stuart single, but it was too little, too late. The Pilots went on to win 5-2. The Archers fell to 6-10 on the season while the Pilots extended their record to 5-14.

Pitching:  
Antwerp - B. North L, 7 H, 2 BB, 6 K, 4 ER  
Ayersville - A. Carr W, 3 H, 2 BB, 4 K, 1 ER  
Hitting:  
Antwerp - Kobee, Single; North, Single; Stuart- Single, RBI

Ayersville - Carr, Double, 2 RBI; Flint, Double, Single, Run; Roth, 2 Singles, RBI, Run

## PAULDING RESERVOIR SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

### Mens Tuesday Night

1. BWV 2-0
2. Pitstop/Lee Kinstle 3-0
3. MPR/Wesleys 2-0
4. Larsons Body Shop 2-1
5. Hitmen 1-1
6. Hoffman Builders 1-2
7. Gorrell Auctioneers 1-2
8. Guilfords 0-3

9. Dooley Funeral Home 0-3
10. Alliance 3-0
11. Antwerp Pharmacy 2-1
12. Lafarge 2-1
13. Country Cabinets 1-1
14. Grace Home Improvements 1-2
15. Nemco 1-2
16. Nasty Habits 1-1
17. Haviland Tile 1-2
18. Budweiser 0-2

## ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/5 THROUGH 5/11

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

Lunch:  
5/5 - Chicken nuggets or Turkey pot pie, tator tots, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Brownie

5/6 - Cold ham w/cheese & pickles or Salisbury steak on bun, corn, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cheesy bread sticks

5/7 - Chicken quesadilla or Ham salad sandwich, celery, cake w/strawberries, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

5/10 - Mini corndogs or BBQ ribs on bun, peas, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pie

5/11 - Hamburger w/cheese & pickles or Fish on bun, diced potatoes, jello w/fruit, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

Menu is subject to change at any time.

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

## AREA HIGH SCHOOL TRACK TRI-MEET



Antwerp, Paulding & Hicksville were at Hicksville in a Track Meet Thursday, April 29. Shown here is Paulding's Drew Burnett jumping in the long jump.

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# PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS

## MAY 2010 NEWSLETTER



### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

It is difficult to believe there is just a month left in the 2009-2010 school year. Although the calendar indicates the year is winding down, we are actually very busy with end of the year activities. Awards programs, concerts and student programs highlight the month of May. Please check the district calendar and support our students with your attendance at these celebrations. Our last day of school will be May 24, unless we have an additional calamity day.

May 2-8 is National Teacher Appreciation Week with Tuesday, May 4 designated as National Teacher Day. Please take time during this week to thank a teacher who made a difference in your life. We are proud of our teachers and believe they make a difference in the lives of children every day.

The Class of 2010 will celebrate Commencement on May 30 at 2:30 as our 122<sup>nd</sup> graduating class from Paulding High School. The ceremony will be in the high school gymnasium. We congratulate our senior class on their many accomplishments in reaching this milestone and wish them the best as they continue on a journey of lifelong learning.

Yours in Education,  
Pat Ross

### NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

#### Paulding Elementary-Wendy Nashu

Wow! What a quick year! I have so enjoyed getting to know so many students and parents this year. I have learned that Paulding Elementary is a warm and wonderful place to be. We have one month to go for the 2009-2010 school year. The month of May will prove to be just as busy as the rest of the year. We all need to keep focused and continue to work toward better academic skills. Thank you parents for keeping the children focused and reminding them that school is not out yet.

It is still important with spring weather here to remember to prepare for changes in temperature throughout the day. Please make sure that your child is prepared for an increase or drop in temperature. Dressing in layers assists with this preparation. I know students like to wear flip flops but they need to remember to bring tennis shoes and socks with them to wear to recess and to PE. I also know that students love to wear shorts to school. Please make sure the shorts are of a reasonable length. You will probably be finding out how much your child has grown in height with bringing the shorts out to wear. Please check the length of shorts before sending them to school.

The classes have been walking daily ever since we had our last professional development day. We all learned of the benefits of taking 10 minutes out the day for a walk along with much other health information. I have heard many positive comments from the students and teachers about their experiences with walking. You may wish to try this in the evening after a long day at work. You will find that it increases a positive feeling and the benefits for your body are great as well. A family walk before doing homework may very well improve a productive homework time and is great for stress release. I hope you try to work it in to your schedule.

April brought us many assessments from the state of Ohio for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. I am pleased to report that students have been very positive and working hard all year to develop skills in all academic areas. I know they worked hard and kept a positive outlook throughout the tests and truly appreciate their efforts. This is a one-time snap-shot of their skills so their best efforts are to be applauded.

You still can stop in and pay school fees if you haven't done so this year. Notes went home earlier in the year with the amount owed. If you are uncertain of the amount owed please give the Paulding Elementary office a call and we can let you know what is owed. You may write checks to: Paulding Elementary.

Field day is May 11 and each class will choose a color to wear for the day. The teachers will let your child know what the color is for the day for their grade level. Your student will be asked to wear any shirt or t-shirt they have with their class color.

Our staff would like to send out a big THANK YOU to all the volunteers who help us out throughout the school year. We hope you were able to make it to our Volunteer Reception. We have had several volunteers for events at the school, our dedicated PTO volunteers, Project More volunteers and people who come and assist in a certain classroom throughout the year. You make a difference for our students when you volunteer. The generous volunteers that give of their time and talents are so needed and appreciated. Thank you and please come back next year. If you are interested in volunteering please let the school office know by leaving

your name and contact number.

There are four experienced staff who are retiring this year. Nancy Edens, Title I, Jan Kohart, kindergarten, Karen Walker, fourth grade and Marcia Wiebe, second grade have provided excellence in the classroom for many years. I wish them all much happiness and continued success. They will be missed by both students and staff. Thank you for your years of service.

I would like to thank all the people of Paulding and my staff. You have all been very encouraging and welcoming in my first year here at Paulding Elementary. We will all continue to grow together, getting better and continue to support one another to provide the best learning experiences for our students. Thank you! Mrs. Nashu, Principal

#### Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz

Hello from Oakwood Elementary on a rainy spring morning! Students and staff, alike, are hoping the skies will clear in time for outdoor recess. Believe me when I tell you that things just go smoother in an elementary school when students are able to go outside for a few minutes during the school day!

Oakwood Elementary students will have completed their Ohio Achievement Assessments by the time you read this newsletter. The OAAs measure our students' understanding of the curriculum adopted by the State of Ohio and our school district. We are confident our students are capable of performing well on these tests and have encouraged them to take the time to give the best possible answers, allowing him/herself to shine. Parents will receive results of the assessments in late June.

On April 13, Trent Church, Henry Hohenberger, Savannah Mason, Samantha Meggison, Mei Tenwalde and Jaycie Varner represented Oakwood Elementary at the Paulding County Battle of the Books Competition. This team of sixth graders had won the right to advance to the County B.O.B. by earning first place at the Oakwood Elementary competition. The Battle of the Books program is sponsored by the Paulding County Carnegie Library and several area businesses to promote a love of reading and to encourage students to read a variety of books. Thank you to the PCCL librarians for organizing this event.

Students at Oakwood Elementary were issued a challenge on April 9 by our building Wellness Committee. We challenged our 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> graders to walk/run a marathon and our kindergarten thru 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to complete a half marathon before the end of the school year. Each day during recess and class walks, students can walk or run a few laps around our playground and keep track of those laps on charts in their classrooms. It takes six laps to make a mile and 26 miles to complete a marathon. Many of our students have decided to accept the marathon challenge, and several have already completed all of the required miles. It has been great to see the determination of our kids to meet and exceed the marathon goal! If you are in our building the next few weeks, look for their names on our marathon wall-of-fame!

