

LADY WARRIORS AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



Saturday, June 11 the Woodlan Lady Warriors were the home team against South Putnam at the Ben Davis High School Stadium in Indianapolis for the State Softball Championship game. The weather was hot with a nice breeze. The game was a close game. The game went for nine innings with much of the game at 1-1. S Putnam ended up getting 4 points at the end winning the game 5-1. Final Records from IHSA: No. 1 Woodlan (26-3), No. 2 South Putnam (28-1). Congratulations to this team who had a great season ending up State-Runner up. Lots more pictures at www.westbendnews.net

CRASHES INVOLVING STUDENTS RISE WITH SUMMER TEMPERATURES

As summer temperatures rise, so do crashes involving school-age children - especially those who walk and ride bikes.

In fact, a recent five-year study by ODOT reveals crashes involving school-age children (ages 5-18) make up nearly 40 percent of all pedestrian and bicyclist crashes - with June through August combining for more than 3,500 crashes, the largest three-month total.

To help reverse this trend and improve roadway safety for all travelers, ODOT is launching its new "Share the Road Ohio" safety campaign - with the goal of reducing roadway fatalities by 5 percent by 2015.

"Everyone has the right to use Ohio's roads and safety is everyone's responsibility," said ODOT Director Jerry Wray. "Share the Road aims to help all roadway users know these laws, be respectful and remain aware of others on the road."

ODOT safety experts say the increase in crashes during the summer months is due to a combination of factors. The first being the beginning of summer vacation for students, which means there is an influx of kids who are outside playing and engaging in

recreational activities.

The second factor is that many school-age kids get around by either walking or riding a bike and are unfamiliar with biking and pedestrian traffic laws.

This summer, ODOT is mobilizing a grassroots statewide effort to distribute roadway safety information via tip cards, events, public service announcements, web videos, a safe driving simulator and partnerships with law enforcement agencies. Bicycle, pedestrian, motorcycle and motorist advocacy groups and clubs will also play a pivotal role in communicating the safety message.

In 2010, there were nearly 299,767 crashes across Ohio with 1,081 deaths and 10,175 serious injuries. Between 2006 and 2010, more than 23,297 crashes were pedestrian and bicycle-related resulting in 552 fatalities and 20,478 injuries (3,699 serious injuries).

HOLE IN ONE TWICE AT PLEASANT VALLEY GOLF COURSE

Last week was a good week for Pleasant Valley Golf Course. We had great weather and we had two hole in ones. We were getting the course in good shape by mowing, mowing and mowing. While we were doing this, we had two Davids getting a hole in one.

David #1 (Resaweher) from

New Haven, IN came out to have a good round of golf. He plays about once a week and likes to walk. He came up to the #6 hole, which is a par 3 over a small lake, and hit the perfect golf shot. Yes, he got a hole in one, but he had a problem. He was playing by himself and he had no one to verify his great shot. He happened to see two players teeing off hole #7 (hole #7 is next to #6 green.). He went over and ask them if they could verify his shot. They went with him and sure enough David had his hole in one.

David #2 (Hedges) is a member of Pleasant Valley Golf Course and plays daily. Some of his relation founded the town of Hedges. David is an avid golfer and this was his 2nd hole in one at Pleasant Valley.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL IN OAKWOOD

The Oakwood Memorial Park Board is hosting an Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 16, 2011 beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Oakwood.

There will be a Flag Burning Ceremony sponsored by the Oakwood Arbor #759. You may bring your old flags to be disposed of properly. Blood pressure checks will be done by the Oakwood EMS at 5:00 p.m. and the Oakwood Community Band will perform at 6:00 p.m.

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EVA SESLAR TO CELEBRATE 85 YEARS!

Let's help Eva Seslar celebrate her 85th birthday on June 16, 2011 with a card shower. Her address is: Eva Seslar, 401 Fountain Street, Room 29, Hickory Creek, Hicksville, Ohio 43526.

RILEY THOMAS FAMILY REUNION

The Riley Thomas Family Reunion will be held Sunday, July 31, 2011 at Proctor Park Shelter House located behind the Lutheran Church on Flat Rock Drive in Paulding, Ohio. A pot luck dinner will be held at 12:30 p.m.

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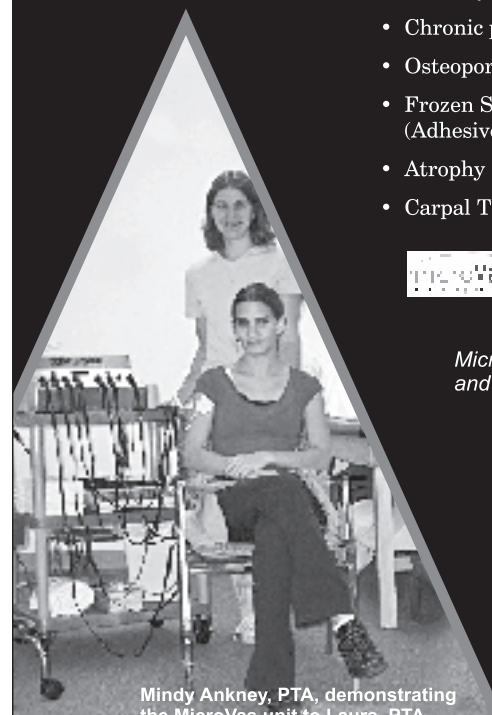
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OBITUARIES

Lucy Osmun, 88, died Sunday, June 5, 2011 at Hickory Creek of Hicksville.

Clara Lucille was born in Cloverport, KY on April 15, 1923, the daughter of Mathias and Zoa (Conder) Carwile.

On June 10, 1955, she was united in marriage with Harold Osmun and he preceded her in death in 1994.

Many people got to know Lucy from her employment at different places in town. She worked at Crook Miller, Yellowstone Restaurant, Sarabelle's Dress Shop, Goldenetz/Bud's IGA and Hickory Hills Country Club. Lucy was a member of the First Church of Christ, Hicksville. She enjoyed going to the senior center.

She is survived by a son, Hal (Marilyn) of Hicksville; two step-daughters: Linda Colson of Bradenton, FL, Sharon Garelle of Nashville, IN; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a brother, Dave (Carol) Carwile of Garrett, IN; a daughter-in-law, Deannie (Dave) Morse of Hicksville; four step-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Dave; three sisters: Lillian Carwile, Lula Miller, and Kathryn Shuherk; two brothers: Paul and Mathias Jr.

Funeral services for Lucy were June 9, 2011 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home with Pastor Jerold Tear officiating. Burial was at Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to Leukemia Foundation, First Church of Christ, Senior Center or the family. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Roger Lee Schlegel, 84, of Antwerp, passed away Monday, June 6, 2011 at Paulding County Hospital.

Roger was born in Sherwood on March 25, 1927, a son of the late Mable (Kissabeth) and William Schlegel.

He served in the U.S. Army in WW II and was a member of the Antwerp VFW and American Legion Post, and Mount Calvary

Lutheran Church of Antwerp. Roger worked for 23½ years for the NY & Central Railroad, and 23½ years for General Electric. On November 8, 1950 he married Dorothy Hetrick.

He will be sadly missed by his wife, Dorothy; children: Debra Bechtol, Lyle and Jerl all of Antwerp; brother, Alva of Swanton; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He is also preceded in death by four brothers; and two sisters.

Roger's memorial service was at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church of Antwerp on June 8, 2011.

Memorials are to the church. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

Ruth J. Smith, 91 of Antwerp passed away Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at Dallas Lamb Foundation Home, Payne.

Ruth was born in Paulding County on July 4, 1919, a daughter of the late Myrtle (Stultz) and Charles Smith.

She became a registered nurse in 1940, retiring in 1984 from Dana Weatherhead as an occupational health nurse. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Cecil, First Families of Paulding County and Paulding County Genealogy Society.

Ruth will be sadly missed by her sister, Grace Light; brother, Richard Smith, both of Antwerp; and many nieces and nephews.

She is also preceded in death by her brothers: Ivan and Paul.

Her funeral service was at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp, on June 13, 2011 with Reverend David Meriwhether officiating. She was laid to rest at Rochester Cemetery. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

Anna Faye Bussing, 76, of Paulding died Saturday morning, June 11, 2011 at her residence.

She was born in Wichita Falls, TX on March 28, 1935 the daughter of Duncan N. and Nancy A. (Moore) Littlejohn. On January 21, 1954, she married George L. Bussing who died on November 9, 2010.

She was a Receiving Clerk for the former Dietrich Industries of Hicksville, Ohio retiring in 2004 after 25 years of service. She attended the Rose Hill Church of God of Paulding, Ohio. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, crocheting and flower gardening.

Surviving are four sons: Steven (Beverly) Bussing, Tim (Melody) Bussing and James (Amy) Bussing all of Paulding, and Chris (Dawn) Bussing of Rainbow City, AL; two daughters: Carol (Leon) Goyings and Joni Bussing both of Paulding; a daughter-in-law, Mary Bussing of Paulding; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George L. Bussing in 2010; one son, Randy Bussing in 2009; three brothers: Mix, Ewing and Lee Littlejohn; and two sisters: Effie Martin and Louise Littlejohn.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at the DenHerder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding. Visitation will be at the DenHerder Funeral Home, Paulding, one hour before services on Wednesday morning.

Memorials to Hospice or the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to: www.denherderfh.com

THANK YOU

The families of Ruth Derck wishes to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people who expressed their sympathy with flowers and gifts, monetary donations, food and so many comforting words and remembrances of her life. Throughout her life she was assisted by many, many people and she was always so grateful for those kindnesses. We would like to especially thank Visiting Nurses, the Home Health Care and the Paulding County Senior Center. We are grateful for the wonderful meal provided by Darlene Herber and the members of Divine Mercy Parish. A special thanks to Dooley Funeral Home for their great work and to Max Begley for the beautiful Celebration of Ruth's life on the day we laid her to rest. You will forever remain in our hearts and prayers.

—The Chuck & Ann Wiedman families,
The Paul & Jean Reinhart families,
The Kenny & Mary Donat families,
The Brooks & Linda Pendergrast families,
The Mike & Cindy Knight families,

John Derck,
The families of the late Robert Derck,
The families of the late George Derck“

CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER" SUPPORT GROUP TO MEET

“Caring for the Caregiver” The Alzheimer/Dementia support group will be meeting at the Antwerp Community Church located at 704 S. Erie St., Antwerp on June 17, at 3:30 p.m. (Take note that this is a new location.)

This group is for anyone who has a family member or friend whose life is affected by this disease. Sharing experiences with each other can help through difficult times.

Special guest Dr. John Gibson, PhD, Director of Behavioral Health-Adams Memorial Hospital, Decatur, IN, will be heading the group, answering question and providing information about this disease.

All are welcome, and there is no charge.

SIN & THE PLANTING SEASON

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

It's the planting season and those who are planting gardens and going through landscaping upgrading will appreciate the story I'm going to tell you today.

In 1876, a highly touted plant made its American debut at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia. It was a vine that could grow a foot in a day. It was promoted as a plant that could grow anywhere and make the countryside more beautiful.

People in the South embraced it as a tool against soil erosion; but not only would the vine cover the ground, it started covering everything such as signs and telephone poles.

The vine is called kudzu, and by the 1950s people began regretting they had ever planted it. It now has reached all the way from the Deep South to Maine.

Scientists are trying to find a way to stop it. Sin is like that. It starts by promising to fill some kind of need, but then grows wild until it becomes damaging; and it is just as hard to eradicate.

