

WOODLAN HONORS PAST & PRESENT COACHES



Friday Night at half-time Woodlan honored their past & present football players and coaches since 1960. The Warriors have had 50 years of touchdowns on this field with much history and wins to go along with all of the memories made here. Has it really been this long?! More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

WARRIORS TROUNCE GOLDEN BEARS ON HISTORIC NIGHT

By: Josh Hahn

The Woodlan Warriors played host to the Monroe Central Golden Bears Friday night on the 50th anniversary of their football program. The Warriors celebrated in style with a dominant 61-13 victory over the Golden Bears.

On a night full of Woodlan football nostalgia, it was only fitting that Warrior running back Payton Spencer, grandson of former Woodlan hall of fame head coach Leland Etzler, had the

biggest evening. Spencer scored his first touchdown of the night on a four yard run to punctuate a 14 play opening drive for the Warriors. Spencer would strike again on the Warriors second drive with a 30 yard touchdown scamper.

Woodlan quarterback, Nate Wiedemann, also had an outstanding game, connecting with Cody Zink for a 52 yard touchdown on the Warriors third possession. Monroe Central would respond with their first point of the game when Kisaac Rhoades hooked up with James Davis on a 15 yard touchdown pass making the score 20-7.

Wiedemann would again find Cody Zink for a touchdown pass, this time from 15 yards out. Monroe Central showed signs of life after an interception by Caleb Engle gave the Golden Bears possession of the ball inside the Warriors 10 yard line. Taylor Morris punched the ball into the end zone to cut the Warriors lead to 27-13. Unfortunately for the Golden Bears, the rest of the game belonged to the Warriors.

Payton Spencer would add two more touchdowns to the scoreboard before halftime. One on a three yard run and another on a 68 yard pass from Wiede-

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CLAUDIA FICKEL REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR PAULDING COUNTY AUDITOR

Claudia J. Fickel has accepted the appointment as the Republican candidate for Paulding County Auditor in the November general election.

Fickel, a lifelong resident of Paulding County, is the daughter of William and the late Mary Ann Kuhn Payne and the daughter-in-law of Pete and Joyce Woods, Oakwood. She is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and International Business College.

Claudia and her husband, Blane, have been married for 29 years and live south of Oakwood with their children, David, a Junior at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio and JoEllen, a Senior at Wayne Trace High School.

Claudia has over 25 years of experience in the accounting and business fields. In the private sector, Claudia has worked at W.E. Olson Electric, Defiance and Mullen Archery, Oakwood. She was on the substitute support staff with the Paulding Exempted Village Schools/Oakwood Elementary. In 2003, she was elected as the Fiscal Officer in Washington Township and is currently serving her second term. As Fiscal Officer, Fickel has prepared annual budgets, appropriations, payments to vendors, minutes, resolutions, payroll and annual reports required by the Paulding County Auditor and the State of Ohio.

Fickel is a member of the Paulding County Township Association, Ohio Township Association, Ohio Farmer's Union, Dupont Church of the Brethren and an associate member of the Paulding County Republican Central Committee. She has volunteered with many organiza-

tions throughout her community, as well as the county.

"I have always enjoyed working with people and in the accounting field," stated Fickel. "Serving at the township level of government has helped me see and understand the different concerns of the taxpayer. We all need to work together to help improve our county."

In closing, Claudia said, "I would be very honored to serve the citizens of the county and be chosen the next Paulding County Auditor."

A.C.D.C. REMINDER

By: Denny Lee

To kick off the fall season a back to back corn hole and washer tournament is planned for September 25th in the parking lot of the Oasis Bar and Grill. Cash prizes are being awarded to the winners of each tournament. The Oasis will be supplying live entertainment along with a hog roast in the afternoon. Drew Munger will be supplying entertainment from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Doug Bragg will be donating profits from this hog roast back to the A.C.D.C. so come and support his efforts. Registration for "amateur only players" will start at 11:00 a.m. with play starting at 12:00. Those not desiring to play are encouraged to attend this function and enjoy the food and fellowship with your fellow community citizens.

On October 2nd a Big Hole golf tournament is planned at

the Pond a River golf course. Registration will be at 9:00 a.m. and play will begin at 10:00 a.m. Even if you are not a golf enthusiast come and have fun, either chipping a few shots, or as a volunteer to help things run smoothly. It's a great time with a beautiful setting in which to spend a day.

CORRECTION

In last week's paper we erred on the Paulding Boys Golf Team score. The actual team score was 333 and the team came in 3rd place and won a trophy. We apologize for this oversight.

—WBN editors

CORRECTION

On front page in last week's issue of the West Bend News, we mistakenly published Rekeweg's anniversary with the wrong name in the heading. It was Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rekeweg who celebrated 70 years of marriage. We apologize for this oversight. We also want to thank our patrons who are so gracious when pointing out our blunders. We are humbled by your support. Please look for their corrected announcement on page 12.

—WBN Editors

P.S. Just to clarify, Mr. Donald Rekeweg—no, you do not look like you've been married 70 years! You look great!

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Saturday, September 25th
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Local Men will be dressing in drag to help raise money for breast cancer awareness and pretty in pink. The men will take the runway at 7:00 pm

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OBITUARIES

Wayne F. Lothamer, 81, died Saturday, September 18, 2010 at the Gardens of Paulding, Paulding.

He was born on June 26, 1929 in Van Wert County, Ohio the son of Francis and Elsie (Monnier) Lothamer. On June 19, 1948 he married Ivah B. (Woodring) Lothamer, who survives.

He served as the Paulding County Auditor for 16 years, retiring in 1995. He was a member Divine Mercy Catholic Parish of Paulding. He was a member of the Paulding V.F.W. Post #587, Paulding F.O.E. #2405, Paulding Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus #2584 of Paulding, Ohio, a former board member of the Paulding County Health Board. He was a coach for both Boys Baseball and Girls Softball for 24 years. He was a avid Bowler in Defiance, Antwerp and Paulding area. He worked for the Paulding Progress and Brune Printing Co., besides a member of the Good Boys Coffee Club of Paulding.

Surviving are his wife, Ivah B. of Paulding; two daughters: Sherry (Larry) Gorrell of Paulding, and Karen (Ned) Feeney of Defiance; eight grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren; four sisters: Arlene Goeltzenleuchter of Woodburn, Linda (Victor) Adams, Carol (Richard) Lemper, and Judy (Roger) Kitchen all of Hicksville; three brothers: Wilbur (Leatrice) Lothamer of New Haven IN, Gerald (Vickie) Lothamer of Springfield, OH and Norman (Jeannine) Lothamer of Leo, IN.

He is preceded in death by his parents; one son, Terry Lothamer; one granddaughter, Angela Switzer; and one sister, La Dona Baker.

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 22, 2010 at the Divine Mercy Catholic Church of Paulding. Rev. G. Allan Fillman will officiate. Burial will follow in Live Oak Cemetery. Calling at the DenHerder Funeral Home Paulding, Ohio on Wednesday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the church.

Memorials to: Masses or The Paulding Area Visiting Nurses and Hospice. Online Condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.com

Don Allen Hornish, 77, of Oakwood died Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at The Meadows of Kalida.

He was born March 8, 1933 in Paulding County

to the late Ray and Elsie K. (May) Hornish. On June 15, 1952, he married Dorothy Matson, who survives in Oakwood.



Also surviving are his three sons: Daniel (Mary) Hornish of Napoleon, Ronald (Vicki) Hornish of Cedar Rapids, IA, and Thomas (Suzanne) Hornish of San Diego, CA; nine grandchildren: Ryan (Tonya) Hornish, Lynette (Jeff) McCord, Brad Hornish, Kevin (Abby) Hornish, Kristine (Scott) Jenkins, Cheryl (Korey) Grow, Tiffany (Andreas) Janzen, Austin Hornish, and Havianna Hornish; nine great-grandchildren; two brothers: Richard (Janice) Hornish and twin brother, George (Karen) Hornish, both of Indiana; and a sister, Vivian Danz of California.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Marjorie Petersen; and a daughter-in-law, Brenda Hornish.

Mr. Hornish was a financial planner and owner of Hornish Financial and Insurance Services. He was a member of Twin Oaks United Methodist Church in Oakwood and attended Bethel Christian Church, Arthur. He was also a member of Defiance Gideon's International, Independent Insurance Agents Association, Northwest Ohio Realtors, Defiance College Plan Giving Council, and Oakwood Development Club. He was a graduate of Defiance College.

Funeral services were September 18, 2010 at Twin Oaks United Methodist Church in Oakwood with Pastor Eric Dailey and Pastor Chris Baker officiating. Burial followed in Sherman Cemetery, Oakwood.

Memorial contributions may be given to Gideon's International or a charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneral-home.com.

CROSSING THE UNSEEN LINE

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

In Lonesome Dove by Larry McMurtry, one of the main characters, Jake Spoon, wasn't what you would call the most moral individual to begin with, but he wasn't the worst either. He just sort of fell in with the wrong crowd. He was running away from responsibility and found himself in a mess he couldn't get out of. If you know the story, it's a western and about a cattle drive from Texas to Montana. Jake is a former Texas Ranger. But because he wants to live life his way—as a gambler without any ties—he finds himself riding with a gang of brutal horse thieves and murderers.

It becomes the task of his best friends—ex-Texas Rangers, as well—to hunt this group down. Call, Gus, Deets, and Newt follow the carnage of dead bodies, some shot, some hanged and then burned.

When they catch up with Jake and the crew, the ex-Rangers pronounce the judgment of the West for horse thieves and murderers: they get ready to hang them.

Being his friends, Jake tries to beg out of it, saying that he didn't mean any harm, that he was just looking for safe company to get across Indian territory. But Gus tells him, "Sorry, Jake, you crossed the line."

And with a look of pleading, Jake says, "But Gus, I didn't see no line!"

When I heard that, I thought to myself, how many of us have fallen simply because, like Jake, we "didn't see no line?"

That's one of the dangers of running with the wrong crowd, spending time in the wrong places, and listening to the wrong conversations. After awhile, some of our "boundary lines" begin to blur until we really aren't sure anymore where they are.

The Bible says, "Do not be deceived; bad company ruins good morals." One of the easiest deceptions is self-deception. We human being have any amazing capacity to fool ourselves. And one of the primary ways we deceive ourselves is in this area of personal boundaries.

The secret? Stay in the Word of God. Remain in close fellowship with God's people. Keep your avenues of accountability clearly in place. And recognize that nobody (including you) is invincible. Because smugness and overconfidence, and that arrogant "it-can-never-happen-to-me" attitude is one of the first giveaways that you're vulnerable... and that the lines have begun to fade.

GLUTTONY

By: Doris McKinley, Certified Youth Minister, Pathway Lutheran Church Harlan IN

1 John 3:17-18 "If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with a trust in truth."

In our society, where bigger is better, when we hear the word gluttony we most often think of overeating. Webster's

dictionary gives us this definition of gluttony: one who eats too much, one who is greedy. Let's focus on the second definition of the word gluttony, greed.

When we look at it that way it gives a whole new meaning to the word gluttony and the action. It means we are not willing to part with anything, not willing to share with others. Our possessions take hold of us and keep us prisoners; we don't want to help others because if we give our stuff away we won't be able to support ourselves or our families. Let's be honest, how many of us have more than one television, more than one car, more than one home? Having wealth is not a sin; it is how you use those possessions that becomes the sin. In order to be a reflection of God you have to have pity on others. Everyone needs the joy and presence of God in their lives. Share that love with others, by offering a helping hand, by working at a mission, by handing out clothing, by smiling at someone in pain. Give of yourself, not just your possessions. God wants everyone to experience His love and His mercy and if we don't show them that love, then who will? Luke 12:34 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

DIDN'T STAY IN BED

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

Have you ever experienced a time when didn't feel like getting up, going to work? What if the weather was really bad and no one else would probably be out? What if it was a Sunday and you were one of the church leaders, what would you do then?

