

PAYING TRIBUTE TO A HOMETOWN VETERAN



Born and raised along the banks of the Maumee, this young soldier has spent his life hunting, trapping, and fishing. At an early age he would be found alone, in the woods, or down by the river, with fishing pole or gun in his hand.

When the country got involved in the Vietnam war, this brave young man volunteered for service, with the intent to "settle the conflict" once and for all. Serving with the Screaming Eagles, 101st Airborne Division, 327th infantry regiment, 2nd battalion, his motto was "God is my Jump Master".

With God at his side, he fought in the cold wet jungles of Vietnam, against an unknown enemy. He experienced wounds seen and unseen, saw comrades die, and knew the pangs of hunger. He rose in rank and valor as he gave this country everything he had, all the knowledge and strength, all the grit and determination, all the courage and rage that could be contained in a man

his age. God only knows the horrors he witnessed and the memories he lives with as a result.

For his efforts he was awarded two bronze stars, two purple hearts, and six Presidential commendations; and yet, if you stopped by his home, his greatest pride is the new deer mount or bear rug hanging on his wall!

I count it a privilege to be able to honor this gentleman this Veterans' Day, and to acknowledge him for his service to our country. If you happen to see Lynn Humbarger, this week, down at the gas station picking up his paper, or at the local hardware store, shake his hand for his service to our country. Too many of these "Good Ole Boys" came home unnoticed to a country divided and ungrateful for the cruelties of war they endured, as they fought for our freedom. Words can never express our gratitude for your service to our country.

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS—YES, ALREADY!

By: Sue Knapp

Yes, it is that time again. The John Paulding Historical Society is presenting their Festival of Trees from November 17-20.

There is a lot going on to kick off the holiday. Starting on November 17th, the Oakwood Community Choir will be performing at 6:30 p.m. The Chili Cook Off Contest will be held at 4:30 p.m. that night with supper at 5:00 p.m. The hours for the festival on this day are from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

On November 18th the Apostolic ladies will be holding a bake sale from 2:00 p.m. until sold out. The Divine Mercy Choir will be entertaining at 6:30 p.m. and a spaghetti supper will be offered from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Hours on the 18th are 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.



DAR SPONSORS GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

The General Horatio N. Curtis Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will sponsor a general genealogy workshop 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 12.

Call Caroline Zimmerman at 419-258-2222 to reserve your seat. There is no charge. We will be covering how to do general genealogy and also have information on how to join the Daughters of the American.

The collection at this li-

Santa and the famous reindeer will be there November 19th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Picture with Santa will also be available during this time. Brunch and lunch will be available this day as well. Entertainment to be announced. The 19th hours are 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

On November 20th, Sunday brunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Kinsey Clemens will entertain at 2:00 p.m. Hours on the 20th are 12:00-4:00 p.m.

There will be a silent auction and voting for a People's Choice Award on the trees. With 70 trees and three buildings to go through this will be an enjoyable family time.

Donations will accepted and all proceeds will go to benefit the museum.

brary is nice for a county library and well arranged. The Paulding Co. Genealogy Society has been organized for over 25 years and has many books in its collection.

MR. & MRS. RONALD W. SMITH CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Mr. and Mrs. Ronald W. Smith of Antwerp celebrated their 50th anniversary with a family dinner at Triangle Park Restaurant hosted by their children.

Ron and Diana were married on September 22, 1961 in Edgerton, OH.

The couple have two children: Debra of Ypsilanti, MI and Anthony W. (Gina) of Antwerp. They have three grandchildren and a great-grandson.

The couple took a trip to the Smoky Mountains in October.

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OBITUARIES

Bette Lou Higgs, 75, formerly of Antwerp, passed away in Porterville, CA, after a short illness on October 21, 2011.

Bette was born June 23, 1936, the daughter of Charles



and Lavados Childress. In 1954 she married Buryl Clifford, who passed in 1987. In 1980 she married David Higgs who is also deceased.

Bette worked at Weatherhead in Antwerp for many years. She received a degree in Adult Health Occupations in 1987, and a degree as a certified professional nanny in 1985. She retired in 2001.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers: Charles and Billy Childress; and a sister, Helen Caserta.

Bette is survived by seven

children: Buryl Clifford Jr., Donna Ellis and Robert Clifford of Antwerp, Charles Clifford of Lima, James Clifford of Morehead, KY, and Misty Russon of Elsimore, UT; one sister, Jean Estes of Beattyville, KY; 22 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a graveside memorial service on November 12, 2011 at Horn Cemetery, Beattyville, KY. She was loved by all and will be greatly missed.

Elizabeth Wieland, 96, of Paulding died Sunday, October 30, 2011 at the Gardens of Paulding, Paulding.

She was born December 3, 1914 in Paulding County, OH, the daughter of Otto and Lydia (Stoller) Schlatter. On January 27, 1946 she married Clemens L. Wieland, who preceded her in death on January 14, 1999. She was a member of the Latty Apostolic Christian Church, Paulding. She belonged to International Association of Porcelain Art Teachers.

Elizabeth is survived by two daughters: Diane Wieland Gerber of Paulding, and Suzanne Freeman of Sardis, MS; sister, Josephine (Donald) Wenninger of

Haviland; three granddaughters: Laura (Brian) T'Kindt of Fort Wayne, Jamie (John) Heisler of Hamilton, IN, and Leslie (Bob) Saylor of Paulding; and three great-grandchildren, Patrick T'Kindt, Ashley and Jordan Saylor.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; four brothers: Herman "Dick", Joe, Ben and John Schlatter; and three sisters: Laura Dunham, Esther Schlatter, and infant Emma Schlatter.

Funeral services were conducted November 4, 2011 at the Latty Apostolic Christian Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

To honor Mrs. Wieland and her family's wishes in lieu of flowers, statuary, throws or planters, donations may be made to Gateway Woods Family Service, Leo, Indiana or Gardens of Paulding Activity Fund. Online condolences may be made to www.denherderfh.com

Kathryn L. Gunderman, 98, died Monday, October 31, 2011 at the Van Wert Manor, Van Wert, OH.

She was born in Grover Hill, OH, on February 16, 1913 the daughter of Howard and Mary Maude (Kohn) Davis. On February 24, 1937 she married Forest R. Gunderman, who preceded her in death on October 16, 1984. She was a member of the former Church of Christ, Grover Hill where she was also a Sunday School Teacher. She was employed as a sales clerk for the former Buckeye Market Store of Van Wert of 18 years retiring in 1975.

She is survived by a daughter, Norma Butler of Arizona; five grandchildren; many great grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"For you created my inmost being, you knit me together in my Mother's womb."

—Psalm 139:13

Kathryn is preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brother, Joe and James Davis; and five sisters, Frieda Stahl, Nellie Gunderman, Zoetta Hunter, Mary Davis and Marjorie Bidlack.

Funeral services were conducted November 3, 2011 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial was in Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to Grover Hill EMS or the Van Wert Manor Activity Fund. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Helen Jean Hardesty, 78, of Oakwood died Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN.

She was born in Auglaize Township, Paulding County, OH on April 29, 1933 the daughter of Otto and Louise M. (Flenteje) Bumpus. On March 24, 1962 she married Arlo B. Hardesty who died August 14, 1993. She was a member of the Paulding Church of the Nazarene and the Paulding County Senior Center.

She is survived by a son, Rev. Lester O. (Rev. Lisa) Hardesty, of Cherokee, NC; a daughter, Dorothy L. (Rev. Jonathan) Hoagland of Grover Hill, OH; a sister, Olieta Bouldrey of Fairbury, IL; and two grandchildren: Jehane and Fredrick Hoagland.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; an infant son, Barry L. Hardesty; a set of twins; sisters: Gertrude Kaylor, Bertha Louth, Rosetta, Odem, Louise Underwood, Margaret Gable, Viola Smith, Marjorie Rhoden, and Emma Bell Bumpus; and a brother, George W. Bumpus.

Funeral services were conducted November 5, 2011 at Paulding Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Kim Semran officiating. Burial was in Junction Cemetery.

Donations may be made to Lighthouse Camp and Conference Center, St. Mary's, OH or Paulding Church of the Nazarene. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Vickie F. Sudlow, 65, of Hicksville died Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN.

She was born on July 10, 1946 at Hicksville, the daughter of Warren and Ellen (Kittredge) Saul. She was a 1964 graduate of Hicksville High School. On January 17, 1970, Vickie was united in marriage to Glenn Sudlow

and he survives. Vickie was a homemaker and seamstress. She enjoyed antiques and garage sales.

She is survived by her husband; three sons: Michael Justinger, Troy (Christine Adams) Justinger, Heath Sudlow all of Hicksville; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and step-father Claron Bauer.

Funeral was at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville on November 5, 2011 with Pastor Jack Teeple officiating. Burial was in Six Corners Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Marjorie W. Tonjes, 95, of Sherwood died Thursday, November 3, 2011 at Kingsbury House, Defiance, OH.

She was born on August 12, 1916 in Hicksville, the daughter of the late Merle G. and Blanch (Lower) Wort. Marjorie attended Hicksville

High School, graduating with the class of 1934. On September 21, 1941 she was united in marriage to Paul Tonjes in St. John's Lutheran age, Sherwood by Pastor E.A. Weitzel. He preceded her in death in 2000.

She was a homemaker and also worked for the Hicksville School system in a various positions. Marjorie was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, Hicksville, where she was a Sunday school teacher and cooked many Rotary meals. She was also a member of the VFW Auxiliary and a 65 year member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by Joe Speiser, a special family friend; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers: George and Dale; and a sister, Neva Buttermore.

Graveside services were November 7, 2011 at Sherwood Cemetery, Sherwood, OH.

Memorials may be made

Divine Mercy Catholic Parish Mass

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- Sunday – 8:30 a.m. – Antwerp
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Kenneth D. Parrish, 53,



of Edgerton, passed away suddenly on Friday, November 4, 2011.

He was born in Texas on June 17, 1958, a son of the late Pauline (Sanders) and Richard Parrish. Kenny was a groundskeeper and caretaker and member of the National Audubon Society.

He will be sadly missed by his stepmother, Donna Parrish; brothers, Richard (Cheryl) and Stephen (Joyce) of Antwerp, Ronald (Jean) of Hicksville; sisters: Anna Conley of Antwerp and Christine of Thousand Oaks, CA; step-brothers: Joseph Crabill of Fort Wayne and

Jeffrey (Christine) Crabill of Antwerp; step-sisters: Lonna (Don) Nelson of Suffolk, VA, Pamela (Craig) Mills of Wapakoneta and Kimberly (Jim) Bowers of Paulding.

His funeral service is at Antwerp United Methodist Church at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 2011, with visitation one hour prior. He will be laid to rest at Sherwood Cemetery.

Memorials are to the charity of your choice. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

ANTWERP COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP GATHERING

On Sunday, November 20, at 6:30 p.m., the churches in the Antwerp community will gather together for a community-wide worship gathering.

The celebration will be hosted by the First Presbyterian Church. Pastor Mike Schneider from the Antwerp United Methodist Church will be preaching.

It is always a rewarding time to worship together with our brothers and sisters in other churches.

AN EXTRAORDINARY ORDINARY

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

It was leaf raking day at the Clem house. We had the boys, rakes, and bags ready to go. But then I couldn't put the bag onto the trash container. It just wouldn't stretch enough, or so I thought. Lindsay saw that I was having a difficult time, came right over, unleashed her superpowers and stretched the bag onto the container. Feeling like an idiot, I said, "I thought it wouldn't fit, but now I see that it does."

