



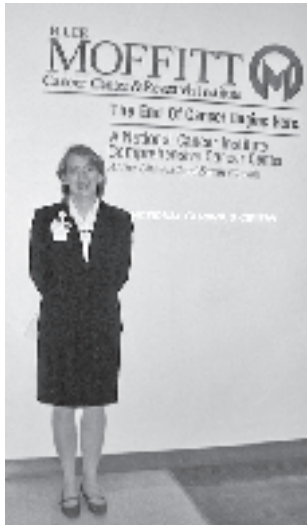
BRIANNA SNIDER, A STATE FINALIST NATIONAL AMERICAN MISS INDIANA PAGEANT

Miss Brianna Snider, age 10, daughter of Adam and Jessica Ridge from New Haven, Indiana has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Indiana Pageant. The pageant is to be held June 14-16, 2012 at the Marriott Downtown Indianapolis. Miss Snider will be competing in the Jr. Pre-Teen age division and also in the photogenic, modeling and talent optional contests.

Miss Snider is a fourth grader at Holy Cross Lutheran School in Fort Wayne. Miss Snider's activities include soccer, volleyball, swimming and cheerleading. She also enjoys singing in the chapel choir and attending church at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Miss Snider is also a contestant in the Jr. Miss Queen of Charities Pageant that is being held at the Salvation Army in Fort Wayne, IN on April 29, 2012.

Miss Snider's sponsors include her parents, Adam and Jessica Ridge; her great-grandparents, Mark and Marie Grimmer; her grandmother, Mary Adame; and her aunt, Jennifer Adame.

EMILY HOPEWELL EARNS HER PH.D.



Emily (Goll) Hopewell, a 1998 graduate of Antwerp High School, earned a Ph.D. Degree in Cancer Biology from the University of South Florida on March 27, 2012.

She currently lives in Tampa, FL with husband, Mark and son Mark III.

Emily is the daughter of Louise Goll and the granddaughter of Gene and Ola Hughes.

FOCUS ON HEALTH AT NEW HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

The Focus on Health, New Haven High School site, will be held on April 28, 2012, from 8:00 a.m. until noon. East Allen County Schools Wellness Advisory Council and Emanuel Lutheran Church sponsor this popular low-cost, informative health fair with guidance from Midwest Alliance for Health Education's Focus on Health team.

Low cost blood testing will be offered again this

year; tests included are Blood Chemistry Profile (Chem 17), Hemogram (anemia), Thyroid Stimulating Hormone, Prostate Specific Antigen, and A1C (3 month blood sugar average). Most of the blood work requires that you FAST for 10 to 12 hours prior to the blood draw. Payment for blood work is cash or check only.

Also offered at this site are hearing testing by an audiologist, balance testing by a physical therapist, bone density testing, vision screening, as well as a pharmacist and diabetes educator available to answer questions. Other free health screenings include blood pressure, height and weight with body mass index. There will also be nearly 30 exhibitors offering health and community information.

This year's community sponsors include: Wells Fargo Bank, Indiana's News Center, Midwest Alliance for Health Education, Physician's Health Plan, Parkview Hospital Community Health Improvement program, and St. Joe Hospital Medical/Dental Staff.

For more information, call Wendy Walker, RN, EACS Health Services & Wellness Coordinator, at 260-446-0100, extension 3321 or email at wwalker@eacs.k12.in.us.

WOODBURN COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY APRIL MEETING ANNOUNCED

The Woodburn Community Historical Society will meet on April 26, 2012 at the Woodburn Library at 7:00 p.m. All folks in and around Woodburn are invited to come and share, showing pictures and talking of your memories of the community. The Society also have labels for sale to promote their soon to celebrate 150th birthday. As a new community book of the last 50 years is needed, the other money making project is selling small buildings the Fire and EMS Auxiliary have made in the years gone by and giving a share of the profits to the Society. These are buildings in and around Woodburn. The new venture is that Jim Bridges has looked into is building enclosed shelves to give a home to the memories of days gone by of items of information of the Woodburn community. Remember what is one person's trash is another's treasure.

MANOR HOUSE ASSISTED LIVING & THE GARDENS OF PAULDING HIGHLY RATED IN RECENT SURVEY

The Manor House Assisted Living facility located in Antwerp and The Gardens of Paulding, is very proud to announce the results of the 2011 Resident Satisfaction Survey.

The Manor House Assisted Living scored a 97.7% satisfaction rating. That is up nearly a half percent from the 2009 survey and 5.4% above the state average. The Manor House is the 23rd highest rated facility in the state, but #1 highest rated facility with more than 40 residents.

The Gardens of Paulding scored a 98.2% satisfaction rating. The Gardens is the 14th highest rated facility in the state.

PHS STUDENT'S "NO KID HUNGRY" PROGRAM GOES TO STATE



Kelsi Manz, a Sophomore at Paulding High School, is standing beside her project entitled, "No Kid Hungry". She started this program as a FCCLA project. She packs bags with food every Friday to go home with some kindergarten students who would benefit from the help. She hopes to expand the pro-

gram in the coming years. Kelsi will be going to the state FCCLA convention this week, April 18-20, to present her project. Donations towards this project are appreciated. Donations can be made by contacting FCCLA instructor, Mrs. Rose Kreitemeyer at Paulding High School.

MOTHER'S DAY "MAKE-A-VASE" PARTY

Ladybugs Floral is having a Make-a-Vase Party on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8-9 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. This is open for children 2-10 years old. Vases will be available for purchase (most ranging from \$5-10). Ladybugs will supply the art supplies—ribbon, fabric, buttons, glitter, silk flow-

ers and more—for decorating the vases at no additional charge. A gift bag will also be provided. Dads are encouraged to help in this project for a great gift for Mom!

Call 260-632-5800 to reserve your spot! You are welcome also to stop in at the shop at 22355 Main Street, Woodburn. Reservations are required because of limited seating.

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OBITUARIES

Raymond E. Klopfenstein, 97, of Paulding died Monday, April 09, 2012 at his residence.

He was born in Paulding County, Ohio on January 7, 1915 the son of Edward and Emma (Stoller) Klopfenstein. On February 24, 1957 he married Catherine Gerber who survives in Paulding. He was a self-employed farmer and a member of the Latty Apostolic Christian Church where he was the oldest member.

He is also survived by two sons: Leon (Debra) Klopfenstein of Haviland, and Jerry (Cherry) Klopfenstein of Paulding; a daughter, Betty (Harlan) Wulf of Larchwood, IA; a brother, Marvin (Mary) Klopfenstein of Scott; a sister, Aldean Price of Van Wert; and 12 grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; four brothers: Harold, Alvin, Floren, and an infant, Gene; two sisters: Frances Laidig, and an infant, Mabel.

Funeral services were conducted on April 13, 2012 at the Latty Apostolic Christian Church, Latty. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Donations may be made to Latty Apostolic Christian Church Alms Fund. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

John Robert Wistner, 78, of Haviland, passed gently into the arms of Jesus on April 12, 2012, at Richland Manor, Bluffton, OH.

He was born on September 21, 1933, in Grover Hill, OH, the son of Gerald and Marcie Wistner. John graduated from Grover Hill High School in 1951 and served in the United States Navy during the Korean War. On September 3, 1960, he married Cora (Moore) who survives. John retired from General Dynamics in Lima, in 1993 and previously worked at Grizzly Mfg., SK Wayne and Chrysler. He was the owner of the 5-STAR Auction and worked as a real estate agent and auctioneer. John was a member of the Zion United Methodist Church in Grover Hill, SPAH (Society for the Preservation and Advancement of the Harmonica), Grover Hill Lions Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He had a heart for the Lord and pioneered the establishment of Youth For Christ

in Paulding County. John loved to share his musical gift of playing the harmonica and was widely known as "Harmonica John", performing in many local parades. He also enjoyed playing men's fast pitch softball for many years.

He is survived by his daughters: Laura (Kevin) DeLong of Grover Hill, Nannette (Shawn) Stiger of Wapakoneta, and Rhonda (Kerry) Samples of Defiance; John adored his seven grandchildren: Aaron (Carly) Stiger, Lindsay DeLong, Katelyn Samples, Alyssa (Zac) Lauck, Brock DeLong, Allison Stiger, Beau Samples; and his great-grandson, Roman DeLong. John is also survived by two sisters: Naomi Bidlack, Ona (Ray) Volk; a brother, Maurice (Cheryl) Wistner; and a sister-in-law, Judy Wistner.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Gerald Rodney Wistner; and a brother-in-law, Paul H. Bidlack.

A celebration of life worship service was held at Zion United Methodist Church in Grover Hill on April 16, 2012 with Rev. Dr. Paul Bennell and Pastor Mike Waldron officiating. A military service and burial was at Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill.

Memorial contributions can be made to Zion United Methodist Church, The John Wistner Memorial Fast Pitch Softball Scholarship or the Wayne Trace Performing Arts Association. Arrangements were handled by Cowan & Son Funeral Home, 616 S. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded at: cowanfuneralhome.com

Rodgers Lee Grant, 76, of Paulding died Thursday, April 12, 2012 at CHP Inpatient Hospice, Defiance, OH.

He was born January 18, 1936 in Harlem, NY the son of Albert and Mary E. (Rodgers) Grant. On January 28, 2000 he married Louise E. Morhart, who survives in Paulding. He was an American jazz pianist, composer, and lyricist. He was a US Army veteran.

He is also survived by a son, Hamilton Ndingi of Oakland, CA; a daughter Biah Bia Buchongo of Oakland, CA; a step-son, Don (Marilyn Stevenson) Cecil; four step-daughters: Becky (Tom) Jackson of Bluffton, IN, Jackie



Adams of Oakwood, Sally Stevenson of Dunedin, New Zealand, and Richelle Britt of Paulding; a sister, Judy Lee of New Rochelle, NY; three grandchildren; 10 step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and a sister, Alberta.

Funeral services were conducted on April 17, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Pastor Bob Shepard officiating. Burial followed in Live Oak Cemetery with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Donations may be made to CHP Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

Donald Allen Winchester, 67, of Oakwood, died Thursday, April 12, 2012 at Parkview Medical Center, Fort Wayne, IN.

He was born April 28, 1944 in Oakwood to Leo and Beulah Maude (Grimes) Winchester. His father is deceased and mother survives in Oakwood. On July 14, 1969, he married Barbara Pierce, who survives in Oakwood.

Donald is also survived by two sons: Marlin (Brenda) Winchester of Holland and Paul (Veronica) Winchester of Oakwood; eight grandchildren: Auntonio, Angelina, Marie, Alexander, Coltin, Lilly, Emelia, and Isabelle; two great-grandchildren: Lalyla and Shyla; and a sister, Helen Winchester of Oakwood.

He is preceded in death by a granddaughter, Amy L. Winchester.

Donald worked 33½ years at the former Zellers Corporation in Defiance and then for Baughman Tile until his retirement. He was a member of Defiance Christian Church. He was an Army Veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the Military Police, scoring 2nd in his class and having the highest score. He was a member of the Defiance VFW Post #3360.

A Funeral Service was held on Monday, April 16, 2012 at the Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood with Pastor Bill Mesaeh officiating. Burial followed in Sherman Cemetery, Oakwood, with military graveside by Defiance VFW.

Memorials may be given to the American Diabetes Association or donor's choice.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness to those who please Him."

—Ecclesiastes 2:26

Condolences may be sent to: www.heimeyerfuneralhome.com.

Lowell D. Businger, 94, of Hicksville died Friday, April 13, 2012 at Community Health Professionals Inpatient Hospice, Defiance, Ohio.

He was born on November 24, 1917 in Hancock County, Ohio, the son of William and Leona (Lindsey) Businger. On February 17, 1945, he was united in marriage to Helen Switzer and she preceded him in death on January 19, 2009. Lowell was a life long farmer. He was a member of the First Church of Christ, Hicksville.

He is survived by two daughters: Roxann (Larry Wonderly) Mosier, Sandra (Joe) Sanders, all of Hicksville, 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren, a brother, William Businger; two sisters: Estella Balser and Delores Volkert.

He was preceded in death by a son, Terry, four sisters; two brothers; and two infant brothers.

Graveside service for Lowell will be held Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at Six Corners Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to CHP Hospice. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

Succumbing to Alzheimer's, **Ella Marie Miller**, "Marie" passed away on April 13, 2012. Since 2002 she had been a resident of The Laurels of Dekalb in Butler, Indiana.

Marie was born on July 11, 1927, in St. Joseph, MI, to Sylvanus and Sylvia (Miller) Yoder. In 1949, she was united in marriage to Leander R. Miller in Hicksville. They raised their children and farmed northeast of Hicksville. Marie lived in Sarasota, FL from 1975 until 2001, where she enjoyed a fellowship with her Brothers and Sisters in Christ at The Tabernacle church. Marie was a natural caregiver for her family and friends, and had boundless energy with a "can do" attitude.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband; and son-in-law, James Franklin Sr.

She leaves a son, Laverne and wife Ida Miller of Hicksville; and daughter, Linda Franklin of Sarasota, FL; sister, Fannie Mae (John Henry) Yoder of Plain City, OH; both, Ray (Bonnie) Yoder of Sturgis, MI; grandsons: Jethro (Sharla) Miller of Abbeville, SC and Jordan Miller of Hicksville, granddaughters: Janith Miller of Plain City, OH, and Jalane Miller of Hicksville; step-grandsons: James Jr., Joseph and Freddie Franklin of Sarasota, FL; great-granddaughters: Mia and Kylie Miller of Abbeville, SC; step-great-granddaughter, Melanie Franklin of Sarasota, FL; and three step-great-grandchildren; her nephews: Nathan (Janae) Yoder of Plain City, OH, Robin (Stacy) Yoder of Port Huron, MI, Joshua Yoder of Pensacola, FL and Tyler Yoder of Sturgis, MI always held a special place in her heart.

Funeral service for Marie was April 17, 2012 at Hicksville Christian Fellowship, 3672 Buckskin Rd, Hicks-

ville, Ohio. Burial was in Lost Creek Cemetery, Hicksville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Tabernacle, 4141 DeSoto Road, Sarasota, FL 34234 (<http://thetabsarasota.org>), or for Alzheimer's Research to the Roskamp Institutes, 2040 Whitfield Ave, Sarasota, FL 34243 (<http://www.rfdn.org>).

