

Happy Thanksgiving

LET'S GIVE THANKS

By: Stan Jordan
Well, here it is Thanksgiving time again and I'm writing here at my desk at the West Bend News adding up some of the items that we have in the Antwerp area to be thankful for. We are happy about the new east end of River Street. They put in new water lines, drains, street lights, flower boxes, curbs, trees and bushes. It is now a county road and it must last a very long time.

We are really proud and lucky to have our Vets Memorial finished and dedicated. Everybody stands in awe and appreciation of our fathers and forefathers as there are nearly 1,500 names on those tablets. I don't have the words to describe my feelings for this memorial. We are thankful and proud of our new homes and

all of our new sidewalks. We are thankful for the new US24 highway and the fact that it takes most of the big trucks out of town.

We are glad to see our new American Flags flying on Main Street. Kudos to George Clemens for heading that project.

We are very glad that the All-Weather Track is finished to the State's regulation. It took lots of efforts from lots of people.

We are thankful for our community and the caring and sharing that goes on here.

I give Tim Copsey a tip of my ball cap for providing us with these scores from Antwerp High School:

Boys Basketball (2009-2010): Overall Record 18-3; GMC Champions, Rt. 49 Champions, Paulding County Champions, TJ Short Crescent News Player of the Year.

Softball (spring 2010): Overall Record 17-5, Sectional Champions

Volleyball (fall 2010): Overall Record 20-4, GMC Champions, Sectional Champions, Paulding County Champions, Archibold Spiketacular Runner-up, Taylor Vail GMC & District 7 Player of the Year. See ya!

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER RECEIVES INDIANA'S NEWS CENTER GOLDEN APPLE AWARD



Mrs. Jill Hatcher, a Seventh Grade English teacher at Paulding Middle School, was recently selected as the Indiana NewsCenter "Golden Apple" Award winner for November. Mrs. Hatcher was nominated by two of her students for her dedicated efforts to teaching the students at Paulding Middle School. For winning this very prestigious award, Mrs. Hatcher received a beautiful plaque from Indiana Newscenter, a Golden Apple sweatshirt, and items from Afdent, Brad-

ley Gough Diamonds, and Vorderman's Volkswagon. She also received a Golden ticket which enters her in a drawing for a free two month use of a Volkswagon next summer compliments of Vorderman's.

Pictured here with Mrs. Hatcher are the students who wrote the essays - Luke Jackson and Taylor Ankney. Indiana Newscenter reporter Jennifer Blomquist was present at an entire school assembly to present Mrs. Hatcher with her award.

PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES I

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

America's First Thanksgiving Day
It is very probable that the pilgrim colonists held a grateful meal in the Autumn of 1621, inviting the Indians who had helped them, but it's not clear if that's "America's first Thanksgiving Day", (on that date) as we know it. It took much longer than that to iron out their problems and for this to be established.

After landing at Plymouth in November 1620, the Pilgrims faced the winter without adequate food supply and shelters where those build quickly. Unseen Indians were lurking in the woods, their intentions were not known to them. Only the

Pilgrims faith and prayers sustained them. Their first act was to step on the dry land and kneel and pray, which they recorded as doing often.

They compiled and signed The Mayflower Compact as soon as possible. "Saints" and "Strangers" both were allowed to sing, which had to do with the type of passage they had. There was also a group of common workers who did not sign.

Only 55 of the 102 immigrants lived through that first winter, but when spring came, all 55 committed themselves to life in the New World and resolutely watched the Mayflower sail back to England without returning passengers. If there

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OBITUARIES

Doris J. Rodocker, 80, of Columbia City, IN, formerly of Payne, passed away Thursday, November 18, 2010 at Miller's Merry Manor.

Doris was born in Payne on January 10, 1930, a daughter of the late Eth and Gladys Miller.

She will be sadly missed by her companion of 27 years, Neil Stahl of Columbia City; this five children; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren; her brother, Dean (Jeanette) Miller of Payne; and sister, Eva (Don) Barnes of Casa Grande, AZ.

Doris was preceded in death by husbands: William (Stearns and Lee Rodocker; daughter, Pamela; and sister, Eula Shaffer.

Her funeral service was at Dooley Funeral Home, 5761

SR 500 Payne, OH on November 20, 2010. She was laid to rest at Lehman Cemetery.

Memorials are to Parkway Hospice, Whitley Branch, 2806 Theater Ave., Suite A, Huntington, IN 46750. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

J. Eugene Sheely, 87, of Payne, passed away November 17, 2010 at Dallas Lamb Foundation Home.

Gene was born on March 30, 1923, in Grover Hill, OH, the son of the late John and Minnie (Leiter) Sheely. On October 11, 1942 he married Virginia Boyd, who died on October 28, 2003. He was self-employed as an appliance repairman, photographer, and farmer. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was an active, lifelong member of St. Paul United

Methodist Church and a 60-year member of the Flat Rock Masonic Lodge.

He will be sadly missed by his sons: David (Jan) of Hudson, MI, Dr. Robert (Marla) of Middletown, OH and Kevin (Tina) of Spencerville, IN; daughters: Geneva (James) Greenwood of Hamilton, OH, Melinda (Steven) Lee of Mandeville, LA; daughter-in-law, Albalina Sheely of Winter Haven, FL; fifteen grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; sisters: Carmelita (James) Morrison, Constance (Robert) Dobbelaere.

He was preceded in death by his son, Dr. Laurence Sheely.

Funeral services were held on November 20, 2010 at St. Paul United Methodist, 312 S. Main, Payne. Pastor Julia Ronngren officiated. Burial was at Lehman Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Dallas Lamb Foundation Home, 650 N. Main, Payne 45880 or St. Paul United Methodist Church. Arrangements by Dooley Funeral Home, Payne. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

John L. Ory, 96, of Hicksville died Monday, November 15, 2010 at the home he shared with his son.

He was born on September 22, 1914 in Canonsburg, PA, the son of John and Mary (Pavlick) Ory. He was a graduate of McKeesport High School in Canonsburg. John was married to Helen Doctorick, who preceded him in death in 1980.

He was employed in the McKeesport area as a heating and air conditioning technician until his retirement in 1980. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Hicksville. He had been a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in McKeesport, PA before moving to Hicksville.

Survivors include his son, John P. Ory; seven grandchildren; and step-grandchildren; (15) great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his sisters: Alice Jacob and Mary Jednak.

A Mass of Christian burial was held November 18, 2010 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville with Fr. Stephen Schroeder officiating. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, McKeesport, PA.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Eugene A. Gray, 66, of Oakwood died Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN.

He was born June 14, 1944 in Paulding County, Ohio, the son of Kenneth and Mary

(Hartwig) Gray. He retired from SK Handtool Corporation in 2009 after 45 years.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Gray of Paulding; a son, Zane Gray of Paulding; two daughters: Tracy Reece of Riverside CA, and Culley Gaylord of Fort Wayne, IN; a brother, Rex (Pam) Gray of Paulding; and special friend, Virginia Kunesh of Antwerp.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Funeral services were conducted November 20, 2010 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial was in Hedges Cemetery, Paulding County, OH.

Donations may be made to Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Angelo J. "Rocky" Capetillo, 79, of Paulding died Sunday, November 14, 2010 at Defiance Regional Medical Center, Defiance, OH.

He was born October 1, 1931 in Corpus Christi, TX the son of Salvador R. and Gertrude M. (Romero) Capetillo. He was employed by International Harvester, Fort Wayne, and was a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, Paulding. He was a US Air Force Veteran.

He is survived by his daughter, Christa Williams of Paulding; son, Robert Kramer; seven grandchildren: Angela Theis, Joshua and Sarah Williams, Benjamin, Nathan, Stephanie, and Jason Kramer; and five great-grandchildren: Emilio, DeAngelo, and Romero, Pearson, Gavin and Cameron Williams; and a brother, Alfonso.

He is preceded in death by two brothers: Alfonso and Frank Capetillo; two sisters: Sister Lucy and Rose J. Nieto.

A Mass of Christian burial was November 19, 2010 at the funeral home. Burial was in Paulding Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Masses of Paulding Ball Association. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Francis "Woody" Fulk, 89, of Payne, passed away Thursday, November 11, 2010 peacefully due to heart failure, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Woody was born in McGill, OH on February 6, 1921, a son of the late Nora Mae (Stahlbaum) and William Fulk. He proudly served in the U.S. Army in WWII and earned an Associates Degree from IUPU.

He was a machinist at General Electric, Fort Wayne and a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church, Payne and the Payne American Legion Post. On March 18, 1940 Woody married Mary Jane Lunn.

He will be sadly missed by

his wife, Mary Jane; daughter, Mary Diane Smith of Mountain View, HI; sons: Mark (Janet) of Austin, TX and Kent of Harahan, LA; grandchildren: Sasha and Lisa Smith, Corrie Fowble, Mike and Mason Fulk; and great-grandchildren: Makani Smith and Thunder Shiviah.

His graveside service was at Lehman Cemetery, Payne with Rev. Julia Ronngren and Payne American Legion Post officiating on November 17, 2010.

Memorials are to St. Paul United Methodist Church, 312 S. Main, Payne 45880. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

THANK YOU

The family of Jean Fraley would like to thank everyone for their prayers, concern and thoughtfulness during the illness and recent death of our mother.

Thank you, so much to everyone that sent flowers, throws, cards and for your prayers. Your kindness will never be forgotten. A special thank you to the Defiance and Paulding County Hospice.

Our mother is a very special woman and will be sadly missed.

- Richard Fraley III & family,
- Adam Fraley & family,
- Ken Fraley & family,
- Victoria Clemens & family,
- Kim Zimmerman & family

THE GREAT JUDGE WILL COME

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

Fiorello LaGuardia was mayor of New York City during the Depression, and he was quite a character. He would ride the city fire trucks, take entire orphanages to baseball games and whenever the city newspapers went on strike, he would get on the radio and read the Sunday "funnies" to the children.

