

CAN TOXIN LEVELS INCREASE WHILE THE GRAIN IS IN STORAGE?

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Agent

Mycotoxin levels in corn can certainly increase in storage if storage conditions are inadequate. If there are warm, moist areas or pockets in the grain, mold will continue to develop, causing the grain to deteriorate further and toxin levels to increase. Aeration is important to keep the grain dry and cool, and if not done appropriately, pockets of warm, damp areas will develop due to the metabolic activity of the grain and microorganisms.

Stored grain is still alive and as such carries on respiration. Two end products of respiration are water and heat, exactly what the fungus needs to grow and produce toxin. In addition, kernels close to the walls of the silo tend to be at a lower temperature than kernels towards the center and the exchange of warm air from the center with cool air from the top or sides of the silo may lead to further moisture build up, due to condensation. However, it should be

noted that while cool temperatures, air circulation, and low moisture levels will minimize fungal growth and toxin production, these will not decrease the level of toxin that was already present going into storage.

Some storage guidelines that are recommended to minimize problems associated with kernel rots and mycotoxin contamination include:

—Drying harvested grain to 15% moisture and below to prevent further mold development.

—Store dried grain at temperatures of 36 degrees to 44 degrees Fahrenheit in clean, dry bins. Moderate to high temperatures are favorable for fungal growth and toxin production.

—Periodically check grain for mold, insects, and temperature.

If mold is found, send a grain sample for a mycotoxin analysis to determine if toxins are present and at what level. The presence of a fungus known to produce toxins is not proof that the stored grain contains injurious levels of toxin. It may be a good investment to collect a representative sample and send it to a laboratory for chemical analysis.

WINTER WONDERLAND WARMS THE NIGHT IN OAKWOOD



By: Angel Steiner

In the midst of this environment that we all call "the dead of winter" here in the Midwest, a refreshing community event takes place on the east side of Paulding County. Each year the lovely ladies of Oakwood gather together to provide a much needed distraction to the hum drum of these chilly days, and to raise funds for the Oakwood's branch library. The 4th annual Chocolate Extravaganza took place this past weekend at the Cooper Community Library, and let me tell you, extravaganza is an understatement!

Under the direction of the committee members: Sue Brown (head), Sandy Bradford, Anada Cooper, Marsha Henke, Abby Hornish, Karen Jacobs, Jeanine Keyes, Deedi Miller, Sharon Peck, and Susie Thrasher, the night truly was a "Winter Wonderland". Beginning with the first-rate accommodations of the Cooper Community Library's

Community Room (which was a full house on Thursday night, I might add), and then with the royal treatment at the place settings the night was simply brilliant. Each table was decorated with blue, silver and white. Snowflakes and ice crystals were sprinkled on the tablecloths. A soothing scene was set before the diners of snowy landscapes complete with animals frolicking in their wintry homes on the big screen. Even before the courses were served, my nostrils were tickling with the aroma of culinary sweets. A serving plate of hors d'oeuvres were on the ice-cube center pieces. This variety of fruit, pretzels, cinnamon chips and a chocolate dip whet my whistle nicely.

Servers paraded past through the dining crowd to serve course number two for the evening and I thought I had fallen into Queen Frostine's lands of Candyland! Every person at each table was served by their wait

staff, and then the remainder of their platter was left on the center pieces for seconds (and thirds!). This happened a third time; and the fourth and final course was a grand finale served up in a magical display of foggy wintery mist of dry ice to show the radiance of the mini cupcakes with an edible snowflake atop. About the time I was enjoying my second round of course number two, a waiter asked me, "Would you like a caramel latte?" My only response was, "Well, yeah!" My fellow tablemates also enjoyed a divine and utterly smooth cup of hot coffee with cream and caramel sauce drizzled over.

We were all getting a little giddy—whether from the sugar overload or the fine fellowship—and in the midst of our individual conversations, that grand finale entered the dining room, and Shayna DeLong (one of my tablemates) from Van Wert, grabbed my arm, and chuckling said, "This is death by chocolate!" Her companion gave a good guffaw, while my friend,

Lindsay Clem, giggled her agreement with a mouth full of rich confection.

Throughout the necturous evening, the MC, Susie Thrasher had diners draw names from a bowl of tickets for door prize winners. Each winner received a goody bag full of delectable chocolate (french word for chocolate). Thursday night's lucky winners were Jean Porter, Brenda Adams, Paulette Stemen, Beth Scheiner, Grace McClure, and Kelly Tumblin. Friday night's prizewinners were: Jackie Shisler, Cindy Link, Nancy Laukhuf, Karen Leatherman, Karla Welch, and Destiny Reid.

As we were waddling out of the building, trying to stay focused on the task of driving home, Lindsay and I wondered, "Who made all that heavenly ambrosial evening?" So, being a roving reporter (not really—but it sounded good, right?) I posed my question via email to Susie Thrasher. These committee members love to throw a

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OBITUARIES



Roger W. Hadley, 84, of Woodburn, died Saturday, January 30, 2010 at Parkview Hospital.

Born in Poe, he was the son of the late Ray and Ermal Hadley. He was a lifetime farmer and retired in 1983 after 37 years with REA Magnet Wire Corp. He served his country in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He was a member of the Woodburn United Methodist Church, the Woodburn Lion's Club. Roger was very active in his church and community and received several honorary commendations from the FFA.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Gladys of Woodburn; children: Sharon (Louis) Ehinger of Charleston, SC, Roger (Vickie J.) Hadley II and Vicki (John) Hostetler both

of Woodburn, Sandra (Greg) Emenhiser of Monroeville, Gail (Ben) Hadley-Goggin of Mechanicsville, VA, Mary (Dan) Meyer of New Haven, Wanda (Michael) Erwin of Waterloo, Curtis (Michelle) Hadley of Wingate, IN; brothers: Gene Hadley of Fort Wayne and Robert Hadley of Lebanon; 42 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a great-granddaughter, Maya Smith; sister, Alice Krinn; brothers: Sam and John Hadley.

Service is 10:00 a.m. Friday, February 5, 2010 at the Woodburn United Methodist Church, 4300 Becker Rd., Woodburn with calling one hour prior to the service. Pastor Susan Smith-Bryden officiating. Calling is also 1:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday at the E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. Burial is in Oaklawn Cemetery, Ossian. Preferred memorials are to the church. www.Harperfuneralhome.com

Alice M. Crutchfield, 85, of Latty died Tuesday, January 26 at her residence surrounded by family.

She was born in Paulding County on March 28, 1928 the daughter of James C. and Lula (Vena) Goings. She mar-

ried Ernest C. Crutchfield Sr., July 21, 1952 who preceded her in death. She was a member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Antwerp, Ohio. She retired from Dana Weatherhead. Her true joys came from participating in the Bible Education Work Ministry and spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She is survived by six daughters: Barbara (Earnest) Eubanks of Dillsburg, PA, Roberta Hardman of Paulding, Patricia (Tyrone) Ingol of Lima, Mary Alice Crutchfield of Fort Wayne, Margaret Ann Crutchfield of Latty, and Allison Smith of Payne; three sons: Ernest Crutchfield of Latty, Albert (Darlene) Crutchfield of Fort Wayne, and Patrick Crutchfield of Paulding; a brother, Richard Goings of Paulding; 18 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; a son, James Crutchfield; an infant grandson; six brothers: Cecil, Leo, Howard, Roy, Ray and Robert Goings; and a sister, Evaline Goings.

A memorial service was held January 31, 2010 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Antwerp, Ohio. A private burial at Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill, OH will take place at a later date.

Preferred memorials may be made to Worldwide Work of Jehovah's Witness or Paulding County Visiting Nurses & Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

FAMILY LOSES EVERYTHING IN HOUSE FIRE

Recently, a local family has hit dire straits. In October, mother Tasha Lee Farber of Hicksville unexpectedly passed away leaving a loving partner, Billy Clutter and two small children: Dylan, 4 years old, and Jamie 18 months. On January 26, the house they were residing in at Silver Lake, IN burned down.

The family has found sanctuary graciously by family members in the Antwerp area, but are in need of some help to get back on their feet. The children have been provided adequate clothing thanks to Riverside Christian Church's Kids Clothes Closet, but other things are needed. If you are able and willing, please drop off any monetary and/or adult clothing, personal care items, children's toys and household items to Riverside Family Center during the Kids Clothes Closet hours, 3:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesdays. Call for more information 419-258-3895

YOU ARE INVITED

Pastor Tim Edwards and the congregation of Christ Lutheran Church, 4412 Park Street, Woodburn, invite you to attend their service on Sunday, February 7, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. as they dedicate the new Johannus Organ recently installed in their church. This special service will include readings and congregational singing with the Christ Lutheran Church Senior Choir, Indiana-Purdue brass and percussion musicians and Christ organist, Zachary Kohlmeier.

The new Johannus Rembrandt 397 digital organ was built in the Netherlands and shipped to the United States in mid-December at which time it arrived at the studio of U.S. Johannes representative, Mr. Don Dunn. Mr. Dunn and associates then fine tuned the instrument to the specifications of Christ Lutheran Church and delivered and installed the new instrument on December 29, 2009. Several volunteers removed pews and balcony railings so the organ could be placed in the church balcony with the use of a lift. The organ was in its new home at Christ Lutheran Church and ready for service the following evening.

