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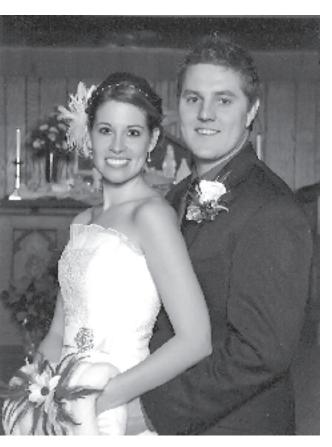
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Leslie Overmyer and Kyle Zartman were married December 11, 2010 at the United Methodist Church in Antwerp. The ceremony was officiated by Pastor Robert Becker.

The bride is the daughter of Larry and Marti Overmyer of Payne. The groom is the son of Terry and Pam Zartman of Antwerp.

Serving as matron of honor was Stephanie Moyer, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Liz Dwenger and Doonie Fidler, also friends of the bride. Best man was Jordan Cline, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Danny Giancola and Paul Cottrell, friends of the groom. Ushers were Ty and Nathan Lee, nephews of the

Flower girls were Aewyn McMichael, niece of the groom and Tabbie Tarman, goddaughter of the bride. Ring bearers were Landon and Ross Lee, and Gaige and Zaine McMichael, nephews of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Bluffton University and The Ohio State University Medical Center. She is currently a nuclear medicine technology at The Defiance Regional

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Medical Center. The groom is a graduate of The Ohio State University and is employed as a teacher at Four County Vocation School, Archbold.

The couple honeymooned at Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. They are residing in Antwerp.

LOOKIN' OUT/S.A.D.D. DANCE

The Antwerp Branch of the organization Students Against Destructive Decisions and Erie Insurance is co-sponsoring a "Lookin' Out/S.A.D.D. dance on March 19, 2011. At the Antwerp Local School from 8:00-10:00 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gymnasium. All students grades 6th through 12th are invited, we would like to extend this invitation to our neighboring schools also. There will be a DJ, we encourage you to attend this informal event.

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WLS ART PROGRAM RECEIVES DONATIONS



A kiln has been donated to the Woodburn Lutheran School Art Program by Becky Garrison. Becky is the grandmother of Preschooler, Brady Garrison, and Kindergartner, Kai Garrison. The WLS Art Program is really taking off this year with the addition of our new Art Instructor, Dana Klopfenstein. Kindergarten through Grade Six receives a variety of art lessons. During the beginning of the school year, all students were involved in revamping

the courtyard. A mural was painted, along with other paintings and projects that show our love for Christ.

Now, with the generous donation of a kiln, the students will be able to expand their skills and learn ceramics and how it relates to our faith in God. As read from Isaiah 64:8, "Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand." The staff and students at

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Robert J. Smith, 87, of Payne, passed away Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at Van Wert

OBITUARIES

Hospital. Robert was born in Highland Township, Defiance County on September 27, 1923, a son of the late Porte and Kathryn (Baum) Smith.

He served in the U.S. Navy on the U.S.S. Leyte during World War II and also served during the Korean War. He

held a B.S. in Agriculture and a Masters of Education from Ohio State University. He was a member of Saint Paul United Methodist Church, Payne; 50-year member and past Master of Flatrock Masonic Lodge; 50-year member and past Patron of the Eastern Star; 50-year member of the Scottish Rite; 30-year member of Mizpah Shriners; member of American Legion Post #297; 30-year member Payne EMS Fire Dept. He served on numerous health committees and was a former Paulding County Veterans Commissioner. He enjoyed coaching football and little league baseball. He was a Vocational Agriculture teacher at Payne and Wayne Trace Schools. On December 26, 1954, he married Leah Williamson. He will be sadly missed by

his wife, Leah; daughter, Marilyn (Roger) Johnson of Archbold; son, Terry (Vada) of Payne; sister, Norma (James) Stewart of Mill Creek, WA; brother, William of Payne; four grandchildren; and two

great-grandchildren. brother, Richard preceded him in death. Funeral services

conducted March 12, 2011 at Saint Paul United Methodist Church, 312 S. Main, Payne, prior. Rev. Julia Ronngren officiated. Burial was following at Lehman Cemetery. Memorial contributions

can be made to the Saint Paul United Methodist Church or Payne EMS. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome. Larry Wayne Crowl, 67,

our Godly and loving husband and father, peacefully went to Heaven on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN. Larry was born on April 4, 1943 in Butler, Indiana, to the

late Bennie and Ilene (Newman) Crowl. On January 22, 1966, he married Betty Lloyd. They

enjoyed 45 years together. He was employed by Commercial Shearing for 30 years. He attended Lost Creek Emmanuel Missionary Church, Hicks-Larry will be sadly missed by his wife, Betty; four chil-

dren: Lisa Schavel of Antwerp, Jennifer (Dan) Robertson of Fort Wayne, IN, Todd (Erica) Crowl and Tim (Kristy) Crowl both of Hicksville; 11 grandchildren; a brother, Jerry (Arlene) Crowl; and a sister, Ruth Crowl, all of Butler, IN.

Funeral Services for Larry will be Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at Lost Creek Emmanuel Missionary Church with Rev. Brian Spangler officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday, March 16, 2011 from 2:00-4:00 and 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Farmer Cemetery, Farmer, Memorials may be made

to the Crippled Children & Adults Society. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneral-Kerry K. Sailer, 50, died Saturday, March 12, 2011 at

Community Memorial Hospital, Hicksville. She was born in Long Beach, California on Septem-

ber 4, 1960, the daughter of

Joseph and Rosella (Dunlap) Kerry was a 1980 graduate of New Haven High School. In May of 1999, she was united in marriage to Rick Sailer. She worked at Hickory Creek

of Hicksville as a nurses aide. Kerry is survived by her husband, Rick; three daugh-Shannon (Spencer) Stotler of Hicksville, Jessica (Keith) Combs of Angola, IN, Joy (David) Budd of Sherwood, OH; three sons: Andrew Hedrick of New Haven, IN, John and Brandon Sailer of Hicksville; seven grandchildren; four sisters: Paula (Larry) Damron of Defiance, Pam Greenwalt of Hicksville, Melody (Greg) Randol of Lagrange, IN, Kathy (Cary) Mallett of Sherwood,

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OH; three brothers: Melvin (Twyla) Bice of Bluffton, IN, Glen (Kelly) Bice of Edgerton and Jake (Trisha) Schooley of Hicksville. She was preceded in death by her parents. Funeral services were con-

ducted on March 15, 2011 at the Smith & Brown Funeral Home. Burial was following at the Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville. Memorials may be made to Hickory Creek of Hicksville activity fund. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.



Hanenkratt, 83, died Thursday, January 27, 2011 at the Paulding County Hospital, Paulding, OH.

She was born December 3, 1927 in Paulding, the daughter of James and Florence (Ludwig) Unger. On June 29, 1973, she married William B. Hanenkratt, who preceded her in death on January 2, 2001. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Paulding. She was formerly employed by the Paulding Clerk of Courts Title Office;

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ter, Denise A. Lange of Hicksville; two sons: Mikeal A. (Gena) George of Clyde, OH, and James George of Hicksville; two brothers: James and Robert Unger, both of Paulding; nine grandchildren: Maggie, Cassandra, Jarrod, Nicole, Nicholas, Jennifer, James, Jason and Jeremy; and 11 great-grandchildren: Keira, Aurielle, Ethan, Kaden, Milee, Brooke, Haley, Kristen, Aubrianna, Brian, and She is preceded in death

by her parents; husband; a daughter, Kay George; and two great-grandsons: Caden and Weston. Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 14,

2011 at the First Christian Church, Paulding with Rev. Greg Bibler officiating. Burial was following at St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding. Donations may be made

to First Christian Church or John Paulding Historical Society. Online condolences may be sent to www.denher-



Elaine Joanne Wannemacher, 71, Godly wife and mother, died peacefully on March 8, 2011 after graciously battling cancer these past five months. Elaine died in her home at Payne, OH. Elaine was born in Van Wert County Ohio on February 24, 1940. Elaine was known for her sweet and gentle spirit, and she accomplished many things during her life on this earth, but her greatest joy was in Glorifying her Lord, Jesus Christ, loving the love of her life, Maurice, as well as cherishing and creating memories with her three girls, much loved sonin-laws and her precious six grandchildren. Elaine and Maurice celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary on December 6, 2010.

Among her accomplishments, Elaine was a full-time realtor for 25 years working along side her husband, Maurice in his auction business and was a member of Northwestern Board of Realtors as well as various other business organizations. She was a member of Woodburn Missionary Church, Woodburn, IN. Over the years she has served her community as a Notary Public for the State of Ohio and invested six years as a Brownie and Girl Scout Leader. However, her biggest accomplishment was her personal investment in those she met in caring for their needs in her role as friend, mentor and encourager. She will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Elaine is survived by her husband, Maurice Wannemacher of Payne; her three daughters: JoEllen Sisson (Brad) also of Payne, Lori Ann Clounie (Thomas) of Huntington, IN, and Karen

Elaine Hahn (Daniel) of An-

twerp. She has six grandchildren: Nicole E. Sisson, Wade E. Sisson, Lauren A. Clounie, Thomas H. Clounie, Taylor K. Hahn and Morgan D. Hahn. Elaine has two surviving sisters: Shirley Hudson of Hamilton Lake, IN and Betty Lord of Gas City, IN. Her mother Dorothy Mollet of Payne preceded Elaine in death. Viewing was held on Friday, March 11, 2011 at the

A memorial service was officiated by Pastor Joel DeSelm on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at the Woodburn Missionary Church, Woodburn, IN. Elaine was buried at Lehman Cemetery, Payne, OH. The family would ask that all memorials be made out to Area Youth for Christ, as they would like to honor this

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organization that has played such a great role in their family throughout the years. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.

REGARDING TEMPTATION

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

Have you ever been tempted to do something you know that you should not think of doing, like buy-ing something without the permission of a significant other or taking a risk to do something that you know is

Who of us hasn't been tempted? Ah, therein lies the problem doesn't it? It is not the temptation that is wrong; it comes down to whether we actually do it.

For example, I read about... A little boy named Bobby, who desperately wanted a new bicycle. His plan was to save his nickels, dimes and quarters until he finally had enough to buy a new 10-speed.

Each night, he asked God to help him save his money. Kneeling beside his bed, he prayed, "Dear Lord, please help me save my money for a new bike; and please, Lord, don't let the ice cream man come down the street again tomorrow." (Lee Griess, Taking the Risk out of Dying)

The scriptures teach us

regarding temptation that... 1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV), ¹³No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it. For more information

about the work of Youth for Christ, you may contact Youth for Christ at 419-782-0656, P.O. Box 111, 210 Clinton Street, Defiance, Ohio 43512, or email to: defyfc@ embarqmail.com

(Continued from Page 1) WLS are so blessed to have so

many volunteers helping children learn the gift of art and of the gift of Jesus' love. Art program volunteers include: Phyllis Bunnell, grandmother of 4th grader, Isaac, 3rd grader, Syndi, and kindergartner, Gabi; Kiley Smith, mother of 2nd grader, Ella, kindergartner, Avah, and preschooler, Audra; and alumni Megan

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 41 BE ANGRY (PART THREE)

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Anger is our Spidey-Sense. When we get angry, it's time for a change. It might mean we need to step in to stop someone from punching a lady or stop some other form of abusive or oppressive action. But it might mean, as in the case of Cain, we need to change ourselves. What is angering us might be who we are, a faulty belief we hold, or the breaking of the box we have confined God in. I've seen people get angry about changes in the church that were implemented to help it fulfill its mission, be more welcoming to visitors, or to just function more smoothly. Some have even left the church over such things. What they did was miss an opportunity to respond to their anger properly and grow spiritually. Anger means something needs to change; More often than not, anger should cause a period of self-reflection because that something is often ourselves.

Paul teaches that our anger needs to be dealt with quickly. The longer we let an issue go unresolved, the more it festers, and we are less likely to ever implement any change. Have you ever seen a pressure cooker with too much pressure built up inside it? It can explode, and when it does nothing good happens. Just a little historical tidbit. Pressure cookers gained a bad reputation in America after World War II. After the war, there was great demand for pressure cookers and the manufacturers could not keep up. New companies began making them that really did not know how. With these inferior pressure cookers, explosions were bound to happen. Now, they claim to make explosion proof pressure cookers. Although in 2009, there was an exploding pressure cooker death in India.