At any rate, one bitter cold winter's night in 1935, Mayor LaGuardia turned up in a night court that served the poorest ward in the city, dismissed the judge for the evening and took over the bench himself. After he heard a few cases, a tattered old woman was brought before him, accused of stealing a loaf of bread.

She told LaGuardia that her daughter's husband had deserted her, her daughter was sick and her grandchildren were starving. But the shopkeeper, from whom the bread was stolen, insisted on pressing charges. "My store is in a very bad neighborhood, your honor," he said. "She's got to be punished in order to teach other people a lesson."

The mayor sighed. He turned to the old woman and said, "I've got to punish you," he said. "The law makes no exception—ten dollars or ten days in jail."

But even as he spoke, LaGuardia was reaching into his pocket and pulling out a ten dollar bill. "Here is the woman's fine," he said, "and furthermore, I'm going to fine everyone in this court

room fifty cents for living in a city where a person has to steal bread so that her grandchildren can eat. Mr. Bailiff, collect the fines and give them to the defendant."

The following day, the New York Times reported that \$47.50 was turned over to the bewildered old woman. It was given by the red-faced store owner, some seventy petty criminals, people with traffic violations and city policemen—and they all gave their mayor a standing ovation as they handed over their money.

That's how it will be with God's world. Just when it seems that all hope is lost, and goodness and mercy shall never win, the Great Judge will come to set things right, deciding for the hungry and the meek of the earth.

The scriptures describe God's passion for truth and justice this way... Micah 6:8 (NIV), "And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT FEET

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

Today our study will be about the foot and the meaning is the part of the leg used for walking. So get your Bible and concordance and after prayer we will get started. My prayer is that you would continue to study the Bible with an open mind so that you can see the wonderful truth that is there, without changing what it says.

1. The foot is figurative of teaching:

A. Sat at Jesus feet; Luke 10:39 - and she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus feet and heard his word (NKJV).

2. Figurative of Deity's rule:

A. God's sovereignty; Psalms 8:6-8 - you have made him to have dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen-even the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea that pass through the paths of the seas (NKJV).

B. Christ's Victory; Psalms 110:1 - The Lord said to my Lord, sit at my right hand, till I make your enemies your foot stool (NKJV).

3. Acts performed to the feet indicate:

A. Great Love; Luke 7:37-38 - and behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began washing His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil (NKJV).

B. A changed nature; Luke 8:35 - Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid (NKJV).

4. Feet are used figuratively as the final conquest

**ANTWERP COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER
CHRISTMAS TREE SALES**

The Youth Center will be selling trees, wreaths, and garland at 303 E. River Street Antwerp, Ohio beginning November 26, 2010. Hours: Friday & Saturday 10am-8pm Monday thru Friday 4-8pm and Saturday 10am-8pm until trees are gone.

Also accepting your gently used Christmas decorations for our inside sale.

Drop off items at the center began Sunday, November 21st at 12:30 pm or by contacting Tony Watson at 419-542-6276 All proceeds will benefit the Antwerp Community Youth Center.

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*Now will you give him all your love, Nor think the labor vain. Nor hate me when I come to take him home again? I fancied that I heard you say, Dear Lord, Thy will be done! For all the joy thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we'll run. We'll shelter him with tenderness, We'll love him while we may, and for the happiness we've known forever grateful stay.*

*But should the angels call for him much sooner than we planned, we'll brave the bitter grief that comes, and try to understand.*

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of Christians; Romans 16:20 - and the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen (NKJV).

What about your feet are they on the narrow road where few are walking or they on the broad way that leads to destruction? The broad way of destruction is crowded with people and the way the world looks today it is going to only get more congested and crowded as time goes by.

Bible questions call Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022 or James Potter at 419 393-4775. Remember loved ones the decision we make today about salvation to serve Christ or to serve Satan it will be your eternal choice. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Loved ones continue to pray and talk to our heavenly Father.

**WHEN WE FORGET WHO IS REALLY GOD**

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

Franklin D. Roosevelt, when President of the United States, used to have a little ritual with the naturalist William Beebe. After dinner together, the two men would go outside and look up into the starry sky. They would find the lower left-hand corner of the great square of Pegasus. One of them would then recite these words: "That is the spiral galaxy of Andromeda. It is as large as our Milky Way. It is one of a hundred million galaxies. It is 750,000 light years away.

It consists of a hundred billion suns, each one larger than our sun." They would then pause for a few moments, and Roosevelt would finally say, "Now I think we feel small enough! Let's go to bed!"

That's not a bad ritual. For in our natural self-centeredness we can easily think that we are at the center of the universe and that God is simply there to meet our needs.

Too often we regard Him as a servant Whom we call in from time to time to clean up the mess we are in, or to ease some frustration or to clean up the mess we are in, or to ease some frustration or to provide more comfort. But God is not a genie in a lamp. He's not a heavenly bell-hop, ready to respond to our every whim and demand. In fact, He's not particularly interested in our being comfortable. On the contrary, His primary agenda involves our being conformable to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let's remember Who is God, shall we? We are NOT at the center of the universe. All does not revolve around our ease or convenience. He is Lord. We are the servants... saved to do His will... set apart to serve His purposes.

Although we have great dignity, being made in the image of God, let us also appreciate our smallness in the vast outworkings of His eternal plan and realize our total inability to grasp more than a tiny fraction of the big picture. Maybe then we will, in the midst of trials and tests, understand His perspective and our position.

**MR. & MRS. REX SHANER CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE**



Rex and Catherine Shaner will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on November 26, 2010.

Rex Shaner and Catherine Topp were married in Fort Wayne, Indiana on November 26, 1960 by Father Robert Yaste at St. Peter's Church.

The couple have three daughters: Vickie (Ted

Elumbaugh of Flint, MI, Michelle (Matt) Clevinger of Antwerp, and Nicole (Shane) Lockhart of Lutterell, TN. They have nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The couple will celebrate with a trip to Las Vegas and a family dinner at a later date.

**WOODBURN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN "HOOSIER CHEER FOR OUR HEROES"**



Woodburn Elementary students participated in Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman's "Hoosier Cheer For Our Heroes", holiday card drive. This is Lt. Gov. Skillman's fifth annual holiday season mail campaign for troops

from Indiana. Skillman's office will send these cards to Indiana troops around the world. This drive reminded many students of the sacrifice made by our soldiers who will be spending the holidays away from family and friends. Woodburn students sent over 180 cards and letters.

*Editor's Note: We here at the West Bend News print all "Letters to the Editor" because we believe that everyone has a Constitutional right to freedom of the press. In saying that, we do not necessarily agree with the content that is printed. We are just the messengers. The name of the person who wrote the letter is placed at the end of each article. To be considered for publication, letters must be no longer than 1000 words, and you must provide a name along with a phone number and/or email to confirm validity of content. You can respond or submit a new letter by email, USPS or fax.*

*Responses need to be received by Friday at 5:00 pm to be considered for the next publication. We reserve the right to edit for length, content and worthiness.*

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

In October 2010, Iberdrola Renewables, which is Prairie Creek Wind Development in Paulding County and Horizon Wind Energy, which is EDP Renewables contacted us about putting wind turbines on our farm in Paulding County.

I did some research and found that Iberdrola is an electricity group in Madrid, Spain. Iberdrola and Gamesa Corporation, a turbine manufacturer also in Madrid, has signed a record turbine-supply deal. It is the largest turbine-supply contract ever in the wind power industry.

Horizon Wind Energy in Paulding County is owned by EDP Renewables in Lisbon, Portugal. It was founded in 2008 and is the second-largest generator of wind energy globally (after Iberdrola Renewables).

I found this information on the internet, Yahoo Finance and Wikipedia.org.

My first thought is this, that with the huge debt in-

curring by the purchase of this record number of turbines, Iberdrola Renewables in Paulding County could fail and that would leave our family to clean up what they leave behind, turbines, concrete, spilled oil and the top soil would be gone.

They say, and I quote, "As drafted, Ohio's tax code did not contemplate energy projects such as wind and solar and there has been resistance by Ohio's leaders to reform it.

"Currently, wind farm projects in Ohio would be taxed at four to five times more than projects in neighboring states. The rates make building projects in Ohio uneconomical.

"Some developers have explored Enterprise Zones or using Ohio Air Quality Development Authority Financing Bonds as a way to make projects economical but these were not designed for large wind projects.

"Using the Air Quality Development Authority would result in no revenue for the local community and both options bring many challenges and delays."

I also looked at the money these two wind companies are offering. It is a small amount for the potential damage that could occur, and the flicker and noise that comes with turbines. There are other problems like soil compaction and broken tile that can come from the construction and road-building process.

In all this information I saw nothing that would indicate the community or schools would get any substantial benefits, and nothing that would make us want to turn our bean farm into a wind farm.

—Sarah Rood

**CORRECTION**

In last week's West Bend News in the Antwerp High School Sports Awards picture Taylor Jones name was incorrect. We apologize for this oversight.

—WBN editors

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**REICHHART'S CELEBRATE 60<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**



Clarence and Marcile Reichhart of Woodburn, IN will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on December 16, 2010. They were married on December 16, 1950 at Zion Lutheran Church in Woodburn.

They are blessed with two children: Barbara Stauffer of Woodburn and David Reichhart of Columbia City; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Clarence retired from EMP Coop and Marcile retired from BF Goodrich and LS Ayres. They will be celebrating their anniversary with a family dinner at Christ Lutheran Church.

