

## PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR HAITI RELIEF EFFORT



Paulding Middle School recently held Hat Day/PJ Day to help the earthquake victims of Haiti. Pictured here are Student Council President Kelsi Manz and Vice President Chazz Hahn holding the money that the students raised. For \$1, stu-

dents could either wear their favorite pajamas or they could wear a hat to school. The total amount raised was well over \$250.00. The Defiance VFW heard of our fund raiser and they have donated \$1,000 towards this worthwhile cause.

## A DROP IN THE BUCKET FOR THE HAITIAN PEOPLE

By: Angel Steiner

Because we live in a fallen world, unfortunately disasters, natural or otherwise, happen virtually everyday. The earthquake in Haiti has been a grievous thing to helplessly watch happen. The news reports have been informative, yet heart wrenching all the same. To feel so helpless not to be able to ease the suffering of the Haitian children was almost more than I could bear.

I prayed one night about two weeks ago (well, the night after the initial quake) and I just sobbed and prayed to God. I told God that I wanted to help—I needed to help, somehow, someday. The very next day, Regan Clem, pastor of Riverside Christian Church, came into the West Bend News to tell us he was organizing a one day trip to I.D.E.S. to package food for the Haitian people. I just blurted out, "I wanna go!"

So, last Tuesday, Regan, myself, Tristan Carwile and Tim Smith, and the Beregszazi family from the Antwerp Community Church, plus a member of First Baptist Church, traveled to Kempton, IN to the I.D.E.S. facility to lend a hand.

I.D.E.S.—International Disaster Emergency Service is a disaster relief agency

supported mostly by independent Churches of Christ/Christian Churches, that sends food, money and medical aid all over the world. They also regularly support several foreign missionaries. I.D.E.S. founder, Milton Bates, developed a food source that is both nutrition and cost-effective and that's what we would be helping with for the day.

"Kids For Hunger" is a balanced blend of soy protein, rice, vegetable base and dehydrated vegetables. This serving will give a child enough nutrition for an entire day. We were in Kempton for approximately five hours and in that time our group plus another group from Cincinnati worked together to bag over 5500 meals for the Haitian people. That number is just a drop in the bucket compared to the catastrophic circumstances facing the Haitian earthquake victims. But at least we all know I.D.E.S. (as well as other organizations) is there when disaster strikes and we here don't have to feel helpless on what to do to help. If you would like to know more about I.D.E.S. and their program or how to donate your time and/or funds, go to their website, www.ides.org.

## WILL YOU CHOOSE TO BE A STAR?



Front - Miria Minch; back - Rachel Stewart, Alayna Vann, Andrea Balderas, Chelsea Mansfield

by: Sue Knapp

Will You Choose to be A Star? is the theme for the Spirit of A Young Woman Camp 2010.

The camp helps young women to lead healthy and fulfilling lives. Self-esteem, nutrition and healthy eating, and planning for the future are a few of the issues touched upon along with many negative things young women face today along with drug, alcoholism and refusal skills. The mission of the camp is to provide teen girls with valuable learning experiences through summer enrichment

activities. By exposing them to a vast realm of knowledge and opportunities. It is our goal to encourage the girls to maintain positive life choices and develop healthy decision making skills.

The organization is under the wing of the Turning Point with funds coming through a coalition grant. This is the eleventh year for the camp.

The camp is for girls residing in Paulding County 12 to 15 years of age. Three Jr. Counselors (high school girls) research, prepare and teach lessons on the issues facing

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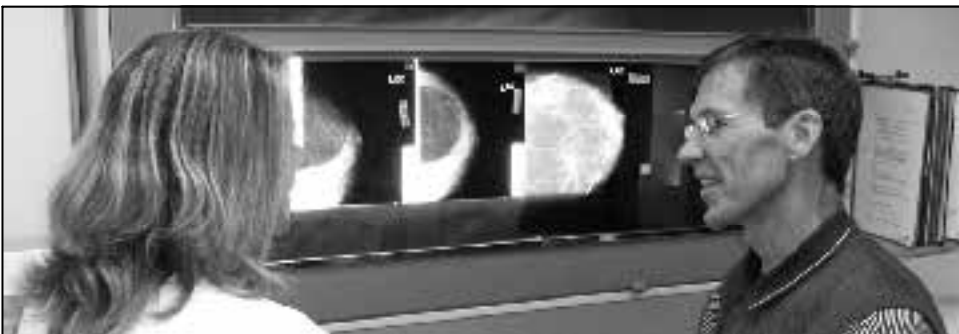
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**Alyssa Grace Vasaris**, of Jackson, MI, the beautiful infant daughter of Jason and Jenny (Brown) Vasaris, went to be with her Lord and Creator on January 11, 2010.

She is survived by her beloved parents; and her grandparents: Al (Jan) Vasaris of Jackson, MI, and Bill (Linda) Brown of Antwerp; her great-grandmothers: Marion Garlock of Fowlerville, MI, and Virginia Brown of Oakwood; numerous loving aunts and uncles. Her short life cannot diminish the imprint that she has left on our hearts.

Funeral services were held at Watson Funeral Chapel, Jackson, MI, on Saturday, January 16, 2010, with Pastor David Cornwell officiating. Interment was in Spring Arbor Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are being accepted by the Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church, 120 East Main Street, Spring Arbor, Michigan 49283, to help with final expenses for the Vasaris family.

**Thomas George Myers**, 80, of Haviland died Sunday, January 17, 2010 at Van Wert County Inpatient Hospice, Van Wert, OH.

He was born April 21, 1929 in Paulding County the son of Lewis H. and Wilhelmina C. (Gombert) Myers. On December 31, 1954 he married Janet Colleen Keysor who survives. He was a US Army veteran serving during the Korean War; a self employed farmer retiring in 1994, and a member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church where he served on the church counsel and the building committee.

He is survived by his wife, Colleen Myers of Haviland; and four sons: Jerry (Holly) Myers, John (Camille) Myers, and Rick Myers all of Haviland; and Mark (Gaye) Myers of Payne; two sisters: Joan (Wilbur) Eddy of Van Wert, and Caroline (Robert) Smith of Convoy; and seven grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers: Lewis and Maurice Myers.

Funeral services were conducted January 20, 2010 at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding with Rev. Mike Harper. Burial was in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding. Donations may be made

to Scott EMS or the Paulding County Food Pantry. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com). Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, is handling arrangements.

**Elmer W. Sprow**, 87, Paulding died Monday, January 18 at the Gardens of Paulding, Paulding, Ohio.

He was born in Paulding County on June 15, 1922 the son of Oscar and Anna (Jacob) Sprow. On December 12, 1947 he married Kathryn Anne (Williamson) who preceded him in death on May 5, 1991. He was the owner of Sprow Realty and Motel retiring in 1981; a WWII US Navy veteran; and a life member of Paulding VFW Post 587.

He is survived by a daughter, Vicki (David) Hunt of Defiance; two sons: Steve (Jane) Sprow, and Mike (Vicki Rae) Sprow both of Paulding; a brother, Dan (Carolyn) Sprow of Benton, TN; and a sister, Alverta Clark of Clearwater, FL; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and special friend, Mildred LaLonde of Defiance.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife; son, Brock R. Sprow; three brothers: Don, LaVon, and Edward Sprow; and a sister, Delores Thomas.

Funeral services were conducted January 23, 2010 at the Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Ben Lowell officiating. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding, with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Donations may be made to Paulding VFW Post #587. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**Billie Jo Johnson**, 36, of Oakwood died Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at Triumph Hospital, Lima.

She was born June 13, 1973 in Defiance. Her father and step-mother, David L. and Gaye Johnson survive in Mouthcard, KY. Her mother and step-father, Wendy (Bland) and Charles Sharp, Jr. survive in Grover Hill. Survivors also include a son, Dalton Johnson at home; maternal grandmother, Betty (Glenn) Plotts of Paulding; six brothers: David (Robin) Johnson II of Oakwood, Jeremy Johnson of Mouthcard, KY, Mark Ramey of Oakwood, Aaron (Ta-

mara) Sharp of Cloverdale, Allen Sharp of Oakwood and Anthony (Jana) Sharp of Cloverdale; and two sisters: Corlette Verdard of Gilboa and Corlette (Ben) Martin of Continental.

Billie was a homemaker.

Services were January 22, 2010 at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood with Pastor Jimmy Wright officiating. Burial followed in Hedges Cemetery, Broughton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family. Condolences may be expressed at [www.heimeyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.heimeyerfuneralhome.com)

### THE ONE TRUE CHURCH THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH #2

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

4. The New Testament church was built by Jesus and bought by His blood.

1. In Matthew 16:13-20 Jesus promised and told His disciples that I will build my church.

2. 1 Corinthians 3:11 tells us that Jesus is the foundation and that man cannot lay another foundation. Isaiah 28:16 tells us this foundation stone was laid by God. Ephesians 2:19-22 tells us the apostles and prophets were built into the temple of the Lord. Also the word of God declared by the apostles and prophets is the foundation of their faith, with Christ being the chief cornerstone. Also read these scripture verses: Matthew 21:42; Acts 4:11; 1 Peter 2:7.

3. Acts 20:28 tells us that Jesus bought his church with his blood. There were no pollutants in this blood, for Jesus did not commit any sin.

5. The one true church has a specific organization.

1. Jesus is the head of the church. Ephesians 1:22-23 tells us that when Christ was raised from the dead Ephesians 1:20, that He was exalted to be the ruler of all things and made the Head of the church; which derives its life from the Head. The body is the spiritual church, living by union with the Head, pervaded by the life of Christ. Please read Colossians 1:18; Matthew 28:18.

2. The New Testament, word of God, Gospel of Christ is its constitution. Please read Mark 16:15; Galatians 1:6-9, these verses tells us there is only one Gospel. 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Revelation 22:18-19.

3. Each congregation is autonomous: please read Acts 14:23; Philippians 1:1; 1 Peter 5:12. Notice that elders were not appointed as soon as the churches were planted. Churches need to take time to know what men are fitted for the office of elder. Notice also that elders were not appointed to preside over a district, but were assigned in every church. Also notice the plurality of elders, in each church, if there are men, who are qualified. If there aren't any men qualified, then the church must continue on until men are qualified.

4. Elders are appointed to oversee local churches Acts 14:23.

A. They are called bishops or overseers Acts 20:28; Titus 1:5-7; Philippians 1:1;

B. Elders must meet specific qualifications: 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5;

C. Deacons are servants of the one true church: Philippians 1:1; 1st Timothy 3:8-13.

D. Evangelists, ministers of the word are preachers of

the Gospel: Acts 21:8; Ephesians 4:11; 2 Timothy 4:1-5.

These lessons on the church will continue. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Please remember to study your Bible for this is where the truth is. Bible questions? Call James Potter at 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022.

### THANK YOU

The family of Don Starry would like to thank everyone for their support during this difficult time. Special thanks go to the V.A. Northern, Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne, Dr. Underwood and Hospice.

—The Starry Family

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young women now. Chelsea Mansfield (Program Co-ordinator) and Miria Minch (Certified Social Worker) interview and choose the Jr. Counselors. Chelsea and Maria also review all the prepared lessons. The Jr. Counselors have attended the camp and have shown excellent leadership skills and compassion. The three Jr. Counselors this year are: Andrea Balderas, Vantage Career Center; Rachel Stewart, Antwerp High School; and Alayna Vann, Vantage Career Center.

The girls form relationships with each other and the counselors that last beyond the week of the camp. Through Internet and texting, etc., the campers are able to keep in contact with the counselors and each other.

This year there will be a ‘Red Carpet Affair’. The campers will be getting all dressed up for a movie premier, awards ceremony, elegant dinner and interview with the paparazzi during the event. A trip to the mall is also planned along with other fun activities.

The camp is from Monday, June 14 through Friday, June 18 at the Grainery in Van Wert. This year the cost of the camp has been cut due to the economy. There are also scholarships available and financial aid is possible if requested. There are a limited number of spots, so you need to sign up as soon as possible.

For more information call Chelsea Mansfield at 419-399-5612 or email at [cmansfield@windstream.net](mailto:cmansfield@windstream.net). You may also ask about donating.

The camp is run by certified employees and volunteers of The Turning Point. All camp staff have had background checks.

### ALA TOP YOUTH BOOK AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The American Library Association (ALA) announced the top books, audiobooks and video for children and young adults – including the Caldecott, King, Newbery and Printz awards – at its Midwinter Meeting in Boston.

A list of all the 2010 literary award winners follows:

John Newbery Medal for most outstanding contribution to children's literature “When You Reach Me,” written by Rebecca Stead, is the 2010 Newbery Medal winner. The book is published by Wendy Lamb Books, an imprint of Random House Children's Books.

Four Newbery Honor

Books also were named: “Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice” by Phillip Hoose and published by Melanie Kroupa Books/Farrar Straus Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group; “The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate” by Jacqueline Kelly and published by Henry Holt and Company; “Where the Mountain Meets the Moon” by Grace Lin and published by Little, Brown and Company Books for Young Readers; and “The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg” by Rodman Philbrick and published by The Blue Sky Press, An Imprint of Scholastic Inc.

Randolph Caldecott Medal for most distinguished American picture book for children “The Lion & the Mouse,” illustrated and written by Jerry Pinkney, is the 2010 Caldecott Medal winner. The book was published by Little, Brown and Company Books for Young Readers.

Two Caldecott Honor Books also were named: “All the World,” illustrated by Marla Frazee, written by Liz Garton Scanlon and published by Beach Lane Books; and “Red Sings from Treetops: A Year in Colors,” illustrated by Pamela Zagarenski, written by Joyce Sidman and published by Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Michael L. Printz Award for excellence in literature written for young adults “Going Bovine,” written by Libba Bray, is the 2010 Printz Award winner. The book is published by Delacorte Press, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, a division of Random House.

Four Printz Honor Books also were named: “Charles and Emma: The Darwins' Leap of Faith” by Deborah Heiligman, published by Henry Holt Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group; “The Monstrumologist” by Rick Yancey, published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Group; “Punkzilla” by Adam Rapp, published by Candlewick Press; and “Tales of the Madman Underground: An Historical Romance, 1973” by John Barnes, published by Viking Children's Books, a division of Penguin Young Readers Group.

Coretta Scott King (Author) Book Award recognizing an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults “Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshal,” written by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, is the King Author Book winner. The book is illustrated by R. Gregory Christie, published by Carolrhoda Books, a division of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc. One King Author Honor Book was selected: “Mare's War” by tani-ta s. davis and published by Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House Children's Books, a division of Random House, Inc.

Coretta Scott King (Illustrator) Book Award “My People,” illustrated by Charles R. Smith Jr., is the King Illustrator Book winner. The book was written by Langston Hughes and published by ginee seo books, Atheneum Books for Young Readers. One King Illustrator Honor Book was selected: “The Negro Speaks of Rivers,” illustrated by E. B. Lewis, written by Langston Hughes and published by Disney - Jump at the Sun Books, an imprint of Disney Book Group.

Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Award “The Rock and the River,” written by kekla magoon, is the Steptoe winner. The book is published by Aladdin, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division.

Coretta Scott King - Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement Walter Dean Myers is the winner of this first-ever Coretta Scott King - Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement. The award pays tribute to the quality and magnitude of beloved children's author Virginia Hamilton. Myers' books include: “Amiri & Odette: A Love Story,” published by Scholastic Press, an imprint of Scholastic; “Fallen Angels,” published by Scholastic Press; “Monster,” published by Amistad and HarperTeen, imprints of HarperCollins Publishers; and “Sunrise Over Fallu-

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ajah," published by Scholastic Press.

Pura Belpré (Illustrator) Award honoring a Latino writer and illustrator whose children's books best portray, affirm and celebrate the Latino cultural experience "Book Fiesta!: Celebrate Children's Day/Book Day; Celebramos El día de los niños/El día de los libros," illustrated by Rafael López, is the Belpré Illustrator Award winner. The book was written by Pat Mora and published by Rayo, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

Three Belpré Illustrator Honor Books were selected: "Diego: Bigger Than Life," illustrated by David Diaz, written by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand and published by Marshall.

Cavendish Children; "My Abuelita," illustrated by Yuyi Morales, written by Tony Johnston and published by Harcourt Children's Books; "Houghton Mifflin Harcourt; and "Gracias Thanks," illustrated by John Parra, written by Pat Mora and published by Lee & Low Books Inc.

Pura Belpré (Author) Award "Return to Sender," written by Julia Alvarez, is the Belpré Author Award winner. The book is published by Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House Children's Books.

Two Belpré Author Honor Books were named: "Diego: Bigger Than Life," written by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand, illustrated by David Diaz and published by Marshall Cavendish Children; and "Federico García Lorca," written by Georgina Lázaro, illustrated by Enrique S. Moreiro and published by Lectorum Publishers Inc.

Schneider Family Book Award for books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience "Django" written and illustrated by Bonnie Christensen and published by Neal Porter Book, Roaring Brook Press, wins the award for best young children ages 0 to 10. "Anything but Typical" written by Nora Raleigh Baskin and published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, is the winner for middle grades (ages 11-13). The teen (ages 13-18) award winner is "Marcelo in the Real World," written by Francisco X. Stork and published by Arthur A. Levine Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc.

Look for Part 2 next week.

### WT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS 2009-10

#### All A's:

1A - Cara Davis, Alena Denny, Lyrisa Hammons, Isaiah Rittenhouse, Tiffany Sinn, Katie Stoller, Katrina Stoller

1B - Blake Baughman, Brendon Bidlack, Natalie Bostelman, Serenity Gurtner, Preston LeMieux, Kaylee Porter

2A - Worth Clark, Mason Elliott, Alexis Gibson

2B - Breanna Huffine, Reid Miller, Andrew Sinn, Miriam Sinn, Amanda Wharry

3B - Noah Hasch, Keagann Parrish, Austin Reed, Sadie Sinn, Trae Sinn, Ellie Stoller

4A - Connor Baumle, Gracie Gudakunst, Lily Sinn, Sara Sinn, Adam Stoller

4B - Leah Maassel, Megan Moore

5A - Korene Shelton, Emil Stoller

6B - Sydney Critten, Luke Miller, Brianna Sinn

#### All A's & B's:

1A - Kassidy Campbell, Jess Munger, Carter Reynolds, Wyatt Shelton, Lydia Whitman

1B - Julie Sinn

2A - Reagan Akom, Jacob Hull, Dylan Laney, Corbin Maroney, Ashlynn Parrish, Hannah Pirani, Lily Reynolds, Nathaniel Showalter

2B - Nick Bostelman, Fred Hoagland, Kirsten Lewis, Krista Markley, Claire Sinn

3B - Kaitlyn Doster, Sara Edwards, Olivia Egnor, Bryan Hofmann, Noah Kline, Derek Myers, Haley Pastor, Ayana Rowe, Prestyn Thomas, Emily Williams

4A - Cilia Baker, Owen Denny, Jordan Offerle, Brooke Sinn, Chelsea Sinn, Weston Sinn, Austin Young

4B - Aden Baker, Madison Chastain, Kim Puckett, Eli Sinn, Gabe Sinn, Kyle Varner

5A - Chance Elliott, Gabby Gudakunst, Kolyn Hilkey, Danae Myers, Daniel Sinn, Jon Sinn, Sean Stuckey

6B - Christopher Davis, Corey Davis, Kelsey Fleagle, Sydney Hofmann, Blair Ludwig, Brooke Ludwig, Emilee Colgan, Shad Ream, Clint Sinn, Luke Sinn, Zach Sinn

#### All B's:

3B - Laela Pirani

4A - Anissia Rodriguez

6B - Austin Fast

## MR. AND MRS. BENJAMIN MANZ CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Benjamin John Manz and Carolyn Jane (Steffen) Manz were married on January 31, 1960 in Bluffton, IN by Sam Caschliman.

Benjamin and Carolyn have six children: Judy (Kevin) McKay, Deb (Darrold) Scott, Steve, Mike (Kim), Tom and Dr. Daniel (Angie) and one child deceased, Joanna

Kay. They also have one foster child, Tina (Donnie) Bright.

They have 16 grandchildren, three foster grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two foster great-grandchildren.

They will be celebrating with family and friends on January 30, 2010 at Latty Fellowship Hall.

### CCBANKS PRODUCTIONS IS IN REHEARSAL FOR NEXT PRODUCTION

CCBanks Productions is in the rehearsal process of its next production, "Caught in the Net" which will be performed Friday, February 26 and Saturday, February 27 and Friday, March 5 and Saturday, March 6 at the Huber Opera House in Hicksville, Ohio at 8:00 p.m. with the optional dinner to begin at 7:00 p.m. The dinner will be catered by Grant's Reception Hall of Antwerp and as always will be a big hit!

"Caught in the Net" is a British farce. "It is so hilarious, the cast has not been able to read the script through yet without stopping many times to laugh at it ourselves!" says Chris Banks, director. "We have a great cast of seven. A newcomer to our stage, but definitely a familiar face on several Fort Wayne, Indiana stages, Shad Igney, will play John Smith, the bigamist taxi driver that is struggling to juggle two separate wives and a son and a daughter (one from each wife), with the goal of never having them meet coming to a fast, spiraling end. The two children, played by Rachel Banks of Antwerp and Dustin Manson of Paulding are perfect in their roles as Vicki and Gavin. The two meet on the internet and decide they must meet in person after finding out that they share a father with the same name, occupation and birth date. Their mothers, Mary - played by Crystal Banks and Barbara - played by Julie Hall, both of Antwerp are blissfully living their lives and have no idea what is about to transpire. Stanley Gardner, (Brian Shetterly), is renting a room with John and Mary and only through his help will John be able to keep the two families from meeting and blowing his double life. Michael Blaughter, of Fort Wayne rounds out the cast as the crazy father of Stanley. His antics will have you rolling on the floor with laughter."

This is definitely a "don't miss" show! Put it on your calendars now! Two hours of side splitting laughter is a guarantee!

### LATTA JOINS HOUSE REPUBLICANS IN CALLING FOR TRANSPARENT HEALTH CARE NEGOTIATIONS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) recently co-sponsored H Res. 847, sponsored by Congressman Vern Buchanan (R-FL), which calls for the ongoing health care negotiations to be conducted with media coverage available to the American public.

Congressman Latta has also signed a discharge petition on H Res. 847. The discharge petition, after gathering 218 signatures, would force a roll call vote on the resolution.

"Constituents in Ohio's Fifth District, in addition to millions of Americans across the country have made it clear that they are tired of backroom negotiations on legislation under the current Congressional Democrat leadership—specifically, the ongoing health care negotiations. These proposals, which will affect one-sixth of our nation's economy, have been drafted in secret, passed in the dark of night, and hurried through the legislative process at break-neck speeds. These actions lead Americans to ask - what do Speaker Pelosi, Leader Reid, and President Obama have to hide from everyone? To date, President Obama continues to break his campaign promise of televising all health care negotiations on C-SPAN. There is too much at stake for our nation and its future generations to continue these negotiations far from the public eye.

Without proper transparency, the American public continues to learn more about the bills after the deals are done. Whether it is the \$1 trillion price tag financed with billions in new taxes, massive Medicare cuts, unprecedented government bureaucracy, or the special interest deals traded for votes, people want to know the details of the bills. These negotiations must be brought in front of the public for input and feedback immediately."

### TIME RUNNING OUT FOR COMMUNITIES TO APPLY FOR BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDING

Time is running out for many local communities across the state to partner with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) on future projects aimed at better access for bicycle users and pedestrians.

ODOT is currently accepting applications for its federally-funded Transportation Enhancement Program, which has invested nearly \$182 million in pedestrian and bicycle projects across the state since the start of the program in 1992.

Transportation Enhancement funds can also be used to improve downtown streetscapes, preserve historic transportation sites, beautify scenic locations, and establish transportation museums.

With approximately \$20 million in future funding available, ODOT's Transportation Enhancement Program targets the state's rural and suburban communities which are not currently served by a Metropolitan Planning Organization - which have their own Transportation Enhancement efforts.

Communities that are interested in the ODOT funds have less than two weeks left to apply. Letters of interest for Transportation Enhancement funding are due to the department by February 1.

Competition is on the rise: in 2008, ODOT received \$24 million in project requests and awarded \$21 million in funding.

While the awards will be announced later this year, this round of funding won't be made available until the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years, giving local communities enough time to finalize planning and identify the required 20 percent matching funds.

In addition to local communities, citizen advocacy groups or other private organizations can also sponsor projects by working with their local government officials.

Further information on applicant and project qualifications, standard operating procedures, corresponding policies and guidance is available on the ODOT Office of Local Projects web site at <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/local>.

### SCRAPATHON HAPPENING IN OAKWOOD

The Oakwood Area Scrapbookers will be hosting a Scrapathon February 13-15 in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library. We would like to invite all fellow scrapbookers to join us. The hours for the event are 9:00 a.m.-? on Saturday, February 13, 1:00-? on Sunday, February 14, and 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 15. You are responsible for bringing your own food and drink, and cost for the event. Call the library, 419-594-3337 to sign up. Space is limited so reserve your spot. You do not have to be committed to the entire weekend to join us.

### VILLAGE OF PAULDING COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 1/4/10

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on January 4, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor Greg White called the meeting to order.

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

Rife was elected Council President for 2010. Remaining council members drew for seating placement with second chair going to Kim Sutton; third to Jim Guelde; fourth to Roger Sierer; fifth to Mike Trausch; and sixth to Randy Daeger.

Mayor White assigned the following committees:

Safety Committee - Rife, chair; Guelde; Sutton

Street Committee - Daeger, chair; Guelde; Sutton

Utility Committee - Sierer, chair; Daeger; Rife

Recreation Committee - Sutton, chair; Daeger, Sierer

Ordinance Committee - Guelde, chair; Sutton, Trausch

Grounds & Buildings Committee - Trausch, chair; Daeger; Sierer

PCFA Board of Trustees - Rife; Sierer; Trausch

Sierer requested the last paragraph on the first page of the drafted minutes be revised to read "Sierer recommended the Village will pay their portion of the contract after the first of the year" from "Sierer noted". Rife motioned to approve the minutes of the December 21st meeting, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yeas.

No legislation was presented. Finance Director Tope noted the State Auditor will be in tomorrow to begin the 2008/2009 audit.

Mayor White recommended hiring four (4) new firemen:

Wally Daniels III, Clint Englehart, John Fortune, Brandon Mason

Rife motioned to approve hiring and placing the four (4) new firemen on a six (6) month probationary period, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yeas.

Jaimie Larson was present to observe as a citizen.

Daeger motioned to approve 2010's Council Rules, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yeas.

The following meetings were scheduled:

Grounds & Buildings Committee - Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Recreation Committee - Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Ordinance Committee - Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.: Aaron Powell and the Old Barnes Hotel.

Rife motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yeas.

Sutton motioned to adjourn, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yeas.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Many people lately have been asking me if I plan on running for Paulding County Commissioner in November 2010. I don't know for sure if I will or I won't. I don't have to make a decision on filing a petition until after the Republicans and Democrats file for the primary election in February. I'm going to wait and see who's running on those tickets before I decide what to do.

I'm hopeful that some new blood will show up and run in the primaries but if it's the same "old boys" running, I'm more than likely in the race. Readers of the West Bend should remember me as an original Tea Party Man who warned about government and taxes and none of the issues that I ran on in the past, whether 2006 or 2008, have been proven wrong. The old boys choose to call me negative instead of heeding my warnings and now all can see the results.

I'm afraid that it might be too late for anyone, including me, to stop the train wreck called county government that's facing us. I'm also not sure that I want the headache of trying, but I do feel I owe the voters who supported me in the past at least the consideration of running. I'm interested in what county residents think, so if you see me somewhere in the county tell me or call me and let me know what you think I should do.

—Brad Dysinger  
419-587-3555

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

As of 12/28/09 I resigned my newly elected position to Oakwood Village Council. After the recent termination of our village clerk, Dolly Shisler, only confirmed that it would be impossible to implement new ideas or changes.

Mrs. Shisler has worked in a hostile environment for several years. One of the reasons is because an employee was receiving sick pay from the village as well as workman's compensation checks at the same time, which is illegal. When she informed the mayor, he told her to continue paying him. She did report this; the employee was taken to court and trial. He was never suspended from work or written up. In fact, this was never addressed at a council meeting. Another employee used a village cell phone for private use, a sizable bill and was allowed to pay back in two separate payments and received no other punishment. Another employee used an emergency vehicle for private use. When this was questioned by the clerk... she was quickly terminated. I find it interesting that an emergency vehicle can be used out of state for private use, but our own village residents can't be transported to Van Wert, Ottawa, Lima, or Fort Wayne. Since when can an employee, volunteer, or council member use village equipment, even if you pay for it?

I cannot believe on the night my letter of resignation was read, a member of council whose term had expired and had chosen not to run for election, was quickly re-appointed to council. There were two council members who voted no. I don't understand how this can be allowed. The position should have been posted and people, who had run for this position, should have been given a chance to come to next meeting, and ask to be nominated for the position, and then council could decide.

Citizens of Oakwood need to be aware of decisions being made by our Village Officials. I urge all Oakwood residents to become more involved. Go to council meetings and ask questions. It will take all of you to make a change.

—Lee Ann Booher

**PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES I**

**By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman**

**Antwerp's "Six-Mile Canal Reservoir" Part 2**

What held up the water in the canals? The water fed into them by other waterways, of course! The water in the reservoirs! They were located all over plat maps where canals were located, if you looked. Lake St. Mary's at Celina was a canal reservoir that was man-made.

Antwerp's "Six-Mile Canal Reservoir" was located SE of Antwerp. "Old Reservoir Rd." is now the same as is CR 176 or the road local people call the "Cement Plant Road". Six-Mile Creek was the creek that was flooded for the reservoir and is located on the bridge in Section 31.