Robert Eaglen was a deacon in his church in Colchester, England. "He woke up one Sunday morning in January. The ground was blanketed with a foot of snow. He started to turn over and go back to sleep, but he thought to himself, 'I'm one of the deacons in my church. If the deacons don't go, who will go?' He put on his boots, hat and coat and walked six miles to church. He was right. Most of the members did stay home. As a matter of fact, even the pastor didn't show up. Only 13 people were at church—12 members and a 13-year-old boy he had never seen before.

"Somebody said, 'Why don't we just sing a little bit and go home. We don't have a preacher.' But Robert Eaglen said, 'It's foolish for us to come all this way and not have a worship service.

"Who's going to preach?' they asked. Impulsively, Robert said, 'I'll preach.' He'd never preached in his life. He got up and did not know what he was going to preach.

"In his quiet time the day before, he had been reading in Isaiah, so he turned to Isaiah 45:22, 'Look to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth.'

"Later he recalled, 'I preached maybe 12 minutes, and I must have said 50 times 'Look to Jesus.' It was all he knew to say. 'Look to Jesus.' He got through with saying, 'Look to Jesus' about 50 times. He looked at that little 13-year-old boy and said, 'Young man, if you'll look to Jesus, you'll be saved.' And they had

prayer and left.

"That boy, years later, wrote these words: 'I did look, and then and there the cloud on my heart lifted, the darkness rolled away. At that moment I saw the sun, I accepted Christ into my heart, and I was born again.' That 13-year-old boy was Charles Haddon Spurgeon, who would later be championed with the phrase, 'The Prince of England's Preachers.'"

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT MELROSE UMC

Melrose United Methodist Church in Melrose will have an ice cream social on Saturday, September 25 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

The menu includes chicken and sloppy joe sandwiches, potato and macaroni salad, homemade pies and brownies and drinks, along with Melrose's exceptionally good homemade ice cream.

Take out will be available and ice cream by the quart. Everyone welcome.

FLAT ROCK LODGE SPAGHETTI SUPPER IN THE PLANNING

Flat Rock Masonic Lodge #580 is busy planning their Annual "All You Can Eat" Spaghetti Supper for Thursday, September 30, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Jacob's UCC in Payne. The meal includes salad, dessert, rolls and beverage. Free-will donations will be accepted. The proceeds from the dinner will benefit Special Olympics in Ohio.

For more than thirty years, Special Olympics athletes have held a prominent place in the outreach of Ohio Freemasonry. During that period, Ohio Masons have contributed more than \$2.8 million to help pay the costs of the Special Olympians attending the program's annual Summer Games in Columbus. This last year marked the fourth consecutive year that the Ohio Masons have given at least \$200,000 to the Summer Games. However, in addition to financial support, the Masons host a welcome center for Special Olympics athletes and their families, provide volunteer help during the statewide Summer Games competition and participate in the Parade of Athletes during the opening ceremonies. The Ohio Special Olympics program provides year-round sports training and competition opportunities for more than 21,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

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Special Olympics contributes to the physical, social, and psychological development of the athletes. Through successful experience in sports, they gain confidence and build a positive self-image which carries over into the classroom, home, job, and community. There are approximately 125 local and area events and Ohio Special Olympics hosts eight statewide competitions each year, covering 22 sports. Nearly 2,600 athletes attend the Summer Games at the athletic facilities of The Ohio State University.

For more information, contact Jerry J. Flaugh, Secretary, at 419-263-2136.

THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT CONFIDENCE

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today let's look at the word confidence, which means assurance. So get your Bible and concordance and after prayer, asking for God's guidance and thanking him that we can study together.

True confidence based upon:

God's Word - Hebrews 4:12 - for the word of God is quick, and powerful and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Assurance - John 5:24 - verily, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and belieth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life.

Trust - Psalms 33:21 - in our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.

False confidence based upon:

Worldly success - Luke

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-The William A. Berenyi Family

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Saturday - 5:30 p.m. - Paulding

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12:19-20, please read.
Self righteousness - Luke 18:11-12, please read.
Presumption - James 4:13-14 - v13 Go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain. v14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life?

It is even a vapor that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

The believer's confidence is:

A source of - 1 John 3:21-24, please read.

In prayer - 1 John 5:14, 15, please read.

Of God's will - 1 Peter 3:17 - for it is better if the will of God be so that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

Our confidence must be held - Hebrews 10:35 - cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward.

Also: What about your confidence, or just how strong is your confidence in God? Bible questions call 419-399-5022 for Lonnie Lambert or 419-393-4775 for James Potter. Please continue your study on confidence. Loved ones, my prayer for you, is that in your studies you would have a deeper understanding of God's word. Also remember to give God a part of your day in prayer and bible study.

ROUNDING UP YOUR SUPPORT: SERA DOUGHTY BENEFIT

A benefit for Sera Doughty is set to take place on Sunday, September 26, 2010. The theme for the benefit is "Rounding Up Your Support." This wild west benefit will take place at St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville. They will be serving 11:30 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. The menu includes pulled pork or hot beef sandwiches, potato salad and baked beans, "Texas" sheet cake, and hot and cold beverages. Everyone is welcome for food, fellowship and fun.

PAULDING COUNTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY ACQUIRES CAREER TRANSITIONS

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system has a new tool in its online fleet of information databases. Career Transitions, a new electronic resource offers a comprehensive guide to career change.

At a time when the need to re-evaluate, alter or develop careers is greater than ever, Gale, part of Cengage Learning, has developed a resource that is allowing libraries to help patrons through each step of the career change process. Residents of Paul-

ding County may access Career Transitions at any of the libraries in the Paulding County Carnegie Library system, or from any computer by going to the library Web site and using their library card.

Career Transitions is a complete, guided, self-paced application that walks the individual through the entire process - assessing strengths and interests, exploring new opportunities, preparing a resume, finding educational opportunities and networking advice, performing a comprehensive job search and applying online. Workers are guided by clear and concise information about career paths, industries, companies, job availability, growth potential and professional associations - organized around simple-to-navigate portals that combine overviews with statistical information and Web tools to help make well-planned career choices.

"Career Transitions is a one-stop resource for people going through career change," said Susan Pieper, Library Director. "It comes at a time when people need help making life-changing career choices and libraries are becoming more and more involved in this process. This resource helps us increase the quality of our service and meet the needs of our patrons," continued Pieper.

Across the country, librarians report being overwhelmed with requests for materials to assist users who are making job-related decisions. Career Transitions encompasses the entire job search process, allowing Paulding County's library users and the library staff assisting them to find answers, whether they are dealing with job loss, re-training needs or looking for new career paths.

For more information, please contact Susan Pieper, 419-399-2032.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system serves a predominantly rural population of about 20,000 through the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding and branch libraries in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood and Payne. The library is funded through the Ohio Public Library Fund and a local operational levy passed by voters in 2009.

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GUNDERMAN - GIARMO



Terry and Judy Gunderman of Paulding announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Abigail Kathleen to Benjamin Anthony Giarmo, son of Victoria Badalamenti and Steven Giarmo of Monroe, Michigan.

The bride-elect is a 2005 alumna of Paulding High School and received her Bachelor's degree in Nursing from the University of Saint Francis in 2009. She is employed as a Registered Nurse at Parkview North Family Birthing Center.

Her fiancé is a 2004 alumnus of Monroe High School and received his Bachelor's degree in Nursing from the University of Saint Francis in 2009. He is employed by the Parkview Heart Institute as a Registered Nurse.

The couple will exchange wedding vows in October at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene.

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THE SHERWOOD STATE BANK CELEBRATING 65 YEARS



Wanda Edwards, Assistant Vice President, Sherwood Branch and Chad Kruse, Business Development Officer, Ridgeville Corners Branch

In honor of their anniversary, Sherwood State Bank celebrated with their customers and community. A party was held on Tuesday, September 14 at the Sherwood VFW Hall.

Approximately 350 people were in attendance to commemorate this occasion. Of course, food kept the guest happy. Brian Miller roasted the hog, Robin Crites catered the rest of the spread. Many door prizes were given—frisbees, pink piggy banks, letter openers, coloring books, and

cash prizes as well.

The entertainment was a major highlight of the festive evening. Dale Vaughn and The Lost Horsemen filled the hall with country music. The band consisted of Dale Vaughn, Randy Sliter—band leader, Burr Vaughn—bass, Lonnie Fivecoat—lead, Stuart Thorne, Ben Crites—drums, and Kenny Shaffer.

With a celebration of this magnitude, the Sherwood State Bank community has a lot to look forward to in the next 65 years.

REP. WACHTMANN HONORED AS "WATCHDOG OF THE TREASURY"

State Representative Lynn Wachtmann (R-Napoleon) was pleased to accept the "Watchdog of the Treasury" award from the United Conservatives of Ohio today. The award is presented to public officials who demonstrate a commitment to limited government, lower taxes, regulatory relief, and individual liberty. Wachtmann has received this award during every legislative session since taking office in 1985.

"I was honored and humbled to be awarded the

Watchdog of the Treasury by such a prestigious organization," said Wachtmann. "I do not take lightly the opportunities I have as a legislator to uphold the values of limited government and protect the taxpayers' money from a bloated government."

The United Conservatives of Ohio supports responsible spending of the taxpayers' dollars, the elimination of government waste, and free-market economics. The organization strives to promote fiscally responsible public policy through legislation and works with the legislature to make state spending more accountable.

AUDITOR SIMPSON NEARS COMPLETION OF COUNTY REVALUATION

Paulding County Auditor Susan K. Simpson is preparing for the final stages of the county property revaluation. The property records are open for public inspection. It is required by Ohio law that each County Auditor conducts a reappraisal of all real property every six years. The last reappraisal for Paulding County occurred in 2004.

"This has been a huge undertaking and I am very proud of the results," said Simpson. My staff and I have been working with Lexur Appraisal Services throughout the process, which takes approximately two years. We looked at every parcel of land in the county, over 17,000. I met with the appraisers numerous times and personally visited properties in some cases. I am pleased with the attention to detail and care our taxpayers are getting."

The 2010 reappraisal includes for the first time in many years an adjustment for neighborhood location within a village or township area. A mass appraisal company uses neighborhoods for the process by grouping parcels of land together with similar characteristics or economic indicators. A neighborhood can be as small as one block or as large as half a county, depending on the area's characteristics. For example, a large subdivision is often designated as a neighborhood because the homes are typically built by a single construction company, often using a very limited number of basic styles. "Through the establishments of local neighborhoods, properties that are located in the same vicinity and local market will be valued and adjusted together in accordance with the sales trends of the particular neighborhood. This should further insure the uniform and fair treatment of all property owners in their individual property assessments," said Simpson.

Simpson also says that there was a very unusual result from this revaluation cycle. "For the first time in anyone's memory there are neighborhoods that actually went down in value." Simpson also says that "previous values and any ups or downs are not the point of the re-

valuation. The end product is to reflect current property value and that is very difficult when you consider that values are constantly changing. We must also throw out all sales that do not qualify under the State's standards of "open market" sales. Sales data often excludes foreclosure sales, most auctions, and family sales because they do not meet State approval. We will be holding informal meetings to allow property owners to discuss the new tentative value on their property before the State applies the tax rates for 2010 (payable 2011). The total reappraisal process must be finalized by late November. New 2010 values are only tentative at this time and will not become final until approved by the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio."