**OAKWOOD CHRISTMAS WALK**

The Christmas Walk at Oakwood, Ohio will be held on Sunday, December 5, 2010 from 5-7:30 p.m. It is being sponsored by the "Guiding Footsteps - OCCL (Ohio Child Conservation League). You will not want to miss this seasonal event. Four homes in the Oakwood Village and area will be on display. Each decorated beautifully. The homes open for a tour are: Nolan and Donna Shisler, Kary and Jayme Thomas, Rick Shisler, and Bud and Sherry Schilt. The Cooper Community Library in Oakwood will also be open for the walk and ten beautifully decorated tables will be on display for those participating in the

walk to view. Tickets may be purchased at BJ's Beauty Salon, Cooper Country Store, Cooper Community Library and at the participating homes. Get into the Christmas Spirit - Come and Enjoy!!

**STAMPIN' UP AT ANTWERP BRANCH LIBRARY**

The Antwerp Branch Library will host a Stampin' Up party on Monday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m. This is an adult program hosted by the Antwerp Friends of the Library. Attendees will have the opportunity to make a hand-crafted Christmas card and gift tag. Please call the library for costs and to register at 419-258-2855.

**THANKSGIVING WEEK WILD STORM & WINTER OUTLOOK**

**By: Josh Steiner**  
*Note: These predictions were made according to weather outlooks from Accuweather, NOAA and The Weather Channel on Sunday, November 21, 2010.*

This week will be one wild week for much of the United States. Everything from extremely cold temperatures, heavy snow and high winds to heavy rain, severe weather, and record warmth will be present in the first half of Thanksgiving Week.

**Upcoming WEATHER Forecast**

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| <b>Wed, Nov 24</b> - Partly Cloudy<br>High 43° - Low 35°   |  |
| <b>Thu, Nov 25</b> - Few Showers<br>Hi 52° - Low 19°       |  |
| <b>Fri, Nov 26</b> - light snow/wind<br>High 35° - Low 21° |  |
| <b>Sat, Nov 27</b> - Partly Cloudy,<br>High 41° - Low 21°  |  |
| <b>Sun, Nov 28</b> - Partly Cloudy,<br>High 43° - Low 27°  |  |
| <b>Mon, Nov 29</b> - Partly Cloudy,<br>High 46° - Low 32°  |  |
| <b>Tue, Nov 30</b> - Showers,<br>High 48° - Low 28°        |  |

This week, the nation was affected by a series of three storm systems which brought most of the western states heavy rain near coastal California to Seattle and heavy snow and high winds in the mountainous areas and even snow accumulating in the valleys such as Salt Lake City. This was the first of the storms which was the weakest storm. This storm hit our area Sunday, November 21, 2010 and brought us rain showers with moderating temperatures.

The next of the series of storms hit the west on Sunday the 21st bringing heavy snow and high winds and coastal heavy rain. This storm then moved into the Midwest Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> producing snow in the north and severe thunderstorms in our area Monday Night. After this cold front moved through, temperatures dropped considerably from the 60's on Monday to the 40's on Tuesday.

The last and strongest of the series of storms hit the west on Tuesday also producing heavy snow in the mountains and coastal heavy rainfall. According to predictions, this storm was different. After this storm moved through, extreme cold blasted into Montana and Wyoming charging its way southward with highs in the Northern Rockies in the single digits, barely making it above zero, and lows in the negative teens—and teamed with high winds produced extremely dangerous wind chills. This storm then moved northward into the Midwest causing a possible major blizzard to form across Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa with the heaviest hitting Minnesota and Wisconsin on Wednesday. Snow accumulations—if the system materializes—will range from five inches to over a foot of snow in a wide swath. This storm will produce rain and

wind on Wednesday for us with temperatures falling by nightfall. Thursday is when temperatures here will only make it to the mid to upper 40's.

Now, at this time, there is a significant chance for a major lake effect snow event over Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, New York, Wisconsin, and parts of Pennsylvania. This is because temperatures on Friday across most of the Great Lakes will remain below freezing for most of the day and with strong winds blowing across the Great Lakes will cause heavy snow showers to form and move repeatedly over the Lake Effect Snow Belts and possibly reaching many areas that normally don't get lake effect including Northwest Ohio. After this week, temperatures will remain below average for the foreseeable future with a possible snowstorm for our area in the first week of December.

As promised last week, I will give my final winter outlook for the winter of 2010-2011. I will give the winter forecast in specific regions.

**Pacific Northwest:** As is typical for a La Nina winter, cold temperatures and above average precipitation will be common creating the threat for avalanches and flooding during the spring.

**Rocky Mountains:** Cold temperatures and heavy snowstorms will be the common place for all of the winter with possible record-breaking cold for January.

**Northern Plains:** As with the Rockies, brutal cold and heavy snowstorms will be frequent leading to snowfall up to 200% above normal.

**Midwest:** The Midwest will see an unusual winter this year with the potential for major ice storms during the winter and temperatures that will vary wildly from day to day. Snowfall may be slightly above normal.

**Southern Plains:** Temperatures will average from normal to slightly above normal with threat for ice storms and temperatures that will vary wildly from day to day. Snowfall and rainfall will average normal.

**Southeast:** The southeast will have a much different winter from last year. Instead of cold temperatures and snowstorms, they will see much above average temperatures and much

**PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOLERS LEARN THE DANGERS OF DRUGS**



Pictured here is Officer Smiddy talking to the students in Mr. Deisler's 6<sup>th</sup> grade Wellness class.

Antwerp Police officer Gary Smiddy recently talked to a group of Paulding Middle School students about the dangers of drugs. Officer Smiddy visited the classroom of Mr. Eric Deisler, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Wellness Instructor, to dis-

cuss what to do if someone approaches you and asks you to do drugs. He also discussed how to properly deal with that situation and instructed the class about the ramifications of this type of illegal activity.

below average precipitation leading to a major drought.

**East Coast and interior regions:** This winter will not give host to record breaking snowstorms and paralyzing blizzards such as Snowmageddon. Temperatures will average normal to above average along the coastal regions to below average near the Great Lakes and New England. Snowfall and rainfall will average near normal along the coast to much above average near Great Lakes.

**Southwest:** Just like the southeast, temperatures will be warm with much below average precipitation. This will lead to a drought with it possibly improving in the spring.

**Great Lakes:** The winter over the Great Lakes will be very brutal especially in northern portions where temperatures will be extremely cold. In southern portions (such as Northwest Ohio) temperatures will average below normal by up to three degrees. But with a January warming, a major

ice storm threat looms over our area with one ice storm leaving us over one inch of ice or more. Because of below average temperatures over the warm lakes, lake effect snows could be at record levels leaving the lake effect snowbelts buried and even bringing a lot of snow to regions that normally don't get hit. Also since the storm track will be just south of our area, frequent heavy snowstorms will be possible bringing our snowfall amounts up to 200% of normal.

Overall, the northern regions will get hit the worst because of extreme cold and heavy snow, but central regions could be hit by major ice storms, while the south will basically not have a winter at all. In the east, the winter is very etchy and some areas could be colder than normal or warmer and snowfall above or below normal. Be prepared for the winter and listen for winter weather updates when storms do come.

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were cowards, none stepped forward.

Tisquantum, and Indian of the Wampanoag tribe, who had once been carried off by fisherman to England (where he learned English) befriended the colonists. They called him "Squanto", and under his direction the colonists learned how to plant New World crops of corn and squash and where to catch fish and how to hunt. Squanto also served as negotiator and interpreter, helping to conclude a treaty that kept the peace for 50 years between the Pilgrims and the Wamangoag sachem, "Massasoit."

The first Autumn brought an ample harvest that insured that the colony would have goods for the winter months. Governor Bradford, with one eye on the divine Providence, proclaimed a day of thanksgiving to God and with the other eye on the local political situation, extended an invitation to neighboring Indians to share in the harvest feast. In order to guarantee that the feast served to bring together a peaceful relationship, the 3-day long meal was punctuated by displays of the power of English muskets for the benefit of suitably impressed Indian guests.

This "first Thanksgiving" was a feast called to suit the needs of the hour, celebrate the hour, thank the Lord for His goodness and impress the Indians. Edward Winslow wrote the following about the feast's success:

"Our harvest being gotten in, our Governor sent foure men fowling, so that we might after a more special manner rejoice together, after we gathered the fruit of our labours; they foure in one day killed as much fowle, as with a little helpe beside, served the Company almost a weeke, at which time amongst other Recreations we exercised our Armes, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest King Massasoit, with some ninetie men whom for three days we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five Deere which they brought to the Pantacion and bestowed on our gouvourner and upon the Captaine and others."

Preparing a feast for 90 Indians and 50-some settlers must have been quite a chore for the four English women and two teenage girls on hand to do the cooking (13 Pilgrim women had been

buried the terrible first winter). They worked with the resources at hand, and, although they successfully fed the hungry men, the feast bore little resemblance to the modern legendary Thanksgiving dinner.

Partridges, ducks, geese and turkeys could be shot along the shores of Cape Cod Bay in the fall and it may be that those who went a-fowling brought back some of each to be roasted or stewed. Although there is no proof that turkey was eaten at Plymouth that day, it is certain that there was venison and equally certain that there were no milk products served (no cows were on the Mayflower). No bread was served because the flour had run out.

Pumpkin and corn was available and probably cranberries (perhaps sweetened with honey). Oysters and clams and fish rounded out the meal.

Some New Englanders claim June 30, 1623 as the first Thanksgiving since its prayerful spirit was in keeping with the Puritan version of a thanksgiving day. But in neither this case nor in the celebration of the bountiful harvest in 1621 did the colonists intend to establish an annual holiday.

