

## MAYOR'S CHOICE & PASTOR'S CHOICE AT CANAL DAYS QUILT SHOW



Mayor Terry McDonald of New Haven pins the ribbon on the Mayor's Choice award at the New Haven United Methodist Church quilt show during Canal Days. The "Piecemakers Calendar" quilt depicted lighthouses in season settings and was meticulously pieced, embroidered, appliqueed, and hand stitched by Betty Whiting of Chesterton, Indiana. Her sister, Jane, embellished the quilt with silk ribbon flowers.

Taking four years to complete, Betty (a FACS teacher at Hobart Middle School) found the last piece of the quilt (flag) in time to complete the quilt before the show. FACS, to the older generation, used to be called Home Economics.

For Pastor's Choice, Pastor Rick Taylor chose the 9-patch bargello quilt showing transition with prints and colors. This quilt was also pieced and finished by

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## TIMBER ROAD II WIND FARM REPORT

Vestas has worked extensively with EDPR and local authorities to safely restart the Timber Road II Wind Farm (54 of the 55 turbines were online as of Monday, June 4) in Payne, Ohio. Vestas and EDPR have taken great care to ensure the safety of employees, landowners and the general public during this process.

On April 24, 2012, two 49-meter blades on a single Vestas V100-1.8 MW wind turbine broke at Timber Road II. Immediately after discovering the blade failure, all the turbines were shut down and the site was secured. No one was injured during the incident. After a detailed analysis of the affected turbine, Vestas has determined a manufacturing defect caused the first blade failure. Vestas has corrected this production issue. The second blade failed due to overload caused by the first blade failure. We are replacing the damaged turbine's blades this week and expect the turbine to produce electricity by this weekend.

Vestas visually inspected all other blades at Timber Road II which showed no evidence of blade damage,

other than one blade that had lightning damage. Vestas has developed a revised operating strategy that will allow EDPR to safely run the turbines.

Timber Road II includes 55 V100-1.8 MW turbines, and has an installed capacity of 99 megawatts, enough to power about 27,000 homes. Vestas has more than 500 V100-1.8 MW turbines operating globally with more than 2.4 million cumulative operating hours.

## UNCLE FUDD'S HOSTS FIREMAN'S FRENZY JUNE 23<sup>rd</sup>

For many years now Uncle Fudd's, located in Melrose, OH, has hosted the Fireman's Frenzy. The Fireman's Frenzy is a fund-raising event with all proceeds going to help the local young people in need. In the past, funds have gone towards giving smoke detectors, coats, carbon monoxide detectors and other needs for the area school children. This event is scheduled to take place on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and the dinner will be served by the "Rude Dudes" of the Oakwood Fire Department from

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## ALLEN & PAULDING COUNTY EMPLOYEES PREVAIL IN ROADEO



This year's top finishers in the loader competition are (l-r) Frank Daley of Hancock County, third place; Ryne Dangler of Paulding County, first place; and John Rinker of Hancock County, second place.

It was a driver from the Allen County garage and an operator from the Paulding County garage which came home victorious from the recent Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 Truck and Loader Rodeo held in Lima.

Gary Kramer of the Allen County ODOT maintenance garage won the truck event this year. "I was shocked to be honest," said Kramer after his win. It was his third time competing with his last try occurring five years ago. He won the loader competition in 2004 in his first year with the department.

A familiar face in the winner's circle is Ryne Dangler from Paulding County who won the loader competition.

Dangler has won both the truck and loader competition several times, including wins at the state and national level.

"It's a nice, fun day," said Dangler of the competition. The course is changed up a bit each year which keeps it challenging. "It was a tight course," he said.

Finishing second and third, respectively, behind Kramer in the truck event were Tom Mellinger of Hancock County and Alan Taylor of Wyandot County. Finish-

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**OBITUARIES**

**Watson Dale Blair**, 53, of Cecil died Sunday, June 3, 2012 at his residence.

He was born July 1, 1958 in Paulding County, Ohio, the son of Shade and Maggie Ruth (Thompson) Blair. He was employed by General Motors retiring in 2008. He was a member of the UAW and attended Pleasant View Missionary Church, Junction.

He is survived by his parents: Shade and Maggie Ruth Blair of Cecil; two sons: Russell Blair of Paulding, and Joshua Blair of Three Rivers, MI; five brothers: Charlie Blair, Doug (Rena) Blair, Dave Blair, all of Cecil, Jeff (Chris) Blair of Oakwood, and Kenny (Lee Ann) Blair of Hicksville; a granddaughter, Melody Merckley.

He is preceded in death by a sister, Julie Lynn Lauber.

Funeral services were conducted June 8, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Pastor Perry Mason officiating. Burial was in Blair Adams Sun Valley Cemetery, Cecil.

Donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**Denelda Rhoad**, 94, of Scott, OH died Monday June 4, 2012 at Country Inn Enhanced Living Center, Paulding County.

She was born on August 25, 1917 near Roselm, OH in Washington Twp. Paulding County, Ohio to the late Mae (Sites) and Roy Halter. She married Floyd G. Rhoad on May 14, 1942. He died March 13, 1987.

She is survived by her son, Darrel (Marilyn) Rhoad of Scott; and grandchildren: Hilary (Stephen) Yoder of Scott.

She is preceded in death by her husband; parents; and brothers: Darrel Halter and Leland S. Halter.

Denelda was a homemaker. She was a member

of the Harvest Field Pentecostal Church of God, Scott; 1935 graduate of Grover Hill High School; Veteran Auxiliary Member of Gideon's International; pianist, organist and Sunday School teacher for many years at Harvest Field Pentecostal Church of God, Scott; enjoyed playing the piano and many other activities at the Country Inn Enhanced Living Center for seven years.

Services were held on June 6, 2012 at Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory, Van Wert. Burial was in Scott Cemetery, Scott, OH. Rev. Terry Martin officiated.

Preferred memorial to Harvest Field Pentecostal Church of God or Gideon's International or Country Inn Enhanced Living Center.

Arrangements by Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory. Condolences may be expressed at [www.alspachgearhart.com](http://www.alspachgearhart.com)

**Paula Jo Gabers Bramlett**, 47, of Paulding, former Noblesville, IN resident, died at the Gardens of Paulding, Paulding.

She was born February 25, 1965 in Paulding, the daughter of Paul J. and Mary Jane (Steele) Gabers. On June 25, 2005 she married Jay Bramlett, who survives. She was employed for 20 years as a floral designer and interior decorator and was a former college recruiter for ITT, Indianapolis.

She is survived by her mother, Mary Jane Gabers of Paulding; three children: Devin, Marcus, and Austin; four sisters: Carla (Steven) Wyss of Smithville, TN, Donna (Thomas) Scheele of Fort Wayne, IN, Julie (Daniel) Clemens of Defiance, Nyla (Al) Snyder of Fort Wayne; two brothers: Robert (Becky) Gabers of Napoleon, and William (Eve) Gabers of Henderson, TN; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were conducted June 9, 2012 at St.

Paul Cemetery, Paulding, with Rev. Ben Lowell officiating.

Donations may be made to Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com). DenHerder Funeral Home, Paulding, is handling arrangements.

**Ronald P. Garrity**, 70, of Hicksville died Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at Community Memorial Hospital, Hicksville.

Born on July 4, 1941 in Chicago, IL, Ronald was the son of the late William and Irene (Gorski) Garrity.

Ronald was retired from Johns Manville in Defiance. He was a member of the Pleasantview Missionary Baptist Church, Junction, OH, Maumee Valley Car Club of Defiance, and River City Rodders Car Club of Napoleon, OH.

Survivors include his wife, Barb; two daughters: Tracy Irene Bray of Brilliant, AL, Rhonda Wharry of Hicksville; a son, Ronald (Kim) Garrity II of Paulding; seven grandchildren: Kasey Thomas, Chris Britt, Andy Bray, Johnny Bray, Samantha Wharry, Peter Wharry, and Megan Garrity; a great-granddaughter, Jayla Grace Bittenger; and a step-sister.

He was preceded in death by five brothers.

Visitation and service for Ronald were June 8, 2012. Preacher Perry Mason officiated.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be shared at [www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com).

**ANTWERP CLEAN-UP & RECYCLING DAY SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2012**

As a courtesy to the residents of the Village of Antwerp, the Village will be holding a clean-up and recycling day on Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the water plant on Waterplant Drive for VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY. The Village will supply rolloff waste containers for bulky items plus separate containers for Steel Only and bins for paper, cardboard, Plastic #1 and #2, steel and aluminum cans, glass bottles and computer components. Batteries will also be taken. Car and light truck tires will be taken at a cost of \$3.00 a tire. Semi tires will cost \$6.00 each. This is a one (1) day event for tires, tires are not to be dropped off at Erie Recycling. No motor oil or household garbage can be dropped off.

The drop off site will be manned to help assist residents in dropping off their items. Please have your recyclables separated into the categories listed above. Also seniors or handicapped households can call Erie Recycling at (cell) 260-602-9670 for pick up of their waste/recyclable materials for the June 23<sup>rd</sup> clean up day only.

Flyers on the clean up day which lists acceptable and unacceptable items can be picked up at the Village Administrator's Office or at Town Hall. Questions on clean up day can be directed to the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371.

**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest..."

—Matthew 11:28-30

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5:00-7:00 p.m.

The Oakwood Fire Department not only serves the village of Oakwood but the surrounding areas including Melrose.

This year Mr. Duck Waddle, the clown, will be at the event. Mr. Duck Waddle is very entertaining to the kids and he also makes balloon animals! He will mingle with the customers while they eat and have fun!

Dick Stoner from Fort Wayne will be at this event also. Dick has worked with many national actors and music acts. Dick is a magician and a comedian who loves to make you laugh. He will have a 45 minute to one hour show starting at 7:00 p.m.

This year at Uncle Fudd's there will be a special affordable children's menu available.

The Oakwood Fire Department would appreciate your support for the Fireman's Frenzy. Uncle Fudd's would like you to RSVP for this event at 419-594-3319.

**WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/7/12**

Meeting Minutes from May 7, 2012: Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Abbott, Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Superintendent Walls, Treasurer Sarrazine, and Mayor Hoepfner were in attendance.

**AUDIENCE:** Resident wrote an article to the newspaper - City Pride Day - is May 19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed to clean up city. Resident pointed out water tower light was still out - superintendent Walls reported that it would be replaced this week by Leary the contractor that is doing maintenance on the tower. Resident also stated he had emptied the trash receptacles downtown.

**MAYOR:** Crosby Excavating wants to bill us for extra fill. After discussion it was determined that more research into the request was needed. Every year we give a \$100 Citizenship Award to a student at Woodlan. Councilman Abbott made a motion to continue and give \$100 for the award. Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried. An estimate to update the sirens to the new frequency band came in and it was \$415. A motion from Councilman Renner to approve the update was made, Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. We are re-lining the water tower starting tomorrow and it will take a few days. There is an ICOM conference in Lawrenceburg on June 6,7,8, the cost is \$400 which includes the room. Councilman Abbott made a motion to approve Mayor Hoepfner going to conference with a report back after. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Eagle Landscaping gave us an estimate to replace an arborvitae and add mulch to the North and South entries \$225. They also gave us an estimate to put river rock along sidewalk where new trees were planted and repair landscaping at city hall which will be cost shared with the township \$1,050. A motion to accept Eagle Landscaping's bid and cost share w/township was made by Councilman Renner, Councilman Abbott 2nd, all approved, motion carried. A-1 Concrete Leveling was working today and it looked good. I would like the councilmen to look at this so we can proceed with the other two districts. Councilman Voirol and I walked the waterline with the engineers last week and the next day we had a water main break on that line in front of the Fire Department. We are trying to secure grant money. To be proactive I think we should get an income survey done to be prepared for grants that become available. We will find out how much the survey cost and bring to next meeting.

**TREASURER:**

Correction was made to the minutes. Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve as corrected, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried. First reading of ordinance G-12-1201 (Sewer Discounts) was read. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve reading, Councilman Abbott 2nd all, approved, motion carried. Warrants were presented. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve, Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. We have distributed the Community Attitude Survey to local churches and businesses and we are starting to get feedback. There is also a link on our website to take the survey on-line. [www.cityofwoodburn.org](http://www.cityofwoodburn.org).

**Superintendent Walls:** Leary Construction will want to be paid upon completion of the Water tower maintenance. A ladder is needed in the pit; Ryan to get estimates. Superintendent Walls explained the dangers of chlorine gas opposed to liquid chlorine. Councilman Rice made a motion to switch to liquid chlorine. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. City needs to have a safety can storage cabinet; Ryan to get with Councilman Rice. The City's gas detector can no longer be calibrated; Ryan to check with Fire Department since it is only used once in a while. Fire hydrant flushing will occur July 1-31 so if the water is orange that is what is going on. I will be putting an article in the paper about basement inspections throughout the City to assure that the pumps are draining to the right line.

**Councilman Abbott:** I would like to see a Woodburn sign on Woodburn Road.

**Councilman Rice:** I would like to thank Clarence Reichart for his continued efforts to keep the city looking good. Industrial Park needs sprayed for dandelions, utility department to address this issue. Many residents have inquired as to why our squad cars are not marked and have expressed that they would like to see them marked. Councilman Voirol made a motion to get the squad cars marked. Councilman Rice 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

**Councilman Renner:** No report  
**Councilman Gerig:** 4007 Becker Street has a slanting sidewalk. That will be addressed when council approves the work done by A-1 leveling. A resident at 23126 Woodburn Road reported that the landscaping crew who came in, filled a 200 gallon water wagon from his garden hose. A resident on Stenger would like us to gravel his parking area. Council discussed and rejected. Councilman Gerig will inform resident and invite him to come to a meeting if he would like to protest.