We begin the month of May with our Right-To-Read Week (May 3-7). The theme this year is "Go Bananas-Read A Book." We look forward to several special guests and events during our celebration of reading. Oakwood Elementary welcomes community celebrities who will be reading to our children throughout the week. On Tuesday and Wednesday, classes have been invited to visit the Cooper Community Library. On Thursday, we will welcome Mrs. Sandy Dobbeleire, PHS art teacher, as our illustrator-in-residence. She will work with our students on creating illustrations to go along with stories they hear or write. On Friday, magician Stephen Knight will bring us a special program entitled "Respect Is A Magic Word." Throughout the week, students will be challenged to read more than ever and activities will be taking place to foster a genuine love for reading. Thanks to our Title I Reading teachers, Debbie Carter and Anna Lamb, for coordinating Right-To-Read Week.

Please mark your calendar for Monday, May 31. Our third graders will once again present a wonderful tribute to all who have served to protect our great country. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Memorial Day program will begin at 10:00 in our café/gym and will conclude at the Oakwood Park. Again, we invite you to join us for this program; and please extend our special invitation to all members of the U.S. Military, current and veteran.

Thank you for your support this year, it has gone so fast! Our students experience the most success when they have the school, the family and the community in their corner.

#### Middle School-David Stallkamp

Hello from Paulding Middle School! We are just like everyone else. The year is winding down rather quickly. These last few weeks will be very busy.

Testing has taken place. Our 6th graders were tested in Reading and Math. Our 7th graders also took the Reading and Math portions of these tests, while the 8th grade did Reading, Math, and Science. I thank all staff, students and parents for the attendance

and efforts with the week of testing. It is nice to keep make up tests to a minimum.

Our JH sports teams are doing very well. Congratulations to our track, baseball and softball teams for the seasons they are having. Thank you for so many of you getting involved in middle school activities.

Congratulations go out to the Paulding Middle School "Battle of the Books" team comprised of Allison Harpel, Matthew Martinez, Emilee Ringler, Taylor Manz, Victoria Bradford and Megan Reineck. Our team WON the Paulding County Battle of the Books competition defeating teams from throughout the county schools. Great job, team!

Congratulations also go out to the Paulding Middle School Science Olympiad team. They recently participated in the State Science Olympiad competition at Ohio State University and finished 29<sup>th</sup> out of over 200 teams. Finishing in the top ten were Katie Carnahan, Ellie Miller and Allison Harpel. Special congratulations to Laurel Wehrkamp for finishing FIRST PLACE in her competition - "Compute This."

On Friday, May 7, our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be treated to a high school Extracurricular Fair. They will see all of the offerings they have a chance to participate in once they get to high school. I strongly encourage all present day 8<sup>th</sup> graders to get involved in something in high school next year.

May 12-14 our 8<sup>th</sup> graders that chose to participate will be taking a class trip to Springfield, Illinois, to the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln. On the return trip they will visit Chicago and Notre Dame. Sounds like a great time.

May 14, our 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be taking a field trip to the Toledo Art Museum. Mrs. Favorito once again received a grant from Target that allows us this fantastic learning experience. We thank Target for their support and acceptance of our application.

Our annual Paulding Middle School Award's Day will be held in the high school gym on Wednesday, May 19, starting at noon. It is always a great day when we honor our students for all of their hard work. Last year we passed out over 350 awards to our very deserving students. It looks like we will hit that number or better again this year.

Eighth grade graduation is tentatively set for Monday, May 24, at 1:00 p.m. in the high school gym. In the event of a school cancellation between now and then, please keep in mind that 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation will ALWAYS be held the last day of school.

Thank you for all of your support of Paulding Middle School. Please stay on your children to remain focused on school up until we dismiss on May 24. Spring fever hits all of us. We cannot afford to lose any days of instruction before summer vacation.

#### High School-Todd Harmon

Paulding High School would like to thank all the junior class parents for creating a safe and fun after prom environment for students to enjoy. Thanks to junior class advisor Carolyn Connelly for once again organizing a great prom. PHS would also like to thank Shannon Foltz from the local EMS and Officer Scott Mersham for organizing the Mock Crash to help remind students to make good decisions for prom and graduation. It is great to see all of our local police, fire department and medical services take part in such a monumental task to keep our students at Paulding, Wayne Trace and Antwerp safe from destructive decisions.

PHS' Science Olympiad team competed at state tournaments. Congratulations to Savannah Roughton for placing first in the state for the segment "Compute This". We again would like to thank Jeanne Windsor and Kristina Williams for their part in preparing students for this terrific learning experience. Paulding High School would like to thank the members of FFA and their advisors Sarah Noggle and Brian Merce for creating a wonderful banquet where many students were recognized for positive achievements.

Some of the events that will be taking place prior to graduation, which will be held at 2:30 in the high school gym on May 30, are the senior awards on May 11 at 1:00 and underclassmen awards on May 11 at 7:30. The final band concert for the year will be May 16 at 3:00 and the final choir concert will be May 18 at 8:00.

Paulding High School wants to cheer on the efforts of the softball and baseball teams as they compete for the NWC title and cheer on the track team and their coaching staff for their efforts as they prepare students for state competition. Mid-terms went out and it is important for graduating seniors to have all fees paid and passing needed coursework to be part of the graduation ceremony. Student attendance is mandatory on May 28 at 8:30 for breakfast and practice at 9:00 in the high school gym. Thanks to all the parents and community members for their support.

#### SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK

Paulding Exempted Village Schools recently practiced their Spring Safe Schools Week. We feel all students and staff need to be prepared in case of emergencies in the school

environment. Yes, we practice the mandatory fire drill each month and the mandated tornado drills during that environmental time period, but are you aware the Ohio Revised Code mandates each school district to practice lock down safety drills at least one time per school year? Once is never enough when your child's safety is concerned. During the drills at Oakwood Elementary School, the Oakwood Fire Department volunteers observed and assisted with the drills every day. The fire drill exercise had students practicing exiting different exits. The normal exits were blocked forcing the students and teachers to alter their exit route while evacuating the building in a different location. Each year the student get better and better in their ability to exit the buildings and in their preparedness of safety. Once again, a big thank you to the student body and staff for the great practice sessions.

#### SUMMER BASKETBALL

Our school district, under the direction of Coach Brewer, will be offering a boys' basketball program this summer. Forms will be sent home with students in May and additional forms will be available in any of the school offices. Please contact Coach Brewer at 419-399-4656, ext. 1147 with questions.

#### ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

Physicals for athletic participants will be held on June 8, 2010 at the high school. The cost of the physicals will be \$15, payable to Dr. Kuhn. The schedule of physicals is as follows; however, if any student cannot come at the scheduled time, or would like to come with a sibling, they can come anytime from 8:00-11:00 a.m. or 12:30-3:00 p.m.  
HS Boys 8-9:30am HS Girls 12:30-1:30pm  
MS Boys 9:30-1am MS Girls 1:30-3pm

#### SPORTS ELIGIBILITY

Parents of student-athletes are reminded that students who plan to participate in a fall sport next school year must meet the eligibility requirements in this current 4th nine-week grading period to be eligible next fall. High school athletes must maintain a 1.0 GPA and be passing five one-hour courses. Junior high athletes must maintain a 1.0 GPA and be passing 75% of their courses.