The next three bags were easy to put on. All it took was me knowing in my head that they actually fit. What I once thought impossible was easily doable.

A trash bag stretching to fit a container is relatively unimportant, but have you ever noticed that once humans know something is possible, it becomes much easier for everyone to do.

Our lives are filled with so many things that were once extraordinary that have now become ordinary. Things once thought impossible are now routinely done. We pick up a phone in the middle of nowhere and talk to others. We can print paper in the convenience of our homes. We can turn on our televisions and watch moving pictures instantly streaming off the internet. We live in a time where we experience an ordinary life that was once considered extraordinary.

At this time, I would like to take a little break and define my terms to avoid any confusion. When I say ordinary, I don't mean boring. Tacos are ordinary, and I don't find them boring. I could eat them every meal and be happy. Ordinary is commonplace, usual, or normal. This should not be confused with inferior or mediocre. We are surrounded by many great, ordinary things. When I say extraordinary, I mean exceptional or things that are beyond what we commonly experience.

Dr. Dionysius Lardner, who was a prominent scientist and economist in the early 1800s, is famous for being wrong. He couldn't see the new ordinary. Once he argued, "Rail travel at high speed is not possible because passengers, unable to breathe, would die of asphyxia." Today, people will regularly travel at 268 mph on the Shanghai Maglev Train. There are no known reports of passengers dying of asphyxia. At that speed, if a similar high-speed rail were in place here, we would be able to get to Chicago from Fort Wayne in around thirty-six minutes. Or for you Yankee fans, from Fort Wayne to New York in two hours and twenty-four minutes. 268 mph is a speed that is way beyond what Dr. Lardner thought would kill humans is now routinely in use every day in China. The extraordinary has become ordinary.

Wilbur Wright, in a speech to the Aero Club in France on November 5, 1908, said, "I confess that in 1901, I said to my brother Orville that man would not fly for fifty years." Two years later, the two Wright brothers were flying their first airplane at Kitty Hawk. The extraordinary has become ordinary.

All around us, what was

once thought extraordinary has now become ordinary.

Unfortunately, spiritually speaking, the extraordinary has not become ordinary. Paul wrote, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me" (Phil 4:13 ESV). Yet we languish as if there is no way we can live a selfless life following Jesus here on earth. We subsist, enslaved to the same old sins that others have overcome. We spiritually endure life without experiencing the power of God.

Soren Kierkegaard, a Danish Christian, wrote a parable entitled "Tame Geese: A Revivalistic Meditation." It is the story of a community of talking geese who would gather together on Sundays for their religious services. "The essential content of the sermon was: what a lofty destiny the geese had, what a high goal the Creator (and every time this word was mentioned the geese curtsied and the ganders bowed the head) had set before the geese; by the aid of wings they could fly away to distant regions, blessed climes, where properly they were at home, for here they were only strangers." The geese were made to fly, yet after hearing the goose-changing message, the geese would all get out of their seats and waddle home. Kierkegaard concluded the story with the phrase, "Man also has wings, he has an imagination." Yet we continue to waddle.

All we have to do is look around and we can see extraordinary people living in ways that are completely ordinary to them. Then there are people who experience God in extraordinary ways. Then there is Jesus.

The extraordinary can become ordinary. We just have to know it is possible. What do you need to believe is possible? In Jesus, all things are possible. Believe.

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

2ND GRADERS LEARN HOW TO BE: THE FEW. THE PROUD. THE MARINES.



Dustin Taylor, a United States Marine, and a former student of Mrs. Jennifer Ramsier, recently visited her second grade classroom at Payne Elementary. While he was in the classroom, Dustin taught the students how to salute and described what it was like to join the Marines. The students were finally able to meet the Marine that they have been writing letters to.

CHRIST'S CUPBOARD MINISTRIES PREPARING FOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Christ's Cupboard Ministries is now busy making plans to foster a spirit of giving within our community for the annual Christmas project. In order to provide the food for the families in need this Christmas, and throughout next year, your donations of financial support are greatly needed right now. With the increasing large numbers of families coming in for food each month, the food pantry is extremely low on food. CCM has set a goal to raise \$40,000 by the end of the year. This amount will not only provide the Christmas Baskets for 2011, but will also cover operating expenses and help purchase food for the pantry throughout 2012. Monetary donations can be sent to Christ's Cupboard Ministries at 129 E High St, Hicksville, OH 43526.

Christ's Cupboard Ministries greatly appreciates the generous support of the community each year in making the Christmas Project and all its ministries not only possible, but also a huge success.

With the continued poor condition of the economy, there are a very large number of families in need in Hicksville. Last month alone, CCM provided around 100 of those families with food assistance. They estimate that at least 144 families or more will receive the sacks of food at Christmas, a gift to show that the people in Hicksville care for the less fortunate in this community.

Christ's Cupboard will continue to take names of those in need for Christmas until Friday, November 18th. The distribution of food will be on Friday, December 16th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Hicksville Mennonite Church on Arthur Street, with the sacking taking place at 7:00 p.m. the night before as usual. Additionally, Christ's Cupboard always welcomes new volunteers; anyone wishing to get involved in volunteering for CCM can stop in any Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., or e-mail Christ.cupboard@gmail.com. Christ's Cupboard Ministries thanks you for your donations of time and money that truly reaches out a helping hand and makes a difference in the lives of those in need in our community.



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HANGING TOUGH

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

“Hanging tough” is an art that has gone out of “vogue.” In a world of short commitments, do-your-own-thing philosophies, and instant gratification, persistence over the long haul is more often the exception than the rule.

After the tragic bombing of a marine base in Beirut in October, 1983, the steadfastness of one young soldier moved and heartened the American people back home. He had been critically wounded in the explosion of the revamped hotel where he and his fellow marines had been staying. Many of his buddies had been killed. He was covered with bandages, and a jungle of tubes was attached to his body. He could not speak. Yet when he was visited by General Paul X. Kelly, Commandant of the Marine Corps, he indicated that he wanted to write something. Painfully, he wrote the words “semper fi,” a shortened form of the U.S. Marine Corps motto, “Semper Fideles.” It means, “Always Faithful.”

Those of us who claim to be Christians can learn from this young man’s example. We, too, may have come under heavy attack. Our “wounds” may be many. Some of our beloved fellow soldiers may have fallen in battle. Even so, *we are to be faithful to the end.* Hanging tough. Gutting it out even in the long, dry stretches. Demonstrating an attitude of determined loyalty regardless of the circumstances, no matter what the odds.

It’s the same kind of grit and strength we see in the life

of the Apostle Paul in prison. The man kept plugging away, remaining faithful, and trusting God’s wisdom and sovereignty even in the awfulness of his imprisonment... in the midst of a tough situation. “Semper Fideles” is a motto for more than just the marines. It was Paul’s. And it should characterize our lives, as well.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Acts 19:15 – What did the evil spirit say? NKJV
2. Acts 19:16 – What did the evil spirit do to the sons of sceva? NKJV
3. Acts 19:17 – What name was magnified when fear fell on the Jews and Greek? NKJV
4. Acts 19:19 – Those who practiced magic, what did they do with their books? NKJV
5. Acts 19:19 – What was the cost of the books? NKJV
6. Acts 19:20 – What happened to the word of the Lord? NKJV
7. Acts 19:21 – Where did Paul purposed in the spirit to go after passing through Macedonia and Achaia? NKJV
8. Acts 19:22 – Who did Paul send into Macedonia? NKJV
9. Acts 19:22 – Where did Paul stay for a time? NKJV
10. Acts 19:23 – What was the commotion about in this verse? NKJV

Comments good or bad, or bible questions, please let us know by calling 419-399-5022 for Lonnie Lambert or 419-393-4775 for James Potter.

Loved ones please continue to pray and seek our

heavenly Father in everything we do. Bible answers to last week’s questions coming up, but first this important announcement! Jesus loves all of us, regardless of how sinful we have been. Also, even if we at the Oakwood church of Christ haven’t met you, there is still love in our hearts for you.

1. Ephesus
 2. Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?
 3. Into John’s baptism
 4. Christ Jesus
 5. Lord Jesus
 6. The Holy Spirit came upon them
 7. Three months
 8. They the Jews and Gentiles heard the word of the Lord being taught and preached.
 9. Unusual miracles
 10. Seven
- Please continue to study God’s word for this is where truth is.

ANTWERP CHILDCARE CENTER WELCOMES NEW ADMINISTRATOR: CORTNEY PENDLETON

Cortney Pendleton is the new administrator at the Antwerp Childcare Center which is located at Riverside Family Center, the corner of SR 49 and Rd. 192 just north of Antwerp. She is 27 years old and comes to ACC from Bryan, OH where she was previously a school-age and preschool teacher for the YMCA. She currently resides in Bryan with her seven year old son, Preston. Cortney has her Bachelors degree in Early Childhood Development from Kaplan University online.

Her love for being around kids is what made her decide to pursue a career in

ing learning place for their children that has qualified and capable staff. The center is very young, and is working toward those goals. ACC has recently obtained all the proper licensing to accept children of parents with low income.

Ms. Pendleton is a very busy person – first being a mom, then running ACC, but when she does find the extra time, she enjoys exercising, and spending time with her family in Bryan. Antwerp Childcare Center has been a long time in coming for the Antwerp community. Welcome to the mix, Cortney.

RECIPES FROM A GREAT-GRANDMA

By: Sue Knapp

Who doesn’t like macaroni & cheese—especially this time of year?! It is the ultimate comfort food.

I received this recipe from Sharold Jailor. It is her daughter-in-law’s, Alicia, recipe.

I made this for supper and Steve (my guinea pig) loved it. It is definitely a keeper.

Macaroni & Cheese

- 16 oz. cooked elbow macaroni
 - 24 oz. carton cottage cheese
 - 4 c. shredded cheddar cheese
 - 1 stick butter
 - ¾ c. flour
 - 2 c. milk
 - salt & pepper
- Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Melt butter in medium saucepan. Stir in flour. Slowly stir in milk, being sure to blend flour mixture so you don’t end up with lumps. Heat on low until sauce thickens, stirring often. Add salt and pepper.

Layer macaroni, cottage cheese and cheddar cheese in 9x13 casserole dish ending with cheddar cheese. Pour sauce over layers. Cover and bake 90 minutes. Uncover, bake additional 15-20 minutes until golden brown.

Stir and serve. Optional: add chopped ham or bacon crumbs to create a complete main dish.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY WITH THE PAULDING POLICE OFFICERS



Ann’s Bright Beginnings Preschoolers were recently visited by two Paulding Police Officers who shared with us some trick or treat safety rules. We learned to carry a flashlight and never to go into someone’s home that we don’t know. Afterwards, we got to tell what we were going to be

for Halloween and even received a goodie bag from the officers!

Shown here with Officer Gina Weidenhamer and Officer Krista Gonzales are from left: Marley Parrett, Grace Goyings, Colton Bashore and Sophia English.

