

WAYNE TRACE'S KAMERAN CLEMENS STATE BOUND



How does it feel when that final whistle blows, your arm is raised and you are on your way to State? "AWESOME, JUST AWESOME," exclaims Wayne Trace Junior Kameran Clemens. Laughing he added, "I almost ran off the mat before they raised my hand, then I thought 'oh no, I might get disqualified.'"

But just as soon as Kameran's arm was raised and he was declared the winner, run he did. Off the mat and right into his coaches' arms. Then his next big run was up the long flight of stairs, onto the balcony where he was met by his teammates, Wayne Trace fans and his family. Tears, hugs and words of congratulations were pouring out to him. He had just done what only two other Wayne Trace wrestlers (Lukas Jacomet and Corbin Griffiths), had done before him. He had earned a trip to the Schottenstein Arena in Columbus. Kameran advanced to the district level

after placing 2nd at the sectional tournament last weekend at Lima Central Catholic. In his first match Friday he pinned Tyler Slaughbaugh from Upper Sandusky in 1:10. It was his 2nd match where he was forced to drop to the consolation bracket after losing to Jordon Marshall from Troy Christian by a dec. 15-5.

Returning Saturday morning, Kameran was facing State Qualifier and projected State placer David Guillford from Badin. Kameran beat Guillford by a very close dec. 4-3. His next match he won by a dec. of 8-1 over Tommy Bowman from Riverdale. At this point he needed only one more win to advance him to the state finals. In this bout he was facing Allen East's Austin Loyde. He and Loyde had met three times earlier in the season. Kameran had beaten Loyde twice by a 1 pt dec. But it was during the Sectional Tournament that He lost to Loyde in the final champion-

ship round by a dec. of 8-3. The golden ticket to State was riding on this match for both wrestlers. Kameran wrestled this match without making one mistake. After a long six minutes, when it was over he had defeated Loyde by a 5-1 dec. and he was on his way to State.

In the final match Kameran lost by a dec. of 8-2 to Tyler Kelly from Reading placing him in 4th. "I want to thank my dad who is also my coach," said Kameran. "I would not be where I am today without my dad. I also want to thank my coach, Dennis Stabler, the Wayne Trace Wrestling Club where I started a long time ago, and my teammates and my family."

"I am so very very proud of my son," said Coach George Clemens. "Kameran has worked so very hard, putting in long hours, running, lifting weights, attending spring and summer tournaments. He also goes to workout with wrestlers from Delta, Wauseon and Hicksville after his season has ended. I have always tried to teach him nothing comes easy, nothing will be handed to you. If you want it you have to earn it, and more importantly—no matter what you can never quit."

WAYNE TRACE ADVANCES SIX WRESTLERS TO DISTRICTS

Wayne Trace sent six wrestlers to districts this past weekend, February 26th. Joe Stahl was the Raiders lone sectional champion. In the championship round, he earned a dec. against Baker from Allen East 10-5, claiming him the 112 lb. 2011 Sectional champion.

In other action during the final round, Loyde from Allen East got a dec. against Kameran Clemens, 8-3. Kameran had defeated Loyde twice during the regular season.

Wilson from Allen East, tech. fall over Zach Cotterman. Zack had earlier beaten a high rated wrestler, Brian Musser from Delphos St. Johns.

Cody Hahn from LCC earned a major dec. against Sawyer Temple. Clemens, Cotterman and Temple each finished runner-up.

Wrestling for 3rd and 4th place was Aaron Miller and Tyler Arnett. Miller pinned Steel from Lincolnview, in :54 sec. Arnett got a dec. over Trammolie from LCC, 6-2. Miller and Arnett finished 3rd.

Raider Andy Norling will make the trip as alternate.

"I was well pleased with the guys' performance this weekend," said coach George Clemens. "I thought they wrestled to their potential. We beat some real tough wrestlers. I think we are ready for the next level, the district tournament this coming weekend."

As a team, Wayne Trace finished 5th out of 12 schools.

PHS ENGINEERING TEAM EARNS 6TH AT REGIONAL COMPETITION



The Paulding High School Engineering Team received the 6th place trophy at the 2011 Regional JETS/TEAMS competition held at Ohio Northern University. Over 63 teams from Ohio attended this event. Their scores will

be reviewed for possible state rankings in March. Team members include from left to right: Wesley Zeller, Kass Hammon, Joey Buchman, Katie Kohart, Jacob Farr, Mesa Pracht, and Nick Flint.

OAKWOOD AREA SCRAPBOOKERS WEEKEND

Oakwood Area Scrapbookers will be meeting for a weekend crop in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, a branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system on Friday, March 11 through Sunday, March 13. Hours are Friday, 5:00 p.m. - midnight; Saturday, 9:00 p.m. - midnight; and Sunday, 1:00-6:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring snacks to share. To reserve your spot and join the fun contact the Cooper Community Library, 419-594-3337.

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Consult with your attorney or accountant. They can give you tax saving procedures to use to not only support your favorite charity, but provide you with a tax savings at the same time. Paulding Area Foundation would be happy to assist you as well.

ANTWERP BALL ASSOCIATION NEWS

The Antwerp Ball Association had a very successful registration for the 2011 baseball/softball season. If you haven't registered yet, it's not too late. Please contact Tom Wann at 419-399-4454.

The next public meeting will be held Sunday, March 6th at 4:00 p.m. at Antwerp Local School. If you wish to be put on the agenda please contact Tom Wann by March 5th.

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Jesus taught, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep [John 10:7-11 (ESV)].

The thief comes to steal and kill and destroy, but Jesus came so that we might live an abundant life. Committing suicide is an act of theft, murder, and destruction. However, that does not mean that committing suicide is unforgivable. It just puts us face-to-face with a grace that is bigger than we can comprehend. The grace of God expressed through Jesus is bigger than the greatest sins that we can think of.

We just need to realize that no setback is too big to overcome. We need to follow Jesus and live in the hope and the knowledge that life goes on no matter what the circumstances. Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans, "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" [Romans 8:1 (ESV)]. What kind of grace would grace be if we were condemned to hell when we died while committing a sin? The grace we receive from God covers all past, present, and future sins. One might feel that this gives us a license to sin, but exactly the opposite happens when you experience this grace. It isn't a license to sin; it's a freedom to live.

God's grace is big enough for suicide, but God's plan for your life is so much greater than the permanent setbacks that emotionally engulf

you. There is always another change that can be made and another road to go down. Don't give up. We serve a God of hope.

"Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you." Psalms 33:22 (ESV)

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.regansravings.blogspot.com or stop in to worship God with him and his church family on Sundays at Riverside at 10:30 a.m.

BEARING THE BURDENS OF OTHERS

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

A few years ago at the Seattle Special Olympics, nine contestants, all physically or mentally disabled, assembled at the starting line for the 100-yard dash. At the gun, they all started out, not exactly in a dash, but with an excitement and exuberance just to escape.

Away they went, with huge grins on their faces and a joy that bubbled over even to the crowd. Running as fast as their little legs could carry them, these sprinters were giving it all they had.

