

PAULDING HS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

The Paulding High School Athletic Department will induct three new members into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, January 22. This induction will take place in between the JV and varsity basketball games vs. Ayersville. The new inductees are former athletes Joe Fisher, Tony Vogel and Scott Woodard.

Joe Fisher graduated from Paulding High School in 1998, where he earned three letters in football and baseball, while earning 1 letter in basketball.

In basketball, Joe was a member of the 1995 Northwest Conference Championship team and won the JV Coaches Award the following year. During his junior year, he was voted the Most Improved Player for the Varsity team.

During his baseball career, Joe earned multiple team and conference awards. His junior year he was an Honorable Mention Northwest Conference selection as well as being a Northwest Conference Scholar Athlete, and he participated in the District All Star baseball game. As a senior, he was named First Team Northwest Conference

and was once again a Northwest Conference Scholar Athlete. Joe also received numerous team awards during his junior and senior seasons.

It was on the football field where Joe really excelled as he was a three year starter and three year all league performer. He was a Second Team All League selection his sophomore and junior years, while landing on the First Team his senior season. Joe was also a Northwest Conference Scholar Athlete his junior and senior seasons. He was a First Team All District and All State Wide Receiver his junior and senior seasons. Joe participated in the Defiance 7 County All Star game and was nominated for the 1997 Wendy's High School Heisman award while also earning numerous team awards.

Joe went on to Bowling Green State University and played football for the 1998-2000 seasons, earning a letter during the 2000 season. He graduated from BG in 2002 with a Bachelors Degree in Applied Health Services and went on to get his Masters of Science in BioMedical Sciences from the Medical College of Ohio in 2004.

Joe currently resides in Sterling Heights, Michigan and holds a position as a Physical Therapist and Clinic Director for a clinic in the TheraMatrix.

Tony Vogel graduated from Paulding High School in 1989, where he earned three letters in basketball, two each in football and tennis, and one in track.

Tony played tennis his

freshman and sophomore years, teaming up with his twin brother Todd to play second doubles. His senior year he ran track in the spring and was a member of the 4 x 400 and 4 x 800 teams that made it to the regional finals.

On the football field, Tony started his junior and senior years at quarterback for teams that went a combined 18-2, including a 10-0 record his senior year. That team won the Northwest Conference Title and finished the season ranked 7th in the state. Tony was selected as a first team all conference performer his senior year at quarterback, unseating the previous year's first team winner. He also won numerous team awards during his football career.

Basketball would prove to be the dominant sport during Tony's time at Paulding High School as his name appears throughout the record books. His high school career started by his team winning the Northwest Conference championship his freshman year. Tony was a three year starter and earned many team awards while serving as Team Captain and All Northwest Conference honors his senior year. He currently has the following places in the Paulding High School Basketball Record Book: two of the top six single game rebound totals, fifth in career field goals made, fifth in career points, third in rebounds in a season and a career and also holds the school record for most steals in a season and a career.

After high school, Tony went on to Ohio Northern University where he earned a degree in Civil Engineering. During this time, he participated on the basketball team and received many honors. His senior year as a team captain, he led the Polar Bears to the NCAA Division III National Championship.

Tony currently resides in Lancaster, Ohio with his wife Kellie, and three children, Zachary, Bryson and Brooke. He is the Director of Utilities in Fairfield, Ohio.

Scott Woodard graduated from Paulding High School in 1984, where he earned 11 varsity letters: three each in basketball and football and four in track.

On the track, Scott was a member of the 1981 Northwest Conference championship team, as well as the 1983 district championship. He was awarded the Most Valuable Runner during the 1983 and 1984 seasons. Scott was a member of the 4 x 400 relay team that competed at the state track meet and set a school record in 1984.

In basketball, Scott was a member of the 1984 Sectional Championship team while earning a spot on the Northwest Conference Honorable Mention team. That team also won the Van Wert Holiday Tournament, beating Wayne Trace both times for the title. His name appears in the Paulding High School basketball record book in a couple of

places. Scott holds the school record for best free throw percentage in a season (83.6%), and ranks fifth in number of free throws made during a career (169).

During Scott's three years as a varsity football player, Paulding High School went 26-4 and won the Northwest Conference title his senior season in 1983. He obtained Northwest Conference First Team honors as a defensive back and Northwest Conference and District Honorable Mention as a running back during his junior season. Scott led the team in rushing and was named the Most Valuable Back and Player on that team. His senior year he was a co-captain and once again led the team in rushing. He was named to the Northwest Conference Offensive and Defensive First Teams, and he was also named the Second Team Kicking Specialist that season. Scott also made the All District Second Team and was an Honorable Mention All State selection his senior year. During his career he rushed for over 2100 yards, had almost 2600 total yards, and scored 201 points. Scott was also a multiple Crescent-News player of the week selection.

Scott currently resides in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

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Pictured are (left) Dan Litchfield of Blue Creek Wind Farms (Iberdrola Renewables) and Les Wiedenhamer, president of the John Paulding Historical Society.

The John Paulding Historical Society recently received a \$5,000 donation. This donation will be used to identify and make signage for the ghost towns in Latty, Bluecreek, and Benton Townships of Paulding County.

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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth R. Bennett, 95 of Antwerp, passed away Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Hicksville.

She was born in Duluth, Minnesota on January 27, 1915 a daughter of the late Elizabeth (Briggs) and George Schlecht.

In 1938 she married Thomas Bennett, who passed away in 1991.

Elizabeth cared for residents at area nursing homes and patients in homes as a licensed practical nurse.

She will be sadly missed by her daughters: Marian (Rog-ter) Schlagbaum of Monte Vista, CO and Elizabeth (Mike) Flores of Garden Grove, CA; sons: Tom (Nancy) and Tim (Ruth) both of Antwerp and Mark (Karen) of Payne; and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Preceding her in death are her siblings: Marian Wahl and Howard, Robert and William Schlecht.

A memorial service was held on January 16, 2011 at Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio. Pastor Kevin Doseck officiated.

Memorials are to Paulding Hospice, 250 Dooley Drive, Paulding, Ohio 45879. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

Shirley A. Thiel, 74, died Monday January 10, 2011 at Manor House Assisted Living in Antwerp, Ohio.

She was born in Mark Center, Ohio on December 6, 1936, the daughter of Willis and Helen (Hootman) Arend.

She was a graduate of Mark Center High School with the class of 1954. On April 16, 1955 she was united in marriage with Deloy "Dude" Thiel. He preceded her in death on October 11, 2003.

She was retired from by

Sheller Globe-United Technologies of Grabill, Indiana. Shirley was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Eagles Auxiliary and attended the Senior Center.

Surviving Shirley are three sons: Jeff (Twyla), Dan (Vicki) all of Hicksville, Tim of Cincinnati; two daughters: Darlene (Ed) Wagner of Oakwood, Amy (Jason) Schooley of Hicksville; 10 grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; two granddaughters: Michelle and Darlene; and a brother, Donald.

A Mass of Christian Burial was on January 14, 2011 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville, with Father Stephan Schroeder officiating. Burial was at Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to Manor House Activities Fund, American Diabetes Association or St. Michael's Catholic Church. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Charles E. Johanns, 80, of Paulding, died Friday, January 14, 2011 at his home.

He was born June 22, 1930 in Paulding County the son of Leo and Bertha (Reinhart) Johanns. On January 3, 1953 he married Frances Theresa Ochmanek who survives. He was a retired farmer. He was a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Parish; Paulding VFW Post #587; Paulding Eagles Post #2405; Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council #2584; Paulding Consumers, Paulding Equity and a former Board Member for the Production Credit Association.

He is survived by his children: Michael (Tamara) Johanns, Gregory Johanns and Karen (Rick) Varner all of Paulding, and Keith (Cindy) Johanns of Dublin, OH; two brothers: Francis (Inga) Johanns of Castle Rock, CO, and James Johanns of Paul-

ing; two sisters: Marie Vastano of Fort Wayne, IN and Celeste Walden of Phoenix; nine grandchildren: Laura, Candace, Lesley, Eric, Kylie, Kasey, Nicole, Kyle and Kaley; and six great-grandchildren: William, Mason, Mailey, Gannon Colsen, and Paige.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, Tony Johanns; two brothers: Cletus and Paul Johanns; and three sisters: Otilia Bakle, Veronica Minnick and Betty Seibert.

A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted January 18, 2011 at Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, Paulding, with the Very Rev. G. Allan Fillman officiating. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding, with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Memorials to Masses, Hospice or Donor's choice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Mary L. Litzenberg, 84, of Payne passed away Sunday, January 16, 2011 at her residence.



Mary was born in Payne on April 23, 1926, a daughter of the late Eva (Pepiot) and Alphons Wannemacher.

She worked at Paulding County Hospital for 25 years and farmed with her husband. She was a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Parish & the Altar/Rosary Society. Mary enjoyed painting and ceramics.

On August 23, 1947, Mary married Ross Litzenberg. He passed away August 28, 1991.

Mary will be sadly missed by her daughters: Linda (Carl) Baumert of Antwerp and Julie (Dave) Thomas of Cecil; sons: Michael (Carol) and Steven (Michelle) both of Antwerp, Mark (Cindy) and Marvin (Judy) both of Payne; brothers: Richard and Robert both of Payne; 16 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by her grandchildren: Charlie and Scott Baumert, and Shelley Litzenberg; and 12 sisters and brothers.

Her funeral mass is at Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Payne on Thursday, January 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Viewing is Wednesday, January 19, 2011, 2:00-8:00 p.m., Dooley Funeral Home, Payne, with the rosary recited at 8:00 p.m.

Viewing is also Thursday, 9:00-9:30 a.m. at the funeral home. She will be laid to rest at Wiltsie Cemetery.

Memorials are to Divine Mercy School or American Cancer Society. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

WE MUST FAIL IN ORDER TO SUCCEED

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Our society's approach to failure is comical. I don't care if it is in business, personal lives, or politics; everything has to be spun as if it were a success. As soon as something bad happens, the talking heads start spinning it as an astounding achievement for whatever group they are associated with. Nothing is ever negative.

As individuals, we, like the political and other figures of our day, have this tendency to declare everything we do a success. We want to hide mistakes and failures. But what does this do to our growth if we actually grow more in our failures than in our successes? What are we turning ourselves into if we try to isolate ourselves from failure or deceive ourselves from really facing our failures?

Martin Luther, during the Protestant reformation, was influential in taking education out of the realm of the church and into the hands of the state. Dr. Marilyn Harran notes that by doing this, "Luther allowed both teacher and student to rejoice in learning and to permit mistakes and even failure without undermining a person's value and importance." In order to be content and have a healthy self-esteem, we must separate our worldly success from our inner peace.

We live in a culture where we attack failure so harshly that people become afraid to act because they are afraid to fail.

Unfortunately, this can happen in a church. It often seems like church leaders are like clay pigeons at a shooting range. As long as they are not doing anything, maintaining the status quo, and not rocking the boat, they are safe. But as soon as they start to move, the gunfire ensues and attempts to blow them to pieces. A healthy church is just the opposite; it is a place where people can be creative about ministries, attempt different things, and have people there to support them and encourage them when they fail. Every leader of every ministry in any church will fail at times. I will deliver some bad sermons. We'll attempt some outreach programs that won't click. The worship will be a distraction some times and not conducive to us worshipping God. Some children's programs will be too chaotic and not gel. Every ministry will have failures, but a healthy church is a place where it is safe to fail. Instead of attacking and tearing down leaders in your church when they fail, be a place that builds up and encourage when people stumble.

A healthy family is like that healthy church. It's one where everyone is a pillar of support under each other to propel one another toward their dreams: A place where children can try new things and have people there to sup-

port them and encourage them when they fail. And a healthy church and a healthy family must be made up of healthy individuals who feel free to try different things and know they will be valued and supported when they fail. Because if we are honest with ourselves, failing is something we do an awful lot if we are actually trying to grow.

It's excruciating to watch kids learn to ride a bike. It's rare to have that kid who can just pick up a bike and start riding. They fall and hurt themselves, but the adults around them encourage them to get back on and try again. The adults don't yell at the children and scream, "You suck! Why are you always falling you stupid idiot!?" The kids are already telling themselves that in their head and sometimes even out loud. What they need is encouragement because the goal is to get that kid riding his or her bike. Eventually, through the pain and suffering, they can ride the bike and feel a sense of accomplishment.

The safest way to never fail is to never try something new or different. We all know picky eaters who will not try new food. I am not one of them. It doesn't mean I will like everything I try, but it does mean I will taste it. Being a picky eater does have its benefits. It means that they will only eat what they like and not have to taste food that they dislike. I have experienced some disgusting tastes in my life when I have tried different foods. Not having those bad tastes does sound like a good thing, but it also means that I would not be able to discover what would possibly be my new favorite food. We miss out when we don't try.

May we not let our failures define who we are. May we continue to learn through every situation and grow into who God wants us to be.

A STUDY FROM MATTHEW 28:16-18

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

V16, Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them (NKJV).

They are going to meet in a particular place. Many think

this was where the five hundred brethren witnessed the resurrected Jesus at one time (1st Corinthians 15:6). Jesus appeared for forty days before His ascension (Acts 1:3).

V17, And when they saw Him, they worshipped Him, but some were doubtful (NKJV). Some immediately respond in a certain way. John mentions Thomas who, in John 24:24-29 doubts, and says that unless he can see the imprints in His hands, and touch His side he would not believe. His doubts were erased when he touched Jesus. They worshipped Him, recognizing Him as God, as Thomas declared "My Lord, and my God!"

V18, And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying "All authority has been given to me in heaven and earth." (NKJV) This is the culmination of the gospel of Matthew; the point he has been trying to make. He is writing to a Jewish audience, appealing to them to accept the kingship of Jesus the Messiah. Matthew began by showing that Jesus was of David; demonstrating His power through numerous miracles. Jesus was the master teacher. Jesus has fulfilled countless numbers of Old Testament prophecies through the accounts of eye witnesses we are brought to the reality of the risen Lord.

The Key word in verse 18 is authority. The power was given to Jesus. Jesus did not assume it for Himself, it was given to Him. It is an all-embracing authority, in heaven and on earth. We know from Philippians 2:9-11 that every tongue shall confess and every knee shall bow in heaven, on the earth and under the earth. Here we have Jesus unifying Himself with the rule of God while His kingdom (which is the church, this is a spiritual kingdom, is presiding on earth. Jesus will sit down at the right hand of the throne of God. Please keep this lesson, because I will be writing on Matthew 28:19-20 next week.