Now you are at peace, with new body and a new mind, resting in the arms of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

APRIL LUNCH & LEARN TOPIC: HEART HEALTH

Vincent A. Scavo, Jr., MD, a cardiovascular and thoracic surgeon with Lutheran Medical Group, will discuss Heart Health on Wednesday, April 25, at 11:00 a.m. in Community Rooms 1 and 2 at Community Memorial Hospital (CMH), 208 N. Columbus St., Hicksville, Ohio. This lunch and learn educational ses-



sion is geared towards senior citizens, but anyone is welcome to attend. There is no charge to attend this event, and a complimentary brunch is provided by the hospital. A nurse will also be on hand to take and record blood pressure measurements. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Lori at 419-542-5560. Dr. Scavo specializes in minimally invasive off-pump coronary artery bypass, esophageal and thoracic noncardiac surgeries. Dr. Scavo graduated from Purdue University in 1990, where he played varsity football and received Phi Beta Kappa honors. He earned a medical degree from Loyola University School of Medicine in Chicago in 1994 and was elected to membership in the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society. In 2002, he completed general and cardiothoracic surgery residencies at the Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis, and he received several awards, including Surgical Resident of the Year, the dean's Surgical Socrates Award for Surgical Teaching Excellence and Surgical Chief Resident of the Year. He also received the Carl H. McCaskey Subspecialty Surgery Research Award. Dr. Scavo, who serves on the Lutheran

Hospital cardiovascular/cardiology committee, the critical care committee, practice managers' committee, physicians' leadership group, medical executive committee and the long-range planning committee, is a diplomat of the American Board of Surgery and the American Board of Thoracic Surgery, and he is a fellow candidate of the American College of Surgeons. He is a member of the International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation, the Indiana State Medical Association and the Fort Wayne Medical Society.

ABOUT COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) is a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital located in Hicksville, Ohio. For more than 50 years, CMH has been serving the citizens of Northwest Ohio and adjoining Indiana communities. CMH offers inpatient and outpatient services, 24-hour emergency care, obstetrics, comprehensive rehabilitation and wellness programs, and the region's only open high field Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). Community Memorial Hospital is an independent affiliate of the Lutheran Health Network. For more information on Community Memorial Hospital and its physicians visit www.cmhosp.com or call 419-542-6692.



THANK YOU

As we celebrate National Volunteer Week and our 5th Anniversary, Fountain of Faith Free Medical Clinic would like to say thank you to all our past, present and future volunteers. We also want to express our gratitude to our communities that support this medical mission. Together, we are not only healing the body but also touching the souls of those in need. God's command for us is clear in 1 John 3:18, "Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth." And together we are exemplifying these words.

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18th ANNUAL MONTE CARLO TO BENEFIT FORT DEFIANCE HUMANE SOCIETY



Marianne & Dan Bohn Spinning the Big 6 Wheel at last year's Monte Carlo.

The Fort Defiance Humane Society is hosting its 18th annual Monte Carlo Night, a fundraiser for the Justin F. Coressel Animal Shelter, rural Defiance, on April 21. The casino night will run from 7:00-11:30 p.m. at Defiance Eagles Aerie #372, 711 West Second Street, Defiance.

Activities include black jack, regular poker, Texas Hold 'Em, showdown poker, two big money wheels, pot o' gold, bingo, 50/50 drawings, 10 packages to raffle and a silent auction of items generously donated by area businesses. Several door prizes will also be distributed throughout the evening.

Josh Busch from Clear Channel's radio stations, 105.7 The Bull and MIX 98.1, will be the emcee.

The fundraiser is expected to raise approximately \$5,000 to supplement the humane society's general fund. The

shelter's annual budget is \$200,000. Persons must be at least 18 years old to be admitted. The price of admission includes sandwiches, vegetables and dip, a variety of cheeses, chips, desserts and soft drinks and coffee. A cash bar will also be open.

The Justin F. Coressel Animal Shelter, located at the corner of State Route 15 and Trinity Road, took in 2,245 animals in 2011. Of those, 461 were adopted, 149 were claimed and 110 were rescued. Anyone wishing to adopt an animal may visit the shelter or log on to fortdefiancehumanesociety.org and petfinder.com to see who they have available for adoption. The shelter is open seven days a week from Noon to 5:00 p.m. The email address is newbestfriend@fortdefiancehumanesociety.org. The phone number is 419-658-2298.

ANTWERP AREA RESIDENTS' MISSION TRIP WITH 8 DAYS OF HOPE

Eight days of Hope has set May 26 through June 2 to bring together volunteers from across the nation to help rebuild many homes in North Carolina from

the aftermath of Hurricane Irene. EDOH President, Stephen Tybor III said, "The thousands of people who are still living in despair after this terrible storm do not make the nightly news. Those who are still waiting for help in rebuilding do not have a voice. Eight Days of Hope's goal is to bring hope to those who are still waiting and to help them rebuild their homes." Eight Days of Hope is a non-profit faith-based organization and since 2005, over 9,500 volunteers have helped rebuild or remodel 1,127 homes on eight different trips.

Tony Watson (Events by Tony) of Antwerp is spearheading the organizing of a work crew from the Antwerp area to travel to North Carolina and help with this effort. This is a great opportunity for those who feel called to the mission field but are not sure where to start.

For more information, e-mail Tony at family-man6kids@yahoo.com or call at 419-552-0373.

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM AND HIS SPIRITUAL SEED SERIES #3

By: James Wright, First Church of God, DuPont, OH

The Covenant Stated:

1. "Thou shalt be a father of many nations," Genesis 17:5.

2. "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed," Genesis 12:3, 18:18, 22:18.

I. THAT COVENANT IS SPIRITUALLY FULFILLED IN THE GOSPEL AGE:

1. Abraham is now the father of many nations through Christ, Romans 4:13-17, 9:6-8, 24; Galatians 3:7, 26-29, 4:28.

2. All nations on earth are now being blessed in the seed of Abraham, which also is Christ, Galatians 3:13-16; Luke 2:10-11, 29-32; Acts 13:46-48, 28:28.

3. The blessing which comes to the nations through Christ is full salvation, Acts 3:25-26.

4. The spiritual blessing promised was not received by the literal seed under the law, Hebrews 11:13, 39-40.

The whole covenant economy to Abraham and his seed falls under three headings or phases.

1. There is the promise of giving the land of Canaan which was fulfilled when the Jews came out of Egypt and possessed the Promised Land under Joshua.

2. There was the "restoration" promise which was fulfilled when the Jews returned from Babylonian captivity and rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem under Nehemiah and Ezra.

3. There are the spiritual promises which are fulfilled in Christ under the gospel. We challenge anyone to prove that there is a fourth or another blessing promised to Gentiles and all the world, if they will repent and accept Christ as their Savior.

"DO I CARE? DO I SHARE?"

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

When I was very young I had two major surgeries, one that saved my life. My parents had no health insurance and so when these bills came due there was no money to pay for them.

The first surgery was paid for by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Chapter from Ottawa, Ohio. My father had served in World War II and they generously stepped in to help out.

My second surgery was paid for by a small Methodist Church in Continental, something I did not know about until I was out of college, married and serving the Lord in ministry. I've since returned to that generous gracious church family to thank them for supporting my family and me in our hardship.

We all have a responsibility to share our resources with those who are hurting. Take for example this story as told by Mother Teresa:

The late Mother Teresa wrote of a time when she was told about a large family that had not eaten in days. She gathered up rice and took it to them. The eight children were disfigured by hunger, but there was no sorrow or sadness in their faces.

When the mother received the rice she immediately divided it into two equal portions and took half of the rice

outside. When she returned, Mother Teresa asked about her abrupt departure and the woman explained she had gone to her neighbors. She said, "They are hungry also!"

Mother Teresa noted, "I was not surprised that she gave, because poor people are really very generous. But I was surprised that she knew they were hungry. As a rule, when we are suffering, we are so focused on ourselves we have no time for others."

The scriptures remind us in James 1:27 (NIV), "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

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: defycf@embarqmail.com

NEW GREAT BANQUET/EMMAUS GATHERING IN ANTWERP

April 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Antwerp United Methodist Church will be the start of a new Westside Gathering opportunity for the Great Banquet/Emmaus/Awakening/Chrysalis community of Northwest Ohio. Anyone is invited to attend this worship gathering whether you are an alumni of a Great Banquet or an Emmaus Walk or not. Gathering for worship will be at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a potluck dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

The Westside Gatherings will occur the 4th Sunday of

ANN'S PRESCHOOLERS RECEIVE INTRIGUING GUEST!



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers were recently visited by the cutest little pygmy goat! Anna Clemens and her mom brought in Ededdieddie to romp and play with the preschoolers. The children thought he was adorable and gave him lots of hugs and pats! Shown here from the left in back are: Zander Gray, Hayden Gill, Mallory Fisher, Jackson Clark, Mrs. Clemens and Byron Schmidt. In the middle are Ella Moore with

the sweet pet, Konner Clemens, Anna Clemens and Izaak Coutts. In front are: Hailey Clem, Conner Coutts and Faith Clem. These children (and siblings) are in the afternoon class of four and young five year olds with Mrs. Chris Adams and Mrs. Ann Miller.

Check out the ad on the front page of this week's West Bend News for information on enrolling your child for a fun year of preschool at Ann's Bright Beginnings!

each month throughout the year. This will be an alternative to the Gatherings meeting in Bryan on the 2nd Sundays of each month.

The Great Banquet/Emmaus Walk is a 72-hour spiritual retreat which focuses on our relationship with God and his grace. For additional information on the Great Banquet go to www.bryangreatbanquet.org. For additional information on the new Westside Gathering call Pastor Mike Schneider at 419-258-4901.

PASTOR RICK WEBB HOLDS REVIVAL AT AUGLAIZE CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD

Auglaize Chapel Church of God, rural Oakwood, will host Pastor Rick Webb for a revival. Webb is the pastor of Fraser Road Church of God, Kawkawlin, MI. Revival service times are Sunday, April 22 at 6:00 p.m., and Monday through Thursday, April 23-26, at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

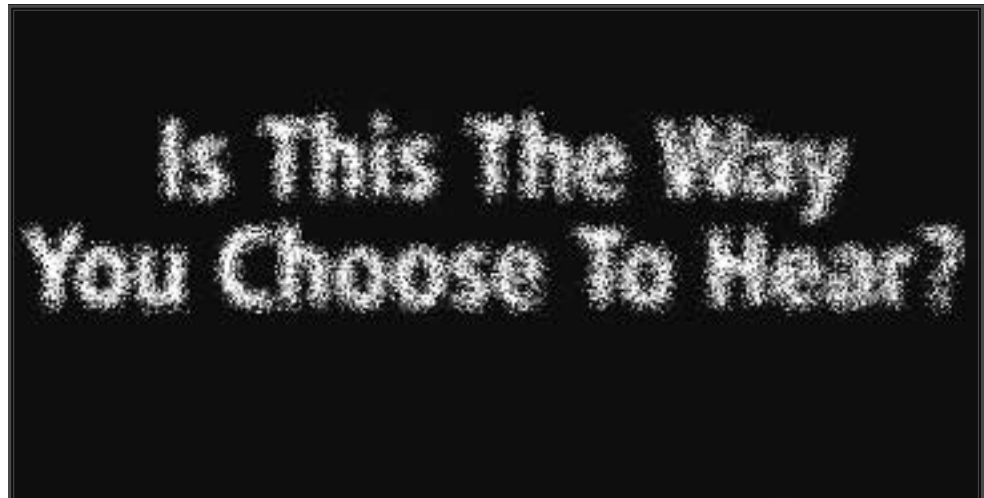
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BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

All answers can be found in the New King James version of the Bible.

1. Acts 28:1 - After Paul and the rest escaped the sea, what island were they on?
2. Acts 28:2 - What did the natives show Paul and the others?
3. Acts 28:3 - What fastened on Paul's hand?
4. Acts 28:7 - What was the leading citizen's name on the island?
5. Acts 28:8 - What kind of illness did Publius's father have?
6. Acts 28:11 - What was the name of the figurehead of the Alexandrian ship?
7. Acts 28:17 - How many days had passed before Paul called the Jews together?

8. Acts 28:30 - How long had Paul dwelt in his own rented house?
- This concludes our questions in the Book of Acts and hopefully and prayerfully each of us has more knowledge than when we started. Loved ones, we will continue our study on the church and then go to another book of the Bible. Comments or questions, call 419-393-4775 for James Potter or 419-399-5022 for Lonnie Lambert. Answers to last week's questions are next.
1. 120 feet
 2. Four
 3. Trying to escape
 4. If the men didn't stay in the ship, they could not be saved.
 5. 14 days
 6. To take nourishment
 7. Gave thanks to God
 8. 276
 9. Kill the prisoners
- An now for a study on the church.
- A. Purpose the church, Ephesians 3:9-11
 - B. Purchase the church, Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:25
 - C. Name its members, Isaiah 62:2; 56:5; Acts 11:26; 1 Peter 4:16
 - D. Add people to the church, Acts 2:47; 1 Corinthians 12:18
 - E. Give the church its doctrine, Galatians 1:8-11; 2 John 1:9-11

Aren't these scripture verses easy to understand? This is what God says we must do. Jesus tells us if we follow false teachers we are sharing in what they are doing. Also, look at all of these who will be subject to Christ's judgment, because of false teaching. If the Lord gives me the days, see you next week in the West Bend News.

TRANSPLANT ME

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

"Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no

depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold." And he said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear," Mark 4:3-9 (ESV).

The story about the four soils is obviously about the sower. "The sower went out to sow." The sower is responsible to share the message of the gospel, but he is not responsible for the reception of that message.

It reminds me of God's calling on Ezekiel. God told Ezekiel that he wanted him to be a watchman. We live in pretty safe places in a relatively peaceful time, so the idea of the watchman might seem foreign to us. Our towns don't have watchmen standing watch and warning us of danger. In those times, the watchman would stand in a watchtower and carefully observe the area around for danger. A watchman would be vigilant to danger and sound the alarm at the first signs of it. This would allow the people working in the vulnerable places to get to safety. If the people ignored the watchman's warning, the watchman was not at fault for whatever might happen. He did his job and sounded the alarm. If the watchman missed the danger and did not sound the warning, then the watchman would be guilty for the harm done to the people as if he had done it himself (Ezekiel 3:16-27, 33:1-9).

We, those who are followers of Jesus, are called to be God's watchmen, sowing seed wherever we go. Some of those seeds will multiply; others will never grow. Some will give us hope as we see growth and then quickly die. Oh what terrible heartbreak we feel in those cases. At other times people will let the bad influences around them destroy them. I can think of friends who went this route and am reminded of the sorrow.