Only centuries later did the fourth Thursday in November become "Thanksgiving Day" at least to Americans in this country. The legendary turkey dinner with cranberry salad, pumpkin pie, with the statue for the pilgrim man and woman are also traditional in our home (actually they are turkey salt and pepper shakers). We tell our children the story of George Soule (a Mayflower pilgrim and signer of the Mayflower Compact) and the pilgrims and the migration on the Mayflower. Then our family moved from Massachusetts to New York and then got land from the government in Michigan where my mother, Kathryn Irene Soule, was born in 1913 in Romeo, Michigan. This is the day I get out the charts and build the memories. I'm proud of my heritage even though he was a "Stranger" and an indentured servant for seven years to Governor Winslow. Soule still pulled himself up to become a great man.

**Note:** Parts of this was taken from *Thanksgiving: An American Holiday, an American History* by: Diana Karter Appelbaum.

## 60 YEARS & STILL GOING STRONG: VAGABOND RESTAURANT



**By: Sue Knapp**

When you eat out atmosphere means a lot. This place has it all, nostalgia, background music, fresh flowers on the tables and a lot of friendly faces. For 60 years the Rush Family has worked hard to create the kind of restaurant people want to gather at.

The Vagabond, located on CR 424, north of Antwerp and south of Sherwood, started out as a truck stop in the early '40's when two teachers built a building on the site and ran it. It was sold to Flo and Herb Benson in 1946 and they constructed a two-story building with ten rental rooms upstairs. In 1950 Erwin and Margaret Rush purchased the business and it has been in their family ever since. They lived in the stone house next door and that's where their son, Dave, grew up. In 1954 Erwin and Margaret retired and handed the business over to David and Illa to manage and they have been managing it. They are in and out of the restaurant every day helping in the kitchen, serving, decorating and cleaning. The dining room was added on in 1985. There was a gas station, but it has closed due to less truck traffic. What started as a truck stop now has become a family restaurant. Although Dave and Illa still run the restaurant, their daughter Lynette is also involved as manager. Lynette also works at the bank in Sherwood. Her husband, Steve Beard-sley, who was involved with the restaurant, went back to factory work when the recession started. They have two children.

The Rush's other children are: Brent (Michelle) Rush have two children and live in Wisconsin. Brent is an airline pilot. Heather (Wes) Moats have two kids and live in Defiance. Heather works at a bank in Defiance and Wes is co-owner of Moats Ford. There are also two twin great-grandchildren, Addie and Allie.

When Dave and Illa aren't at the restaurant they are busy going to antique shows and auctions. They have been antique dealers for 15 years. They have a spot in the Antique Gallery across from the Shipshewana Flea Market. They have traveled extensively all over the world including Egypt, Africa and Europe.

The Vagabond is open everyday at 6:00 a.m. They have a soup and salad buffet on Thursdays and Fridays at noon. Friday night includes a

fish and chicken buffet, Saturday night they have a soup and salad buffet with steaks and prime rib. Sunday features an all-day buffet with chicken along with two other meats. They will be open on Thanksgiving Day at 6:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The buffet will run from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The Vagabond will run specials all winter. Last summer they hosted a cruise-in on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month from May to September. Door prizes were given along with dinner discounts for the registered participants of the cruise-in.

In this day and age, where businesses come and go, it is nice to see one still thriving after so many years. All it takes is hard work, perseverance and a love for what you do.

## PAULDING COUNTY AREA FOUNDATION CELEBRATES FIVE YEARS

**By: Sue Knapp**

The Paulding County Area Foundation celebrated its 5<sup>th</sup> successful year in the Marshall Memorial Foundation Building on November 17 with an open house.

The Foundation, formed on February 2, 1982, is dedicated to receiving, growing and distributing gifts for the benefit of the people of Paulding County.

Some of the organizations taking advantage of the Foundation are: The Antwerp Ball Association Project and Endowment, PC Fairground Improvement and Endowment, Courthouse Heritage Fund, PC 4H Project and Endowment, and the Nathan Plummer Chancellorship Fund.

The Foundation receives the money and invests it for the organization until it is needed for projects.

Stan Searing, President of the Paulding County Area Foundation said, "We're really pleased to assist groups all across the county. We provide the ability to invest a large amount of money



which results in better earnings than the organization could invest on their own. In addition, we provide the security of legal advice and accounting through Arend, Laukauf and Stoller."

Paulding County is just one of many all over the country with foundations such as this. The Foundation provided a nice buffet and door prizes with Stan Searing giving a nice welcome.

For more information on how you can take advantage of what the Foundation has to offer call 419-399-8282.

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**Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup>** – Hicksville Rotary Christmas Dinner and Program

**Monday, 13<sup>th</sup>** – Hicksville High School Christmas Concert

**Friday, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**  
**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> 2:30 pm**

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Antwerp Community Band – Christmas Program  
(watch for times in next issue)

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**THE HART FAMILY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Sometime ago I wrote a column about some people named Hart who lived on the east side of the Harman Road just a little south of the Wabash tracks. I knew there were five boys and one girl: Carl, Paul, Robert, Ruth, Herbert and Russell.

The one I remember most was the youngest, Russell. We all went to church at the Church of God on East Daggett Street. All of the children graduated from Antwerp High School except Russell.

I know that Russell was born in 1920 and in the middle '30's the family moved to Payne and Russ graduated from there in 1938. I knew that some of the other children would come back to the Alumni Reunions.

Russ worked out until he was called to the military. None of the children stayed around Antwerp, but some were still in the area.

After I wrote that column a few months ago concerning the Harts, I received a nice letter from Sharon Whitman, over at Payne, telling me that Russell was her uncle. Her mother was Ruth, and Russ' niece.

She told me that Russ and his wife live in Cape Coral, Florida and they had one girl.

Sharon's maiden name was Paulus. She tells me that after she reads the West Bend News, they mail it to Florida and he enjoys the paper about Antwerp and the people and the history.

Well, Russ, the home town don't look anything like it used to. We have a brand new East River Street from US

24—which is now CR 424—to the old cemetery and the park.

We have a beautiful Veterans' Memorial there and your boys are eligible to have your name inscribed there on the tablets along with 1,400 others. I told Sharon over the phone how to go about it.

As I sit here pondering about how things were back in the mid-1930's I don't get much else accomplished.

Well, Mrs. Whitman, it was enjoyable talking to you and being brought up to date about the Hart family. I guess things go around and around, and it all becomes history and I love it.

See ya!

**GROVER BLALOCK**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Grover Blalock was born in Hicksville, OH in 1935. His folks were Wellington and Thelma Curie Blalock. He had three brothers and one sister: James, Bonita, Budd and Neal. Grover went



to school at Hicksville and graduated there in 1954.

He served in the US Air Force from 1954 to 1958 as a S/Sgt. He trained in Travers City, MI and then served for months in Labrador as a Radar Operator, called the Dew Line, a very important mission during the Cold War.

After he came home from the service he married Carolyn Shaffer and had three children: Deb from Hamilton, IN who has one daughter; Beth from Fort Wayne who have two children; and Brent who lives in

Fort Wayne. Grover worked at International Harvester until it moved to Springfield. He retired out of BF Goodrich after 10 years. They lived in Antwerp for many years. Grover served 24 years on the Antwerp Fire Department. At this time they were big backers of the Antwerp Archers sports division.

Then they moved to Hicksville in 1993 and they have built a new home on the old homeplace about half way between Hicksville and Antwerp on the Casebeer-Miller Road.

Carolyn retired out of the Goodrich Federal Credit Union, after many years, in 1995, and worked for many years at the Hicksville Hospital. She did volunteer work there and also helped in the Life Line Department.

Grover's hobbies are collecting information on WWII veterans. He has over 550 pictures of Hicksville and Antwerp area veterans. He likes to talk to veterans and get their life story and actions. He has done this for over seven years.

Now all his info and data are entered into the Fort Wayne Library. See all this on the Genealogy Military Heritage for Vets from Hicksville, Ohio. Mr. Ehrhart took all of the pictures of the soldiers back in WWII, Grover has them on his computer. A lot of those needed to be repaired.

Grover has put hundreds of hours on his book and photos and data. He wants me to tell everyone that if anybody in this area has any data or info or any pictures or any mention of their experiences of WWII that they would like to share with Grover he would really appreciate it. E-mail him at blalockg@gmail.com He would like to add it to his collection.

I have seen a lot of his work and it is very interesting and certainly worthwhile. Grover, as a fellow veteran, keep up the good work. It and us are too soon gone.

See ya!



**By: Stan Jordan**

The husband was all dressed in his camouflage clothes to go deer hunting early on Saturday morning. As he went into the garage he met his wife all attired in her hunting clothes.

He stuttered a little and then said, "Blondie, where do you think you are going?"

"I am going deer hunting with you."

Well, they jawed a little bit and as it was getting late and time to be in the woods, he agreed to let her go along. He put her up in a tree stand in a good area and he went over a little knoll to another good-looking area.

After a couple hours he came back and heard some shouting. His wife was telling someone to leave her deer alone. She was shouting, "That's my deer and I want it!"

Her husband arrived on the scene and asked, "What is the trouble here?"

"He has my deer and I want it back," Blondie said.

The stranger said, "She can have this deer, but please let me get my saddle and bridle off."

See ya!

**THE GETAWAY: PAYNE'S NEW HANG OUT**

**By: Sue Knapp**

Payne has a new place to hang out. The Getaway is a pool hall/arcade room open now for fun and enjoyment for all ages.

David Crates, Manager, is scheduling pool tour-



naments on the weekends starting the first weekend in December. Also available is X-Box and foosball—with snack and pop machines coming soon. David is also considering corn hole tournaments in the future.

The hours for The Getaway are: Monday - Friday 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 12:00 - 11:00 p.m. and Sunday 12:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**CITY OF WOODBURN DECORATING CONTEST**

Woodburn Chamber of Commerce is holding a Christmas decorating contest again this year for the city and surrounding area. Judging will be based on the following: Theme - Best use of color - Animation.

Judging will be Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Cash awards for first, second and third place will be given.

Happy Decorating!!