Have comments or Bible questions on this study please call Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022 or James Potter at 419-393-4775. I would ask that each of you would continue in prayer and Bible study. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood Church of Christ.

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THE END IS COMING?!?!?

By: Dan Staifer, Payne Church of Christ

Did you know the best way to start an argument is to discuss when is the end of the world? No one issue has caused more confusion and crazy theories then trying to figuring out the details of the end of days. People always have an opinion on this and at the very least they make for good action movies. In fact, one gentlemen (Harold Camping) has theorized that May 21, 2011 will be the date of the end.

Aside from the fact he has been wrong before (in 1994), that hasn't stopped others from coming up with their own views on the end of the world. According to others, this date might or might not include bar codes on foreheads, black hawk helicopters, the Pope, Barack Obama, a hill named Meggido, the Millennium, disappearing people, dragons, four horsemen, weird math problems, pregnant women, diseases, peace in the Middle East and/or the number 666.

What does the Bible actually say? Staring on January 23, you can walk through Revelation with the Payne Church of Christ to see what is actually in the book that has the most to say about the end of the world. Join us at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings now through Easter.

FACING ADVERSITY

Winning the Battle for a Generation Column

by: Rick Jones, Executive Director, Defiance Area Youth for Christ

We live in times of great adversity, where economic and vocational challenges are testing the limits of many people. Regarding the subject of adversity, David Jeremiah writes in his November 19, 2003 Turning Point Devotional that...

More than 2,000 years ago, a young Greek artist named Timanthes studied under a respected tutor. After several years, the teacher's efforts seemed to have paid off when Timanthes painted an exquisite work of art. Unfortunately, he became so enraptured with the painting that he spent days gazing at it. One morning when he arrived to admire his work, he was shocked to find it blotted out with paint. Angry, Timanthes ran to his teacher, who admitted he had destroyed the painting. "I did it for your own good. That painting was

retarding your progress." Timanthes took his teacher's advice and produced Sacrifice of Iphigenia, which is regarded as one of the finest paintings of antiquity.

Adversity in life is God's way of refining and beautifying our lives in His image. He is the Master Artist who constantly shapes the way He wants us to be. The scriptures remind us in adversity that in Romans 8:28 (NIV), 28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose...

If you haven't been walking with God, He still loves you and wants you back. It is never too late for God to re-finish the colors of your heart. If you are walking with God, take comfort because He promises to love you unconditionally.

(Turning Point Daily Devotional, 11/19/03)

PAULDING CO. CHRONICLES II

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

The Upthegrove Family

(Latty Twp. 1892 Paulding Co. Atlas) Josiah Upthegrove—A successful farmer and stock raiser, was born in Highland County, Ohio in March 1848, the son of Andrew and Susanna (Rollins) Upthegrove, freedmen of Virginia and Carolina. The mother died when her son was only 18 months of age. He was left to the care of his Uncle Randal Upthegrove, where he remained until he was 18 years of age.

After working a short time, he came with his uncle to Emerald Township, Paulding County and remained until 1865 when he went to Greene County, Ohio and married Miss Carrie E. the daughter of Burt and Martha Kirk of North Carolina, the latter of whom was a slave. They then returned to Paulding County.

They had six children: Charles H.; Mattie J.; Fannie H.; Mary E.; Thomas A.; and Minne D. Mrs. Upthegrove died June 6, 1885 of quick consumption. Her husband, by hard work, continued to gain property and prominence in the county of residence and by 1892 possessed 120 acres of improved land.

In connection with his farming, he loved and raised horses. Mr. Upthegrove was a member of the United Brethren Church and was a staunch supporter of the Republican Party in politics.

(Jackson Twp. 1892 Paulding Co. Atlas)

(Atlas) John Upthegrove – (deceased by 1892) was a native of South Carolina and was born in 1825, in the bonds of slavery. He was one of a number brought from the South Carolina, in 1835, by their owner, Henry Upthegrove, and set free in Clinton County, Ohio. In the latter place John Upthegrove grew to manhood and subsequently went to Fayette, County, and then he purchased 180 acres of land when he relocated in Emerald and Jackson Townships. He cleared this land and made improvements on it and it was then the residence of his widow and children after he died. He married Phoebe J. the daughter of Benjamin Jones, of Clinton County, Ohio and 11 children were the issue of this marriage. They were: Rev. Henry H., of Eaton, Ohio, colored Methodist Episcopal church; William Henry (deceased); Sarah, wife of William Christ; Mary M. wife of John Jones; Olly, Ida, Cora and John.

John Upthegrove died in November 1890. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was highly respected. He was a republican in politics and filled offices of township trustee and supervisor.

Note: This family is still prominent in Paulding County. I welcome all correspondence concerning this family and the history of the families related to them. Slavery was not legal in Ohio. I am unsure how many black Union soldiers fought in the Civil War or if any went from Paulding County. Thanks for your reply.

c/o Caroline Wells Zimmerman, 7292 Rd. 176, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

USING DE-ICERS

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

The presence of ice and snow should remind us of our options to keep important areas clean and safe from icy conditions. Chemical de-icers will help remove ice, but can also cause damage to the surrounding environment. Manual snow-removal followed by the application of an abrasive such as damp sand to create traction can keep sidewalks safe without the problems associated with de-icers. Using de-icers wisely, or replacing them with manual removal and abrasives, can minimize the potential for damage while keeping steps and sidewalks safe.

Most de-icing chemicals are technically "salts" that work by lowering the freezing point of water below 32° F. Salts can damage plants by direct contact with snowmelt containing de-icers or in salt spray from roadways. Repeated shoveling or blowing snow that contains de-icers onto nearby landscape plants will increase the likelihood of contact injury. Second, by repeated yearly applications the resulting build-up in adjacent soil may damage plant roots so they are unable to take up water.

The following five major ingredients offered in different brands of chemical de-icers each bring some advantages and disadvantages:

****Calcium chloride** – the traditional ice-melting product that continues melting ice in temperatures down to about -25 degrees F. It rarely harms plants unless used in

excess, but it can create a slippery, slimy surface on concrete and other hard surfaces.

****Rock salt** – the original ice melter and the least expensive available now. Because it's sodium chloride, it's effective down to about 12 degrees F. It can, however, damage not only concrete and plants but also soils and metals.

****Potassium chloride** – another chloride formulation that can damage plant roots. Plus, it can cause serious plant injury when washed or splashed on foliage.

****Urea (carbonyl diamide)** – a fertilizer sometimes used to melt ice. It's only about one-tenth as corrosive as sodium chloride, but it still can contaminate ground and surface water with nitrates. Urea is only effective to about 21 degrees F.

****Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA)** – a newer product made from dolomite limestone and acetic acid, the principal compound in vinegar. It does not form a brine as the salts do, but rather helps prevent snow particles from sticking to each other or the road surface. It has little effect on plant growth or concrete surfaces; however, its performance decreases below 20 degrees F.

Make sure areas receiving snow and de-icer have good drainage so a thorough watering in the spring can help flush the excess salts. Plant tolerance increases if the soil is rich in organic matter. Incorporating gypsum into the soil may also help offset some of the negative effects of de-icing salts. Incorporate 10 to 20 pounds of gypsum per hundred square feet prior to planting in salt exposure areas.

VANTAGE BOARD HOLDS 2011 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 1/06/11

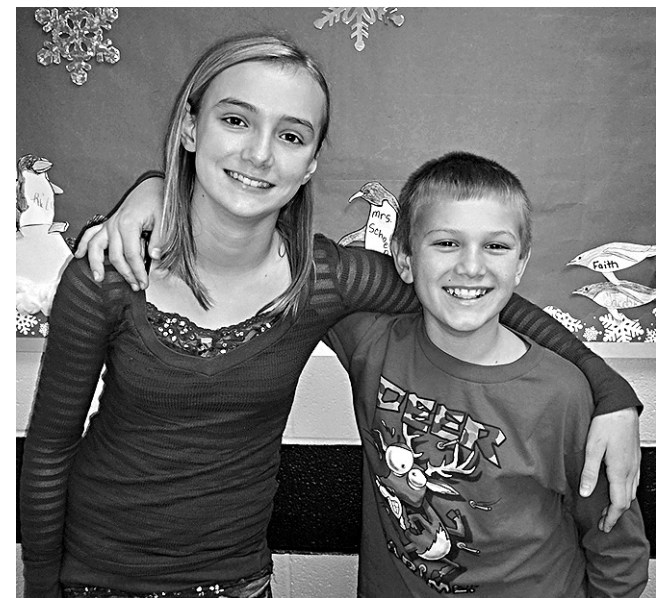
Prior to the regular Vantage monthly board meeting on Thursday, January 6, 2011, the board held a tax budget hearing and an organizational meeting. President Pro-Tem Lonnie Nedderman called the organizational meeting to order and the oath of office was administered. Returning board members beginning new two year terms are Dana Smith (Parkway), Lonnie Nedderman (Crestview), Les Hockenberry (Wayne Trace) Brian Laudick (Kalida) and Robert Herber (Antwerp). The following board members are beginning the second year of a two-year term on the Vantage Board of Education: Ken Mengerink (Van Wert), Sally Snyder (Lincolnvew) and Greg Reinhart (Paulding), Kevin Landin (Ottoville), Ron Bradford (Continental) and Karl Schimmoller (Ft. Jennings).

Elections were held and Lonnie Nedderman from Crestview was elected President and Sally Snyder from Lincolnvew, Vice-President. Kevin Landin from Ottoville was appointed Legislative Liaison and Ron Bradford from Continental, Student Achievement Liaison. Regular monthly meetings were scheduled for the first Thursday of each month except for February (10th). The July Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 30, 2011. Lori Davis was appointed as Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer for Vantage Career Center and was authorized to request tax advances from appropriate county auditors, pay outstanding bills, make general fund transfers and invest active, inactive and interim funds. The Vantage Career Center Board of Education Service Fund was set at \$8,000.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman, was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Vantage Career Center, Purchasing Agent, Signatory for salary notices and contracts and the official to review and approve student activity budgets. The superintendent was authorized to extend employment contracts as well as accept resignations between regularly scheduled board meetings when necessary for the efficient operation of the school. The superintendent was authorized to approve staff member attendance at professional meetings and to approve travel and business related expense vouchers, leave forms, etc. She was appointed as the Vantage VWASIG Board Representative. The treasurer was authorized to approve travel and business related expense vouchers and leave forms, etc., submitted by the superintendent. The Vantage Board of Education as a whole was designated to serve as Audit Committee for the finances for the school district. The Van Wert Times Bulletin was designated as the official school newspaper.

Membership was approved for the Ohio School Boards Association, Association of Career Technical Education,

DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCES SPELLING BEE WINNERS



The Divine Mercy Catholic School in Payne recently held their spelling bee. The winners were a brother and sister pair. Runner-up Hunter Vogel is in 5th grade, and the champion, his sister, Faith Vogel is in the 6th grade.

Ohio Association of Career Technical Superintendents, and the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund. Legal counsel and cashier positions were designated. Petty cash funds were set.

At the regular board meeting, the minutes from the December 2, 2010 board meeting were approved along with financial statements for the month of November, 2010. The 2012 Vantage Career Tax Budget was approved as presented at the Budget Hearing. The treasurer was authorized to compensate Vantage Board members at the maximum rate allowable by law of \$125 per meeting.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman introduced Interactive Media teacher Jill DeWert and two of her students, Dalton Raines and Logan Stuckey (both from Van Wert) who produced and recorded a DVD presentation for the Van Wert Small Business Awards luncheon in November. She then presented updates on the renovation/construction project and administrative advisory committee. She also reviewed discussions with wind energy companies. Director Bob Vennekotter updated the board on the 26 new National Technical Honor Society inductees, Math Numeracy Challenge winners, Blue Chippers for the first quarter, Haiti Carnival, OGT results, HSTW Technical Assistance Visit, GRADS seminar, progress on the Carpentry house and Building and Grounds projects, Culinary Arts Thanksgiving and Christmas buffets. He also reported that Early Childhood Education seniors received Child Abuse and Neglect Training. He invited board members and the public to the Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner on Monday February 7th from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Adult Education Director Pete Prichard discussed final rules for integrity issues, online classes through our website, and WorkKeys assessments for a Huntington, Indiana company. He congratulated Mike DeMoss, lead truck-driving instructor, for completing the

Training Manager Course. He will now be able to train instructors and evaluate their performance. Adult Education students who displayed outstanding attitude and academics for the last term were recognized in December. January 13, 2011 is "Meet with the Adult Education Director Night", giving students an opportunity to meet with him. Adult Education is developing an Alternative Energy Academy, which will house an HVAC and Electricity program, collaborating with Northwest State and Owens Community College to provide the best training in the area that will allow students to obtain college credit. As a sub-recipient of a grant through Connect Ohio, we will be providing free computer training to Van Wert and Paulding County residents. The training schedule will be on our website.

In new business, the board: —Approved the following supplemental contracts: Kevin Van Oss, "Step Into Your Future", Patrick Jackson, Adam Smazenko and Michael Hoersten, all Student Technology helpers;

—Employed the following list, as Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Jeffrey Stittsworth, Welding; Stacie Leiter, Computer Literacy; Brett Whittington, Computers; Edward Klausing, Police Academy;

—Adopted the responsible model bidder criteria as presented;

—Adopted the design development and phase submission documents for the construction project;

—Adopted the Memorandum of Understanding for the use of project funds for the provision of swing space to temporarily house students and staff during construction and renovation of the Vantage Career Center;

—Approved the construction documents and authorized bidding for the temporary swing space;

—Approved the revised Student Application for Admission form.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vantage Cup & Saucer Restaurant.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Snowmobiles are a nuisance when ridden across other's property, especially without permission.

Anyone doing this across 210 Oak Street in Antwerp will be prosecuted to the fullest.

—Dana Sosbe

LIV-FIT LAUNCHES ZUMBA FITNESS

Liv-Fit, located in Hicksville, is infusing party fun into fitness by launching Zumba classes! Zumba eliminates the work from working out by combining amazing, irresistible Latin and international music with dynamic, yet simple exercise moves, using their unique intermittent training format.

While Zumba embraces all the fundamental principles of fitness, the extraordinary secret behind Zumba is how Zumba magically motivates the body to efficiently burn calories, effectively tone all muscle groups, incorporate a full range of motion, and improve the cardiovascular system. Fun and music are the two special motivational ingredients. Utilizing the natural beat, tempo, and music transitions, the Zumba dances seamlessly flow from one toning, strengthening, or cardio move into the next.