Work was started on the "Six-Mile Reservoir" about 1840 and was completed about 1842. Irish immigrants probably worked on it. The creek was cut off and enclosed by embankments; these were formed by clearing away the brush and timbers and standing the timbers on end and packing earth at the bottom of them; then by tramping the earth against the base of the timbers with horses, making a wall on both sides. This was then done all away around the reservoir to hold approximately 3,000 acres of flooded area.

Note: The East embankment of "Six-Mile Reservoir" is still very evident in 2010 while driving on CR 176 through the reservoir. Thus, the "pool" was fortified and a lock was placed on the NE corner of it. This was the first lock that was "blown out" on April 25, 1887. The reservoir ran beside the canal with a lock positioned to let water into the canal as needed. This lock is located on the NE corner. It was located in Crane Twp. Section 31, 29, 30, 32, 28, 33; Carryall Twp. Section 25, 36. (This is approximate because during times of flooding, even though embankments enclosed about 3,000 acres of land, it at times overflowed to 14,000-15,000 acres of land.) This made the land worthless. When the canal was in operation, the public put up with it, but when the rail road came and the canal was no longer in operation, the reservoir became a muddy nuisance (for decades).

**WOODBURN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING**

The Woodburn community Historical Society will meet on the fourth Thursday, January 28, 2010 at the Woodburn Branch Library located on 101 east side of town at 7:00 p.m.

Member Elaine Sweet will speak on the Iroquois Nations. Everyone is welcome.

—Gloria Gerig,  
President

**VANTAGE BOARD HOLDS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 1.14.10**

Prior to the regular Vantage monthly board meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2010, the board held a tax budget hearing and an organizational meeting. President Pro-Tem Brian Laudick called the organizational meeting to order and the oath of office was administered. Returning board members beginning new two year terms are Kevin Landin (Ottoville) and Ron Bradford (Continental). New board members beginning new two year terms are Ken Mengerink (Van Wert), Sally Snyder (Lincolnview) and Greg Reinhardt (Paulding).

Elections were held and Lonnie Nedderman from Crestview was elected President and Bob Herber from Antwerp, Vice-President. Kevin Landin from Ottoville was appointed Legislative Liaison and Ron Bradford from Continental, Student Achievement Liaison. Regular monthly meetings were scheduled for the first Thursday of each month except for the April All Board's Meeting which will be the second Thursday, April 8. Lori Davis was appointed as Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer for Vantage Career Center and was authorized to request tax advances from appropriate county auditors, pay outstanding bills, make general fund transfers and invest active, inactive and interim funds. The Vantage Career Center Board of Education Service Fund was set at \$8,000.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman, was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Vantage Career Center, Purchasing Agent, Signatory for salary notices and contracts and the official to review and approve student activity budgets. The superintendent was authorized to extend employment contracts as well as accept resignations between regularly scheduled board meetings when necessary for the efficient operation of the school. The superintendent was authorized to approve staff member attendance at professional meetings and to approve travel and business related expense vouchers, leave forms, etc. The treasurer was authorized to approve travel and business related expense vouchers and leave forms, etc., submitted by the superintendent. The Vantage Board of Education as a whole was designated to serve as Audit Committee for the finances for the school district. The Van Wert Times Bulletin was designated as the official school newspaper.

Membership was approved for the Ohio School Boards Association, Association of Career Technical Education and Ohio Association of Career Technical Superintendents. Legal counsel and cashier positions were designated. Petty cash funds were set.

At the regular board meeting, the minutes from the December 3 and 16, 2009 meeting were approved along with financial statements for the month of November. The 2011 Vantage Career Center Tax Budget was approved as presented at the Budget Hearing.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman presented the Program Accountability Model, an update on progress of the administrative advisory committee and Blackburny recommendation for the Treasurer and Supervisors. Principal Keith Rydell updated the board on the National Technical Honor Society new inductees and the Vantage Toys for Tots drive. He invited board members and the public to the Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner on Monday February 8th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Pete Prichard gave his first report as the new Adult Education Director. He discussed the anticipated changes from career enhancement to career development and due to the changes Vantage will offer Pipe Welding and Transportation Supervision next fall. He informed the board that the state budget cuts were going to affect the Farm Business Planning & Analysis program so we are looking into offering Small Business Management with an emphasis on Green Farming and Technology.

In new business, the board: —Approved the following list of contract services for "Step Into Your Future" workshop: Christi Klinger Bok, Linda McCann, Miranda Leatherman and Tyler Miller; Approved supplemental contracts for the following participants for "Step Into Your Future" workshop: MaryJo Wilhelm, Michele Prichard, Jerry Robinson, Lisa Hatcher, Nancy Keith, Pam Knodel, Brent Wright, Nancy Moore and Kent Taylor; Approved the following instructors for "Virtual Learning Graders": Laura Stocksdale, Jean Minnig, Theresa Mengerink, Duane Sheets, Tillman Karl, Beth Evans and Pat Winicker; Accepted the resignation of Pete Prichard, ABLE/Transitions Coordinator effective December 31, 2009; Approved the resolution to identify Connie Drake as our Health Career Lead Instructor/Coordinator; Enter in to a cash rent agreement with Scot Davis to farm Vantage's 11.5 acres; Approved the contract with NOACSC for internet access service agreement effective July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011; Held a first reading of NEOLA new, revised or replacement policies.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Meeting Room at Vantage.

**HIBERNATION OR MIGRATION?**



Mr. Bill Grimes from the Defiance Soil and Water Office, recently came to Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool to talk with the children about migrating animals, hibernating animals, napping animals and those that stay here and look for food all winter long. The children all enjoyed his

stories and creatures! Shown here from the left with Mr. Grimes are: Sydney Trahin, Cameron Laker and Nash Saylor. These children are in the morning class of four and early five year olds with Mrs. Chris Adams and Mrs. Ann Miller.

**VILLAGE OF PAULDING COUNCIL MINUTES FOR 1/13/10**

Paulding Village Council met in Special Session on January 13, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor Greg White called the meeting to order.

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

Mayor White noted the meeting was scheduled as an Appeals Hearing for Aaron Powell regarding the old Barnes Hotel, and turned the meeting over to Solicitor Jones.

Jones presented Council with a timeline of events that had happened to date regarding the old Barnes Hotel, and referenced Ordinance 1144-96's protocol. He noted Mr. Powell had filed a Motion to Appeal on December 21, 2009; hence, this meeting was called within thirty (30) days from that date as required by the ordinance. Mr. Powell was present with attorney, Tim Holsberry, of Defiance.

Mr. Holsberry noted he had not received copies of correspondence or any other documents concerning the Barnes Hotel from Mr. Powell, and was not prepared for this meeting. He was present to request Council grant Mr. Powell an extension of time to make the necessary repairs. Mr. Holsberry noted he had been advised that a fence has been erected around the property without providing Mr. Powell a key; therefore, not allowing him access to the property at his convenience. He relayed the City of Defiance recently settled a case involving a similar issue with American Ag Fuels which cost tens of thousands of dollars to settle. Mr. Powell had nothing to add.

Mayor White noted Mr. Powell may access the property anytime by contacting the Paulding Police Department to unlock the gate. Solicitor Jones noted the difference between the Village's situation and that of Defiance is that the Defiance Fire Department limited the property owner's access to the building unless a member of the Fire Department was present, whereas in Powell's case he merely had to contact the police department. Solicitor Jones also noted that the Vil-

lage was not requiring a member of the police department to be present when Mr. Powell was on the premises and that the fence was erected after discussion with the Village's liability insurance carrier. Holsberry replied "access cannot ever be denied", and that he has put Mr. Powell in contact with the attorney representing American Ag Fuels in the suit against the City of Defiance. Solicitor Jones relayed Contemporary Caterers is the current property owner of the old Barnes Hotel, not Mr. Powell. Jones noted Council may move into Executive Session for legal matters (inviting Holsberry, Powell, and Jones) to discuss a potential timeline for repairs.

Rife inquired if Powell believes the building is a safety concern. He would not respond. Daeger then asked Powell if he felt the building is a hazard to public safety. Mr. Powell answered "No".

Mayor White inquired if Mr. Holsberry was on retainer by Mr. Powell since no information had been shared with him, and questioned whether or not Mr. Holsberry should be allowed in Executive Session, if necessary. Solicitor Jones noted Mr. Holsberry should be invited since he was present.

Jones noted that, according to the ordinance, if Mr. Powell had nothing to refute the Police Chief's determination that the property was a public nuisance then Council must uphold the Police Chief's decision and advertise for bids for the building's demolition. Mr. Powell has the right to appeal Council's decision to the appropriate State Court.

Rife motioned to deny Mr. Powell's request for an appeal, seconded by Daeger. Vote: Rife, yea; Sutton, yea; Guelde, no; Sierer, no; Trausch, no; Daeger, yea. Mayor White inquired if everyone understood that a "yea" vote would deny Mr. Powell's appeal; therefore, allowing the Village to advertise for bids for the demolition of the building; and a "no" vote would overturn the Police Chief's determination and allow Mr. Powell to continue discussions with Council to resolve the issue. Mayor White requested a revote after the clarification. Rife motioned to deny Mr. Powell's appeal, seconded by Daeger. Vote: Rife, yea; Sutton, yea; Guelde, no; Sierer, no; Trausch, yea; Daeger, yea. The motion to deny Mr. Powell's appeal was approved by a 4-2 vote.

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

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**MEET THE MINISTERS**

**By: Stan Jordan**

G. Allen Fillman is the Priest of the Divine Mercy of Paulding County that will be two years old this July. He was the Paulding Priest for about 10 years before that.

G. Allen Fillman was born in Defiance County about six miles west of Defiance on US 24. His parents were Bill and Monica. He was the oldest of four boys.

He went to grade school in Sherwood and graduated from Fairview High School in 1969.

I asked him if he knew he wanted to be a priest at that time. He said he wasn't sure but he started his studies at the Seminary at Worthington, Ohio. That was called the Pontifical College Josephinum. That's when he knew he wanted to be a priest because he liked the teachers and professors at the school. Their demeanor, their character and sincerity were such that he wanted to be like them.

He was there for four years of college and then four more years of graduate work. He finished his Deacon Internship at Van Wert in 1976.

He was ordained in 1977. His first assignment was to Fostoria, OH where he was an associate. Then he was sent to Toledo at the Blessed Sacrament and he was there seven years. While he was there he got his Masters Degrees in Theology and Literature.

Then he went to Tiffin and he was chairman of the Religious Department at the Calvert High School. He was also the Chaplain of the Tiffin Franciscan Sisters. He was at this assignment for 10 years.

Then he was sent to Saint Joseph's at Paulding and at Saint John's in Payne. While he was there he was the Dean of the Defiance Deanery. This covers Defiance, Paulding and Henry Counties.

On July 1st of 2008, Saint Joseph of Paulding, Saint

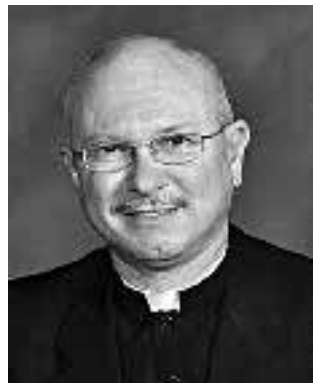
John's of Payne and Saint Mary's of Antwerp were all combined and called the Divine Mercy. He is the only priest for the three parishes and he lives in the rectory in Paulding.

He really enjoys what he does here, helping the people, like his teachers and professors did when he was in college.

He told me about MSGR. Fick, who said, "There is something to be said about saying nothing. But say it well!"

His hobbies are gardening, reading, fishing, and he likes to cook. He also raises orchids and likes to travel.

He said he was very lucky as he studied in Rome for four months. He got to meet Pope John Paul II in his office. He was very impressed by the Pope's morning prayers as he prayed for any and all sick people who he was asked to. It seemed to Allan that the Pope carried the world on his shoulders.



While in Rome he traveled all over the area, even to St. Peter's but not the dome—he is afraid of heights. He toured Europe and nearly every country around the Mediterranean countryside. He really liked the history and architecture of Rome and the Vatican.

As we talked, I could see that he has been blessed and he is also a lucky fellow.

He has always been near his hometown area. Not too far from his parents and siblings.

He has been able to travel quite a bit in foreign countries. He is a very intelligent

fellow, very sincere and very outgoing and certainly interesting to talk to.

Rev. Allen, I certainly enjoyed our interview with you. It was a fine morning.

I asked him what his goals in his life are, just like I asked the other ministers and he said almost the same thing: "To know God and make Him known and to help people find the way to eternal life."

See Ya!



**By: Stan Jordan**

**Planting Potatoes**

A farmer gets sent to jail, and his wife is trying to hold the farm together until her husband can get out. She's not, however, very good at farm work, so she writes a letter to him in jail: "Dear sweetheart, I want to plant the potatoes. When is the best time to do it?"

The farmer writes back: "Honey, don't go near that field. That's where all my guns are buried."

But, because he is in jail, all of the farmer's mail is censored. So when the sheriff and his deputies read this, they all run out to the farm and dig up the entire potato field looking for guns. After two full days of digging, they don't find one single weapon.

The farmer then writes to his wife: "Honey, now is when you should plant the potatoes."

Received from ArcaMax Jokes

**THE POTATO WAR**

**By: Stan Jordan**

This following story was given to us by Marty Hunt. It happened this way and the story is true.

The U.S.S. O'Bannon (a destroyer), on April 5, 1943 was on it's way back to base after shelling the shore installation in the New Georgia area and along the Solomon Islands.

The U.S.S. O'Bannon was part of a task force and their radar picked up a blip that they thought was a Japanese submarine. The O'Bannon turned toward it to ram it and sink it, but changed their minds after they thought it might be a mine layer and blow them up also. I guess the Japanese look outs were asleep and they didn't have radar.

When the O'Bannon decided not to sink the sub, it turned and ran along side of the Jap sub. But they were too close and couldn't depress their deck guns enough to hit the sub. None on the sub or ship had a rifle and hand gun.

The sailors on the O'Bannon managed to get some potatoes out of a crate sitting on the deck and threw them at the Japs on the sub. Well, the Japs thought they were hand grenades and they threw them back.

This went on for awhile and the O'Bannon had time to get some distance between the two. Some of the Japs threw the potatoes into the sea thinking they were grenades.

Then the units fired at each other then the ship put a round through the sub's conning tower, but the sub was able to submerge anyhow. Then the O'Bannon passed

over the sub and fired some depth charges. Later it showed that the sub did sink.

After this story got around in the states the Main Potato Growers Association had a plaque made and given to the O'Bannon's crew. It was on the wall of the mess hall.