But about halfway through the race, one boy stumbled on the asphalt, tumbled over a couple of times, and began to cry. The other eight runners heard the boy cry and slowed down and looked back. At that moment, a special magic filled the stadium. As if moving on cue, each one of the other runners turned around and began running back to the fallen boy. Every one of them.

One girl with Downs Syndrome bent down and kissed him and said, "This will make it better." Then the others gathered around, helped the boy to his feet, linked arms and gleefully walked to the finish line together.

Thunderous applause echoed throughout the stadium. The crowd was on its feet, cheering for several minutes and there wasn't a dry eye in the place. People who were there are still telling the story.

What a wonderful picture

of what believers should be demonstrating to a watching world. It was the Apostle Paul who wrote in Galatians 6, "Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. Bear one another's burdens and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

There is more at stake in this life than winning for ourselves. Servanthood and bearing the burdens of others is of high priority on God's scale. What matters in life is that we serve others and enable them to 'win' as well. Even if it means slowing down and changing our course. It's a principle that those students at that Special Olympics understood far better than most of the rest of us.

THE TEMPTATION OF PRIDE

Winning the Battle for a Generation Column by: Rick Jones, Executive Director, Defiance Area Youth for Christ

Sometimes things are not always what they may seem; take for example something that reportedly happened with a University of Tennessee Coach.

It seems the University of Tennessee coach bought a bolt of cloth thinking he would have a suit made. He took the material to his tailor in Knoxville where the tailor measured him, examined the bolt of cloth, did some computations on a piece of paper, and said, "I'm sorry, coach, there just isn't enough material in this bolt to make a suit for you." The coach was disappointed, but he threw the bolt of cloth in the trunk of his car, wondering what he was going to do with it.

A couple of weeks later he was in Tuscaloosa, AL—the home of the Crimson Tide—arch enemies of the Vols. He was on his way to the coast for a vacation. Driving down the main street in Tuscaloosa, he noticed a tailor shop, which reminded him that he had that bolt of cloth in the trunk. He stopped, thinking he would give it a try. He told the tailor he had bought this bolt of cloth and wondered if he could do anything with it. The tailor measured him, measured the bolt of cloth, did some computations.

Finally he said, "Coach, I can make you a suit out of this bolt. What's more, I can make you an extra pair of pants. If you really want it, I can give you a vest out of this, too."

The coach was dumbfounded. "I don't understand," he said. "My tailor in Knoxville told me he couldn't even make one suit out of this bolt of cloth."

The tailor said, "Coach, here in Tuscaloosa, you are not nearly as big a man as you are in Knoxville."

The Bible speaks on the subject of pride, you know that temptation to think that we're something when we're not. We all struggle with arrogance from time to time, but we must see ourselves in the light of scripture, Romans 12:3 (NIV), "For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you."

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

CHRIST ON TRIAL – A LENTEN SERVICE SERIES IN PAULDING

During this Lenten, the St. Paul Lutheran Church, located in Paulding, with discuss "Christ on Trial" series each Wednesday beginning March 9 through April 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. each week.

Christ most certainly WAS on trial. Two thousand years have come and gone since Caiaphas and Pilate passed judgment on Jesus in Jerusalem. And though the verdict passed down at the trial was a miscarriage of justice, the result fulfilled God's purpose: to save the world by sacrificing his Son.

Christ most certainly IS on trial. His very being, his radical teachings all demand a reaction. Every human heart must wrestle with questions like: Who is this Christ? Is he who he claims to be? If so, what does he mean for me and my living? Christ demands a reply. Daily, Christ is on trial.

As he is again this Lent. Scriptural evidence is analyzed each service, and eye witnesses share accounts of their encounters with Jesus:

—We hear a lawyer's opening statements as to who this Jesus is, and who will be on the witness stand in the coming weeks.

—Matthew speaks of Jesus' scandalous association with the seedier side of society.

—A former cripple is, herself, evidence of Jesus' loose interpretation of Sabbath law.

—"Jesus, Disturber Of The Peace!" Is it true? Prominent Jewish leader Nicodemus weighs in.

—Evidence that Jesus is a self-elected "Judge and Jury" is offered by a woman caught in adultery.

—Are charged of cannibalism true? A young man named John is called to the stand.

Christ on Trial examines evidence that demands a verdict: Who is this Jesus... for you?

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": MORE THAN A LIBRARY

By: Pam Knodel, Media Center Specialist; and Annette Klinger, Administrative Assistant

It has been a busy year in the Vantage Media Center! All Vantage juniors and seniors visited the Media Center for orientation where they learned what services are offered. Students are able to check out books, magazines and newspapers as well as laptop computers, digital cameras and video cameras. Com-

puters in the Media Center are available for research and class assignments. Many students utilize the Media Center's resources as they work on completing their senior capstone project. Instructors often bring their classes to the Media Center for special assignments. Students also visit the Media Center during their lunch hour to read magazines, play chess and checkers, work on homework,

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A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF ACTS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

Today in our study of Acts, this will be giving in outline form. So let us have prayer, asking God to help us in our study.

Like the Book of Genesis, Acts is also a book of beginnings. The things included are:

1. The first preaching of the resurrected Lord; Acts 2:14-36.
 2. The beginning of the church of Christ which is spiritual and which is the Kingdom of God; Acts 2:41, 47 8:12
 3. Beginning the instructions of the Lord Jesus to go into all the world and preach the gospel; Acts 1:8
 4. Acts also tells us how to worship; Acts 2:42, 20:7
 5. Shows the beginning of persecution for the faith; Acts chapters 4, 5, 7, 8, 12
 6. Shows the Gentiles coming into the fold; Acts chapters 10 & 11
 7. Shows the new name for God's people; Acts 11:26
- Some may ask why Acts was written:
1. To show the connection of Jesus' death on the cross, His burial in the tomb, and His resurrection from the dead to make salvation possible; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4
 2. Acts shows how the Great Commission was carried out.
- Acts is a book of conversions:
- Out of the many thousands of conversions to Christ in the Apostolic Age, the Holy Spirit selected these as a model for all future generations. If you

and I obey the same gospel in the same way today, you and I will receive the blessings the 1st century Christians received and be added by the same Lord to the same church; Acts 2:36-38, 41, 47

What can be learned from Acts?

1. The tongues on Pentecost were actual languages; Acts 2:4-8
 2. Miraculous gifts were given by the laying on of the apostles' hands. Since we have no living apostles today miraculous gifts do not continue; Acts 8:14-18; 19:6
 3. God is no respecter of persons and neither should we be; Acts 10:34, 35
 4. There is only one church and all the saved are added to it by the Lord; Acts 2:41, 47
 5. Acts answers the world's greatest question, "What must I do to be saved?" Acts 2:37-38; 9:6; 22:16; 16:30-34
 6. False teachers would arise both within and without the church; Acts 15:1-2; 20:28-32
 7. The true church of God can expect persecution; Acts 4:21; 5:40; 7:1-16; 8:1-3; 12:1-2; 14:22.
 8. God demands discipline; Acts 5:1-11
 9. If Christians teach daily, souls will be added to the church daily; Acts 2:47, 5:42
 10. Acts teaches that the Kingdom was established and Christ is now reigning; Acts 2:29-36; 8:12; 19:8
- Study the book of Acts prayerfully asking God to help you. The Bible tells us there is only one way to heaven, not many. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Comments or Bible questions call 419-393-4775 for James Potter or 419-399-5022 for Lonnie Lambert.