Participants are constantly engaged and entertained with the variety of rhythms including salsa, merengue, samba,

belly dancing, cumbia, flamenco, reggaeton, and more! Zumba breaks away from the typical 32-count aerobic format and uses the passion of the music as it was meant to be experienced. Even those with two left feet are successful in a Zumba class because of the natural flow of the simple steps that radiate through the body in synch with the music.

Zumba is recognized by the world's leading fitness educators, including AFAA, ACE, and CanFitPro. With sanctioned training programs in countries like China, Japan, Taiwan, Mexico, the United Kingdom, Canada, and Venezuela, Zumba is taking the world by storm, and now at Liv-Fit. Everyone is invited, from teens to seniors, and both women and men. Everybody loves Zumba!

Liv-Fit Hicksville will launch the Zumba experience with a new six week session starting January 17, 1011.

IMPROVEMENTS TO OHIO 309 ON LIMA'S EAST SIDE TO BE DISCUSSED

The Ohio Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting to discuss a project which will upgrade the safety of the Ohio 309 corridor on the east side of Lima.

The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 19 at the Bath Township House, 2880 Ada Road, Lima.

The meeting will begin with an open house at 5:30 p.m. during which displays of the project will be available for viewing and transportation officials will be available to address questions. Then at 6:15 p.m. a formal presentation will begin which will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

The meeting is expected to conclude at about 7:15 p.m.

The project, which is currently scheduled for construction in 2013, includes the installation of a raised concrete curb median to control left-turn movements, the addition of U-turns at designated locations, reconfiguring of driveways to eliminate traffic conflict points, the coordination of traffic signals to provide better flow, and the addition of sidewalks.

The limits of the project are from just east of Saratoga Avenue to just east of Devonshire Road near the Allen County Fairgrounds.

All maps, drawings and data presented at the meeting will be available for viewing at the Ohio Department

of Transportation District 1 office, 1885 N. McCullough Street, Lima. Those wishing to view the materials may contact Kirk Slusher, ODOT District 1 deputy director, at 419-999-6804 to schedule an appointment.

THANK YOU

We would sincerely like to thank Dr. Gray and his entire staff for the vigilant care given Dick over the years. The Paulding County Hospital personnel for the excellent care; and special thanks to Tom and the Pulmonary rehab which he so thoroughly enjoyed for so many years. To the VFW Auxiliary and Presbyterian Church for the bountiful dinner. To Pastor Mike Pennington for the many hours spent with Dick and his family and his beautiful funeral. Thanks also to those who sent flowers, cards, food, other remembrances, the calls and visits. The Defiance In-Patient Hospice for their kind and caring service. To Shawn and Michelle Doolley and their staff for their excellent assistance.

We will be eternally grateful to you all—Dick fought a good fight!

—The Dick Schilb Family:
Vivian, Rick, Janese, Peg and the Grandchildren

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VILLAGE OF PAULDING MEETING MINUTES FOR 12/20/10

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on December 20, 2010, at 7:00 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, Kim Sutton, Jim Guelde, Roger Sierer, and Mike Trausch. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present. Councilman Randy Daeger was absent.

Sierer motioned to approve the minutes of the December 6th Council meeting, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Trausch presented the Buildings & Grounds Committee's December 10th report. The following items were discussed:

—The Committee met with Dan Smith, Village resident, to discuss the possibility of placing some Village property into a government conservation program. The Committee will conduct some additional research into the program. The program's grant application process begins January 5th.

—The Committee requested Solicitor Jones make additional changes to the Reservoir Maintenance Agreement.

Resolution 1248-10 re: Authorizing the Purchase of Supplies for the Year 2011, was read for the third time. Rife motioned to accept the legislation, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Ordinance 1413-10 re: An Ordinance Amending and Increasing Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village of Paulding, Ohio, During the Year Ending December 31, 2010, was read for the third time. Trausch motioned to accept the legislation, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.

Ordinance 1414-10 re: An Ordinance to make Permanent Appropriations for Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village of Paulding, State of Ohio, During the Year Ending December 31, 2011, was read for the third time. Trausch motioned to accept the legislation, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.

Tope requested \$50,000 be transferred from the Income Tax fund (#102) to the Police fund (#208). Rife motioned to approve transferring \$50,000 from the Income Tax fund (#102) to the Police fund (#208), seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Wiebe requested approval of the Administrator's Agenda. The Agenda authorizes the Administrator to sign an amendment to the original contract with Fanning-Howey; thus, allowing Fanning-Howey to move forward with Storm Sewer and Waterline design for the Cherry St./North Dr. resurfacing project. Sutton motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Mayor White wished the residents of Paulding a "Safe & Merry Christmas". He also thanked Council for their hard work and dedication in 2010. He noted Council has spent a lot of time discussing and authorizing various improvement projects in 2010 (such as the new Water Plant project), and will continue their work into 2011.

Solicitor Jones noted a "Final Determination" has been awarded to the Village making the Lela McGuire Jeffery Park exempt from property taxes, and that Tax Form 115 has been prepared and submitted to the County Auditor to deter payment of the CAUV recoupment fees.

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

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

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 1/3/11

This 3rd day of January, 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

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 December 22, 2010, Warrants numbering 174056 through 174523 totaling \$408,587.07; 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 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 December 27, 2010, Warrants numbering 174525 through 174566 totaling \$260,055.92.

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 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 December 29 2010, Warrants numbering 174567 through 174583 totaling \$75,618.05; 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; 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.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Mr. Fred Pieper moved to approve the following appointments for 2011:

Nola Ginter, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

Joan Tope, Assistant Clerk

Corey Walker, Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services Administrator

R. Allen Beamer, Paulding County Fire Marshal

ANN'S PRESCHOOLERS LEARN ABOUT HIBERNATION AND MIGRATION



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers were recently visited by Mr. Bill Grimes from the Defiance Soil and Water Conservaton District! He brought along many furs, hides, antlers, stuffed birds, turtle shells and pictures to teach our preschoolers about hibernation and migration. We also talked about the animals who stay around during

the winter and have to hibernate for their food each and every day just like we do!

Shown here with Mr. Grimes and some of the neat props he brought along are Storm Carter, Aiden Herman and Samantha Sheedy. These children are in the morning class of four and young five year olds with Mrs. Chris Adams and Mrs. Ann Miller.

Becky Suvar, Program Manager, Waste Management Education and Awareness Program

Darlene Jordan, Assistant Clerk

Pamela Miller, Administrative Assistant, Paulding County Economic Development

Marsha Yuetter, Senior Center Director

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE CLERK FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ADVERTISE FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY DOG WARDEN POSITION:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the Clerk to the Paulding County Commissioners, Nola Ginter, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County, for two consecutive weeks, the position of Paulding County Dog Warden; and the aforementioned applications will be accepted in the office of the Paulding County Commissioners until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 18, 2011.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Dan Smith - Mr. Smith met with the Commissioners to present information he received from the Black Swamp Conservatory. He requested the Commissioners review the information and respond in a timely manner.

Georgia Dyson - Ms. Dyson met with the Commissioners to discuss her duties as interim dog warden. She updated the Commissioners of the status of the dog kennel.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE

West Bend Printing and Publishing Inc. also known as The West Bend News will be increasing classified, picture, "Home for Sale by Owners", inserts and advertising rates beginning with issue #5 of 2011 (Issue Date: February 2, 2011.)

The increases are necessary to remain viable due to increased printing and mailing costs by the USPS. The previous augmentation was 3 years ago. Advertising contracts will continue to apply to the signed discount percentage based upon the new rates listed below.

The new rates beginning February 2, 2011 issue are as follows:

Pictures will change from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per column

Inserts will change from \$.07 to \$.08 or higher depending on weight and size.

Home for Sale by Owners will change to \$30 per week and includes a picture and 25 words (\$15 per word over 25 words)

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THE FISH I NEVER CAUGHT

By: Stan Jordan

It must have been about 1984. I was bass fishing in Lake Istokpoga, Florida. It was in February, I guess, because the bass would only bite live bait. As a rule bass won't get lively and hit artificial rigs until the water gets to be 66 degrees or more.

I was with Marshall Guffey, a darned good fisherman from Monticello, Kentucky. He lives and fishes right on Lake Cumberland.

Marshall was a M/Sargent in WWII and then I guess he stayed in the Reserves because he had to serve a hitch in Korea as a M/Sargent in the motor pool.

Well, we found a good spot just outside of the bull rushes and each of us had on about a 5-6" wild skinner. That is to a bass like a T-bone steak is to a man.

After awhile my bobber disappeared and I waited a few seconds then lightened up my line and saw that the fish was only maybe 10' away from the boat. Well, I hit him hard and over he went taking line by the yard. Well, he turned and headed clean by the boat and I was reeling in as fast as I could and he turned around and came back to the back of the boat.

Well, right about here was when things started to go wrong. This big ole' bass gave a big lunge away from the boat and towards the open lake. Well, I guess, I must have had my left thumb on the reel too tightly because when he lunged, the line all flew back into the boat. Never before and never since did I tie a spinner type hook holder on my line. It was supposed to be foolproof even with bearings in it to keep the line from twisting.

This wild hanger hit that line so hard, he straightened the wire right out of both locking devices.

I was sick as I sat there with my rod in my hand and a broken guaranteed fish catching device on the end of my line and no big bass.

The air turned blue as Marshall read me the riot act about not tying the hood to the line, about having the drag set too tight, about missing the only good bite he had that evening.

I figure he would go 7 or 8 or 9 pounds because he was fighting too hard to be a 10 pounder. The older a bass gets, the less fighting and scraping he will give you, he just don't have the energy.

I didn't get that big one, but it sure taught me about a correct drag setting and keep your thumb off the reel spindle.

Well, fellows, I have lost that big rascal a thousand times over these last 25 years, I guess I am sadder and wiser.

See ya!

CYRUS MCCORMICK

By: Stan Jordan

Readers, I'm really interested in combines and I thought I would look up their history. I hope you enjoy this as I do.

Cyrus Hall McCormick was an inventor and founder of the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company. Now later on it became part of the International Harvester Company in 1902. This whole family became very prominent in the Chicago area.

Cyrus was born in 1809 on the family farm known as Walnut Grove in Rockridge County in Virginia. This is in the Shenandoah Valley on the western side of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

His parents were Robert McCormick and Mary Ann Hall McCormick. He was the eldest of eight children. His father was an inventor and made some of the earlier parts of the reaper. His father worked on a horse drawn reaper for 28 years. He couldn't market it and so he stopped working on it.

When Cyrus was 21 years old his father gave him the deed and rights to the reaper. Cy and a trusted slave, Jo Anderson, finished the reaper in 18 months. It was tested and demonstrated in 1831 and 1834. (Stan's note: If you noticed that in 1831 Paulding County area was still a dense forest and hardly any population. In fact it wasn't even a county yet).

In 1847, Cyrus and his brother, Leander moved to Chicago and built a huge centralized factory building making harvesting machines. This product sold very well.

Some of this was helped by the fact that the railroads were just now being built all over the nation and this was a way of delivering their machines.

Right about this time, advertising came about and he had salesmen who could also demonstrate the machines.

A man called William H. Seward said of McCormick's invention that 'the American frontier moved forward thirty miles a year'. As we're sitting here and looking back

over history of the Midwest and farming that is probably about right.

Cyrus won a lot of awards for his invention. He moved the harvesting along in a hurry besides the extra help that was not needed.

In 1851 the reaper won the Gold Medal of the day at the London Crystal Palace Exposition as well as the one in Paris. The papers read that Cyrus McCormick's Reaper done more for the case of agriculture than any other living man.

He had a big lawsuit against John Henry Manny for his infringement on McCormick's patents. He had Lincoln and Stanton as attorneys and they won the case. Later Abe Lincoln had Mr. Stanton as his Secretary of State.

In 1879 his brother, Leander, changed the name from Cyrus McCormick & Brothers to McCormick Harvesting Machine Company. Over the years a number of brothers have all been included in the company.

Cyrus married Nancy Fowler in 1858, and they had seven children. Cyrus died in Chicago in 1884. The last part of his life he was an invalid.

Now that's about all I have on that company, but I know it also used other names later on. In looking back on the time of the reaper to the new big combines and shellers we have here; also the cotton combine works off this same idea.

Old Cyrus was indeed a big part of American History. See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

More Blonde Jokes

***Two blondes were in a parking lot trying to unlock the door of their Mercedes with a coat hanger. They tried and tried to get the door open but they couldn't. The blonde with the coat hanger stopped for a moment to catch her breath and her friend said anxiously, "Hurry up, it's starting to rain and the top is down!"

***A blonde was cruising down the highway at break-neck speed when a cop pulled her over.

"May I see your license and registration, please?" asked the cop.

Miffed, the blonde said, "I wish you guys would get your act together. Just yesterday you took away my license, now today you want me to show it to you!"

See ya!

HISTORIC ODOT DIRECTOR TO STEP DOWN

Historic in her position and the accomplishments she directed—including the state's largest investment in transportation construction in Ohio history—Ohio Department of Transportation Director Jolene M. Molitoris will step down from her position January 9.

Appointed in 2009 by Ohio Governor Ted Strickland, Director Molitoris is the first woman to lead the century-old department.

Under her leadership, ODOT made investments in every county of the state

and in every major mode of travel and shipping. Most notable, she led the department's historic \$2.1 billion construction program in state fiscal year 2010—largest in Ohio history by more than 30 percent—at a time when ODOT staffing was at its lowest in 30 years.

This foundation for transforming how ODOT strategically invests in and supports a multi-modal transportation system is documented at: http://www.dot.state.oh.us/policy/Documents/ODOT-Foundation_for_Transformation.pdf.

The text of Director Molitoris' letter to Governor Strickland is below:

Governor Ted Strickland
The Statehouse
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Governor Strickland,

Due to the transition of Administration, effective January 10, 2011, I have been notified that I will be released from my current employment with the State of Ohio as of midnight on January 9, 2011. Accordingly, I resign effective as of that date and time.

Just two years ago—on January 6, 2009—the citizen-volunteers of Ohio's 21st Century Transportation Priorities Task Force issued a clear challenge: "We believe that in the face of economic upheaval, strategic investments in transportation can bring new jobs and help retain the precious ones we already have. By boldly reinventing our transportation system now, we can position Ohio to stimulate and drive the growth of the future."

That's exactly what we did. Under your leadership, we redefined the mission of ODOT—to seven simple words—Moving Ohio into a Prosperous New World. The status quo was not acceptable. To create jobs in Ohio and rebuild our economy, we delivered on the largest commitment in the state's

history to improving Ohio's transportation system, with more than \$2 billion in construction projects in 2010 and another \$2 billion in construction for 2011. With the help of transportation partners in every section of the state, we built a strong foundation for continued transformation in Ohio's multi-modal system.