When we let our anger go unresolved, let the frustration build up like a pressure cooker, we keep building pressure in our lives. And we might not ever deal with it. We might just stop hanging out with certain friends, we might just up and leave a church, or we might just ignore a relative altogether. If we allow pressure

to build up, it will eventually destroy things. The life God wants us to lead is one where the frustrations in our life are dealt with.

We like to disguise our anger with nice words like frusnot fix the problem. What makes a healthy relationship is not a lack of frustration with one another but learning how to deal with one another in constructive ways. Every relationship will have moments of frustration. It's how we deal with those moments that shows whether what we are being a new self in Jesus or falling prey to our old self. It's the difference between life Remember the words

of Paul when dealing with someone that frustrates you. "Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness" (Galatians 6:1 ESV). "And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will" (2 Timothy 2:24-26 ESV). It is never appropriate to stop loving others in our anger.

Remember that anger is very close to danger, but it is necessary to spur us on to action against the injustice around us and the flaws in our own lives.

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.re-gansravings.blogspot.com or stop in to worship God with him and his church family on Sundays at Riverside at 10:30 a.m.

ANSWERS IN GEN-ESIS PRESENTS "NOT ASHAMED" WITH DR. TERRY MORTENSON IN FORT WAYNE

Answers In Genesis, a national Christian organization that focuses on creation-apologetics, will be presenting a FREE two-day conference entitled "Not Ashamed." Featured speaker is Dr. Terry Mortenson PhD, MDiv. The conference will take place Sunday, March 20 with class-

es at 9:30, 11:00 a.m., 5:00, and 6:30 p.m., and Monday, March 21 at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. "Not Ashamed" conference will be held at Central Ministries, Schwartz Road, Fort Wayne, IN.

Dr. Mortenson is a theologian, historian of geology, and author for Answers In Genesis. With a PhD in history of geology from the University of Coventry in England, Dr. Mortenson has been studying and speaking on the creation-evolution controversy worldwide since the 1970s. He also holds a Masters of Divinity degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, IL.

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reach prepares Christians to defend and share their faith with boldness and confidence. The speakers bring the message of biblical authority as well as creation-apologetics materials and educational resources to churches and communities across the United States. Coupled with the efforts of local churches and pastors, Answers Outreach provides a highly effective means of training thousands of people in the "lines and precepts" of the faith.

For more information contact Central Ministries at 260-493-1022 or email at jeremyhelmuth@yahoo.com

PUTTING OTHERS FIRST

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

One of the most colorful personalities in the world of baseball was the manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Tommy Lasorda. Beyond being spunky and full of life, Lasorda was also an armchair philosopher at points, In his book, Winning Ways, he made statement that marked me for quite some time. He wrote, "Playing for yourself wins trophies; playing for your team wins championships. Sometimes a batter has to hit on the ground and sacrifice for the team, rather than swinging for the fences for glory."

Pretty profound stuff, isn't it? In a world where we are encouraged to look out for "No. 1," have it our own way, and search out our own personal happiness and fulfillments no matter what the cost, such statements are refreshing. Putting others first, putting the needs and interests of other people before my own, and developing the heart of a servant are all qualities rarely found in individuals today.

The NATURAL tendency is to seek out my OWN comfort, to meet my OWN needs, to look to my OWN interests. Yet, we're told by the Apostle Paul, "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others."

It's the same kind of attitude that Tommy Lasorda was espousing, years before anyone ever put on a Dodger uniform. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Paul clearly tells us to serve other people's needs, not just our own. It's one thing to SAY those things and agree with such statements; it's something else to *live* with that kind

of mindset. What are some

practical ways we can apply those verses?

In practical terms it would include such things as asking your spouse how you can encourage him/her. It includes doing a fa-

vor, an act of kindness, or a courtesy for your mate "out of the blue," just boost to his/her spirits.

It involves taking your

son or daughter out for breakfast or for an ice cream cone to simply say, "I love and appreciate you so much. How can I be of support to you right now?"

It means writing a special

note or sending an encouraging card to someone who needs comfort or a "shot in the arm."

It means going above and

beyond the call of duty for your boss, just for the sake of making his/her day.

It means making a telephone call to an old friend

for the express purpose of telling him/her what they mean to you. Bottom line—it's displaying good old-fashioned

consideration and kindness

to other people.
Isn't it funny how much WE appreciate when people do those sort of things for US, yet how seldom we ever consider going to the trouble

of doing something like that for another? Tommy Lasorda was right. To be a champion often involves sacrificing for the good of others. It's not only a winning philosophy for baseball teams; it's also

A STUDY FROM COLOS-SIANS CHAPTER 2 VERSE 8

a biblical mandate from the

Word of God.

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today our study comes from Colossians 2:8. So get your bible and concordance and after prayer, asking our heavenly Father to help us, we will get started.

Colossians 2:8 – Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ (NKJV).

The word beware comes from two Greek words: Prosecho and Blepo. Today the word Blepo is the word

for beware. This word means to behold, beware, perceive, regard, and take heed. Mark 8:15 – then He (Jesus) charged them, saying, "Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod." (NKJV). Mark 12:38 – Then He (Jesus) said to

them in His teaching, Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, love greetings in the market places (NKJV). Philippians 3:2 – Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the mutilation (NKJV). That spoils you through philosophy and vain deceit.

Philosophy is found only

here in the New Testament and means the pursuit of wisdom. David Lipscomb said this, all the philosophies of men, all the deceits of human wisdom, and all the rudiments of the world discovered by human reason spoil men, ruin their souls, and lead them to everlasting death by leading them away from God and His salvation.

"Through vain deceit"

means to trick or to guile, according to the tradition of men. There are bad traditions as it tells us in Mark 7:3. There are also good traditions as it tells us in Mark 7:3. There are also good traditions as we are told in 2 Thessalonians 2:15 and 3:15. Rudiments of the world are what are being said in this verse, we are not to follow after heathenism.

And not after Christ: This is the key to this verse: the Colossians had laid aside the doctrine of Christ, or at least was tempted to lay aside the doctrine of Christ, for the doctrine and teachings and wisdom of men and of the world. This is exactly what Paul is warning them against.

Loved ones, Christ wants you and me to preach and teach the Bible in truth, not adding to or taking away from it. Today too many people want to teach their doctrine, not Christ's and this is sad.

Remember to continue your study of God's word and you will be blessed. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Comments or Bible questions call Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022 or James Potter at 419-393-4775. If you want to stop by the house and talk to us about the Bible, Call us.

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CORY DOBBELAERE TO SPEAK AT NEXT NAMI MEETING

North West Ohio will be guest speaker at the March 21st meeting of the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Van Wert, Mercer & Paulding County. Cory will share his experiences of living with Bipo-

Cory Dobbelaere of

riences of living with Bipolar Disorder and his recently released book "Harrison's Story". Books will also be available for the public.

Meetings, which are open to the public, are held at 6:00

p.m. in the Drop-In Center which is located at 407 N. Franklin, Van Wert. The public is invited to attend.

The local NAMI affiliate may be reached by e-mail

The local NAMI affiliate may be reached by e-mail namivw@roadrunner.com or by calling 419-238-2413 or 800-541-6264. The web site is www.namitc.org.

THANK YOU

We want to express our sincere thanks to everyone who thought of us during our recent loss. Your prayers, cards and memorial contributions touched us deeply. Most of all, we want to thank all of our mother's friends for making her feel so welcome during her eight years in Antwerp. We should all feel fortunate to live in such a kind

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WORSENING .

By: Josh Steiner

Finally, we have had a break from the nasty weather of winter. According to recent forecasts by Accuweather and the Climate Prediction Center, it looks like it should stay that way for the next several weeks at least. About one and a half weeks ago, Accuweather issued their official Spring Outlook, calling for a much different spring than last year. According to their forecast, this spring will bring every-

atures. If this spring plays out like its supposed to, it could be a precursor to what will happen over the summer. This year, the West Coast and most of the Intermountain West will end up being fairly cool overall with a still La Nina like pattern of frequent storm systems bringing heavy rain and heavy moun-

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cific Northwest, but an occasional storm system or two will hit areas such as southern California and the Southwest. Areas in the Southwest will most likely end up with drier than normal conditions with

tain snow, mainly in the Pa-

normal to slightly above normal temperatures.

In the Northern Plains and Northern Rockies, frequent cold waves will still keep this region shivering with temperatures below average for most of the first half of spring with a moderating trend in late April and early May. Snowfall will remain above average in these areas with precipitation right near average for the spring. Even though the Northern Plains isn't expected to have anymore major snowstorms, frequent minor snowstorms will be common into April.

The Great Lakes (Michigan, Wisconsin, parts of Minnesota, and Western New York) and the interior Northeast will have a much different spring than last year. Unlike last year's incredible warmth across these areas, tempera-

tures will remain slightly below normal to below normal with frequent bouts of snow and cold waves. Precipitation across these areas will remain much above normal throughout much of the spring. Severe weather could be a frequent visitor especially across southern Michigan as the spring progresses.

Along the eastern seaboard, temperatures will be much cooler than last spring. Even with temperatures near normal, there will be several waves of warm air and they will come with increasing frequency as March and April progress. Precipitation should be primarily rain with near normal precipitation expected. Several of the storm systems that will hit, will have the potential to bring heavy rain especially if it can tap into Gulf moisture. Overall, severe weather will not be a huge issue, but there could be several major severe weather outbreaks especially across

the Southeast Coast. This spring, the region that is expected to make headline news quite a bit is the Ohio Valley, Tennessee Valley, the Lower Mississippi Valley, and much of the Gulf States west of Georgia. In this region, severe weather will hit the Gulf States and Tennessee Valley very often, until later in the spring when the severe weather threat will shift northward into the Midwest and Ohio Valleys. This year, above average severe weather is expected, with a large number of tornadoes. If forecasts are right, then we could have as many tornadoes as did 2008 (2,192; 1,691 confirmed). The spike in severe weather will be due to much above average temperatures in the South and a stormy pattern over the Midwest and Ohio Valley. Precipitation will average much above average from northern Alabama northward, with flooding likely becoming an issue again sometime at the end of March and April. Temperatures will be much above average in the Gulf States and Lower Missis-

sippi Valley, while the Ohio Valley will average just slightly above normal.

Florida and the Southern Plains will both have below normal precipitation and above normal temperatures. Also severe weather could hit these areas occasionally. Drought will also be a concern as it will be getting worse over the next several months. What this forecast means for our area is that we will have normal to above normal temperatures with an increase in flooding and severe weather threats as March ends.

Right now it looks like a very warm air mass will overspread the region bringing temperatures into the s60s by Thursday. On Friday, a cold front will slide through bringing showers and maybe a thunderstorm with temperatures falling into the mid-50s. On Saturday, temperatures will be in the 50s again, in advance of the next system that is expected to arrive on Sunday. According to the National Weather Service in Northern Indiana, towards the middle of next week, we could be seeing highs in the low 70s with a potential for a severe weather outbreak. Right now, models are pointing to a warm end to March with a stormy beginning to April. As of now, we could also end up with a very stormy April and slightly cooler temperatures.

This spring forecast is good news to people who are tired of winter. Our forecast does have one drawback: severe weather, which could ruin everybody's idea of a perfect spring. Remember, with severe weather season starting, always stay tuned to a weather radio or local TV station for weather updates on severe weather

If you have questions, please email me at: storm_reportsjoshua@yahoo.com and I will try my best to answer these questions and put them in the newspaper.

"LET'S PLAY SCRABBLE AT THE LIBRARY!"

The Paulding County Carnegie Library will be hosting an evening of Scrabble playing on Thursday, March 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the main library in Paulding. The library received federal funding to incorporate both electronic and board games into its programming collection. Most of the branches have already been sponsoring game nights in their villages in the hopes of attracting non-traditional library users.

According ιο Pieper, Library Director, "this project has been extremely successful in bringing young patrons into the library. A non-reader may now choose to visit the library to participate in a gaming event. Once they are comfortable with the library environment, they are more likely to visit on their own for reading and research purposes." This project is funded in part through an Institutte of Museum and Library Services LSTA grant awarded by the State Library of Ohio.

"My family grew up playing Scrabble," shares Pieper. "Our Mom taught us kids at a very young age. We

grew to memorize two-let-

ter words and it was quite a thrill when we used all seven letters for 50 bonus points! When we play as adults, we are still just as competitive. And, we have passed the love of this word game on to our children."

The Library Scrabble night is designed to be fun. The library was able to acquire ten deluxe games with official Scrabble dictionaries. Although each board can accommodate four players, the aim is to have two competitors at each game. Rules will be distributed at the beginning of the event.