The Bible speaks in Hebrews 11:25 about the pleasures sin lasting but a short season, but its consequences are eternal.

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PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

Admissions:
6/2 - Delores Weddington, Oakwood
6/3 - Sarah Kupfersmith, Paulding
6/3 - Laurence Abbott, Latty
6/4 - Erma Pratt, Haviland
Dismissals:
5/31 - Kenneth Lowe, Antwerp to Lutheran Hospital
6/4 - Delores Weddington, Oakwood
6/5 - Sarah Kupfersmith, Paulding

WARMING UP THE TURTLE

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Ch.

The following is a story told by an elderly gentleman as he was reflecting on his childhood.

“During my growing up years I remember staying for a week back on the farm with my grandparents. On one particular day during that stay, I remember once finding one of those little painted turtles. “Terrapins” is what they're technically called.

“Being just a kid, I started to examine him and look that ol' turtle over. But he pulled his yellow and green striped head inside his shell just as tight as a drum.

“He wasn't about to poke his head out, no matter what I would do. This intrigued me so I picked up a stick and tried to pry him open.

“Meanwhile, my granddad, who was sitting on the front porch, saw all this and said, ‘No, son, that's not the way! You may kill him but you won't get him open.’

“So he took the terrapin inside that old farmhouse and I followed right behind him. We set that little creature on the hearth of the fireplace. Then we just waited.

“It wasn't but a few minutes until that little ol' turtle started to get warm. Pretty soon, my newfound friend pushed out his head, then his feet and started crawling across out hearth.

“Then my grand-dad looked at me, winked and said, ‘Terrapins are like that. And people too. You can't force them to open up. But if you warm them up with kindness, more than likely they'll come out of their shell and do what you want them to do.’”

What a lesson for us to remember. The scripture teaches us, ‘love is kind.’ When we treat folks with warmth, kindness, consideration and compassion, they usually respond.

They'll open up, drop their guard, and relax. And, generally speaking, they will cooperate and tend to get along with you.

Maybe you're dealing with a person in your life right now who is closed up tighter than a drum. They are shutting you out, protecting themselves and being uncommunicative.

Want to know what they need? Warmth. Patience. Kindness. Love. They don't open you trying to pry them open with some sort of ‘stick’. That will only make them stay in their shell all the more. And it'll also make them mad.

But if you treat them with soft words seasoned with gentleness, warmth and sensitivity, you'll be surprised how they eventually respond.

It works well with turtles. The Bible tells us that it will work with people as well.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Acts 2:29-30, who does it say was a prophet? NKJV

2. Acts 2:31, whose soul was not left in Hades and His flesh did not see corruption? NKJV

3. Acts 2:33, who was exalted to the right hand of God? NKJV

4. Acts 2:36, rest assuredly that God has made Jesus, whom we crucified what? NKJV

5. Acts 2:38, after believing, what did Peter and the other apostles tell them to do? NKJV

6. Acts 2:39, who are those who are afar off?

7. What did Peter tell the people in Acts 2:40? NKJV

8. Acts 2:41, how many people were added to the Apostles after believing and being baptized? NKJV

9. Acts 2:42, what did the apostles and those who were saved continue steadfastly in? NKJV

10. Acts 2:43, when fear came upon every soul, what was done through the apostles?

Loved ones, please continue to study and pray, for God will surely bless you. Bible comments or questions call 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 are as follows:

1. In one accord;
2. Judas
3. Joseph called Barsabas
4. Matthias
5. Day of Pentecost.
6. The Holy Spirit
7. Jews, devout men from every nation, under heaven.
8. Joel
9. Your sons and daughters
10. The men of Israel

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MORE THAN THE HALL OF JUSTICE

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

On Saturday mornings in the 1980s, I used to watch the Super Friends starring the Justice League of America versus the Legion of Doom. Flash, Green Lantern, Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman and other awesome superheroes would go around the world saving the day.

The thing I loved most about the Justice League was their headquarters, the Hall of Justice. Many of the episodes would begin with the Justice League receiving a distress call at the hall. They would conclude with some witty moral statement by one of the Justice League members, usually Batman, back at the hall. Everything centered around The Hall of Justice.

My mom and dad even bought me a Hall of Justice toy and Justice League action figures. After that, I could conveniently reenact tales of great heroics where the Justice League of America would stop the evil plans of the Legion of Doom. Those action figures would even take baths with me. Those were good times. I would pretend, like in some of the episodes I saw on TV, that the bad guys would come in and take over the Hall of Justice. In the end, the good guys always won or the bad guy turned good.

As we grow up, we put away our Halls of Justice. We put our toys in the closet and move on, and our eyes are opened to viciousness of reality. We see that bad guys do win at times only to die in their expansive mansions built off the hard work of others. We see that crooks, who are smart with the law, can be corrupt but get off

scot free. We imagine that our reality could use a good dose of the Justice League and the Hall of Justice.

Our desire for something better causes some of us to keep pretending. We like to pretend that the church building is some religious Hall of Justice. When in actuality, the building is only a tool. Batman, Superman, and Wonder Woman were heroes whether or not they had the Hall of Justice. When they saw someone hurting, they would help. When they saw evil taking over, they would stand up for what is right.

We need to realize that there is a Church whether or not there is a church building. Those of us who have surrendered our lives to Jesus, live in relationship with one another, and long to bring God's reality into our reality are the Church. If a storm came into town next week and destroyed our church buildings, as we have seen happen throughout this nation this year, we would still have the Church. We would just no longer have church buildings. That's a huge difference. One that we would benefit to realize without the destruction of our church building.

When we realize that the building is only a tool, it should help us to bring about God's will in our lives and in our communities. If our building is not doing that, it should be discarded or reinvented. My father-in-law collects a lot of old tools. Many of the tools have been supplanted by tools that are more useful at getting the job done faster and more accurately. Other old tools stand the test of time. When a tool loses its usefulness, we replace it. It's almost too obvious to write, but a tool is only as useful as its usefulness.

So what makes the church

building a useful tool? If it is not being used as a missions center, then it is not a useful tool. If we are too worried about it looking spotless that we cannot use it to love the poor, then we have fallen in love with the tool rather than its intended purpose. If we spend all of our finances on the tool rather than on its purpose, then it has become an idol. If we think that going and looking at the tool is our purpose, then we have lost our focus on Jesus. We need to never keep a tool after it has lost its usefulness, even if the nostalgia of the tool makes us more comfortable. That's not the purpose of a tool. A tool's purpose is to help get a job done.

Church is not a building. It is not a Sunday service. If you took those things away, would you still be part of a church? Or would your church experience disappear? If it would disappear, then the stark reality of your church life is that you are not currently part of the Church. You are just part of a social, or anti-social, meeting that happens on Sunday mornings. You are just going to church when God wants you to be the Church. God has so much more in store for you. May you find the strength to go after His will. The world would benefit from a Batman, Superman, or Wonder Woman, but they are just pretend. It is time to stop pretending. What the world really needs is you, empowered by the grace of God through Jesus. That is the tool that will make a difference.

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

NAMI JUNE MEETING SCHEDULED

The monthly Support Group meeting of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 20th. Meetings, which are open to the public, are held at the Challenged Higher Club's Drop-In Center located at 407 N. Franklin Street in Van Wert.

This month family members and friends are encouraged to attend and bring along something for the carry-in dinner and evening of friendship. Meat, beverages and table service will be provided.

NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness. Members engage in advocacy, research, support and education to irradiate the "stigma" of brain disorders which affect 1 in every 4 families across the country. Once the illness is accepted and proper help obtained, life is greatly approved for all concerned.

To learn more about NAMI and the disorders, log onto www.nami.org. The NAMI Helpline may be reached at 1-800-959-6264. The local affiliate is available at nami-vw@roadrunner.com. Or, by phone at 800-541-6264.

BOOKMOBILE BEGINS YEAR-ROUND WEEKLY SCHEDULE

The Paulding County Carnegie Library (PCCL) will begin a year-round schedule on June 20, 2011. This weekly schedule will include locations throughout the county that are not currently served by a branch library and locations where residents may not easily travel to a library. The schedule may be modified during the year to accommodate changing needs and service stops may be added or dropped depending on patron demand. The Bookmobile will adhere to weather-related school closings; however, when there is a fog delay, the Bookmobile may still operate, as the schedule begins in the afternoon. The schedule will run Monday through Thursday, with Friday being a day to restock and fill requests. While in operation, or "on the road" the onboard phone number for the Bookmobile is 419-670-3761. Otherwise, requests and questions may be directed to the Bookmobile Headquarters at the main library in Paulding at 419-399-2032.

You must have a library card from the PCCL system (branches and/or main library) to borrow materials from the Bookmobile. If you do not have a library card, you may receive one onboard the Bookmobile. Simply bring a photo ID and proof of address. Parents and/or guardians of minor children (under 18) may apply for a library card for their child. All books checked out from any library location (including the Bookmobile) may be returned to any other PCCL location. Patrons may request books from other libraries (inter-library loan) or via their home computers (Moving Ohio Resources Everywhere M.O.R.E.) and have them delivered to any location on the Bookmobile schedule. The Bookmobile will have a computer onboard for public use, loaded with the latest Microsoft Office programs and connected to the Internet. There may be time limits set if people are waiting to use this computer.

The Bookmobile carries items that can be found in any public library, including: biographies, inspirational titles, large print, paperbacks, music CDs, bestsellers and new books, PlayAways, books recorded on CD, movies on DVD, adult fiction and non-fiction, children's fiction and non-fiction, picture books, board books and titles for young adults. A selection of magazines is also available for loan.

Bookmobile Manager, Janel McMaster and Driver, Bryon Stoller, look forward to welcoming patrons at the following Bookmobile service stops, beginning June 20, 2011.

- Mondays:
 - 9:30-10:15 - Country Inn;
 - 10:30-11:15 - Dallas Lamb;
 - 1:00-1:45 - The Gardens
- Tuesdays:
 - 2:30-3:00 - Scott: Area Lions Club;
 - 3:15-4:15 - Haviland: Community Park on SR 114;
 - 4:30-6:00 - Latty: Town Hall;
 - 6:15-6:45 - Bri-ceton: TBA
- Wednesdays:

90TH BIRTHDAY & 65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FOR CHARLES & EMMA GRIMES



Charles (Jim) Grimes will be celebrating his 90th birthday June 18, 2011. He and his wife, Emma, (Louise) will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary June 7, 2011.

The couple have eight children: Ronald of New Castle, IN, Marjorie (Jack) Spangler of Jacksonville, FL, Rachel Jeanne (Gary) Wagner of Oakwood, Diane Halaska of Tehachapi, CA, Denise

(Larry) Derge of Ayresville, OH; David of Defiance, Randal (Debra) of Paulding, and Roger (dec.). They have 19 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Their children are hosting a party for family and friends at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall in Oakwood on Saturday June 18, 2011 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Please no gifts, just come and fellowship with them.

- 2:30-3:00 - Mandale: Church of Christ on SR 66;
 - 3:45-5:45 - Grover Hill: Elementary School;
 - 6:00-6:30 - Melrose: United Methodist Church;
 - 6:45-7:15 - Broughton: Across from the Town Hall
- Thursdays:
- 2:30-3:00 - Arthur: Bethel Christian Church;
 - 3:15-4:30 - Junction: Junction Community Center;
 - 4:45-6:00 - Cecil: Southside of the Fire House;
 - 6:15-6:45 - Manor House (Antwerp)

[Every other Thursday beginning June 30th]

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John, Heather & David

“Caring for the Caregiver”

Who can come?