Over the past four years, Team ODOT...

—awarded an historic 2,534 construction projects totaling \$5.3 billion and administered 810 local-let projects for a total of \$1.12 billion;

—directed more than a billion dollars to improving the safety of state and local bridges;

—documented fewer than 4800 fatalities on state roadways, with 2009 representing the safest year on our roads and the safest year at roadway-railroad crossings;

—assisted Ohio transit agencies in purchasing 1,170 new fuel-efficient and greener buses, worth more than \$142.6 million;

—invested historic levels of contracted or sub-contracted work totaling \$575,454,791 with minority and women-owned (DBE) firms and companies;

—surpassed California as third in nation in total active freight rail miles and witnessed a 14 percent increase in Ohioans riding passenger trains;

—invested \$21.9 million in new sidewalk projects and \$66.1 million in new bike path projects;

—and raised \$1.6 million and 44,294 pounds of food for Ohio charities through employee donations to the Combined Charitable Campaign and the Plow Through Hunger food drive.

I am very proud of Team ODOT in partnership with so many public and private entities and individuals who achieved so much return on the investment

of precious tax dollars and human resources. Historic achievement occurred on so many levels. What we have undertaken during your administration was not simply 'change for change's sake'—together we have led a transformational effort to better connect Team ODOT's work to Ohio's economic engine, recognizing that transportation and the economy are inextricably linked.

It has been an honor to serve in your Administration. Because of your leadership, we have put Ohioans to work in record numbers. We have built transportation projects that are important and are 'Moving Ohio Into A Prosperous New World!'

AGRONOMY DAY IN PAULDING COUNTY

Paulding County Extension has scheduled an Agronomy Day Program for Wednesday January 26, 2011 in the Extension Building. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the program is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

The program will have updates from The Paulding SWCD; The Natural Resources Conservation Service; The Farm Service Agency; and Williamson's Crop Insurance Agency. Mark Loux, Extension Specialist, Weed Science will discuss, "Weed Management for Corn and Soybeans." After lunch Pierce Paul, Extension Specialist, Plant Pathology will present "Managing Wheat for Yield & Quality", and the last presentation will be given by Robert Mullen, Extension Specialist, Soil Fertility/Nutrient Management, on the "Risk & Reward in Nutrient Management."

Please call the Paulding County Extension Office at 419-399-8225 to pre-register for the program by January 20th. You can pay the pre-registration fee at the door.

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Vantage junior Taylor Horstman from Ottoville, tries out the sound equipment in the Interactive Media lab.

In addition to the trade and industrial and service programs, there are three specialized technical business programs at Vantage.

For the technologically creative and artistic student, the Interactive Media program offers exciting opportunities. Interactive Media is the study of a combination of elements such as music, sound, computer-generated graphics, and video used for purposes of entertainment, presentation, or public relations. Careers in Interactive Media involve creating, designing, and producing interactive multimedia products and services, including the development of digitally-generated or computer-enhanced media used in business. Students become skilled in manipulating images and information from a variety of sources including audio, video, still photos, animation, text, soundtracks and digital data using computer applications and visual and sound techniques. Internet applications and website creation are also included in this program.

Students interested in the Medical office field can get a head start in the Medical Office Management program, where they will learn business skills, accounting, soft-

ware, medical terminology, abbreviations and Anatomy/Physiology. Build knowledge of medical terminology, abbreviations and anatomy. Develop skills in medical transcription, utilize medical coding, billing and accounting systems and procedures. Students also learn specialized computer applications. The demand is great for students with this educational background.

Interested in seeing how a computer and its systems work from the inside out? The Network Systems program provides students with the opportunity to work on state-of-the-art equipment while learning to make basic repairs, network management and troubleshooting within the system. They design, build, install and repair complex computer network systems, develop programming skills for game creation, and apply computer forensics and information security software to keep systems safe. Areas of study also include VB programming, computer architecture and forensics, information and network security, workstation management and business applications.

All of the Vantage business programs are Tech Prep programs, which means students can prepare for further education, possibly earn college credit for high school coursework, and apply for Tech Prep scholarships to Rhodes State College.

If you are interested in finding out about career opportunities in any of these fields or have questions about the business programs at Vantage, please call Ben Winans, Student Services Supervisor at 419-238-5411 or 1-800-

686-3944 ext. 140 or email him at winans.b@vantagecareercenter.com.

It's not too early to mark your calendars for the annual Vantage Open House and Scholarship Dinner, which will be held on Monday, February 7, 2011 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Visit the labs, meet the teachers, see the blueprints for the renovation and expansion project!! While you're here, help support the Vantage Scholarship Fund - a chicken dinner will be served (and a kids hot dog meal too) from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Drive-thru and carry-out available!! Don't miss it!

THE PUNKY PRUNE

By: Rachel Stern Steiner

Aloha West Bend News community! My name is Rachel, and I'm West Bend News' new columnist. A passion of my family's is living a healthy, well-rounded lifestyle and making the most of what God has given us for our short time on earth. While this certainly and most importantly incorporates a spiritual aspect, treating our bodies and minds as a temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19) is something we strongly value. If we are physically and mentally strong, we are better able to handle what life throws at us, persevere through the hard times, as well as help and encourage those around us. This column will cover living a healthy lifestyle, including nutrition, recipes, fitness ideas as well as approaches to living a greener lifestyle. I'll begin this week with a brief overview of my family and how our lifestyle has changed from everything we grew up being taught.

It all began when East Coast city girl met Midwest country boy. When Kent and I got married, we had decided that I would stay home and tend house and it wasn't long before I felt the need to validate my time during the day. I had always been interested in nutrition so I began researching what comprised a healthy diet and making as much of our food from scratch as possible. Within that first year, Kent dropped 40 lbs. from his already sleek figure just by making little tweaks in the types of foods he ate. We both felt rejuvenated, full of life and energy. We were sick less often and able to excel at our respective sports and hobbies unlike anything we had experienced before. We continued to modify our diet and lifestyle even when I discovered I was pregnant with our little tomato (Roma is now almost 1½). Now we can't even imagine living any other way. We continue to research new ideas, recipes and foods daily.

In our frugality and attempts to rid ourselves of harmful products and chemicals, I have also begun making all of our home cleaning products and personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant and toothpaste. We have begun composting and are dreaming about all of the scrumptious foods we will have in our garden come spring.

This spring will also be my first marathon attempt. 26.2 miles of pure running bliss. Haha, well the actual bliss will come afterwards when I eat an entire chocolate cake in celebration. Hey, all things are good in moderation! See you back next week and cheers to

a happier and healthier community! If you have any specific questions or topics you would like discussed, you can email punkyprune@yahoo.com

HICKSVILLE MASONS BUSY WITH DEGREE WORK

WM Scott Ruppert welcomed everyone to the meeting and then called the Lodge up and expressed his sympathy with the loss of members Dick Schilb and Al Hampson. A moment of silence was observed and the charter draped.

Elmer Woodcox was the lone 50-year member. Others on the side line included Tim Betts, Bill Metz, Ken Crouch, Will Fleitz, Hanson Lilly, Jaimie Larson, Mike Villena, Dick Altman, Mike Altman, Max Kemerer, Aaron Kemerer, George Underwood, Raymond Gillespie, Lee Kallsen, Jimmie J. Volkert, Jesse Stein, Walter Schilb, Steve Schilb, Jamie Chapman, Robert L. Stotler Jr., James Kline, Richard Wann and Scott Ruppert.

A Get-Well card were signed and sent to Carolyn (Rowan) Carr, widow of Wayne Carr and a sympathy card was sent to Jamie Chapman with the loss of his father. Birthday cards were sent to Terry Ayers, John Grimm, Raymond Gross, Gene Stauffer, Brandon Wobler and Jamie Chapman.

The dues committee reported that all dues for the 2011 Masonic year and now current and that the 2011 5th district Yearbooks are available for those wishing to attend the Inspections.

A Thank-You card was read from Eileen (Hampson) Snyder expressing her gratitude for the exceptional Masonic memorial service the Lodge conducted at Smith-Brown for her father, the late Al Hampson.

WM Ruppert then called for a Temple Board meeting to occur just prior to the next stated meeting on January 26 at 6:30 p.m. There is some concern about the east exterior. Members on the Temple Board include Pres. Scott Ruppert, Bill Metz, Tim Betts, Dick Wann, Jim Kline and Joe Stotler.

With no further business, WM Ruppert closed the Lodge in due form and harmony and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship. The next stated meeting will be Wednesday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m.

SENATE SCREENING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS CLIFF HITE FOR 1ST OHIO SENATE DISTRICT

Ohio Senate President Tom Niehaus (R- New Richmond) today announced that State Rep. Cliff Hite (R- Findlay) has been recommended by a Senate screening committee for appointment to the 1st Ohio Senate District, replacing former Senator Steve Buehrer. Buehrer resigned his seat earlier this month to become Administrator of the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation.

"Cliff Hite knows the many challenges that are facing our state, but he is not afraid to roll up his sleeves and delve into the issues," Niehaus said. "His experience in the Statehouse as well as the classroom will be invaluable to the Senate as we work to move Ohio

forward."

Hite will officially take office in the coming weeks. He will serve through 2012, when a special election will be held to fill the balance of Senator Buehrer's four-year term per Article 2 Section 11 of the Ohio Constitution.

"I am honored and humbled to be selected for this opportunity, which will allow me to represent the northwestern Ohio communities where I lived, taught and coached for 13 years," Hite said. "I look forward to working with my Senate colleagues on getting our economy back on track and ensuring our state is a place where businesses can locate and create jobs."

Hite has served in the Ohio House of Representatives since 2007, proudly representing the families and communities of the 76th Ohio House District, which includes Hancock and Hardin counties and portions of Auglaize County. Prior to joining the General Assembly, he spent nearly 30 years as a teacher and coach.

Outside of his legislative work, Hite remains active throughout his community, serving as the general chairman for the United Way Campaign of Hancock County. He has been accepted into the Hancock County Sports Hall of Fame, is an honorary member of Kiwanis International and is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks of Findlay.

Hite received a bachelor's degree in secondary education from the University of Kentucky. He and his wife Diane reside in Findlay and have three grown children and one grandchild.

WESTERN BUCKEYE GOVERNING BOARD ELECTS ZELKE AS PRESIDENT

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their annual organizational Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 in the Paulding ESC Board office. Board President Pro-Tem Nick Miller welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Superintendent John Basinger presented special certificates of appreciation to the Board members as part of the Ohio School Boards Association's "School is Held Appreciation Month", which is held annually in January.

The Board approved the organizational meeting agenda. Board elections were held with Jerry Zelke being elected President and William Poe II being elected Vice-President of the Governing Board for 2011. The Board appointed Zelke as Delegate and Nick Miller as Alternate Delegate to the OSBA Convention. Ron Trece was appointed Student Achievement Liaison and Zelke was appointed Legislative Liaison.

The Governing Board set their regular meeting schedule as the second Wednesday of the month. All meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will alternate between the Paulding and Van Wert ESC offices. The Board named

the Paulding Progress and the Van Wert Times Bulletin as Official Notice newspapers. The Board set the Records Commission Committee as the Superintendent, Treasurer, and Board President and the 2010 Audit Committee as the Superintendent, Board Treasurer, Vice-President and Board Legislative Liaison.

The Board approved a Board Service Fund to pay for Board expenses and designated Gary Ginter, Interim Treasurer, and Linda Clark, Assistant Treasurer, to attend required public records training for Western Buckeye Governing Board members. Ginter was designated the Interim Treasurer of the Western Buckeye ESC and authorized to sign all Governing Board checks, to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations as bills and services are received, to invest all inactive funds, and to advance money from fund to fund as needed. The Board appointed Assistant Treasurer Linda Clark to act for the Treasurer in times of absence, illness, or other incapacity.

The Governing Board appointed the Superintendent as purchasing agent for 2011, as well as Federal Program Coordinator. They also approved the Superintendent to employ temporary personnel, authorize attendance to professional meeting, and to act on behalf of the Western Buckeye ESC within the limits set by the Governing Board. The Board appointed Bob Miller as trustee officer for Paulding and Van Wert Counties.

In the regular meeting that followed the organization meeting, Superintendent Basinger reviewed the agenda items with the Board and also updated the Board on recent Western Buckeye activities and personnel issues.

In the business portion of the regular meeting, the Board:

**Approved the minutes from the regular December 8, 2010 meeting.

**Approved the December financial reports as presented by Interim Treasurer Gary Ginter.

**Accepted the resignation of Kristine Stuart as Treasurer, effective December 31, 2010.

**Assigned Gary Ginter as Interim Treasurer and approved a supplemental contract for the position as presented.

**Joined the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA), subscribed to the electronic OSBA Briefcase, and joined the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund.

**Approved membership for Gary Ginter in the Ohio Association of School Business Officials for the 2010-2011 school year.

The Board went into Executive Session for the discussion of employment of personnel at 6:52 p.m. The Board returned to regular session and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on February 9, 2011 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Van Wert ESC Office.

A big thank you goes out to each and everyone for all the cards, phone calls, food and gifts that I received for my 90th birthday. And I want to especially thank my family for the wonderful surprise party that they hosted in my honor and also to all who came to visit me that day. You all made my birthday very special.

Thank you.

—Kate Lucas

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HOLGATE BOYS FALL TO ANTWERP



Antwerp pulls an upset against Holgate at home on Thursday, January 13. The Archer varsity boys basketball team won 30-21 in a low scoring game. Shown here is junior Bryant Miesle getting fouled by the Tigers while attempting a basket. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Ayersville came to the Raider Palace Thursday, January 13 for a boys basketball game. Wayne Trace struggled the first half, nearly coming back in the 2nd, but fell short at the end with a final score of 24-28. Shown here is Raider sophomore Ryan Kortokrax shooting under the basket. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

WAYNE TRACE JH WRESTLERS AWARDED 1ST PLACE TROPHY

The Wayne Trace Jr. High wrestling team was awarded the first place trophy, after winning the Ayersville Invitational held Saturday, January 15 at Ayersville. The Raiders also crowned six individual champions. George Clemens IV, Matt Baxter, Jacob Dingus, Josh Reel, Tyler Arnett and Justin Pierce each took home the gold medals. Placing in the runner-up spot was Zaine Cotterman. Kenny Mansfield, Grant Gillett and Austin Suvar each placed 4th. Wayne Trace finished 1st with 175 pts. followed by Montpelier 168, Tinora 122, Fairview 86, Edgerton 84, Hicksville 58, Ayersville 48, Paulding 41, Patrick Henry 3, Stryker 34, Antwerp 23, Defiance 11 and Archbold 3.