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL'S SADD CHAPTER**



Antwerp Local School's SADD Chapter (Students Against Destructive Decisions) has assembled and is ready for a busy year.

This year's officers are: President - Bryant Miesle, Vice-President - Alaine Wetli, Secretary - Ann Reinhart, Treasurer - Jacob Shook, Activity Planners - Taylor Shaffer, Cassie Harter, Rachel Vachon, Brandi Aldrich,

Bethany Polter and Harlee Hudson. Advisor is Deb Altic and Co-assistants are Hollie Altic and Joni Miesle.

The Chapter is focusing on Don't Text and Drive, Bullying, Underage Drinking/Driving, Seatbelt Safety and Drug Awareness.

You may call Deb Altic at 419-258-5421 ext. 2309 for questions or donations.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

Emme Elizabeth Finnegan was born on November 4, 2010, at 7:29 p.m. at Dupont Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She weighed 7lb. 7oz., and was 21 inches long.

Parents are Andrew and Sarah Finnegan of Oakwood, Ohio. Grandparents are Charles and Linda Finnegan of Oakwood, Ohio, and Richard and Cheryl Parrish of Antwerp, Ohio. Emme was welcomed home by her brother Dexter, 2½ yrs. old.

ways be appreciated.

The new members for the 2011 season: Jason Landers, Brian Lichty, Mike Carothers and Ryan Hines.

Girl's and Boy's JH Spring and Summer sign ups have already begun with the younger levels soon to follow. Please watch for the announcement in future West Bend News articles. If you have any questions about the JH sign ups please contact Heather Mills at 419.506.0945.

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**SOUTH SCIPIO SCHOOL**

**By: Stan Jordan**

This is a page from a 1918 school booklet that was loaned to us by Steve Knapp. It had been in his family for years. Please take the time to look them over, because I'm sure that you will recognize some of them:

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# LADY WARRIORS FALL IN FIRST SEASON GAME



Woodlan looked great in the first few minutes of the game against Catebury, Wednesday (11/17) evening. As the clock ran the Cavaliers showed they came to dominate with a win of 80-48. Shown here is senior Lydia Yoder scoring on a lay-up for the Lady Warriors. More pictures at www.westbend-news.net

# SANTA CLAUS AND MRS. CLAUS AT WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Mark your calendars to bring the "little ones" to Woodburn Lutheran School (across from the Community Center in Woodburn) on Saturday, December 4, 2010. The Christmas Party will be an Open House from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., and we are extending an invitation to all the children in the community.

Santa Claus will be waiting to greet the children and find out what is on their "Wish List". Pictures will be available, at a small fee, if requested.

Mrs. Claus will be in her rocking chair and will gather the children around her to listen as she reads and tells Christmas stories. Each child will receive a bag of Christmas treats.

This Christmas Party will be sponsored by Christ Lutheran Church Outreach. We ask that the children be accompanied by an adult.

# ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2010

The following is the final report of the year concerning construction and maintenance work on state highways within the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 which includes the counties of Allen, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert and Wyandot. Issuance of this report will resume in April.

**Defiance County:** Ohio 2 from Hicksville to Farmer - Berm work will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by

Defiance County ODOT. Ohio 66 at Downs Street - Intersection upgrade project is largely completed; however, a traffic signal and street lighting will not be installed until early December due to availability of materials. Traffic will be maintained through the work zone when work resumes. Work is being performed by Smith Paving and Excavating, Norwalk.

Ohio 66/U.S. 24 interchange reconstruction, Defiance - This project is complete.

**Paulding County:** Ohio 637 south of 613 - Sealing of pavement cracks will reduce traffic to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

# PAULDING COUNTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY SYSTEM HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The system will reopen normal hours on Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

# PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS OPEN HOUSE

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will hold an Open House on Wednesday, December 1, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Youth Leadership Building at the Paulding County Fairground. There will be no business meeting, but members may bring items for the food pantry or donations for the scholarship fund. R.S.V.P.'s may be sent to Marcia Pressler at marciap@paulding-net.com, but a reservation is not required. All retired teachers are welcome to attend.

# "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": BLUE CHIPPERS & ROTARY INTERACT CLUB



Vantage Rotary Interact Club recently inducted 108 members. Pictured are Vantage Interact Club officers Amelia Pierce (Wayne Trace), Secretary, Amanda Hattery (Delphos Jefferson), Vice President, Ashlee Beck (Paulding), President and Cierra Ziegler (Van Wert), Treasurer, surrounded by Van Wert Rotary members (l-r) Dee Whitcraft, Advisor, Peg Bollenbacher, Deb Russell, Donna Grimm, Wayne Kilton and Lois Gehres.

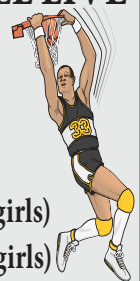


Vantage Blue Chippers - Congratulations to the Vantage students pictured for being named "Blue Chippers" for the first quarter of the school year. Blue Chippers have perfect attendance and a 4.0GPA. Front row: Taylor Mock (Paulding), Jr. Cosmetology; Emily Molitor (Wayne Trace), Jr. Cosmetology; Ashley Hohenbrink (Kalida), Sr. Food Careers; Nacole Mansfield (Continental), Early Childhood Education. Middle row: Joe Shoppell (Lincolnview), Early Childhood Education; Ryan Doan (Paulding), Sr. Network Systems; Diandra Pier (Continental), Sr. Health Technology; Haili Knepper (Antwerp), Sr. Cosmetology; Curtis Schroeder (Kalida), Sr. Carpentry; Ian Munger (Paulding) Jr. Industrial Mechanics. Back row: Harley-Davidson Lane (Continental) Jr. Electricity; Bart Barthels (Van Wert), Jr. Network Systems; Daniel Perkins (Van Wert), Jr. Network Systems; and Levi Brincefield (Lincolnview), Jr. Industrial Mechanics.

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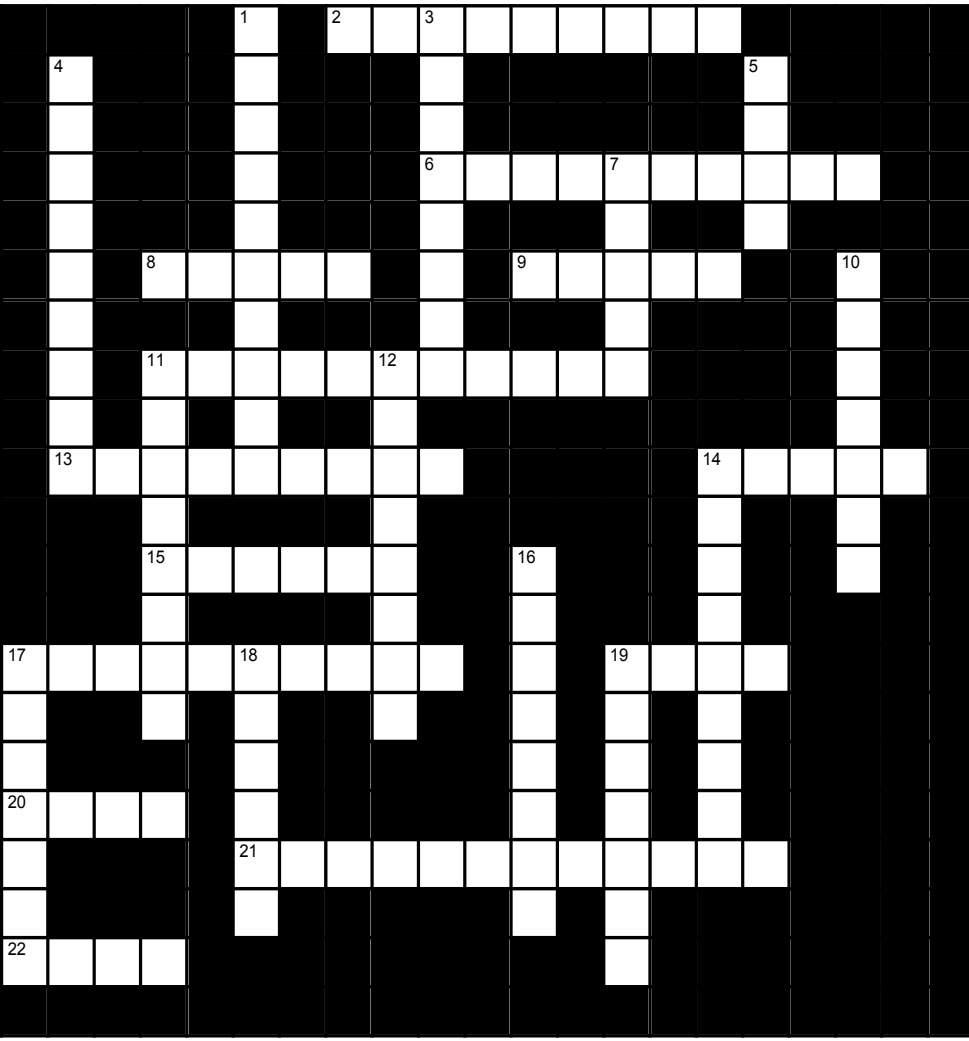
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# Crossword Puzzle



- Across**
- 2. Captain John Smith founded this colony in Virginia.
  - 6. This state is the largest consumers of turkey.
  - 8. The best place to put the thermometer in the turkey.
  - 9. The first Thanksgiving lasted this many days.
  - 11. The original name of the pilgrims.
  - 13. This president declared Thanksgiving to be on the fourth Thursday of November.
  - 14. This captain was on the ship that brought the pilgrims over. (last name)
  - 15. The first president to pardon a turkey.
  - 17. Another term for Horn of Plenty.
  - 19. The pilgrims brought this beverage with them.
  - 20. You should thaw your turkey in the fridge one day per THIS MANY pounds.
  - 21. This football team started the Thanksgiving Day football game tradition.
  - 22. The last name of the woman who is credited for making Thanksgiving a national holiday.