It is useful to stop obsessing over everyone else and indulge in a little introspection. What soil am I in? Am I in that fertile soil, being used by God to multiple faithful followers for the kingdom? Or am I overshadowed by thorns, living in the darkness of others trying to block out what God wants to do in my life? Discouraging words stop me from radically following. Direct attacks on the things God is trying to do in my life make me question Him and His plan. Or am I quickly growing only to wither at the struggles of the world? The tragedies of life rocks my faith. Legalism causes my faith to crumble like an improperly constructed wall.

Wherever I find myself, God is in the transplanting business.

Gardeners and arborists are really good at transplanting plants and trees. They gently remove the plant from the bad soil. They apply the appropriate amount of fertilizer. They appropriately water the plant and make sure that it gets just the right amount of fertilizer. They give the care needed to insure the survival of the transplant. If we can be successful in transplanting plants, how much more

successfully will God be in transplant lives. He wants us in the good soil. And He will move us there if that is what we want.

To our detriment, we often like being in the bad soil. We find the momentary pleasure of too much sunlight exhilarating, ignoring that it will scorch us in the end. We find the company of thorns enjoyable, oblivious that their darkness squelches our growth. We don't want to leave the path because everyone is there. We come up with all sorts of justifications to stay out of the soil God wants us in.

But God doesn't give up on us. He is in the multiplication business. He wants to use us to further His work here on earth, just like He used someone else to touch each one of us for His kingdom.

Transplant me. Water me. Use me. I'll be a sower. I'll be a watchman. I will join in the cry of those before me who longed to be in the good soil, multiplying and bringing God's will into this world.

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

MAINTAINING THE PRINCIPLE OF "PLANNED NEGLECT"

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

In her book, *A Practical Guide To Prayer*, Dorothy Maskins tells about a noted concert violinist who was asked the secret of her mastery of the instrument. The woman answered the question with two words: "Planned neglect." Then she explained: "There were many things that used to demand my time. When I went to my room after breakfast, I made my bed, straightened the room, dusted, and did whatever seemed necessary. When I finished my work, I turned to my violin practice. That system prevented me from accomplishing what I should on the violin. So I reversed things. I deliberately planned to neglect everything else until my practice period was complete. And that program of planned neglect is the secret of my success."

This same principle can be helpful as we plan our daily agenda. Unless we discipline ourselves and make a deliberate effort, other things will keep us from establishing consistent quiet time with God. And when we take our spiritual sustenance from the leftovers in our schedule, we will always be hungry and undernourished.

Somehow we need to come to grips with the "Mary—Martha Syndrome." (Remember how Mary sat at Jesus' feet while Martha hustled and bustled with the tasks of the day?) Successful Christian living should have a rhythm: doing and resting, speaking and listening, giving and receiving.

Bernard of Clairvaux put it well when he wrote, "Action and contemplation are very close companions; they live together in one house on equal terms; Martha is Mary's sister."

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Paulding County Area Foundation has granted \$500.00 to Antwerp Christian Fellowship and Care Campus. The Campus is being used to provide a low cost, health alternative for the youth of Paulding County. Specifically, the grant money will be used to purchase volleyball equipment.



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I don't know about you, but I need that kind of reminder. Especially during this time of year. Not only is it daylight a lot longer, but I've got long grass, blooming dandelions, and an untilled garden that are all screaming for my attention. Spring is a great time of the year, but it's easy to get caught up in all the stuff to do outside and squeeze out any time to spend with the Savior. Sound familiar? Determine again that with the onslaught of nice weather, your personal time with the Lord will not be sacrificed upon the altar of expediency. To be sure, Spring is a time of yardwork, softball, and washing the car. But it's still the time to remain consistent in your communion with Christ. Let's practice some "planned neglect." In doing so, I think we'll be amazed at how everything else falls together.

AN OLD SPORT OFFERED A NEW OPPORTUNITY IN ANTWERP

With the help of the Paulding County Area Foundation, the Antwerp Community Fellowship & Care Campus (ACFCC) board has just finalized the purchase of two official sets of volleyball poles and nets for the Manor House gym. The existing holes in the gym floor have been utilized to again offer two full volleyball courts at the Manor House. If you would like to organize and run a volleyball tournament or a league (boys, girls, youth, JH, HS, Adult, Co-ed, etc.) contact ACFCC board member Tim Copsey at 419-506-0108. This opportunity is available to anyone from any community.

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SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 11: GOING TO THE LAKOTA CAMP

By: Stan Jordan

We left shortly after daylight and headed north to the Lakota camp. The hunter and I in the first wagon, the other two soldiers rode in the second wagon.

I left Mo at the agency with Callie. He has a couple of chores to do and I think Callie wants him to help plant some flowers. He is also the runner, if need be.

We had a beautiful day, nice warm sun shine all day. We just bounced along until we came to the Loop River in the afternoon and we turned to the west and followed our trail marker until we got to the place where we ford the river and go north to the encampment.

It was getting late in the afternoon and I said, "We will ford the river in the morning. We will camp on the south side for tonight." It turned out that was one of the wisest decisions that I ever made.

Callie told me to take the one burner oil stove along in our wagon. It is so much easier to use on the trail.

For supper I made coffee and Callie had sent sandwiches and cookies and a can of peaches.

Well, we got up at first light and had breakfast and there was some thunder in the air. We got all our gear packed and that thunder was louder, but it wasn't thunder it was a war. The hunter said, "that ain't no storm, that is a buffalo herd."

It sure was a big herd coming out of the northeast on the other side of Loop River. There was a good line of trees on both sides of the river. The line of trees was between us and the buffaloes.

Well, the heard was fording the river just where we would pretty soon. We stayed

close to the trees and had to hold each horse because they were jumping and scared.

It seemed like this went on forever but only a few minutes and they were going away to the southwest. We let the horses settle down and the dust storm moved away and then we crossed the river and that is when we got busy.

Right by the south bank of the river a small buffalo or last year's calf, I suppose, was half in half out of the water.

We looked the situation over and the hunter said, "He has a broken legs," and his mother just kept on running, she probably didn't know that he was down."

He said, "We must kill him because he can't live out here alone and we will dress him out and give him to the Indians." The hunter shot him in the head with his Army rifle. Then the hunter took charge of everything and gutted him out and washed his inside cavity out and the five of us loaded him in the back of the second wagon. It didn't take all that long, the five of us each had a skinning knife and the hunter told each of us what to do.

After he was loaded we all washed up and we headed north to the campsite. We stopped for lunch just to let the horses rest, but I did make a pot of coffee with the 'little jim dandy' oil burner and then we headed out again at a little faster gait to get in there awhile before dark.

It seemed like forever but I could see a little smoke and dust up ahead that would be White Elk's camp. A couple young braves rode out to meet us, or they figured the only people with wagons and coming from the south would be the Indian Agent. After the one boy saw us and our Totem he turned his pony back toward camp and away he went. We had been here once before.

By the time we got to the middle of the camp we stopped both wagons and I gathered the soldier boys around and made sure no weapons were visible. I didn't know if the blue bellies would cause a problem or not. I guess my being there was enough to see all was safe.

By now, Limping Buffalo was on hand and we all shook hands and I had the soldiers shake and howdy, and we all

smoked the pipe and talked a bit.

I explained to Limping Buffalo that we had just planted our garden and that Farmer had come with a new plow and told him what we intended to do.

Well, to get the garden area all ready to plant at one time was a great improvement. He talked to a fairly old native and talked to him in their native language, and the way he grunted and nodded I figured he was the main garden planter.

After a few minutes, I told Limping Buffalo about the buffalo we had killed and that it was in the wagon for the tribe to eat. He talked to some young fellows and they all nodded and left to take care of the fresh meat.

Next Week: We all learn See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Bob & the Blonde

Bob walked into a sports bar around 9:58 p.m. He sat down next to a blonde at the bar and stared up at the TV.

The 10:00 p.m. news crew was coming on. The news crew was covering the story of a man on the ledge of a large building preparing to jump.

The blonde looked at Bob and said, "Do you think he'll jump?"

Bob said, "You know, I bet he'll jump."

The blonde replied, "Well, I bet he won't."

Bob placed a \$20 bill on the bar and said, "You're on." Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy on the ledge did a swan dive off the building, falling to his death.

The blonde was very upset, but willingly handed her \$20 to Bob. "Fair's fair, here's your money."

Bob replied, "I can't take your money. I saw this earlier on the 5:00 p.m. news, so I knew he would jump."

The blonde replied, "I did, too, but I didn't think he'd do it again."

Bob took the money.

This was given to me by Larry Trautman

ANTWERP ARCHER SOFTBALL

By: Stan Jordan

I talked to Eric Walk the other day and he brought me up to date on the Archer Girls Softball standings. He is one of the coaches.

The girls, as of today (April 6), are 6-3. They won over Tinora yesterday at 17-3.

This is the record: won at Edon 1-0; lost at Hicksville 3-2 in 10 innings (our pitcher, Jayla Chamberlin fanned 18 batters in that contest); Lost Continental 10-1 (Jayla walked the first batter in this game and then fanned the next 6 in a row, then in the 3rd inning she struck out 2 more); won in Paulding 6-0; they lost a double header to Defiance, a very good ball club; won over Parkway 2-1; won over Delphos Jefferson 6-3.

I am indebted to coach Gary Rodenberger as he sent me quite a bit of info and data. I am really impressed by the pitcher, catcher and second baseman combination. All the girls are lettermen and darn good at their positions. Nearly all have 2-3 years of experience.

We lost 3 grand players from last year due to graduation: Toni Winslow, short stop; Jessie Arnold, Catcher and Loni Walk, 3rd base.

This is the Lady Archer's Softball Team:

Jayla Chamberlain, LHP, Pitcher; Avrial Sawyer, Catcher; Tricia Smalley, First Base; Alex North, Second Base; A.J. Stuck, Short Stop; Ashlee Smith, Third Base; Harlee Hudson, Left Field; Cheyenne Miller-Sweet, Center Field; Ann Reinhart, Right Field

This is the usual starting line up plus a few good replacements.

See ya!

THE EASTER EGG HUNT

By: Stan Jordan

On Saturday afternoon of April 1st, I took my grandson, Mark, out to the Easter Egg Hunt at the Antwerp Conservation Club. It was a little cool, but that sure didn't bother those little hunters.

I sat in my pick-up and watched all the excitement, hustle and bustle.

Mardell Jackson told me a number of dads, granddads and great-granddads took about a half hour to "sort of" hide the 600 eggs, but it took less than 5 minutes to find them all! It was just a little short of pandemonium. In just a few short minutes it was over and Helen Livingston said, "Come on in and have some coffee and cupcakes." It was very crowded inside with all the little hunters and their parents and a good bunch of grandparents. Well, they found me a chair and room at a table with coffee and goodies.

The very first person I got to talk to was the Honorable Judge Suzanne Rister, her niece had done quite well as she had about a half a bucket of gifts and loot. Nearly all of the children carried a small bucket or basket to haul their loot home in.

The very next lady I talked to was Rachel West, she told me she now lives just outside of Findlay.

Then I got to talk to Cindy Knight and Donna Snyder.

There are quite a few lady members of the A.C.C. and they were plenty busy inside the main building.

I talked with Russ Figert about what a fine edifice that had developed there at the A.C.C. He says it has been a good 15 years of long hard work since they bought that site. But it sure shows that they have done a good job.

I talked with folks from Woodburn, Defiance, Payne and New Haven. I understand the Spring Fish Fry will be Saturday, April 21.

THE FELLOW RODDER

By: Mike McKeever

This week's featured ride comes to us from an Antwerp Resident Treavor Gross - 1963 Chevrolet Chevy II Station Wagon.

Treavor got this car from his brother. His brother wrecked his car and Treavor talked him into buying this one. Then about a year later their dad got a new car and handed down his old ride, and at that time his brother told Treavor, "Since you liked this old wagon better than I ever

All in all it was a very delightful afternoon seeing those kids have a ball and meeting so many old friends.

I even recalled a lesson in psychology, Mike Mason an A.C.C. member from Woodburn told me: 'Always meet folks with a grin then they spend all day wondering what you are up to.'

See ya!

up. The Nova was designed straight from the drawing board, not from any other car. Ford came out with the Falcon/Comet, Chrysler came out with the Valiant/Dart, AMC had the Rambler, and Studebaker had the Lark. Although Chevy already had a compact car (the Corvair), the goal was to come out with a car that would compete with the new RWD compacts. All of these cars were of "unibody" design, with a completely detachable front end, so that fenders and other front end sheet metal could be repaired



did, you can have it." Treavor was 15 then. Hooray for old Detroit station wagons! You don't see many small Detroit wagons these days, since the Vista Cruisers and Country Squires sold in such greater numbers back in the pre-SUV era. Do you remember those days with the kids looking out the back windows as you came up behind the wagons on the road? So I was very happy when Treavor got a hold of me to feature his 1963 Nova II wagon.

The Nova started out as a car that Chevrolet used to compete in the new compact-car wars that were heating

or replaced very easily. These cars were known as the GM "X"-body line—bodies made by Fisher Body. In the fall of 1961, the Chevy II came out (as a 1962 model). Three different levels of this car were made: the Chevy II 100, the Chevy II 300 and the Chevy II Nova 400. These cars were available as a 2-door coupe, a 2-door sedan, a 4-door sedan, a 2-seat station wagon, a 3-seat station wagon and finally, a convertible. Those cars only had the 153 CI inline 4 (Iron-Duke) or the 194 inline six. Those were newly-designed engines specifically designed

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would like to take the opportunity to reply to Pastor Regan Clem's article from Wednesday, April 4th. It was a very bold statement and very true, of course. There are some exceptions, I know of families that go outside of Antwerp and are involved in our school, but those are not very many, and in order to make a difference and reach others it is better to serve in your community and I learned that lesson when we moved to Antwerp September 1991 and was looking for a church. I attended a perfect church (I was a new Christian, and in my eye it was perfect) in Karlsruhe, Germany where my husband was stationed.

So, here I was trying to find a church and I was church hopping, between Antwerp, Defiance and Fort Wayne. After my second child was born I found it harder to go to Fort Wayne and I wanted so much to be part of the com-

munity I lived in and began asking the Lord to guide me to a church He wanted me to serve, and not the other way around. I found myself at Antwerp United Methodist Church and been there for 16 years now. I started serving there shortly after I attended and I know that's where God wants me. Is it a perfect church? Of course not! I long ago discovered that there is no such church—it's not a building or the denomination that make up a church—it's the people who claim Christ as their Savior. I have also seen that people are turned off by us Christians by our behavior—the worst offender is the way we belittle other denominations. Jesus did not preach a message of denominations but of Forgiveness, Love and Life. If we are the body, why are we not a City on a Hill for our neighbors? There are a lot of churches in Antwerp and we ought to come together once in a while and have Church outside at the Park. Let's move outside our comfort zones and be the light for Christ that He called us to be.

