

GERKEN – CROSSLAND



Shannon Jean Gerken and Martin Thomas Crossland are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Holgate High School and is currently employed at Paulding County Hospital.

Her fiancé, son of Ruby and Don Crossland of Paulding, is a graduate of Paulding High School and

holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Construction Engineering from the University of Toledo. He is currently employed as an assistant engineer for the city of Napoleon.

The couple will exchange vows on July 23, 2011 at the Presbyterian Church in Defiance. Following their marriage, they will reside in Defiance.

FOLKRAFT TO HOST 2ND INDIANA DULCIMER FESTIVAL

Folkcraft Instruments will again bring Appalachian dulcimer and folk music fanatics from around the country to Woodburn, as they host the Indiana Dulcimer Festival on July 23 and 24. The festival is an annual event held at the Folkcraft facilities, located at 22133 Main Street in Woodburn. Areas throughout the building (including the wood shop where the instruments are made) serve as classrooms, and an outdoor tent provides a commons area for jams, meals and concerts.

"We started the festival in 2010, and had about 35 people register. We're currently at 85 for 2011, and there's still almost two weeks left to register," said Nick Young, Folkcraft Instruments employee.

People who register for the Indiana Dulcimer Festival choose from a list of classes, which offer a variety of technique, skills and songs for the Appalachian dulcimer. "We're bringing in the best dulcimer players from around the world to teach the classes," said Young.

This year's festival will feature dulcimer legends Bing Futch, Stephen Seifert, Lois Hornbostel, Butch Ross, Rob Brereton and Aaron O'Rourke. Young commented on how unique this makes the Indiana Dulcimer Festival. "It's rare to have this much talent at a dulcimer festival," Young said. "Our artist/instructors are diverse, and skilled at what they do. Any dulcimer player, new or old, who registers for the festival will definitely benefit from what we are offering."

The 2011 Indiana Dulcimer Festival will also coincide with the Woodburn Day In The Park BBQ & Music Fest on Saturday, July 23. Young hopes to turn a lot of heads.

"We're constantly trying to bring the dulcimer to a bigger audience," Young said. "Working with the Day In The Park festival helps, and will get a lot of people familiar with what an Appalachian dulcimer is, how it's played,

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Country Inn facility located at 12651 Road 82, Paulding, OH—¼ mile west of the Apostolic Christian Church off US 127. A hot meal, soft serve ice cream and cotton candy will be enjoyed while the Oakwood Community Band performs. All are invited to attend. For more information, please call Country Inn at 419-399-2345.

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OBITUARIES

Lloyd George Elston, 86, of Grover Hill died Thursday, July 7, 2011 at the Country Inn in Latty. Born in Grover Hill, he was a farmer and factory worker for International Harvester retiring in 1979.



He served with integrity in many roles as a member of Zion United Methodist Church and as Washington Township Trustee. He was a faithful, hardworking husband and loving, generous father and papa. He loved time with family playing games and became euchre champ in his retirement village. He was an avid sports fan—especially enjoying Cincinnati Reds and Wayne Trace High School sports. He also enjoyed Traveling in the US.

Surviving are his wife, Orpha (Corkwell); and five children: Chris (Rebecca) Elston of Van Wert, Candice Elliott of Paulding, Lauretta (William) Aseltine of Middletown, RI, Lisa (Matthew Nichols) of Berwyn Heights, MD, and

Jonathan (Lavonne) Elston of Lambertville, MI; four sisters: Lois (Kenneth) Kohn of Van Wert, Colleen Cook of Monroeville, IN, Eileen (Noel) Thomas and Rosalie (Roger) McClure of Grover Hill; and two brothers: Don (Dessie) Elston of Grover Hill and Gary (Cathy) Elston of Montgomery, TX; 13 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by an infant son and daughter; and a brother, Randy Elston.

Funeral services were conducted July 11, 2011 at Zion United Methodist Church, Grover Hill followed by a graveside service at Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill.

Memorial donations may be made to Paulding/Defiance Area Youth For Christ or The Navigators International. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Norman Lee Miller, 84, of Hicksville died Tuesday, July 5, 2011, at Community Hospital and Wellness Center in Bryan, Ohio.

He was born on June 17, 1927, in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the son of the late Delmar and Adessa (Smith) Miller. He was raised in Hicksville, Ohio, where he graduated with the Hicksville High School class of 1945. He enlisted in the United States Navy during World War II and was stationed in Pearl Harbor.

After returning home from the war, on August 26, 1951, he was united in marriage with Patricia Miller of Hicksville. Under the GI Bill, he learned the meat cutting trade at Cromwell Food Market. He left the food market to take a position with the General Services Administration, where he worked until he retired as a Regional US Government Inspector of Strategic Materials and Supplies.

He was a past Commander of the American Legion #223 and a local Ski-Doo (Bombardier) snowmobile dealer. He also enjoyed the outdoors especially hunting, fishing, golfing, boating, and camping

with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; his three children: David (Sharon) of Hilliard, OH, Linda of Fort Wayne, IN, and Mitchell (Polly) of Bowling Green, OH; his grandchildren: Alison (Mitch), Jonathan, Leah, Jacob, Lydia, Adessa, Nolan, and RuthAnn; his sister, Sharon (Kenny) Onstott of Venice, FL; and his sister-in-law, JoAnn Miller of Hicksville, OH.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother, Roger.

Funeral services were held July 9, 2011 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville. Burial will be at Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville. Military Honors accorded by Hicksville American Legion Post #223.

Preferred memorials may be made to Hicksville First Church of Christ, Crippled Children, or the Huber Opera House. Online condolences may be shared at www.smith-brownfuneralhome.com.

THE DOWNSIDE OF GARLIC

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

According to a news story in the Knoxville News-Sentinel, two high school boys from Lake Worth, Florida, drew suspensions from school. Believe it or not, they were suspended for eating so much garlic that no one could stand to have them around.

The boys stated that their binge began when they learned that garlic has properties for cleansing the blood and lowering the blood pressure. So each of them decided at that point to eat half a head of garlic.

The next morning, both of them ate three or four heads of garlic each and went to school. When teachers and students complained about the odor, the boys simply shrugged, laughed, and gobbled down a few more heads of garlic for lunch.

In desperation, school officials confronted the boys. One of the aromatic lads protested that the smell couldn't be all that bad. After all, he pointed out, "We were blowing in each other's face and we couldn't sense any garlic smell at all."

Nevertheless, the rest of the student body, faculty, and staff were nearly overcome with the odor and the boys were suspended.

The news story struck me as precisely the same approach many people take toward sin in their lives. Even though they know what they're doing is wrong and offensive, they laugh and flaunt their participation in the wrong.

They desensitize their own consciences by wallowing in the sin until the sin no longer

"smells" bad to them. And they become indignant that people are intolerant toward that which no longer bothers them!

As I began to reflect on the garlic incident, a few other thoughts began to emerge in my mind. Had just ONE of the boys not eaten the garlic, he would have sensed the odor from his friend. But because BOTH of them were eating the stuff, neither one was able to recognize the foul smell on the other, much less himself.

It seems to be a graphic lesson on the importance of choosing the right kinds of friends. The more I pattern my life after the RIGHT kind of Christians, the more my life begins to take on Christ's character.

I need to be around mature believers who will provide me with the right kind of model, example, and motivation to continue growing into the fullness of godliness.

To neglect deep relationships with those who are walking in tune with the Savior is to put ourselves at risk. And we become even MORE at risk when we begin taking cues from those individuals who are NOT seeking to please Jesus Christ.

How about you? Are you rationalizing some sin in your life because it doesn't bother you? Are you intentionally surrounding yourself with friends who will influence you toward righteousness? Or are you finding yourself emulating those whose lives and lifestyles are nudging you in the WRONG direction?

Choose your models carefully. If you don't, your life will give off a foul odor that will be evident to everyone. Except you.

PAYNE NAZ GAME DAY!

For kids grades kindergarten through 6th grade -the Payne Church of the Nazarene is sponsoring a "Game Day" on Thursday, July 14, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Look forward to wiffle ball, kick ball and lots of fun. Lunch will be provided. The Payne Church of the Nazarene is located at 509 East Orchard Street, State Route 500 east, Payne. You may contact the church office for more information at 419-263-2422.

VBS COMES TO CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH

A Vacation Bible School with Child Evangelism Fellowship will take place at Calvary Bible Church, Paulding (across from Paulding County Hospital) beginning July 18 to July 22, 2011 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Friday, July 22nd there is something extra special planned—object lessons with live and mounted

ANTWERP MAN AWARDED STATE CAREGIVER HONOR



An Antwerp man has been awarded one of 12 statewide Elder Caregiver awards given by the Ohio Department of Aging.

Phillip Kitson has provided care for wife Lorraine (who goes by Mary) for more than four years after she suffered a brain aneurysm. His goal is to increase her independence and to improve her quality of life.

