

## BETHANIA HOUSE PIGGY BANK OF GENEROSITY



The students and staff at Woodburn Lutheran School recently raised and donated over \$1,000 to the Bethania Ministries. The Bethania Ministries provide loving, nourishing homes for orphans in Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh in southeastern India. Though the ministry is sensitive to the beliefs and practices of people in the region, all of their centers and homes offer Christian discipleship and an opportunity to come into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

During the month of February, each student was given

their own Bethania House piggy bank and had the opportunity to collect money to put into it (pictured are third grade students, Jaden Keller and Helena Emehiser). The goal for each student was to collect \$20.00. The students exceeded their goal and were one of the top schools that were involved in raising funds for Bethania. Enough money was collected to support 55 orphaned children in India for one whole month. To learn more about this ministry and/or donate visit: [www.bethaniakids.org](http://www.bethaniakids.org)

## CHAMBER, PCED TO CO-HOST FREE SMALL BUSINESS SEMINAR

Paulding Chamber of Commerce and the Paulding County Office of Economic Development are working together to host a free small business seminar Thursday, April 21 for persons interested in opening a business of their own and for current small business owners.

It will be conducted from 9 a.m. - noon in the Paulding Kiwanis Building.

Chamber board chairman Melinda Krick and PCED director Tony Langham are spearheading the project.

Plans are under way for a meeting where local entrepreneurs and prospective small business owners can meet face-to-face with professionals from the world's of economic development, accounting, banking and business law.

Information will be disseminated in the areas of business finances, legal aspects of structuring a business, real estate, advertising, accounting, licensing and permits, insurance, web design and regulations.

Participation at the seminar is being encouraged with the Antwerp and Payne Chambers of Commerce, Oakwood Development, ACDC, and both of the county's Community Improvement Corporations (CICs).

Planning the event is two-pronged. First, local professionals are being contacted to form a panel for a question and answer period during the seminar. Letters are going out this week inviting business leaders to represent their fields of expertise.

They are also being offered the opportunity to help sponsor the event.

Second step of formulating this project is to get the word out to individuals about the actual event once a panel has been established.

Events of the day likely will include a one-hour presentation by Merry Beavers

from the Small Business Development Center in Defiance. She will give an overview of all matters pertaining to small business.

Also, Langham will discuss programs available through the local economic development office and Jerry Good with Ohio Department of Development in Lima will touch on state programs.

The third hour will consist of discussion with the local panel of experts, expected to be a question and answer format.

There is no cost to attend. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Langham at his Paulding office, 419-399-8282, or email [pced@bright.net](mailto:pced@bright.net). Information will also be listed on the chamber's Facebook page.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Brandon and Elecia Wobler proudly announce the birth of their son, Jacob Anthony Wobler.



Born at Dupont Hospital, Ft. Wayne at 4:16 PM, Thursday, March 10, 2011. Weight: 8lb 10oz Length: 21 inches

Brother: Zachary Christian Wobler, Grandparents: Darla (Frank) Considine, Anthony (Marilyn) Wobler, Jeanette (Tim) Poston, Great-Grandparents: Roy (Hellen) Stoller, Peg (Larry) Magnuson, Richard Dunderman.

"We prayed for this child and the Lord has granted us what we asked of Him."

—1 Samuel 1:27

## CAMP KINDERGARTEN AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Pictured are Mason and Tyler Schlatter as they fish for ABC's.

Oakwood Elementary recently hosted Camp Kindergarten for incoming Kindergarteners for the 2011-2012 school year. We had a wonderful turn out of

campers and a lot of fun was had by all. We are looking forward to seeing our Kindergarten Campers back for their screening appointment on April 15th.

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by Sue Beck

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**SATURDAY, JUNE 25**  
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**OBITUARIES**

**"Lilly" Dearing**, age 4 joined our Lord in Heaven Saturday, April 2, 2011 at 6:23 p.m. at the Paulding County Hospital, Paulding, Ohio.

Our dear sweet Lilliana Jenean Rose, Lilly was born May 21, 2006 in Paulding County, Ohio the daughter of Amanda "Mandy" Briner and Todd Dearing II. She is also survived by her maternal grandmother Tammy (Saul) and Darryl Eicher. Paternal grandfather: Todd R. Dearing. Maternal grandfather: Glenn L. Briner. Uncles: James Kleman, Jessie Kleman and Danny Kuhn. Aunt: Tiffany Dearing. Maternal great grandmother: Linda Compton. Cousins: Katie Kleman, Reina Kleman and Kemper.

Lilly is preceded in death by her paternal grandmother, Kimberly Jenean Dearing and maternal great grandfather, James J. Saul.

Funeral services were conducted on Friday, April 8, 2011 at the Den Herder Funeral Home Paulding, Ohio. Pastor: Dwayne Richardson officiated. She was laid to rest at the Paulding Memorial Cemetery, Paulding Ohio.

Donations may be made to Lilliana Jenean Rose "Lilly" Dearing Account at the First Federal Bank 905 N. Williams St. Paulding, Ohio 45879

Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**David C. Hart**, 73, of Antwerp, passed away Friday, April 8, 2011 at his residence.

Dave was born in Berne, Indiana on December 29, 1937, a son of the late Mary Jo (Williams) and Carl Hart.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1955 to 1958 & was a truck driver at United Trucking.

Dave was a member of First Baptist Church of Antwerp & the Northern Indiana Bluegrass Assoc., where he was a board member for 9 years.

On Nov. 23, 1979 he married Roberta Bunn. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Roberta; children, David (Paula) Hart of Fort Wayne, Steve (Kimberly) Lucas of Antwerp & Cherli (Bud) Baer of Van Wert; sister, Myra Walker of Vista, CA; 7 grandchildren & 6 great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his daughter, Kathleen Kean.

His funeral service is at First Baptist Church, 5482 CR 424, Antwerp at 11 am on Wednesday, April 13th, with viewing on hour prior. Rev. Todd Murray will officiate.

Viewing is also Tuesday, 2-4pm & 6-8 pm, at the First Baptist Church.

Memorials are to Roberta Hart, PO Box 452, Antwerp Ohio 45813.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**Jimmy Lee Floyd**: 57 died Saturday, April 2, 2011 at the Defiance Regional Medical Center, Defiance, Ohio.

He was born in Beckley, West Virginia on March 14, 1954, the son of Charles and Katherine Graham Floyd. He lived in Baltimore, Maryland until he was 12 and then moved to Defiance.

His passion was his Harley Davidson. He has owned them since the early '70's and loved to ride them. He loved



the Baltimore Orioles from the time he was young, he was a die-hard Colts and Buckeye fan. He loved hunting (trapping and hunting from the time he moved to Defiance). His hobby was rebuilding old cars. He was currently working on a '66 Mustang. He loved his life, family and friends. He loved classic cars and antique treasures. He collected them regularly. He was a great storyteller especially while driving his pontoon down the river. He owned & operated Floyd's Repair for the past 23 years, servicing car dealerships all over Northwest Ohio.

He is survived by Karen Caris, the love of his life for 19 1/2 years. Two sons: Jason (Tara) Floyd - Big Piney, WY; Jared Floyd - Defiance, Ohio; Two daughters: Sara (Ross) Becker, Defiance, Ohio; Megan Floyd - Defiance, Ohio;

Grandchildren: Malaki Pabon, Gretchn Pabon, Alex Cruz and Draxton Floyd; Step grandchildren: Marcus & Sage Mahaffey; 3 sisters: Deb Walters, Defiance, Ohio; Cindy Britton, Sturgis, Michigan, Belinda Hamman, Defiance, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and grandchildren Morgan & Madison Floyd.

His funeral services were conducted at the Hankenrath-Clevenger-Schaffer Funeral Home in Defiance, Ohio by Pastor Tim Yazel. Burial was at Memory Gardens, Defiance, Ohio. Online condolences may be sent to [www.hcsfuneralhome.com](http://www.hcsfuneralhome.com).

Memorial contributions can made to Defiance Hospice in honor of his mother.

**CHURCH LUNCHEON**

The First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Paulding will host a Baked Potato Luncheon on Thursday, April 14, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be all your favorite potato toppings, salads and desserts. Carry outs will be available. The Church is located at 1233 Emerald Road, Paulding.

**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

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

Oakwood church of Christ

1. In John 3:3 who did Jesus teach?
2. In John 3:3 what did Jesus teach?
3. John 4:4-24 what did Jesus teach the Samaritan woman at the well?
4. In Mark 16:1-2 what day of the week did Jesus arise from the dead?
5. In Matthew 15:32-39 after the people finished eating, besides the men which was 4,000; there were also women and children, how many baskets were filled?
6. In Luke chapter 9:12-17 after feeding the five thousand how many baskets were picked up?
7. In John 18:25-27 which disciple denied Jesus three times?
8. Was Jesus crucified outside the city of Jerusalem or Bethlehem?
9. In Matthew chapter 4:18-19 what did Jesus tell Peter and Andrew?
10. In John 14:6 who said I am the way, the truth and the Life?

Answers to last weeks questions:

1. To keep Jesus from being killed
2. Nazareth
3. 12 years old
4. Zechariah and Elizabeth
5. John the Baptist
6. To fulfill a righteousness

7. 3 times
8. The apostles went to preach to the Jews
9. The messenger
10. About 35

Please continue your study of the Bible, because this is where truth is. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Comments or questions on today's lesson can be answered by calling either James Potter at 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022.

**HURT**

**By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church**

I received a message from a friend who is depressed about his life, where he is, and how he feels. This is what I wrote in response. Maybe it will help someone else feeling the same way.

I'm reminded of Nine Inch Nail's Hurt. You know the one that Johnny Cash covered and made famous.

That song was originally released on Nine Inch Nail's Downward Spiral. In an interview, Trent Reznor noted that he wrote the album to be one whole message. In his downward spiral, he rejects God, he lives for himself, but by the end, he wishes he could throw it all away and start over. You seem like you are in a downward spiral of sorts, and at the end of that spiral is Hurt. A place where you wish you could start again and throw everything away. The good news is that place of restoration is always now. We constantly have to throw away the hurt others have inflicted on us, the hurt we have self-inflicted, and the dreams we have missed fulfilling. That's what forgiveness is.

The problem is that people don't think that it is possible to start over, but with God it is possible. Jesus offers grace, a grace that helps us overcome the failure we feel like we are and, sometimes, have been. A grace that will give us the strength to continue on despite continuing to be a failure. A grace that helps us become more than we can be without it.

In the end, a life filled with God's Spirit, forgiveness and grace will be a life that will end that downward spiral; a life that will stop the hurt; a life that will reflect the glory of God; the life you were intended to live. Don't give up. Be real, be honest, and pursue God with your whole heart.

"Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint" Isaiah 40:28-31 (ESV).

"God save you from the werewolf and from your heart's desire."

-Teddy Roosevelt

You can read more of Regan's writings at [www.regansravings.blogspot.com](http://www.regansravings.blogspot.com) or stop in to worship God with him and his church family on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. at Riverside Christian Church. Located at the corner of 192 & SR 49.