"We had 7 kids going for the championship," said coach Dennis Stabler. "We won 6 of those 7, losing only 1 by a very close dec. We also had three 4th place finishers, so over all I would say we did a really great job here today. All day it was neck and neck with Montpelier, but in the end we managed to come out on top."

PAULDING WRESTLERS LIMA SPARTAN INVITE WRESTLING RESULTS

These are the Paulding portion of the results from the Lima Spartan Invite which took place on 1/15. Paulding as a team finished 14th.

- Individuals placers:
- 112 - Sidney Salinas placing 7th
 - 119 - Taylor Deatruck went 4-1 with a 3rd place finish
 - 125 - Josh Hemker came away with a 7th place finish
 - 160 - Derek Shrider ended the day with a 7th place finish
 - 189 - Ryan Schindler finished 8th
 - 215 - Nick Hanenkraft finished 4th with a 3-2 record on the day
 - 215 - Noberto Naal finished 8th

WOODLAN TAKES 2ND IN THE WOODLAN WRESTLING INVITATIONAL

Woodlan High School played host to the Woodlan Wrestling Invitational on January 15, 2011. Eight area high school wrestling teams participated.

- Team results:
- Leo - 235, 1st; Woodlan - 230, 2nd; Churubusco - 189, 3rd; Greenville - 152.5, 4th; Wayne Trace - 150, 5th; Fremont - 124.5, 6th; Bishop Luers - 88, 7th; Bluffton - 42, 8th
- Individual Weight Class Championship Matches:
- 103 - Jay Knepp, WHS, dec. 8-0 won against Ryan Fawcett, LHS
 - 112 - Joe Stahl, WT, pin 1:00 won against Travis Norman, WHS
 - 119 - Nelson Roberts, GV, inj. def won against Tyler Wilms, FHS
 - 125 - Philip Gerber, BF, dec. 6-2 won against Lucas Wilms, FHS
 - 130 - Haydan Parisot, WHS, dec. 9-3 won against Adam Boggess, CH
 - 135 - Corey Botts, LHS, dec. 7-3 won against Jon Raugh, BF
 - 140 - Cody Zink, WHS, pin 2:52 won against Zach Stull, GV
 - 145 - Ben Edwards, GV,

- dec. 14-3 won against Sawyer Temple, WT
- 152 - Isaac Steury, LHS, pin 1:09 won against Tyler Arnett, WT
- 160 - Garrett Weber, LHS, dec. 10-0 won against Alex Brenneke, WHS
- 171 - Spencer Cooper, LHS, pin 3:31 won against Brian Richardson, CH
- 189 - Braxton Siddons, CH, inj. def. Aaron Harris, WT
- 215 - Alex Jakacki, LHS, pin 3:33 won against Ethan Gessner, WHS
- 285 - Jesse David, LHS, pin 1:54 won against Gunnar Barnhart, CH

ROUND 1 ACAC BOYS BASKETBALL RESULTS

The Woodlan Warriors opened the first round of ACAC boys basketball very strong. The Warriors won: 38-19 against the South Adams Starfires.

- Score by the quarter:
- South Adams - 4 2 5 8=19
 - Woodlan - 10 7 16 5=38
- Top scorers of the game:
- South Adams - Wanner 9, Fox 3, Muselman 3, Meshberger 2
 - Woodlan - Emehiser 11, Romines 5, Patterson 5, Mumma 11

WT WRESTLING: A TRIP TO WARRIOR COUNTRY

The Wayne Trace Varsity Wrestling team competed at the Woodlan Wrestling Invitational on Saturday, January 15. The Raiders had only 1 champion. Joe Stahl 112 lbs. went undefeated, pinning his opponents in each round. Placing 2nd for Wayne Trace were Sawyer Temple 145 lbs., Tyler Arnett 152 lbs. and Aaron Harris 189 lbs. Zach Cotterman 140 lbs. placed 3rd. Placing 4th were Dustin Taylor 103 lbs. and Aaron Miller 119 lbs. Brenden Bergman, 160 lbs., and Tim West, 171 lbs., placed 6th.

"I thought Joe Stahl did an outstanding job for us today", commented coach George Clemens. "He wrestled very well through the whole tournament. But over all as a team we need to continue to improve."

REP. WACHTMANN TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

State Representative Lynn Wachtmann (R-Napoleon) today was appointed by Speaker William G. Batchelder (R-Medina) to serve as chairman of the Health and Aging Committee during the 129th General Assembly. Additionally, he will serve on the Insurance Committee and the Commerce and Labor Committee.

"I believe that my previous experience with these issues will augment my work on these committees," said Rep. Wachtmann. "I'm eager to get to work and guide legislation to benefit the people of the 75th District and Ohio in general."

Rep. Wachtmann is currently serving his third consecutive term in the Ohio House of Representatives, having previously served as both a state representative and state senator. In addition to his work as a legislator, he is the president of Maumee Valley Bottling, Inc. and a partner in Culligan Water Conditioning.

PAULDING WINS AGAINST CRESTVIEW



Paulding varsity boys took on Crestview Friday night at home. The Knights started well, but the Panthers gradually built their lead to a solid 49-37 win. Shown here is senior Dylan Welch scoring for Paulding. Saturday night the Panthers took on Fairview for another win of 66-45. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Paulding JV boys took on Crestview Friday night at home and led the way for the varsity game. The JV Panthers won a solid 53-38 victory. Shown here is junior Jacob Bauman scoring a basket for Paulding. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

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PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Jury Indicted 13 persons on Thursday, January 13, 2011.

Lance El Adkins, 03/30/1987, Rape, F-1 (2 counts)

Steven L. Barker, 04/14/1961, Paulding, Ohio, Pandering Sexually Oriented Matter Involving a Minor, F-4, Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor, F-2

Hector Leal, 09/21/1970, Van Wert, Ohio, Driving While Intoxicated, F-4

Nathan A. Hornish, 08/16/1986, Hicksville, Ohio, Failure to comply with signal of Police Officer, F-3

Whitney L. Labounty,

06/08/1981, Non support of dependants, F-5 (2 counts)

Joseph M. Farmer, 09/19/1980, Payne, Ohio, Non support of dependants, F-5

Brian C. Ward, 07/20/1980, Indianapolis, Indiana, Importuning, F-5

Ryan D. Brickel, 11/17/1983, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Importuning, F-5

Nathan P. Culler, 01/01/1987, Paulding, Ohio, Gross sexual imposition, F-4

Dustan Goodenough, 12/30/1983, Paulding, Ohio, Gross sexual imposition, F-4

Casey L. Owens, 03/04/1985, Cloverdale, Ohio, Breaking and entering, F-5

Michael A. Toney, 09/21/1970, Paulding, Ohio, importuning, F-5

Chris M. Bealhen, 07/11/1984, Paulding, Ohio, importuning, F-5, Escape, F-3

Healthy Ideas

(NAPSA)—To ensure that patients have access to the information they need to make an informed choice about breast reconstruction, the Cancer Support Community launched "Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Spotlight on Breast Reconstruction," developed with support from Mentor Worldwide LLC. Learn more at www.CancerSupportCommunity.org.



A new online educational resource, www.BloodSugarBasics.com, has just launched to help people living with diabetes, their families and loved ones learn about the importance of understanding and managing low and high blood sugar.

Did You Know?

(NAPSA)—The ability to deduct the interest paid on a mortgage can translate into significant savings come tax time, say the experts at National Association of Realtors'. For more information about the mortgage interest deduction and other tax benefits of owning a home, visit www.houselogic.com.



PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 1/5/11

This 5th day of January, 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 174624 through 174631 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PAULDING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB & FAMILY SERVICES TO SIGN PURCHASE ORDERS, VOUCHERS, PAYROLL, CHANGE OF APPROPRIATIONS FORM, AND CHANGE OF ESTIMATED REVENUE FORM:

The Director of the Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services is appointed by the Board of Paulding County Commissioners; and the Paulding County Auditor's Office performs accounting functions for the Department of Job & Family Services, as may directed by the Director of the Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services; and the Paulding County Auditor's Office requires the Paulding County Board of Commissioners' authorize the Director of the Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services to sign purchase orders, vouchers, payroll, Change of Appropriations form, and Change of Estimated Revenue form to accomplish accounting tasks; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Corey Walker, Director of Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services, to sign purchase orders, vouchers, payroll, Change of Appropriations form, and Change of Estimated Revenue form for accounting functions directed to be performed by the Paulding County Auditor's Office; and that said authorization is granted for one year beginning January 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2011, renewable annually at the Board of County Commissioners' discretion.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DIRECTOR OF PAULDING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB & FAMILY SERVICES DELEGATING AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN PURCHASE ORDERS, VOUCHERS, PAYROLL:

On the 5th day of January, 2011, the Paulding County Commissioners passed a resolution authorizing the Director of the Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services to sign appropriate forms to accomplish specific accounting tasks to be performed by the Paulding County Auditor's Office; and in the event of his absence, N. Corey Walker, Director of the Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services, has delegated authority to approve purchase orders, vouchers, and payroll to employees Janice Chambers and Lyndon Fields and has completed the authorization forms required by the Paulding County Auditor's Office; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Janice Chambers and Lyndon Fields to approve purchase orders, vouchers, and payroll in the absence of Corey Walker, Director of Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services; and that said authorization is granted for one year beginning January 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2011, renewable annually at the Board of County Commissioners' discretion.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTING A PAYROLL ERROR FROM 2010 IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (EMA) FUND # 079:

Darlene Jordan was appointed on January 11, 2010, as Assistant Clerk, said appointment to take effect on December 26, 2009; and Darlene Jordan's salary amount was set at \$12.00 per hour; and the Emergency Management Agency's (EMA) payroll worksheet indicated an incorrect hourly rate of \$9.52 per hour for Darlene Jordan for 47.25 of her hours worked in 2010; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to correct the hourly rate for Darlene Jordan's 2010 payroll by processing her payroll for the difference of \$117.18 and issuing Darlene Jordan a check for the net pay due.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 217):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 217 - FY 2008 EMPG Grant, 217-001-00001/Other Expenses, \$11,000.00

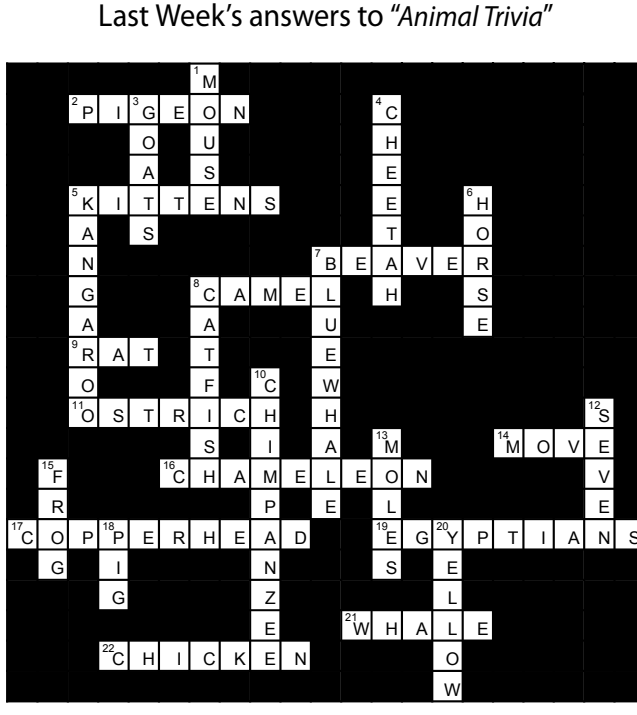
IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Mr. Tony Burkley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Family and Children First Council for the year 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE JOHN PAULDING HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Tony Burkley to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the John Paulding Historical Society Board for the year 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINT-



MENT TO THE PAULDING COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Mr. Fred Pieper to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Paulding County Homeland Security Advisory Committee for 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE NORTHWEST OHIO COMMUNITY ACTION (NOCAC) BOARD:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Mr. Fred Pieper to serve as the Commissioners' representative on the Northwest Ohio Community Action Commission (NOCAC) Board for the year 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE AREA OFFICE ON AGING OF NORTHWESTERN OHIO, INC.:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Mr. Fred Pieper to serve as the Commissioners' representative to the Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio, Inc., for the year 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Mr. Fred Pieper to serve as the Commissioners' representative to the Paulding County Senior Center Steering Committee for the year 2011.

IN THE MATTER OF MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF PAULDING COUNTY ROADS, CULVERTS AND BRIDGES FOR THE YEAR 2011:

The Board of County Commissioners has decided that the health, welfare, and safety of the people of Paulding County can best and most efficiently serviced by the "Force Account" in matters pertaining to the construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of Paulding County roads, bridges, and culverts; the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to proceed by force account for the maintenance, repair and improvement of county roads, culverts and bridges for the year 2010; and the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the County Engineer to close necessary roads, bridges and culverts for the performance of said force account work pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5543.19.

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR 2011:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to pursue purchasing the following equipment for calendar year 2011:

Three (3) dump trucks, two (2) mowing tractors, one (1) dozer, and one (1) distributor

IN THE MATTER OF REJECTING BIDS FOR A STANDBY GENERATOR SYSTEM AND TRANSFER SWITCH:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby reject all bids received and opened on December 22, 2010, for the standby generator system and transfer switch project.

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PAULDING COUNTY EMA TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE EMA GENERATOR PROJECT:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Randy Shaffer, Paulding County EMA Director, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for three consecutive weeks for bids for the EMA Generator Project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:32 a.m. with the County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fred Pieper. All members voted ye.

At 11:45 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Corey Walker, Department of Job and Family Services - Mr. Walker presented accounting delegation forms for signatures (see resolutions above). Discussed the building upkeep and maintenance. Mr. Walker reports the roof project on the Jacob Eaton Children's Home will begin soon.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, Paulding County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher reports tax collections are going well. She also presented the December, 2010, investment report and investment income report.

Clayton Howell - Mr. Howell met with the Commissioners at his request to discuss his real estate tax bill. The Commissioners explained Mr. Howell's options through the Board of Revisions.

Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer; Susan Simpson, Paulding County Auditor; Paul Hill and Mike Kauser, Paulding Township Trustees; and Ed Stabler and Jim Overmyer, Harrison Township Trustees - Commissioner Burkley explained the history of 2001 TIF agreements for the Shilderink (Fund 110) and Zylstra (Fund 123) dairy farms. Ms. Simpson shared spreadsheets for both funds, noting the shortage of TIF dollars collected to pay the notes taken out on behalf of the road improvement projects. Discussion on the wind farms and the tax distribution was briefly discussed.

Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer - Mr. McGarvey requested authorization to purchase equipment for 2011 (see resolution above).

Marsha Yeutter, Paulding County Senior Center - Ms. Yeutter met with the Commissioners to discuss the maintenance of the Senior Center kitchen area. She is in the process of getting estimates to repair and paint the ceiling and the walls. Commercial painting specifications will be followed.

Randy Shaffer, Paulding County EMA - Mr. Shaffer met with the Commissioners to discuss the bids for the generator project. It was decided to reject all bids and the project will be re-bid.

Judge Tiffany Beckman, Common Pleas Court - Judge Beckman reported she will be recommending Mr. Jamie Hughes be appointed to the WORTH board. She also discussed internet access in the Common Pleas court room and questioned cleaning services.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 1/10/11

This 10th day of January, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

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

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 178):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 178 - Spay and Neuter Grant, 178-001-00001/Medical Expenses, \$1,655.00

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

The Board of County Commissioners, according to Ohio Revised Code, Section 305.05, does hereby appoint Tony Zartman to serve as President of the Board of County Commissioners for 2011; and appoint Tony Burkley to serve as the Vice President of the Board of County Commissioners for 2011; and the official meeting days of the Board of County Commissioners will be each Monday and Wednesday, excluding holidays, from 8:00 a.m. to close of business in the Commissioners' Office in the basement of the Paulding County Courthouse.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Georgia Dyson, Interim Dog Warden - Ms. Dyson met briefly with the Commissioners to present several bills for payment approval. The matter of volunteer help at the kennel was discussed and also options for lawn-mowing.

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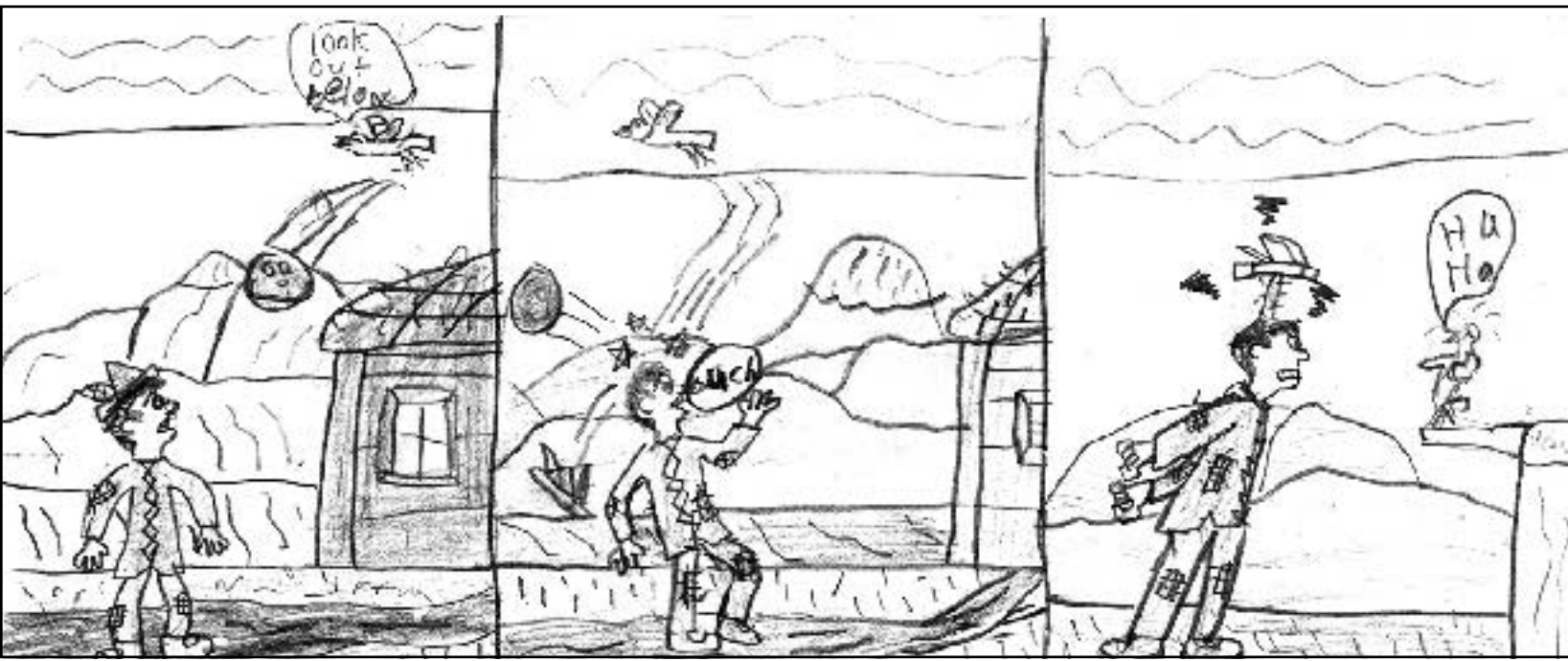
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WEST BEND NEWS COMIC STRIP CONTEST WINNER



Nicholas Cantrell, of Oakwood, son of Melissa and Dennis Osborne, is in the 6th grade at Oakwood Elementary. Nicholas has a sister, Taylor, 15, and a brother, Josh, 13. Nicholas likes math, drawing and putting things

together, and he also likes to hunt with his coon dogs. They also have a dog named Little Ann. Nicholas' comic strip portrayed a boy getting bested by a bird.

PAULDING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 2ND 9 WEEKS 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

3rd GRADE:

All A's - Jacob Deisler, Julianna Fife, Kaylie Tressler, Gage Smith, Katelyn Strayer, Sidney Kohart, Zoe Kochel, Riley Coil, Savannah Shepherd, Tyrel Goings, Matthew Schroeder, Kolson Egnor, Sydney McCullough

All A's & B's - Kiarra Hawn, Tommy McGrath, Jaden Verfaillie, Megan Garrity, Jordan Mudel, Tyler Stahl, Dustin Keeran, Savannah Shepherd, Brandon Jackson, Ivy Riggenbach, Mayla Wolfrum, Nathan Hodge, Joel Schneider, Clae Clemens, Jacob Rose, Gracie Burtch, Seth Dysinger, Cole Mabis, Tyler Snipes, Julia McMaster, Drake Seals, Katie Strayer

4th GRADE:

All A's - Charles Clapsaddle, Eugene Hemenway, Macy Miller, Jaret Miller, Kamdyn Etzler, Tristan Kinder, Brayton Stuckey, Shana Manz, Ethan Matty, Heather Manz, Luke Brewer

All A's & B's - Alex Arend, Taylor Jury, Cory Adams, Alana Newsome, Kalyn Strahler, Alex Cardin, Haylee Dominique, Brock Schooley, Bailey Manz, Zach Dye, Rachel Walker, Dustyn McCloud, Casey Holman, Carson Shull, Lexie Beckman, Sydney Price, Courtney Luderman, Fletcher Cook, Leah Nusbaum, Ethan Letso, Mallory Taylor, Brandon Scott, Joseph Reineck, Scott Keeran, Madison Hull, Haleigh Stallbaum, Mary Cate Panico, Nicholas Barnett, Abbie Leaman, Hailey Harris, Jennifer Stahl, Briana Townley, James Craig, Rachel Ringle, Kristen Craigo

5TH GRADE:

All A's - Audrey Manz, Isaac Baldwin, Brianna Gorell, Jordan Weidenhamer, Brian Matson, Caitlyn Myers, Kalen Kelly, Marcus Miller, Emma McMaster, Savannah Habern, Cade McGarvey

ALL A'S AND B'S - Ethan Dominique, Alexia Griffith,

Shelbie Stahl, Libby Mobley, Miah Coil, Travis Coutts, William Postelwaite, Abbigail McMichael, Hunter Powell, Gabriella Stahl, Cassie Bishop, Shawn Jackson, Blake Anderson, Zach McCorkle, Michael Kohart, Devon Smith, Abbie Adams, Kaylee Plummer, Alexandra Brown, Corbin Kohart, Ryan Woodring, Cassidy Posey

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND NINE WEEKS 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR

All A's:

3rd Grade - Madison Boesch, Aleyah Cline, Alyssa Fuller, Adison Hindenlang, Chloe Saul, Blake Schuette, Elyse Steury, Melanie Wann

4th Grade - Kendall Billman, Austin Chirgwin, Jason Dunstan, Iris Sorrell, Jared Sukup, Joshua Sukup

5th Grade - Noah Cline, Brian Geyer, Alex Hindenlang, Joshua Poulson, Kyle Trauterman

6th Grade - Emma Butzin, Matthew Dooley, Zachary McDaniels, Erica Meyer, Brandon Pendergrast, Jaime Ryan, Jarrison Steiner, Maggie Wilson

A's & B's:

3rd Grade - Sayge Bonifas, Karsyn Brumett, Alyvia DeVore, Shay Donnelly, Boston Dunderman, Gavyn Dunn, Jacob Eaken, Chase Friend, Izik Garrett, Destiney Gerken, Carlie Hanes, Codee Hathaway, Nicole Kashner, Garrett Laney, Nicholas McCreery, Kendyl Miller, Sydney Miller, Randall Mills, Hannah Rettig, Holly Sanders, Julia Steiner, Tim Taylor, Shayla Wieland

4th Grade - Keaton Altimus, Ashton Barhouse, Tyler Bauer, Harley Boger, Adam Butzin, Kati Carr, Braden Evans, Gene Garrett, Kaitlyn Hamman, Kaleb Kiracofe, Nathan Lee, Aidan McAlexander, Aubree Rager, Charity Roebel, Gage Speaks, Aubree Sproles, Joel Steiner,

Alexis Wright
5th Grade - Kaylee Bennett, Hailee Carothers, Kaitlyn Cleavinger, Caleb Cline, Jacob Dunderman, Russell Farrell, Zeb Getrost, Dakota Griffis, Brooke Hatlevig, Christian Huss, Brandon Laney, Riley McAlexander, Becca McCroskey, Amelia Miller, Ashley Miller, Jonathon Pendergrast, Callie Perry, Dylan Peters, Koleton Porter, Kortney Smith, Rachel Williamson

6th Grade - Joshua Ehlinger, Marissa Elkins, Mackenzie Hart, Evan Hilton, Becca Johanns, Trey Mills, Emilee Phillips, Derek Reeb, Hanna Richey, Arron Romero, Peyton Short, McKenzie Turpening

ANTWERP JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND NINE WEEKS 2010-2011

* Denotes 4.0

SENIORS:

4.0-3.67 (with no grade less than a B-) - Rachel Banks, Kaleb O'Donnell, Anthony Reid, Taylor Vail, *Alaine Wetli

3.669-3.33 (with no grade less than a C+) - Shaile Chamberlain, Zachary Coleman, Andrew Ehlinger, Vanessa Gordon, Logan Lucas, Cody Mabis, Bethany Polter, Sierra Short, Loni Walk, Toni Winslow

3.329-3.0 (with no grade less than a C) - Brandi Aldrich, Jessie Arnold, Nicholas Berry, Jessica Betzer, Mitchel Buchan, Tanner Copsey, Dylan Crawford, Desiree Delgado, Brandon Dix, Trevor Gremling, Joshua Hilton, Zachary Kimmel, Jordan Koppenhofer, David Morrow, BreAnne Murlin, Audrey Winhover

JUNIORS:

4.0-3.67 - Jayla Chamberlain, Jessica Marlin, Ann Reinhardt, Thomas Taylor, Ellise Wetli

3.669-3.33 - Sabryna Allen, Kelsea Burns, Morgan Cramer, Brandon Dunderman, Zachary Dunlap, Nicholas Herndon, Jessica Langham, Ty Lee, Bryant Miesle, Tricia Smalley, Alysha Stuck

3.329-3.0 - Hayley Feichter, Cassandra Harter, Joseph Hilton, Alex North, Kyle Reinhart, Tayler Shaffer, Jacob Shook, Samantha Smith, Hannah Tempel

SOPHOMORES:

4.0-3.67 - Shawn Dooley, Morgan Williamson, Jesse Wilson

3.669-3.33 - Nicholas

Bragg, Kacy Brumett, Ryan Girardot

3.329-3.0 - David Altic, Katlyn Bissell, Justin Bute, Andrew Coleman, Braeden Hormann, Cameron Huss, Lydia Yenser

FRESHMEN:

4.0-3.67 - *Aaron Schenider, Kirsi Smith, Brock Taylor, Nathan Zuber

3.669-3.33 - Dalton Gremling, Katie Hunt, Erik Miesle, Kyle Recker, Matthew Reinhart, Kirsi Smith

3.329-3.0 - Zachary DeLong, Colton Hall, Jenna Hankinson, Nathanael Hawley, Bailey Jones, Tiffany Romero

EIGHTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Maria Bradbury, Michaela Burns, *Nicole Hughes, Sarah Neace, *Jacob O'Donnell, *Collin Perry, *Joshua Steiner, Nathan Swenson, Olivia Tempel, Kelsey Titus, Alexander Vail

3.669-3.33 - Julia Balsler, Steven Bowers, Dionica Burk, Jarrett Bute, Alston Doctor, Logan Emerson, Remien Jackson, Magdalene Reinhart, Bailee Sigman, Kelsey Titus, Claire Van Vlerah

SEVENTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Sidney Barnhouse, Avery Braaten, *Emily Derck, *Elizabeth Hawley, Audrie Longardner, *Anne Miesle, Aaron O'Donnell, Kiana Recker, Iann Roebel, Jacob Sukup, Allison Taylor, Samuel Williamson, Jenna Wilson, Cayla Woodcox

3.669-3.33 - Mikayla Boesch, Erik Buchan, Jeffrey Coleman, Serena Drake, Breanna LaFountain, Joshua Longardner, Drake Neace, Brittany Smith

3.329-3.0 - Justice Clark, Sierra Cline, Domino Daugherty, Kennedy McMichael, Kirsten Price, Kayle Slattery

LUNCH MENUS FOR ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL FOR THE WEEK OF 1/19 THROUGH 1/25

1/19 - Tex-Mex chili or Cook's choice, french fries, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Jello cup

1/20 - BBQ rib on bun or Spicy chicken strips, peas, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Fruit

1/21 - Southwest pizza or Ham salad sandwich, rosemary applesauce, cole slaw, brownie, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice

1/24 - Hot ham & cheese on bun or Cook's choice, orange smiles, diced potatoes, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cot-

tage cheese

1/25 - Chicken nuggets or Deli wrap, apple crisp, green beans, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pudding cup

Menus are subject to change.

