

REMEMBERING LILLY



The friends in Lilly Dearing's preschool class at Paulding Elementary remembered her by planting a tree at the school. Lilly's parents, Todd Dearing and Amanda Briner, joined the students in Mrs. Becca Kohart's class to plant a flower-

ing Crabapple tree so each spring they can all think of Lilly when the pink blossoms are in bloom. Lance Sinn of Ace Hardware in Paulding donated an engraved rock which was placed with the tree near the preschool playground.

WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL HONORS OUTSTANDING STUDENT

Each year the Allen County Non-Public School Association honors outstanding students from each of its member schools. This year, sixth grader Jordan Wells



from Woodburn Lutheran School was selected by her teachers for this honor. Jordan was recognized for excellence in academics, leadership, and Christian attitude. She was honored on May 16th at a breakfast ceremony at Don Hall's Guesthouse. Jordan will be honored again at a luncheon at Concordia High School on June 7th. Way to go, Jordan! God's blessings in all of your future endeavors.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who came to my retirement party and to those who sent cards.
—Ray "Pinky" Billman

ACS RELAY FOR LIFE GOLF SCRAMBLE IS A HUGE SUCCESS

This past Saturday, May 21st, was the 2nd annual relay for Life Golf Scramble held at Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Payne. Once again the weather teased us but we ended up with a perfect day. We had 16 teams, double last years turnout.

I want to thank the following businesses for their support: Pleasant Valley Golf Course, American Legion Post 297, Barney's BBQ, Good Times Saloon, The Greenhouse Effect, Payne Maramart, Mike Krouse Chiropractic, The Doghouse Diner, Taylor Made Glass - Ohio, Denning's Drive-In, Carol's Main Street Makeovers, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Waters Insurance, Benschneider's Auto, Smalley's Body shop, Giddy-Up Restaurant and Merit Insulation Co.

The raffle winners: Jason Williamson (2), Gary Burke (3), Steve Denning, Ron Antoine, Bobby Sherry, Max Hubbard.; 50/50 - Jan Friend, \$83.00; Best Team Score - Eric Tigner with 32; Worst Team Score - Saylor with 40; Closest to Hole 50/50 - Eric Tigner, \$21.00; Winner of 18 Holes and Scramble Tee-Shirt - Michelle Reuille.

Workers: Chris Gerardot, Heidi Conlon, Penny Schaffer, Lyn Collis, Jim & Sandy Rosselet, Kiley Flaugh, Whitney & Nadine Baumert and my husband, Mick and our son, Cory and his son, Kayden for getting things set up.

We raised \$948.00 plus \$174.00 for the 50/50 Raffle items for the upcoming Relay Walk on June 3rd and June 4th.

Once again, thank you to all and hope to see you next year!

—Deb Baumert, St. James Lutheran Church, "The Lappin' Lutherans"

WAYNE TRACE HS TRACK & FIELD ATHLETE RACHEL LONG GOES TO STATE!



Pictured in front is Rachel Long. From left to right: Ryan Jewell, Sarah Feasby, Kelly Zartman, and Tyler Arnett.

Rachel Long a junior at Wayne Trace High School is a work in progress. Like many other high school girl athletes, Rachel went to practice day in and day out in hopes of having a chance at making the state meet in Columbus. The hard work, long hours of practice, and dedication that she has shown since her eighth grade year is now paying off. After Rachel placed third at the Minster district

she earned a spot in the Troy regional this past Friday, her throw of 110'9" was enough for a fourth place finish. For Rachel, all that hard work, hopes and dreams, will at last be coming true. Rachel will be one of 16 high school girls throwing the discus at Jesse Owens Stadium in Columbus, Ohio at the Division III State Track Meet on Friday June 3, 2011 at noon.

—Coach Brian Yenser

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OBITUARIES

Thomas "Tom" Russell Coy, of Paulding, lost his battle with colon cancer and peacefully went to his heavenly home on Saturday, May 28, 2011.

Tom was born on December 18, 1943 in Paulding,



to Daniel R. and Helen M. (Smalley) Coy, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Paulding High School in 1961. Tom worked 39 years for Haviland Drainage products: 38 of those years as manager of Haviland Culvert Company, and 15 of those years in sales for Haviland Drainage Products. He was secretary-treasurer for over 30 years for the Board of Trustees of Drainage products, Inc. and Haviland Culvert Company. He retired January 1, 2010. Tom was an avid golfer, and he loved to watch golf on TV when he could no longer play the game. He was a member of the Auglaize Golf Club and of the Pleasant Valley Golf Course. He also loved Ohio State athletics—especially Buckeye football.

In May 1980, Tom accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior—the most important decision of his life. He attended Calvary Bible Church in

Paulding for over 30 years.

Tom married Diana L. (Mansfield) Coy on August 24, 1969, and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons: Matthew (Jennifer) Coy of Lewis Center, Jonathan (Jill) Coy of Chillicothe, OH, and Martin Coy of Blacklick, OH; two grandsons: Ryan Coy of Lewis Center, and Isaac Coy of Chillicothe; a granddaughter, Lauren Coy of Lewis Center; a brother, Daniel (Velma) Coy of Findlay, OH; a sister, Mary (Terry) Woodard of Paulding; two nieces; and four great-nephews.

A funeral service to celebrate Tom's life will be held on June 4, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, Paulding, with Rev. Tiberius Rata and church elder, John Mohr officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul's Cemetery, Paulding. Visitation will be 2:00–8:00 p.m. on June 3, 2011 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Defiance Area Youth For Christ or to Community Health Professionals of Paulding. Online condolences may be shared at www.denherderfh.com

John P. Shafer, 70, of Paulding died Saturday, May 28, 2011 at his residence.

He was born in Paulding County, Ohio on July 26, 1940 the son of Albert and Ruth (DeLaney) Shafer. On October 14, 1961 he married Betty Jean Harp, who survives. He was the former owner of the Shafer Insurance Agency of Payne, Ohio for 30 years, retiring in 2002. He was a member of the Dupont Church of the Brethren, Dupont Ohio. He was the owner and opera-

tor of J&B Foods of Paulding Ohio since 1976.

Surviving are his wife, Betty J. Shafer of Paulding; two sons: Terry (Paula) Shafer of Paulding, and Tim (Dianna) Shafer of Paulding; six grandchildren: Brianne, Natasha, Kellynn, Zakary, Lauren and Michaela; three great-grandchildren: Landon, Autymn and Kailey.

He is preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Donald Shafer in 2009; and his step-mother, Ocie Rough-ton Shafer.

Funeral services were conducted June 1, 2011 at the DenHerder Funeral Home Paulding, Ohio with Rev. Terry Porter officiating. Burial was in Sherman Cemetery, Brown Township, Paulding County.

Memorials to: American Diabetes Association or the Paulding County Relay for Life. On line condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.com

Lillian Yoder, 91, of Hicksville died early Sunday, May 29, 2011 at her home.

Lillian was born August 28, 1919 the daughter of the late Joel and Elizabeth (Graber) Knepp at Montgomery, IN. On October 5, 1941 she was united in marriage to David E. Yoder. He preceded her in death on June 3, 2010.

She is survived by three sons: David Jr. (Rosa) of Auburn, KY, Harry of Bryan, and Jim (Rose) of Leitchfield, KY; four daughters: JoAnn (Paul) Yoder, Ruth (Louis) Steury, both of Hicksville, Clara (Richard) Miller of Grabill, IN, and Betty (Chris) Schwartz of Goshen, IN; 32 grandchildren; 66 great-grandchildren; a brother, Harry Knepp of Montgomery, IN; a sister, Ruth Overholt of Sarasota, FL; and two special nieces: Catherine and Barbara Dickerson of Virginia Beach, VA.

Preceding her in death are two great-grandchildren; and a sister.

The funeral service for Lillian was on June 1, 2011. Burial was at the Hicksville Amish Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Crippled Children and Adult Society or Community Memorial Hospital, Hicksville. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com

Nora Belle Betts, 95, of Hicksville died Thursday, May 26, 2011 at Hickory Creek of Hicksville.

She was born on March 2, 1916 in Antwerp, the daughter of Eugene and Julia (Matzen) Donnell.

She was a 1934 graduate of Antwerp High School. On September 23, 1939, Nora Belle was united in marriage with Robert L. Betts and he preceded her in death on March 18, 1983.

Nora Belle was a life long homemaker and a farmer's wife. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Hicksville, for over 60 years. She served as an Elder, a Deacon and was a member of the United Presbyterian Women. She was a volunteer for Christ Cupboard, lifetime member of the VFW Auxiliary, a 65-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star, President of Defiance County Farmers Union and a member of the Gordon Creek Kitchenettes Band from 1985 to 2002.

Nora Belle is survived by a son, Tim (Colette) Betts of

Hicksville; a daughter, Nancy K. (Mike) Shaffer of Woodburn, IN; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Jerry; grandson, Tim Betts Jr.; brother, Arlie Donnell; four half-brothers: Henry, Worth, Cloyce, and Howard Donnell; and a half sister, Edith Leininger.

Funeral services for Nora Belle were May 31, 2011 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville with Pastor Ric Beals officiating. Burial was in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to the Huber Opera House or the Defiance County Humane Society. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Patricia Ann Nicelley, 88, of Paulding died Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at the Paulding County Hospital, Paulding.

She was born June 4, 1922 in Chattanooga, TN, the daughter of Winford and Evelyn (Berry) Doughty. She married Ralph L. Nicelley, who preceded her in death on December 3, 1966. She was previously employed as Paulding County Clerk of Courts. She was a member of First Christian Church, Paulding, Paulding Garden Club and a Master Gardener of the State of Ohio. She was a former correspondent for Fort Wayne Newspapers, and a former member of the Paulding Village Council.

She is survived by three sons: Roger (Jennifer) Nicelley, Curtis (Lisa) Nicelley, both of Cecil, and Thomas (Shawna) Nicelley of Fort Wayne; two brothers: Maurice Doughty of Georgia, and Walter Doughty of California; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; and a daughter, Lee Ann Ricketts.

Funeral services were conducted May 28, 2011 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding with Rev. Greg Bibler officiating. Burial was in Cooper Cemetery, Paulding.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials made to American Cancer Society or Master Gardeners 4-H Club. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Lloyd Donald Stoller, 87, of Paulding died Sunday, May 22, 2011 at Mt. Carmel, St. Ann's Hospital, Westerville, Ohio.

He was born November 27, 1923 in Paulding County, Ohio the son of Samuel C. and

Mary H. (Metzger) Stoller. On October 9, 1948 he married Catherine I. Tope who survives. He was a veteran of the US Army Air Corp serving during WWII 96th Bomb Group, 338th Bomb Squadron, 8th Air Force. He was a B-17 Flight Engineer/TopTurrent Gunner. He was a Prisoner of War in Germany for 1-year. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Paulding, and a life member of VFW Post #587. He was employed by Paulding-Putnam Electric as a Line Superintendent and was a former Paulding County Sheriff Reserve and a Paulding volunteer fireman.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine Stoller of Paulding; a son, Terry (Karen) Vance of Creston, OH; and a daughter, Bev (Jerry) Miller of Lewis Center, OH; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; infant brother and sister twins; a step-brother, Richard Stoller; and two step-sisters: Dean Clark and Donna Temple.

Funeral services were conducted May 27, 2011 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Greg Bibler officiating. Burial was in Blue Creek Cemetery, Haviland with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Donations may be made to Paulding County Senior Center. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Frank "Frankie" Leinard, 54, of Byron, CA passed away Sunday, May 8, 2011 at the John Muir Center in Walnut Creek, CA.

Frank of was born December 16, 1956 in Fort Wayne, IN to the late O. Frank Leinard Jr. and Vanice (Hagerman) Leinard. He graduated from Stryker High School in 1974 and attended Four County Career Center in Archbold where he enrolled in the Culinary Arts program. Frank

was a chef and a caterer, and designed landscapes, decks, and patios; and enjoyed fishing and hunting.