#### ATHLETIC CALENDAR

##### JH Boys/Girls Track

May 3	Crestview/WayneTr @ Ottoville	4:30
May 4	Defiance @ Tinora	4:30
May 7	NWC Meet @ Spencerville	4:15

##### Varsity Boys/Girls Track

May 4	Delphos Jefferson-H	4:30
May 6	Fairview-H	4:30
May 10	Wayne Trace Relays-T	4:30
May 13	NWC @ Spencerville	4:30
May 15	NWC @ Spencerville	10:00
May 17	Antwerp @ Wayne Trace	4:30

##### JV Baseball

May 3	Wayne Trace-T	4:30
May 7	Antwerp-T	5:00
May 11	Fairview-T	4:30
May 13	Miller City-T	4:30
May 14	Crestview-H	5:00
May 17	JV Tournament @ Antwerp	TBA
May 20	JV Tournament @ Antwerp	TBA

##### Varsity Baseball

May 3	Allen East-H	5:00
May 4	Ada-H	5:00
May 6	Bluffton-T	5:00
May 7	Antwerp-H	5:00
May 10	Van Wert-H	5:00
May 11	Shawnee-H	5:00
May 13	Napoleon-H	5:00
May 14	Hicksville-T	5:00
May 15	Bryan-T	6:00

##### JV Softball

May 7	Shawnee-T	5:00
May 8	Spencerville (DH)-T	12:00
May 10	Elida-H	5:00
May 11	Wayne Trace-H	4:30
May 14	Fairview-T	4:30

##### Varsity Softball

May 3	Allen East-H	5:00
May 4	Ada-H	5:00
May 6	Bluffton-T	5:00
May 7	Shawnee-T	5:00
May 10	Tinora-H	5:00
May 11	Fairview-T	4:30
May 13	Defiance-H	4:30
May 14	Elida-H	5:00

#### DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

May 3-7	OakEl Right-to-Read Week	
May 5	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
May 6	OakEl Team Nutrition Parent Academy	6:00p
May 10-14	PE Right-to-Read Week	
May 11	Senior Awards Program-Aud.	1:00
May 11	PE Field Day	
May 11	Underclassmen Awards Prog.-Aud.	7:30
May 12	OakEl April Student/Month Lunch	
May 12	Baccalaureate-Auditeria	7:00
May 12-14	8th Grade Class Trip	
May 13	PE Music Program-Auditeria	7:30-8:30
May 16	HS Band Concert-Auditeria	3:00
May 18	Choir Concert-Auditeria	8:00
May 18	Board Meeting-Admin. Bldg.	7:00
May 18-19	Senior Exams	
May 19	MS Awards Program-HS Gym	12:00
May 19	OakEl 6th Gr Awards Program	9:15a
May 19	Last Day of School for Seniors	
May 20	OakEl Kdg(A) Program	2:30
May 20-22	HS Exams	
May 20	OakEl Kdg(B) Program	2:15
May 21	PE 4th Gr. Incentive Day	
May 24	8th Grade Graduation-HS Gym	1:00
May 24	Last Day of School for Students	
May 28	HS Grad. Practice-9:00 (Breakfast-8:30)	
May 25-26	Calamity Make-up Days if Needed	
May 30	HS Graduation-HS Gym	2:30
May 31	OakEl 3rd Gr Memorial Day Prog	10:00
May 31	HS Band Memorial Serv-Live Oak followed by performance on court house lawn	

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# Paulding County's Students of the Month

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Paulding County has great students and we want to recognize them and their achievements. Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative, Inc. has teamed up with the West Bend News to bring you this information. We will be delivering different schools' students each month from OUR county. Congratulations to these young people!



Stephanie Donaldson is this month's Paulding Student of the Month. Stephanie has been very active in school and community. She has participated in volleyball and track all four years of high school. Her Sophomore year she was awarded "Most Improved Field Event" and her junior year "Most Valuable Field Event" in track. Other school activities have been Marching, Symphonic and Pep band and Solo and Ensemble all four years. She was awarded "Senior Marcher of the Year". Her sophomore year she was chosen to represent Paulding at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference.

In the community Stephanie has been a member of the Happy Bunch 4-H club and Junior Leaders, helps instruct CARTEENS once every other month and has been a 4-H camp counselor for the past four years. Another organization she has been involved with is Paulding County Leadership in Action. Lastly, she is very active in her church and helps with the "Good Friday" fish fry and "Thank God It's Free", a clothing give-away.

Stephanie has taken upper level classes in school and has maintained a GPA of 3.89 or higher throughout her high school years. After she graduates she will be attending The University of Findlay and majoring in Mathematics in Preparation for Actuarial Science to secure a position as an Actuary for an insurance company.

Ruger Goeltzenleuchter is a fifth grade student in Mrs. Saylor's class. He is the son of Chad and Lisa Goeltzenleuchter of Payne, and has an older sister Ashley. Ruger is a wonderful student and has discovered his love of reading this year. He has earned 114 points in his school AR program. Ruger enjoys football and baseball. His favorite subject is social studies. "I have really enjoyed having Ruger as a student this year," said Mrs. Saylor. "I am so proud of this accomplishments!" Ruger will represent Divine Mercy Catholic School at an upcoming Fort Wayne Tin Caps game, by receiving a reading award.



Sydney Critten is a 6th grader at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary. She is the daughter of Craig and Angie Critten. Sydney is a great kid that gives 100% to everything she does, 100% of the time. She said that she will miss 6th grade a lot and she will definitely be missed as she leaves for Wayne Trace Junior High this fall. Her favorite subject in school is Social Studies.

Sydney is active in softball. She enjoys reading, shopping, dancing and listening to music when she is outside of school. Anytime anyone needs help doing something, Miss Critten is one of the first to volunteer to assist. When she was asked what she liked most about being a sixth grader she liked the fact that she was allowed to grow up and be treated like an adult. When she does become an adult she wants to attend Northwestern and eventually be a marine biologist.

Victoria Ryan is a 6th grader at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary. She is the daughter of Holly and Marc Ryan. Victoria has four sisters and one brother. Her favorite subject in school is math. She plays basketball, and in her spare time she likes to read, play basketball and earn money.



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## ANTWERP V.E.T.S. CIVIL WAR "L" LISTING

This week our list is the "L" list of our Civil War Veterans: Milo J Lamb, Wesley Lambert, Austin Lamphier, Benjamin Lasher, Christiam Leichty, William M Leichty, James A Leigh, John L Lopper, Adam Lewis, Samuel F Lightner, Frank Long, Jarvis Long, Joseph L Longberry, Owen T Longberry, David Luce, William Luce, Dewight Lynn, Benjamin Lysher

Next week we will list all of the "M" names. We are getting close to having the funds we need to complete the Memorial. If you have been thinking about donating now would be a great time.

## ODOT URGES NO PHONES IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES

The Ohio Department of Transportation is joining forces with celebrity Oprah Winfrey to urge "No Phones in Construction Zones" as part of Oprah's first National No Phone Zone Day that was featured on her national television talk show Friday, April 30, 2010.

"With all the variables in work zones—the cones, signs, equipment and workers—it's even more important to pay attention, slow down and hang up the phone in the cone zone," said ODOT Director Jolene M. Molitoris. "Simply putting down the phone while traveling through construction zones could help save lives."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Oprah.com, a recent study found that 71 percent of people between the ages of 18 and 49 admit to texting or talking on the phone while driving.

This year, Ohio safety experts are taking special aim at motorists who are using cell phones while driving through highway construction zones.