**WINNING THE BATTLE FOR A GENERATION**

**By: Rick Jones, Executive Director Defiance Area Youth for Christ**

Have you ever been hurt by someone and above all else found yourself wishing perhaps even praying for an opportunity to "get even?"

During the days of the "desert fathers" (a 4th century Christian movement that tried to renew the church), a young man came to his spiritual mentor and father-figure named Sisoos. The young man blurted out, "I was hurt by my brother in Christ, and now I'm angry and I want to avenge myself."

The older man tried to comfort him, but he also gave him a gentle warning: "Don't do that, my child. Rather, leave vengeance to God."

But the young Christian refused to listen to Sisoos. Instead, he became even angrier and loudly said, "I will not quit until I get even."

When Sisoos saw that reason alone wouldn't change the young man's heart, he quietly said, "Let us pray, brother."

After a pause, Sisoos offered the following prayer: "O God, apparently we no longer need you to take care of us since we can now avenge ourselves. From now on we can manage our own lives without your help."

When the young man heard this prayer, he immediately repented. Falling at Sisoos feet, he cried out, "Have mercy on me. I am not going to fight my brother anymore." Regarding forgiving another who has hurt us, the Apostle Paul writes in Ephesians 4:30-32 (NIV) 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Rick Jones, Executive Director, Defiance Area Youth for Christ. 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](mailto:defyfc@embarqmail.com)

**BEING SNATCHED FROM THE JAWS OF DEATH**

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

It was the perfect day: clear skies, no wind, bright sunshine, no humidity and temperatures in the low '70's. A number of parachutists were going to perform a routine group jump.

Gregory Robertson, a safety and training advisor for the U.S. Parachute Association and a veteran of 1,500 jumps, followed Debbie Williams and 5 other divers out of a plane 2 miles over Coolidge, Arizona.

He watched as the group tried to link hands at 9,000 feet. All of a sudden, Williams violently collided with another skydiver knocking herself unconscious.

Robertson, from his vantage point a hundred feet above, tucked his arms to his side and using his shoulders to steer, plummeted at 200 miles per hour straight down.

Debbie was spiraling downward on her back. Robertson's bullet maneuver allowed him catch up with her. He pulled her into a sitting position and yanked on her rip cord at 2,700 feet.

Still hurtling earthward, Robertson was finally able to pull his own ripcord at 2,000 feet, just ten seconds before he would have slammed into the Arizona Desert floor.

Gregory Robertson risked his own life to snatch Debbie Williams from the threshold of death.

As we approach the Easter season, we are again reminded that through the cross of Christ, God has snatched us from the threshold of death.

Through the cross, God in Christ reached out and provided an escape from our plummet to hell. Jesus took our place by dying on the cross for our sin. He paid the penalty for sin that was ours to pay.

And though He died, on the third day he was resurrected from the dead. The good news of the gospel is very simple, yet very profound. If you believe by faith that Jesus died on Calvary's cross for your sin and ask Him to forgive you of your sin, you can be saved.

You, too, can be snatched from the curse and the penalty of sin. And you can know abundant life in this life and eternal life after you die. This Easter season, why not make sure you've trusted in Christ for your eternal salvation?

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**SPRING FARM SAFETY**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

Research from the National Safety Council indicates that 700 farmers and ranchers die in work-related accidents yearly. Most every farm family and rural community knows of someone that has been one of these statistics. The sad part is that a majority of these accidents are preventable.

Ohio farmers are currently in the process of preparing their equipment for planting, looking for dry fields, and waiting for soil temperatures to warm. What better time than now to take a few extra minutes to check equipment lighting and marking to help ensure a safe spring?

Let's review what is required and recommended for agricultural equipment while traveling on public roads:

At all times, an Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem is required.

Headlights and tail lights are required 30 minutes after sunrise and 30 minutes before sunset.

Headlights and tail lights are required during day hours if inclement weather conditions exist, including fog and rain.

Additional extremity lighting is required on dual-wheeled tractors.

Amber flashers and turn signals are recommended at all times.

Ideally towed implements should have their own reflectors, lights, and an SMV emblem. However law requires these items be present when the implement blocks the lighting/markings configuration on the tractor.

In addition to lighting and marking on equipment, other items should be considered while traveling on public roads: Safety cables or chains should be used in any towing situation; Lock tractor brakes together before traveling on public roadways; Wear seat belt while operating tractors with ROPS.

Ohio law states that only one wagon/implement may be towed behind any vehicle with two exceptions: Towing with a tractor; More than one wagon/implement may be towed; While no maximum is indicated, common

sense and safety should play a role in the decision.

Towing with a pickup or straight truck: A truck designed by the manufacturer to carry a load of not less than 1/2 ton and not more than 2 tons may tow two wagons/implements. Use escort vehicle when possible.

Additional information on lighting and marking of agricultural equipment can be found in the Factsheet AEX 598 08 Boosting Visibility of Ag Equipment found on the Ohioline website at: [http://ohioline.osu.edu/aex-fact/pdf/AEX\\_598\\_08](http://ohioline.osu.edu/aex-fact/pdf/AEX_598_08)

**VANTAGE BOARD MINUTES 04/07/11**

Vantage Welcomes All School Board Members.

School board members, treasurers and superintendents from Vantage home schools enjoyed the thirty-fourth annual All Boards Dinner, presented with an international flair. The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Paul Prichard, a staff engineer in the Innovation Ventures Group at the McKenna Technology Center at Kennametal Inc. in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Garmann Miller architects Bruce Miller and Randy Groff, also presented the building information management (BIM) progress which is being utilized in the Vantage construction project. The Vantage project is one of the first schools in the area to incorporate BIM into their building project.

The regular monthly meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held prior to the All Boards Dinner. The treasurer's report included the approval of the March 3, 2011 regular board meeting minutes and the financial statements for the month of February, 2011. The board approved the amended appropriations and revenues for FY11.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman provided updates on the OSFC Renovation and Expansion project, the state budget and Vantage satellite programs.

In new business, the board: Approved employment of the following, as needed, as scheduled: One year contracts to: Adam Lee, Attendance Discipline Officer, Tony Unverferth, Social Studies, Rose Krietemeyer, Paulding FCS, Kelly Schalk, Delphos FCS; Two year contracts to Susan Smith, Cosmetology; Four year contract to Kevin Van

Oss, Industrial Mechanics; and continuing contracts to Susan Farr, Special Education, Scott Elwer, Delphos Ag; Nancy Moore, Network Systems and Marcia Osenga, Early Childhood Education;

Accepted the resignations of Vern Fischer, Ag Diesel instructor, Dee Howell, GRADS instructor, Jean Minnig, Math teacher and Patricia Winicker, Special Education Coordinator, Jennifer Waltz, GRADS,(2012) Shirley Jarvis, Health Careers, (2012) Linda McKitterick, (December, 2011) teacher on assignment, and Linda Bales, (2012) Medical Office Management, all for the purpose of retirement;

Approved the Superintendent's recommendation to not reemploy, Kristy Bidlack, Culinary Arts Instructor; Employed the following Adult Education instructors as needed, as scheduled: Larry Longwell, Welding;

Approved to own agreement between Perry Corporation and Vantage Career Center for the district's copier and printer needs; Approved a resolution to rescind the responsible model bidder criteria approved at the January 6, 2011 board meeting per the request of OSFC; Accepted with thanks a donation of various supplies and tools from Nussbaum MacTools with the value to \$220 to the Vantage Auto Body program;

Approved the Early Childhood Education policy book; Approved a resolution to amend the Community Reinvestment Agreement entered into on August 2, 2010 between the Village of Kalida with Remlinger Manufacturing Company, Inc.;

Approved a resolution to amend the Community Reinvestment Compensation Agreement entered into on August 2, 2010 between the Village of Kalida, Kalida Schoot District Board of Education, Vantage Career Center with Remlinger Manufacturing Company, Inc.;

Approved an overnight field trip to Anaheim, CA for National FCCLA Contest from July 8 to July 14, 2011;

Approved an overnight field trip to Washington DC for National BPA Contest from May 3 to May 8, 2011;

Approved an overnight field trip to Kansas City, KS for National SkillsUSA Contest from June 19 to June 24, 2011;

First reading of NEOLA new, revised or replacement policies as presented. No board action required at this time;

Amended the tabled March employment as presented: One year contract for Mary Ann Hall, CTE Supervisor; Two year contracts for Bob Vennkotter, Director, Lori Balliett, Assistant Treasurer and Annette Klinger, Media Center Secretary; Three year contract for Pete Prichard, Adult Education Director; Continuing contracts for Diana Becker, Adult Education Secretary, Jackie Gunsett, Financial Aid Coordinator and Vicki England, Cook;

Amended the tabled Smoke Free Campus Policy as presented: To designate Vantage Career Center as a Smoke Free Campus with the exception of personal vehicles as the only approved smoking location;

Approved the submission of the equipment list to the Rothacker/ Lampe Bequest handled by the Van Wert County Foundation;

Approved Peck Shaffer for legal review of the proposed solar power purchase agreement and solar power license agreement;

Approved Delphos satellite discontinuation, including Reduction in Force of Kelly Schalk, Family & Consumer Sciences, Delphos.

The Superintendent requested an executive session to prepare for negotiations and bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensations and for the purpose of discussion of employment of personnel.

The next Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cup and Saucer Restaurant.

**PAULDING CO. CHRONICLES II**

**By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman**

**April 7, 2011 CANAL-TOUR - "Taming the Swamp"**

The Canal Societies of Indiana and Ohio sponsored tours in Paulding Co. and surrounding counties on the Wabash & Erie Canal (from Antwerp to Junction) and also the Miami & Erie Canal (from Junction to Delphos) April 1-3, 2011. There were people from Massachusetts, New York and even California in attendance as well as local enthusiasts who stayed at the Van Wert Motels and traveled back and forth to the host Historical Society (John Paulding Society) in this county.

There was registration on Friday at the John Paulding Historical Society; Author - Georgia Kohart spoke about the canal and swamp life followed by a book signing. Then Docents led tours of the three museum buildings. At 6 p.m. the group met at Van Wert for Happy Hour, a picnic supper and at 7:30 was slide presentation preview of the Saturday tour.

On Saturday, the group met at 8:00 a.m. at the Motel in Van Wert and left in two coach buses for the canal sites in Paulding Co. The first was the Wabash-Erie in Antwerp, Ohio, leading easterly out to the Antwerp Reservoir. After pointing several highlights in that area, (the Harrman house; the Locks, and embankments) the buses headed on toward Tate's landing with explanations about the dynamiting of the Reservoir and Canal locks in the 1880's by the "Dynamiters". Mentioned on the State line was Saylor's Lock; we then passed thru Downing Lock and Payne's Lock West of Antwerp. Bank's Lock ran on the W. side of the Reservoir at Antwerp. We got out at the Antwerp Lock that was blown on the NW corner or the Reservoir. Then proceeding to Paulding Furnace then to Tate's Landing, past 1 Mile Lock; Six - Mile Creek Culvert; Junction; Little Auglaize Aqueduct; Lock 32; St. Andrews; Lock 31; Mandale: Hamler; Lock 30N; Lock 29N; Box Culvert; Ottoville (picture taken); Lock 28N; Lock27N; Lock26N; Lock25N; Jennings Creek Aqueduct; Lock 24N; Lock 23N.