—Martina Daugherty

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Last November I went to the owner of Stykemain Chevrolet in Paulding and expressed my concern of his blyted property on the east side of the bridge on Perry Street. In our conversation he did agree that the property was bad and something needed to be done then he went on to ask me, "Do you want to buy the property?"

I'm almost sure he would have done something towards righting the situation but for the terrible, brutal, cold winter prohibited him from such a task.

Last week I went to the city Administrator's office to file a complaint against Mr. Stykemain about his eyesore. The woman behind the sliding glass, after hearing my complaint stated, "I'm not sure if we (the city) can do anything about the matter."

Now, I remember last year a warning was issued to all

citizens of our city that if any grass on your property had reached a certain height, that the city could in fact "cut the grass and then fine the property owners for the expense." Am I to understand that the city is so concerned about the height of grass and not with something as outstanding as buildings left to present themselves as a health and safety hazard, not to mention their ugly appearance to our city?

At the Administrator's office I posed the question, "If this property was next to the Mayor's home would this issue be dealt with more readily?"

There are those of us on this side of town that do care about our property values, and in general how our property reflects our overall concern with how people view Paulding County residents.

What is the code of blyted properties in our town? Who enforces these codes? Are these codes just for the poorer citizens?

I have these same concerns of the vacant Certified Gas Station on the northeast corner of the town square.

—James G. Powell

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I agree with James Powell's letter of April 4, but feel he should have titled it, "What Economy?"

The only economy we have is on the verge of failure thanks to a failed government. They are too busy trying to save the world to care about the American people who are losing everything. Look around: more houses for sale, more people out of work, more unemployment, and they just keep spending us into a debt we can never pay.

Those who wear suits tell us what we want to hear, then forget it once they are in office where their only concern is drawing their big paychecks and telling us we are doing okay.

Anyone in politics that wears a suit is a crook and only is interested in his paycheck. If you want me to believe in you, come in blue jeans and a flannel shirt. Stick your head under the hood or underside of a car I'm working on or hand me a wrench. Show that you are truly interested in what I do for a living and really want to help me survive in your failing economy.

This will never happen, especially in Paulding where they just raised our utility bills once again, taking more money that people don't have, to pay for what?

As far as the Chevy Volt: an overpriced (\$40,000 before credit) joke that replacement batteries may cost up to \$10,000 and is already being recalled for problems. No wonder people buy Japanese cars that are similar. Half the price and they work correctly. Thanks GM for nothing and thanks Obama and your bunch for failing our country.

Yes, invest in guns and bullets, not for protection from enemies but from 'big brother, who is destroying us'.

—Gregg Gorman

LATTA ON GAS PRICES: "HIGH GAS PRICES ARE ESSENTIALLY ANOTHER TAX ON AMERICANS"

According to the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of March, "the gasoline index rose 1.7 percent following its 6.0 percent February increase." This spike in gas prices has pushed food costs by 0.2 percent. In response to the latest CPI numbers, Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement:

"Increases in gas prices place a tremendous burden on farmers, middle class families and small businesses who are operating on the margins and view abnormally high gas prices as another tax," said Rep. Latta. "In order to put downward pressure on gas prices and help provide relief at the pump, we need President Obama to bring more oil to the market by allowing access to federal leases.

"President Obama hasn't hinted that he will increase energy supplies, however, Republicans in the House of Representatives have acted and passed six bills that would increase U.S. domestic energy production and supply. Before gas prices hit \$5, I encourage the President and Senate Democrats to work with us on our all of the above energy solutions."

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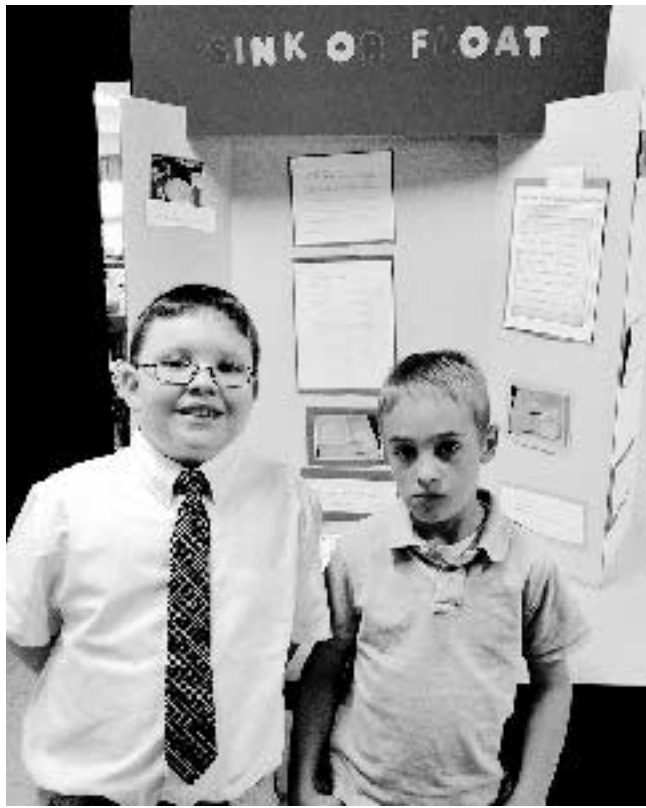
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LEARNING IS AN ART AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Shown here putting on a musical performance is Dulaney Porter, Katelyn Estle, Jessica Weller, and (on drums) Trinity Temple.



1: Shown here are first graders Joseph Estle and Mason Schlatter who are students in Mrs. Caroline Arend's class. They are standing in front of their science project which was titled "Sink or Float".

Oakwood Elementary hosted a special evening on Thursday, April 12th called "Learning is An Art". Many students were on hand to perform for parents and community members who came to visit. Along with many musical performances were science projects, art projects, social studies projects, and various other displays the students have worked on this year.

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ASHLEE SMITH SIGNS LETTER OF INTENT FOR SAINT FRANCIS



(front) Reba, Ashlee, Jeff; (back) AHS Volleyball Coach, Amy Hammer; Saint Francis Volleyball Coach, Fabiana Sheilds

Ashlee Smith of Antwerp High School, signed a letter of intent to enter the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne this fall for volleyball. She plans to major in nursing. Ashlee has always attended Antwerp Local School. While in high school she's been involved in softball and volleyball. She is a 3-year starter in volleyball. Ashlee has earned a number of awards in volleyball including: GMC Hon-

orable Mention; District 7 Second Team and Pursuit Award. Ashlee's Varsity Volleyball Coach, Amy Hammer, had this to say about Ashlee, "Ashlee is a tremendous athlete with a passion for volleyball. Her work ethic and dedication will allow her to excel at her next level." Ashlee's parents are Jeff and Reba Smith, and she has two older brothers.

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for this new car. You could get your little Chevy wagon with a 153-cubic inch, four-cylinder—whoa, a four-cylinder in a 60s Detroit wagon?!? You could also get a 194-cube six-cylinder. The six used 7 main bearings, a revolutionary design in its day. The 63 model came out with minor trim changes, some very minor mechanical changes, but with a new addition: the Chevy II Nova SS. All models used the available engines from 1962. Chevy II/Nova outsold the domestic competition in compacts this year, V8 fans had to wait until '64 for an optional 283 in the Chevy II.

for anything less than a few thousand dollars. A few years ago you might have been able to get one for a few hundred maybe, but not today. With this being the case, many Nova fans are looking for alternatives, and many are trying their hand at building a sleeper four-door or a long-roof model (wagon) instead. While some people balk at the notion of building a Nova with more than two doors, the truth is that things are changing to just the opposite! The popularity of these cars with "two doors too many" is rising as I write this column. One of the neat things about wagons that many people don't realize is that the extra length comes from the center of the rear wheels back to the rear bumper, which leaves the wheelbase essentially the same as that of a two-door coupe. This makes swapping a

Antwerp H.S. Reunion Meeting to be Held

Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 PM, at the Essen House

AHS Reunion Committee and Chairs are encouraged to attend as well as volunteers and class representatives. Many class representatives are not yet registered, this means many classmates have not planned on attending the August 10 and 11 Reunion. The only classes represented are: 1954, 56, 1962, 65, 67, 68, 69, 1971, 75, 78, 1982, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 1990, 93, 98, 2000, 2002, 2005. All other classes do not have representatives contacting classmates.

There will be reserved tables and chairs for all classes registered. Reservation information is available at 419-258-1110 and at mrsmaut@gmail.com.

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OHSAA BOARD ADOPTS REVISED COMPETITIVE BALANCE PROPOSAL

The Ohio High School Athletic Association's Board of Directors held a special meeting on Friday, March 23, and approved five additional items to place before the membership during the annual referendum voting process that will be held between May 1 and 15. Among the items that will be voted upon by member school principals is a slightly revised Competitive Balance Proposal that, if adopted, would place schools into their respective tournament divisions in team sports based on a sport-by-sport athletic count. The formula for calculating the athletic count includes factors related to how students enter the school (boundary factor); the ability of students to access additional resources for successful competition (socioeconomic factor); and the success of a specific program over a long period of time (tradition factor). If adopted by the membership, the change would become effective for the 2013-14 school year. The proposal was recommended to the Board by the OHSAA Competitive Balance Committee.

The referendum language adopted by the Board of Directors to add to By-law 2, Classification and Organization, which will be voted upon by the principals is:

"Each school shall be placed into tournament divisions based on its sport-by-sport athletic count. The formula for determining athletic counts and to which sports the athletic count shall be applied will be recommended by the standing Competitive Balance Committee and approved by the Board of Directors on a biennial basis. The formula for calculating athletic counts and the sports to which they are applied are listed in the OHSAA's General Sports Regulations — Tournaments."

A Competitive Balance Proposal was narrowly defeated during last May's referendum voting, 332 to 303. Adjusted in this year's proposal is the tradition factor, where the emphasis is on the long-term success of a program rather than "punishing" a school for having one great class leading it to success. Just like the 2011 proposal, though, the general concept of the Competitive Balance Formula for determining athletic counts will be: Beginning Enrollment + Boundary Factor — Socioeconomic Factor + Tradition Factor.

The school boundary factor is (no change from 2011 proposal):

- Non-public schools with no boundaries - 10 percent times enrollment will be added;
- Non-public schools with limited boundaries - 8 percent times enrollment will be added;
- Public schools with statewide open enrollment - 6 percent times enrollment will be added (*);
- Public schools with adjacent open enrollment - 4 percent times enrollment will be added (*), and
- Public schools with no open enrollment - no percentage added.

(* indicates that this percentage will not be applied if the net number of open enrollment students is negative.

The socioeconomic factor is (no change from 2011 proposal):

- The number of free lunch applications within the high school times 10 percent equals the number to be subtracted from enrollment.

The tradition factor is (modified from 2011 proposal):

- Six (6) percent of enrollment will be added on a sport-by-sport basis for appearances in the Sweet 16 (regional tournament for all team sports except football, which would be the regional semifinals), in four of the last eight seasons, or
- Ten (10) percent of enrollment will be added on a sport-by-sport basis for appearances in the state tournament in four of the last eight seasons.

If approved, the Competitive Balance Formula would be applied to the team sports of football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball and softball. Team dual wrestling would be added in 2017-18. Consideration may be given to add other sports in the future.

The OHSAA Competitive Balance Committee will meet on a regular basis and may make recommendations to the OHSAA Board of Directors to modify the Competitive Balance Formula biennially. Should any significant changes be recommended to modify the current formula, the OHSAA will survey the membership to gauge interest on any modification(s).

By slightly modifying the proposal, the OHSAA Competitive Balance Committee and OHSAA Board of Directors have responded to the concerns addressed by the membership following last year's referendum voting. Those concerns were:

- Adjust the tradition factor (see information earlier in this news release regarding this change);
- Help the member schools become more informed by allowing them to see how the formula will affect each school prior to the referendum voting (a sport-by-sport listing will soon appear on www.ohsaa.org);
- Ensure that any significant changes to the current proposed formula will not be made without feedback from the member schools.

In addition, the OHSAA Board of Directors is considering addressing the enrollment disparity that exists in Division I in the sport of football prior to the

lot of the mechanical parts already manufactured a simple proposition. Treavor got the car at the age of 15 and started working on it right away. A couple of years later he took auto body classes in vocational school where he made this car his senior project. The car was in fair condition but needed some long lost love given to it. He gave the car a pearl white paint job with a black accent stripe and some nice pearl metallic ghost flames on the front that just help set it off. Treavor's plan for the car is to try and keep it close to original and some day do a complete frame off restoration but for now, as money allows, to just make it a nice cruiser that looks good. He is a young guy but he also says he has an old school way of just cruising around slowly. He was thinking of changing the motor to a V-8, but talked himself out of it and is kept the old straight 6. The old 6 with an automatic power glider runs good, and Treavor's idea of this car is to make a nice cruiser. Let's face it a nice cruiser doesn't need some big thumping, ground pounding, and gas guzzling V-8. Treavor is leaning to the 6 with a split duel exhaust. It has manual brakes with drums all the way around, and (arm strong) manual steering. It still has the original rims and hub caps. He has been working on it for five years now and still loves the car. He has had to order parts as far away as an Arizona junk yard.

The car is a work in progress and I am looking forward to seeing the progress in the coming years. Treavor, you definitely have an eye for the old school cars, that is a rare thing for someone at the age of 20 these days, keep up the work and good luck. Treavor, you saved this car from the scrap yard and becoming some melted down new clothes washer or something like that!

Rat's & Rod's has their first dinner cruise this week, Thursday, April 12th at 5:00 p.m. at the Antwerp Community Park. Come join us, we will be cruising out to dinner as a group at 5:30 p.m.