Following the February 7th service, the congregation and visitors are invited to visit with organist Kohlmeier in the balcony for a brief presentation of the new Johannus organ. A reception will also be hosted by the Christ Lutheran Church Senior Choir in the church fellowship hall immediately after the service. All are welcome to attend.

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MONTHLY SENIOR BREAKFAST AT GARDENS OF PAULDING

The monthly senior breakfast at Gardens of Paulding is scheduled for next Tuesday, February 9 at 8:00 a.m. There will also be a bake sale during that time. Any and all seniors are invited free of charge.

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THE HIGH COST OF FORGIVENESS

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

Forgiveness is an amazing thing. The following true story is one I ran across awhile back that illustrates this so well. It is told by a gentleman by the name of Omer McKinney, who lived in West Palm Beach, Florida. See if it speaks to your heart as it did to mine.

"In West Virginia where I grew up there lived a very good neighbor was an unbeliever who was just plain mean. He was cantankerous, hostile, vile, and downright belligerent.

It seems that the couple's chickens would often amble

over into the neighbor's land which would make him seething mad. He would rant and rave, cuss and snort, calling them every name in the book.

One Sunday while the couple was at church, their chickens got out and onto their neighbor's property. When they came home, they found every chicken dead. The neighbor had rung their necks and thrown them back over the fence into the couple's front yard.

Later that day there was a knock on the mean-spirited neighbor's door and the couple stood there with a large plate of beautiful fried chicken. The wife said to the neighbor man, "We had more chicken today that we could use and we thought you might like some."

Is that pretty incredible or not?! The Bible says in Romans 12, "If your enemy is hungry, feed him. If he is thirsty, give him something to drink. Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good." Part of the process of forgiveness is taking practical steps of kindness toward the person who has wronged you.

By serving the one who has hurt us, we not only allow forgiveness to work its way deeper into our own hearts, we also allow God to impact the person we are seeking to forgive. May each of us truly seek to not only forgive others, but also show our forgiveness to them in practical ways. It will release God's grace in our lives as well and in the lives of others.

THE ONE TRUE CHURCH: THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH #3

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

The New Testament church had and still does have a specific pattern for worship.

It must meet the exacting criteria of Jesus as seen in John 4:24.

"In truth" means that the Bible must be followed, John 6:63. "In Spirit" means that following the words that the Spirit gave to the inspired men of the New Testament as they were guided by Him.

John 14:26, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

The New Testament church had and still does have a pattern of worship in the New Testament.

This is done every first day of the week, which is Sunday—the Lord's Day, not Saturday which is the Sabbath. Every Christian was obligated to be there and to not forsake the assemblies, Hebrews 10:24-27.

1. The church was constantly in prayer and still prays throughout the days of their lives. It was true also when they came together to worship, Acts 20:35.

2. They gave and still do, of what they had, to help those who were in need, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2.

3. They heard and still hear preaching from God's Word, not the creeds and manuals of men, Acts 20:7.

4. They sang and still do

sing Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16.

5. They partook and still partake of the Lord's Supper or communion.

The work of the New Testament church was threefold.

1. To evangelize the world, Matthew 28:20.

2. To edify the saints, 1 Thessalonians 5:11.

3. To minister to those who were needy as they had opportunity, Galatians 6:10.

There was nothing complicated about the New Testament church. It was simple and direct.

Worship was to God. The pleasure was in the mind of God. Not in the personal likes and dislikes of men. Fine clothes and personal egos had no place in the worship of the New Testament church. How is it where you gather to worship?

Remember: Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Bible questions? Call Lonnie Lambert, 419-399-5022 or James Potter at 419-393-4775.

Please remember to study the BIBLE. For this is where the truth is!

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party (and it sure shows!). Everyone picks their strengths and they take up their task whether it be compiling the info and details, room decorating, sewing chair covers, or cooking, and running with it. They made ALL of the tantalizing little treats our palates indulged in. The husbands were the go-fers while the ladies had their hands elbow-deep in fabric, napkins or chocolate. They also did some of the manly work, like

drilling holes in the ice-cube centerpieces or going to Lima to pick up the dry ice. Some of the committee members' spouses also donned the serving carpet in sophisticated top hats and scarves.

As of this writing my pancreas is still recovering from sugar shock, but my heart is full of good memories of luscious treats, quality fellowship with my friend (and new acquaintances), and the knowledge that I was a part of a worthy cause of fundraising for our close-knit little county. Oakwood, Merci beaucoup!

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In response to the allegations raised by Mrs. Booher, it is sad that she has chosen to follow the lead of national media and national politicians. "Spin" today has been given credibility as true, when in fact, "Spin" is misrepresentation and dishonesty.

Her letter cleverly mixes some fact with misrepresentation and false impressions, in an attempt to create a hostile response from the public. It is sad that the vindictiveness slams the character and intellect of the Council and others.

There is a lot more to the story than presented and a

completely different side. Paul Harvey had a program called "the rest of the story" which speaks volumes about the sour grapes approach to the Council and others.

Her resignation is reminiscent of young children when things don't go their way and they take their ball and bat and go home.

In all fairness to the Council, there is much more than alluded to, in her letter. I am sure these folks will continue to try to do what is best for all of Oakwood, even when hard decisions have to be made.

—Mayor Bud Henke, Village of Oakwood

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It would appear that Mrs. Booher got all of her information from one or two people. The environment that the former clerk was in, is only what she created. The loss of our former clerk would have no affect on Mrs. Booher's ability to perform as a council person. It is the council that implements new ideas and changes, not the former clerk. Had Mrs. Booher fulfilled her obligation as council person, she could have gotten involved in policies and procedures.

Every one of the issues brought out in Mrs. Booher's article have been brought to the attention of the council and discussed. Mrs. Booher makes it sound like the reason the Clerk is gone, is because she was trying to bring all of these things out in the open. That is not why the clerk is gone. Mrs. Booher has only part of the facts printed in her letter. It appears that some are still communicating only half the story to create animosity and "hostility" in town.

If Mrs. Booher is so worried about who and how her seat was filled, then she should not have given her seat up.

We do agree with one thing, Oakwood residents should get more involved. Come to the meetings. Ask questions. We meet the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. You are all welcome.

- Councilman Phil Stucky,
- Councilman Jake Meeker,
- Councilperson Jen Ashbacher,
- Councilperson Vicky Long,
- Councilperson Melissa Figert,
- Councilman Todd Dangler,
- Fire Chief Kenny Thomas,
- EMS Coordinator Pam Erford,
- Police Chief Mark Figert,
- Village of Oakwood

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

My roots date back to the earliest settlers in Antwerp. Before there was a Village of Antwerp, my great-great-grandparents, at the ripe old ages of 17 and 14 years, married and left their family farms on Manhattan Island and headed west. They ended up in what is now Antwerp via flat-bed, horse-drawn barge on the Erie Canal.

Since that time, Antwerp has been shaped and influenced by our family. The early ones are buried in the old cemetery. Younger ones are buried in the new cemetery, including grandparents, parents, and my six year old daughter, Toni, who died a number of years ago following a tonsillectomy.

Our family has tried to keep flowers on their graves, even in the winter at Christmas time, and especially on Decoration Day, Easter and all summer.

Toni's flowers were originally placed in a small Urn, weighted so they would not blow away. The flowers disappeared quickly. They were weighted, so it was not the wind. At first we did not think too much about it until the Urn also disappeared.

We then bought a larger, heavier Urn, but full, the flowers are more noticeable and they are disappearing. It is distressing to me that anyone would remove flowers from the grave of a six year old. These are beautiful silk flowers that do not fade. She would love them.

For anyone who feels justified in doing that, I am requesting, do take them all.

—Helen Jump

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Well here we are, a few days before our property tax is due; where we pay an outrageous price for the privilege of living in Paulding and being taxed to death! I wonder how many people will have to borrow money like I will to pay this tax! Yes, work is lousy now. People are putting off doing their cars so they can pay heat, electric, food bills and Paulding's never ending levies. The bad side of this is when they do get the work done it often costs more because they have had to put it off and the problem has become worse! I don't know how people on low wages are even making it in this town. No wonder I'm seeing more houses for sale. Thanks to our out of control government in this town for taking away the American Dream of actually owning property or

homes that are affordable.

I see the library deduction is on the property tax also. Did the library levy pass the same way George Bush's Florida voting did? I'm not against the library but why should we that don't use it have to pay for it? I've used it once in the last 25 years. Why not let people who use it pay. Why not a small fee each time you go or even have a yearly member family or personal pass. I wouldn't mind paying for its use if I went. I'm sure someone will write back and say libraries are supposed to be free to the public! Nothing is "free" anymore. You used to get free air at gas stations too. Now you pay to use this air when you need it. The library could support itself just as well or even better by having a small fee or a membership without gouging people who don't use it. I have no problem paying for something I use but it burns me to be paying for a service I may never use!