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Poetry contest winners pictured are Jeremiah Theis, a senior Interactive Media student from Paulding and Tiffany Hahn, a junior in Interactive Media, also from Paulding.

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 or to just "hang out."
 Students who require additional credits in order to graduate are enrolled in the online Virtual Learning system. Training in the use of the system takes place in early fall in the Media Center. Credits are offered in Social Studies, Science, Math, English and Health. Students are able to work on these courses using any computer with internet access.
 In September the Media Center celebrated Banned Books Week, celebrating the freedom to read. Students raced to the Media Center each morning to be the first to answer the Banned Book trivia question read over the morning announcements.

Courtney Jewel, a Health Technology student from Lincolnview, was the winner of a book of her choice in the



Mrs. Pam Knodel conducts Media Center orientation for Vantage English classes.

Banned Book drawing. October brought Teen Read Week with the theme "Books with Beat." Activities were held in the Media Center including reading rewards and check-out promotions. Many students submitted videotaped musical and poetry performances or created a soundtrack for the "Show Us Your Beat" contest. The contest winners were Austin Bowers, a junior Auto Tech student from Antwerp and Kyleen Butler, a junior Health Technology student from Paulding.
 In November the annual Media Center chess and checker tournament was held. Students compete during lunchtime with daily winners progressing through a tournament bracket. The final showdown is held between the winners of the two

lunch periods. Chess winners this year were Ian Munger, a junior Industrial Mechanics student from Paulding and Dylan Ankney, a junior Network Systems student from Paulding. Checker winners were David Seibert, a senior Buildings and Grounds student from Lincolnview and David Thomas, a junior Auto Body student from Van Wert.
 Readers are invited to join the Media Center book club. For every five books a student reads, he or she is entered into a drawing, held at the end of each nine weeks, for a free book of the student's choice. The book club drawing winner for the first nine weeks was Rodney Adams, a senior from Van Wert in Ag Diesel, and D.J. Price, a junior from Antwerp in Culinary Arts was the winner for the second nine weeks.

The always popular Media Center annual holiday book fair was held in December. Books are delivered by Readmore/Brunner News. Staff and students have the opportunity to purchase books, magazines and calendars at 30% off. It's a great way to encourage reading and to get some Christmas shopping done!
 In February, numerous students entered the annual Media Center Poetry Contest. After staff voted on the many quality entries, the winners were Tiffany Hahn, a junior Interactive Media student from Paulding, and Jeremiah Theis, a senior in Interactive Media from Paulding.
 Last year, individual students visited the Media Center over 16,000 times! Instructors brought their classes to the Media Center for 426 class periods. Print materials were checked out or used in the library over 9,000 times. Laptops, digital cameras and miscellaneous audiovisual items were checked out over 1,400 times. The Vantage Me-

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Buying A New Car Or Truck That Can Be Custom Fit

(NAPSA)—Stylish wheels, contoured seats, increased fuel efficiency and added horsepower are just a few ways that today's drivers are personalizing their vehicles. Estimated at nearly \$28 billion annually, the automotive customization market is booming and includes thousands of products that can transform any car or truck into the vehicle of one's dream.

"Many people see the vehicles they drive as a reflection of themselves," said Chris Kersting, Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) president and CEO. "So it's no surprise that drivers like to customize their cars and trucks to reflect their unique personalities."

While all vehicles can be personalized, shoppers looking for the car or truck with the greatest potential for customization can turn to the SEMA Award to guide them toward the most accessory-friendly new models. The winning vehicles were selected by manufacturers who develop and design automotive parts and accessories. This year's winners include the Chevrolet Camaro, named Hottest Car; the Ford F-Series, named Hottest Truck; and the Jeep Wrangler, named Hottest 4x4 SUV.

"Every year, manufacturers bring exciting and inventive new ideas for accessorizing vehicles to the SEMA Show," said Kersting. "So many amazing products and accessories hitting the market right now involve improving the performance of vehicles' functionality, safety and convenience, and enhancing appearance and com-

fort. The SEMA Award winners represent the vehicles that offer some of the greatest possibilities."



• Chevrolet Camaro: The list of available performance parts and accessories for the Chevrolet Camaro grows daily as its popularity increases.

Accessorizing ideas for this car range from air springs to electronic gadgets that charge your phone, provide you with GPS data and even monitor your tire pressure while sitting in the driver seat.



• Ford F-Series: The Ford F-Series has long been a favorite with enthusiasts and parts manufacturers alike. The truck's new design has spurred the growth of even more accessories. Some unique features include a slide-out bed to make loading and unloading easier for small-business owners and special paint protection products to help prevent rocks, gravel, salt or insects from damaging the truck's finish.



• Jeep Wrangler: The multi-functional Jeep Wrangler, admired for its versatility as a personal vehicle, off-roading hobbyist's toy and a great work vehicle, continues to drive demand for innovative custom parts and accessories. Specialty wheels and tires can make this vehicle transform easily from a daily driver to an off-road toy, while custom gauges, floor mats or seat covers provide the vehicle with an instant makeover.

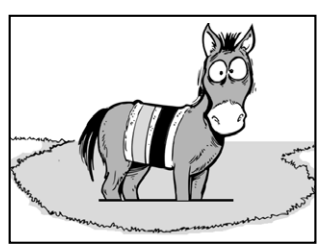
With the right parts and accessories, drivers can make a personal statement with their new cars and trucks. Whether drivers are looking to create a high-performance sports car or a rugged truck worthy of off-roading, the first step is to select a vehicle that has the greatest potential for customization. The SEMA Award program provides valuable guidance to those looking for a top-quality vehicle that can be personalized.

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FRONTIER GAMBLER

By: Stan Jordan

The gambler or the gambling profession occupied a great deal of every day life in settling the 'Old West'. In the movies a gambler was often portrayed as a tall mustached southern gentleman with a great sense of humor and demeanor. However, that wasn't always true.

Lots of times there were lady gamblers. Gamblers came from all nationalities and some gambled for a living other than a pastime. The first building or tent erected in a settlement was for a saloon and they soon had a table and chairs for cards of some type. Actually poker came along later. Many nationalities were into gambling, especially during the California Gold Rush.

The Mexicans brought a game called Three Card Monte, the Chinese brought a game called Fan Tan. The Chinese were avid gamblers. From what I can find out, most gamblers or men who set up a table in a saloon on a percentage, were honest. Most didn't drink, smoke or swear. They wanted a peaceful game and nearly all ran an honest game. Now lots of fights and killings came out of the gambling tables, but most of that was because they lost their money and couldn't afford it.

Abilene, Dodge, Wichita, Omaha, Kansas City, nearly all burgs of any size had a saloon and that brought gam-

blers, cowboys, ranchers, buffalo hunters, miners, women and dogs.