To register contact the library at 419-399-2032. The game night is open to 20 players, but if more register some games will be played with more then two players. For more information contact the library.

WESTERN BUCKEYE GOVERNING BOARD RECOGNIZES SCHOLARS, EMPLOYS GARY GINTER AS TREASURER

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 in the Paulding ESC Board Office with all Board members present. Board President Mr. Jerry Zelke welcomed. Board members and school velcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

The Board members approved a light

The Board members approved a light agenda for the evening, which included the employment of Gary Ginter as Treasurer as well as awarding two Franklin B Walter Scholarships. The Board recognized the winners of the Franklin B Walter Outstanding Senior Award from both Paulding and Van Wert Counties. The Paulding County winner was Alaine Wetli, a senior at Antwerp High School, and the daughter of Daniel and Patricia Wetli. The Van Wert County winner was Ryan Todd, a senior at Van Wert High School, and the son of Michael and Lorali school, and the son of Michael and Loral

Todd.
Superintendent John Basinger reviewed the personnel and service contract he was recommending for Board approval this month. Basinger also updated the Board on recent Western Buckeye ac-tivities and several personnel issues. The Board continued their discussion regard-ing the state budget and other legislative ing the state budget and other legislative

current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board. He also thanked the Board for promoting him to the Treasurer's position by Board for selecting me as Treasurer. I appreciate their confidence in my abilities, and will endeavor to live up to their expectations. It has been a privilege to work for the Western Buckeye ESC and its hard-working staff for the past twelve years, and I look forward to a continued relationship of excellence as we move to-ward the future together."

In the business portion of the meet-

ing, the Board:

**Approved the minutes from the

February 9, 2011 Regular Meeting.

**Approved the February financial reports as presented by Treasurer Gary

Ginter.

**Accepted the resignation of Michele Porter as an Intervention Specialist,

effective February 22, 2011.

**Extended a 5-year Administrative contract to Gary Ginter as Treasurer, effective March 9, 2011, through July 31, fective March 9, 2011, through July 31, 2015, salary and benefits as presented.

**Approved the following personnel

contracts

1. A 5-year Administrative contract for Chris Feichter as a Federal Grant Coordinator/ PEERS Administrator, effective at the beginning of the 2011-2012

2. A 3-year Administrative contract for Laura DeLong as Assistant Principal/ Special Ed. Coordinator, effective at the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year. 3. A 3-year Administrative contract

Jody Dunham as Principal/Early Childhood Director, effective at the be ginning of the 2011-2012 school year.
4. A 3-year Administrative contract

for Peg Schilb as a Curriculum Director, effective at the beginning of the 2011-2012 **Approved a Family and Medical Leave Act Leave for Paula Lugibihl, ef-fective March 2, 2011 for up to twelve (12)

weeks (60 days). **Approved a contract with North-rest Ohio Educational Service Center for Physical Therapist Services, as presented.

**Approved a contract with Therapy
Solutions for Physical Therapist Services,

as presented.

**Approved Thursday, April 21, 2011
as a make-up day for the Western Buckeye
Resource Center. The remaining make-up
days will be at the end of the school year

**Extended congratulations and ap-proved scholarships of \$250 for Franklin B. Walter All Scholastic Award winners: Paulding County - Alaine Wetli, Antwerp High School, and Van Wert County - Ryan Todd, Van Wert High School.

- Nyan 100d, van Wert High School. The Board meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on April 13, 2011 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Van Wert ESC Office.

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • info@westbendnews.net THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Steiner

Many of us are on the quest to living healthier lives, but we get so discouraged when we fall off of the bandwagon and have an "off" day. We may wonder "how can I keep messing up something so simple?" or "when will I begin treating my body like an adult?" However, maintaining a healthy lifestyle regimen is anything but simple. In my own life and by watching those close to me, I have noticed two problems that have prevented people from kick-starting food and fitness routines that last. The first is that they set unrealistic goals, work towards them for a few days, then burn out and quit. Secondly, people get anxious and inflate how difficult it will really be before even beginning-setting themselves up for failure. Many people give up be-

cause they have feelings of guilt or self-loathing and begin to think that they aren't worth it, or that they are lazy, lack motivation, and have no will-power. Instead, we should accept that there will be some mess-ups and "off" days along the way. What matters most is persistence in the face of challenge. If this sounds familiar to you, you're not alone. There are reasons you have difficulty sticking to a workout routine, shopping for groceries, avoiding binges and cooking healthy meals. It's hard! It takes time to plan out a menu, get up when the alarm goes off an hour earlier and sacrifice some of the things you once enjoyed in favor of better

The good news is that we are very good at forming habits. Simply sticking to a routine will become easier and easier over time. Here are a few tips to get you started:

1) Set realistic goals. If you've never run a mile before, it may not be wise to sign yourself up for a marathon. Start off slowly by running a mile or two a week with some fun music or a friend. If you want to cut out processed foods, start with just a few key items a week. Keep in mind that its okay to change your goals if you realize they no longer align with your desired results. Once I re-evaluated the priorities in my life, I had

to make some changes to my goals and there is no reason to feel harshly about that (something I struggle with tremendously. See point 5).

2) Don't give up on your first day. This pertains mostly to eating. Healthy eaters are not healthy eaters 100% of the time. Just ask the ladies in my quilting club about how I devoured the entire dessert plate at our Christmas dinner! The point is that if you make a mistake, don't rule out the rest of the day or week and derail all of your other decisions. It's okay to treat yourself occasionally, life should be enjoyable. The trick is to get back in the saddle after falling off the

3) Don't let anxiety take control. Healthy living encompasses many aspects, and thinking about everything you have to do can cause your head to spin and lead to a meltdown. Relax. You don't need to change everything all at once. Start small and when you've mastered your first goal, begin to incorporate

4) Do what you need to do to facilitate healthy habits. It may mean investing in a gym membership or mp3 player to get you moving. It may mean taking an extra dish or two to potlucks or holiday dinners so you know there is something healthy available. It may mean sacrificing time, money, and convenience within reason to maintain your healthy

5) Never feel unworthy. No amount of setbacks means that you are not worthy of striving toward a healthy lifestyle. Many people think they are not worth home cooked meals or yoga classes, but do vou feel your best when you hit the drive-thru or lounge on the sofa for hours each night? That just leads to being tired, cranky, and depressed, and we can't give our best for others unless we treat ourselves well.

Hopefully this will provide a good dose of motivation to jumpstart new healthy habits. Of course it isn't easy, but just think about how proud you'll be when you start noticing positive results. If you have questions or topics you would like discussed, please email punkyprune@yahoo.com



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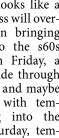
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MATT DUGGAN #2

By: Stan Jordan

Matt Duggan left Leadville in 1879. He was the Marshall there and the town was a fine place to live in, as Matt was an aggressive Marshall and the people obeyed the laws. Duggan went back to Flint, Michigan as his wife asked and his term had expired.

Leadville appointed another man for Marshall, he was an Irishman, Pat Kelly. But Kelly lacked the aggressive ability of Duggan, so the town soon went back to lawlessness and a lot of hoodlums took over at gunpoint.

This bunch was led by a guy named Ed Fresham from Brigham, Utah. Fresham was sentenced to 10 years in prison for killing a man over in Wyoming for having an affair with Fresham's wife, but he was released after two years. Around Leadville, he was a rough, tough hombre.

Fresham had a bad temper and he was good with a gun, along with a friend Lee Landers, an escaped convict. They got into a fight in Laramie with 21 other guys in Susie Parker's Brothel. They killed a cattle dealer named Jack Taylor. Fresham was also wounded in this fight. He was hit by two bullets and he was arrested. He posted bail and fled to Leadville. After he arrived in Leadville he got into an argument with Peter Thomas over his shooting Jack Taylor and he killed Peter Thomas, a local resident. Marshall Kelly wouldn't arrest Fresham because he was scared—for the murder of Thomas.

However, Lake County Deputy Sheriff Watson did arrest Fresham. Vigilantes stormed the jail a couple of days later and took Fresham and another convict named Patrick Stewart and lynched

Well, the town fired Pat Kelly as Marshall for not do-

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ing his job. He had no control and the council sent for Matt Duggan. He arrived in December of 1879 and he at once fired all of Kelly's deputies and hired some men of his choice. He arrested a lot of trouble makers like, Big Ed Burns, Slim Jim Broce, J.J. Harlan and a gunman named Billy Thompson who was a brother to a gun fighter named Ben Thompson.

Along in April of 1880 Leadville was again under control, and Duggan wanted to be replaced so the council appointed Ed Watson. This man had arrested Fresham some time ago and had picked up a good reputation. In May of 1880 several

men and Duggan was working for former Mayor Tabor who owned one of the mines to help end a minors' strike and they got the job done. Then in November of 1880 Duggan had an argument with a man named Lambthey had confrontations before. This was out in the street and Lamb walked away but Duggan was still shooting at Lamb. Well, Lamb went as far as the Purdy Brothel and turned and pulled his pistol. Duggan pulled his pistol also and his shot hit Lamb in the mouth killing him. Duggan turned himself in and was cleared in self-defense. However, Mrs. Lamb was very upset and swore she would dance on Duggan's grave.

Duggan was cleared of the shooting, but Lamb was well liked in the community, and Duggan lost many friends over this shooting.

Duggan had been operating a livery stable and after the killing he lost all his business, and in 1882 he left and went to Douglas City Colorado. He was a deputy there and also tended bar. He got into trouble with a conniving salesman and left town but went over to Leadville and filed charges against Duggan for wrong arrest because he knew that Duggan was not liked in Leadville anymore. Well Duggan got fined, but he told the salesman to get out of town and he did. Well, in 1888 Duggan was again hired as Marshall of Leadville but by now that town was very safe and orderly, and Duggan's manner was not liked there anymore. So Duggan got to drinking pretty heavy and got into a lot of scrapes. In April,

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in the early morning, Duggan got into trouble with two gamblers and business owner Baily Youngstown—this was inside the Texas House. Duggan invited them outside to settle it and both refused because they knew his reputation. Well, later on about 4:00 a.m. Duggan cooled down and he left the Texas House and walked outdoors and within a few steps somebody shot him in the back of the head. He staggered next door to the Bradford Drug Store and was still alive. He was asked who shot him and he said he would never tell and he didn't. Duggan was still

well attended. Lamb's widow danced where Duggan had been shot and then presented her widow's weeds to Duggan's wife.

respected in Leadville by a lot

of people and his funeral was

Later, business partners Tom Dennison and Jim Harrington along with Bailey Youngstown were arrested for the murder but were acquitted for lack of evidence. No one was ever convicted of Duggan's murder, but a lot of folks thought that a guy named George Evans had been paid by a group of fellows who had grudges against Duggan; this could never be proven.

Evans left town right after this and was later shot down in a gun fight down in Nicaragua in 1902.

Duggan died April 9, 1888. A few of the people of Leadville didn't like him but some of the older folks remembered how the town was before and how he made a fine community out of it.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

A blonde city policeman stopped on her beat to see what was going on. Two other blonde girls were drilling a hole into a wooden light pole.

'What in the world are you doing?" she asked.

'Well, we are getting some maple syrup for our pancakes for breakfast."

Well, that isn't a tree that is a city utility light pole."

"Well," one said, "I read where nearly all light poles are from maple trees and this baby should be loaded with maple syrup."

'Well," the policeman said, "Go right ahead and if you get enough maple syrup, I would like a pancake also.'

THE CHISHOLM TRAIL

In my readings, I find a lot of things about the old Chisholm Trail that progress and movies and writers have changed and are almost taken for the truth. I hope you enjoy this part of Old West History as I have.

The Chisholm Trail was used in the 1800's to bring cattle to the rail head in

The Chisholm Trail was named after a man named Jesse Chisholm who had set up a number of trading posts in Western Oklahoma before the Civil War. He died in 1868 and never drove any cattle over this trail. That started in earnest after the end of the

the Red River Country in Worth, Texas by the rail heads in Abilene of the Kansas Pacific Railway where the buyers would ship them on eastward. The trail, according to legend, stretched from around San Antonio to Abilene. The great movie *Red* River with John Wayne and Montgomery Cliff pushed that a little.