Remember people, you must pay your property tax rip off by closing time on February 9 or their lordships will sock you with a 5% penalty or 10% after ten days late! Maybe I should institute these penalties in my shop so these "important" people will pay their bills on time.

Have a nice day and let's encourage Brad Dysinger to run for office. We need someone with common sense in there!

—Gregg Gorman

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

There are a lot of us who, when things don't go our way or when people don't do things like we would have done, are quick to raise a stink or a ruckus or even place something in the paper. But when a party or individual honors what they say, those same people that accused and reviled are not so quick to step up to the plate and acknowledge what they have done. Well here in our little town of Antwerp, there is such a case. A while back the speed limit on the west side of town on US 24 was raised to 50mph. There has been a lot of complaining and bickering against the council for such an act. I was part of the group that had concern and I was a part of a group of individuals who stated my concerns at a council meeting. The council told us that after the new US 24 was in operation, that they would have the speed limit lowered. Many of us did not believe this or ever thought that it would happen. Well a short time ago, on my way home, I noticed the speed limit was reduced back down to 35mph. It is very nice to see the council of Antwerp honored their promise.

—Mike Knapp

STRIKE UP THE BAND

Why not grab up the instrument that has been laying around and join the Oakwood Community Band? We are re-organizing again this month at 6:30 in the Oakwood Elementary School Music Room for practice, along with lots of fellowship and fun. Join us for practice Monday, February 15 as we ready for the spring and summer gigs at nursing homes, outdoor concerts, etc.

Questions? Call Jane Sharp (419-594-2812) or Karen Jacobs (419-594-2138) for more information. We'd love

to hear from you.

HICKSVILLE MASONIC LODGE INDUCTS NEWEST MEMBER

Dick Wann opened the Lodge and the pledge was given. There were eleven past Masters in attendance along with 50-year members Doyle Johnson, Richard Savage and Derrill Kline. Others on the sidelines included Tim Betts, Hanson Lilly, Russell St. John, Walter Schilb, Estel Cottrell, Lee Kallsen, Robert Stotler Jr., Ron Farnsworth, Jim Kline, Scott Ruppert, Jim Miller, Mike Villena, Dick Wann, Bill Metz, Ryan Metz, Curtis Metz, Grover Blalock, Raymond Gillespie, and Greg Headley. Kenneth Crouch from Bryan Lodge #215 was also in attendance.

Birthday cards were signed and sent to members Bud Amaden January 28, Jim Sidenbender January 30, Bill Cummins February 5, Larry Payton February 7, and Scott Wonderly February 8.

Hicksville Assistant Principal Jeremy Kuhlman was welcomed into the Fraternity. Three new petitions were presented and accepted. It was reported that extensive repair work was completed on the restrooms in the Lodge. According to the history of the Lodge, the members have been meeting in above the Hicksville Pharmacy since 1939. Hicksville Masonic Lodge was chartered in 1874. Several meeting places have been recorded. Although there is no record of the first location of the Lodge, in 1881 a new Lodge hall was dedicated at 104 E. High Street above what is now Radio Shack. In 1902 the Lodge was moved to the south side of High and Maple Streets above what is now Haver Furniture. In 1915 a new hall was specifically built in the American Building on the third floor and in 1939 moved to their present location.

The next Inspection will be conducted at Bryan Lodge #215 on February 19th at 7:00 p.m. At the next stated meeting on February 10 degree work is scheduled. The Lodge

was then closed and all retired to the dinning room for fellowship and a light lunch prepared by Sue Wann.

ANTWERP VETS: DON'T MISS 3/10/10 DEADLINE FOR V.E.T.S. MEMORIAL

March 31, 2010 deadline has been set by the V.E.T.S. committee for the Antwerp area Veterans names to be engraved on the memorial tablets at NO CHARGE. This allows ample time to provide the proper documentation for all veterans: living, deceased, or buried in any cemetery within the Antwerp Local School District boundary line.

Discharged Veterans' documentation received on or after April 1, 2010 will be charged a nominal fee of \$75 per name engraved. No exceptions!

In regards to current and future Antwerp area Veterans discharged on or after April 1, 2010, no fees will be charged to engrave a name at the memorial site.

Authorized parties may request to view or receive a copy of Armed Forces Discharge Records (DD-214). The Paulding Co. Recorder's office is located in the County Courthouse, open Monday - Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The Paulding Co. Veterans Service Office is located at 810 E. Perry St. Paulding, OH 45879. (Mailing: send to P.O. Box 215) There is NO CHARGE for this information. Call the Recorder's office at 419/399-8275 or Paulding Co. VSO 419/399-8285 for further information or to request the discharge be mailed to the V.E.T.S. Committee.

Please contact the V.E.T.S. Committee with questions by mailing to VETS P.O. Box 742, Antwerp, OH 45813. Phone contacts: Karen Sanders 419/399-5764, Keith West 419/258-2232 or Nancy Lichty 419/258-2026.

NOTE: V.E.T.S. public meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. - American Legion Post 253, 518 Erie St. Antwerp, OH 45813.

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ANTWERP HISTORY



By: Stan Jordan
 This picture is of the Antwerp Archer Basketball Team of 1948. I think this was both the Varsity and the Reserve Squad and covered all four high school classes.
Back Row: Kenny Pugh, Bob Meyers, Dick Friend, Tommy Schmunk, Dick Dunderman, N. L. Samaha (Coach), Harry Cottrell, Tom Cottrell, Joseph Oulette, Dick Armstrong,

Fred Shaffer, Raymond Bender (Manager).
Middle Row: Rex Seslar, Charles Hissong, Jim Sidenbender, Harold Martin, Robert Seslar, Jerry Lucas, Bob Schilb, Herby Stevenson, Pinky Billman and Jim Schmunk.
Bottom Row: Bill Hammond, Gale Snyder, Phil Meyers, Marcelle Mees, Joan Hemenover, Jane Trutwin, Dick Bell and Jim Quaintance. -See Ya!

AROUND THE WORLD WITH BOB NIGHSWANDER

By: Stan Jordan
 Just a little review on Antwerp's traveling Ambassador. Bob started at the Fort Monmouth Radar School and then pulled a hitch in Korea working on radars.

After his return from the Army, he was hired by ITT as they make Air Traffic Control equipment and that has been his field.

When his company would sell some of the A.T.C. equipment he would train some of the country men on how to install and maintain it.

If a country had some trouble with said equipment

Bob was the person sent over there to repair it.

Bob was sent to Norway to repair a unit and I asked about the customs and the food and drink. He said that at breakfast they had cheese and an egg held in a tall glass. Well, he didn't know what to do, so he waited until the other folks broke a hole in the shell and ate it with a spoon. But lunch and dinner were about the same as ours.

Bob said sometimes he had to call his wife and have her pack his suitcase and then meet him at the airport. He said that his wife, Maxine, was always very supportive.

He had an 8:30 a.m. flight to Saudi Arabia. He stopped at Heathrow in England first. He said his flights were usually first class. He then went on to Vesroy.

On one trip he flew from Chicago to Copenhagen and then on to Jetta. In Saudi Arabia there was two million Muslims making their pilgrimage to Mecca. At the airport tower they told him all the streets were covered with sleeping people and not to step on them. Muslims are expected to make that pilgrimage at least once in their lifetime. They came from all over the world. The city of Mecca was about 20 miles away. All of that area was off limits to other people.

While Bob was in Saudi Arabia, two Palestinian men were caught stealing. After the hearing their right hands were severed just below the thumb and people had to watch all this action to impress upon them not to steal.

On another flight, the one to Norway, as he returned to his hotel room there was a cigarette butt in his ashtray and Bob didn't smoke. He was a little nervous about this. But I'll bet he was under surveillance at most of the cities he was in.

When he left Copenhagen, he flew to Frankfurt in Germany. He had to lay over one day and left there at 5:30 p.m. on Monday for a flight to Bombay, India, then to Singapore, then down to Indonesia and arrived there at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, a long tiring flight of 23 hours.

Nobody met him at the airport. There was a mix up on the dates. A fellow said to use the paging system. But it didn't help, this man used broken English and told him to exchange his money. Bob told the bank teller to put the big bills on the bottom so he wouldn't over pay.

A sign said to use Blue Bird Taxi service. The driver grabbed his suitcase and headed across the parking lot to his taxi, a 1952 Chevy. He was going to put Bob's suitcase in the trunk of the taxi but Bob said company policy wouldn't allow that. Or never give anyone your passport, you won't get it back.

A policeman came up and took Bob to the hotel. Due to the mix-up Bob didn't have a reservation. This was a scare

but he got a room anyhow.

While he was in Indonesia he met a fellow who used to work in Fort Wayne with him. They went out to a restaurant to celebrate Bob's 34th birthday with a big seven course meal with salads and a number of meats.

His friend said, "You don't want any of that one, that is the stomach of a monkey." Nearly all the food was spicy.

Bob said that nearly all of the airport towers had a man that could speak English. But you needed an interpreter for the technicians. Bob was there two weeks. The people were very friendly.

His wife, Maxine, and the kids were going to call on his birthday, but due to the date line they were a day off.

He took a flight from Indonesia to Tokyo. This flight two weeks earlier had been hijacked to Bangladesh. Bob was a little worried about that.