Kitson was nominated for the award by a home health aide who worked in the Kitson's home when they lived in Mercer County. Last year, the Kitsons moved to the Antwerp area to be closer to family.

"He so deserves this award," said Jaymie Payne, the health aide who nominated Kitson. "Phil was a joy to work with and knew how to make a person smile."

Kitson has worked to learn ways to help Mary walk and speak again. He has created several devices in the house to help her exercise.

For example, he built parallel bars in the basement to assist in her therapy. He also drives her to physical therapy and speech therapy to help her regain function. He has purchased or made other devices to help her with daily life, such as cushions, chairs, toilet risers, ramps, grab bars and modified wheelchairs.

Kitson also uses community resources to assist in his care of Mary. He uses home-delivered meals, which he prepares to her needs, and they have home health aide services in the home from Community Health Professionals of Paulding.

Although Mary does not talk, Phil still talks to her, asks

her questions and involves her in daily conversations.

He buys her cards and tells her he loves her. For the Kitsons, caregiving is another part of their loving marriage.

For Kitson, caregiving comes down to how much you care about your loved one.

"I've known people (in this situation) who say, 'I can't handle this,' and they just walk away from it," he said. "That's totally foreign to me. I don't understand how they can do that. That's not going to be me."

More than seven million Americans help older persons live in the community despite limitations on daily activities.

Many adults also care for adult sons and daughters with disabilities. Family members and other informal caregivers truly are the backbone of our long-term care system.

In Ohio alone, they contribute more than 1.1 million hours of unpaid help to others; care valued in excess of \$10.4 billion. Nationally, family caregivers save taxpayers \$257 billion.

Each year, the Ohio Department of Aging selects a handful of devoted caregivers and honors them for the work they do to make Ohio a better place, while symbolically recognizing the combined value of all informal caregivers throughout the state.

The Elder Caregiver Awards ceremony was held May 26. Profiles of all the award recipients, photos, slideshows and video of the awards ceremony can be found online at: <http://aging.ohio.gov/news/eldercaregiveraward>.

animals.

Throughout the week, children will learn bible stories based on the lives of Zachaeus, Mephibosheth, Noah, Ethiopian treasurer, and the Apostle Paul. They won't want to miss a fun week full of crafts, games, and snacks!

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone who came, sent cards, etc. for our 65th anniversary and Jim's 90th birthday.

—Jim & Louise Grimes

TWIN OAKS UMC HOSTS HOMEMADE ICE CREAM SOCIAL

A homemade ice cream social is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2011 at the Twin Oaks United Methodist Church Fellowship hall. The evening will run from 4:00-7:00 p.m. There will be lots to enjoy including: homemade ice cream (including sugar-free), sandwiches, baked beans, salads, pie and beverages. Free will donations will be accepted. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

Admissions:
 6/29 - Ronnie Hostettler, Cecil
Dismissals:
 6/28 - Amy Kochenour, Oakwood to Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne
 7/2 - Ronnie Hostettler, Cecil

COMMUNITY PICNIC AT LATTY FRIENDS UMC

Latty Friends UM Church, 301 Lewis St., Latty Ohio will be hosting a community picnic on Saturday, July 16 at 3:00 p.m. at the church. There will be hot dogs and traditional picnic fare as well as homemade ice cream, fellowship, and activities for kids and adults, including horseshoes. Come join us for an afternoon of good food, fellowship, and fun! All are welcome!

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ANTWERP VETERANS BIOGRAPHICAL BOOK TO BE PUBLISHED!

The VETS - Continuous Honor committee will very soon be able to receive submissions from the public for their soon to be published book about the veterans from the Antwerp area school district. A few weeks ago the committee announced that such a book was being pursued. At this time a contract has been signed with a publisher, M.T. Publishing of Evansville, IN. An informational pamphlet is being printed and will be distributed in the area in the next couple of weeks. This pamphlet will have all the information the public will need to make their submissions to the book as well as an order form to purchase copies of the book.

This book project came about while the Antwerp Veterans Memorial project was being completed. The committee realized that all the names on the memorial represent people and each of them have a story to tell. It is the goal of the VETS-CH committee to tell those stories.

The committee is currently arranging a schedule and location, when and where the public will be able to bring photos and biographies of area veterans to be published in the book. This schedule will be announced in the next week or two.

Local businesses and organizations will have the opportunity to purchase whole or half pages in the book. When doing so they will be able to place on that page his-

tory of themselves or other information of their choosing.

Family pages will be available to purchase. These pages will feature photos and text of family members who have served their country.

The committee will be contacting various organizations in the community, seeking opportunities to bring the book information to them personally and to answer any questions about the project. If your organization would like a personal presentation, please contact Karen Sanders at 419-399-5764 or Sandra Wann at 419-258-4065.

AYN RAND VS. JESUS

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Ayn Rand has been growing in popularity in recent years through economic conservatives latching on to her teachings of self-reliance and individualism, views that seem to run contrary to the teachings of community and love for others in Scripture.

Ayn Rand in a 1965 Playboy interview: "My views on charity are very simple. I do not consider it a major virtue and, above all, I do not consider it a moral duty. There is nothing wrong in helping other people, if and when they are worthy of the help and you can afford to help them. I regard charity as a marginal issue. What I am fighting is the idea that charity is a moral duty and a primary virtue."

Jesus in Matthew 25:37-40 (ESV): "Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'"

Excerpts from Mike Wallace's interview with Ayn Rand in 1959.

Rand: "You love only those

who deserve it."

Wallace: "And then if a man is weak or a woman is weak he is or she is beyond love?"

Rand: "He certainly does not deserve it. He certainly is beyond it."

Wallace: "Isn't it possible that we all believe in it [collectivism] because we're all basically lonely people and we all understand that we are our brothers' keepers?"

Rand: "You couldn't really understand it because there is no way in which you could justify, nobody has ever given a reason why man should be his brothers' keeper, and you have every example, and you see examples around you of men perishing by their attempt to be their brothers' keeper."

Wallace: "What's wrong with loving your fellow man? Christ, every important moral leader in history has taught us that we should love one another. Why, then is this love in your mind immoral?"

Rand: "It is immoral if it is placed above love of oneself."

The Apostle Paul writing about Jesus in Philippians 2:3-8 (ESV): "Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

You decide. Do the teachings of Ayn Rand line up with the teachings of Jesus and Paul?

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.reganravings.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.

THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Steiner

With summer in full swing and temperatures climbing, the risks of suffering from heat related illnesses are at their peak. We lose body fluids on a daily basis as our bodies cool by evaporating sweat and radiating heat through our skin to cool itself. The fluids lost, as well as the salt it contains is usually replaced through our regular diet. However, the summer weather with its high temperatures, humidity and rigorous exercise causes us to deplete our body of fluid much easier, and if it is not adequately replaced, we may suffer from dehydration and other heat related illnesses.

Dehydration is the least severe of the heat illnesses and symptoms include a dry or sticky mouth, sunken eyes, lack of urine, cool skin, lethargy or irritability, and fatigue or dizziness.

When our body's natural cooling mechanisms fail, our body's internal heat builds up and can lead to more serious problems such as heat cramps, heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Heat cramps often occur after vigorous exer-

cise and are caused by a loss of salt in our muscles from sweating and while painful, it is not serious.

Heat exhaustion is extreme dehydration which produces symptoms such as clamminess, headache and nausea. If this occurs, return inside or to the shade, loosen clothing, bathe in cool water and encourage eating and drinking.

If heat exhaustion is not treated, it can escalate to heatstroke which can be fatal. This is when the body loses its ability to regulate temperature which can soar to 106 degrees or higher causing brain damage or even death. Call for emergency help immediately. Symptoms include a temperature of 105 degrees or higher, severe throbbing headache, dizziness and confusion, seizures, decreased responsiveness and loss of consciousness.

As mentioned earlier, each of these conditions sprouts from dehydration. To prevent dehydration, consume liquids every 20-30 minutes during strenuous activities as well as before and after since you often become dehydrated before you realize you are thirsty. Also, thirst can be quenched before the necessary amount of body fluids have been replaced, so it is often advisable to continue drinking after the initial thirst has been quenched. Plain water is the best dehydration fluid of choice however, after a few hours, drinks containing sugar and electrolytes (salt) may become necessary. Be leery of sport and power drinks because they often contain caffeine and other stimulants that can worsen the effects of dehydration.

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

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Acts 8:5 - What did Philip preach in the city of Samaria? (NKJV).