Surviving relatives are a daughter, Kaylin Leinard residing in Nevada; mother, Vanice (Leinard) Guthrie and step-father, Walter "Tug" Guthrie of Stryker; sisters: Mary Leinard and Toni (Leinard) Hanes of Antwerp; step-sisters: Pamela Guthrie and Lynne Johnson; step-brother, Mike Johnson; nieces: Megan Leinard and Carlie Hanes; step-nephew, Justin Johnson; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Preceding him in death are his father, O. Frank Leinard Jr.; step-mother, Barbara A. Leinard of Antwerp; and step-brother, Patrick Guthrie of Stryker.

Private graveside services will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2011 in Stryker, OH.

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Steve Gilford stands inside the Produce Stand he constructed for the Vacation Bible School to be held at South Scipio Church, June 20-24. Each morning from 9:00-11:15, children ages 4-12 will be treated to a slate of crafts, music, Bible teaching, snacks, and games. The theme, Big Heart Farms, gives a hint to some of the adventure the

children will have as they learn about the Fruit of the Spirit, straight from God's Word!

Steve constructed the sturdy stand from some of the materials he bought at a recent auction at Springfield Enterprises. He's the "resident builder", having contributed several props for special occasions at the church.

WHAT'S WORTH EVERYTHING?

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Last week, the news told us of the incredible story of the dog named Mason. Mason, a terrier mix, was swept away from his family's Alabama home while taking cover in the garage during one of the many tornadoes that have swept our nation in the last few weeks. Mason's family scoured the neighborhood, yet they could not find him. Eventually, amidst all the devastation, they gave up their hunt and tried to piece their lives back together.

Three weeks later, on a trip back to their devastated home to continue the cleanup, the family found Mason with two severely broken front legs sitting on the steps waiting for them. Wherever he had been carried away to by the storm, he would have had a tough, painful crawl back to his home. Yet Mason had not given up.

The story of Mason re-

minds me of the story of one of our cats, Esa. Esa is a hit-by-car survivor. That's like a cancer survivor in the cat world. Hit-by-car cats are tough. When I saw her by the road after being hit, I thought she was dead. Over a few days and lots of tender loving care, she was successfully nursed back to health. However, one of Esa's legs never healed properly, so she walks on three legs.

One day, Esa hopped into our minivan when nobody was looking. Lindsay then took our van and the kids to the Dollar Store in Hicksville. While unloading the kids, Esa appeared from wherever she was hiding and hopped out of the van. Lindsay searched for her and called her name, but Esa was lost in the middle of Hicksville. (Next time you see a crazy lady screaming a name in a parking lot, maybe she isn't really crazy. Maybe she is just looking for her cat.)

I even took a turn driving down there and looking for her. Nothing. We lost Esa.

But Esa had not lost us.

Three days later, Esa appeared at our doorstep five miles from the Dollar Store. She had made the journey home on three legs. She knew that this was the home where she was loved. And, probably most important, she knew that we feed her.

Like Mason, she sacrificed and struggled to get back to her family.

This all reminds me of one of Jesus' teachings.

Jesus taught, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field" [Matthew 13:44 (ESV)].

Do we want to experience God's Kingdom as much as Mason and Esa wanted to be with their family? Do we give our quest for the Kingdom of God our all? Do we give everything up so that we can be smack dab in the middle of God's will?

Is God glorified by the spending choices we make? Is He glorified by the way we use our time? By the words we say? By all of our strength? By all of our mind? Or do we just give Him a little? Or maybe we give Him a lot? But He doesn't want just a little or a lot. He wants our all.

Mason and Esa would not have made it home if making it home was not the desire of their hearts. There was much pain, many obstacles, and a never-ending perseverance.

Oftentimes, we miss seeing the greatness of God transform our reality because we lack the commitment that these amazing pets have shown. Being a follower of Jesus is not about a moment where we say the sinner's prayer, raise our hand in response to an invitation, go through confirmation, or participate in baptism. It's more than just an initial starting point of surrender. It is a life of total surrender.

When we stop just going through the motions, just going to church, just singing songs of praise, just professing Jesus with our mouth—or maybe we are not even doing that much—when we begin to live a life of total surrender to His will, then we will see our world and the world around us start to shape itself into God's will. The person who is robbed the most from my lack of total surrender to Jesus and His will is me. May we find the strength, like Jesus taught in His parable, to give everything up for the Kingdom of God. It is worth it. Jesus taught that the kingdom of God is worth selling everything for. May God help us with our unbelief.

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.regan-sravings.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.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today, you and I can start a study on the book of Acts, so go get your concordance and Bible, and after prayer we can get started. In all you do and say, remember to always put God first.

1. Who wrote the Book of Acts?
2. Who is the book of Luke and Acts written to?
3. What does the word Theophilus mean? Use your

concordance.

4. Who are the two main people in Acts?

5. How many days from resurrection to ascension?

6. How many witnesses to ascension of Christ? Acts 1:4-11?

7. Acts 1:4 - Jesus commanded the disciples not to depart from where and to wait for what?

8. Acts 1:5 - John the Baptist, baptized with what?

9. Acts 1:5 - How were the apostles baptized?

10. Acts 1:12 - Where did the ascension of Christ take place?

Loved ones, please continue to pray and thank God for His blessings. Also pray as you study for God's help in understanding the Holy Scriptures, that you would be able to rightly divide the word of truth. Questions or comments please contact James Potter at 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Answers to last week's questions:

1. The first day
2. Earthquake
3. An angel of the Lord
4. Was like lighting and his clothing as white as snow.
5. As dead men.
6. Do not be afraid for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.
7. Do not be afraid, Go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.
8. Worshipped Him.
9. All in Heaven and on earth

10. 1 - Jesus told them to go; 2 - Make disciples by teaching of all the nations; 3 - Then baptize them in the name or the authority of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

CHURCH RELEVANCE ACROSS THE OCEAN

Winning the Battle for a Generation Column by: Rick Jones, Defiance Area YFC

The relevance of church attendance may have lost much

of its allure in America but not in Ethiopia.

While Paul Knight, a pastor from Grand Forks, North Dakota, was visiting Fiche, Ethiopia, he had the chance to meet the little girl his family had been sponsoring through Compassion International.

He wanted to bring gifts to the girl and her mother, a single mom who lived and worked in a one-room home that also basically functioned as the local bar. During Paul's visit, the place slowly started filling with rowdy men from the community. Suddenly, Paul's guide and translator took him by the arm and said, "We have to go now."

Paul looked back at his sponsor child, a ten-year-old girl, and asked for more time. The crowd was getting louder, and his guide firmly said, "It's not safe for you. You must leave now." Paul started to move, but then he pointed to his sponsor child and said, "But what about my little girl?"

"Well, this is her home," the guide said.

Reluctantly moving to the street, Paul asked, "But will she be safe?"

"It's not really safe, but this is her home," the guide said.

Paul was indignant. "What does that mean," he asked, "that 'it's not really safe'?"

"Most likely everything you think it means," the guide said.

Paul fought back tears. "What can she do?"

Gently grabbing his arm, the guide said, "We teach the girls to do this: scream and run to the church. When you get to the church, you will find love and safety. The church will shelter you. So when they feel threatened or vulnerable, they scream and run to the church."

Regarding the importance of church, especially in light of Western Culture's affinity to leave church going, the writer to Hebrews writes... Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV), "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one

another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

USING PEOPLE TO YOUR ADVANTAGE

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

A businessman invited one of his biggest customers to a posh New York restaurant for lunch. Before His customer arrived, the man went to the restroom where, to his great delight, he saw Lee Iacocca, the famous president of the Chrysler Corporation. "Mr. Iacocca," he gushed, "I've been a great admirer of yours for years. I've read all your books and I'm trying to do all the things you've done in order to be successful."

"Thank you very much," Iacocca replied politely.

"Sir," the man continued, "I wonder if you would do me a small favor. The man I am having lunch with is trying to decide whether to place a big order with me or with one of my competitors. I need to do everything I can to impress him. Would you please stop at our table and say 'Hello, Fred' to me? Then I'll introduce you to my customer and he'll be terribly impressed."

Mr. Iacocca reluctantly agreed. Then, a bit later, as he walked toward Fred's table, the customer said, "Holy smoke! Look who's coming over to our table. It's Lee Iacocca!"

"Hello, Fred," Iacocca said. "Won't you introduce me to your friend?"

Whereupon, Fred nonchalantly replied, "Come back later, Lee. Can't you see we're trying to have lunch?"

Can you believe that? Talk about jerking somebody around! When I read that story I laughed out loud. But then as I sat in my office chair, I reflected a little bit about

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 how we can fall prey to that same attitude.

How easy it is to use people for our own ends, never considering how they feel or the impact it is making upon them. Too many times, to accomplish our own agendas we ask people to do this or that, often without taking into account their schedules, feelings, or burdens.

I heard a statement once that I've never gotten away from. The statement went like this: "People are to love, things are to use—not vice versa." You need to reread that. Hits close to home, doesn't it? For there's within each of us a tendency to love things and use people.

I want to be the kind of person who maintains the proper attitude toward both people and things. How about you? Let's determine to 'think through what we are asking of other people. To put ourselves into THEIR shoes and look at the situation from their perspective.

We may end up finding a better balance between these issues of loving people and using things. And it will eliminate some unnecessary pain in people's lives. Ask Lee lacocca.

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During the first week of May, the National Lutheran Schools Accreditation (NLSA) Team visited Woodburn Lu-

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LOCAL CUB SCOUT COMPETES IN PINWOOD DERBY

On May 21, 2011 Logan McKeever from Antwerp Cub Scout Pack 143 earned the opportunity to compete in the Council Level Pine Wood Derby held in Findlay, Ohio. McKeever placed 8th in the event. There were 15 contend-



ers in the Black Swamp Council, Wolf Scout Division.

In order to qualify for the Council level derby, McKeever, a Wolf Scout placed first in the Antwerp event and then placed 2nd at the Van Wert event.

The Pinewood Derby is a staple event held in local scouting packs. Scouts have a great time designing and building the cars which they will then race.

If you would like more information on this event or about Scouting visit www.scouting.org. Locally, contact Danielle Friend at 419-506-0067 or via e-mail danielle.friend@us.michelin.com.

AGRIBUSINESS & APPLIED ECONOMICS MAJOR AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP



Pictured (l-r) Christine Stout Rooney, Donor Representative and David Fickel, Recipient

David Fickel of Oakwood, Ohio has been awarded the Whitney B. Stout Scholarship for the 2011-2012 school year. David, son of Blane and Claudia Fickel, is a Junior at The Ohio State University majoring in Agribusiness and Applied Economics. He is a member of the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. A 2008 graduate of Paulding High School, David plans to pursue a career in operations management or sales.

The Whitney B. Stout

Scholarship, open to Agribusiness and Applied Economics majors at OSU, is awarded on the basis of scholarship, leadership and potential contribution to the agricultural industry. It is one of several scholarships made available by agribusiness firms, individuals, and agricultural organizations for students interested in agribusiness, farm finance, agricultural marketing, farm management and closely related areas. Scholarship amount \$3,700.



PAULDING COUNTY HAS LAKEFRONT PROPERTY!