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/19 THROUGH 1/25

MS/HS - Breakfast:

1/19 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, milk

1/20 - French toast stix, sausage links, juice, milk

1/21 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk

1/24 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk

1/25 - Tator tots w/cheese, sausage links, juice, milk

MS/HS - Lunch:

1/19 - Idaho nachos or Breaded chicken w/bun, green bean casserole, assorted fruit, milk

1/20 - Beef stew w/biscuits, warm apple dessert, milk

1/21 - Chili dog w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk

1/24 - Country fried steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy or Turkey pie/biscuit, assorted fruit, milk

1/25 - Grilled chicken salad, garlic bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:

- 1/19 - Muffin, applesauce, milk
 - 1/20 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk
 - 1/21 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk
 - 1/24 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk
 - 1/25 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk
- Paulding Elementary
- Lunch:
- 1/19 - Pizza, corn, fruit, milk
 - 1/20 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk
 - 1/21 - Egg & cheese omelet, hash browns, raisin muffin, juice, milk
 - 1/24 - Nachos w/cheese, peas 'n carrots, fruit, milk
 - 1/25 - Vegetable beef soup w/crackers, bread w/margarine or peanut butter, fruit, milk
- Oakwood Elementary
- Breakfast:
- 1/19 - Pillsbury mini maple pancakes, juice, milk
 - 1/20 - Egg, cheese & bacon burrito, fruit, milk
 - 1/21 - Assorted cereals, crackers, juice, milk
 - 1/24 - Assorted cereals, crackers, juice, milk
 - 1/25 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
- Oakwood Elementary
- Lunch:
- 1/19 - Pepperoni & cheese breadstick w/sauce, green beans, fruit, milk
 - 1/20 - Chicken & noodles, peas, bread, fruit, milk
 - 1/21 - Taco in a bag, lettuce & cheese, fruit, milk
 - 1/24 - Chicken strip wrap w/lettuce, green beans, fruit, milk
 - 1/25 - Corn dog, baked beans, fruit, milk
- Menus are subject to change.

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PC TIGERS TAKE WIN FROM AUGLAIZE CO.



The PC Tigers played against Auglaize County on January 14, 2011. At halftime, Auglaize Co. 29 to Tigers 26. The final score was Tigers 52, Auglaize 50.

Top 5 PC Tiger players of the evening: Matthew Wayne 16 pts., Nate Cullen 14 pts., Eddie Hibbard 8 pts., and Mitch Highwarden 4 pts.

LOCAL FUNDRAISER GIVES BIG!



Will Power Fitness held a zumba fundraiser for a local non-profit agency and for cancer free kids on Sunday, January 15, 2011. Hicksville Community Services is a non-profit agency serving the community of Hicksville. The

center provides a Hicksville home for many social service agencies. Northwest Ohio Community Action Commission, immunizations, Lutheran Social Services, WIC, car seats, the center for child advocacy and Fountain of Faith Free Medical Clinic. Additionally, director, Shannon Villena coordinates community enrichment programs, blood drives and F.A.M.E an after school program for 4-6 graders. Shown here is Shannon Villena explaining to zumba participants about the non-profit agency.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 12/22/10

This 22nd day of December, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
 Warrants documented as 174050 through 174517 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF A CHANGE IN 2010 ESTIMATED REVENUE IN FUND 158 - WIA AREA 7:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to increase the estimated revenue in Fund 158 as follows:

158-001-10001, increase revenue line item by, \$34,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 158):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 158 - WIA Area 7, 158-001-00002/Contract - Youth, \$30,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 158):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby direct the Paulding County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds:

Fund 158 - WIA Area 7, 158-001-00006/Youth, \$4,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 158):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 158-001-00004/WIA Area 7/Adult

TO: 158-001-00002/WIA Area 7/Contract - Youth

AMOUNT: \$24,500.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-002):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-002-00008/General Fund/Auditor/Other Expenses

TO: 001-002-00003/General Fund/Auditor/Supplies

AMOUNT: \$95.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-013):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-013-00007/General Fund/Coroner/PERS

TO: 001-013-00002/General Fund/Coroner/Supplies

AMOUNT: \$58.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-002):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-002-00017/General

County Auditor/Medicare
 TO: 001-002-00016/General Fund/County Auditor/Weights and Measures Travel
 AMOUNT: \$45.00

IN THE MATTER OF RESCINDING A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MODIFICATION IN THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 009):

On the 13th day of December, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners adopted a resolution to modify the 2010 annual appropriation in the Engineer - Gas Tax (Fund 009); and the aforementioned resolution was a duplication of a resolution on December 1, 2010; now the Board of County Commissioners does hereby rescind resolution passed on the 13th day of December, 2010, on Pages 432 and 433 of Journal 52, adopting a resolution to modify the 2010 annual appropriation in the Engineer - Gas Tax (Fund 009).

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE PAULDING COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF PAULDING COUNTY FOR THE REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS:

The County of Paulding seeks to repair and/or replace existing home sewage treatment systems; and the Paulding County Health Department intends to apply for assistance from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 through the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) for the repair and/or replacement of home sewage treatment systems; and the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of an agreement.

By the Board of Commissioners of the County of Paulding, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Paulding County Health Department be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WPCLF loan, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the repair and/or replacement of home sewage treatment systems on behalf of the County of Paulding, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:01 a.m. with Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Edward Straley. All members voting yr.

At 11:18 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR A STANDBY GENERATOR SYSTEM AND TRANSFER SWITCH:

This 22nd day of December, 2010, being the day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, bids were received and opened for the Standby Generator System and Transfer Switch Project:
 Schweller Electric, 11501 Rd 144, Paulding, OH 45879 - \$38,605.00
 Kingfish Electric, 518 N Cherry Street, Paulding, OH 45879 - \$31,213.80
 Stollsteimer Electric, 19989 Switzer Rd, Defiance OH 43512 - \$25,101.00

The specifications will be studied with a determination to be made later.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

This 22nd day of December, the Board of County Commissioners; Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, and Edward Straley met with the following members of the Audit Committee: Carol Temple, County Recorder; Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts; Travis McGarvey, County Engineer; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; Susan Simpson, County Auditor.

Lou Ann Wannemacher distributed the Sales Tax Revenue and Motor Vehicle Tax reports for December, 2010. Sales tax revenue was down from November, 2010, by \$9,662.41; however, up from December, 2009, by \$15,580.07. The December, 2010, total was up \$1,572.10 from the three year monthly average for the month of December. Vehicle tax collected was down from November, 2010, by \$15,004.89; however, up from December, 2009, by \$4,112.80. December, 2010, vehicle tax collected was down \$5,304.60 from the three year average.

The General Fund Receipts and Expenses Reports for November, 2010, were reviewed. General fund receipts of \$247,180.97 were down from October by \$28,208.87. November, 2010, general fund receipts were up from November, 2009, by \$51,232.35. November, 2010, receipts were up \$1,947.18 from the three-year average for November. General Fund expenses for November were up \$128,548.39 from October expenses; and were up \$117,447.53 from November, 2009. November expenses were up \$70,098.08 from the three-year average for November.

In other business, Lou Ann Wannemacher announced the tax bills will be sent December 27. First half taxes are due February 8, 2011. Ms. Wannemacher also noted an additional \$1.5 million being billed this year due to revaluation and changes in tax rates.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be January 26, 2011.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher presented December Sales and Use Tax reports for the Commissioners' review. She noted the total sales tax for 2010 marked an increase of \$118,000 from 2009.

Andrew Porter, Paulding County Health Department - Mr. Porter requested permission to apply for loan/grant dollars from the Ohio EPA for the purpose of assisting low to moderate income families with the replacement of existing household septic systems. He reported 75-100% of the cost may be covered for eligible families. He will be submitting an advertisement in the paper with application instructions. Mr. Porter also discussed the Auglaize River Sewer Project, explaining there will be a listing of registered system installers, which can be utilized when household are ready to be connected to the sewer. He further explained the trunk lines would have to be tested before anyone hooks up to the system.
 Susan Simpson, County Auditor -

ZUMBA FOR CHARITY



Will Power Fitness raised money for Cancer free kids and Hicksville Community Center on Sunday, January 15, 2011. Young and old came out to shake and sweat to the zumba fitness. The charity raised \$525.00.

Shown here are Instruc-

tors from Will Power Fitness Amanda Ross, Lindsay Dayenport, Sandy Hall, Cindy Hickcock, Shelby Burriss from Community Memorial Hospital, Patty Strong from Dekalb Memorial Hospital, Kara Eicher, Tammy Elwood, and Rachelle Spencer.



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- Do not hesitate to take the keys from friends or family members who may be impaired.
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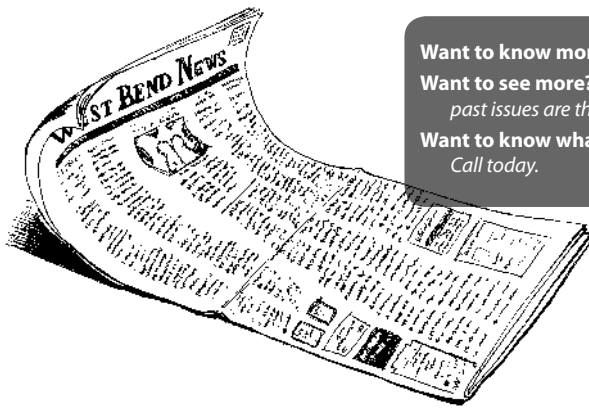
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The constellation Orion contains three of the 24 brightest stars in the sky. The three stars are Rigel, Betelgeuse, and Bellatrix.



The world's biggest jack-o'-lantern was carved from an 827-pound pumpkin in California in 1992.

Ms. Simpson provided December general fund receipts and expenses reports, along with sales tax reports, for the Commissioners' review. She also reported having received a County TPP survey. Ms. Simpson then discussed the upcoming tax collection season

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NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL RECYCLING



By: Sue Knapp
Bonnie and Francis Coughlin live on County Road 204 northwest of Antwerp. They have a big Ash Tree in their front yard that had to come down. This tree is huge. Now if you are like a lot of people you hate to see trees cut down but this tree has Ash Bore, so it couldn't be helped. The Coughlin's wanted to do something different so they had Dennis Clark from Paulding coming out to 'recycle' the tree. The top has been cut off and what is left is a 15 foot 'stump'. Dennis is making a giant bear from the bottom of the tree. He has just started on it and because this is a hobby and he has a job with Paulding-Putnam he is only able to work on it on weekends when he has time. This will take time, and completion won't be for awhile. The picture above is just the beginning. We will be watching the progress and when the bear is complete we will have an after picture for you.

ANTWERP ALLEYS HIGH SCORES FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 14, 2011

- Mens High Series**
1. Jeff Lucas 516
 1. David Bauer 516
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 2. Bowie Reid 508
 2. Phil Bauer 508
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8. Jerry Vanclave 480
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 10. Greg Shull 473
- Mens High Game**
1. David Bauer 235
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 3. Phil Bauer 192
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 7. Bowie Reid 181
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 7. Greg Shull 181
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 8. Mike Walley 179
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- Womens High Series**
1. Sherry Reinhart 608
 2. Carol Kortokrax 554
 3. Terri Meeks 532
 4. Marie Bauer 492
 5. Sue Molitor 484
 6. Jeanette Yerks 478
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 7. Angie Hudson 474
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1. Sherry Reinhart 231
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 8. Angie Hudson 171
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PAULDING HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

- Admissions:**
- 1/3 - Rita Robinson, Paulding
 - 1/6 - Betty Bates, Oakwood
- Dismissals:**
- 1/3 - Donnabelle Shawver, Paulding
 - 1/3 - Murl Krick, Paulding
 - 1/5 - Rita Robinson, Paulding
 - 1/6 - Betty Bates, Paulding

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CULLER CONSTRUCTION LLC: Mike Culler. New Construction - Remodel - Decks - Painting - Complete Home or Office. 35 years experience. Home: 419-258-2243. eot-9p

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FOR RENT IN ANTWERP: a 3 bedroom house w/attached garage. References & deposit required. Call 419-258-8314.2-3p

FIREWOOD FOR SALE: Seasoned firewood. 419-587-3518. tf

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HOME FOR RENT: Nice 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 2-car garage, Woodburn, quiet neighborhood. \$850/mo. Call 260-271-9611 or 260-804-0449 for more information. 1-3p

FOR RENT IN ANTWERP: 2 bedroom apartment, close to school, \$375 month, plus deposit, 419-770-2267. tf

BUYING ANTIQUES, OLD comic books, coin & stamp collections, old toys, postcards, fountain pens, pocket knives, military items, estates, 419-399-3353. 2-7p

FOR SALE: Ford F250, 4-wheel drive & Western snowplow. 419-506-0001. p

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

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SPELLING BEE WINNERS



Antwerp Elementary recently held its school spelling bee. The winner, for the 2nd year in a row, was 6th grader Derek Reeb. Derek spelled "giddiness" correctly in the 12th round to win. Runner-up was 5th grader Kylee Trauterman.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/19 THROUGH 1/25

- Breakfast:**
- 1/19 - Pancakes, sausage, milk
 - 1/20 - Egg/cheese omelet, milk
 - 1/21 - Turnover, milk
 - 1/24 - Pizza, milk
 - 1/25 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, milk
- Lunch:**
- 1/19 - Mac/cheese, mini corn dogs, juice, bar, milk; WT: BBQ pork
 - 1/20 - Fiestado, corn, applesauce, milk
 - 1/21 - Ham/cheese sandwich, fruited jello w/topping, milk
 - 1/24 - Cheeseburger sandwich, seasoned fries, pineapple, milk
 - 1/25 - Chicken noodles,

mashed potatoes, roll, mixed fruit, milk
Menus are subjected to change.

COFFEE & DESSERT PARENT-PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SERIES: "UNDERSTANDING AD/HD"

"Understanding AD/HD" is the second the "Coffee & Dessert" Parent-Professional Training Series. Presenter for this training will be Sandy Brickner, Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD). Participants will gain an understanding of the history of AD/HD and some statistics on the prevalence of AD/HD in the general population. Discussion about who is qualified to diagnose AD/HD, how it affects children in school and life and various techniques and accommodations to support children at home and at school will be presented.

"Understanding AD/HD" Parent-Professional Training will be held Tuesday, February 1, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Antwerp Local School. Parents, care givers, educators and professionals are welcome. There is no cost to attend. Certificate of Attendance available upon request. Pre-registration is preferred by contacting Cathy Ruiz, Parent Mentor, 419-263-2512 (select opt. #4 Payne Bldg, Ext 454) or email: cruiz@wb.noacac.org.