2011 PARADE OF COSTUMES WINNERS IN ANTWERP

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce had a enthusiastic turn out at the annual Halloween parade and the costume judging. There were many great entries and the winners chosen by our judges were as follows:

- Group category** – 1st Place, Faith Hofmann, Luke & Alexa Lichty; 2nd Place, Nathan Hawley, Danielle Daugherty, Lydia & Aaron Schneider; 3rd Place, Kaylee White & Laura Miller; 4th Place, Dawson & Jade Lichty
- 2 years & under** – 1st Place Caleb Reutter; 2nd Place Emma White; 3rd Place Wesley Rangel
- 3 & 4 year olds** – 1st Place,

- Iris Zijlstra; 2nd Place, Lyla Clem; 3rd Place, Griffin Schuch; 4th Place, Philip Rangel
 - 5 & 6 year olds** – 1st Place, Maegan Pendergrast; 2nd Place, Teeghun Marlin; 3rd Place, Rayni Rister
 - 7 & 8 year olds** – 1st Place, Laci Roby; 2nd Place, Jaden Pebley; 3rd Place, Carmen Cruz
 - 9 & 10 year olds** – 1st Place, Gracie Riggsby; 2nd Place, Allison Swoveland; 3rd Place, Holly Sanders
 - 11 & 12 year olds** – 1st Place, Hannah Schneider; 2nd Place, Tim Major; 3rd Place, Joel Steiner
 - 13 years & over** – 1st Place, Bryce Steiner; 2nd Place, Annette Beck
- The 2011 Grand Prize Winner, chosen from all 1st place winners was Faith Hofmann, Luke, and Alexa Lichty.

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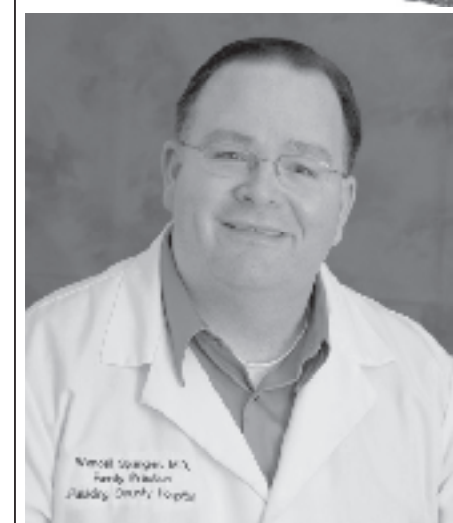
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early childhood development. During high school she spent weekends and evening baby-sitting for neighborhood children. When she first started college at Northwest State Community College in the Education Department (she earned her Associates in Education from there), she started heading in the direction of early child development. Cortney found herself to enjoy the preschool age the most.

While in her position at the YMCA, she discovered she wanted to steer her career in the direction of business and administration of a childcare facility. And that’s when the opening at Antwerp Childcare Center came available. Cortney is very thankful for the supportive and cooperative staff and board at the Antwerp Childcare Center. She is working toward growing the enrollment at the center by promoting it with activities for families – like Kids’ Night Out. One of Cortney’s goals as administrator of ACC is to make it a place that is viewed in the community as a safe and engag-



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MY OPINION: HEROS

By: Stan Jordan

In our home we have a small couch called a love seat. On the back of that there hangs a sort of tapestry or a throw. This was sent to me from one of the military organizations that I belong to.

On this is a number of Army symbols and military insignias. But across the center in big letters it says, "World War II - A Generation of Heroes!"

In my feelings, that is correct, but it doesn't go far enough. Every generation since WWII is a generation of heroes. We had the Korean

War, we had the Vietnam War, we had a couple of skirmishes down in the Caribbean, we invaded Panama and we had the war called Desert Storm. Now we are in a war with Iraq that will last 100 years. Already it has lasted for over 10 years. Now we are at war in Afghanistan, all of the action over in Asia. To me it is uncalled for and we shouldn't be there. We have already lost over 4,000 of our troops and for what reason? We have lost every war or conflict that we have been in since WWII. You can't fight an enemy if you can't see him. He just blends in with the crowd.

In all these conflicts, we had to sneak out like a dog with our tail between our legs. Even the one called Desert Storm, it was the U.S. who asked for a cease fire.

If we have to capitulate and go home defeated, let's do it. Bring the boys home! There is no reason to lose another soldier. What can we gain? What are we doing there?

Enough is enough, we are pouring trillions of dollars down a rat hole and we still have to repair all the damage we have done.

If you stop and look around we are the most powerful country in the world. We have spent way too much money on defense and armament when we are the only country who has started war lately.

I agree, tread lightly and carry a big stick. But the charge for armament now-a-days is astronomical. We could use those funds to help the economy rather than the big defense companies getting richer.

All of these lines are of my own ideas and don't reflect

the feelings of anyone else.

Every generation has been a generation of heroes, including WWI.

See ya!

LATE FALL COMPUTER CLASSES OFFERED AT LIBRARY

The Paulding County Carnegie Library has scheduled a round of free computer classes to be held in the late fall. All classes are taught in a friendly, casual and no-pressure environment. The classes are held in the Computer Lab on the main floor of the historic Carnegie library in Paulding on Monday evenings, November 14 - December 12 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Space is limited to 10 per class (unless students want to "double-up") so pre-registration is required. To register for any or all of the classes, call the library at 419-399-2032. The library reserves the right to cancel classes with fewer than five persons registered or for inclement weather.

Monday, November 14, 2011 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.:

Introduction to Microsoft Word - Intended Audience: Patrons with basic computer and typing skills who want to learn basic information about Microsoft Word. This class will use Microsoft Word and will teach students how to create a document; use different functions to make changes in their document; import a photo or picture; print a document.

Monday, November 21, 2011 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.:

Introduction to the Internet - Intended Audience: Patrons with basic computer skills who want to learn how to explore and navigate the Internet. Participants will learn a brief history of the Internet; how to type in an Internet address; navigate the screen with different browsers; learn about domain names; learn how to use search engines; browse helpful government, health and educational sites; and identify free e-mail sites.

Monday, November 28, 2011 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.:

Let's Learn About Excel! - Intended Audience: Patrons with basic computer skills who want to learn about how to create spreadsheets. Spreadsheet programs can be complicated, especially if your brain is not wired to understand their analytical nature. Have you always wanted to learn how to organize finances or budgets in a spreadsheet, but thought you could not understand the process? Join us on this introductory class where you will learn how to input data, create formulas and even use color to create an easy to read spreadsheet that makes sense.

Monday, December 5, 2011 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.:

Learn Basic Microsoft Publisher - Intended Audience: Patrons with basic computer and typing skills that are comfortable with MS Word. MS Publisher is a publishing software that allows you to create, customize and publish materials such as newsletters, brochures, flyers, catalogs, web sites and much more. Students will learn how to access pre-designed templates, create a flyer, and create a one-page newsletter.

Monday, December 12, 2011 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.:

Rattle your Family Tree! Explore Genealogy - Intended

Audience: Patrons with basic computer skills that are comfortable on the Internet and who are interested in genealogy. Students will explore different online tools they can use to search their genealogy including navigating the library's genealogy database, Ancestry.com where they will learn how to input family names. Understand the findings; explore maps, ship records, photos, etc. Be careful what you ask for... you might have skeletons in your closets!

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS

Admissions:
10/25 - Rita Lambert, Grover Hill
10/28 - Debra Tope, Paulding

Dismissals:
10/25 - Kathryn Parrish, Paulding
10/25 - Ricky Miller, Paulding to Gardens of Paulding
10/25 - John Jackson, Paulding
10/29 - Debra Tope, Paulding

WHAT MAKES YOU AFRAID?

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

Acts 27:22-24 (NIV), "But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. Last night an angel of the God whose I am and whom I serve stood beside me and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul...'"

Death by any means can be a frightening experience including death by drowning, something the Apostle Paul faced in the scripture noted above. Most of you probably know how to swim, I never learned to swim. I can doggy paddle enough to keep my head above water but to swim; well, I was encouraged to keep away from water by my mother. Why, you might ask? My mother had this thing about dying and not without some justifiable reasons.

My mother was born into a family of 13 children on a farm about 140 miles east of Edmonton, Alberta. Three of her siblings never made it past their childhood as they died of childhood sicknesses. When my mother met my father as an enlisted US Soldier in World War II, they soon married and moved back to the United States (Continental); with one child already born and eight more to follow. My mother's third pregnancy was difficult and resulted in her giving birth to a little boy, Johnny, who was hydrocephalic. Johnny lived five years and died, resulting in my mother having a complete catatonic breakdown while early in her sixth pregnancy. She was admitted to the psychiatric ward of Maumee Valley Hospital, Toledo Ohio, in 1954, the place of my birth.

When I was six or seven years old I remember my older three brothers had this thing with swimming; especially places that were abandoned rock quarries. I remember on a couple of occasions being driven to these rock quarries by my parents to account for my brothers as the result of phone calls that there had

OAKWOOD PRESCHOOLERS EXPLORE THE LIBRARY!



Miss Weber's afternoon preschool class from Oakwood Elementary recently visited the Cooper Community Library. They played and explored in the children's area, listened to a few stories, and enjoyed a snack. The children also had the opportunity to check out books using their very own library card.

6TH GRADE OAKWOOD BAND STUDENTS EXPERIENCE HIGH SCHOOL BAND LIFE



Nine sixth grade band students from Oakwood Elementary got to sit with the Paulding High School band during last week's football game. After watching the band's awesome "Harry Potter" halftime show the students got to sit with their respective sections of the band. After the game they marched back to the high school right along with them. It was cold, but really fun!

been a drowning. Fortunately for us all, my brothers were not the victims in these tragic drownings. You can only imagine what the atmosphere was like in our car as we drove thinking we were on way to account for a family member. Swimming? No way!

The prospect of dying can do some strange things to us, like paralyze us with fear or result in our giving up. God tells Paul, I am not finished with you yet, there's more work to be done, "Be Strong and Courageous." What are

you afraid of today? What challenges or circumstances are handicapping you from facing life and ministry even in the midst of a shipwreck of problems? "Keep up your courage and do not be afraid."

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BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL CHAPTER 30: REACHING OUR DESTINATION

By: Stan Jordan
After we left Coloma and head for the American River area we ran into a lot of prospectors in and along every ditch in the area all panning for gold.

After we started to follow the well used trail along the American River, Jim and Hiram were in the lead wagon and they spotted a Chinese person lying face down along the river bottom. They stopped and rolled the man over and he was alive but unconscious. He had a large knot on the back of his head, right under his queue. That was his long hair hanging down his back in a braid, common for Chinese people.

They washed the man with that cold mountain water and he slowly started to come around. Of course, none of us understood him, but El Paso Sam got it from him by signs and fingers and actions. I think Sam could do that with any type.

The man said he was robbed and beaten. Sam asked if he knew the man? He said he would if he saw him again and that's when he got excited and told Sam, the man was minus a little finger on his left hand. He was sure about that and the man had taken all his gold. It was in a soft leather purse with a black "X" on the bottom.

All miners kept their gold on their body as that was the best and safest place. Except in this case.

We got started down the trail again. Jim and Hiram in the lead, then Sam, then I and the Chinese man in the last wagon.

There were prospectors and miners for a few miles on the American River. Even some small settlements of tents and sluice boxes and any type of tool you could imagine. A couple of the miners would stop and wave and holler 'hello' because they sort of expected the 3M Wagon Train to bring in some new supplies and tools.

Hi led us through this maze of tents down to the area where we had the sale tents a year ago. This is August 2nd and we are in grand shape to get back on the trail by the middle of August.

Hiram made a big circle with the wagons and put my wagon in front and we probably will set-up the sale area like we did last year.

All of the Brannens came down to see us and we stood and talked and shook hands all around.

Matt and Mark told Hiram to set up the sale area about like we did last year and handle it like last year, as that worked out pretty good.

We told them about our Chinese friend and that he could identify the robber if he saw him. So the police department will have a man here to-

morrow during the sale hours and we might be able to nab that culprit. Matt wondered if we could be ready by noon tomorrow. We could run until dark and then open at 9:00 a.m. the next morning.