By: Josh Steiner

Last week, a powerful set of storm systems swept through the central United States, bringing with it destructive tornadoes, severe weather, and heavy rains. The storm system started on Friday, May 20, 2011, when it produced several weak tornadoes and pockets of damaging wind and hail across Texas and Oklahoma, while bringing much warmer weather to the Central Plains, Ohio Valley, and Great Lakes. Here in Northwest Ohio, our temperatures jumped from the sixties the day before to the upper seventies on Friday. On Saturday, May 21, the atmosphere became more conducive for severe thunderstorm development in the Central Plains. Later in the afternoon, several supercells produced destructive tornadoes resulting in the death of one person in a town called Reading, Kansas. Other thunderstorms caused damaging winds and large hail over a greater portion of the plains. For the next day, forecasters were predicting a more widespread, violent outbreak of tornadoes across most of the Midwest and Plains states. Violent thunderstorms erupted across many states, producing tornadoes, flash floods, large hail, and damaging winds on Sun-

day. A couple of tornadoes hit the Twin Cities in Minnesota killing at least one person. But the most destructive tornado hit Joplin, Missouri, a town of at least 50,000 people, killing over 1,000, and damaging or destroying 8,000 homes. This tornado was at least one mile wide in places, and was rated an EF-5 with winds over 210 mph. Even though this tornado was so intense, it was only on the ground for seven miles (most EF-5 tornadoes track at least 30 miles). The tornado became the eighth deadliest tornado on record, surpassing the Flint, Michigan tornado of 1953 which killed 115 and the New Richmond, Wisconsin tornado of 1899 which killed 117. This same tornado also caused at least \$3,000,000,000 in damages to Joplin. Other storms that same day caused damage to several other states, with 900 other reports of severe weather.

The next day, storms were expected to erupt again from Oklahoma to Michigan, but not to the extent of Sunday's devastating storms. Our area was placed under a moderate risk for severe weather, calling for a 45% chance of high winds, a 30% chance of large hail, and a 15% chance of tornadoes. By 3:30 p.m., storms were beginning to form over the area, with some of them becoming severe. By

5:00 pm, storms were beginning to merge into a crooked line of intense thunderstorms south of Fort Wayne. These storms produced tornadoes, large hail, and flooding in Huntington County, southern Allen County, Van Wert County, Wells County, and Adams County. A tornado in Van Wert County, near Ohio City, was confirmed as an EF-1, which had winds of an estimated 93 mph and a path length of four miles. On Tuesday, a stationary boundary formed just to the south of the National Weather Service's County Warning area in northern Indiana. Even with this boundary, forecasters were only forecasting cloudy skies and temperatures in the low seventies. But as it turned out, it was partly cloudy in Antwerp with temperatures in the upper seventies and lower eighties. With this in mind, forecasters then began predicting thunderstorms for the rest of Tuesday afternoon, mainly because there was a good deal of instability in the atmosphere. Then an isolated line of east-west oriented thunderstorms formed and moved over Antwerp, causing several reports of funnel clouds and heavy rainfall (I estimated that Antwerp had 0.75 inch that afternoon). I have seen several funnel cloud pictures—thank you to all who sent them in.

A major tornado outbreak was forecasted over Oklahoma and Kansas. By 6:00 p.m., several tornadoes were already cutting across Oklahoma, with one over a mile wide that caused 13 deaths and then tracked into the Oklahoma City suburbs. Another tornado headed for Norman, Oklahoma, prompting the Storm Prediction Center into evacuation (it didn't hit the Center, but it did considerable damage to parts of the city.) Several other intense tornadoes hit suburbs of Oklahoma City such as El Reno and

Piedmont. On Wednesday, the Storm Prediction Center issued a high risk for severe weather and tornadoes over a large portion of the mid-Mississippi Valley, and western Ohio Valley. By noon, thunderstorms had been developing over northern Indiana and moving over Fort Wayne and surrounding areas in northwest Ohio. By 1:30 p.m., a large line of heavy thunderstorms was moving over Fort Wayne and northwest Ohio, causing heavy rain and flash flooding. This line of thunderstorms became southwest-northeast oriented as it slowly advanced northeastward over the same areas—Fort Wayne, Antwerp, Woodburn, Hicksville, and Defiance. With this set up, over two inches of rain fell in two hours, especially in northern Paulding County and eastern Allen County (Indiana). Then convective thunderstorms began firing up ahead of another line of extremely heavy thunderstorms and continued to move over the areas just listed. Several of these thunderstorms prompted severe thunderstorm and tornado warnings because rotation was observed or hail and high winds were reported. After 6:00 p.m., thunderstorm activity greatly decreased until 9:00 p.m. when a few thunderstorms moved northward from Fort Wayne. Overnight, a line of very heavy, strong thunderstorms moved through with heavy rainfall once again (but only amounting to three-quarters of an inch) causing the Flash Flood Warning to be re-issued for Allen (Indiana), Paulding, and Defiance Counties. Officially, rainfall for the period from midnight Wednesday morning to midnight Thursday morning was 3.55 inches at Fort Wayne International Airport, 3.65 inches one mile north of Antwerp, and the highest rainfall total in the

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RUTH KRAFT

By: Stan Jordan

Mike Renno, the owner and manager of the Village Hardware in Antwerp, stopped at the WBN the other day and had a piece of old Antwerp history.

What it was, was a graduation diploma for a Ruth Kraft from Antwerp High School in 1923. It was in a large old type frame like they used in those days of the 1920's. It was a 16"x20" diploma with all your fancy printing and marked First Grade. So we figured she was probably the class leader or better. Maybe in those days the honor students got recognition on their diploma.

Mr. Renno bought some artifacts on the Internet about Antwerp and this diploma was part of it. I know years ago a box of stuff at an auction was called 'gob lot'.

Well, on this Ruth Kraft, all I could find out was she did graduate from Antwerp High School in 1923. I talked to all the old timers who might have known the Krafts. I knew a Bert and Phoenias Kraft and a lady named Minnie.

I think that Ruth was a sister to these boys. They lived up west of town on what is now Rd. 250. That land in behind the roller rink and to the Maumee was owned by Fritz Matzen, and Mike Hertel tells us that he and his brother, Bake, used to fish that over along with the Kraft boys.

Mike Renno tells me that he thinks Ruth went on to be a medical doctor up in the Detroit area. This is a case of another Antwerp High School student doing well.

Mike went on to find out that she graduated from Michigan State University

in 1927. All together she had three degrees: MS, Ph.D and MD. For many years she was a Professor of Biology at Wheaton College in Illinois.

I went down to the cemetery and there is a large monument for Wallace Kraft, 1838-1904 with his wife Sara, 1850-1901. On a smaller Veteran's marker there is Elbert Kraft, 1890-1964, he served in WWI in the Ohio 166th Infantry in the 42nd Division and had a Purple Heart. Phoenias Kraft died in 1955 and also served in WWI in the 166th Infantry of 42nd Division. I think this man served 38 years in the U.S. Army and retired as a Sergeant.

I think this is Ruth Kraft's family, but she is buried in Southfield, Michigan. She died at the age of 92. Her married name was Ruth M. Kraft Strohschein.

Well, Mike, I sure thank you for all of that old Antwerp history. If you have anymore please bring it over.

See ya!

BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL: CHAPTER 8

By: Stan Jordan

We have been moving right along on the trail. It is a dry fall and the dust is still horrible, but it is not as hot as it was.

Mom wants me to write about what we had to eat at the big party a few days back.

Well, we had white tail deer on a spit at the fire places. We also had prairie chicken on a spit. We had cut up deer meat in the hobo stew. We had bean soup with buffalo and bean soup with deer meat and our 'army stew'. Mom and the girls furnished biscuits and butter for the whole crowd. Some ladies brought along some jellies. They even made enough for a quick lunch on the trail the next noon. There was a small supply of West Virginia Cole Slaw. Some ladies brought noodles with chicken broth. Everyone brought something: desserts, coffee and a whole pot of sassafras tea went over good. Baked apples, cupcakes and pies as good as could be baked outdoors. We sure did have a feast that day and for breakfast the next day.

Oh, boy, an incident today that could have been bad. We were lucky again. The Moore twins, Jim and Mike were driving Slim's wagon. As usual Jim was handling Slim's army rifle, shooting imaginary targets along the road. Well, he touched the trigger and the rifle went off. The explosion spooked the team and they took off flying around

us and down that trail out of control.

In a few seconds or about two hundred feet the wagon crashed into a boulder with the left rear wheel. The rim flew off, the spokes went into the ground and the weight of the wagon slowed the team and they slid to a stop.

We and everyone else slowed and stopped after looking the wheel over. Slim told El Paso Sam to form a circle around the wagon and to stop for the night. He picked out a couple men to help with the wheel and told the rest to stake out the animals and build the fires for the evening meal. We rolled a log onto the trail and used our extra wagon tongue for a pry and jacked the rear of the wagon up and got the broken wheel off. I got the extra wheel down and cleaned out the inside of the hub and then greased it good and done the same with the axle. We rolled the wagon up and slid the good wheel on. All this didn't take long but the sun was way down in the west and it was stopping time.

All Slim told Jim was to fill the water barrels and then clean that rifle. The ramrod and cleaning gear is in the top of that locker behind the seat.

Yesterday and last night were a different time for me. Old Mr. Swedberg went off the deep end. Off to our right was the stone out cropping called Chimney Rock. We had stopped for the night and formed our circle and everything was fine, just another night on the trail. The deer meat on the spit was not ready to eat yet, but the sassafras tea was ready.

Old Mr. Swedberg came from Sweden years back and settled in the Midwest somewhere. He lost his wife along there a few years ago and he thought he would leave the Midwest and go to Oregon and go into the apple raising business. I never talked to him very much only when we sat side by side at the fire in the evening.

He had a smaller type Conestoga wagon pulled by a pair of mules. Being his name started with an 'S' he was quite a ways back in the column of the wagon train.

There was a commotion on the right rear of the circle, with yelling, hollering and women yelling, "Oh no, oh no!"

He said the Chimney Rock Monolith was like a finger pointing up to the heavens and he wants to go there, but the mules are taking him to hell. He grabbed the single tree and started walking over the country toward the Chimney Rock formation although it was miles away.

El Paso Sam Rivers saddled up his mule and rode off to the north to bring Mr. Swedberg back. Sam did catch him and returned him to the fire. He is very mixed up and he was not well at all.

A Mr. Herkimer Rothgeb who had the wagon just ahead of Mr. Swedberg's came and joined into the crowd of on-lookers. He said that Lars had been acting sort of strange for a couple weeks. Mr. Rothgeb and I and a couple others sat and talked well into the darkness. We made Lars a comfortable bed under the wagon because we didn't want him to wander around and fall during the night.

Herkimer woke me up just about day light and said Lars

had passed away peacefully during the night. The news soon got around and Slim appointed the Moore boys to find a good spot and then dig the grave, with services at 6:00 a.m. sharp. Slim said a few words and a couple folks from the closer wagons did also. I guess Lars knew he was going to die because he had made a cross with his name on it for a grave marker.

We have been back on the trail for a couple days now. The mornings are shorter now and the sun sets quicker at night. Slim says we must push harder if we want to get to Fort Bridger this fall yet. But we can't complain, the weather has been pretty good, still got the dust though.

We have come a long ways but Slim doesn't push the animals too hard as we don't want to lose one, or any. But we are running a little over schedule because of that.

We are going northwest heading for Scott's Bluff. I understand there are many rock formations there. It's only about 15-20 miles on into Wyoming.

We have gone for miles and miles and not seeing man nor beast. All mountains and up hill. Slim has us pushing hard through Bridge Water and a few days into Scott's Bluff.

Well, Scott's Bluff is not a town it is just a very huge rock formation. It marks the Oregon Trail. It is a good place to park and after we rest our ourselves. We are moving on out of the Nebraska Territory into Wyoming Territory.

Slim related that our trip through Nebraska was duck soup, hardly any big trouble, only heat and dust. Both of those have eased up a little.

Here at Scott's Bluff it is 3,891 feet. Going is a little tough but we are still on the north side of the North Platte River and we will be according to Slim, our wagon master, until we get to Casper as the trail turns in that area. But we leave Scott's Bluff and in about 3 days we enter into Wyoming Territory.