In 2009, there were 5,012 crashes in work zones along Ohio's roadways. 13 people lost their lives. While the numbers are down from the year before, it still represents one work zone crash every two hours in Ohio.

With more than 1600 transportation construction projects underway this summer—with projects in every county in the state—safety experts say it's even more critical that drivers be alert, avoid distractions such as cell phone, and follow posted speed limits when traveling through construction zones.

An ODOT analysis shows that the causes of most work zone related crashes are speeding, vehicles following too close together, and drivers making improper lane changes.

To help drivers safely navigate Ohio's historic construction season, ODOT is offering the latest information on all of the construction projects in Ohio that might impact travel on www.BuckeyeTraffic.org. ODOT's premier website offers up-to-the-minute road conditions and details on highway construction projects in every area of the state.

## "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": THREE EXCITING HOUSES – ONE GREAT NIGHT!



The new Vantage Carpentry House project at 1275 Madison Ave.



The Building & Grounds Renovation projects at 408 and 410 N. Race St.

Mark your calendars – on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, you will have the chance to check out three different Vantage building projects from 4:00–7:00 p.m.

This year's Vantage Carpentry house is a 2,085 square foot home is located at 1275 Madison Avenue in the Washington Place subdivision in Van Wert.

Highlights of the home include a gathering room/kitchen with 10 foot ceilings, three bedrooms (the master bedroom has a coffered ceiling), 2½ baths, a laundry room with mop sink, custom organized closets, and an attached 3-car garage with interior steps to the full, unfinished basement. The outside of the house boasts a beautiful painted front door with side lights and a brick front with vinyl siding.

The custom oak cabinets were built and installed by the junior Carpentry students. The senior Electricity students installed all the wiring for the house.

The Vantage Building and Grounds Maintenance class has two renovation projects for you to see.

A great starter home at 408 N. Race Street with about 1500 square feet has three

bedrooms, two baths, a large kitchen with dining area and two skylights, a family room and back deck. In addition to the large backyard, the heating and air conditioning systems, waterlines and sewer lines are all new. New vinyl siding and a large wrap around front and side porch give this property great curb appeal. This home may be available for property tax incentives that would greatly reduce the property tax amount for ten years.

The house next door at 410 N. Race Street is still in construction mode, but will be available in early 2011. This three bedroom, 1500 square foot home will also have two bathrooms, a large family room, a kitchen with dining area and plenty of storage. There will be new central air conditioning and a heat pump system, along with new sewer and waterlines.

Both houses have been completely revamped from the original designs and have room in the large backyards to erect a garage with access from the alley behind the houses.

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## WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/5 THROUGH 5/11

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5/5 – Pancakes, sausage, milk, juice  
5/6 – Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, milk, juice  
5/7 – Waffles, sausage, milk, juice  
5/10 – Pizza, milk, juice  
5/11 – Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk, juice  
**Lunch:**  
5/5 – Nacho chips, meat/cheese, salsa/sour cream, green beans, pears, milk  
5/6 – Mac/cheese, mini corn dogs, fruit crisp, milk  
5/7 – Walking taco, meat/cheese/lettuce/salsa/sour cream, corn, applesauce, milk  
5/10 – Breaded chicken sandwich, fries, pineapple, milk  
5/11 – French toast sticks, hash browns, sausage links, 100% orange juice, milk

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# WT 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS TEST OUT THEIR GREEN THUMBS



Wayne Trace 8<sup>th</sup> grade students recently landscaped the school grounds. They trimmed bushes and trees, and placed stone around landscaping in front of the High School entrance and Board of Education entrance. Those 8<sup>th</sup> graders pictured above include: front row – Lukus Dull, Garrett Zinser, Yessica Prieto,

Audrey Smith, Lexy Rhodes, Jodi Willitzer, Danielle Miles, Becca Ankney, Kayla Thompson and Chyanna Zuber. Back row – Jacob Schlosser, Sean Durre, Lucas Leverton, Erid Hicks, Alex Korte, Dalton Miles, Cody Hibbard, Jon Upole, Brandon Zartman, and James Schlosser.

## ODOT URGES DRIVERS TO LOOK UP, HANG UP, AND GO 'SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE'

Aimed at reducing the 5,000 accidents in construction zones last year, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is urging drivers to look up, hang up cell phones, and go "slow for the cone zone" during this summer's historic construction season.

ODOT is joining departments of transportation in all 50 states to recognize National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week, a coast-to-coast

effort to reduce accidents in highway construction zones.

Safety experts are taking special aim this year at motorists who are using cell phones while driving through work zones.

"There are a lot of variables in work zones—the cones, signs, equipment and workers. With reduced speed limits and traffic lane shifts, it's important to slow down and be aware of your surroundings in a work zone at all times of the day—for everyone's safety," said ODOT Director Jolene M. Molitoris.

In 2009, there were 5,012 crashes in work zones along Ohio's roadways. 13 people lost their lives. While the numbers are down from the year before, it still represents one work zone crash every two hours in Ohio.

To bring attention to motorist and worker safety in construction zones, ODOT's Central Office headquarters in Columbus, several office buildings and county garages across the state will glow in bright orange light each night this week, as a visual remind-

er that work zones need undivided attention.

In addition to the orange lights at night, several ODOT facilities will be displaying 13 orange cones outside—paying tribute to the 13 motorists killed in work zone crashes last year.

Locally, officials with ODOT District 1, the Allen County Engineer's office and the Lima Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol will hold an event on U.S. 30 at the Allen/Hancock County line today to highlight the importance of the week. Both the ODOT facility on McCullough Street and the Allen County Engineer's building on Sugar Street in Lima will be partially illuminated in orange all this week to remind motorists to slow for the zone. In addition, 13 cones will be displayed alongside changeable message boards at each facility. And a banner carrying the work zone safety message will be displayed at the entrance to the village of Beaverdam as a reminder to cross-country travelers and truck drivers.

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## WASHINGTON STEPS ON THE FREEDOM OF AMERICAN CITIZENS

Guest Column From Representative Lynn R. Wachtmann

It's no secret that the United States government has grown increasingly greedy as it desecrates the Constitution of our founding fathers. Congress has continued to grab more power and extend its control into new sectors. Now, the Democratic supermajority is claiming the right to regulate nearly every sector of the American economy, and with the recent passage of the national health care bill, your "representatives" in Washington, D.C. have inserted themselves into your family's health care decisions.

The American people have been shoved into unprecedented and politically dangerous territory. This nation is moving full-speed ahead toward a European socialist economy, one in which the government controls the economy, not free trade, entrepreneurship and competition.

Despite the 54 percent majority who opposed the bill, the Democrats on Capitol Hill completely ignored "we the people"—their constituents who voiced their opposition to taxpayer-funded abor-

tion, skyrocketing premiums and a complete government takeover of one-sixth of our entire economy.

According to a recent Quinnipiac poll, Ohioans oppose Congress's health care bill 56 to 33 percent, and I'm pleased that Congressman Bob Latta upheld the will of our community and voted in opposition of this government takeover. He remained steadfast against this massive spending bill which will almost certainly cripple our state economy and hurt the families who are already struggling to make ends meet. Facing an \$8 billion deficit in the next budget, the last thing we need is this \$940 billion spending bill that will diminish individual freedoms, limit access to vital care services and skyrocket taxes during one of the worst recessions in recent history.

To safeguard the freedom of Ohioans to make their own health care decisions, House Republicans are fighting for the passage of two measures, both of which I cosponsored, that will prevent one-size-fits-all government mandates from being pushed on the backs of Ohio's taxpayers and families. House Joint Resolution 3, also known as the Ohio Health Care Freedom Act, would prohibit any law from forcing an individual, employer or health care provider to participate in a health care system. This resolution would protect the liberties of the people of this state and ensure that Ohio's government is working for the people's best interests, even if the federal government is not.