We unloaded my wagon first after we took out the tents and had them set up in a straight line.

We unloaded the second wagon into the other tent and then the brothers brought down a tent of their own, which was a little bigger and it held the third wagon and the cash out area and the scales for weighing the gold dust.

Like before, the smallest sale is \$5.00 because that is ¼ ounce and all sales are divisible by five. Gold is still valued at \$20.00 per ounce.

That night we had a supper meeting at the hotel with all the wives and husbands and us four.

We made all the plans and renewed all acquaintances and talked about getting the gold to Independence, Missouri in good time and safety. Mark sort of hinted he might have some more gold to go east on the return trip.

We drank a lot of coffee and talked quite late into the night about a lot of things.

Well, the sale opened on time today and we had a pretty good bunch of customers.

The other night I talked to Mrs. Brannen and told her about the coal oil stoves that we had brought. She was very interested in one of the two burner stoves, so we didn't uncrate one of them. But the other oil burners went like wild fire and I sold all of my kerosene except ten gallons to use going back to Missouri.

The Chinese man, I guess Sam figured out his name is sort of like 'Wee.' We don't know how to spell it, it sounds like 'We' in American English.

He became a hit with the Brannens right away. He can and will do about anything. He likes to work and keep busy.

Along about four o'clock in the afternoon a man went to pay for his purchase and he was missing the little finger on his left hand. Wee and a sheriff's deputy were standing at the back of the tent where you pay for your purchases. Matt signaled to Wee and the deputy to come forward. Wee got excited and did a lot of talking in Chinese as he recognized the culprit. The deputy told the man 'to show us your gold dust bag'. He also told the man that if there is a black cross on the bottom of the bag you are in a heap of trouble. Well, sure enough when the deputy turned the sack over a black cross was marked on the bottom. A lot of Chinese talk went on and the deputy tied the man's hands behind his back and made him secure. I guess they have a lot of robbery here and this time they have the bad guy dead to rights.

Well, Sam, told the deputy that he would help him talk to Wee and get all the paperwork done. They did all of this and the deputy figured the robber would get about 12 years because he tried or did not care if he killed the victim. After the excitement died down we went on with the sale business to almost dark.

After we closed the sale, the Brannens left a couple of guards for the night and we all went to the hotel and had supper and talked about every-

thing from Sutter's Mill down east to Missouri. I replied that all of the wagons had been repaired with new wheels and the spares replaced back in the rack on the wagons. All of the animals have been shod and are in good shape. Also the false wagon bed is okay if need be.

Mrs. Brannen announced that she was tickled pink with her new two burner oil stove.

We talked quite late and then to our amazement, El Paso Sam asked Wee, the Chinese man, if he had any gold left hidden back at his claim. Wee said, "Ah-so" and nodded and smiled a lot.

Sam asked him if he would like to have Sam and Billy to take him out there tomorrow and pick up his gold and all his equipment. Wee nodded and said, "As-so".

Next week: Back to Missouri
See ya!



By: Stan Jordan
A man was sitting in his living room watching some sports on the TV. It seems that he was bothered a lot by flies.

The next day he was telling his buddy about all the flies bothering him. He said there were three males and two female flies.

His buddy was shocked and said, "What?"

"There were three male and two female flies."

"Well, how in the world can you tell the sex of a fly?"

"Well, three of them was on my can of beer and two of them were over on the phone!"

See ya!

DAR PROGRAM - WRITING YOUR PERSONAL HISTORY

The General Horatio N. Curtis Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution met Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding Carnegie Library, Paulding, Ohio for their general meeting.

The meeting was opened by the Chapter Regent, Jeanne Calvert of Oakwood who welcomed a prospective member and guest of member, Judy Tomlinson of Hicksville.

Patriotic exercises included the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America and the American's Creed. The DAR ritual was given. Business included the Treasurer's report by Pat Gottschalk of Fort Wayne; Secretary's Report by Mary Clark of Paulding and the DAR National Defense Report by Caroline Zimmerman of Antwerp.

Some members were not present because of illness and because of the closing of the retirement home in Payne and their relocations. Some cards were sent.

The program was given by Caroline Zimmerman: "Writing your Personal History". Some handouts were given out. Suggestions were given in the program and the handouts on how to fill out an ancestral chart, family group sheet, and keeping and filing a notebook journal.

Suggestions were also given on the type of filing and notes to take. Many types and ideas were itemized for making a personal history ac-

WAYNE TRACE STUDENTS ENJOY GUEST SPEAKER



The students of Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High School were recently visited by guest speaker, Tanya Crevier. Tanya has traveled all over the world performing exciting and unbelievable skills with basketballs and sharing an enthusiastic message of hope and inspiration to this generation. Her interactive performance and message was enjoyed by all!

curate and interesting as well as keeping it organized. It was stressed that a person's personal history can be a great contribution to a person's family, friends, as well as to the community.

Refreshments were served. Discussion was held on the upcoming genealogy workshop scheduled for November 12 at the Paulding Carnegie Library, Saturday, Novem-

ber 12 from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The public is welcome. Information will be covered on how to join the Daughters of the American Revolution as well as general research. Information on this and how to reserve a seat, please call: Caroline Zimmerman 419-258-2222. A trip may be scheduled to the Fort Wayne Genealogy Library if there is enough interest.

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Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

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ANNUAL MEETING

Nov. 15, 2011 • 7:00 p.m.
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THOUSANDS FLOCK TO LAUNCH OF MASSIVE GRASSROOTS RECYCLING WEB SERVICE THAT GIVES FREE STUFF WORLDWIDE

The reGives Network is a growing community of people around the planet interested in saving stuff that still has legitimate use from ending up in landfills. They do this by offering it for free at the free online service The reGives Network and they are connected with people within their community who still have a use for the item. Within just weeks of the launch, thousands of people have flooded the online service offering free items ranging from appliances, furniture, household items, baby clothes and more.

Drew Auman, a veteran web developer in northeast Ohio, has spent the last two years building what he calls the reGives Network in an effort to give people throughout the country and even throughout the world a simple and safe avenue to give and get unwanted items for free in their community that otherwise would have ended in the landfill. Through some of the built-in features like local moderators and a member feedback exchange, Auman believes the system will provide a simpler and safer way to give and get free stuff over existing sites like Craigslist. Auman says, "You get to choose the person you want to give the item away to, based on their online profile and prior feedback, and it can be as simple as leaving it on your front step for them to come pick up."

Every year, the United States generates approximately 230 million tons of "trash", about 4.6 pounds per person every single day. Less than one-quarter of it is recycled; the rest is burnt or buried in landfills. These landfills across the nation are filling up at an alarming rate leaving behind a dark legacy for our children to deal with that is afflicted with potentially severe environmental, economic, and public health problems. With a little forethought, the nation could reuse or recycle more than 70 percent of the land filled waste, which includes millions of items that could have been reused.

Auman says, "It's about reducing landfill waste and helping the environment, but it's also about giving a second life to an item and for someone who very much needs the help within their local

community." With the power of social media at his back like Facebook and Twitter, the reGives Network has already experienced enormous growth in over 150 communities throughout the United States in just a few weeks.

In such desperate economic times that many people find themselves in today coupled with the increased pressure to preserve our environment, the reGives Network is experiencing a perfect storm of people who are interested in going green and those who have fallen on hard times. The reGives Network has been a much welcomed service to the community and Auman has big aspirations to take the reGives movement all across the United States and then worldwide. Auman says, "It's a big idea, but one that's worth it."

About The reGives Network

The reGives Network is a not for profit free service based out of Northeast Ohio and serves the public by providing a social media service and web site to connect people who have something they no longer need with someone else in their community who could still use the item. This is done in an effort to reduce landfill waste and to enrich lives in local communities through out the world.

2012 CROPS MUST BE INSURED BY NOVEMBER 21

Steve Maurer, the Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director, would like to remind producers that they have until November 21, 2011 to sign-up for the 2012 Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP) crop coverage. This deadline applies to the following crops: Apples, Asparagus, Blueberries, Caneberries, Cherries, Chestnuts, Forage for Hay and Pasture, Grapes, Nectarines, Peaches, Pears, Plums, Strawberries, Honey and Maple Syrup.

NAP covers losses caused by damaging weather conditions. Producers receive a payment when the loss is in excess of 50 percent. Losses are generally determined by the percentage of loss compared to the producer's actual yield history. Eligible production losses are paid at 55 percent of the established value for the crop.

There is a service fee per crop per county. Limited resource producers may request a waiver of service fees.

"Producers who currently have NAP coverage or who are interested in coverage are encouraged to keep accurate production records," said Maurer, State Executive Director for the Ohio Farm Service Agency. NAP coverage is only available for crops not covered under the Federal Crop Insurance program. Producers are reminded about the need for insurance coverage on crops in order to remain eligible for the agency's Disaster Assistance Programs such as SURE, LFP, TAP, and ELAP. Producers must purchase at least catastrophic (CAT) level of insurance for all insurable crops and producers must apply for coverage before a disaster strikes.

Producers are encouraged to contact their local FSA office to obtain NAP coverage or for additional information on NAP prior to the November 21st deadline.

300 GAME AT HANES LANES

Art Simonin, of Paulding, bowled a 300 game! Art bowled his 300 the third game of league play on Monday night, October 10th, 2011 at Hanes Lanes.

There have been several bowlers that have come close to 300's this year: Tom Wann 288, Charlie Hanes 279, Tim Steele 278, Shawn Suffel 278, Toni Hanes 278, and Rick Latham 277.

700 series already this year have been bowled by: Shawn Suffel 710 and 768, Tim Steele 700, Mike Clark 703, and Charlie Hanes 738, 745, 728, and 701.

Several other honorable games that need to be mentioned that were bowled the second half of last year's bowling season are as follows: Steve Simonin bowled a 300 game on February 9th, 2010; Charlie Hanes bowled a 300 game on April 8th, 2010, Steve Simonin bowled a 299 with a series of 811 on December 29th, 2010, and Steve also bowled a 300 on January 13th, 2011.

ANNUAL PAULDING LIONS CLUB HALLOWEEN PARADE & COSTUME CONTEST RESULTS

The Annual Paulding Lions Club Halloween Parade and Costume Contest was held on Saturday, October 29, 2011 in Paulding. The weather was great and costumes were awesome. Nearly one hundred individuals participated and half again that many were spectators.

The grand prize winner and the winners in the ten (10) costume categories were:

Grand Prize - Ansyeli Guerra (Pocahontas)

Infant Division (under 12 months):

1st Place - Luciana Martinez, Skunk

Infants (Ages 1 to 2):

1st Place - Karlee and Kendra or Kendall Kohart (Owls); *2nd Place* - Nicole Vielma (Pirate); *3rd Place* - Owen Workman (Charlie Brown)

Clowns and Tramps:

1st Place - Caleb MacDonald; *2nd Place* - Dominga Guerra; *3rd Place* - Casey Holman

Witches:

1st Place - Megan Garrity; *2nd Place* - Gabbie Guerra

Things, Objects, Plants:

1st Place - Mattie and Meagan Hirschy

Animals and Creatures:

1st Place - Madison Schmidt (Cat); *2nd Place* - Ava Foltz (Bee); *3rd Place* - Landon Dasher (Dragon)

Movie, TV, Fairy Tale Characters:

1st Place - Jacquelyn, Preston, Evelyn and Pierce LeMieux (Harry Potter); *2nd Place* - Bela McDougle (Glen-

da The Good Witch); *3rd Place* - Manny Ramirez (Woody)

Vampires, Ghosts, and Goblins:

1st Place - Haylie Lero (Witch); *2nd Place* - Jasmin Minck (Vampire/Witch); *3rd Place* - Mencharo Rosalez (Vampire)

Ages 13 and Over:

1st Place - Lyndi Clinton (Mime); *2nd Place* - Kaitlynn Fisher (Cheerleader); *3rd Place* - Griffin Harder (Scare Crow/Scream Face)

Misc.:

1st Place - Anayeli Guerra (Pocahontas); *2nd Place* - Sydney Trahan (Southern Belle); *3rd Place* - Da'sy Dix (Bee)

All participants received a reward for their involvement. Plus, special prizes are given to the grand prize winner and the first, second, and third place winners in each category.