If you would like to have your ride featured please contact me at ratsandrods@live.com

ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB PLACES 3rd AT ARCHER OPEN TOURNAMENT

The Antwerp Wrestling Club recently hosted its 4th annual wrestling tournament at the Antwerp High School on April 7, 2012. The Archers had a season high 22 wrestlers compete in the tournament. They were also able to have a season high 3rd place as a team. Placing 4th as individuals in the tournament were Logan McKeever, Lance McKeever, Dallas Smallwood, and Kole Titus. Placing 3rd were Skyler Octaviano, Tyler Bauer, Jordan Laker, Kaden Steele, Luke McKeever, Kaden Phares, Alex Zijlstra, Austin VanAtta, Corbin Eaton, and McKenna Smith. Bringing home silver for the Archers were Aidan McAlexander, Kaitlyn Titus, Eli Reinhart, Jarett Bute, Jerry Davis, Colton Hall, and Kameron Johnson. The lone champion for the Archers was Avin Johnson. This tournament marks the end of the season for the An-

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT ANIMALS IN SPECIAL PRESENTATION



Jack Fetter visited the Oakwood Elementary School on Thursday, April 12th. He shared a wealth of information with the 3rd graders on

his knowledge of animals, their lives, their habitats, and their habits. Shown with Jack is 3rd grader Will Bulka holding a Badger fur.

referendum voting in May via a change in the OHSAA Sports Regulations. Additional points the Competitive Balance Committee and Board of Directors emphasized are: 1.) The revised Competitive Balance Proposal is not envisioned as a formula that will solve all issues, nor is it a one-time solution. Rather, this proposal is envisioned as the first step of an on-going process; 2.) The general philosophy of the Competitive Balance Committee has not been to make any decisions for modifications based on what these changes will do to a specific school(s) but rather to address what are perceived to be inequities in the overall OHSAA tournament system, and 3.) While this may not be the ultimate solution or one that everyone would list as their first choice, a realistic view is that a formula built on the principles being addressed is preferred to a separation of an Association with over 100 years of service to Ohio's schools. Additional information on all of the 2012 referendum issues and a Guide to the 2012 Revised Competitive Balance Proposal will be posted soon on the OHSAA website (www.ohsaa.org).

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HOGANS WINS FOURTH TITLE



Malice MMA's Ryan "The Hurricane" Hogans is on a quest months and showed why he is ready to make that step into the professional rankings by making short work of his last opponent. Hogans put on a stand-up clinic, landing a devastating head kick and finishing with a triangle choke in two minutes 36 seconds of the first round and winning his fourth championship title. He started on the road to mixed martial artist by cutting his teeth at the Paulding Wrestling Club at the age of five. Coaches of the club, Walt Kosch, Tim Shaw, Nino Martinez and George Clemens, all played a roll in his success and work ethic in the gym and Hogans is quick to recognize them for their contributions. Later in life he still felt that need to compete, and being a

fan of mixed martial arts, decided to try his hand at competing in the sport. Hogans found Malice MMA and Rob Majors to develop the skill sets and conditioning needed to compete in the cage. Less than three years later, Ryan has amassed an impressive winning record of 15-4 while winning four separate championship belts in three different weight classes. Ryan is afforded his opportunity to dedicate his time training due to the support of many local individuals and small business owners like Carpet Floored Athletics, and Bonafide Tough Guy at btgwear.com. For sponsorship or information on upcoming events and fighter info, check malicefighters.com and find them on Facebook.

WOODLAN JR. SR. HIGH STUDENT RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Alyssa Chandler, senior at Woodlan Jr. Sr. High School was awarded the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. Alyssa will attend Purdue University and the Lilly Scholarship will pay full tuition, required fees, and \$900 per year for required books and equipment for

been a member of the national honor society, service club, and student council. Alyssa wants to study pre-pharmacy at Purdue and is currently involved in an out-of-school internship program at Walgreens. Alyssa is the daughter of James and Carolyn Chandler. Only five students in all



(l-r) James Chandler, Alyssa Chandler, Carolyn Chandler and Luray Riggle, guidance.

four consecutive years of her undergraduate study. Alyssa is an outstanding student. She is third in her class with an 11.64 GPA. She has been the softball team manager, a member of the student advisory group, a band member, cheerleader and class officer all four years. She is the class president this year. She has

of Northeast Indiana received the Lilly Scholarship this year. The program is designed to encourage many of the state's most talented students to attend one of Indiana's fine higher education institutions and after graduation consider pursuing occupations in Indiana.

5 INNING WIN FOR LADY ARCHERS

The Archers picked up a 13-2 five inning win over visiting Lincolnview on Friday. Harlee Hudson picked up her first win on the mound by allowing 5 hits and striking out 3. At the plate Alex North pounded out a double and drove in three runs while Cheyenne Miller-Sweet chipped in with two singles and a pair of Rbi's to help the cause. The Archers are back in action on Thursday when they take on GMC foe Hicksville at home.

the Archer runs. Tricia Smalley added a double and an RBI in the marathon. On the mound Jayla Chamberlain suffered the hard luck loss tossing 12 innings, allowing 8 hits and striking out 12 Apache hitters.

LADY ARCHERS LOSE AFTER 12 INNINGS!

The Archer softball team travelled to Fairview on April 12th and dropped a hard fought GMC contest to the Apaches 3-2 in twelve innings. With the loss the Archers move to 7 and 4 on the season and into a 6 way tie for the lead in the GMC.

WT WRESTLING CLUB PLACES IN ARCHER OPEN

The Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed in the Antwerp Archer Open wrestling Tournament on Saturday April 7th. Placing 1st was Jarrett Hornish, Kameron Bevis, Ruger Geoltzenleucher, George Clemens, and Tyler Showalter. Placing 2nd was Asa Ames, Luke Beckman, Eli Ames, Hunter Long, Samuel Stephenson, Ty Tinlin and Sawyer Temple. Placing 3rd was Maddox Treece, Ori Weirrick, Brendon Bidlack, Gage Tinlin, Nick Barnett, Hunter Showalter, and Robbie Long. Placing 4th was Jeffery Stephenson, Logan Vance, Arin Canfield and Cameron Urivez. The Raiders placed second as a team.

At the plate AJ Stuck smacked a home run and a double while scoring both of

LADY ARCHER ON TOP OF GMC LEADER BOARD!



April 10, a cold night at the Raider softball stadium against the Archers. Hands and feet were numb while the Archers took the game from the Wayne Trace girls 10-4. Shown above is Archer senior AJ Stuck hitting a home run for Antwerp. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

The Archer softball team moved their record to 7-3 overall and sit alone atop of the GMC leader board at 2-0 with a 10-4 victory over rival Wayne Trace on Tuesday afternoon, April 10th. The Archers were led at the plate by AJ Stuck who stroked a homerun and a single while knocking in two runs. Alex

North chipped in with two singles and three RBI's while Tricia Smalley and Kelsey Titus chipped in with two singles apiece. On the mound Jayla Chamberlain held the Raiders to 4 runs, two earned, while striking out eleven, issuing one walk and allowing five hits.



Saturday, April 14 Hicksville came to Antwerp for double header baseball games. The Aces ruled the field with a 10-0 and 14-1 victories. Shown above is Archer Freshman Collin Perry getting a hit. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

COMMUNITY MEETINGS SET TO HIGHLIGHT EACS HAPPENINGS

East Allen County Schools has scheduled a series of community meetings to inform the public about curriculum offerings, K-12 highlights, and technology plans. All meetings will be held from 6:30-8:00 p.m. The meeting dates and locations are as follows:
 May 2nd - Leo Jr. Sr. High (14600 Amstutz Rd. Leo, IN.)
 May 7th - Heritage Jr. Sr. High (13608 Monroeville Rd. Monroeville, IN.)
 May 9th - Woodlan Jr. Sr. High (17215 Woodburn Rd. Woodburn, IN.)
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LADY WARRIORS SB WINS ANOTHER



Woodlan took down Northrop April 9 at home. The Lady Warriors won with another 10-run rule game. Final score: 11-1. Shown above is Woodlan Freshman Olivia Hostetler scoring the final point. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net.



Wayne Trace took on Antwerp April 10 at the new Raider Baseball field. The games started cold and slow. Wayne Trace started scoring and finished the game with 13-4 win over the Archers. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net or www.archerpics.com

OHSAA BOARD ADOPTS RECOMMENDATION TO ADD SEVENTH FOOTBALL DIVISION

The Ohio High School Athletic Association will be adding a seventh tournament division in football beginning in 2013, Commissioner Daniel B. Ross has announced. The addition of a seventh division was approved by the OHSAA's Board of Directors by a 6 to

3 vote during its regularly scheduled meeting on April 12, 2012.

The plan will place the top 10 percent of schools based on enrollment in Division I, with the remaining 644 schools divided evenly among the next six divisions. This will leave 72 schools in Division I with the other six divisions averaging approximately 108 schools. Each of the seven divisions will continue to qualify 32 teams to the tournament. Currently, the six OHSAA football di-

visions are comprised of an average of 120 schools per division.

The plan for adopting an additional division was in response to a concern by some OHSAA member schools about the enrollment disparity that exists in Division I, where the current range is 494 males at the lower end of the division to 1,164 at the top. Based on current enrollment data, the lower end of Division I would increase to 600 males. Committee meetings were held to address the issue and the recommendation to add a seventh division came from the committee.

"Adding a seventh division not only helps address the enrollment disparity in Division I, but it also will create 32 more tournament opportunities for student-athletes, their schools and their communities, many of which have never or rarely experienced the playoffs," Ross said. "The committee members believe that this is an issue unique to football, especially since not all schools qualify for the OHSAA football tournament."

A separate committee, comprised of OHSAA Board and staff members, school administrators and officers of the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association, will be formed to finalize the details of this plan. Among the details to be determined: adjustments to the Harbin Computer Ratings with the addition of another division; regional breakdowns and assignments for Division I, and dates in which specific divisions will play their tournament contests, including logistics of an additional state tournament contest.

Approval of an "athletic count" formula, which is included within a competitive balance proposal that OHSAA member school principals will vote on during the annual referendum process that will occur between May 1 and 15, would also be factored in before placing schools into their respective tournament divisions.

The next two-year cycle for reassigning schools to tournament divisions begins in the fall of 2013. Based on current enrollment figures, a sample of the football tournament divisional enrollment ranges when adding a seventh division would be (again, keeping in mind that this will change before the 2013 season): Division I - 600 to 1,164; Division II - 410 to 599; Division III - 288 to 409; Division IV - 216 to 287; Division V - 159 to 215; Division VI - 114 to 158, and Division VII - 30 to 111. The current football tournament divisional enrollment ranges, which run through 2012, are: Division I - 494 to 1,164; Division II - 327 to 493; Division III - 243 to 326; Division IV - 172 to 242; Division V - 120 to 171, and Division VI - 30 to 119.

This is the first time the OHSAA has expanded the number of football tournament divisions since 1994, when a sixth division was added. Five years later, the number of tournament qualifiers in each division expanded from 16 to 32. When the tournament first began in 1972, there were three football tournament divisions, and expansion to five divisions occurred in 1980.

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": THIRTEEN VANTAGE BPA STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR NATIONAL COMPETITION!



Vantage Business Professional of America (BPA) 2012 national qualifiers! Front: Mikayla Stetler (Parkway), Courtney Marquart (Lincolnview), Chelsea Grimes (Antwerp), Breyanna Longdo (Paulding), Brianna Vogt (Continental), Tiffany Mazingo (Lincolnview). Back: MacKenzie Hanenkratt (Paulding), Justin Van Horn (Delphos Jefferson), Austin Meyer (Ottoville), Dakota Talbott (Paulding), Isaac Simerman (Crestview), Caleb Lawrence (Wayne Trace) and Jasmine Price (Antwerp).

The largest number of Vantage Business students to ever compete in National contests will be heading to Chicago at the end of April!

The team of Isaac Simerman (Crestview), Courtney Marquart (Lincolnview), Justin Van Horn (Delphos Jefferson), and Austin Meyer (Ottoville) qualified for national competition by placing second in the Parliamentary Procedure Team contest. Network Systems Senior Dakota Talbott (Paulding) placed 3rd

in the Computer Modeling contest.

Jasmine Price (Antwerp), a senior in the Medical Office Management program, placed first in Fundamental Accounting. Four junior Medical Office Management students - Chelsea Grimes (Antwerp), Brianna Vogt (Continental), Mackenzie Hanenkratt (Paulding) and Breyanna Longdo (Paulding) - joined forces to take second place in the Administrative Support Team contest. Junior

Medical Office Management's Mikayla Stetler (Parkway) placed first in Medical Office Procedures while senior Caleb Lawrence (Wayne Trace) took second place in the Advanced Interview Skills contest. Senior Tiffany Mazingo (Lincolnview) took 3rd place in Fundamental Word Processing.

Students who qualified for the national contest will compete April 25-29 in Chicago, Illinois. Congratulations and Good Luck!

ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB PLACES AT WAYNE TRACE INVITATIONAL

The Antwerp Wrestling Club competed in the Wayne Trace Invitational on March 24, 2012. 16 Archer wrestlers competed and 15 were able to

place in the tournament.

Placing 4th for Antwerp were Corbin Eaton, Kamren Johnson, Luke McKeever, McKenna Smith, Kaden Phares, Kaden Steele, and Tyler Bauer. Taking home 3rd place were Alex Zijlstra and Aidan McAlexander. Placing 2nd for the Archers were Sky-

ler Octaviano, Jerry Davis, Avin Johnson, and Colton Hall. The two champions for the Archers were Eli Reinhart and Logan McKeever.

This tournament was also the first time this year Logan McKeever was able to win gold.

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6th HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOUSE GROUNDBREAKING IN PAULDING



Mary Rhoad is presenting a check to Habitat for Humanity president, Kevin Wilson.



Kevin Wilson of Habitat for Humanity with the Highwarden family as they are about to break ground for their new home.

The cool breeze and hidden sunshine didn't keep the community of Habitat for Humanity away, as the groundbreaking for the 6th house for the organization got underway on Saturday, April 14th.

The president of the Paulding County chapter of Habitat for Humanity, Kevin Wilson, opened the ceremony with announcing his appreciation for the large turn out. Pastor Dwayne Richardson of House of Love church in Paulding (church of the new homeowners) then prayed a blessing on the efforts that will take place on the site of the new home.

Brandy Highwarden and her children will be the new owners of house #6 which is located at the corner of Wall St. and Lincoln St. in Paulding. As per Habitat policy, Ms. Highwarden attended financial classes and will be required to provide "sweat hours" at the building site in some repayment of her new home. These houses cannot

be completed without the hard work of the family plus donated materials and labor hours by the Habitat volunteer staff and assigned contractors.

