

## ANOTHER GREAT YEAR AT THE BASKETBALL MARATHON!!!



Bottom left - Hunter Grant, Chase Clark, Tucker Franklin, Kaden Miller, Gaige McMichael,  
Back row - left to right - Brady Shull, Austin Lichty, Jordan Buerkle, Jagger Landers, Dylan Hines and Landon Lee

This year the 33<sup>rd</sup> Basketball Marathon had 118 teams, including the exhibition game (the record was set on the 21<sup>st</sup> marathon with 120 teams). This event wouldn't be possible without the many volunteers like the refs, clock workers, team captains, door workers, concession workers, and, of course, the marathon committee who help to make this event run as smooth as possible. The Edgerton Wesleyan Church gave their time

to help clean the building after the marathon was over. The preliminary financial results are showing a net profit of just over \$10,000.00. This amount reflects a \$1000.00 donation from the Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

### AWARDS RESULTS:

Mini-Tots - 1st place, VFW Post 5087 Antwerp (64 pts.); 2nd place, Divine Mercy (39 pts.); Sportsmanship, Antwerp Exchange Bank  
Tots - 1st place, Etlzer-

Clan Next Generation (52 pts.); 2nd place, Kathy's Lawn Kare (45 pts.); 2nd place, Divine Mercy (45pts.); Sportsmanship, Sue's Kids

Mini-Youth - 1st place, Raider Rebels (83 pts.); 2nd place, Signature Embroidery (41 pts.); Sportsmanship, 2017 Raiders

Youth - 1st place, Defiance Rehab (83 pts.); 2nd place, Foltz Insurance (62 pts.); Sportsmanship, Zuble's

Co-Ed - 1st place, Reinhardt & Company (79 pts.); 2nd place, WT Senior ballers (65 pts.); Sportsmanship, First Christian Church

Women - 1st place, Save The Ta-Ta's; Sportsmanship, Got Hookers?

Men - 1st place, Antwerp Exchange Bank (94 pts.); 2nd place, Edgerton Wesleyan Church (85 pts.); Sportsmanship, N&N Quick Stop

The traveling plaque is given to people and organizations that give alot over the years to make the Marathon a success. This year the plaque was awarded to The Payne American Legion post #297 for their great work on the color guard over several marathons.

If you haven't received your awards or have lost any items, please call Chad Benschneider at 419-769-4708 or

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## ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY LUNCHEON SET FOR WEDNESDAY

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce will host a luncheon for secretaries and administrative assistants for Administrative Professionals Day at noon Wednesday, April 27. The event will be held at Paulding County Senior Center, 401 E. Jackson St., Paulding.

This will be the third year for the luncheon. Everyone attending will receive a table favor with very nice gift bags and a chance to win door prizes. The Antwerp High School Swing Choir will provide entertainment.

This year's menu will be Swiss steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, California blend vegetables, fruit cocktail, cupcake tree, rolls and butter, and iced tea, lemonade or coffee.

In addition to the delicious lunch, attendees will be treated to personal table favors, door prizes, entertainment, a personal invitation from "the boss" to their guest, and best of all, time away from the office.

## ADDIS - HOPEWELL



Sara Jo Addiss and Cameron Reid Hopewell of Independence, KY would like to announce their upcoming wedding on May 14, 2011 at Bluff Mountain Inn, Sevierville, TN with Rick Elliot officiating.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Robert and Lana Addis of Antwerp, OH. Her grandparents are Susanne Rosebrock and Dan Rosebrock of Antwerp, OH, and Michael and Nancy Coe of Defiance, OH. Sara graduated from Antwerp High School in 2004. She graduated from IPFW in 2006. Sara is now attending The University of Cincinnati pursuing a degree in Dental Hygiene and will graduate in 2013.

The groom-to-be is the son of Mark and Martha

Hopewell of Woodruff, SC. His grandparents are Mildred Orman of Terre Haute, IN. Cameron graduated Antwerp High School in 2001. He graduated from Miami University with a Masters in Accounting in 2006. He is a Senior Analyst and Certified Public Accountant - Investor Relations at Omnicare, Inc.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Anna Mae Freshwater**, 90, of Antwerp, passed away Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at Laurels of DeKalb, Butler, IN. Anna was born in Oakwood, OH on August 20, 1920, a daughter of the late Gail (Stauffer) and Frank Carnahan. She worked at Brune Printing in Paulding for more than 30 years. On September 18, 1943 she married Howard Freshwater. He died in 1992.

She will be sadly missed by her daughter, Karen of Antwerp; and sisters: Eleanor Fellers of Paulding and Dorothy Lothamer of Fort Wayne.

Anna is also preceded in death by 10 siblings.

You are invited to participate in her memorial service at St Paul Lutheran Church, 601 Flat Rock Drive, Paulding, Ohio at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2011.

Her family will be by Dooley Funeral Homes of Antwerp & Payne. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**Dorothy Pearl Rone Osborne**, 88, of Prestonburg, KY, formerly of Payne, passed away February 19, 2011.

She was born February 27, 1922 the daughter of the late



Elwood and Victoria (Bratcher) Rone. On June 21, 1941 she married Edgar Osborne, who died March 20, 1988. Dorothy retired from North American Van Lines, Fort Wayne and Appalachian Research & Defense Fund of Kentucky, Prestonburg.

She will be sadly missed by her children: Carol Snellenberger Brady and Michael Osborne; grandchildren: Jefferson Snellenberger II, Christopher and Anita Osborne; two great-grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Dorothy is also preceded in death by her brother, El-

wood Rone, Jr.

Visitation is Saturday, April 30, 2011, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with services at 2:00 p.m. at Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 SR 500, Payne.

Memorials are to Payne Friends of the Library, PO Box 736, Payne, Ohio 45880. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**William "Bill" Quaintance**, 77, of Hicksville died Sunday, April 24, 2011 at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born on December 30, 1933 in Antwerp, Ohio, the son of Robert & Margaret (Dorsey) Quaintance. He was a 1952 graduate of Antwerp High School. On May 15, 1952, Bill was united in marriage with Peggy Dull and she survives.

Bill served in the US Navy in the Korean War aboard the USS Boxer, stationed in Guam. He worked as a quality control manager at PEC Industries in Florida and was a driver for Jim Schmidt Dealership for over 20 years. Bill was a member of the First Church of Christ, Hicksville; men's golf league at Hickville Hills Golf Course, former member of VFW and Eagles.

Surviving Bill are his wife, Peggy; a son, Randy of Orlando, FL; two daughters: Teri Ferguson of Orlando, FL, Lori Jo (Fran) Nagel of Elgin, IL; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two brothers: Jim of Hicksville, and Jack of Fort Wayne, IN.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services for Bill will be Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, with Pastor Jerold Tear officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday, April 27, 2011 from 2:00-5:00 and 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Scipio Cemetery, Harlan, Indiana.

Memorials may be made to First Church of Christ. Online condolences may be shared at [www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com).

**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

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

1. In Matthew chapter 8:1, who came and worshipped Jesus? NKJV

2. In Matthew 9:9, who did Jesus see sitting at the tax office? NKJV

3. In Matthew 9:37, what did Jesus say to the disciples? NKJV

4. In chapter 12 verse 24 of Matthew, the Pharisees said that Jesus cast out demons how? NKJV

5. Matthew 16:15, He (Jesus) said to them (disciples), "But who do you say that I am?" NKJV

6. What did Jesus tell Peter

he would build in Matthew 16:18? NKJV

7. In Matthew 16:24, Jesus said to His disciples, "if anyone desires to follow me, what must he do?" NKJV

8. In Matthew 17:23, who appeared with Jesus as He was transfigured before the disciples? NKJV

9. In Matthew 18:11, why did Jesus come to earth from heaven? NKJV

10. In Matthew 18:21-27, what is God's desire for us? NKJV

Please remember to continue to pray and study God's Holy Bible, for this is where truth is. Comments or Bible questions call Lonnie Lambert 419-399-5022 or James Potter 419 393-4775. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

**EASTER WITHOUT THE CROSS?**

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

In our post-modern, post-Christian era there's a lot of stuff that's changing, from a rejection of the materialism that consumed a prior culture to an attempt to reconfigure the most controversial subject in human history, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

For example, in a church marketing newsletter just a few years ago, a campaign was suggested to attract people to church during the season of Easter. In this public relations campaign, it was suggested the cross be removed from the altar. According to the author, a survey has revealed the cross is one of those symbols the new generation of churchgoers considered too 'churchy.' One pastor interviewed for the campaign gave his wholehearted endorsement. "We are going to attempt to concentrate on the resurrection, and not the death of Jesus."

Easter without the cross? Is it possible to have resurrection without crucifixion? No. It distorts the entire gospel if crucifixion is separated from resurrection. The road to the empty tomb will forever pass by a cross. The One who is raised from the dead is none other than the crucified Christ. Easter without a cross is a hoax.

The Apostle Paul writes about the necessity to embrace the cross as part of the gospel when he writes, 1 Corinthians 2:2 (NIV), "For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified."

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: [defycf@embarqmail.com](mailto:defycf@embarqmail.com)

**HELLUVA GOOD NEWS**

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

Among Christian circles there has been much debate over a book called *Love Wins* by Rob Bell. I'm not going to get into the book here but examine the controversy surrounding the book.

A critic of the book wrote, "My concern is that without the bad news the good news is not really good!" My initial thought was, "This guy must have never been lost." The good news, even without hell, is still great news for the lost. It was for me, and I don't remember the people sharing the good news with me mentioning hell. I was mired in sin, lost in the pursuit of success, and drowning in the pleasures of this world. From this wasted and fruitless life, Jesus freed me, freed me to a life of loving God and loving my neighbors. That might seem somewhat superficial and meaningless, but, at its core, it changes everything. It brings hope into hopeless situations. It brings meaning to the meaningless. It brings redemption to the irredeemable.

When Jesus walked the earth he taught, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," [Matthew 4:17 (ESV)]. Following Jesus is more than just having right doctrine. It's about making the right choices, right now. It's about turning from the mistakes we are making and living in the right path. That's what repentance is. This message is urgent. Every day that we live for ourselves we continue to damage ourselves and the world around us. The great news is that Jesus' message makes our life better now, not just in the future of eternity. Don't confuse this with a message of health and wealth; it's one of joy, peace, and security.

This kingdom that Jesus said was at hand is the place where God's will is done on earth as it is in heaven. As Christians, we believe the kingdom is here now, but not fully here. It's a paradox. In practice, this means that we, as followers of Jesus, attempt to bring about the perfect kingdom as much as we possibly can into the here and now while understanding that which we strive for will not be fully realized until after our deaths. Living in this paradox should make Christians live differently than those around us. The kingdom of heaven is at hand, and we want, as we pray in the Lord's Prayer, God's will to be done here on earth as it is in heaven.

This idea of bringing about God's will here on earth rather than just pursuing our selfish interests reminds me of a story. *Parade* magazine told the story of self-made millionaire Eugene Lang. In 1981, Mr. Lang had been asked to speak to a class of 61 sixth-graders in East Harlem. The principal told Lang that statistics showed that ¾ of the students he was to address would not graduate high school, let alone go to college. What could he say to inspire these students, most of whom would drop out of school? He wondered how he could get these predominantly black and Puerto Rican children

even to look at him. Scrapping his notes, he decided to speak to them from his heart. "Stay in school," he admonished, "and I'll help pay the college tuition for every one of you." At that moment the lives of these students changed. For the first time they had hope. One student said, "I had something to look forward to, something waiting for me. It was a golden feeling." Nearly 90 percent of that class went on to graduate from high school. 60% pursued higher education. Instead of just using words to motivate, Lang used his wealth to do great things. He brought hope. He made a difference.

Back to *Love Wins* and the critic who said, "My concern is that without the bad news the good news is not really good!" I searched further on the critic's website to see if my assumption about him not ever living without God was right. And it was. He became a Christian at the age of four and was kept on a "short leash." That doesn't discredit his faith, but he does need to realize that the good news is good news without hell. This is something that all of us who have lived in the dark, but now live in the light realize.

In the end, the good news is great news, right now. Not just in some future after our death. This needs to be part of the message we proclaim as followers of Jesus. We don't endure a faithful life wishing that we could live like the world. We live a message of hope that redeems this world through the message and life of Jesus. We, like Mr. Lang, need to make sacrifices for others. In living for others rather than ourselves, we will see glimpses of what eternity in heaven will look like.

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly," [John 10:10 (ESV)].

If you want to read a review of *Love Wins* by Regan, you can read it at [tinyurl.com/3uv79tf](http://tinyurl.com/3uv79tf)

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.