Anyone who has a family member or friend whose life is affected by alzheimers/dementia and also those who have cared for someone who has had alzheimers/dementia that would be willing to share their experiences that may help someone else through a difficult time.

What is it about?

This is a support group for those in our community who care for or have a loved one with alzheimers/dementia by helping to educate and create community awareness and support.

Where?

At the Antwerp Community Church located at 704 S. Erie St., Antwerp, OH
(Follow State Route 49 through downtown Antwerp is just before the new 24)

When?

June 17th, 2011 at 3:30 p.m.

Hosted By:

The Antwerp Community Church

Special Guest: Dr John Gibson RN, PhD

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at Grant's Reception Hall

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On Tuesday, June 7th, I had the pleasure of taking 89 8th grade students from Paulding Middle School to Cedar Point. I want to express how proud of them and of the 19 wonderful parent chaperones. Many times middle school students are thought to be in that crucial stage where everything and everybody does not give them the credit they deserve. That was not the case here. These 89 students were extremely well behaved and very respectful to the bus drivers, chaperones, the Cedar Point employees and myself. I am proud of all of you. We had a fantastic, hot day.

—Dave Stallkamp,
Principal, Paulding Middle School

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ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2011

Defiance County:

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 in Arthur will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for drainage repair. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 500/Ohio 613 in the Village of Payne is now open.

Ohio 613 in the Village of Melrose closed June 9 for three days for a railroad crossing upgrade. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 66, Ohio 637 back to Ohio 613. Work is being performed by Road Safe Traffic.

Ohio 111 from Ohio 49 to south of Antwerp restricted to one lane through the work zone for pavement repairs. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

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THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Steiner

After a nice break for vacation at the beach, a true health concern seemed to be presenting itself everywhere. Sunscreen. It has only been around 50ish years and its come a long way from the thick, goopy white paste slathered across the lifeguard's nose. With over two million people being diagnosed with skin cancer each year, it is no surprise that a massive consumer market for the product has sprung up. Now people are left puzzling the wide array of sun care products available along with all the myths related to sun damage.

Many people hear that the majority (80%) of sun damage is done in the childhood years making it pointless to begin worrying about it later in life. According to a 2003 FDA study however, that is a myth. They state that only about 25% of sun damage occurs during childhood and adolescence and the group that gets the most exposure? Men over 40. Considering how much the life expectancy has risen over the past few decades makes it even more important that we continue to protect ourselves no matter how old we are.

The best sunscreens cover both UVB rays which are the ones that penetrate the outer layers of the skin leaving visible burns and both UVA1 and UVA2 rays which are cancer causing solar rays which penetrate more deeply. Make sure your sunscreen blocks all three types and does not say something vague like "broad spectrum". Look for an SPF of at least 30 and one that contains zinc oxide which blocks both UVA1 and UVA2 rays. Keep in mind that the term "waterproof" means it will last up to 80 minutes and "water resistant" will only last up to 40 so make sure you re-apply often. Also, there is no need to shell out extra money for the highest SPF number. An SPF 30 blocks 97% of rays while an SPF 50 only blocks 98%.

With Vitamin D making a big splash in the health community over the last few years, it almost seems like we should be embracing the sun and all of the benefits we are told it supplies. We now know that it promotes calcium absorption, boosts immunity and helps with inflammation. So why slather on the sunscreen and mess with a good thing? The danger of getting skin cancer is bigger than the risk of developing a Vitamin D deficiency from the use of sunscreen. Since sunscreens block most, but not all light, it does not shut down Vitamin D production entirely.

Being the nut that I am

in regards to chemicals and yucky additives in the food and products my family uses, I began making my own sunscreen this year. And after two weeks of pure sun time, I can personally vouch that it works great, holds up in the water, nourishes the skin and is baby friendly. Here is my simple four ingredient sunscreen which delivers an SPF of 30:

Mix 4 oz. (8 1/2 TB) of oil (I used a combination of olive and coconut because that is all I had on hand), and 1 1/2 oz. (3 grated TB) beeswax on the stove until the wax is melted. Remove from heat and add 4 oz. (1/2 C) distilled water, and mix with electric mixer until thick and smooth. Add 2 TB zinc oxide powder and pour into glass jar and allow to set. You could also add some essential oils for fragrance if desired as I threw in some lavender and was quite pleased with the results. Beeswax should be available through our friends, the Atkin's family, who own Sweet To The Soul Honey right off of 127 outside Paulding.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/9/11

This 9th day of May, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:

Warrants documented as 177035 through 178133 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on April 27, 2011, Warrant numbers 177519 through 177813 totaling \$152,725.22, and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as sub-

mitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 4, 2011, Warrant numbers 177826 through 177986 totaling \$17,380.88, and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

Mr. Jim Machock and Ms. Carrie Briggs from Wells Fargo Insurance Services met with the Insurance Committee to present renewal data. Present at the meeting were: Ann Pease, Corey Walker, Marsha Yeutter, Michelle Stahl, Claudia Fickel, Carol Temple, Tim Franklin, Marsha Yeutter, Melinda Kausar, and Lou Ann Wannemacher. Mr. Machock distributed various reports for review. Mr. Machock began the meeting by reviewing ten months of activity as well as projected twelve month numbers for coverage year ending May 31, 2011. Mr. Machock reported the county currently has 41 enrollees on the single plan, with 29 having family coverage, for a total of 128 insured members. He then reviewed the Executive Summary. Mr. Machock reported a projected total employer plan cost of \$647,922.60 for coverage year ending May 31, 2011. Mr. Machock noted three federal mandates as a result of health care reform: 1) Dependent children will be covered until age 26, unless eligible for another group sponsored health plan, through their employer or their spouses employer; 2) Lifetime maximum will become unlimited, with a \$1,000,000.00 annual maximum; and 3) Preventative Care will remove all plan year maximums, and will cover all US Preventative Services Task Force A and B recommended services. Several options for a renewal plan were discussed. It was agreed by all to implement Option C for coverage year June 1, 2011, through May 31, 2012. Plan C raises the maximum out of pocket for both single and family coverage and also raises the co-pay for retail drugs on Tiers 2 and 3, while incorporating coverage for the federal mandates. Premiums for both the single and family plan will increase slightly. Mr. Machock reminded the committee that open enrollment is the

month of May, with the new plan effective June 1, 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE INSURANCE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL PLAN:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby accept the Insurance Committee's recommendation to implement Option C as presented by Jim Machock of Wells Fargo Insurance Services for coverage period beginning June 1, 2011, through May 31, 2012; and the new employee deductions will be \$116.35 for a single plan per pay period and \$289.16 for a family plan per pay period.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Jim Machock and Carrie Briggs of Wells Fargo Insurance Services presented renewal options to the Commissioners and the Insurance Committee (see notes and resolution above).

Claudia Fickel, County Auditor; and Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Fickel and Ms. Wannemacher met with the Commissioners to discuss the various notes the County holds. Time line for the jail bond was also reviewed. Ms. Wannemacher suggested creating a bond retirement fund to better track the bond activity.

AWARDS PRESENTED AT WOODLAN'S ANNUAL BASEBALL BANQUET

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan handed out baseball awards at their annual baseball banquet held in the Woodlan Auditorium. Jason Maier picked up his 4th letter, Evan Powell and Nathan Wiedemann earned their 3rd letters, second letters went to Ryan Rickert, Payton Spencer, Chapin Wentz, Zach Schwartz, Cody Waterman, and Colby Kirkwood. First year letter winners were JT Rogers, Jason Price, Cody Zink, Brad Barker, and Garrett Van Brocklin.

Other Awards handed out:

- Most Improved Player - Cody Zink
- Defensive Player of the Year - Evan Powell
- Offensive Player of the Year - Jason Maier
- Mental Attitude winner - JT Rogers
- Most Valuable Pitcher - Zach Schwartz
- Team MVP - Jason Maier
- Academic All-Conference - Payton Spencer, Evan Powell, Nathan Wiedemann
- ACAC All-Conference 1st team - Zach Schwartz, Jason Maier
- ACAC All-Conference 2nd team - Jason Price, Evan Powell

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BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL: CHAPTER 10

By: Stan Jordan

We arrived at Ft. Bridger on the afternoon of November 15th. Slim Martin had all the wagons form a circle and he would give everyone directions what to do and when.

He told us it is late and if you need leaves for your mattress, you should get them before the snow comes.

If you are going to move on to Oregon or California you should put your wagon and belongings over in one of the designated areas.

If you are going to winter here at Bridger, there are a number of things to get done before the bad weather comes. Go in and sign up for a shelter. Dig and move your personal latrine or toilet. Cut a dozen cords of fire wood. Go out and kill enough bear, buffalo, prairie chicken and all types of game to last all winter.

Over the years people had built some small shelters and then left them as is. If you could get one of those you have a lot of repairing to do to make it through until spring.

The cabin mom and dad have picked out and cleaned is well made with a good roof

and a dirt floor. It is 12'x20' with a stone fireplace at one end. Somebody spent many hours building this cabin and he done it right.

Mom and Dad brought in their double bed and they are at one end of the cabin. The girls each have a mattress cover filled with leaves and they sleep on the floor up next to the folks' double bed, they also have bearskins for warmth. That left about nine feet for the kitchen table and the cooking area and storage and anything else.

Dad and I and the girls took the canvas cover off the big wagon which is 16 feet. We put the canvas on the north wall and it left about four feet that we had to mix mud and straw and reink the cracks between the logs. The canvas off the small wagon will completely cover the west end of the cabin and we will not have to fill in any cracks to keep the cold out, and there will be a lot of cold wind and snow as we are at 6,100 feet elevation.

We moved our privy to a new place and we made it wind-proof and tied a rope from the toilet to the back door in case of a blizzard or bad wind storm.

Jim Bridger has agreed to let Mom have a fall celebration. In the east they called it a Harvest Celebration that started in 1621. After a few years the Puritans called it Thanksgiving. We will have a big carry-in dinner in the big room at the fort headquarters. I think it was agreed the last Thursday in November. That will be a week from today. That will be November 27, 1848. So far all of us on wagon train number 11 have lots to be thankful for.

Dad and I went hunting

today and Dad shot a big elk. We had to drag it back to the fort with one of the mules. Jim Bridger knew all about skinning an elk. Jim remarked that all game was plentiful this fall. We feel we have a good supply for the winter.

The fort is bustling with activity for the big Harvest Dinner. There will be meat and even baked goods. When more than two American women get together, they always plan a big dinner and it has been awhile since they had one.

We have been here a couple of days and we are getting accustomed to this life and area.

We all generally go to the big room and talk after supper. Some of the folks play Euchre or Pinochle and just pass the time and talk about their children and grandchildren.

Slim Martin had a long talk with Mom and Mom told me all about it.

Slim asked Mom if I could work for him for the next two years as a driver and handy man with the horses going from Independence, Missouri to Fort Bridger while I am 16 and 17 years old, the next two summers.

He told her, and she knew that I don't want to go to Oregon or Washington and raise fruit and grapes! He told her that he could get me into the New Calvary when I am 17. Now real quick he told her that I would become an officer, but not a line officer. He said that I am smart enough to go to West Point, but not as a soldier, he wants me to go to Doctor of Veterinary Medicine School. He told her that I have a way with horses and mules and that I would be a good fellow for that field.