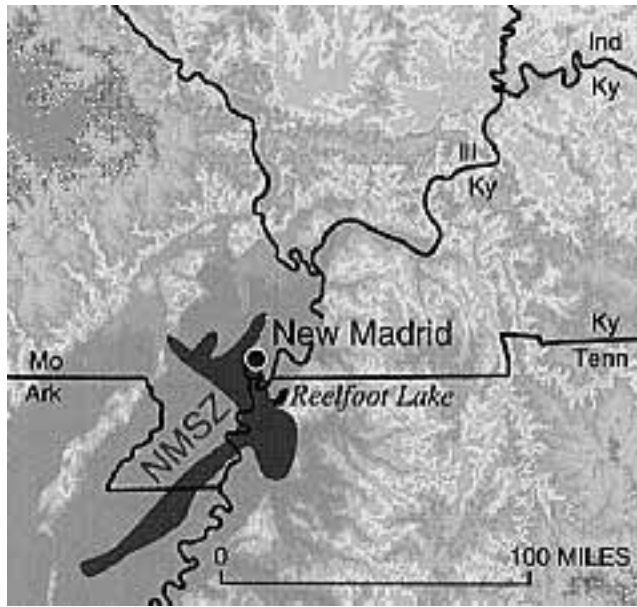
See Ya!

**U.S. HISTORY - 1812 NEW MADRID EARTH QUAKE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

In 1811 and 1812 there were two quakes. Both were very strong. They were both 8's on the Seismograph Scale. The quake of a few weeks ago down in the Caribbean was a 7.

It is called the New Madrid Fault as it lays under the town of New Madrid and that is in the state of Missouri now. It is on the Mississippi River close to the Kentucky and Tennessee state line.



There wasn't a lot of damage or loss of life because it was so sparsely populated.

The officials said most of the damage was ground warping, ejections, fissures, a number of landslides and caving in of stream banks. On February 7, 1812, there was another 8.3 quake. This one was felt as far away as Boston and in New York where it rang some church bells. Some sidewalks were broken in Washington D.C.

There were numerous effects on the landscape in the most affected areas, a stream was caused to form Reel Foot Lake in Tennessee and the Mississippi River changed its course creating geographic exclaves including the Kentucky Bend. It is said that the ground heaved up and caused the water to run backwards for a short time.

The officials at that time said the New Madrid Fault put pressure on the Reel Foot Fault (they are both in that area) and caused the trouble. It is said that the Mississippi River at Kentucky Bend heaved up and caused a wave that propagated upstream and caused the formation of Reel Foot Lake.

Well, I was told years ago by an old Florida fishing buddy of mine that it didn't happen that way. He said he was there and this is the way it came about.

Oh, they had some huge earthquakes alright and that is still a dangerous area. It is said this Reel Foot Rift is over 550 million years old.

My old buddy used to fish this area as there was some king-sized catfish that terrorized the people and kept the cattle up on the river banks.

My friend, Mel Clinton from Ina, IL told me that he

took a few hundred feet of one inch hay rope and tied one end to a big tree on the east bank.

He had a young bull that was way too mean already and he was expendable. This bad tempered bull ate nearly all the food and weighed 481 pounds. So he tied the other end of that hay rope around this bull's neck. Then he did the same again, he tied the hay rope around this bull's neck and the other end to a big maple tree on the west bank. He had it so arranged that the catfish bait stood on a sand bar about four feet under the water in the middle of the river.

Well, the bull thrashed and carried on and a couple big catfish came along to see what the commotion was.

After a while a blue catfish came by and surveyed the area. He chased all the smaller fish away and gulped



down the bait. He tore off down stream with the kicking bull in his mouth. The waves foamed and frothed flying in all directions. The two big maple trees fell in to the river from each direction and plugged it up and that is how Reel Foot Lake was formed.

As I understand, the big blue cat went on down the Mississippi River and probably is around the New Orleans area.

See Ya!

**NEW @ LOS GALLITOS**

If you're looking for a good, quality hometown eatery, Los Gallitos in Paulding is the place for you. Not only is the food amazing, so are the people who prepare and serve it. The faces of the wait staff may be familiar to you, but did you know there are several talented individuals behind the scenes preparing the tasty, hot, made to order dishes?

New to the Los Gallitos family but not to the food industry is our new breakfast cook, Michelle Oller. Michelle may be a new face, but upon talking with her she'll remind you of an old friend.

Michelle had been a cook for several years at Dels Cafe, in Sherwood before making a change and taking her place at Los Gallitos. Michelle and her husband, Robin live at Delaware Bend and have been happily married for 17 years. Michelle has two sons: Brent and Terry and five grandchildren: Marcus (16), Clayton (13), Ben (13), Morgan (11) and Toot (5). When she's not preparing her delicious homemade gravy for biscuits and gravy or potatoes and gravy, Michelle enjoys gardening, canning and spending time at the lake. Michelle's favorite dish to prepare for breakfast is omelettes. Whether it be the Gallitos omelette, the Western, Grande, Cheese or Bacon omelette they are all delicious.

Michelle's talents are not only limited to breakfast at Los Gallitos, she has her hand in several pots. Michelle also helps prepare Beef Manhattan, Swiss Steak and Beef and Noodles which are served throughout the day. The hot fresh chips and fresh salsa are also enjoyed by many daily. So, stop in and see Michelle Oller at Los Gallitos—I guarantee it will be worth your while.

**PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AND DISMISSALS**

Admissions:  
1/22 - Vera Schlegel, Defiance

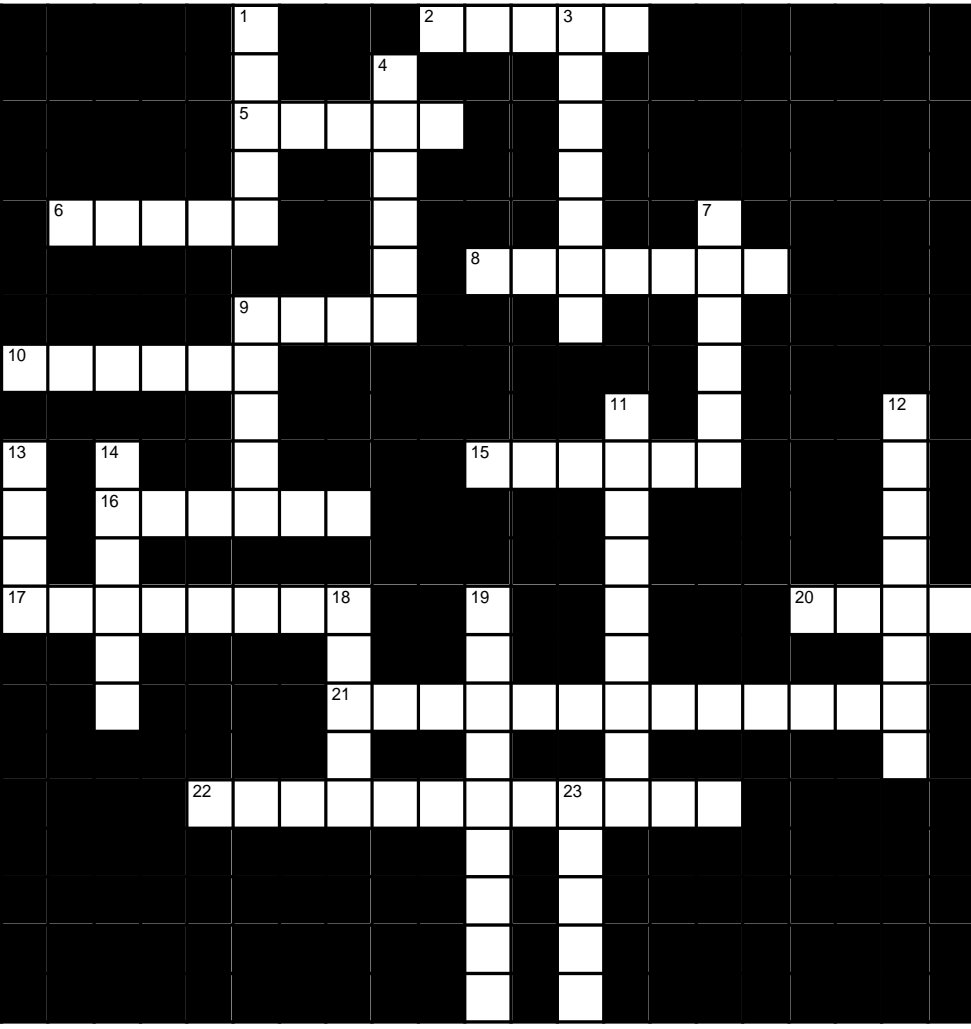
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# Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

2. The amount of touchdowns the Colts scored in the 2006 season.
5. The Colts have two former coaches in the Hall of Fame -- Ewbank and WHO.
6. The coach to lead the Colts to their Super Bowl XLI win. (last name)
8. The MVP of Super Bowl XLI.
9. This coach drafted Peyton Manning in 1998. (last name)
10. This Miami Dolphin quarterback participated in the coin toss at Super Bowl XLI.
15. In 1953 the Baltimore Colts were formed out of this Dallas football team.
16. The Baltimore Colts played their final game against THIS Houston team.
17. The head coach of the Colts this year. (last name)
20. The first head coach of the Indianapolis Colts. (last name)
21. Former Colts' coach Shula presented THIS trophy to the winners of Super Bowl XLI. (2 words)
22. The Colts were the first NFL team to have these.

**Down**

1. The family that has owned the Colts for twenty years. (last name)
3. This company is commissioned to make the Vince Lombardi Trophy.
4. This Baltimore Colts player played football for 27 seasons. (last name)
7. This person became the Colts' quarterback in 1959.
9. In 1964 this running back scored 20 touchdowns in a single season.
11. The Colts moved from HERE to Indianapolis.
12. The name of the Colt's stadium. (2 words)
13. It was in this league that the Colts played in before joining the NFL.
14. The MVP of Super Bowl V.
18. This man coached the Chicago Bears in the Super Bowl XLI against the Colts. (FIRST name)
19. This former NFL pro-football player is in the Hall of Fame as a Colt. (last name)
23. The official slogan for Super Bowl XLI was "One game, one \_\_\_\_\_."

**REGISTRATION FOR ANTWERP BALL ASSOCIATION COMING UP**

The Antwerp Ball Association will be having registration for spring and summer ball on January 31 and February 6 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon in the auditoria hallway at Antwerp Local School. To play spring ball your child must be in the 7th or 8th grade. The registration fees will remain the same as last year.

There are going to be some changes this year to the T-ball and Pee wee divisions to make it safer for the children. Those children who are six years old will be required to try out if they want to play Pee wee. The try out dates will be Saturday, February 6th from 1:00-2:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 11 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the auxiliary gym at Antwerp Local School. The children will be scored on several tasks and must receive a minimum score of 13 to be allowed to play in the Pee wee division. A list of the tasks they will be asked to perform will be available at sign up. If you cannot make one of these dates please see Tom Wann or Shawn Shuette and they will be able to make alternate arrangements. All four year old children will be playing on teams made up of only four year olds and will be divided equally to make up their own T-ball level. Both of these decisions were made to make it safer for all children who are playing ball.

If your child is a first time player in the Antwerp Ball Association please remember to bring a copy of his or her birth certificate. All the birth certificates from last year were kept on file. If you cannot remember if you turned a birth certificate in please ask a board member and we will check the list. The Antwerp Ball Association uses the birth certificate only for the purpose of proving age when requested by an opposing team.

We will be having several work days at the ball fields this year. If you are interested in helping please let us know. The ball board is usually there most Saturdays in March and April weather permitting.

Answers to "Sudoku puzzle 1/20/10"

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

**PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED**



Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative, Inc. recently recognized six employees for their years of dedicated service. Front row - Jim Nutter, 10 years; Dewey Sanderson, 30 years; Jay Denny, 10 years. Back row - Jerry Rigenbach, 30 years; Ted Slusser, 30 years; and Laura Durre, 15 years

**WOODBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT DECEMBER 2009**

Traffic Stops 13; Suicide Threats 1; 911 Hang up 1; ACPD Assists 4; Parked Vehicle Un-Occupied 4; Vehicle Accident/No Injury 1; Special Assignment 1; Domestic Battery 1; Domestic Incidents 2; Disabled Vehicle 2; Mentally Ill 1; Vandalism to Vehicle 1; Suicide Attempt 1; Follow Up Investigation 2; Dog Complaint 1; Suspicious Person 1; Meet 1; Ambulance Assist 1; Nuisances 2; Traffic Hazard 1; Audible Alarm 4; Vehicle Lock-out 1; Theft 1; Vandalism 1; Reckless Driver 1; Total Incidents 50

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 ADULTS - \$5.00, CHILDREN 3-12 - \$3.00, 2 & UNDER - FREE  
IN CASE OF SCHOOL CLOSING DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE EVENT WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2010

**ANTWERP BRANCH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REVIVAL MEETING & 6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOOK CLUB**

The Antwerp Branch Library is looking to revive the "Antwerp Friends of The Library Group". We have several energetic people interested in what they can do to help with this organization. Past members will also be in attendance. If you have fresh ideas and a willingness to help please attend this meeting on Monday February 22 at 6:30 p.m.

The library has started a new book club for students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade. The book club is titled "Spine Crackers". We will read one book a month and our next meeting is on Monday February 8, 2010 from 3:30-4:00 p.m. February is fast approaching! Stop in at the library and pick up our monthly newsletter that lists all of our activities!

**Grant's Sunday Buffet ANNOUNCES**

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*\*\*Reservations for large parties are welcomed by not required. Small parties also welcome!\*\**

**MYCOTOXINS IN FIELD CORN**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Agent**

The 2009 corn crop is providing some challenge to grain users due to various levels of mycotoxins that are being found in individual lots of grain. Mycotoxins are mold-produced substances that can be harmful to people and livestock when ingested, inhaled, or come in contact with the skin.

Mycotoxins are toxic substances produced by fungi or molds that grow on grain or feed in the field or in storage. Several mycotoxins are associated with cool and wet conditions. The abnormally cool and wet weather during and after corn silking in 2009 provided optimal conditions for the development of Gibberella ear rot that resulted in high levels of mycotoxin in grain, most notably vomitoxin or DON. Although there have been localized problems with ear rots in Ohio in past years, the incidence and severity of ear rots and associated mycotoxins this year is more severe and widespread.

Gibberella ear rot is caused by the fungus also known as Fusarium. Fusarium molds are everywhere in a field environment. In 1995, research by Vincelli and Parker found that Fusarium overwinters in the soil, on plant debris, and on or in the seed. Molds and spores may enter the plant through the roots, via pollen transfer down the silks, through the damaged seed, and through plant wounds caused by wind, hail, mechanical damage, or insect feeding. Therefore, eliminating Fusarium is unrealistic.

Corn ear rot can cause problems at the elevator with discounts due to damaged kernels or presence of foreign material, especially when the cob is badly rotted and does not separate well from the grain. Some of the ear rot fungi can cause additional problems because of their ability to produce mycotoxins that can contaminate the grain. If fed to livestock, moldy corn with mycotoxins can cause serious problems and even death, especially in nonruminant and young animals.