- Down**
- 1. The pilgrims did not eat this Thanksgiving dinner dessert.
  - 3. The Mayflower was built to be THIS kind of ship in order to carry wine.
  - 4. The name of the ship that carried the pilgrims over.
  - 5. National Turkey Lovers Month.
  - 7. The pilgrims didn't have these utensils to eat with yet.
  - 10. The first department store to hold a Thanksgiving Parade.
  - 11. This sporting event went on at the early Thanksgivings.
  - 12. The pilgrims crossed THIS ocean to get to the Americas.
  - 14. The president that the Tom Turkey is named after.
  - 16. The name of the famous rock where the pilgrims landed.
  - 17. An original food eaten by the pilgrims at the first Thanksgiving.
  - 18. This country also celebrates Thanksgiving.
  - 19. The name for turkey in Hebrew is 'tukki' which means THIS.

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**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 11/8/10**

This 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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

**TRAVEL REQUEST:**  
Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center - Caregiver Conference, Seagate Center, Toledo OH - November 6, 2010

**IN THE MATTER OF IMPROVING '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 November 4, 2010, Warrants numbering 172814 through 172877 totaling \$11,948.83; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit

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

**IN THE MATTER OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 003):**

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

FROM: Pay-In #87164 and #87849

TO: 003-001-00016/Health Department/NACCHO-Advanced Practice Center Grant

AMOUNT: \$10,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 062):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 062 - Emergency 911, 062-001-00007/Emergency-911/Workers' Comp., \$911.91

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 062):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 062 - Emergency 911, 062-001-00008/Medicare, \$600.00

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

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

FROM: 001-017-00002/General Fund/Sheriff/Salaries, Employees-Sheriff

TO: 001-017-00005/General Fund/Sheriff/Supplies/Sheriff

AMOUNT: \$15,000.00

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

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

FROM: 001-017-00003/General Fund/Sheriff/Salaries, Employees-Jail

TO: 001-017-00008/General Fund/Sheriff/Equipment/Sheriff

AMOUNT: \$20,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-024):**

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

FROM: 001-024-00008/General Fund/Soldiers' Relief/Transportation

TO: 001-024-00004/General Fund/Soldiers' Relief/Relief Allowances

AMOUNT: \$2,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-024):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and

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**FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER IN PAULDING**



Cooper's Farm donated two turkey rolls for the free community Thanksgiving dinner to be held at the VFW on Thanksgiving day at 12:00 noon. Pictured is Dianne Cooper, Sherry Kaufman, and Carol Baker. Chief Supermarket and other individuals donated items and time to make this event happen.

hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-024-00010/General Fund/Soldiers' Relief/Equipment

TO: 001-024-00005/General Fund/Soldiers' Relief/Other Expenses

AMOUNT: \$1,200.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 042):**

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

FROM: 042-001-00007/Extension Center/Gas

TO: 042-001-00006/Extension Center/Water/Sewer

AMOUNT: \$110.00

**IN THE MATTER OF EXTENDING THE CONTRACT WITH SOLID GROUND LLC**

**FOR 2010/2011 WINTER SNOW REMOVAL:**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby extend the contract with Solid Ground LLC for the removal of snow accumulations for the 2010/2011 winter season at the Paulding County Courthouse with the same stipulations and fee as the 2009/2010 winter season contract (see Journal 52, Page 28).

**IN THE MATTER OF IMPROVING THE TITLE XX COUNTY PROFILE:**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the Title XX County Profile as presented by Corey Walker, Director of the Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services, for the two-year fiscal period July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2013.

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## WASSENBERG ART CENTER ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2010 MEMBERS' SHOW



A number of award-winning artists attended the award ceremony held during the opening reception of the Wassenberg Art Center's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Members' Show and Sale. From the left: Ann Dysinger, Doug Eblen, Mary Ainsworth, John Freund, Linda Yenser, Reggie Buehrer and Pat Rayman.

The Wassenberg Art Center (WAC) has announced the winners of awards in its 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Members' Show. Juror Ed Valentine of OSU Lima's art department judged the 145 artworks in the show, and awards were presented on Sunday, November 14, during the opening reception.

The awards and winners are:

Mary McVay Worthington Award - Steve Frenkel of Marietta, Georgia.

Van Wert County Foundation Award - Pat Rayman of Ohio City.

Douglas Koch Memorial Award - Nancy Longmate of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Director's Award - Ann Dysinger of Grover Hill.

Gertrude Sluterbeck Memorial Award - Nina Carrico of Bryan.

Art-to-Art Palette Journal Awards - Steve Frenkel, Min Lindsey of Bluffton, and Janet Ravas of Scotia, New York.

Barley Charles Award - Kay Sluterbeck of Van Wert.

Merit Awards - Ken Maggi of New Knoxville, William C. LeRoy of Lima, Kay Sluter-

beck, and Mary Ainsworth of Ohio City.

United Art and Education Award - Doug Eblen of Celina.

Cheap Joe's Art Supplies Award - Janet Ravas.

Honorable Mention - Timothy J. Smith of Bellefontaine, Alice Clem of Van Wert, John Freund of Van Wert, Reggie Buehrer of Van Wert, and Linda Yenser of Defiance.

The exhibit will run November 14 - December 11, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (closed Mondays). The show is sponsored by The Van Wert County Hospital and several awards are provided through funds administered by the Van Wert County Foundation.

The Wassenberg Art Center is located at 643 S. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. For information on WAC exhibits, activities and classes, visit the website at [www.vanwert.com/wassenberg](http://www.vanwert.com/wassenberg), call 419-238-6837 (toll free 1-888-238-3837) or e-mail [wassenberg@embarq-mail.com](mailto:wassenberg@embarq-mail.com).

## FIGHT TO REDUCE ABORTIONS IN OHIO SHOWING PROGRESS

Capitol Letters Weekly Column by: Senator Steve Buehrer

The ongoing campaign to protect the lives of unborn babies in our state has achieved noticeable progress over the past decade, judging by recent statistics from the Ohio Department of Health. In 2009, 28,721 pregnancies were terminated in Ohio, a 3 percent drop from 2008 and the ninth year in a row that the number of abortions performed in the state has declined. This figure is also the fewest abortions recorded since Ohio began tracking statistics in 1976.

This decline is a direct result of the hard work and dedication of millions of pro-life advocates across Ohio, who have fought to educate the public about the physical, psychological and moral dangers of abortion and influence local and state officials to enact policies that help to encourage adoption, promote women's health and stop the killing of innocent human life. In particular, the Ohio General Assembly has passed a number of new laws over the years that have helped to further the pro-life cause.

For instance, my colleagues and I approved House Bill 314 in 2008 which requires that a woman who is planning to have an abortion be given the opportunity to view any available ultrasound image of the child. While ultrasounds are routinely performed prior to an abortion, women are rarely given the chance to see these pictures. The hope is that by giving more expectant mothers access to thorough and accurate information before making this life-altering decision, they will choose not to go through with the procedure, thus saving lives.

That same year the Legislature also passed legislation directing facilities that perform abortions to clearly display signs stating that no one can force a woman to go through with the procedure unless she voluntarily consents.

In addition, there have been bills enacted to block the use of state funds to support abortion. As part of the budget process during the 124<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, legislators included a provision that requires an entity that receives state money to be physically separated from a facility that provides abortion referrals or services. Lawmakers also passed a proposal that prohibited the state from paying for health insurance benefits that cover abortions.

More, while state legislators could not vote for the federal health care "reform" bill passed by Democrats in Congress and signed by President Obama earlier this year, several of my colleagues introduced resolutions in the Ohio Senate designed to raise awareness about the impact the bill could have on the rights of people to make their own health care choices as well as its effect on the fiscal stability of our state and Ohio taxpayers. One of the many concerns with the proposal centered on language that could require private insurers to offer health plans that include abortion coverage or provide individuals with federally-subsidized public health plans that include abortion coverage. These new

rules would undermine popular efforts at the local, state and federal level to prohibit public funding for abortion and protect the sanctity of human life.

Further, the 123<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly voted in 1999 to ban partial birth abortions in Ohio unless the mother's life or health is in danger. Four years later, then-President George W. Bush signed the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003, outlawing the procedure nationwide.

Finally, in 1998, the Legislature backed House Bill 421 which requires parental consent before an abortion can be performed on underage patients. The bill also says that physicians must meet with pregnant women at least 24 hours in advance of an abortion to review all the necessary information and give a patient sufficient time to weigh their options.

The pro-life campaign has successfully fought to pass a number of important bills in Ohio over the years, and as is evidenced by the Ohio Department of Health's recent abortion statistics, these legislative efforts have helped to significantly reduce the number of abortions performed in our state. However, it is still striking that nearly 29,000 pregnancies were terminated in Ohio last year.

For that reason, all of those advocates who have worked tirelessly to protect the lives of unborn children in Ohio and across this country must continue their valiant fight. And, as members of the Ohio House and Senate prepare to begin a new General Assembly and a number of state offices change hands, I will remain a strong pro-life voice in the Legislature and do what I can to ensure state leaders remain committed to the cause.

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

### ADULT COMPUTER CLASS AT ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL

Trisha Fuller, Do it Best Corp. IT Trainer and the Antwerp Student Technology Service students, are offering an additional adult career-tech class as part of the Learn & Serve America program. Participants will learn to create photo gifts and edit the photos using Shutterfly or Snapfish. All you need are photos you want to use for your photo gifts.