I guess Mom talked to Dad and they thought that would be alright, if it was what I wanted. Well it is what I want to do, Slim never came right out and asked me to work for him, but I want to and I am excited about all of it.

I have a lot to do here at Fort Bridger before we leave for the east.

My folks are top-notch people. Mom can do anything from bake and sew to teach school, play the organ, and she is very good at medicine and broken bones, even with a screw driver and a wrench.

I will miss them when they turn and go north on the Oregon Trail, but that will be next spring. I will sleep over at the folks' cabin until Slim, El Paso Sam and I head back east after the first of the year to bring back a wagon train out of Independence, Missouri.

We could run into a lot of bad weather on that trip. I'm anxious to go.

Next week: Big news out of California!

See ya!

GANGSTER AND BAD GUY NICKNAMES

By: Stan Jordan

Over the years of my writing about criminals and good guys, here are some of the nicknames that I have ran into: Baby Face Nelson, Pretty Boy Floyd, Scar Face, Machine Gun Kelly, Bonnie & Clyde, Ma Barker, Roger 'Terrible Toughy', 'Jelly' Nash, Annie Oakley, Phoebe Ann Mosey, Curly Bill Brocius, 'Bugsy' Segal, 'Long Hair' Jim Courtright - Ft. Worth Marshall, Wild Bill Hickock,

Mysterious Dave Mather, Little Bill Raidler, Machine Gun McGurn, Dan 'Dynamite Dick' Clifton, George 'Red Buck' Waightman, Richard 'Little Dick' West, 'Turkey Creek' Jack Johnson, Texas Jack Vermillion, 'Big Nose' Kate, Buckskin Frank Leslie, 'Three Fingers' Brown, Deacon Jim Miller, Cherokee Bill, Rattle Snake Dick, and Black Jack Ketchum.

This list of names, bad and good, are a part of U.S. History. In 50 or 60 years there will be a list of new names that we'll relive when we talk about 'back in the day'.

See ya!



We purchased an old home in Northern New York State from two elderly sisters. Winter was fast approaching and I was concerned about the house's lack of insulation. "If they could live here all those years, so can we!" my husband declared.

One November night the temperature plunged to below zero and we woke up to find interior walls covered with frost. My husband called the sisters to ask how they had kept the house warm. After a rather brief conversation, he hung up. "For the past 30 years," he muttered, "they've gone to Florida for the winter."

See ya!

ICON CONSTRUCTION EXPANDS WITH OPENING OF BRANCH OFFICE IN OHIO

Icon Construction is pleased to announce the opening of a new branch office in Antwerp, OH. The move allows Icon to further its reach and explore new business opportunities in the Midwest. The new Antwerp, OH location joins other Icon Construction offices in Durant, OK and McKinney, TX. "For years, Icon has enjoyed successfully completing projects from coast-to-coast and border-to-border. Our new office in Antwerp will allow us to further our goal of becoming one of the most successful and well respected modular building manufacturers in the United States," said company President James B. Bell, III. In addition, Icon is pleased to announce the hiring of Rachel Schwartz who will serve as Branch Manager of the new Antwerp office.

Icon Construction is a SBA 8(a), HUBZone, Veteran and Native American owned factory-direct modular building manufacturer. The corporate headquarters are in McKinney, TX. Icon also has its own state-of-the-art 65,000 sq. ft. manufacturing plant in Durant, OK. Icon Construction employs more than 60 people between its three locations. Icon specializes in the design/build of modular buildings for a wide variety of customers in both the public and private sector. Icon has successfully completed projects for the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines as well as other government agencies including the National Parks Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. These projects included barracks, dental clin-

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include designing and manufacturing the buildings, performing all of the necessary site-work, delivery to the site and all of the final set-up and cleaning. Bell added, "Our successful cradle-to-grave business model positions Icon as one of the industry leaders. And adding Ms. Schwartz to our already outstanding team of men and women, plus the addition of our new office in Antwerp means Icon Construction will continue offering the highest quality modular building solutions well into the future."

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/25/11

This 25th day of May, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, and Joan Tope, Assistant Clerk; Absent: Fred Pieper

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 178435 through 178543 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRI-COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (ADAMHS) BOARD:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Gary Adkins, 1035 West Wayne Street, Paulding, OH 45879, to serve as board member of the Tri-County Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board, and said term begins July 1, 2011, and will expire June 30, 2015.

IN THE MATTER OF SIGNING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES SUBGRANT AGREEMENT WITH PAULDING COUNTY CSEA:

Amended Substitute House Bill 119 of the 127th General Assembly, the biennial budget bill, makes counties subgrantees of federal human services funding; and in order for counties to continue to receive human services funding through the state, and continue to provide the vital services needed by Ohio's most vulnerable population, the counties must sign these subgrant agreements; and the subgrant agreement includes language to help ensure counties remain in compliance with federal and state law, such as provisions that require ODJFS to provide technical assistance, training, and monitoring to counties. The Board of County Commis-

sioners agrees to enter into the ODJFS Subcontract Agreement G-1213-11-0095, effective July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2013, by signing the same on this date.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO A COST PER COPY MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT FOR PAULDING COUNTY OFFICES:

The Board of County Commissioners agrees to enter into an agreement with Perry Corporation to furnish all parts, labor, travel, and supplies (with the exception of paper and staples), for three Konica Minolta 200 w RADE, Finisher machines, in exchange for a total copy/print agreement for copies/prints imaged on said equipment, owned by Perry Corporation.

IN THE MATTER OF A CHANGE IN THE COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE DISABILITY LEAVE POLICY:

The Paulding County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the change in the employee disability leave continuation coverage policy as recommended by Mr. Jim Machock, Wells Fargo Insurance Services.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:15 a.m. with the Prosecuting Attorney to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 11:26 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

This 25th day of May, the Board of County Commissioners; Tony Zartman and Tony Burkley, met with the following members of the Audit Committee: Carol Temple, County Recorder; Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; Claudia Fickel, County Auditor; and Tiffany Beckman, Common Pleas Judge.

The Permissive Sales Tax Revenue and Motor Vehicle Tax reports for May, 2011, were distributed for review. Sales tax revenue was up from April, 2011, by \$10,098.03 and, up from May, 2010, by \$22,991.99. The May, 2011, total was up \$16,499.94 from the three year monthly average for the month of May. Vehicle tax collected was \$41,979.00 for the month of May, 2011, which is included in the total sales tax figures.

The General Fund Receipts and Expenses Reports for April, 2011, were presented as prepared by the Auditor's Office. General fund receipts of \$291,974.51 were down from March by \$697,401.16. April, 2011, general fund receipts were up from April, 2010, by \$3,057.66. April, 2011, receipts were up \$10,269.03 from the three-year average for April. General Fund expenses for April were up \$203,637.33 from March, 2011, expenses; and were up \$124,179.51 from April, 2010. April expenses were up \$92,408.70 from the three-year average for March.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be June 29, 2011.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Robert Brunswick, Perry Corporation - Mr. Brunswick presented agreement for copiers (see resolution above).

Tony Langham, Paulding County Economic Development - Ms. Langham met with the Commissioners to discuss the Revolving Loan Fund as possible funding for the Cecil Sewer Study for US 24 and US 127 development.

Marsha Yeutter, Paulding County Senior Center - Ms. Yeutter met briefly with the Commissioners to discuss the application for the United Way Grant.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/16/11

This 16th day of May, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Tony Burkley

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 178177 through 178243 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

Meeting Notes of Appointments: Board of Revisions hearings were held all day in the Commissioners' chamber.

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KELLER TAKES HOME AWARD



Woodlan Senior Grace Keller took home the State IHSAA Mental Attitude Award at the State Softball Tournament for the school in her name. She was nominated by school officials and selected by IHSAA. Indiana Farm Bureau sponsored the scholarship. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

FARMERS ASKED TO CONTACT LAWMAKERS IN SUPPORT OF EXPORTS

OFBF Ohio farm exports are forecast to increase by \$55 million dollars per year if Congress passes three pending free trade agreements (FTAs). The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation (OFBF) is encouraging farmers to visit its online Public Policy Action Center to contact Ohio's Senators and Representatives and ask for their support of this important issue. The address is <http://bit.ly/ofbfttrade>.

Free trade agreements with Columbia, Panama and Korea have been stalled in Washington while competitive exporting nations are capturing those markets. Passage of the three FTAs

would benefit Ohio farmers through increased exports of corn, wheat, soybeans, beef, pork, poultry, dairy and other farm products. Conversely, non-passage of the three agreements could result in Ohioans losing more than \$27 million in sales.

Ohio workers also will gain from passage of the FTAs. Ohio is an export-dependent state with more than 283,000 jobs tied to selling products abroad. Ohio's exports last year totaled \$41.4 billion, a 21.5 percent increase over 2009. Agricultural products are among Ohio's top exports.

To contact lawmakers and encourage passage of the Columbia, Panama and Korea free trade agreements, visit <http://bit.ly/ofbfttrade>.

STATEMENT FROM STATE SENATOR CLIFF HITE ON PASSAGE OF STATE BUDGET

State Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) issued the following statement regarding the Ohio Senate's passage of House Bill 153, the state's operating budget:

"The budget passed by the Senate reduces government spending and eliminates a multi-billion dollar shortfall, all without raising taxes on Ohio families. From the outset, my colleagues and I have been committed to crafting a fiscally-responsible budget that protects vital services and encourages job creation and economic development, and I believe we have achieved that goal.

"I am proud of the fact that our proposal includes an additional \$115 million for school funding over the next two years, and guarantees that no public school district will receive less state aid than they are currently receiving (excluding federal stimulus funding). We have also provided incentives that reward high-performing districts and included scholarship funding for students with special needs.

"The Senate also placed a high priority on making our state an attractive place for businesses to locate and create jobs, including tax credits that encourage community revitalization and job retention by employers currently located in Ohio. Additionally, I was able to receive support for an amendment that extends the window of time in which companies seeking to build renewable energy facilities in Ohio may pay an annual fee in lieu of property taxes. This extension will help to ensure that these projects locate here in our state, creating jobs and making Ohio a leader in the renewable energy industry."

Be sure to tell the businesses you patronize, that you saw their ad in the West Bend News.

"CAPS FOR A CURE" INSPIRE WOODBURN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

On June 4-5 for 24 hours at Woodlan High School hundreds were involved in something special called Relay for Life. This 24 hour event, which is a nationwide event, held by the American Cancer Society, is a celebration of life, memories, and in honor of those whose lives have been touched by cancer. One of "Team Believe" goals was to have at least one member on the track at all times, because we know that "cancer" never sleeps.

Woodburn Elementary joined "Team Believe" teammates: Heidy Stoller, Pam Huth, Jodi Parisot, Jennifer Vardaman, Stephanie Coomer, Gina Philpot in the fund-raising fight against cancer. On Tuesday, May 24, the school hosted "Caps for a Cure". Students donated \$1.00 and were allowed to wear their favorite hat in school for the day. Woodburn Elementary students donated \$98.00.