Simpson reminds everyone that her office can't calculate your 2011 taxes at this time. Tax rates will be established by the State after certification of the November election. "My office does not receive the new tax rates until mid-December, so at this time, we will not be able to determine the amount of your taxes payable in 2011. My goal is to get the information out to property owners and allow them time to review the tentative values and inform my office of any amendments that may be needed to their land and/or improvements. If necessary, we will be making further field visits and confirmation of corrections or modifications. For taxation purposes, you are assessed taxes at 35% of the appraised (fair market) value. If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed value placed on your property, please make use of the informal meeting dates and times that have been noticed in local newspapers as well as the auditor's web site which lists all tentative values."

Website: www.paulding-countyauditor.com (Follow the 2010 Revaluation link in the left margin of our homepage).

For more information: Watch for notices in our local newspapers relating to dates and times of informal hearings for public inspection of records.

Contacting the office: Auditor's office is located in the courthouse or call the real estate department at 419-399-8206 or 419-399-8245.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

During the Oakwood Homecoming, the Oakwood Library Association (OLA) stays busy. Labor Day weekend is our time to work, play, feed, scoop, ride and entertain. The weekend is started off with our annual dinner under the big top tent. This year's theme was Rolling on the River and we adapted our dinner and skit to match. Our dinner theme was "Riverview Plantation". Over 200 people sat down for dinner and a show at our plantation.

This year's skit "Went with the Wind" was a loose rendition of *Gone with the Wind*. The people who are seen on the stage are only a small part

of the play. Behind the scenes people work for weeks getting the stage, props and costumes ready. Susie Thrasher wrote, directed and designed the costumes. Her merry cast of players made us laugh until we cried. Denny and Susie Thrasher, Arden and Sharon Peck, Lee Ann Booher and Dr. John Saxton deserve so much credit for going above and beyond the call of duty for the library.

The show didn't stop there—we kept Rolling on the River. Old times on the river were brought to us by some adorable little guys fishing, three bathing beauties, a couple of frog giggers and one skinny dipper. Local talent is always needed for singing and piano playing. This year helping us out were Helen Parrish, Jennifer Snyder, Cheryl Flutrow, Stan Ferris and Carol Baker. Our show stoppers, Ike (Don Adams) and Tina (Anna Lee Adams) Turner kept us rolling on the river and in our seats.

As always we have a raffle board, this year's board was named Pickin' Cotton and our sponsors gave generously. 28 very lucky people went away with prizes worth over \$1,200.00. Without our sponsors this fund-raiser would not be possible.

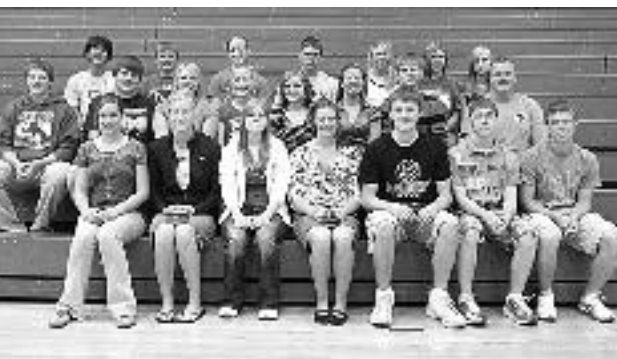
The dinner is just the beginning of a long weekend of very giving individuals who help the Oakwood Library Association. Whether they are serving baked potatoes and wings, scooping 69 gallons of ice cream, riding bikes in the parade or serving in some other way, our friends make the weekend successful.

The Oakwood Library Association is the Friends group for the Cooper Community Library (branch of Paulding Carnegie Library). This weekend and all the fund-raisers we do, continue to operate the CCL. All of these events supported by the community and businesses pay for building and upkeep, utilities, insurance and furnishings of the CCL. Once again, we could not do what we do without the help of ALL of our supporters. Whether you work, act, donate, buy tickets, food or ice cream or support us in any way, we really couldn't do it without YOU!

With the help of the Gleaners (sprucing up downtown Oakwood) and the Oakwood Homecoming committee's tireless work we had a GREAT 2010 Homecoming. Hope to see you at the Library.

—Shelly Roughton, OLA Board President

WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL RECOGNIZES ACADEMIA WITH ACADEMIC AWARDS PROGRAM



Wayne Trace High School held its Academic Awards program on Tuesday, September 14, to honor sophomores through seniors for their academic achievements through the 2009-2010 school year.

1st Honors (3.67-4.0 GPA)
Front: Seniors - Taylor Baumle, Jessica Wenninger, Erika Langmeyer, Abbey Linder, Nick LaBounty, Na-

than Tumblin, Tate Church.

Row 2: Juniors - Reuben Stoller, Ryan Jewell, Rachel Long, Sarah Feasby, Megan Pierce, Kelly Zartman, Tyler Arnett, Peter Sinn.

Back: Sophomores - Jonathan Harper, Graden Gudakunst, Staci Wenninger, Andrew Moore, Andrea Scharf, Courtney Seffernick, Adrean Ross.



2nd Honors (3.3-3.66 GPA):

Front: Seniors - Aryn Denny, Joe Sponseller, Colin Klopfenstein, Dylan Jewell, Josiah Gordon, Kacee Hockenberry, Kelsey Heck, JoEllen Fickel.

Raab, Beth Ross, Sadie Waserman, Emily Molitor, Marissa Jones, Andre Spinner.

Row 4: Sophomores - Sarah Nickols, Kaleigh Young, Emily Whitman, Kylee Wenninger, Krystal Wannemacher, Rylee Zartman, Brian Myers, Gary Mielke.

Back: Brianna Schaffer, Zach Mansfield, Natalie Snyder, Jessica Alba, Mackenzie Campbell, Tyler Ruiz.



3rd Honors (3.0-3.29 GPA):

Front: Seniors - Jalyn Egnor, Janelle Davis, Amanda Hill, Nolan Sinn, Ryne Jerome.

Row 4: Juniors - Lindsey Gibson, Holly Ludwig, Emily Flaugh, Beth Smith, Anna Morehead, Matt Proctor.

Row 5: Sophomores - Lyndsay Combs, Haleigh Garner, Katie Lantow, Caleb Mead, Eddie Hibbard.

Back: Sophomores - Chelsea Critchfield, Nathan Tumblin, Zach Proctor, Jared Eklund.



Academic Letter Winners: 3rd Year Academic Letter. Front: Seniors - Taylor Baumle, Jessica Wenninger, Erika Langmeyer, Abbey Linder, Nick LaBounty, Nathan Tumblin.

Kelly Zartman, Tyler Arnett, Peter Sinn.

1st Year Academic Letter. Row 3: Seniors - Colin Klopfenstein, Kacee Hockenberry, Josiah Gordon, Dylan Jewell. Juniors - Beth Ross, Christian Raab, Ryan Jewell.

2nd year Academic Letter. Row 2: Seniors - Kelsey Heck, Tate Church. Juniors - Reuben Stoller Rachel Long, Sarah Feasby, Megan Pierce,

Graden Gudakunst, Andrew Moore, Andrea Scharf, Adrean Ross.

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS AT PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK

Paulding Reservoir Park will host Co-ed Softball Tournaments on September 25th and October 9th. These will be double elimination tournaments with the first 16 teams to enter playing. Balls will be furnished for the tournament. To enter, please call 419-399-2981 or e-mail ronzneonz@hotmail.com for more information.

Toni Winslow - 5 kills, 6 digs
Loni Walk - 18 assists, 2 aces
Jessie Arnold - 5 blocks, 2 kills
Rachel Colley - 3 aces
Ashlee Smith - 3 kills, 6 digs
In the second match, Antwerp defeated Crestview: 28-26, 25-17.
Archer stats:
Taylor Vail - 11 kills, 2 blocks
Toni Winslow - 8 kills, 18 digs
Tricia Smalley - 13 digs
Jessie Arnold - 4 blocks
Ashlee Smith - 4 kills, 9 digs
Loni Walk - 22 assists
Alex North - 9-9 serving
2 aces
AJ Stuck - 6 digs
Archer record now stands at 7-1 (2-0 GMC).

PAULDING TAKES TOUGH LOSS ON VOLLEYBALL COURT TO COLUMBUS GROVE

Paulding Volleyball traveled to Columbus Grove on 9/16.

PHS JV Scores: 19-25, 25-19, 19-25; Panther JV lost.

Varsity Scores:
Set 1 - PHS 21, Columbus Grove 25
Set 2 - PHS 22, Columbus Grove 25
Set 3 - PHS 23, Columbus Grove 25; Panthers Varsity lost.

Blocks:
Jessica Farr - 7; Kristen Beck - 2; Rachel Razo - 1; Ashley Myers - 1

Kills:
Jessica Farr - 3; Kristen Beck - 5; Ashley Myers - 5
Points off Serving:
Kristen Beck - 14/15; Rachel Razo - 12/12; Ashley Myers - 8/9; Mesa Pracht - 11/12
Setter Assists:
Mesa Pracht - 11; Rachel Razo - 8

Digs:
Kayla Owens - 6; Nicole Gebers - 5; Ashley Myers - 5; Katie Kohart - 4

Archer stats:
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ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL 2010 STUDENT OF THE MONTH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



Miss Rose Doctor, a 2010 graduate of Antwerp High School and first-year student at International Business College, has recently been selected by the Antwerp Jr./Sr. High School faculty and staff as the 2010 Student of the Month scholarship recipient. This \$500 scholarship, sponsored annually by the Paulding Eagles Club, is handed out to one of the eight students chosen as the Student of the Month throughout the school year.


LADY ARCHER VOLLEYBALL SLAMS WILDCATS & KNIGHTS IN TRIMATCH

Archers traveled to Knight's territory on September 18. In the first match, Antwerp defeated Kalida 25-15, 25-10

Archer stats:
Taylor Vail - 8 kills, 3 blocks
AJ Stuck - 6 kills

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"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": HEALTH TECHNOLOGY - SKILLS FOR THE "REAL WORLD"



1: Vantage junior Health Technology students Kylee Grimes (Antwerp) and Brandy Hall (Delphos Jefferson) prepare to move "patient" Julia Schilb (Wayne Trace) as they practice the proper technique of operating the mechanical lift.

The Vantage Health Technology program prepares students for entry-level positions in the increasingly popular health field. Students learn how to perform a wide-range of medical procedures and tasks. They also have the opportunity to experience clinical instruction at local healthcare facilities. Students begin to develop professional work ethics, medical skills, patient care responsibilities and the importance of confidentiality.

Juniors in the program will begin to learn nursing skills, medical assisting skills, office duties and dental office procedures. They will learn medical terminology, and receive their CPR and First Aid certification. Students take the state approved nurse aid training and are then eligible to take the STNA (State Tested Nurse Assistant) exam and receive their STNA certification upon successful completion.

Junior instructor Reesa Rohrs says, "We're hard at work on our nurse aide training program right now."

During the second semester of their senior year, students are eligible for work-based internship opportunities in a healthcare setting. Throughout the school year, students will have a variety of opportunities to assist in community health-based activities such as kindergarten

screenings, hearing and vision screenings for Van Wert County schools, working at the Day of Caring and the Vantage bloodmobile.

Health Technology is a Tech Prep program. Tech Prep is a course of study that includes two years of high school PLUS two years of college. Students receive college credit while in high school and have a smooth transition to college. Successful completion of the Health Technology program may result in college credits being awarded through an articulation agreement with Rhodes State College.

With 32 students in the junior program and 26 in the senior program this year, Health Technology is one of the most popular programs at Vantage. This is a continuing trend, demonstrating the increasing need for healthcare personnel in our region.