Family and friends of Ms. Highwarden were in attendance along with Habitat volunteers, and the local dignitaries—Paulding mayor Greg White, councilman Roger Sierer, and PCED director Tony Langham. Homeowners from previous Habitat houses were also present for the groundbreaking—the Salinas' (house #1), Herschberger's (house #4), and Cline's (house #5).

Mary Rhoad of Haviland made a donation to Habitat for Humanity that morning as her gift to the project at hand. She expressed her view of giving back what God had graciously bestowed upon her and her late husband, Eugene Rhoad. Her donation came from the Eugene Rhoad estate and the Mary M. Rhoad estate.

NEW HAVEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ANNOUNCED

The next public city council meeting for the City of New Haven has been set for Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at New Haven Council Chambers, 815 Lincoln Hwy. E, New Haven, IN 46774.

SOMETHING NEW AT WOODBURN RECYCLING SITE

Woodburn Lion's Club fresh donuts will be available for the first time this year at the recycling site on Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. The Woodburn Lutheran School runs recycling every third Saturday under the water tower.

LAWN CARE: HOW TO CHOOSE THE PROPER GRASS SEED

By: Claude Schrock, Scotts STI Graduate, Grabill & Woodburn Hardware

With the weather warming up, many of you will want to buy grass seed to fill in some bare spots or to overseed thin spots in your lawn. Spring is an excellent time for applying grass seed.

The number one rule about purchasing grass seed is that no matter how it is cared for, a lawn can never be better than the seed that goes into it. Buying grass seed is like buying a car without seeing or driving it. There is nothing tangible to evaluate or compare... other than the package itself. The true quality of the product won't be visible for months, until the seed grows into a lawn.

Seed labels don't tell what the lawn will look like. Seed labels are written to meet Agricultural Regulations and are not "consumer friendly". In fact what the label "doesn't say" is more concerning than what it "does say".

A seed label tells you what seed varieties are in this package. However, it only tells you in percent, by weight, of the total package. It doesn't tell you that seed size and weight are dramatically different. For example, it takes 1,400,000 bluegrass seeds to make a pound. It takes 530,000 fine fescue seeds to make the same pound, and it takes 225,000 ryegrass or tall fescue seed to equal a pound. So the label doesn't tell you the amount of each variety you will see in your lawn.

Unfortunately, the best way to determine how much of a particular seed that goes into your lawn is percentage by seed count. It is not required on a seed label and figuring this out is difficult.

Grasses like Divine Perennial Ryegrass and Abbey Kentucky Bluegrass are better than common-type grasses because they have been genetically improved. They create greener and denser lawns, they're more disease-resistant, and they're slower growing which means less mowing.

Well what about germination? A label gives you the percent of pure seed that is capable of growth in a prescribed time under laboratory conditions. It doesn't say that laboratory conditions are ideal. Seeds are placed on wet filter paper and placed in an incubator with perfect light and moisture control for as long as 28 days.

How about germination percentages... can they be compared between different manufacturers? The answer is no. Germination values may be the same on the label but the actual rate of germination could be different.

Some grass seed packages have filler in them. This is called inert matter. Inert matter or bulking agents like ground corncobs or chaff are often added to make larger packages. Sand may be added so that the packages will meet weight requirements. Volume of inert matter can generally be found by multiplying the percent by weight by two (5% inert = 10% of bag volume).

Weed seeds are also a factor in selection of a grass seed mix. The label says percent by weight of all seeds in the package, which have not been included in pure seed or crop. It doesn't tell you that one harmless needle grass seed weighs the same as 32 chickweed seeds. Both would be listed as 0.27%. If 0.1% were chickweed, this would result in 560,000 plants in a 10,000 sq. ft. lawn.

Premium seed mixtures guarantee a great lawn. They use high percentages of bluegrass in this area. Bluegrass has very small seeds, so a smaller package of premium seed can cover more area of your lawn. Plus, bluegrass has the added bonus of rhizoming, which means the plants roots spread and create new plants.

Bluegrass may be combined with other grasses to derive multiple benefits. Ryegrasses germinate fast to hold the soil. Tall fescues are drought-tolerant but do not spread and fine fescues are more shade tolerant.

Some premium grass seeds now have a super-absorbent coating around the seed that promotes the germination of the seed. It holds moisture against the seed so the seedling has constant access to water. It also helps in that you don't have to worry about the seed if you miss a day of watering.

So, when choosing a grass seed mix for your lawn, choose a premium mix that will give you the best-looking, strongest and most worry-free lawn you've ever had.

ANTWERP BRANCH LIBRARY NEWS - LEGO NIGHT & SHELF SEARCHERS!

On Monday April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. Antwerp Branch Library will host a "Lego Night". We will be supplying

CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S OWEN DOSTER EARNS "GRAND MASTER" TITLE



Pictured above is Owen Doster with Coach Jim Aumick.

Owen Doster won his eighth Championship at the 2012 Lutheran School Athletic Association's Wrestling Tournament making him a Grand Master. Doster earned his third LSAA crown with a quick pin in the 108 pound weight class. Doster earned Grand Master distinction with his victory and became only the second wrestler to ac-

cumulate over eight, the other is Zac Dommer, a CLS graduate also. The CLS wrestling team finished third place at the LSAA Tournament. Three other CLS wrestlers were also All-City Champions: Jonyvan Johnson (90), Ryan Perkins (129), and Bryce Fox (136). Coaches: Jim Aumick, Cody Shipp, Rick Dommer, and Mark Smith.

the Legos and your children can bring their imagination!

Antwerp Branch Library has also started a Teen Book Club named the "Shelf Searchers"! We have open-

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The Payne Ball Association will host a free Aquafina® Major League Baseball® Pitch, Hit & Run™ Competition for area youth.

DATE: APRIL 28, 2012 REGISTRATION: 10:30 A.M.
Location: Payne Community Park, St Rt 49
Rain Date: April 29th, 1:00 p.m.

Pitch, Hit & Run™ is the Official Skills Competition of Major League Baseball®. This grassroots program is designed to provide youngsters with an opportunity to compete, free of charge, in a competition that recognizes individual excellence in core baseball/softball skills.

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The individual Pitching, Hitting and Running Champions, along with the All-Around Champion in each age group at the Local Competition will be awarded and advance to the Sectional Level of Competition.

All participants must bring a copy of their birth certificate and fill out a registration/waiver form prior to the start of the competition.

For questions concerning the competition, please contact, your Local Coordinator, Steve Riebesehl at 419-263-0425

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WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL NAMES MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Coel Shepherd



Aaron Harris



Abbey McDougall



Shannon Boroff



Cade Harvey



Nick Mansfield

Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High recently named their students of the month for March. These students are nominated by and voted for by their teachers. March winners include

7th grader Abbey McDougall, 8th grader Cole Shepherd, 9th grader Nick Mansfield, 10th grader Shannon Boroff, 11th grader Cade Harvey, and 12th grader Aaron Harris. Each

student was given a "Raider Pride, Pay Forward" t-shirt in recognition of this honor.

CRUISE THE NIGHT AWAY AT THE 2012 WAYNE TRACE JR/SR PROM

Wayne Trace High School juniors and seniors will be able to "Cruise the Night Away" on April 28, 2012 at the Prom. The evening's jaunt will take place in the Junior High gymnasium. Open house for public viewing will be from 5:00-6:00 p.m. and the red carpet is from 7:00-8:00 p.m. After prom will start in the High School gym at 12:00-2:00 a.m.

UNIVERSITY OF SAINT FRANCIS NAMES LOCAL STUDENT TO DEAN'S LIST

Dr. Rolf Daniel, Provost of the University of Saint Francis, has announced students named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2011 semester. These students have maintained a 3.5 grade point average on a four-point scale and have carried at least 12 credit hours.

Tyler Gaisford of Antwerp, made the Dean's List and is majoring in Business.

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY 2ND GRADERS HOST "BABY SHOWER" FOR EAGLETS



Second grade teachers at Antwerp Elementary teachers, Mrs. Mary Jane Miller, Ms. Crystal Brooks, Mrs. Betty Smazenko, took a non-traditional approach to teaching recently when they hosted a "baby shower" for the baby eaglets in Decorah, Iowa. The classes had been intently watching and awaiting the arrival of the new eagles. They devoted the entire day focusing on several areas of study: math, science and language arts.

For math the 2nd graders drew a 6 ft. circle on the playground to represent the diameter of the actual nest and found out that all of the second graders could stand within the circle along with the teacher! Baby eaglets weigh only two ounces when they are born so the students tried to find things in the classroom that would match that weight. Adult eagles can carry 1½ pounds of meat in their crop, so we had 1½ pounds of meat in the classroom for them to get an understanding of what that would weigh. All the second graders, teachers and a few others laid out 12 inch rulers in the main hallway to

see how far 80 feet was—that is how high the nest is in a cottonwood tree.

For science the students studied the life cycle of an eagle, did a word search and started their research on the computers about eagles.

In language arts they did a story about eagles using what they learned from the research using "Bird Tales" on the computers.

Another event to celebrate the occasion was they tried building nests—first using paper strips and then with actual twigs (which was not so easy!). To show appreciation to the "Raptor Resource Project" for sharing with the world by having a camera at the nest, the teachers had the students bring in monetary donations, which totaled \$128.88! The students also wrote 'thank you' notes as part of their learning centers to thank them as well.

The day was completed when the students watched a nature video on eagles and how they make their nests and how the eaglets will grow. Everyone involved had so much fun and they learned a lot about eagles.

ELECTRIFYING STUDIES AT PAULDING ELEMENTARY!



Fifth grade students at Paulding Elementary have been studying Electricity. As a final project, students were assigned the project of wiring up two circuits and a switch in a house they designed and decorated. In the first photo, demonstrating their wiring

skills to Skyler Wagner in the house they designed are fifth graders Alex Cardin and Kristen Razo. In the second photo, in their house are fifth graders Courtney Luderman, Sydney Price and Madison Hull.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY LETS STUDENTS CREATE THEIR OWN MENUS!



All year, Payne Elementary has been talking about eating healthy and being active with Fuel Up to Play 60. The staff wanted to see what the students have learned so far so the WTPE Wellness Team, led by Teresa Pfeiffer, came up with a "My Menu" activity. Head cook, Mrs. Robin Molitor, offered to give each grade a tour of the cafeteria and talked about what it takes to plan a healthy lunch for a lot of people. Then the students went back to their classrooms and brain-

stormed healthy lunch ideas that contained foods from all five food groups. Each grade's idea will be assigned a day in May and labeled as to whose grade came up with it. This allowed them to show the rest of the school what they have learned as well as gave them more ownership of their lunch choices. The students were very excited to be able to create their a lunch for everyone in the school to try and are looking forward to seeing their idea on the May lunch calendar.

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IN ANTWERP OHIO???



On Saturday, April 14, Antwerp hosted its first nationally organized basketball event. The National Association of Youth Sports (NAYS) conducted an event hosted by the Antwerp Local Schools and the Manor House. NAYS is an organization similar to AAU or AYBT, both more commonly known in this area. With Antwerp now being able to offer three usable gymnasiums, we have become an attractive site by these national organizers to host these larger types of events. This initial event drew 12 teams from four states. Upstate Elite was a boys varsity team from Buffalo, New York. Two of their players were from Boston, Massachusetts. Other varsity teams included: West Basin Toledo Cavaliers from the Genoa area, the Akron Thunder consisted of boys from the Akron and Youngstown areas; and locally the Wauseon seniors put a team together and beat up on the Upstate Elite team

71-49 in the championship game. On the younger end, teams of 5th, 6th, and 7th grade girls participated from Bishop Dwenger in Fort Wayne; the Lakeland Lakers from Lagrange, IN; Angola, IN brought a team; and bracket champions were from Addison, MI. Boys 5th, 6th, and 7th grade teams included: champion Great Lakes Black from Perrysburg, Archbold; Northwest Ohio Elite from the Lima, OH area; and our host Antwerp Archers. The event went well and local food vendors were kept busy most of the day. The line outside Subway was said to have been out the front door, down the ramp and back to the stop light at the corner. Gracious volunteers made the event work manning ticket stations, concessions, and generally helped wherever they could all day. Antwerp plans to continue to grow these local tournaments in the future.

ANTWERP BOYS FINISH 3RD AT QUAD TRACK MEET

On April 10th, the Antwerp HS track team traveled to Ayersville for some track & field events. Antwerp, Ottoville, Ayersville and Styker participated.

IN THE BOYS DIVISION:

Teams finished in the following order - 1st Ottoville (O) 96, 2nd Ayersville (AYR) 71.5, 3rd Antwerp (ANT) 58.5, and 4th Styker (S) 29

Individual event results:
 Discus - Dunlap, ANT, 140'5"; Rue, O, 138'7"; Clay Fry, AYR, 127'10"; Schroeder, O, 122'2"; Knapp, ANT, 106'8"
 Shot put - Greg Rue, O, 47'0"; B. Dunderman, ANT,

44'10"; Lee, ANT, 41'4"; Dunlap, ANT, 40'7 1/2"; Hausch, S, 38'1"

Long Jump - Josh Schroeder, O, 17' 9 1/2"; Lucas Maag, O, 17'7"; Troy Womack, ANT, 17' 1"; Austin Meyer, O, 16' 10 1/4"; Woolace, S, 16' 7 1/2"

High Jump - Greg Rue, O, 5'10"; Womack, ANT, Tie 5'4"; Jacob Smith, AYR, Tie 5'4"; Colton Relyea, AYR, 5'4"; Grieser, S, 5'2"

Pole Vault - Anthony Eickholt, O, 10'; Sam Beining, O, 10'; Logan Kortokrax, O, 9'6"; Luke Graber, S, 9'6"; Kyle Behringer, AYR, 9'0"

4x800m - Kyle Kissner, Grant Snow, Noah Frost, Cade Mansfield, AYR, 9:18; R. Honigford, Beudele, A. Honigford, Turnwald, O, 9:52; Krick, Reinhart, J. Huss, G. Dunderman, ANT, 10:25

HH - Jacob Smith, AYR, 17.6; Anthony Eickholt, O, 17.8; Sean Beining, O, 18.2; Austin Robison, S, 20.4

100m - Vinnie Perez, AYR, 11.4; Josh Schroeder, O, 11.4; Matt Burgei, O, 11.4; Mickiel Graves, AYR, 11.8; Steven Brown, AYR, 11.8

4x200m - Graves, Relyea, Ferland, Perez, AYR, 01:42.3; Burgei, Maag, Beining, Beuty, O, 01:49.5; Reinhart, J. Huss, Hart, C Stout, ANT, 01:52.7