Sampling and testing grain is necessary to deter-

mine if the mycotoxin called vomitoxin or DON is below advisory levels in products. Livestock, such as swine, dairy cattle, horses and poultry, are susceptible to certain mycotoxins. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has various advisory levels for each group of livestock and each major mycotoxin. Livestock producers should exercise caution when molds are present, especially with gestating and lactating animals. Visual observation cannot detect the presence of toxins, so testing is advised before feeding moldy feeds. Once the level of toxins are determined, appropriate feeding recommendations can be implemented.

**MORE HOURS CUT IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE**

To Whom It May Concern:

I truly regret to take this action, but effective February 1, 2010, the County Auditor's office will be closed on Wednesdays in addition to remaining closed on Fridays. This schedule will remain in effect until further notice.

Due to my office's 2010 budget cut and the workload responsibilities in the budgetary department it is necessary to take this action. I understand closing an additional day a week will cause added hardship for business transactions and the public. This is not a decision I have made hastily nor desired to take.

I understand the Commissioners have had to make difficult decisions concerning the 2010 budget; I must now also make a difficult decision. Needing to take this action is very troublesome since this office is here to service the public and the other county offices. Again, this is the result of the lack of necessary operating funding in the county due to many different conditions.

This will continue to be challenging with existing resources, I apologize for any additional inconveniences this action will cause.

Proudly Serving the Residents of Paulding County,  
—Susan K. Simpson,  
Paulding County Auditor

**WT ANNOUNCES TEACHER/STUDENT OF THE MONTH**

Wayne Trace Jr / Sr High recently announced the December "Students & Teacher of the Month".



Front Row - Kenny Ganter, Rebecca Bennett, Blair Baume, Ana Alba, Leah Sinn. Middle Row - Kyle Wobler, Vivian Baker, Adam Korte, Nathan Tumblin, Haley Linder, Libby Stabler. Back Row - Janey Janka, Sytse Akkerman, Andrew Moore, Iziah Greathouse, Jacob Taylor, Adrean Ross, Briana Schaeffer, Dustin Taylor. These students will be rewarded with pizza and pop for lunch.



Wayne Trace High School teacher, Annette Sinn was recently voted, "Teacher of the Month" by the Wayne Trace Student Body. Molly Long presented the award to Mrs. Sinn. The December "Teacher of The Month" received five Extra Value Meals courtesy of McDonald's of Paulding as part of the award.

**LOCAL GROUP PARTICIPATES IN A STATEWIDE HOMELESS COUNT**

The Northwest Ohio Housing Coalition joined other communities in Ohio in conducting a "point-in-time count" on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. The goal was to identify a realistic count of the number of individuals in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams counties that are currently homeless or are at immediate risk of homelessness on a given day. These statistics will assist service providers in improving services to the homeless in our community. Local information will be submitted to the Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (COHHIO) to be compiled into a statewide report.

This is the fifth year that the Northwest Ohio Housing Coalition has conducted a local homeless count. The 2009 count resulted in the identification of 159 persons found to be homeless and 439 persons who were at immediate risk of homelessness.

The "point-in-time count" will include three groups of homeless persons; unsheltered homeless, sheltered homeless, and those at immediate risk of homelessness.

Unsheltered homeless include adults, youth or families living in parks, streets, alleys, tents, campers, vehicles, abandoned buildings, stairwells, under bridges, roadways, farm outbuildings, or 24 hr. laundromats, restaurants or stores.

Sheltered homeless include adults, youth or families living in emergency shelters, transitional housing, domestic violence shelters, or any hotel/motel/apt paid by arrangements from a public/private agency.

At-risk of homelessness include adults, youth

or families at risk of being homeless within three months, presently residing in substandard housing, temporary housing, or with family/friends.

The Northwest Housing Coalition will be contacting homeless shelters, domestic violence shelters, substance abuse treatment programs, community parks and campgrounds, sheriff and police departments, churches, social service and faith based agencies that provide emergency and supportive services, job placement and temp. agencies, mental health providers, hospitals, emergency rooms, and stress centers, small hotels, veterans organizations, MR/DD programs, 24 hour coffee shops, shopping centers and restaurants, libraries, prisons and jails, public schools, foster care agencies, and bars.

If you are at risk or you have a friend or family member currently living with you and they may become homeless within the next three months, please pass this information on so that it may be included in the local data. The information will be kept confidential. Names are not required - only the gender and age of the person will be requested. To report homelessness or for additional information, please contact First Call for Help at 1-800-468-4357 or by dialing 211.

**PERI CHAPTER 10 MEETING SET FOR 2/3/10**

PERI Chapter 10 Paulding County Meeting is February 3, 2010 at the Paulding Senior Center. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. with meeting at 12:00 Noon. A guest speaker, Tom Stricker from Westwood Behavioral Health Center, Van Wert with the topic: Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). Call 419-399-3650 for lunch reservations.

**ANTWERP V.E.T.S. LISTING FOR 1990 THROUGH PRESENT**

This week and next we will list the names of our Veterans starting in 1990 through the present. We have the documentation for all of these names on this weeks list. There is now a cut-off date for all names and documentation to be turned in—March 31, 2010. This is so we have time to get the complete list to Homier Monumental for the engraving process.

Kelly S ( Mabis) Dincler, Kent C Doctor, Amelia D Dunderman, Daniel J English, Jaime Farnsworth, Angela M ( Paulson) Fisher, Kenneth N Fisher, Tammy C Goudy, Andrew D Hahn, William R Hickok, Lonnie D Hitt Jr., William J Hounshell, Chad E Jones, Eric W Jordan, Nicholas A Kelble, Kurtis M Kelley, Kurt S Keokuk

**2010 IMPACT STATEMENT FROM THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE**

The General Fund budget reduction will continue to negatively impact the operations of the Auditor's finance department, payroll, accounts payable and accounting being the most affected.

Statutory duties will be performed, but in a less timely manner.

Reports and services to other entities within Paulding County government will be performed less frequently or curtailed.

Response to numerous outside requests will be less efficient. It is anticipated that the joining of the Paulding County Senior Center as a county agency will increase our office duties with no or little additional administrative resources.

Daily interaction with vendors and others will be less timely, enhancing the possibility of late fees and penalties.

Response time to public information requests directed to the Finance Department will increase.

Support work for various agencies and boards could be

negatively impacted. The Finance Department has maintained high productivity with a reduced staff and reduced hours due to the knowledge and wisdom of its employees. Due to a lack of funding, maintenance and improvements in technology have been severely hampered. This will continue to be challenging with existing resources and has even created unreliable conditions for fiscal reporting, payroll and financial management.

Finally, as less time is available to review documentation supporting payments, the likelihood of fraud increases.

—Susan K. Simpson,  
Paulding County Auditor



**FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK**

**By: Mandy Lichty, Paulding County Chief Dog Warden**

This week's featured pet is Speckles. Speckles is a senior age gal that is looking for a nice place to live out her last days. She has some health issues that come along with old age but she has a lot of love left to give.

The shelter has a Facebook page now. You can follow along with all the happenings at the shelter with us. The page is simply named Paulding County Dog Shelter. Sign on and be our friend!

We are also posting all the adoptable dogs on Adoptapet.com and DogsinDanger.com. We want to use all the internet sources we can to find all the dogs great homes. In 2009 we had adopters from New York, Tennessee, Florida, Illinois, and even Canada!

Come out to see the dogs (and buy a dog license) Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Thursdays from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon.

**The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce would like to say thank you to our following 2009 Members:**

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|---|--|
| A&W Root Beer Stand                     | Hidden Pet Fence of NW Ohio                    |
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| Antwerp Ball Association                | Kammeyer's IGA                                 |
| Antwerp Community Band                  | Kennedy Trenching & Excavating                 |
| Antwerp Community Church                | Kay Langham                                    |
| Antwerp Conservation Club               | Manor House Assisted Living                    |
| Antwerp Community Development Committee | Marilyn's Petals & Vines                       |
| Antwerp Exchange Bank                   | Mercer Landmark, Inc.                          |
| Antwerp First Presbyterian Church       | North Garden Place Apartments/Park Ave. Villas |
| Antwerp Insurance Agency                | Ohio Gas Co.                                   |
| Antwerp Pharmacy                        | Paulding Chamber of Commerce                   |
| Antwerp Pit Stop                        | Paulding County Hospital                       |
| Antwerp Rotary Club                     | Pierce Automotive, Inc                         |
| Antwerp United Methodist Church         | Pop-N-Brew Drive-Thru/Slattery Oil Co.         |
| Antwerp V.F.W Post 5087                 | Ramsier, Floyd Attorney at Law                 |
| Atwood Mobile Products                  | River Law Office Co., L.P.A.                   |
| Barker Farms                            | Riverside Hardware                             |
| Bricker, Wm. D.D.S., Inc                | Sanders' Auto Rebuilding                       |
| Community Memorial Hospital             | Subway of Antwerp                              |
| C&R Karaoke                             | S&S Sanitation                                 |
| Divine Mercy Catholic Parish-Antwerp    | Village Hardware                               |
| Dooley Funeral Home                     | Village of Antwerp                             |
| Essen House Restaurant                  | Sandra Wann                                    |
| Ed Glass                                | West Bend Printing & Publishing Inc.           |
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**The Antwerp Chamber meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Essen House Restaurant. If you or your business would like to join the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce, please call 419-258-1722 and leave a message.**

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**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": NINETEEN STUDENTS INDUCTED IN VANTAGE NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY**



**Vantage 2009-2010 National Technical Honor Society members.**

Nineteen Vantage seniors were recently selected as members of the Vantage chapter of the National Technical Honor Society. They were introduced and inducted at the annual NTHS banquet on December 8, 2009, held in the Cup and Saucer restaurant. Guests in attendance at the banquet to recognize this elite group of students included parents, home school principals and counselors and Vantage teachers and administrators.

NTHS membership is the highest award for excellence in career technical education and is a reliable indicator of performance and leadership in the workplace. Students who achieved a 3.5 grade point average or better, while maintaining a 95% attendance rate at Vantage, were eligible to apply for membership. In addition to submitting a resume and writing an essay stating why they would like to be a part of the NTHS, the students also were required to obtain three teacher recommendations.

The main purpose of the National Technical Honor Society is to reward scholastic achievement in occupational and career technical education. Membership encourages skill development, honesty, service, leadership, citizenship, and individual responsibility. In addition, students are selected for membership in NTHS as a reward for excellence in workforce education; to develop self-esteem, pride and encourage students to reach for higher levels of achievement; and to promote business and industry's critical work-place values—honesty, responsibility, initiative, teamwork, productivity, leadership, and citizenship.

Students selected for membership in the National Technical Honor Society for the 2009-2010 school year are Todd Akom, Wayne Trace (Welding); Kayla Collins-

Scott, Van Wert (Culinary Arts); Crystal Dockery, Continental (Cosmetology); Paige Gamble, Van Wert (Early Childhood); Jesse Giessler, Crestview (Auto Body); Wade Haller, Antwerp (Ag Diesel); Camile Harting, Crestview (Health Technology); Kyle Hoffman, Kalida (Network Systems); Caleb Johnson, Crestview (Carpentry); Paige Kittle, Lincolnview (Early Childhood); Isabelle LeFever, Van Wert (Health Technology); Emily Mabry, Parkway (Early Childhood); Blaise May, Van Wert (Welding); Alyssa Moonshower, Van Wert (Health Technology); Michael Niemeyer, Kalida (Precision Machining); Lindsey Ross, Wayne Trace (Network Systems); David Schneider, Antwerp (Ag Diesel); Ben Uncapher, Van Wert (Precision Machining); and Alayna Vann, Wayne Trace (Health Technology).

Congratulations to these National Technical Honor Society members!

Just a reminder to bring your family and friends to Vantage Career Center's Open House and Scholarship Dinner on Monday, February 8 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Tour the Vantage building - meet teachers and students and see the special displays, demonstrations and activities in all 17 programs. Check out the computer labs and Media Center. Want to find out about an Adult Education class or Wright State University course? Meet our New Adult Education Director, Pete Prichard - He and other Adult Education staff members will be available to answer your questions. Don't feel like cooking? Support the Vantage Scholarship fund and enjoy a chicken dinner from Romer's Catering from 4:30 until 7:00 p.m. For more information, please call 1.800.686.3944.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 1/4/10**

This 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

- Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, Tony Zartman, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
- APPOINTMENTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
- Mr. Tony Zartman moved to approve the following appointments for 2010:
- Nola Ginter, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners
- Joan Tope, Assistant Clerk
- Amanda Lichty, Paulding County Dog Warden
- Georgia Dyson, Assistant Dog Warden
- Jeff Schmidt, Assistant Dog Warden

- Corey Walker, Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services Administrator
- Lynn Vance, County Court Clerk
- R. Allen Beamer, Paulding County Fire Marshal
- Becky Suvar, Program Manager, Waste Management Education and Awareness Program
- Darlene Jordan, Assistant Clerk
- Pamela Miller, Administrative Assistant, Paulding County Economic Development
- Marsha Yuetter, Senior Center Director

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF THE 2010 SPECIAL FUNDS ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

The Commissioners approved the 2010 Special Funds Annual Appropriations as recorded in Journal 51, Pages 77 through 96, to provide for current expenses and other expenditures of said County during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENT:**

Susan Simpson, County Auditor - Ms. Simpson reported the 2010 revenue and appropriations worksheets are, for the most part, completed. She requested the worksheets be distributed by the Auditor's Office next fall for 2011's budget in an effort to gather them more timely. Ms. Simpson also reported she and Marsha Yuetter have been working together to set up accounts for the Senior Center for 2010. Marsha Yuetter then joined the meeting for further discussion. Ms. Simpson offered to contact other county auditors and also discuss the issue with the state auditors to determine what accounts need to be created. The Senior Center finances had previously been administered by NOCAC. Ms. Yuetter stated a carryover amount can be determined when NOCAC closes their books for 2009.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 1/6/10**

This 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

- Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, Tony Zartman, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
- ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
- Warrants docketed as 164488 through 164624 and warrant 164625 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF PAULDING COUNTY ROADS, CULVERTS AND BRIDGES FOR THE YEAR 2009:**

The Commissioners has decided that the health, welfare, and safety of the people of Paulding County can best and most efficiently be served by the "Force Account" in matters pertaining to the construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of Paulding County roads, bridges, and culverts; and the Commissioners authorized Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to proceed by force account for the maintenance, repair and improvement of county roads, culverts and bridges for the year 2010; and the Commissioners also authorized the County Engineer to close necessary roads, bridges and culverts for the performance of said force account work pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5543.19.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENTS:**

- The Commissioners appointed Mr. Tony Burkley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Family and Children First Council for the year 2010.
- The Commissioners appointed Tony Burkley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the John Paulding Historical Society Board for the year 2010.
- The Commissioners appointed Mr. Edward Straley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Paulding County Homeland Security Advisory Committee for 2010.
- The Commissioners appointed Tony Zartman as the Commissioners' representative to the Executive Council of the Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) for a three (3) year term beginning January 1, 2010, and ending December 31, 2012.
- The Commissioners appointed Mr. Edward Straley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Northwest Ohio Community Action Commission (NOCAC) Board for the year 2010.
- The Commissioners appointed Mr. Edward Straley to serve as the Commissioners' representative to the Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio, Inc., for the year 2010.
- The Commissioners appointed Mr. Edward Straley to serve as the Commissioners' representative to the Paulding County Senior Center Steering Committee for the year 2010.