Some towns were very dangerous because of no law or not enough law. Like Dodge City, no law, everyday lots of gun play and killings because of no law and people wouldn't come forward and be a witness or they would be found dead somewhere.

Dodge City was not the only town who didn't settle down until they got a fearless lawman. In the later years Deadwood and Leadville and some other cities in the Northwest became hell holes with no law or respect.

Some of the big gamblers and lawmen of the 'Old West' was Bat Masterson, Ben Thompson, Doc Holiday, Luke Short, Poker Alice, Soapy Smith, Wild Bill Hickock, even lawman Wyatt Earp ran his own game in Tombstone while he was a lawman. Denver and Frisco had blocks of saloon and gambling dens. Later on San Francisco had some elaborate hotels for gamblers.

One of these cities was Leadville, Colorado. Next week I'm going to bring you a column of that soulless city and the man who tried to tame it. Some called him the bravest man in the West, Matt Duggan.

There was a lot of women gamblers in the west. Some ran their own houses or played or dealt. This gave some of them a lot of moxie and independence. One of the most famous was Elanor DuMont. She was known for years as Madam Mustache. She owned a number of houses in Nevada, Idaho, Montana and even back in South Dakota. There was another, Alice Ives, she was known over the Northwest as Poker Alice. After her husband died she played poker for a living. Another hot mama was Kitty Leroy. She had a certain appeal and a flamboyant character

and threw it around. She was quite a force in Deadwood. She moved around quite a bit and had multiple husbands. Once she tired of a husband she shooed him off. It was told of her that she even killed a few of them.

The western terminus for US 24 is near Minturn, Colorado, that is 32 miles north of Leadville. It is on the main route of Eagle-Vail Resort areas and also Colorado Springs.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Two boys from way down south went down to the Army Recruiter to enlist in the service.

The first brother went in to see the recruiter. After the usual salutation the soldier asked our boy what his qualifications were.

The boy said, "Southern Baptist!"

"No, no, I mean what do you do?"

"Oh, I'm a pilot."

"Oh, boy, we can sure use you, we need pilots."

And soon our boy was all signed up legal-like.

He went outside and told his brother it didn't hurt or anything and he was all signed up an it was his turn.

So the brother went inside and the Recruiter made him welcome and asked all the questions and then asked what he could do and was doing.

He said, "I am a wood cutter."

"A wood cutter? You are not as important as your brother, he is a pilot."

"Well, I beg your pardon, he can't 'pile it' until I cut it!"

This was brought to us by Oley McMichael

See ya!

ANTWERP CLASS OF 1936



By: Stan Jordan

This picture of the Class of 1936 was given to Walter Shilb by the late Bob Carr.

Front Row (l-r) Irma Miller, Katherine Trembly, Ruth Rice, Rama Carr, Opal Miller, Margaret Webber, Clara Meyer, Ruth Major

Second Row (l-r) Lucile

Taylor, Elaine Doctor, Lucile Smitley, Doris Boesch, Wilma Preston, Mary Evans, June Hartman, Maria Cristo, Rebecca Cole

Third Row (l-r) Wanda Gloor, Archie Bell (teacher), Ed Parret, John Bissell, Clarence Meyer, Glen Kennedy, Eli Knapp, Alice Erter, Mar-

shall Fields, Wilbur Clemmer (teacher), Clarabelle Zimmerman (teacher)

Fourth Row (l-r) Richard Reeb, Max Seslar, Budd Smith, Lee Hook, Margaret Mattingly, Paul Smith, Lloyd Long, Willard (Acey) Friend, Bob Carr

See ya!

where his dad worked on a sheep ranch. This ranch was 72 miles from town. It was in the area of Shoshone and Riverton. This was really off by itself. They were there about four years.

The family moved back to Ohio in 1925. They lived in the Tom Forder house on the River Road east of the Bethel Church. They attended the Forder School there on the corner just west of the Bethel Church. He went there about four years and then moved over in Indiana. He went to the Coburn School one year and his father worked for Bill Hirshel on SR 49. That was a farm and also a tomato factory. Then in about a year or so they moved to north of Hicksville to the Hanskin Farm and went to Hicksville School and graduated there in 1939. He worked at a gravel pit all that summer. Then he went to Kansas City to an Aircraft Maintenance School. After he was there about six months, his mother sent her his draft papers. He took them to a local draft board and they took care of it for him. They sent him to Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis. Now he is in the Air Force and doing aircraft training. Then he went to New York and took engine training on Long Island. He graduated there with a 4.0 grade average and was sent to Macon, Georgia to Cochran Field.

That was a training area for British Pilots and he was there about two years. He was a S/Sgt. and was the crew chief for five planes. He was plenty busy.

He volunteered for a bomber crew and was sent to Salt Lake City, after there awhile he was sent to Boise, Idaho then to Mountain Home, Idaho for a couple of months.

Then he went to New York City and boarded the Queen Mary and went to England and landed at Liverpool in February of 1944 he joined the rest of his crew there.

He was moved to Northern Ireland and almost froze. It was very cold all the time. Then back to England at Harrington Field and was put in a regular squadron there.

He was in a highly secre-

tive outfit called the O.S.S. which was the forerunner of the C.I.A. It had a common address, it could be referred to the 492 Bomb Group also called the Carpetbaggers. Like I said, it was a highly secret outfit.

More next week.

See ya!

HICKSVILLE SUPT. OF SCHOOLS IS NEWEST MEMBER

Scott Ruppert opened the Lodge and the Pledge was given. Birthday cards were signed and sent to Randy Brooks Jr., Dick Rowan and Robert Druschel Get well cards were signed and sent to Robert Stotler SR. and Jim Kline. A thank you note was also signed and sent to Emma Conley for thinking about the Lodge in memory of her departed husband Alvin Conley. It also was reported that Jim Diehl's mother passed away. A sympathy card was duly signed sent.

50-year members Dick Savage, Doyle Johnson, and Estel Cottrell stood and an-

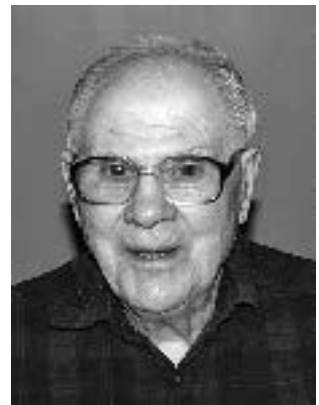
nounced their years of service. Other member present included Tim Betts, Hanson Lilly, Ron Farnsworth, Max Kemmerer, Lee Kallsen, Ken Croucher, Tom Culler, Dick Altman, John J. Gordon, Dick Wann, Bill Metz, Steve Schilb, Jesse Steiner, Jamie Chapman, Robert Stotler Jr., Terry Ayers, Raymond Gillespie, Greg Headley, Curtis Metz, and Ryan Metz. Brother David Downs of Bryan Lodge 215 was introduced as a visitor.

Supt. of Hicksville Schools, Jesse Steiner became the newest member of Hicksville Lodge #478. He was then presented with the Grand Master's pin along with various other presentations.