**THANK YOU**

We would like to thank everyone that helped with The Easter Egg Hunt at the Antwerp Conservation

Club on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Helping rope off the sections for the age groups and hide the eggs were members Russ, Dave, Ray, Michele, Mardell, Jeff and Helen. After the Hunt everyone enjoyed punch and cupcakes made by Donna, Bonnie, Jim, Cheryl, Jan, Michele, Clarehilda and Helen.

A big thanks to the Antwerp businesses that helped supply prizes, Subway, Antwerp Pharmacy & Hardware, Marilyn's Petals & Vines and Riverside Hardware.

Thanks to the Antwerp Community for bringing the children for a successful Easter Egg Hunt on such a dreary day.

—ACC Officers

**WOODBURN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING ANNOUNCED**

The Woodburn Historical Society will meet on April 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Woodburn Library.

—Gloria Gerig, President

**MOTHER'S DAY CARRIAGE RIDES**

Not sure what to do for Mother's Day? Tired of the same old gifts? How about treating your mom and/or wife to a carriage ride? It's something that is unique and will be remembered for years to come.

The United Way of Paulding County will be hosting Mother's Day carriage rides on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

For more information contact the United Way office located at the corner of Perry and Williams Street, or by calling 419-399-8240. A small fee for the rides.

United Way President, Sarah Sajuan said "The Valentine's Day carriage rides were so successful; we wanted to bring this event back for the community. Hopefully the weather will be milder than it was in February!"

All proceeds go to the United Way of Paulding County. "The money raised in Paulding County stays in Paulding County to help our neighbors in need," commented Amy McCreery United Way Executive Director.

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**WALKING IN SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES**

**By: Sue Knapp**  
Exploring How Dementia Feels to the Person and the Care Giver: A Discussion of the Emotions Seen in Persons with Dementia.

This was the subject that Dr. John Gibson, Director of Behavioral Health Services at Adams Memorial Hospital



in Decatur and Manor House Assisted Living, spoke about on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Essen House in Antwerp.

When a loved one starts to change, a lot of emotions happen on both sides: confusion, anger, frustration, fear and anxiety to name a few. There are a lot of different types of dementia, but the one that comes to mind first is Alzheimer's.

Although dementia is viewed as an older person's disease, younger people are being diagnosed with it as well. While genetics play a part, the cause is basically unknown.

The phrase used is, "Oh, that's just mom or dad", but as the disease progresses we confide with family or friends about the changes we are seeing. Sometimes we ignore the facts as a coping mechanism.

The afflicted person is just as confused as those around them. They know something is wrong, they get angry and frustrated when they can't convey what they want. Peers and family get frustrated with them and scared. Scared because of the changes and that they know things will never be the same again.

The first thing to do is get a diagnosis. A primary care

physician can give 2-3 tests on immediate recall and answering simple questions such as "what is today's date and year." Medication can be prescribed to help with the symptoms. The thing to remember is the damaged brain cells will remain damaged, they cannot be fixed, so aggressive treatment with medication and stimulation is needed.

The patients' feeling then need to come into play: Why is he/she acting aggressive? Are we threatening their space? Why are they cantankerous, don't they realize that we are doing all we can to help them? The answer to that is "not really." One of the best statements that Dr. Gibson said was, "We need to join them in their reality, don't try to bring them to ours."

If a loved one starts to wander, there is a reason for that. They're looking for something that makes them feel secure—whether it be parents that have passed away or a spouse. There is a reason for their behavior. Do they rebel? Don't invade their personal space. Walk up to them and make an identification. Let them know what's going on. Mainly avoid confrontations. Remember Alzheimer's is a regressive disease. They will go from teenage to childhood to toddler to infant emotions and behavior.

This is just a small amount of information learned in the meeting. The next meeting is May 20 at 3:30 p.m. in the back room of the Essen House in Antwerp. Information will be given on when the patient becomes violent verbally and physically and how to handle it. All are welcome.

**Memories**

Slowly she came through the door - I thought I glimpsed a smile;

Gently took her arm and said, "Let's sit and talk awhile."

We sat down on the sofa, near the window in the sun;

She looked at me, her eyes met mine, and they a tale she spun.

Told me of her younger days, when she was just a lass;

"I finished seventh grade, you know — the best in my whole class."

She talked about her courtship — carried out so long before;

How she looks fine in hat and gloves, when he knocks on her door.

"We plan to marry, yes indeed and honeymoon in Rome."

But her husband passed on long ago; her children now are grown.

"I have such a lovely garden," she then told me with a grin;

I could tell by her de-

meanor, how once, so proud she'd been.

The hours passed, her daughter came; 'twas time to end the day;

"How is my Mom?" she questioned me; I knew just what to say.

"She's a very lovely lady, and we talked of days of yore.

Her reality is memories, and she's living them once more."

~author unknown

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINT NEW FISCAL OFFICER**

The Paulding County Carnegie Library Board of Trustees has appointed Michelle Stahl as Fiscal Officer. Mrs. Stahl graduated from Princeton High School in Cincinnati where she was an International Baccalaureate. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Miami University and is a Certified Public Accountant. Prior to the library appointment, Michelle was a CPA with Shultz Huber & Associates in Defiance.

When asked about working at the library, Mrs. Stahl remarked, "The library has



always been a big part of my life growing up. I am excited to be surrounded by books and a great library team."

"We were amazed and extremely pleased that Michelle applied for this position," shared Sue Derck, president of the Board. "She has knowledge of library operations, and lives and has roots in Paulding County."

Mrs. Stahl has been married for over 13 years to Kevin Stahl of Stahl-Stoller-Meyer Insurance Company in Paulding. The couple have two children, Gabbie, a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at Paulding and Nico, who is three. She began her tenure at the library on January 10, 2011.

"We are thrilled to have someone of Michelle's caliber manage the library's finances," shared Susan Pieper, Library Director. "With the challenge of shrinking state dollars and the increased levy revenue, Michelle has the knowledge and experience to provide expert financial leadership. An additional plus is that Michelle has served in the past on the library's Board of Trustees, so she is familiar with library operations and all areas of finance," continued Pieper.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library provides library service to the residents of Paulding County through the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding; branches in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood and Payne; and soon to unserved areas of the county via a bookmobile.

**HERE COMES THE PARADE!**

Now that spring is upon us, plans are being made for the summer. Antwerp Community Fellowship and Care Campus (ACFCC) Advisory Board for the Manor House and Essen House in Antwerp is planning a parade to coincide with Antwerp's Day in the Park on August 13, 2011.

Businesses, firemen, politicians, kids of all ages, bands and anyone who wants to be in a parade please call Marcelle at 419-258-7812 or marcy33@frontier.com, or Elaine Phillips at 419-258-1312 for more information.

**2010/11 UNITED WAY OF PAULDING COUNTY PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS**

United Way of Paulding County is now considering applications from qualified agencies for the 2010/2011 Campaign Allocation process. Agencies/Organizations wishing to be considered for the 2010/11 program may either pick up Allocation Packets at the United Way office at 101 East Perry Street, Paulding or may request an electronic packet. Requests can be made now at United Way of Paulding County office. Electronic files can be sent immediately, paper Allocation packets will be distributed beginning Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Completed requests are due by May 18, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. Late or incomplete packets will not be accepted. Requests may be sent to 101 East Perry Street, Paulding 45879, and/or by calling the United Way of Paulding County office at 419-399-8240.

A qualified agency must be established as tax-exempt organization under the IRS Code Section 501(c)(3) and provide services/programs in United Way's focus areas of Education, Income or Health. The allocation packet requests agency information in the areas of: constitution and bylaws, management, financial reports, statement of cooperation and statement of nondiscrimination, to name a few. The agency must additionally meet the funding criteria, financial accountability, community needs, program priorities and program effectiveness.

United Way of Paulding County and its partner agencies share two common goals in the allocation process relative to the overall mission: 1) To fund real community needs as fully as possible and 2) To allocate available funds for optimum effect among these needs. Whereas, each agency views community needs from its own specific viewpoint, the United Way must look at agencies and needs from the view of the total community.

Local volunteers serving on the Citizens Review Panel and the volunteer members of the United Way of Paulding County Board of Directors determine where the funds will be invested. These volunteers reflect a cross-section of the community. United Way of Paulding County is proud of helping our friends and neighbors for 19 years and is one of over 1,300 local, independent United Ways across the country.

**FISH FRY AT ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB**



The Antwerp Conservation Club will have their annual Spring Fish Fry on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Club House at 17814 Township Road 53. Serving begins at 5:00-8:00 p.m. with carry-outs available at 4:00 p.m.

Shown is Fran Coughlin

(Left) and Dave Cottrell with the gas grill that is 1<sup>st</sup> prize on the raffle. Also to be given away is a meat bundle valued at \$165.00 for 2<sup>nd</sup> prize, and \$100.00 cash for 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Tickets will be available at the Fish Fry.

**PROPERLY MULCHING TREES & SHRUBS**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

Mulching is one of the most important cultural practices to help new trees and shrubs get established and keep them healthy. Mulch at the proper depth of 2 to 3", can have many benefits including the prevention of weed growth, stabilization of soil moisture, stabilization of soil temperatures, and the addition of organic matter to the soil. However, "too much of a good thing, can be harmful."

A common mulching practice now being used is to place mulch in a 2- to 3-foot diameter circle and 8 to 12 inches deep around newly-planted trees and shrubs. The mulch material is simply piled around the tree trunk to form a "volcano." Although it may be said that a mulch volcano is generally better than no mulch at all, volcano-mulching can have serious negative effects on plant health.

When mulch is placed more than about 4 inches deep, roots tend to "migrate" up into the mulch during rainy periods or when the area is irrigated. This is partly due to favorable root growth conditions in the mulch and

partly to the suffocation of deep roots due to mulch-induced water-logging of the underlying soil. Then, when drought conditions occur, volcano-mulched plants may come under severe stress because many roots are growing in the mulch material which has considerably less water-holding capacity than soil.

Other possible problems associated with mulch volcanoes include: the promotion of fungal canker diseases caused by the presence of constant moisture around the lower trunk; stress from poor gas exchange by the cells in the bark that results in bark decay; and damage from termites and rodents that may take up residence in the volcano mulch.

When deciding on the best approach for mulching trees and shrubs in the landscape, go for a walk in the woods to see how "Mother Nature" does it. Trees in their native habitats rarely have individual mulch rings. Plants tend to share a large common soil volume that is nicely mulched by decomposing leaves that are releasing minerals to the soil. Also, the mulch layer is rarely more than 2 inches thick and never in the form of a volcano.

Remember, "too much of a good thing, can be harmful."

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**B.F. GOODRICH RETIREES' BREAKFAST**

The B.F. Goodrich retirees will be having a breakfast at the Vagabond Restaurant on Saturday, May 7 starting at 9:00 a.m. We've been having a good turnout so we hope to see you there.

**WHAT ARE THE ELEMENTS OF THE MAIN PROGRAM?**

The trademarked program Main Street is known for three things. First, it is a proven strategy for revitalization efforts in large, medium, and small communities. Second, it creates a powerful network of linked communities, much like the Route 24 corridor with Defiance and Napoleon. Third, it is a national support program that is a recognized leader in the field.

As a Proven Strategy: The Main Street Four-Point Approach:

- Is a unique preservation-based economic development tool that enables communities to revitalize downtown and neighborhood business districts.
- Is done by leveraging local assets—from historic, cultural, and architectural resources to local enterprises and community pride.
- Is a comprehensive strategy that addresses the variety of issues and problems that challenge traditional commercial districts.

There are four organizations involved in the Main Street program: the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Main Street Center (part of NTHP), and Heritage Ohio, Inc., the state coordinating agency for NMSC.

The basic structures of Main Street are four committees that fit the needs of the Village of Antwerp. The committees are identified as Organization, Design, Promotion, and Economic Restructuring. Organization and Design will be described in this article.

The Organization Committee is normally the administrative committee. In

general terms it is involved in building consensus and cooperation, getting everyone working toward the same vision for downtown. This is critical because a self-reliant, long-lasting downtown revitalization program requires the entire community to rally around the idea. As the key-stone to success in building cooperation from both the public and the private sector, the Organization Committee must be broad based, public and private oriented and volunteer driven!

The Organization Committee is also responsible for finding financial supporters (both in kind contributions and grants), managing volunteers and staff, organizing public relations and outreach, and managing finances and operation.