**Councilman Voirol:** No Report  
Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m. Notes prepared by Holly Sarrazine - Clerk Treasurer.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ms. Geller got it partly right. If she would go back long enough, the rural areas (and parts of the more urban areas) declared back in the late 90's that we did NOT want consolidation of our high schools. (The K-12 concept is more economically plausible as per the projected costs of the plan we kept hearing about from the New Haven group.) That is still the majority thought today as proved by the remonstrances for the Heritage and Woodlan projects. Do not blame US for the fact that one of your board members resides in Leo but was elected from the New Haven district. Do not blame US that the other board member elected from New Haven has spotty attendance at board meetings. There is a precedence. Another former board member from New Haven also lived in Florida post retirement during his tenure on the board, so representation in absentia is nothing

new. The proposed reformation of board elections has the potential to leave the rural areas completely without representation as well as place all the board decisions in the hands of one attendance area, and that is unacceptable... Your mayor is a proponent of one to two high schools and that is unacceptable and inequitable for the rural populations as well. Demographics has much to do with the way representation on the board is determined.

Have any of you ventured into the far corners of EACS to see first hand how long those students would be on a bus? Probably not. Even Indianapolis has made their schools smaller because it works better. Smaller schools are proved by studies to be better for students. Most area school corporations around us in Indiana and Ohio have the K-12 concept and I haven't talked with one parent from any of them who doesn't enjoy the concept. The K-12 concept is the most reasonable for all concerned. New Haven had the chance to defeat the remonstrance but failed to get the signatures, yet you seem to be crying foul. Dr. Yost, a former EACS superintendant, lived in Leo at the time the Woodlan building was allowed to languish. It continued to do so under Dr. Benway, who hated small schools, and Dr. Gland who wanted no parental involvement. Woodlan students dodged trash cans catching water, endured water filled lockers from the leaky roof while other buildings got fixed and remodeled and sporting fields were updated. At the time some in Leo were pushing for a swimming pool... Woodlan had one on their roof. It wasn't that long ago that New Haven got their football stadium and baseball field rebuilt. Why wasn't that money applied towards your buildings? For years our athletes ran on a sub par track that crumbled beneath their feet, a real safety hazard, and we were ignored. It was posted on Facebook by a New Haven resident that your mayor was tired of the rural

area running things. Well, the rural areas are tired of having to fight for what precious little they have and of being bullied by our more urban counterparts... but we will as long as we have to.

—Apryl Hoot

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In addition to my other letter, I would like to discuss the EACS transportation situation. WOW, guess what, they're running short on money for fuel! Busses are traveling from here to there and there to here. Just getting the kids to the right schools is a major busing issue I know they promised people they would get their kids to afterschool activities, but they really think it all the way through. I don't blame parents for wanting their kids to be able to participate in after-school activities, they are a valuable part of school, but I see busses on the road as late as 5:00 p.m. with maybe one or two kids on it. One full size school bus was in a minor accident during Christmas break on Moeller Rd. while taking one student to basketball practice in Leo. Luckily, no one was injured. But this kind of busing can't be a financially sound solution. It's not just the fuel it's the salaries of the drivers, extra miles on the busses, tires and repairs that will make it necessary to purchase new busses sooner than we would have with normal bus service.

It might be a help if EACS didn't pay \$900 monthly for the Superintendent's gas guzzling vehicle and fuel to drive back and forth to South Bend every week. With a salary of \$147,805 per year, it would seem to me that this job would require a five day work week and residence in this area and maybe a much more economical car could be provided. She surely could provide her own gas as the other EACS employees do. I'm sure if any other administrators have the same

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ing second and third behind Dangler in the loader event were John Rinker and Frank Daley, both of Hancock County.

"It's a day we set aside to allow our operators to display their skill. It's not by coincidence that over the last several years, District 1 has produced the statewide winner in both the truck and loader events. We have a talented workforce here and are proud of that," said Kirk Slusher, ODOT Dis-

gas allowances, surely these could be eliminated also.

I know both letters sound biased and I guess they may be. I am from New Haven. I did not go to school here but all my children did. Way, way back when I was in school, New Haven was one of the highest ranking schools in the country. Of course, they had plenty of money then. I have no vested interest in the school system other than to want the best for the area. My children are grown and have families of their own. I have no grandchildren in the system or in the EACS district.

EACS school system is slowly self-destructing and it will take many communities along with it. One of the important things companies look for when looking at place to open a business is the quality of the community schools. If they are not up to par, the community loses. This affects the entire East Allen County and all school board members should keep this in mind. The number of people who have taken their kids to private schools and others who are either moving or wish to move but financially are unable are pretty staggering in this area. Our schools need to be a magnet, not a deterrent to drawing families and businesses.

Unfortunately the EACS boards through the years have not realized they must change with the times and not only adjust to new methods, but new technology and a dwindling budget. One of their most unfortunate choices of closing the least expensive schools to run, the grade schools, seems to be one of their most selfish and biased decisions. Keeping five expensive high schools open has been upheld for over 30 years, and is just as inappropriate as it is antiquated. Small children need to be close to home in order to have time to for homework, play and family. High schools kids can adjust to the longer bus rides

district 1 deputy director.

The rodeo is a friendly competition which pits equipment operators against one another to test their skill in maneuvering equipment through a series of obstacles intended to mimic situations they encounter on the job. Participants are also required to find deliberately-placed mechanical bugs on equipment as part of the pre-trip inspection portion of the competition.

The top finishers in the district competition will go on to compete against their coworkers throughout the state in the statewide competition which will be held in August.

Below is a summary of the rodeo results including the individual work unit winners in both the truck and loader:

Work Unit Winners (Truck Competition):

Allen County - Gary Kramer (district winner); Hancock County - Tom Mellinger; Hardin County - Glen Oldfield; Paulding County - Ryne Dangler; Putnam County - Lynn Hoyt; Van Wert County - Lance Clifton; Wyandot County - Alan Taylor.

Work Unit Winners (Loader Competition):

Allen County - Gary Kramer; Hancock County - John Rinker; Hardin County - Lane Gudakunst; Paulding County - Ryne Dangler (district winner); Putnam County - Lynn Hoyt; Van Wert County - Brett Sheets; Wyandot County - Shane Coppler

ACDC DONATES TO HELPING HAND



Aimee Lichty, ACDC Treasurer, presenting check to John Manz for "Helping Hand" men's cancer fund in Memory of Randy Bussing. Recipients of the fund must meet three criteria. They must be male, reside in Paulding County and have a diagnosis

of cancer. To be considered for this fund please contact Paulding County Hospital. These donations were made by Antwerp Community Development Committee from Paint the Town Pink fundraiser.

much better than the little ones. The other is the decision to remodel Woodlan and Heritage without a proper citizen vote.

2011 statistics state that SWAC has approx. 7,000 total students with one high school. NWAC schools have approx. 6,300 and have only one high school. EACS has approx. 10,000 with four high schools this year. Next year there will be an Academy with a Jr High in a building originally a high school. There will be only 7th grade students and less than 130 Academy students, again opening an entire building for a few students. The other districts are far ahead of us and are able to offer their students the best of the best because they provide it all at one high school. The Academy is supposed to offer this wonderful opportunity, but only to a handful of students. Why

can't we offer the best we can do to all our students?

Please, please, please. Qualified individuals are badly needed to replace these inept and absent people. Individuals with education, business experience, budget experience, common sense, and most of all can think in terms of the entire district, not only the few they represent. Think about the future of your kids or grandkids and the generations to come. Consider what will happen if our communities stop growing and our children continue to leave because of the lack of job opportunities and social growth. The time is now, four Board positions will be open for election this fall. Call your community leaders to find out how to run for school board. Better School Board members are sorely needed.

—Marcia Geller, New Haven IN

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**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

**By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ**

1. You and I should know that this church still survives today and you can be a member of this church:

A. By doing what people 1900 year ago did - Acts 2:36-47

B. Without being in any denomination - Acts 2:47; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13

2. You and I should know that a child of God:

A. Can be lost - 1 Corinthians 10:12; Galatians 5:4; Hebrews 3:12-19

B. But is given a law of par-

don - Acts 8:22; James 5:16

C. Is constantly cleansed by the blood of Christ as he walks in the light of God - 1 Peter 2:9-10; 1 John 1:5-10

Comments or questions? Call James Potter at 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ! Loved ones, the church that Christ built will exist forever, there will never be an end to it here on earth or in heaven. Only those who are found obedient and faithful to Christ's teachings in the New Testament will be in heaven.

Loved ones, carry a Bible! The Pony Express, which operated from April 3, 1860 to October 1861, ran from St. Joseph Missouri to Sacramento, California—a long and arduous 1,900 miles. Forty riders would cover the distance in ten days stopping at one of the 184 stations every 10 miles (this was roughly the distance a horse could travel at a gallop before tiring) to change horses. The rider could not weigh more than 125 pounds and changed about every 75 to 100 miles and rode day and night. Everything had to be light. Saddles were small. Mail pouches (mochila) were flat—it was thrown over the saddle and held in place by the weight of the rider sitting on it. Each corner had a pocket, bundles of mail were placed in these pockets which were padlocked for safety and could hold up to 20 pounds. No guns were carried. Letters were written on thin paper. Yet, when a rider first signed on, he was given what was considered standard equipment—a full-sized Bible—and it was taken on every trip!

The Bible should always be

considered standard equipment to everyone! It is the only book that meets the needs of man under all conditions of life. May we encourage you to carry it, read it, study it, live it, and your life will be changed by it, and this is something to think about. The Gospel of Luke coming up next week! See you next time in the West Bend News.

**FAITH ON FIRE**

**By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church**

The other day I was grilling. It made me think of belief and action. Our thoughts are like the charcoal. Our passion is like the fire. When you combine them together, you get true belief. Passion springs from the thoughts and transforms the world around them into something useful.

Too often, we just have cool ideas. Things we think we believe but we really don't. We can tell when we truly believe something because the idea in our head starts changing the way we live.

We can see this in simple things. We actually believe water is good for us, so we drink it. You believe that the chair you are sitting in will hold you, so you sit there without worrying that you will crash to the ground. You believe reading this article is worthwhile or you wouldn't be doing it (or maybe you are just wasting some time - thanks for taking time to read it either way). You believe lots of things, and those beliefs influence the way you live.

You also probably have a lot of things in your head that are just cool ideas. Those are thoughts that you might even think you believe, but if they

aren't changing the way you live, then you don't really believe.

So when I'm talking about belief today, I'm not talking about intellectual propositions, thoughts we have, or the cool ideas in our head. I'm talking about true, genuine belief that fills us with such a passion that it influences the very way we interact with the world and one another.

The thing with beliefs is that everyone is trying to get us to believe what they believe. Sometimes the most adamant belief is that you shouldn't influence others to believe what you believe. I find it ironic that some try to force us to believe that we shouldn't try to influence others to believe what we believe.

The harrowing truth is that if we believe in the wrong things, those wrong beliefs will mess up our lives.

So we must be careful when we go to get what we believe. We should be vigilant and aware of the people and influences around us that are trying to get us to believe the wrong things. We need to develop a good routine to get what we believe. As Socrates said, "The unexamined life is not worth living."

Thomas, who gets the rap of being a doubter, gives us a good example on how to handle our doubts.

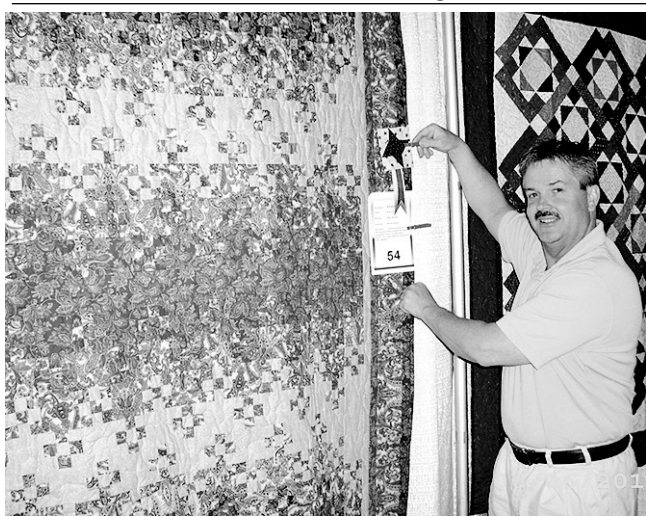
"Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.' Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" John 20:24-29 (ESV).

I think Thomas should have his name changed from Doubting Thomas to Verifying Thomas. Instead of letting his doubt creep in and destroy his beliefs, he went straight to the source and verified them. If you have questions on what you should believe, you should follow Thomas' example and go to Jesus with your doubts. Being a follower of Jesus doesn't mean that you won't have doubts; it means that you will head to him with your doubts and allow him to give you the answers.

If we believe that Jesus rose from the dead, it will change us. It did for Thomas. Tradition has it that he died a martyr. Thomas the Apostle was killed by a spear in Mylapore, Madras, India in AD 72.