Boy, I guess from here to Fort Laramie is all Rocky Mountains and uphill. We gain from 3,891 feet to 4,239 feet at Fort Laramie-fifty to sixty miles.

So far things are going pretty good. We left the protection of the Lakota Totem. The Indians around here are Cheyenne, Sioux, Arapaho and Black Foot. They don't like the white man very much because they have been lied to too many times. We are on alert 24 hours a day.

We will all be glad to get to Fort Laramie and have a good rest.

Next week: Cooler and higher up into the mountains.

See ya!

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

- Admissions:*
 5/18 - Maxine Ramsier, Antwerp
 5/19 - Darrold Scott, Scott
Dismissals:
 5/16 - Barbara Vance, Oakwood
 5/17 - Bettie Eagleson, Payne to Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne
 5/18 - Charlotte Schlegel, Oakwood
 5/20 - Darrold Scott, Scott
 5/21 - Maxine Ramsier, Antwerp

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCES AT ANTWERP'S RIVERSIDE PARK



The Veteran's Memorial at Riverside Park was a busy yet somber place on Memorial Day, May 30. Photo by Sandra Wann



**By: Stan Jordan
How to Identify Where A Driver Is From**

1. One hand on wheel, one hand on horn: Chicago
2. One hand on wheel, one finger out window: New York
3. One hand on wheel, one finger out window, cutting across all lanes of traffic: New Jersey
4. One hand on wheel, one hand on newspaper, foot solidly on accelerator: Boston
5. One hand on wheel, one hand on nonfat double decaf cappuccino, cradling cell phone, brick on accelerator, with gun in lap: Los Angeles
6. Both hands on wheel, eyes shut, both feet on brake, quivering in terror: Ohio but driving in California
7. Both hands in air, gesturing, both feet on accelerator, head turned to talk to someone in back seat: Italy
8. One hand on latte, one knee on wheel, cradling cell phone, foot on brake, mind on radio game: Seattle
9. One hand on wheel, one hand on hunting rifle, alternating between both feet being on the accelerator and both feet on brake, throwing McDonald's bag out the window: Texas
10. Four-wheel drive pickup truck, shotgun mounted in rear window, beer cans on floor, squirrel tails attached to antenna: West Virginia
11. Two hands gripping wheel, blue hair barely visible above windshield, drive 35 on the interstate in the left lane with the left blinker on: Florida
12. One hand texting, one hand holding cigarette, steering with knee: Antwerp, OH

BABY TO GRADUATE

Sara Elizabeth Ashley Turner is a 2011 graduating senior from ECOT (Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow). She will be graduating with



her classmates from all over Ohio at the OSU Campus in



Columbus on Saturday, June 11, 2011.

Sara's parents are Carlene and Clarence Turner. Her siblings are Ned II, Milani, Nathan and Scott. Her grandparents are Bill Baxter and the late Ethel Baxter; grandmother, Mary Hoover and grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Ned Turner.

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Joplin, MO tornado devastation



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area—Cecil where 3.76 inches of rain fell.

On Thursday, convective thunderstorms and heavy rain developed once again over the same areas with flash flooding developing all over again. Rainfall amounts for Thursday were almost to 1.5 inches in Defiance and Henry County, while around Antwerp, 1.30 inches, and in Fort Wayne 1.25 inches was reported. Southern Paulding County and the village of



Photo by: Mike Knapp

Paulding received 0.25 inch or less.

With all this rainfall, of-

ANNUAL JOHN PAULDING DAYS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AT RESERVOIR PARK

The Paulding Reservoir Park will host its Annual John Paulding Days Softball Tournament on June 11th for Mens D/E and Coed teams. These will be played in separate tournaments. Both tournaments will be hit your own ball tournaments. The first 16

official rainfall totals at Fort Wayne have made May 2011, the wettest May on record with 9.17 inches, with almost five of those inches falling on May 25-26. This deluging amount of rainfall has flooded many fields across the area. The good news is that a much drier period is coming and is partly underway already. With this week's heat wave and other heat waves forecasted to come, the fields may dry out and farmers may be able to plant later in June. But since I am not a farmer and know virtually nothing about soil moisture, I have no say in this. If this drier, hotter pattern persists we may actually have a summer much like last year—hot, humid periods with no rain or thunderstorms. Some forecasters even believe we could have another drought, like in the summer of 2007.

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

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DELAYED PLANTING DECISION

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

As of Sunday May 22, the Ohio Crop Weather Highlights reported corn for Ohio was 11 percent planted, which was 76 percent behind last year and 69 percent behind the five-year average. Corn emerged was 2 percent, compared to 72 percent last year and 58 percent for the five-year average. As for soybeans, four percent of the crop was planted, which was 44 percent behind last year and 50 percent behind the five-year average. One percent of soybeans were emerged, compared to 30 percent last year and 26 percent for the five-year average.

With continued wet soil conditions throughout Ohio, farmers are evaluating planting decisions on whether to plant corn, switch to soybeans, or opt for preventative planting crop insurance payments. One of the biggest agronomic concerns with severely delayed planting is the risk of the crop not reaching physiological maturity before a killing fall freeze and the yield losses that could result. An economic concern with delayed planting is the risk of high grain moistures at harvest and the resulting costs incurred by drying the grain or price discounts by buyers.

Other major agricultural concerns associated with delayed planting that can impact a producer's decision include relative prices of corn and soybeans, market basis differences due to a later harvested crop, potential savings of crop inputs due to a later planting date, potentially higher costs of grain drying, and crop insurance coverage level.

To help in the decision making process, The Ohio State University Extension Agronomic Crops Team has constructed a website titled "Decision Resources and Tools for 2011 Late Planting." The website is located at <http://agcrops.osu.edu/links/2011-late-planting-resources/decision-resources-and-tools-for-2011-late-planting> and has a variety of information based on questions Extension has received from farmers across the state. The website is updated with current agronomic production and crop insurance information farmers can use to make an informed decision that is best for their farming operation.

Farmers are faced with one of the most complicated agricultural decisions in recent years. There are several factors associated in the decision to plant corn, switch to soybeans, or opt for preventative planting crop insurance payments due to delayed planting. The website will provide information to help farmers make an informed decision.

THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Steiner

One confusing topic I often hear about is that about fat and diet. I have known many people who try to live a healthier life by eliminating fats from their diets in hopes of eliminating it from their body. However not all fats are evil or equal. Those fats most linked to adverse health consequences are trans-fatty acids which are found in processed foods and saturated fats which come from animal products. Some fats tend to be

beneficial to ones health like the monounsaturated and polyunsaturated fats found in plants.

Most major health organizations recommend getting a fat intake of 15-35% of total calories. They also agree that saturated fats and trans-fatty acids should be restricted leaving plant food as the only left viable source for fat. There are adverse affects from consuming too much and too little fat and your optimal amount will vary based on age, state of health, and the quality and balance of fats you consume. If you are physically active or have a fast metabolism, you may want to aim towards the higher end of the range listed, or if you are overweight, have a chronic disease or have a slow metabolism, you may want to aim lower.

Essential fatty acids are necessary for our survival. They serve as the raw materials for building our brain, nervous system and cell membranes. They help with growth, healthy skin, vitamin absorption, and help you to feel fuller longer. Fats also are responsible for making the hormones that regulate our immune system, digestion and reproductive activity. They help to regulate our temperature and protect our organs and provide us with continual energy throughout each day. And the list goes on and on. We often hear about the importance of Omega 3 and Omega 6 fatty acids because these are necessary fats that our body cannot make on its own and we must get them from our food supply. The best sources of Omega 6 fatty acids include seeds and seed oils (grapeseed, safflower, sunflower, pumpkin, hemp, sesame), nuts and nut oils (walnuts, butternuts and pine nuts), grains and grain oils (corn and wheat germ) and soy beans and soybean oil. Omega 3's are most commonly found in seeds (chia, flax, hemp), green leafy veggies, broccoli and sea vegetables.

Fats make you fuller, therefore it is wise not to consume empty calories which are devoid of nutrition, but you've got to make the most of what you've got. The highest quality of fat is naturally present in avocados, fresh nuts and seeds, and olives. If the oils are extracted from these foods, what is left behind are the fiber, minerals, protein, vitamins, and a host of protective antioxidants, photochemicals and plant sterols. So think of it being an added bonus of nutrition each time you eat some of these foods. For example, avocados provide more folate and potassium than any other fruit including bananas and are also great sources of vitamin C and E. Plus they contain over 4 times the amount of plant sterols in other commonly eaten fruits which can inhibit cholesterol absorption from the intestine. It also is one of the richest sources of glutathione, a powerful antioxidant and has roughly 13.5 grams of fiber per fruit! Nuts, seeds and olives all boast similar qualities. I would say all that is much more impressive than the other fats lurking in your baked goods and on your hamburger bun... Just something to chew on. Happy eating!

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

PRESCHOOL GRADUATES!!



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers recently held their graduation and end of the year picnic at LaFountain Park. We had a wonderful lunch, program and passing out of diplomas. Shown here performing one of their songs are from left: Drake Ankney, Macy Nutter, Emma Townley, Hunter Coutts, Olivia

Longstreth, Aden Lero, Kynzi Knapp, Sarah Lewis and Isaak Hagerman. These children are in the afternoon class of four and young five year olds with Mrs. Chris Adams and Mrs. Ann Miller. For summer fun, check out the classified section in this paper for summer camp dates!

ANTWERP'S 2ND ANNUAL CLEVELAND STREET RIB FEST

Antwerp's 2nd Annual Cleveland Street Rib Fest will be held on Saturday, June 11, 2011 between the VFW and Fire Hall. Included at the Rib Fest will be a 50/50 raffle and DJ music with the Cadillac Ranch Band (classic rock) from 7:00-11:00 p.m. A Corn Hole Tournament will be held at noon.

For your eating pleasure Barney's BBQ, Events by Tony, Los Gallitos, Nickerson's and Shigs In Pit will be there with ribs from 3:00-8:00 p.m.

Also a choice of pulled pork, brats, hotdogs, curly fries, steamed corn on the cob, beer pavillion, pop, water, lemonade shake-ups will be available. This food is provided by the Antwerp Ball Association, Antwerp Boy Scout Troop, Antwerp Athletic Boosters and United Way of Paulding County.

For more information contact Aimee Lichty at 419-258-7075 or 419-506-1228 or visit the village's website at www.villageofantwerp.com. This event is sponsored by the A.C.D.C. (Antwerp Community Development Committee).



RIB FEST RIVER RUN 5K & WALK

A 5K Run & Walk will be held at the Antwerp Rib Fest on June 11, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. starting at the Oasis Bar and Grill.

T-shirts will be available and awards will be given to the top three in each age group.

The age groups (a combination of male and female) are: 0-15, 16-24, 25-33, 34-42, 43-51, 52-60, 61 and above.

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TURKEY DIARY WINNERS AT PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL



Cooper Hatchery of Oakwood sponsored a Sixth Grade Writing Contest at Paulding Middle School. The top ten Turkey Diary winners were honored at Awards Day held

May 19. Winners pictured left to right: Dianne Cooper (Cooper Hatchery), Katlynn Fuller, Emily Knodel, Cameron Echols, Chantal Monnier, Dayton Pracht, Brittany

Brown, Hannah Farr, Dakota Bradford, Cameron Doster, Bonnie Weller (teacher). Brody Clemens was absent.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A few weeks ago I had the chance to talk to Rep. Bob Latta one on one. One of the issues was Medicare. I told him I believe in the Medicare program as without it, my parents' healthcare would bankrupt them. Since Dad retired from GM salaried and lost all his healthcare, he (Mr. Latta) sat there and said nothing. When the vote to "privatize" Medicare came up, guess how he voted? He supported the Ryan Plan to destroy Medicare, and it's very obvious he's supporting the insurance companies and the "big money people" instead of the people in his district!