The second committee is the Design Committee. The committee's responsibilities involve improving the downtown's image by improving its physical appearance. This is not just the appearance of buildings, but also of all other elements that convey a visual message about what the downtown is and what it has to offer. Many of the activities are already evident in the Village of Antwerp including, but not limited to new street lights, sidewalks, signs and banners.

Additional improvements can be focused on streetscapes and street furniture, landscaping, and window displays. Main Street's goal is to work with all these elements to create a friendly, attractive place that will draw in visitors and businesses.

The Design Committee also has a cultural value element that includes historic preservation education, architectural assistance in building improvements. All improvements resulting in getting downtown in top physical shape should now appear in newly created promotional materials.

The remaining two committees, Promotion and Economic Restructuring will be presented next time.

**PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES II**

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

**Blue Cast Mineral Springs**

The Blue Cast Mineral Springs are located approximately 12 miles east of Fort Wayne, Indiana (taking old US 24 out of New Haven to Blue Cast Road in (Maumee Township) near what was a motel where the Wabash-Erie Canal turned North). The springs are approximately 100 yards from US 24 (between 101 and Bull Rapids Road). The name of the springs was because when the sun shone on the water it had a 'blue cast'. The water was naturally charged with carbonic acid gas and the blue cast and white sulfur mineral waters were recommended as nature's own remedy (There is no doubt in this writer's mind that this was big medicine for the Indians who lived in the area.)

In the history books, it says that an old horse strayed from a nearby pasture and is given credit for discovering the Blue Cast Mineral Springs medicinal qualities. It was lame when it was lost for about a week in that area and when it was found it was bogged down near the spring. After it was released out of the bog it was healed and after that was fully recovered. Thereafter, The Blue Cast Mineral Springs was developed as a

ium building. All the sand and gravel that went into the construction of the building was taken from the river at the rear of the grounds. The building was built entirely of cement and steel and cost Mr. Hogue less than a frame building the same size would have cost. The mud was taken from the ravine through which the overflow of the sulfur and mineral springs were drained. It is said that a piece of steel buried in this mud for an hour or so would become magnetized so that it would pick up small pieces of iron.

By July 2, 1913 a hotel and sanitarium had opened for business at this location. The 'Blue Cast Mineral Water' was shipped all over the U.S. and the world for medicinal purposes. In the Fort Wayne newspapers (April 11, 1914) they advertised as an ideal health spa/health resort having the best medical attention and modern conveniences available anywhere. Their ad said: "Blue Cast Mineral Water, carbonated and bottled at the spring. Highest award at the St. Louis Exposition. The Sanitarium will receive guests in the order in which reservations are booked. Rates on application."

It was described as a beautiful location with a long covered porch which spanned the entire front of the building. Electric lights were installed at some time, which at that time made it an even



site for a sanitarium.

The tract of land was purchased in 1901 by Henry Schnelker, of New Haven, Indiana. This included the tract of land of 84 acres and the springs which were located there. By 1902 Mr. Schnelker had installed machinery for pumping the water out of the deep ravine in which the spring was situated. He installed a crude bottling machine, built a large reservoir holding 5,000 of water, so that the water that ran during night was never great, but it always maintained a steady stream. In the 11 years he operated this spring he did an extensive wholesale business, increasing to a capacity of 100 cases of water per day. He shipped to many cities and areas.

The aim of Mr. Schnelker had always been to erect a sanitarium at the spring, but this was not accomplished until 1912 when A.C. Hogue, a contractor, purchased the 84 acres. He and his family moved from Toledo, Ohio and established their residence in the beautiful farm house that was situated on the grounds. He organized a company and sold stock to many of the farmers in that community and to businessmen in Fort Wayne.

Being a contractor, he owned his own steam shovel and other machinery, and he immediately started construction of a large sanitarium building.

more attractive draw for public attention. It once had a grand piano in a large lobby and dining area with many tables. It was a favorite meeting place for political rallies and parties. In the summer, the patrons enjoyed sitting on the long porch dining, swimming, horseback riding, together with the use of the mineral water which was the recommended treatment for those suffering from shattered nerves, and a tired and run-down feeling.

The Blue Cast water was naturally charged with carbonic acid gas and the Blue Cast and White Sulphur Mineral Waters which were recommended as nature's own remedy. Beneficial effects were to be expected by its use to the sufferers of kidney and stomach diseases, headaches, gout, rheumatism and disorders of the skin, to name only a few.

The water was endowed with a special magnetic force, and iron and steel when immersed in the water, would become magnetized. This special force was advertised as being imparted to the users. The Magnetic Mud was a natural deposit and was put on by an attendant. The Blue Cast water was not only drank but used to bathe in and was used for hardening of the arteries as well as many other disorders. It is said there were a lot of wheel chair patients there during the prime time

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of the sanitarium.

The business was very successful and arrangements were even being made for erection of new additional buildings for some time until it came into financial problems. Matters became even more complicated when Mr. Hogue claimed he had not been paid his due wages as manager; he confiscated the bottling machinery and moved to Chicago. Mr. Hogue sold to a group of Cleveland financiers in 1926, who, after about five years closed the place and in 1955 the spacious building was falling down.

Many individuals living in the Woodburn community have had nostalgic memories of the good times they had at the Blue Cast. It is sad, also, that it was practically on the banks of another failing project, the Wabash-Erie Canal.

The foundation of the once famous Blue Cast Mineral Springs still stands as a monument of this health resort of the past century. It has been said to be haunted by those living near it in the past years.

**ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2011**

**Defiance County:**

U.S. 127 near Blosser Road will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for a drainage repair project. The restriction will likely occur just one day during the week. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

U.S. 24 from just west of Ohio 15/18 to the Paulding County line will be restricted to one lane through the work zone one direction

at a time during sealing of bridge deck joints. The restriction will be in place most days of the week. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

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 was closed April 12 for approximately 30 days 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, is part of an agreement which will turn maintenance responsibilities for the former state route over to the Defiance County Commissioners.

**Paulding County:**

Ohio 66 north of 114 will be restricted to one lane through the work zone during repair of a tile and for ditch cleaning. The restriction will be in place for likely three days of the week. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

U.S. 127 from the Van Wert County line to the Defiance County line will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. The restriction will be in place the majority of the week. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

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**BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL CHAPTER 3**

**By: Stan Jordan**

We pulled into Independence, Missouri about noon. There are lots of cattle pens or corrals. It isn't very far over to Kansas City and that is a busy cattle town. Independence is a busy town compared to what we have been seeing.

Dad pulled into a blacksmith shop and talked about getting our wheels repaired and supplies. This man directed us on down the road to a bigger repair and outfitting store.

After traveling a little bit, we came up on this outfitting and after a few questions and looking around, we could see that we could get all we need right here. Besides that, he said we could tie Mollie, our cow, and the teams out in the back for good grazing and resting. Dad and I unrolled the chicken wire fence and put the chickens on bare ground so they could pick up sand and a little scratch for the egg shells.

We bought a new tongue for the big wagon. We installed it, but kept the old one under the wagon bed for use as a pry if need be.

We discussed today if we should buy a new team of mules and horses. Well, our horses are in good shape. They have walked a long distance to be sure but we took our time and they were never over worked or tired out. We bought some new wheels for each wagon and had a couple of the old ones repaired as good as new for spares. Mom and the girls spent hours making a shopping list of supplies, because that is the last town of any size the west of the Rockies.

We are going to join a wagon train going west on The Oregon Trail. Our main goal will be Fort Bridger in southwest Wyoming. That is where the Oregon Trail turns and goes northwest and The California Trail goes southwest.

We are finished getting our supplies for the trip. We have joined a wagon train going west on The Oregon Trail. There are about 16 wagons in the train, all types and sizes. Some pulled by horses, some by mules and some by oxen.

The wagon master is "Slim Martin", he has made the trip once before and should know the way and the short cuts. I think he comes from Moline, IL. He carries a skinning knife on a belt around his middle and a .44 caliber rifle. No handgun that you can see.

He has a side-kick, El Paso Sam Rivers, but he is really from Arkansas.

The fee is \$25.00 for each wagon, 'paid up front'. You need to pick up a copy of trail rules and sign the sheet. Ignorance of the rules is no alibi.

Wagon Train Rules: No drinking to excess; no fighting; no stealing; no unnecessary firing of firearms; always stay up close in line if you can; every two wagons have one gunman at night; be ready to roll one hour after sun up; church and prayer at your discretion; all fire rules apply; at least one family member at a meeting; no affairs; the wagon master has the last word. Master Slim Martin has made these rules as he has been on a wagon train before and he wants to eliminate as much trouble as he can.

Tonight we spent a couple hours going over our supplies and purchases to see if we have all we need for the four-month long trip to Ft. Bridger, Wyoming. We also had a meeting to meet the other 15 families.

We were put in a line alphabetically. Our name begins with M, so we are in about the middle of this caravan. Slim warned us about the dust and mud—you always have one of them.

We will not have trouble with the Indians for the first few weeks or maybe none at all. But your guns are always handy and loaded. Be ready for anything. "Now remember: be safe," he said. "Your weapon is always on safe; that is our goal, safety." We will have accidents, those do happen.

We will leave early on the morning of July 10<sup>th</sup>. If we average seven miles each day we should be in to Ft. Bridger, Wyoming before winter and if need be we can winter there.

We have been on the trail for a few days. Each day is the same. Lots of dust, heat and bouncy wagon wheels. We are in Nebraska Territory now. Lots of rock formations and nature's exhibits along the trail. I am really in awe about some of these odd formations.

Oh, boy, we have had two days of excitement. First, we were in the area of Prairie Dog Creek alone on the trail at our usual three miles per hour gate. We saw a horse and rider coming toward us at a moderate clip. He was about 100 yards from us when his horse shied and bucked him off and threw the rider up in the air, and the horse turned around and ran off in the direction he came from. He was saddle-less so we figured he was an Indian brave.

When we arrived at the place, the rider was in pain and gripping his lower right leg. We stopped beside him and he had wonderment in his eyes. He knew he needed help, he knew he was outnumbered and with no weapon. We are staying close to the Little Blue River as it will lead us to the North Platte River and Oregon Trail.

Mom got down and looked at his lower right leg and told dad that this boy's leg was broken probable a simple fracture. Mom is very good at this kind of work. She got the old comforter off the seat on the other wagon and laid the boy out on the grass and leaning his head up against a wagon wheel.

Next week, Indians visit the Wagon Train. See ya!

**TAWNIA PATTERSON ENGLISH**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Tawnia was born in Bryan, Ohio in 1968. There were three children in the family. Her mother's name was Debbie Patterson Whitlock. One brother, Thadd, lives in Lehigh Acres, Florida and her sister, Tara Quinn, lives in Angola.

Tawnia attended Butler Elementary and East Side High School in Butler, Indiana. She was Class President when she graduated in 1987. She was active in the photography and arts program. She also participated in school sports. Tawnia was in several beauty pageants from 1985-1986.

While in school she worked at her parents' pizza shop in Fremont, Indiana. After school she worked at a Day Care in Butler, Indiana and Scott's Foods in Auburn while attending IPFW.

She married Donn English in 1991 and all together they have three children. Dan is in Iraq, employed by the government; Seth is a farmer around Auburn; daughter, Katelyn, is a junior at Antwerp High School, and runs track and cross country.

Tawnia worked for Alex Products for nine years. She has driven school bus for Antwerp School for 11 years. She has been employed at The West Bend News for over a year now.

She was a regular on the PTO board and was president at one time. She served on three After Prom Committees, was Varsity 'A' Advisor at the school as well as the Sophomore Class Advisor and has helped in a number of benefits. She also volunteers at school functions if she can. She has lived in Antwerp for 21 years.

Her hobbies are photography—she has her own commercial photography business, Memories by Tawnia, specializing in senior portraits, families and weddings; she loves NHRA racing and motorcycling (she does not have her own cycle); gardening and flowers; and she also maintains a scrapbook of and for the children. She is looking forward to her 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in August.

Tawnia, I enjoyed interviewing you. We here at The West Bend News love working with you and we all hope you will get a new Harley for your anniversary in August.

See ya!

**ANTWERP HS HOST TRACK INVITE**

These are the results from the Antwerp (A), Hicksville (HV), Hilltop (HT), Blackhawk Christian (BC) Quad-Meet that took place on April 18, 2011.