In 1866 Texas cattle were worth about \$4.00 a head in Texas, but if driven to the rail heads it was from \$22 to \$25 each. By the time they got to the east they were worth \$40 per head. Back in 1853, the farm-

ers and ranchers of Missouri were blocking Texas cattle from entering this state because the Texas Longhorn Cattle carried ticks and other types of diseases. Violence and vigilante groups caused a lot of trouble for drovers. By 1859 the Texas cattle were not allowed in Missouri. By this time most of the cattle moved up the northern branch of the trail at Red River Station, in Montague County Texas.

In 1867, a man named James McCoy built some stock yards at the rail head in Abilene. He encouraged all the cattlemen from Texas to drive their cattle to his stockyards. They shipped 35,000 head that year and claimed to be the biggest yards west of Kansas City. The movie Red River was

fashioned after a drive by O.W. Wheeler who started with 2,400 head of long horns up the Chisholm Trail. That was the first of over 5,000,000 Texas Longhorns who went to Kansas over the Chisholm Trail. There were some Texans who claimed that the Chisholm Trail started down by the Rio Grande and at San Antonio, but a well-known history buff says that the trail was never in Texas. The cattleman and drovers picked it up at Red River Station in North Texas around Salt Creek in Montague County in the Indian Territory.

There were lots of trails leading north to the Red River Station. The Chisholm Trail was first used by the Indians on hunting and raiding parties. They entered Kansas near the present city of Caldwell and towns like El Deno, Duncan and Enid.

There were lots of troubles and challenges for the drovers on big rivers like the Red and Arkansas, and many small streams—plus many bad lands and mountain ranges; with plenty of conflicts with the rustlers and the Indians. There was plenty of trouble with Indians if the trail boss didn't pay ten cents for each head crossing over the Indian Territory and then the Texas Longhorn was about as ornery as could be, they were prone to stampede.

Regardless of the truths or legends, that trail was very big in the history of the Old West. It showed the guts of the drovers and railroad people, and the cattle buyers in investing their money in the future at that time.

Many were rough and tough rawhide people who made their living by their hands and sweat on their brow. None of those people had to have an exercise machine to keep in shape. They didn't need a clock, they worked from daylight until dark and just look back at the job they done.

See ya!

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Secretary Bonnie Pier giving the YFC Boys, Sean Durre and Zach Ramsey a check donation.

The February meeting was held recently at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall. Our main event was to donate to 20 local organizations. We invited them to come and we had 80 people come and tell us about what they do as volunteers. We were honored to have about 20 girl scouts walk down from their meeting at the library and tell us about their activities. There were 16 Arbor members. We will send Bill and Phyllis Bidlack and Mary Schaffer to our State meeting on April 10 at 3:00 p.m. in the Country Club in Bowling Green. We turned down the invite for the "Health, Business and

Industry" show for lack of interest. We voted on to try to have our next meeting at the "Gardens" with some girl scouts and a speaker from "Earth Angels" on March 28, at 6:30 p.m. Screw on bottle caps were collected for Kelly Tumblin to take to Toledo for cancer patients. We look at some polo shirts that Gleaners have offered that will have our Arbor name on them. This was tabled until our snowbirds get back. Mary Lou Lloyd provided a variety of juices for snack and Kelly Tumblin made homemade cookies. Thank you for the St. Patrick's decorations ladies.

PAULDING COUNTY COM-**MISSIONERS MEETING** MINUTES FOR 2/14/11

This 14th day of February, 2011, the Ihis 14th day of February, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred

Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk TRAVEL REQUESTS:

Jonathan Lichty, New Service Officer School, Dublin OH – April 10-14,

Sandee Buffington, ODJFS Fiscal Quarterly Meeting, Lima OH - March

IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-ING '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 February 10, 2011, Warrants numbering 175436 through 175536 totaling \$99,534.20; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order. at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that was flade (tiell), 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; the Paulding County Commissioners approve the 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 resolu tion were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING

INTO A CONTRIBUTION AGREE-MENT WITH THE PAULDING COUNTY WIND FARM II LLC AND

THE PAULDING COUNTY WIND FARM III LLC:
Paulding Wind Farm III LLC and Paulding Wind Farm III LLC is contractive and along the paper of the part of the paulding wind farm with the paulding wind farm iii LLC is contractive. structing and plans to operate two wind energy conversion projects located in Paulding County; and in order to al-leviate concerns that construction of the projects could impact the County's agricultural soils, water, and crops, the wind farm company is willing to make

contribution to the Paulding County Soil and Water Conservation Office and the Paulding County Agricultural Extension Office to assist in offsetting any such impacts; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Paulding County Wind Farm II LLC

and the Paulding County Wind Farm III LLC, effective February 14, 2011. MEETING NOTES OF APPOINT-MENTS:

Georgia Dyson, Dog Warden- Ms. Dyson met with the Commissioners to discuss the protocol for fund raisers. She and the Commissioners discussed the pros and cons of applying for a 501(C)(3) status. Ms. Dyson reports having various surplus and or obsolete items at the dog kennel. The Commissioners advised her to contact Randy Shaffer and list them on govdeals.com for possible sale. Ms. Dyson stated there are currently nine dogs at the kennel. She also stated a mother dog and three puppies are at her home as a preventative measure against

the puppies getting an illness from the other dogs in the kennel.

Defiance County Commissioners telephone conference call regarding rail support with Henry County. The Defiance County Commissioners appropriately the County of the County Co ance County Commissioners also will copy the Paulding County Commis-sioners their written response to Fechko Excavating's lagoon construction claim for the Auglaize River Sewer Project.

Treasurer – Ms. Wannemacher report-ed first half tax collection went well. She stated only 6% first half taxes are

Joseph Robertson and Eric Prall of Ross, Sinclaire & Associates, LLC

- Mr. Robertson and Mr. Prall met with the Commissioners and Lou Ann With the Commissioners and Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer re-garding the Hospital Improvement Refunding Bonds, the Correctional Fa-cilities Bonds (voted and unvoted). Mr. Robertson distributed and reviewed the Bond Issue Analysis prepared for Pauld-ing County. The Commissioners were in agreement that it would be in the best interest of the county and tax payers to proceed with the bonds and instructed Grassbaugh of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP is the Commis sioners' bond attorney and will be working with Mr. Robertson on this action.

Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center

- Ms. Yeutter met briefly with the Commissioners. She requested permission to attend a training session. She also discussed estimate received for a CDBG project to install new handicapped accessible doors to the Senior Center.

Ms. Yeutter expressed the need for new flooring just inside the doors. She will inquire about accomplishing that work along with the door project.

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By: Stan Jordan

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HS SENIORS NAMED FRANK- the Student Body President

LASTIC AWARD RECIPIENTS

LIN B. WALTERS ALL-SCHO-

Sandra Freeman, Coordinator of Gifted Services at the Western Buckeye ESC, is pleased to announce Alaine Wetli, a senior at Antwerp High School has been selected as the 2011 Paulding County recipient of the Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award. Ryan M. Todd, a senior at Van Wert High School has been selected as the 2011 Van Wert County recipient of the Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award.

Alaine is the daughter of Daniel and Patricia Wetli of Antwerp. Currently ranked first in her class, she has received recognition as a scholar, athlete and musician. Alaine plans to continue her education with a post-secondary major in Biomedical Engineering. Miss Wetli and her parents will be honored at a luncheon at the Ohio Educational Service Center Association's Conference in Lewis Center (Columbus) on April 13, 2011. She will also receive a book scholarship from the Western Buckeye ESC.

Ryan is the son of Michael and Lorali Todd of Van Wert. Currently serving as

the Student Body President at VWHS, Ryan has received numerous honors in school and in the community. He plans to attend Eastern Michigan University with a major in Aviation Flight Technology. Todd and his parents will be honored at a luncheon at the Ohio Educational Service Center Association's Conference in Lewis Center (Columbus) on April 13, 2011. He will also receive a book scholarship from the Western Buckeye ESC.

The award was established

The award was established in 1989 by Ohio's County Superintendents to recognize and promote student achievement and academic accomplishment. Only one senior from each county within the state receives this annual honor.

The award bears the name of Dr. Franklin B. Walter, who served as State Superintendent from 1977-1991. During his tenure, Dr. Walter worked with three governors, significantly improved public education in the state, and brought Ohio's schools to the forefront of the nation's attention. He has received numerous honors and has earned the respect and admiration of educators nationwide. His integrity, leadership, optimism and commitment serves as an example for all.

THANK YOU

Our deepest appreciation to our church family at Emmanuel Baptist Church, friends and neighbors who have helped us so much. Words cannot express our thanks and gratitude.

God bless you all,

—Hiriam (Dick) & Cathrin Smith

GMC ANNOUNCES GIRLS BASKETBALL 2010-11 SEASON ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference Selections for Girls Basketball 2010-2011 season.

Player Of The Year:

Kacee Hockenberry, Wayne Trace 12

First Team:

Jessie Arnold, Antwerp 12; Morgan Keeterle, Holgate 11; Anna Steffel, Tinora 11; Kendra McCann, Tinora 12; Kacee Hockenberry, Wayne Trace 12; JoEllen Fickel, Wayne Trace 12

SECOND TEAM:

AJ Stuck, Antwerp 11; Kayla Zachrich, Ayersville 11; Hannah Griffin, Edgerton 10; Abby Grinnell, Fairview 10; Lauren Bates, Holgate 12; Janelle Davis, Wayne Trace 12

Honorable Mention:

Alexis Jones, Antwerp 10; Renae Cramer, Ayersville 12; Sarah Smethurst, Edgerton 12; Mickie Gonwick, Hicksville 10; Erin Mack, Holgate 11; Annie Benecke, Tinora 12; Kelsey Heck, Wayne Trace 12; Sarah Feasby, Wayne Trace 11

LOCAL STUDENT AWARDED TOP SCHOLARSHIP

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) is pleased to announce Kaleb O'Donnell, of Antwerp High School, has accepted the IPFW Chancellor's Distinguished Scholarship. O'Donnell plans to study music at IPFW this fall. The scholarship provides full tuition and student fees and is renewable for up to four years.

LEARNING EXPRESS

By: Ellen Williams, Paulding Schools

Are you smarter than a Fourth Grader? Test your knowledge at LearningExpress Library. LearningExpress is one of the databases available at www.infohio. org. LearningExpress provides practice tests starting at fourth grade level through college and beyond.

The practice test selec-

tions in LearningExpress, available at www.infohio. org, include reading, writing, math, and even vocabulary and spelling practice. The great thing about this product is that when you complete the test, it is graded, your results are scored, you are given the correct answer and why the answer is correct!

Does your child need practice on subjects for their Ohio Achievement Tests this spring? Are you a high school student preparing for college entrance exams? Students can practice for the SAT, ACT, GMAT or even take a practice Firefighter exam. Professional exams include nursing, teaching, or even air traffic controller to name just a few of the selections available.

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All Ohio students and their families have access to LearningExpress databases. LearningExpress is located at www.infohio.org. The username and password are available at your school Media Center. Homeschoolers please contact Mrs. Williams at Paulding Middle

School for the information.

To learn more about LearningExpress, or other online resources such as IN-FOhio, check out the Paulding Schools webpage at www.pauldingschools.org and go to the Media Center

ANTWERP & PAULDING BOTH WIN FIRST DISTRICT GAMES

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Antwerp won against Stryker 55-45 for the first round of Districts at Napoleon, Tuesday, March 8. Shown here is senior Logan Lucas getting fouled while shooting for the Archers. The boys moved on play Edgerton Friday night. More pictures at www.archerpics.com



Paulding took on Metamora Evergreen for the first round of Districts Thursday, March 10. Paulding played hard and won a close game 48-45. Shown here is senior Dylan Welch scoring a lay-up for the Panthers. The Panthers went on to play Archbold in the District Championship game. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

International Festival



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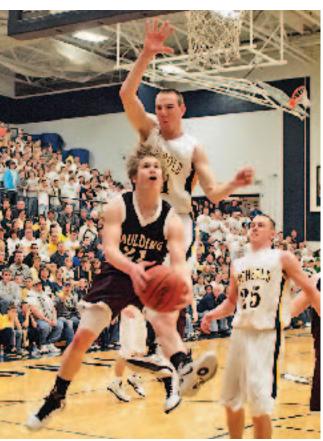
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PAULDING & ANTWERP FINISH 2011 BASKETBALL SEASON WITH GREAT RECORDS!