FIRST HEATWAVE OF 2011 & CLIMATOLOGICAL COMPARISONS

By: Josh Steiner

Last week, we had very hot weather from an expansive heat wave encompassed over half of the nation, becoming the first major heat wave of 2011. Starting on Memorial Day, record high temperatures have been broken across almost every state east of the Intermountain West. Some of the records include Houston, TX—all-time hottest June temperature of 104 and earliest 100 degree temperature on record; Colorado Springs, CO—record high June temperature of 102; Minneapolis, MN's second hottest June temperature on record of 103 and the hottest temperature in the Twin Cities since July 31, 1988. Cities such as New Orleans, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, and New York City all set record high

temperatures as well. While the heat wave was going on across the eastern and central United States, waves of low pressure continually moved up and over the ridge of high pressure, causing heavy rain and severe weather across Montana and Wyoming. Due to the heavy rain and the recent heavy rain before that, major and widespread flooding is occurring across these states. Along the edges of the heat wave, severe weather occurred almost every single day across parts of the Northern Plains, the Western Great Lakes, and New England.

The heat wave began when a ridge of high pressure started expanding from the south on May 25, while a stationary front caused extremely heavy rainfall and severe weather across Northwest Ohio and Northeast Indiana. This ridge caused extremely hot weather with widespread 90's and 100's across Alabama and Mississippi. After a cold front moved through the Ohio Valley, dropping temperatures to much below normal levels on May 27. By the next day, another warm front moved northward into the Ohio Valley and central plains, causing an MCS (Mesoscale Convective System) to form and move into northern Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, while temperatures were rising into the 70's across areas that were hit by the MCS. By May 28, the warm front had lifted north of our area, allowing temperatures to rise into the mid-80's across a good chunk of the counties in Northern Indiana's county warning area (CWA), including Paulding County. By late afternoon, due to increased wind shear directional wind shear along the warm front, a large line of severe thunderstorms developed in Illinois and raced through Chicago bringing damaging winds, tornadoes, and large hail to large portions of northern Illinois. Because of the line of severe storms moving into our CWA, the National Weather Service in Northern Indiana issued a Tornado Watch for our area with an elevated threat for large tornadoes. The line of storms moved north of Paulding County, causing widespread wind damage with several tornadoes confirmed. On Memorial Day, the ridge of high pressure expanded from the South and into the Northern Plains and Midwest, sending temperatures around here into the lower 90's. The National Weather Service had said several days that temperatures could have been in the mid- to upper-90's, but the ground was too wet for it to get that hot. The next day the ridge expanded even more causing temperatures to jump back up to the lower 90's before a cold front moved through that night. Temperatures fell into the mid-80's on June 1, as a result of the Bermuda Ridge contracting back into the Deep South, keeping the 90's and 100's south of our area. Over the next two days, temperatures were consistent in the upper-70's and lower-80's, before hitting the upper-90's on June 4. After a cold front moved on Saturday, bringing with it widespread showers and thunderstorms, temperatures "cooled" down to the upper-80's across the area. Once again on June 6, the ridge in

the South expanded north and west into the Northern Plains, Northern Rockies, and Central Plains, bringing temperatures past the 100 degree mark as far north as northern Iowa. In Northwest Ohio, temperatures almost hit 90 in many places on Monday. By Tuesday, the entire area officially hit at least 92, with Antwerp having its first official 100 degree day since July 30, 1999, while Fort Wayne had

Upcoming
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Forecast

Wed, June 15 - Showers High 74° - Low 59°	
Thu, June 16 - Isol T-Storms Hi 78° - Low 60°	
Fri, June 17 - Partly Cloudy High 78° - Low 63°	
Sat, June 18 - Scatt T-Storms High 81° - Low 64°	
Sun, June 19 - Isol T-Storms High 86° - Low 66°	
Mon, June 20 - Partly Cloudy High 91° - Low 69°	
Tue, June 21 - Sunny, High 85° - Low 69°	

ties its record high temperature of 97 degrees, which was set in 1933. Upper-90's were also common place for a second day on Wednesday after morning lows in the mid- to upper-70's area wide. If it was not for thunderstorms early Thursday morning, morning lows would have been in the lower-80's also. On Thursday, temperatures only made it to the low- to mid-80's by the early evening hours. Some places near Lake Michigan, dropped almost 50 degrees from Wednesday to Thursday, mainly because of a strong cold front, a lake breeze front, and heavy rain, dropping the temperatures from the upper-90's to the upper-40's. Also on Thursday, the center of the heat had shifted eastward into the I-95 corridor, with record highs being set in New York City, Philadelphia, and Washington D.C.; both Philadelphia and Washington D.C. hit at least 100 degrees. Due to the intense heat and strong cold front, several intense lines of severe thunderstorms developed over the Northeast and caused wind damage and hail reports. As of the time I am writing this article on June 10, the ridge of high pressure that caused the heat wave has again shrunk back into the South, for an extended stay down there.

With all of the heat for the last half of May and the first eight days of June, I have been researching how record breaking this heat has been. I have found that so far in June we are almost 10 degrees above average, and that this is one of the warmest beginning of June on record. We have also broken at least three records that were set in June 1933, which was one of the hottest years on record at Fort Wayne. There were several other years that had hot late Mays/early Junes: 1841, 1865, 1871, 1874, 1895, 1911, 1925, 1933, 1942, 1963, and 1988. Most of these years ended up with very hot summers and drought conditions by early fall.

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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HICKSVILLE GARDEN CLUB PREPARES FOR WALK

The La Fleur de Terre Garden Club of Hicksville will hold their biennial garden walk on Saturday, June 25, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The walk will commence at the Huber Opera House, 157 E. High St. The tour will showcase five residential gardens as well as gardens at the Johnson Memorial Library, 116 W. High St, and Hicksville Exempted Village Schools, 958 E. High St. Light refreshments will be served at each garden.

Tickets are available for purchase the day of the event at the Huber Opera House. Advance ticket purchases can be made at Dave Brown Designs at 11907 State Route 2, Hicksville.

A raffle will be held the day of the garden walk. The Weary Gardener's Spa Day raffle includes a complete make-over with a hair styling, manicure and more at Shear Headlines, 156 E. High St. and one-hour therapeutic massage with Christy Merrifield at Fountain City Chiropractic Center, 1525 W. High St., Bryan.

Participants of the garden walk are invited to vote for the best container garden on display at the Huber Opera House. The People's Choice will be awarded for Best Container Garden the day of the event.

For more information on the La Fleur de Terre Garden Club Walk or to schedule an interview, please contact Bobbi Sinn at 419-542-7481 or boakland113@defnet.com.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/16/11

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Ray DeLong. Council persons present: Mike Rees, Rudie Reeb, Steve Derck, Karen Lee, Larry Ryan and council president Jan Reeb. Also in attendance at the meeting: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Administrator Sara Keeran, Police Chief George Clemens and Fiscal Officer Loretta Baker. Media: Peter Greer from Defiance Crescent. Visitor: Darlene Merriman, EMS billing clerk.

The minutes from the regular council meeting held April 18, 2011, were reviewed.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept the minutes from April council meeting. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The April disbursements were reviewed.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb to approve the April reconciliation report. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Fiscal officer report: Fiscal officer Baker informed council of the completion of the 2009-2010 audit. The audit was emailed to each council member or a hard copy was provided to council members at the council meeting. Any questions regarding the audit can be directed to Fiscal Officer Baker.

Per the auditor office's suggestion, the EMS checking account has been closed and these funds have been moved to the village account. Fiscal Officer Baker asked for a motion to approve the closing of the account and deposit of funds into the village account.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Derck to approve the closing of the EMS checking account and transfer these funds totaling \$24,030.74 to the EMS fund of the village account, effective as of April 18, 2011. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Fiscal Officer Baker has requested the auditor to approve the establishment of the new fund for the Veterans' Memorial monies, and there has been no notice yet regarding the status of such request.

**Baker gave 3rd reading of resolution 2011-06: a resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb to accept resolution 2011-06. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read ordinance 2011-12: an ordinance authorizing the village fiscal officer to transfer funds to the water fund in the amount of \$20,000.00 and declare the same to be an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-12. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to accept ordinance 2011-12. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read ordinance 2011-13: an ordinance amending the official zoning map of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, to rezone certain lots adjacent to South Erie Street in the Village of Antwerp from single family district

(r-1) or multiple family district (r-2) to business district (b-1), and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-13. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept ordinance 2011-13. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read ordinance 2011-14: an ordinance amending section 7 of ordinance no. 2009-27, which ordinance amended ordinance no. 2000-08, providing for the demolition of insecure and unsafe buildings located in the Village of Antwerp, Ohio; and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Derck, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding ordinance 2011-14. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Derck to accept ordinance 2011-14. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Administrator Keeran explained the following four resolutions to council. These resolutions were received in the mail today, May 16, 2011, along with contracts from ODOT for the railroad depot project and they must be returned to ODOT no later than May 29, 2011:

**Baker read resolution 2011-08: final resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for the general portion of the railroad depot project identified herein, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding resolution 2011-08. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept resolution 2011-08. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read resolution 2011-09: final resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for the mechanical portion of the railroad depot project identified herein, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding resolution 2011-09. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to accept resolution 2011-09. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read resolution 2011-10: final resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for the plumbing portion of the railroad depot project identified herein, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Rudie Reeb to suspend the rules regarding resolution 2011-10. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb to accept resolution 2011-10. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

**Baker read resolution 2011-11: final resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract for the electrical portion of the railroad depot project identified herein, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding resolution 2011-11. 6 years, 0 nays, motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb to accept resolution 2011-11. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Fiscal officer Baker asked for council's approval to pay the Public Entities Pool (PEP) invoice for the village liability insurance. Last year's invoice was \$21,354.23 and this year's invoice is \$20,822.01.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Jan Reeb to pay the PEP insurance invoice for 2011. 6 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Administrator's report: A \$100.00 donation was received from George Forrest for Riverside Park. A crabapple tree will be planted near the Vets' Memorial using this donation.

The Rib Fest is planned for June 11th. Rib vendors will be serving between the VFW Hall and the Fire Hall from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Village wide clean up will be held June 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Flyers are posted in town and available at town hall listing items that are and are not accepted.

Tall grass/junk vehicle notices are being sent. Residents should make sure their lots are mowed even if the house is unoccupied.

Residents are reminded not to sweep or blow grass clippings into the streets. This will plug village catch basins during heavy rains.

Hydrant flushing in the village is continuing. Notices have been placed in the West Bend for the past three weeks.

Mark Greenwood will cut down dead ash trees at Riverside Park. The village has advertised that the wood would be available to be cut up and taken out of the park on Saturday May 21, 2011. The village will have a chipper for branches which will be operated by Goliath Tree Service. Mark will have the Boy Scouts come out to park the next week and clean up any remaining branches.

There will be a notice in the West Bend asking for interest in the community garden. If there is enough interest, the village will pursue the tilling of this lot.

Police Report:

Chief Clemens gave the April report showing 123 calls for service with 78 offenses.

Chief Clemens noted that all residents, when they see something suspicious, should notify the police department immediately.

EMS report:

Randy Shaffer provided written report showing 14 total runs from April 16 to May 14.

EMS billing clerk Merriman reported deposits for March of \$3,410.34 and deposits for April of \$8,230.88. Write offs for 2011 so far are \$3,790.25, mainly Medicaid related. Keybridge collection has been notified of the termination of their services by written correspondence from Merriman.

Committee reports:

Finance committee met on May 9th on the topic of street repair budget. The village has been informed it will receive issue II money for repaving W. Daggett Street this summer. Estimated total cost of this project is \$146,150. Issue II money will fund half of this project or \$73,075 as a grant and the remaining \$73,075 will be a 20-year zero percent loan of annual payments to OPWC of \$3,652.75. Finance committee approved going forward with this project which should take place late summer of this year.