Start off your day with a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by Citizens for Vantage on Saturday, September 25 from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Vantage Commons area.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

Admissions:
None
Dismissals:
9/5 - Clinton Vance, Oakwood
9/10 - Larry Miller, Paulding

ANTWERP MUSIC BOOSTER BEEF AND NOODLE DINNER

The Antwerp Music Boosters will be hosting a Beef and Noodles Dinner the night of the Antwerp vs. Hicksville game Friday, September 24, 2010 from

5:30-7:00 p.m. This will be the latest in a fundraising effort for the Band and Choir students going to Walt Disney World in May 2011. The students and parents have worked very hard and will continue to through the spring to try to make the trip as affordable as possible for all our students. We invite both communities to come and enjoy a good meal and support this effort.

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/29 THROUGH 10/5

MS/HS - Breakfast:

9/29 - Sausage, egg & cheese waffles, juice, milk

9/30 - French toast stick, sausage links, juice, milk

10/1 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk

10/4 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

10/5 - Sausage biscuit, tator tots, juice, milk

MS/HS - Lunch:

9/29 - Idaho nachos, bread stick or Stromboli, green beans, assorted fruit, milk

9/30 - BBQ pork w/bun, potato salad, assorted fruit, milk

10/1 - Chicken tenders, oven potatoes, roll & butter, assorted fruit, milk

10/4 - Stuffed Crust Pizza or Turkey club w/bun, corn or summer blend, assorted fruit, milk

10/5 - Grilled chicken salad, garlic toast, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary

- Breakfast:

9/29 - Assorted cereals, juice, milk

9/30 - Muffin, apple-sauce, milk

10/1 - Cereal bar, apple-sauce, milk

10/4 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

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

Paulding Elementary

- Lunch:

9/29 - Pizza, corn, fruit, milk

9/30 - Sloppy joe, scoops, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

10/1 - Ravioli, green beans, bread, assorted fruit, milk

10/4 - Nachos w/cheese, peas, G-force bar, assorted fruit, milk

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

Oakwood Elementary

- Breakfast:

9/29 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

9/30 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk

10/1 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

10/4 - Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk

10/5 - Pancakes, fruit, milk

Oakwood Elementary

- Lunch:

9/29 - Dog in a blanket, celery sticks, potato chips, fruit, milk

9/30 - Hamburger w/ bun, corn, fruit, milk

10/1 - Taco in a bag, lettuce w/cheese, fruit, milk

10/4 - Chicken fajita, green beans, fruit choice, milk

10/5 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk

Menus are subject to change.

A BIG THANK YOU

To all the teams & workers, to everyone who donated raffle tickets, money and their time to make the 7th Annual Shelley Litzenburg Memorial Softball Tournament a great success:

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If we missed anyone we are sorry. All of the help was greatly appreciated.

Thanks again,
—The Shelly Litzenburg Family

LOCAL CYCLISTS FINISH IN TOUR DE DONUT



The 6th annual Tour De Donut was held Saturday, September, 18th. Over 550 riders participated, including three local community members, Ramona, Jasmine, and Zechariah Price. The Tour De Donut is a 30 mile biking event that combines bicycle riding with eating donuts. All three members of the Price family finished, with Jasmine winning 2nd place for her efforts in her age group.

I WAS LOST BUT NOW AM FOUND "RINGS" TRUE

The other day after school my son, Cody, came up to me and told me that his principle Mr. Arnold asked him if he has any relation named



Mike. Well, Cody told him yes, with a snicker, "That's my dad's name." Mr. Arnold commenced to tell Cody that he

had received a call from a person in Michigan claiming that she had found a class ring at the dunes from Antwerp High School belonging to Mike Knapp. She said she would mail it to the school. I told Cody that I did lose my class ring at the dunes in Michigan while we were visiting my uncle up there—25ish years ago! I was totally surprised that after all of this time it was found. And I am totally amazed, that out of the goodness of someone's heart, they would take the time to search for a high school, call that school's administrator and send the ring in the mail. This just goes to show that there are still good and honest people out there looking out for others. There is a lady named Kathy, in the Glen Arbor, Michigan area that has this kind of heart. And also, the ring looks like I just took it off yesterday.

—Mike Knapp

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- Tuesday Night*
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 2. Pack Rats 8-1
 3. Bruce Kunesch Auto 6-3
 4. Grace Home Improvement 4-5
 5. Waters MD 4-5
 6. Hoffman Builders 2-7
 7. Jones Home Improvement 3-6
 8. Luffy's Pizza 1-8
- Thursday Night Coed*
1. Archbold Equipment 8-1
 2. Pit Stop 5-4
 3. TJ's Bar 6-3
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UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
Thursday, Sept. 23rd - 7 p.m. The traveling SENIOR SAINTS will again favor their audience with their 70 voices in song (and dialect) as they render this year's theme "Love Around the World"... it makes quite a playbill! Admission by donation. Do COME!

Saturday, September 25 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, September 26 at 2:00 pm - "It's High Time" for a variety show produced by the Huber staff. The area talent will amaze and delight you if you're not in it, your neighbor probably is...watch for more info.

OCTOBER
Saturday, October 2nd, 7:30...The group DARK HORSE - Starring Jeff Rife, Hal Osmun, Bob Bailey and Stacy Stevenson - will appear as a 100% benefit to the Huber Balcony Renovation. 60's & 70's music...Come and bring Grandma & the Kids. Admission by donation; snacks available for a small fee.

Friday & Saturday, 15 & 16 7:30; Saturday & Sunday., 16 & 17 at 2pm - The Village Players present Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's "The HOUND of the BASKERVILLES"

Sunday., 31st - Huber Drama and Tour "MEET ME AT THE HEADSTONE!" Curious? You SHOULD be!!



RICHARD I. BONG

By: Stan Jordan

Major Bong was Americas highest scoring flying ace in WWII. He was credited with at least 40 Japanese kills. He was a fighter pilot of a P-38 in the Southwest Pacific and was awarded the Medal of Honor.

Richard Ira Bong was born in Superior, Wisconsin on December 24, 1920. He was the son of Swedish immigrants and one of nine children. As a child he built a lot of model airplanes as a hobby. After high school he attended Superior State Teachers College in 1938. He passed the Civilian Pilot Training Program. Then in 1941 he enlisted in the Army Air Corps Aviation Cadet Program.

Major Bong was recognized as a good pilot and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant on January 9, 1942 and became a gunnery instructor in Northern California.

His first outfit was with a fighter group at Hamilton Field in California. Here they were transitioned into the twin engine P-38's. He was accused of doing some hot dog flying down Market Street, under the Golden Gate Bridge, and buzzing a man's house and was grounded for a while. When his outfit was sent to Europe he didn't get to go so in July of 1942 he transferred to another unit, the 84th Fighter Squadron and was sent to the Southwest Pacific.

He stationed at Darwin for a while waiting for a P-38 so they flew escort for bombers and got his first kill, a Japanese Zero and an Oscar on one mission.

In March of 1943 he was

flying out of Port Moresby with a P-38 and was credited with shooting down four Japanese over Lae.

He got home on leave in January 1944 and met a girl, Marge Vatendaal at his college reunion. He went back to the southwest Pacific and named his P-38, Marge, with picture and all.

By April of 1944, Captain Bong had shot down 27 Japs and that put him past Captain Eddie Rickenbacker who had shot down 26 in WWI.

In September of 1944, Major bong returned to New Guinea. He was not required to fly missions anymore, but raised his victory number to 40. He had been flying out of Tacloban in Leyte, Philippines.

General Kearney recommended him for the Medal of Honor in December of 1944. Bong was an officer who could be a leader but he just flew a two on four plane formation rather than a whole squadron.

In January of 1945, General Kearney sent our Ace of Aces back to the states for good. Major Bong and his new wife made a lot of P.R. activities for the sale of War Bonds.

After the war, Bong became a test pilot out in California at Lockheeds Burbank Plant.

He had an accident with a Shooting Star Jet Plane and was killed the same day that the U.S. dropped the 'A' Bomb on Japan. He was buried in his state of Wisconsin in the city of Poplar.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Restaurant Quips
**The irate customer said to the waiter, "What is this fly doing in my soup?"

After the waiter looked the soup bowl over, he said, "Well, it looks like the backstroke."

**The waiter came by the

table and was going to check on the customers food and enjoyment. He said, "How did you find your steak?"

The customer said, "I rolled two peas over and there it was."

**The new customer asked the maitre d', "Do you serve crabs here?"

He said, "Yes, come on and sit down."

See ya!

WALLACE GEYER

By: Stan Jordan

"While we were in Rochefort it was some of the roughest and unrelenting fighting and artillery. In the morning it was a tank battle with tank destroyers. Then the Germans moved out.

"We walked 20 miles to



Bovary. It was supposed to be cleaned out but there were plenty of Krauts in there yet. It was very cold with plenty of snow.

"We walked along and I was beside of a fence and a German 88 shell made a direct hit of George Cline. It blew him to pieces and his dog tag was blown through my field jacket, my long sleeved shirt and my long underwear and yet it was clean into the bone. My platoon leader pulled the dog tag out of my left forearm. Then I walked up a hill to a truck and met a good friend that had been hit and rode for miles to a first aid tent.

"I was surprised that one of the Corpsman was Howard Freshwater from Paulding. They put on a clean dressing and put me in ambulance to a major hospital. A couple of medics took out most of the dog tag. It didn't hurt much but some small fragments still remain deep in the flesh.

"I was hit on January 15. It took a few days on trucks and trains 40+8 plus some passenger trains.

"I wound up at a convalescent hospital for two months with a lot of whirlpool treatments.

"I got a Purple Heart and the officer said, 'You have a scar to show your grand kids.'

"They discharged me from the hospital and shipped me back to my company the day of V.E. Day in Europe. I was very glad and lucky.

"When I reached B-Co. my old outfit squad was mostly there, my assistant leader and platoon leader. It was a joyful reunion, hugs all around.

"A lieutenant made us practice with blanks for the Japan invasion. All of us were combat veterans, we didn't need blanks.

"After a fashion, some of us were sent towards home. We were in Camp Lucky Strike, a 'Repel Depel' and left Europe for the U.S. when the American World Series was going on. That was October of 1945. We left Europe out of LaHarve."

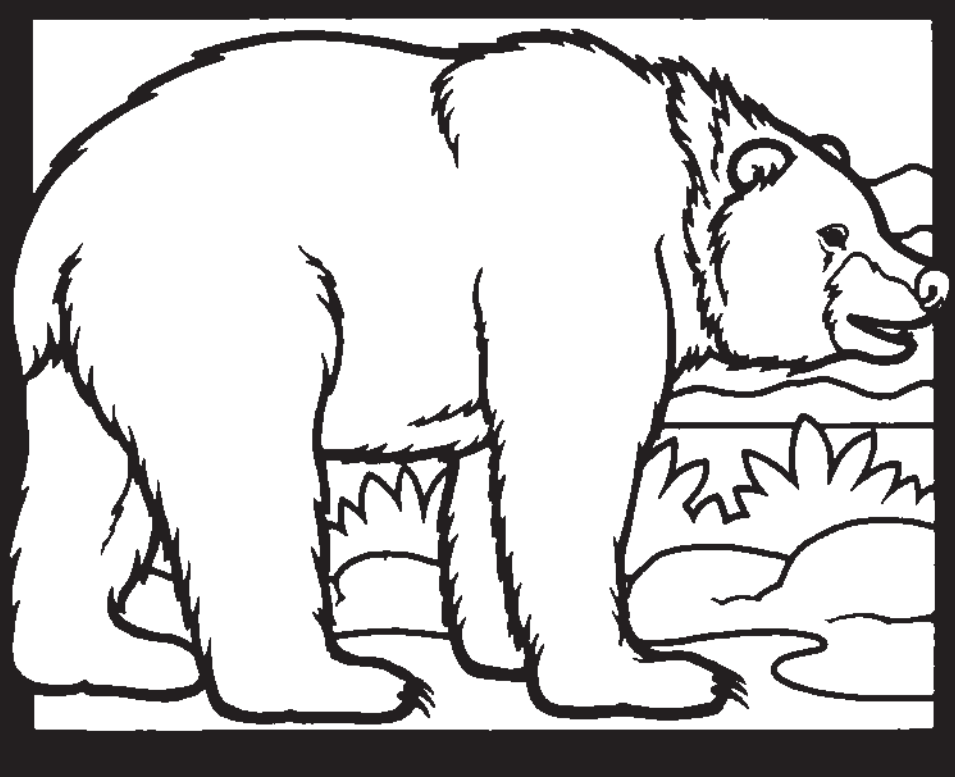
Stan: I forgot to tell you that Wallace was an expert shot and in late September

Stanley of the Woods - Coloring Contest!