When is this guy going to do what is right for the people

in the 5th district, instead of lock-stepping with the majority leader John Boehner's gestapo? It doesn't matter if he's a Republican, he's supposed to represent everyone in his district, even the non-voters! When I asked him about federal help to repair the sewage problems in Melrose, his reply was, "It would be cost-effective to re-locate the people in Melrose, and then flatten the village, than put in a central sewer system!" I don't know where this guy is getting his information, but what would it cost to take away the Melrose people's homes, heritage, and way of life? Where would he move them to? I don't think this man has any concept of reality, also shows no respect or dignity towards the people who elected him in this district! At the same time, he votes to keep tax breaks and federal funding for oil companies who have raped the country and trashed the economy to take in billions in profits every three months! He also voted to keep the Bush taxcuts for the wealthiest 1%! He's in bed with the corporations so deep, to keep getting re-elected, he's neglected the reason he was sent to Congress: To represent the 5th district! This is why I call him Mis-Representative Bob Latta!

People in the Village of Melrose need to ask him where they're going, why he voted against the Medicare program they rely on for health care? What happened to the campaign promise to create jobs? Where are they? Look in your phonebook, call his office, write him a letter, or an email! Tell him what you think of his ideas on these issues, also register to vote if you're not, and next year send him to the ranks of the unemployed!

—Mike Porter

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Memorial Day is now past, but besides the "remembering", did we consider those who are still with us—those who are soon to pass into eternity?

"The veterans of the Second World War are fast passing away," remarked Doug Phillips, founder of the Faith of Our Fathers Project. "Soon they will be gone. Now is the time to honor World War II's last living heroes. Most of these men experienced the unforgettable. They held hands with friends and watched life slip away in a moment. They saw the hopes and dreams of young fallen men exchanged for the liberty of the children of our generation. We owe

them a debt of gratitude. If you were alive in 1830 and had one last opportunity to meet, honor, and thank the men that stood with Washington at Valley Forge, would it be a priority?"

Our family recently read Stan Jordan's articles of "famous" WWII veterans. We particularly enjoyed the submarine tales of Mush Morton and the high-flying adventures of Ira Green. We want to bless you men, and tell you that through God's sovereign hand we would not be here without the sacrifices you made (even if some of those sacrifices were fun!). From our family — your legacy of honor, heroism, and Godliness will always be remembered. May America return to the values you fought to defend.

While there is still time, surprise a WWII veteran, hug him, shake his hand, or buy him lunch. Show him your gratitude! You may help to build a legacy of thankfulness in the next generation—have your children write and hand-deliver, if possible, letters to soldiers and veterans old and young. (A site worth visiting that is assisting in this effort is www.afinalfarewell.org.)

"It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible." —George Washington

With Appreciation,
—The Kevin Atkins Family

MASONS TO HOLD ANNUAL COOK-OUT

Tim Betts opened a Lodge of Master Masons and the Pledge was given. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Charles Carey and Jesse Steiner. Sympathy Cards were sent to Charles Fleming (wife Reiko passed), Israel R. "Bud" Putman (Daughter Barb passed) and Phyllis Amaden (Bud passed). A get well card was sent to Bob Skinner.

There were 3 past Masters in attendance. Members present included Bill Metz, Tim Betts, Mike Mazur, Mike Villena, Jamie Chapman and Dick Wann.

Jamie Chapman was appointed Chairman of the annual "Going Dark Cook-Out". The event will be held at Tim Betts' ranch on Wednesday, June 22nd. Jaime will cook the meat and others will bring side dishes. Meal will start @ 6:30 pm.

The water issue that is continuing to plague the west wall is continuing to do so. The Chicken Bar-B-Q committee Chairman, Mike Mazur presented a different approach to this year's annual fund raiser. He supplied several portions of Smoked pork loin for consumption. It was decided to have the annual fund raiser in September and supply a full meal w/ the pork instead of chicken. Tabled until the first meeting in September. There was no report on the Turkey Shoot and Fire extinguisher locations. Chairman Jamie Chapman reported that the Highway clean-up will be delayed due to inclement weather. Two new petitions were read in open Lodge.

The Secretary's minutes were signed and approved. With no further business, Tim Betts then closed the Lodge in full form and harmony and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship. The next stated meeting will be Wednesday June 8th at 7:30 p.m.

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" VANTAGE SENIOR EARNS PIPE WELDING CERTIFICATION



Vantage welding senior Dylan Schlosser (Lincolnview) practicing pipe welding.

Vantage Career Center's welding senior Dylan Schlosser has a very bright future ahead of him. His classmates saw history in the making on May 10, 2011 when Dylan passed the American Welding Society (AWS) pipe welding certification test – the highest and most difficult AWS welding certification to achieve.

When Dylan arrived at Vantage in August, 2009, he had never done stick welding before. His welding teacher, Brent Wright (Vantage graduate 1996), recalled that on the first day of school, Dylan said to him, "I hear there's money in pipe welding. Can you do it?" Brent said, "Yes, I have the certification." Dylan replied, "Then you're the man to teach me." And for two years Dylan worked toward his pipe certification.

"Bar none, the pipe certification is the highest achievement a student could

obtain in a high school welding program," commented Wright. "Dylan was very determined to achieve this milestone, and he did it."

AWS Certified Welding Inspector Patrick Vogel said, "This has never been done before by a high school student. To be so young and to have this skill and certification will have a huge impact on Dylan's career. He will be able to go just about anywhere and get an outstanding job. He will be extremely well-paid for his skills."

"My grandpa and my dad were welders, so were my uncles. And I wanted to be a welder too", remarked Dylan. He decided to attend Vantage in the welding program during Sophomore Visitation day. When asked about the pipe certification test, he said, "It was hard, but other people had done it, so why couldn't I?"

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JUNE 2011 NEWSLETTER



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

We completed our year on May 31 with a staff appreciation breakfast. Judy Densmore and Randi Jones were honored for 30 years of service to our school district: We also honored the following staff members and wished them well in retirement: Jane Gudakunst, Robin Harris, Nancy Lightner, Deb Paputsakis, Margaret Phlipot, Rita Schmidt, William Wonders and Joyce Woods. These employees have made a difference in the lives of our children and we appreciate the service to our district.

Thanks to the community for a great school year. Have a wonderful summer and look for our next newsletter on August 3. The first day of school for students this fall is August 23.

Pat Ross

CONGRATULATIONS CORNER

Superintendent
We extend our congratulations to all students who participated in the following events:

Three hundred fifty awards were presented to 140 students in grades 9-11 at their awards program held on May 24.

The Middle School presented approximately 500 awards to 201 students at the May 19 program. Receiving the Archie Griffin award were Haley Schlegel and Jacob Dye. One hundred twelve students graduated from the 8th grade on May 27, 2011.

Track members qualifying for regionals were Chris Pier-100 meter dash, Emily Shuberk-high jump, Kasi Edwards-shot put and discus, Bruce Sowder, Chris Pier, Beau Hahn and Daniele Guarnaschelli-400 meter relay.

The baseball and softball teams both tied for second place in the Northwest Conference.

FFA members receiving state degrees were Kelli Schlatter, Brad Wilcox and Jarrett Carr. New officers for the 2011-2012 school year are President-Kelli Schlatter, V.P.-Andy Smiley, Secretary-Patrick Troyer, Treasurer-Dalton Sholl, Reporter-Katie Kohart, Student Advisor-Jacob Luderman, Sentinel-Olivia Cramer, Parliamentarian-Justin Carnahan,

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2010

Historian-Kara Burak.

The Paulding High School Senior Class of 2011 received the following awards and recognitions:

Paulding Elementary PTO Scholarships—Grant Harder, Alex Knodel, Logan Stoller

Oakwood Elementary PTO – Olivia Arend, Cassandra Hammon, Treslynn Laney, Connor Pease, Alex Snyder

PEA Scholarships—Olivia Arend, Jacob Farr, Grant Harder, Alex Knodel, Jared Ross, Alyssa St. John

Oakwood Alumni Association Scholarships – Olivia Arend, Beau Hahn, Elise Hartzell, Connor Pease, Alex Snyder

Paulding County Hospital Foundation Scholarship – Jacob Farr

Paulding Chamber of Commerce Scholarship – Alex Mott

Paulding Leadership in Action—April Manz

Virgil Cooper Scholarships – Olivia Arend, Devan Bermejo, Cassandra Hammon, Sam Heilshorn, Connor Pease, Stephen Wagner

Lafarge Scholarship – Wesley Zeller

Systech Award – Jacob Farr

Insource Technologies, Inc. Scholarship – Nicolas Flint

Independent Insurance Agents Scholarships—Joey Buchman, Alex Knodel, Jared Ross

Jerald Rodriguez Memorial Scholarships – Alex Knodel, Sarah Koenig, Emily Nardone, Derrick Pease, Danielle Smith, Alyssa St. John

Kurt Sholl Memorial Scholarship—Alex Mott

Zachary Arend Memorial Scholarships—Olivia Arend, Jack Carter, Alex Mott, Derrick Pease

David A Verfaillie Memorial Scholarship—Zachary Kauser

Peony Pageant Participant—Kaitlin Relyea

Paulding County Foundation Scholarships – Joey Buchman, Nicolas Flint

Russell Bauer Scholarship—Taylor Dotson, Connor Pease

Rosemary Young Book Scholarship – Connor Pease

PEVS Board/Administration Scholarships – Elise Hartzell, Alex Knodel, Alex Mott, Derrick Pease, Alyssa St. John

Paulding Putnam Electric Scholarship—Jared Ross

Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship—Alysha Valdez

J.P. Crain Scholarships –April Bradford, Jacob Farr, Nicolas Flint, Sara Gardner, Nicole Gebers, Grant Harder, Alex Knodel, Sarah Koenig, Kayla Kurtz, April Manz,

Derrick Pease, Danielle Smith, Logan Stoller

Iris Gallagher Scholarships – Elise Hartzell, Danielle Smith

Melrose Area Book Scholarship—Emily Nardone

Dr. Bruce Atkinson Scholarship – Jacob Farr

Robert C. Byrd Nominee—April Manz

Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Nominee—Nicolas Flint

Monroe Family Scholarship—Grant Harder

Pepsi Cola Company Scholarships – Grant Harder, Megan MacFarlane, April Manz

GenFed Credit Union Scholarship—Olivia Arend

PHS Academic Athlete Awards - Hayley Clellan, Jesse Glass, Alex Mott, Ashley Myers, Derrick Pease, Wesley Zeller

Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Awards – Ashley Myers, Derrick Pease

OHSAA Scholar Athlete – Hayley Clellan, Alex Mott

Citizenship Award – Alex Knodel, Jessica Vance

Principl's Award for Excellence – Nicole Gebers, Alex Mott

Other College/University Scholarships:
Northwest State Community College Scholarships – Shauna Darrigo

Defiance College Scholarships – Joe Bales, Alissa Bok, Chris Pier, Alysha Valdez

IPFW—Trenton Bradford

Ohio University-Alex Snyder

Rhodes State -Danielle Clemens

Trine University—Joey Buchman, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Wesley Zeller

Miami University-Alex Mott

Bowling Green State University—Andrew Favorito

Marion Technical College—Zachary Kauser

Mount Vernon—Grant Harder

Ohio State University Alumni—Jacob Farr

Quiz Bowl Awards – Jacob Farr, Jack Meriwether, Alex Snyder

Office Assistants—Joe Bales, Hayley Clellan, Kylee Clemens, Nicolas Flint, Jesse Glass, Grant Harder, Elise Hartzell, Sam Heilshorn, Treslynn Laney, Derrick Pease, Kaitlin Relyea, Jessica Vance