Since its introduction in August, House Democrats have only permitted sponsor testimony on the Ohio Health Care Freedom Act and have let this opportunity rot in committee. In blocking public testimony of the committee process, House Democrats have clearly fallen out of touch with their constituency and only serve their political party, not the hardworking families they were elected to represent.

House Republicans have also recently introduced House Bill 489, which will affirm that it is the policy of the state of Ohio that an individual can choose not to accept private, state or federal health insurance. Additionally, an individual who exercises his or her right to choose will not be held liable for failing to comply with any mandate that disrespects their liberties. House Bill 489 will also require the Ohio Attorney

Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School

## Student of the Month - April 2010



Woodlan Jr/Sr High School's Student of the Month is senior Danielle Meyer. Danielle is the daughter of Dan and Mary Meyer of New Haven. Danielle was chosen for this honor because she is the Valedictorian for Woodlan's senior class this year. She is also Woodlan's Sterling Sentinel nominee in Foreign Language. Her teachers describe her as bright, dedicated, conscientious, and timely. She is insightful, friendly, and easy going, as well. Danielle is a very strong student with great leadership skills.

Outside the classroom, Danielle was a member of the Woodlan's volleyball team, a member of service club, and a President of National Honor Society. In addition, Danielle has been active in youth group at her church, St. Paul Lutheran Gar Creek. Her school honors include: honor roll 9-12 grades, academic top ten- 9-12 grades, Principal's Award (all A's) 9-12 grades, Woodlan Scholar- 11th grade, National Honor Society – 11th and 12th grade, and Student Rotarian. Danielle is planning on attending either Ball State or IPFW in the fall.

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General to seek an injunction against any policy that opposes this principle.

As Ohio's families struggle during this economy, lawmakers have an obligation to defend the residents of our state. Allowing the bureaucracy, political pandering and special interests of Washington into the personal lives of Ohioans would raze all that we have worked for as a state. When state lawmakers willingly give up Ohioans' rights to make their own health care decisions, we have forsaken the job that we were sent to Columbus to do. I will hold accountable those across the aisle who have allowed this socialist takeover to happen and will continue to fight the power-hungry cancers that propagate both in Columbus and in Washington.

## WOODBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT MARCH 2010

This is the Woodburn police department's activity report for March 2010:

Traffic Stops 31; ACPD Assists 3; Parked Vehicle 9; Vehicle Accident/No Injury 1; Domestic Incidents 1; Disabled Vehicle 1; Suicide Threats 1; Dog Complaint 1; Suspicious Person 1; Nuisances 1; Audible Alarm 3; VIN Inspection 5; Parking Violation 1; Attempt to Contact 1; Juvenile Investigation 1; Fire Department Assist 2; Breathe Test OWI 1; Open Door 1; Reckless Driver 1; Total Incidents 66

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## RIGHT TO READ WEEK AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Students and staff at Oakwood Elementary spent a lot of time preparing for this year's Right to Read Week, May 3-7, 2010. In the weeks leading up to it students spent time decorating grocery bags to help get the word out about reading. Our theme is "Go Bananas! Read a Book!" A visit to our hallways will make you feel like you've stepped into a rainforest. There are vines everywhere and everywhere you look, you're sure to spot a monkey with a book. On Friday, we had a very exciting

kick-off assembly with two very special guests: a banana and a monkey. We are looking forward to the many great activities that are planned for this week. Students will be taking walking tours to the Cooper Community Library, enjoying theme dress days and also will be treated to illustrating lessons from Sandy Dobbelaere. Remember kids, getting caught reading a book for fun will give you the opportunity to win some great prizes!

### V.E.T.S. - KEEPING YOU IN THE KNOW!

V.E.T.S. have compiled approximately 1,475 Veteran's names spanning nearly 200 years of military history in the Antwerp School District area.

The V.E.T.S. committee has created date spans for each War Era. The Peacetime list varied from 1914 to the late 1980's leaving it difficult for visitors to know when these veterans served. To remedy this the committee added a War period and moved other veterans accordingly by using their date of entry if provided.

Antwerp Veterans Memorial names will be engraved randomly in each of these War Periods.

War of 1812 - (1812-1815)  
Civil War - (1861-1865)  
Spanish American War - (1898-1899)  
World War I Era - (1900-

1938)  
World War II Era - (1939-1949)  
Korean Era - (1950-1959)  
Vietnam Era - (1960-1980)  
Lebanon - Grenada - Panama Era - (1981-1989)  
Persian Gulf - Iraq - Afghanistan Era - (1990 - )  
Discharged Veterans submitting the proper documentation after March 31, 2010 will have their name engraved at "no charge".  
Attention: It's never too late! Eligible Veterans discharged before the publicized March 31, 2010 deadline can have their names engraved by submitting the proper documentation, along with a stated minimum donation towards the V.E.T.S. Memorial fundraising efforts.  
Questions, please contact Keith West (419) 258-2232 or Karen Sanders (419) 399-5764.

## OHIO SENATE RESPONDS TO CONCERNS OVER FEDERAL HEALTH CARE BILL

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

In the days since Congressional Democrats and President Barack Obama worked to push through their controversial health care reform package, my office has received hundreds of phone calls, letters and emails from residents in northwest Ohio who are confused, angry and have serious concerns about the plan. Many of my colleagues and I in Ohio Senate also have questions and concerns about the impact of the bill on Ohio businesses and workers, the quality of our health care system and the financial stability of our state.

According to estimates released by the National Governors Association and the National Conference of State Legislatures, Ohio could be forced to shell out nearly \$350 million in Medicaid payments beginning in 2017 through 2019 under the new health care proposal. This is in addition to the \$4.5 billion in state funds we already spend on Medicaid each year, and comes at a time when state leaders are struggling to balance Ohio's operating budget.

While the Ohio General Assembly did not have an opportunity to vote for the federal health care plan, Republican state senators have heard the concerns of individuals and families across Ohio and have taken steps in recent weeks to help preserve the right of all Ohioans to make their own healthcare choices and protect state taxpayer resources from going to pay for this unfunded mandate.

On March 24, the day after President Obama signed the so-called Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, State Senators Tim Grendell and Shannon Jones introduced Senate Bill 244, legislation that would make it the policy of the state that no Ohioan shall be required to obtain or maintain an individual health insurance policy, be it a private, employer-sponsored, state or federal plan. The bill, which I co-sponsored, would also ensure that Ohioans could not be assessed a fee or fine for exercising this choice.

In addition, SB 244 would require the Ohio Attorney General to seek, as quickly as possible, injunctive relief against any policy opposing this principle, beginning with the federal health care bill. Similar legislation has been passed in Virginia and Idaho and introduced in 13 other states.

That same day, I signed a letter, along with all 20 of my Senate Republican colleagues, urging Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray to join 14 other states in a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the federal health reform package. The letter argued that "by forcing this mandate on our state without providing resources to pay for it, the federal government is placing Ohio's budget in peril for years to come." It went on to say that requiring "Ohioans to purchase health care coverage or face monetary penalties flies in the face of the freedoms upon which this country and our state were founded."

The Attorney General re-

sponded earlier this month saying he would not pursue the lawsuit because he thought the argument was "lacking in merit."