West Bend News wants to give the new school year a great kick-off! So if you can color "Stanley of the Woods", color the page below, fill out the entry form—WE NEED YOUR PICTURE IN FRIDAY'S MAIL—and send it to:

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of 1945 every unit in the 83rd Infantry, 329 Regiment sent two men to Regensburg to fire the M1 in a shooting contest. Wallace and a lieutenant represented B-Co. He said he never received his score.

After he got home he went into farming in a big way. He had a lot of acres, but he had good equipment.

He met Eileen Kauser and they were married in March of 1947. They had four children: Greg in 1948, he has four children and lives in Antwerp; Cindy in 1950, she has one boy and lives in Hamstead, Texas; Janice in 1953, she lives in Fort Wayne; and Jerry in 1955, he has two boys and lives in Antwerp.

Wallace's hobbies are ice fishing, raising grains and shooting.

He feels very bad because his best army buddy got killed on the last day of the war. He was Robert Trivilion. He was told later that Bob just stood up too long and a sniper got him.

Wallace, it certainly has been an enjoyable time doing your life and army times.

We here at the WBN want to thank you for coming in and relating your experiences.

Buss, you was a good soldier, a good father, a good farmer, a good Antwerp Booster and just a good all-around fellow. It has been a pleasure to do your story.

See ya!

BITS & PIECES

By: Stan Jordan

If you remember, I have been telling you about me being a rear guard in Snoopy's Sopwith Camel. Snoopy was

a flying ace in WWI with the A.E.F. He flew a Sopwith Camel, a French built answer to the German Focke-Wolfe air plane that Manfred Von Ritschthofen, the Dirty Red Baron, flew.

A man came in to the office of the WBN the other day and dropped a bombshell on the counter. He said he has flown a Sopwith Camel!

I was dumbfounded—that plane would be almost 100 years old. After I stuttered a bit because he was about 60 years old and not in WWI, he told me about it.

I guess there is a group of men in New York State that

have 53 old classic planes of all types—from camels, tri-motors, tri-wings, Focke-Wolfe, Spads and DeHavilans and many more.

I understand these all fly and you can fly one if you have the right credentials and condiments.

The man was Paul Gallagher from Paulding and he has flown some of those old classics. I was very glad to learn about these. We certainly went back in history about 100 years that morning.

Thanks, Paul!
See ya!

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Woodlan pulled off their first win of the season against Monroe Central Friday, September 17. The Warriors had a great evening on the night of Woodlan's 50th year anniversary football game. Final Score: 61-13. Shown here is Warrior senior Michael Whitcombe make sure the ball is brought down at the 34 yard line. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

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mann to extend the Warriors lead to 40-13.
In the second half, Wiedemann connected with Cody Zink for their third touchdown pass of the night. Payton Spencer added another touchdown to his total, giving him five scores, which tied a school record for the most points scored by a single player in a game. The Warriors rolled to a 61-13 victory.
For the Warriors, the victory gave them their first of the year, and a record of 1-4, while Monroe Central dropped to 0-4 on

the season. After the game, Warrior mentor Barry Ehle commented on his team's performance. "We hope to build our success here and build some confidence and have a good second half of the year." Ehle also talked about the Warriors matchup against Garrett this Friday. "They are always tough, but we match up pretty well. I am anxious to see them on film and get after it."
Woodlan will take on the Garrett Railroaders at a neutral site this weekend, Ball State University's Scheumann Stadium.



The Warrior "C" team played Snider September 14 at home. The Panthers won 41-18. Still, it was a good night for Woodlan. Shown here is Woodlan scoring their first touchdown of the season. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF COLLEGIATE SCHOLARS WELCOMES JACQUELINE THOMAS AS A NEW MEMBER

Jacqueline Thomas of Antwerp, Ohio has accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). Jacqueline will be honored during an Induction Convocation this fall on the campus of The University of Toledo.
"NSCS is more than just a symbol of academic achievement. Membership gives students access to a number of amazing benefits including career and networking resources, scholarships, travel and service projects both on campus and in the



community," says Stephen E. Loflin, NSCS Executive Director.
NSCS is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is the nation's only interdisciplinary honors organization for first and second year college students. Membership is by invitation only, based on grade point average and class standing. NSCS has more than 750,000 lifetime members and 270 chapters in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.
For more information about The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, please call 202-265-9000, visit NSCS' Web site at nscs.org or contact Jacqueline Thomas at 6516 Road 176, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

WARRIORS LOSE TO BLUFFTON IN HS FOOTBALL

By: Jeff Abbott
Woodlan's Payton Spencer rushed for 129 yards and scored a touchdown and quarterback Nathan Wiedemann threw for 143 yards and a touchdown, but the Tigers got a career performance night from Cameron Gerber to down Woodlan 24-19 in ACAC football. Gerber, a senior playing football for the first time, threw for 163 yards and a touchdown and ran for a touchdown on offense and then scored a defensive touchdown on an interception return of 75 yards. Gerber was responsible for 18 of the 24 Bluffton points in the game. Nathan Wiedemann had a touchdown run for Woodlan and connected to Michael Whitcombe for another, and Payton Spencer scored the other TD for the Warriors.
Score by the quarter:
Woodlan - 7 0 6 6=19
Bluffton - 18 0 6 0=24
Plays of the Night:
B - Mike Gibson, 6yd pass from Cameron Gerber (kick failed)
B - Mike Pearson, 27yd run (pass failed)
W - Nathan Wiedemann, 1yd run (Brock Hines kick)
B - Cameron Gerber, 75yd interception return (run failed)

W - Payton Spencer, 11yd run (pass failed)
B - Cameron Gerber, 7yd run (kick failed)
W - Michael Whitcombe, 6yd pass from Nathan Wiedemann (run failed)

WT 7TH GRADE FOOTBALL DEFEATS FAIRVIEW

The Wayne Trace 7th grade football team defeated Fairview by a score of 44-0. Cory Davis scored 3 touchdowns. Luke Miller, Noah Stoller, and Cole Shepherd each scored a touchdown. Luke Miller and Conner Arend each had two point conversions. The offense was led by big blocks from Justin Speice, Mike Now, Lucas Sinn, Jake Reynolds, Jared Lehman, Chris Davis, Jacob Leverton, and Austin Fast.
The defense allowed just one first down shutting out Fairview. Big defensive plays were made by Conner Arend, Speice, Now, Reynolds, Quintin Miller, Clint Sinn, Cory Davis, Noah Stoller, Cole Shepherd, George Clemens, Chris Davis, Luke Miller, and Austin Kuhn.

8TH GRADE RAIDERS STOMP ON PILOTS

The Wayne Trace 8th grade football team as they defeated Ayersville by a score of 58-8. Tyler Showalter scored 4 touchdowns. Jacob Arend scored 2 touchdowns. Tyler Showalter scored a TD. Jacob Dingus had a touchdown. Two point conversions were scored by Dingus, Arend, Showalter, and Baxter. The offense was led by big blocks from JP Pierce, Hank Sinn, Issac Ludwig, Izhah Greathouse, Riley Moore, Cassidy Hilkey, and JC Weaver.
The defense held Ayersville to negative yardage. Big D was played by JP Pierce, Ludwig, Greathouse, Hank Sinn, Josh Reel, Riley Moore, Robbie Seffernick, Tyler Showalter, Tyler Showalter, Jake Arend, and Jake Dingus. Other contributors were Bryan Garlock and Grant Gillett. The 8th grade Raiders move to 2-0 for the season.

LADY PANTHERS TAKE OUT BLUFFTON

Paulding Volleyball took on Bluffton at Paulding on 9/14.
JV Scores: 20-25, 12-25; Panthers JV lost.
Varsity Scores:
Set 1 - PHS 14, Bluffton 25
Set 2 - PHS 25, Bluffton 19
Set 3 - PHS 21, Bluffton 25
Set 4 - PHS 25, Bluffton 21
Set 5 - PHS 15 Bluffton 13
Blocks:
Jessica Farr - 9; Kristen Beck - 2; Rachel Razo - 2; Nicole Gebers - 1; Mesa Pracht - 3
Kills:
Jessica Farr - 8; Kristen Beck - 11; Ashley Meyers - 7; Nicole Gebers - 7
Points off Serving:
Nicole Gebers - 13/14; Kayla Owens - 12/17; Kristen Beck - 19/21; Mesa Pracht - 10/13; Rachel Razo - 9/11
Setter Assists:
Mesa Pracht - 19; Rachel Razo - 12
Digs:
Kayla Owens - 25; Ashley Meyers - 5; Rachel Razo - 14; Mesa Pracht - 12; Nicole Gebers - 16

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PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

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Payton Spencer had a historic game for the Warriors in a 61-13 victory over the Golden Bears. Spencer rushed for 154 yards and 4 TD's on 26 carries. He also added a fifth touchdown on a 68 yard reception. His five total touchdowns tied a 41 year-old school record for points in a game by a single player.

WOODLAN VOLLEYBALL TAKES ANOTHER ACAC WIN ON THE COURT



The Lady Warriors played Adams Central in a tight game September 14. Woodlan went all 5 rounds to win. Shown here is Freshman Tori Bontrager spiking the ball to the Jets. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

By: Jeff Abbott
Woodlan stepped closer to the ACAC volleyball title beating rival Adams Central in 5 games to remain undefeated in conference play and give the Jets their first conference loss. Amy Potter and Stephanie Oberlin had 10 kills apiece and Burgundy Price had 9 in the win. Trica Sieger put in 3 serve aces and added 36 assists in the match. Woodlan dropped the first game on their home floor to

the Jets, won games 2 and 3, and were blown out in the fourth game to force the decisive fifth game. The Warriors took an early lead and never looked back to get the win in the fifth game and the match.
Scores: 25-16AC, 18-25W, 21-25W, 25-9AC, 8-15W; Woodlan won.
Woodlan dropped the reserve match in 3 games over the Jets: 25-24, 24-25, and 13-15

WARRIOR VOLLEYBALL DERAILS RAILROADERS

By: Jeff Abbott
Woodlan derailed Garrett in ACAC girls' volleyball in the Garrett gym in 3 straight games. Grace Keller had 4 serve aces for the Warriors, Tricia Sieger had 24 assists, and Amy Potter had 10 kills.
Scores: 25-21W, 25-22W, 25-24W; Woodlan won.

WOODLAN BESTS BLUFFTON IN HS VOLLEYBALL

By: Jeff Abbott
Woodlan bested Bluffton in straight games to get the conference win over the Tigers in ACAC girls' volleyball play. Stephanie Oberlin led the Woodlan offense with 6 serve aces and 6 kills. Burgundy Price added 6 kills and Amy Potter had 3 blocks
Scores: 25-8W, 25-22W, 25-10W; Woodlan won.

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2010 REAPPRAISAL CHANGE OF VALUE NOTICE FOR PAULDING COUNTY

Paulding County Auditor, Susan K. Simpson, announced this week that the proposed 2010 revaluation of properties in Paulding County is nearing an end. In accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5715.33, the County Auditor is required to reappraise all real property within the county every six years. The last reappraisal for Paulding County occurred in 2004.