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

The Board of County Commissioners modified the 2010 Annual Appropriation and directed the Auditor to transfer funds;

From: 001-035-00003/General Fund/Transfers/Children's Services  
To: 001-030-00008/General Fund/Insurance/Loss Control/Other Expenses  
Amount: \$40,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR 2010:**

The Commissioners authorized Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to purchase a ½ or ¾ ton truck with extended cab for general transportation and a ¾ or 1 ton patch truck.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENT:**

- Stan Harmon and Ellen Schlegel, Board of Elections - The Board of Elections met January 5 to finalize their 2010 budget.
- Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer - Mr. McGarvey discussed equipment needs for the Engineer's Office in 2010. Mr. McGarvey reported he had recently met with the County Treasurer to review ditch funds. He also stated Norfolk and Western Railroad will begin work on the Worstville crossing this spring. Mr. McGarvey reported meeting with ODOT regarding repairs on the US 24 haul roads. He stated ODOT agreed to the Engineer's Office and will prepare a written agreement. Mr. McGarvey then reported on the progress of various wind energy projects in several Paulding County townships.

Marsha Yuetter, Paulding County Senior Center - Ms. Yuetter met briefly with the Commissioners to announce she has hired a program manager and a cook for the Senior Center.

Mandy Lichty, Dog Warden - Ms. Lichty met with the Commissioners to inform them she would be setting up a gas account at a local gas station.

**BUEHRER ELECTED TO CHAIR MIDWESTERN LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE**

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) was recently elected by a bipartisan group of state lawmakers from across the Midwest to chair the 2010 Council of State Governments' (CSG) Midwestern Legislative Conference, which works to encourage state legislatures in the region to exchange ideas and best practices to help solve common problems.

The CSG Midwestern Legislative Conference includes legislators from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. In addition, members of the legislative assemblies in three Canadian provinces—Manitoba, Ontario and Saskatchewan—are MLC affiliates. As chair of the MLC for 2010, Sen. Buehrer will preside over the group's annual meeting in Toronto from August 8-11, among many other duties.

"This is a tremendous honor and responsibility to be chosen to lead such a talented, experienced and knowledgeable group of lawmakers from across our region," said Buehrer. "I will work over the next year to strengthen the relationship between Ohio and other Midwestern states, improve communication between regional leaders and encourage the discussion and exchange of innovative ideas on how to grow our state and region's economy."

In addition to these responsibilities, Sen. Buehrer was chosen to serve as vice chair of CSG's national governing board and executive committee during their annual meeting in November. He is now on track to become chair of the national organization in 2012.

Throughout his tenure in the General Assembly, including four terms in the Ohio House, Sen. Buehrer has been highly active at both the Midwest and national level of CSG. Last year, he served as vice chair of the Midwestern Legislative Council and is a former chairman of the MLC Midwest-Canada Relations Committee, a bipartisan, international panel charged with examining key trade and border security issues. Sen. Buehrer is also a CSG Bowhay and Toll Leadership Fellow.

**PAULDING COUNTY 4-H GEARING UP FOR NEW YEAR**



**Front - Jordan Elick, Matt Klopfenstein, Jade Flint, and Allie Schmidt. Back - Emma Schmidt, Colby Spiece, Logan Fast, Jared Eklund**

Area 4-H Clubs are teaming up with the Paulding Dairy Queen to boost enrollment for the 2010 season. With such a generous response of monetary support from Paulding County residents, the 4-H clubs want to thank them and show their gratitude by growing our numbers of 4-H members. The Dairy Queen has donated certificates for free ice cream treats that will be rewarded to any current member who brings a friend to their club meeting. Any new members will also receive these great certificates! To learn more about the 4-H clubs in the county, please call any of the advisors listed below, or contact the Extension office.

- Antwerp area: Doe-C-Doe 4-H Club - Pat Derck, 258-8671
- Modern Miss & Mister - Rose Reinhart, 258-2788
- Grover Hill area: Livewires 4-H Club - Sue Miller, 587-3594
- Junction/Arthur area: The Out of Towners - Jennifer White, 594-2375
- Oakwood area: Brown Betty's & Buster Browns - Jerrolyn Parrett, 594-2273

- Payne area: 5-H 4-H Saddle Club - Dawn Cook, 263-2245
- Flatrock Jr Farmers - Jim & Emily Munger, 263-4082
- Paulding area: Leaders of Tomorrow - Jerry & Cherry Klopfenstein, 399-4173
- Stablemates - Wendy Stephey, 594-2968
- Happy Bunch - Betty Lane, 399-5449
- Campground Kids - Sarah Noggle, 399-4264
- Wayne Trace school district: Blue Ribbon Workers - Deb Klopfenstein, 622-3161

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**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**  
**Open House**  
Saturday, January 30, 2010 10am-noon  
*OPEN TO ALL*  
From U.S. 127, go West on S.R. 114 to the first house on the right. Come see the results of Paulding County citizens working together.

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# HAWKS OUTSCORE WARRIORS IN GIRLS BASKETBALL



The Lady Warriors took on the Harding Hawks at home Wednesday, Jan. 13. Woodlan fell behind from the beginning and the girls struggled to hold on to the ball the rest of the game. The final score was Woodlan 45, Harding 58. Shown here is Freshman Lauren Ehle scoring for the Warriors. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan fell behind early against Harding and then the Hawks pulled away in the second quarter and the Warriors dropped a 58-45 decision to the Hawks in girls' basketball. Harding took a 17-13 lead after the first period and then outscored the home team 16-5 in the second quarter for a 33-18 halftime lead. Ashley Wiedemann was high scorer

in the game, getting 19 points for Woodlan

Score by the quarter:

Harding - 17 16 17 8=58

Woodlan - 13 5 12 15=45

Game scorers:

Harding - Gaines 14, Jackson 11, Lindsey 10, Jordan 10, Weemes 9, Parker 3, Sanders 1

Woodlan - Wiedemann 19, Carver 13, Ehle 10, Kayser 3

# PAULDING TAKES THE WIN FROM D. JEFFERSON



In a close game Friday night against Delphos Jefferson, Paulding boys pulled together for a fantastic win, 54-53. Shown here is Junior Devan Bermejo scoring for the Panthers. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

# LAKEWOOD PARK TAKE OUT WOODLAN IN BOYS BASKETBALL

By: Jeff Abbott

Lakewood Park held Woodlan to just 4 first quarter points and just 7 half-time points and the Panthers rolled to a 53-27 win over the Warriors in boys' basketball. Lakewood Park led 14-4 after the first quarter and built the lead to 32-7 at the half. Clint Romines was high scorer for Woodlan with 13 points.

Score by the quarter:

Woodlan - 4 3 7 13=27

Lakewood Park - 14 18 12 9=53

Game scorers:

Woodlan - Romines 13, Mumma 7, Bell 3, Brames 2, Hines 1, Stites 1

Lakewood Park - Casselman 16, Taulbee 11, Crosby 10, Lauter 6, Martin 5, Troyer 2, Gerke 2, Wellman 1

# WOODLAN SCRAPE BY HERITAGE IN VARSITY BASKETBALL

On 1/22/10 the Patriots of Heritage High School traveled to Warrior country to face off in boys basketball. Give and take took place in every quarter with Woodlan pulling it together in the final quarter to reel in a win: 49-48.

Score by the quarter:

Woodlan - 15 11 4 19=49

Heritage - 11 10 13 14=48

Game scorers:

Woodlan - Bell 9, Hines 17, Brames 6, Romines 9, Mumma 8

Heritage - Knapke 1, Snider 4, Norris 9, Gage 14, Blelee 20

# LADY ARCHERS SOAR PAST LINCOLNVIEW

On Wednesday, January 20, there was no stopping the Lady Archers as they took Lincolnview on the court. Antwerp dominated the baskets all night to keep a win at home: 51-33.

Score by the quarter:

Lincolnview - 8 4 8 13=33

Antwerp - 13 9 12 17=51

Archer game scorers:

Reinhart 2, Jones 3, Delgado 2, Bashore 11, Koppenhofer 5, Arnold 16, Stuck 12

# LADY APACHES NO MATCH FOR LADY ARCHERS

The Lady Archers traveled to Apache country to battle for court dominance in girls basketball on January 22. The Archers proved too tough to beat ending the night in an Antwerp win: 51-36

Score by the quarter:

Fairview - 13 12 5 6=36

Antwerp - 9 20 15 7=51

Archer game scorers:

Reinhart 2, Jones 6, Bashore 19, Koppenhofer, 6, Arnold 14, Stuck 4

# WAYNE TRACE PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND QUARTER 2009-10

1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE:

Mallory Lehman, Owen Manz, Eli Moore, Joey Munger, Chloe Parker, Sam Rager, Natalie Schultz, Waylon Smallwood, Gage Tinline, Emma Crosby, Damien Griffith, Misti Klopfenstein, Carlee Mead, Devin Nickols, Trevor Speice, Riley Stoller, Jacob Stouffer, Ryan Wenninger

2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE:

Brittney Bauer, Morgahn Butler, Gavin Carter, Sydney Coyne, Elicia Franklin, Evelyn Kohart, Daneek Erouse, Max Laukhuf, Mac Lockhart, Kylie Pfeiffer, Wilson Riley, Zane Shaffer, Gage Waltmire, Derek Enmark, Madeleine Laukhuf, Caleb Flynn, Alex Reinhart, Richard Williams, Cale Crosby, Chloe Thompson, Tom Holmes, Morgan Smith, Reed Zartman, Austin Pierce, Jayde Garcia, Kali Reel, Nathan Gerber, Kaitlin Vest, Zoey Wright

3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE:

Madison Coyne, Ethan Crosby, Alec Dunham, Brooke Greulich, Jaeden Jiminez, Olivia Linker, Gracie Laukhuf, Josiah Linder, Ellie Moore, Julianne Roop, Chloe Stabler, Wyatt Stabler, Haleigh Stoller, Reece Thompson, Caden Bland, Madilyn Brigner, Anne Eklund, Allie Hefner, Carissa Laukhuf, Clark Laukhuf, Cale Lehman, Evan Mohr, Cameron Monroe, Kaylee Shepherd, Austin Smith, Matthew Stouffer, Caleb Yenser, Braden Zuber

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:

All A's - Quinton Stabler, Esmee Oolman, Caleigh Burkley, Kalin Gerber, Erica Mohr

All A's & B's - Maggie Crosby, Colton Hower, Max Rassman, Trisha Strickler, Ian Vogel, Owen Brigner, Noah Toppe, Olivia Woods-Hopper

5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:

All A's - Ethan Linder, Henriette Akkerman

All A's & B's - Colin Doerr, Chris Galloway, Sadie Hibbard, Brooke Lelonek, Lauren Manz, Gage Pfeiffer, Allie Schmidt, Seth Yenser, Madison Zartman, Evan Baughman, Ethan Dunham, Jarod Galloway, Payton Granger, Blaine Jerome, Kacey Reinhart, Noah Ryan, Seth Saylor, Caleb Schultz

6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:

All A's - Victoria Ryan, Scott Wenninger, Stacy Flint, Elizabeth Lassiter, Courtney Mead, Erin Mohr, Cole Shepherd, Estie Sinn

All A's & B's - Nate Roop, Shayna Temple, Carrie Thrasher, Gabe Wobler, Tom Lantow, Nick Durre, Brenna Baker, Kyle Bickford, Riley Bidlack, Makayla Brandenburg, Kenzie Clemens, Quinton Harper, Jonnathan Krouse, Liam Marihugh, Eddie Prieto, Alec Vest, Austin Winebrenner, Carley Wright

# WAYNE TRACE AFTER PROM COMMITTEE SPONSORS PORT-A-PIT AND SILENT AUCTION

On January 29 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. the Wayne Trace After Prom Committee will be hosting their annual Port-A-Pit Chicken and Silent Auction. The chicken can be dine-in or carry-out. You may get your tickets from any Wayne Trace Jr. Class student or from the offices of Wayne Trace High or Antwerp High. The dinner will be held before the Wayne Trace vs. Antwerp Basketball game.

The Silent Auction this year includes a car (displayed at Wayne Trace School), reclining chair, paint gun system, Pandora Bracelet from Laudicks and much much more.

Come out for an evening of fun and excitement and support your Wayne Trace After Prom Committee.

# ANTWERP BOYS CRUSH FAIRVIEW



The Archer boys sent home Fairview with a big loss Thursday night. Antwerp started strong and never let up. The final score was 69-29. Shown here is Junior Justin Johnson scoring and getting fouled by an Apache. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

# ANTWERP ARCHER VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM STATISTICS AS OF 1/19/10

These are partial accumulative stats for the Antwerp Archer Varsity basketball team as of 1/19/10:

TJ Short - 166 Pts, 45 FTM, 77 Reb, 18 TO

Logan Lucas - 103 Pts, 13 FTM, 31 Reb, 14 TO

John Rindahl - 53 Pts, 13 FTM, 32 Reb, 15 TO

Travis Woodard - 49 Pts, 9 FTM, 24 Reb, 11 TO

Jordan Koppenhofer - 36 Pts, 4 FTM, 14 Reb, 5 TO

Bryson North - 18 Pts, 8 FTM, 7 Reb, 10 TO

Bryant Miesle - 18 Pts, 6 FTM, 10 Reb, 6 TO

Mike Stuart - 11 Pts, 5 FTM, 10 Reb, 5 TO

Dustin Hitzeman - 8 Pts, 8 FTM, 3 Reb, 2 TO  
Zac Coleman - 8 Pts, 2 FTM, 1 Reb  
Tommy Taylor - 1 Reb  
Team stats:  
Win/Loss - 7 wins, 2 losses

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**Fish Fry**  
**Fri, Jan 29**  
St. Michael's Church  
Hicksville  
4:30-7:00 p.m.  
Dine-In or Carry-out available

Community Health Professionals presents  
**Ohio has Talent!**  
A variety show based on television's *America's Got Talent*  
**Sat. Feb. 6**  
**7 p.m.** @ **NISWONGER** PERFORMING ARTS CENTER OF NORTHWEST OHIO  
  
**Audience Chooses Winners!**  
First Prize: \$500 - Second Prize: \$250 - Third Prize: \$100  
  
Dayton Pracht - Paulding  
Desiree Delgado - Antwerp  
Adam Daniels - Grover Hill  
Tickets: \$25, \$20 or \$15 at:  
**Niswonger Performing Arts Center**  
10700 State Rte. 118, Van Wert, 419-238-6722  
[www.npacvw.org](http://www.npacvw.org)  
Proceeds benefit Van Wert Area Inpatient Hospice Center

**HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL LIVE**  
ON WKSD 99.7FM  
Join us for the current basketball games in our area! Check out our schedule  
Thur, Jan 28 Wayne Trace @ Antwerp (Girls)  
Fri, Jan 29 Antwerp @ Wayne Trace  
Sat, Jan 30 Africentric@Continental  
  
After our broadcast game join us for the "Final Buzzer" Show. Ron Burt will have the high school H.S. Basketball scores from 10-11pm Friday & Saturday nights from Mum's Cafe on WKSD



The Palace was full Friday night with the Tinora/Wayne Trace rivalry heating up. The Lady Raiders worked hard and kept up most of the game but the fourth quarter fell apart and the Rams took home the win 31-43. Shown here is Junior Kacey Hockenberry scoring for the Raiders. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

**AREA HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCORES**

1/19/10 - Girls: Columbus Grove 61, Paulding 51; Boys: (Var) Wayne Trace 60, Montpelier 34, records - Wayne Trace 6-4, Montpelier 1-9, (JV) Wayne Trace 42, Montpelier 26  
 1/21/10 - Boys: Wayne Trace 54, Tinora 40  
 1/22/10 - Girls: (Var) Tinora 43, Wayne Trace 31, (JV) Tinora 29, Wayne Trace 26

**PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/27 THROUGH 2/2**

MS/HS - Breakfast:  
 1/27 - Sausage, egg & cheese muffin, juice, milk  
 1/28 - Donuts, juice,

milk  
 1/29 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
 2/1 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
 2/2 - Sausage, egg burrito w/salsa, juice, milk  
 MS/HS - Lunch:  
 1/27 - Idaho Nachos, bread stick OR Sub sandwich, chips, carrots w/dip, assorted fruit, milk  
 1/28 - Ham & cheese croissant, potato soup, assorted fruit, milk  
 1/29 - Bar-B-Que pork w/bun, au gratin potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 2/1 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, roll OR pizzaburger/bun, assorted fruit, milk  
 2/2 - Mandarin chicken salad, seasoned bread stick, assorted fruit, milk  
 Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:  
 1/27 - Assorted cereals, juice, milk  
 1/28 - Muffin, applesauce, milk  
 1/29 - Cereal bar, juice, milk  
 2/1 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk  
 2/2 - Pancake wrap, juice, milk  
 Paulding Elementary - Lunch:  
 1/27 - Pizza, corn, as-

sorted fruit, milk  
 1/28 - Vegetable beef soup w/crackers, bread w/ margarine OR peanut butter, assorted fruit, milk  
 1/29 - Chicken fajita wrap, lettuce/cheese/salsa, G-force bar, assorted fruit, milk  
 2/1 - Hamburger on bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 2/2 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes/gravy, bread, assorted fruit, milk  
 Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:  
 1/27 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk  
 1/28 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk  
 1/29 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk  
 2/1 - Assorted cereals, cracker, fruit, milk  
 2/2 - Rainbow yogurt, crackers, fruit, milk  
 Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:  
 1/27 - Chili soup w/ crackers, bread, fruit, milk  
 1/28 - Breaded pork chop, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk  
 1/29 - Cheese pizza, lettuce salad, fruit, milk  
 2/1 - Tostilla chips w/ cheese sauce, green beans, fruit choice, milk  
 2/2 - Hamburger w/bun, pickles, corn, fruit choice, milk

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/27 THROUGH 2/2**

Breakfast:  
 All days - Cereal, crackers, juice, milk  
 Lunch:  
 1/27 - Spaghetti w/meatballs or spicely chicken on bun, breadstick, corn, pineapple, milk; PLUS: salad bar or chocolate chip cookie  
 1/28 - Coneydog or burrito, tator tots, peaches, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice  
 1/29 - Fiestada or ham salad sandwich, go-gurt, celery w/dip, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cook's choice  
 2/1 - Chicken strips or pizzaburger on bun, corn, applesauce, milk; PLUS: salad bar or pudding cup  
 2/2 - Cheeseburger or spicely chicken on bun, pickles, salad, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: salad bar or cottage cheese

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/27 THROUGH 2/2**

Breakfast:  
 1/27 - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk  
 1/28 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, juice, milk  
 1/29 - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk  
 2/1 - Pizza, juice, milk  
 2/2 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk  
 Lunch:  
 1/27 - Rotini/meat, carrot stick, garlic toast, pineapple, milk  
 1/28 - Hot creamed chicken sandwich, green beans, rice, apple/orange, milk  
 1/29 - Cook's choice  
 2/1 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, mandarin orange, milk  
 2/2 - Hot dog/bun, curly fries, sherbet, milk; WT: potato wedges, meat/cheese/sour cream

**2010 PAULDING COUNTY SPELLING BEE IS FEBRUARY 8!**

Sandra Freeman, Western Buckeye Coordinator of Gifted Education, cordially invites the public to attend the 2010 Paulding County Spelling Bee. The County Bee is scheduled for Monday, February 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne Trace Payne Elementary School Auditorium.

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

Individual school champions Derek Reeb, Antwerp Elementary; Nathan Hawley, Antwerp Jr. High; Abigail Pierce, Christian Home Educators of Paulding County; Brady Stabler, Divine Mercy Catholic School; JulieAnn Holbrooks, Oakwood Elementary; Hannah Farr, Paulding Elementary; Sydney Provines, Paulding Middle School; Sidney Critten, Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary; Scott Weninger, Wayne Trace Payne Elementary and Jacob Dings, Wayne Trace Jr. High.

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

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

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

Contestants are reminded to report to the Payne Elementary School library at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2010.

For additional information, please contact: Sandra Freeman, Western Buckeye Educational Service Center, 419-399-4711, ext. 33 or email at [sfreeman@wbnoacsc.org](mailto:sfreeman@wbnoacsc.org)

**PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL RECEIVE TROPHY FROM LOCAL RADIO STATION**



Paulding Middle School Student Council received a trophy from Josh Busch from 105.7 "The Bull". Josh came and presented this trophy to the Student Council for the outstanding collection the

Middle School put forth to collect food items for the annual "Neighbors In Need" project. Shown with the Student Council and Josh Busch are advisors Mrs. Leann Favorito and Mrs. Jill Hatcher.

**ANTWERP JR HIGH HONOR ROLL CORRECTION**

Second Nine Weeks Grading Period correction:  
 3.670-4.0 - Kyle Recker, 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
 3.330-3.66 - Maria Bradbury, 7<sup>th</sup> grade

**ANTWERP ALLEYS WEEKLY HONOR SCORES WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2010**

- Men High Games**  
 1. David Bauer 221  
 2. Mike Walley 202  
 3. Robert Johnson 201  
 4. Ray Delong 200  
 5. Benji Grant 196  
 6. Alan Grant 192  
 7. TJ Moreno 192  
 8. Scott Hudson 191  
 9. Chad Geyer 188  
 10. Barry Grant 188
- Men High Series**  
 1. David Bauer 638  
 2. Ray Delong 544  
 3. Alan Grant 542

4. Jeff Lucas 540  
 5. Chad Geyer 536  
 6. Mike Walley 535  
 7. TJ Moreno 531  
 8. Kevin Taylor 525  
 9. Robert Johnson 513  
 10. Craig Womack 511

**Women High Game**

1. Jesse Moreno 231  
 2. Marie Bauer 223  
 3. Sherry Reinhart 220  
 4. Charlene Geyer 204  
 5. Angie Hudson 201  
 6. Michelle Balser 183  
 7. Lisa Syndram 181  
 8. Kendra Eaken 179  
 9. Leslie Hughes 179  
 10. Carol Kortokrax 179

**Women High Series**

1. Angie Hudson 560  
 2. Sherry Reinhart 550  
 3. Jesse Moreno 540  
 4. Lisa Syndram 529  
 5. Marie Bauer 510  
 6. Charlene Geyer 498  
 7. Michelle Balser 481  
 8. Carol Kortokrax 467  
 9. Sue Molitor 452  
 10. Kendra Eaken 451

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 The Carryall Township 2009 Financial report is complete and available for public review.  
 Monthly meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm.  
 Meetings will be held at 1445 Road 204, Antwerp, OH.  
 -Twila Demongeot, Fiscal Officer  
 Carryall Township

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP HAS COMPLETED THE CASH BASIS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2009  
 IT IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE OFFICE OF THE FISCAL OFFICER, LORETTA BAKER AT TOWN HALL.

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2010 - 9:00am  
**195+ ACRES OF LAND - SEC. 26 - DELAWARE TWP.**  
**OWNER: DWIGHT SHININGER ESTATE**  
**CO-EXECUTORS: ANDY SHININGER & TODD SHININGER**  
 LOCATION: Auction held at the Delaware Twp. Trustees Bldg. - Corner of St. Rt. 18 & The Bend Rd.  
 Call 419-542-6637 for auction flyer or visit our website at: [www.guilford-realestate.com](http://www.guilford-realestate.com).  
 This farm will be auctioned using the multi-parcel auction method and sold in the manner that brings the most money.

Parcel #1: Older 2-story house & buildings situated on 2 acres of land. Near corner of Jacobs Rd & "old" US 24  
 Parcel #2: Approx. 28 acres of land on the NE corner of Jacobs Rd and "old" US Rt. 24. Approx. 24 tillable acres.  
 Parcel #3: Approx. 44 acres of land with approx. 7.62 acres of woods. Balance in farmland, waste & roadway.  
 Parcel #4: Approx. 39 acres of land along "old" US Rt. 24 w/ approx. 5.96 wooded acres, 31.45 tillable acres w/ balance in wasteland & roadway.  
 Parcel #5: Older 2-story house, building, and 3 acres of land along "old" US Rt. 24.  
 Parcel #6: Approx. 21 acres with approx. 20 tillable acres.  
 Parcel #7: Approx. 29.75 acres of land w/ frontage on "old" US Rt. 24 and on Shoemaker Rd. All tillable except road frontage.  
 Parcel #8: Approx. 29.75 acres of land w/ frontage on "old" US Rt. 24 and on Shoemaker Rd. All tillable except road frontage.

\*All farm programs may be cancelled at no expense to the buyer! Buyers must make their decision to extend current programs or have them cancelled day of sale. New soil tests by Nester Ag Management.  
**TERMS:** 5% down day of sale, balance due upon delivery of deed & certificate of title. **POSSESSION:** Upon closing.  
**AUCTIONEER:** Bruce Guilford 419-542-6637 • [www.guilford-realestate.com](http://www.guilford-realestate.com)

**Substitutes Needed For Adults & Children With Developmental Disabilities**  
 Paulding County Board of Developmental Disabilities is looking for subs to work as needed at our workshop and school for individuals with developmental disabilities.  
 If interested, please apply in person or send resume to:  
**PCBDD**  
**ATTN: Melinda Kauser**  
**900 Fairground Drive**  
**Paulding, OH 45879**  
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**MONA KLINGER TURNS 80!**

Mona Bailey Bergman Klinger, born in Payne, Ohio, now living in rural Defiance, Ohio, will be celebrating her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 29, 2010.

If you know Mona, or would like to help her celebrate her special day, please send her a birthday card at 11982 Limbaugh Rd, Defiance, Ohio 43512.

**LATTA ANNOUNCES UNITED STATES MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS**

Congressman Bob Latta (R- Bowling Green) has announced his 23 nominations from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District for consideration for acceptance into the United States Air Force, Merchant Marine, Military, and Naval Academies in the Class of 2014.

**U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado**  
Kyle Antoszewski, Whitehouse, Anthony Wayne High School and University of Toledo

Joseph Braun, Lindsey, Woodmore High School and Penta Career Center

Jacqueline Crawford, Waterville, Anthony Wayne High School and University of Cincinnati

James Keyes, Greenwich, Home schooled

Todd Kleman, Fort Jennings, Fort Jennings High School

Mackenzie Kuieck, Fremont, Fremont Ross High School

Trent Kurek, Swanton, Belarmine Preparatory School, Tacoma WA

Sean Murray, Defiance, Defiance High School

Mary Pummill, Perrysburg, Perrysburg High School

Anderson Showman, Willard, Willard High School

**U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York**

Kyle Hall, Greenwich, South Central High School

Bo Joost, Sherwood, Fairview High School

Todd Kleman, Fort Jennings, Fort Jennings High School

**U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York**

Joel Boose, Norwalk, St. Paul High School

Jacob Brodman, Tiffin, Calvert High School

Bethany Flage, Wayne, Elmwood High School

William Morey III, Napoleon, Napoleon High School

Anderson Showman, Willard, Willard High School

Richard Snyder, McClure, Napoleon High School

Michael Watrol, Rossford, St. Francis De Sales High School

Gene Zinn, Liberty Center, Liberty Center High School

**U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland**

Michael Cavanaugh, Bowling Green, Otsego High School

Jacqueline Crawford, Waterville, Anthony Wayne High School and University of Cincinnati

Thomas Fry, Perrysburg, Perrysburg High School

Grant Genzman, Perrysburg, St. John's Jesuit High School & Academy

Kyle Hall, Greenwich, South Central High School

Bo Joost, Sherwood, Fairview High School

James Keyes, Greenwich, Home schooled

Todd Kleman, Fort Jennings, Fort Jennings High School

Trent Kurek, Swanton, Belarmine Preparatory School, Tacoma WA

Alexander Marzec, Rossford, St. Francis De Sales High School

William Morey III, Napoleon, Napoleon High School

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**THE SAFETY FACTS OF ICE**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

Not everyone is sorry to see temperatures dip below freezing. According to Tim Butcher, Occupational Safety and Health Administration Program Coordinator, many individuals look forward to venturing out onto frozen rivers, lakes and ponds to enjoy skating, ice fishing and other wintertime sports. The problem is there is no such thing as ice that is 100% safe. The depth of water under the ice, size of the water body, water chemistry and currents, the distribution of the load on the ice, and local climatic conditions are all factors that affect the safety of ice. In fact in February of last year 126 people were stranded on a miles-wide ice flow in Lake Erie when it broke free and floated away from the Ohio shoreline.

Whether you ice fish on Lake Erie or skate on your pond, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources offers the following tips for anyone who ventures out on water when it is frozen. The minimum thicknesses for ice safety are: 4 inches of new clear ice for travel on foot, 5 inches for snowmobiles and ATVs, and 8 to 12 inches for cars or small trucks.

Additional safety guidelines when venturing out on frozen water include wearing a life-vest or inflatable, and carry a pair of ice-safety picks. It is difficult to pull yourself back onto the surface of ice, especially when soaked with frigid water. Do not remove your winter clothing. Heavy clothes will not drag you down. They trap air to

provide warmth and flotation.

Carry two screwdrivers, ice picks, or large nails to help gain a firm grip, should you have to pull yourself out of the water. The picks can be the difference in you telling a hair-raising story, or your friends telling it.

If a companion falls through, do not run up. You could break through and become another victim. Use your imagination, look for something you can use to reach or throw to pull the person from the broken ice. Jumper cables, a tree limb, ski, rope, or knotted jackets all work.