Paulding took on Archbold for the Boys Basketball Division 3 District Championship Saturday, March 12 at Napoleon. The Panthers started off well and held the score 18-18 at half-time. The second half was a different story and Paulding fell 39-56. The Panthers finished the season with a 17-6 record. This is the first time Paulding has made it to the District Championship game since 1965. Great job guys! Shown here is senior Derrick Pease attempting a shot. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Antwerp took on Edgerton Friday, March 11 for the Division 4 District Championship. The boys did a great job, even up to a minute left and only one point difference. The last minute gave the advantage to the Bulldogs and the Archers falling 30-35. Shown here is senior Jordan Koppenhofer shooting 3 points for Antwerp. Like Paulding, Antwerp finished with a 17-6 record. Another great season for the Archers. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

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Antwerp Athletic Boosters presents

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SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH



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AMERICAN HEART ASSO-CIATION TO BENEFIT FROM LIV-FIT ZUMBATHON OVER \$1000.00 RAISED

On February 27, 2011 Jerrica Steffens of Liv-Fit and Zumba Instructor Reta Ptak hosted a Zumbathon Charity event, at Antwerp High School. Participants came out for two hours of Zumba a Chinese auction, silent auction and bake sale. Participants were asked to wear red in support of the American Heart Association and were then entered into a drawing for door prizes. "We had an excellent turnout and we couldn't have asked for a better outcome," stated Steffens.

Antwerp High School allowed us the use of their gym. The Hicksville Alley Teen Center donated the use of their stage. Tammy and Julia Balser, Lindsay Franklin, Beth Tipton, Kelli Bradbury, Luke Steffens, Staci McKeever and Rachel Jones all helped set up and organize this event.

These individuals donated: Reta Ptak Zumba Instructor, Dawn Hasch, Dr. Michael Boggs, Mick Pocratsky, Olivia Slattery, Tammy Balser, Barb, Brandy and Brooke Ortiz, Twila Beck, Judy Hook, Beth Tipton, Chelsey Hartz–Scentsy, Alicia Hook–Tupperware, Kelli Cox–Tastefully Simple, Erin Baumle–Gold Canyon.

These businesses donated: Yoder's Restaurant–Hicksville, Pit-Stop–Antwerp, Paulding Curves, Marilyn's Petals & Vines–Antwerp, H₂0 to Go–Antwerp, Creative Hair Salon–Oakwood, Advanced Auto–Paulding, Marco's Pizza–Paulding, Posey Peddler–Hicksville, Village Apothecary–Antwerp, Oasis–Antwerp, Napa–Antwerp, Chief–Paulding, Cline's–Hicksville, IGA–Antwerp, Dairy Queen–Paulding, Debra Keller-Plum-LMT–Antwerp, Liv-Fit–Hicksville.

Liv-Fit provides an exercise designed specifically for women. Whether you're interested in getting more exercise for health and general condition, or want to lose weight or tone your muscles, Liv-Fit can help you establish a regimen to help you meet your goal, Stefens said

For more information, contact Jerrica Steffens at 419-542-7400 or livfithicksville@yahoo.com

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If you would like to know more, you may contact the Paulding County Area Foundation at 419-399-8282 and ask for Tony. **ANTWERP PLACES 4TH AT CHEER COMPETITION**



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Cheerleading competitions took place Saturday, February 5 at Defiance College. Eight schools took teams to the competition. Order of winners: Holgate, Hicksville, Fairview, Antwerp. Shown here is Antwerp's varsity cheer squad, coaches: Katie Taylor, Varsity; Heather Mills, JV. More pictures available at www.archerpics.com.

WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING CLUB NEWS

Saturday, March 12, Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed at the Curt Florence Memorial held at Ayersville High School.

Among the wrestlers, placing 1st: Hunter Long, Gabe Sutton, Dylan Laney, Brandon Laney, Rob Long, and Jacob Dingus. Placing 2nd: Ty Tinlin, Jarrett Hornish, Kameron Bevis, Anthony Rooks, Brendon Bidlack, and Riley Heater. Placing 3rd: Gage Tinlin, Austin Smith, Taylor Long, Jacobe Carpenter, Nicholas Barnett, Hunter Powell, Shane Stahl, and Joe Stahl.

Sunday, March 13, Wayne Trace also wrestled at the 3D wrestling tournament held at Paulding High School. Placing 1st for Wayne Trace: Hunter Long, Worth Clark, Max Rassman, Josh Reel, and Robbie Bowers. Placing 2nd: Dylan Laney, and Austin Smith. Placing 3rd: Kaden Woolbright, Jarrett Hornish, Brendon Bidlack, Kameron Bevis, Nicholas Barnett, and Zaine Cotterman. Placing 4th: Tori Young, Gage Tinlin, Gabe Sutton, Anthony Rooks, and Zack Cotterman.

HUGHES AWARDED ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY

Kelsey Hughes, a junior equestrian studies/equine business management major, has been awarded The University of Findlay's Allyson Busch '09 Western Equestrian Scholarship for the 2010-11 academic year.

Hughes, a 2008 graduate of Wayne Trace High School, is the daughter of Joan Hughes, 2415 Rd. 17, Payne, Ohio,

On campus, Hughes participates in equestrian team.

The University of Findlay is a comprehensive university with a hands-on approach to learning located in Findlay, Ohio, approximately 45 miles south of Toledo. With a total enrollment of approximately 3,900 full-time and part-time students, The University of Findlay is noted for its innovative, career-oriented programs in nearly 60 majors and nine graduate and professional degrees. Founded more than 125 years ago, the University has a tradition of academic excellence. For more information, visit www. findlay.edu or call 1-800-472-





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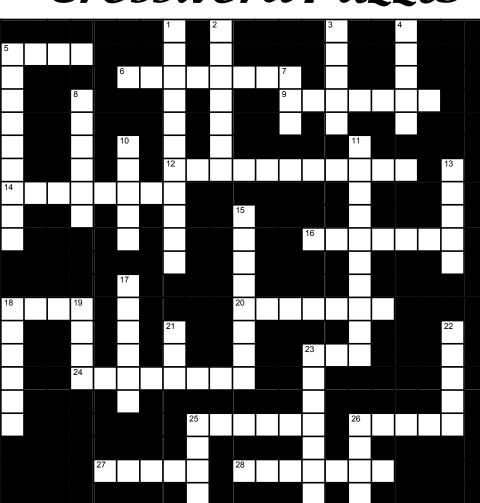
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THE WEST BEND NEWS

"Will Rogers Quotes"

Crossword Puzzle



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- 5. Live so you won't be ashamed to ____ your
- parrot to the town gossip. **6.** Always drink _____ from the herd.
- 9. A fool & his money are soon ___
- **12.** A man only learns in two ways: one by reading and the other by _____ with smarter people.
- ___; just on different Everybody is ____ subjects.
- **16.** A difference of _ ___ is what makes horse racing & missionaries.
- **18.** Why not go out on a ____. That's where the fruit is.
- **20.** Rumor _ faster, but it don't stay put as long as truth.
- 23. Give her a & then in return momma will
- is like paying a debt that may never
- 25. Buy land -- they ain't _____ anymore of the stuff.
- 26. Most men are as _____ as they make up their minds to be.
- 27. Income tax has made more ____ out of Americans than golf.
- 28. What the _____ needs is dirtier fingernails

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- government & report the facts.
- 5. If _____ got us in this mess, how come it can't get us out.
- 7. I never ___ a man I didn't like.
- _____ sense ain't common.
- 10. Even though you're on the right _
- will get run over if you just sit there.
- 11. The best way out of _____ is through it. 13. Everything is _____ as long as it's happening
- to someone else. 15. The road to success is filled with many
- _____ parking places.
- 17. All I know is what I read in the _ that's an alibi for my ignorance.
- 18. We're all here for a spell, get all the good
- _____ you can.
- **19.** Get someone else to _ _ your horn & the sound will carry twice as far.
- 21. People who ___ into a rage always make a bad landing.
- 22. Don't let yesterday use up too much of
- 23. When you find yourself in a hole, quit
- _ a good chance to mess up.

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CHELSEA HOLTSBERRY

FINDLAY DEAN'S LIST

NAMED TO UNIVERSITY OF

Chelsea Holtsberry has been named to the dean's list for the 2010 fall semester at The University of Findlay. The dean's list is comprised of students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or above for the semester. Holtsberry is a senior majoring in occupational therapy and has accomplished a 3.84 grade point average. This is her sixth semester attaining dean's list.

Holtsberry was recently inducted into Gamma Zeta chapter of Pi Theta Epsilon, the National Occupational Therapy Honor Society. Their mission is to support the development of occupational sciences. A 2007 graduate of Wayne Trace High School, she is the daughter of Mark and Lisa Holtsberry, Pauld-

OAKWOOD **ELEMENTARY PTO PREPARES FOR** SCHOOL CARNIVAL

The Oakwood Elemen-

tary PTO is busy preparing for their upcoming carnival. The carnival will be held on Saturday, March 20th from 4:30-7:00 in the school's gymnasium and cafeteria. There will be numerous carnival games including a cake walk and ring toss. Along with a raffle of special packages for kids, there will also be a themed basket raffle. All proceeds from the basket raffle will go towards the purchase of a projector for a classroom. The PTO will be hosting a supper during the carnival with a menu of tacos in a bag, hot dogs, and pizza. This will be a fun, affordable night for families. Everyone's welcome!

"COUPON QUEENS" TEACH THE TRADE AT **COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

You all have heard the stories of the "Coupon Queens" who pay under \$10.00 for over \$300 worth of groceries-well now is your chance to learn how to do that! Deedi and Kim are quite good at using their coupons and combining them with other offers and would like to share with you first hand how to save on your growing grocery bills. Come join the fun at the Cooper Community Library, branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library at 7:00 on March 24th and learn the techniques!

PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES II

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

Class of 1961 High School Reunion - Part 1

Who would have thought it would have come to pass in the fall of 1950 when our Moms were pulling, pushing and bribing us through those school doors for the first time that we would actually reach this time in our lives. (Some of us didn't - sorry about that.)

My first day of school was a school bus ride on bus #7 from Cecil to Paulding (I didn't go to Kindergarten) right up to the back door of Paulding High School. We then were met and herded down to the grade school rooms in the old building. My teacher was Mrs. Matthews. I thought she was mean; I cried every day; she pulled my braids if I talked in line and I wanted to go home. Even my sister, Marilyn, who was in high school tried to come and see me to comfort me and the teacher rant her off. I know how to write my name (in all caps), CARRIE MAE WELLS, I am left-handed and Mom taught me to write upside down. This didn't satisfy Mrs. Matthews. Immediately, she crushed my bubble and wrote a letter to Mom that I was to learn to write my name

correctly. I faked illness and

Mom had to drag me to the

bus in front of Gilbert's store

in Cecil. One of my first good

friends was Barbara Furst,

whom I will never forget.

Mom never faced the teacher herself. I saw the teacher at the fair that following summer; she smiled and I turned my head. She probably was the best teacher I ever had, if the truth be known.

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The second grade at Pauldign School was much better. I was in Mrs. Koenn's class. She was from Cecil (my sister delivered her daily newspaper). We go green blackboards that year. I found a ring in the rest room and gave it to my teacher and she told me if no one claimed it by the last day of school that I could keep it. No one did and I still have that ring. I think this was the year we went to the Pauldign Carnegie Library and I remember going up the beautiful big steps and how wonderful the library was. Linda Hemrick was one of my good

The third grade at Paulding School was the year Mom signed me up for all the shots including the polio shot. I sure hated to hear the knock on the door of the class room and see the high school girl with the clip board and hear her call off the names (and always my name) of the kids that had to go with her to get shots. My teacher was Miss Geyer. I really thought she was beautiful and she wrote cursive just like I wanted to write when I was grown up. John Peeper sat in front of me and was always turning around talking to me. Since I was a "W", I was usually in the back row.

The fourth grade at Paulding School I had Mrs. Alma Gordon for my teacher. She had taught my sisters out in the country school, so she was extra nice to me, I thought. I loved to read and she made me the class librarian. I kept track

of the books the kids took out of our class library, etc. At that time I knew I wanted a big library of my own when I got a house. (Which I do have now). My dad and mom went on a fishing trip to Tennessee in the fall and took my sister and I out of school for a week. I met a girl whose parents owned the cabins where we stayed and I got to ride her horse while she was in school all day. They had the first side-saddle that I had ever seen. Since then I have one in my collection.