Is your belief changing you? Do you really believe?

You can read more of Regan's writings at [www.reganswritings.blogspot.com](http://www.reganswritings.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.



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Betty. People's Choice award of all the quilts in the fellowship hall was the Piecemakers Calendar thus giving

Betty another honor. The area quilters did a fantastic job in their participation in the show this year.

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**LORETTA McCANN OF THE WOODBURN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

She was born in Lewis County, Kentucky in 1939. Her parents were Ollie and Pearl Lawson. There were eight children in the family. She attended school in Vanceburg. She married Wayne McCann in 1957 and moved up to Auburn, Indiana. They had five children. She worked as a waitress in Fort Wayne for 25 years.

They moved to Woodburn in 1970, on the Woodburn Road and the Ohio line. Her hobbies are her grandchildren, Colonial Dames, D.A.R.—I am not sure about that division of union veterans—and the Woodburn Historical Society; and she has put in hundreds of hours in genealogy. She is kin to the Shirley's on her mother's side, the Robinson's.

Robert Shirley was born October 28, 1842 in Defiance County, OH in the Delaware Bend area along the Maumee River. He was the son of James and Elizabeth Shirley. He only had a high school education, but he did a lot of reading and advanced his knowledge in a lot of topics, one was a start towards being a lawyer.

In his teens he worked for his uncle, J.J. Shirley, at a grocery store in Antwerp. His career as a politician started in 1871, when he was elected a Justice of the Peace and an Appraiser in Maumee Township.

Well, first off, let me tell you that I just found out for sure that Robert Shirley did not lay out Woodburn's Shirley City, either. It was named that in Shirley's honor as their first state senator. You can take it from me and this is the last on it, Woodburn was laid out by William Gernhardt and Otto Knoblauch. History will tell you that in 1865, Joseph Edgerton and Joseph Smith platted out the town of Woodburn.

Well, I think that those two boys plotted out the area later called Phelps Station, which was up on the railroad. I understand that they named Shirley City after Robert Shirley, and he was the good pusher of that area and the common man. On reading about Mr. Shirley, he knew he represented his hometown folks.

Nowadays, both parties The West Bend News is published weekly for residents of Paulding County & Woodburn and New Haven, IN. Subscription information for the West Bend News follows: If you live within the circulation area, the West Bend News is delivered for free. If you reside outside the circulation area, subscriptions are \$32.10 per year. Newstand price is \$.25 per copy. All content submitted & printed in the West Bend News becomes the property and copyright of the West Bend Printing and Publishing Inc corporation. Any and all reproduction requires prior consent by the Publisher

forget who sent them there and just represent a party—what a let down! He did his best to keep as much power at home as he could and it wasn't always easy. I think that man's character, ideals and drive is what this country needs now!

He was married to Ladora Faulkner but they didn't have any children. Robert Shirley died in 1930. He is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in New Haven. Friends, I am not going to write anymore about the Shirley's in Woodburn. Mrs. McCann and Mrs. Gerig and the folks at the Woodburn Historical Society all know so much more than I do. Those people are so interesting to talk to!

Mrs. Loretta McCann tells me she was related to Robert Shirley by her fourth great-grandmother who was a lady named Rachel Gilbert, who was married to a Robert Shirley. I swear Loretta has put many hours into her genealogy work and it shows. When she talks about all those number four great-aunts and so many I just put my pen down and listen. She is such a knowledgeable and interesting lady.

You lucky folks, next week Loretta is coming back to our office and bringing some old pictures of old Woodburn. She will probably have some facts and figures.

See ya!

**MORE ON ME, STAN JORDAN**

**By: Stan Jordan**

We ended up in France as a replacement, for a tank outfit that got hit pretty bad in the Ardennes. I didn't see a whole lot of action as we spent a lot of time in CCR which means Combat Command Reserve. You have a CCA and CCB.

When the war ended on May 8<sup>th</sup>, we were a few miles from Pilzen, Czechoslovakia. The captain called everyone to the little cabin where we ate our meals and said the war will be over tomorrow, but for us to be on alert. He hadn't seen much for a few days.

Nobody said anything, then Captain Anderson said, "Corporal Matheny, kill the deer this afternoon."

Mess Sergeant Lee said, "If you will sit and visit, we will fry the deer meat and celebrate the war's end. But we will eat tomorrow's bread tonight and we won't have bread with tomorrow's dinner."

That suited everyone and we sat down on the floor and talked. Some fellows played euchre and we had a good time. In a few days, we got on the auto-bahn and we went north to this nice little resort town called Berneck. There was a closed up brewery in the town, but the boys found out there was still some bok beer in the big vats.

Somehow they located the door key and we paid the old fellow with cigarettes. We had a five gallon water can full of beer out in the parking lot. You would take your canteen cup and fill it with warm 12% beer. I don't remember any of the fellows drinking too much. I didn't know much about hills, but the little town was in a valley in between two mountains and was very beautiful and we played softball in the mornings. There was sort of a playing field at the end of town. But, American soldiers could always find and make ball diamonds.

Back in 1945, in June, the war was over and our tank commander was Sergeant Howard M. Francisco from New York City. He was an insurance salesman for Mutual of New York called MONY. He was married but no children, the same as I.

He asked, "Jordan, what are you going to do when you get home?" and I replied, "I want to get into civil service."

"That's fine, what branch?"

"Well, the only branch in our area is the postal department."

"Yes, but they pay the least of any branch."

And I replied, "Yeah, I know about that, but the retirement system is very good."

"Sarge, for many years during the 1930's in the Depression, I walked to school past the post office and those two rural carriers would be loading their mail into their own automobiles ready to go on their routes. I always wanted to be a rural letter carrier."

I started as a window clerk on July 1, 1946 at a dollar an hour. I also worked for the railway mail service and I ran from Fort Wayne to St. Louis on the Wabash and from Delphos to Akron on the Akron, Canton and Youngstown Railroad. I was appointed rural carrier on January 21, 1949. Army time and all, I had 39 years for the postal department.

The war in the South Pacific was still on, so they took all of the soldiers who had been in Europe very long and headed them back to the states, and to make the invasion of Japan in November.

Sometime after the fourth of July they put us back on the freight train and then a few days we were in a place called Lucky Strike, a replacement depot that was in central western France on the Siene River. Actually, we boarded a small merchant ship, right there in the Siene and left for the Channel and then the Atlantic.

The captain came on the intercom and said, "Over on the starboard side is Landsend, England. That is where Stonehenge is. It is also the last land you will see for 13 days."

There was only a 148 soldiers on that ship, no tables, no beds, we ate all of our meals standing up for 13 days. We also stood and played Bingo on the same bar-like counters—good food though.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day, the captain said, "Look up over the starboard side of the port bow.

That is Cape May, New Jersey. We will drop anchor out here and go on in the morning."

And we did just that and we went right by the Statue of Liberty. More on this next week.

See ya!



In a high school civics class, they were discussing the qualifications for becoming President of the United States. The requirements are pretty simple. The candidate must be a natural born citizen and at least 35 years old.

A blonde girl in the class piped up and began complaining about how unfair it was to require the candidate to be a natural born citizen. In her opinion, that made it impossible for many qualified people to run for the office. She went on and on, wrapping up her argument with "What makes a natural born citizen more qualified to be President than one born by c-section?"

Three blonde friends died together in a car wreck. They found themselves standing in front of the pearly gates with St. Peter. He told them that before they could enter heaven, they had to tell him what Easter was about.

The first blonde said, "Easter is a big holiday where we give thanks, have a big feast and eat turkey."

"Nooooo," said St. Peter. "You don't get in."

The second blonde said, "Easter is the holiday that we celebrate Jesus being born of the virgin and give gifts to each other."

"Nooooo," said St. Peter. "You don't get in, either."

The third blonde said, "Well, I know what Easter is all about. Easter is a Christian holiday which coincides with the Jewish Passover. After Jesus celebrated Passover with His disciples, He was betrayed by Judas and turned over to the Romans. They crucified Him on a cross. After He died, they buried him in a tomb and put a huge boulder in front of it."

"Very good!" said St. Peter.

The blonde continued. "Now, every year, the Jews roll the stone away and Jesus comes out. If He sees his shadow, we have six more weeks of basketball."

St. Peter fainted!

**ANTWERP BASEBALL ASSOCIATION**

**By: Stan Jordan**

A few weeks ago, I went over to the Little League ball park, to watch the little shavers play ball. I was really pleased to the extent of being proud and excited about the whole area. The diamond had been dragged and painted up white; all the bleachers and concession stands were painted up and shiny. There wasn't a piece of paper or trash anywhere. I was downright proud of that whole area. I want to give credit to those people who work so hard and it really shows.

I was told to contact Bob Winslow, as he was in charge of the operation, so I stopped and talked to Bob and told him all of this and I wanted to thank those people for all their time and effort.

Bob said, "Well, I'm not in charge anymore, but there stands the guy who is in charge." That man is Rod Hammond.

Both of these fellows were quick to say it was a team effort. Many people from the ball association came and helped, too many to tell names. And again both fellows said it was a team effort, and they were proud of all the

workers. Then they told me about the new batting cage. They added that the ACDC donated the cage. That is a very useful item and has been needed for a long time. Bob and Rod were both telling me about all the changes for next year. They said, "We have a first class complex and its going to be better." Again, those fellows said it was a community effort and any and all credit goes to those workers, with the help of the Nucor company in all phases of the operation. To the officers and members of the Antwerp Baseball Association, a tip of my ball cap to you. See ya!

**SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 19: THE CALUMUS RIVER TRIBE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

We got up early this morning. The lieutenant and Moe slept in our side of the store. The officer is going to ride Moe's horse back to the Fort, and we want to give him an early start.

So I fixed a batch of pancakes and coffee for the Lt., and Moe had gone and fed and saddled his horse and

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brought him up to the store ready for the Lt. to ride him back to Fort Kearney and deliver a letter to the General about all that had happened with the new Calumus River tribe.

I asked the officer to hurry back if he could and get permission for all of us to go to the Calumus River village and see how to get there. Maybe even help them with the buffalo hunt.

The Lt. got off towards the fort and it was getting daylight. That horse will have him there about supper time. I had sent some corn dodgers with him for his lunch.

Moe said, "This is November 1, 1852. Where did the summer go?"

The bridge crew cut wood all day. The four soldiers that are assigned to us, greased the wagons, and staked the horses out in the hay field. Hunter went out there also.

We had an extra long lunch time, and we talked with the people from the Calumus River tribe. It's a little easier to converse now, we are learning a little of each other's language. But I gather that they haven't made a winter hunt yet, nor do they have a tripod to hang the buffalo on. I think the Farmer asked for permission to take the plow along. All of our soldiers are eager to help the natives in any way.

The lieutenant did not tarry, he was back from Fort Kearney about dark on the next day.

The lieutenant said he had a good visit with the General about all we had done and wanted to do. The General is a very agreeable fellow and always wants to help the natives to improve themselves if they

want to. The General agreed to accept the Calumus River tribe into the Broken Bow Indian Agency.

General Kearney sent over three wagons, two men on each wagon. He also sent 168 blankets for the new tribe, plus some first aid kits, some sewing kits, a lot of garden tools, shovels, axes, hoes, and some rope and wire, and some other community tools.

This is Tuesday night, the wagons won't be here till Wednesday night, and we will leave for the new camp sometime Thursday. The officer made the trip from Kearney to here in one day, but he had taken Moe's riding horse.

We talked late into the night about all we had to do in the next few days. We would rest all the animals, and grease all the wagons, and make any repairs needed. We will not unload the wagons, we will go right from here as soon as we can. We could get caught with bad weather as this is November 2, 1852.

The officer and Moe slept in on the floor in our home and the soldiers slept in the store on the floor and the natives on the hay in the barn.

We slept in this morning as we can't move until the other wagons get here. The mess sergeant took Callie's two burner oil stoves into the store and made pancakes for all.

The natives, like White Elk's tribe, all like pancakes and roll them up and put in a lot of honey. It took sarge a while to get everyone fed.

It's about the middle of the morning and we all were sitting out in the sun around the big cookout area and watched the mess sergeant preparing bean soup with buffalo meat for supper.

The talk slowed up a little bit and Moe stood up and stretched and then ran a few steps, jumped up in the air, and turned a cart wheel, then he did two somersaults forward, he turned around and ran a ways, stopped and did one backwards. The crowd was stunned and quiet and then burst into cheers and yelling and a lot of applause. Moe took off his shoes and ran very fast down to the garden and back. He shocked everyone because he can run so fast.

Well, all the excitement died down, Moe put his shoes back on and he took his seat on a stump, and was puffing and grinning a little.

All the natives of both tribes talked and nodded and laughed and pointed and then laughed again. Little Beaver

**REMKE - GAISFORD**



Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Gaisford of Antwerp, OH, are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Jason Thomas Gaisford, to Holly Kollman Remke, daughter of Stephen and Melissa Remke of Kendallville, IN on July 15, 2011.

The bride-to-be was a 2006 graduate of East Noble High School and is currently em-

ployed as an Internet Specialist at Tom Kelley Buick GMC in Fort Wayne, IN.

The groom-to-be received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Saint Francis and is currently pursuing a Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies.

A June 23, 2012 wedding is planned in Paulding, OH.

said they just changed Moe's name from Moe to "Rooster", because he jumps around like a chicken.