The group had stopped at Junction to see the marker and was told the history of the area and several stops were made at different locks and the aqueducts. They had

gone to the John Paulding Historical Society for a nice box lunch, continuing the tour until 5:00 p.m.

Banquet was held at Elk's Lodge at Van Wert at 6:30. At 7:30 Peter Wilhelm from Northwest State Community College spoke about "Taming the Black Swamp". Mr. Wilhelm is not a native of Paulding Co., but is very knowledgeable of it's past drainage problems. "Between 1870 and 1920 the construction of thousands of miles of open ditches alleviated the major portion of surface water by lowering the water table to at least ground level. There remained the stagnant surface water on individual fields which could only be removed in a timely fashion by under drainage. Beginning in the 1880's farmers employed tiling technology which transformed the waterlogged clay soils of the Black Swamp into the most productive agricultural land in the state."

Program was following by the American Canal Society Meeting. (members only).

The group met on Sunday in their cars by caravan at the hotel with flagged cars to see the sites not seen on Saturday over by Defiance. They came back through Junction and took the Canal to Defiance, looking at the locks in that area. The historical museum in Delphos was to be open for anyone wishing to have something more to do on Sunday afternoon.

Thanks to Robert and

Carolyn Schmidt for an informational and economic tour for all the meals and places that we went. The people at the John Paulding Historical Society also remarked that they were really nice people to be hosting for. Paulding Co. has a lot of Canal History to be proud of and they need to keep up the interest in it.

**THANK YOU!**


I would like to say "thank you" to all of those who took the time to visit me in the hospital, sent cards, flowers, phone calls and remembered me in their thoughts and prayers during my recent illness. A very big thanks to the guys on my crew that hurried to my rescue. I will always be grateful. Thank you to Bob Nighswander, Rev. G. Allan Fillman for the visits and prayers. Thank you for the excellent care I received from the doctors and nurses at both Defiance Regional Medical Center and Parkview Memorial Hospital and the ambulance services.

-Sincerely,  
Mike Johnson

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

On Thursday, April 21, from 9 am to Noon the Paulding Chamber and Paulding County Economic Development office are sponsoring a small business seminar at the Kiwanis Building in Paulding, Ohio. The seminar is free to attend. This is an outstanding opportunity for Small Businesses looking to expand or anyone interested in starting a new small business. There will be a wide range of topics presented including accounting, legal, banking, advertising, real estate, and more, which should be very helpful for anyone attending. There will be local professionals attending for a panel discussion as well as state and local economic professionals presenting business information and the latest programs. To reserve your spot, please call 419-399-8282.

—Jerry Zielke,  
Paulding County  
Economic Development  
Board Member

**PHS TRACK & FIELD EVENTS**

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, the boys and girls track team competed at Paulding against Defiance and Van Wert. Both boys and girls team earned a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish on the evening. Individual placers for Paulding were as follows: 4<sup>th</sup> place finishers were: Meagan Weller (100m dash), Abbey Edwards (1600m), Sarah Nardone (High Jump and 800m), Allissa LaFountain (400 m), Rachel Kessler (300 m Hurdles), Julian Salinas (400m), Bruce Sowder (100m), Ethan Wolfle (High Jump), Ryan Schindler (Discus), and Dylan Carnahan (Pole Vault). Third place finishers were: Ethan Wolfle (300m Hurdles), Paulding Boy's 4x400m relay, Paulding Boy's 4x800m relay, Alli Singer (100m Hurdles), Paulding Girl's 4x400m relay, Sidney Salinas (Pole Vault), Paulding Girl's 4x800m relay, Paulding Girl's 4x200m relay. Second place finishers were: Kasi Edwards (Shot Put), Paulding Girl's 4x100m relay, Beau Hahn (100m), Julian Salinas (High Jump), Paulding Boy's 4x100m relay. First place finishers for yesterday's meet were: Bruce Sowder (Pole Vault), Emily Shuherk (High Jump), Kasi Edwards (Discus). Final scores for Girls: Paulding 26 - Defiance 97 - Van Wert 57 Boys: Paulding 21- Van Wert 100- Defiance 68

The Panthers will be back in action on Saturday, April 9th at the Ehresman's Lima Bath Invitational.

**THANK YOU**

I would like to thank Dallas Lamb for the care and service they have given me. It was very much appreciated.

—John Knapp

**LAWN CARE – MOWING**

Now that the grass is starting to grow, we'd like to share with you a few guidelines on mowing that we learned at STI. Many homeowners take mowing for granted not realizing how much effect this has on the health and appearance of the lawn. Each of these tips plays an important part in the lawn's appearance.

For the best cut, sharpen your mower blades at least once a year and keep them sharp. Sharp mower blades give a clean even cut to your lawn and prevent tearing and shredding which can give your grass an off-color appearance.

Adjust the cutting height on the mower for the season. Set your mower at medium-height in the spring and fall. In early spring this will remove the top brown part of the blades and let more sunlight reach the grass plants encouraging early green-up. However, do not mow too low which causes stress to the lawn. Mowing too low eliminates too much of the leaf surface, reducing the plants ability to perform photosynthesis. Higher adjustment settings should be used during the hotter summer months when the grass growth is slower. This also helps your lawn maintain better drought tolerance with hotter temperatures and when there hasn't been much rain. Remember, the hotter and drier, the higher you should set your mower.

Frequent mowing with a regular mower or using a mulching mower will avoid the necessity of bagging your lawn clippings; however, you may catch the clippings if you prefer. The important thing is not to let the grass get so high that mowing removes more than one-third of the grass blade. Cutting off more than a third creates a physiological shock that can make it more susceptible to disease. For best results, mow your lawn every 5 days.

Mow when your lawn is dry to avoid clogging your mower. Wet grasses stick to your mower and can cause problems. However, if you absolutely have to mow when it is wet, make sure to wash out the cutting area of the mower immediately when you are finished. This makes it much easier to keep the mower clean and problem free.

To achieve a quality appearance, try to alternate mowing patterns and directions. For instance. If you mowed horizontally last time, mow diagonally this time. This tends to keep the grass blades more erect and ensure a more even cut.

—Len Schrock  
Scotts STI Graduate  
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**PAULDING VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES 3/21/11**

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on March 21, 2011 Mayor White called the meeting to order.

Sierer motioned to approve the minutes of the March 7th Council meeting, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Trausch presented the Recreation Committee's minutes from their March 14th meeting. The following items were discussed:

Elaine Sierer inquired of current rates and if a discount

could be given to pool employee's families. The Committee will research past minutes to find where admission rates were set, and Solicitor Jones will be requested to look into the matter of discounted admission.

Ed Carlisle, Street Supervisor, and Administrator Wiebe were present to discuss the proposed walking path at Jeffery Park. Carlisle and Wiebe relayed the need for sewer jet and maintenance vehicle access, and inquired about the possibility of filing in some low spots along the bike path when it is put in. Travis McGarvey will be contacted with their concerns.

Mike Trausch met with representatives of Master Gardeners to discuss sprucing up Lafountain Park's entrance and flag pole. Master Gardeners have come up with a couple of proposals for the entrance, but are still researching what would best suit accessibility and maintenance around the flag pole.

The Committee also met with Bruce Whitman, Park Manager, to discuss increasing his responsibilities to include the Wiffle Ball Field at Reservoir Park and adding the Lela McGuire Jeffery Park. The Committee recommended increasing the Park Manager's pay to \$10,840 to cover the increased work load.

The Committee decided not to purchase a new mower at this time for the Lela McGuire Jeffery Park. It was decided that the Reservoir Park mower would be used for both the Reservoir and Jeffery Parks. Mr. Whitman inquired if the Village would be willing to move the mower from park to park since he does not have a truck or trailer to move the mower. Sierer inquired if Village employees would be willing to perform these duties. Wiebe noted he will discuss his request with the Street Supervisor and get back with him.

Guelde motioned to approve the Recreation Committee's report, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Guelde presented the Buildings & Grounds Committee's report from their March 9th meeting. The Committee reviewed the three mowing bids received earlier that day, and recommended awarding the 2011/2012 Mowing Contract to Dan Vance of Paulding. Sutton motioned to approve awarding the 2011/2012 Mowing Contract to Dan Vance, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Resolution 1250-11 re: A Resolution Authorizing URS Corporation to Advertise for Bids for the Construction and Use of a New Water Treatment Plant for the Village of Paulding and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Solicitor Jones noted the legislation authorizes URS to advertise the Water Plant for bid contingent upon URS receiving final authorization from Rural Development. Rife inquired why this legislation is being read as an emergency. Jones noted that if Council does not wish to declare an emergency on this legislation; therefore requiring three (3) readings, the project will not go out for bid until sometime in April. Approved.

Tope requested a Finance Committee meeting be scheduled with Becky Swisher of The Ohio Plan to discuss the

Village's liability insurance renewal.

Wiebe provided Council with an excerpt from Environmental Compliance Alert titled, "Heads up: There's more EPA enforcement coming, not less". The article notes that, "Although EPA's taking a 12.6% funding cut under President Obama's budget, none of the cutting affects the agency's aggressive enforcement efforts this year or next. While the agency guts some major programs, like its Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and state grants for infrastructure, EPA will increase its enforcement budget by \$24 million". Wiebe noted he and Mayor White met with Congressman Bob Latta at the courthouse earlier today, and did discuss this article with him. Latta noted he understands the Village's situation regarding unfunded EPA mandates, and wishes he had the article prior to meeting with the new EPA director to address some concerns this article presents. Daeger would like the public to know that the EPA has given the Village an unfunded mandate to separate its sewers. The Village had requested the EPA grant the Village a 10 year extension on its sewer separation project, but the EPA shot down its request and instead granted a 5 year extension. Wiebe noted that while the Village has renewed its current NPDES permit with the EPA, the new EPA director will not tolerate non-compliance and is seeking an attitude change among the state entities it monitors.

Wiebe also noted he and Finance Director Tope have been discussing the impact the 25% reduction in Local Government Assistance will have on the Village's General Fund. He noted that revenues will decrease approximately \$19,000 over the next two years, and that Council may need to re-evaluate General Fund expenditures. Mayor White relayed he had attended Paulding-Putnam's annual shareholders' meeting on March 19th, and read a Proclamation celebrating

the electric cooperative's 75th Anniversary. He also noted he and Wiebe will be attending a Legislative Luncheon in Columbus on March 22nd.

Solicitor Jones requested the Mayor to stay after the Council meeting for a few minutes to sign the URS contract for engineering services related to the building of the new water plant. He noted the Village has already paid URS \$924,280 for its engineering services, and per the contract the Village promises to pay an additional amount, not to exceed \$519,000, for the construction (including Project Manager) and post-construction (training of village employees for the operation of the plant) phases of the project. Jones also relayed that in order for the Village to receive financial assistance from Rural Development, the Village needed to prove it had contributed \$250,000 towards the funding of the project from its own sources. With Julie Ward's, a representative of RCap, assistance; Rural Development has agreed to apply the Village's \$300,000 pilot study payment (to URS) towards the Village's portion of the project cost.