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The fifth grade at Paulding School was the first grade that we changed classes. My homeroom teacher, Miss Geyer, was a nice lady who married a man at the bakery. I was very fond of her and kept in touch we her for several years, as we moved from Paulding County in March of my fifth grade year to Allen County Indiana. My mom made her some yellow crepe paper "mums" for me to take her on the last day of my school there. She and her husband came to my senior graduation at Antwerp in 1961, also. Some of my good friends that I can remember were: Ruth Ann Rumbaugh; Jane Demuth; Carole Sue Enderle; Bucky Sears; Charles Sawyer; Linda Dix and many more that I can see their faces,

but can't recall the names. When the class of 1961 at Paulding gets together I would really like to get an invite if that is feasible? Of course, I plan to see my classmates at Antwerp class of 1961 also. Thanks for any consideration; I would just love to see some of these old friends again.

Caroline Wells Žimmerman, 7292 Rd. 176, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.



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LAWN CARE FOR YOU, THE **HOMEOWNER**

By: Len Schrock, Scotts STI Graduate, Grabill & **Woodburn Hardware**

Spring is almost here and it's time to start thinking about shaping up your yard. This is a good time to start preparing your lawn with an early spring fertilizing and keeping that nice green look all season long.

Claude, Jim and I will be writing some articles throughout the growing season to help you keep your lawn looking great.

In order to give your lawn a good boost this spring, we recommend an early treatment of lawn fertilizer for good green up combined with an annual weed preventative to help keep those unwanted grassy weeds (such as crabgrass) out of your lawn.

Why fertilize this early spring? Currently, grass and other plants are still in a dormant stage. Once the soil temperature reaches 55 degrees, the soil microbes will start to become active and the grass will begin its green up. In order to maintain a lush healthy green lawn, grass needs the proper nutrients in order to grow strong and vibrant. Give your lawn a good slow release fertilizer in early spring that will feed your lawn over the next six to eight weeks and set up your yard nicely for the rest of the growing season.

Choosing the right fertilizer is important. Ordinary simple mixes are inconsistent because the nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium are in separate particles and can make the lawn grow unevenly. They can also break down too quickly or too slowly depending on very wet or dry weather. Fertilizers with nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium that are combined in one particle give much better balanced feeding to your lawn. Also, they will not break down from too wet or dry weather conditions. They feed evenly throughout an eight-week period giving your lawn the right amount of food at the right time.

In early spring, you can also prevent grassy weeds from coming into your lawn later in the growing season. These are annual weeds that sprout from seeds that grow into mature plants throughout the growing season, and

then drop their own seeds before dying... which provides another crop for the following year. These annual weeds include crabgrass, goosegrass, barnyardgrass, dallisgrass, quackgrass, and bermudag-

So how do I keep these weeds out of my yard? By using a pre-emergent weed control, you are creating a "protective barrier" on the lawn. The active ingredients are distributed throughout the lawn in late winter or early spring, before the annuals have begun to germinate. They lie in wait for the annual weed seeds to sprout. As germination begins, the young seedlings come in contact with the protective barrier and succumb to its controlling action.

However, these protective barriers also prevent any good grass seed from germinating. So if you are planning on seeding or overseeding any part of your lawn, do not use a pre-emergent control unless it is a control that specifically says you can seed.

Pre-emergent controls should be applied in late winter or early spring. However, as a guide for all areas, the application should be made before dandelions are in the puffball stage... before lilacs bloom... or before forsythia

Pre-emergent usually last for approximately four months. When applying a pre-emergent in early spring, you may need to apply another application of preemergent in early summer to prevent crabgrass from coming up later in the summer.

Also, if you are planning on thatching early this spring, do not apply pre-emergent controls before you have thatched. Thatching or raking will break the barrier that a pre-emergent control provides and makes it useless.

When purchasing your fertilizer, you may want to think about getting fertilizer for other times of the growing season. We use the acronym SMILE for the times of the year to fertilize. S for St. Patrick's Day, M for Memorial Day, I for Independence Day, L for Labor Day and E for End of Season (Halloween time period).

Best wishes to you on a great lawn you can enjoy this

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#### "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" CHAMBER LEAD-**ERSHIP CLASS GOES BACK TO SCHOOL**



Vantage Industrial Mechanics senior Aaron Wehri from Ottoville, explains to Greg Hermiller from Eaton how he made his custom designed one-of-a-kind brass and aluminum hammer during the Van Wert Chamber Leadership "shadowing" session at Vantage.



Caitlin Debatin, a Vantage junior from Van Wert in the Interactive Media program, gives Chamber Leadership participant Greg Johnson from Eaton a chance to try his hand on the audio equipment in the lab.



Michele Martz from Federal Mogul Corp. gets an opportunity to read a storybook to the Vantage preschoolers during the Van Wert Chamber Leadership March session. Michele was "shadowing" Early Childhood Education senior Stephany Wilson from Crestview.

The March session of the Van Wert Chamber Leadership class met at Vantage Career Center on March 9th for its "Education" session.

After a welcome to Vantage by Superintendent Staci Kaufman, Community Relations Coordinator MaryJo Wilhelm gave an overview of Vantage - how it all began and after 35 years, where career technical education is

Adult Director Pete Prichard presented information about adult workforce development, ABLE/GED, Wright State University Lake and Northwest State Community College classes and life-long learning opportunities that are available at Vantage for students of all ages.

Class members "shadowed" three different Vantage students during their

morning lab session. Many Leadership participants were unfamiliar with some of the programs offered, and found this portion of the program very interesting. I overheard one participant who said, "I was very impressed with the students I shadowed - They really knew what they were talking about."

The Vantage Culinary Arts class prepared a delicious Mexican lunch buffet and then it was off to tour all the labs in the Vantage build-

ing. After the tour, Kim Keeling from Eaton then took over for the final portion of the day, as she presented "FISH" a motivational session that encourages people to find ways to have fun, be productive and have less stress at work. It was a great day!

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#### **BOYS' NIGHT ONLY & USED BOOK SALE AT COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

The T.A.B. (Teen Advisory Board) at the Cooper Community Library, branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library, is planning the first annual "Boys' Night Only!" All young men in grades 6th-12<sup>th</sup> are invited to attend on Friday, April 1, 4:00-7:00. Wii, + XBOX + food + friends = FUN!! You must pre-register for this event by calling the branch 419-594-3337 or just stop in and sign up. Space is limited. The Oakwood Library As-

sociation will be sponsoring a Used Book Sale at the Cooper Community Library, a branch of the Paulding County Library system, on March 21-24 during library hours. If you have any used books you would like to donate for the sale please bring them to the branch before Monday, March 21.

#### **PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF** 3/16 THROUGH 3/22

*MS/HS – Breakfast:* 

3/16 - Sausage & egg burrito w/salsa, juice, milk 3/17 - French toast stix,

sausage links, juice, milk 3/18 - Sausage gravy w/

biscuits, juice, milk 3/21 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

3/22 - Tator tots/cheese,

sausage links, juice, milk MS/HS - Lunch:

3/16 - Idaho nachos or Chicken salad croissant, baked beans, munchos, assorted fruit, milk

3/17 - Stromboli, potato soup, assorted fruit, milk

3/18 - Popcorn fish & shrimp, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

3/21 – Popcorn chicken bowl w/dinner roll or Pizzaburger w/bun, corn, fruit,

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3/22 - chicken chunk salad, garlic toast, assorted fruit,

Elementary Paulding

Breakfast: 3/16 - Muffin, graham

crackers, juice, milk 3/17 - Assorted cereals,

graham crackers, juice, milk

3/18 - Cinnamon bread stick, applesauce, milk

3/21 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk 3/22 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

Elementary Paulding 3/16 - Hot dog w/bun,

baked beans, fruit, milk 3/17 - Breaded chicken, green beans, g-force bar, fruit,

3/18 - Fish nuggets, tator tots, bread, fruit, milk 3/21 - Egg & cheese omelet,

oven potatoes, fruit, milk 3/22 - Ham & cheese stromboli, carrots, fruit, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast: 3/16 - Egg/bacon/cheese

pizza, fruit, milk 3/17 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk

3/18 - Assorted cereals, crackers, juice, milk 3/21 - Mini pillsbury pancakes, fruit, milk

3/22 - Assorted cereals, crackers, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Lunch: 3/16 - Taco in a bag, let-

tuce/cheese, fruit, milk 3/17 - BBQ pork w/bun,

oven potatoes, fruit, milk 3/18 - Tostito scoops w/

cheese sauce, green beans, fruit, milk 3/21 - Chicken patty w/

bun, peas, fruit, milk 3/22 - Mozzarella sticks w/

marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

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#### FROM THE DOG WARDEN'S DESK

#### By: Georgia Dyson, Paulding County Dog Warden

This week's pet of the week is a six month old male puggle. He is house trained and is very loveable.

Advantages of spay and neutering your pets:

\*\*Neutered/spayed pets are less aggressive, less likely to fight, and less likely to bite, as documented in stud-

\*\*Neutered/spayed pets (especially males) are less territorial and less likely to roam. Research indicates that 80% of dogs hit by cars are unaltered males.

\*\*Neutered pets are less likely to mark furniture and rugs with urine.

\*\*Spayed females will not have heat cycles that soil rugs and furniture and usually shed less fur.

\*\*Neutered pets can't develop testicular tumors, the second most common malignancy in males, and have a lower incidence of prostate cancer, which is better for your pet and means lower medical bills.

\*\*Spayed females typically stay healthier and live longer. They have a lower incidence of mammary tumors and no uterine or ovarian cancers, which is better for your pet and means lower medical bills.

\*\*Sterilization does not change the pet's personality.

\*\*Removing the urge to mate focuses more of a pet's attention on the caregiver, aiding in training. Sterilized pets behave better.

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#### **MIKE ALTMAN NEWEST HICKSVILLE MASON**

Scott Ruppert opened the Lodge and the Pledge was given. The altar was draped, in accordance the decree issued by GM Goebel, for 30 days in remembrance of DDGM RWB Ronald Bentley from the 24th District. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Larry Brown, Jim Corkwell, Larry Haver, Jim Massie and Clay Coleman. Get well cards were sent to Robert Stotler Jr., Byron Rasey and Jim Corkwell. A sympathy card was sent to Gene McClellan with the passing of his with Jean-

50-year members Dick Savage, Doyle Johnson, Russell St. John, Elmer Woodcox, Charles Carey and Estel Cottrell stood and announced their years of service. Other member present included Tim Betts, Mike Villena, Hanson Lilly, Richard Evans Sr., Richard Evans Jr., George Underwood, Lee Kallsen, Dick Altman, Mike Altman, Mike Mazur, Walter Schilb, Jamie Chapman, Ken Crouch, Bill Metz, Scott Ruppert, Terry Ayers, Steve Schilb, Raymond Gillespie, Ryan Metz, Curtis Metz and Greg Headley. Brother David Downs and Ed Bruce of Bryan Lodge 215 were introduced as visitors.

Scott Ruppert reported that Tom Nye has been contacted and will be getting in touch with the Temple Board to correct the water problem with the southeast wall. He also mentioned the fact that the GM Reception will be held April 1 and that 14 reservations have been secured for the Lodge. He will assign a Chicken Bar-B-Q committee will be formed at the next

Dick Savage mentioned that Jenna Kinn and Kevin Brown have been selected by the 5th District as the "Excellence in Youth" award winners this year. They, accompanied by their parents, will be honored at the reception and a "Savings Bond" will be awarded to them.

Mike Altman was then made a Master Mason. With no further business, Ruppert then closed the Lodge in full form and harmony and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship. The next stated meeting will be Wednesday March 23 at 7:30

Missing pictures? We have a stack of pictures here at West Bend News from previous publications.

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#### **DETAILS OF OHIO 309 SAFETY UPGRADE PROJ-ECT TO BE SHARED**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will hold a public meeting to discuss the upcoming safety upgrade project on Ohio 309 on the west side of Lima. Construction will begin

this spring and will continue through the fall. The meeting will be held

Thursday, March 10, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Elida Middle School, 4500 Sunnydale Avenue, Elida. ODOT officials and repre-

sentatives from its contractor on the project, S E T Inc. of Lowellville, will discuss details of construction and how traffic will be maintained during the project which will take place from Eastown Road to Robb Avenue.

The project's purpose is to improve the safety of the Ohio 309 corridor by widening the roadway to provide 12-foot travel lanes; eliminating, consolidating or relocating drives especially at high-volume locations; constructing a six-inch high, raised-curb median down the center of the roadway; and providing U-turn movements at selected intersections.

We intend to communicate regularly with the public throughout this project so those impacted the most can know what to expect," said Kirk Slusher, ODOT District 1 deputy director. "We encourage everyone to attend this project kick-off meeting so we can establish good communication from the start," he said.