1600m - Luke Graber, S, 5:01; Krick, ANT, 5:12; Honigford, O, 05:30.1; Turnwald, O, 05:30.8; KJ Martin, AYR, 5:40.1

4x100m - Cook, Relyea, Ferland, Graves, AYR, 49.4; Burgei, Beuty, Maag, Schroeder, O, 49.7; C. Huss, Salas, C. Stout, Womack, ANT, 51

400m - Salas, ANT, 56.4; C. Huss, ANT, 59.4; Honigford, O, 01:04.3; Aguiler, S, 01:05.2; Reinhart, ANT, 1:06.9

300 LH - Turnwald, O, 49.2; Gable, O, 53.3; Kemper, O, 56; Robison, S, 58; Weiruch, S, 62.9

800m - Graber, S, 02:18.6; Behringer, AYR, 2:24; Mansfield, AYR, 26:00.0; Bendele, O, 02:26.9; Stout, ANT, 2:43

200m - Perez, AYR, 24.2; Salas, ANT, 24.2; Ferland, AYR, 26; Beuty, O, 26.1; Woolace, S, 27.8

3200m - Krick, ANT, 11:20.8; Kissner, AYR, 12:27.2; Planson, S, 12:33; Behringer, AYR, 12:38; Updycke, S, 13:51.8

4x400m - Mickiel Graves, Grant Snow, Cade Mansfield, Vinnie Perez, AYR, 04:01.7; Reinhart, C. Huss, A Stout, Salas, ANT, 4:05; Burgei,

L.Gable, Lucas Maag, Greg Rue, O, 04:28.3

IN THE GIRLS DIVISION:

The teams finished in the following order - 1st Ayersville 97; 2nd Ottoville 78; 3rd Stryker 54; 4th Antwerp 16

Individual event results:
 Pole Vault - Ally Moore, AYR, 7'6"; Allison Harlos, AYR, 7'0"

4x800m - Johnson, Musser, Short, Graber, STR, 12:27; M. Schubert, B. Rohn, M. Guilford, N. Hammersmith, AYR, 12:37

HH - Taylor Mangas, O, 17.2; Ally Moore, AYR, 17.2; Jennifer Zachrich, AYR, 17.4; Kendra Eicholt, O, 18.4; Paxton, STR, 18.8

100m - Chelsey Seifert, AYR, 13; Taylor Mangus, O, 13.1; Rupp, STR, 13.2; Sarah Vogel, AYR, 13.8; Sara Olds, AYR, 14.2

4x200m - Dockery, Vogel, Zachrich, Olds, AYR, 2:06; Oberlin, Paxton, Musser, Cassidy, S, 2:14

1600m - Hannah McKibben, AYR, 6:00; Seifker, O, 6:24; Graber, S, 06:38.4; Short, S, 06:57.4; Megan Schubert, AYR, 7:08.0

4x100m - Oberlin, Rupp, Paxton, Cassidy, S, 58.5; Clemens, Moore, Harlos, Vogel, AYR, 59.1; Major, Hammon, Bradbury, Balser, ANT, 72

400m - Chelsey Seifert, AYR, 01:07.6; Abby Seifker, O, 01:08.5; Tonya Kaufman, O, 1:10; Wetli, ANT, 13:00.0; Allie Seigman, AYR, 1:13.8

300 LH - Taylor Mangas, O, 52.4; Ally Moore, AYR, 54.2; Jennifer Zachrich, AYR, 56.5; Cassidy, S, 59.1; Eickholt, O, 60.4

800m - Seifker, O, 02:54.4; Seigman, ANT, 02:58.3; Beining, O, 3:11; Rohn, AYR, 3:49; Schubert, AYR, 3:49

200m - Chelsey Seifert, AYR, 28.4; Rupp, S, 28.9; Kaufman, O, 29.4; Mangas, O, 29.9; Wetli, ANT, 30.6

3200m - Hannah McKibben, AYR, 12:43.6; Johnson, S, 15:26.2; Graber, S, 15:27; Short, S, 16:22.9

4x400m - Wolfrum, Dockery, N. Hammersmith, Seigman, AYR, 05:08.8; Slattman, Sigman, Provines, Wetli, ANT, 05:15.7; Russer, Bhason, Oberlin Huston, S, 05:18.7

INDIANAPOLIS 500 COMMUNITY PARADE SET FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2012 ON BROADWAY

Plan to come out and help New Haven celebrate the history of the Indianapolis 500 on Saturday, April 28, 2012. After a special tribute to our military, the green flag will wave and start the parade at 11:00 a.m. on Broadway and Main. The Parade will continue down Broadway and end at Schnelker Park. More events will continue in the park along with a car show until 4:00 p.m. The parade will feature classic Indy race cars, the Corvette Club, Mustang Club and other vintage vehicles. The parade will also host an Indy 500 Princess and a former Indy 500 Queen from New Haven. Come say hello to various sports mascots. The Racing Shriners are always a crowd pleaser as they show off their driving skills with their mini-Indy 500 race cars. The Shriners' Horse Patrol also plans to participate this year. Former race car driver Merle Bettenhausen will serve as the parade Grand Marshall followed by a meet and greet and autograph session. Additional activities will be held in Schnelker Park, including group contests, events for kids and booths hosting various organizations.

PAULDING WINS AGAINST DELPHOS



Paulding boys came from behind against Delphos Jefferson at home April 12. A beautiful day for a game and a win with a final score of 7-6. Shown above is Panther Sophomore Garod Harder getting a hit. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



On April 10 Montpelier came to the Paulding Softball field and took on the Panther. Both teams and spectators struggled with the cold at this spring sports game. Paulding finished the game falling to Montpelier 2-5. Shown above is senior Kayla Owens safe at 2nd. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net



Woodlan boys took on Dekalb at Woodlan Saturday, April 14 in a double-header match up. The Barons won both games against the Warriors, 4-0, 3-2. Shown above is Woodlan's catcher, Cody Zink, getting the ball kicked away as Dekalb scores a run. More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

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1 - 2:00...17451 Rd 53 (SR 49N, E on 220, N on 53) - 5 Bdrm, 2 Bath; 3,665 sq. ft. on 2.18 acres; Pond; Deck, 2 Fireplaces, Master Bdrm Suite w/walk-in closet; Full Useable Basement; Central Air, separate well, etc..... **\$169,000**

2 - 3:00... 12768 SR 49 (1st home N of Def. Cty Line) One Acre - 3 Bdrm, 2 Baths, (Master Suite upstairs, huge walk-in closets); Beautiful wood floor, enclosed back porch w/heat & air; Basement; 2 Car Detached Garage;..... **\$115,000**

2 - 3:00... 2590 CR 192 (River Rd W) - 2.8 Acre Riverfront; Pond, 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath, Great room w/slider door to rear patio; upstairs loft w/slider to balcony; Barn w/front & rear drive thru doors, tack room, 1/2 bath; adjoining leantos..... **\$169,900**

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3 - 3:30...108 E. Canal - At 4way stop on SR 49. Efficient 2 Bdrm, 960 sq. ft., corner fireplace in living room, Most replacement windows, Vinyl siding **\$47,900**

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PHS STUDENT SIGNS WITH TIFFIN UNIVERSITY



Jessica Farr, a senior at Paulding High School recently signed with Tiffin University. She signed her letter of intent to play basketball for the school next fall. Seated in

the front row (l-r) are Jessica Farr and Jim Farr. In the back row are (l-r) Coach Lyndsi Shining, Athletic Director Chris Etzler, Susan Farr.

2ND GRADERS TELL THE STORY OF JOHNNY APPLESEED

Mrs. Kelly Agler's second grade class at Paulding Elementary recently put on a play about Johnny Appleseed

and did other performances for their parents. Shown above are Zach Gorrell, Janae Pease, and Ella Cook.

PC CARNEGIE LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE FOR 4/18 THROUGH 4/24

4/18 - 3:30-4:30, Mandale Church of Christ (SR66); 4:45-5:45, Grover Hill Elementary School; 6:00-6:30, Melrose UMC; 6:45-7:15, Broughton (across from Town Hall)

4/19 - 11:15, Grover Hill Head Start; 2:00, Antwerp Head Start; 3:15-4:15, Auglaize (township fire hall); 4:30-4:45, Five Span (marina); 5:00-5:30, Cecil (in front of Harts)

4/20 - 10:15, Paulding Head Start

4/23 - 9:30, Country Inn; 10:15, LH Preschool; 1:00, The Gardens; 2:00, Ann's Preschool

4/24 - 3:15-4:15, Scott (Lion's Club); 4:30-5:30, Haviland (community park on 114); 5:45-6:15, Latty (township hall); 6:30-7:15, Briceton (Lutheran Church)

24/49 ANTWERP LAND COMMITTEE MEETS

On Monday, April 9 Antwerp Mayor Tom VanVlerah, Village Administrator Sara Keeran, Randy Derck of CIC, Ray DeLong, Consultant Larry Dillin, Don Benschneider, Tony Langham of PCED and John Kobee, met at the Village Offices to discuss progress regarding the land development on the interchange of 24/49 in Antwerp. Conversation revolved around procuring property options, overall site arrangement, contacts with fast food, retail and motel businesses.

Infrastructure cost determinations will be discussed at the next meeting, along with funding sources.

WHAT IS THAT PURPLE WEED?

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

As I was walking around my home last week, I noticed the usual yellow dandelion flowers in bloom and the abundant growth of purple flowers of henbit and/or purple deadnettle. These two plants are not new to the area but seem to be plentiful this spring.

Henbit and purple deadnettle are two broadleaf weeds that are commonly found in the lawn in spring. They are often confused with one another and there is a good reason for that. Both plants are in the mint family and in the same genus.

Henbit and purple deadnettle are cool-season annual weeds, which means, they start their life cycle in the fall with seed germination, flower in the spring, and start to die back as the temperatures rise in early summer. If you look and feel the stems of these weeds, you will notice that they do have a 4-sided square stem.

Another thing in common, is that both grow very low, prostrate to the ground making them harder to mow down. They also have purplish pinkish colored flowers that grow in whorls around the stem. The leaves are also oppositely arranged on the stem of both plants but that is where things start to differ between the two.

The leaves on the henbit are more rounded in shape and have a serrated edge to them. The leaves on the henbit plant do not have a petiole or stem attaching the leaves to the main stem of the plant. If you look at the purple deadnettle plant, it also has an opposite leaf arrangement, but the leaves have a pointed tip and they also have a small stem that attaches the leaf to the main stem.

From an agricultural standpoint, these two plants have significant consequence in soybean fields. They are both strong hosts to the Soybean Cyst Nematode, and heavy infestations tend to occur in crop fields where these weeds have been allowed to grow.

Control in the home landscape is a matter of preference. Pre-emergent products should be applied in the fall after these annual weeds have gone to seed. Hand-pulling and mulching is the best method for eradication in controlled landscape beds. Regular mowing through the season will control these weeds in turf grass.

A chemical control may still be necessary to further reduce a henbit and purple deadnettle population in the lawn. A three-way herbicide containing the active ingredients 2,4-D, dicamba, and mecoprop (MCP) is recommended. Herbicides should be carefully chosen according to turf species and all label instructions followed. Chemical controls for henbit and purple deadnettle should be applied in fall or early spring for best results. Keep in mind that herbicide effectiveness is reduced as weeds mature.

If you have any questions on the lawn care, contact the Paulding County Extension office at 419.399.8225 for more information.

PAST TIME CAFE REOPENS



By: Sue Knapp

'Same Name, New Owners'—that is the theme of the Past Time Cafe. Mike Iler along with wife, Marcy, always wanted to own a restaurant. When Past Time Cafe came up for sale the Iler's jumped on their chance. The smoke damage from the Barnes Hotel did not stop this couple from having their dream.

Mike and Marcy have replaced the ceiling tiles, waxed and stripped the floors and washed everything down. It took more than one washing down to get rid of the smoke smell caused by the fire.

The Iler's have kept the historical décor with a few additions from their own collection. You will see old license plates of the area, street signs, pictures and memorabilia. Be sure and look at the napkin holders!

Mike worked at Spec Temp for many years and Marcy works at St. Joe Hospital in Fort Wayne on weekends.

Mike will be on hand at the cafe and Marcy will be there during the week.

The menu will have a few changes, though the 'famous sausage sandwich' will still be available. Mike commented, "You are invited to come in and visit with us. We will provide good home cooked meals in a timely manner." A special will be provided on Opening Day.

Mike and Marcy are lifelong Paulding residents. They have four daughters: Macy, Morgan, Miranda and Molly. They are members of Divine Mercy Parish and the John Paulding Historical Society.

Opening Saturday, April 28th, Part Time Cafe hours will be 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Saturday, closed Sunday. Carry-out is also available. Their phone is 419-399-2720, and the location is 107 W. Perry St. in Paulding.

FARMLAND AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

Date: April 21ST 2012

Times: Farm Real estate at 9:00 am. SHARP!

Personal Property at 10:15am. SHARP!

Guns & Coins will sell at 11:00 am, will be running two rings.

Auction Location: 18283 Co. Rd. 63 Antwerp Ohio 45813



Auctioneers Note: Ms. Feasby has decided to relocate, and is offering her Farmland at auction, she will also be offering a very extensive life long collection of personal property, that has been well taken care of, consisting of numerous guns, coins, shop tools, collectables and much more. Don't miss this opportunity to purchase a scenic and productive piece of real estate.

Farmland: Crane Twp. Sec. 6 Paulding County- 2 Tracts * COMBINATION

Farm Location: ½ mile S. on Twp. Rd. 63 from the Intersection of Def.-Paulding Co. Line Rd. and Twp. Rd. 63. **Tract 1:** 34.9 Acres +/-, with majority tillable, excellent frontage from Twp. Rd. 63 & Twp. Rd. 230, the majority of this tract naturally drains to the South. The tract is made up of a combination of Fulton silty clay loam & Napoleon silty clay loam.

Tract 2: 10.2 Acres +/-, approximately 2.5 Acres +/- tillable acres w/the balance in woods. The tract is located on the corner of Twp. Rds. 63 and 230. This tract offers an excellent opportunity for a scenic building site, or a secluded hunting preserve.

(Inspection: Auctioneer on Site Saturday April 14 (9-10:30 AM) for Questions)

Terms: \$10,000 down (non-refundable) auction day on Tract 1; \$5,000 down (non-refundable) auction day on Tract 2 w/balances due on or before May 21, 2012.

Taxes: Prorated. POSSESSION: Immediately for spring planting, with approved financing.