Mayor's report:

Mayor DeLong reported that mayor's court collected \$4,512.69 for the village for the month of April after court costs. Next council meeting will be held on June 27th by agreement of council due to mayor's conference held on June 20th (date of regular council meeting).

New business:

Administrator Keeran stated the village has received an award from worker's compensation for zero accidents for village employees for the year.

Administrator Keeran also noted there are two new businesses opening in Antwerp—a gun shop and bulk food pantry.

More donations have been collected for new flags for E. River Street. Fourteen flags will be installed by Memorial Day. Thanks to the Rotary, VFW, A.C.D.C. and various businesses in the village.

Old business:

No old business to report.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb to adjourn the meeting. 6 years, 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF 5/27

Mens Tuesday Night League

1. Farm Credit 10-0
2. Handyman 5-5
3. Guilford's 8-2
4. BWW 6-2
5. Hoffman Builders 1-5
6. Hitmen 5-5
7. Larson Body Shop 0-10
8. TJ's Bar 3-7
9. Oasis Bar 3-5

Mens Thursday Night League

1. Lee Kinstele Chevy 8-1
2. Nemco 8-4
3. Grace Home Improvements 3-6
4. Handyman 4-8
5. Azul 8-1
6. Oasis Bar 7-3
7. TJ's Bar 6-4
8. Haviland Tile 2-7
9. Omni Source 0-10

Womens Wednesday Night League

1. Blackies 8-0
2. Casa Veija 6-1
3. Carpet Wholesalers 7-1
4. Jay Dangler Excavating 3-5
5. Moody Maidens 4-3
6. Paulding VFW 2-5
7. Ed's Car Care/Concrete Guys 0-8
8. Farmers Insurance 0-7

"The Swamp" Wiffleball League Wednesday Night

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

Monday Night Coed League

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

CMH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Holli Zeedyk and Tiffany Wyckoff, both RNs at Community Memorial Hospital, were selected to receive scholarships from the CMH Foundation scholarship program.

The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation has awarded six scholarships to deserving students pursuing degrees in healthcare. Winners were chosen based on field of study, GPA, and an essay. CMH Foundation scholarships are awarded annually in memory of Rachel Hofmeister and Stevie Boon, both former Directors of Nursing at CMH, and Betty Altman, former RN and Board Member at CMH.

This year's scholarship recipients are Jenna Kinn (Hicksville, OH), Stephanie Meyer (Hicksville, OH), Leah Moughler (Butler, IN), Alexandra Spindler (Monroeville, IN), Tiffany Wyckoff (Antwerp, OH), and Holli Zeedyk (Hicksville, OH).

Jenna Kinn is a 2011 graduate of Hicksville HS. She will attend Cleveland State University majoring in Health Sciences with the goal of becoming an Occupational Therapist.

Stephanie Meyer is a 2011 graduate of Hicksville HS. She will attend Owens Community College to become a Registered Nurse. She is also

a graduate of Four County Career Center's Health Careers program where she earned her STNA certification.

Leah Moughler is a 2011 graduate of Eastside HS. She will attend Anderson University to obtain her RN degree and BS in nursing. She is a graduate of the Direct Health Care Program at Four County Area Vocational Cooperative and has earned her Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) certification.

Alexandra Spindler is a 2010 graduate of Woodlan HS. She currently attends Ball State University majoring in speech pathology and audiology with a minor in Spanish.

Tiffany Wyckoff is a full-time RN at Community Memorial Hospital. She is currently pursuing her BS in Nursing from Chamberlain College of Nursing.

Holli Zeedyk is a full-time RN at Community Memorial Hospital. She is currently studying to become a Family Nurse Practitioner at Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing.

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UPPER MAUMEE WATERSHED PHOTO CONTEST

The Upper Maumee Watershed Partnership will be hosting their first ever Photo Contest for all ages and skill levels. Photos must be taken along the Maumee River from Fort Wayne, IN to Defiance, OH and submitted by June 15, 2011. Photos can be of the river, along the river or nature, recreation,

or other features of the river. Only digital submissions will be accepted. Photo sizes must be 5-7MB and in JPEG format. Submitted photos must have your name, address, phone number, email address, the title of the photograph, subject (names and titles are needed of each person in photo), description of what is in the photo, location of where the picture was taken, and the date the

photo was taken.

Photos will be judged by the Upper Maumee Watershed Partnership at their next meeting and the selected photos will be displayed at IPFW—RiverFest on June 25, 2011 in Fort Wayne, IN on the IPFW Campus. The public will vote on the selected photos at RiverFest, where first, second, and third place photos will be decided. The Upper Maumee Watershed Partnership reserves the right to use all submitted photographs in publications or for promotional purposes and all decisions are final. Please email your submissions to Upper Maumee Watershed Coordinator: ngrindley@defiance-county.com

For more information and specifications please visit: www.uppermaumee-watershed.com or contact: Nicole Grindley at ngrindley@defiance-county.com or 419-782-8751.

PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES II

By: **Caroline Wells Zimmerman**

Foods Indians Gave Us: Tomatoes

Did you plant any tomato plants this year? Did you know they belong to the deadly poisonous nightshade family (also chili peppers and white potatoes do, too)?

In Salem, New Jersey in the summer of 1820, Robert Gibbon Johnson announced that he was going to publicly eat a tomato on the courthouse steps. Of course, he had an audience, because people thought he was crazy, because tomatoes were poisonous! He ended up eating

a whole basketful, didn't drop dead, but got into his carriage and drove away, leaving converts to the lover of the tomato.

Tomatoes have been eaten in South and Central America for 1,000's of years. The Indian tribes in what is now Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia found tomato vines growing wild over 50 ft. long up trees and on the ground and on bushes. Even some cherry tomatoes on a shrub in Peru looked like yellow cherries.

Pottery vases of pre-Incan Indian excavations in Peru are shaped like this fruit of many 1000's of years old. Since the seeds were light and easy to carry, the fruit was spread to Mexico and other northern regions. The Spaniards took the seeds home with them and they flourished in Spain's warm climate, becoming many colored varieties of tomato products.

It was almost 400 years before the widespread prejudice against eating tomatoes was overcome. Spanish and French settlers in Louisiana were the first to bring their recipes and dishes into the US. They grew their small gardens on the bayous and still do today. By 1812 the Louisiana families were eating fresh tomatoes and combination with fish, chicken and rich (Creole dishes).

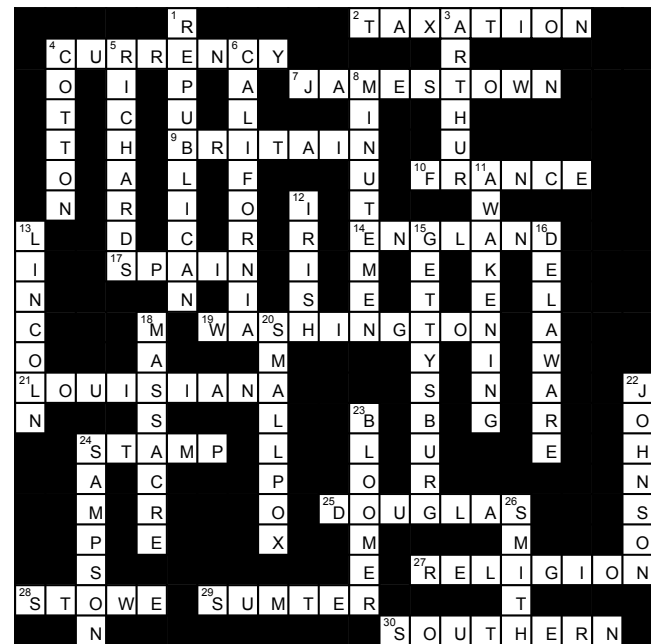
Eating tomatoes was still not completely trusted by the general public, especially in the North. Thomas Jefferson grew "tamatas" in his Virginia garden as early as 1781 and recorded them in his journal in 1809 as "a type of Spanish cantaloupe", he did not say that he ate them. At that time seed catalogs listed tomatoes as "annual ornamental flowers".

After the Civil War, more people were eating tomatoes all over the US and by 1892 there was a large demand for them. Growers were trying to grow a bigger and better tasting tomato and petitioned the US Supreme Court which ruled in 1893 that the tomato was a "vegetable" (Botanically it is a fruit, actually).

California and Ohio have been the top producing states for tomatoes in past years. They are picked by hand by migrant workers. Seedlings are planted 18 to 24 inches apart, staked, fertilized and well watered for an abundant crop of tomatoes and tomato products. Who could eat a French fry without catsup?

Note: Some Info from *Foods The Indians Gave Us* by Hays 1976.

Crossword Answers to "American History 101"



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SECOND TEAM:

Zac Coleman, Antwerp; Dustin Hitzeman, Antwerp; Brody Flegal, Edgerton; Willy Flanary, Fairview; Justin Miller, Hicksville;

Matt Applegate, Hicksville; Erwin Borrego, Holgate; Clay Pittman, Tinora; Tyler Mckenney, Tinora; Gage Critten, Wayne Trace

HONORABLE MENTION:

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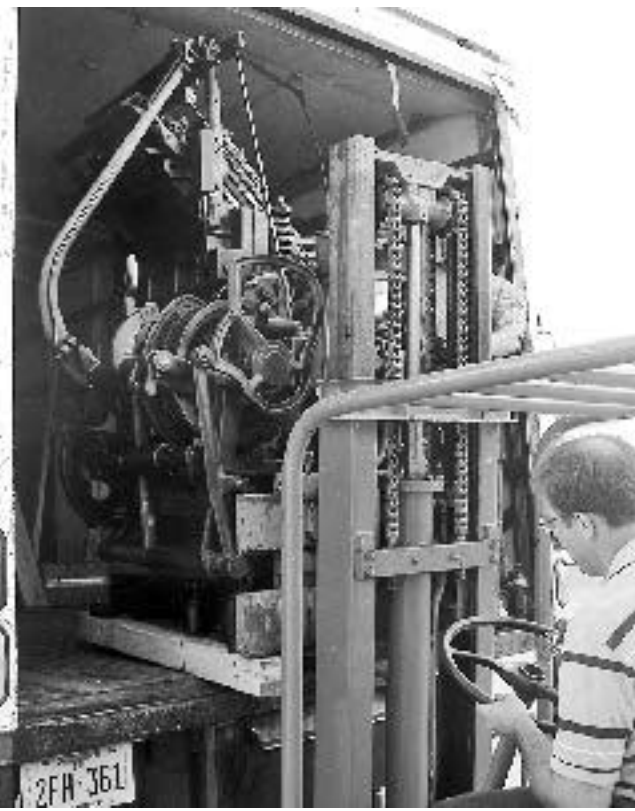
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VILLAGE OF PAULDING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/16/11

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on May 16, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor White called the meeting to order.

Finance Director Tope called roll with the following members present: Barb Rife, Roger Sierer, Kim Sutton, Randy Daeger, Mike Trausch, and Jim Guelde. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present.