There was some talk of Rooster in a race soon with their fast runner.

See ya!

**EACS BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SUPERINTENDENT HONOR 2012 VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS**

The East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees and Dr. Karyle Green, Superintendent honored the 2012 Valedictorians and Salutatorians. The Vals and Sals were recognized for their academic achievements and outstanding performance in the classroom. Each student was presented a gold seal certificate and other EACS memorabilia.

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Hunters can apply for the controlled hunts by completing the application process online using the Wild Ohio Customer Center at [www.wildohio.com](http://www.wildohio.com) or by calling 800-WILDLIFE (945-3543) and requesting a mail-in application. There is a non-refundable application fee.

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More specific information about hunt dates and locations, including opportunities dedicated to youth, women and mobility-impaired hunters, can be found at [www.wildohio.com](http://www.wildohio.com).

*This article was previously published 6/6/12. The phone number was incorrectly submitted*

**MR. & MRS. DALE WRIGHT CELEBRATE 50th ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wright of Oakwood, Ohio recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Dale (Johnny) Wright and Carol Lynne Funk were married June 9, 1962 at the First Presbyterian Church Grand Rapids, Ohio by reverend Bovier. The couple has two children: Sherri Wright Closson of Van Wert, Ohio; and Johnny Wright of Antwerp, Ohio. A son Rick is deceased. They have three grandchildren: Dannielle, Zachary, and Alexis. The Wrights celebrated their special occasion with family and a trip to Mackinac Island.

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 6/5 - Myrtle Lee, Payne  
 6/6 - William Holcomb, Paulding  
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 6/9 - Jon Tiller, Paulding; Richard Wannemacher, Payne
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Rural Youth loans, loans to Beginning Farmers and loans for Socially Disadvantaged Applicants are other types of direct loans also available through FSA. Socially Disadvantaged Applicants (SDA) are one of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic or gender prejudice because of their identity as a member of the group without regard to their individual qualities. SDA groups are Women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. Certain FSA loan funds are targeted to beginning farmers and SDA.

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# A BUSY WEEK AT CANAL DAYS



The weather was great and this past week there were events from one end of our readership to the other! New Haven started the events with Canal Days. This annual

function is the beginning for all of the area summer festivals, happening shortly after Memorial Day. This year it coincided with graduation.

What happens at Canal

Days? Quite a bit. You may think of the midway, but there was much more to it than that from the concerts to the 5K run. The committee has filled this year with events from beginning to end. The UMC Quilt Show, parade, corn hole tournament and much more brought in lots of people. There is no doubt. There was something for everyone.

Did you know the Canal Days committee has purchased much needed equipment for the town from the profits produced? Check out their website for more information at [www.newhaven-canaldays.org](http://www.newhaven-canaldays.org)

### CAUTION: NEW STOP SIGN IN NEW HAVEN!

There is a new stop sign at the corner of Green and Seiler Roads in New Haven... it is now a 4 way stop!

### ATTENTION:

All past and present Antwerp police officers and families. Picnic in the park on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Noon. Bring a dish to pass and a drink. Hot dogs and table service will be provided.

# INDIANA LEADS IN LIFE SCIENCES

By: State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)

Last month, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) launched '100 Reasons Indiana,' a web initiative designed to highlight factors contributing to Indiana's growth at a time when most states are seeing stagnant employment rates and little economic expansion.

Some of these include keeping taxes low, maintaining top-rated universities and investing in state infrastructure. But more than a handful of reasons highlight Indiana's life sciences industry - a growing sector largely responsible for bringing globally-relevant research, innovative academic and business partnerships and high-tech, high-paying jobs to our Hoosier communities.

Life sciences is an umbrella term for industries that use modern biological techniques to address human and animal health, agriculture and environmental issues. The field is broken down into four major segments: research and testing labs, agriculture feedstock and chemicals, pharmaceuticals and drugs, and medical devices.

Some of Indiana's largest, most successful companies - Eli Lilly, Cook Medical and Dow AgroSciences - represent the life sciences sector. According to the Indiana Health Industry Forum, a statewide network of health care industry professionals, more than 825 life sciences firms operate in Indiana. These companies directly employ more than 50,000 Hoosiers and indirectly support an additional 105,000 jobs.

Indiana's life sciences sector has grown exponentially in recent years. From 2002 to 2009, life sciences firms created 9,000 new jobs. According to the IEDC, in 2011, Indiana's life sciences exports totaled \$9.3 billion, far outpacing the \$2.3 billion average among the 50 states.

Success in life sciences has fueled the creation of cutting-edge, research initiatives at our state universities. These unparalleled academic partnerships generate advances in the field while producing some of the most well-trained life sciences graduates in the nation.

Since the 1990s, Purdue University's Research Park has launched nearly 60 technology ventures, including several focused on drug development, tissue engineering and medical device upgrades. Ivy Tech Community College's Center for the Life Sciences focuses on forging ties between local government, industry executives and educators to ensure Ivy Tech students graduate equipped with skills desired by life sciences employers.

According to the IEDC, Indiana ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in the U.S. in its amount of industry-prepared, life sciences workers.

Colleges in our corner of the state are also contributing to the life sciences. Ivy Tech, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, and private colleges such as Trine University and the University of Saint Francis offer great opportunities to study life sciences with majors in chemistry, biology, engineering, pre-pharmacy, environmental science and more.

Life sciences companies in

# SUKUP'S TO DONATE TO PAULDING COUNTY FAIRGROUND PROJECT FUND



Joshua, Jarod and Jacob Sukup understand the importance of giving back to their community. After all they have been taught by the best, parents Steve and Christine Sukup.

The Sukup boys are members of the Doe-C-Doe 4H Club taking beef projects. Joshua is a 6<sup>th</sup> year member, while Joshua and Jarod are 3<sup>rd</sup> year members.

The boys have decided to give a portion of their livestock auction proceeds back to the Paulding County Fairground Project Fund. The Paulding County Fairground Project and Improvement Endowment Funds are held by the Paulding County Area Foundation. The Project Fund allows for all funds to be used for direct costs of programs, projects, capital improvements and general operations benefiting the use and the fa-

cilities at the fairgrounds.

Joshua, Jarod and Jacob have each contributed \$200.00 to the project fund. When asked why they chose to contribute their hard earned funds, the answer was quite simple. The Paulding County Fair has been good to them. Through their 4-H projects, showing in their respective livestock shows, and the livestock auction, they have benefited in many ways.

Joshua, Jarod, and Jacob are hoping that others will follow their desire to give back to the fairgrounds and consider making a contribution to the Paulding County Fairgrounds Project Fund as well.

For further information, please contact Lisa McClure, Executive Director, Paulding County Area Foundation, 419-399-8296.

Indiana are working to answer some of the most pressing questions facing current and future generations - finding cures for disease, solutions to environmental challenges and ways to feed ever-expanding populations. These are the jobs of the future.

Preparing young Hoosiers for careers in the life sciences may be one of the best investments parents, educators and we as a state can make. What do you think?

### PAULDING COUNTY DEMOCRATS MEET

The Paulding County Democratic Central Committee met Wednesday, June 6, at the Paulding Eagles. Committee Chairman Ron Farnsworth presided over the meeting and introduced Robin Deters, Field Director for the Fifth District. Ms. Deters informed the party that Angela Zimmann, Democratic candidate for Ohio's Fifth Congressional District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, will arrive by 5:30 at the Democrats' tent at the Paulding County Fair next Wednesday afternoon, June 6. She welcomes the opportunity to meet the voters of Paulding County. Democratic candidate for county commissioner, Bob Boyd, was also in attendance at the meeting.

Chairman Farnsworth urged everyone to attend the Six County Democratic Pic-

nic on June 30 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the UAW Pavillions in Defiance, where Senator Sherrod Brown, as well as Angela Zimmann, will address address the crowd. Contact Ron Farnsworth at 419-258-2022 to purchase tickets.

The next meeting of the Central Committee will be Wednesday, August 1, at 7:00 p.m. at the Paulding Eagles. Everyone is invited to attend these monthly meetings, held on the first Wednesday of each month. The July meeting is cancelled on the Fourth of July, due to the observance of our nation's independence.

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# CLEVELAND ST. RIBFEST



Antwerp also had a big day on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, starting with the Ribfest 5K run with over 130 participants. It was a hot morning, but Benji Grant of Antwerp pulled this together and with all of the volunteers serving the runners (and those who walked) with water and bananas making it a great event! Who would have guessed Antwerp would have been able to have run-

ners from near and far?

By early afternoon Cleveland Street was filling up with people ready to try the tasty ribs from the vendors selected by A.C.D.C. Aimee Lichty has worked tirelessly to make sure everything was just right, from the food, electricity to the music!

More information next week on the 5K and Ribfest winners.

# COUNTRY MUSIC CONCERT AT JP DAYS



**Joe Kausser of Paulding opened for the concert.**

John Paulding Days took place this past weekend and it was a BIG year. The parade started Thursday night and lots of people had a great time out on the town square with all the rides. This year the Paulding Chamber introduced their Redneck Games and had a fantastic acoustic outdoor concert Saturday evening with country music stars Daryle Singletary, Ashton Shepherd and Pete Schlegel.



**Daryle Singletary**

Daryle, originally from Georgia, living in Nashville, has toured as many as 200 shows in a year. Now he performs around 50 shows in a year. He has had numerous songs on the Country charts.



**Pete Schlegel**

Pete Schlegel is from Paulding County and has toured with many big name country music legends and himself has done quite well in the Country Music business. He made the song "It takes a whole Lott of Liquor to Like Her." famous.

Ashton lives in southern Alabama near Mobile. She started singing contests when she was 8 years old. She is



**Ashton Shepherd**

currently working on her 3rd album

Do you wonder what it takes to get in the music business? Listen to the full interview at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net) and click the link for the Country Stars music interview. Their music can be listened to on their web pages or downloaded from iTunes.

The singers performed this concert on the south end of the square in Paulding. Erika Willitzer, Paulding Chamber president, and Pete Schlegel together made this event happen and brought this concert to Paulding County. They deserve to be recognized for all their hard work along with all of the sponsors.

## THE ROCK TO HOST POOL TOURNAMENT

A Pool Tournament is planned for Saturday, June 23. This will be a single elimination competition at the Rock, 104 S. Main St. Payne, OH.

This pool tournament is open to all ages—kids 8-18 start playing at 12 noon. Adults start playing at 2:00 p.m. It's free to play. Come and have fun with us!

## PG. WILDLIFE OFFICER RETIRES AFTER 32½ YEARS

Paulding County Wildlife Officer Duane Bailey has retired after 32½ years of service to the people of the State of Ohio according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Wildlife.

Bailey started working for the ODNR in 1980 with the Division of Wildlife as a Wildlife Conservation Aid at Resthaven Wildlife Area. In June 1981, Baily entered the Game Protector Academy. In November 1981 Baily was assigned to Paulding County, where he served as the county wildlife officer until May 31, 2012.

"Duane has been a tremendous asset for the Division of Wildlife. Not only has his knowledge and experience been instrumental for newer officers, but his involvement in

the Paulding County community has been significant," said Bob Radcliff, Bailey's supervisor. "Duane has contributed articles to local papers and has been active in hunter education and local sportsmen's clubs, in addition to enforcing the local wildlife laws. He will be sorely missed."

Wildlife officers from neighboring counties will be covering the county until a replacement has been assigned. Residents of Paulding County should call and leave a message at: (419) 429-8390 with any wildlife related concerns. If there is an emergency, residents should contact their local sheriff's department.

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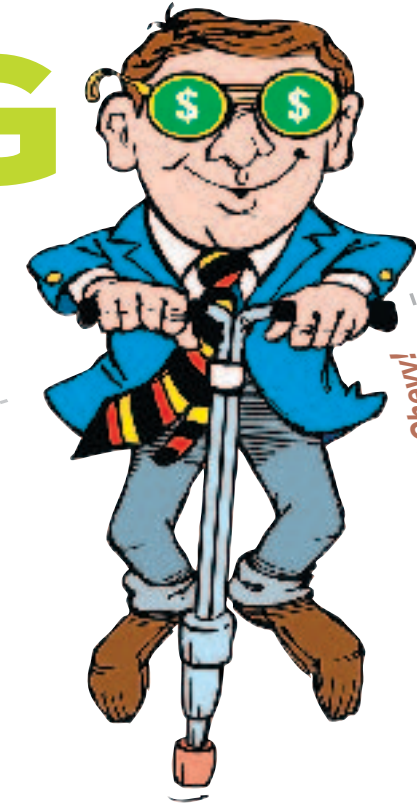
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**DON'T FALL VICTIM TO INVESTMENT "BIASES"**



**By: Phil Recker, Edward Jones Advisor**

If you're like most people, you go through many complex thoughts and emotions when choosing investments. In fact, a field of study called "behavioral finance" is devoted to understanding why people make their investment decisions. As part of their work, behavioral finance researchers examine "biases" that affect people's investment selections. And as an individual investor, you, too, can benefit from understanding these biases — so that you can avoid them.

Here are some of the key biases identified by behavioral finance experts:

\* **Overconfidence** — Overconfidence leads investors to believe they know the "right times" to buy and sell investments. But if you're constantly buying and selling in the belief that you are correctly "timing" the market, you may be wrong many times, and you may incur more investment fees, expenses and taxes than if you simply bought quality investments and held them for the long term.