2. Acts 8:12 - After the men and women believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the Kingdom of God and Jesus, what happened next? (NKJV)

3. Acts 8:18 - What did Simon offer Peter for the Holy

Spirit? (NKJV)

4. Acts 8:20 - What did Peter tell Simon? (NKJV)

5. Acts 8:26 - Who spoke to Philip? (NKJV)

6. Acts 8:27 - What does the word 'eunuch' mean? (NKJV)

7. Acts 8:30 - What did Philip ask the Ethiopian eunuch? (NKJV)

8. Acts 8:32-33 - Give the book, chapter and verses of the Old Testament book the eunuch was reading from? NKJV

9. Acts 8:35 - What did Philip preach to the eunuch? NKJV

10. Acts 8:36 - What did the eunuch ask Philip to do? NKJV

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

Questions to the article in June 29th paper:

1. Was a teacher of the law.

2. No

3. Chaldea

4. Ancient family or tribal heads also known as gentiles.

5. The word in the Old Testament and Jesus in the New Testament. John 1:1-3 and John 1:14.

6. Deuteronomy 18:15

7. Refers to teachings or sayings of the Lord. 1 Peter 4:11

8. Jesus

9. Saul

10. Lord do not charge them with this sin.

EMOTIONAL RADIATOR COOL DOWN

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

There's hardly a day that goes by when I do not witness

the presence of frustration or even anger in day to day life. It may be an irate customer who believes they have waited far too long to be waited upon, or someone exhibiting "road rage" because another driver was discourteous. The idea of taking a time out, or cognitively pushing the pause button in our emotional makeup is worth our effort.

Far too often words are said in a heated moment to a loved one, a family member or a friend that cannot be taken back, all because we are in a rush to dump all our unvented emotional carnage upon another. We can learn a lesson on becoming overheated from the early automobiles in America.

In the early days of automobiles, it was common for eating and drinking places to be built on the tops of long hills. I know that near where I grew up on the old Island Highway, there is a restaurant called the Malahat Challet - still located at the top of the longest grade between Nanaimo and Victoria. It was not located there for the view, nor were most of the others you can still find around North America at the tops of hills and mountains. These locations were for the convenience of people who needed to stop and let their overheated radiators cool down.

We, too, need to let our overheated emotional radiators cool down, or as scripture reminds to be rid of it all together... Colossians 3:8 (NIV), "But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

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

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I am writing this letter in response to the letter from Jennifer VanCleve published in the 6/22/11 paper. My heart goes out to Jennifer and Malayna. How sad that this child lost her beloved horse and then was turned down from the 4-H program assistant and the Senior Fair board from bringing her new horse to the fair. My family has been involved with the 4-H program for about 23 years. My husband has donated hundreds of dollars worth of trophies in the past several years. We have supported the 4-H program and the fair for a long time. Whenever we

would hear negative remarks about the fair, we would remind others that the fair is for the children and the 4-H children still enjoyed spending time out at the fair with their animals and projects, despite the fact that there was nothing else much out there.

It's getting harder and harder to defend the fair and to support them. Three years ago my son won a trophy. For some reason, they didn't have the trophy and he had to wait a year to get it. Two years ago he won another trophy. The trophy was broken and we again waited about a year to get it back. Last year, he won a plaque and "Tractor Project" was spelled wrong. We waited again to get this fixed. All three times we had to keep calling to find out when he would get them. Last year his ducks didn't make weight, along with other kids' ducks. This year he bought his ducks the very first day that he could get them. He called me from the fair and told me that at weigh-in the ducks weighed an average of 25 lbs. (Have you ever seen a 25 pound duck?). We weighed the ducks at home and they all averaged about 7.2 pounds (minimum weight is 6.0). They evidently weighed them on the same scale that they were weighing hogs! I told him someone is making a mistake. He didn't care—he was just excited that everyone's ducks made weight. He then called me back an hour later, disappointed, to tell me that nobody's ducks made weight. They reweighed them on a smaller scale, after someone wised up. Last year they knew that poultry wasn't making weight. When they moved the fair back to June, they didn't change the mini-

mum weight. My daughter, who was very involved in 4-H when she was of age, went out to speak to someone in charge. She felt like nobody cared or listened, except for Jim Munger. Unfortunately, nobody was allowed to show for a prize or sale in the livestock fair if they brought ducks.

I am just so disappointed with the 4-H program and Senior Fair board for not allowing Malayna to bring her horse and for not allowing the ducks to be shown and sold. I too understand rules, but this is not the Ohio State Fair. This is the Paulding County Fair that has almost nothing else to offer besides the few 4-H children and their projects. Sadly, my son brought his ducks home the next day. He didn't feel like keeping them there a second year in a row for the week, if he couldn't compete or sell them. He also asked me to throw away his camp registration form—he wasn't going this year. This will be his first year not going. After the past three years' experiences he has had, I can't blame him. I will continue to support him if he decides to continue with 4-H and I hope that he will. The decision is his. Our children need to be supported and encouraged with their projects. I hope that something changes soon with the Fair board, before we discourage anymore children.

Respectfully,
—Patti Stoller

CMH'S AQUATIC THERAPY POOL COMPLETED

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Though aquatic therapy is not recommended for certain medical conditions, the vast majority of people can participate with a physician's order. Examples of conditions treated with aquatic therapy include: arthritis, sports injuries, work conditioning, joint arthroplasty, neurological conditions, orthopedic conditions, repetitive stress disorders, chronic fatigue syndrome, chronic pain management, fibromyalgia, Guillian Barre syndrome, muscular dystrophy, pregnancy, and stroke.

Many area residents have had to travel to Fort Wayne for aquatic therapy, while others have been patiently

waiting for CMH's therapy pool to open. Dr. Bryan Kaplansky, physical medicine and rehabilitation specialist at CMH, has a waiting list of patients who are ready to start aquatic therapy. Most have myofascial (muscle) pain or osteoarthritis.

In 2007, the CMH Foundation purchased a used SwimEx brand therapy pool, which sat in storage for several years. A capital campaign was launched in 2010 to raise funds to refurbish and install the pool. Construction began in September 2010 and was completed last week.

The cost of refurbishing and installing the pool and renovating the area was approximately \$500,000. The CMH Foundation put \$265,000 toward the project, and then launched a campaign to raise \$50,000 more. The successful campaign raised \$52,262 and, along with other sources of income, made this plan a reality.

One interesting part of construction occurred when it came time to bring the refurbished pool back into the building. The pool left CMH in three pieces, but the refurbishing company brought it back in two large pieces making it significantly more difficult to move back into the building. Repeated measuring made it clear there would be only inches to spare. Thanks to expert maneuvering by local excavator, Mark Savage, the two large pieces were guided safely through the doors.

The therapy pool is located in the former surgery area, which is conveniently connected to Health Fit Rehabilitation & Wellness, CMH's physical, occupational, and speech therapy center. Showers and locker rooms for men and women are located adjacent to the pool for convenience and privacy.

The pool is five feet deep in the deepest area. It includes 13 workstations designed for a variety of functional exercises to improve the upper/lower extremity strength, core strength, and improve the cardiovascular/respiratory system. SwimEx brand therapy pools are used by more than 100 professional and collegiate athletic teams.

The pool is designed for entry via steps, or using a 16" platform to sit and pivot to the water. The water



Health Fit therapy staff is looking forward to the opening of the new aquatic therapy pool at Community Memorial Hospital. Pictured are front (l-r): Tiffanie Baird, Camie Stallbaum, Stacy Kosha; and back (l-r): Sadie Burdine, Mitch Fowler, and Jeremy Dauber.

temperature will be kept at around 92 degrees. This warmth will help loosen sore or stiff muscles and help improve range of motion.

Paddlewheel technology can be used to create a smooth "wall of water" pool current. Patients can swim or walk against the current to build strength and endurance. The current can also improve circulation and help relax and stretch muscles.

Only one patient will use the pool at a time. Therapists will typically also be in the pool for at least the first several sessions or longer if needed. As the patient progresses into their program, the therapist may teach exercises from the floor.

Therapists will use additional equipment such as buoys, water belts, water dumbbells, kick boards, and water socks during therapy sessions. These devices will support patients and create additional resistance to enhance therapy sessions.

Those interested in aquatic therapy should talk with their physician or specialist to determine if this approach is appropriate. A physician's order is required to receive aquatic therapy treatment.

The public is encouraged

to stop by and view the new therapy pool. Public open house events will be held on Friday, July 15, and Sunday, July 17, from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m. both days.

ABOUT COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

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BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL: CHAPTER 14

By: Stan Jordan
 We left Ft. Laramie at daylight and an old timer told us it was about 45-50 miles to Nebraska Territory. Our first stop will be a place called Wagon Wheel, that is in the area of Scott's Bluff. The snow fall has been run over a few times and the going is good. Night after night of nothing but snow and it is very bright on your eyes. I think we are averaging about three miles per hour. By the end of the week we should be past Scott's Bluff, that is about 30 miles into Nebraska.

We are traveling on the north side of the Platte River. We are going east on the Oregon Trail, but an old timer said some people refer to it as the Mormon Trail. I'm driving and riding on Hiram's big four-up. I'm pretty accustomed to those horses now.

Hiram said his name is Hiram Dee Mason, but he is also a Mason. He belongs to the Old Dominion Lodge 31 in Williamsburg, VA.

I asked, "How do you pay your dues?"

He said, "I send the money to Dad and he pays it when he goes."