In their attempt to "reform" our nation's health care system, Democrats in Congress and President Obama passed a bill that dramatically expands the power of the federal government in our health care system, ignores states' rights and will cost cash-strapped businesses and state and local governments billions of dollars in the coming years. While Ohio's authority is limited, I can assure you that my colleagues and I in the Senate will continue to monitor the impact of the proposal on our state, voice our questions and concerns and do everything possible to help preserve the freedom of every Ohioan to decide what health care option is best for them and their family.

I encourage residents from the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District to continue contacting me with any questions, thoughts or concerns about the federal health care legislation as well as other state government issues. You can write me, Senator Steve Buehrer, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio, 43215, or contact me by phone at (614) 466-8150. I can also be reached by email at SD01@senate.state.oh.us. In addition, for more information about my work in the Ohio Senate, please visit my page on the new Senate website at [www.ohiosenate.gov/steve-buehrer](http://www.ohiosenate.gov/steve-buehrer).

## VILLAGE OF CECIL COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 3/15/10

The Village Council of the Village of Cecil convened in regular session from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the village firehouse meeting room. Mayor Gene Sheets called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present: Julie McCloud, Gene Sheets, Carlene A. Turner, Donna Manz, Mary Kupfersmith, and Maxine Keegan; and Chad Buchholz was absent.

The March 2010 meeting was called to order by Mayor, Gene Sheets and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

### Resolution 02-10 Increased Appropriations:

Mary Kupfersmith motioned to approve Resolution 02-10 Increase Appropriations in the Propane Gas Account for Fiscal Year 2010, seconded by Julie McCloud; all members in favor.

### Approval of February 2010 minutes as written:

Mary Kupfersmith motioned to approve the February 2010 minutes as written, seconded by Maxine Keegan, all members in favor.

### Approval of the March 2010 Management Reports and Bills:

After the council review of the March 2010 Management Reports and bill for payment, Julie McCloud motioned to approve the reports and pay the bills, seconded by Maxine Keegan, all members in favor.

Councilwoman Mary Kupfersmith shared with the council that Vogel Song Excavating should start on the storm drain issues at Second St. and Duquesne St. sometime next week, weather permitting.

Clerk, Carlene Turner, update the council on the ongoing Two Year Audit; everything is in progress and there has not been any further contact with the Auditors at this time. She will keep the council posted on future updates.

### Motion to Adjourn:

Mary Kupfersmith motioned to adjourn the meeting until April 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Donna Manz, all members in favor. Meeting adjourned.

## JAY SANDERS PHOTO JOURNAL

2008: Around March I witnessed a nesting pair weekly as they began to lay eggs. Near mid-April I was able to witness, with the assistance of a spotting scope, at least two baby eaglets with their fluffy down feathers blowing in the wind while being fed by the parents. Getting photos that were printable was difficult and still be able to show this phenomenon what my eyes and mind had captured.

## PAULDING HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS

### Admissions:

4/18 - David Hill, Antwerp  
4/19 - Lavern Miller, Paulding  
4/23 - Rita Perkins, Payne  
4/24 - Ivan Arend, Paulding

### Dismissals:

4/21 - David Hill, Antwerp  
4/23 - Lavern Miller, Paulding

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**By: Sue Knapp**  
The first community Family Movie Night in Antwerp went over well. The main feature "Aliens in the Attic" was well-received by kids and adults alike. Everyone enjoyed the time spent together and had fun eating hot dogs,

popcorn and homemade ice cream.

The Antwerp Community Fellowship and Care Campus sponsored the event with the proceeds going to fix up the playground equipment at the baseball park.

## BF GOODRICH RETIREES BREAKFAST IN MAY

The BF Goodrich Retirees will be having a breakfast at the Vagabond Restaurant at 9:00 a.m. on May 8, 2010. A big group attends this event to share in fellowship and have a great time and great food. Hope to see you there!

## FREE HATS PROJECT MEETING

We are having a meeting about making free hats for chemo patients and others who need them. May 12, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Black Swamp Nature Center on Fairground Drive, Paulding, across from Parc Lane School. If you would like to help with this project but are unable to attend you can e-mail me at freehats@windstream.net.

## CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR 3/15/10

State Representative, Matt Lahman was present. Some discussion included Bill 1086, education funding and the possibility of losing our township trustees. Representatives from Homestead subdivision presented a signed petition to replace their decorative light. Councilmen made motions to approve agreement, Homestead Sub. will pay to replace pole

isfactory. The new speed limit signs have been put up in the Homestead Subdivision. John Deere donated the use of the auger used to put the new City signs in.  
Councilman Zimmerman reported this is severe weather week; the sirens will be tested twice on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. He has chosen John Drewery and Bill Meadows to sit on the Storm Water Board with him.  
Water is standing on the East side of Carl Street Councilman Reichhart feels this can be added to list of repairs.  
Meeting adjourned 9:15.  
Minutes submitted by Lesa Meadows.

## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES FOR 4/12/10

This 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

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

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-030):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-030-00002/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/Retirement Funds

TO: 001-030-00001/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/CORSA

AMOUNT: \$13,839.00

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING A FUND AND LINE ITEMS FOR THE PAYNE SIREN GRANT (FUND 217) AND APPROPRIATE REVENUE AND EXPENSES:**

The EMA Director has been granted an FY 2008 EMPG Special Projects Equipment Grant. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create Fund 217, Payne Siren Grant, for the purpose of accounting for grant revenue and expenses, and the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor create the following line items in Fund 217 with the following appropriations:

Revenue: 217-001-10001, Auditor of State - \$11,000.00; 217-001-10002, Other Revenue - \$11,000.00

Expenses: 217-001-0000, Other Expenses - \$22,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARDED BID FOR THE VILLAGE OF PAULDING - FIRE HYDRANT PURCHASE PROJECT (FY2009 CDBG FORMULA ALLOCATION PROGRAM):**

On the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010, bids were collected and received for the Village of Paulding - Fire Hydrant Purchase Project; and after review of the aforementioned bids, Maumee Valley Planning Organization has recommended that the project be awarded to E. J. Prescott, Inc., P O Box 350002, Boston MA 02241-0502. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the Village of Paulding - Fire Hydrant Purchase Project to E. J. Prescott, Inc., in the amount bid by them of \$12,880.00. FY2009 Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$11,700.00 have been allocated to this project and the Village of Paulding will be responsible for the difference of \$1,180.00.

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARDED BID FOR THE 2010 JOINT CHIP SEAL PROJECTS:**

On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010, bids were opened for the 2010 Joint Chip Seal Projects; and after review of the aforementioned bids, Paulding County Engineer Travis McGarvey has recommended that the project be awarded to Henry W. Bergman, Inc. 218 E. 9th Street, Genoa, OH 43430. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the 2010 Joint Chip Seal Projects to Henry W. Bergman, Inc., in the amount bid by them of \$309,119.00.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION PLANS FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:**

The Paulding County Board of Elections has been awarded CDBG funding for replacement of the front door entrance to their office location at 105 E Perry Street, Paulding OH 45879, said improvement will meet ADA requirements. Mr. Otto Gerdeman, GNG Development Services, LLC, is the engineer for the project. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the plans for the Board of Elections remodeling project as submitted by GNG Development Services, LLC.

**Meeting Notes of Appointments:**

Otto Gerdeman, Stan Harmon, and Ellen Schlegel - Mr. Gerdeman, GNG Development Services; and Mr. Harmon and Ms. Schlegel, representing the Board of Elections, met with the Commissioners to discuss the progress of the Election Board remodeling project. Mr. Gerdeman indicated the application and building plans are ready to be submitted. He provided a copy of an Ohio Application for Building Plan Approval as completed by Ron Elliott, architect for the project. When completed, the front entrance of the Election Board at 105 E Perry Street will be ADA compliant. The project is being funded through CDBG. Maumee Valley Planning Organization will handle the advertisements for bids and the scheduling for a pre-bid conference and bid opening.