The Paulding Lions Club would like to acknowledge the following local businesses, individuals, and agencies for their contribution and assistance in making the Paulding Lions Club Halloween Parade and Costume Contest a success: Dairy Queen, McDonalds, Hometown Pizza, Housa Pizza, Marcos Pizza, Red Angel Pizza, Brookside/Valero Pizza, Paulding Subway, Malice MMA, Paulding High School Marching Band, Paulding High School Cheerleaders, Hanes Lanes, Dr. Larry E. Tope, Jason Pastor, Paulding Fire Department, Paulding EMS Squad, and The Community Center. The Paulding Lions encourage everyone to support these local businesses.

Mark your calendar for next year and join in the Halloween excitement!

JOIN THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT® ON NOVEMBER 17 & BEAT THE URGE TO SMOKE

As the official sponsor of birthdays, the American Cancer Society marks the 36th Great American Smokeout on November 17 by encouraging smokers to use the date to make a plan to quit, or to plan in advance and quit smoking that day. According to an American Cancer Society report¹, smokers who quit can expect to live up to ten years longer than those who continue to smoke. Quitting is hard, but smokers can increase their chances of success with help. The American Cancer Society has many tools and tips to help smokers beat the urge to smoke when the cravings hit at www.cancer.org/Smokeout, such as a crave button and a quit clock to help smokers plan towards kicking the habit for good.

Research shows that much of the risk of premature death

from smoking could be prevented by quitting. Smokers who quit, regardless of age, live longer than people who continue to smoke. Smokers who quit reduce their risk of lung cancer - ten years after quitting, the lung cancer death rate is about half that of a continuing smoker's. Quitting also lowers the risk for other major diseases including heart disease and stroke.

"Quitting smoking is an important step towards reducing your cancer risk and celebrating more birthdays," said Jessica West, Health Initiatives Representative for the American Cancer Society. "The American Cancer Society Great American Smokeout provides great tips and tools to help you beat the urge to smoke. There has never been a better time to quit- we can help!"

The American Cancer Society created the trademarked concept for and held its first Great American Smokeout in 1976 as a way to inspire and encourage smokers to quit for a day. One million people quit smoking for a day at the 1976 event in California. The Great American Smokeout encourages smokers to commit to making a long-term plan to quit smoking for good.

Important facts about tobacco use:

—Tobacco use remains the world's most preventable cause of death.

—Cigarette smoking accounts for about 443,000 premature deaths - including

49,400 in nonsmokers.

—Thirty percent of cancer deaths, including 87 percent of lung cancer deaths, can be attributed to smoking.

—Smoking accounts for more than \$193 billion in health care expenditures and productivity losses annually.

About the American Cancer Society:

The American Cancer Society combines an unyielding passion with nearly a century of experience to save lives and end suffering from cancer. As a global grassroots force of more than three million volunteers, we fight for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community. We save lives by helping people stay well by preventing cancer or detecting it early; helping people get well by being there for them during and after a cancer diagnosis; by finding cures through investment in groundbreaking discovery; and by fighting back by rallying lawmakers to pass laws to defeat cancer and by rallying communities worldwide to join the fight. As the nation's largest non-governmental investor in cancer research, contributing more than \$3.5 billion, we turn what we know about cancer into what we do. As a result, about 11 million people in America who have had cancer and countless more who have avoided it will be celebrating birthdays this year. To learn more about us or to get help, call us any time, day or night, at 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

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**FORT WAYNE MUSEUM OF ART COMES TO
WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**



The Fort Wayne Museum of Art came to Wayne Trace Payne Elementary to present to students in grades 1-6 the joy of art. Joslyn Elliott brought several pieces of art

for students to see. She talked about different aspects of the pictures and stories to go along with them. The students also had an opportunity to design their own art work.

**PREVENTING THE
LOSS OF SOLUBLE
PHOSPHORUS**

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Officials from the Ohio Departments of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and the Environmental Protection Agency announced ongoing efforts towards reducing agriculture-related phosphorus from loading into the western basin of Lake Erie, and encouraged farmers to immediately adopt updated best management practices

for fertilizer application. The three agencies also agreed, based on recommendations from a diverse working group that includes research scientists, agribusiness leaders, and environmentalists; to encourage farmers to adopt production guidelines known as 4R Nutrient Stewardship that is effective in reducing soluble forms of phosphorus from impacting waterways across the state.

The 4R concept promotes using the right fertilizer source, at the right rate, at the right time, with the right

placement. Recent studies indicate that the timing of fertilizer application, and how well it is incorporated into the soil layer, significantly reduces dissolved phosphorus runoff.

A U.S. Department of Agriculture report issued on October 13, 2011 stated that nutrient loss from fields is within acceptable limits when soil erosion control practices are paired with management of rate, form, timing, and method of nutrient application maximizing the availability of nutrients for crop growth while minimizing environmental losses.

The Ag Nutrients Working Group, which includes participation from more than 25 organizations, government agencies, and private companies, participated in developing and recommending new strategies for minimizing environmental impacts caused by agricultural practices.

"These approaches just make sense for farmers who can save production costs because in as much as a third of all cropland in the western Lake Erie basin soil tests show that adequate phosphorus levels already exists to produce excellent crops," stated Scott Zody, interim director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. "We encourage farmers to work with their local soil and water conservation districts on moving forward with developing a sound nutrient management plan."

Specific farm level recommendations include:
—Taking frequent soil tests and following The Ohio State University soil fertilization guidelines
—Not spreading fertilizer on frozen or snow covered ground
—Maintaining good fertilization records
—As much as possible, incorporate fertilizer into the soil layer
—Go to the nutrientstewardship.com website and review guidelines for 4R Nutrient Stewardship

**WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH
SCHOOL PRESENTS OPENING NIGHT**

The Wayne Trace Performing Arts Association is proud to announce their fall play, *Opening Night*.

After countless hours of practice and rehearsal, the time has come for the cast and crew of a High School drama club to raise the curtain. Considering all the work that they have put into the show, what could possibly go wrong? A light control panel on the fritz, communication failures, costume malfunctions, missed entrances, forgotten lines, crew members taking a break, and a cold medicine-induced stupor are just a few of the many calamities that plague the actors and crew that make for non-stop hilarity. *Opening Night* is a play within a play in which you not only see the blunders of the onstage action, but you also see the chaos that takes place backstage.

Opening Night was written by Delanie Kay Tucker and is produced in cooperation with Encore Performance Publishing. Come see Wayne Trace drama club veterans: Austin Scheiner, Christina Klinker, Rebecca Eberly, Eric Maassel, Rachel Phelan, Karla Mosier, and Emily Mohr. And making their Payne Auditorium debuts are Emily Noggle, Ashley Goeltzenleuchter, Alicia Schmidt, Stephan VanVlerah, Jacob Long Tye Thurston, Isaiah Ross.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. on Friday November 11 and Saturday November 12 at the Payne Elementary Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the door beginning at 6:45 p.m.

**VANTAGE BOARD HOLDS
NOVEMBER MEETING**

The regular November meeting of the Vantage Board of Education was held on Thursday, November 3, 2011. The treasurer's report included the approval of the October 6, 2011 regular board meeting minutes and the financial statements for September, 2011. The board approved the 5 year forecast and the amended appropriations and revenues for FY12, as well as the amended OASBO 457 Deferred Compensation Plan document.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman introduced Chad Stevers, project manager for Gilbane Building Company, who gave the board an update on the OSFC renovation and construction project. She discussed the OACTS breakfast at the Capital Conference and extended an invitation for the December Holiday Dinner to all board members and their spouses. New staff member Shane Falke, special education instructor, was also introduced.

Director Bob Vennekotter announced 2011-2012 SkillsUSA officers, Region 16 BPA officers, and the 19 Vantage Junior Builders. He reported on OGT testing, Advisory Committee meetings, lab activities throughout the building and areas of community involvement.

Adult Education Director Pete Prichard reported on activities for each area and upcoming classes and events. He recapped the Fall EMS State Conference which took place at Vantage on October 21, 22, and 23. He discussed the ongoing efforts to procure tuition funding for the Wind Turbine Repair program and announced that a full time evening CNC class was added to the Adult Education schedule.

In new business, the board:
—Offered supplemental contracts to the following: Mary Jane Fast and Fran White, Health Technology Clinicals; Robin Burns, Banquet Supervisor; Marcia Osenga, Penny Baucom, Cindy Harting, Steve Mercer, Diana Becker, Annette Klinger, Karen McGilton, Lori Allen, Nancy Keith, Vicki Smith and Mary Ann Hall, Adult Banquet Workers; Taylor Bowers, Amanda Carlisle, Austin Clark, Nickolas Coup, Benjamin Dwyer, Cora Finfrock, Victoria Girardot, Bethanee Grote, Mark Inkrott, Sandra Marquart, John Parsons, Jazzlyn Smith, Joseph Smith, Julie Whitten, Ashley Wurst, Allan Zimmer, Alexis Cummings, Emily Flaugh, Kayla Garb, Alexandra Gross, Edward Hibbard, Caleb Lovejoy, Rebekahlynette Mason, Dewayne Price, and Storm Sensabaugh, Student Workers;
—Employed the following list of Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Deb Venderley, Health Careers; Rosanah Foster, ABLE; Larry Ray, CNC Instructor; Deb Richardson, CCOS Instructor; Larry Longwell and Jeffrey Stittsworth, Welding;
—Approved a resolution to oppose

House Bill 136, sponsored by State Representative Matt Huffman, which seeks to open up and expand the voucher program;

—Approve Straley Realty and Auctioneers as the auctioneer for the November 12, 2011 public auction;

—Resolution to approve the Community Reinvestment Area Agreement between Hickory Grove Estates and Vantage Career Center;

—NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Vantage Career Center School District hereby approves the attached Agreement and Bylaws to supersede and replace NOACSC's current Constitution in order to reorganize NOACSC as a regional council of governments (COG), effective July 1, 2012, and authorizes the execution of same on behalf of this Board President, Superintendent, and/or Treasurer hereof;

—Resolution to approve the revised ABLE contract with Lima City Schools, fiscal agent;

—Resolution to approve the Vantage Career Center students to work on the Habitat for Humanity house projects, in the Vantage school district, for the 2011-2012 school year.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, the Superintendent requested that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes. A resolution was passed to appoint an outside hearing officer for the expulsion appeals process.

After the Board came out of Executive session, the Board entered into another Executive session, this time for the purpose of the discussion of the employment of personnel. No action was taken.

The next Vantage Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, December 1, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Science classroom C-10 prior to the dinner in the Cup & Saucer Restaurant.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 10/19/11

This 19th day of October, 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 182376 through 182421 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on October 17, 2011, Warrant numbers 182272 through 182330 in the amount of \$15,894.89; 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 MODIFYING THE 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 005):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2011 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 005.001-00004/Special Health/Other Expenses

TO: 005-001-00001/Special Health/Salaried-Employees

AMOUNT: \$.01

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Fred Pieper to go into executive session at 11:09 a.m. with the Prosecuting Attorney to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Burkley. All members voting yea.