The class is scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Antwerp Local School. All attendees will receive coupons for a site to create gifts. Class size is limited so register quickly to reserve your spot. To register please send an email to [antwerpcomputerclass@yahoo.com](mailto:antwerpcomputerclass@yahoo.com)

## VETERANS DAY AT PAYNE ELEMENTARY



Payne Elementary honored Veterans with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade presenting a Veterans' Day program. The program included students reciting poems honoring Veterans, along with the entire student body singing a variety of patriotic songs. The program also included a guest speaker, SGT Amber Schuerman. She shared her experiences in the

military, the military history in her family, the reasons why she chose to be in the military, and the importance of being proud.

The picture includes from left to right: SGT Amber Schuerman, her son Draven, and her father, who was also in the military, Robert Schuerman.

## WAYNE TRACE RECEIVES NEW FLAG!



The Payne American Legion recently donated a 5x8' American flag to be flown at Wayne Trace Jr./Sr. High School. Tim Bauble of the

Payne American Legion is shown presenting the flag to Wayne Trace students: Grady Gudakunst and Sarah Nickols.

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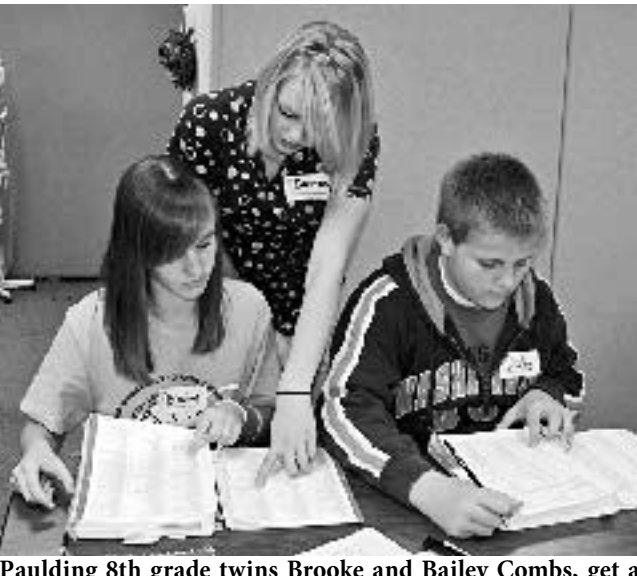
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# "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE WELCOMES 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS



Paulding 8th grade twins Brooke and Bailey Combs, get a little help from Vantage senior Courtney Temple (Wayne Trace) in the Medical Office Management lab during 8th grade tours.



Rae Jackson, an Antwerp 8<sup>th</sup> grader tries out the pocket cutter in the Vantage Carpentry lab during her visit.

The annual "8<sup>th</sup> Grade Tours" event has just ended! Eighth graders from area schools got to take a peek at what the future might look like in several different career areas, as they visited the career technical labs at Vantage Career Center.

Each school in the Vantage district is invited to bring their 8<sup>th</sup> graders to Vantage for a career exploration activity, which involves a two-hour hands-on demonstration tour. Eighth graders receive a "mini-brochure" which describes the career-technical programs and explains what a typical day is like for students who attend Vantage. The eighth graders spend a little time in each lab and return home with a better idea of what goes on behind those big doors off the hallway.

This career exploration

activity is especially helpful by informing the students about all the options available to them. During the visit, the eighth graders are able to see what skills are being used in different career areas. Students may also become more aware of how their interests and abilities can be cultivated into a rewarding career.

It's always a pleasure hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> graders and giving them a chance to see what a career technical education at Vantage Career Center is all about!

A reminder to Vantage parents that Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. Please call 419-238-5411 ext. 126 to schedule your appointment.

## ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/1 THROUGH 12/7

12/1 - Hamburger on bun or Potato wedges w/meat & cheese, diced potatoes, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pasta salad

12/2 - Breaded chicken on bun or Meatball sub, french fries, mixed fruit with marshmallows, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cottage cheese

12/3 - Southwest pizza or Chicken salad sandwich, coleslaw, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

12/6 - Ham & cheese or Pork fritter on bun, pineapple, peas, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

12/7 - Chillie w/crackers or Cook's choice, mixed vegetables, apple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

*Menus are subject to change.*

## BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/1 THROUGH 12/7

*Breakfast:*

12/1 - Pancakes, sausage, milk, juice

12/2 - Egg/cheese omelet, muffin, milk, juice

12/3 - Turnover, milk, juice

12/6 - Pizza, milk, juice

12/7 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk, juice

*Lunch:*

12/1 - Hot dog w/bun, corn, pears, milk; WT: Breaded chicken pieces, mashed potatoes

12/2 - Cheese or chicken quesadilla, tossed salad, grapes, milk

12/3 - Chicken noodle soup/crackers, toasted cheese sandwich, sherbet/fruit, milk

12/6 - Cheeseburger sandwich, fries, peaches, milk; WT: Cheeseburger or Bacon cheeseburger

12/7 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, fruit crisp, milk

*Menus are subject to change.*

## PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR 12/1 THROUGH 12/7

*MS/HS - Breakfast:*

12/1 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk

12/2 - Cinnamon bread stick, juice, milk

12/3 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk

12/6 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

12/7 - Tator tots w/cheese, sausage links, juice, milk

*MS/HS - Lunch:*

12/1 - Stuffed crust pizza or Grilled chicken w/bun, corn, assorted fruit, milk

12/2 - Turkey club sandwich, broccoli & cheese, assorted fruit, milk

12/3 - Philly beef sandwich, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

12/6 - Chicken fajitas or BBQ pork w/bun, cheddar munchers, assorted fruit, milk

12/7 - Mandarin chicken salad, garlic bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:*

12/1 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

12/2 - Muffin, crackers, applesauce, milk

12/3 - Pancakes, applesauce, milk

12/6 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

12/7 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Lunch:*

12/1 - Pizza, lettuce salad, fruit, milk

12/2 - Taco salad, lettuce/cheese, salsa, fruit, milk

12/3 - Turkey deli sandwich, carrots, cake, fruit, milk

12/6 - Cheesy bread sticks w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

12/7 - Chili soup w/crackers, bread w/margarine or peanut butter, fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:*

12/1 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

12/2 - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk

12/3 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

12/6 - Warm pop tart, juice, milk

12/7 - Hot biscuit w/jelly, egg, fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:*

12/1 - Nacho chips w/cheese sauce, peas, fruit, milk

12/2 - Hamburger w/bun, corn, fruit, milk

12/3 - Taco in a bag, lettuce & cheese, fruit, milk

12/6 - French toast sticks, mini sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk

12/7 - Breaded pork chop, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk

*Menus are subject to change.*

## PAULDING COUNTY CHAPTER 10 PERI MEETING

The Paulding County Chapter 10 PERI Meeting will be held on December 1, 2010 at the Paulding County Senior Center following lunch which starts at 11:30 a.m.

The speaker is Jason Davis from PERS with the topic: 'Changes in Humana for 2011'. Election of officers will also be held.

Call 419-399-3650 to make lunch reservations.

## CITY OF WOODBURN MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2010

Jim Lauer presented a certificate of substantial completion for contract C, with Miller for sewer lining in Havenwood and a change order for Miller for a reduction in cost of \$3931.50. Becker Road will have binder only by the end of this year, Stenger, Rupp and Carl will remain gravel over the winter; pads will need to be purchased for the snow plow. Mayor has a few different Cities golf cart ordinances; they will be gone thru and decide what should be included in the Cities. Councilman Clegg moved to develop an ordinance, seconded by Councilman Zimmerman, Councilman Clegg, Zimmerman and Reichhart voted, yes, Councilman Norden voted, no, Councilman Mason abstained, motion passed. The Ordinance will be given to the attorney for approval. Jim Norden stated we should consider including four wheelers, stating people are driving both and neither is legal on city streets. Mayor received approval for the first round of the Safe Routes to School grant; he will contact Christi Sturtz and Dave Armstrong to move forward. Mayor stated some cleanup work will be done to complete the road project on Bull Rapids and Woodburn Road. Mayor stated the project is

guaranteed for one year if any repairs need to be done. Mayor received a letter from ICOM, Indiana Conference of Mayors, they are wanting to support specific representatives in the senate, they are ask for a donation of \$200.00 to join, Council opted not to join. Mayor reported the back rail has been put on the guard rail on Bull Rapids road, total cost was \$3775.00. Ryan will get stone put in.

Minutes were presented for approval, Councilman Reichhart moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Mason, all agreed, motion passed. Warrants were presented, Councilman Mason moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Clegg, all agreed, motion passed.

Ryan Walls reported leaves are being picked up, fire hydrants are being flushed, some street signs are still down; he has ordered banding. Ryan has been repairing streets with the total patcher; he will need to purchase more stone. A sewer smell complaint has been temporarily resolved, a storm grate was put on hickory, when the line is complete the grate will be replaced to see if the problem is solved. Ryan stated more salt and sand will need to be purchased for the season. Ryan ordered a fire hydrant meter, cost is around \$1200.00. He is metering the water that Bercot is using thru the water plant. The announcement board on the old grocery store building is in need of repairs

and new letters ordered. This board does not belong to the city; Councilman Reichhart thinks it belongs to East Allen County Schools. Councilman Norden will look at it with Ryan to see if rivets can be put in.

Councilman Reichhart stated the railroad ties have been cleaned up. Pfister's gave a quote of \$1250.00 to clean up the easement property along the tracks. Councilman Reichhart moved to accept, seconded by Councilman Zimmerman, all agreed, motion passed. Councilman Reichhart stated the Chamber of Commerce contacted the Lions club concerning a donation to buy and plant a tree to decorate at Christmas. Mayor stated the Chamber is putting together a tree lighting event on November 26th.

Councilman Zimmerman proposed that the water line be continued from Bull Rapids Road to Falshing Road next year. He would like to continue doing sections each year and would like to get the new water line out of the highway and under the sidewalk.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15. Minutes submitted by Lesa Meadows.