Scott Ruppert announced that we will exemplify the 3rd Degree at the next special meeting on Wednesday March 9. The meeting time will be moved up one half hour to 7:00 p.m. in order accommodate the Degree work which will be presented to both members. Ruppert then closed the Lodge in full form and harmony and all retired to the dining room for food and fellowship.

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IRA W. GREEN

By: Stan Jordan

This story is about Ira W. Green. He is 92 years old and lives at the Manor House. He has lead a very interesting life. I hope you enjoy reading about him.

He was born in 1919 over in Milford Township on the Ohio Line and Defiance County. His parents were Ira and Inez Roak Green. There were two boys and three girls in the family. His grandpa on his father's side was a full-blooded Miami Indian but they did not live on the reservation. His father and brother went out to Wyoming and worked on sheep and cattle ranches. That was in the area of Riverton. He came back to Ohio and got married. He did farm work for awhile.

Ira was born in 1919 and the following year they moved to Riverton, Wyoming

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KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP AT PAULDING ELEMENTARY

Kindergarten Round Up for Paulding Elementary will be held March 15, 2011 at Paulding Elementary. On this date there will be two sessions for children who are eligible for Kindergarten by being 5 years old before August 1, 2011. Students with their last name beginning with A-L will come from 6:00-6:40 p.m. and students with their last name beginning with M-Z will come from 7:00-7:40 p.m. This will be an enjoyable evening for our upcoming Kindergarten-ers and their parent/parents. You do not need an appointment to attend the March 15th Kindergarten Round Up.

At this Round-Up information about our school will be given to parents during a parent meeting, while your child enjoys guided activities in the gym. Parents will be given the opportunity to complete paperwork for school registration and emergency medical information. We ask that parents bring the following items so we can make a copy for your child's records: a certificate of live birth, immunization records for the child, social security card, and custody papers if applicable.

On this evening you will also be able to sign up for a time to attend either the April 1st or April 8th Kindergarten Screening at Paulding Elementary. Please remember, children must be 5 years old by August 1, 2011 to attend Kindergarten in the fall. If you cannot attend the Kindergarten Round Up you can call our school office at 419-

399-4656 after March 15th to schedule an appointment for the Kindergarten Screening. We hope that all students who are eligible to attend Kindergarten in the Fall of 2011 can attend the Round Up. See you there!

WAYNE TRACE ADVANCES ONE TO THE STATE FINALS

Wayne Trace had six wrestlers advance to the District Wrestling Tournament held this past Friday and Saturday at Kettering Fairmont High School in Dayton. However, only one will make the trip to the State finals held at the Schottenstein Center in Columbus.

135 lb. Kameran Clemens was the lone qualifier for the Raiders. Just barely missing an alternate spot was 152 lb. Tyler Arnett. Tyler lost his first match on Friday by a pin, then won his second match by a major dec. 14-0

In the first round on Saturday, Tyler had to wrestle a very hard fought match, which resulted in OT. He won the bout by a 10-8 dec. In his final round, he lost by a 4-1 dec.

112 lb. Joey Stahl lost his first round by a 5-3 dec. In round two he won by a pin in a time of 2:21. On Saturday he lost his match by a 7-3 dec.

Aaron Miller, 119 lbs., and the teams only freshman won his first match by pin in 1:45 before being defeated in his next round by a 5-2 dec. On Saturday he lost his match by a pin.

Zach Cotterman, 140 lbs., lost his first match by an 11-2 dec. In his second match he won by a dec. 6-3. On Saturday, Zach wrestled his first

match, with the score tied 3-3, the match went into OT. Zach's opponent scored the first 2 pt. take down and the match ended 5-3.

"Coach Stabler and I are so excited about this team," commented Coach George Clemens. "We have no seniors on this team. This is a young team. We just cannot say enough good things about this group of kids. Kameran was our only State Qualifier, but each of these kids won a match. Being young and winning matches at this high quality of competition, says a lot about this group of guys. We are just so very proud of all of them."

WARRIORS TAKEN DOWN BY PANTHERS

By: Jeff Abbott

The Panthers pulled away from Woodlan with a 15-5 spurt in the second quarter and Lakewood Park went on to post a 66-48 win over the Warriors in boys' basketball. With 1 tie and 2 lead changes in the first quarter, Lakewood Park led 18-12 after the first quarter and led by as many as 22 points in the game. Four players hit double figures in scoring for the Panthers. Spencer Mumma had 13 points for the Warriors.

Score by the quarter:
Lakewood Park - 18 15 15 18=66

Woodlan - 12 5 10 21=48

Scorers of the game:
Lakewood Park - Taulbee 15, Troyer 12, Crosby 12, Jerrall 10, Mann 6, Gerke 4, Neely 4, Casselman 3

Woodlan - Mumma 13, Romines 11, Emehiser 6, Evans 6, Hines 6, Patterson 6

ANTWERP & WAYNE TRACE GIRLS BOTH WIN THEIR SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Saturday night, February 26 the Lady Archers won against Edon at Bryan High School in a low scoring match 30-24. Shown here is the varsity girls having fun celebrating their victory! The last time the Antwerp girls won sectionals was in 1998. Congratulations girls! More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



The Lady Raiders took on the winner of the Continental vs Kalida game Saturday night, February 26. Wayne Trace went into the game strong, kept the lead from the beginning and didn't stop until the clock ran out crushing the Continental Lady Pirates 72-41. Shown here is the Lady Raiders having a great time reveling in their win. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

UPCOMING TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES:

- Girls: Antwerp vs Pettisville, March 3, 6:15 pm at Archbold HS.
- Girls: Wayne Trace vs Delphos Jefferson, March 3 6:15 pm at Lima Senior HS.
- Boys: Woodlan vs Winner of S. Adams/Bluffton, March 4th 7:15pm at South Adams HS
- Boys: Paulding vs Winner of Tinora/Liberty Center, March 4 8:00 pm at Defiance HS
- Boys: Wayne Trace vs Edon, March 2 7:00 pm at Hicksville HS
- Boys: Antwerp vs Winner of WT/Edon. March 4 6:15 pm at Hicksville HS

WARRIORS LOSE IN 4TH QUARTER TO KNIGHTS

By: Jeff Abbott

The bottom dropped out on the Woodlan Warriors in the fourth quarter and the Norwell Knights took a 70-57 win in boys' basketball. Woodlan battled Norwell closely for three quarter, trailing after the first period by just 3 points at 18-15,

but coming back to lead the Knights 33-32 at halftime. The Warriors extended the lead to 49-45 as the third quarter ended. The Knights then stepped up their offense and defense, outscoring the Warriors 25-8, to get the win. Norwell got 20 points from Aldo Sanchez and Woodlan was paced by Brock Hines with 22 points.