We just keep rolling east through Gerig a stage coach stop. Then another pony express stop called Broken Shoe and then more bright sun and white snow.

We spend New Year's Day on the trail, just like any other day. We got snowed in at another Pony Express Station called Osh Gosh. We were there four days because of the white out and blowing snow. The animals needed the rest

and we did also. Lots of wild life around here so the caretaker fed us pretty good. Each one of us buys our own meals, probably 15-25 cents unless Hiram treats us. We are back on the road again, but some of the Pony Express riders told us it is about 225 miles to North Platte, pretty good smooth trail, one of our main goals.

It is almost the first of February and we are nearing North Platte City. We are seeing hundreds of Canadian Honker Geese here on the north-south fly way. One of the stage coach drivers told us these geese stay here all winter and then go back north in the spring. They winter here, this is the south for them. He said at times there are so many that they blot out the sun.

It is fairly smooth going and the snow is packed pretty good and we go mile after mile and not see any one or Indians or smoke signals. I think the Lakota tribes set pretty tight in the winter.

We stopped at North Platte City. We rested all the animals and checked all their shoes and harness repairs and greased the wagon axles and hubs.

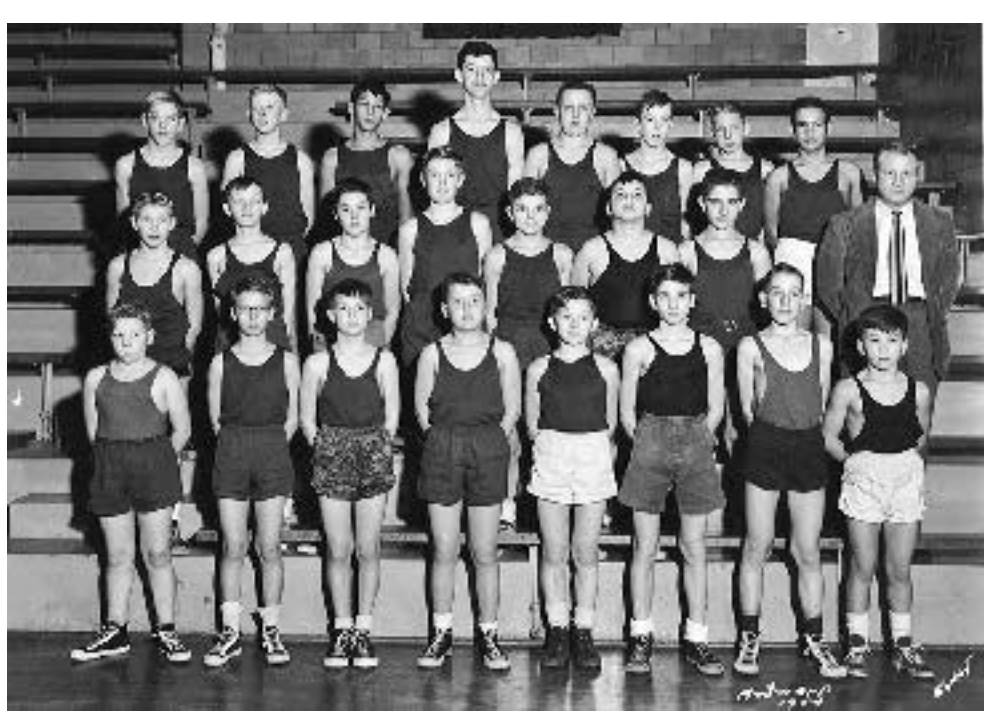
We all had a good meal of beef stew and ended with apple pie. We had two rooms at Mrs. Murphy's Rooming House, but we all four gathered in Slim's room and we talked for hours.

I was going to ask Sam about what he thought about me getting a gift for Limping Buffalo. What he answered floored us all. We just sat and listened.

He said, "Yes, I was in El Paso, I had a good job, I was young and in good shape and looked pretty good. I was a driver and rode shotgun for the Wells Fargo Stage Line from El Paso to Devil's Gate and back the next day. "There was a pretty young girl named Lolita who sang and danced (that's all) at the cantina. We talked a lot and had a picnic a time or two. "I left El Paso as usual and made the run into Devil's Gate then I was hit by the ague or as some call it, the flu.

But I was gone for a week. "Boy, I was glad to get back to El Paso and see Lolita. But she wasn't so tickled to see me. We stood in the shade of the overhang on the veranda and she said, "I have met a nice young fellow while you were gone and we are quite serious. I wanted to be the first to tell you because I do like you and enjoy your company, but I know I am very serious with the young man. His name is Roger Ogleshorpe and he hails from Louisiana. I think they have a couple of those big southern estates. "Well, I don't remember what I said, I was so dumb-founded and heart broken. I was so much more in love with her than she was about me. "I was the driver on the 8:15 a.m. stage the next morning going west on the Devil's Gate Run. I never went back to El Paso, I talked about that place a lot, that's why they call me El Paso Sam. You see I hail from Como, Mississippi and my buddy, Roy Ann, hails from Tupelo, Mississippi and one of us drove and the other was riding shotgun. We were considered that best of the drivers because we never lost a letter or message, we were close to being on time more than anyone. I guess maybe we was the best. "I kept on going west into Lordsburg and then on west with the Pony Express into the southern part of the California Territory while they were having a small war with Mexico. I was scout and tracker for General Fremont and Colonel Stockton, but the latter was more of a parade ground officer. I guess later on he had some good campaigns. "That's where I met Slim Martin, we were scouts for the Army for quite a while. Now that was on foot, the Army didn't have any Calvary at that time. "After many months of walking across every desert in the southwest, I got a job again with the Pony Express and ended up in Santa Fe, New Mexico. I caught a ride with a couple wagons going back to Independence, Missouri from Santa Fe. We got in there early in the spring two years ago and that is where I ran into Slim Martin the second time. "He said he was going to lead a wagon train out of Independence going up the Oregon Trail to Fort Bridger. We did and everything went alright and we made the second trip together last summer with train number 11 and you

ANTWERP BASEBALL PICTURE OF 1954



By: Stan Jordan
 This picture was loaned to us by Mike Moore. Joe Vail, Kenny Hahn and Dave Mickelson helped identify all the players. We here at the WBN appreciate all your help.
 First Row (l-r): Dewey

Rister, Randy Derck, Dave Seslar, Dave Mickelson, Eddie Joe McCalla, Denny Clinton, Raymond Conkey, Donnie Mabis
 Second Row (l-r): Bob Lichty, Ray DeLong, Bob Ross, Jack Phipps, Bob Howard, Joe

Vail, Jim Hutchins, Coach Ray Giesige
 Third Row (l-r): Ed McCreery, Walter Schilb, Donald Cravens, Bill Peffley, Jim Moore, Jim Miller, Bob Knorr, LeRoy Cravens
 See ya!

know the rest." Everyone was quiet for a little while and I said, "You know, Sam, my mother can look into people's eyes and can tell a lot. Just like I do with horses eyes. She told me one time that she had looked deep in your eyes and that in the past you had been hurt bad, but that you was a good man. She also said she was glad I had signed on with you three fellows because you all have very good characteristics and straight as an arrow."

We talked some more, finished that pot of coffee and then turned in.

Next week: East of North Platte

See ya!



Paraprosdokians
 I thought I wanted a career, but it turns out I just wanted paychecks.

Whenever I fill out an application, in the part that says, "In emergency, notify:" I always put, "Doctor".

I didn't say it was your fault; I said I was blaming you.

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but always check when you say the paint is wet?

Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut and still think they are sexy.

A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

You do not need a parachute to sky dive. You definitely need a parachute to sky dive twice.

The voices in my head may not be real, but they have some darned good ideas!

Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back.

Hospitality: Making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were.

I discovered I scream the same way whether I'm about to be devoured by a great white shark or if a piece of seaweed touches my foot.

There's a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.

I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.

When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the fire department usually uses water.

You're never too old to learn something stupid.

To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

Some people hear voices. Some people see invisible people. Others have no imagination whatsoever.

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 A bus is a vehicle that runs twice as fast when you are after it as when you are in it.
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—Submitted by: Stan Jordan from GCFL.net

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RAISE THE BARRE DANCE TEAM DANCES AT NATIONAL FINALS



Dancers Jacquelyn, Madalynn, Sydney and Hailey are pictured after competing in Toledo, Ohio.

The last week of June was a very exciting time for four dancers at Raise The Barre Dance Studio. Two of their routines had been chosen to perform at the National Finals at the Stranahan Theatre in Toledo, Ohio. Dancers Jacquelyn LeMieux, Hailey McDaniel, Sydney Price and Madalynn Varner had the opportunity to compete on the National level with routines "Rockin' Robin" and "Shake a Tail Feather". All four girls were invited to perform with other dancers in the opening act of the Star Showcase choreographed by Kristi Fair. "Rockin' Robin" earned a High Gold and "Shake a Tail Feather" earned a High Gold and a Special Judges Award.