So his flight was from Tokyo nonstop to Chicago then on to Fort Wayne and home. He had traveled all the way around the world.

I hope you have enjoyed this story about some of Bob's trips. I just think this little town of Antwerp is blessed to have a fellow who goes anywhere to set up and repair Air Traffic Control equipment. Many lives have depended on his expertise.

Bob, I know I speak for all of Antwerp when I say, "We're proud of you!"

I know that there were many times when he was thousands of miles from home and knew no one and that he was a little nervous and scared. But Bob said when he went to the hotel at night he had his Bible and church books and prayed a lot for guidance and support. He had the best helper he could get.

See Ya!



By: Stan Jordan

A policeman was in pursuit of a passenger car at the north end of the city. The policeman was getting closer and the driver sped up faster to escape.

Well, this went on for a few miles and he couldn't lose the policeman, so he slowed up and pulled over to the side of the road.

The patrolman walked up to the side of the car and asked the driver, "Why were you going so fast? Why were you trying to escape from me?"

The driver said, "Well, the other day a policeman ran off with my wife and I thought you were bringing her back!"

See Ya!

HENRY A. BYROADE

By: Stan Jordan

He was born in Maumee Township in Allen County, IN in 1913. His parents were Ernest C. and Carrie Byroade. He had one brother and one sister.

He wanted to attend Yale University but at that time money was very tight and he could not afford that. He managed to get an appointment for West Point and graduated from there in 1937.

He married Mary K. Richards in 1937 and they had three boys.

He was an intelligent officer and rose quickly up the ladder. He was a temporary Brig. General by the time he was 32 years old in 1946. He was the youngest General in the U.S. Army.

In 1949 until 1952, he was assigned to the State Dept. for German Affairs. In 1952 he resigned his Army Commission and then joined the State Dept. and was still in his 30's.

He tried to be a go-between between the Israelis and the Arabs back in 1954 and that was an impossible job. In 1956 he was transferred to South Africa because he couldn't satisfy everybody, they all wanted their own way.

From then on he was an Ambassador to five other countries. He was a very intellectual man and his advise

and suggestions were generally accepted.

He was divorced from his first wife, Mary K. Richards in 1961. He was married to Jitka Donda Henson and they had one daughter and two step-sons.

He died at the Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland on December 31st. He was 80 years old and lived in Bethesda. The cause was Cardiopulmonary Arrest and some complications from a cancer surgery in June of that year. He was buried January 10th of 1994 in Arlington National Cemetery.

He served his country faithfully and well for 40 years retiring in 1977.

See Ya!

V.E.T.S. GULF WAR - PRES- ENT VETERAN LISTING

This concludes our list of the Gulf War through the present listing. All the documentation has been turned in for this group. Next week we will step back in time and look at our ancestors that were Veterans. We are still taking names and documentation until March 31 which is when we will have the final list to send to Homier's for engraving.

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BUEHRER ELECTED TO KEY SENATE LEADERSHIP POSITION

State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) this afternoon was elected by his fellow Republican senators to serve as the Ohio Senate's Majority Whip for the remainder of the 128th General Assembly, filling an opening left by the resignation of State Senator Mark Waggoner.

"From his first day in the Senate, Steve's experience, hard work and extensive knowledge of many policy issues has been a tremendous asset to our caucus and has earned him the respect of his colleagues on both sides of the aisle," said Senate President Bill Harris. "As Majority Whip, I know he will work in a bipartisan manner to help solve the many challenges facing our state and will continue

to be a strong and passionate advocate for the people of Northwest Ohio."

Before coming to the Senate in 2007, Sen. Buehrer served four terms as the State Representative for the 82nd Ohio House District. He has long championed policy that respects individual freedom, promotes strong family values and encourages development and job growth in Ohio's communities, sponsoring legislation to streamline business regulations and improve transportation infrastructure. He also successfully passed a bill in 2008 to establish Ohio's Castle Doctrine and has been a strong proponent of pro-life efforts in the General Assembly.

Steve has taken an active role in several regional and national legislative organizations. He was recently selected by a bipartisan group of state lawmakers from across the Midwest to chair the 2010 Council of State Governments' (CSG) Midwestern Legislative Conference, which works to encourage state legislatures in the region to exchange ideas and best practices to help solve common problems. He was also named vice chair of CSG's national governing board and executive committee.

"I am humbled and honored to be elected by my colleagues to such an important leadership position," said Buehrer. "I look forward to working hard in the coming months to complete the Senate's priorities for 2010 and begin addressing the many challenges our state will face in future years."

FROM THE VANTAGE POINT: VANTAGE OPEN HOUSE & SCHOLARSHIP DINNER FEBRUARY 8TH!



Vantage Welding instructor, Brent Wright (left) visits with prospective students and parents during Open House 2009.



Katie Trittschuh (left) and Megan Woodruff are all smiles as they visit the "Tin Man" in the Vantage Early Childhood Education lab during Open House 2009.

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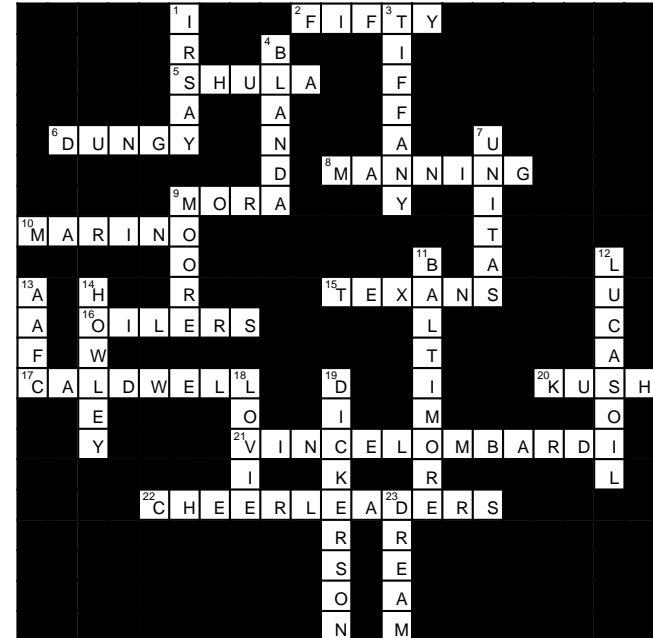
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Last Issue's answers to "Indianapolis Colts & Super Bowl XLI"



SPAGHETTI DINNER TO BE HELD TO HELP PAULDING FIREFIGHTER'S FAMILY

On January 21, 2010 Paulding firefighter, Kyle Carlisle and his girlfriend Jodi brought a beautiful baby girl, Kori Rose, into the world. She was born a happy healthy baby. She went home with her mom and dad on Saturday the 23rd.

On Monday the 25th, she began having problems breathing and also had a low body temperature. She was taken to Van Wert hospital, tests were run on Kori and an enlarged heart was found. Kori was stabilized and transferred to Dayton Children's Hospital. An ultrasound was done on her heart and found that she

had a narrowing aorta and a small left ventricle.

Kori's only hope for her survival is to travel to Cincinnati Children's Hospital for heart surgery. She will have to have a series of three surgeries over the next four years. Kyle and Jodi are doing as good as can be expected with the situation at hand. Kori also has a loving big brother, Kason, at home who is hoping for her to come home.

Please come and show your support for a Paulding firefighter and his family. A Spaghetti Dinner Benefit is planned for February 7, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Paulding Fire Station. For questions and donation information, contact Rob Vance at 419-789-0415.

PUBLIC NOTICE:
The Village of Antwerp will hold a special Council Meeting on Monday, February 8th at 6 p.m. at Town Hall for the purpose of 2nd readings of 6 Ordinances/Resolutions. The Village of Antwerp will hold the regular February Council Meeting on February 22 at 5:30 p.m.

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PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS

FEBRUARY 2010 NEWSLETTER



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

The second semester of the 2009-2010 school year is off to a great start. The annual organizational meeting for the school board was held on January 12 with Liz Hunt and Mark Manz taking the oath of office, joining Cheryl Farley, Tam Stoller and Greg Reinhart on the Paulding Board of Education. Cheryl Farley was elected President and Liz Hunt was elected Vice President. The next meeting is Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 in the Administration Building Conference Room.

The deadline for nominations to our Academic Hall of Fame is March 1, 2010. The Academic Hall of Fame was created to recognize and honor graduates who have achieved a significant degree of success in their pursuits of higher education and in their professional careers. The inductees to the Paulding Exempted Village Academic Hall of Fame will provide outstanding role models to our current students. Nomination forms are available on our website at www.pauldingschools.org or may be picked up in any office. Nominations will be accepted for graduates of Paulding High School, or any high school that was within the boundaries of the current Paulding Exempted Village Schools District. This class will be recognized during our graduation ceremony on May 30, 2010. Please consider nominating one of our graduates.

If you have children attending school in our district, please plan to attend Parent-Teacher Conferences on February 9 or February 11. Communication between home and school is an important factor in success for all students. Working together will make Paulding Exempted Village Schools a stronger school district.