\* **Representativeness** — If you make decisions based on preconceived ideas or stereotypes, you may be suffering from a bias called "representativeness." For example, if you see that investments

from a particular sector, such as energy, have performed particularly well in one year, you might think these types of vehicles will do just as well the next year, so you load up on them. Yet every sector will go through ups and downs, so one year's performance cannot necessarily predict the next year's performance. Instead of chasing "hot" investments, try to build a balanced portfolio that reflects your individual goals, risk tolerance and time horizon.

\* **Anchoring** — Similar to representativeness, an anchoring bias occurs when investors place too much emphasis on past performance. If you own shares of XYZ stock, for instance, and the stock price hit \$60 per share, you might assume XYZ will always sell for at least \$60 a share. But if XYZ drops to \$30 per share — perhaps as a result of a broad-based market decline — you might think it's now "undervalued," leading you to "snap up" even more shares. However, XYZ shares could also fall due to a change in its fundamentals, such as a shake-up in the company's management or a decline in the competitiveness of its products. As an informed investor, you need to work with your financial advisor to determine the causes of an investment's decline and any actions you may need to take in response.

\* **Confirmation** — If you are subject to confirmation bias, you may look for information that supports your reasons for choosing a particular investment. This type of bias can lead to faulty decision making, because you'll end up with one-sided information. In other words, you may latch onto all the positive reasons for investing in something — such as a "hot stock" — but you may overlook the "red flags" that would cause you to think twice if you were being totally objective. To

fight back against confirmation bias, take your time before making any investment decision — a quality investment will almost always be just as good a choice tomorrow as it is today.

Being aware of these investment biases can help you make better decisions — and over a period of many years, these decisions can make a difference as you work toward achieving your financial objectives.

**UPPER AIR DATA**

**By: Josh Steiner**

During the last several weeks, I have talked about how certain weather variables, such as temperature, dew point, humidity, wind, and pressure are measured at surface observing stations, now known as ASOS, or Automatic Surface Observing Stations. This week, let's talk about how these same weather variables are measured in the upper atmosphere, how certain calculations are performed, and how they are plotted on weather maps.

The radiosonde is the main instrument in use for measuring the weather variables at heights above the surface and is basically a small electronic box, about the size of a small radio, which transmits data measured in the upper atmosphere to an upper air station at the surface. It is attached to a large hydrogen filled (some use helium) weather balloon. Attached to the radiosonde are certain instruments which record temperature, pressure, and humidity throughout all the levels of the atmosphere until the balloon eventually. These instruments are markedly different from the instruments used at the surface, to ensure accuracy of measurement. The instrument used to measure temperature is fairly similar, while pressure is measured through the aneroid method, with a vacuum sealed container, which is already temperature-compensated, and responds to air pressure changes. Dew point is measured quite differently than at the surface. The dew point temperature is indirectly measured by first finding how close the air is to saturation, then running the relative humidity percentage through a series of highly accurate equations, which relate relative humidity to vapor pressure, and then to the air's dew point temperature. As for wind information, this is also indirectly measured.

As the radiosonde travels up through the atmosphere, the wind blows it off course of being vertical with the observing station. In incredibly strong winds, the radiosonde may be blown off course several hundred kilometers, which could mean that data transmitted from 10 miles above the surface may come from Buffalo, New York, instead of Fort Wayne, IN. It has not been seen that this is a problem, but it may be one of the many reasons why computer models are still extremely inaccurate. The one good thing about this problem is that to track radiosondes, each upper air observing station has a radar tracking device which tracks the path of the radiosonde, and it also measures the angle of elevation from the station to the radiosonde. Using simple trigonometry, one can compute the wind at each level of the atmosphere,

just by using the track path and angle of elevation on the radar.

Usually, each radiosonde flight takes approximately 35-40 minutes to reach its maximum height (usually about 13 miles of altitude), before the balloon expands so much that the synthetic rubber is stretched and pops. The radiosonde then falls to the ground, usually never to be recovered. During its flight upward, the radiosonde transmits data back to the observing station in code. This code format is called TEMP. It is then decoded into a data sheet, which is either transmitted to websites who post raw weather information, or used to plot the data on a weather chart, called a sounding.

Now there are many different types of sounding charts, but the most common one in use in the U.S. is called the Skew-T log P chart. This chart features an x,y coordinate graph, but instead of the x-axis having vertical lines, the lines are skewed 45 degrees to the right. These lines are temperature on a standard Skew-T log P chart. The y-axis features straight horizontal lines, featuring pressure. If you ever look at a Skew-T log P (I have one at the West Bend News), you will notice that the y-axis is not plotted with regular intervals. This is because it uses logarithmic pressure, which means that pressure decreases rapidly near the surface to about the 700 millibar level, before it begins to level off, and only decreases slowly after that. Temperature is plotted on the chart with respect to pressure (if the temperature measured at a height of 5000 meters was -10 degrees Celsius and the pressure was 500 millibars, the temperature of -10 degrees would be plotted on the 500 millibar line not on the 5000 meters line.). Then the dew point temperature is plotted on the chart. The temperature lines are skewed to the right because it makes the temperature and dew point trace stand upright instead of leaning to the left. This makes it much easier for meteorologists to calculate instability and many other calculations that are needed in operational meteorology.

In meteorology, instead of using constant height maps (such as the 3000 meter chart, 5000 meter chart etc.), scientists use constant pressure charts, which instead of showing pressure contours, they show height contours. If the radiosonde measured 500 millibars at a height of 5640 meters, on the 500 millibar chart 5640 meters would be plotted for the station at which it was measured. Even this isn't true height above the ground, because first of all it has to be adjusted for sea-level. In mountain regions, 500 millibars would be about 2000 meters above the ground while on the East Coast, 500 millibars would be 5000 or 6000 meters above the ground. This would introduce quite a bit of noise into the data. Second of all, to account for gravity, meteorologists have to calculate geopotential height, which is usually fairly close to the actual geometric height of the pressure level. In using geopotential height, gravity can be ignored in weather equations.

Next week, I will show you how many improvements have been made in obtain-

**Upcoming WEATHER Forecast**

<b>Wed, Jun 13</b> – Sunny Hi 77° – Low 51°	
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<b>Fri, Jun 15</b> – Sunny Hi 89° – Low 60°	
<b>Sat, Jun 16</b> – Sunny Hi 92° – Low 64°	
<b>Sun, Jun 17</b> – Sunny Hi 92° – Low 65°	
<b>Mon, Jun 18</b> – Sunny Hi 88° – Low 64°	
<b>Tue, Jun 19</b> – Partly Cloudy Hi 91° – Low 66°	

ing upper air data, as well as talk about what kind of charts plot wind direction and speed (mentioned last week, called the hodograph). Have a great week!

Visit Josh's blog at <http://stormcenteroh.blogspot.com> or email at [storm\\_reports-joshua@yahoo.com](mailto:storm_reports-joshua@yahoo.com) and post a comment or question you'd like answered.

**PROTECTING AGAINST DATA BREACHES**

The possibility of the average consumer becoming a victim of a data breach grows with each new advancement in electronics. A data breach occurs when sensitive or confidential information—driver's license numbers, medical records, Social Security numbers, bank or credit card account numbers—is stolen, copied or used by an unauthorized person.

In 2004, only one state required businesses to alert consumers if their personal data had been stolen. Since then, legislation has passed in 45 additional states, including Indiana, to ensure that affected consumers are contacted should their personal information be lost or stolen.

While news spreads quickly when there is a major breach affecting millions of accounts, large companies are not the only ones that suffer from such thefts. Smaller companies can be compromised by an employee, a partner or an external computer hacker.

**Prevention**

Consumers can take the following steps to protect against a personal data breach:

- Review credit card and bank statements for fraudulent charges at least once a month. If there is a suspicious charge, contact your financial institution.
- Request that your financial institution close any accounts that you suspect were compromised, and ask for replacement cards with new account numbers and PINs.
- Determine if there have been unusual requests, such as change-of-address or attempts to secure additional or replacement credit cards.
- Instruct the card issuer not to honor any requests regarding your card without your written authorization.
- Credit card issuers offer a variety of e-mail and/or text notices. You can ask for a notice when charges over a certain amount are made, or when your balance reaches a certain level.

**Follow Up**

If you have been the victim of identity theft, contact the three credit reporting agencies—Equifax, Experian and TransUnion—to place a security freeze on your account:

- Equifax – 800-525-6285, [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)
- Experian – 888-397-3742, [www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)
- TransUnion – 800-680-7289, [www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com)

Report the identity theft to the police, as you may need to provide a copy of the police report to your bank, creditors and credit reporting agencies. If the local police are not familiar with investigating information compromises, contact the local office of the FBI or the U.S. Secret Service.

To ensure that an identity thief has not opened a new account in your name, you should review your credit report. To obtain a free copy of the report, go to [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com). If there are any accounts on your report that you did not open, contact the credit bureau to report the fraud and dispute the charges.

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**RECIPE FROM A GREAT-GRANDMA**

**By: Sue Knapp**

This time Judge Suzanne Rister and I took the trip to Cooper Community Library in Oakwood to learn authentic Chinese cooking.

Our teacher was Yujia Zhai, aka Windy, a foreign exchange student from China. Her host mother, Jeannie Seffernick also was along. The Seffernick family also host a girl from Spain.

Windy informed us that the Chinese eat more vegetables (fresh) than meat. She said that we cook with more oil and salt. They don't eat many sweets, because they aren't good for you but they do indulge in fresh fruit.

The Chinese family is a tight family. The rule is one child. The rule has let up a little. If you are an only child and your spouse is an only child you may have 2 children. The average age for marriage is the boy 24 and the girl 22. The kids are not allowed to date in high school. The kids go to school from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. then home to study until midnight. Saturday school is optional. Eventually, the grandparents usually live with the parents.

Windy will be going back to China to study for the ACT test and then wants to come back to go to college here. She wants to study environment, or study different cultures.

Although China has fast food (McDonald's, Pizza Hut, etc.) they all serve rice. Rice is a staple. Windy has found that her favorite food here is Doritos. They don't have those in China.

This is the recipe that Windy shared with us:

**Windy's Chinese Dish**

This recipe is for a bigger amount of people, you may cut it down.

3 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, diced; or ground beef (marinate in soy sauce and a little flour for 30 minutes)

1 seedless cucumber, chopped

1 green pepper (you may

also use orange & yellow peppers too), chopped small

1 pkg fresh mushrooms, diced small

2 cans corn

1 can creamed corn

7 eggs, beaten

1 c rice, cooked with 2 cups water

Take your chicken or beef and cook it until done, adding some soy sauce.

Saute vegetables using a little oil, you can also add soy sauce.

Scramble one half of the eggs and add to the meat and vegetable mixture.

In a saucepan, add your three cans of corn and the rest of the eggs, boil until done. This is corn soup.

Now, you have your meat dish, your soup dish and your rice. You can put all three together or eat them individually. It is really good and good for you.

Thanks go to Windy for sharing part of her culture with us. And we also appreciate Oakwood Community Library for the opportunity to learn something new.

Enjoy!

**WOODBURN HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI HOMECOMING UPDATE**

The Steering Committee for the WHS Alumni Homecoming is continuing to organize this event which will be July 14, 2012, in connection with the annual Woodburn Day in the Park. The Alumni event is scheduled as an Open House and will be from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. at the Woodburn Community Center. Everyone that ever attended Woodburn High School (along with your spouse/guest) is invited to attend. There will be reserved parking for those with "special needs". Please continue to "pass the word" to your classmates and friends. The committee has mailed out 469 invitations to those that we had addresses.

We apologize for getting the website information posted a little late. There now is information at woodburn-highschool.com, and we are beginning to post some trivia questions. Please contact one of the committee if you have some interesting information that we can use. Also, you can access our website by using Woodburn's website - cityofwoodburn.org. Just click on Alumni and then click on our website. If you use Woodburn's website, you will find a list of all the activities scheduled on Saturday, July 14, along with the time of

the activity.

Please contact anyone of us if you have some comments or concerns. Bob Wearley, 260-410-1592, Charlie & Joan Wells 260-632-4538, Don & Carolyn Rekeweg 260-632-5347, Gloria (Basting) Gerig 260-632-5268 and Nancy Mohr 260-632-4892.

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**OHSAA BOARD APPROVES ADDITION OF WHEELCHAIR TRACK & FIELD EVENTS**

The Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Board of Directors made a historic decision today when it approved a recommendation to add eight wheelchair championship final events - four for boys and four for girls - to the OHSAA State Track and Field Tournament beginning in 2013. Wheelchair athletes in one boys division and one girls division will compete in the 100 meters, 400 meters, 800 meters and shot put, with participants wearing school uniforms and being awarded for individual honors, although they will not score points for their teams. Track and field is the first sport in which the OHSAA will include wheelchair athletes as part of a state tournament and makes Ohio one of approximately a dozen states to do so.

"This is something we have talked about for some time now and I'm thrilled that our Board of Directors has taken the formal step to make this a reality," OHSAA Commissioner Daniel B. Ross, Ph.D., said. "The executive committee of the Ohio Association of Track and Cross Country Coaches (OATCCC) has worked diligently to finalize the details and establish the parameters, and we are excited that the OHSAA will have the opportunity to make a positive impact on this group of outstanding student-athletes and create lifetime memories for the participants along with their families, schools and communities."