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**DATE: NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**  
**TIME: Personal Property at 9:30 a.m., Real Estate at 11:30am.**

**PERSONAL PROPERTY:**

**Appliances & Heaters:** 2-Window air conditioners, Kenmore gas range/oven, Kenmore washer, Frigidiaire dryer (6 months old), Amish built electric heater, Electric fireplace, Sylvania 13" TV/VCR, & other misc. items.

**Furniture:** Dining table w/6chairs & extra leaves, Childs wood chair, Canopy Bedroom suit, 1-rot iron bed, hanging basinet, Loveseat recliner couch, glider rocker, rocker recliner, \* Very nice Librarian Desk\*, \* Brandt-round table w/4feet, Steel step stool, & other misc. items.

**Antiques & Collectibles:** Precision Sewing machine, Assorted 33 albums, One man saw w/painted mural, Iron kettle, gumball machine, glass hen dishes, large collection of old bottles (medicine, milk), Oak wood barrel.

**Lawn & Garden:** Poulan Pro riding mower w/17 hp. 42" deck, 20"pushmower w/ 3.8hp, Ranch King Pro 5.5hp walk-behind tiller, walk behind cultivator, picnic table, work bench, gas grill.

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

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Also at the shelter we have Mack, a blue heeler mix; and Jackie, the shepherd mix, is still waiting to go home with someone.

The shelter will be closed

Thursday 11/25 and Friday 11/26 for the Thanksgiving holiday. If you would like to visit the adoptable dogs please call the office at 419-399-9728.

**PAULDING COUNTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY SYSTEM HOLIDAY CLOSING**

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The system will reopen normal hours on Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

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**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 11/15/10**

This 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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 AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO ISSUE A CHECK:**  
 It was the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to direct the County Auditor to issue an advancement check in the amount of One Thousand and 00/100 (\$1,000.00) on November 4, 2010; now, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to issue a check as an advancement in the amount of One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00) from Fund 001-031-00003/Commissioners' Misc./Contract Services to Fund 002/Dog & Kennel.

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO ISSUE A CHECK:**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to issue a check as an advancement in the amount of One Thousand Sixty-One and 26/100 Dollars (\$1,261.26) from Fund 001-031-00003/Commissioners' Misc./Contract Services to Fund 002/Dog & Kennel.

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 013):**

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

FROM: 013-001-00002/Ditch Maintenance/Contracts/Projects  
 TO: 013-001-00006/Ditch Maintenance/Equipment  
 AMOUNT: \$2,500.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 013):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:  
 FROM: 013-001-00002/Ditch Maintenance/Contracts/Projects  
 TO: 013-001-00011/Ditch Maintenance/Other Expenses  
 AMOUNT: \$500.00

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 032):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:  
 Fund 032 - Certificate of Title, 032-001-00006/Other Expenses, \$2,450.00  
**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
 Warrants documented as 173219 through 173220 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Special 2011 Budget Meeting Scheduled for Monday December 13, 2010 at the Village of Cecil Fire House Community Room at 7 pm.  
 Submitted by Carlene A Turner Clerk Treasurer, Village of Cecil

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**AUCTION LOCATION:** Scott Fire Station, just west of Hwy. 127.  
 This property is a large L shaped piece with nearly 2400 feet of road frontage along the County Line Road and over 600 feet of road frontage along Hoaglin Center Road. The land is level with good drainage. There is a large open ditch that runs across the property. The soil types are mostly Latty Silty Clay with a little Nappanee silty clay.  
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**MR. & MRS. WADE GIBSON: CELEBRATING 50 YEARS**



Mr. and Mrs. Wade L. Gibson of Cecil will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on November 26, 2010. Wade Gibson and Mary Lou Dysinger were married November 26, 1960 in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Cecil by Reverend Leo Wirries. They are the parents of two sons: Marty (Monica) and Matthew (deceased 7/4/09), and one granddaughter, Mary

Anne Gibson. Wade and Mary Lou celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> with a road trip to Antioch, CA to attend a memorial dedication to their son, Matt, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church where he worked as the music director and organist. They also traveled to Arizona to visit Wade's two brothers. They will also have a special Thanksgiving celebration with family.

**THANKSGIVING TURKEY**

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

When thinking of Thanksgiving, the first word that comes to many is turkey. According to the United States Department of Agriculture, more than 45 million turkeys are cooked and eaten in the United States at Thanksgiving. This number represents one-sixth of all the turkeys sold in the United States each year.

Today, most people will prepare and consume a white domestic turkey. The domestic turkey lost its ability to fly through selective breeding that created heavier, broad-breasted birds, a feature much desired by chefs and commercial turkey producers. The shorter legs of the domestic turkey also mean it cannot run as well as its wild cousin. In contrast to the heavier domestic bird, the wild turkey is slim, tall and long-legged.

The wild turkey is native to eastern United States. History is not clear on why turkey is eaten on Thanksgiving Day. What we know is that turkey actually did not become a part of the American Thanksgiving tradition until the 1860s. In fact, turkey did not achieve its prominent status as the centerpiece of the holiday meal until after World War II.

Wild turkeys were a vital food source to Native Americans, but became extinct in Ohio in 1904. To reestablish a wild turkey population in Ohio, wildlife biologists with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources began reintroducing wild turkeys to our state in 1956. Their efforts included trapping wild turkeys outside Ohio and then releasing them into the state's forested lands. Woodlands in Athens, Hocking and Vinton counties were the first to receive the out-of-state birds. In time, as Ohio's flocks developed their own steady populations, wildlife managers trapped and transplanted "home-grown" wild turkeys to other parts of the state. Today wild turkeys can be heard and hunted in all 88 Ohio counties.

Some interesting facts on wild turkeys:

- Found in all of the lower 48 states and Hawaii.
- Can fly at speeds up to 55 miles per hour.
- Can run at speeds of at least 19 miles per hour
- Have good eyesight. They see approximately the same distance as humans, but they can pick out minute details.
- Have excellent hearing, but a poor sense of smell.
- Turkeys roost in trees at night for protection from predators.

Few holidays embody American traditions like Thanksgiving. The bountiful feast, the time spent with your family, the pies, the breads, the stuffing, and of course, the turkey. One wonders if the Thanksgiving feast would be the same if Ben Franklin had gotten his wish for the gobbling bird to be our national symbol.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 11/10/10**

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

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

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**

Warrants documented as 172995 through 173217 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL 2011 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET:**

Pursuant to Section §339.06(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of County Commissioners have reviewed and does hereby approve the Paulding County Hospital 2011 Operating and Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:15 a.m. with Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 11:30 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Gary Adkins and Rob Goshia, Paulding County Hospital – Mr. Goshia presented the Paulding County Hospital's 2011 Operating and Capital Budget for the Commissioners' review. Mr. Adkins noted the surgical suites will be renovated in 2011. The current surgical suites were built in the 1960's and are now too small to accommodate medical equipment. Mr. Adkins stated the ER will be renovated in 2012. He also noted the Paulding County Hospital operates on a very low debt ratio when compared to neighboring hospitals. Mr. Adkins then explained the hospital will be converting to an electronic medical records system, as required by federal law. He anticipates this system was allowed in the 2010 budget and will be implemented yet this year. Mr. Adkins and Mr. Goshia then discussed the economy and cuts in the Medicaid medical benefits and the impact on the hospital. The Commissioners then approved the 2011 budget as submitted. (see resolution above)

**ZUMBA IN THE CIRCUIT COMES TO PAULDING CURVES!**



Tuesday November 16<sup>th</sup>, local Zumba Instructor, Mary Jane Fast, brought her talent and passion for helping women meet their health and fitness goals to Paulding Curves for a free Zumba in the Circuit exercise class. Zumba in the Circuit combines Curves circuit training with the cardio boost of Zumba fitness dance.

About 15 women participated in free preview class. One participant said, "This is the best workout I have had in longer than I can even re-

member. It was so much fun! It really got my blood pumping!!" Another participant laughed, saying "Wow! It was so much fun! I really can't dance, but this was an incredible workout. I plan to come every week!!"

Paulding Curves teaches women how to unlock the secret to permanent weight loss through 30 minute Circuit training that combines strength and cardio training with personal and one to one fitness/nutrition support.

**LATTA OPPOSES COMMITTEE JURISDICTION GRAB**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green), a member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, released the following statement in light of recent reports that the House Natural Resources Committee is attempting to grab all Energy jurisdiction from the House Energy and Commerce Committee. "Over the past four years, Congressional Democrats have used the Energy and Commerce Committee to pass reckless policies that have, and will continue to have, terrible consequences on our nation. With House Republicans taking the majority back for the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Energy and Commerce Committee will be the epicenter for dis-

mantling these policies. Any power grab from other committees for jurisdiction will only hinder our efforts to pass responsible legislation, specifically when dealing with energy issues. As our nation continues to lack a definitive energy plan, it is imperative that the current Committee jurisdictions remain in place so that we can immediately begin to address the nation's energy needs."

NOTE: Yesterday, November 18, Congressman Latta joined 18 Republicans from the Energy and Commerce Committee to send a letter to House Speaker-Elect John Boehner (R-OH) and House Majority Leader-Elect Eric Cantor (R-VA) to express their opposition to the transfer of jurisdiction among committees in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

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**A FREE community Thanksgiving Dinner**  
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**Directions: "New" US 24 to Antwerp, Exit 3. Turn North off exit. Go 0.6 miles, Turn Right/East onto Canal St. or Directions: US49 to Antwerp. Turn East onto Canal St.**

\*To Better Serve our Guests, We will NOT be taking reservations.\*  
 For More info please call 877-358-5099  
 (Please note special pricing and hours for this event)

**Normal Sunday buffet hours & prices are as follows (10:30am-3:00pm)**  
 Adults \$10.00, Seniors \$9, Children 3-12 \$5, Under 3...Free