Jacquelyn and Madalynn before the Star Showcase.

Over the span of five days at the Stranahan Theatre the girls not only competed, but also took dance workshops and made new friends.

MAINTAINING HEALTHY LAWN

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Mowing your lawn is the most important, intensive cultural practice that lawns are subject to over the growing season. Improper mowing puts lawns under stress and increases the susceptibility to weed, disease, and insect pressure.

Mowing height is probably the most important parameter of mowing. Turfgrass, like other plants, manufactures food through photosynthesis in its leaves. Turfgrass mowed at low heights has limited leaf area to sustain photosynthetic rates necessary to maintain good plant vigor.

In addition to leaf area, a direct relationship exists between the height of the turfgrass and the depth and total mass of the root system. Research with Kentucky bluegrass has shown a lawn mowed too short will have a shallow root system with little total root mass. The impact of shallow, weak root systems is most apparent during summer stress periods. When soil moisture becomes limiting, the closely mowed lawns usually exhibit stress first and the loss of turfgrass plants is more likely.

Increasing the mowing heights by an inch during mid-summer will improve the lawn's ability to tolerate stress caused by heat and drying winds. Higher mowing heights during the summer period will keep soil temperatures cooler, preserve soil moisture, and help maintain turfgrass quality.

Recommended mowing heights for cool season turf grasses cultured in Ohio, range from 2 to 2.5 inches in the spring to 3 to 3.5 inches in the summer. Mowing less than 2 inches can result in decreased drought and heat tolerance and higher incidence of insect, disease and weed pressure. Some universities are now recommending mowing the lawn at the higher level all year.

Mowing frequency is based entirely on the growth rate of the grass. In spring and fall when grass is growing more vigorously, mowing should be more frequent than during mid-summer when growth rates slow. Mow often enough so that no more than 1/3 of the leaf surface of the grass plants is removed at one time. For example, if the finished height is 2.5 inches, then about one inch of growth could occur before

mowing would be required. In general, the more growth needed before mowing is required, the longer the time interval between mowing.

During the hot summer months it is best to mow later in the day to minimize additional stresses on your grass. It is also best to change direction of mowing each time you mow. Changing direction of mowing each time promotes upright shoot growth. Keep rotary mower blades sharp. Leaf cuts made by a sharp mower blade are cleaner and heal faster than the tearing and shredding caused by a dull mower blade.

ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF JULY 11, 2011

Defiance County:

Ohio 111 just north of the Defiance/Paulding County line will be reduced to one lane Monday through Wednesday of the week for slide repair. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

County Road 424 (formerly Ohio 424) from the Indiana state line to Defiance restricted to one lane through the work zone for resurfacing which will continue until September. Work is being performed by Gerken Paving, Napoleon.

Paulding County:

Ohio 114 near Township Road 11 at McGill will be closed for three days beginning July 12 for installation of drainage tile. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

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WADE R. HALLER GRADUATED FROM THE POWERSPORT INSTITUTE

Wade R. Haller of Antwerp, is a recent graduate of The PowerSport Institute (PSI), the largest motorcycle and powersport training campus in the U.S. set on nearly 15 acres, dedicated to providing students with hands-on tech training for today's most advanced motorcycles, ATVs, personal watercraft, snowmobiles, American V-Twin and other powersport vehicles.

Haller has earned a degree in American V-Twin Technology.

"Our dedicated instructors at PSI have the flexibility to give individual attention that enhances problem solving, troubleshooting and creative thinking," said Bernie Thompson, PSI campus director. "In addition to the technical training, Haller learned how to work efficiently in a repair facility, utilize shop manuals and handle customer service issues so they leave our school as skilled, valuable employees."

The PowerSport Institute offers its students ongoing career placement through its employment services department, where they receive resume and interview support prior to and after graduation. The school also communicates with hiring managers to help students contact dealers and set up interviews.

ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNING CAMPERS CRAFT WITH THE GIRL SCOUTS!



Ann's Bright Beginnings Campers were recently visited by Mrs. Darla Smith and several members from her Girl Scout troop! They made a sunshine craft and decorated sunglasses together. After making their crafts, the girls shared—what else?—Girl Scout cookies with us!

Shown here sporting their

very cool sunglasses are (in back): Danielle Smith, Devon Smith, Katie Strayer and Denise Smith. In the center are: Aiden Herman, Mallory Fisher, Jamy Hunt, Ella Moore, Marley Parrett and Madisyn Peters. In the very front are Addison Hunt and Miley Reynolds.

COUNTRY INN PARTNERS WITH ISAIAH 55 TO COLLECT USED ASSISTED LIVING EQUIPMENT

Country Inn Enhanced Living Center will be collecting used hospital beds, wheelchairs, walkers, rolling walkers, crutches, toilet risers, shower seats, and used eyeglasses (prescription/non prescription) until July 31. Many families may have these items around the house after the death of a loved one. All collected items will be sent to the Reynosa/Rio Bravo Mexico area where there is a

strong need for these items in the elderly and handicapped communities.

Country Inn is partnering with Isaiah 55, a ministry serving the deaf community in Reynosa/Rio Bravo on this project. Items may be dropped off at the Country Inn facility located at 12651 Road 82, Paulding OH—1/4 mile west of the Apostolic Christian Church off US 127. Country Inn Enhanced Living Center is a licensed assisted living facility committed to providing loving care and support to individuals who are aging and/or have temporary/permanent medical needs.

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BUFFALO GIRL'S POWWOW & HONORING OUR VETS



By: Sue Knapp

Judy Keys 'the Buffalogirl' was raised in Paulding County. Judy is part Blackfoot and part Cherokee Native American. Judy's dad ran the sugar beet factory in Paulding then worked with the city water. She raised buffaloes for 10 years, and then had to give them up due to health issues.

On July 22, 23 and 24 Judy will be hosting her 11th Pow-Wow including Honoring our Vets. This event will be held east of the Keys' house on the Roland Road.

"All gave and some gave all" is the theme behind the Veterans Honor. Veterans and their families are invited to attend the ceremony which will be held at Noon each day

at the circle. Veterans are allowed to bring flags to display.

The Head Veteran is Martin Chamber (Tallhorse); Arena Director is George Ritter; MC is Aaren Stevens; Head Male Dancer is (Bo) William Jacob (Yellow Wolf); Head Female Dancer is Vickey Havry; Drums, Thunder with the Hands; Drum Group 'Handover Hands'; as well as another group from Alabama. Representative Native Americans from The Badlands and California will be in attendance along with Kickpoos, Crow, Delaware, Pawnee, Blackfoot, Dakota Sioux and Soshoni. There will be flute players, and 30 vendors with Indian wares. USA

Foods will be serving an array of cultural choices along with Anita Ford Catering from Okalona, Ohio.

The sun makes for a heated head, so tents will be up to provide some shade for the guests. If you'd like, bring your own chairs or use the ones there.

A bonfire will be continuous all three days. This will be for purifying or smudging the dancers before entering the circle and they will be able to sit in front of the fire and meditate.

Mobile units and travel trailers are welcome, showers are provided. Wheel chairs and golf carts are welcome.

A children's tent will be set up for the kids—they will be able to make items to keep. Face painting will also be available and prizes will be awarded.

This is a good opportunity to learn a little about Native American culture and history—a great event for the whole family.

For more information about this event contact Judy Keys at 419-399-0804 or 419-899-2591 or buffalogirl@bright.net.

PAULDING RESERVOIR PARK LEAGUE STANDINGS

Mens Tuesday Night League

1. Farm Credit 14-0
2. Handyman 7-7
3. Guilfords 9-5
4. BWW 11-3
5. Hoffman Builders 3-11
6. Hitmen 8-4
7. Larson Body Shop 0-14
8. TJ's Bar 6-10
9. Oasis Bar 5-9

Mens Thursday Night League

1. Lee Kinstle Chevy 13-3, 2nd Place
2. Nemco 10-6
3. Grace Home Improvements 5-11
4. Handyman 6-10
5. Azul 14-2, 1st Place
6. Oasis Bar 9-7
7. TJ's Bar 10-6
8. Haviland Tile 5-11
9. Omni Source 1-15

Womens Wednesday Night League

1. Blackies 13-1
2. Casa Veija 9-4

3. Carpet Wholesalers 12-2
4. Jay Dangler Excavating 9-5
5. Moody Maidens 5-8
6. Paulding VFW 4-9
7. Ed's Car Care/Concrete Guys 0-13
8. Farmers Insurance 1-12 "The Swamp" Wiffleball League Wednesday Night
1. Gatorz 7-1
2. Whitmans 5-3
3. Jay Dangler Excavating 6-2
4. Tea Bags 5-2
5. Breese Trucking 2-5
6. Scorpions 1-6
7. Grace 0-7
8. Bombers 5-3

Monday Night Coed League

1. Archbold Equipment 12-0, 1st Place
2. Hoffman Builders 8-4, 2nd Place
3. Concrete Guys 2-10
4. Gatorz 7-5
5. Smalleys Body Shop 6-6
6. R&D Engineering 1-11

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 6/13/11

This 13th 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 178937 through 179032 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 June 7, 2011, Warrant numbers 178751 through 178805 totaling \$10,148.30, 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. Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the board of county commissioners; now, therefore 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 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 June 9, 2011, Warrant numbers 178892 through 178936 totaling \$7,110.76, 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

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CLARK - MCMILLAN



Kent and Lisa Clark of Paulding wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Lynne

Clark to Aaron Scott McMillan, son of Scott and Nan McMillan of Haviland. They will exchange vows July 23, 2011 in Van Wert, OH.