Band Director's Award – John Philip Sousa Award - Andrew Favorito

Band Booster Scholarships—Andrew Favorito, Stephanie Gerschutz, Spencer Gross, Alex Knodel, Jared Renollet

Choral Awards—Leadership Award—Jared Ross; Directors Award—Trenton Bradford; Sr Barbershop Quartet—Trenton Bradford, Jacob Farr, Jessica Manz, Alyssa St. John

Art Awards – Outstanding Art-Kari Young; Ceramics-Isac Armstrong, Kayla Barnes, Cassandra Hammon, Ashley Myers; Drawing-Ashley Myers

Biology II—Elise Hartzell

Engineering Team Awards – Joey Buchman, Jacob Farr, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Wesley Zeller

Science Olympiad Awards – Jacob Farr, Jack Meriwether, Alex Snyder, Wesley Zeller

OMNU Leadership Award—Brook Otto

Spanish Awards – Spanish IV: Cameron Aldrich, Olivia Arend, Joey Buchman, Kay Christlieb, Hayley Clellan, Kylee Clemens, Shauna Darrigo, Taylor Dotson, Eric Fitch, Nicole Gebers, Stephanie Gerschutz, Elise Harzell, Alex Knodel, Treslynn Laney, April Manz, Jessica Manz, Emily Nardone, Tiffany Nelson, Connor Pease, Rachael Razo, Alyssa St. John, Levi VanVlerah; Spanish III: Joe Bales, Alissa Bok

Math Awards – Outstanding in AP Calculus – Joey Buchman, Nicolas Flint, Alex Mott; Outstanding in PreCalculus – Shauna Darrigo, Elise Hartzell

FFA Alumni Scholarships – Alissa Bok, Joey Buchman, Hayley Clellan, Jacob Farr, Spencer Gross, Cassandra Hammon, Jared Renollet, Alyssa St. John, Stephen Wagner, Wesley Zeller

Student Council/Class Officers – Sr Class Co-Presidents – Jacob Farr, Alex Knodel, Vice-President-Jack Meriwether, Secretary-Hayley Clellan,

Americanism Test Winners – April Manz, Alex Mott

Yearbook Awards – Devan Bermajo, Alissa Bok, Tiffany Nelson, Alyssa Price, Kaitlin Relyea, Jessica Vance

Attendance Awards –99%: Derrick Pease, Ryan Doan, Hayley Clellan, Ashley Beck, Adi Bergalowski

Honors Diploma – April Manz, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Alex Mott, Joey Buchman, Jared Ross, Alex Knodel, Elise Hartzell, Shauna Darrigo, Jacob Farr, Wesley Zeller, Trenton Bradford, Danielle Smith, Hayley Clellan, Alex Snyder, Alyssa St. John, Jack Meriwether, Ashley Myers, Cameron Aldrich, Grant Harder, Samuel Heilshorn, Levi VanVlerah, Kayla Kurtz, Derrick Pease, Sarah Koenig, Jesse Glass

Award of Merit – State of Ohio – April Manz, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Alex Mott, Joey Buchman, Jared Ross, Alex

Knodel, Elise Hartzell, Shauna Darrigo, Jacob Farr, Wesley Zeller, Trenton Bradford, Megan MacFarlane, Danielle Smith, Hayley Clellan, Alex Snyder, Alyssa St. John, Nicole Gebers, Jack Meriwether, Ashley Myers, Cameron Aldrich, Grant Harder, Samuel Heilshorn, Levi VanVlerah, Kayla Kurtz, Derrick Pease, Sarah Koenig, Jesse Glass, Jacob Gideon, Amber Plotts, Olivia Arend, Jessica Vance, Andrew Favorito, Sara Gardner, Brooke Otto, Ashley Hahn, Ryan Doan, Jeremiah Theis, Danielle Stokes.

President's Award for Educational Excellence – April Manz, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Alex Mott, Joey Buchman, Jared Ross, Alex Knodel, Elise Hartzell, Shauna Darrigo, Jacob Farr, Wesley Zeller, Trenton Bradford, Megan MacFarlane, Alex Snyder, Nicole Gebers, Jack Meriwether, Ashley Myers, Samuel Heilshorn, Kayla Kurtz, Levi VanVlerah

Vantage Senior Awards –Award of Merit—Amber Plotts, Jeremiah Theis, Breck Ripke, Jeremy Mobley, Aaron Manz, Sara Gardner, Ryan Doan; Award of Distinction—Amber Plotts; National Technical Honor Society—Amber Plotts, Jeremiah Theis, Breck Ripke, Ryan Doan, Sara Gardner, Aaron Manz; Pepsi-Cola Scholarship and Regional Contest Sr Early Childhood Education—Megan MacFarlane; Rhodes Tech Prep Scholarship—Danielle Clemens; Regional Contest Sr. Network Systems—Shawn Guelde, Thomas Moore, Regional Contest Sr. Health Technology—Amber Plotts; State Contest Sr. Electricity—Tony Valle; 1 yr Perfect Attendance—Jami Good; 2 Year Perfect Attendance – Ryan Doan, Zak Kauser

Eagle's Student of the Year Scholarship – Jacob Farr, Elise Hartzell

Ira Hamman Scholarships – Stephanie Gerschutz, Elise Hartzell, Megan MacFarlane

Lela M. Jeffery Scholarships –Jacob Farr, Nicole Gebers, Spencer Gross, Cassandra Hammon, Elise Hartzel, Samuel Heilshorn, Alex Knodel, Megan MacFarlane, Jack Meriwether, Alyssa St. John

Gorman Family Trust Scholarships – Trenton Bradford, Joey Buchman, Jacob Farr, Nicolas Flint, Grant Harder, Jessica Manz, Derrick Pease, Jared Ross, Alyssa St. John, Alysha Valdez

Geraldine Mobley Memorial Scholarship (Juntion Bible Church)—Stephanie Gerschutz, Stephen Wagner

ACADEMIC HONORS RECOGNITION

Seniors Graduating with Honors: 3.45 – 3.99 after 7 semesters – Elise Hartzell, Shauna Darrigo, Jacob Farr, Wesley Zeller, Trenton Bradford, Megan MacFarlane, Danielle Smith, Hayley Clellan, Alex Snyder, Alyssa St. John, Nicole Gebers, Jack Meriwether, Ashley Myers, Cameron Aldrich, Grant Harder, Samuel Heilshorn, Levi VanVlerah, Kayla Kurtz, Derrick Pease, Sarah Koenig, Jesse Glass, Breck Ripke

Seniors Graduating with Highest Honors: 4.0 or higher after 7 semesters—4.0 or higher Honors—April Manz, Nicolas Flint, Cassandra Hammon, Alex Mott, Joey Buchman, Jared Ross, Alex Knodel

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The following juniors and seniors have earned induction into the National Honor Society: Cameron Aldrich, Trenton Bradford, Joey Buchman, Hayley Clellan, Shauna Darrigo, Jacob Farr, Nick Flint, Nicole Gebers, Jesse Glass, Spencer Gross, Kass Hammon, Grant Harder, Elise Hartzell, Sam Heilshorn, Alex Knodel, April Manz, Jack Meriwether, Alex Mott, Ashley Myers, Derrick Pease, Jared Ross, Danielle Smith, Alyssa St. John, Wes Zeller, Kristen Beck, Drew Burnett, Derrick Echols, Jessica Farr, Jenna Gasser, Jessica Harpel, Lindsey Hitchcock, Jason Koenn, Katie Kohart, Kyle Mohr, Aly Munger, Audra Phlipot, Mesa Pracht, Kelli Schlatter, Derek Shrider, Amber Simpson.

FOOTBALL CAMP

The Paulding High School football coaching staff and players will be conducting a Paulding Panther Football Camp on July 13 from 1:00-4:30 p.m. for students in grades 3-6. This camp will be used to teach campers each position on both sides of the ball. Cost of the camp is \$15. Contact Chris Etzler at 419-399-4656, x1245 for information.

FOOTBALL SKILLS ACADEMY

The Paulding High School football coaching staff and players will be conducting a Football Skills Academy on July 11 from 1-3 p.m and July 15 from 2-4 p.m. for students entering grades 3-8. Campers will be able to practice the position of their choice. Cost of the camp is \$15. Contact Chris Etzler at 419-399-4656, x1245 for information.

BOYS' & GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP

Paulding basketball coaching staff and players will be offering a boys' and girls' basketball camp this summer in the high school gym. BOYS: June 6-9, from 9-11:30 a.m., for boys entering grades 3-6. GIRLS: June 6-9, from 11:30 a.m. –1:00 p.m., for girls entering grades 4-6. The cost for each is \$20, which includes a t-shirt. Contact Shawn Brewer or Lyndsi Shiningar at 419-399-4656 with questions.

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Paulding Volleyball coaching staff and players will be offering a volleyball camp this summer for students entering grades 5 and 6. The camp will be held on June 22-24 from 1-2:30 p.m in the High School Gym. The cost is \$25, which includes a t-shirt and snacks.. Please contact Mr. Harmon at 419-399-4656, x 1110 with questions.

BASEBALL CAMP

Paulding Baseball coaching staff and players will be offering a baseball camp for boys entering grades 1-6. The camp will be held on June 1 and 2, from 10 a.m to 12:30 p.m. at the High School baseball field.. Campers will learn the fundamentals of the game. The cost is \$20, which includes a t-shirt. Please contact Mike Leach at 419-399-4656 with any questions.

SOFTBALL CAMP

Paulding Softball coaching staff and players will be offering a softball camp for girls entering grades 3-6. The camp will be held on June 3 and 4, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the new Lela McGuire ballfields. The cost is \$20, which includes a t-shirt. Contact Erin Jury at 419-670-2070 with questions.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

Physicals for athletics participants will be held on June 7, 2011 at the high school. The cost of the physicals will be \$15, payable to Dr. Kuhn. The schedule of physicals is as follows: HS Boys 8-9:30a.m., HS Girls 12:30-1:30p.m., MS Boys 9:30-1:00p.m., MS Girls 1:30-3p.m., however, if any student cannot come at the scheduled time, or would like to come with a sibling, they can come anytime from 8:00-11:00 a.m. or 12:30-3:00 p.m.

ACT TEST/OGT TUTORING

The ACT test will be given in the high school on June 11 from 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The schedule for high school OGT tutoring on June 6-10 is as follows:
Reading and Math—8-10 a.m.
Science and Social Studies— 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
The tests will be given the week of June 13-17. Students will be informed of their testing day during tutoring.

TRANSPORTATION NOTE

If there are any changes with your student's address over the summer, a PARENT or GUARDIAN must complete a new transportation form as soon as possible. Please call the building office to make arrangements with the building principal. For all other transportation questions, please contact Jeff Strahley (or Rocky Dangler after August 10).

AFTER PROM

We would like to thank the parents of this year's junior class and past parents, as well, for the After Prom. You have provided an enjoyable and safe opportunity for our students. Your time and effort on behalf of the students is much appreciated.

PTO SCRIP PROGRAM

SCRIP is fund raising for nonprofit organizations. Instead of selling frozen pizza or magazines, gift cards are sold at face value, and a percentage is given to PTO by the retailer. You pay no extra money and PTO raises money. SCRIP is an excellent idea when gift giving, shopping, traveling, buying gas or eating out.

The Paulding Elementary PTO will continue the SCRIP program during summer vacation. SCRIP order forms are available on the school website (under Parents tab). To view a complete list of retailers, please visit www.glscrip.com.

The Oakwood Elementary will continue their SCRIP program through the summer. Orders will be placed the 15th of each month by calling Deedi Miller at 419-594-3548. The PTO keeps some cards in stock, so call if you need something.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Summer office hours for the administration building are 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 8:00 a.m.-noon on Friday.

The next Board of Education meeting will be held on June 28 in the Administration Office Board Room at 7:00 p.m.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

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"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE CELEBRATES 35 YEARS AND BREAKS GROUND FOR THE FUTURE!