Informal hearing dates have been scheduled to allow residents to view the proposed new values. These meetings are to allow the taxpayer to meet one-on-one with the appraisal staff. The purpose of any reappraisal is not to raise or lower taxes, but to equalize values due to recent changes in the sales market and property conditions. Property taxes are established by the passage of levies by local voters in each taxing district. Although your value may have either increased or decreased, your taxes will not necessarily rise or fall by the same percentage.

We do not receive tax rates until mid-December, so at this time, we will not be able to determine the amount of your taxes payable in 2011. This information pertains to values only.

INFORMAL HEARING DATES AND TIMES:

FOR RESIDENTIAL/AGRICULTURAL PROPERTIES — “WALK-IN” only appointments.

September 27–October 1 and October 4–October 8, 2010.

Hours will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. **Wednesdays we will be holding evening hours therefore the hours will be 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.** Residential/Agricultural property hearings will be “WALK-IN” only appointments, and will be held in the basement of the courthouse. For easier accessibility, you may want to come into the basement from the steel doors located at the north and south entrances of the courthouse.

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES –

October 12 - October 15, 2010
(the office is closed Monday, October 11 for Columbus Day)

Your hearing date and time will be by appointment due to the length of time required. Please call the County Auditor’s office at 419-399-8206 or 419-399-8245 to schedule your appointment.

In addition, individual property records and values may be found on line at www.pauldingcountyauditor.com beginning September 27, 2010. The Auditor’s web site includes instructions under the **2010 Revaluation Link** on finding the proposed 2010 values.

For further information please visit the Auditor’s web site or call 419-399-8206 or 419-399-8245.

RUNNING WITH MIKE EHREDT



By: Hollie Wannemacher

I am Hollie Wannemacher and I would like to tell you my story of running with Mr. Mike Ehredt. I am in 7th grade and a runner on the Wayne Trace Cross Country team. Little did I know that when I prepared to run my three miles on Sunday (September 12), that I would have the opportunity to run with Mike, who is running across the United States! I was preparing to go run when my mom told me about a guy running across the country. On the way my parents told me that he was running across America and every mile stopping to put a flag down for someone who passed in Iraq. She asked me if I wanted to run with him and I said, "Yes."

I started with Mike west of Briceton. When we were running I thought that I would just run a couple of miles but, no, I ran eight miles that day ending east of Broughton. My sister, Krystal, who plays Volley Ball and runs Cross Country when schedules don't conflict, joined us along the way. While we were running I got so much information from him. His name is Mike and he served in the army for thirty years. After the thirty years he served in the army he was a mail man. He is retired and has a family back in Idaho.

Mike told me that he wanted to travel the country and also do a good cause, but he didn't know how to do it. He decided to run across the country and place a flag every mile for a soldier that sacrificed their life in Iraq. He runs about thirty miles a day which starts at seven thirty in the morning and ends around three thirty in the afternoon. He doesn't stop to eat lunch, he just snacks. At the end of this day, he is welcomed home

to rest. Then he is off to run in the morning. He only has a cell phone and a little G.P.S. system with him to track and record his events. Mike has already been through thirteen pairs of shoes since he started his journey May 1st.

Mike pushes a baby running stroller to carry his flags and snacks. When I was running with him he told me he started his wheel in the Pacific Ocean and is ending mission with his wheel in the Atlantic Ocean.

That weekend I was running with him he had five weeks to go. I asked him how he was getting home. Well he is going to run back and pick up the flags—that was a joke, he pulled my leg too! It was a fun and interesting morning, and I learned a lot about him and his quest.

I have a bracelet from him and he told me if a fifty year old guy can run across the country, then I can do two miles. He told me not to take the bracelet off because it would be bad luck and it would help me run faster in a race. I have not removed his bracelet since the day he gave it to me. Mike wears the same bracelet; however, his is all faded because he has been wearing it since May 1st.

It was such a great experience, Mike, and I will pray for you daily that you have a safe run!

SUMMER'S END

By: Josh Steiner

Now our extremely hot and stormy summer is finally coming to an end on Wednesday September 22, 2010 with the first day of fall. This does not mean our temperatures will immediately fall in the upcoming days, but it does mean that our temperatures

will continue to gradually fall from our hot summer temperatures to the below normal temperatures that are predicted for this fall. We still will have a few exceptions to this with Tuesday and Thursday of this week will be in the 90's. By next week, though, our temperatures will be falling into the lower 70's and upper 60's which is right around average for this time of year. As fall starts, not only will our temperatures change but we will experience more and more rainfall. This is because more storm systems will be entering the region and the high pressure ridge that was persistent over the region throughout the season will move more to the east and south into the Deep South and Florida. More storm systems are forming because when fall and winter approach, temperature boundaries between the northern United States and southern United States will be more distinguishable with colder temperatures in the north and warmer temperatures in the south. This causes greater pressure differences and much stronger storm systems that do not die out when they enter more stable air. Our patterns will become more like spring and we will get much rainier. According to computer models, we could have our first winter storm by Thanksgiving.

Our winter forecast has now changed for the United States, instead of the Rockies getting the worst of winter's cold and snow, the core of winter cold and heavy snow has shifted to the Great Lakes region and New England such as New York, Vermont, and New Hampshire. Most of the models that I have seen have insisted that we will be under the threat of very heavy snowfall and very cold temperatures. Some computer models, have even shown the Great Lakes region getting record heavy snowfall and bitterly cold temperatures. So, northwest Ohio and Northeast Indiana might be in for a very bumpy ride this winter. Also for the next four winters after this year, we might be seeing extremely brutal winters with heavy snowfall and very cold temperatures. According to Long-Range Meteorologist Joe Bastardi, these next few winters will be a repeat of the winters in the late 70's, with possibly the winter of 2013-2014 being the worst of them all.

The 2010 Atlantic Basin Hurricane Season has broken many records. One such record was that Igor has become one of the largest hurricanes on record only behind Hurricane Faith from the 1960's with a wind field of 575 miles for gale force winds, 345 mile wind field for tropical storm force winds, and a 105 mile wind field for hurricane force winds. This is much larger than even the worst hurricanes on record such as Hurricane Ike (2008) and Hurricane Katrina (2005). Igor peaked with sustained winds last Tuesday, September 14, 2010, at 155 miles per hour, almost a category five hurricane. This made it the strongest hurricane since Hurricane Felix in 2007. Another record was set on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 with two category four hurricanes active at the same time. This is a very rare event since the last time this happened was in 1926. Also, we have had four category four hurricanes, and

five hurricanes recorded in a 20 day period, the previous record was set in 1998 with a 24 day period. Right now Igor has outlived both Hurricane Karl and Hurricane Julia with a time span of 12 days. As of Sunday, September 19, 2010, Hurricane Igor is bearing down on Bermuda with hurricane force sustained winds of up to 85 mph and higher gusts. Igor's eyewall will hit Bermuda Sunday night and will continue to weaken and become extratropical by Tuesday with winds over 80 mph. Now there is another tropical wave that is near the Cape Verde islands and is moving to an environment favorable for development. This tropical wave will become a tropical depression or storm at any given moment and could strengthen into a hurricane. It will be named Lisa if it does form and will move along a track similar to Earl's but could go much farther west.

By fall, the hurricane season starts to produce less and less storms. Around this time of year, the monsoonal flow will cease over Africa, which has produced most of our storms this year. Then the areas of development will move to the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico where the ocean temperatures remain warm well into October instead of cooling off like the Atlantic does. Now we could have many more storms after the pattern shifts holding to the idea that we could have a season almost as record breaking as the 2005 season. Since the storms will be forming in the Gulf, they have a much better chance of hitting the US than any other time this season. Right now, computer models have hurricane hitting somewhere in the Gulf by Early October. According to this model, it could be a very strong hurricane and could hit anywhere from the Texas/Louisiana state line to the Florida Panhandle. After October, the season usually stops producing storms because of stronger wind shear and cooler ocean water. The reason for the stronger wind shear is because of our increased rainfall in our area which usually destroys and tears apart the circulation within the hurricane.

If you have questions, please email me at: storm_reportsjoshua@yahoo.com and we will try our best to answer these questions and put them in the newspaper. You may ask questions about anything weather related and/or about any of my articles.

TALL TREES EDUCATE ANTWERP STUDENTS ABOUT BULLYING



Antwerp Local School hosted best-selling authors, peace advocates, and world-renowned recording artists Chief Robert and Terri Lynn TallTree on Wednesday, September 15 as part of the school's on-going efforts to educate students on the damaging effects of bullying. The TallTrees spoke to students during separate assemblies for grades 5-8 and grades 9-12.

"You are a gift to the world" was the theme of the assembly with a powerful message about respecting ourselves, each other, the Earth, and all living things.

The TallTrees have been teaching Native American cultural programs for more than thirty years, and they have appeared on PBS, the BBC, Animal Planet, and The Discovery Channel.

In the picture the couple is shown performing one of their musical selections. This assembly was funded through the cooperative efforts of The Turning Point of Paulding and a Drug Free grant obtained by Antwerp School officials.

LADY ARCHERS TAKE DOWN ACES & WILDCATS ON THE COURT

Antwerp defeated Delphos

Jefferson on 9/13 in Wildcat country: 25-20, 25-14, 25-12.

- Lady Archer stats:
- Taylor Vail - 16 kills, 4 blocks
- Toni Winslow - 5 kills, 15 digs
- Ashlee Smith - 5 kills, 3 aces, 6 digs
- Loni Walk - 25 assists
- Rachel Colley - 3 aces, 7 digs
- Tricia Smalley - 6 digs
- Antwerp defeated Hicksville on 9/14 at Hicksville: 25-14, 25-12, 25-4.
- Lady Archer Stats:
- Taylor Vail - 15-17 hitting with 11 kills and 4 blocks
- Toni Winslow - 21-24 hitting with 10 kills
- Jessie Arnold - 6-10 hitting with 4 kills, 2 blocks
- Loni Walk - 52-52 setting with 18 assists, 21-21 serving with 4 aces
- Ashlee Smith - 8-8 serving 2 aces
- Rachel Colley - 15-16 serving 2 aces
- AJ Stuck - 9-9 serving 1 ace
- Alex North - 6-6 serving 2 aces
- Tricia Smalley - 6-6 serve receive 2 digs
- Antwerp JV won also.
- Archer record now stands at 5-1 (2-0 GMC).

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JUSTIN "THE FLEA" FLEMENS WINS BY TRIANGLE CHOKE



Left to right is Brent Harris, Rob Majors, Justin Flemens, Steven Williams.

Justin, a Paulding native, is leader of the MMA program and part owner at Malice MMA & Family Fitness Center here in Paulding. Justin has spent the past year dedicated to training other fighters and just recently decided to take some time to focus on his own career and begin his quest to put Paulding, Ohio on the map. Justin's win came at 2 minutes 38 seconds of the first round by triangle choke after Justin demonstrated his superior stand up and grappling skills that caused his opponent to submit. For pictures and videos of our local fighters got to www.malicefighters.com.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 8/25/10

This 25th day of August, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
 Warrants documented as 170822 through 170831 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING "THEN AND NOW" PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on August 23, 2010, Warrants numbering 170432 through 170716 totaling \$87,584.55; and it is certified that both

at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-017):

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

FROM: 001-017-00006/General Fund/Sheriff/Jail/Outhousing
 TO: 001-017-00005/General Fund/Sheriff/Supplies/Sheriff
 AMOUNT: \$12,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 177):

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

FROM: 177-001-20105/SVAA//Furnishings
 TO: 177-001-20106/SVAA/Telephone
 AMOUNT: \$200.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 017):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation in Fund 017:

Fund 017 - Eaton Farm Fund, 017-001-00007/Eaton Farm Fund/Other, \$17,846.74

IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR THE 2010 TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVEMENTS:

This 25th day of August, 2010, being the day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, bids were received and opened for the 2010 Township Road Improvements:

The Shelly Company, 1700 Fostoria Avenue, Suite 200, PO Box 3100, Findlay, OH 45840 - \$639,151.52

Brooks Construction Co., Inc., 6525 Ardmore Avenue, PO Box 9560, Fort Wayne, IN 45899 - \$666,989.10

Gerken Paving, Inc., 9-072 US 24, Napoleon, OH 43545 - \$605,191.37

The specifications will be studied with a determination to be made later.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:02 a.m. with Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Edward Straley. All members voting yea.