Score by the quarter:
Woodlan - 15 18 16 8=57
Norwell - 18 14 13 25=70
Scorers of the game:
Woodlan - Hines 22, Emehiser 17, Romines 8, Patterson 5, Mumma 4, McGettigan 1
Norwell - Sanchez 20, VanMeter 16, Fillman 14, Shatto 11, Baker 4, Dickey 3, Rodenbeck 2

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IHSAA BOYS BASKETBALL SECTIONAL SCHEDULE

By: Jeff Abbott

2A at South Adams:
Opening Game - Tuesday, March 1, 7:00 p.m. Bluffton vs South Adams
Semi-Finals - Friday, March 4, 6:00 p.m. Adams Central vs Bishop Luers; 7:30 p.m. Woodlan vs Bluffton/South Adams winner
Championship Game - Saturday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.

3A at New Haven:
Opening Games - Tuesday, March 1, 7:00 p.m. Heritage vs Bishop Dwenger; Wednesday, March 2, 6:00 p.m. Concordia vs Angola; 7:30 p.m. New Haven vs Leo
Semi-Finals - Friday, March 4, 6:00 p.m. Harding vs Heritage/Dwenger winner; 7:30 p.m. Concordia/Angola winner vs New Haven/Leo winner
Championship - Saturday, March 5, 7:30 p.m.

WBESC MARCH MEETING SET

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Regular March Governing Board Meeting is set for Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting will take place at the Paulding ESC Office, 202 N. Cherry St., Paulding, OH 45879.

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 3/2 THROUGH 3/8

MS/HS - Breakfast:
3/2 - Sausage & egg burrito w/salsa, juice, milk
3/3 - French toast stix, sausage links, juice, milk
3/4 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice, milk
3/7 - Breakfast pizza, juice, milk
3/8 - Tator tots w/cheese, sausage links, juice, milk

MS/HS - Lunch:
3/2 - Taco salad or Grilled chicken w/bun, celery w/dip, baked chips, assorted fruit, milk
3/3 - Cook's choice
3/4 - Chili dog w/bun, oven potatoes, assorted fruit, milk
3/7 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread or Corn dog, vegetable, assorted fruit, milk
3/8 - Southwest chicken salad, crispito, cinnamon apple, milk

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:
3/2 - Muffin, graham crackers, juice, milk
3/3 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk
3/4 - Cinnamon bread stick, applesauce, milk
3/7 - Assorted cereals, graham crackers, juice, milk
3/8 - Cereal bar, graham crackers, juice, milk

Paulding Elementary - Lunch:
3/2 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit, milk
3/3 - Taco salad, lettuce/cheese/salsa, fruit, milk
3/4 - Sloppy Joe, scoops, carrots, fruit, milk
3/7 - Chicken fajita wrap, lettuce/cheese/salsa, fruit, milk
3/8 - Chili soup, crackers, bread, fruit, milk
Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:
3/2 - Egg/bacon/cheese

pizza, fruit, milk
3/3 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk
3/4 - Assorted cereals, crackers, juice, milk
3/7 - Mini pillsbury pancakes, fruit, milk
3/8 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk
Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:
3/2 - Hot dog or Chili dog w/bun, oven potatoes, fruit, milk
3/3 - Ham & cheese sub, corn, fruit, milk
3/4 - Taco in a bag, lettuce/cheese, fruit, milk
3/7 - Chicken strip wrap w/lettuce & cheese, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
3/8 - Mini pancakes, mini sausage, oven potatoes, fruit, milk
All menus are subject to change.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS FOR WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR THE WEEK OF 3/2 THROUGH 3/8

Breakfast:
3/2 - Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk
3/3 - Egg/cheese omelet, toast/jelly, juice, milk
3/4 - Turnover, juice, milk
3/7 - Pizza, juice, milk
3/8 - Egg/cheese/bacon muffin, juice, milk

Lunch:
3/2 - Hot ham/cheese sandwich, smashed potatoes, green fruited jello w/topping, milk
3/3 - Chicken or cheese quesadilla, tossed salad, pineapple, milk
3/4 - Sloppy joe sandwich, green beans, yum yum cake, milk
3/7 - Cheeseburger sandwich, seasoned fries, mixed fruit, milk
3/8 - Chicken noodles, mashed potatoes, roll, sherbet, milk
All menus are subject to change.

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS FOR THE WEEK OF 3/2 THROUGH 3/8

3/2 - Mini corn dogs or Pizza burger on bun, corn, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Peanut butter bar
3/3 - Pork fritter on bun or Cook's choice, peas, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice
3/4 - Stromboli or Turkey salad sandwich, celery & dip, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cook's choice
3/7 - Hot dog on bun or Chicken teriyaki w/rice, baked beans, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Cottage cheese
3/8 - Salisbury steak or Sloppy joe on bun, french fries, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Pudding cup
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PANTHERS FALL IN FIRST ROUND OF SECTIONALS



Paulding took on Lima Central Catholic February 23 at VanWert HS. The Panthers held on well but couldn't get the upper hand, falling 47-60. Shown here is sophomore Abbey Edwards scoring 2 points for the Panthers. The girls had a fun season and the game were enjoyable to watch. Good job ladies! More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

ARCHERS VS WARRIORS



Antwerp went to the Woodlan gymnasium Friday, February 25. The Archers took a strong early lead, but shortly Woodlan came back with a 17-17 score. The second half proved too much for the Warriors with Antwerp taking home the win in a 54-33 victory. Shown here is Antwerp senior Tanner Copsy attempting a shot while getting fouled. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

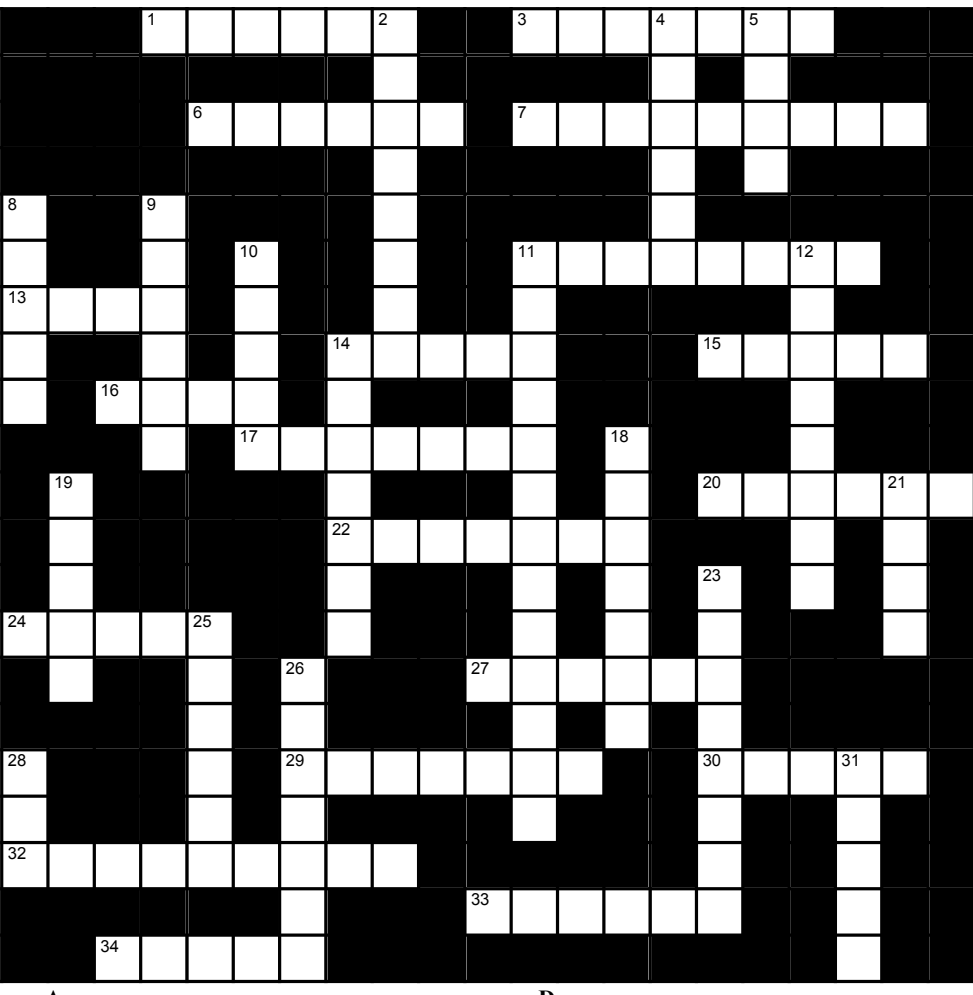
ARCHERS CROSS STATE LINES TO HEAT UP WARRIOR COURT