The boys team results were the following:

1st Hilltop 97; 2nd Antwerp 88; 3rd Hicksville 64; 4th Blackhawk Christian 6

Individual boys results:

Shot put - 1st B. Dunderman, A, 42'8"; 2nd Emehiser HV, 40'4"; 3rd Dunlap, A, 37'8"

Discus - 1st Dunlap, A, 124'½"; 2nd Sholl, HV, 105'1"; 3rd Coffman, HT, 105'8"

Long jump - 1st O'Donnell, A, 16'11"; 2nd Womack, A, 16'6"; 3rd Michael, HV, 16'4½"

High jump - 1st Womack, A, 5'2"; 2nd Towns, HT, 4'10"



Shown here is Antwerp's Troy Womack with the High Jump. Picture by Memories by Tawnia.

3rd Polk, HV, 4'10"

110m HH - 1st Grisenberry, HT, 17.47; 2nd Willis, HV, 17.55, 3rd Armbruster, HT, 14.2

100m dash - 1st A. Michael, HV, 12.01; 2nd Burwell, HT, 12.03; 3rd A Miller, HV, 12.3

1600m run - 1st Smith, HT, 4:53; 2nd Hilton, A, 4:57; 3rd Livenspiger, HT, 5:00

400m dash - 1st Semer, HT, 55.5; 2nd Barwell, HT, 53.58; 3rd Ehlinger, A, 58.2

300m HH - 1st Berry, A, 44.39; 2nd King, HT, 44.96; 3rd Michael, HV, 51.5

800m run - 1st Smith, HT, 2:11; 2nd Jasso, HV, 2:13; 3rd B. Lengacher, BC, 2:15

200m run - 1st Burmell, HT, 24.47; 2nd A. Michael, HV, 24.5; 3rd Semer, HT, 26

3200m run - 1st Hilton, A, 10:47; 2nd Livenspiger, HT, 10:49; 3rd Krick, A, 10:59

Pole Vault - 1st Kimmel, A, 11'; 2nd Filip, HT, 10'6"; 3rd Husted, HV, 10'6"

4 x 600 - 1st Hilltop, 9:04; 2nd Antwerp, 9:21; 3rd Hicksville, 9:29

4 x 200 - 1st Antwerp, 1:42.69; 2nd Hicksville, 1:42.95; 3rd Hilltop, 1:43.5

4 x 100 - 1st Antwerp, 43.53; 2nd Hilltop, 50:35; 3rd Hicksville, 50:54

4x400 - 1st Hilltop, 3:44; 2nd Antwerp, 4:00; 3rd Hicksville, 4:01

The girls team results were the following:

1st Hicksville 95; 2nd Hilltop 72; 3rd Antwerp 61; 4th Blackhawk Christian 1

Individual girls results:

Shot put - 1st Smazenko, HV, 30'½"; 2nd Briskey, HT, 29'½"; 3rd King, HV, 25'10"

Discus - 1st Tollas, HV, 93'1 ½"; 2nd King, HV, 86'5"; 3rd Smazenko, HV, 81'10"

High jump - 1st Vail, A, 5'; 2nd Tollas, HV, 4'6"; 3rd Smith, HT, 4'4"

Long jump - 1st King, HV, 13'6"; 2nd Wetli, A, 13'; 3rd Anderson, HV, 12'10½"

100m HH - 1st Vail, A, 17.64; 2nd Slattman, A, 18.2; 3rd English, A, 19.19

100m run - 1st Briskey, HT, 14.53; 2nd Counterman, HV, 14.61; 3rd Smith, HT, 14.9

1600m run - 1st Park, HT, 6:25; 2nd Hablawetz, HV, 6:28; 3rd Norden, Hill, 7:02

400m run - 1st Smith, HT, 1:10; 2nd Anderson, HV, 1:11; 3rd Goosemen, HT, 1:13

300m HH - 1st Marker, HV, 54.75

800m run - 1st Wetli, A, 2:50; 2nd Geis, HT, 2:50; 3rd Vasquez, HV, 3:02

200m run - 1st Briskey, HT, 30.06; 2nd Slattman, A, 31.10; 3rd Anderson, HV, 31.56

3200 run - 1st Hablametz, HV, 13:53; 2nd Park, Hill, 12:00; 3rd Short, A, 15:49

4x100 - 1st Antwerp, 57.85; 2nd Hilltop, 59.9; 3rd Hicksville, 1:00.1

4x200 - 1st Antwerp, 2:03.9; 2nd Hicksville, 2:03.43; 3rd Hilltop, 2:08.0

4x400 - 1st Hilltop, 5:07; 2nd Hicksville, 5:21; 3rd Antwerp, 5:32

4x800 - 1st Hilltop, 12:02; 2nd Hicksville, 12:41

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their own saving! Shown here with Wendy and Leslie are: Drake Ankney, Emma Townley and Macy Nutter. These children are in the afternoon class of four and young five year olds with Mrs. Chris Adams and Mrs. Ann Miller. If you are looking for a preschool experience for your three, four or five year old child, check out the ad on the front page of THIS paper for more information!

**PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS**

*Admissions:*  
4/12 - Janiece Henning, Scott  
*Dismissals:*  
4/12 - Frances Comer,

Paying to Gardens of Paulding  
4/12 - Lori Dominique, Paulding  
4/12 - Earlene Mundy, Paulding  
4/14 - Ronnie Hostettler, Cecil  
4/14 - Janiece Henning, Scott

**HICKSVILLE'S FLOWER SALE TO BE "IN FULL BLOOM" SOON**

Every year in Hicksville on Mother's Day weekend, the Beautification Committee hosts an amazing fund-raiser that the community embraces. This year should be no exception as there are significant enhancements to the event.

This year's sale is held on Friday, May 6, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., and Saturday, May 7, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The new site is on West High at the former Country Chick's/Hardee's property.

Many changes and improvements will be apparent and serve the shoppers further. Thirty new gardeners have been recruited to assist with the fund-raiser and they're hopeful they don't have to be "all weather volunteers". Last year when the winds blew hanging baskets flew across the parking lot as Mother Nature performed.

There's always a "plant specialist" available for gardening advice and to answer shopper's questions. As an additional resource, there is a reference library on site when further information is needed. "Shoppers have always appreciated our knowledge and recommendations for plants suited for full sun or shade, for example," according to Susan Mack. "We also enjoy helping small children select gifts for Mom or Grandmother."

This year, all volunteers will be wearing a certain baseball cap to be more easily identified. Any others willing to work at the sale can contact Bobbi Sinn.

The custom potting service has been expanded and you can select even the light weight containers at the sale. They'll also plant in your containers on site at the sale. If you prefer, the containers can be dropped off in advance to Marlene Volkert and picked up at the sale. You can select the plants you like OR leave any instructions such as "plant for full sun", "would like something in center for height", "prefer red, white, & blue colors", "use trailing plants in the front only," or "plant a kitchen herb garden so it's edible."

New this year to this sale is Baccto soil in 25# bags which is preferred by many gardeners.

Selections for this year include the new black petunias as well as black and yellow petunias. An large assortment of vividly colored hanging baskets and patio pots will be available. Of course, flats of mix and match flowers, plants and vegetables invite your purchase along with herbs, herb, and more herbs including horseradish which is the Herb Of The Year for 2011. Exciting unique foliage, geraniums, ornamental grasses and perennials will be in adequate supply.



Nick Drewery



A.J. Stites

**WARRIOR SENIORS TO CONTINUE CAREERS**

Woodlan Seniors Nick Drewery and A.J. Stites will be continuing their athletic careers in college. Nick, son of Tony and Paula Drewery has accepted a scholarship

from Indiana Institute of Technology in Fort Wayne to continue his Soccer career. A.J., son of Tony and Sally Stites will be attending Division III Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois to study business and continue his golf career.

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## WOODBURN ELEMENTARY PENNY WARS



The students of Woodburn Elementary did battle with pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters to raise money for East Allen's Special Olympics team. The school hosted a "Penny War" the week of March 28. Students were asked to bring in their loose change, putting their pennies in their grade's jar. Nickels, dimes, and quarters were put in another grade's jar to cancel out pennies. The grade level with the most pennies

after the final calculations won an ice cream sundae party. Extra jars were needed for several grade levels that raced to take the lead. Mrs. Boicey's and Mrs. Moore's first grade classes finished in first place, winning the ice cream party. More importantly, when everything was counted the students had raised a grand total of \$603.68 for Special Olympics. Great job, Woodburn Elementary!



### WOODBURN ELEMENTARY PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THIRD QUARTER 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR

#### GRADE K:

Mascen McNeil, Kate Spangler, Addie Goheen, Courtney Kanoor, Aaron Ketzler, Olivia Lake, Eliza Leininger, Riley Zent

#### GRADE 1:

Brendan Maska, Sierra Mrak, Lily Paul, Dylan Stice, Ed Stuckey, Kaitlyn Wilkinson, Izek Botts, Corbin Carroll, Will Elwood, Nick Jones, Abbey Richardson, Ethan Stopher, Rachel Coil, Luke Ketzler, Isaiah Mata, Jenny Mengerink, Alivia Kelly

#### GRADE 2:

Hailey Bremer, Austin Saylor, Sierra Weiks, Aidan Baughman, Haily Yontz, Michael Bemus, McKenna Elwood, Hannah Fields, Alexis Henderson, Paxton Kanoor, Tayerl Maple, Ashleigh VanHorn

#### GRADE 3:

Evan Berry, Jyson Bratsman, Logan Dietel, Patrick Foulk, Jaylee Lounsbury, Tori Miller, Salma Piedra, Pierce Reichhart, Merisah Al-Jayashi, Ethan Botts, Jaydon Bratsman, Eli Clevenger, Jaedyn Davis, Cassie Roehm, Jared Sherwood, Luke Spangler, Hagen VanAusdal, Andrew Worman, Anthony Wickey

#### GRADE 4:

Tom Bemus, Aleeyah Lounsbury, Jack Stuckey, Taylor Bodie, Ana Bullerman, Matt Singer, Chris Huckeriede, Brook Gerken, Marlene

Lengacher, Taylor Blackmon, Kadi Kelly, Lexi Rhymer

#### GRADE 5:

Kyra Bailey, William Collins, Cheyenne Cook, Devin Fahlsing, Dylan Hanefeld, Josh Brandenberger, Jacob Ferguson, Samantha Fisher, Makayla Henderson, Karissa Hoepfner, Autym Keller, Alexis Kelsey, Tyler Kitson, Hunter Knight, Miranda Koomler, Aaron Maska, Kayla Reidenbach, Dawson Richhart, Micah Robbins, Emma Romines, Connor Waterman

#### GRADE 6:

Janetta Brandenberger, Auston Brunes, Celina Burke, Ashton Fahlsing, Alexis Felhofer, Megan Gerig, Joe Gessner, Collin Jones, Austin Ochoa, Brayden Provines, Ian Slate, Sydnee Ashcraft, Meghan Bair, Sabrina Conner, Austin Miller, Sydney Moore, Zack VanAusdal, Alan Zehr

### OBAMA ADMINISTRATION NAMES ROBERT BOGGS TO USDA'S FARM SERVICE AGENCY IN OHIO

The Obama Administration announced the appointment of Robert (Bob) Boggs to the Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Committee. The State Committee oversees the activities of the agency, including carrying out the state agricultural conservation programs, resolving appeals from the agriculture community and helping to keep producers informed about FSA programs.

"Bob will work with USDA to help farmers and producers build and maintain successful operations that produce the safe, nutritious food supply that America needs while spurring economic development in our nation's rural communities," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "He brings the experience and passion necessary to help continue the Obama Administration's efforts to rebuild and revitalize rural America."

Raised on a small dairy farm in Ashtabula County, Bob received his bachelor's degree in government from American University in Washington, D.C., and a master's in public administration from Kent State University. He served as a state representative and state senator for 24 years and as a county commissioner for 10 years.

In 2007, Bob was appointed as the director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture. As director, he worked to uphold the department's mission to protect Ohio's food supply, consumers, environment, and the health of the state's animals and plants. While director of agriculture Bob administered numerous regulatory, food safety, and

consumer protection programs for the benefit of all Ohioans.

FSA works to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural Americans. Some of the agency's efforts include facilitating income support, disaster assistance and conservation programs, providing operating loans for the procurement of farm equipment, seed and fertilizer, as well as offering ownership loans to help new and veteran producers purchase a farm. FSA also works to procure various commodities to benefit low-income families through domestic food assistance programs.

The USDA provides leadership on food, agriculture and natural resources and touches the life of every American. Reflecting President Obama's commitment to expanding economic opportunities in rural America, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and the USDA are working to enhance availability of broadband, promote

the development of renewable energy, to conserve, maintain and improve our natural resources and environment, and promote a sustainable, safe, sufficient and nutritious food supply.

### PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted seven persons on Wednesday, April 13, 2011.

Rita Perkins - Arson, F-4, Antwerp, OH, DOB 1/1/1945; John W. Phipps - Theft, F-5, Payne, OH, DOB 2/4/1981; Adam J. Beery - Possession of Drugs, F-5, Bellville, OH, DOB 5/12/1984; Jared D. Grace - Possession of Drugs, F-3, Paulding, OH, DOB 5/2/1986; Estil L. Hatfield: Possession of Drugs, F-5, Oakwood, OH, DOB 11/11/1985; Ashley A. Wunderlin - Theft, F-5, DOB 5/21/1985; Roscoe Johnson - Possession of Drugs, F-5 (2 counts) DOB 3/28/1960.



### SIGNS OF SPRING

By: Sue Knapp

It seems like we're never going to say, "It's too hot, I wish it would cool off," this year. The sunny days seem few and far between.

This picture is proof that spring is really here. This bird nest is on a crate of artificial flowers on a front porch. The owners of the house are watching the nest and have decided to go through their garage so mother Robin is not disturbed. The hope is that mother Robin will stay on the nest and her babies will hatch.



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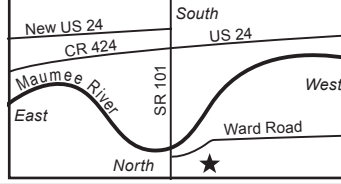
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**WARRIORS GRAB TIGHT WIN ACAC BB OPENER**

By: Jeff Abbott

After giving up 1 run on 2 hits in the first inning, Zach Schwartz derailed Garrett over the final six innings, allowing 0 runs and 0 hits and the Warriors got a 2-1 win over the Railroaders to open their ACAC conference baseball schedule. Schwartz struck out 13 while going the distance for the Warriors and shut down Garrett in order in 4 of the final 6 innings. Woodlan's runs came in the second inning with Jason Price and Cody Zink each hitting doubles and scoring for the Warriors.

Garrett - 1 0 0 0 0 0 = -1 3 2  
Woodlan - 0 2 0 0 0 0 x = -2 5 0

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 4/4/11**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING "THEN AND NOW" PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:**

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on March 30, 2011, Warrant numbers 176787 through 177057 totaling \$17,531.39; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Sue Jones, Essenture Workplace Benefits - Ms. Jones met with the Commissioners to present information on customized volunteer employee benefit solutions. She explained Essenture works with all the major providers for workplace benefits and will work with employees to design coverage for their specific needs.  
Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel met with the Commissioners to discuss the wind farm tax revenue calculations. She also had a copy of the recently certified 2010 Census results, who being Paulding County's population at 19,614.  
Rick Anderson and Alan Lindeman, Perfection Group Energy Conservation - Mr. Anderson and Mr. Lindeman presented information about their company and offered to prepare proposals for consideration on County-owned buildings.

**APRIL'S SEVERE WEATHER & MORE TO COME**

By: Josh Steiner

Ever since the very beginning of this month, there has been several major outbreaks of severe weather in the United States. The first one hit on April 4<sup>th</sup>, the anniversary of the Super Outbreak of 1974, with over 1,400 reports of severe wind damage and large hail, stretching over an area from the Central Plains to the Southeast and the I-95 corridor. This was the largest outbreak on record with respect to number of severe weather reports in more than three decades. After the initial severe storm system hit Florida and entered the Atlantic Ocean, there were several days of silence in the U. S.

Then on April 9<sup>th</sup>, monstrous supercell thunderstorms developed over western Iowa, causing widespread severe damage especially near Mapleton, Iowa, where they were hit directly by a strong EF-3 tornado, causing many homes and businesses to be destroyed. The damage that was inflicted on a large part of Iowa on April 9<sup>th</sup> was thought to have been caused by a family of tornadoes produced by the same supercell. The following day, a second severe weather outbreak developed in response to surging above-normal warmth in the Midwest, Great Lakes, and the South, and an upper-level trough moving into the western Great Lakes. On April 10<sup>th</sup>, a PDS (Particularly Dangerous Situation) Tornado Watch was issued for much of northern Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. Supercell thunderstorms developed within this zone producing a record 11 tornadoes in Wisconsin, which is the largest recorded April tornado outbreak in the state. Most of the tornadoes were near the Green Bay area, which just had its heaviest April snowstorm on record.

One of the largest and most destructive tornado outbreaks in United States history started its three-day barrage in eastern Oklahoma

on April 14<sup>th</sup>, where several very large tornadoes touched down, including one that demolished Atoka and Tushka, Oklahoma. The next day a moderate severe weather risk was placed over Mississippi, Alabama, and parts of Tennessee. But there were even several large tornadoes that had already formed before this outlook was issued, such as the morning tornado that hit Jackson, MS. By afternoon and nightfall, several very large supercells had formed over Alabama and were racing eastward. At that very moment, my family and I were driving right through one of the worst storms of the outbreak, where a very large E-F3 tornado was confirmed just north of Montgomery, near I-65.

On that Friday, there were 146 reports of tornadoes in Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia. Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, the disturbance continued eastward, and sparked a very large tornado outbreak in North Carolina. According to preliminary reports, this outbreak in North Carolina would be the worst in its recorded history. All in all, after this tornado outbreak was over, more than 250 tornadoes were reported and over 160 have been confirmed.

Because of these outbreaks and several others that have happened recently, April has had more than double the tornadoes that April 1974 (the previous record) had. One of the very recent outbreaks was on April 19<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup>, where 74 tornadoes were reported and there were over 1,000 reports of severe weather. If not for the April 4<sup>th</sup> outbreak, it would have been the largest on record. The most recent outbreak caused significant damage over the Ohio Valley including severe flooding. One of the highlights of the event was an EF-4 tornado that hit Lambert International Airport, north of Saint Louis, Missouri. This would be the first EF-4 tornado of 2011.

The cause of all this severe weather is due to a very persistent La Nina, even though it has been weakening steadily, it won't let go of its grip very easily. The La Nina is causing a larger than normal temperature gradient across the US with near record-warmth in Florida; and much below average cold in the northern US. In between, a powerful jet stream flows into the Ohio Valley, producing heavy rain and flooding, along with the threat of severe weather. According to long-range meteorologists all across the United States, even though the La Nina is weakening. Its effects will last through much of the summer and end in the early fall. Because of this forecast, meteorologists are forecasting a rather rough May across the Ohio Valley, including our area because of a northward shift in the storm track. This would put northern Indiana and northern Ohio under the gun for torrential rains and significant severe weather outbreaks. This is the case this week, because several upper level disturbance will ride along a stationary front parked in the Ohio Valley, causing heavy rain, flooding, and possibly severe weather over our area.

In conclusion, watch for flash flooding and avoid flood waters this week because of

repeated rounds of thunderstorms. Also major river flooding will be an issue. We may not see severe weather after the paper comes out this week, but we should see some supercells Tuesday afternoon. These rounds of thunderstorms will end by Thursday before another severe weather outbreak could hit our area on Saturday. Finally, major severe weather outbreaks in this area will become more and more frequent in May, with increasing rounds of flooding.

**KLOPFENSTEIN AWARDED OHIO SOYBEAN COUNCIL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The Ohio Soybean Council Foundation (OSCF) is pleased to announce that Andrew Klopfenstein of Haviland, Ohio, has been awarded a \$3,000 undergraduate OSCF scholarship for the 2011-2012 year.

This is the fourth year for the OSCF Scholarship Program, which was created to encourage undergraduate students to pursue careers in agriculture, as well as to support on going graduate-level research. All OSCF scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to full-time students at an Ohio college or university.

"There were many scholarship applicants this year and they were all very impressive students to make it a tough competition," said Tom Fontana, OSCF director of programs and development. "We are very pleased with the winners who represent a wide variety of academic disciplines and universities."

Klopfenstein is majoring in agricultural engineering at The Ohio State University (OSU) and will be a senior in the fall of 2011. He is active in OSU's Quarter Scale Tractor Trouble Design Team, American Society of Biological Engineers, OSU College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences council treasurer, and is a member and house steward of Delta Theta Sigma. Klopfenstein plans to pursue a career that enables him to work with farmers to offer the best solutions in farm equipment for better yields and greater profitability.

"It was a pleasure to be a part of the scholarship selection committee and have the opportunity to meet such impressive students," said David Black, Ohio Soybean Council board member and OSCF scholarship selection committee member. "We are very proud of the scholarship recipients who will undoubtedly contribute to a successful future for the Ohio soybean industry."

**EAGLES THROW A NO-HITTER ON WARRIORS**

By: Jeff Abbott

Billy Siddons struck out 17 and threw a no-hitter on the Woodlan Warriors as the Churubuso Eagles beat the Warriors 3-0 in boys' baseball at Churubusco. Siddons also had 1 of the 4 extra base hits for the Eagles to help the offense score in the fourth and sixth innings.

Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 0 0 = 0 0 1  
Churubusco - 0 0 0 1 0 2 x = 3 7 2

**PANTHER SOFTBALL KEEPS A WIN @ HOME AGAINST THUNDERBIRDS**

The Lima Central Catholic softball team traveled to Panther country for some High School Softball on 4/18/11. The final score was Paulding 8, LCC 2.

Winning Pitcher: Kristen Beck - Strike Outs 6; Hits Allowed 6; Walks 1  
Losing Pitcher: M. Shephed - Strike Outs 3; Hits Allowed 15; Walks 2  
Hits for Paulding: Breanna Schmidt - 4 singles, 5 RBI's; Haylie Forrer - 3 singles, 1 RBI; Tabrina Vance - 2 doubles; Kristen Beck - 2 singles, 1 RBI  
Hits for LCC: M. Stoll - 2 singles

**WOODLAN GOLF AT POND-A-RIVER GOLF COURSE**

By: Jeff Abbott

These are the team results from the recent tee-up in High School golf action at Pond-A-River Golf Course, Woodburn.

Woodlan 158, Heritage 171, South Adams 183, Adams Central 209

Individual golfers' scores: Woodlan - Stites 42, Je. Schlie 39, Jo. Schlie 41, Braaten 41, Voss 37

Heritage - Dornself 42, Bienze 46, Schmidt 45, Neimeyer 39, Sorg 45

South Adams - Muselman 45, Smith 45, Heckhard 44, Mosser 49, Dull 49

Adams Central - Pfeifer 51, McCullough 47, Thieme 56, Harris 64, Christian 55

**WARRIORS STEAL BIG WIN ON DREARY DAY**

By: Jeff Abbott

It was a cold and dreary Saturday and the Woodlan posted an 11-1 win over the Harding Hawks in boys' baseball game at Warrior Field. After the morning rain and before the afternoon showers, Woodlan scored a run in the first inning, 4 in the second despite getting only 1 hit, and then 5 runs in the third after sending 10 batters to the plate to jump to a 10-0 lead. Harding's run came in the top of the fifth before the Warriors ended the game in the bottom half of the inning with a run for the 10 run margin. Jason

Price had a double, a single, and 2 runs scored for the Warriors. J T Rogers and Peyton Spencer each added a pair of runs. Evan Powell started on the mound and picked up the win for Woodlan.  
Harding - 0 0 0 0 1 = 1 4 5  
Woodlan - 1 4 5 0 x = 11 6 3

**PAULDING PANTHER TRACK RESULTS FROM AYERSVILLE DILLER INVITATIONAL**

On Saturday, April 23, 2011 the Paulding Panthers competed at the Ayersville Diller Invitational. The girls ended the day with a 13<sup>th</sup> place finish (19 team points scored). The boys finished in 11<sup>th</sup> with 28 team points scored.

Individual Panther results:

8th - Wade Carnahan (110 hurdles and long jump); Rachael Kesler (300 hurdles)

7th - Kasi Edwards (discus)

6th - Ethan Wolfle (high jump), boys 4x200m relay; Bruce Sowder (pole vault), girls 4x200m relay

5th - Julian Salinas (high jump), boys 4x400m relay; Emily Shuherk (high jump)

4th - Ethan Wolfle (300 hurdles) boys 4x100m relay; Kasi Edwards (shot put); Sidney Salinas (pole vault)

**PAULDING TRACK TEAM RESULTS FROM COLUMBUS GROVE TRACK INVITE**

On Friday the Paulding Panthers competed in the Columbus Grove Bulldog Invitation. The girls ended the night with an 11th place finish (8 team points scored). The boys finished in 5th with 41 team points scored.