ANTWERP BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP



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COLLEY - GORDON



Terry and Sharon Colley of Hicksville, OH wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Sarah Ilene to Bradley Gordon, son of Dawn and Danny Gordon, Antwerp, OH.

The bride-elect is a 2007 Antwerp High School graduate and a 2010 graduate of Ivy Tech Community College, Fort Wayne where she received her Associates Degree in Medical Assisting. She is presently attending ITT Technical Institute where she will receive her Associates Degree in Nursing. Sarah is employed at Community Me-

morial Hospital, Hicksville as a Certified Medical Assistant. Bradley is a 2005 graduate of Antwerp High School and Vantage Career Center where he studied Industrial Mechanics. He is presently attending Indiana Tech where he will receive his Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Bradley is employed at Trelborg Sealing Solutions, Fort Wayne, IN as a test technician in the Research and Development Department.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on August 6, 2011 at St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville, OH.

THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS

Do you remember the sights, sounds and smells of a summer celebration in your hometown when you were a kid? It might have been a carnival, parade, or festival to honor the Fourth of July, or a seasonal specialty. Whatever it was, it probably had music, fireworks, snow cones, popcorn, games of skill, marching bands and floats pulled by tractors, cherry pie eating contests, clear blue skies, warm sunshine and crowds of smiling faces with no worries.

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ELIZABETH R. BARNES GRADUATES FROM PALMER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC



Elizabeth R. Barnes graduated on June 17, 2011 from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa with a Doctor of Chiropractic Degree. Beth is a 2003 graduate of Paulding High School and a 2007 graduate of Defiance College. Beth and her husband, SSgt. Mark S. Barnes USMC, live in Marion, Iowa. She is the daughter of Alan and Anna Free.

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IN THE MATTER OF MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE DUPLICATE YEAR 2011, COLLECTED IN 2012, ON JOINT DITCHES WITH DEFIANCE COUNTY ORC 6137.03:

This 13th of June, 2011, the Joint Board of County Commissioners of Paulding and Defiance Counties met in regular session in the Conference Room of the Defiance County Commissioners' Office with the following members present:

Paulding County - Tony Zartman, Present; Tony Burkley, Present; Fred Pieper, Present

Defiance County - Thomas L. Kime, Present; Otto L. Nicely, Present; James E Harris, Jr., Present

Mr. James E. Harris, Jr. moved to adopt the following resolution:

Tim Franklin, Paulding County SWCD Ditch Maintenance, has reported the proposed maintenance collections for the 2011 duplicates with Paulding and Defiance Counties, information sheets attached, and should be placed on the 2011 tax duplicate, to be collected in 2012, for maintenance. By the Joint Board of County Commissioners of Paulding and Defiance Counties, that in order to provide such maintenance funds, it is deemed necessary to run the attached listed ditches on the 2011 tax duplicate, to be collected in 2012, for collection for one (1) year only, at the percentage and the amount provided based on the benefits, and that the same be and is hereby levied upon such benefited areas as aforesaid, all in accordance with the provisions of Section 6137.03 of the Revised Code of Ohio; and the Auditors of Paulding and Defiance Counties are hereby ordered and directed to place such ditch maintenance assessments on the 2011 tax duplicate, to be collected in 2012, of the respective counties. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Meeting Notes of Appointments:

Rob Wannemacher, Wayne Trace Local School Treasurer; Steve Arnold, Wayne Trace Local School Superintendent; Claudia Fickel, County Auditor; Amy Kauser; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Mr. Wannemacher requested this meeting with the County Commissioners to discuss ORC 5727.75 and how it relates to energy projects. He reported having spoken with Stan Bialczak from the Department of Development and John Nolfi from the Department of Taxation regarding the wind turbine projects. Mr. Wannemacher pointed out that the ORC does not explain

SPANGLER - ADAMS



Jeff and Melinda Spangler of Oakwood would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tara Spangler to Matthew Adams, son of John and Brenda Adams of Scott.

Tara is a 2006 graduate of Paulding High School and Apollo in 2010. She is currently continuing her studies at Rhodes State College for her RN and BSN. She is

employed at The Meadows of Kalida as an LPN.

Matt is a 2002 graduate of Wayne Trace High School and the University of Northwestern Ohio with an Associate's in Agri-Business in 2005. He is currently employed by Archbold Equipment Company in Ottawa, OH.

The couple will exchange vows on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at Auglaize Chapel Church of God in Oakwood.

how the fees are to be distributed. Inside millage, splits on owners' taxes, and PILOT payments were discussed. The Commissioners will further study this issue.

John Leutz, Senior Policy Analyst, CCAO - Mr. Leutz joined the Commissioners on a conference call to discuss the implications of ORC 5727.75 and how it relates to Paulding County's wind energy projects.

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Song Info:
Each contestant must submit 2 songs: One for preliminary round, one for finals. Songs must be under 3 1/2 minutes each. Remember to bring your own CDs. No instruments on stage, this is a vocal contest.

Song Title: _____ Song Length: _____
Song Title: _____ Song Length: _____
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Please be aware the **first** 20 applicants will be in the contest. Submit as soon as possible to insure entry. All applicants will be notified whether they have gained entry into the contest or not. All contestants not within the first 20 applicants will receive their application fee back through the mail. Be aware that ALL judges' decisions are final!

Prize money will be awarded: 1st: \$150.00 2nd: \$100.00 3rd: \$50.00

GROVER HILL SOFTBALL TEAMS END SEASON AS LEAGUE CHAMPS!

The Grover Hill Ball Association, along with Grover Hill Welcome Park & team sponsors would like to recognize the Grover Hill girls soft-

ball teams for their accomplishments this ball season. All three girls softball teams won their league tournaments held at the end of June.



Grover Hill Major Girls sponsored by Lee Kinstler GM Sales & Service. Front row (l-r) Lily Sinn, Gillianne Wiseman, Alex Fast, Gracie Gudakunst, Megan Moore. Back row (l-r) Coach Donna Wiseman, Sara Sinn, Brooke Sinn, Madison Chastain, Gabby Gudakunst, Courtney Mead, Alisa Elliott, Coach Carrie Sinn



Grover Hill Minor Girls sponsored by N&N Quickstop. Front row (l-r) Olivia Egnor, Claire Sinn. Second row (l-r) Keagann Parrish, Kylar Sherry, Hailey Dempsey, Kaitlyn Doster, Cecilia Baker. Third row (l-r) Natasha Torman, Sara Edwards, Alexis Gibson, Breanna Huffine, Chelsea Sinn. Back row (l-r) Coaches Amy & John Egnor.



Grover Hill Pee Wee Girls sponsored by Real Waste Disposal. Front row (l-r) Abby Stoller, Alivia Miller, Ashlynn Parrish, Haylee Finrock, Faith Meraz. Second row (l-r) Carlee Mead, Natalie Bostelman, Lydia Whitman, Kirsten Lewis, Lily Reynolds, Cara Davis, Tiffany Sinn. Back row (l-r) Coach Rob Davis, Coach Heather Miller, Team Sponsor Eric Bidlack, Coach Jessica Davis, Coach Erika Fast.

GROVER HILL SUMMER-FEST & 8-UNDER BASEBALL TOURNEY

Welcome Park in Grover Hill will be hosting Grover Hill's annual Summerfest & 8-under Baseball Tourney on July 29, 30, 31.

The tourney will be a coach pitch tourney; all participants must be eight years old or younger as of April 30, 2011. There will be individual awards for 1st and 2nd place (13 max). It is a double elimination tournament played with 10 fielders and 11 batters (max). Last date for entry (with payment) will be July 18, 2011. Drawing will take place at Welcome Park on July 28th.

For more information and entry fee amount, please call Amanda Parrish at 419-605-7021.

VANTAGE JULY BOARD MEETING HELD

The regular July monthly meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held on Thursday, June 30, 2011. The treasurer's report included the approval of the June 2, 2011 regular board meeting minutes and the financial statements for May, 2011. The board approved FY11 final revenues and appropriations, FY12 temporary revenues and appropriations, transferred monies from the general fund ABE accounts and to the Adult Education for FY12, which satisfies the mandated contribution to maintain Adult Full Service Center status. The board passed a resolution to transfer \$225,040.00 from the general fund to the maintenance fund to meet the district's obligation to set aside maintenance dollars for the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) project.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman provided the board with an update on the renovation and construction project.