Pat Ross
Superintendent

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Paulding Elementary-Wendy Nashu

The 2009-2010 school year is more than half over. It is a very good time to check if your child is making typical progress at school. Conferences are February 9 and 11, this gives an opportunity to find out how well your children are doing and what they may need to improve upon in specific areas.

Ohio Academic Assessments are coming at the end of April. These are one way to see how your child is doing on assessments that all students take in Ohio. To help your child be successful, our school has been focusing on reading and following directions for January. We will continue to focus on essential test taking skills along with academics each and every day. In February a focus on checking over school work to make the best possible choices will be a school-wide topic. As parents/guardians you can help by having your child check over their homework before having you check it. When students are able to find and correct their own mistakes this reinforces learning and self esteem.

Math is difficult for some students but with practice children gain confidence that they have the skills needed to do their work. Here are some tips to help your child do well in math.

- Help them master the basic facts.**
(Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division)
Mastery of a basic fact means that children can give an answer in less than three seconds. Considerable drill is required for children to give quick responses. Use flash cards to help your children learn the basic facts. When they don't know an answer, have them lay out objects to solve the problem or draw the problem on paper.
- Encourage them to write their numbers neatly.**
Twenty-five percent of all errors in solving math problems can be traced back to sloppy number writing. Improve your children's number-writing skills by having them trace over numbers that you have written. Suggest they use graph paper to keep the numbers in problems neatly aligned.
- Show them how to handle their math homework.**
Doing math homework reinforces the skills your children are learning in class. If they are having difficulty at home or you do not understand how your child is to complete an assignment let your child's teacher know.
- Explain how to solve word problems.**
Teach your children to read a word problem several times. Also, have them draw a picture or diagram to describe it.

5. Teach them how to do math "in their head."

One of the major ways to solve problems is by using mental math. Kids should use this method frequently instead of using pencil and paper or a calculator. When helping your children with a problem, help them determine when it would be appropriate to use mental math.

As part of our PAWS Character program to reinforce caring and compassion, our students are having a change war to raise money to help people in Haiti. Thank you for your assistance with giving donations that once again shows the generous giving from the people of Paulding. The money will go to UMCOR to create Health Kits to send to Haiti. A local youth group will be putting the Health Kits together and take care of sending these to Haiti.

The PTO is always giving a lot of time and support to our school. They are always in need of volunteers for various projects and fun activities. Please drop in the office to give your name and number where you can be reached to pass on to the PTO. Your involvement with activities for our students would be greatly appreciated.

A big thank you goes out to all the volunteers that come in daily to help. Your assistance is priceless. Together we do better because of your assistance to teachers and students, commitment and time.

Have a fantastic February!

Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz

I am writing this on the 95th day of school. If the weather cooperates, we will have had our 100th Day Celebration before you read this article. That is a BIG event for our primary grade students-lots and lots of 100 Day activities take place on that day!

We are half way through the 3rd quarter of the school year. At each grade level, the work continues to be progressively more difficult and the expectations get higher as we move through the year. As we reach this point in the school year, it seems especially appropriate that the character trait focus for January is perseverance; and for February, it is cheerfulness. We appreciate those students who keep a positive attitude and continue to give their best effort as they are learning new things every day!

We wish 5th grader, Julie Anne Holbrooks, the very best of luck on Monday, February 8, as she will be representing Oakwood Elementary at the Paulding County Spelling Bee to be held at Payne Elementary!

We also want to give congratulations to Trent Church in 6th grade for being the Paulding Exempted Village Schools Geography Bee champion. He took a State qualifying Geography Bee test on January 14, and we are anxiously awaiting those results.

We have finished the Reading-Is-A-Sport program for the year. Several of our students met their reading goals and will be recognized at a PHS varsity wrestling match or basketball game. We want to thank our varsity Panther athletes for making the events special for our star readers! We also look forward to hosting the PHS varsity athletes at our annual Oakwood Elementary pep rally in February. If you listen closely on February 11, you might even hear us rockin' the place as we boisterously cheer for our Panthers!!

Thank you for your continued support!

Middle School-David Stallkamp

Thank you to all of the parents that have been so cooperative with the start of our new After School Detention. Because of total parental support, this program has gotten off to a fantastic start. We have only had a few students attend, so I truly feel this program is working and will be very beneficial to their academic success.

Congratulations go out to the following students for their academic success:

Sydney Provines-MS Spelling Bee champion; Jerika Bland-MS Spelling Bee runner-up; Lucas Arend-District Geography Bee runner-up, Katie Carnahan and Allison Harpel-3rd place in the Northmont Science Olympiad competition in "Can't Judge a Powder"; Ellie Miller-4th place at Northmont in "Science Crime Busters".

Congratulations to the following students who had all A's for the 2nd Nine Weeks:

Lucas Arend, Kelsey Beck, Allison Harpel, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Branson Minck, Megan Reineck, Emilee Ringler, Taylor Schooley, Kathryn Clapsaddle, Ashley Strahley, Katelyn Back, Katherine Fleck, Andrew Layman, Brad Matson, Sierra McCullough, Kaylyn Rager, Kaitlyn Roughton and Jaelyn Schlatter.

Congratulations to the following for their athletic success at the Ayersville Invitational Wrestling tournament:

Chazz Hahn-1st place; Taylor Deatrack-2nd place; Adam Deatrack-3rd place; Ryan Wisner-4th place.

Brad Matson was chosen as the WestBend News "Student of the Month" for January. Brad is a 4.0 student that plays saxophone in the middle school maroon band. He also participates in Science Olympiad and the school Science Fair. Brad is a tremendous academic role model for his classmates. He is the 8th grade son of David and Donna Matson.

The Paulding County Spelling Bee will be held on February 8 at 7:00 p.m. at Payne Elementary School. Our representative will again be Sydney Provines. We wish her the very best of luck in this stiff competition.

Mid term reports for the third nine weeks grading period will be sent home on Tuesday, February 9.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES are scheduled for February 9 and 11 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. I would like to see a very large number of parents attend these conferences. Middle School and High School always tend to have lower numbers of parents attend, but it is very important to continue to show our support for our kids in the upper grades, as well. Please call Marcy at ext. 1212 to schedule an appointment.

Our middle school Science Fair is set for February 19 at 2:30 in Mrs. Favorito's room. Mark your calendars to come and see all the fantastic projects the kids have been working on for a very long time now.

Please remember that the Ohio Achievement Assessments are scheduled for April 27, 28 and 29, when planning vacations, etc. We need to once again be rated as an "Excellent" school by the state of Ohio.

In closing, please continue praying for the people of Haiti. To help show our support for the rescue and clean up efforts, the Paulding Middle School Student Council sponsored two fund raising events. The first allowed students to wear "decent" pajamas and a hat to school for a \$1 donation and the second event was Teacher Make-Over Day. The teacher who got the most \$.50 votes allowed the students to make him/her over and/or dress them up in a funny way for a day. It was a fun way to raise money for a very worthwhile cause. I am very proud to announce that the students and staff at Paulding Middle School raised \$266.09 for the earthquake victims of Haiti. In addition to that money, the Defiance VFW heard about our fund raiser and contributed \$1000 to the cause in our name. The money will be sent to Doctors Without Borders USA.

I am very excited and pleased to announce that Paulding Middle School received a trophy from radio station WZOM 105.7 "The Bull" as being the TOP DONOR in Paulding County for the "Neighbors In Need" project. Our staff and students donated the most items for the needy in the entire county. I thank all student council members and their advisors Mrs. LeeAnn Favorito and Mrs. Jill Hatcher, for coordinating this drive, and to all the buildings and staff members for contributing to the families in need. Great job.

High School-Todd Harmon

Paulding High School will be having its Winter Homecoming activities February 1-5 (Friday, February 5 will be a home game vs. Lincolnview and a dance on Saturday, February 6). Students will need to have fees paid or a payment plan set up in the office to be able to attend or participate in this extracurricular event. Our winter sports teams are working very hard and have earned some victories we hope to see continue as they prepare for tournaments later next month. The Engineering team will compete February 24 at Ada and Science Olympiad will compete at Regionals March 6 at OSU in Lima.

Steps in the scheduling process for 2010-2011 have been initiated by PHS counselors Mrs. Koester and Mr. Miller. Students in English classes have been given preliminary information on course offerings, scheduling options and requirements for graduation. It is important that students discuss this information with their parents. PHS Counselors Koester and Miller will be available during the parent-teacher conferences scheduled for Tuesday, February 9 and Thursday, February 11 to discuss 2010-2011 schedule information with parents. Please contact PHS at 419-399-4656 to schedule a conference.

There will be a post-secondary enrollment options meeting for parents of children in grades 8-11 in the H.S. Media Center from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. on February 9. This meeting is mandatory for anyone wishing to pursue this option.

A new semester has started and a new beginning will give students the opportunity to achieve higher grades and scores. Our teachers are eager to help your child progress as we gear up for the Ohio Graduation Test in March. Please check your child's progress on our website at <http://pvhs.noacsc.org/hs/index.htm> and come meet with our excellent teaching staff during conferences so we all can see success and progress.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

The second parent-teacher conferences of the school year will take place on Tuesday, February 9 and Thursday February 11 from 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. both days at all buildings. **There will be no school Friday, February 12.** Please mark your calendar. This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teachers. Everyone is strongly urged to participate.