At 11:16 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENT:

Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts - Ms. Pease met with the Commissioners to update them on the activity in the legal office and the title office. She distributed case reports, delinquent sales tax reports, legal department fee reports, and Title Office reports for the Commissioners' review. Ms. Pease expanded on the delinquent sales tax report, stating the precipice filed by the Attorney General's office will soon be on line. She also reported that titles processed by the Title Office are up compared to last year at this time. Title Office expenses are up due to the purchase of an air conditioning unit and other projects. Ms. Pease noted that foreclosures are down from 2010. She then explained the difference between a passport book and passport cards. Card can only be used when traveling by land or water into Canada or Mexico. A passport book must be used when flying to either of these countries and must be used when traveling to any other country.

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WHEN INVESTING, "FACE TO FACE" BEATS FINGERS ON A KEYBOARD

Financial Focus by: Phil Recker

These days, you can purchase just about anything you want on the Internet. However, you can still benefit from a human, face-to-face experience for some purchases — such as your investments. And that's why you may want to work with a financial professional.

Unlike a computer interface, a financial professional will take the time to truly know your situation today — and then help you make adjustments tomorrow.

Let's first look at two key areas a financial professional will consider today:

****Your risk tolerance —** By asking the right questions, a financial professional can help you determine if you're a moderate, conservative or aggressive investor and then recommend those investments that are suitable for your risk tolerance.

****Your time horizon —** If you're saving for a down pay-

ment on a new home you expect to purchase within two or three years, you may want an investment that offers significant preservation of principal. But if you're saving for retirement, and you're three decades away from it, you'll likely need investments that offer the potential for growth. Your financial advisor can help you choose the mix of short- and long-term investments that can help you make progress toward all your goals.

Now, let's look at the types of milestones that a financial professional can help you with as your life progresses:

****New child —** When you bring a new child into your life, you also add new responsibilities. Do you have sufficient life insurance? Do you plan on helping the child pay for college? If so, what college funding vehicles should you consider? A financial professional can help you answer these questions.

****New spouse —** Whether you're getting married for the first time, or you're remarrying, you'll have to reconcile your financial picture with that of your new spouse. A financial professional can review both your situations and possibly recommend ways for you to reduce debt, eliminate redundancies in your investment portfolios and consolidate insurance coverage.

****Career change —** When you change jobs, you may have to make many investment-related decisions: Should you move the assets from your old employer's 401(k) to an IRA? Or should you roll over your old 401(k) to your new employer's plan, if a rollover

is allowed? Knowing your options when you leave your job can help you make the right choice for your retirement savings. A qualified financial professional can help you review and understand your rollover options.

****Retirement —** Once you retire, you'll have several issues to consider: How much can you withdraw from your investments each year? From which accounts? Should you rebalance your portfolio to provide more potential sources of income? What about the transfer of your wealth? A financial professional who is familiar with your situation can help you make the right moves to enjoy the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

So, when you really want to invest, leave the "virtual" world behind and connect with a financial professional — someone who has gained insight into your individual needs and who has the experience and expertise to help you build, maintain and adjust a portfolio that can help you move toward your goals.

FALL BRINGS CHANGE... WHY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPRING & FALL

By: Josh Steiner

Over the past several weeks, people have asked me why the weather changes the way it does in fall. Another question asked is why fall weather is different compared with spring. To answer these questions, I will talk about not only the temperature changes that happen during the fall, but also the changes in precipitation and wind that happens over most of the United States.

The most important change during the fall is temperature. As we learned back in elementary school, the earth is tilted at a twenty-three and a half degree angle towards the sun. Because of this, different regions of the earth have varying amounts of sunlight during the year. The amount of sunlight that a region receives, depends on latitude. Therefore the farther north you travel, the less sunlight an area receives, or I should say sunlight intensity. The sun is the primary source of energy on earth, meaning that the heat in the earth's atmosphere is completely dependent upon the sun. Thus at a higher latitude, average annual temperatures are colder than an area that is in central Florida. During the months of December, Janu-

ary, and February, because of the earth's tilt, the northern hemisphere will be directed away from the sun, allowing for less intense solar radiation and cooling of average temperatures until they reach a low point at the end of January. During the months of March, April, and May, the northern hemisphere is beginning to tilt back toward the sun, causing average temperatures to warm gradually at first, and then rapidly warming through April and May. By the summer months of June, July, and August, solar radiation has reached a maximum, causing average temperatures to gradually peak during the third week of July. By the fall months of September, October, and November, the northern hemisphere is beginning to turn away from the sun, causing temperatures to fall gradually at first, and then rapidly, especially by early November.

Some of you may ask why fall seems to feel warmer than the spring months. It is warmer in the fall than the spring. This difference in average temperatures is caused by something called a temperature lag. This temperature lag is caused by the fact that as long as solar radiation still exceeds outgoing infrared radiation from earth's surface, temperatures will continue to climb. This is why temperatures continue to climb well into July, producing summer's most gruesome heat waves. By the time fall comes around, temperatures are still well into the 70's helped by the fact that warm air masses still can make it up to the Great Lakes region. Back at the beginning of the year, average temperatures generally hit their minimum at the end of January, due to the temperature lag, because during this time earth's outgoing solar radiation, causing temperatures to fall well after the winter solstice. By early spring, temperatures have risen some, but not a whole lot because by late March, the spring equinox has arrived helping the rising temperatures, but because the cold air north of the area has built up so much that cold air masses can still arrive in our area with relative ease, offsetting most of the warming caused by the sun. By mid-May, though, most of the cold air no longer exists in Canada.

Because of the temperature lag, average temperatures can be as much as 15 degrees warmer in fall than they are

PAYNE ELEMENTARY 2ND GRADERS ENJOY SWEET TOUR



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary recently had an opportunity for our 2nd graders to visit the Spangler Candy Factory in Bryan, Ohio. The students were given a tour

of the factory, and they were able to learn how the famous candy canes are made. They used this field trip as an opportunity to also learn in class about economics.

in spring. Fall may also be warmer than spring, because of a hot summer. If a summer was well above normal with many heat waves, a kind of heat dome builds over the area. This heat dome can last well through the fall months, until it is finally broken down by cold air masses nudging their way into the area. This is exactly what has happened in Texas. In fact, my beliefs are that the heat dome has built up so much this summer, along with the drought, they may have large enough theoretical heat dome, that they may not see much cold if any this winter. This holds firm with my forecast that the Texas drought may continue for the next nine years.

Another way the changes are different during the autumn months is its associated precipitation patterns. During the fall many people notice that precipitation and storminess is generally a lot

degrees below normal, while precipitation was well above normal with nearly five inches of rain falling, two inches above normal. In October, temperatures were just above normal, and precipitation was well above normal with over four inches. For most years with a La Nina, precipitation was generally well below normal and temperatures were usually above normal during the falls of these La Nina events. After October ends, precipitation and storminess usually increases, because the jet stream migrates southward, bringing with it multitudes of storm systems and rain, which usually in cold, clear weather. By December, precipitation amounts decrease again, generally because snow has a low water content when it is very cold out, and saying that most of the precipitation that falls during the month of December is snow, even though storminess actually increases. As storminess increases so does the wind, especially as we get into November, which is not only one of our windiest months, but we actually have a short severe weather season during November.

Upcoming WEATHER Forecast

Wed, Nov 9 – AM Showers/ wind Hi 57° – Low 34°	
Thu, Nov 10 – Partly Cloudy Hi 45° - Low 28°	
Fri, Nov 11 – Partly Cloudy Hi 45° - Low 35°	
Sat, Nov 12 – Partly Cloudy Hi 55° – Low 44°	
Sun, Nov 13 – Few Showers Hi 61° - Low 44°	
Mon, Nov 14 – Showers Hi 58° - Low 46°	
Tue, Nov 15 – Showers Hi 58° - Low 40°	

less than it was during the months of April and May. One reason for this may be because of abnormally high upper level pressure levels. Generally, an upper level ridge is persistent over many locations across the U.S. during the summer. These upper level ridges are what cause the hot, humid, and dry weather that normally occurs during a summer. With the warmth, and the higher than normal pressure in the upper levels of the atmosphere, dry conditions also prevail through most of September and October. This is why fall is such an ideal time for harvest. There are few exceptions to the rule of fall being dry. One of these exceptions is this fall. For some wild reason, the weather around here switched from record warmth and one of our driest Julys on record, to very wet and chilly conditions throughout much of September and October. In fact, in September, Fort Wayne International Airport was 1.8

For the first half of November, I expect several storm systems to attempt to track over the area, which will help break down the ridge persisting over the area. Pattern reversal will hit mid-month. According to several computer models, a major trough will take hold over the east during the last half of the month. This will cause very cold air to dive out of Canada and into the central plains and midwest. When the cold air comes in association with storm systems, widespread snow will result, leading to the first snowstorms of the year. According to the GFS model, temperatures may actually be below freezing for daytime highs by the 20th of November, leading to snowstorms in the area. Hopefully, it turns out the way these computer models are forecasting. :) Visit Josh's blog at <http://stormcenteroh.blogspot.com> or email at storm_reports-joshua@yahoo.com and post a comment or question you'd like answered.

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taught the students how to salute and described what it was like to join the Marines. The students were finally able to meet the Marine that they have been writing letters to.

WT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY FIRST NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

- All A's:**
 1A - Ava Dougal, Krista Markley, Katryna Fish, Rylee Miller, Josh Shelton, Sydnee Sinn, Blake Stoller, Laura Thornell
 1B - Makenna Elliott, Ayanna Flores, Matt Kline, Anna Miller, Elise Miller, Ezra Sinn, Kara Stoller
 2A - Orion Elick, Madison Farquhar, Haylee Finfrock, Brody Hershberger, Jacob Landwehr, Connor Baumle, Faith Meraz, Brayson Parrish
 2B - Logan Hale, Faith Maynard, Allen Minck,

- Karlie Simindinger, Claudia Sinn, Nathan Sinn, Corbin Maroney, Trevor Sinn, Eli Spinner, Abby Stoller, Rachel Stoller
 3B - Cara Davis, Alena Denny, Gabby Donis, Devin Nickols, Adriana Ripke, Isaiah Rittenhouse, Tiffany Sinn, Katie Stoller, Katrina Stoller
 4th Grade - Breanna Huffine, Reid Miller, Andrew Sinn, Miriam Sinn
 5th Grade - Olivia Egnor, Derek Myers, Austin Reed, Sadie Sinn, Trae Sinn, Ellie Stoller
 6A - Gracie Gudakunst, Megan Moore, Lily Sinn
 6B - Sara Sinn
All A's & B's:
 1A - Madison Elliott, Hannah Maenle, Abby