In new business, the board:

- Employed the following list of employees, as needed, as scheduled: Mike Miller, Ag Diesel Instructor;

- Approved the following supplemental contracts: Daniel Joyce, School Improvement Coordinator;

- Employed the following list of Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Cary Hengstler, STNA Instructor; Alex Rompilla, Alternative Energy Coordinator; James Steele, Fire Protection; Brett Whittington, Stacie Leiter, Nancy Potter, Computers; Ron Schumm, FBPA Consultant; Leisa Yinger, James Fast, ABE Instructor; Jackie Brandt, Public Safety Programs Manager; Mike Kirkendall, Health Careers; Bruce Showalter, Police Academy; Jane Collis, Office/Computers;

- Approved the revised job description of the School Improvement Coordinator;

- Resolution to approve the renewal of Participation Agreement with Ohio Schools Risk Sharing Authority for the period of 7/1/11 to 6/30/12 (this is our consortium for property, fleet and liability insurance);

- Resolution to approve the Computer Services Agreement between Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative and Vantage Career Center for FY12 services;

- Resolution to approve the purchase of a Betenbender hydraulic shear from Ornamental Products Tool & Supply of Cleveland for an estimated amount of \$35,000 for the new welding lab;

- Resolution to approve the Adult Education Use of Social Media policy as submitted;

- Resolution to approve an overnight field trip for SkillsUSA leadership camp to Hocking College in Nelsonville, Ohio from July 18 – July 22 for two students and one instructor;

- Accept cafeteria bids from Aunt Millie's Bakeries for bread and Arp's Dairy for milk for school year 11-12;

- Resolution giving authorization to the Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Straley Realty to auction the Vantage Carpentry house at 1275 Madison Blvd. and the Vantage Building & Grounds houses at 408 & 410 Race Street in Van Wert, Ohio;

- Resolution to approve Dr. Joseph Kuhn, Payne Ohio, as the school bus & van physicals physician to be covered 100% by the board. Contract is effective July 1, 2011 to April 30, 2013;

- Accept a grant of \$24,500.00 from The Van Wert County Foundation to be used to purchase electronic items (Rothacker-Lampe Bequest);

- Accept a grant of \$433.00 from "Patricia M. Lichtensteiger Memorial Fund" of the Van Wert County Foundation for the Literacy Program at Vantage Career Center;

- Approve school lunch prices for school year 2011-2012 as submitted;

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

- The superintendent requested an executive session for the purpose of discussion of employment of personnel. Following executive session the Board amended the resolution of consent items to remove retired/rehired employees from the bullet point "Salaries of Individuals not on Salary Schedules";

- Approve the Negotiated Agreement between Vantage Career Center and the Vantage Teacher Organization effective June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2014;

- Approve the Vantage Non-Certified Staff fringe benefit package effective June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2014 as submitted;

- Board set salaries for retired/rehired individuals at a 1% stipend on salary for FY12, FY13, FY14.

- Increase salaries of non-certified staff paid on salary schedules: FY12—0% on base w/1% stipend on salary; FY13—½% on base with no step advancement; FY14—1% base increase and staff shall advance vertically for the 2013-14 year and service in 2012-13 shall count for placement on salary schedule 2013-14.

- Salaries of staff not on salary schedules to be increased 2% per year for FY12, FY13, FY14.

- Increase salary for Treasurer and Superintendent 2% each year through the end of current contracts.

The next Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cup & Saucer Restaurant.

MALICE FITNESS & MARTIAL ARTS PUTS PAULDING ON THE MAP!



Paulding, Ohio now is the home of two Mixed Martial Arts Champions. Our local fighters, Jeremy "Big Poppa" Rhodes and Ryan "The Hurricane" Hogans each brought home Championship belts in their weight classes. Jeremy had a hard fought battle of stand up exchanges with his opponent and had to summon his superior strength to overpower his opponent and took the fight to the ground. Jeremy was able to pin his opponent to the floor of the cage and unleash devastating blows with punches and elbows. Jeremy won his fight in the first round by TKO!

Ryan's fight started with

him landing several punches on his opponent before he was taken down to the ground. Although Ryan has great stand up skills, he's known for his submissions and when his opponent took him to the ground, he entered Ryan's area of expertise. Ryan made short work of his opponent, submitting him by arm bar in 51 seconds of the first round.

Jeremy is scheduled for his first title defense in August and Ryan will be competing for another title later this month. For more information on local fighters and upcoming events, visit www.malicefighters.com

CLYDE JORDAN WINS AT THE PURGATORY FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIPS



Pictured (l-r) is Rob Majors, Clyde Jordan, and Justin Flemons.

Clyde Jordan of Malice Mixed Martial Arts and trainer for the youth wrestling club in Van Wert, Ohio won at the Purgatory Fighting Championships. Clyde competed against an opponent from one of Toledo's premier academies and won in the first round by rear naked choke. Clyde started the fight by overwhelming his opponent with strikes, causing his opponent to retreat. Once closing the distance with strikes, Clyde took his oppo-

nent to the ground where he continued to damage his opponent. The opponent gave up his back to avoid the many punches he was receiving and that's where Clyde seized the opportunity to finish the match by choking his opponent out. Clyde is scheduled to fight in Michigan, later this month for the light weight title belt. For more information on local fighters and upcoming events, visit www.malicefighters.com

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Steven Maurer, the State Executive Director for the Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) would like to remind producers about the deadline extension date to timely report prevented planting is July 15, 2011.

"With the extension, producers are able to file form CCC-576, Notice of Loss for prevented planting of corn and soybeans at the same time as filing annual acreage reports which are also due by July 15th, Maurer said."

Prevented planting acreage, or acreage that could not be planted because of wet field conditions or other natural disaster, should be reported to FSA by July 15th. This includes crops covered by crop insurance or the Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP) and crops without insurance coverage. Producers should contact their local FSA office or crop insurance agent

to verify final planting dates for all crops since they vary among counties and crop types.

For crop losses on crops covered by the Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP), producers must contact their local FSA office within 15 days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent to file a Notice of Loss. Producers with crop insurance should contact their local agent when losses occur and before destroying the crop.

To report prevented acreage, producers must complete Form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, for affected crops.

If a producer misses the reporting deadline for prevented planting, they may still report prevented planting acreage as long as the disaster condition may be verified and a measurement service fee is paid. If the acreage was timely reported to insurance and supports the crop information reported to FSA, the fee may be waived. This crop insurance exception does not apply to NAP.

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by July 22, 2011

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ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: THERE IS A LARGE INVENTORY OF JAPANESE TEA SETS, MISC CUPS & SAUCERS, HAND PAINTED CHINA, SUGARS, CREAMERS, SOME OF WHICH ARE HAVILAND, RS PRUSSIA, BAVARIAN, LENOX, WE WILL ATTEMPT TO PUT A MORE COMPLETE LIST ON OUR WEB SITE OR VIEW MORNING OF AUCTION; flat top trunks; Avon ceramic beer steins; hand carved wooden animals; (2) lg oil paintings by Dane Driver; factory boxed Sterling Co. 12 cups/saucers; paper weights; adv. items from Hicksville Building & Loan; Lane hope chest; Reco by Knowles (9) sets of collector dishes; lots of cut glass; ruby platter/cut glass trays; Jewel Tea bowl/cake platters; Hull/Fenton/USA/Roseville pottery; 8" jointed doll w/moveable eyes; 50's games; hand painted birds/flowering basket & lid by Edwards; oil lamp; Oliver manual typewriter; old cowboy boots; 28 Hixonians 1941-81; Spooondrift School Newspaper 12/23/1941; Wagner #9 skillet; Breitling stop watch; VFW Chapter 3011 hat; quilts; doilies; chenille bedspread; 1950's baby clothes; costume jewelry; Japanese figurines; buffalo coat; beaded purse; feathered hat; many old books; **WWII ITEMS:** lg. box of kimonos/robes/scarves/tablecloths; ammo boxes; photo album; complete in box gas mask; Japan occupation guides/books; blue Japan set salt/pepper/creamer/sugar; **GUNS:** Japanese bolt action rifle w/orig. cert. of retention; Meriden Firearms 16 ga. dble barrel/twin triggers; 16 ga. shells; **HOUSEHOLD & MISC.:** Rascal elec mobility scooter; 20" Huffy girls bike w/banana seat(60's); 26" Schwinn Spitfire girls bike(50's); 2)BR suites; lamps; ottomans; bedspreads; comforters; linens; Hoover wind tunnel vac sweeper; port. clothes hanger; afghans; filing cabinets; Rockingham dining table w/6 chairs; wood desk; drafting table w/light; Kenmore sewing machine w/cab. & attach.; Cannon ES typewriter; SC typewriter w/processor; slide projector w/screen; step stools; 30" oval mirror; sofa & love seat; end tables; marble top coffee & end tables; 6 shelf wooden cabinet; Orcoa elec organ w/seat; music; sofa; stuffed chairs; handmade wood end table w/magazine rack; Sony video recorder; 4 drawer wooden chest; tri-pod camera mount; suitcases; Xmas trees/stands/dec.; fans; picnic baskets; World Book Encyclopedias; lots of pots/pans/utensils/Tupperware; meat grinder w/blades; stoneware; knick knacks; USA & OH flags; **APPLIANCES:** GE washer, dryer, elec. range & microwave; (2) freezers; Magnavox 14" TV; 14" & 24" Sanyo TV's; scanners; **TOOLS & GARDEN:** lots of misc. garden & hand tools; folding camping wood chairs; wet/dry vac; 4' ext. clamps; 24" wood level; McCullough 14" bar chain saw; 9" Craftsman table saw; Williams/Hussey molder-planer; wooden work benches; 4 & 5" bench vises; Craftsman band saw; bolt/nut display cabinets; leather working tools; ladder jacks; lg caste iron pot; alum ext ladders; folding alum ladder; lawn sweeper; lawn cart; old scales; watering cans; gas grill; Hoyer Hydra Lift lightweight elec crank; picnic table; fishing equip/nets/tackle/etc.