The "Coffee & Dessert" Parent - Professional Training Series is made possible by the Parent Mentor Program and Western Buckeye, ESC of Paulding County.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Carryall Township 2010 Financial report is complete and available for public review.

Monthly meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm.

Meetings will be held at 1445 Road 204, Antwerp, OH.

-Twila Demongeot,
Fiscal Officer
Carryall Township

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

The Crane Township Zoning Board will have a public hearing Tuesday Feb 8, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Crane Township Building located in Cecil, Ohio. This public hearing is open to the public to review a zoning request for the changing of property located at State Route 24 and U S Highway 127 from agriculture residential to a business district.

-Jerry L. Zielke, Chairman
Crane Twp Zoning Board

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16918 Road 63, Antwerp \$64,900



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary held their school Spelling Bee. Ian Vogel, son of Nikia Vogel, was our Spelling Bee champion winning with "innocence." Ian is a 5th grader. Jaylynn Parrish,

daughter of Denise Lee, was our Spelling Bee Runner-Up. She is a 6th grader. Ian will be representing Payne Elementary in the County Spelling Bee in February.

Scent-sational Ideas

Feeling Overwhelmed? Stop And Smell The Roses

(NAPSA)—For decades, people have advised friends to cope with stress by taking some time to "stop and smell the roses." Now, research shows that the old cliché might be onto something—that floral scents might actually increase productivity and mental performance.

For example, a study conducted by the Smell & Taste Treatment and Research Foundation in Chicago found that people exposed to a mixed floral aroma completed memory-testing portions of neuropsychological tests 17 percent faster than those not exposed to the aroma. A study published in the journal Science showed that students exposed to the smell of roses while studying performed tests with 97 percent accuracy, compared to 86 percent accuracy among those not exposed.

"Learning and memory retention can depend on multiple variables: attention span, interest in the subject at hand, task difficulty, state of mind and what's going on around you," said Dr. Alan Hirsch, executive director of the Smell & Taste Treatment and Research Foundation. "The area of the brain that regulates arousal and sleep-wake transitions is particularly sensitive to odor. Floral odors like rose, jasmine and lavender have been shown to enhance the brain's learning mechanisms and positively impact memory."

Fresh flowers, however, aren't the only way to reap the benefits. According to Dr. Hirsch, other



Studies suggest incorporating aromatherapy into your daily routine to take advantage of the many benefits of floral scents.

ways to incorporate floral aromas into a daily routine include:

- Use floral-scented body washes and lotions;
- Drink a cup of green or black tea rich in aromatic scents;
- Use a rose-scented room freshener at night;
- Light scented candles in high traffic areas always—just remember to keep them out of reach of young children;
- Keep sachets of lavender in dresser drawers;
- Float orange rinds in glasses of water;
- Incorporate scented cleaning products, such as Pine-Sol Lavender, which has a calming floral aroma.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 12/27/10

This 27th day of December, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Edward Straley, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 174524 through 174566 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS:

The Board of County Commissioners hereby approve the 2011 Annual Appropriations as recorded in Journal 52, Pages 457 through 464, to provide for current expenses and other expenditures of said County during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. The same are hereby set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made for and during said fiscal year.

2011 BUDGET, PAULDING COUNTY GENERAL FUND:

COMMISSIONERS:
Salaries-Officials, \$122,664.00
Salaries-Employees, \$10,500.00
Supplies, \$1,970.00
Equipment, \$0.00
Legal Counsel, \$0.00
Travel, \$1,000.00
Advertising/Printing, \$1,500.00
Other Expenses, \$0.00
PERS, \$18,643.00
Workers' Comp, \$2,664.00
Medicare, \$1,931.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$160,872.00

COUNTY AUDITOR:
Salaries-Official, \$56,256.00
Salaries-Employees, \$48,000.00
Supplies, \$1,500.00
Equipment, \$500.00
Contracts/Services, \$5,650.00
Travel, \$500.00
Advertising/Printing, \$845.00
Other Expenses, \$1,000.00
Salaries-Assessing/PP, \$0.00
Supplies/PP, \$0.00
Other Expenses/PP, \$0.00
PERS/PP, \$0.00
Workers' Comp/PP, \$0.00
PERS-Auditor, \$14,600.00
Workers' Comp-Auditor, \$1,878.00
Weights/Measures Travel, \$1,900.00
Medicare, \$1,100.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$133,729.00

COUNTY TREASURER:
Salaries-Official, \$42,172.00
Salaries-Employees, \$15,699.00
Supplies, \$500.00
Equipment, \$0.00
Contracts/Services, \$4,800.00
Travel, \$619.00
Advertising/Printing, \$264.00
Other Expenses, \$0.00
PERS, \$8,101.00
Workers' Comp, \$1,042.00
Court Expenses, \$0.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Medicare, \$839.00
Bank Fees, \$0.00
Interest Fund 169, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$74,036.00

COUNTY PROSECUTOR:
Salaries-Official, \$56,226.00
Salaries-Employees, \$66,539.08
Supplies, \$0.00
Equipment, \$0.00
Allowances, \$10,681.10
Other Expenses, \$10,200.00
PERS, \$17,187.11
Workers' Comp, \$2,025.62
Medicare, \$1,780.09
Insurance, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$164,639.00

BUREAU OF INSPECTION:
State Audit, \$50,000.00
Special Reports, \$9,000.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$59,000.00

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS:
Salaries-Official, \$3,653.00
Salaries-Employees, \$40,000.00
Supplies, \$6,000.00
Equipment, \$2,447.00
Contracts/Repairs, \$1,700.00
Attorney Fees, \$30,000.00
Juror's Fees, \$5,000.00
Witness Fees, \$1,000.00
Transcripts, \$3,000.00
Travel, \$2,000.00
Expenses-Foreign Judge, \$1,000.00
Other Expenses, \$9,000.00
Salaries-Jury, \$400.00
PERS, \$6,112.00
Workers' Comp, \$721.00
Contracts/Services/Jury, \$125.00
Medicare, \$53.00
Mediation, \$10,000.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$122,211.00

JUVENILE COURT:
Salaries-Employees, \$28,240.00
Supplies, \$1,500.00
Equipment, \$400.00
Juror's Fees, \$0.00
Witness Fees, \$0.00
Child Support, \$35,500.00
Travel, \$2,000.00
Expenses-Foreign Judge, \$200.00
Other Expenses, \$3,000.00
PERS, \$3,954.00
Workers' Comp, \$508.00
Medicare, \$410.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Appointed Counsel, \$13,500.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$89,212.00

PROBATE COURT:
Salaries-Official, \$3,655.00
Salaries-Employees, \$21,182.00
Supplies, \$800.00
Equipment, \$400.00
Juror's Fees, \$0.00
Witness Fees, \$0.00
Travel, \$0.00
Expenses/Foreign Judge, \$300.00

Other Expenses, \$2,000.00
PERS, \$3,477.00
Workers' Comp, \$447.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Medicare, \$360.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$32,621.00

CLERK OF COURTS:
Salaries-Official, \$42,172.00
Salaries-Employees, \$28,937.00
Supplies, \$3,000.00
Equipment, \$4,000.00
Travel, \$1,275.00
Other Expenses, \$0.00
PERS, \$9,956.00
Workers' Comp, \$1,280.00
Medicare, \$612.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$91,232.00

CORONER:
Salaries-Official, \$25,102.00
Supplies, \$10.00
Contracts/Services, \$14,651.22
Witness Fees, \$0.00
Travel, \$345.00
Other Expenses, \$0.00
PERS, \$3,514.00
Workers' Comp, \$245.78
Lab and Morgue, \$20.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Medicare, \$364.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$44,232.00

COUNTY COURT:
Salaries-Official, \$39,000.00
Salaries-Employees, \$89,180.62
Supplies, \$2,000.00
Equipment, \$2,000.00
Contracts/Repairs, \$1,500.00
Juror's Fees, \$964.24
Witness Fees, \$25.00
Other Fees, \$60.00
Other Expenses, \$2,000.00
PERS, \$17,945.29
Workers' Comp, \$2,343.01
Medicare, \$1,858.62
Insurance, \$0.00
Salary-Bond Officer, \$0.00
PERS-Bond Officer, \$0.00
Workers' Comp Bond Officer, \$0.00
Medicare-Bond Officer, \$0.00
Indigent Defense, \$32,755.22
Total 2011 Budget - \$191,632.00

ELECTION BOARD:
Salaries-Officials, \$14,748.00
Salaries-Employees, \$62,000.00
Supplies, \$5,000.00
Equipment, \$3,000.00
Contracts/Services, \$20,000.00
Advertising/Printing, \$1,758.00
Other Expenses, \$6,000.00
PERS, \$11,000.00
Workers' Comp, \$2,000.00
Salaries/Precinct Workers, \$11,000.00
Health Insurance, \$0.00
Medicare, \$1,500.00
Total 2011 Budget, \$138,006.00

COMMISSIONERS' BUILDING & GROUNDS:
Capital Projects, \$0.00
Salaries-Employees, \$0.00
Supplies, \$25,000.00
Maintenance Repairs, \$18,480.00
Utilities, Phone, \$162,373.00
001-016-00007
Contract Services, \$86,000.00
Land-Capitol Improvement, \$0.00
PERS, \$0.00
Workers' Comp, \$0.00
Equipment-Capitol Impvmt, \$0.00
Soil Survey, \$0.00
Unemployment Comp, \$0.00
Medicare, \$0.00
Computer Upgrade, \$0.00
AEP Balance New Jail, \$19,758.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$311,611.00

SHERIFF:
Salaries-Official, \$57,276.00
Salaries, Employees-Sheriff, \$480,000.00
Salaries-Employees, Jail, \$230,000.00
Salaries-Employees, Comm, \$0.00
Supplies/Sheriff, \$55,000.00
Supplies/Jail/Outhousing, \$279,000.00
Supplies/Comm, \$0.00
Equipment/Sheriff, \$64,996.00
Equipment/Jail, \$0.00
Equipment/Comm, \$0.00
Contracts/Services, \$10,000.00
Training School, \$0.00
Allowances (FO), \$25,456.00
Travel, \$0.00
PERS, \$134,000.00
Workers' Comp, \$13,700.00
Unemployment Comp, \$0.00
Medicare, \$11,500.00
Other Expenses, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$1,360,928.00

COUNTY RECORDER:
Salaries-Official, \$41,165.00
Salaries-Employees, \$36,648.00
Supplies, \$1,000.00
Equipment, \$0.00
Contracts/Repairs, \$0.00
Contracts/Services, \$7,473.00
Travel, \$1,125.00
Other Expenses, \$1,647.00
PERS, \$10,894.00
Workers' Comp, \$1,401.00
Medicare, \$1,129.00
Insurance, \$0.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$102,482.00

HEALTH AND WELFARE:
TB/Contracts/Services, \$0.00
Registration of Vital Statistics, \$0.00
Handicapped Children, \$13,000.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$13,000.00

INSURANCE:
Health Insurance, \$167,880.00
Unemployment Compensation, \$12,120.00
Total 2011 Budget - \$180,000.00

SOLDIER'S RELIEF:
Salaries-Officials, \$20,640.00
Salaries-Employees, \$24,525.00
Supplies, \$2,000.00
Relief Allowances, \$37,000.00
Other Expenses, \$13,000.00
PERS, \$6,379.10

For the complete 2011 Paulding County Commissioners Budget contact the County Courthouse.

Let West Bend News announce your engagement, wedding or anniversary. It's only \$5 per column for the photo and the announcement is community news.

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL 2010-11 SPELLING BEE WINNER



Paulding Middle School held their local Spelling Bee on Tuesday, January 11. Pictured here (l-r) are this year's Champion - Taylor Jackman and Runner-up, Ashlyn Strahley. Taylor is a 7th grader and is the daughter of Rodney Jackman of Paulding. Ashlyn is an 8th grader and is

the daughter of Jeff and Connie Strahley, also of Paulding. Taylor will now represent Paulding Middle School in the Paulding County Spelling Bee to be held at Paulding Middle School on Monday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditoria.

MAKING FAMILY LIFE MORE FUN

New Adventure Video Game Gets The Whole Family Involved

(NAPSA)—As families move from outside to indoor entertainment this holiday season, video games take center stage and all eyes are on the next group experience. Speeding to the front of the line are family-friendly games for the Wii with one notable offering being *Cars Toon: Mater's Tall Tales* from Disney Interactive Studios. This game brings the popular Disney•Pixar *Cars* film franchise to the Wii where up to four players compete.

Adding to the experience is Larry the Cable Guy as the voice of Mater in the film, Disney•Pixar's *Cars Toons: Mater's Tall Tales* cartoon shorts and now this video game. His indelible voice quickly engages players as Mater and his pals relive wild stories about hilariously unpredictable events.

Families play through competitive and cooperative multi-player games inspired by the popular *Mater's Tall Tales* animated short series. These bring Mater together with Lightning McQueen and the



The road to togetherness can run through a new video game featuring vehicle adventures for the whole family.

Cars gang for a new set of adventures, capturing the endearing sense of humor of the lovable tow truck.

Cars Toon: Mater's Tall Tales features more than 30 levels of fun with gameplay modes that include "Mater the Greater," "El Materdor" and "Rescue Squad Mater." Additionally, players can also customize the look of cars with collectibles earned during their adventures.

Learn More For more information, visit www.disney.com/carsvideogames.

Did You Know?

(NAPSA)—The website www.TakeThePledge.AAA.com serves not only as a gateway for people to publically commit to the fight against impaired driving, but offers prevention awareness tips, up-to-date statistics and relevant news stories in an effort to help people drive responsibly.

According to a recent survey, a majority of U.S. travelers say they would use high-speed rail if it were available. Convenience and cost were two factors cited. The survey was conducted for the American Public Transportation Association. To learn more, visit www.apta.com.

There are plenty of delicious frozen seafood products from Gorton's. These products make it easy to add natural omega-3s to your family's diet. For more information, visit www.gortons.com.

Only 35 percent of people believe they will ever need long-term care when in reality two-thirds of those over the age of 65 will require it at some point in their lives.



Cars Toon: Mater's Tall Tales, a new game for the Wii that features fast-paced, multi-player, family fun through a large collection of pick-up-and-play mini-games inspired by Disney•Pixar's popular *Cars Toons: Mater's Tall Tales* animated short series is available now. Learn more at www.disney.com/carsvideogames.

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