At 11:13 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:
 This 25th day of August, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners; Tony Zartman, and Tony Burkley, met with the following members of the Audit Committee: Susan Simpson, County Auditor; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer, Carol Temple, County Recorder, Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts, and Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor.

Lou Ann Wannemacher distributed the Sales Tax Revenue and Motor Vehicle Tax reports for August, 2010. Sales tax revenue was up from July, 2010, by \$2,953.60, however, down from August, 2009, by \$2,010.74 and down from the three year average for the month of August by \$13,146.59. Motor vehicle tax collected was up from July, 2010, by \$144.36 and up from August, 2009, by \$2,435.45. August, 2010, vehicle tax collected was down \$5,870.74 from the three year average.

Susan Simpson presented the General Fund Receipts and Expenses Reports for July, 2010. General fund receipts of \$182,770.22 were down from June by \$89,660.20. July, 2010, general fund receipts were up from July, 2009, by \$9,069.09. July, 2010, receipts were down \$46,416.20 from the three year average for July. General Fund expenses for July were up \$16,257.74 from June expenses; however were down \$62,912.47 from July, 2009; and down \$21,932.68 from the three-year average for July.

Ms. Simpson reported the Budget Committee will revisit adjustments to the 2010 estimated revenue at their October meeting.

The Commissioners reported wind farm construction updates and the impact they may eventually have on the general fund revenue. Discussion was held on ditch assessments and various ditch notes. The group was also advised to send time sensitive, certified mail through the post office so it can be properly date stamped.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be September 29, 2010.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:
 Jim Henderson, Engineer's Office - Mr. Henderson open the bids for the 2010 Township Road Improvements.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher met with the Commissioners to discuss payment options for a combined ditch note due in September.

Susan Simpson, County Auditor - Ms. Simpson presented sales tax, vehicle tax, general fund revenue and expense reports for the Commissioners' review prior to the Audit Committee meeting. She also reported the county audit has been completed and is on line for review. She also commented the 2009 audit was very clean with few recommendations. Ms. Simpson then reported the CAUV meeting held at the Paulding High School Auditoria last Monday evening was very well received. She stated the representative from Farm Bureau was very informative and attendance was good. Ms. Simpson reported the revaluation notices will be sent out in September. This process is done every six years. Ms. Simpson also suggested the 2011 revenue worksheets be distributed soon to get the budget process started. Revenue worksheets from various elected officials and department heads are necessary to assist the Budget Committee set the estimated revenue. Discussion continued regarding the wind farms and the tax revenue implications.

Corey Walker, DJFS - Mr. Walker met with the Commissioners to discuss repairs for the Jacob Eaton Children's Home. Roof replacement, driveway and fascia/soffit repairs were discussed.

Brenda Wieland, Paulding County Hospital - Ms. Wieland met with the Commissioners to discuss the team building training the hospital will be conducting.

OHIOANS HELP PICK NEW OHIO REPRESENTATIVE FOR STATUARY HALL IN UNITED STATES CAPITOL

Capitol Letters Weekly
 Column by: Senator Steve Buehrer

The pages of America's history books are filled with iconic Ohioans who helped lead our country in battle, discovered new inventions that have dramatically changed how we live, work and travel and fought to abolish slavery and establish equal rights for all Americans. These influential men and women have not only helped alter the course of history, but their hard work, commitment and entrepreneurial spirit have contributed to Ohio's growth and suc-

cess and embody the values our state was founded upon.

In December 2006, the Ohio General Assembly approved Senate Bill 277 to establish the National Statuary Collection Study Committee, a bipartisan group of members from the Ohio House and Senate charged with recommending one of these great Ohioans to represent our state in Statuary Hall at the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C. National Statuary Hall was created by federal law in 1864 and allowed each state to provide two statues honoring deceased individuals from their state who have contributed to history.

For more than 120 year, Ohio has been represented by former U.S. President, Union general and U.S. Representative James Garfield and former Ohio Governor William Allen. However, the Ohio Legislature voted to replace Governor Allen's statue because his pro-slavery views are not representative of Ohioans today.

Beginning in August 2009, the Statuary Collection Study Committee held numerous public meetings throughout the state to learn more about the lives and contributions of many great Ohioans. From there, the committee narrowed a list of more than 90 nominees to 10, which included Congressman and abolitionist James Ashley, inventor Thomas Edison, President and Civil War General Ulysses S. Grant, Congressman and civil rights leader William McCulloch, Olympic track star Jesse Owens, astronaut Dr. Judith Resnik, who was killed in the Challenger tragedy, abolitionist author of Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe, suffragist Harriet Taylor Upton, Dr. Albert Sabin, who developed the oral polio vaccine, and aviation pioneers the Wright Brothers.

Then, through a partnership between the National Statuary Study Committee and the Ohio Historical Society, the Cincinnati Museum Center and the Western Reserve Historical Society, polling locations were set up at 36 museums and historical sites around the state from March 20 to June 12 to give Ohioans of all ages an opportunity to vote on the person they believe would best represent

Ohio as part of the National Statuary Hall Collection at the U.S. Capitol.

Of the more than 48,700 Ohioans who cast a ballot, Thomas Edison, who was born in Milan, Ohio, earned 14,833 votes, including 5,504 from Ohio students. The Wright Brothers came in second with 13,815 votes and Jesse Owens was third with 5,032 votes.

On August 26, members of the Statuary Collection Study Committee followed the voice of the people and voted to recommend that Thomas Edison be Ohio's new representative in Statuary Hall. State Senator Mark Wagoner, who is chair of the Statuary Committee, is in the process of drafting legislation to present to the full General Assembly, which must vote to officially designate Edison as the state's choice. In the meantime, the Ohio Statuary Hall Commission will begin raising the private funding necessary to hire an artist for the project, as well as pay for moving the new statue to Washington and bringing Governor Allen's statue back to Ohio.

The Ohio Statuary Committee process not only served as a way to choose a new representative for Ohio in Statuary Hall, but was a great educational experience for Ohioans of all ages, encouraging the public to visit museums and historical sites and learn more about many of the great men and women who helped make our country and state what it is today. The people's choice—Thomas

Edison—was a great pick from a list of many worthy candidates, and thanks to all the Ohioans who came out to vote.

For more information about the Statuary Committee process, as well as a full list of voting results, please visit www.legacyforohio.org.

You can contact me with any questions, thoughts or concerns about state government issues. You can also write me, Senator Steve Buehrer, Ohio Senate, Statehouse, Columbus, Ohio, 43215, or contact me by phone at (614) 466-8150. In addition, I can be reached by email at SD01@senate.state.oh.us. 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.

PAYNE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT HOG ROAST
 The Payne Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a hog roast on Saturday, September 25th, 11:00 a.m. till gone at the firehouse.

B.F. GOODRICH RETIREES BREAKFAST
 B.F. Goodrich retirees will be having a breakfast on Saturday, October 2 at 9:00 a.m. at the Vagabond Restaurant on old U.S. 24. Hope to see you there.

Visit us on the web at www.westbendnews.net

For Sale By Owner listings in the West Bend News



FOR SALE BY OWNER! Newly remodeled Ranch home centrally located between Antwerp and Paulding on Co. Rd. 180. Sits on a partially wooded 5 acre lot. Large living room with cathedral ceiling, stone fireplace, large deck facing the woods, 2 car attached garage, 40x60 steel building partially finished. Asking 139,900.00. 419-399-5673.

Ready to Sell? Call the West Bend News 419-258-2000

The Paulding Fish & Game Club
GUN & KNIFE SHOW
 Saturday, September 25, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00p.m.
 Gun Raffle at door • Food on Grounds
 New Ammunition Vendor Attending
 Questions? Contact Theresa Caryer - 419-399-4420

PUBLIC AUCTION
FRIDAY, OCT. 1 - 1:00 PM
INDUSTRIAL BUILDING
 Location: 356 W. Wall St., Paulding, Ohio 45879 (From Rt. 127 north of downtown Paulding, take Baldwin Ave. west 2 blocks. Alley to building is behind the elevator.)

Description: Approx. 16,875 sq. ft. (75x225) clear span steel building and (2) - 2632 sq. ft. (28x94) Quonset huts on approx. 3.185 acres in Paulding, Ohio. The Varco Pruden building was built in 1992 and features concrete floors, 2 overhead doors, radiant heating, 20 ft. ceilings and 25x41 finished area including 4 offices, break room and reception area. There are also 2 restrooms. The property is back off the street between Wall St. and N. Walnut St. with access from both. Zoning is M-1 (Light Industrial) with many permitted uses.
Terms: Minimum Bid is \$185,000. 10% down day of sale and balance due in 30 days. Possession at closing.
Inspection: Friday, Sept. 17, 3-5PM or by calling 419-445-3739.
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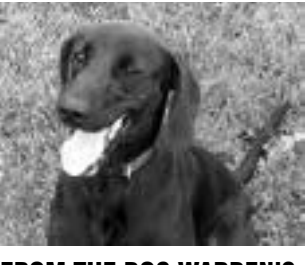
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NIGHTLY SPECIALS

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Crab Legs	Bluegill and Cod	Regular Wings and Boneless Wings	Mexican	Fresh cut Steaks

ACDC Cornhole Tournament & Washers Tournament (back to back)
Saturday, September 25th
 Play in one or play in both. \$15.00 per person for each
Cash Prizes to be awarded
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Number of rounds played & elimination will be determined by number of teams signed up.
Registration at 11:00 • Start time at Noon
Amateurs only. This one day event will be done by dark. The one rule is everyone have fun!
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FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Chief Dog Warden

This week's featured pet is Sam. He is a one year old Italian Greyhound mix. He is a medium size dog with a nice short hair coat. He is playful, high energy boy and loves to play ball.

Also at the shelter we have Basil and Buckwheat, the basenji mix boys. They are both neutered now and ready for a new home; Priscilla, a boxer mix; Dennis, a neutered chow mix; a male beagle; and Sophie, a three year spayed yellow lab.

Please check the websites at www.petfinder.com and www.adoptapet.com

We have several dogs coming into the shelter everyday, so please call if your dog is lost or if there is a dog on the website you are interested in.

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

ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 2ND GENERAL ELECTION

General election absentee ballots for uninformed and overseas (UOCAVA) voters will be ready September 18th.

General election absentee ballots for the non-UOCAVA voters (all other voters) will be ready September 28th for the upcoming General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2010. Polling locations on Election Day will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Any qualified Ohio voter may request an absentee ballot without stating a reason. The ballot must be applied for in writing or in person for

each election that you wish to cast an absentee voters ballot. You may, but are not required to, use the application form prescribed by the Ohio Secretary of State (form-11-A). Your request must contain ALL the following information:

- your name
- your signature
- the address at which you are registered to vote
- your date of birth
- one of the following: (a) your Ohio driver's licenses or state ID number; or (b) the last four digits of your Social Security number, or (c) a copy of your current and valid photo ID, current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows your name and current address. (Note: you cannot use as proof of identification a notice that the board of elections mailed to you)
- a statement identifying the election for which you are requesting an absentee voter's ballot
- a statement that you are a qualified elector
- if you want the ballot mailed to you, you will need to include the address to which you want it mailed.