If you personally fall in, turn toward the direction you came from and remain calm. Place your hands and arms on the unbroken surface and, using your ice picks, work forward onto the ice by kicking your feet. If it breaks, repeat the effort. Once on the ice, do not stand; roll away from the hole. That spreads out your weight until you're on solid ice.

Winter in Ohio provides many outdoor activities. If being on the ice is one you enjoy, make sure you prepare yourself with as much information and equipment as necessary to do it safely. Remember there is no such thing as absolutely safe ice and its strength varies from spot to spot, constant preparedness is the most reliable strength.

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Village of Antwerp  
PO Box 1046  
Antwerp, OH 45813  
Or bring to fiscal officer at Town Hall. Bids will be opened at noon on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Real Estate Taxes Are Due Tues., Feb. 9, 2010**  
*Failure To Receive Tax Bill Will Not Avoid Penalty or Interest Charges.*  
⇒ Please bring your tax bill with you when coming into the office to make a payment.  
⇒ If you cannot make it into the office, please use the addressed envelope enclosed with your tax bill and mail it to the office.  
**Trailer Tax Will Be Due Monday, March 1, 2010**  
*Paulding County Treasurer, Lou Ann Wannemacher*  
Phone: 419-399-8280  
Office Hours: Mon. thru Thurs. 8:00 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. (Closed Friday)

**RN for Home Health**  
Community Health Professionals of Paulding has a part-time RN position available with their Private Duty Program. This is a day shift position Monday through Friday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Paulding area. Must have reliable transportation and a working phone. Please apply at 250 Dooley Dr., Suite A, Paulding. Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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**ATTENTION GARDENERS**  
The Ohio State University Extension office in Paulding County will again be offering Master Gardener Volunteer Training March 4 through April 29, 2010. The classes will run from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, each Thursday, for nine weeks. The Master Gardener Volunteer Program offers 50 hours of horticultural training, which is then followed by 50 volunteer hours completed by each student to become certified. The volunteer hours are completed locally at the Paulding County Extension office and in our own communities.  
The cost of the 2010 training is \$90.00 and covers the costs for the training manual, reference material and speaker costs. Couples who wish to share a training manual may do so for an extra \$45.00. Ohio Senate Bill 187 now requires all new Ohio State University Extension volunteers to submit to and successfully pass a criminal history fingerprint background check. You will be responsible for getting yourself fingerprinted at the Paulding County Sheriff's Department and the cost is \$30.00.  
If you are interested and would like to receive an application packet, please contact our office at 419-399-8225, or email lopshire.1@osu.edu by Feb. 1, 2010. The Master Gardener Volunteer Program is full of information and opportunities that can strengthen your skills, helping yourself and others in the community.

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# CHARMAINE MODEL WINS AWARDS IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA



Jade Meador was one of 28 Charmaine Models & Talent who attended the ARTS Showcase in Orlando, Florida at the Omni Resort. She is the daughter of Ben and Karla Wearley, and granddaughter of Kenneth and Patti Lowe. Jade performed in the Singing event and won awards in Creative Runway, Television Commercials and Photography. She was awarded a Medallion for all of her performances. Jade was scouted and had call back requests from Doris

Stinga from FFT Models, Natasha Matallana from Product Model Management, Kira Alexander from Benz Models, Jackie Hazen from CFT Innovative Talent, Barry Shapiro from Herman & Lipson Casting, Reina Orozco from 301 Models, Michelle Lynch from Poshe Productions, Laura Hearn from Ramona's Models & Talent plus many other agents from New York, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Miami and Orlando. Jade will be spending the summer in New York City to further her career in modeling.

Charmaine Models & Talent received the Lifetime Achievement Award. The ARTS Showcase is highly regarded by the Fashion & Talent Professionals who attend scouting for new faces.

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## LADYBUGS ON THE MOVE!

The Ladybugs in Woodburn have been on the move again! Upon returning from the last Flower & Gift Showcase in Columbus, the Bugs have started a new line. Inspirational plates by Barbara Lloyd now adorn the showroom. Also new crosses and angels are on their way in to fill any of your gift or memorial needs.

## WOODBURN BRANCH LIBRARY FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Smart Start Storytime:**  
*Fridays, February 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m.* - This Storytime features finger plays, songs, stories of various lengths and crafts.

### Brush, Brush, Brush Those Teeth:

*Friday, February 19, 10:30 a.m.* - A special storytime all about teeth in honor of Children's Dental Health Month. Each child will receive toothpaste and a toothbrush from the ISAAC Knapp Dental Alliance.

### Yarn Lover's Gathering:

*Thursday, February 4, 11, 18, 25, 7:00 p.m.* - If you already know how to knit or crochet or if you want to learn how to knit or crochet join us at Woodburn. We have people that can help you get started or teach you new techniques. Join us for a creative evening.

### Woodburn Lego Club:

*Monday, February 8, 4:00 p.m.* - Grades 3 and up can create with Legos. Feel free to bring your own Legos with you if you like. There will also be Legos at the library for you to use. And, of course, snacks.

### Internet, Word Processing & E-mail Help:

*By appointment* - We offer computer classes. No previous computer knowledge is necessary. Each class lasts one hour. Call for an appointment.

### All My Rowdy Friends are Comin' Over Tonight:

*Wednesday, February 3, 4:00 p.m.* - Young Adults join us for some Beatles Rock Band on the Wii. Sir Paul McCartney performed for two different Super Bowl Half-time shows. We'll play some Rock Band and enjoy some snacks.

## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 1/11/10

This 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 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  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

The Commissioners, according to Ohio Revised Code, Section 305.05, appointed Tony Zartman to serve as President of the Board of County Commissioners for 2010; and appointed Tony Burkley to serve as the Vice President of the Board of County Commissioners for 2010; and the official meeting days of the Commissioners will be each Monday and Wednesday, excluding holidays, from 8:00 a.m. to close of business in the Commissioners' Office in the basement of the Paulding County Courthouse.  
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 December 23, 2009:

- Ohio Assn. of Probate Judges, \$255.00
- John Hatcher, \$742.00
- Todd Wolfrum, \$360.00
- Shane Lee, \$176.00
- Shane Lee, \$1,399.00
- Todd Wolfrum, \$313.00
- Premier Election Solutions, \$517.02
- American Electric Power, \$2,292.27
- American Electric Power, \$3,824.78
- Emergitech, \$6,134.00
- Treas of State, \$249.63
- American Electric Power, \$123.02
- Village of Paulding, \$242.76
- JBS Office Solutions, \$3,500.00
- Quill, \$339.36
- Kauser Trucking, \$250.74
- Office Partners, \$219.00
- Brune Printing, \$146.50
- Paulding Ace, \$284.22
- State of Ohio Treasurer, \$117.68

- American Electric Power, \$270.31
- Ohio Assn. of Bds of Health, \$180.00
- Windstream, \$160.33
- Virtual Technologies Group, \$767.00
- Vern Killion, \$360.00
- Nolan Shisler, \$2,850.00
- Lifeline Y & F Services, \$1,720.50
- Maximus Inc, \$2,150.00
- Pldg Co. Commissioners, \$2,127.41
- PCSAO, \$919.88
- Van Wert Medical Services, \$290.00
- West Ohio X-Ray, \$306.00
- Virtual Technologies Group, \$436.20
- Pldg Co. Economic Development, \$2,150.00
- Brune Printing, \$239.41
- Vernon Nagel Inc, \$17,719.38
- Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, \$19,472.87
- Welder Services Inc, \$132.78
- Northwest Fuel Injection Serv, \$209.00
- Winter Equipment Company, \$324.34
- Mcafee's Communication, \$470.00
- Marcia Pressler, \$1,155.00
- American Electric Power, \$1,660.68
- JBS Office Solutions, \$152.97
- OACBMRDD, \$7,000.00
- Vasko, \$1,703.75
- Brown Supply, \$1,807.42
- Pldg Co. Engineer, \$1,881.16
- C & Y Oil, \$123.69
- Village of Paulding, \$457.62
- Ohio Gas Company, \$1,512.78
- Western Buckeye, \$2,785.86
- Fitzenrider Culligan, \$1,470.03
- State of Ohio Treasurer, \$42,751.71
- Paulding County Auditor, \$6,444.36
- Ohio Gas Company, \$567.17
- Ward Construction, \$43,353.10
- Pldg Co. Economic Development, \$1,468.46
- Poggemeyer Design Group Inc, \$10,795.34
- Fulton Co. Health Dept, \$2,750.00
- Teresa Osborn, \$140.27
- Brown Mackie College, \$1,015.00
- Brown Mackie College, \$3,378.48
- Quill Corp., \$304.17

The Commissioners approved the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor.

IN THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND (052):  
The Paulding County Senior Center became a county entity January 1, 2010; and Fund 052 Senior Center be created for the purpose of accounting for revenue and expenses for the Paulding County Senior Center with the following appropriations:

- Revenue**
- Grant, \$50,950.40
- Trans Donation, \$6,000.00; Misc Income, \$5,500.00; Rental Income, \$9,000.00; Passport Income, \$9,000.00; Caregiver, \$1,200.00; Public Utility Tax, \$14,036.00; Mobile Home Tax, \$897.00; TTP Tax Replacement, \$13,340.00; Homestead Rollback, \$19,181.00; Pers Property Tax, \$ -0-; Real Estate Tax, \$104,017.00; Transfers In, \$ -0-; Grant, \$78,432.85; Meal Donations, \$52,620.00; Catered Meals, \$24,000.00; Passport, \$35,000.00

- Expense**
- Salaries - Director, \$38,771.00; Salaries - Employees, \$67,678.00; Medicare, \$1,543.51; PERS, \$14,902.86; Workers' Comp, \$1,916.08; Raw Food, \$500.00; Supplies, \$4,500.00; Vehicle Expenses, \$12,000.00; Travel Expenses, \$1,800.00; Utilities, \$13,000.00; Janitorial, \$ -0-; Postage, \$900.00; Printing/Duplicating, \$800.00; Maintenance, \$2,850.00; Employment Requirements, \$1,400.00; Memberships, \$1,500.00; Other Expenses, \$500.00; Insurance - Health, \$2,041.00; Insurance - Liability, \$1,640.00; Transfers Out, \$ -0-; Salaries, \$86,363.00; Medicare, \$1,253.00; Workers' Comp, \$1,555.00; PERS, \$12,090.82; Insurance - Health, \$2,091.00; Raw Food, \$105,000.00; Supplies, \$10,000.00; Vehicle Expenses, \$12,000.00; Travel Expenses, \$1,800.00; Utilities, \$13,000.00; Janitorial, \$ -0-; Postage, \$900.00; Printing/Duplicating, \$800.00; Maintenance, \$2,850.00; Employment Requirements, \$1,400.00; Memberships, \$500.00; Other Expenses, \$500.00; Contract Services, \$2,400.00; Transfers Out, \$ -0-

The Director of the Paulding County Senior Center is designated to administer the fund.

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-016):  
The Commissioners modified the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds.

From: 001-016-00006/General Fund/Commissioners' Buildings & Grounds/Utilities, Phone; To: 001-016-00004/General Fund/Commissioners' Buildings & Grounds/Supplies; Amount: \$4,500.00

IN THE MATTER OF COLLECTING FEES TO OFFSET THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AUGLAIZE RIVER SEWER PROJECT:  
The intent of the Board of County Commissioners to pass a resolution approving a monthly charge of \$15.00 per potential user to offset debt already incurred from engineering fees, legal permits, administration, and for reimbursement to Defiance County for lagoon construction costs, until completion of the project; and the monthly charges are being billed and began November, 2009, to potential wastewater users.

The Board of County Commissioners authorized monthly billing which began November, 2009, of \$15.00 per potential user, until completion of the project, to offset debt incurred for the construction of the Auglaize River Sewer Project.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENT:  
Ken Maag, Poggemeyer Design Group - Mr. Maag met with the Commissioners to discuss the status of the Auglaize River Sewer Project. He reported the plans and specs have been sent to the Ohio EPA for approval. He anticipates the Ohio EPA will issue permits when the plans are approved. Mr. Maag also discussed the OWDA loan and the possibility of rolling expenses already incurred into the loan. A breakdown of expenses to date for the project will be provided.

Don Foltz and Ginny Shrimplin, CORSA - Ms. Shrimplin reported the county property insurance rates will likely not increase; however, the liability insurance rates will more than likely increase from 2009. She commended the Commissioners for completing the requirements of Loss Control Coordinator, which will entitle the county to an insurance premium credit adjustment. Ms. Shrimplin also noted industrial appraisals will be done within the next two years for all members of CORSA. Paulding County's will occur mid-summer, 2010. Ms. Shrimplin reminded the Commissioners of the CORSA overview meeting in Columbus on March 26, 2010. Mr. Foltz will attend as the county's agent.

# KOENN - STREICHER



Jill Lynette Koenn and Jordan Timothy Streicher were united in marriage on December 31, 2009 in a nuptial mass at Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Paulding. Celebrants were the Very Reverend G. Allan Fillman and Deacon Leonard Roth.

Parents of the couple are Bill and Rainell Koenn of Cecil and Cindy and the late Timothy Streicher of Continental.

Nuptial music was presented by Janet Miller, Diane Goyings, Joanna Arend, Stephanie Schweller, Nancy Wehrkamp, Randy Robinett, Greg White, and Terry Wehrkamp.

The bride, carrying a red floral mix accented with berries and crystals, wore an ivory iridescent satin gown with crystal beading & sequins with a laced corset back, beaded halter strap and a chapel train. She also wore a three tiered elbow-length veil with a crystal headpiece. The bridal color scheme was champagne and red.

Serving as maid of honor was Ashleigh Stallkamp, Cincinnati, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jami Sullivan of Continental, sister of the bride; Jodi Griffith of Cecil, sister of the bride; Julie Koenn of Cecil, sister of the bride; Lauren Noyes of Fort Wayne, cousin of the bride; Stephanie Mumma of Findlay, friend of the bride; Emily

Clark of Defiance, sister of the groom; and Allison Streicher of Continental, sister of the groom.

Flower girl was Jayla Griffith of Cecil, niece of the bride. Ring Bearer was Jackson Griffith of Cecil, nephew of the bride.

Performing the duties of best man was Josh Allen of St. Louis, MO, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Ryan Winkle of Continental, friend of the groom; Jake Griffith of Cecil, brother-in-law of the bride; Ben Sullivan of Continental, friend of the groom, Dan Sullivan of Continental, brother-in-law of the bride; Jason Koenn of Cecil, brother of the bride; Tyler Griffith of Ottawa, cousin of the groom; and Colt Clark of Defiance, brother-in-law of the groom.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Continental American Legion Post 541 for approximately 425 guests. The newlyweds will honeymoon with a Hawaiian Cruise in February. They reside in Continental.

The bride is a 2004 graduate of Paulding High School and a graduate of Rudae's School of Beauty Culture. She is employed as a stylist at Lindsey & Company Hair Studio in Paulding.

The groom is a 2000 graduate of Continental High School and a 2004 graduate of the University of Findlay. He is employed at H&K Chevy Buick in Continental.

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