During the regular season, all fully automated timing qualifying wheelchair times in the 100, 400 and 800 and wheelchair distances in the shot put will be collected by the OATCCC, with the top eight male and top eight female times or distances in each event qualifying for championship final events at the state tournament without regard to the OHSAA divisional assignment of the participants' schools.

To qualify for the wheelchair events, athletes must

have a permanent, physical disability and must be verified by a licensed physician. Participants must also meet all OHSAA and school eligibility requirements. While participating, coaches may not assist athletes in the 100, 400 or 800, and no motorized chairs are permitted. Athletes in the shot put may be assisted by coaches in getting to the competition area and entering and leaving the circle. The coach may also hold down the chair during the throwing attempt to prevent excessive movement.

"The impact on the young athletes with physical disabilities participating in this championship will be incredible," said Charlie Huebner, United States Olympic Committee Chief of Paralympics. "They will be representing their schools and communities in ways that have never been seen in Ohio. I commend the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the state track and field coaches association for making this dream a reality for the athletes participating in Paralympic sport."

A tentative schedule for the OHSAA State Track and Field Tournament on Saturday, June 8, 2013, has the girls and boys wheelchair division 100 meter events taking place during the Division III tournament in the morning; the girls and boys wheelchair division 400 meter events being held during the Division II tournament in the early afternoon, and the girls and boys wheelchair division 800 meter events occurring during the Division I tournament late in the afternoon. The girls and boys wheelchair division shot put events will take place during the Division I field events that begin at either noon or 3:00 that afternoon.

Highlights of Wheelchair Track and Field Events at the OHSAA State Tournament:

- Separate championship final events for boys and girls will be held in the 100 meters, 400 meters, 800 meters and shot put.
- Eight boys and eight girls will qualify for the state tournament in each event.
- Each event at the state tournament will be a final. While athletes will be participating in school uniforms, only individual awards will be presented and athletes will not score points for their school team.
- No separate finals will be held based on the division of the participating athletes' schools. In other words, each event will combine athletes from Division I, Division II and/or Division III schools.

**PLAN A FATHER'S DAY FISHING TRIP**

Searching for that perfect gift for Father's Day on June 17? Gift certificates are available at wildohio.com for fishing and hunting licenses, turkey or deer hunting permits, Ohio Wetland Habitat Stamps, Wildlife Legacy Stamps and *Wild Ohio* magazine subscriptions. Gift certificates can be purchased for any amount and are valid one year from the date of purchase.

If a dad doesn't have fishing gear, it's not necessary to buy fancy, expensive fishing equipment. An inexpensive rod and reel combo with tackle can be purchased at a local outdoor store. This time

of year, with fish hanging out in the shallows and preparing to spawn, a simple setup will suffice.

Visit wildohio.com and click on fishing for more details about choosing the right bait, places to fish, fish identification and even how to fillet and cook fish after catching them. Recipes are also available at wildohiocookbook.com.

Anglers age 16 and older are required to have a valid fishing license to take fish, frogs or turtles from Ohio waters. Fishing licenses are available at bait and tackle stores, outdoor outfitters, major department stores and at wildohio.com. An Ohio fishing license is one of the best recreational bargains available.

Ohio residents born on or before December 31, 1937, can obtain a free fishing license at any license vendor. Residents age 66 and older born on or after January 1, 1938, are eligible to obtain a reduced-cost senior fishing license. A one-day fishing license is also available, an amount that can be applied toward the cost of an annual license.

Fishing in Ohio has been great this year, and there is something to catch in every corner of the state. The Division of Wildlife recommends visiting these places, listed by fish species, for a great day of fishing.

**Walleye** - Lake Erie is still the "Walleye Capital of the World" with the lake providing some of the best walleye fishing in the country. Father's Day weekend should be outstanding for walleye in Lake Erie. Other locations to consider include C.J. Brown Reservoir and Pymatuning Lake.

**Crappie** - Crappies are a very popular fish because they are fun to catch and good to eat. Top places around Ohio include Pymatuning, Deer Creek Lake, Alum Creek

Lake, Salt Fork, Indian Lake and Paint Creek Lake.

**Bluegill** - Some of the best places to fish for bluegills and other sunfish are AEP ReCreation Land south of Zanesville, Acton Lake, Lake Loramie and Portage Lakes in Akron.

**Saugeye** - June is a top saugeye fishing month. Some of Ohio's best saugeye waters are Indian Lake, Hoover Reservoir, Salt Fork Lake and Buckeye Lake.

**Largemouth Bass** - The AEP ReCreation Land is hard to beat for largemouth. Other good spots are Knox Lake and Sandusky Bay.

**Perch** - Lake Erie has been outstanding for perch fishing this year. Perch can be caught fishing from shore and from piers offshore in the Cleveland area, Lorain, Huron, Vermilion, Fairport Harbor, Metzger Pier and the Bass Islands.

**Catfish** - Channel catfish can be caught in all of Ohio's 88 counties. Some spots to try are Rocky Fork Lake, Caesar Creek Lake, the Ohio River and its tributaries and Grand Lake St. Marys.

For more information on places to fish, go to wildohio.com and click on fishing. The Division of Wildlife can also be contacted at 800-WILD-LIFE (945-3543).

**TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB COMES TO LAFOUNTAIN PARK**

Are you looking for adventure this summer? Come to the Treasure Hunters Club at the LaFountain Park in Paulding. We will be on a pirate treasure hunt to find the city of gold. Every Wednesday from 10:00-11:30 a.m. the park will be filled with fun just for you! We will have music, games, Bible lessons and snacks. Don't forget to register for door prizes. All kids and parents are welcome.

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**OFFICIALS STOCK MORE THAN 100,000 YELLOW PERCH IN GRAND LAKE ST. MARYS**

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) officials did an experimental stocking of yellow perch at Grand Lake St. Marys on May 23. The goal of the stocking was to provide more angler opportunities while improving the self-sustaining yellow perch population.

"We believe the stocking, in conjunction with improvements in water quality, may promote recovery of yellow perch fishing at Grand Lake St. Marys," said Rich Carter, executive administrator of Fish Management and Research with ODNR Division of Wildlife.

The 100,408 yellow perch recently stocked were raised at the Division of Wildlife's St. Marys State Fish Hatchery and released at Behm's Landing. All stocked fish were 1.5-2 inch "fingerlings" marked with a technique that will allow biologists to determine the difference between naturally reproduced and stocked fish. A naturally reproducing population still exists in the lake, however with a dwindling number, state officials wanted to stock the lake in hopes of increasing yellow perch fishing in the area.

This stocking represents the first time since 1944 that yellow perch were stocked in Grand Lake St. Marys, and this stocking was the largest ever one-time stocking of yellow perch in the lake.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Information about ODNR programs and recreational facilities is available online at [www.ohiodnr.com](http://www.ohiodnr.com).

**1812 FORT AMANDA**

Fort Amanda was built in the fall of 1812 by Kentucky troops under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Robert Pogue who named the fort, Amanda, to honor his daughter. The fort was enlarged to almost double its original size in the spring of 1813 under the command of Captain Daniel Hosbrooks and his Ohio Militia soldiers. The walls stood 11 feet above the ground. The fort is believed to have measured 160 feet by 160 feet. Located along the west side of the Auglaize River, the Fort served as a hospital and supply post, and had a small landing with a boat yard. The duty of the men stationed there was to build riverboats, or pirogues, to transport men and supplies downriver to Fort Meigs. The pirogue

is made from a hollowed out tree trunk, like a dugout canoe. It is believed that 75 pirogues were built at Fort Amanda during the winter of 1812-1813.

General William Henry Harrison, commander of the Army of the Northwest, ordered that forts be built extending from Piqua north to Fort Meigs (present day Perysburg). Fort Amanda was one of a series of these forts, which would supply the army protecting the Northwest from British invasion. The forts were built on the Auglaize and St. Marys Rivers. There were no battles fought during the war at Fort Amanda, but this fort served as a major supply depot during the War of 1812.

On December 24, 1814, the United States signed the Treaty of Ghent, ending the war. By early 1815, the fort was abandoned and eventually taken over by local settlers who used the old fort for shelter when first moving into the area. The walls of the fort were then used by the settlers to build their cabins.

In the cemetery near the fort are 75 headstones dedicated to the memory of unknown American Soldiers of the War of 1812. They are unknown because many service records were destroyed when the British burned Washington in 1814. These headstones mark the graves of soldiers who were casualties of wounds or disease.

A recently discovered diary belonging to Ensign William Schillinger, of the Ohio Militia, listed names of every man stationed at Fort Amanda during its operation. Their names are engraved on a new Memorial Stone at Fort Amanda, which adds greatly to the history of the old fort. The Memorial Stone was dedicated in 2006, a project of Jordan Hensley of Cridersville, Ohio, as his Eagle Scout Project.

One can reach Fort Amanda on State Route 198 just south of the Allen/Auglaize County Line Road. Fort Amanda can be viewed during daylight hours. A walkway leads past informational displays that help explain the history of the area. This trail used to pass between the cemetery and riverbank, but erosion has washed out the path and threatens the gravesites. The trail resumes beyond the cemetery and leads through a wooded ravine down to the river and out to the original site of the fort.

A granite obelisk was erected in 1915 at the site of the original fort. Other site work was completed in 1998.

—Gloria Fast, Daughters of 1812

**THE FELLOW RODDER**



**By: Mike McKeever**

This week's featured ride is a 1947 Hudson Commodore Six from an Antwerp resident and my father, Mike McKeever. There is a very good story of how he got the car, but first I will give you some of the Hudson history.

The name, Hudson, came from Joseph L. Hudson, a Detroit department store entrepreneur and founder of Hudson's department store, who provided the necessary capital and gave permission for the company to be named after him. A total of eight Detroit businessmen formed the company on February 20, 1909, to produce an automobile which would sell for less than \$1,000. The company quickly started production, with the first car driven out of a small factory in Detroit on July 3, 1909. The new Hudson "Twenty" was one of the first low-priced cars on the American market and very successful with more than 4,000 sold the first year. The company had a number of firsts for the auto industry. These included dual brakes, the use of dashboard oil-pressure and generator warning lights, and the first balanced crankshaft, which allowed the Hudson straight-6 engine, dubbed the "Super Six" (1916), to work at a higher rotational speed while remaining smooth, developing more power for its size than lower-speed engines. Hudson automobiles were more fully equipped than competitive makes, and all Hudson models received door arm rests, twin air-horns, ashtrays, windshield wipers, stop lights, locking glove box, sealed beam headlights, and deep pile carpeting. Commodore and Commodore Customs added foam rubber seat cushions (Hudson was the first automaker to introduce foam seat cushions), door-step courtesy lights, rear arm rest (sedans) and gold etched lettering on the dash board panel. At its peak in 1929, 300,000 cars were produced in one year, Hudson and Essex combined, including contributions from Hudson's other factories in Belgium and England. Hudson was the third largest U.S. car maker that year, after Ford Motor Company and Chevrolet. In 1954, Hudson merged with Nash-Kelvinator Corporation to form American Motors. The Hudson name was continued through the 1957 model year, after which it was dropped for good.

Well, on with Mike's story...

One day while surfing the net, I found this car for sale and just for the fun of it I emailed asking if they would trade for an old 1981 Yamaha golf cart. I got a response right away asking more about the golf cart, I let it go a day or two. Then I said something to my dad about it and, with his glasses on the tip of his nose he looks up and said, "Did you say a '47 Hudson?"

I answered yes, then he stated that he was dating my mom in a '46 Hudson back in the day. Well, that is where it stops for a couple more days till my dad stopped out at my house and asked how much I wanted for my golf cart? I told him, "Well, I paid \$10 bucks for it and maybe got \$250 bucks in it and about nine years of enjoyment, but if you want we can try and work something out with this Hudson and it's yours." After a few more emails we were on our way for a four hour drive to trade even across. What we found was a very solid complete old street rod basket case. It came with a SBC 350, turbo 400 trans and now a 373 gear rearend.

When we got the car it came with the motor all torn apart because he could not get it to run. Dad found out why. He was using the wrong timing cover for the harmonic balancer. SBC has two different timing marks—one straight up and down and one at about 2:00 o'clock—so his timing was way off and would not start. Now, my dad has a running Hudson. Wow! This deal keeps getting better. The car had a chevy van rearend in it with the rear fenders cut out (looked terrible). We went to the junkyard and found a Ford Ranger rearend that fit just right. Ford and the Hudson have the same bolt pattern so we could use the same old chrome rims. Then we welded the fenders back the way they should be. After many hours in the shop of sand, this monster of a car got painted a couple weeks back and he has been driving around. It is still a work in progress, but remember it was just a golf cart last November! So if you see him around ask to see the golf cart picture he carries in the car with him.

It sure was a good day to see my father's eyes light up after the first ride down the road in an old Hudson like the one he use to own some 45 years ago. If you would like to have your ride featured please contact me at [ratsandrods@live.com](mailto:ratsandrods@live.com)

**PUTTING A STOP TO SYNTHETIC DRUGS IN INDIANA**

**From the office of State Rep. Phyllis Pond, Indiana House District 85**

A recent story that has continued to make headlines throughout the country is the story of a man in Miami, Florida who gruesomely attacked a homeless man. I will spare you the horrific details of the story, but one detail I will share is that many are speculating that the use of synthetic drugs were the cause of this attack.