AFTER PROM PARENTS

The junior class parents will again be hosting the after prom this year. Donations are being collected to sponsor this event. If you have not been contacted and would be interested in donating, please contact Patty Meriwether at 419-769-3813.

VALENTINE GIFT DELIVERIES

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

FREE PRESCHOOL SCREENING

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

ATHLETIC CALENDAR EVENTS

Varsity Wrestling		
Feb. 4	WT/Edgerton-H	6:00
Feb. 13	NWC@Spencerville-T	10:00
JH Boys Basketball		
Feb. 1	Wendy's Classic@Crestview-T	5:30
Feb. 9	Delphos Jefferson-H	5:00
Feb. 11	Defiance-H	4:30
Feb. 16	Lincolnview-T	5:00
Freshman Basketball		
Feb. 1	Continental-H	5:00
Feb. 2	Fairview-H	4:30
Feb. 4	Elida-H	5:00
Feb. 9	Hicksville-T	5:00
Feb. 11	Ada-H	5:00
Feb. 15	Ayersville-T	5:00
Feb. 18	Spencerville-T	5:00
Boys JV/Varsity Basketball		
Feb. 5	Lincolnview-H	6:00
Feb. 9	LCC-T	6:00
Feb. 12	Ada-H	6:00
Feb. 19	Spencerville-T	6:00
Feb. 20	Bryan-H	6:00
Feb. 26	Allen East-H	6:00
JH Girls Basketball		
Feb. 9	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Feb. 11	Defiance-T	4:30
Feb. 16	Lincolnview-H	5:00
Girls JV/Varsity Basketball		
Feb. 2	Fairview-H	6:00
Feb. 4	Lincolnview-T	6:00
Feb. 6	Continental-T	1:00
Feb. 11	Ada-T	6:00
Feb. 16	Defiance-T	6:00
Feb. 18	Spencerville-H	6:00

DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

Feb. 1	Science Olympiad Booster Mtg	7:00p
Feb. 2	Soph. Vantage Visit	8:30a
Feb. 3	NED Show Assembly-PldgEl & OakEl	
Feb. 3	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
Feb. 4	FFA Sub District Eval D-AgRm	
Feb. 4	Reading is a Sport@Wrest Meet	6:00
Feb. 5	Reading is a Sport@Bsktbl Game	6:00
Feb. 6	ACT Tests	7:30a-12:30
Feb. 6	HS Solo/Ensemble Contest-St. Mary's	
Feb. 6	Winter Homecoming Dance	8-11:00
Feb. 8	FFA Chapter Mtg-Ag Room	6:30p
Feb. 8	Pldg Cnty Spelling Bee-Payne	7:00p
Feb. 9	Post-Second. Mtg-Media Center	6:30p
Feb. 9	Parent-Teacher Conferences	4:30-7:30p
Feb. 10	Oak.El. January Student/Month Lunch	
Feb. 11	FFA Sub Dist. C Job Interview-Delphos	
Feb. 11	Parent-Teacher Conferences	4:30-7:30p
Feb. 11	ASVAB Tests for Jrs/Srs	7:40a-11:00
Feb. 12	FFA District Evaluations-OSU Lima	
Feb. 12	NO SCHOOL Due to Conferences	
Feb. 13	FFA Meats Invitational-OSU Columbus	
Feb. 15	NO SCHOOL-Presidents' Day	
Feb. 16	Board Meeting-Adm. Bldg.	7:00p
Feb. 18	FFA Dist. Job Interview-Crestview	
Feb. 19	FFA Dist. Tractor Troubleshooting Contest-Mohawg/New Riegel	
Feb. 19	M.S. Science Fair	2:30
Feb. 20-27	National FFA Week	
Feb. 22	Band Bstr Mtg-Band Room	7:00p
Feb. 23	FFA Sub Dist Public Speaking-Delphos	
Feb. 23	Oak.El. 5th/6th gr. Band Concert	7:00p
Feb. 24	Engineering Team Comp.-ONU Ada	
Feb. 26	AmRedCrossBlood Drive-HS	8:30-1:30
Feb. 26	Oak.El. Kdg. Family Reading Day	3:00
Feb. 26	Oak.El. Preschool Family Day	
Feb. 27	FFA Highland County Inv.-Hillsboro	

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LADY ARCHERS FALL SHORT AGAINST LADY RAIDERS



The Lady Raiders came to the Archer facilities to play a very aggressive game. Neither team disappointed! The Lady Archers gave a run for the money to Wayne Trace, but in the end the Lady Raiders came out on top 28-35. Shown here is Junior JoEllen Fickel scoring and getting the foul shot too. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

On January 27, the Lady Raiders of Wayne Trace invaded Archer land for some HS girls basketball. Fierce competition ensued the entire evening with Wayne Trace coming out the victors: 35-28.

Score by the quarter:

Wayne Trace - 9 7 8 11=35
Antwerp - 7 11 4 6=28
Archer scorers:
Bashore 4, Arnold 13,
Stuck 11

The day before the Lady Raiders bested Delphos Jefferson: 48-45.

LADY PIRATES PILLAGE IN ARCHER COUNTRY

The Lady Archers played host to the Continental Lady Pirates on January 26. The Pirates plundered the Lady Archers after a close game: 34-26.

Score by the quarter:

Continental - 10 7 8 9=34

Antwerp - 5 5 9 7=26

Archer scorers:

Jones 9, Bashore 4, Arnold 9, Smalley 4

WAYNE TRACE WRESTLERS COMPETE AT VAN BUREN TOURNAMENT

The Wayne High School wrestlers competed recently at the Van Buren Wrestling Invitational Tournament. The team placed 11th out of 21 teams that entered. The Raiders had two top placers. Cody Stahl was crowned the champion at 152#, and Kameron Clemens 130# placed 5th. After three rounds of wrestling on Friday night, the Raider team was setting in 5th place, and were only 10 points behind the first place team. At the close of the action on Friday night, there was eight Wayne Trace wrestlers that would be back on Saturday for the second day competition. Zach Cotterman 125#, Kameron Clemens 130#, Michael Boyd 135#, Sawyer Temple 140#, Tyler Arnett 145#, Cody Stahl 152#, Aaron Harris 171# and Robert (Moose) Norling 215#.

In the first round of consolations Michael Boyd pinned his opponent in a time of 2:54; Tyler Arnett next went to the mat and easily defeated his man by a fast :50 sec pin. Aaron Harris and Andy Norling each received a bye and this advanced each wrestler into the second round of consolations where Zach Cotterman won by a pin in 3:33. Sawyer Temple won in pin time of 1:58 and Aaron Harris had a pin at 3:54. Michael Boyd, Tyler Arnett and Andy Norling were all defeated in this round and were eliminated from the tournament. In the third round of consolations, Zach Cotterman and Sawyer Temple too were defeated and they also were out of the tournament action.

Left alive at this point were Raiders Kameron Clemens and Cody Stahl who each advanced to the semi-final. Kameron lost a very hard fought battle by a close dec. of 6-4 to his man from Calvert. In Cody's match he upset the #1 seeded wrestler from Lakota and advanced him to the championship match. When the parade of champions began, Kameron and Cody stood among the very best wrestlers who each had fought and stayed alive for one last time to go to the mats. Kameron won his match by pinning Brandon Montgomery from McComb. Cody won his match over Brent Oues from Allen East, this win guaranteed him the tournament champion. The top Raider wrestler of the tournament went to Cody Stahl. He came into the tournament as the 4th seeded underdog and pulled off two major upsets along the way to be crowned the 152# champion. He defeated the #1 and #2 seeded wrestlers to earn his championship title. This also made Cody the first Raider wrestler to ever win this very tough VanBuren tournament.

Coach Clemens com-

mented, "I thought Cody did an outstanding job through these two days of tournament wrestling. When he came here he had one goal in mind, to be the champion and be the first wrestler from Wayne Trace to ever bring home the gold medal. He did both." Coach Clemens continued, "As far as our team goes, I can see so much improvement from every one of our kids. We just keep improving all the time. This is the highest that Wayne Trace has ever placed in this very tough tournament and our first champion. When we came back on Saturday we came back with eight wrestlers still alive, and the ones that did not make it all the way through, was only because they made little mistakes, those we can continue to work out. I'm so very proud to be a part of the wrestling program here at Wayne Trace, and the way that our program has started to excel over these last few years."

ACAC & WOODLAN WRESTLING INVITATIONAL RESULTS

Garrett hosted the 39th edition of the ACAC Wrestling Tournament and the Railoaders squeaked by South Adams in the competitive meet. The top 4 teams finished within 29 of each other. Garrett had just 1 individual champion and the Starfires had 3, but Garrett placed 6 wrestlers in the runner-up spots. Woodlan had Cody Zink as champion at 140 and runner-ups at 171 and 189 with Alex Brenneke and Ethan Hirschy.