PERSONAL PROPERTY: Guns, Coins, Shop Tools, Collectables, Go-Carts, Beer Neon's & Signs, furniture and much more.

Guns: 1-SKS 7.62x39cal. Chinese military, 1-Stevens Savage 410w/18" barrel, 1-Winchester Model 94 30-30 lever action w/20" barrel, 1-Marlin 60-22cal. 1-Darmas 58 cal black powder-(President Edition), 1-Black Powder gun 36cal. w/33" barrel, 1-Noble model 60D 12ga. 2 ¼", 1-Ithaca side by side 12ga. w/28" barrel, 1-Ruger model 10/22 long rifle, 1-J-Stevens 22cal. Lever-action, 1-Ithaca M-49 lever action, single shot, 22cal., 1-Ruger mini 14, 223cal., 1-Harrington&Richardson, model 158, 20ga., 3", 1-Savage 24V series D, 357mag/20ga., 3"/w/checkered & case hardened bluing, 1-Marlin 22cal., lever-action w/Tasco 7x20 scope, 1-Browning (Belgium Made), 12ga., 2 ¼ & 3" excellent condition, 1-Remington 870 Express 12 ga., 2 ¼" & 3", Double Barreled black powder shotgun(very old), HANDGUNS: 1-Ruger .357 Blackhawk, w/holster, 1-Smith & Wesson Model 659 9mm, w/holster, 1-EIE Italy, black powder 36cal. Revolver, w/holster, 1-Ruger Mark II Target gun 22cal., w/holster, 1-Stallard Arms, Model JS-9mm, w/holster, 1-Barnet/WildCat Cross Bow, 1-Damon Howatt Bow, 28", HC41381. Large assortment of ammunition that matches with the above list of guns, Stack On Elite gun Safe-26 ¼ x 23 x 58 ½",

COINS: 100 lots of coin, Silver dollars from 1897 to 1923 P & S, 1920 to 1963 50cent pieces, 9-1964P 50cent, 1916 to 1920, 10 cent pieces, Various Dimes years from 1925 to 1964, 1-roll UNC 1964 dimes, 1-roll of Mercury Dimes, Walking Quarters from 1925 to 1934, Ike dollars, Washington quarters 1935 to 1940, Washington quarters pre 1964, 1942-1945 WWII silver nickels, 1909-1919 var. dates Lincoln pennies, 1866P Rays nickel, Buffalo Nickels, Booked collections, Foreign Silver, Misc. Tokens, and much more.

SHOP-TOOLS: 1-BJ Industries Self Standing 7000lbs car lift, 1-Air FloorJack, 4-Floor Jacks, Jack Stands, 1-Oil Drain, 1-Airc torch set, Air Sanders, Air Impacts, Air Ratchets, Air Chisels, Air Painters, quart ex. Cond. S&K Sander, Snap On tools, 1-Atlas Drill Press, 1-Chicago 14" cutoff saw, 1-Chicago 4" belt-6" disc sander, 1-Black & Decker Radial arm saw, 1-Craftsman Scroll Saw, Step Ladders, Rolling tool chest, bench grinder, Vices, 1-Air compressor, 1-3" tow rope w/cleaves, 1-set Shop Stairs(8ft.), many other misc. hand tools.

TOOLS, COLLECTABLES, AND RECREATIONAL: 1-McCoy Steels, 1-Set German pottery mugs, 1-Easylock track Train Set, Napa Collector semi's & Trucks, 1-Pedal Dish Fire Engine, 1-Western Flyer tandem bicycle, 1-tandem bicycle (both ex. cond.) 1-Handmade wood hip roof toy barn, 1-Pelican-Colorado 155 Canoe(4person), Various life vest and water toys, 1-wood stove oven cast iron, 1-cast iron pot belly stove, 1-ceramic gas stove, 1-Brinkman gas Smoker, Oil lanterns, 1-Antique grinding wheel, Various ceramic electric insulators, Antique barn pulleys, 1-1969 Chevy pickup hood, 1-Racing Go Cart, 1-5hp kids go-cart, Wine Making equipment, wine bottles, Ball Jars, Catering equipment(warmer pans, roasters) and much more.

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Lunch and Restroom

RECIPES FROM A GREAT-GRANDMA

By: Sue Knapp

Who doesn't like chocolate, coffee and sugar? This combination is really good when you need a pick me up or just... something. Sometimes you just have to give into the urge.

This recipe was handed to me by Angel Steiner. She thought they sounded good as part of a breakfast. Sounds good to me!

Coffee Walnut Chocolate Chip Muffins

- ½ c butter
- ½ c brown sugar
- ½ cup white sugar
- 3 T instant coffee
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 eggs
- ¾ c milk
- 1¾ c flour
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 T baking powder
- ¾ c chocolate chips
- 1½ c chopped walnuts

1. Preheat oven to 350 and grease/flour a 12-muffin tin.

2. Cream butter with sugars, coffee and vanilla.

3. Beat together eggs and milk. Combine flour, salt and baking powder. Alternately add the wet and dry ingredients to the butter mixture until just combined.

4. Add chips and walnuts. Divide among muffin tins, filling until almost full.

5. Bake for 20-25 minutes.

6. Cool 5 minutes and then remove from tin and cool on racks.

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"AM I PRETTY OR UGLY?"

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

Various news outlets have been reporting on a disturbing trend among teenage and even preteen girls: "Am I Pretty or Ugly?" videos. The young girls are posting short video clips on YouTube and then asking people, "Am I pretty or ugly?"

One such clip had over 4.5 million hits and 114,000 comments (and those hits and comments are growing every day). The responses ranged from "U have nothing to worry about" to harsh and degrading comments.

In an insightful blog post, Sharon Hode Miller writes, "As I watched these videos, I wanted to reach through the screen and hug their tiny

shoulders."

Miller claims that many women in our culture struggle with the same "Am I pretty or ugly?" question. So Miller urges women to remember that their real beauty is fixed and unchangeable in Christ.

"The end goal," she writes, "is the 'blessed self-forgetfulness' that Tim Keller describes—a forgetfulness that frees us from fussing over ourselves so that we can worship and serve God."

Additionally regarding beauty, the scriptures speak volumes about our dignity and self-worth as matters settled long ago by the living God... Psalm 139:13-14 (NIV), "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."

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: defycf@embarqmail.com

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GARAGE SALE: Mostly new clothes, shoes, swim suits, kids-adults sizes, \$2.25-\$2. Blackberry & iPhone covers, bikes, multi game table, dog cages, Craftsman laser level, new audio for car, lots of misc. items. April 18-20, 9am-5pm. 6943 Rd. 180 (Canal), Antwerp (on east side of new 24) 419-506-2120. p

HUGE 5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Fri. & Sat. April 20th & 21st, 8:00-4:00. Girls size 12 to juniors, wicker dresser, Stampin' Up, household, bedding, left handed golf clubs, Wii Rock Band, golf cart, lots of misc. Hammans, 3405 Road 144, Antwerp. 1 1/2 miles west of 49, look for signs. p

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO will be hosting a Mom 2 Mom Sale on Saturday, April 21. The sale will be from 9:00 until 2:00 in the Oakwood Elementary gym. Items for sale include walkers, bedding/accessories, toys, clothing (maternity and kids), swings, car seats, and a jogging stroller! There will be hair bows too! p

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She is a Realtor specializing in residential and commercial real estate. Strickler bring six years of experience in real estate with her as she specializes in the listing and selling of single family residences and commercial property in northwest Ohio.

"The addition of Becky to our team bring a new level of depth and strength to our company," noted Scott Williams, the owner/broker of Realty Five of Defiance.

Strickler grew up in Paulding County an is a graduate of Rhodes State in real estate. She and her husband reside in Payne. Contact Strickler for your real estate needs at 419-769-1157 or visit www.realtyfive.com

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Lacey G. Longstreth, Paulding, 11-23-1983 DOB, Theft, F-4

Anthony J. Hernandez, 11-26-1993 DOB, Burglary, F-2 counts

Nicholas Sholl, Antwerp, 10-6-1985 DOB, Resisting Arrest, M-2

Troy T. Morrow, Antwerp, 2-21-1969 DOB, Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity-oriented Material or Performance, F-2

Jeremy M. Duslak, Defiance, 12-2-1991 DOB, Burglary, F-2 Counts

Jamie L. Clark, Paulding, 2-20-1981 DOB, Theft, F-5

Carolyn S. Yates, Oakwood, 5-30-1947 DOB, Trafficking In Drugs, F-3 Counts

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Location: - 4231 Core St., Woodburn, IN One block southeast of downtown (Watch for Auction signs)

Nice Corner Lot - Attractive 1 1/2 story home with central air, gas heat, attached garage and older rear barn first floor has been updated with nice kitchen, bathroom, 2 bedrooms and large living / dining rooms second floor is not updated and can be storage or 1 or 2 additional bedrooms - be ready to bid your price Open Inspections: Wed., April 11 & Thurs. April 19 from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Investors and Speculators Welcome Call the office for auction information or Free Brochure or Visit our web site @ www.gorrellbros-paulding.com Terms: \$2,000 earnest money on the day of auction upon the signing of the purchase agreement; the balance due at closing on or before May 26, 2012 upon delivery of Deed and Owner's Title Policy. All statements made day of auction from the auction block takes precedence over prior printed matter. Seller: Marian I. Miller Estate, Cheryl A. Wiesehan, Personal Representative Mitchel H. Thompson, Attorney Larry D. Gorrell, Broker/Auctioneer AU01018612 - Don Gorrell Auctioneer AU10700140, Nolan Shisler Auctioneer AU01041067

EACS NEW HAVEN 2012 TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

These teachers from the New Haven area of East Allen County Schools have recently

been named 2012 Teachers of the Year.



Kim Faley

Kim Faley, Highland Terrace Elementary - "My favorite teaching moment is watching a struggling student at the beginning of the year becomes proficient by the end of the year. I enjoy seeing that sense of accomplishment and pride in those children. Mrs. Faley has been teaching second grade with EACS for 10 years.



Lindsey Franz

Lindsey Franz, Meadowbrook Elementary - "I love that I have my students for two or three years. This way I get to watch them grow and mature over time. The best part of my job is seeing a student really grasp a skill or concept after months of working on it. I like helping them gain that sense of pride!" Ms. Franz has been teaching with EACS for seven years.



Gretchen Grau

Gretchen Grau, New Haven Middle School - "My favorite teaching moment is when students come back and tell me what they have learned in my classroom that has benefited them somewhere else in their life." Ms. Grau has been teaching Math and Science for 19 years, 14 of those years with EACS.



Becky Moening

Becky Moening, New Haven High School - "I love the interaction with students. I love how everyday is different. I love how students tell me they hate math but love my class and they work so hard to succeed. I love making a difference in the lives of students!" Ms. Moening teaches mathematics and has been with EACS for eight years.

LOCAL BUSINESS PITCHES IN FOR SPRING CLEANING ON INDIANA HIGHWAY THIS WEEKEND

Throughout Indiana this April, volunteers are strapping on safety vests and getting their hands dirty. They are picking up trash along state roads and U.S. highways as part of Trash Bash - the month-long kickoff for the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Adopt-A-Highway program.

Saturday, April 14, at 9:00 a.m., volunteers from Target Fort Wayne NE did their part by cleaning the state's right-of-way along SR 37, from I-469 to Black Road.

In 2011, more than 1,500 Adopt-A-Highway volunteers worked more than 4,500 hours to help collect more than 11,000 bags of trash from 796 miles of state road and highway rights-of-way.

Everyone is encouraged to clean up and prevent litter on Indiana's highways:

-Don't litter: Set a good example for everyone, especially children.

-Be responsible: Carry a trash bag in your car instead of tossing trash out the window.

-Report it: Report areas where people have illegally dumped garbage.

-Adopt it: If you are involved in a civic group, scouting organization or sports program, encourage the groups to adopt-a-highway. Visit <http://www.in.gov/indot/2598.htm> for details or contact the Fort Wayne District toll-free at 866-227-3555.

ODOT KICKS OFF BUSY 2012 CONSTRUCTION SEASON

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Director Jerry Wray today officially launched the 2012 road construction season and announced approximately 800 transportation preservation projects throughout the Buckeye State. Total cost: \$1.8 billion. However, the state still needs more than \$1.6 billion to finish additional phases of 35 major new expansion projects in communities throughout Ohio.

"We sometimes forget how a well-maintained transportation system supports the state's overall economy," Wray said. "With more than \$438 billion in goods shipped annually by trucks - the third largest of any state - a reliable transportation system is not only the lifeblood of Ohio businesses but also the catalyst for future expansion and job creation."

The 800 preservation projects include resurfacing 3,700 miles of interstate and state routes as well as repairs, upgrades, improvements and maintenance to hundreds of bridges, culverts, guardrails, interchanges and hillsides. Currently, ODOT maintains and preserves nearly 50,000 lane miles of interstates and highways - enough to make two trips around Earth.

Within the local area of ODOT District 1, a total of 32 projects totaling more than \$39 million will be constructed this season. ODOT District 1 is responsible for state highways in Allen, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert and Wyandot counties.

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and Allen County. Phase 1, which began in February, will replace the Fourth Street and Reservoir Road bridges over Interstate 75 in Lima. Work on the mainline of I-75 will not begin until next year.

In addition, the resurfacing of approximately six miles of U.S. 30 in Allen County from Ohio 65 to Napoleon Road, and the resurfacing of approximately three miles of Interstate 75 in Hancock County from County Road 99 to County Road 109 will also take place.

ODOT is funded by state and federal motor fuel taxes. The agency's first priority is the preservation and maintenance of its current trans-

portation system. Any money left over goes toward constructing major new transportation projects approved by the state's Transportation Review and Advisory Council (TRAC), a bi-partisan group responsible for approving funding for the State's largest transportation projects.

In January, ODOT announced a \$1.6 billion shortfall needed to complete future phases of 35 major new expansion projects through 2018. However, ODOT anticipates having only \$100 million per year to spend on new construction after all preservation needs are met. In 2011, the TRAC received 72 applications for new trans-

portation projects totaling an additional \$10 billion.

Since then, the agency has announced plans to seek innovative and alternative funding sources to help ease the financial crunch. On top of reducing agency costs and improving efficiency, ODOT plans to pursue the commercialization of non-interstate rest areas and seek sponsorship and naming rights for certain infrastructure projects saving \$100 to 200 million annually. Billions more could be generated or saved by leveraging state-owned assets - like the Ohio Turnpike - and exploring public, private partnerships.



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