Trausch noted the Paulding Ball Association will be hosting a "Pitch, Hit, & Run" competition on April 16th at 8:00am.

Sierer inquired if there had been any interest in the Cherry St/North Drive project. Wiebe relayed Craig Knapke, Project Engineer from Fanning-Howey Engineering Group, has informed him bid packets are being mailed out to interested contractors.

The following meetings were scheduled:

Street Committee – Thursday, March 24th at 5:30 pm.

Recreation Committee – Thursday, March 24th at 6:00 pm.

Finance Committee – Tuesday, March 29th at 5:30 pm.

Sutton motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

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

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**BILL METZGERS JOURNAL - 1846**

**By: Stan Jordan**

It is 1846 and our family is just leaving Germantown, Ohio, heading west. Here in the Midwest, Ohio hasn't been a state very long - 1803 and Indiana in 1816. We are Buckeyes but the Indiana State Line is just a few miles to our west.

My parents, William & Mollie Metzger and I and my 2 younger sisters, Margo is 12 and Mazie is 10 years old and I am going on 15 years old.

Grandpa Metzger fought in the Revolutionary War and for a bonus he was given 160 acres called the Firelands. He had to improve it and we did. After grandpa died, my father inherited the farm. My folks talked a lot at night about going west on the Oregon Trail, to the Land of Milk and Honey.

Dad sold the farm and bought 2 wagons with canvas covers to get us to Independence, Missouri. Dad burned the house and buildings down about 2 days before we left. Then we searched the ashes for all of the wrought iron nails. We have been told to do this as iron nails are hard to get after you leave the Mississippi River.

Dad bought a team of mules to pull the second wagon. This is filled with supplies more than household goods. It carries all the food for the animals and a crate of chickens. We have a small barrel of water on each side. We have 3 bushels of potatoes, cabbages, carrots, etc. from last year's garden.

I drove the horses today and dad drove the mules. The girls rode on the seat with me.

We crossed through Ohio and Indiana, it's pretty much straight west to Indianapolis. I think that is the capital of the state. This land is also pretty flat, a little rolling maybe.

We went through a town today called Richmond, Indiana. It's a little place but the townspeople said it would soon be incorporated. An-

other nice day, pretty dry for April.

I haven't written for a few days, they are all the same. We are about half way to Indianapolis, pretty good roads, quite a few people going west and a few going east. When you are in the sun you can take your coat off for a while.

Met a local man today and he said pretty good trail into Indianapolis, four maybe three days travel yet. Well, we finally left Indianapolis. We got groceries there, salt, bacon, flour, baking soda, beans, coffee, sugar, soap, dried fruit, potatoes, onions, sweet potatoes, hard tack, tobacco for dad, cornmeal and a sack of horehound candy.

All of the supplies we put into the first wagon. Filled the water barrels also. I guess we go about 10 miles each day. Not too much mud. We keep the mules on the first wagon now, they are slower than the horses.

Had a goose drownder last night and we didn't only go a couple of miles. Lots of sandy ground here and our wheels sink down in the sand, slow going.

Met a horseback rider today, he was going east. He said about 3 days at a mules pace to the Illinois line, a little place called Danville. This country is flat, but the farm ground looks good. That rider said they call this the prairie.

Got into Danville today. Been on the trail about 6 weeks. An old timer told us today to stay pretty much straight west to get to Quincy, the last town in Illinois.

The days are getting a little longer and mom has school every night before dark. Boy, she sees to it that we can read, write and cipher. If we have a rainy day and don't travel she holds school in the big wagon.

See Ya!

This is just the first installment of the Metzger's journey across the Oregon Trail. The next installment will be in the W.B.N. next week.

**APACHE TRAIL, TORTILLA FLATS, SUPERSTITION MOUNTAINS**

**By: Stan Jordan**

The Apache Trail in Arizona was originally an old stagecoach trail that was used by the coaches through the Superstition Mountains. It was a trail used by the Apaches because lots of them lived in and around these mountains and they were very superstitious in their way of life.

The trail links Apache Junction at the east side of Phoenix with the road to Theodore Roosevelt Lake and the Tonto National Forest.

This trail winds through the desert and the mountains are very steep and unsafe for some campers and R.V.'s. Every facet of this country is history or legend or both. This trail goes through Tortilla Flats and this is history also. It is or was the last stage coach stop that still survives

along the Apache Trail. At one time it had about 100 inhabitants, but it is the smallest community left in the area, it only has 6 people there now but it has a post office and a voting precinct. At one time it had about one hundred folks living there but a flood came and ruined it and most folks didn't rebuild.

It was a stage stop while they were building Roosevelt Dam. Lots of freight haulers and construction workers would stop for the night. It served it's purpose well.

It got it's name Tortilla Flat in the early years as the cowboys would stop in the saloon and spend all their money and not buy supplies. They always would drive cattle from Globe to Phoenix. They usually got back on the trail with no supplies and had to use flour to make some tortillas at the flat, hence the name.

This area now is a pretty busy recreation spot, called the Salt River Reclamation Project, the Tonto National Forest is also in the area and a tourist attraction.

The Superstition Mountains are east of Phoenix and a big recreation area now. But there is a lot of history and natural wonders in and around this entire area.

The Apaches knew the mountain very well and had a lot of legends and superstitions about them. Such as, they thought the entrance to the world below was right here in the Superstitions.

Some rock formations like the 'Weaver's Needle' and other out cropping rocks had effects on their beliefs.

The legend of the 'Lost Dutchman's Mine' to them and other people is not a legend but the truth, although the mine has never been found. But all these rumors have helped the tourist trade and the economy.

There are numerous hiking trails here, some long and some short ones.

To the common American tourist and history buff you could spend days in the area to see the natural wonders, the state and national parks and just lose yourself in the beauty of it all. I sure would like to go back.

See Ya!



**THE BLONDE AND THE HORSE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

A blonde decides to try horseback riding, even though she has had no lessons, nor prior experience. She mounts the horse unassisted and the horse immediately springs into motion.

It gallops along at a steady and rhythmic pace, but the blonde begins to slide from the saddle. In terror, she grabs for the horse's mane, but cannot seem to get a firm grip.

She tries to throw her arms around the horse's neck, but she slides down the horse's side anyway. The horse gallops along, seemingly impervious to its slipping rider.

Finally, giving up her frail grip, the blonde attempts to leap away from the horse and throw herself to safety. Unfortunately, her foot has become entangled in the stirrup; she

is now at the mercy of the horse's pounding hooves as her head is struck against the ground over and over.

As her head is battered against the ground, she is mere moments away from unconsciousness when to her great fortune. Frank, the Walmart greeter, sees her dilemma and unplugs the horse.

And you thought all they did was say "hello" and give you a shopping cart.

**EILEEN SHAFFER**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Eileen was born in Paulding County in June of 1919. Her folks were Brice and Blanch Baldwin Highland and she had 2 brothers.

She went to school in Paulding, but she went to Briceton School for the first 1 1/2 years. She met Gerald Shaffer at a dance and they were married in 1934. Their son, Donald was born in 1937, Carol was born in 1940 and Linda was born in 1947.

Gerald, her husband was employed at the Weatherhead Corp. in Antwerp. He was injured in 1952, having



fallen into a vat of acid. The doctors didn't think he would live long but he was a tough fellow and he lived until 1997. He drove a school bus for Antwerp for many years prior to his accident.

Gerald's father was Everett Shaffer, his grandfather was Gold Shaffer. Gold Shaffer cleared the land by hand on the home place and handled some logs in the old Wabash and Erie Canal.

After Gerald passed away Eileen worked for the Meijer Store in Ft. Wayne from 1997 until 2007. While she was there in the delicatessen she was very surprised to have Channel 21 to come and put her on T.V. as the favorite worker at that time. She was given a large bouquet of flowers because of her gracious personality. When she retired in 2007, she still loved her work in the delicatessen. She is a workaholic.

She is in very good shape physically and mentally and feels very good for 92. She keeps in shape by working out 3 times a week at The Community Memorial Hospital Fitness Center in Hicksville. Then she volunteers there 3 times a week.

Eileen would have liked to have been a nurse but she had to take care of her parents when she was young.

She likes to take care and help people. She had to take care of her husband for many years after his accident.

She has lived in her present home for 76 years. Her son, Donald, and Gerald built Donny a home next door to theirs in 1956.

She is so appreciative of Donald and his wife. They are so much help to her, she says she wouldn't know what to do without their help.

She is 92 years old, but still drives to Ft. Wayne and Defiance. She does her own banking, bill paying and her grocery shopping.

Her hobbies are her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Donald has 3 children. She loves volunteering and visits sick people and helps if she can. She likes to crochet and read good church books.

Eileen, thank you for sharing your story with us. We are amazed at your abilities. Please come back to The West Bend News again.

See Ya!

**ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF 4/11/11**

**Defiance County:**

County Road 424 (formerly Ohio 424), from approximately three miles east of Ohio 281 in Defiance County and 11 miles west of Ohio 108 in Henry County will be closed for approximately 30 days beginning April 12 for the replacement of five culverts. The route will remain open to local traffic only. There will be no official detour because the work is not taking place on a state route. Resurfacing of 5.3 miles of the roadway from the east corporation

limit of the city of Defiance to the Henry County line will follow the completion of the culvert replacements. The project, which is being performed by Gerken Paving of Bluffton, is part of an agreement which will turn maintenance responsibilities for the former state route over to the Defiance County Commissioners.

**Hancock County:**

Interstate 75 approximately three miles north of the city of Findlay, will be restricted to one lane through the work zone in the southbound direction only Sunday, April 10, from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., and Monday, April 11, from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for preparations to remove the overhead bridge on County Road 109. The restriction is related to a project which will replace the County Road 109 bridge over Interstate 75 which is expected to be completed late summer.

Additional upcoming traffic impacts related to the project are as follows, weather permitting: April 18 - County Road 109 will close for 120 days. April 19 & 20 - Traffic will be restricted on Interstate 75 at County Road 109 to allow for removal of the bridge deck. The restriction will be in place during nighttime hours only, generally from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. those days. The northbound direction will be restricted on the 19th, southbound on the 20th.

April 21 - Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction on Interstate 75 at County Road 109 to allow for removal of a debris shield and for removal of bridge beams. The restriction will be in place from 7 p.m. - 7 a.m.

April 25 & 26 - Traffic on Interstate 75 at County Road 109 will be stopped by the Ohio State Highway Patrol for approximately 20 minutes at a time during removal of existing bridge beams. The operation will occur during nighttime hours only, generally from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Northbound traffic will be affected on the 25th, southbound on the 26th.