## VILLAGE OF PAULDING MEETING MINUTES FOR 4/5/10

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on April 5, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor White called the meeting to order.

Finance Director Tope called roll with the following members present: Barb Rife, Kim Sutton, Jim Guelde, Mike Trausch, Roger Sier, and Randy Daeger. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present.

Mayor White requested a moment of silence in honor of Ohio Supreme Court Chief Justice Thomas Moyer who passed away April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Sierer motioned to approve the minutes of the March 15<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

Ordinance #1404-10 re: An Ordinance Amending Section 2 of Ordinance #1172-97, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Daeger inquired if the legislation needed to be passed as an emergency. Solicitor Jones noted he believed the Safety Committee requested the legislation take effect as soon as possible; therefore, he prepared the document as emergency legislation. Consensus of Council was taken approving the removal of "Declaring an Emergency", and authorizing three readings of the legislation. Jones noted he will revise the legislation and email it to Finance Director Tope for the next Council meeting.  
Daeger presented the Street Committee's March 16<sup>th</sup> minutes. The Committee discussed the North Drive/Cherry Street project and lowering the speed limit on Gasser Road. The following items were discussed:

Concerns regarding the damage that would be caused to the street during the Sanitary Sewer Separation project. After much discussion, it was decided that the area would not be disturbed due to the sewer separation project. Sierer inquired if the sewer has already been separated along the North Drive/Cherry Street project area. Wiebe noted it has not, and that the Village may not totally separate. He relayed that if the area must be separated there is an old line that runs in the alley behind Williams Street that is not currently in use. This line may not need a great deal of rehabilitation, and could possibly be used for the sewer separation project.

It was noted Poggemeyer Design Group had originally quoted the project to cost approximately \$640,000. Fanning-Howe, the current engineer on the project as determined by the SOQ process, has projected the project to cost approximately \$914,125 due to some modifications to the project. The project will start on North Drive and continue south on Cherry as far as the cost estimate will allow. Wiebe noted that in Poggemeyer's defense they estimate were not able to perform some of the testing Fanning-Howe has done due to time constraints to submit an Issue 2 grant application.

The Committee decided to decrease the speed limit on Gasser Road from 45mph to 35mph. Legislation was introduced at this meeting.

Sutton presented the Recreation Committee's March 17<sup>th</sup> report. The Committee had met with members of the Paulding Youth Ball Association; Jackie Hyman, representing the Lela McGuire Jeffery Trustees; and Todd Roth and Tony Hoeffel of Hoeffel Engineering to receive an update on the progress of the new ball park. The final cost of the project will come in at budget, if not a little less. The new facility will not be open for play until the 2011 season so the grass has time to grow and establish itself.

Mayor White noted he and Wiebe had met with representatives of Paulding Exempted Village Schools to discuss the "Safe Routes to School" program. He also noted he has been contacted by Mrs. Nashu, Paulding Elementary School principal, regarding a potential grant for physical fitness. He noted the program would establish a walking route with signs to tell a person how far they have traveled along with some recommended exercises. Mayor White also relayed Mayor's Court collected \$918 for the month of March 2010.

Wiebe presented the Administrator's Agenda. It requested approval of Change Orders #4, 5, & 6 for the Lela McGuire Jeffery Park project. Daeger motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea. Mayor White noted he had noticed the contractor's have not been taking advantage of the nice weather to finish roofing the dugouts.

Wiebe noted they Village will be applying for CDBG funding for the lagoon project. Public hearings have been scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup> during the Council meeting to discuss the project. Maumee Valley Planning Organization is assisting the Village with the grant application, and will be taking care of the advertising of the Public Hearings.

Jones noted the Village received a letter from USDA Rural Development on March 29<sup>th</sup> regarding funding for the new Water Treatment Plant. USDA has offered a loan of \$4,997,000 at a rate of 3.25% APY payable over 40 years; a grant of \$3,833,000; an OPWC grant of \$325,000; and an OPWC-interest assistance for \$180,000. The Village will need to contribute \$253,000. Rife made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the "Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions" and the "Request for Obligation of Funds", seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Solicitor Jones noted he has been in contact with the State Fire Marshall's Office regarding the Old Barnes Hotel. The Fire Marshall met with him approximately two weeks ago to discuss the issue and look at the building. He will be preparing a Notice of Violation to send to Contemporary Caterers and Aaron Powell. They will have thirty days to make the necessary repairs, or a complaint will be issued and a hearing will be scheduled in Columbus to discuss the building and its violations. The State Fire Marshall's Office's determination will assist the Village in pursuing demolition of the property, and requesting the cost be at the owner's expense.

Daeger motioned for Council to move into Executive Session for legal and personnel matters, seconded by Trausch. Council returned to Regular Session.

The following meetings were scheduled:

Buildings & Grounds Committee - Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Street Committee - Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. (weather permitting).

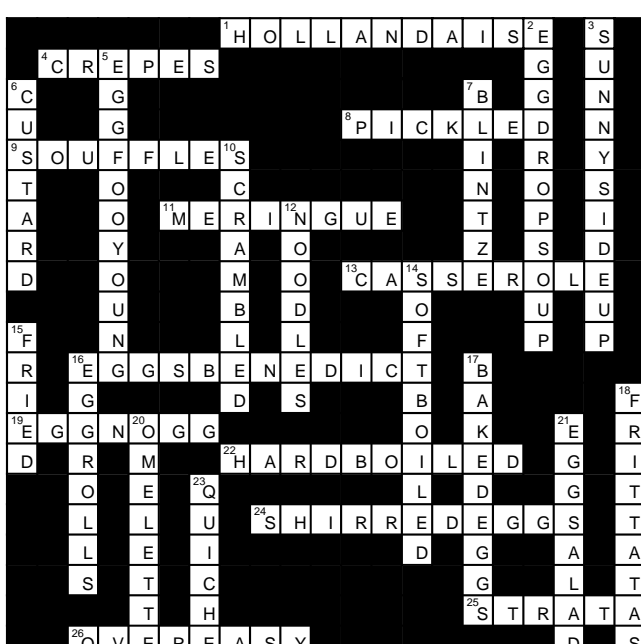
Rife motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Daeger motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

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2 – Claims Assistance – Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

We also provide reimbursement for the cost of transportation to VA medical facilities in our area, or in the case where the veteran cannot drive himself, we will provide a driver.

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**Any questions, please call 419-399-8285**

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

**SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2010 - 9:00am**

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(7) trucks; (5) semi trailers; (1) 5th wheel trailer; (4) tag trailers; (4) tractors; (2) Case skid loaders; (3) man lifts; fork lifts; 5 gal. pail paint mixer; concrete forms; large quantities & selection of rebar & new structural steel; Knaack gang boxes; MANY OTHER CONSTRUCTION & SHOP EQUIP. ITEMS, TOOLS & SUPPLIES.

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**NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF WOODBURN**

Due to miss use of the Solid Waste Recycling Center on Tile Mill Road new hours of operation will be as follows; Monday thru Friday 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM and will be closed on weekends. During the hours of operation, only residence living within the City limits of Woodburn will be allowed to dispose of waste, there is no commercial dumping allowed.

The Recycling Center is being monitored; any person found to be dumping illegally will be fined.