ACAC Wrestling Tournament - Team Results:

Garrett 184, South Adams 176, Leo 163.5, Southern Wells 155, Adams Central 149, Heritage 142, Woodlan 98, Bluffton 86.5

Greenville Ohio claimed the title at the Woodlan Wrestling Invitational with Churubusco finishing second and Leo third. Greenville had 4 individual champions and 3 runner-ups in the meet. Cody Zink (135) and Alex Brenneke (160) were champions for Woodlan and Austin Hammon (112) was runner-up

WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING CLUB COMPETES IN NAPOLEON TOURNAMENT

The Wayne Trace Wrestling club competed in it's first tournament of the season this past weekend, competing in the Napoleon invitational. 18 of the 23 wrestlers that competed placed.

Placing first: Jarrett Hornish, Ty Tinlin, Worth Clark, Austin Pierce, and Brendan Dingus.

Placing second: Riley Rue, Hunter Long, Dylan Laney, Nate Showalter, Brandon Laney, Robbie Bowers, Anthony Rooks, and Caleb Schultz.

Placing third: Taylor Long, Austin Smith, and Hunter Showalter.

Placing fourth: Miah Rue, and Arin Canfield

WBESC GOVERNING BOARD FEBRUARY MEETING

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will hold its governing board regular February meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Van Wert ESC Office, 10730 W. Lincoln Highway, Van Wert, 45891.

ERFORD BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD



Paulding Lady Panther Shelby Erford broke the school 3 point record while playing against Tinora High School January 26, 2010. So far she has accumulated 84 baskets with more on the way. The previous record was 82 and held by Ashleigh Stallkamp. Shown here is Paulding's A.D. Chris Etzler awarding the LCC game ball to Shelby on Jan. 28.



After Shelby's presentation Thursday night Paulding ladies went against LCC. Another good game, but Paulding came out on top in a high scoring game 59-49. Shown here is Sophomore Jessica Farr scoring for Paulding. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

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GAME OF THE WEEK: ARCHERS VS. RAIDERS AT THE PALACE



The battle of the week must be this game at the Palace—Antwerp vs Wayne Trace Boys. The crowds went wild from the beginning to the end on such a close game. The Raiders fell behind and the Archers did very well the first half(25-16). The second half was a different story. Wayne Trace changed strategies and brought their points back and Antwerp scored 4 points total the second half. Antwerp ended up winning 29-27 this game. Shown here is freshman Justin Bute scoring for the Archers. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

WAYNE TRACE VARSITY WRESTLERS COMPETE AT LCC

The Wayne Trace Varsity Wrestling team competed in the Lima Central Catholic Tournament this past weekend. The Tournament is one of the toughest high school tournaments in the state. It is compiled of 34 Division III schools from all over Ohio.

The lone Raider to place was 130# Kameran Clemens. He placed 6th. The Raiders placed 24th as a team.

WT JH WRESTLING @ WAUSEON JH TOURNAMENT

The WTJH wrestling team competed at the Wauseon JH Invitational Saturday January 30. The wrestling team finish 6th out of 13 teams.

Team results: Wauseon 189.5, Delta 185, Washington Gold 147.5, Donell 146.5, Ayersville 117.5, Wayne Trace 91, Evergreen 72, Hicksville 58, Montpelier 46, Central 39, Washington Blue 25, Wauseon B 5, and Fairview 3.5

Wayne Trace Placers:

Jacob Dingus, 1st at 104#
Aaron Miller, 1st at 110#
Tyler Showalter, 1st at 122#
Zac Wesley, 3rd at 110# (entered as a B wrestler. Was not able to score any team points)
Justin Pierce, 4th at 160#
Jacob Schlegel, 4th at 172#
The JH wrestling team will be looking to finish the season with a perfect record this Thursday night against Paulding and Edgerton at Paulding.

After Thursday, the boys will be at the old Edgerton High School Saturday to try to become the second JH team to win the GMC in school history. Wrestling will start at 10:00 a.m.

COACH CLEMENS EARNS MR. NICE GUY COACHES' AWARD

By: Dian Clemens

Wayne Trace High School wrestling coach, George Clemens III, was recently chosen and awarded the Mr Nice Guy Coaches Award at the Van Buren Wrestling Tournament. Each year the officials of the Tournament vote for a coach they feel is worthy of the award.

It was during the 245# match when the wrestler was losing to his opponent from Swanton. The referee called an illegal slam against Swanton. "I had to make a tough decision here," said coach Clemens. "If my man does not get up he wins automatically, by default, but I felt that the slam was not intentional. The Swanton wrestler is a very good wrestler and I felt in the heat of the match he just made a mistake. I did not, and could not take this win away from him. I chose instead to default my man and give the win to Swanton. Some may not have agreed with me but I felt this was the best for all."

The Swanton wrestler went on to become the 245# champion. Clemens continues, "My wrestler, who I defaulted, is a first-year wrestler and probably one of the nicest guys on my team, he has shown so much improvement in his first season and I know someday he will be standing in the #1 spot."

In addition the officials felt the wrestlers of Wayne Trace were a well-disciplined team and not only treated the officials with respect but also their opponents.

REGISTRATION FOR ANTWERP BALL ASSOCIATION COMING UP

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

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

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

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

We will have sign up lists available for coaching and work days at registration.

Opening day will be May 8th and once again we will be having our annual BBQ fund-raiser. Most teams will be playing that day.

The sponsorship letters were mailed in December. If you did not get a form and would like to sponsor a team or donate to the Antwerp Ball Association, please call Shelly Burns at 419-258-2373 and she will get the information to you.

If you have any questions or concerns please see a board member and we will be happy to help you in any way.



The Lady Warriors had a great game against Southern Wells Jan 30. Woodlan won 69-65. Shown here is Junior Grace Keller being fouled on a shot attempt. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

LADY WARRIORS TAKEN OUT BY CADETS

By: Jeff Abbott

Concordia quickly went to work against Woodlan, opening up a 20-2 lead after the first quarter and the Lady Cadets cruised to 57-28 win over the Warriors in girls' basketball. Grace Keller was high point scorer for Woodlan with 7 points.

Score by the quarter:

Woodlan – 2 6 5 15=28

Concordia – 20 8 12 17=57

Scorers:

Woodlan – Keller 7, Malfait 5, Wiedemann 5, Yoder 2, Ehle 2, Kayser 2, Oberlin 4, Numbers 1

Concordia – Borchelt 10, Newbauer 10, Goeglein 7, Kammeyer 6, Meiklejohn 6, Doerffler 5, Watson 4, Smith 4, Marinko 3, Hockemeyer 2

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WINE AND CHEESE TASTING AT JPHS



The John Paulding Historical Museum located on Fairground Drive in Paulding will be holding a Wine and Cheese Tasting event on Saturday, February 13, 2010 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Hosting this event will be Mark Marenberg (pictured on the left) and Brian Schlatter. Tickets can be purchased at Village Apothecary or call 419-399-3547 or 419-399-3473.

PUZZLE TIME AT LITTLE BLESSINGS DAYCARE



The toddler classroom at Little Blessings Daycare spend some time each day working on fine motor skills. Here Ian

Oolman, Nicholas Hatcher, Micyah Eberle, and Dominic Stahl are enjoying putting together their puzzles.

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VALENTINE'S DAY OPEN HOUSE Special: Are you working on those New Year's Goals? **CURVES** is a facility that offers a full body workout and a free weight management program. To help with those goals, Paulding Curves is having an Open House on Feb. 13 from 9-11. Independent Cosmetic Specialist, Carrie Lero will offer free lip and hand treatments. Prizes to be awarded hourly. Huge fitness membership discounts during this celebration! Come check out the facility and try a free workout at 101 W. Perry St., Paulding, Ohio, 419-399-9229. 5-6

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DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS IS MONDAYS AT 12 NOON!! DEADLINE FOR "FOR SALE BY OWNER IN THE WEST BEND NEWS" IS FRIDAYS AT 5PM!!

PCH FOUNDATION HOSTS MINI SEMINAR FOR HEALTH CARE OCCUPATIONS



Lisa Nicelly, Duane Grothaus and Kyle Mawer, Paulding County Hospital staff RNs and Sue Beck, Paulding County Hospital Foundation/Director of Development conducted a 'mini' seminar on Health Care Occupations Tuesday, January 26, 2010. Shelia Caligiure, AHS Guidance Counselor, invited the group to meet with the Juniors and Seniors to share information about health care careers. The students were encouraged to participate in

the hospital's shadowing program to give them additional insight into the number of choices. PCH Foundation's Scholarship Program is in its tenth year awarding medical scholarships to each of the three county high schools. The Foundation is presently preparing to kick-off the annual membership drive. Any individual, group, business can become a member and help support our scholarship program. Call 419-399-1129 for more information.

CLASSIFIED RATES IN THE WEST BEND NEWS ARE \$6 FOR FIRST 25 WORDS, 10 CENTS A WORD THEREAFTER. "FOR SALE BY OWNERS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS" RATES ARE \$20 FOR A PIX & 25 WORDS, 10 CENTS A WORD THEREAFTER.

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A Lease Agreement is available at Town Hall for review for any interested parties. Please mail bids to:

Village of Antwerp
 PO Box 1046
 Antwerp, OH 45813

Or bring to fiscal officer at Town Hall. Bids will be opened at noon on Friday, February 19th.