Project updates will be provided regularly at the following link: http://www. transportation.ohio.gov/districts/d01/sr309

#### **PROTECTING LIFE IN OHIO**

#### **Guest Column from State** Representative Wachtmann

I have been representing you and your family for many years in Columbus, and I'm honored that I have been sent back to Columbus as your voice in the People's House. While I've seen a variety of bills cross my desk during this time, all of them have the common objective of improv-

ing the lives of Ohioans. Although our goal as legislators is to keep finding ways of making the lives of those around us better, we must also remember that it is our solemn responsibility to protect life. And for me, I believe that this protection must extend to the earliest stages of life, when life is most vulnerable. For too long, many lawmakers who were elected to safeguard our citizens have done just the opposite by permitting thousands of assaults on and murders of young ba-

That's why I recently introduced legislation known as the Ohio Human Heartbeat Protection Act, or the "Heartbeat Bill." My aim with House Bill 125 is to protect the lives of Ohio's most defenseless citizens starting with their first detectable heartbeat. It prohibits individuals from performing an abortion procedure on a pregnant woman prior to testing whether the fetus she carries possesses a heartbeat through standard

medical practice. If a heartbeat is detected, that young life would be spared from what we know is a painful and senseless death.

I believe that a beating

heart is the most basic measure for determining that life is, indeed, present and sustainable. This is especially important when considering the fact that 30 percent of natural pregnancies end in spontaneous miscarriage, but less than 5 percent of those miscarriages occur after the detection of fetal cardiac activity—a heartbeat. During a recent House Health Committee hearing,

I and the other committee members had the unique opportunity to hear the testimony of an unborn baby at just nine weeks old—a baby whose heartbeat is its only voice at this early stage of life. I hope and pray that everyone in that room came to the realization that this was not just a "thing", but a life that will grow to have opportunities, to be loved and to become a productive member of our society. Today, with this legisla-

tion, we can amplify the voice of this baby and the thousands of others who currently are voiceless. We can provide the legal protections that they deserve, and Ohio can lead the nation in saying that all life is precious. We will stand for all those-born and unborn-who have a beating heart. I hope that you and your family will join me in this unique opportunity.

#### **ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 3/16 THROUGH**

3/16 - Meatball sub or Cook's choice, broccoli w/ cheese, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cookie bar

3/17 - Pancake wrap w/ sausage, pork fritter on bun, hash browns, OJ, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cottage cheese

3/18 - Cheese Pizza or Egg salad sandwich, cole slaw, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

3/21 - Corn dog or Turkey pot pie w/biscuits, rosy applesauce, peas, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pudding cup

3/22 - Tex-mex chili or Cook's choice, cheese stick, french fries, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Jello

Menus are subject to

#### **BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE** 3/22

*Breakfast:* 

3/16 - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk 3/17 – Egg/cheese omelet,

toast/jelly, juice, milk

3/18 - Turnover, juice, milk 3/21 & 3/22 - Spring

Break

Lunch:

Break

3/16 – Walking taco, meat/ cheese, lettuce/salsa, corn, mandarin oranges, milk

3/17 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, cookie, peaches, 3/18 - Pizza, cheese or

pepperoni, green beans, pears, milk 3/21 & 3/22 - Spring **EARLY SPRING INSECT PEST INVADERS** 

#### By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Spring is the time many homeowners notice an increase in the number of insect pests, such as boxelder bugs, multicolored Asian lady beetles, and pine seed bugs that "mysteriously" appear inside their homes. All accidental invaders found inside at this time entered the home or building last fall through cracks and openings, and spent the winter hibernating behind exterior siding and in attics, wall voids, window/ door casings, and similar protected areas. With the onset of warmer weather, the bugs become active and emerge from their overwintering sites. As they attempt to escape to their natural habitat outdoors, some move inward into living areas, emerging from beneath baseboards, behind window and door frames, from within sashcord openings, and around light fixtures and ventilators. Accidental invaders are

generally harmless to people and property. They do not feed on people, pets, houseplants, stored products, or furnishings. They cannot sting and they do not carry disease. They are nuisances just by their presence, especially when they occur in large numbers. Besieged homeowners of-

ten seek immediate and complete relief from the annoyance of accidental invaders. Unfortunately, this simply is not possible, since the bugs are emerging from hidden areas that are inaccessible to insecticides. Household foggers or bug bombs will not penetrate and control pests in these areas. Residual sprays generally kill invaders too slowly to be considered successful.

The frustration of invader insects is usually temporary as the nuisance will run its course as the weather warms. Boxelder bugs, Asian lady beetles and pine seed beetles typically do not bite or sting, but the boxelder bug and Asian lady beetle can emit a substance that can stain surfaces, making a broom less desirable. The pine seed bugs can give off a pungent odor if you handle them. Repeated vacuuming may seem inefficient and monotonous, but remains the most practical control.

Keep in mind that insects that emerge from overwintering sites inside a home during winter and spring all entered the building the previous fall. The preferred management

PH: 419-258-2000 • FAX: 419-258-1313 • info@westbendnews.net for accidental invaders is prevention; stop them before they enter the house. Typical exclusion or pest-proofing the home is the first line of defense. Residual insecticide barriers can supplement pestproofing and may be applied by a professional pest control firm or by the homeowner. If a residual insecticide

barrier is being considered, the insecticide must be applied before insects begin entering the home or building to be effective; August to September for pine seed bugs and early to mid-October for boxelder bugs and multicolored Asian beetles. Direct application of an insecticide to clusters of insects outside on the siding and foundation may reduce the outdoor population and limit the number that will get into the house. Before using any pesticide, read and follow label instructions for the pest and the location you want to

#### **SCORES FOR WEEK ENDING** MARCH 11, 2011

ANTWERP ALLEYS HIGH

Mens High Series

- 1. David Bauer 616 2. Robert Johnson 597
- 3. Scott Hudson 551 4. Jerry Vancleve 545
- 5. Ray Delong 544
- 6. Phil Bauer 534
- 7. Kris Reinhart 525
- 8. Greg Shull 520 9. Duey Schoenauer 507
- 10. Jeff Lucas 506
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  - 2. Robert Johnson 216 3. Scott Hudson 205
  - 4. Ray Delong 195
  - 5. Greg Shull 194
  - 5. Mike Kennedy 194
  - 6. Jeff Lucas 193 7. Jerry Vancleve 190
  - 8. Bowie Reid 188
  - 9. Phil Bauer 187 10. Mike Walley 183
- Womens High Series 1. Angie Hudson 572
  - 2. Marie Bauer 548
  - 3. Carol Kortokrax 527 4. Sherry Reinhart 511
  - 5. Pat Friend 509
  - 6. Teresa Huard 497
  - 7. Terri Meeks 494 8. Paula Lichty 482
  - 9. Leslie Ross 481
  - 10. Mary Brown 459 10. Sue Molitor 459
- Womens High Game
  - 1. Marie Bauer 209 2. Angie Hudson 207
  - 3. Paula Lichty 199
  - 3. Teresa Huard 199
  - 4. Sherrry Reinhart 188
  - 5. Sue Molitor 187
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IN THE MATTER OF CREATING

08 GENERATOR PROJECT FUND

It is necessary to track revenue and

expenses for auditing purposes for an Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Grant for a generator project for fiscal year 2008; the Board of County Commission-

ers does hereby direct the County Auditor

to create Fund 219, FY08 Generator Proj

ect Fund; and also to create the following line items in the FY08 Generator Project

Fund (Fund 219); the Board of County Commissioners does hereby amend the

2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby

directs the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 219: 219-001-10001, Grant Proceeds,

219-001-00001, Other Expenses, \$42,900.00

BIDS FOR THE CR 206-3.99 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT:

Ths 23rd day of February, 2011, being the day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within

the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, bids were received

and opened for the CR 206-3.99 Bridge

Replacement Project: Vernon Nagel, Inc., 0154 County Rd 11C, Napoleon, OH 43545 – \$171,250.00

Don R. Fruchey, Inc., 5608 Old Maumee Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46803

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with a determination to be made later.
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cated service to the residents of Paulding

unto subscribed our names and caused

the Great Seal of the County of Paulding to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, Two

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZ-

The Board of County Commissioners

does hereby authorize Corey Walker, Director of Paulding County Department of

Job & Family Services, to enter into a con

tract with AT&T for cell phone services in the amount of \$209.00 per month. IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZ-

ING THE DIRECTOR OF PAULDING

COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES TO UTILIZE FORENSIC FLUIDS FOR

The Board of County Commis

ers does hereby authorize Corey Walker,

Director of Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services, to order ten (10)

ten-panel drug testing kits from Forensic

APPOINTMENT IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

does here approve the following appoint-

The Board of County Commissioners

Angel Pease, Paulding County Court

IN THE MATTER OF PAULDING

The Board of County Commissioners

COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOP-MENT TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL:

does hereby accept the recommendations

concerning the county's Enterprise Zone Agreements and Community Reinvest-ment Area Agreements as presented by the Paulding County Economic Develop-

ment Tax Incentive Review Council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
A motion was made by Mr. Tony

Burkley to go into executive session at 11:04 a.m. with the County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was

seconded by Mr. Fred Pieper. All mem-

bers voting yea.

At 11:26 a.m. all members present

agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

This 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, the Board of County Commissioners; Tony Zart-man, Tony Burkley, and Fred Pieper met

with the following members of the Audit Committee: Carol Temple, County Re-corder; Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts; Lou

Ann Wannemacher, and Travis McGarvey, County Engineer.
Lou Ann Wannemacher distributed

the Permissive Sales Tax Revenue and Motor Vehicle Tax reports for February,

2011. Sales tax revenue was up from January, 2011, by \$48,090.82; and, up from February, 2011, by \$84,661.56. The Feb-ruary, 2011, total was up \$59,395.62 from

the three year monthly average for the month of February. Vehicle tax collected was \$42,179.56 for the month of February,

2011, which is included in the total sales

tax figures.
The General Fund Receipts and Ex-

penses Reports for January, 2011, were presented as prepared by the Auditor's Of-fice. General fund receipts of \$213,441.34

were down from December by \$33,947.31. January, 2011, general fund receipts were

(Continued across the page)

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COUNTY PROCLAMATION:

The specifications will be studied

IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING

This 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following mem-A NEW FUND AND CREATING LINE ITEMS AND AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION IN THE

bers present:
Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred
Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MISSIONERS MEETING

MINUTES FOR 2/23/11

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 8:03 a.m. with Common Pleas Judge and Juvenile/Probate Judge to discuss the hospital board appointment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fred Pieper. All members voting yea.

At 8:18 a.m. all members present

agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session. IN THE MATTER OF APPOINT-

#### MENT TO THE PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

This 23rd day of February, 2011, the appointing authority for the Paulding County Hospital Board of Trustees met with the following members present: Commissioners Tony Burkley, Tony Zartman; and Fred Pieper; Common Zartman; and Fred Pieper; Common Pleas Court Judge Tiffany Beckman; and Probate/Juvenile Division Judge John

A motion was made by Judge John DeMuth to appoint Ronald Etzler (Republican) to the Paulding County Hospital Board of Trustees for a six (6) year term expiring March 1, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tony Burkley. Upon the call of the roll, the fol-Burkey. Opin the Carl of the Foll; the Polity wea; Mr. Tony Burkley, yea; Judge Tiffany Beckman, yea; Mr. Fred Pieper, yea; and Mr. Tony Zartman, yea. Motion carried. ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 175835

through 175901 for County Bills were a proved and certified to the County Audi-IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-

### ING '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 February 17, 2011, Warrants numbering 175581 through 175833 totaling \$13,13,13,23, and it is, cartified that both \$131,217.37; 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, available or in the process of concernor, 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 pursuant by approved by resolution. chases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Or-ders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commis sioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resoluthis Board of County Commissioners and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the pub-lic in compliance with all legal require-ments including Section §121.22 of the

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING A NEW FUND AND CREATING LINE ITEMS AND AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION IN THE SHSP FY08 FUND (FUND 218):

It is necessary to track revenue and penses for auditing purposes for an Ohio Emergency Management Agency Grant for fiscal year 2008; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create Fund 218, SHSP FY08 Fund; and also to create the following line items in the SHSP FY08 Fund (Fund 218); and the Board of Coun-



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PAGE 11 - WEST BEND NEWS - MARCH 16, 2011 award pay raises were made after the 2011 budget had been set. Mr. Harmon

largely due to 2010 sales tax revenue post ing dates. January, 2011, receipts were up \$67,309.08 from the three-year average for January. General Fund expenses for January were down \$105,940.57 from December, 2010, expenses; and were down \$3,568.94 from January, 2010. January expenses were down \$72,123.49 from the three-year average for January. In other business, Treasurer Lou Ann

Wannemacher reported first half tax collections went well, with only 6% delinquent. She reported over \$9,000,000.00 has been collected so far in 2011.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be March 30, 2011.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINT-Gary Adkins, Paulding County

Hospital - Mr. Adkins met briefly with the Commissioners to update them on the future outlook for the hospital. He stated the hospital operated in the black for 2010, despite the decrease in inpatient stays. He then stated he anticipates a bed tax increase to fill budget gaps in Medicaid. Mr. Adkins is optimistic and has confidence in the hospital staff and the services provided The Commissioners advised Mr. Adkins of the hospital board appointment (see resolution above). Judge Suzanne Rister and Angel Pease – Judge Rister met with the Com-

missioners to update them on the County Court operations. She reported every thing is running smoothly. The Com missioners informed Ms. Rister and Ms Pease of their appointment of County Court Clerk.
Pam Miller, PCED – Ms. Miller pre-

sented the TIRC meeting recommenda-tions. The Commissioners approved (see resolution above).