Sixth place finishers for Paulding were Paulding girls' 4x400m relay, Abbey Edwards (800m), Paulding boys' 4x200 relay. Fifth place finishers for Paulding were Paulding girls' 4x800m relay, Sidney Salinas (pole vault), Kasi Edwards (shot put), Drew Burnett (long jump). Fourth place finishers were Chris Pier (200m), Wade Carnahan (long jump). Third place finishers were Paulding boys 4x400m relay. Second place finishers were Chris Pier (100m), Paulding boys 4x100m relay, Ethan Wolfle (300m hurdles).



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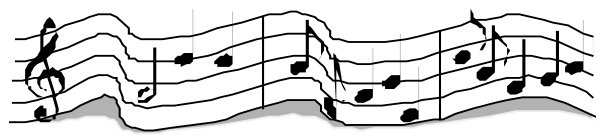
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# "FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" VANTAGE HOLDS 31<sup>ST</sup> BLOODMOBILE



Vantage Auto Body junior Austin Ream, from Wayne Trace, gets a helping hand from Taylor Leaser, a Van Wert senior in Health Technology at the annual bloodmobile.



Vantage seniors Courtney Jewel from Linconway, Layne Earhart from Wayne Trace, Megan Ketchum from Parkway, and Denver Dull from Antwerp, give "thumbs up" and join Van Wert Red Cross volunteer Diane Stewart in the canteen at the bloodmobile.

On Thursday and Friday, April 14 and 15, the thirty-first Vantage bloodmobile was held. The bloodmobile is a team effort with students and staff from several different programs working together to get organized and set up for a bloodmobile. The Vantage bloodmobile has grown so much in recent years, that it has become a two-day event!

Cody, Layne, Cody, and Michael volunteered to meet the Red Cross truck at 6:30 a.m. on Thursday morning and set up the bloodmobile. The members of the junior Health Technology morning class and junior Early Childhood class moved all the furniture and set up the donor rooms. Junior and senior Health Technology students served as Red Cross volunteers, handling registration, first aid, and escort duties. The students and Mrs. Myers, staffed the canteen and

provided cookies, sandwiches and beverages to everyone who donated a unit of blood.

Vantage is one of the largest high school bloodmobiles in the region and has one of the highest numbers of first time donors. This year's blood drive was outstanding. There were just over 200 students and staff members who registered to donate blood. A total of 166 pints of blood were collected over the two days. The Vantage goal was 155 units!

Vantage's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House and Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Renovation and Expansion project will be held Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The Groundbreaking Ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. Say goodbye to the current Vantage building... and see the architects rendering and floorplan for the "remodeled" Vantage! Renovation and construction begins at the end of May.

## THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Steiner

When people think of the mind and body they often think of two different entities. I, however, believe that there is no separation between the two. In other words, when one is affected, the other feels the results in some shape or form. I think this is especially true when talking about nutrition and health. When we are fighting sickness or illness, there is essentially a war going on inside us between our blood cells, antibodies and those pesky foreign invaders. Our bodies are so perfectly created that they already know how to restore themselves. We just have to provide the tools it needs for repair. Healing is less about battling illness and more about nourishing life. We all have natural mechanisms for ongoing healing in our bodies, and we must conduct our lifestyles to nurture those mechanisms each and every day. Below I have compiled a list of six ways we can boost our healing power and let our body do its job.

1. Ease stress with pleasure: I believe in relaxation (not laziness mind you!). If you believe you are so busy that you don't have time to relax, you should ask yourself if you have time to be sick. Relaxing and pleasure are healing states of the mind and they help us to overcome our daily traumas. To reduce stress, try sitting outside for lunch, listening to relaxing music or tending a garden. These aren't extracurricular, but rather a health insurance plan. Doing things you enjoy triggers your brain to release feel-good chemicals.

2. Find something to believe in: Research has shown that those people who have a spiritual faith are better equipped to deal with illness, and they have been shown to have higher levels of immunity cells and antibodies when faced with terminal illnesses. Plus, those who believe their lives have meaning often live longer. Take time to meditate, pray or read books that inspire you.

3. Talk it out: Hostility and bitterness can raise proteins in your immune system that lead to arthritis, osteoporosis and other conditions. Don't be silent, but voice your opinion respectfully. If you are not ready to talk them out yet, vent them another way either by journaling or over a long private walk.

4. Get some sleep: Many of the body's major restorative repairs happens while we sleep and sleep deprivation is linked to lower immune ability, obesity, inflammation, cardiovascular disease and others. Create a pleasant bedtime ritual to help you relax like taking a bath or doing breathing exercises.

5. Eat plenty of healing foods: Feed your body the nutrients it need to boost immune function and lower inflammation. Fruits and veggies provide needed vitamins and minerals, proteins contain amino acids that build the immune system, foods low in sugar reduce inflammation and fermented foods promote healthy bacteria which is great for the gastrointestinal tract which comes in contact with so many microorganisms and potential pathogens.

6. Get moving: Regular ex-

ercise promotes circulation, strengthens the heart muscles and increases nutrient delivery and oxygenation of the cells. Keep it short and sweet with smaller doses of exercise on most days as opposed to very vigorous workouts once or twice a week.

If you have any questions or topics you would like discussed, email punky prune@yahoo.com.

## WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING NOTES 4/13/11

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center approves a 0% salary increase for the 2011-2012 school year due to state funding cuts.

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 in the Van Wert ESC Board Office. Board President Mr. Jerry Zielke welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

Superintendent Brian Gerber reviewed the proposed state budget for the next biennium and the effects it has on educational funding. Mr. Gerber pointed out that Gov. Kasich's decision not to replace federal stimulus monies, which supported the school funding formula along with state dollars in the last state budget, results in a loss of \$1.4 billion for school districts over the biennium, compared to FY11 levels. This, along with an approximate one-half reduction in replacement dollars for the loss of the local tangible personal property (TPP) tax, puts the cuts to education at more than \$3.1 billion over the biennium. This results in a net loss in educational funding.

The \$3.1 billion loss in funding cannot be absorbed without major cuts to programs and staff over the next two years. While school districts had been preparing for a reduction in state aid, the realities of this proposal are alarming. Due to state funding cuts that have impacted the ESC, it will be necessary to approve a 0% salary increase for 2011-2012. Mr. Gerber pointed out that the Western Buckeye ESC Team along with the Western Buckeye ESC Board will work together and plan ahead in order to be proactive in our decisions. "Forward Planning and Teamwork will be the key. As an organization we will keep two things in mind as we approach the next biennium. (1) What is in the best interest of our students we

serve? (2) What ways and means can we be fiscally responsible to our agency and the school districts we serve?" Gerber also updated the Board on recent Western Buckeye activities and several personnel issues. The Board continued their discussion regarding the state budget and other legislative issues.

Treasurer Gary Ginter reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board.

In the business portion of the meeting, the Board:

—Approved the minutes from the March 9, 2011 Regular Meeting.

—Approved the March financial reports as presented by Treasurer Gary Ginter.

—Accepted the resignation of Stephanie Cox as a preschool teacher.

—Approved Dr. Kuhn as the physician who will provide van and bus driver physicals at a rate of \$75 per driver.

—To join the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities for 2011.

—Approved a depository agreement with Van Wert Federal Savings Bank.

—Approved calendars for the 2011-2012 school year for Thomas Edison Preschool and Western Buckeye Resource Center.

—To establish May 2-6, 2011 as Staff Appreciation Week in order to honor the staff of WBESC.

—Approved the following Certified Contracts beginning with the 2011-2012 school year:

\*Cathy Bonifas - Continuing; \*Linda Krauskopf - 1-year limited part time; \*Brenda Recker - 5-year limited part time; \*Tina Kennedy - 2-year limited; \*Ronda Niemeyer - continuing

—Approved the following Non Certified beginning with the 2011-2012 school year:

\*Linda Clark - continuing; \*Michelle Davis - continuing; \*Cora J. Flynn - continuing; \*Rebecca Mayer - continuing; \*Shelly Walters - continuing; \*Janine Warnecke - continuing; \*Angela Zartman - continuing part time; \*Robert Miller - 1-year limited; \*Jama Cline - continuing part time; \*Sandra Etlzer - continuing part time; \*Heather Matthews - continuing; \*Cathy Ruiz - continuing part time contingent on grants; \*Brenda Ward - continuing part time; \*Carol Wiliman - continuing; \*Gary Frynsinger - 1-year limited

—Approved the following NOACSC agenda items:

\*To reduce the View Wise per gig storage fee from \$24/gig to \$2 gig, effective April 1, 2011

\*To approve NOACSC contract with the MCOE/CN-TSG to provide SIS/EMIS-R Configuration Study resources, as presented.

—Action Items:

\*To extend a 25-day Supplemental

Contract to Karla Treece at her current daily rate to cover Special Education Service Coordination, effective March 23, 2011.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on May 11, 2011 starting at 6:00 p.m.

## WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 4/27 THROUGH 5/3

Breakfast:

4/27 - Waffles, sausage, juice, milk

4/28 - Egg/cheese omelet, hash brown, juice, milk

4/29 - Turnover, juice, milk

5/2 - Pizza, juice, milk

5/3 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk

Lunch:

4/27 - Pizza, pepperoni or cheese, tossed salad, juice bar, milk

4/28 - Walking taco, meat/sauce or strawberries, milk

4/29 - Hot dog w/bun, chips, pretzels, carrot sticks w/dip, apple, milk; WT: Foot-long

5/2 - Pizza, pepperoni or cheese, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk

5/3 - Cheeseburger sandwich, tator tots, peaches, milk

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**SAFEGUARDING OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

**Guest Column from State Representative Wachtman**

Here in the 75<sup>th</sup> House District, we have many dedicated public servants who have been entrusted to maintain our communities, educate our children, and ensure our safety. Despite the fact that most of our communities in this district are not unionized, we cannot afford to do without the work of our teachers, firefighters, police officers, or other public employees—their work is essential to the well-being and success of our fellow citizens and neighborhoods. Even though we certainly cannot expect to prosper without these services, we must also learn to live within our means. During these challenging economic times, it is necessary to evaluate and re-structure these union positions to ensure taxpayer dollars are being used wisely and in a manner that ensures our financial stability for years to come.

Public-sector union bosses have been demanding more and more in contract negotiations over time, so legislation that reworks the relationship between public-sector unions and taxpayers becomes necessary in order to save our local communities from going under financially. Despite the barrage of protests against this legislation—Senate Bill 5—the bulk of these negative reactions are due to the misinformation being spread by those who are more interested in winning elections than dealing with the correction of serious systematic problems. I would like to dispel some common misconceptions circulating around Senate Bill 5 and give you an update on the positive additions that were added to the bill by the Ohio House.

First and foremost, Senate Bill 5 does not take away the benefits or pensions of public employees, nor does it revoke their right to collectively bargain for wages, hours and terms of employment. Fur-

thermore, Senate Bill 5 better aligns the public sector with the private sector in terms of costs and privileges, which means the government will no longer feed off of the success of the private sector to support its own unchecked growth and influence. In other words, it is about the protection of the hard-working Ohioans who pay taxes in order to support the government. Although the bill requires public employees to pay 15 percent of their health care costs, the private sector on average pays 23 percent of their own healthcare costs, so it is at least a step toward fairness.

Communities need the flexibility to manage their finances, which was not possible with the old, uncompromising relationship among local government, taxpayers and public-sector unions. With the reforms enacted by Senate Bill 5, local governments will be able to avoid mass layoffs and deterioration of public services. Sidestepping these harmful—but very real—possibilities will benefit Ohioans in every community.

In the effort to reform collective bargaining, I and other House members were careful to ensure that Senate Bill 5 was fair and respectful of the rights and needs of our invaluable public employees. Our main concern is always the well-being of Ohio's citizens. To this end, we amended the legislation in many significant ways. Unfortunately, the House Democrats did not even attempt to amend the bill, ignoring the will of the people they claim to represent.

One amendment my party voted to include allows for the collective bargaining of safety equipment. This amendment concerns safety issues for both police and firefighters, as well as the civilians they protect. It is vital that our safety personnel are adequately equipped when on the job. Senate Bill 5 will not affect the ability of firefighters and police officers to protect themselves and Ohio's citizens in a safe and effective manner.

We also added an amendment to allow communication between bargaining parties. It is necessary to the success and fairness of negotiations that both parties involved are able to properly communicate their terms. This is a free speech issue and will, for instance, allow teachers to talk with their school boards during the collective bargaining process without it being considered an unfair labor practice. The Ohio House also eliminated the possibility of jail time for striking workers, a safeguard put in place to ensure the respectful treatment of Ohio's public employees.