Vantage board members, state officials, and construction representatives all pitch in at the groundbreaking ceremony while 35 Vantage graduates watch.

A double celebration was held on Sunday, May 15 when Vantage observed their 35th anniversary and ground was broken on the new 34 million dollar renovation and expansion project.

Vantage Superintendent Staci Kaufman served as emcee for the event. Former superintendent Bob Brandt was honored through the awarding of the first Robert Brandt Scholarship, a \$1,000 grant that was presented to Josh Grubaugh, a Crestview senior in the Vantage ag mechanics program.

Also speaking at the event were Ohio Senator Cliff Hite, who read a General Assembly resolution honoring the project; Melissa Short of U.S. Representative Bob Latta's office, who also presented a House resolution and a flag

that had flown over the Capitol; and Ohio School Facilities Commission Project Administrator Samantha Cothorn. Cothorn said, "This is an important milestone for your community."

Paul Copleman of Iberdrola Renewables, who traveled from Maine, also spoke and presented a check to Vantage for \$150,000 that will be used for the new Alternative Energy Academy. The program will provide career training for alternative energy jobs.

Kaufman thanked voters for their passage of the bond issue in November 2009 that provided the local financing for the project.

"Our taxpayers have given us a tremendous gift," the superintendent stated. "Please accept our thanks and gratitude for your help in provid-

ing us with a facility which will continue to serve the training needs of the district for years to come."

The light rain couldn't dampen any spirits. Everyone moved outside for the actual "shovel ceremony", including 35 former Vantage students who represented each graduating class since 1977. They served as witnesses to the groundbreaking in their yellow hard hats donated by StoneCo. Vantage Board of Education members, Superintendent Staci Kaufman, Treasurer Lori Davis, Senator Cliff Hite, OSFC's Samantha Cothorn, Bruce Miller of Garmann Miller Architects & Engineers, and Chad Stevers of Gilbane Construction all participated.

WOODLAN BASEBALL SENIOR RECOGNITION - 2011

By: Jeff Abbott

#1 Evan Powell, son of Terry and Wendy Powell. Evan played baseball for 4 seasons with Woodlan and played basketball for 2 years. He is member of the National Honor Society, helped with Construction for 2 years, helped coach youth basketball, and works part-time at Crosswalk Daycare. Evans plans to attend Ball State to study Sports Administration.

#3 Payton Spencer, son of Scott Spencer and Lyn Randall. Payton played 4 seasons of baseball for the Warriors, participated in football for 4 years, and 2 years of basketball. He is member of the National Honor Society and plans to attend Indiana University to study Physical Therapy.

#4 J.T. Rogers, son of Hal and Carol Rogers. J.T. played baseball for 4 seasons and participated in basketball for 2 years and 4 years of football.

He plans to study business in college.

#5 Jason Maier, son of Herb and Lisa Maier. Jason played 4 years of baseball with Woodlan, basketball for 1 year, and 3 seasons of football. He has been the Jr. High basketball scoreboard operator for 2 years and has spent 8 months rebuilding his Jeep. Jason will attend Trine University in Angola and major in Criminal Justice and play baseball for the Thunder.

#6 Chapin John Wentz, son of Mark and Renee Wentz. Chapin played baseball for 4 years for the Warriors and participated in soccer and basketball. He is a member of the Woodlan Service Club, serving as president this year. He plays Plex soccer and works part-time at The Towne House Retirement Home. Chapin will be pursuing a career in nursing with a goal of becoming an RN. He is undecided on which college to attend.

#10 Ryan Rickert, son of David and Sharlyn Rickert.

Ryan played 3 years of baseball for Woodlan and participated in travel baseball with the Aboite Braves, Fort Wayne Cubs, and Summit City Sluggers. He will play baseball for Kaskaskia College on a full scholarship and will study accounting.

#15 Nathan Wiedemann, son of Todd and Patsy Wiedemann. Nathan has played baseball for the Warriors for 4 years, played football for 4 years, and wrestled for 1 season. He has been a member of the National Honor Society for 2 years, refereed Upwards Football for 2 years, and coached youth basketball for 3 years. He will work in the Wildcat Baseball program this summer and attend Purdue University to study Pharmacy.

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WAYNE TRACE PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 4TH NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

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All A's & B's - Braxten Asher, Kalin Gerber, Jordan Saylor, Joel Johnson, Joey Deboer, Erica Mohr, Ian Vogel, Quinton Stabler

SIXTH GRADE:
All A's - Jonda Krontz
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RETIRED TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Paulding County Retired Teacher's Association is proud to announce the 2011 recipients of \$350.00 scholarships. Seniors entering the field of education have been reviewed and the winners are Kaleb O'Donnell and Taylor Bauble.

Kaleb is the son of Dennis and Traci O'Donnell of Antwerp. He is a graduate of Antwerp High School and plans to attend Indiana-Purdue University Fort Wayne majoring in music education.

Taylor is the daughter of Patrick and Wendy Bauble of Haviland. She is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and plans to attend Bowling Green State University majoring in Special Education Intervention Specialist.

PHS SENIORS AWARDED OAKWOOD ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS



Oakwood Alumni Scholarships were awarded recently at the Paulding High School Senior Awards program. Pictured are (l-r) Elise Hartzell, Connor Pease, Dianne Cooper representing Oakwood Alumni, and Olivia Arend.

DERRICK PEASE SIGNS INTENT WITH RHODES STATE/OSU LIMA



Derrick Pease plans to further his education at Rhodes State/OSU Lima and play baseball. Pictured are from left to right Jackie Pease, Rick Pease, Derrick Pease, Abe Ambrosia, OSU Lima coach, Mike Leach, Paulding coach, and Chris Etzler, Paulding A.D.

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Merlin Busch and Connie Rohdy exchanged wedding vows on June 3, 1961 in Malinta, Ohio at Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Hartman officiating.

Merlin is a retired electrician from General Motors and Connie is a retired homemaker. They are the proud parents of three children: Bret (Theresa) of Oakwood,

Brenda Koch (Bill McVey) of Antwerp, and Brian (Laura) of Ayersville. The couple also have nine grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

They will be celebrating this special occasion in Ohio along with their children and grandchildren.

Their children are hosting a card shower for them in their honor. Cards may be sent to: Merlin and Connie Busch at 2630 Rd. 192, Antwerp, Ohio, c/o Brenda Koch. They would love to hear from you.

ANTWERP JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 4TH NINE WEEKS 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

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ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF MAY 30, 2011

Defiance County:

Ohio 281 from its eastern intersection with Ohio 18 to the Henry County line will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for berm work. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

U.S. 127 and County Road 424 (formerly Ohio 424), at their north intersection closed May 16 for 30 days for intersection reconstruction. Traffic detoured onto U.S. 24, Ohio15/18 and Ohio18 back to U.S. 127. Work to reconstruct the south intersection of U.S. 127 and County Road 424 is now also under way and is being performed under traffic. Work at both intersections is expected to be completed in mid June. Work is being performed by Gerken Paving.

County Road 424 (formerly Ohio 424) between the Indiana state line and Defiance will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for resurfacing which is anticipated to be completed in October. 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 and Paulding County Commissioners.

Paulding County:

Ohio 66 west of Arthur will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for a drainage repair project. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 613 west of Ohio 637 will be restricted to one lane

MR. & MRS. RON GOCHENOUR CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Mr. and Mrs. Ron Gochenour of Paulding recently celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Ron Gochenour and Phyllis MacGeorge were married May 14, 1961 at the Christian Church in Holly Hills, Florida.

The couple have four children: Tamara (Mark) Heppeard of Ohio City; Kip (Jane)

of Paulding; Jon of Cecil and Joe (Amy) of Sunbury. They have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Gochenour's will celebrate this special occasion with an open house hosted by their family on Sunday, June 26, 2011 from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall, US 127S, Paulding, Ohio.

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED TRAC MEETING FOR JUNE

Ohio's Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) is scheduled to convene its next meeting on Thursday, June 2 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) Central Office in Columbus. This will be a voting session.

ODOT Director Jerry Wray, who serves as chair of the council, will lead the discussion on the adoption of new policies and procedures.

ACAC BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan recently participated in the ACAC boys golf tournament. The team results were Garrett 323, Woodlan 328, Heritage 329, Leo 339, Bluffton 376, South Adams 382, Southern Wells 382, Adams Central 419

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By: **Caroline Wells Zimmerman**

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and in challenges of pluralism and how they are being handled. The US is now very richly multicultural, but with the rise of ideological multiculturalism (a very different thing), the stress has been shifted from the individual to the group and from the ideal of assimilation to the ideal of ‘unmeltable ethnicity.’”

“E PLURIBUS UNUM”

“Providence has been pleased to give this one connected country to one united people—a people descended from the same ancestors, speaking the same language, professing the same religion, attached to the same principles of government, very similar in their manners and customs, and who, by their joint counsels, arms, and efforts, fighting side by side throughout a long and bloody war, have nobly established their general liberty and independence.”

—John Jay, Federalist No. 2

“The bosom of America is open... to the oppressed and persecuted of all nations and religions—but they should not come as groups and so retain the ‘language, habits, and principles (good or bad) which they bring with them.’ Rather they should settle as individuals ready for ‘intermixture with our people’ and so become ‘assimilated to our customs, measures, and laws; in a word, soon become ONE people.”

—George Washington

“They must cast off the European skin, never resume it; they must look forward to their posterity rather than backward to their ancestors.”

—John Quincy Adams Secretary of State (interviewing an immigrating German baron)

“In America, in this ‘asylum of all nations, the energy of Irish, Germans, Swedes, Poles, and Cossacks, and all the European tribes—of the African, and of the Polynesians, will construct a new race... as vigorous as the new Europe which came out of the smelting pot of the Dark Ages.”

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

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—Israel Zangwill, The Melting Pot 1908

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—Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1943

PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF 5/27

- Mens Tuesday Night League**
 1. Farm Credit 8-0
 2. Handyman 4-4
 3. Guilfords 5-1
 4. BWW 5-1
 5. Hoffman Builders 1-5
 6. Hitmen 3-3
 7. Larson Body Shop 0-6
 8. TJ's Bar 2-6
 9. Oasis Bar 2-4
- Mens Thursday Night League**
 1. Lee Kinstle Chevy 6-1
 2. Nemco 5-3
 3. Grace Home Improvements 2-5

- 4. Handyman 3-5
 - 5. Azul 6-2
 - 6. Oasis Bar 6-2
 - 7. TJ's Bar 4-4
 - 8. Haviland Tile 2-5
 - 9. Omni Source 0-8
- Womens Wednesday Night League**
 1. Blackies 5-0
 2. Casa Veija 4-0
 3. Carpet Wholesalers 4-1
 4. Jay Dangler Excavating 2-3
 5. Moody Maidens 2-2
 6. Paulding VFW 1-3
 7. Ed's Car Care/Concrete Guys 0-5
 8. Farmers Insurance 0-4

“The Swamp” Wiffleball League Wednesday Night

1. Gatorz 1-0
2. Whitmans 1-0
3. Jay Dangler Excavating 1-0
4. Tea Bags 1-0
5. Breese Trucking 0-1
6. Scorpions 0-1
7. Grace 0-1
8. Bombers 0-1

Monday Night Coed League

1. Archbold Equipment 4-0
2. Hoffman Builders 4-0
3. Concrete Guys 2-2
4. Gatorz 1-3
5. Smalleys Body Shop 1-3
6. R&D Engineering 0-4

THE OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR #759 MEETING NOTES

There were 23 members attending with opening by Kevin Hornish, prayer by Bill Bidlack followed by the pledge. Committee reports were: Dick Parrish scheduled roadside pickup for June 22 at 9:00 a.m. and good report on the clean up of the ball park for Join Hands Day with the local boy Scouts. Apache Etter thanked us for helping with reading to the students and plans to have a snack for the 3rd graders after their rehearsal for Memorial Day. Karen Cooper turned in a bill for flowers and mulch at the local post office and plans to get flowers for along the street.