The Antwerp Archers boys basketball traveled over to Warrior country last Friday, February 25, 2011. The Archers came out strong and maintained the status quo for the duration. At the end of the night, the Archers left for home with a win in their

pockets: 54-33.
Score by the quarter:
Antwerp - 14 9 8 23=54
Woodlan - 9 8 8 8=33
Scorers of the game:
Antwerp - Lucas 9, Bute 9, Koppelhofer 7, Taylor 6, Coleman 6, Chamberlain 6, Miesle 6, Hitzman 5
Woodlan - Romines 9, Hines 6, Emehiser 5, Mumma 5, Evans 3, Patterson 2, Schwartz 2, Gettigan 1

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Crossword Puzzle



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| <p>Across</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The young Jewish girl who saved her people from Haman. The angel that visited Mary to tell her she was chosen to be the mother of God's son. The longest book in the Bible. This person climbed a tree in order to see Jesus. Another word for "covet". The first man. The widow made this for Elijah. The day on which God created the animals. This bird came back with an olive branch. In the Old Testament, this was one of the animals the Israelites were forbidden to eat. This boy wore a coat of many colors. John the Baptist was said to have eaten these. God called this person, "A man after my own heart." The name of the mountain that Noah's ark landed on. The sign that God used to say He would never destroy the earth with water again. Samson found some of this in a dead lion carcass. The city in which Jesus was born. The name of the second book of the Bible. _____ and Gomorrah were wicked cities destroyed by God. | <p>Down</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do _____ me." Jacob married this girl as his second wife. He traded his birthright for bread and stew. The kind of bird the Lord provided to the Israelites when they were wondering in the desert. This biblical hero got his strength from his hair. This fiery disciple of Jesus cut off a man's ear. He betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. (2 words) The number of books in the Bible. (2 words) The city that Nebuchadnezzar ruled. Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you _____ of men." According to Numbers 1, the largest tribe of Israel. This man of the Bible had, "A thorn in his flesh." He was chosen to replace Judas as an apostle. He was thrown in the lion's den. "I almost sacrificed my son, Isaac, before God stopped me." God gave Satan permission to test this person. One of the two men who never died. |
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This is to alert anyone who has a relative who is in or will be going into a nursing home on Medicaid. While you are told about Medicaid Estate Recovery (usually the real estate of the individual must be sold upon their demise), you may or may not be told about the 2006 changes. We were not notified of these changes. As of 2006, life insurance is now considered part of the estate. Plus, Medicaid now forces sale of personal property which effectively negates a will. Example: my siblings must purchase any item noted specifically in the will as going to them. What is really interesting about all of this is that neither of these changes were written as 'grandfathered' in but are being applied as if they were—unless an estate contests, in which case Medicaid settles out of court. To me that seems as if Medicaid is reluctant to risk a judge ruling against them. While the life insurance issue merely delays payments, the real issue is the forced sale/abrogation of the wishes of your loved one. Just not right.

—Kristine Burnett

PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES II
 By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman
Boatman on the Wabash - 1830 Part II

"By the means here stated, river keelboats, loaded with manufactures from the North were run from Pittsburgh to New Orleans. They returned loaded with sugar, molasses and other tropical products.

"A great many keelboats were engaged in the business; they were to be found on the streams that afforded water enough to float them (including the Maumee River and Auglaize going through Paulding County). The crews were composed of large, strong, hardy, rough and reckless men. Card-playing, gambling and drinking whiskey occupied all their leisure time. They were ever ready to avenge a real or an imaginary insult by a rough and tumble fight or with pistols and daggers; and woe betide the unlucky man who fell under their displeasure. An insult offered to one was held as a wrong done to the whole fraternity, and sooner or later the offender received chastisement in one form or another.

Answers to "Sudoku puzzle 2/23/11"

7	3	5	1	6	2	8	9	4
1	4	9	7	3	8	2	6	5
2	8	6	4	5	9	7	3	1
9	1	8	3	4	6	5	7	2
4	7	3	9	2	5	6	1	8
5	6	2	8	1	7	9	4	3
8	9	1	5	7	4	3	2	6
6	5	4	2	9	3	1	8	7
3	2	7	6	8	1	4	5	9

"As late as 1830, the Wabash River had regular and transient keelboats engaged in traversing its waters to its mouth and from thence to New Orleans. Shawneetown, ten miles below the mouth of the Wabash River, was a great rendezvous for keelboat men. Here they would congregate, get drunk and keep the citizens in dread of their lives and property as long as their sprees lasted. No one was bold enough to show resentment at their daring insults.

"In the early days of New Harmony, Indiana (about 60 miles above the mouth of the Wabash) was a village of considerable importance. It carried on a large trade with Vincennes and other towns on the upper Wabash and (then probably on through Fort Wayne on the St. Joseph, St. Mary's and the Maumee); it was a great stopping place for the keelboats. In the fall of 1830 a number of these boats met at New Harmony. The crews, comprising of some 30 to 50 men each, went on a big spree and decided to "take" the town. They shouldered their spiked poles tying a red shirt to one for a banner and marched up into the town, blowing tin horns and beating tin pans for drums. They rent the air with yells, vulgar epithets and declarations that

they would thrash the men and carry off the women. Fortunately for the town, it had a company of military volunteers; this was promptly called out by Captain Richard Owen. The citizens, gathering up what arms they could, joined the soldiers and all marched to the defense of their homes and families."

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Numerous students in the Paulding Middle School decided to put their Get-Well wishes into action by conducting five Face Painting Sessions during their free time after lunch, with the proceeds going to help 4 year old Paulding preschooler, Lilly, with her mounting medi-

cal expenses. All total, these students collected \$75.64 over a two week period.