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**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE SENIOR CAPSTONE PROJECTS**

On Friday, April 1st, the hallways at Vantage were filled with anticipation as the Vantage seniors presented their Senior Capstone Projects to teachers, staff and community members. The Senior Capstone Project is a part of the student's final year at Vantage. The project incorporates the skills, concepts, and data from the student's career technical program into one culminating project. This is a three-part process: a written research paper, a project or product created outside of the normal school day, and a formal oral presenta-

ects and were very proud of them. Here are just a few examples of the projects that were presented.

Matt Proctor, an Industrial Mechanics student from Wayne Trace designed and built bale spears with three hydraulic claws. Matt's words of wisdom to the juniors were "pick something you enjoy doing, make up your mind about your project and start early". Nolan Feathers, a Delphos Jefferson senior in the Auto Body program restored his 1997 Dodge Ram pick-up truck for his project. Nolan said, "I gained a lot of self confidence doing my senior project. It proved to me that I can actually do what I learned in Auto Body."



Vantage Early Childhood Education senior, Brandy Sloan from Paulding, with Roger and Kelly Tumblin.

tion using PowerPoint technology on a Smart Board in front of a panel of adult judges and Vantage juniors. Each student had the opportunity to demonstrate a significant personal and academic growth throughout the course of the project. Emotions were running high - anxiety, excitement and doubt - as the students reviewed their notes in the hallway just before the presentations began. Beth Evans, senior English teacher said, "The Senior Capstone project provides an opportunity for making the last two years of high school meaningful and practical. This day is filled with much excitement and anticipation. For most of our seniors, this day is a positive and memorable experience one they will never forget." It was obvious that many students had devoted a great deal of time to their proj-

Amelia Wiseman, a Van Wert senior in the Early Childhood Education program taught preschoolers how to speak French and said, "By doing this senior project, I learned how quickly young children can learn something new, like a foreign language". Antwerp Network Systems senior Adam Smazenko and his classmate Patrick Jackson, from Parkway researched "Digital Citizenship" and presented their findings to the Vantage staff and to Parkway students. Adam said that he learned he works well under pressure. Interactive Media senior Adam Miller from Paulding used his skills to prepare a stop-motion Lego animation.

Sara Gardner, a Paulding Cosmetology senior, actually did her senior project back in October. She created a Halloween-themed

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**CARD OF THANKS**

We would like to thank all the people who came to the graveside services for Michael A. Lindsey. Special thanks goes to Shawn Dooley and Bob Nighswander for all their kind words.

-From all the families of Mike Lindsey

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

**By: Ellen Williams  
Paulding Exempted Village Schools**

School Media Centers, public, academic and special libraries help users begin the next chapter in their lives every day. National Library Week is April, 10 thru 16. Celebrate today by visiting your library in person or online.

Whether it is by opening a book and exploring distant lands or learning how to use new technologies to find a job, people are creating new stories for themselves at the library. The library is the place where your story can begin. This National Library Week, join our nation's libraries and librarians and "Create your own story @ your library".

Take some time to read to a child, surf the web, or just relax with a magazine. Visit your library this week to take advantage of its many resources.

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 4/13 THROUGH 4/19**

*Lunch:*

03/13 - Taco or pizza burger on bun, corn, pineapple, milk, plus: Salad bar or pie

03/14 - Chicken nuggets or meatball sub, carrots, strawberries, milk, plus: Salad bar or apple salad

03/15 - Cheese pizza or turkey salad sandwich, salad, applesauce, milk, plus salad bar or cook's choice

03/18 - Ham & cheese or BBQ rib on bun, corn, mixed fruit, milk, plus: Salad bar or fruit

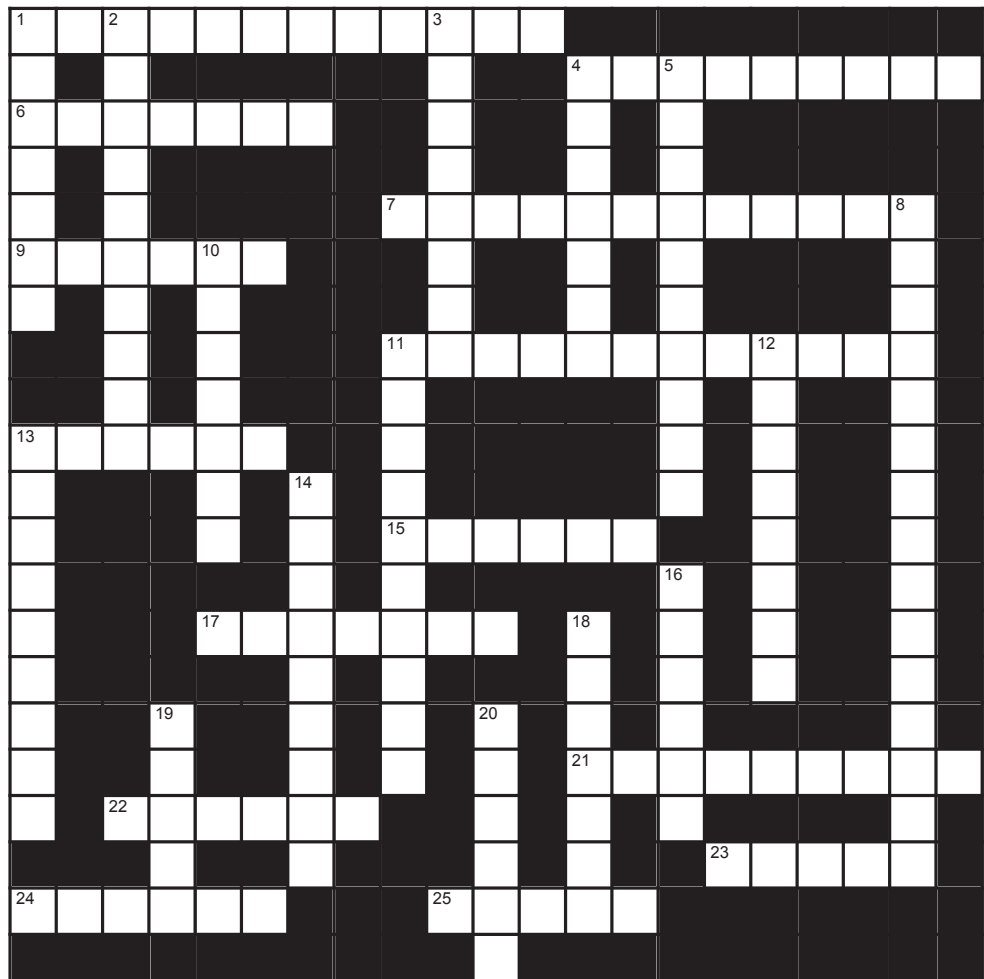
03/19 - Chicken strips or cook's choice, scalloped potatoes, jello w/fruit, milk, plus: Salad bar or jello

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"Cities"

**Crossword Puzzle**



**Across**

- 1. City by the Bay.
- 4. Cement City.
- 6. The Big Apple.
- 7. Railroad City.
- 9. Glass City.
- 11. City of Brotherly Love.
- 13. Bean Town.
- 15. One of the Twin cities.
- 17. Gateway City.
- 21. Mistake by the Lake.
- 22. Birthplace of Aviation.
- 23. City of Lights.
- 24. Bride of the Sea.
- 25. Rubber City.

**Down**

- 1. Las Vegas.
- 2. The Big Easy.
- 3. Garden City.
- 4. Gate City of the South.
- 5. City of Angels.
- 8. Spa City.
- 10. Motor City.
- 11. Steel City.
- 12. Hill City.
- 13. Charm City.
- 14. Tinsel Town.
- 16. Mile High City.
- 18. The Windy City.
- 19. Little Cuba.
- 20. Dorothy's home.

**GROVER HILL EASTER EGG HUNT**

The annual Grover Hill Easter Egg Hunt has been scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd at 2:00 P.M. The event, sponsored each year by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2873 in Grover Hill will be held at Welcome Park and is open to all area children up to age 10. In the event of poor weather or park conditions, the hunt will be held at the VFW Post on South Main Street in Grover Hill.

**PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS**

*Admissions:*  
3/29 - Betty Roddy, Oakwood  
4/01 - Velma Keck, Paulding  
4/03 - Jesse Gonzales, Paulding  
4/03 - Tasha Casper, Paulding  
*Dismissals:*  
3/28 - Sheryl Crone, Payne to Lutheran Hospital

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 maze for preschoolers and displayed her Halloween-inspired hair designs and make-up on mannequins. Ag Diesel Mechanics senior Harrison Oeschle from Van

toys for preschoolers. Jared Ricker, an Ottoville senior in the Industrial Mechanics program built a motorized picnic table. "It took a lot longer than I thought it would, but when I was done,



**Vantage Cosmetology senior Sara Gardner from Paulding with her instructor Mrs. Susie Smith, finalizing the Halloween activity for preschoolers last fall.**

Wert prepared a business proposal for a cattle ranch out west. Another Van Wert student, Kurstie Maxwell, a senior in Health Technology, learned more about becoming a dental hygienist by shadowing in Dr. John

I felt successful," he said. Aryn Denny, a Medical Office Management senior from Wayne Trace developed a billing, coding and collections manual that she will present to the juniors in her program.



**Zak Kauser, a Vantage Electricity senior from Paulding with his Cushman Haulster mini-truck.**

Cook's dental office. "This project gave me a broader perspective of what it would be like to become a hygienist. It helped me make the decision to proceed with this career," Kurstie said.

Brandy Sloan, an Early Childhood Education senior from Paulding held a jeans day at Vantage to raise money to purchase the book, Mommy Please Don't Cry in memory of Taylor Tumblin, the daughter of Roger and Kelly Tumblin who died at the age of four. Taylor was born with the chromosome defect Trisomy 18. Brandy raised enough money to purchase 33 copies of the book, which will be donated to Toledo Hospital in Taylor's memory. Brad Gordon, an Electricity student from Parkway converted a gasoline powered mini-bike to electric power. Brad shared, "Things are harder to do than they look, but when I was done I felt a real sense of accomplishment." His Electricity classmate Zak Kauser from Paulding restored a Cushman Haulster into a mini-truck. "I learned more about electrical safety by doing this project, and also that things don't always go as planned", he said.

Wayne Trace Carpentry senior Layne Earhart designed and built a cabinet customized to her height. Early Childhood Education's Cori Reuille, also from Wayne Trace, created age-appropriate games and

**ODOT AWARDS RECORD \$11.6 MILLION FOR SRTS**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) announces the awarding of \$11.6 million in anticipated federal transportation funds for 90 projects through the successful Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program. Each project will receive anywhere from \$1,000 to nearly \$500,000. All totaled, these awards make up the highest amount of funding the program has ever distributed at one time.

The proposed projects - sponsored by Ohio communities - encourage and enable schoolchildren from Kindergarten to eighth grade to safely walk or bicycle to and from their neighborhood schools.

"The goal of SRTS projects is to combine health and fitness with safety," said ODOT Director Jerry Wray. "It is an opportunity to work closely with schools and communities to create a healthy lifestyle for children and a safer, cleaner environment for everyone."

Funding will go to 34 communities requesting support for school travel plan development. With these grants and engineering support, these communities will be able to develop their own SRTS programs. Once completed, they will be in a position to apply for more funds to implement their ideas.