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**MON, MAY 10 • 5:30 PM**

**LOCATION: 727E 2ND ST., DELPHOS, OH**

From the Garage: 2 Motorcycles - 1965 Honda & 1975 Moto Guzzi, 1982 Ford F-150, 1993 Ford Aerostar Minivan, 4HP Campbell HausenField Air Compressor, cutting torch w/gauges & tanks, table saw, 6-5HP Craftsman Pressure Washer, Lots of small misc. tools including shoves, rakes, wrenches, & much more.

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## WORKING WITH GOD'S CREATIONS

By: Tawnya English

Mother's Day is fast approaching. Do you know what to get your mom on her special day? How about a beautiful hanging basket? Or a flat of perennials so she can put them in her flower garden. "Where can you purchase different varieties of flowers and plants, you ask?" How about the Greenhouse Effect located just south of Antwerp, Ohio, on Rd 49.

The Greenhouse Effect was established in 1990 and founded by Earl and Tina Huebner, and Jim and Laura Boesch. Jim use to work for Bailey's Greenhouse when he

was a teenager. When he met Laura they realized both had a passion for gardening. Laura's father, Earl is a farmer in Antwerp. One day he and Jim thought it would be a good idea to start their own greenhouse business. Earl had some land next to his home they could use. They started small with a building and a few greenhouses. Eventually grew into a ½ acre business with multiple greenhouses a total of 22,000 square feet of gorgeous flowering plants. The family and employees start plants by seedling and plugs. They plant over 10,000 flats of annuals and perennials also many varieties of vegetables. Roughly make over 3,500 basket combinations. They also sell onion bulbs, seed potatoes, shrubs, trees; which come from other sources. In the spring of 2009 Earl decided to retire. Laura told her father she would keep the family business going. This is their 2<sup>nd</sup> year running the family business and doing very well. Laura had said they have had a lot of help over the years with family members and many friends. She wanted

to thank them for all of their hard work and friendship.

In Jim's spare time he enjoys golfing and trapping and spending time with his family. Laura is a woman who likes to multi-task. She juggles her work along with running her three daughters, Mikayla 12, Madison 8, Morgan 6½, to dance classes and other school activities. Laura performs and helps with the Dance Dolls. At the greenhouse, Laura really enjoys seeing her customers light up when they see her beautiful works of art in a pot or hanging basket. "I just love creating arrangements with all the flowers and plants. It's nice to be able to work with such a large range of colors from God's palette," replies Laura. She had also mentioned her three daughters help out as well. The girls stand by the door and greet customers as they come in. They even help by carrying out all of the items to their cars.

The Greenhouse Effect will be offering some demonstrative classes which will teach individuals how to plant, organize decorative pots, grass, herbs, etc. For more information; stop on in at the greenhouse on Mother's Day.

## GARDENING CLASSES OFFERED IN ANTWERP

The excitement of the long-awaited spring gardening season continues to unfold daily through rain and warmer temps. In an effort to assist local gardeners, basic gardening instruction is being offered at Green House Effect, 11436 State Route 49S, at Antwerp.

Owner Laura Boesch is excited about this new service for their customers as they expand on Laura's father and founder, Earl Huebner's, vision for the business which began in 1990. "With the economy as sluggish as it is, we're anticipating an increase in vegetable gardening as a matter of survival for many families. Also, more consumers are making home improvements in landscape and flowers with their vacation budgets rather than travel, so we're ready to help in any way that we can," Laura said.

Classes begin at 10:00 a.m. every Saturday beginning May 1 and will continue for nine Saturdays and are taught by Paulding and Defiance County Master Gardener Volunteers. "One of the goals of the Master Gardener program is to share what we know," according to Diane Clark, coordinator of the classes.

Topics covered are:  
May 1 - Vegetable Gardening 101 with Sherri Rager  
May 8 - Container Gar-

dening with Bev Snyder

May 15 - Passionate About Perennials with Sherri Rager

May 22 - Easy Herbs, Herbs, Herbs with Diane Clark

May 29 - Ornamental Grasses with Sherri Rager

June 5 - Roses, Roses, Roses with Jim Lopshire

June 12 - Rainbow Gardening with Diane Clark

June 19 - Cooking with Culinary Herbs with Sherri Rager

On June 26, the class will be Making Your Own Hypertufa Trough with Diane Clark. A Hypertufa is a trough made from cement, peat moss, perlite and water. There is a fee for this class only since it involves materials used for a project to "Make & Take". Pre-registration is required for this class only by contacting Green House Effect.

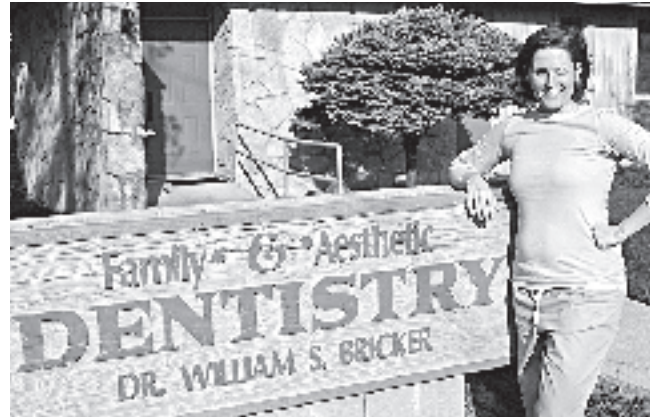
Classes are free, but those attending are asked to bring a chair and meet under the tent at the back of the building. The class schedule can be picked up by visiting Green House Effect.

## ANTWERP CLEAN-UP & RECYCLING DAY SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2010

As a courtesy to the residents of the Village of Antwerp, the Village will be holding a clean-up and recycling day on Saturday, May 20, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the water plant on Waterplant Drive for VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY. The Village will supply roll-off waste containers for bulky items plus separate containers for steel only and bins for paper, cardboard, plastic #1 and #2, steel and aluminum cans, glass bottles and computer components. Batteries will also be taken. No tires, motor oil or household garbage can be dropped off.

The drop off site will be manned to help assist residents in dropping off their items. Please have your recyclables separated into the categories listed above. Also seniors or handicapped households can call Erie Recycling at (cell) 260-602-9670 for pick up of their waste/recyclable materials for the May 29<sup>th</sup> clean up day only.

Flyers on the clean up day which lists acceptable and unacceptable items can be picked up at the Village Administrator's Office or at Town Hall. Questions on clean up day can be directed to the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371.



## INTRODUCING DR. MOWERY

By: Sue Knapp

Paulding County welcomes Dr. Sarah Mowery, D.D.S. Dr. Mowery has been working with Dr. Bricker in the Antwerp and Paulding offices.

Dr. Mowery attended Indiana University and received a Doctor of Dental Science Degree. She has been practicing for two years now. She is constantly taking continuing education classes to keep up with the latest in dentistry procedures and practices.

Dr. Mowery and her husband, Tyson, have come from Warren, IN and live in Paulding. Tyson is business manager for Dr. Mowery. He has a degree in Computer Engineering. They have known each other for many years.

She asked him out for a date in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, but he turned her down. They did start dating while she was in dental school and they have now been married for almost two years. They like the small town community feel and are looking forward to raising their family here. "It feels like home," Dr. Mowery commented. They have two dogs and a cat at home. They also have a goddaughter in Louisiana. After working a sixty plus hour week she likes to bake, hike and clean to unwind.

Dr. Mowery has a very busy practice and loves working with the children. One of her goals is to speak to children on dental health.

Thank you to Dr. Mowery and Mr. Mowery for choosing Paulding County to be your home.

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