Senate Bill 5 brings with it significant changes to the relationship among local government, taxpayers and public-sector unions, but these changes are positive ones—they are changes to increase productivity and prosperity, and we should expect no less. Union leaders should never have the control over Ohio's taxpaying citizens that we have allowed them to usurp over the years because they are not elected by the people, and cannot be held accountable to the people for their actions. As your state representative, I am concerned with the well-being of you and your families, as well as Ohioans all across the state. With the amended Senate Bill 5, each and every citizen will benefit from the better financial situation facing Ohio, regardless of whether they work in the public or the private sector.

**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY PATIENT NAVIGATOR PROGRAM HELPING PATIENTS ACROSS OHIO**

When a doctor tells a patient he or she has cancer, his or her world changes in an instant. No longer worried about the grocery list or next week's soccer game, the patient's new concerns are chemotherapy, radiation, insurance and how to tell their family members. This is new, confusing territory for someone who just learned he or she has cancer.

But the American Cancer Society has help. The Society's Patient Navigator Program provides guidance for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers to help them navigate the cancer experience.

Having someone to help deal with medical, financial and social concerns can even help patients conserve energy, allowing them to more strongly confront the cancer that has already changed his or her life.

"We help anyone no matter where they are in their cancer journey," said Josie Lirot Ohio patient navigator serving Paulding County. "For cancer patients, this allows them to focus more on getting better and not worry about the little things."

Any cancer patient or caregiver in Ohio can call the American Cancer Society toll free at 800-227-2345 anytime

24/7 to find information, support, and be connected to their local patient navigator. The patient navigators network for resources in each community, from national prescription assistance programs to support from local groups and volunteers. They have a directory of resources to solve problems that cancer patients may not know are available. This service is free of charge, thanks to the generosity of American Cancer Society donors.

Last year in Paulding County alone, Josie Lirot received 57 requests for help, often requiring two or three contacts with each patient.

"The more communities realize that this program is available, the more they've started utilizing it," Lirot said. "Networking, talking about the program, has also helped its growth."

Navigators receive referrals through Society offices, the Society patient service center, the facility in which they work, other community-based groups and word-of-mouth.

Short-term outcomes of the Patient Navigator program include:

- Greater access to information for cancer patients, families and caregivers
- Trained staff available to assist cancer patients and families in handling financial, medical and insurance concerns as well as physical, psychological and social issues surrounding cancer diagnosis, treatment and survivorship
- Long-term outcomes are expected to be:
  - An improved quality of life for cancer patients, families and caregivers from the time of diagnosis through treatment and into survivorship
  - Increased compliance in treatment and follow-up care due to a greater understanding of issues
  - Increased support mechanisms
  - An easier time in navigating the medical, financial and insurance systems

How can a patient navigator help a cancer patient, survivor or caregiver:

- By helping the patient identify resources for financial assistance, medication needs, home health care, insurance questions, transportation and other concerns
- By referring the patient to support groups, classes and other programs for information and support
- By providing literature on coping with cancer, what to expect during chemotherapy and radiation and dealing with side effects of treatment
- By identifying activities that can help ensure a better quality of life
- By listening, guiding and helping the client in his or her time of need
- By helping cancer survivors learn to self-navigate

"When someone is diagnosed with cancer, they sometimes feel that all of their choices have been taken away and they have lost control of their lives," Lirot said. "We guide them, give them options that will work for them so they feel more successful with what they are doing."

Patient navigators do not provide medical advice or care.

The Patient Navigator program is a collaborative program between the American Cancer Society and partners such as hospitals and cancer centers around the state of Ohio. This community-based

partnership allows outreach to those most in need during the cancer experience. The patient navigators do not provide medical advice.

The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates more birthdays by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures and by fighting back. Find out more or get involved by calling toll-free 800-227-2345 or visiting cancer.org.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 3/30/11**

This 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk  
**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
Warrants documented as 176785 through 177057 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW REVENUE LINE ITEMS AND ESTIMATE REVENUE TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES:**

It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following revenue line items and estimate revenue:  
**GENERAL FUND:**  
001-002-99900 Real Estate Fees, \$100,000.00  
001-002-99901 Homestead, \$5,000.00

**SCHILDERINK DAIRY FUND:**  
110-001-10005 Real Property Tax, \$10,000.00  
**DEF-PAUL JOINT SEWER FUND:**  
128-001-10004 Real Property Tax, \$3,000.00  
**AKKERMAN DAIRY TIF FUND:**  
146-001-10003 Real Property Tax, \$40,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF REDUCING ESTIMATED REVENUE TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES (FUND 001):**  
It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to reduce the estimated revenue in the General Fund:  
**GENERAL FUND:**  
001-002-99992 Real Property Tax, \$105,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING ESTIMATED REVENUE TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES:**

It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the estimated revenue in the following funds:  
**DITCH FUND:**  
012-001-10001 Misc. Receipts, \$1,182.02  
**WATER SHED FUND:**  
049-001-10001 Water Shed Receipts, \$500.00  
049-001-99999 Water Shed Transfers, \$43,367.00  
**DITCH MAINTENANCE-NON COUNTY FUND:**  
059-001-10024 Bee Tree Run, \$150.00

**TRI-COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH FUND:**  
072-001-10001 Real Property Tax, \$240,000.00  
072-001-10002 Mobile Home Tax, \$1,800.00  
072-001-10003 Homestead Reduction, \$150.00

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEMS AND APPROPRIATE TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES:**  
It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following expense line items and appropriate:  
**GENERAL FUND:**  
001-002-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$45,000.00  
001-002-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
001-002-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**DITCH FUND:**  
012-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$390.00  
012-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$390.00  
012-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$390.00  
**DITCH MAINTENANCE FUND:**  
013-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$1,000.00  
013-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
013-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**LIBRARY FUND:**  
048-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$25,000.00  
048-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
048-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**WATER SHED FUND:**  
049-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$1,000.00  
049-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
049-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**SENIOR CENTER FUND:**  
052-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$5,500.00  
052-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
052-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**HOSPITAL BOND FUND:**  
053-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$6,500.00  
053-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
053-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**DITCH MAINTENANCE-NON COUNTY FUND:**  
059-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$50.00  
059-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$50.00  
059-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$50.00  
**E-911 FUND:**  
062-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$12,000.00  
062-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
062-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00

**TRUCK COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH FUND:**  
072-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$12,000.00  
072-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
072-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**SCHILDERINK DAIRY FUND:**  
110-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$1,000.00  
110-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
110-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**DEF-PAUL JOINT SEWER FUND:**  
128-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$150.00  
**AKKERMAN DAIRY TIF FUND:**  
146-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$3,000.00  
146-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
146-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**VOTED JAIL DEBT SERVICE FUND:**  
169-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$10,000.00  
169-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
169-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**MARTIN-SNYDER DITCH FUND:**  
275-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$275.00  
275-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$275.00  
275-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$275.00  
**EAGLE CREEK-WILSON DITCH FUND:**  
276-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$1,000.00  
276-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$1,000.00  
276-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$1,000.00  
**NANCY SUNDAY TILE FUND:**  
277-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$270.00  
277-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$270.00  
277-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$270.00  
**SCHIFFERLY DITCH FUND:**  
278-001-99990 Real Estate Fees, \$100.00  
278-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees, \$100.00  
278-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead, \$100.00

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEM TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES (FUND 003):**  
It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following expense line item:  
**HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUND:**  
003-001-99991 Real Estate Fees  
003-001-99992 Mobile Home Fees  
003-001-99993 Rollback/Homestead  
**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEM TO ACCURATELY TRACK SETTLEMENT FEES (FUND 014):**  
It is necessary to accurately track settlement fees for auditing purposes; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following expense line item:  
**PCBDD FUND:**  
014-001-99990 Real Estate Fees  
014-001-99991 Mobile Home Fees  
014-001-99992 Rollback/Homestead

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 158):**  
The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:  
Fund 158 - WIA Area 7, 158-001-00007/Other, \$22,000.00  
**AUDIT COMMITTEE:**  
This 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, the Board of County Commissioners; Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, and Fred Pieper met with the following members of the Audit Committee: Carol Temple, County Recorder; Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; Claudia Fickel, County Auditor; and Travis McGarvey, County Engineer.

The Permissive Sales Tax Revenue and Motor Vehicle Tax reports for March, 2011, were distributed for review. Sales tax revenue was down from February, 2011, by \$38,987.06; and, up from March, 2010, by \$11,552.83. The March, 2011, total was down \$287.16 from the three year monthly average for the month of March. Vehicle tax collected was \$29,782.37 for the month of March, 2011, which is included in the total sales tax figures.

The General Fund Receipts and Expenses Reports for February, 2011, were presented as prepared by the Auditor's Office. General fund receipts of \$243,369.26 were up from January by \$29,927.92. February, 2011, general fund receipts were up from February, 2010, by \$4,635.92. February, 2011, receipts were up \$11,842.10 from the three-year average for February. General Fund expenses for February were down \$60,192.89 from January, 2011, expenses; and were down \$47,644.56 from February, 2010. February expenses were down \$113,462.38 from the three-year average for February.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**  
Ann Pease, County Clerk of Courts – Ms. Pease met with the Commissioners to discuss the air conditioning needs in the Title Office and the Recorder's scanning room in the basement of the Courthouse. The Commissioners shared a recommendation and estimate from Smith-Reaughan for installation of a dual unit that would cool both rooms. Ms. Pease then discussed HB 14, referring to the possible merger of Title Offices and Bureau of Motor Vehicles. She reported, for now, it appears as though the status of the two office will remain as is. Ms. Pease also reported she has engaged an IT company to connect the Title Office to the internet.

**WOODLAN FALLS TO STRONG NEW HAVEN PITCHER**

**By: Jeff Abbott**  
Brandon Pease struck out 13 Warriors and the New Haven Bulldogs came away with a 10-1 non-conference baseball win at New Haven. Pease went the distance for the win for New Haven  
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## VILLAGE OF ANTWERP REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 3/24/11

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Ray DeLong. Council persons present: Mike Rohrs, Rudie Reeb, Steve Derck, Karen Lee and council President Jan Reeb. Also in attendance at the meeting: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Administrator Sara Keeran, police officer Bill Lyons and Fiscal Officer Loretta Baker. Media: Steve Major from Paulding Progress, Sandy Temple from The Bee a Argus. Visitor attending was Nancy Lichty.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Lee to excuse Larry Ryan from the council meeting (present only by telephone). 5 Yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The minutes from the regular council meeting held January 12, 2011 were reviewed.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Lee to accept the minutes from January council meeting. 5 Yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The minutes from the special council meeting held January 18, 2011 were reviewed.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept the minutes from January special council meeting. 5 Yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The January disbursements were reviewed.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Rohrs to approve the January reconciliation report. 5 Yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The February disbursements were reviewed.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Derck to approve the February reconciliation report. 5 Yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Fiscal officer report:

Baker reported the Capital Improvement Project for East River Waterline Replacement is now complete and the project was less than originally quoted. In accordance with ordinance 2010-22, monies were transferred from the general fund to fund D6, East River Waterline Replacement Fund, in the amount of \$23,525.00, leaving a balance in the D6 fund of \$5,825.13. Baker asked for a motion from council to approve the transfer of funds from fund D6 back to the general fund of the \$5,825.13 amount.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Lee to transfer \$5,825.13 from fund D6, East River Waterline Replacement Fund, to the general fund. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Baker noted government accounting solutions is offering a software update for the village's payroll system with a cost of \$500.00. Baker asked for approval to purchase this software upgrade.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Reeb to purchase the software upgrade for payroll in the amount of \$500.00. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Baker informed council that the 2009-2010 audit is complete and there will be information forthcoming of the results. The auditor's office presented the final cost, which is \$14,200.00, an increase of \$800.00 from the original quote.

\*\*Baker read ordinance 2011-03: an ordinance approving, adopting and enacting American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code, 2011 edition, as the code of ordinances for the municipality of Antwerp, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Reeb, seconded by Rohrs to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-03. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Derck, seconded by Rohrs to accept ordinance 2011-03. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

\*\*Baker read ordinance 2011-04: an ordinance authorizing the village Fiscal Officer to transfer funds to the police fund in the amount of \$27,500.00 and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-04. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Derck to accept ordinance 2011-04. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

\*\*Baker read ordinance 2011-05: an ordinance to retain the services of Melanie L. Farr.

As solicitor for the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Derck to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-05. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept ordinance 2011-05. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

proved.  
\*\*Baker read ordinance 2011-06: an ordinance approving preliminary participatory legislation for the project identified as PAU-Antwerp Depot Restoration, PID 83311, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Derck, regarding by Rohrs to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-06. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Lee to accept ordinance 2011-06. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

\*\*Baker gave 1st reading of resolution 2011-06: a resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation.