An application by mail must be received by the Board of Elections office by noon Saturday, October 30, 2010. Applications by the voter in person must be received by Monday, November 1, 2010, the day before the election, by 4:00 p.m. You may not vote in the office on Election Day. You must vote in the precinct where you reside on Election Day. Applications for persons who are hospitalized by a medical emergency will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you request an absentee ballot, you will not be allowed to vote a regular ballot at your polling location, nor turn in your absentee ballot at your polling location on Election Day. If you return your absentee ballot by mail, the envelope which the ballot is enclosed must be postmarked with a date not later than November 1, 2010, or you may

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FOR RENT: 2 BR, 2 bath, appliances, mobile home. Nice/clean. No pets. 1/2 mile into Ohio on SR 613. \$375 mo + deposit. 260-705-7594. 37-39p

CRAFTERS WANTED: Central Christian School Craft Bazaar/Rummage Sale, Thursday, October 7th and Friday October 8th from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday October 9th from 8:00 a.m. - noon. \$50/Table for information call school office at 260-493-0193 or email at ccs201011@gmail.com 38-40p

HAUGHN'S AMMO & ORD-NANCE: Bryan, Ohio 43506 419-636-7994 Summer Sale: 5% off all firearms, 10% off all ammo, reloading supplies and firearms accessories eot
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LEINARD MOBILE HOME COMMUNITY: Across from the A&W, Antwerp has lots available, homes for sale, and rentals. Contracts available. Application and references required. 419-258-2710. tf

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GARAGE SALES: North on 49 to Def.-Paulding Co. Line - West 2 mi. to Rd. 15, south 1/4 mi. Work bench, tools, hardware, etc.; men-womens clothes up to plus size; seasonal decor, telescope, lots of misc! Sept. 24 & 25, 9-? Cottrell & Heisler. p

7 FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Reopening Thurs. 9/23-Sat. 9/25. 9am-5pm. Lots of new items added. East of Antwerp on 424 (old 24), then North 1/2 mile on CR 43. Behind Maumee Cemetery. Myers. p
4-FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Household goods & furniture, computer equipment, men's, women's & children's clothing—all sizes, knick-knacks & glassware, comforters, blankets, sheet sets, porcelain ware, lots of misc. Steve Derck residence, 612 N Main St. Antwerp, Ohio. Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sept 29 & 30 9 to 5; Fri, Oct 1, 9 to 5, Sat, Oct 2, 9 to 2. p

BIG SALE: Air hockey, skiball, patio set, kids clothes, adult clothes, furniture, coats, housewares, twin white Murphy bed, 88' Honda Accord, \$700.00. Extra large deep chest freezer, \$75.00. Fri & Sat 8-? 7744 Rd. 220, Antwerp. Follow signs from old 24 & Rd. 73. 419-769-2225. See Craigslist. p
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deliver your absentee ballot in person to the Board of Elections office no later than the close of polls on election Day to be counted. The polls close at 7:30 p.m.

If you would like more information or have questions concerning absentee voting, contact the Board of elections at 105 E. Perry Street, Paulding or call 419-399-8230. Our office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Our email address is paulding@sos.state.oh.us. Our website is <http://sites.google.com/site/pauldingboe/>.

ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2010

Defiance County:
Ohio 18 between Cicero Road and Lake Road - Route is now open.

Ohio 66 at Downs Street - Intersection upgrade project is under way with traffic maintained through the work zone. The project is expected to continue through October. Work is being performed by Smith Paving and Excavating, Norwalk.

Ohio 66/U.S. 24 interchange reconstruction, Defiance. This project has received funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. - Ohio 66 (Clinton Street) bridge over U.S. 24 opened to traffic on August 17. Ramp work will continue as follows:

The ramps on the south side of the interchange (the exit ramp from eastbound U.S. 24 to Ohio 66, and the entrance ramp from Ohio 66 to eastbound U.S. 24) reopened to traffic August 26.

The ramps on the north side (the exit ramp from westbound U.S. 24 to Ohio 66, and the entrance ramp from Ohio 66 to westbound U.S. 24) closed Au-

gust 26 for reconstruction and are scheduled to reopen in late September.

Traffic during this closure phase of the project will be detoured as follows:

-Westbound exit ramp from U.S. 24 westbound to Ohio 66 - Traffic detoured onto U.S. 24, Ohio 15/18, east on U.S. 24 back to Ohio 66.

Paulding County:
Ohio 613 between U.S. 127 and SR 637 - Pavement repair will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 66 north of Oakwood to Defiance - Sealing of pavement cracks will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 613 between Ohio 500 and U.S. 127 - Pavement repair will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 613 between U.S. 127 and SR 637 - Route will close September 27 for two weeks for a culvert replacement. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

River Street (County Road 424/old U.S. 24) from Main Street to Island Street in the village of Antwerp - Road closed August 5 for 60 days for pavement reconstruction, water line, sidewalk and curb work. Work is being performed by Diversified Road and Pipe, Whitehouse.

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ATTENTION NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
THE DEADLINE QUICKLY APPROACHING!

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is announcing the deadline to submit an application for Operation Round-Up funds for this quarter is September 30. If you are a non-profit organization located anywhere in our service territory and you are in need of grant funding for your special project, you will want to go to our website (www.ppec.coop) to find the application.

This program is not limited to our membership; it is for the benefit of everyone living in PAULDING, PUTNAM, VAN WERT COUNTIES and ALLEN AND ADAMS COUNTIES IN INDIANA.

If you cannot access the website we can mail an application to you. If you miss this deadline you will have to wait until the end of the year.

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NEW LISTING 200 W. Merrin Payne, OH

MR. AND MRS. HERBERT REKEWEG CELEBRATES 70 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Herbert and Pauline (Maehlmann) Rekeweg of Woodburn will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary with a family dinner. The childhood sweethearts were married on September 21, 1940, at Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn.

Donald (Carolyn) Rekeweg and Carol (Michael) Martin of Woodburn, and Verna (Philip) Kurtz of Harlan. The Rekewegs have been blessed with eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. The couple is retired from farming.

They are the parents of

PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES I

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

The Port Clinton Years

This week we got word that a dear brother and owner of the "White Caps Motel and Trailer Court" died, Mr. Bill Angel. It closed another chapter in my book of life. I will never forget his friendly face and smile when we went up to their family-ran business boat dock and mobile home court/motel; for some nearly 20-some odd years my folks had a trailer there.

My dad and mother, Albert and Kathryn Wells, lived and farmed in and around Paulding County all of my life. He worked at International Har-

vester and Mom milked cows and trapped muskrats along the State Line farm in the 1950's. I graduated from Antwerp High School in 1961.

In 1962, I met John K. Longardner Jr. from Woodburn (who had just gotten home from Korea in the service) and we got married in December of that year. We lived in New Haven, Indiana until after Melanie was born in 1964, then moved to Co. Rd. 176 Antwerp, Ohio where John "Nicholas" Longardner was born in 1966. John Jr. worked at B.F. Goodrich for 24 years. John Nick is presently working there. In 1973, Julius Kirk Longardner was born. All three children graduated from Antwerp High School.

When Dad and Mom re-

tired, Dad went on a couple of fishing trips to Lake Erie in 1980 with our neighbor and saw how much the lake had cleared up. He made the decision to retire with a nice boat (23 ft. Thompson) and nice permanent trailer in a nice court with nice people. He was a good judge of character and "paid cash." He and Bill Angel seemed to hit it off immediately. My husband, John, quickly made friends with Bill and his wife "Aggie" and their family also. I came up when I could as I was an insurance agent for several years and worked odd hours. We went to the lake every weekend and vacation that we could, spending the time at "White Caps" on Lake Erie at Port Clinton.

Dawn, their daughter and the two sons, Wade and Ward were also helping with the business. They treated our family like family for which I will always be grateful.

Our family has many, many wonderful memories of Port Clinton and Lake Erie that we would not have had if not for the trailer at "White Caps." It just would not have been the same without the Angel family being there for us each time when we pulled in.

Julius went into the US Navy in September 1992. I remember the sadness of that summer and the oncoming gut-feeling of the "emptiness" syndrome. We closed the trailer at White Caps and put his picture in the window at the trailer. We brought the boat home. Mom and Dad paid the rent on the lot until Julius came home so he could live there in Port Clinton, which he did for a while. When he came home for good, another chapter closed.

John died of cancer in February 1996; Mom died in May 1996; My health was not good and I had to quit working at the Hicksville Bank. I had remarried a classmate in 1997, Myron Richard Zimmerman, but "The Port Clinton Years", were never the same; my dad ("grandad") died in December 1999. We sold the mobile home at Port Clinton, however have still retained the friendships.

Many families may or may not have the opportunity to go through "The Lake Years." Don't knock it. We met an "Angel", Bill Angel. (As I write this I am certain that Bill and John will be catching up on the news of the very day of this memorial service, Saturday, September 18, 2010).

"The grave itself is but a covered bridge, Leading from light to light through a brief darkness."

—Golden Legends

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Lexine Eddyth Johnston was born on September 15, 2010 at 5:29 a.m. She was 8lb. 10oz. and was 20 inches long.

Her mother, Cathy Johnston of Paulding, and her siblings Alex and Rosie Hobart welcomed her home.

Proud grandparents are Edward Johnston of Cecil, and Laresa Johnston of Paulding.

THANK YOU

Thanks to Pam Friend of Pam's Prime Cut and Mary Friend for cutting down the weeds around the Post Office. It looks so much better. Thanks again,

—Betty Koppenhofer

ED HILL JOINS NATIONAL CARE PLANNING COUNCIL IN EDUCATING VETERANS ABOUT THE AID & ATTENDANCE PENSION BENEFIT

PledgePoint Consulting is Northwest Ohio's home-grown Eldercare Financial Planning firm. They help families transition into long-term healthcare environments whether it's home healthcare, skilled nursing, or assisted living facilities from a financial and legal perspective. Ed Hill specializes in issues related to Medicaid and VA Aid and Attendance Planning and recently formed an affiliation with the NCP. He is currently studying for his VA Accreditation and helping veterans, members of a veteran's family, or the surviving spouse of a veteran understand how to obtain long term care benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Most veterans are not aware of the benefits available through veterans health care, through state veterans homes, through home renovation grants, or for two disability income programs called Compensation and Pension.

Founder of National Care Planning Council and author of three books on Veterans Benefits, Thomas Day states, "It's astounding that roughly 1/3 of all seniors can qualify for up to \$1,949 a month in additional income through Pension under the right conditions. Yet government statistics show only 5% of potentially eligible veterans are actually receiving the Pension benefit."

The Aid & Attendance

MR. AND MRS. BILL NEFF CELEBRATE 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Bill and Mary Neff of Payne are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married in Warsaw, Indiana on September 24, 1950. The Neffs have two sons, five grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Their sons, Blake and Kevin Neff, are hosting an

open house reception to honor their parents on Saturday, September 25th from 1:30 until 3:30 p.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Payne. Their friends and neighbors are invited to celebrate with them at this event. They request that gifts be omitted.

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muffin, juice, milk
10/1 - Turnover, juice, milk
10/4 - Pizza, juice, milk
10/5 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk
Lunch:
9/29 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, applesauce, milk
9/30 - Mac/cheese, peanut butter sandwich, carrot sticks w/dip, mixed fruit, milk
10/1 - Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, pineapple, milk
10/4 - Breaded chicken sandwich, tator tots, mandarin oranges, milk
10/5 - Pizza-cheese or pepperoni, corn, applesauce, milk

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