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**VARIATIONS IN CLIMATE
PART III: THE MIDDLE
LATITUDES**

By: Josh Steiner

In the last two weeks, I have talked about the climate patterns in the tropics and sub-tropics. I discussed the Hadley cell, Intertropical Convergence Zone, hot deserts, and other ones like the Atacama Desert. Now we will move onto the next region: the middle latitudes.

Unlike most places in the tropics and sub-tropics, middle latitude climates can change drastically from winter to summer, with spring and fall being the stormiest. The most important factor of the middle latitude climates is the position of the polar and subtropical jet streams.

These jet streams create storm systems, destroy them, distribute heat energy, wind energy, and momentum; also distributing pressure differences between different areas of the earth. The tropics are heated intensely while the poles have a net loss of solar radiation, causing warm temperatures in the tropics, while the poles experience generally extremely cold temperatures during most of the year, with the largest temperature difference being in the winter. As the jet stream forms, warm temperatures at the surface always mean higher pressure surfaces or heights in the atmosphere while in a column of cold air, lower pressure surfaces (or heights) in the atmosphere. Since all things have the tendency of falling downhill, air that is over the higher pressure in the atmosphere will flow towards the lower pressure in the atmosphere. The wind flows from the tropics toward the poles; due to the Coriolis force, the south wind is eventually turned westward to flow parallel to the isobars over the middle latitudes.

Now for the flow aloft to intensify, the temperature gradient has to increase over a short distance, which will strongly amplify the flow aloft. These jet streams form because this is the atmosphere's method of distributing not only heat energy, but wind energy and momentum in the atmosphere. For some reason distributing equally seems to be nature's main purpose in almost every aspect.

Because the jet stream's position is determined by the position of the temperature gradient at the surface, we can assume that the jet stream's position changes based on the position of the sun, mainly because the position of the sun usually determines which areas are going to be the hottest. Because of this, southern areas of the middle latitudes always have the most widespread stormi-

ness during the winter and spring. During the summer, the most extreme southern portions of the middle latitudes have dry season during the summer, because of the subtropical high. Even though they have a dry season, quite a few of these areas experience hurricanes during the summer, making for a very wet season. Farther north, such as southern U.S. north of Florida, these places are wet year round, because during the winter, they experience widespread storminess, but during the summer, a type of monsoonal flow causes afternoon thunderstorms. In the Ohio Valley, southern Great Lakes, and the Mid-Atlantic states, storminess is usually year round (even though the new pattern over the last several years has been extremely wet springs, followed by extremely hot, dry summers, typical of the Deep South). The jet stream generally brings heavy snowstorms and heavy ice storms in winter, followed by heavy rain events that lead to flooding in spring, and severe weather outbreaks during the early and mid-summers. This makes these regions the most storm-ridden of the U.S. Along the Pacific Coast, rainfall patterns usually bring extremely wet and stormy winters, followed by cool, dry summers, with the occasional heat wave farther inland. In Alaska, the northern branch of the polar jet stream causes extremely stormy conditions

United States. The snowfall to water ratio is very low in these areas, which means that 20 inches of snow can fall in one day, but the amount of precipitation in that snow could be 0.5 inches. During the summer, all three of these regions experience a summertime severe weather phenomena called MCCs, Mesoscale Convective Complexes—widespread severe weather and heavy rainfall.

Temperature contrasts are the most extreme in the middle latitudes than in any other part of the world. These temperature contrasts are brought about by the shifting highs and lows of the ever meandering jet stream. In winter, areas in the extreme Deep South (southern portions of the Gulf Coast states, Florida, Texas, and the Southwest) usually bask in mild temperatures ranging from the 70's in Florida. In Texas cold weather is much more common allowing for average temperatures to be in the 40's in Dallas and Houston, while extreme southern Texas cities can experience 80's all winter long. Sometimes extreme cold outbreaks reach these areas, causing orange crop damage in Florida and Texas. In the winter of 2009-2010, cold outbreaks caused billions of dollars in damage to citrus fruit in these states. During the summer, temperatures usually rise into the middle and upper 90's over Florida, along with very humid conditions, which cause high heat indices. In Texas, temperatures become even hotter, usually reaching the 100's and the occasional 110 in western Texas, but with much lower humidity, while east Texas's climate is virtually the same as Florida's.

Over the mid-south, temperatures range in the 40's and 30's for wintertime highs, meaning that freezes are very common to these areas. Several times every winter, a cold wave descends out of Canada, causing temperatures in the twenties and teens. Also, the occasional snowstorm during the winter can really paralyze the region, since most cities do not have the equipment to remove the snow and ice. Summertime commonly brings extremely hot and humid conditions.

Over the Ohio Valley, Mid-Atlantic states, and the Southern Great Lakes and Midwest, frequent snowstorms hit these areas, causing as much as three feet of snow to fall, it's one of the snowiest regions of the U.S. These areas are almost always below freezing during the winter and the occasional arctic outbreak can bring low temperatures below zero. In the Northern U.S. (Northern Plains, Great Lakes, and New England) temperatures are

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Dave Snyder and Julie Hall is Potiphar's wife. Rounding out the cast are several area children for the children's chorus.

The Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colors comes to vibrant life in this delightful musical parable. Joseph, his father's favorite son, is a boy blessed with prophetic dreams. When he is sold into slavery by his jealous brothers and taken to Egypt, Joseph endures a series of adventures in which his spirit and humanity are continually challenged. He is purchased by Potiphar where thwarting advances from Potiphar's wife lands him in jail. When news of Joseph's gift to interpret dreams reaches the Pharaoh (wryly and riotously depicted as Elvis), Joseph is well on his way to becoming second in command. Eventu-

ally his brothers, having suffered greatly, unknowingly find themselves groveling at the feet of the brother they betrayed but no longer recognize. After testing their integrity, Joseph reveals himself leading to a heartfelt reconciliation of the sons of Israel. Set to an engaging cornucopia of musical styles, from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock n' roll, this Old Testament tale emerges both timely and timeless.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be presented on July 15th, 16th and 22nd and 23rd at 8:00 p.m., and the 17th and 24th at 2:00 p.m. on the Antwerp High School Stage. Tickets can be purchased either at the Antwerp Pharmacy or by calling 419-506-1085. This is definitely a "don't miss" show!

Upcoming WEATHER Forecast

Wed, July 13 - Partly Cloudy
High 83° - Low 59°

Thu, July 14 - Partly Cloudy
High 82° - Low 61°

Fri, July 15 - Iso T-storms
High 85° - Low 64°

Sat, July 16 - Iso T-storms
High 90° - Low 68°

Sun, July 17 - Iso T-storms
High 91° - Low 67°

Mon, July 18 - Scatt T-Storms
High 90° - Low 70°

Tue, July 19 - Scatt T-Storms
High 88° - Low 67°

year-round. This is because of the Aleutian low, which usually cause waves of low pressure to hit the southern coast of Alaska daily. This causes extremely heavy snowfall for these areas, with many locations picking up as much 200 inches of snow in one winter season! For the Northern Plains, Great Lakes, and New England, conditions are usually wet year round around the Great Lakes and New England, but in the Northern Plains, winters are usually dry, even though this region experiences the most blizzards of any region of the

usually bitterly cold in these regions, with the coldest temperatures residing over the Northern Plains, where daily minimums can be lower than negative 40 degrees. Daily highs during the winter are usually just above zero, while during an arctic outbreak, daily highs don't even get above -10. Summertime highs are generally mild with temperatures mostly in the upper 70's to 80's, with the occasional heat wave bringing nineties to the Northeast but 100's to North and South Dakota.

The climate over the middle latitudes is so complicated mainly because a lot of the factors that influence the climate in the middle latitudes are too difficult for even meteorologists to understand. For this reason, forecasts are most difficult to make in the mid-latitudes.

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