SRTS awards went to infrastructure improvements for local communities: improving sidewalks, creating new walking/biking connections, putting in bike racks and improving cross-walks and other safety features in communities all across the state. More comprehensive projects to be funded include the construction of new sidewalks, curb extensions and pavement markings.

Still other funds will go to providing education and encouragement programs on the SRTS concept.

"The safety message needs to be heard by many people at all levels," stated Director Wray. "The recent awards will not only go for providing information to children and their parents, but to provide professional assistance, such as training for crossing guards."

ODOT has administered

the SRTS program since 2004, and has awarded more than \$32 million in project funding.

For more information on Safe Routes to School, visit: [www.dot.state.oh.us/SafeRoutes](http://www.dot.state.oh.us/SafeRoutes)

**SCHEIDT, M.D. GUEST SPEAKER @ NAMI**

Speaker for the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will be Robert B. Scheidt, M.D. of Van Wert. Doctor Scheidt, who is retired from private practice in the Van Wert Area, has chosen the topic "Mental Illness and Religion".

NAMI is a support, educational organization on Mental Illness which is open to the public. Meetings are held at 6 p.m., the third Monday of each month in the Challenged Higher Clubs Drop-In Center located at 407 N. Franklin, Van Wert, OH.

**LIMA BATH INVITE**

On Saturday the boys and girls track team competed at the Lima Bath Invitational. The girls came in 7<sup>th</sup> at the invitational and the boys came in 9<sup>th</sup> place. Individual placers for Paulding were as follows: 6<sup>th</sup> Place finishers were Abbey Edwards (Long Jump). 5<sup>th</sup> place finishers were Paulding's girls 4x200m relay, Paulding's boys 4x400m relay, Julian Salinas (High Jump), Katie Kohart (Discus). 4<sup>th</sup> place finishers was Paulding's girls 4x100m relay. 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher was Sidney Salinas (Pole Vault). 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishers were Kasi Edwards (Shot Put and Discus), Emily Shuherk (High Jump) and Chris Pier (100m dash).

The Panthers will be back in action on Tuesday vs Continental and Lincolnview at Continental.

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

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**OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR # 759**

**By: Bonnie Pier**  
 March 28, 2011 Meeting. We gathered at the Gardens of Paulding with Oakwood Girl Scout Troop #529 to play bingo with the 17 residents. The girls also told us about their motto and activities. Jaci Moss from "Earth Angels", a cat rescue program for 11 years on Power Dam Road near Defiance, gave us a very nice talk and brought a cat to show. They had a wish list of items they could use: rugs, blankets, towels, stamps, glass cleaner, liquid laundry soap, plastic bags re-closeable 1 quart and 1 gallon, toys, food, kitty litter, toilet paper, ear & eye wipes, etc., plus volunteers.

John Pier opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer by Chaplain Bill Bidlack. We voted to send a donation from our Caring Hands fund to help a family with medical expenses and burn out victims. A donation was made to 4-H Camp Palmer and to Animal Support and Elderly Support for their activity fund. A motion was made to give financial aid to a local girl going to a convention in Washington, D.C. Motion passed. We welcomed new members, Bob and Rosie Wright.

Join Hands Day is May 17. We partner with the Oakwood Boy Scouts to get the ball park ready for the season. We would like to help the ball association build bins to put their equipment in. After a morning of hard work we get to have a pizza party! Dick Parrish is to chair this. Phyllis Bidlack is to work with Ar-

lene Dirr on a scrapbook for our arbor as our Wild Card Program.

Coming events: State meeting April 10th at 3:00 p.m. Bowling Green Country Club; Preparing for "Right to Read Week" at the school and snacks for rehearsal for 3rd grade Memorial Day Program & June 16th Patriotic Flag Day at the Legion.

We are continuing to save screw on bottle caps for Toledo cancer treatments and to remind members to turn in their acts and hours.

Next meeting is April 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall with a Spring plant exchange and Max and Eileen Kochensparger as host.

**PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 4/13 THROUGH 4/19**

*MS/HS - Breakfast:*  
 03/13 - Sausage & egg burrito w/salsa, juice, milk  
 03/14 - French toast stix, sausage links, juice, milk  
 03/15 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk  
 03/18 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
 03/19 - Tator tots w/cheese, sausage links, juice & milk  
*Lunch:*  
 03/13 - Idaho nachos or cheeseburger w/bun, baked beans, chips, assorted fruit, milk  
 03/14 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, tator tots, assorted fruit, milk  
 03/15 - Popcorn fish & shrimp, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
 03/18 - Popcorn chicken bowl w/dinner roll or pizza burger w/bun, corn, assorted fruit, milk

03/19 - Chicken chunk salad, pretzel bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

*Paulding Elementary School Breakfast:*

03/13 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk  
 03/14 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk  
 03/15 - Pancakes, applesauce, milk  
 03/18 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice milk  
 03/19 - Muffin, graham crackers, applesauce, milk  
*Lunch:*  
 03/13 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk  
 03/14 - Breaded chicken w/ bun, broccoli w/cheese, fruit, milk  
 03/15 - Fish nuggets, tater tots, bread, fruit, milk  
 03/18 - Sloppy joe, scoops, tater tots, fruit, milk  
 03/19 - Pizza, salad, fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary Breakfast:*  
 03/13 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk  
 03/14 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk  
 03/15 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk  
 03/18 - Pancake wrapped sausage on stick, fruit, milk  
 03/19 - Warm cinnamon cheese bread stick, fruit, milk  
*Lunch:*  
 03/13 - Chicken patty w/ bun, peas, fruit, milk  
 03/14 - Ham & cheese sub, celery sticks, potato chips, fruit, milk  
 03/15 - Cheese pizza, lettuce salad, fruit, milk  
 03/18 - Mini pancakes, mini sausage, oven potatoes, fruit, milk  
 03/19 - Hot dog or chili dog w/bun, raw veggie sticks, potato chips, fruit, milk  
*Menus are subject to change*

**BEST PARTICIPATION FOR CAREER DAY**



Oakwood Elementary's K-B Super Kids recently won the Best Participation Trophy for having the most students dressed for Career Day. Here are the Super Kids with the sparkling trophy!

**WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING CLUB PARTICIPATED IN THE 3RD ANNUAL ARCHER OPEN**

On April 2, 2011. Wayne Trace Club brought home the 2nd Place Team Trophy with several individual placers.

*Placing 1st were:* Jarrett Hornish, Hunter Long (Div II), Ty Tinlin, Worth Clark, Kameron Bevis, Austin Smith, Gabe Sutton, Brandon Laney (Div IV), George Clemens, Brandon Laney (Div V), Riley Heater, Brendon Dingus, Kameron Clemens  
*Placing 2nd were:* Gage Tinlin, Hunter Long (Div III), Anthony Rooks, Nicholas Barnett, Justin Pierce, Robbie Long  
*Placing 3rd were:* Brendon Bidlack, Kaden Woolbright, Tori Young, Kaden Landwehr, Brayson Parrish, Dylan Laney, Hunter Showalter, Arin Canfield, Jacob Carpenter, Robbie Bowers

**WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING CLUB HOST ANNUAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT**

On March 26th over 400 wrestlers participated.

Placing 1st for the Club this year were: Hunter Long, Ty Tinlin, Brendon Bidlack, Gabe Sutton, Brandon Laney, Robbie Bowers (Div II), Riley Heater, Tyler Showalter (Div IV)

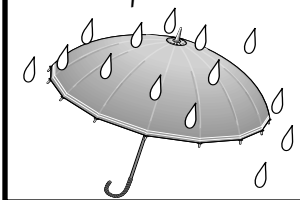
ton, Brandon Laney, Robbie Bowers (Div II), Riley Heater, Tyler Showalter (Div IV)

*Placing 2nd:* Jarrett Hornish, Anthony Rooks, Brendon Dingus, Dustin Taylor, Brendon Bergman, Kameron Clemens, Sawyer Temple, Jacob Dingus

*Placing 3rd:* Brayson Parrish, Tori Young, Kaden Landwehr, Kaden Woolbright, Worth Clark, Taylor Long, Austin Smith, Kameron Bevis, Hunter Showalter, Robbie Bowers (Div III), George Clemens, Aaron Miller, Tyler Arnett

*Placing 4th:* Dylan Laney, Nicholas Barnett, Zaine Cotterman, Tyler Showalter (Div V), Cody Stahl

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**"COFFEE & DESSERT"**

"Coffee and Dessert" Parent Professional Training on the topic of Autism will be held Tuesday, April 19 at 4:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m., at the Wayne Trace Jr./Sr. High School Lecture Hall, Lineli Weinberg, of the Autism Society of Northwest Ohio, will present information on the diagnostic characteristics and associated features of Autism, with awareness and discussion exercises about classroom/home impact.

There is no cost to attend these parent - professional trainings. Parents, caregivers, educators, professionals are welcome to attend. Certificate of Attendance available upon request.

Pre-registration is preferred by contacting Cathy Ruiz, Parent Mentor, at 419-263-2512 (select #4 Payne Elementary Building ext, 454) or 419-399-4711, or email Cathy at [cruiz@wb.noacsc.org](mailto:cruiz@wb.noacsc.org)

The parent-professional trainings are provided through the Parent Mentor Program and Western Buckeye, ESC, of Paulding County.

**SPRING NAME ENGRAVING**

The deadline is quickly approaching for the spring name engraving for the Veterans Memorial. All eligible Antwerp School District Veterans must have their documentation turned in no later than April 30 to have their names engraved by Memorial Day. Questions may be directed to either Keith West at 419-258-2232 or Nancy Lichy at 419-258-2026.

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**PUNKY PRUNE**

By: Rachel Steiner

One question people often ask me when talking is if we eat any sweets in our household. Given our family's focus on nutrition, most people presume we shun all the scrumptious things in life. However that couldn't be further from the truth. I have a crazy sweet tooth, always have and always will. Back in the college days I tried to offset my terrible eating habits with the latest fad of munching on anything labeled "sugar free". What a joke. That stuff is simply test tube food created in a lab full of chemicals. Do I have to mention how terrible it tastes?

Once married, we realized we shouldn't be eating white sugar either. Refined sugars are void of vitamins and minerals because they have been stripped out during the bleaching process. Plus, it is harder to digest, addictive and can cause spikes in your blood sugar.

After researching the alternatives, we concluded that using raw honey is nature's perfect ingredient for pure and simple sweetness. Raw honey is that which is not heated above 115 degrees during extraction and it is not strained. The honey is also already digested by the honeybees so it is less taxing on our digestive system.

One of the major benefits of raw honey is that it's nature's own multi-vitamin. Vitamins such as B1, B2, B3, B5, B6, and even antioxidant-rich vitamin C are found in raw honey. It also contains 27 minerals like magnesium, potassium, calcium, sodium, chlorine, sulphur, and phosphate along with 22 amino acids and 5,000 live enzymes. It is definitely different from the commercial varieties which

are often not 'raw' as they lose much of their nutritional value through processing. It keeps you healthy by fighting disease and boosting the digestive system. One daily spoonful in your tea or spread on your toast is all that is needed to reap these benefits.