- Moore, Brayden Sherry, Olivia Young
 1B - Alyssa Crutchfield, Corbin Delgado, Macy Doster, Brooklyn Elston, Cole Fisher, Pamela Schneider, Hailey Stahl, Storm Tracy
 2A - Bailey Adams, Alexa Campbell, Hunter Dugan, Hayden Merriman, Josselyn Ortiz, Tatam Tigner, Landyn Whitman
 2B - Devin Huffine, Grace Jones, Cameron Sinn, Tyler Sinn, Kaden Vielma
 3B - Blake Baughman, Brendon Bidlack, Natalie Bostelmann, Serenity Gurtner, Lyrisa Hammons, Kaylee Porter, Carter Reynolds, Wyatt Shelton, Julie Sinn, Natalie Wappelhorst, Lydia Whitman
 4th Grade - Madison Adams, Worth Clark, Mason Elliott, Madison Elston, Alexis Gibson, Kirsten Lewis, Drake Sanders, Nate Showalter, Claire Sinn, Amanda Wharry
 5th Grade - Kaitlyn Doster, Adynn Elston, Bryan Hofmann, Rachel Kroeger, Keagann Parrish, Ayana Rowe
 6A - Aden Baker, Brendan Dingus, Jordan Offerle, Hunter Showalter, Brooke Sinn, Eli Sinn, Gabe Sinn
 6B - Alisa Elliott, Leah Maassel, Weston Sinn, Adam Stoller

- All B's:**
 2B - Richie Dunno
 4th Grade - Mercedi Nieto
 5th Grade - Nathan Wappelhorst
 6A - Autumn Banks, Madison Chastain

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1ST NINE WEEKS 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

- MERIT HONOR ROLL (4.0 GPA):**
 7th Grade - Brady Stabler
 8th Grade - Brianna Sinn, Christopher Davis, Cole Shepherd, Elizabeth Lassiter, Erin Mohr, Estie Sinn, Hollie Wannemacher, Mikayla Anderson, Scott Wenninger, Sydney Critten, Taryn Homier
 9th Grade - Blair Baumle, Cassidy Hilkey, Erin Jewell, Hank Sinn, Isaiah Ross, Jacob Dingus, Kayla Zuber
 10th Grade - Abigail Shepherd, Haley Linder, Jacob Gerber, Jared Sherry, Kendall Germann, Libby Stabler, Madeline Baumle, Madison McClure, Madison Poling, Matthew Klopfenstein, Maximilian Schager, Rachel Kreisler, Sylvia Young
 11th Grade - Adrean Ross, Andrea Scharf, Andrew Moore, Courtney Seffernick, Graden Gudakunst, Jonathan Harper
 12th Grade - Kelly Zartman, Megan Pierce, Peter Sinn, Reuben Stoller, Ryan Jewell, Tyler Arnett
FIRST HONORS (3.67-4.0 GPA):
 8th Grade - Courtney Mead, Nicholas Durre, Shayna Temple, Stacy Flint, Victoria Ryan
 9th Grade - Jehane Hoagland, Rebecca Hamrick, Sarah Young
 10th Grade - Arlen Stoller, Donovan Carnahan, Janelle Johnson, Janey Janka, Sean Durre
 11th Grade - Briana Schaffer, Emily Whitman, Emma Schmidt, Kaleigh Young, Kylee Wenninger, Sarah Nickols, Staci Wenninger
 12th Grade - Christian

- Raab, Kari Myers, Rebecca Eberly, Sadie Wassermann, Zachary Cotterman
SECOND HONORS 3.3-3.666 GPA:
 7th Grade - Blaine Jerome, Brooke Lelonek, Caleb Schultz, Danae Myers, Daniel Sinn, Emil Stoller, Ethan Linder, Gabrielle Gudakunst, Joseph Schmidt, Kati Stahl, Korene Shelton, Noah Ryan, Sarah Dylson, Seth Saylor
 8th Grade - Amanda Shepherd, Austin Fast, Corey Davis, Emilee Colgan, Jayson Nowak, Jessica Offerle, Jonathan Krouse, Nathanael Roop, Quinton Harper, Sydney Hofmann
 9th Grade - Addison Baumle, Austin Zuver, Carl Elliott, Corbin Linder, Hunter Martin, Jacob Arend, James Weaver, Mackenzie Swary, Matthew Baxter, Robert Seffernick
 10th Grade - Andrew Ludwig, Austin Conlon, Brock Worden, Danielle Miles, Devin Shaffer-Wenzlick, Emilie Linder, Emily Mohr, Katelynn Back, Logan Fast, Mackenzie Haney, Matthew Lambert, TJ Blackmore
 11th Grade - Brian Myers, Haleigh Garner, Mackenzie Campbell, Natalie Sinn, Taylor Campbell, Tyler Ruiz
 12th Grade - Ashley Goeltzenleuchter, Ashley Saylor, Austin Scheiner, Beth Ross, Britney Rosswurm, Christina Klinker, Holly Ludwig, John Stoller, Justin Theobald, Lindsey Gibson, Marloes Van Den Hengel, Rachel Long, Sarah Feasby

- THIRD HONORS (3.0-3.2999 GPA):**
 7th Grade - Abbey McDougall, Brooke Long, Colin Doerr, Ethan Dunham, Gage Pfeiffer, Jonathan Sinn, Julie Holbrooks, Kacey Reinhart, Mercedes Hibbard, Natalie Kuhn, Sean Stuckey, Seth Yenser
 8th Grade - Alec Vest, Arlyn Cooper, Austin Winebrenner, Blair Ludwig, Carley Wright, Clint Sinn, Edwin Van Den Hengel, Gabriel Wobler, Kyle Bickford, Lucas Sinn, Luke Miller, Noah Stoller, Riley Bidlack, Zachary Sinn
 9th Grade - Charles Chas-

- tain, Elizabeth Brown, Jenny Holbrooks, Jill Ross, Justin Pierce, Kierstan Baldwin, Kristin Raab, Krystal Jones, Molly Crosby, Nicholas Mansfield, Samantha Van Vlerah
 10th Grade - Alex Korte, Alexis Flores, Brenda Feasby, Chelsea Dempsey, Colby Speice, Eric Hicks, Jordan Elick, Marcus McVay, Wesley Goings
 11th Grade - Andre Spinner, Derek Langmeyer, Eric Maassel, Jared Eklund, Kaitlin Lantow, Krystal Wannemacher, Lyndsay Combs, Mackenzie Fleagle, Marisa Jones, Michala Elliott, Nathan Holtsberry, Rylee Zartman, Zachary Hermiller, Zachary Protor
 12th Grade - Alicia Schmidt, Dylan Horner, Emily Noggle, Gary Klopfenstein, Harold Spangler, Kim Bickford, Lindsey Matthews, Rebecca Habern, Stephan Van Vlerah, Zachary Nantz

WT WRESTLING CLUB PARTICIPATES IN HICKSVILLE ACES OPEN

Members of the Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed this past weekend at the Hicksville Aces Open. Wrestlers placing 1st were Brendon Bidlack, Jarrett Hornish, Hunter Long, Ty Tinlin, Max Rassman, Kameron Clemens, and Sawyer Temple. Placing 2nd were Dylan Laney, Brandon Laney, Kameron Bevis, Zach Cotterman, and Aaron Harris. Placing 3rd were Jacobe Carpenter, and Ruger Goe. Placing 4th were Gage Tinlin, Zaine Cotterman, and Gabe Sutton.



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Xander Colton Myers entered the world on October 23, 2011 at 1:43 p.m. He weighed in at 7 pounds 4 ounces and was 20.8 inches long. Xander was born at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville, Ohio.
 Xander's proud parents are Kayla Emerson and Levi Myers. Big brother, Trayton Gross, is excited to have his baby brother home.
 Xander's grandparents are Russ and Michelle Grant of Hicksville, Darin and Bonnie Emerson of Hicksville, Patti Patterson, Eden and Owen Myers of Shipshewanna.
 Xander's great-grandparents include Steve and Sue Knapp of Antwerp, Tom and Connie Emerson of South Carolina, Nancy Grant of Hicksville and Kathy Myers of Edgerton. Great-great-grandparents are Lee Hiser of Fort Wayne and Maw-maw Emerson of Kentucky and Dorthy Morris of Edgerton. Great-great-great-grandpa is Dick Patterson of Hillsdale, MI.
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ODOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2011

Rohrs to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2011-23. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.
Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb to accept ordinance no. 2011-23. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.
Keeran stated this project will be completed next spring and will be paid by federal funding up to \$162,000 (which available funding greatly exceeds the estimate for this project).
**Baker read ordinance no. 2011-24: An ordinance authorizing the village fiscal officer to transfer funds to the police fund in the amount of \$27,500.00 and declaring the same an emergency.
Motion made by Derck, seconded by Ryan to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2011-24. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.
Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb to accept ordinance no. 2011-24. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.
**Baker gave 1st reading of ordinance no. 2011-25: An ordinance amending ordinance no. 2008-63 authorizing the change of water and sewer rates, tap fees and re-connect fees for the Village of Antwerp, County of Paulding, Ohio.
Keeran noted this ordinance is an increase in the per thousand water rate only - no change in the minimum charge and no change in the sewer rates.
Baker noted the R.I.T.A collections are down for the month of September due to timing of collections from the school payroll. Baker told council that the EMS note was paid off this week and the EMS building is now paid off.
Administrator's report:
Keeran reported that Gorrell has not provided the village with appraisals regarding the Dutchman's Cove easement. Council requested the administrator to contact another appraiser if Gorrell has not completed this task in two weeks.
Lori Brinkman from ODOT will meet with the finance committee on October 24th at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the depot project. ODOT may accept a waiver from the Village on the bidding of this project. December 31, 2012, is the deadline for construction of this project.
Finance committee met on September 26th to discuss the health care renewal. It was the committee's recommendation to remain with Anthem on the same plan.
Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Jan Reeb to renew the current plan for health care insurance with Anthem effective for November 1, 2011, to November 1, 2012. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.
EPA has sent notice to the Village regarding the overflow at the lift station. EPA requires the Village to prepare plans on how the Village will address the problem by November 15th. Poggemeyer Design Group will be in the Village on October 18th to review and develop a plan to increase the capacity of the existing lift station.
Harrmann Road railroad crossing will not be addressed until next spring due to timing of the encumbrances of funds for this project by the Rail Commission.
New business:
Trick or treat time and date has been set for October 29th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Police report:
Chief Clemens reported 126 calls for service with 85 offenses for the month of September.
EMS report:
EMS coordinator Randy Shaffer provided a written report showing 44 total runs made from 8/15 to 10/15.
Mayor's report:
Mayor DeLong reported that mayor's court collected \$5,288.00 for the Village for the month of September after court costs.
Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rohrs to adjourn the meeting. 6 years, 0 days. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Paulding County:
U.S. 127 south of Paulding will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.
Ohio 613 east of U.S. 127 may be affected at times through the work zone during a catch basin replacement. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 10/17/11

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. By Mayor Ray DeLong. Council persons present: Rudie Reeb, Steve Derck, Karen Lee, Larry Ryan, Mike Rohrs and Council President Jan Reeb. Also in attendance at the meeting: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Administrator Sara Keeran, and Fiscal Officer Loretta Baker. Media: Peter Greer from Defiance Crescent and Sandy Temple from the Bee Argus. Visitors: Keith Nern and Oley McMichael.

The minutes from the regular council meeting held September 19, 2011, were reviewed.

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

The September disbursements were reviewed.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Derck to approve the September reconciliation report. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Visitors:
Oley McMichael stated he has a signed petition from the residents of Maumee Landing subdivision that they do not want the final coat of asphalt applied to the road until there are more homes constructed in the subdivision. McMichael stated this could be a selling point for more homes knowing the road will be resurfaced after their home is built. McMichael asked for an extension of time since there are 24 more lots to be developed. Rohrs asked how much time until the final coat of asphalt will be applied. McMichael wants to review it each year. Solicitor Farr advised council that to ensure sufficient funds to complete the road, the Village could require McMichael to post a performance bond or obtain a letter of credit from the bank for this project. McMichael will talk to the bank this week about obtaining a letter of credit. Council will consider the request for a one year extension at the November council meeting.
Keith Nern asked council to reconsider the village wide garbage pick-up issue, which had been tabled by the public service committee. Nern's concern is the safety in the community of having four or more trucks picking up garbage each week. Jan Reeb from the public service committee stated the council is divided on the decision of selecting one garbage pickup company to be used by village residents. Mayor DeLong asked that Keeran contact suppliers of waste pick up service and have them present their services at our next council meeting. Ryan does not want any administrative burden added to the village for garbage pick-up service billings.