Sutton motioned to approve the minutes of the May 2nd Council meeting, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$94,000 note to be issued for the purpose of making improvements to the Village's sewer system. Ordinance 1417-11 re: An Ordinance to provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$94,000 Notes in the Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Improving the Village's Sewer System, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Rife motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea. Rife motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$46,000 note to be issued for the purpose of making improvements to the Village's sewer system. Ordinance 1418-11 re: An Ordinance to provide for the Issuance of \$46,000 Notes in the Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Improving the Village's Sewer System, Together with all Necessary Appurtenances thereto, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Rife motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea. Rife motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$245,000 note to be issued for the purpose of making improvements to the Village's waterworks system. Ordinance 1419-11 re: An Ordinance to provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$245,000 Notes in the Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Making Improvements to the Village's Waterworks System, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Rife motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea. Trausch motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$165,000 note to be issued for the purpose of making improvements to the Village's waterworks system. Ordinance 1420-11 re: An Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$165,000 Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Making Improvements to the Village's Waterworks System, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Mayor White noted "Cherry St." in Section 1 of the legislation needed to be amended to read "N. Cherry St." Daeger motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea. Rife motioned to approve the

amended legislation, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$525,000 Note to be issued for the purpose of making improvements to N. Cherry Street and North Drive. Ordinance 1421-11 re: An Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$525,000 Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Paving and Otherwise Improving N. Cherry St. and North Drive, and other Roads and Streets in the Village, and all Necessary Appurtenances thereto, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Mayor White noted "Cherry St." in Section 1 of the legislation needed to be amended to read "N. Cherry St." Solicitor Jones also requested Tope revise the Fiscal Officer's Certificate to read the same. Rife motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea. Guelde motioned to approve the amended legislation, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$65,000 Note to be issued for the purpose of constructing and reconstructing curbs along N. Cherry Street and North Drive. Ordinance 1422-11 re: An Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$65,000 Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Constructing and Reconstructing Curbs along N. Cherry St. and North Drive in the Village, and all Necessary Appurtenances thereto, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Mayor White noted "Cherry St." in Section 1 of the legislation needed to be amended to read "N. Cherry St." Solicitor Jones also requested Tope revise the Fiscal Officer's Certificate to read the same. Trausch motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea. Daeger motioned to approve the amended legislation, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Tope presented the Fiscal Officer's Certificate certifying the \$410,000 Note to be issued for the

purpose of improving the Village's sewer system. Ordinance 1423-11 re: An Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance of not to exceed \$410,000 Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Improving the Village's Sewer System, and Declaring an Emergency, was read for the first time. Mayor White noted "Cherry St." in Section 1 of the legislation needed to be amended to read "N. Cherry St." Guelde motioned to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea. Daeger motioned to approve the amended legislation, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Resolution 1251-11 re: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Paulding to Apply for, Accept, and Enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement for Planning of Waste Water Facilities and Designating a Dedicated Repayment Source for the Loan, was read for the third time. Trausch motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea. Wiebe noted Julie Ward of RCap will submit a copy of this legislation, along with the "Letter Agreement" prepared by Jones & Henry, to the EPA on the Village's behalf to secure a \$40,000 planning loan for the waste water sewer separation improvement project.

Wiebe requested approval of the Administrator's Agenda; thus, renewing the current Employee Health Care provision and authorizing Wiebe to sign the "Letter Agreement". The "Letter Agreement"

authorizes the engineer, Jones & Henry, to proceed forward with the planning of the combined sewer separation project. Guelde motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.

Sutton motioned to award the N. Cherry Street/North Drive project, along with both alternates, to Tumbusch Construction of St. Henry, Ohio; seconded by Sierer. Vote: all yea.

Rife motioned to approve transferring \$281,589.33 from the Income Tax fund (#102) to the Water & Sewer Capital Improvement Funds (#603 & 604) - \$185,000 to the Water Capital Improvement fund (#603), and \$96,589.33 to the Sewer Capital Improvement fund (#604); seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Mayor White relayed Mayor's Court collected \$1,893.50 for the month of April 2011.

Consensus of Council was given to approve sending a letter to the EPA regarding the Draft Permit for the Village's wastewater system. The letter requests verification of the plant's average monthly flow, and a revision to the facility's class rating. The draft permit classifies the Village's wastewater facility as a Class II plant rather than its previous Class I rating.

Trausch noted volunteers will be working to spread mulch and spruce up Lafountain and Reservoir Parks on May 19th and May 26th from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (weather permitting).

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 ting). An alternate work date has been scheduled for June 11th from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The following meetings were scheduled:
 -Street Committee - Wednesday, May 25th at 5:30 p.m.
 Sutton motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.
 Trausch motioned to adjourn, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

PUBLIC MEETING FOR PEVS

Paulding Exempted Village Schools will be holding a meeting to collect public input on issues and solutions surrounding student drop off

and pick up at the Paulding PreK-12 location on Tuesday, June 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Administration Office Conference Room. If you have children attending school at the Paulding PreK-12 location, please join us to offer suggestions in preparation for the new 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. school day. If you are unable to attend this meeting, feel free to call Pat Ross with suggestions at 419-399-4656 ext 1510 or email p_ross@pauldingschools.org.

WOODLAN BASEBALL FALLS IN SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

By: Jeff Abbott
 Issac Luginbill gave up just 2 hits and hit a home run to help power Adams Central to the 2A baseball sectional championship and move on to regional action.
 The Jets scored 2 each in the first and third innings and then shut down the Woodlan offense. Nathan Wiedemann had a triple for Woodlan in the game. Garrett Van Brocklin took the loss on the mound for the Warriors.
 Woodlan - 0 0 0 1 0 0 0=1 2 2
 Adams Central - 2 0 2 0 0 1 x=5 6 4

DEADLINE NEARS FOR CO-OP GRANTS



Keith Allen representing Van Wert D.A.R.E. program, accepts a \$1000 donation from Ron Etzler, Paulding-Putnam Electric Trust (Operation Round-Up) board president. The funds will be used to offset the cost of D.A.R.E. camp.



Denise Kinder, Early intervention Specialist at PCBDD/Parc Lane accepts an \$800 donation from Brenda Clark, Paulding-Putnam Electric Trust (Operation Round-Up) board member. The donation will be used for equipment that will document student achievements.



Staci Hiler representing 4-H Camp Palmer accepts \$1000 donation from Ron Etzler, Paulding-Putnam Electric Trust (Operation Round-Up) board president. The donation will be applied toward building a new cabin. Youth from all over northwest Ohio participate in life skill development while at camp.

Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative is announcing the deadline to submit an application for Operation Round-Up funds for this quarter is June 30, 2011.
 Nonprofit organizations (this would include volunteer fire departments, EMS units, food banks etc.) located anywhere in the PPE service territory in need of grant funding for a special project or life-saving equipment can apply by going to the web site www.ppec.coop.
 This program is not limited to organizations that have a membership with PPE; it is for the benefit of EVERYONE living in the Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert counties and Allen and Adams counties in Indiana.
 PPE will mail a grant application to organizations that cannot access the web site.
 Those who miss this deadline will have to wait until the next quarter to submit an application for consideration.

CONTROLLING POND LEECHES

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

A pleasant afternoon swimming in a pond can become a frightening experience as you walk out of the pond and find leeches attached to your legs. Frequently, that is the end of your swimming in that pond for the year.
 Leeches are a part of an aquatic ecosystem and found in most ponds. Leeches attach to all types of pond inhabitants, from aquatic insects to fish, and yes humans. Their abundance is largely determined by several factors. Excessive vegetation and decaying organic debris can lead to dense populations of leeches. Part of this population explosion increase is that dense vegetation inhibits the ability of bluegills to find and eat leeches.
 Ponds with good populations of bluegills and small bass tend to have far fewer leeches. Bluegills are quickly attracted to anything that wiggles along the bottom or on vegetation, and will devour a leech quickly.
 Leeches are more of a pest to humans but that does not mean they cannot cause some discomfort. In some individuals, the attachment site can be an area of slight to intense itching. In extreme cases, the wound can become infected and require medical attention. Like any other wound, a leech attachment site should be cleaned with a mild soap and treated with an over-the-counter antibacterial cream.
 According to Bill Lynch, Extension aquatic ecosystem specialist, the only approved product to control leeches is copper sulfate pentahydrate which is the same copper compound used to control many nuisance algae problems. The recommended dosage to kill leeches is 5 parts per million, about three times the level used to kill algae. The problem with applying 5 parts per million of copper sulfate to a pond is that it will kill everything else, including the fish. Thus, this strategy is only recommended for ponds without fish.
 The best leech control strategy is to maintain good populations of largemouth bass and bluegills, whose predation on leeches should keep their populations low. Combining that with a good aquatic plant management strategy is wise, since excessive vegetation is conducive to high leech abundance. Strive to maintain plant abundance

at about 10% of the pond's surface area.
 Another strategy that can work for removing leeches is bait trap-ping, but it requires some daily labor on the part of the pond owner. A metal can with a reclosable lid and fresh, raw meat is all that is needed. Coffee cans work great. Drill holes in the can with the hole size being dependent on leech size. Put some raw meat in the can, attach a string, and lower it to near the bottom in shallow water. The leeches will come for the raw meat. Each day, check the can, remove the leeches, and destroy them. Repeat the procedure until leech catches decline to near zero. Leeches are most active in warm water, so this can technique should be done in June, July, and August.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 6/1/11

This 1st day of June, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:
 Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
 Warrants documented as 178555 through 178707 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.
TRAVEL REQUEST:
 Claudia Fickel, Cleveland OH - June 6-9, 2011
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:
 The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on May 25, 2011, Warrant numbers 178435 through 178474 totaling \$4,098.00, and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners. The Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 032):
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 Fund 032 - Certificate of Title, 032-001-00005/Maintenance & Equipment, \$9,262.17

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO SUB-GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH AREA 7 WORK-FORCE INVESTMENT BOARD:
 The Board of County Commissioners entered into a sub-grant agreement between the Area 7 Board and the Area 7 CEO Consortium to become effective upon signature for the period of July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER'S DITCH MAINTENANCE REPORT AND APPROVING DITCH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS FOR 2011-2012:

On June 1, 2011, the Commissioners accepted the Ditch Maintenance Report prepared by the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District and reviewed by the Paulding County Engineer pursuant to Section §6137.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and the ditch maintenance assessment during the year of 2011-2012 was included in the Ditch Maintenance Report. The Board of County Commissioners does hereby accept the Paulding County Engineer's Ditch Maintenance Report and approve the ditch maintenance assessment included in said report for the year 2011-2012.

MEETINGS NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher met briefly with the Commissioners to discuss options for county credit cards.

Tim Franklin and Coral Fetzer, Ditch Maintenance/SWCD - Mr. Franklin introduced Ms. Fetzer to the Commissioners. Ms. Fetzer works part time for Ditch Maintenance and SWCD. Mr. Franklin presented the 2011-2012 ditch maintenance report and financial spreadsheets. He credited Ms. Fetzer with the improved report presentation. The Commissioners approved the report and the accompanying ditch assessments.

The Commissioners and Auglaize River Sewer Project Manager, Mike Winans, attended a pre-bid meeting at Poggemeyer Design Group.

Commissioner Tony Zartman attended a Board of Revisions meeting in the Commissioners' Chambers.

WOODLAN COME OUT ON TOP IN FIRST ROUND SECTIONAL PLAY

By: Jeff Abbott
 After dropping a conference game to the Starfires by a 13-3 score, Woodlan came out on top in their sectional matchup with South Adams by a 3-2 score. Zach Schwartz pitched the warriors to the sectional championship game, giving up just 4 hits in the game. Jason Maier led the Woodlan offense with a home run and Cody Zink added a double.

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TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Friday 6/17, 9-4. Toys, X Box, girls clothes, lots and household misc. David Jones, 202 Park, Antwerp. p

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WESTERN BUCKEYE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER GOVERNING BOARD MAY MEETING NOTES

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 in the Paulding ESC Board Office. Board President Mr. Jerry Zielke welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting.