Taking raw honey is also a healthy way to get an energy boost. Its carbohydrates supply us with energy and strength. It can boost your endurance and reduce muscle fatigue. As stated in my article on basic baking substitutions a few weeks ago, you can use honey to replace sugar in any recipe. If you need 1 C of sugar, simply replace it with ½ C of raw honey.

Not only for cooking and baking, but honey has many wonderful uses. Honey is also antiseptic, antibiotic, anti-fungal, and antibacterial. This is why we often hear to have some honey in our tea when we are sick, or to swallow a spoonful as studies have shown it is more effective than commercial cough syrups in coating the throat and providing throat relief. Honey can also be spread thinly on burns and scrapes as you would Neosporin. It not only will kill any of the bad bacteria and prevent infection, but will help with scarring and will make your skin baby smooth.

Another fantastic use for raw honey this time of year is to combat allergies. Raw honey contains all the pollen, dust and molds that cause 90 percent of all allergies. The bees use the available vegetation in the area to help produce the honey which in turn has minute amounts of those allergens in it. It is essentially a homeopathic medicine because when ingested, people build up an immunity to the pollen, dust or mold that is

causing trouble in the first place.

For more information on where to find raw honey email me at my address below.

Perhaps the best reason to enjoy honey is because it is a sweet gift from God. In the words of King Solomon "My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste." Proverbs 24:13.

If you have any questions or topics you would like discussed, please email: punkyprune@yahoo.com

**WOODBURN'S "DAY IN THE PARK" PLANTER COMPETITION**

This year as part of the "Day in the Park" festivities we are having a planter competition. There are 12 planters available. If you are interested in participating you can sign up at Ladybugs (open weekdays at 10 am) and pick out your planter. There is no entry fee.

Participants will be required to start planting by the 2nd weekend in May and may continue to add plants or amend your design throughout the competition. You may design the flower arrangement in your planter in any color scheme or combinations of plants that would compliment your design. You may use shepherds hooks or other yard art in your design but the city is not responsible if the art is stolen, broken by vandals or by wind. We ask that no vegetables be planted and you use only live plants. You may replace or amend the soil to encourage growth of your plants. You will be responsible for the upkeep (including watering) of your assigned planter through the month of July. Your planters will be judged by an expert in the field of landscape design and the results announced in the Park on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> and prizes awarded to the top three planters. After the month of July you may still continue to take care of your planters or we can request that the nearest business water them on a regular schedule depending on the weather.

This competition is open to individuals as well as businesses in or around Woodburn. We hope that all the planters will have participants in the contest. This can be fun and competitive and an enjoyable way to beautify our city. Please consider this fun project.

**ANTWERP JR/SR PROM**

By: Tawnya English  
The Jr. and Sr. students of Antwerp Local Schools will be dancing the night away at their prom on April 30th, 2011. If you would like to take a tour before the big festivities the doors will open at 12:00 p.m. till 2:00 pm. at Grant's Reception Hall.

The Juniors and Seniors will be arriving around 6:30 p.m. for their formal walk-in ceremony. The public is welcome to participate in this annual event.

The prom court and the

crowning of the King and Queen will be held at 7:30 p.m., at this time photos will be taken.

The theme for the 2011 prom is Fire and Ice. The after prom theme is Entertainment Tonight sponsored by the junior parents and will be held at Crazy Pinz in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**SPRING SOCCER CLINIC**

The Paulding County Soccer Club (Paulding County) presents Alex Van der Sluijs. May 1st at 1:00 pm, children ages 10 through 14 can learn from one of the best. There is a small cost to register.

Alex Van der Sluijs is the head coach of the men's and women's soccer teams at Defiance College. Van der Sluijs assumed the position after having served as a graduate assistant for the soccer program during the 2008 and 2009 seasons. Prior to his career at Defiance, Van der Sluijs played professionally for the Cincinnati Kings in 2007 and the Dayton Dutch Lions in 2010. Van der Sluijs also attended Wilmington College, where he was a three-year starter on the men's soccer team. The two-time Ohio Athletic Conference Forward of the Year earned First Team All-OAC and All-Great Lakes Region honors three times, after spending one season as a member of the Wright State program.

Van der Sluijs spent the 2007 season as an assistant coach for Wilmington, while also having served as a coach and trainer for the Lakota United Soccer Club, Thunder United Soccer Club and Midwest Soccer Academy. Van der Sluijs graduated from Wilmington in 2007 with degrees in communication arts and sports management, and recently graduated with a master's of education from Defiance College.

For more information email: pauldingcountysoccerclub@gmail.com

**WT/PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS 3<sup>RD</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR**

**1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE:**

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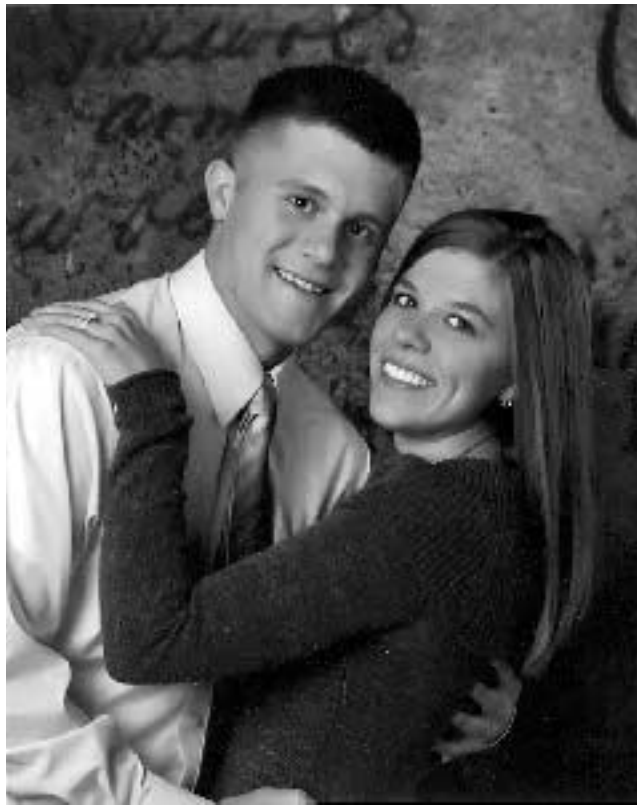
**2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE:**

Emma Crosby, Kelsey Dilling, Nathan Hartwick, Joey Munger, Chloe Parker, Samuel Rager, Waylon Smallwood, Trevor Speice, Gage Tinlin, Ryan Weninger, Emily Zamarripa, Kearstin Karolyi, Misti Klopfenstein, Alizae Alejo, Daven Hanicq, Mallory Lehman, Owen Manz, Carlee Mead, Dane Moore, Elijah Moore, Aubrianna Rittenhouse, Natalie Schultz, Riley Stoller, Jacob Stouffer

**3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE:**

Gavin Carter, Cale Crosby, Addie Etzler, Jayde Garcia, Kylie Pfeiffer, Austin Pierce, Alex Reinhart, Zane Shaffer, Chloe Thompson,

**COX - MAHLER**



Jack and Renee Cox of Payne, Ohio proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Nicole, Cincinnati, Ohio to Andrew Charles Mahler, son of Paul and Elaine Mahler, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Kristin is the granddaughter of Virgil and Ruth Woebeking of Woodburn, Indiana and Peggy Darlene Cox-Riley of Payne, Ohio.  
Andrew is the grandson of Charles Toelke, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Kristin is a 2004 Wayne

Trace Alumni and a 2008 graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Kristin is employed as a Senior Accountant at Barnes Dennig, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Andrew is a 2005 LaSalle High School Alumni and a 2009 graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Andrew is employed as an Audit Assistant at Deloitte & Touche LLP, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
A July 2011 wedding is being planned in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Katilin Vest, Gage Waltmire, Zoey Wright, Brittney Bauer, Sydney Coyne, Elicia Franklin, Nathan Gerber, Tommy Holmes, Dane Krouse, Max Laukhuf, Kali Reel, Wilson Riley, Richard Williams, Reed Zartman  
**4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:**  
ALL A'S - Madison Coyne, Carissa Laukhuf, Anne Eklund, Matthew Stouffer, Allie Hefner, Gracie Laukhuf, Evan Mohr, Caden Bland  
All A's & B's - Alec Dunham, Brooke Greulich, Levi Manz, Ellie Moore, Meagan Speice, Wyatt Stabler, Reece Thompson, Caleb Yenser, Chloe Stabler, Kaylee Shepherd, Julianne Roop, Kristen Rittenhouse, Olivia Klinker,

Cale Lehman, Josiah Linder, Madilyn Brigner, Ethan Crosby  
**5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:**  
All A's - Kalin Gerber  
All A's & B's - Joey Deboer, Colton Hower, Erica Mohr, Ian Vogel, Joel Johnson, Quinton Stabler, Trisha Strickler  
**6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE:**  
All A's - Jonda Krontz  
All A's & B's - Noah Ryan, Brooke Lelonek, Ethan Linder, Gage Pfeiffer, Kacey Reinhart, Seth Saylor, Joe Schmidt, Caleb Schultz, Jayden Sherry, Evan Baughman, Colin Doerr, Ethan Dunham, Blaine Jerome, Logan Kohart, Lauren Manz, Abbey McDougall, Seth Yenser

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## Mens High Series:

1. Deon Daugherty 586
2. Mike Walley 570
3. Kris Reinhart 550
4. Phil Bauer 548
5. Craig Womack 537
6. Scott Lichty 530
7. Mike Bute 529
8. Scott Hudson 520
9. Mike Kennedy 514
10. Jeff Lucas 501

## Mens High Game:

1. Phil Bauer 218
2. Deon Daugherty 217
3. Mike Walley 214
4. Mike Kennedy 211
5. Craig Womack 206
6. Scott Pendergrast 199
7. Scott Lichty 197
8. Mike Bute 194
9. Duey Schoenauer 192
10. Robert Johnson 192
10. David Bauer 187

## Womens High Series:

1. Sherry Reinhart 638
2. Angie Hudson 548
3. Marie Bauer 519
4. Carol Kortokrax 487
5. Marian Saylor 467
6. Jeanette Yerks 466
7. Charlene Geyer 461
8. Sue Molitor 455
9. Mary Brown 453
10. Leslie Ross 451
10. Judy Bowers 451

## Women's High Game:

1. Sherry Reinhart 224
2. Angie Hudson 202
3. Marie Bauer 193
4. Carol Kortokrax 178
4. Jeanette Yerks 178
5. Sue Molitor 177
6. Angie Peffley 176
7. Deb Lucas 173
8. Mary Delong 171
9. Mary Brown 167
10. Charlene Geyer 166
10. Nikki Phares 166

# NOMINATE A GRAND MARSHAL

John Paulding Days will be here in just two months. The Paulding Chamber of Commerce's board of directors is now taking nominations for grand marshal of this year's celebration.