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - A meeting with Ms. Wannemacher was held to discuss the county's Visa card. Ms. Wannemacher agreed to look into the matter in more detail and report back to the Commissioners at a

Corey Walker, PCDJFS - Mr. Walker requested two approvals (see resolutions

 Mr. McGarvey announced that Harrison Township has requested the planning commission meet to consider re-zoning some land from agricultural to commer cial. The purpose is for Horizon Wind Energy's local office.

#### PAULDING COUNTY COM-**MISSIONERS MEETING** MINUTES FOR 2/16/11

This 16th day of February, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Fred Pieper

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 175578 through 175834 for County Bills were ap-

proved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:02 a.m. with the County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 11:18 a.m. all members present

agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

#### PAULDING COUNTY COM-MISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 3/2/11

This 2nd day of March, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members pres-

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
TRAVEL REQUESTS:
Vicki Lamerson, BASICS Training

for Ohio Victim Service Providers, Lon-don OH – June 12 through June 17, 2011 Vicki Lamerson, 2011 Grants Re gional Training, Toledo OH - March 22,

Carol Temple, Continuing Education, Columbus OH – March 15, 2011 IN THE MATTER OF MODIFY-ING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-

TION (FUND 009):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 009-001-00004/Engineer/
Ges Tay/Countrest/Papries

Gas Tax/Contracts/Repairs TO: 009-001-00003/Engineer/Gas Tax/Equipment

AMOUNT: \$1,014.65

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTtan Harmon, Bill Shugars, Re

Farnsworth, and Dave Cline, Board of Elections members; Brenda Crawford, Deputy Clerk - The Commissioners re-quested the Board of Elections members come in for a meeting to discuss budget issues. Commissioner Zartman opened the meeting by stating the Commissioners had become aware last week that the Board of Elections authorized raises for their employees. Commissioner Zartman further stated the County itself has not

authorized any raises since 2007, adding, "We're still on a wage freeze. Still working four days a week... 64 hours a pay period." Commissioner Burkley asked who initiated the talk of increases. Mr. Har-

mon confirmed it was the Board members. Commissioner Burkley asked if any current board members were on the Board the last time county raises were awarded. Mr. Harmon acknowledged he no doubt was. Commissioner Burkley continued to was. Commissioner batterly communed to state that a letter accompanies the budget worksheets, which are distributed in the fall for the following calendar year. The letter would include any pay increase recommendations, authorized by the Commissioners. With no such recommendations, the Commissioners agreed they were puzzled by the Board of Elec-tions decision to award raises, especially

at such a high percentage.

Board of Election President Stan
Harmon responded by distributing a 'fact sheet', explaining their budget for 2011 will not be increased and the decision to

stated the Board of Elections is a unique county office. He referred to the 'fact sheet' and the increased workload. The Commissioners agreed they have many mandates and responsibility level is high, as it is in all other county offices.

Commissioner Zartman said that the Board of Elections is not unique; however, as many county offices have faced most of the same issues. He commented he would love to see, "across the board increases in pay"; but added, "It's just not feasible at this time". Commissioner Burkley ques-tioned the Board of Elections members how they would handle this increase in pay in future budgets, especially those years with two elections.

Commissioner Burkley asked how

they arrived at the 10% raise for employ-ees. Mr. Harmon then distributed a report, indicating other county employees' wages. He explained their Board's decision was based on compariport. son to other county employees, considering seniority, workload, etc. Commissioner Burkley commented that, although the Board of Elections has

the authority to award raises to employ-ees, the other County offices will no doubt consider their action a 'slap in the face'. He further stated that every County employee is considered valuable. The Commissioners agree that all County employ ees are no doubt underpaid for the level of work they perform.

Mr. Harmon assured the Commissioners that it was not the Board of Elec-tions' intent to cause additional stress to

them or the County. He then asked the Commissioners for their options.

Commissioner Zartman reminded Board members that most County employees have been working reduced hours with no hourly, across-the-board, increase in pay since January, 2007. 2010

budgets were approved at an 8.6% reduction, most of which was reflected in payroll line items. Commissioner Burkley commented that offices all over the country have re-duced hours and assumed more work responsibilities. He then stated that, "just because you make more per hour doesn't mean more work can/will be

Ron Farnsworth asked if the Board of Elections should have approached the Commissioners before a decision was Commissioner Burkley stated it was

within their authority to make this decision; however, added that if the increases in pay can be absorbed without increasing their appropriations, "it may appear as though we have over budgeted your Mr. Harmon stated the increase in wages will reflect a slightly under \$6,000.00 increase in payroll-related line

items. Commissioner Zartman added the increase would be close to between \$8,500.00 and \$9,000.00 on a two-election year.
Commissioner Burkley commented the county anticipates additional revenue

in 2013 when the wind farms become productive. He said he anticipates being able to at least restore county employees to a 35-hour work week at that time. By increasing the Board of Elections employ-ees' wages at this time, they would also see an increase in their paycheck when hours are restored.

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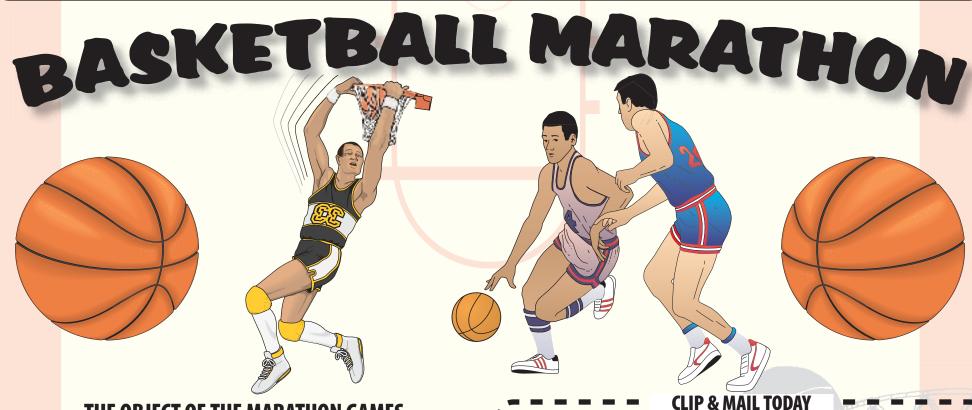
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SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT IS THE RULE, NOT THE EXCEPTION.

#### **RULES GOVERNING PLAY**

The Mini-Tots Division will use the 8' basket and a tiny ball. The Tots, Mini-Youth, and Women's Division will use the 10' basket and women's basketball. All other Divisions will use the 10' basket and regulation basketball.

No foul shots are permitted.

No time outs

No Dunking the basketball (We have had to pay for a cracked glass backboard, and also have had to stop games to repair the break-away rims, which changes the schedule for the rest of the games.) 5 players maximum on the floor at one time.

<u>In Adult Co-Ed competition</u>, there must be at least 2 females on the floor at all times. <u>In Adult Co-Ed competition</u>, male players are not permitted to cross, remain, shoot, or rebound from the area on the floor known as the "KEY".

No Full Court Press in Mini-Tots, Tots, Mini-Youth Divisions

Shirts can only be picked up by the team captain or sponsor 30 minutes before the game.

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#### **OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION RULES**

The OHSAA is organized to administer and supervise the athletic program for students in grades 7 thru 12. The Constitution of the association does not contain any responsibility for any type of athletic programs below seventh grade. Anyone and everyone who is not yet enrolled in the seventh grade may participate in the Marathon without jeopardizing their future eligibility.

Students in grade 7 thru 12 who are participating in or plan to participate in basketball in the future, MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE MARATHON SO LONG AS NOT MORE THAN TWO MEMBERS OF THE SAME JR. HIGH OR HIGH SCHOOL TEAM DO NOT PLAY ON THE SAME MARATHON TEAM.

#### **AWARDS (Donated by Fessel Jewelers)**

First and second place trophies will be awarded to the top two teams in the Mini-Youth, Youth, Men, Women and Co-Ed. Sportsmanship trophies will be awarded to teams who were defeated by the most points or show the best behavior in the Marathon.

<mark>Ten indivi</mark>dual awards for first and, Ten individual awards for second will be awarded to the teams in the Mini-Tots and Tots Divisions.

#### THE MARATHON COMMITTEE

Chad Benschneider- 419-263-2277 or 769-4708 John Claymiller - 419-399-8440 Chad Cluts - 419-263-0327 Rusty Clark – N/A Jeremy Dunderman – 419-769-0680 Myra Žartman – 419-263-0312

Doug & Vicky Etzler – 419-263-3132

Ashley Litzenberg - N/A Rachel Treece - N/A Brian Vest - 419-263-0037 Russ Zinser – 419-506-0258 Jennifer & Rylee Zartman – 419-263-4007 Kaleigh Young – 419-263-2801

The Marathon committee will endeavor to make this Marathon the most enjoyable for you and the fans and the most profitable for the Society and the people in Paulding County who need our help. If you have questions, you may contact any of the Committee members. Thanks for participating in this most worthwhile Paulding County charity.

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This Year we would like to recognize Defiance-Paulding County Chapter of Thrivent Financial contributing \$1000.00 in Matching Funds for the Marathon

### 33rd ANNUAL BASKETBALL MARATH

#### **OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

**ENTRY FORM DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011** 

The marathon begins on Friday, April 22, 2011, (time to be announced later), in the Payne Elementary Gymnasium and concludes on Saturday evening at (TBA). Team pairings and time of play will appear in the April 18th Weekly Reminder and the April 20th Paulding Progress & West Bend News.

#### **DIVISION OF PLAY**

Please Check Proper Team Bracket

\_MINI-TOTS (0-2<sup>nd</sup> grade)\_\_\_TOTS (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade)\_\_\_MINI-YOUTH (6<sup>th</sup>-8<mark><sup>th</sup> grade)</mark> To make team pairings as fair as possible for the mini-tots, tots, and mini-youth divisions, Please designate: BOYS\_\_\_\_\_ GIRLS\_\_\_\_ CO-ED\_\_\_\_ \_YOUTH (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) \_\_\_MEN\* \_\_\_WOMEN\* \_\_\_CO-ED\* \*denotes no age restrictions

#### **REQUESTED WORDING ON BACK OF SHIRTS**

One line of copy only: \_(print clearly)

#### **SELECT COLOR OF SHIRTS (CIRCLE ONE)**

Kelly Green, Forest Green, Kiwi Green, White, Red, Maroon, Gold, Deep Purple, Ash Grey, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Black, Burnt Orange, Kaki, Yellow Haze, Cyber Pink, California Blue, Light Blue, Oxford Grey

#### **SELECT SIZE OF SHIRTS**

You may choose any combination of ten (10) shirts for your \$100.00 entry fee. Extra shirts in excess of ten (10) are \$8.00 each. There is an additional charge of \$3.00 per shirt for XXL & XXXL shirts ordered.\*

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#### PREFERRED TIME OF PLAY

Every effort will be made to accommodate your first, second, or third request, however, the Marathon Committee cannot make any guarantee with respect to these requests. This is a 24 hour event and prime time slots will be awarded on a first come first serve basis, as well as how your team pairs in the bracket selection

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TEAM REPRESENTATIVES:

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