Superintendent Brian Gerber informed the Board that the 21st Century Community Learning Grant has been submitted. Five different 21st Century Grants have been submitted. Grants were submitted for Wayne Trace Local, Lincolnview Local, Antwerp Local, Paulding Exempted Village, and Van Wert City. A decision on grant acceptance is targeted by July 1, 2011. Mr. Gerber commended Western Buckeye ESC employees Matt Krites and Linda Krauskopf for their time and effort they put into the writing of this grant. "Matt and Linda worked tirelessly on this grant. They worked with school personnel in both counties for the betterment of our students." Mr. Gerber also announced that the Teaching American History Grant has been submitted. He also commended Chris Feichter for writing the TAH grant.

Mr. Gerber expressed his gratitude and appreciation to the Beta Delta Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority for their generous \$250 donation for educational supplies for the general operation of the Thomas Edison Preschool.

Mr. Gerber also reported that letters were written and mailed to United States Senator Sherrod Brown, United States Senator Rob Portman, Ohio Senator Cliff Hite, and United States House of Representative Bob Latta regarding the proposed state budget. Governor Kasich's proposed budget for FY-12 and FY-13 calls for understandable reductions in State funding for all governmental entities. Unfortunately, not all of the "cuts" are equal in their actuality or in their effect upon the local economy.

Mr. Gerber pointed out that Educational Service Centers in Ohio have not received an increase in State funding since 1998. Since that time, ESC funding has been reduced twice. The Governor's budget calls for a 10 percent cut for FY-12 and another cut of 15 percent for FY-13. This will reduce ESC State funding a full 30 percent since 1998!

In the budget proposal, ESC's are highlighted to lead the school initiative in shared service investigations and implementations. This role is exciting and underscores the true flexibility and entrepreneurship of ESC's, but it becomes extremely difficult to complete when ESC staffs and facilities are compromised due to the excessive loss of funding.

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

In the business portion of the meeting, the Board:

—Approved the minutes from the April 13, 2011 Regular Meeting.

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

—Accepted with Thanks, a donation of \$250.00 from the Beta Delta Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority to be used for educational supplies for the general operation of Thomas Edison Preschool.

Approved the following NOACSC agenda items:

—To approve a continuing contract for NOACSC employee Brenda Core, effective July 1, 2011

—To approve the FY12 NOACSC calendar as presented.

—To approve a new NOACSC service of "Voice over IP Phone Service" with fee schedule as follows:

**\$6 per extension per month

**\$15 per phone (one time setup, non-recurring charge) PSTN access will vary depending on district and availability; NOACSC will act as a "pass-thru" regarding PSTN charges.

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on June 29, 2011 starting at 6:00 p.m.

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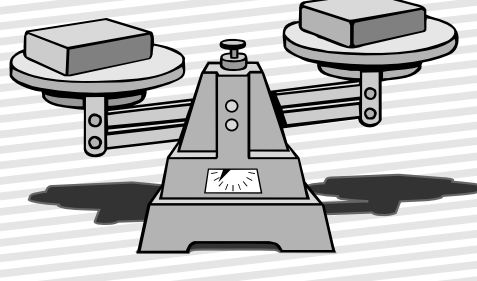
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It wasn't all fun and games at John Paulding Days. There was a serious mission for Uzz Lightyear, portrayed by Drew Gardner, and friends (he doesn't realize he's a toy yet). The rest of the story will be told at EBC's upcoming VBS. More pictures of JP Days at www.westbendnews.net

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7th Grade - Makayla Brandenburg, Carley Wright, Sydney Hofmann, Austin Winebrenner, Gabriel Wobler, Clint Sinn, Quintin Miller, Lucas Sinn, Brenna Baker, Austin Kuhn, Jayson Nowak, Jacob Leverton, Brooke Ludwig, Kenzie Clemens, Liam Marihugh, Thomas Lantow, Jonnathan Krouse

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OHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - JUNE 9, 2011

The Ohio High School Athletic Association Board of Directors met Thursday morning at the OHSAA office for its regularly scheduled June meeting. The complete set of meeting minutes will be posted later at OHSAA.org. Of note, the June meeting is the final Board meeting of the 2010-11 school year. The 2011-12 Board of Directors will hold its first meeting August 4.

Statement from Commissioner Ross regarding the Competitive Balance Proposal:

Dr. Dan Ross, OHSAA Commissioner, has issued the following statement on the future of the Competitive Balance Proposal, which was voted down by the member schools during the annual referendum voting period in May. The proposal, which would have allowed the OHSAA to use a formula for determining athletic count numbers used in assigning schools to divisions, was defeated 332-303.

"This fall, the OHSAA will conduct a survey of our membership to gather feedback on the Competitive Balance issue. The Competitive Balance Committee will then meet to study the survey results and determine if a new proposal should be forwarded to the Board of Directors for consideration of a new referendum issue next May. It remains the goal of the OHSAA to keep public and non-public schools together in the same tournaments. The Competitive Balance Committee's goal is to do that, but also to create a more balanced method for how schools are placed into divisions. We appreciate all of the feedback from our member schools thus far and expect to receive even more when the survey is completed."

Highlights from the Board Meeting:

—By a 5-4 vote, the Board approved a proposal from the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Association to allow member schools to play up to 22 regular-season basketball games beginning with the 2012-13 season. Of note, the length of the season will not be expanded.

—The OHSAA recently imposed sanctions against five member schools. The list of infractions and penalties will be included in the complete meeting minutes posted at OHSAA.org, but media members may obtain the list earlier by contacting Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Information Services, at tstried@ohsaa.org.

—The Board accepted the 2011 winter sports financial reports except for wrestling and ice hockey, which are still being completed. Of note, while attendance for the girls basketball state tournament remained nearly the same from the previous year (34,473 in 2011), the boys basketball state tournament attendance was down by 21,015 paid admissions (130,820 in 2010 compared to 109,805 in 2011). This continues the trend of declining attendance at the boys basketball state tournament, which has fallen each year since attendance peaked in 2003 with a paid total attendance of 192,880.

—By a 9-0 vote, the Board passed a motion that beginning with the 2012-13 season, the total number of regular-season games permitted in ice hockey will be capped at 35 games regardless of how many games are part of various regular-season tournaments.

By a 5-4 vote, the Board approved a proposal from the Ohio High School Swimming Coaches Association to modify the state tournament qualifying procedures so that in swimming events, each of the four district tournaments will have two automatic qualifiers to the state tournament, while the other 16 state qualifiers will be at-large selections from the remaining best times of all district competitors. This change will be in effect for the upcoming 2012 state tournament.

—With a 9-0 vote, the Board approved the creation of a second division in girls and boys bowling beginning with the 2013-14 season if the number of participating teams still qualifies for a second division.

By a pair of 9-0 votes, the Board approved two proposals from the Ohio High School Bowling Coaches Association to take effect for the 2011-12 season. First, to allow coaching to begin a week earlier than previously published. Second, to eliminate scrimmages and increase the number of regular-season contests permitted from 22 to 24.

By a 9-0 vote, the Board denied a proposal from the Ohio High School Bowling Coaches Association to adopt a statewide coaches' dress code. The Board said such a regulation should be a school-adopted rule.

Note: The Board of Directors held a special meeting via teleconference on Friday, May 20. The minutes from that meeting are posted at: <http://www.ohsaa.org/news/board/minMay11Special.pdf>

VANTAGE BOARD HEARS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The regular June meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held on Thursday, June 2, 2011. The treasurer's report included the approval of the May 5 regular board meeting minutes and the financial statements for April 2011. The board approved amended appropriations and revenues for FY11 and passed a resolution to transfer \$6,500 from the general fund to the Tech Prep Grant.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman provided the board with an update on the OSFC construction project. Director Bob Vennekotter congratulated five business students who participated in the National BPA competition, as well as recognized welding senior Dylan Schlosser for his extraordinary achievement of passing the pipe welding certification. He also congratulated Tech Prep scholarship recipients and reminded the board that a Vantage representative is present at all home school graduation ceremonies. Adult Director Pete Prichard reported on the upcoming NCA certification process and identified the team members. He informed the board about interviews for the Alternative Energy Academy instructors and that the Adult Education catalog will also include the annual Vantage newsletter and will be distributed to 38,000 households in the district.

In new business, the board: —Approved supplemental contracts for Amy Grothouse, Sonya Yenser-Hammon, and Jerry Robinson, LPDC Committee members; Mary Ann Falk, Lead Academic Instructor; Katie Drerup and Rachael Harpel, Virtual Learning Graders; Todd Keller, Summer Maintenance; Susan Farr, Special Education Services; Penny Baucum, Special Event Worker; Mary Ann Hall, Supervisor contract; 09-10 compensation for additional days worked beyond contract; Sarah Noggle and Brian Merce, 5th quarter Ag grant; Mel White, Daniel Joyce, Sherry Proctor, Marcia Osenga, Theresa Mengerink, all PLC Conference participants; Bob Spath, PLTW Digital Technology participant;

—Offered the following extended days for the 2011-2012 school year: Ashley Cline, Angie Shellabarger, Shane Falke and Susan Farr, all 5 days, all Special Education; Jim Fisher, 20 days, Guidance;

—Passed a resolution for a reduction in force and suspended the contracts of employment of Cynthia Krizan and Tammy Deutsch in accordance with Section 3319.17 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Master Agreement, effective July 1, 2011;

—Accepted the resignations of Mike Knott, Math instructor and Pamela Hickey, Ottoville FCS instructor, both effective at the end of the 2010-2011 school year;

—Approve and ratify the agreement with Jane Collis dated May 24, 2011;

—Employed the following list as Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Vicki Bidlack, Katie Ashbaugh, Melynda McCormack, Jean Steele, Annette Klinger, Health Careers; Jim Grant, Sara Ricker, ABLE instructors; Steven Stechschulte, Police Academy (2010-11); Margie Hubert, Annette Klinger, Computers; Sara Ricker, Transition Coordinator;

—Accepted with thanks the donation of \$250 to the Vantage Preschool program from the Beta Delta Chapter Psi Iota Xi;

—Accepted with thanks the donation of racks and steel in the value of \$4,500 to the Vantage Trade and Industry programs from Hoosier Pattern, Inc.;

—Resolution to approve the rental agreement with Kriegal Co. for \$800 a month for storage space during the construction project;

—Approve the Advantage Saloon & Spa rates for the 2011-2012 school year;

—Approve Vantage Preschool fees for the 2011-2012 school year as submitted;

—Amend Ashley Cline's contract for 2011-2012 to be Special Education Coordinator rather than Special Education Instructor;

—Approve 2011-2012 Student Handbook;

—Approve course of study for all 16 CTE programs;

—Resolution to approve the purchase of a 3 tower frame machine from C.J.J. Inc. for an estimated amount of \$53,335.00;

—Approve the 2011-2012 Preschool Parent Manual;

—Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Penta Career Center for ABLE services to be provided to Vantage Career Center for FY 2011 and FY 2012;

—Approve the change in hours of the Adult Education Evening Secretary from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., effective July 1, 2011.

The Superintendent requested an executive session for the purpose of discussion of negotiations with the bargaining unit. The Board met in Executive Session for the purpose of evaluation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, and for the discussion of the employment of personnel.

The regular July Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, June 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cup & Saucer Restaurant at Vantage.

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