For those of you who are unaware of what "bath salts" are, they are a dangerous synthetic drug composed of chemicals that are designed to mimic the effects of marijuana and cocaine. When you hear bath salts being discussed in these instances, the cleansing products that come to mind is not what is being referenced.

This has become a growing concern across our country, not just in places like Miami, but right here in our own backyard. Many children fall victim to these new synthetic drugs because they are under the impression that they are not detrimental or dangerous to their health. This is far from the truth, there have been numerous cases reported from around Indiana where young Hoosiers have suffered hallucinations and seizures due to these drugs. Not only are these drugs dangerous, they can even be deadly.

With the rise of this case in the news, I felt it was important to take the time to reiterate the steps our state has taken to combat synthetic drugs. This past session, with bi-partisan support, we worked to close loopholes in Indiana's synthetic drug laws to cover the new products that are hitting the market that may have slightly different compounds than those currently prohibited by Indiana law. Now, more than 60 chemical compounds found in synthetic

drugs like "bath salts" have been added to the state's list of illegal substances.

Unfortunately, many youth were under the impression that since the drugs were being sold legally at retail stores, that meant they were safe. With the new law in place, a number of formerly legal substances will now be illegal to possess, transport or sell in our state.

Retailers who continue to sell these synthetic drugs will be stripped of their retail merchant certificate of business, which will close their doors for one year. Affiliates of the business, including owners, offices, partners, directors or managers, will be banned from obtaining any other retail merchant certificate for one year. Furthermore, employees who are distributing these synthetic drugs, without the knowledge of their employer, are subject to prosecution.

We have made huge advancements in keeping these hazardous drugs off of our store shelves and backed it up by putting in place strict penalties for those who go against the law. Now retailers that do not comply with the new law will be accountable for their illegal actions.

It is important that we find ways to keep these synthetic drugs out of the hands of our youth and implement tough legal consequences for those who are profiting off the distribution of these drugs. These drugs have already done enough damage throughout our state and we must continue to work to decrease the access and availability of these harmful substances.

If you suspect these illegal drugs are being sold in your community, I urge you to contact your local law enforcement office.

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Carl and Linda Baumert of Antwerp, Ohio would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Kimberly, to Stephen Alford, the son of Rick and Pam Alford of Antwerp, Ohio and Joan Alford of Scotts, Michigan. The bride is a 2002 graduate of Antwerp High School and a 2011 graduate of Devry University with her Associates

degree in Health Information Technology. She is employed at The Golden Years Nursing Home. Stephen is a 2003 graduate of Hicksville High School. He is employed at Butler Mill Service. The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, June 30, 2012 at the Antwerp United Methodist Church, Antwerp, Ohio.

**ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF JUNE 11, 2012**

**Defiance County:**

Ohio 49 south of Seewers Road will be restricted through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

Ohio 49 just north of Ohio 249 closed June 4 until late July for a culvert replacement project. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 249, Ohio 2, Ohio 567 and Ohio 34 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by Miller Brothers Construction, Archbold.

**Paulding County:**

Ohio 111 between U.S. 127 and Ohio 637 restricted through the zone during the week for tarring and chipping of the roadway. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 637 from the Van Wert County line to Ohio 613 restricted through the zone during the week for tarring and chipping of the roadway. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 66 and Ohio 613 in Paulding County restricted to one lane through the work zone for a pavement repair and resurfacing project which will continue until mid August. On Ohio 66 the project will take place from the Putnam County line to the Oakwood north corporation limit. On Ohio 613 the project will take place from Ohio 66 to the Putnam County line. Work is being performed by Gerken Paving, Napoleon.

Ohio 49 at the south edge of the village of Payne closed May 1 until late September for a bridge deck replacement project. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 114, U.S. 127, Ohio 613 and Ohio 500 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by Dot Construction, Canfield.

**Van Wert County:**

U.S. 30 west of Van Wert will be restricted through the work zone at various locations for drainage repair. Work is being performed by Van Wert County ODOT.

Ohio 116 is now open.

Ohio 81 in Allen and Van Wert counties is restricted to one lane through the work

zone for a pavement repair and resurfacing project which will continue until early August. The project will take place from U.S. 127 to Ohio 66. Work is being performed by LICA Construction, Berne, Indiana.

**BLACK SWAMP CONSERVANCY ADDS ACREAGE TO NATURE PRESERVE**

Black Swamp Conservancy recently expanded its Forrest Woods Nature Preserve by acquiring an additional 40 acres adjacent to the existing property. Dedicated as a state nature preserve in 2008, the property is located near Antwerp in Paulding County, Ohio.

Situated along Marie DeLarme Creek, a tributary of the Maumee River, Forrest Woods Nature Preserve is one of the few sites that retain the characteristics of the historic Great Black Swamp, which once stretched from Ohio's Lake Erie shoreline to where Fort Wayne, Indiana is located. Classified as one of the highest quality forested wetlands in the state of Ohio by the Ohio EPA's wetland ecology group, the preserve is home to a vast array of native plant, animal, and bird species. The 292-acre preserve is owned by the Conservancy.

"We are truly pleased to be able to protect one of the last remaining remnants of our namesake, the Great Black Swamp," said Kevin Joyce, executive director of the Black Swamp Conservancy. "Our time on this earth is limited and we're working hard to leave it a better place to live for future generations."

Black Swamp Conservancy, founded in 1993, is a nonprofit land trust whose mission is to protect and preserve natural areas and agricultural land in northwest Ohio for the benefit of future generations. With the addition to Forrest Woods, the Conservancy has protected over 11,400 acres of land in northwest Ohio from development, forever.

"Because of its rich soils, maturing forest and floodplain, Forrest Woods supports many diverse plants, birds and other wildlife unique to the entire region," stated John Jaeger, retired director of natural resources of the Metropark District of the Toledo Area. "The acquisition of this additional acreage will help to enhance and maintain the diversity of this important part of northwest Ohio's natural heritage."

The Conservancy purchased the original 80 acres from the Clair and Martha Forrest family in 2003. More acreage was added in 2004, 2005 and 2007 by way of generous bargain sales by the Forrest, Harper and Shaffer families. A bargain sale is a sale of real estate for an amount less than the property's market value. The purchase of these properties was made possible by Clean Ohio Greenspace funding and contributions from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources wildlife and natural areas and preserves divisions. The most recent addition, also purchased from the Forrest family, was funded through the Ohio EPA's Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program. The city of Toledo served as the project sponsor. With the recent expansion, the Conservancy will continue to preserve, in perpetuity, the high

quality stream and wetland resources within this significant ecological area.

Terri Gorney, president of the Paulding County chapter of the Ohio Genealogy Society, has spent much of her life exploring the region that was once the Great Black Swamp. "Last summer, I saw a royal river cruiser dragonfly by the Marie DeLarme Creek," says Ms. Gorney. "This rare species was reported to have been present here in the 1940s and 1950s. It is very gratifying to know that some species have survived and should continue to thrive because of the work being done by the Black Swamp Conservancy."

Forrest Woods Nature Preserve is quickly becoming known as a birding hotspot. The site which is designated as an important bird area by the National Audubon Society, boasts more than 150 bird species documented on the property. "The preserve is truly an ecological gem," notes Micki Dunakin, a founding board member of the Ohio Ornithological Society and 20-year member of the Black Swamp Audubon Society. "This area provides habitat for a diversity of bird species, most notably over 33 species of warblers. These local rarities include golden-winged, prothonotary, worm-eating, Louisiana waterthrush, Kentucky, Connecticut and hooded varieties of warbler."

The Conservancy's primary objective at the preserve is to protect the exceptionally high-quality floodplain forest along Marie DeLarme Creek. The Conservancy also has worked to expand and enhance the surrounding habitat. "We are establishing grasslands and shrublands in areas that were formerly farmed along the peripheries of the preserve," reports Rob Krain, conservation director of the Conservancy. "In doing so, we're not only protecting the stream and lowland swamp from siltation and agrichemical runoff, we are also diversifying the wildlife habitat. In the past few years we've had increased numbers of grassland birds, butterflies and dragonflies taking up residence at Forrest Woods. It has been satisfying to see the ecological response."

Forrest Woods Nature Preserve is open to the public

by permit only. A permit may be obtained by calling the Conservancy office at (419) 872-5263.

About Black Swamp Conservancy:

Black Swamp Conservancy is a land trust dedicated to protecting agricultural land and natural areas, now and for future generations, through land conservation agreements. The conservancy does this to preserve the rural heritage, unique natural habitats, and lakes and streams of northwest Ohio.

By protecting the region's valuable land and water resources, the conservancy hopes to create healthier communities with strong, sustainable economies including agriculture and ecotourism.

As a nonprofit organization, Black Swamp Conservancy relies on the support of landowners, donors, and partnerships with other conservation organizations. The conservancy strives to be a wise investment for its supporters, whether they are giving their land, time or money.

For more information, visit [www.blackswamp.org](http://www.blackswamp.org).

**LATTA STATEMENT ON THE HEALTH CARE COST REDUCTION ACT OF 2012**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement after voting in support of the Health Care Cost Reduction Act of 2012 (H.R. 436). The Democrat health care law, Obamacare, contains many items that are harmful to both patients and businesses. H.R. 436 repeals important provisions from Obamacare by combining four bipartisan bills to reduce health care costs, protect jobs, and reduce the deficit.

The Health Care Cost Reduction Act of 2012 repeals the 2.3% excise tax on medical devices (from devices for your heart to your knees) scheduled to take place in 2013. It also repeals the limitation on reimbursement of the over-the-counter medications from health savings accounts (HSA), flexible spending arrangements (FSA), health reimbursement arrangements (HRA), or medical savings accounts (MSA) that took effect in 2011.

"This bill will save up to 47,000 jobs, support medi-

cal innovation and provide American families with more choices and flexibility. The medical device tax is one of the most onerous taxes contained in the health care law, and short of full repeal of Obamacare, this tax needs to be repealed," Latta said. "Like many industries, the medical device industry is an American industry, and we cannot afford these companies to leave the United States for more tax friendly countries. Also, in the end, American consumers will end up paying for this tax in higher costs. There are few industries that have had such positive growth over the past several years as the medical device industry, and in this downward economy, these jobs are more important than ever."

**LATTA LANGUAGE TO ASSIST WITH DRUG SHORTAGES PASSES HOUSE**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement after he voted for the Food and Drug Administration Reform Act, H.R. 5651.

"This important legislation will reauthorize user fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, establish user fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, as well as reform Food and Drug Administration (FDA) programs. This legislation also includes reforms to ensure patients receive quality care and timely access to new therapies while promoting innovation and job creation."

Congressman Latta collaborated with colleagues to insert language in the bill draft that assists hospital systems in coping with drug shortages by allowing them to repackaging those drugs into smaller doses. Rep. Latta worked closely with the Cleveland Clinic and other hospital systems around the country on the issue. Current law does not allow for a hospital to repackaging a drug for use in another hospital within their system.

"I am very pleased this repackaging language was included in the final bill to help address drug shortages. I will work to ensure this language is included in the final Conference Committee report," Latta said.

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## UWPC EXEC. DIRECTOR, AMY McCREERY, RESIGNS POST



Amy McCreery, Executive Director of United Way of Paulding County has submitted her letter of resignation stating the need to spend more time with her family. "We all appreciate Amy's service to United Way and we hate to see her leave, but we understand and support her decision," stated Sarah Sajuan, President of the Board.

McCreery held the position of Executive Director for two years. During her administration, United Way started the move towards being a

community impact organization. McCreery worked on several projects throughout the county, including Coats for Kids and clean-up days.

"We are grateful that Amy has agreed to stay on and help train her replacement," stated Kim Sutton, Secretary of the board. "The board of directors will be forming a search committee to find the right person for the job as soon as possible."

United Way is celebrating 20 years in Paulding County.

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## BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR "ROOTLESS CORN"

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

The current year has been much drier than normal creating very dry soil conditions. Some area farmers are reporting corn plants leaning and falling over in their fields. According to Peter Thomison, Ohio State University Extension Specialist in Corn Production, the recent hot, dry weather combined with poor root development in corn planted in relatively dry soils may be setting the stage for rootless corn problems.

Rootless corn problems occur when there is limited or no nodal root development. The nodal roots develop above the seed and



comprise the permanent root system of corn. The nodal roots, not the seminal roots from the seed, are important in providing the water and the mineral nutrients that the corn plant needs for normal growth and development.

Plants exhibiting rootless corn symptoms are often seen flopping, leaning or falling over due to the wind. Affected corn plants may only be anchored into the soil by seminal roots or by a single nodal root. This condition is generally observed in plants from about the three leaf stage to the eight leaf stage of development.

The problem often becomes evident when corn is subjected to strong winds, which result in plants falling over because there is a limited number or no nodal roots to support the corn plant. The strong winds can also break off nodal roots and inhibit the establishment of a permanent root system. The leaning and lodged plants may also be wilted. When affected plants are examined, the nodal roots appear stubby, blunt, and not anchored into the soil.

Rootless corn problems are usually caused by weather related conditions that coincide with development of the permanent nodal root system and various environmental factors. These include shallow plantings, hot-dry surface soils, compacted soils, and loose or cloddy soil conditions. Excessive rainfall and shallow plantings may cause erosion and soil removal around the crown region that can result in rootless corn.