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RN for Home Health

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

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- 1 - Emergency Financial Assistance - Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.
- 2 - Claims Assistance - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

For Sale By Owner listings in the West Bend News



FOR SALE BY OWNER. Three bedroom ranch on 3.5 acres (+/-), approx. 1997 sq. ft., gas heat, CA, great room w/fireplace, Harlan cabinets, appliances, sunroom, six panel doors, central vacuum, 16x20 deck, 24'x32' unattached garage, 1/2 acre pond. Located 1 1/2 miles west of Antwerp, OH on Road 424 (old US24) with easy access to new US24. Shown by appointment only. Phone: 419-258-7262, cell: 419-203-3112. 5-8p

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LOS GALLITOS NEWS

As you may well know Los Gallitos is not only the place to go for hot tasty made to order dishes and a friendly, welcoming atmosphere, the wait staff is also a cherry on the proverbial sundae. One member of the wait staff is our very own honorary little sister Ashley Schilb. Ashley is 18 years old and a senior at Antwerp High School. Ashley has been with the Lost Gallitos family for months. Ashley is the daughter of Steve Schilb and Angela Stabler and has two sisters: Brittany Schuler (19) and Julia Schilb (15). When Ashley is not at Los Gallitos she has a very busy life enjoying time with her friends, playing with her dogs Rocket and Miley, and cheering for AHS. Ashley manages her time between cheering, honor roll, and work nicely. While at Los Gallitos, Ashley enjoys working parties booked in the conference room and getting to know customers as they come in. Ashley's least favorite thing if she had to choose is bus-sing dirty tables. They can get pretty bad. Ashley says her favorite part of working at Los Gallitos is the people. Ashley's sense of humor and perky disposition make her a crowd favorite. Ashley works very hard and says she really appreciates Eric and Jennifer Hart for affording her the opportunity to broaden her horizons and earn a little extra

cash for anticipated college expenses. Ashley's favorite recommended dish at Los Gallitos is everything! When pressed further she narrowed it down to the buffalo wing salad and small taco dinner. Ashley's smile, giggle and all-around personality will brighten your day and will definitely make your Los Gallitos experience a time to remember.

BUEHRER RESPONDS TO GOVERNOR'S STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

All of the following can be attributed to State Senator Steve Buehrer (R-Delta) in response to Governor Ted Strickland's State of the State address. "Although the Governor's themes of jobs, education, energy and the regrowth of Ohio's economy are concepts we can all agree on, the record of achievement by this administration is sparse. "The major achievements touted by the Governor today included the Third Frontier, educational attainment and tax reform, all of which were efforts started by and led by past governors and the Republican General Assembly. "In addition to this sparse record, the Governor announced a litany of new task forces and government programs. Even though well-intended, the Governor's actions don't match his words. One example is the Governor's new found enthusiasm for Ohio agriculture products. Yet, in the past few weeks, the Strickland Administration has switched its state contract for produce at prisons to an out-of-state vendor with no Ohio source requirements. "This mismatch between words and deeds is one reason Ohio's unemployment rate is over 10 percent."

SAVAGE - LYKE



Samantha Ann Savage and Jared Andrew Lyke would like to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. Samantha is the daughter of Paula and Gary Miller of Hicksville, and Craig Savage of Antwerp. Jared is the son of Terry and Donna Lyke of Antwerp. Samantha and Jared are planning a beach ceremony in Marco Island, Florida on March 6, 2010.

ANTWERP 2ND & 3RD GRADERS PRESENT CONCERT: BORN TO MAKE MUSIC & CELEBRATE WINTER

On February 9, 2010 the Antwerp Local School 2nd and 3rd graders will be presenting a winter concert. The Theme for the 2nd graders will be "Born to Make Music" and the 3rd graders "Celebrate Winter". The performance will be begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Antwerp auditoria.

ANTWERP ALLEYS WEEKLY HONOR SCORES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2010

- Men High Games
1. Ray DeLong 202
2. Tim Reid 201
3. Mike Kennedy 200
4. Craig Womack 199
5. Scott Kaufman 193
6. Jeff Lucas 190
7. Matt Hunt 189
8. Scott Pendergrast 188
9. David Bauer 185
10. Chad Geyer 185

Men High Series

- 1. Ray DeLong 551
2. Craig Womack 550
3. Tim Reid 531
4. Jerry Vanclave 529
5. Chad Geyer 515
6. Benji Grant 512
7. Matt Hunt 507
8. Jeff Lucas 500
9. Scott Kaufman 498
10. Shelton Bradbury 497

Women High Game

- 1. Marie Bauer 235
2. Carol Kortokrax 224
3. Angie Hudson 187
4. Charlene Geyer 183
5. Marilyn Provines 181
6. Jesse Moreno 178
7. Sue Molitor 171
8. Sherry Reinhart 170
9. Pat Friend 167
10. Leslie Ross 166

Women High Series

- 1. Carol Kortokrax 584
2. Marie Bauer 541
3. Angie Hudson 515
4. Charlene Geyer 473
5. Sherry Reinhart 467
6. Marian Saylor 466
7. Nancy Bennett 465
8. Sue Molitor 460
9. Marilyn Provines 448
10. Paula Lichty 445

Youth Boys High Game

- 1. Matt Reinhart 141
2. Derek Langmeyer 134
3. Nick Herndon 132

Youth Boys High Series

- 1. Matt Reinhart 356
2. Nick Herndon 356
3. Derek Langmeyer 334

Youth Girls High Game

- 1. Avrial Sawyer 156
2. Skylar Howell 134
3. Connor Howell 106

Youth Girls High Series

- 1. Avrial Sawyer 453
2. Skylar Howell 373
3. Connor Howell 303

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH HONOR ROLL 2ND NINE WEEKS 2009-10

- ALLA'S:
7th - Blair Baumle, Isaiah Ross, Hank Sinn, James Weaver
8th - Madeline Baumle, Matthew Klopfenstein, Sylvia Young
9th - Sytse Akkerman, Graden Gudakunst, Andrew Moore, Adrean Ross, Andrea Scharf, Emily Whitman
10th - Tyler Arnett, Sarah Feasby, Rachel Long, Megan Pierce, Peter Sinn, Reuben Stoller, Kelly Zartman
11th - Tate Church, Gigi Ho, Abbey Linder, Nathan Tumblin, Jessica Wenninger
12th - Brock DeLong, Miranda Dobbelaere, Brenna Dunham, Kelsey Gerber, Joseph Grant, Alaina Hickman, Sarah Lantow, Molly Long, Chelsea Miller, Chelsey Shuherk, Jazmine Smith, Jenna Stoller, Rick Van Den Hengel
A/B HONOR ROLL:
7th - Addison Baumle, Matthew Baxter, Denver Burkley, Molly Crosby, Jacob Dingus, Bryce Eutsler, Rebecca Hamrick, Cassidy Hilkey, Jehena Hoagland, Erin Jewell, Justin Pierce, Haley Saylor, Leah Sinn, Mackenzie Swary, Sarah Young, Kayla Zuber
8th - Ana Alba, Austin Conlon, Logan Fast, Alexis Flores, Jacob Gerber, Kendall Germann, Mackenzie Haney, Emilie Linder, Janey Janka, Janelle Johnson, Rachael Kreischer, Haley Linder, Andrew Ludwig, Madison Mc-

Clure, Emily Mohr, Madison Poling, Abigail Shepherd, Jared Sherry, Libby Stabler, Arlen Stoller, Brock Worden
9th - Jessica Alba, Andre Burkey, Mackenzie Campbell, Marcella Doan, Mackenzie Fleagle, Jonathan Harper, Danielle Hofmann, Marisa Jones, Kaitlin Lantow, Zachary Mansfield, Caleb Mead, Brian Myers, Sarah Nickols, Zachary Proctor, Tyler Ruiz, Briana Schaffer, Emma Schmidt, Trey Schroeder, Courtney Seffernick, Natalie Sinn, Krystal Wannemacher, Kylee Wenninger, Staci Wenninger, Kaleigh Young
10th - Zach Cotterman, Rebecca Eberly, Lindsey Gibson, Rebecca Habern, Edward Hibbard, Ryan Jewell, Gary Klopfenstein, Holly Ludwig, Emily Molitor, Kari Myers, Christian Raab, Linn Richter, Beth Ross, Austin Scheiner, Stephan Van Vlerah, Sadie Wassermann, Gavin Wiseman
11th - JoEllen Fickel, Kelsey Heck, Amanda Hill, Kacey Hockenberry, Rynne Jerome, Dylan Jewell, Katie King, Colin Klopfenstein, Katharina Kolozsvari, Nicholas LaBounty, Erika Langmeyer, Nolan Sinn, Timothy Willborn
12th - Hendrik Akkerman, Derrick Baksa, Heather Bidlack, Shelby Carisle, Jesse Carr, Caleb Davis, Samantha Davis, Brittany Farquhar, Russel Fulk, Simon Hessler, Evan Klopfenstein, Kylie Lake, Marcie McDougle, Trevor Speiser, Martin Stoller, Rylee Ulm, Ella Woody

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