Polo shirts from gleaner with our name on them was tabled. We will have no candidate for fraternalists of the year. Eileen Kochensparger will invite an elected official to our flag burning celebration at the ice cream social at the American Legion on June 16, 4:30-7:00 p.m. The Oakwood Community Band will perform.

Gleaner sponsored Mud Hens game is June 25. Reservation should be in by June 4. Candidates for CSRA (Community Service Recipient Award) was suggested to be for youth - Justin Carnahan, adult - Rev. Bill Sherry, and senior - Eileen Kochensparger. Eileen told us about a cancer patient in need of help.

Plans were made for dinner out. It will be at Dick's in Kalida on July 25 Monday at 6:30. Ruth Benien told us about the upcoming convention in Cincinnati. Our next meeting will be June 27 at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. Dale Spitnale

PLOW TRUCK FOR SALE

The Paulding Exempted Village Schools is offering a 1997 Chevrolet 4x4 2500 V8 truck for sale to the highest bidder. 101,527 miles, 5.7 L, automatic trans, A/C, push button transfer case, automatic hubs, bed liner. The truck needs transmission work. Included with the truck is a 7 1/2 Western Snow Plow with 4 way electric control. The truck is being sold AS IS with no warranty. The truck may be viewed during normal business hours at the bus garage/football stadium and inquiries made by calling the Administrative Office at 419-399-4656. Sealed bids will be accepted in the Administrative Office till 2:00 p.m. June 2, 2011. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

adjourned the meeting. The Pier's had a nice snack of watermelon, honey dew, chips and peanut butter/honey sandwiches with lemonade.

—Bonnie Pier, reporting

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF AT POND-A-RIVER GOLF COURSE

By: **Jeff Abbott**

Woodlan Warriors hosted the Eastside Blazers recently on the green at Pond-A-River Golf Course. At the end of the 18 holes Woodlan had the victory: Woodlan 149, Eastside 196

Individual scores:

- Woodlan - Stites 36, Je. Schlie 39, Jo. Schlie 38, Braaten 36, Voss 42
- Eastside - Ginder 49, Flizman 51, Franz 55, Emehiser 45, Crowl 51

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

SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS WANTED

The Paulding Exempted Village Schools is hiring substitute bus drivers for daily and extra curricular routes. Please contact the Administrative Office at 419-399-4656 with any questions or to obtain an application.

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2001 Oldsmobile Alero, air, auto, 4 dr., 51,000 mi. bought new by Ellen (seller - Ellen M. Ames Estate) **International B414 Utility Tractor** With Loader, engine needs repair Ranch King Lawn Tractor, 18 hp, 44" deck ...
Plus Several wagons small tools & related **Plus Coins, Antiques, Primitives, Glassware, Collectables** - Coins & Money including 1934 & 1950 \$100 bills; 7 Silver Dollars & Other silver coins ; Silver Certificates ; WWII Japanese Paper Money & memorabilia & other foreign coins & paper money 4 Section Stacked Book Case Plus glassware & collectables & antiques Plus Clean Household & Related Contents of three estates Terms: Cash or approved check day of auction For photos & more detailed list visit our web site @ www.gorrellbros-paulding.com **Sellers: Ellen M. Ames Estate,** Ralph M. Ames, Jr, Ex; Paulding Co. Probate Crt. Case 20111026 - and - **Helen E. Burnett Estate,** Paulding Co. Probate Court Case 20101109, Kristine D. Burnett, Ex - and - **Thomas P. Kelly Estate,** Paulding Co. Probate Crt. Case , James T. Kelly & Thomas P. Kelly, Jr. Co-Ex, - and - **Robert Simpson Family**..... **Gorrell Bros. Auctioneers - Don Gorrell, Larry Gorrell, Aaron Timm, Nolan Shisler, Joseph Barker, Sandra Mickelson, Stephen Sprow**

ALLEN – SENSABAUGH



Kenny and Michelle Allen of Antwerp, Ohio would like to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter Sasha Kay, to Dustin Michael Sensabaugh, son of Chuck and Carla Sensabaugh of Antwerp.

Sasha is a 2005 Antwerp High School graduate and a 2008 graduate from IPFW with a degree in nursing. She is currently employed at Parkview Hospital as an On-

colony Nurse.

Dustin is a 2007 Antwerp High School graduate, and a 2009 graduate from UNOH with a degree in medium and heavy duty diesel equipment. He is currently employed by Hornish Brothers Trucking in Defiance, Ohio.

The couple will exchange vows at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Antwerp, Ohio on Saturday, June 25, 2011.

GOLF OUTING ADDED TO JP DAYS SCHEDULE

One of the exciting new events at this year's John Paulding Days will be a golf scramble on Friday, June 10.

The public is invited to join in the fun at the Paulding Chamber of Commerce JPD Golf Outing at Auglaize Golf Club in Paulding County.

The 18-hole scramble starts at 8:30 a.m. Arrive early for the putting contest at 8:00 a.m.

Contests will include Skins, proximity prizes and 50/50 drawing. Every player will receive a gift. Team prizes include shirts and golf gift certificates.

A Gold Level foursome includes green fees, cart and lunch for four players plus a

sponsor sign and special luncheon recognition.

A Silver Level foursome includes green fees, cart and lunch.

Want to play but don't have a team? No problem! Individual players are welcome.

Register today by contacting the chamber office at 419-399-5215 or email pcoc@paulding-net.com. Deadline is noon Monday, June 6. Registration form can be found at facebook.com/johnpaulding-days.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for golfers and non-golfers alike. For information on becoming an event sponsor or hole sponsor, call the chamber. All proceeds from this event will go to fund chamber projects throughout the year.

CLIPPINGER ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT FROM PAULDING CHAMBER

Conrad "Clip" Clippinger, director of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, announced he will be retiring on July 15. He has served as director for nearly six years.

The chamber's board has formed a search committee to find a successor to fill this top leadership position.

Clippinger joined the Paulding Chamber in August 2005. A resident of Defiance, Clippinger is a 1969 graduate of Defiance College and formerly taught school before entering the automobile business. He also had been a substitute teacher in the area and tutored students. He and his wife, Linda, have a son, Scott, who is an Ohio State Law School graduate currently serving in the Marine Corps in Washington, D.C., and twin grandsons.

"It has been my honor and pleasure to work with the members of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce for the past six years," Clippinger said. "I have enjoyed every day and appreciate the support of the board, our great members and volunteers, elected officials and the community. The membership has proven what an outstanding organization the chamber is."

"On behalf of the board of directors, the chamber membership and the people of Paulding, we would like to thank Clip for his service and leadership to the chamber and our community," said board chairman Melinda Krick. "We want to wish Clip well in his retirement. In July, we will hold a special Business After Hours event to thank and honor Clip for his service to the community."

One of Clippinger's last major duties will be overseeing the chamber's annual John Paulding Days festival, June 9-11.

AEP OHIO DONATES TO UNITED WAY TO HELP WITH HEALTH & HOUSING NEEDS

Nearly 50 United Way agencies around Ohio will be able to help more families in need this spring, thanks to donations by AEP Ohio totaling \$500,000. The donations are part of the company's overall focus on issues around hunger, health and housing through its Partnership with Ohio (PWO) program. United Way of Paulding County received \$1,634.00 to support UWPC's Health Care and Housing Assistance Program.

"This is our second year partnering with AEP to provide emergency assistance through this wonderful program," said Executive Director Amy McCreery. Applications are available at the United Way office Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To apply, you must be a current Ohio AEP customer, be a Paulding County Resident, have a financial need beyond your means, and the need must pertain to housing or healthcare.

AEP Ohio's PWO program is a three-year, \$15 million commitment by the company to help agencies throughout Ohio address issues around hunger, health and housing affecting Ohio residents. Last year, AEP Ohio committed \$ 1,000,000

to United Way agencies and area food banks, as well as contributed \$2.3 million to assist families in need of assistance to pay their electric bills through the AEP Ohio Neighbor-to-Neighbor program, a part of the PWO initiative, which began at the end of 2008.

"Many Ohio families continue to struggle during these challenging times, AEP Ohio established the Partnership with Ohio program to provide meaningful assistance to families in need," said Joe Hamrock, president and chief operating officer for AEP Ohio. "Continuing to partner with outstanding community resources like the United Way agencies ensures that our contribution will be effective, and will be quickly used to provide assistance for thousands of families throughout the region."

PAULDING ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL FOURTH NINE WEEKS 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR

THIRD GRADE:

All A's – Jacob Deisler, Julianna Fife, Kaylie Tressler, Savannah Shepherd, Cole Mabis, Zoe Kochel, Tommy McGrath, Tyrel Goings, Katie Strayer, Sydney McCullough

All A's & B's – Kiarra Hawn, Kolson Egnor, Riley Coil, Jaden Verfaillie, Tyler Stahl, Brandon Jackson, Ivy Rigenbach, Sidney Kohart, Matthew Henry, Joel Schneider, Jacob Rose, Tyler Snipes, Gage Smith, Matthew Schroeder

Paw Club – Alec Shull, Matthew Henry

FOURTH GRADE:

All A's – Shana Manz, Courtney Luderman, Heather Manz, Jaret Miller

All A's & B's – Alex Arnd, Kamdyn Etzler, Eugene Hemenway, Zach Dye, Alex Cardin, Luke Brewer, Ethan Letso, Logan Hawn, Brandon Scott, Kristen Razo, Nicholas Barnett, Taylor Jury, Kalyn Strahley, Haylee Dominique, Addison Wesley, Bailey Manz, Tristan Kinder, Sydney Price, Madison Hull, Haleigh

CRAIG – HYMAN



Bob and Gloria Craig of Paulding announces the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Caci Craig, to Harvey Hyman, son of Dave and Jackie Hyman.

Caci, a 2007 alumna of Paulding High School, is a recent graduate of Defiance College with degrees in graphic design and communications. She currently owns her own business, Caci Craig

Photography.

Harvey is a 2003 alumnus of Paulding High School, a 2007 graduate of Hillsdale College, and a 2009 graduate of University of Toledo Law School. He currently practices law with his father at Hyman and Hyman, Ltd. in Paulding, Ohio.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, June 11, 2011 at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene.

Stallbaum, Mary Cate Panico, Lexie Beckman, Hailey Harris, Charles Clapsaddle, Scott Keeran, Sierra Johnson, Casey Holman, Carson Shull, Macy Iler, Daniel Mefferd, Fletcher Cook, Ethan Matty, Cole Heller, Megan Tope, Abbie Leaman, Briana Townley, Cory Adams, Mallory Taylor, Zoe Shepherd

PAW CLUB – Grace Hurlley, Harmony Burtin, Leah Nusbaum, Sierra Johnson, Breanna Shidler, Haley Apple, Raven Bussing, Taylor Varner, Carson Shull, Addison Wesley, Briana Townley, Logan Hawn, Eugene Hemenway, Ray Kupfersmith, Madison Sensabaugh

FIFTH GRADE:

All A's – Audrey Manz, Isaac Baldwin, Brianna Gorrrell, Cade McGarvey, Brian Matson, Alexis Griffith, Kalen Kelly, Gabriella Stahl, Marcus Miller, Emma McMaster, Michael Kohart, Zach McCorkle

All A's & B's – Ethan Dominique, Hannah Vance, Miah Coil, Shawn Jackson, Abbigaile McMichael, Jordan Weidenhamer, Caitlyn Myers, Libby Mobley, Clay Dockery, Ryan Woodring, Cassidy Posey, Devon Smith, Abbie Adams, Savannah Habern, William Postelwaite

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