Fiscal officer report:
**Baker read resolution no. 2011-23: An ordinance approving preliminary participatory legislation for the project identified as Pau-Antwerp sidewalks PID 88349, and declaring the same an emergency.
Motion made by Ryan, seconded by

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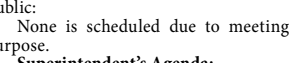
Christmas events are already taking shape in Oakwood. Each year the Village Christmas Walk is sponsored by either the CCL Club or the Park Board. This year the honor falls to the Park Board. Along with those who invite us in to view their beautifully decorated homes, the Oakwood Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library also opens its doors to guests. The library is beautifully decorated with several trees and many Village pieces adorn the bookshelves. In the spirit of trying to change things up a little, new volunteers will be decorating some of the trees this year. Another new addition is the artwork provided by students of Jim Mullen's art class. The artwork is changed with the seasons so you can expect lots of snow in the scenes adorning the walls for the winter months.

The Event Planners, an arm of the Oakwood Library Association, also like to provide some entertainment each year for the weekend. This year they have chosen to have an elegant evening meal. The dinner will be on Saturday, December 3 beginning with appetizers at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30. Guests can expect an exciting array of beautifully presented appetizers followed by a delicious meal featuring Swiss Steak as the main entree. Adding to this year's excitement will be a variety of prizes and gift baskets to be raffled and auctioned. Many items have already been donated, including five pieces of Premier Jewelry, massages, an engraved tile, books, DeBrands Chocolate, along with several yet to be announced. Four gift baskets, including one that will provide a new dessert each month to the highest bidder, will be auctioned at the dinner. However, everyone will have a chance at the other prizes by buying a raffle ticket at the library. Prizes will be displayed and tickets available by November 12. Dinner tickets can be purchased now at the library and it is suggested you call soon before they are gone! Those who miss out on the dinner can view the 11 decorated tables during the Christmas Walk on Sunday, December 4. The tablescapes are a highlight of the tour and past guests will tell you not to expect only the traditional red and green Christmas colors! There will be a wide variety of ideas to get you in the Christmas spirit!

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE WT LOCAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in special session on Friday, October 21, 2011 in the Lecture Room of Wayne Trace High School at 6:30 a.m.
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Perry Sinn.
Roll Call: Duane Sinn, Pat Bauble, Les Hockenberry, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn - all present.
Correspondence and Hearing of Public:
None is scheduled due to meeting purpose.
Superintendent's Agenda:
11-10-05
Consent Items:
A motion by Duane Sinn to approve the Superintendent's consent agenda items:
1. A. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to rescind the approved calamity day alternative make-up plan for the 2011-2012 school year;
B. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, and Athletic Director, to approve Mallory Diamond as Freshman Girls Basketball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year.
Seconded by Pat Bauble; Roll Call Vote: Duane Sinn, Pat Bauble, Les Hockenberry, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn - all aye. Motion Passed.
Treasurer's Agenda:
Treasurer presented the draft of the 5 year forecast for board review.
11-10-06
A motion by Duane Sinn to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Les Hockenberry. Vote by Acclamation of members. Ayes have it - motion passed.
Next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday November 14, 2011.

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To be offered for sale beginning at 10:10 A.M. on Thursday, the 10th day of November, 2011, and continue from day to day thereafter, at the Paulding County Auditor's Office, in the Courthouse, Paulding, Ohio on which property of the amount of \$3,182.37 is currently owed for taxes, with assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs:
Situated in the Village of Antwerp, County of Paulding and State of Ohio and known as:
Parcel No. 1241S00800
Lot Number Eight (8) of the Wabash and Erie Canal Addition, located in the Village of Antwerp, County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio

Notice is hereby given to all concerned, that if the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and cost charged on the list are not paid into the county treasury and the county treasurer's receipt produced for the payment, before the date mentioned in this notice for the sale, each tract, lot, and part of lot, so forfeited, on which the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs, and that the sale will be adjourned from day to day until each tract, lot and part of lot specified in the list has been disposed of, or offered for sale.

If the tract, lot or part of lot, so forfeited, is sold for an amount that is less than the amount of the delinquent taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest against it, the court, in a separate order, may enter a deficiency judgment against the last owner of record of the tract, lot, or part of lot, before its forfeiture to the state, for the amount, of the difference; if that owner of record is a corporation, the court may enter the deficiency judgment against the stockholder holding a majority of the corporation's stock.

Public Notice is hereby given that all such real property to be sold at public auction may be subject to federal tax lien that may not be extinguished by the sale, and purchasers or any such real property are urged to search the federal tax lien index that is kept by the county recorder to determine notice of a federal tax lien has been filed with respect to any such property.

Signed October 17, 2011
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ATTENTION
Harrison Township Trustees are taking resumes for any person interested in being appointed to the position of Township Fiscal Officer until such time as an election can be held.
The successful candidate will be 1) a resident of Harrison Township; 2) with a background or education in business/bookkeeping; 3) and have a willingness to work with government officials.
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“FROM THE VANTAGE POINT”: SUCCESS IS THE MAIN COURSE IN CULINARY ARTS



Vantage senior Culinary Arts students (left to right) Emily Flaugh (Wayne Trace) and Alexis Cummings (Lincolnview) are ready to welcome you to the Thanksgiving Buffet in the Cup and Saucer Restaurant!

Do you have a taste for success? We all want that right now. The Vantage Culinary Arts program provides the right ingredients to get you started.

The Cup and Saucer restaurant at Vantage is the career tech lab for students enrolled in the two-year Culinary Arts program. Students usually arrive in the kitchen with very little experience. By graduation time, they have practiced many different facets of restaurant management, including food safety, meal planning, preparation and serving, as well as front of the house (hospitality and cashing). Students have the opportunity to become “Serve-Safe” certified and to receive the ProStart® Certificate of Achievement. For those students planning to continue their education in chef training or restaurant management, it serves as an excellent introductory experience. Although this program concentrates on preparing students for careers in hospitality and restaurant services, it is a practical life program too.

Students in the Vantage Culinary Arts program get first-hand experience in the kitchen and operating the Cup and Saucer restaurant. The restaurant is open for lunch on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week, seating guests from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Luncheons for group meetings can also be arranged.

It’s almost time for the annual Thanksgiving Feast luncheon, prepared by Culinary Arts students! Mrs. Robin Burns and her class invite you to this popular event. It will be held two days this year - Wednesday, November 16th and Friday, November 18th from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This year’s buffet will include a delicious variety of salads, meats, vegetables, breads and desserts. Reservations are necessary for this special event. To reserve your spot, call 419-238-5411 ext. 130.

And if you’re planning ahead, the Christmas Buffet lunch will be held on Wednesday, December 14th and Friday, December 16th this year. Get your group together and call now for reservations.

Vantage Culinary Arts alumna Renee (Merschman) Schnipke ‘01, chef and culinary supervisor at St. Rita’s Medical Center in Lima, were featured in the *Lima News* on Sunday, October 30th!

Attention all parents of

Vantage high school students - Parent/Teacher conferences will be held at Vantage on Monday, November 21st from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 22nd from 10:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Please call 419-238-5411 or 1-800-686-3944 ext. 126 to schedule your appointment.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS BEGIN NOVEMBER 4TH

Steve Maurer, State Executive Director of USDA’s Ohio Farm Service Agency announced that the 2010 FSA county committee elections ballots will be mailed to eligible voters November 4th. December 5, 2011, is the deadline for eligible voters to return ballots to their local FSA offices.

“The FSA county committee system is unique among government agencies, because it allows producers to make important decisions concerning the local administration of federal farm programs,” said Maurer. “I urge all eligible farmers and producers, especially minorities and women, to get involved and make a real difference in their communities by voting in this year’s elections.”

Committee members apply their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on disaster and conservation payments, establishment of allotments and yields, producer appeals, employing FSA county executive directors and other local issues. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and producers must participate or cooperate in FSA programs. A person who is not of legal voting age, but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm, can also vote. Agricultural producers in each county submitted candidate names during the nomination period held last summer.

Eligible voters who do not receive ballots in the coming week can obtain ballots at their local FSA office. December 5, 2011, is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to their local FSA office. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked no later than December 5th. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office January 1, 2012.

FEMA AND FCC TO CONDUCT A NATIONWIDE TEST OF THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

“This is a test,” is a message the nation will hear on Wednesday, November 9, 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS).

The EAS is a national alert and warning system that enables the President to address the American public during emergencies or major disasters like an earthquake or hurricane. The NOAA National Weather Service, governors, and state and local authorities use portions of the warning system to issue more localized emergency alerts.

The national test will be similar to local EAS tests already conducted frequently. It will involve broadcast radio and television stations, cable television, satellite radio and television services, and wireline video service providers. The test message will last approximately three minutes and will broadcast to all states and territories of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and American Samoa.

A national test of the Emergency Alert System will help federal partners and EAS participants determine the reliability of the system and its effectiveness in notifying the public of emergencies and potential dangers, nationally and regionally.

Additional information on the Nationwide EAS test is available on the Ohio Emergency Management Website, www.ema.ohio.gov.

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3rd Grade:
Kelsey Dilling, Eli Moore, Waylon Smallwood, Ryan Weninger, Carlee Mead, Sam Rager, Gage Tinlin, Owen Manz, Joey Munger, Jacob Stouffer, Emma Crosby, Chloe Parker, Riley Stoller, Natalie Schultz

4th Grade:
All A’s - Cale Crosby, Austin Pierce, Nathan Gerber, Madeleine Laukhuf, Sydney Coyne

All A’s & B’s - Brittney Bauer, Elicia Franklin, Evelyn Kohart, Kali Reel, Kaitlyn Vest, Addie Etzler, Dane Krouse, Kiera Roddy, Chloe Thompson, Zoey Wright, Morgahn Butler, Jayde Garcia, Kylie Pfeiffer, Jordan Speller, Richard Williams, Tommy Holmes, Max Laukhuf, Morgan Smith, Gage Waltmire, Reed Zartman

5th Grade:
All A’s - Madison Coyne, Carissa Laukhuf, Caden Bland, Alli Hefner, Gracie Laukhuf, Anne Eklund, Ellie Moore, Brooke Greulach, Clark Laukhuf, Matthew Stouffer

All A’s & B’s - Alec Anderson, Ethan Crosby, Evan Mohr, Chloe Stabler, Alec Dunham, Levi Manz, Austin Smith, Wyatt Stabler, Taylor Watson, Madilyn Brigner, Josiah Linder, Kaylee Shepherd, Reece Thompson, Olivia Klinker, Julianne Roop, Meagan Speice, Ashley Thrasher

6th Grade:
All A’s & B’s - Braxten Asher, Kalin Gerber, Erica Mohr, Quinton Stabler, Ian Vogel, Joey DeBoer, Jordan Saylor, Owen Brigner, Joel Johnson, Haley Rittenhouse, Trisha Strickler, Maggie Crosby, Colton Hower, Noah Toppe

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1ST NINE WEEKS 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

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Mrs. Arend 1A:
William Finch, Logan

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