Visitors:  
Nancy Lichty, representing the VETS Memorial and park board, passed out the bylaws established by the board setting forth the guidelines for any additional names to be placed on the veteran's memorial. Village street signs regarding the memorial have been ordered and will be paid from the VETS Memorial Fund. The governing board would like the remaining funds to be placed with the Village for future memorial expenses. Lichty asked how this could be done. Baker will ask the Auditor how to handle this issue and report back to council.

Administrator's report:  
Snow removal for the uptown businesses has been an issue this winter. There are eight business-use buildings empty on Main Street. In addition, there were concerns regarding the removal of snow from residential sidewalks, especially those sidewalks used by the children to travel to the school bus stops. Councilman Rohrs suggested the utility committee meet to discuss a proposal for all businesses and residents on proper snow removal. The new snow removal rules will be published before the next winter season. Utility committee will meet on Monday, March 28, 2011, at 12:15 p.m. at town hall to discuss.

The Village received \$2,880.45 for delinquent water, sewer, and storm bills from the county auditor in the first half real estate taxes.

The Village also received \$9,842.78 For TIF payment from the home built in The Colony subdivision. This payment was applied to the sewer fund and will be used toward the payment of the sanitary lift station loan.

Erie Recycling will provide the Village with a Clean-Up Day on June 25<sup>th</sup> at the same cost as last year, \$2,950.00.

Notices have been sent to property owners on S. Erie and W. River that they must complete sidewalk repair no later than June 30<sup>th</sup> or the Village will repair the sidewalks and the cost will be placed on their real property taxes. This spring we will mark sidewalks for repair on the south side of E. River and also East and West Woodcox for the safety of the children walking to and from school bus stops.

Utility department has been patching large pot holes in the Village. Once the asphalt plants are open, Keeran will request estimates from paving contractors for regular patch and repaving jobs.

Keeran informed council of the added cost to the village employees for their 15% of health care costs due to Senate Bill #5. There will also be limits on the amount of sick pay earned per year and amount of sick leave hours that can be paid upon retirement.

State income tax receipts for the Village will be reduced by 25% this year and another 25% next year.

Planning commission met tonight and recommended zoning map amendment to rezone certain lots adjacent to South Erie Street from R-1 or R-2 to B-1. This B-1 designated area will still include R-1 and R-2 definitions. A public hearing will be scheduled on this recommended zoning map amendment. Zoning inspector Oberlin suggested the village schedule a public hearing in the next 30 days for a zoning ordinance amendment regarding cell towers and eliminating the permitted uses of dairy/livestock farms in A-1.

Police report:  
Officer Lyons gave the January report showing 95 calls for service with 7 citations.

Lyons gave the February report showing 85 calls for service with 36 citations.

EMS report:  
A written report was provided by Randy Shaffer showing 21 runs for January 15<sup>th</sup> to February 12<sup>th</sup>. The report for February 12<sup>th</sup> to March 19<sup>th</sup> was also 21 runs.

A written report was provided by Darlene Merriman showing \$3,154.82 collected for EMS runs. Merriman is looking into using a different company for EMS collections, "credit adjustments". Merriman reported some concerns regarding the current arrangement for collections.

Committee reports:  
No committee reports.

Mayor's report:  
Mayor DeLong reported that Mayor's Court collected \$1,956.00 for the Village for the month of January and \$3,710.99 for the month of February after court costs.

New business:  
Keeran reported Kaleb O'Donnell, an eagle scout, will be doing some volunteer work in the tennis park area. This will include landscaping, edging around mulch, flower beds and trees.

There has also been work done at the park at the horse shoe pits by Andrew Ehlinger.

Lee suggested the Village look into using the Snyder properties as a community gardens/victory gardens with possible farmer's market in the summer and fall. Keeran will check with Sherwood and other areas to see how they have utilized this program.

Old business:  
No old business to report.  
Motion made by Rudie Reeb, seconded by Lee to adjourn the meeting. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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**PUPPIES 4 SALE:** Jackapoos, \$100.00; Chipooos, \$200.00; Cockapoos, \$250.00; Peekapug, \$200.00; Shipoos, \$250.00; Chorkies, \$250.00; Pompoos, \$300.00; Aussies, \$250.00. 419-594-2875 or 419-796-0433. p

**GARAGE SALE: 8-5, April 28, 29, 30. Multi-family first time sale. Country decor, glider rocker, new items, plus much more. 21229 Bowman Rd., Defiance.** p

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**3 STATE LINE RD. GARAGE SALES:** April 27-30, 9-6. Clothes, girls, boys, infants, juniors, women's plus size, scrubs, maternity. Toys, books, household. Old bottom Kennedy tool box, hand tools, welder, shortbed truck cap, primitives, antiques, & more. Rd. 192 to State Line by Pond-A-River Golf Course. p

**HUGE GARAGE SALE: April 27-29, 9am-5pm, rain or shine. HD motorcycle parts, oak roll top computer desk, electronics, microwave, household items, home decor, snowmen, tons of little girls clothing - newborn to size 3, Winnie the Pooh crib set, tons of misc. 2630 Rd. 192, Antwerp, McVey residence.** p

**GARAGE SALE & FLEA MARKET:** HICKSVILLE, OH at Defiance Co. Fairgrounds. Wanted vendors, \$8 set up. May thru Sept., Fridays, 9 to 4. Hope to see you there. 1-419-542-8563. p

**2 PARTY GARAGE SALE: Thurs, April 28, Fri, April 29. 9-4, 13998 Rd. 27C, 1 1/2 mile west of Antwerp on old 24, right on 250A, right on 27C. Last house on right. Lots of nice children's clothes! Girls 0-15/16, boys 0-10. Maternity, nice toys, double stroller, w/ infant seat, misc.** p

REMINDER FOR RD 192 (Antwerp) Neighborhood Garage Sales: May 14. Call 419-506-0210 to participate & be on the list. p

**MOM 2 MOM SALE: Maternity or Children's items only. Saturday, May 14th, 9-1 at Antwerp United Methodist. (419)258-1096 for info or table rental (\$15).**

**YARD SALE:** 18822 Rd. 63, Antwerp. Clothes, tools, NASCAR, boat trailer, lots more. April 28, 29, 30 - 9 till? p

**GARAGE SALE: April 29-30, 9-4. 9490 Rd. 61, Payne. South of SR 111 or North of 500. Desk, tables, dresser, fishing poles, household items, toys, kids clothes 0-2T, high chair, swing, lots of misc.** p

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

## RESERVOIR PARK SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS SCHEDULED FOR MAY

Paulding Reservoir Park will host Mens' Class D/E softball tournaments on May 7 - Swing Into Spring Classic; and May 21 - Worth Spring Warm-up Classic.

The first 16 teams registered in each will play. This is a hit your own ball tournament. To enter, please call 419-399-2981 or ronznonez@hotmail.com. More info and 2011 schedule of events can be found at [www.eteamz.com/theswamp](http://www.eteamz.com/theswamp).

## ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU FOR THE WEEK OF 4/27 THROUGH 5/3

4/27 - Sloppy joe on bun or Burrito, corn, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Taco bar

4/28 - Breaded chicken on bun or Deli wrap, green beans, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Jello

4/29 - Fiestada pizza or

Chicken salad sandwich, carrots, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

5/2 - Salisbury steak or Fish on bun, french fries, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cottage cheese

5/3 - Chicken strips or Cook's choice, strawberries, peas, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pudding

*Menus are subject to change.*

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May.....2 <sup>nd</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Sept No Auctions
June ...6 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Oct.....3 <sup>rd</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup>
July ....4 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Nov.....7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>
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The Village Utility Department intends to start hydrant flushing starting the week of May 2, 2011. The first area to be flushed will be located south of the Old U.S., 24 (River Street) until May 13, 2011. Starting May 16, 2011 through May 27, 2011, hydrants north of Old U.S. 24 (River Street) will be flushed.

Residents may experience temporary discolored water during this process. If noticed, residents should run your tap water until the water is clear. This notice is being given to try to avoid discoloration to clothing during the hydrant flushing.

If you have questions, please call the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371

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**PAULDING ELEMENTARY'S MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



On April 14<sup>th</sup> we had a Student of the Month Lunch for the teacher-chosen students who met the PAWS criteria for positive behavior in March. Parents come and have lunch with their child and enjoy hearing wonderful things about how their child acts in school.

Front row (l-r) Kindergarten - Hannah Leaman,

Autumn Richards, Destiny Puckett, Nash Saylor

Second Row (l-r) First Grade - Katie Ringler, Mera Stuchell, Zachary Gorrell, Lily Roehrig

Third Row (l-r) Second Grade - Gabbie Stallbaum, Deyton Price, Olivia Clark, Isabelle Lantz, Cynthia Jones-Schlegel

Fourth Row (l-r) Third

Grade - Dustin Keeran, Kolson Egnor, Matthew Henry

Fifth Row (l-r) Fourth Grade - Fletcher Cook, Kalyn Strahley, Mary Cate Panico, Carson Shull

Back Row (l-r) Fifth Grade - Meghan Todd, Brianna Gorrell, Stephanie Habern, Marcus Miller, Noah Nicoley, Savannah Habern

**PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 4/27 THROUGH 5/3**

*MS/HS - Breakfast:*  
4/27 - Ham, egg, cheese croissant, juice, milk  
4/28 - Cinnamon twist or Cherry turnover, juice, milk  
4/29 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk

5/2 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
5/3 - Egg casserole, juice milk

*MS/HS - Lunch:*  
4/27 - Walking taco or Cheeseburger w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk  
4/28 - Cook's choice, milk  
4/29 - Chicken tenders, macaroni & cheese, summer blend vegetables, assorted

fruit, milk  
5/2 - Stuffed crust pizza, corn or Chicken salad w/pretzel bun, baby carrots w/dip, assorted fruit, milk

5/3 - Chicken tender salad, pretzel bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

*Paulding Elementary*  
- Breakfast:  
4/27 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

4/28 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk  
4/29 - Pancakes, applesauce, milk

5/2 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk  
5/3 - Muffin, graham crackers, applesauce, milk

*Paulding Elementary - Lunch:*  
4/27 - Chicken alpha-bit soup w/crackers, mini carrots, bread, fruit, milk  
4/28 - Cook's choice, Sandwiches or Hot pockets, vegetables, fruit, milk

4/29 - Chicken fajita wrap lettuce/cheese, salsa, fruit, milk

5/2 - Pancakes, sausage, oven potatoes, fruit, milk

5/3 - Cheese bread w/ marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:*

4/27 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk  
4/28 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk

4/29 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk

5/2 - Ham & cheese hot pocket, juice, milk

5/3 - Biscuit w/white sausage gravy, fruit, milk

*Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:*

4/27 - Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, fruit, milk

4/28 - Chicken strip wrap, green beans, fruit, milk

4/29 - Walking taco in a bag, lettuce w/cheese, fruit, milk

5/2 - Hot dog or Chili dog, corn, fruit, milk

5/3 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, orange creamcicle or fruit, milk

*Menus are subject to change.*

**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": CHAMBER LEADERSHIP CLASS GOES BACK TO SCHOOL**



**I: Vantage Culinary Arts junior Emily Flaugh from Wayne Trace and Paulding Chamber Leadership participant Gretchen Noneman show off delicious desserts!**



**Vantage Carpentry junior Tyler Rau from Continental, helps Maria Rellinger secure a wood frame before drilling.**

The March session of the Paulding Chamber Leadership class met at Vantage Career Center on April 20<sup>th</sup> for its "Education" session.

Community Relations Coordinator MaryJo Wilhelm gave an overview of Vantage - how it all began and after 35 years, where career technical education is now.

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

After a visit and discussion with Superintendent Staci Kaufman, Interactive Media instructor Jill DeWert demonstrated different types of technology teachers and students use on a daily basis.

Participants then enjoyed a delicious lunch (and desserts) prepared by the Vantage Culinary Arts class.

Adult Director Pete Prich-

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

Director Bob Vennekotter led a tour through the current building and explained how the remodeled Vantage will look in 18 months. It was a great day!

**DONATE FOR COMMUNITY TREE**

The Better Homes and Garden Club of Paulding is raising funds to purchase and plant an evergreen tree on the courtyard lawn. The evergreen will be used as a community Christmas tree. In order to plant the tree this spring, the club is asking for donations by April 29. Tax-deductible donations may be made to the Better Homes and Garden Club and mailed to Paulding Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Tree Project, P.O. Box 237, Paulding OH 45879.



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