Each year, the board recognizes an individual for their outstanding contributions to the community of Paulding, either in business or service to the community. If you would like to nominate someone as grand marshal, write to the Chamber at P.O. Box 237, Paulding, OH 45879; phone the office at 419-399-5215; or email [pcoc@paulding-net.com](mailto:pcoc@paulding-net.com). The grand marshal will be selected by the chamber board at its April 26 meeting and announced in May.

The John Paulding Days Grand Parade is Thursday, June 9.

## BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL FOR THE WEEK OF 4/13 THROUGH 4/19

**Breakfast:**  
 03/13 - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk  
 03/14 - Egg/cheese omelet, hash browns, juice, milk  
 03/15 - Turnover, juice, milk  
 03/18 - Pizza, juice, milk  
 03/19 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
 03/13 - Creamed chicken sandwich, green beans, pears, milk  
 03/14 - Fiestado, t. salad, pineapple, milk  
 03/15 - Mac/cheese, peanut butter sandwich, celery/carrot sticks/dip, peaches, milk  
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 03/19 - Cook's choice, milk  
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## PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES II

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

**EARLY CANAL TRAVELER'S LAMENT**

Do you know these definitions: 1. Landing - a place for taking on or discharging passengers or cargo; 2. Dock - a wharf or platform for loading or unloading materials; 3. Lock - an enclosure (as in a canal) used in raising and lowering boats from level to level.

Was there one of these in Antwerp, Ohio? There was an area at the south end of Main Street (where it meets Canal Street) where "a lot of activities went on during the Canal Era" (1843-1860). Canal boats were used for different things and not all boats were used commercially or otherwise. There were posted schedules with times and rates just like a train station. It was a busy place with vendors and tearful greetings and good-byes. The luggage was limited and so was space. Passengers met new people, perhaps sleep-

ing beside a stranger for the next few days until their destinations. Musicians were sometimes on board for entertainment. The charge was so much per mile.

Why didn't Antwerp have a hotel for Canal travelers? It was an exciting town as far as the Civil War (1861-1865) was concerned. More men signed up in Paulding County than anywhere in Ohio percentage wise. They must have had some rip-roaring parties urging men to fight for 'the cause'. The money was probably part of it at \$13.00 per month it beat farming Paulding County clay. Over 2,200 men served in the Civil War from Paulding County over 900 are said to be buried here. I had one 3rd grade uncle who was in Andersonville Prison Camp for 3 months (James Furrow) and other veteran relatives were 3 Longberry 'Blues'. The Canal played a part in all their descendant's lives. The railroad had come through prior to the Civil War, however.

It appears in the history books that Junction met

all the criteria for 'landing, dock, locks' and rolling out the welcome wagon for all 'canawlers' and travelers as well.

Were the hotels in Junction acceptable by any standards today? Who knows, except those who complained about them and journaled it. Bedbugs were a problem and travelers would almost rather stand up than lie on a ratty bed. Wine, women and song were what Junction was noted for. The Miami-Erie Canal met the Wabash-Erie and went on to Fort Defiance from there.

All along the canals were small factories and if you lived in Antwerp or Junction (or wherever) a person was probably glad if there wasn't a tannery there (maybe there was).

It's said that those people that worked there had a hard time getting wives because of the smell they brought home on their clothes, plus that whole part of town stunk badly. Odors from the outhouses, in-town chicken coops and pig pens, horse poop in the streets (who cleaned it up?) and much more must have been overpowering. The dainty people held their hankies to their noses when they went through certain parts of town and were very snooty to stinky street people of lower classes.

See part 2 next week.

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June ... 6 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Nov ..... 7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>
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—Treyton Banks, 2nd grade, Divine Mercy Catholic School

I am in first grade at Divine Mercy Catholic School, Payne, Ohio. My class is special because we have fun with experiments. Mr. Linder has fun games in gym. My two best friends are Grady and Kaden R. I like Junie B. Jones books. I like the Biscuit books, too. I have a great teacher named Miss Kuhlman. Phonics is hard but fun. Practice books is really fun, too.

—Ethan Noggle/1st grade Divine Mercy Catholic School

*A letter from former student of Divine Mercy*

I was asked by my former principal to write about what I learned from Divine Mercy Catholic School. Well, I can tell people that there is a great deal of things you can learn from this small school. It might be a small and not very popular school, but it has helped me improve my lifestyle. When I went into seventh grade, I was nervous because I had no clue if I was going to get made fun of because I went to a Catholic School. But of course I wasn't treated any differently. I feel that I got a lot of moral values from my small school. My teachers taught me to show respect towards others and it helps me today with my junior high teachers. Divine Mercy School also helped me to be patient because if our teacher is working with the other grade we had to wait until they were finished explaining their lesson. Teachers help you to get along with all the kids and we treat

each other like one big family. The teachers are not just there to teach us, they help the students get along and they are like parents guiding us on the right path to success. The teachers take their time and work with each student one on one if the kids ask the teacher for help. However, we are very different from other schools in Paulding County. We have two classes in one room with one teacher. We do not have different gym, art or choir teacher. The Divine Mercy School teachers work together to get all jobs done. People might think that because we are small we don't learn a lot. Well, that is not true because I feel like going into junior high I am on top of the students in my classroom. At Divine Mercy you learn the main subjects but you also learn religion and go to church every Friday. I feel like learning religion has helped me be respectful toward my teachers in junior high. At Divine Mercy if you don't turn in your homework we don't get lunch detention, we get one more chance or we get a zero. This helped teach us responsibility. This is a big help when you enter junior high. Please send your children to Divine Mercy School because it is worth it. I have learned a lot from this school and so can your kids. Just give them the chance!

—Hollie Wannemacher

## WT JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 3<sup>RD</sup> NINE WEEKS 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR

- \*denotes 4.0
- Seventh Grade:**
  - 3.0-3.2999 - Clint Sinn, Jayson Nowak, Courtney Mead, Arlyn Cooper, Brooke Ludwig, Zachary Sinn, Sydney Hofmann, Nicholas Durre, Jessica Offerle, Alec Vest, Kyle Bickford
  - 3.3-3.666 - Hollie Wannemacher, Stacy Flint, Luke Miller, Sydney Critten, Cole Shepherd, Nathanael Roop
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Brianna Sinn, \*Estie Sinn, \*Scott Wenninger, Taryn Homier, Victoria Ryan, Erin Mohr, Christopher Davis, Corey Davis, Shayna Temple, Elizabeth Lassiter
- 8th Grade:**
  - 3.0-3.2999 - Jacob Arend, Molly Crosby, Rebecca Hamrick, Cassidy Hilkey, Sarah Young, Elizabeth Brown, Kristin Raab, Corbin Linder, Mackenzie Swary, Jenny Holbrooks, Haley Saylor, Gina Sinn
  - 3.3-3.666 - James Weaver, Hank Sinn, Kayla Zuber, Leah Sinn, Katrina Lusk, Addison Baumle, Hunter Martin, Robert Seffernick, Matthew Baxter
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Blair Baumle, \*Jehane Hoagland, Isaiah Ross, Erin Jewell, Jacob Dingus
- Freshmen:**
  - 3.0-3.2999 - Eric Hicks, Lauren Speice, Alexandra Winebrenner
  - 3.3-3.666 - Colby Speice, Dustin Taylor, Wesley Goings, Danielle Miles, Emilie Linder, Emily Mohr, Brenda Feasby, Allison Laney, Matthew Lambert, Alexis Flores
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Madison McClure, \*Haley Linder, \*Rachael Kreisler, \*Sylvia Young, \*Madeline Baumle, \*Janelle Johnson, \*Matthew Klopfenstein, \*Madison Poling, \*Jared Sherry, \*Arlen Stoller, \*Libby Stabler, Austin Conlon, Andrew Ludwig, Abigail Shepherd, Brock Worden, Janey Janka, Kendall Germain, Sean Durre, Jacob Gerber, Mackenzie Haney, Logan Fast
- Sophomores:**
  - 3.0-3.2999 - Rylee Zartman, Marisa Jones, Brian Myers, Jacob Roop, Chelsea Critchfield, Tanya Sinn, Rebecca Reed, Lyndsay Combs
  - 3.3-3.666 - Taylor Campbell, Kyle Clark, Haleigh Garner, Nathan Holtsberry, Eric Durre, Mackenzie Campbell, Krystal Wannemacher, Zachary Proctor, Jessica Alba, Denise Smith, Kaitlin Lantow, Briana Schaffer, Tiffany Hittle, Jared Eklund, Danielle Hofmann, Emily Whitman
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Sarah Nickols, \*Tyler Ruiz, \*Andrea Scharf, \*Adrean Ross, \*Andrew Moore, \*Graden Gudakunst,

\*Staci Wenninger, Kaleigh Young, Emma Schmidt, Natalie Sinn, Jonathan Harper, Courtney Seffernick, Kyle Wenninger

- Juniors:**
  - 3.0-3.2999 - John Stoller, Emily Noggle, Britney Ross-wurm, Justin Theobald, Alicia Schmidt, Lindsey Matthews
  - 3.3-3.666 - Austin Scheiner, Beth Ross, Ashley Saylor, Marloes Van Den Hengel, Gary Klopfenstein, Stephan Van Vlerah, Rebecca Habern, Rebecca Eberly, Lindsey Gibson
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Megan Pierce, \*Sarah Feasby, \*Kelly Zartman, \*Peter Sinn, \*Tyler Arnett, Kari Myers, Christian Raab, Rachel Long, Zachary Cotterman, Sadie Wassermann, Ryan Jewell, Reuben Stoller
- Seniors:**
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  - 3.3-3.666 - Katie King, Jacob Eklund, Jalyn Egnor, Kelsey Heck, Brittany Miller, Ashton Duer, Janelle Davis, Haley Fisher, Gage Critten, JoEllen Fickel, Rye Jerome
  - 3.67 - 4.0 - \*Nicholas LaBounty, \*Kacee Hockenberry, \*Nathan Tumblin, \*Jessica Wenninger, \*Erika Langmeyer, \*Tate Church, Abbey Linder, Joseph Sponseller, Nolan Sinn, Jacob Taylor, Taylor Baumle, Colin Klopfenstein, Dylan Worden, Josiah Gordon, Dylan Jewell



## REEB SPELLS HIS WAY ONTO CAMPUS @ IPFW

Derek Reeb recently competed in the Regional Spelling Bee on the campus of IPFW in Fort Wayne, IN. The bee consisted of 16 county champions from NE Indiana and NW Ohio who were vying for an all-expense paid trip to the National Bee in Washington, DC. Derek performed extremely well, advancing into the final 6 spellers before bowing out of the competition. Congratulations on a job well-done, Derek!

## 2ND ANNUAL EGG HUNT

The Antwerp Conservation Club will hold their 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16 at 1:00 p.m. It will be open to the public for children to age 11 or the 5th grade. There will be areas for 3 age groups. No rain date is planned so dress the children for the weather. Have them bring a basket to gather their eggs.

For information you can call Helen Livingston at 419-542-7871.

The ACC is located at 17814 Township Road 53, Antwerp.

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