Shown in the picture are (l-r) Alexis Schmidt, Victoria Fuelling, Sam Froelich, Sarah Diane Stahl and Derick Shawley, all of whom are presenting the collected monies to Karen Schlatter, Paulding

Elementary School Guidance counselor and Coordinator of the fund drive for Lilly at the school. Teachers who served as directors over this student-driven project were: Mrs. Jackie Pease, Mrs. Jayne Smiley and Mrs. Sandra Mohley.

VILLAGE OF PAULDING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 2/7/11

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on February 7, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor White called the meeting to order.

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

Sierer requested the minutes be revised to reflect that Astro Pools did repair some areas around the stainless steel fixtures that were still under warranty, but provided an estimate of \$6,000 to repair the remaining seams. Trausch motioned to approve the minutes of the January 18th Council meeting, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Jerry Smith and Jason Vance, employees of the Village, were present to discuss some issues the Street De-

partment is experiencing with snow removal. Wiebe noted that the Street Department has requested the "Snow Emergency" zone around the square be extended out another block to assist the Street Department's snow removal efforts. Mayor White approved their request, and Smith noted removing vehicles from the street when snow exceeds two inches will help their efforts immensely. Smith then informed council of the public's negative attitude towards them and their efforts—residents flip them off as they go by, stand at their end of their drives and yell at them, push/blow snow into freshly cleared streets and alleys, and park cars in alleys. Smith noted he does understand people's frustration when the Village plows snow into their recently cleared drive, but that the Village has no other option as they are trying to clear the roadways. Sutton and Mayor White commended the Street Department and Kauser Trucking on the excellent job they have done keeping the Village streets clean, especially with the amount of snowfall the

area has received this year. Mayor White noted the Village has received complaints that the trucks are not cleaning the streets clear to the curb. He relayed that it is the Village's first priority to open the roadways, and that it may take awhile until the trucks are able to come back to clean closer. He also requested cars be removed from the streets during bad weather to allow the Street Department to clear the streets more effectively; and therefore, allowing them to plow closer to the curb. Wiebe noted it has taken more time to clear the streets than usual due to the large amounts of snow the area has received, and relayed residents that park along the street may need to clear the area around their vehicles (and up to the curb) themselves if the Village is not clearing snow as quickly as they need. Wiebe also requested residents not plow/blow snow into the streets as it is prohibits cleanup, and may cause a potential safety hazard. Smith also noted they are experiencing problems with people not adhering to their safety lights early in the morning when loading piled snow into Kauser trucks for removal, and inquired if the Police Department could possibly be called upon to stand with their lights on in an attempt to keep the area safe. Mayor White noted he would relay their request to the Police Chief.

Trausch presented the Recreation Committee's January 24th minutes. They discussed the following:

Jeffery Park - Park Manager job description and responsibilities.

Reservoir Park - revisions to the Reservoir Park Manager job description.

LaFountain Park - Master Gardeners will be contacted about sprucing up the landscape around the entrance of the Playstation and around the flag pole.

Mulch - Wiebe will be finding the specifications for the mulch at LaFountain Park so the Village can order something compatible.

Guelde presented the Grounds & Buildings Committee's minutes from their January 26th meeting.

The following items were discussed:

Mowing Contract - reviewed the Mowing and Trimming Contract for the 2011-2012 mowing season. Solicitor Jones was asked to revise the contract and present it at the next council meeting.

Farm Land Rental Agreement - agreed to a three year contract. The Committee will finalize the bid documents at a later time.

Proposed Walkway from Stokely Ponds to Jeffery Park - Mike Trausch proposed constructing a walkway starting at the south end of Stokely Ponds and ending at the new ball fields. This walkway would be approximately ¼ mile long and five feet wide. The Committee is considering seeking monetary, or material, donations from local businesses and/or individuals in the community.

Ordinance 1415-11 re: An Ordinance Amending the Regulations Pertaining to M-1 Districts to Allow the Use of Motorcycle Sales and Service, was read for the second time.

Tope presented Council with a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a request to transfer a liquor license from the Village Square, Inc. dba Village Apothecary to Alan & Cheri Griffiths dba Corner Market. Consensus of Council was that a hearing would not be requested.

Wiebe noted he had met with representatives of Spartech Plastics to discuss their request to participate in the "Adopt-A-Highway" program. The proposed area is along Gasser Road from US127 to Road 103 and Road 103 to SR 111. Spartech believes a lot of material could be collected, and plan on using their employees to assist with this program. The Village will need to confer with its Solicitor and liability insurance company before proceeding much further.

Wiebe noted a tentative meeting has been scheduled with the Ohio EPA in Bowling Green on February 18th to discuss the proposed wastewater sewer separation schedule. Wiebe, Mayor White,

Solicitor Jones, Wastewater Superintendent Winners, and Joe Hotz of Jones & Henry Engineering will all be in attendance at this meeting.

Wiebe noted the Village is still trying to stay active with organizations such as MRBPLG and TMOCOG to stay abreast of issues affecting wastewater. He noted legislation (Senate Bill 313) was introduced late last year during the 128th session of the General Assembly. The legislation would provide the Ohio EPA with more authority and flexibility when negotiating with entities on such issues as project time schedules and affordability. Wiebe noted that the bill has been renamed SB22 since its reintroduction at the 129th session of the General Assembly. A companion bill (HB72) has also been introduced in the House. Wiebe noted a recent article in The Crescent-News noted Representative Bob Latta plans to reintroduce legislation that will address the issue of unfunded EPA mandates. Wiebe also relayed another organization (The Association of Ohio Metropolitan Wastewater Agencies) has teamed up with MRBPLG, TMOCOG, and NOMMA to address wastewater issues. Wiebe noted that as the group expands its efforts are becoming more sophisticated.

Wiebe requested approval of the Administrator's Agenda. The Agenda included a request to assess a property owned by Randall E. Vieira for delinquent water, sewer, and refuse; and for authorization for Wiebe to sign an agreement on behalf of the Village to be a member of MRBPLG. Rife motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Mayor White relayed Mayor's Court collected \$432 for the month of January 2011.

Solicitor Jones noted the 2011-2012 mowing contract

has been revised and ready to be let out for bid. The recommendation is to hire one contractor to mow all the areas being bid by the Village. Guelde motioned to approve the revision and letting the contract out for bid, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Rife motioned for Council to move into Executive Session for personnel and legal matters, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea. Council returned to Regular Session.

Rife motioned to authorize Mayor White and Administrator Wiebe to sign an engineering contract with URS for the new Water Treatment Plant once everything is finalized, seconded by Guelde. Vote: all yea.

Guelde motioned to authorize Administrator Wiebe to sign an "Understanding of Assignment and Agreement" with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD for the design of a possible rain barrel project, seconded by Sutton. Vote: all yea.

Consensus of Council was taken authorizing Werlor, Inc. to increase the Solid Waste contract 1.7%, commencing May 1, 2011.

The following meetings were scheduled:

Recreation Committee - Monday, February 14th at 5:30 p.m.

Street Committee - Wednesday, February 16th at 5:30 p.m.

Public Hearing - Tuesday, February 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

Council Meeting - Tuesday, February 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Trausch motioned to pay the bills, seconded by Rife. Vote: all yea.

Rife motioned to adjourn, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

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