Rootless corn plants can recover. Adequate rainfall does promote crown root development and plants can recover. Cultivation to throw soil around exposed roots may aid the corn's recovery. Of course, this is difficult to do in a no-till situation or when the soil is hard and dry. Since affected corn is likely to be vulnerable to potential lodging problems at maturity, it should be harvested as soon as grain moisture conditions permit.

## STRONG SALES HIGHLIGHT MEMBER ENTHUSIASM AT DO IT BEST MAY MARKET

A number of new and enhanced program launches, special events and amazing deals helped draw thousands of member-owners from across the United States and around the world to the recently held Do it Best May Market. Members attended the three-day event in downtown Indianapolis, Ind, from May 19-21 at the Indiana Convention Center.

The May market got off to an official and enthusiastic start with its kickoff breakfast on May 19, featuring messages from Do it Best Corp. President and CEO Bob Taylor as well as guest speaker Jim Craig, goalie for the gold medal-winning 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team. In their respective talks, both Taylor and Craig extolled the virtues of committing fully to the team. Taylor also recognized a number of Do it Best retailers who have earned industry awards for their business expertise this year, including three NRHA Young Retailers of the Year, two LBM Journal Entrepreneurs of the Year, Home Channel News' Golden Hammers and a Hardware Retailing Top Gun.

Before the official start of the market, attendees were able to take advantage of huge savings opportunities at the annual Friday Night Sneak Peek event, during which select market vendors offered outstanding pricing exclusively to Do it Best Corp. members on a range of high-margin, traffic-building products. Many of the items were discounted up to 50% with no limit on the quantity purchased. Once again, the Sneak Peek proved itself a can't-miss event, as member purchases surpassed \$7.9 million in just 90 minutes – a new market record! For many members, the amazing savings they realized through the Sneak Peek deals more than offset the cost associated with their trip to market.

Increasing store profitability through significant savings was only one way members used this market to improve their overall store operations. Many in attendance took advantage of a full slate of educational and training opportunities covering a range of key topics like inventory management, margin improvement, online sales and more. In addition to the many free seminars from Do it Best Corp. subject-matter experts and industry veterans, a new feature for this market was the Education Theatre, which offered market attendees free presentations every hour on the market floor on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Another important focus for this year's May market centered on the many technological initiatives Do it Best Corp. has developed to provide even greater efficiencies and profitability for member operations. Some of the tech initiatives highlighted at the market included the updated mydoitbest.com member portal site that is designed to educate member-owners on the co-op's many programs and services and provide them more informed purchasing decisions; mobile store-operation apps for the iPad that conveniently bring together everything members need to make good buying decisions;

online planograms and alerts that bring improved "speed to shelf" for better inventory management, improved on-hand inventory and enhanced supply chain efficiency; the OASIS advertising planning software which will help members better budget, plan, create and distribute advertising materials customized to their needs all with the click of a mouse; and the debut of an online training program called DiBU that allows members to stay current on the latest tools to help them grow their businesses.

"From the record sales of the Sneak Peek through the increased attendance of many of our seminars and training events, we see a lot of enthusiasm, excitement and positive momentum among our members," Taylor said. "Jim Craig's speech at our kickoff breakfast set an inspirational tone in a number of ways, not the least of which was helping to emphasize to our members that Do it Best Corp. is the co-op with the best team, tools and solid financial foundation to secure their growth and success. And it's because of our member-owners – along with our outstanding staff – that we are poised for even greater things in 2012 and beyond."

The market did have a bittersweet moment, as it was the last one for two retiring Do it Best Corp. executives with more than 50 years of combined service to the co-op. Executive Vice President and COO Dave Haist and Vice President of Finance Dave Dietz are both retiring at the end of the co-op's fiscal year in June. Dan Starr, currently Vice President of Human Resources and General Counsel at Do it Best Corp., will fill Haist's position; Doug Roth, currently the Director of Financial Reporting, will fill Dietz's position.

"Any transition like this is always a mix of emotions and

sentiment," Taylor added. "We are sad to see these two key contributors retire, but we are equally excited to have two very talented individuals in Dan Starr and Doug Roth stepping in to fill those positions."

## PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/9/12

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk  
**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
 Warrants documented as 187945 through 187976 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF RECOMMENDING TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE 2012 BENTON TOWNSHIP PAVING PROJECT:**

On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012, bids were received and opened for the 2012 Benton Township Paving Project; and after review of the aforementioned bids by the Paulding County Engineer, Travis McGarvey recommended to the Board of County Commissioners to accept the submitted bid from The Shelly Company. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners awarded the 2012 Benton Township Paving Project to The Shelly Company in the amount of \$334,536.33; and the Board of County Commissioners entered into contract with The Shelly Company, 1700 Fostoria Avenue, Suite 200, P O Box 3100, Findlay OH 45840.

Tony Zartman left the session.  
**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 042):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Extension Center Fund 042:

042-001-00003 Extension Center/Repairs; AMOUNT: \$682.73  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion was made by Mr. Fred Pieper to go into executive session at 10:20 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Burkley. All members voting yea.

At 10:35 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Georgia Dyson and Melissa Rassman, Dog Warden – Ms. Dyson met with the Commissioners to discuss purchasing uniforms for herself and Ms. Rassman. She also stated the Dog Warden truck windows need fixed so the dogs being transported can not get out through the windows. Commissioner Pieper agreed to look at the truck to access what might be done to remedy this.

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**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 5/14/12**

This 14th day of May, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk  
**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
 Warrants documented as 187977 through 188077 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**TRAVEL REQUESTS:**  
 Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts Association quarterly meeting, Ottawa OH - May 18, 2012

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 068):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Sheriff's Reserve Fund 068:

068-001-00003 Sheriff's Reserve/Workers' Comp.; AMOUNT: \$423.40

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 068):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Jail Commission Fund 252:

252-001-00001 Jail Commissary/Inventories; AMOUNT: \$200.00

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEM AND APPROPRIATE TO THE EXPENSE LINE ITEM IN PRISON DIVERSION FUND 096 TO ACCURATELY TRACK PAYMENTS TO VENDORS FOR ONE-TIME GRANT AWARDS:**

In order to accurately track payments to vendors relating to one-time grant awards for the Paulding County Court Probation Department, and at the request of the Judge of Paulding County Court.

Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following expense line item in Fund 096:

Expense Line Item/Name  
 096-001-20102 - Other Expenses

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to appropriate unappropriated funds in Fund 096:

Fund 096 - Prison Diversion, 096-001-20102/Other Expenses - \$500.00

**WESTERN BUCKEYE ESC SUBMITS FIVE 21st CENTURY GRANTS FOR THE 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR**

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at the Van Wert ESC office located in the Thomas Edison Early Childhood building. Board President Mr. William Poe II welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Mr. Gerber reported to the Board that Western Buckeye ESC submitted five 21st Century Grants for the 2012-2013 school year. Even though a large percentage of the 21st Century Grant dollars went to urban school districts, Mr. Gerber stated that Western Buckeye ESC will continue to attempt to secure grant dollars as long as the grant is available. The remainder of the Board meeting was spent on the adjustment/realignment of Western Buckeye ESC personnel for the 2012-2013 school year.

Treasurer Gary Ginter reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board. Following the Treasurer's report, Mr. Gerber recommended the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. No action was taken after the Board came out of executive session.

In the business portion of the meeting, the Board approved the following items:

**Consent Items - WBESC**

A. Motion to employ Sandra Etzler as a 3.5 day paraprofessional for the 2012-2013 school year.

B. Motion to advertise for a "retire/rehire hearing" for the purpose of rehiring Karla Treece as Director of Student Services at Lincolnview Local Schools. The hearing will be held in June.

C. Motion to approve a two (2) year contract (936 hours/144days per year) for Laura Priest as COTA/L beginning August 1, 2012 through July 31, 2013, hourly rate as presented for 2012-2013. Rate will be negotiated for 2013-2014.

D. Motion to approve 6.0 additional days at current salary rate for Christine Feichter for FY12 PEERS Coordination.

E. Motion to approve a purchased services agreement to Alicia Tipton to provide ESY Summer Tutor Services at \$80.00 per session.

F. Motion to approve Western Buckeye ESC continuation as fiscal agent for the Paulding County Family and Children First/Help Me Grow program, effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

G. Motion to approve the NEOLA policy updates as presented.

H. Motion to approve a resolution for Crestview Local Schools and Lincolnview Local Schools to align with Western Buckeye Educational Service Center as required by Ohio Revised Code 3313.843, effective July 1, 2012.

I. Motion to approve revised FY12 Service Contracts with Antwerp Local, Crestview Local, and Wayne Trace Local Schools.

J. Motion to approve the FY13 Competitive Application of the CCIP; 21st Century Grant.

K. Motion to enter into agreement with Midwest Rehab, Inc. for the 2012-2013 school year to provide a licensed Speech Therapist at the rate of \$72.25 per hour.

L. Motion to continue Speech Therapy services with Therapy Solutions as per contract at \$65.00 per hour.

M. Motion to reduce (1) administrative assistant position for the 2012-2013 school year per Board Policy 4131.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on June 27, 2012 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding ESC office.

**MEADOWS OF KALIDA SENIOR EXECUTIVE CLUB EVENT**

The Meadows of Kalida is extending an invitation for all area Senior Citizens to join our Senior Executive Club (SEC) this year. This club is free of charge and is held monthly. A complimentary meal, special presentation and other fun activities such as Bingo, with a \$50.00 Walmart card overall, and door prizes are just a part of this exciting club.

Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, June 19, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. in the Assisted Living Dining Room at the Meadows of Kalida. Please RSVP by June 12th to Cindy at 419-532-2961.

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**WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BOE SPECIAL MEETING 5/21/12**

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in special session on Monday May 21, 2012 at 6:30 a.m. in the Lecture Room of Wayne Trace High School.

Mrs. Lisa McClure called the meeting to order in the absence of Perry Sinn. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lisa McClure

Correspondence and Hearing of Public: None is scheduled due to meeting purpose.

**Superintendent's Agenda:**  
 12-05-06 - On a motion by Duane Sinn to approve the following items brought by the superintendent.

a) to accept the resignation of Marti Overmyer as the WTGH Elementary School Media Specialist effective June 1, 2012;

b) to approve the hiring of Addison Bauble as a part-time summer helper at WTGH Elementary School to be paid the rate of \$7.70/hour.

Seconded by Dick Swary. Roll Call Vote: Duane Sinn, Dick Swary, Pat Bauble, Lisa McClure. All aye, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Agenda:**  
 Presentation of Current fiscal year forecast updates and initial updates to Five year forecast for FY 2103.

Worked through details and will update and file as required. Board to do approval at June Meeting.

7:05 p.m. - Perry Sinn arrived at meeting.  
 None Business:  
 NONE

12-05-07 - A motion by Dick Swary to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Pat Bauble. Vote by Acclamation of members Ayes have it - motion passed.  
 Next regular scheduled meeting will be on Monday June 11, 2012.

**OAKWOOD ARBOR #759 HIGHLIGHT MAY MEETING**

The Oakwood Arbor #759 of the Gleaners Life held their May 28, 2012 meeting at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall. There were 18 members present: Bob and Rosalie Wright, Helen Maddock, Fred and Phyllis Merritte, Ron and Karen Cooper, Dale and Edna May Spittale, Ken and Ruth Benien, Bill and Phyllis Bidlack, Mary Lou Lloyd, John and Bonnie Pier, Dorothy Hornish, Kelly Tumblin and four guests present. Vice Presi-

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**PAULDING PRE-SCHOOLER, SELENIA LAGUNA HITS THE MODELING SCENE**



Little Selenia Laguna went with her older sister Delaneira to a modeling call this past spring. When she was waiting for her sister to finish up her shoot the director of the modeling agency was talking to Selenia and Delaneira's parents and commented about how cute Selenia was and how she would make a good model. Selenia's parents were asked to send in a few pictures of her to the agency.

Within three weeks of them getting the pictures, a call came in on a thursday afternoon. Selenia was asked to do a photo shoot on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Laguna's drove to Little

Tikes for a photo shoot. Selenia will be on a kitchen set sometime at the end of July or beginning of August.

Then on May 24<sup>th</sup>, a call came into the Laguna household from the agency. On the phone was the booking department. They wanted to know how Selenia like the photo shoot and, of course, she loved it! The agency booked her for another photo shoot on May 30<sup>th</sup> at Little Tikes. This shoot was for promotional work. Selenia's photos will be pulled as needed for different things.

Selenia is loving modeling. Her parents hope she keeps

modeling because she loves it so much. She models for Pro Modeling and Talent Agency.

Selenia Laguna is the daughter of Israel and Dianne Laguna of Defiance, Ohio and the granddaughter of Bobbie and William Dunham of Fort Wayne, Indiana and the great-granddaughter of Ruben and Elvira Laguna of Defiance. Selenia is the youngest of four kids: Delaneira 17, Ienola 14, Ezekiel 8 all of Defiance. Selenia attends Paulding Elementary Preschool.

**2012 AHS REUNION COMMITTEE MEETING**

The ceiling exhaust fans in the Manor House gymnasium are now in working order to bring in fresh air and large cooling fans will be used as well for the dinner and dance.

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at the dinner, especially the 50 year class of 1962 and the 25 year class of 1987.

It is important that someone from each class (a class representative) contact their class mates informing them of the reunion and getting them a reservation form. So classes, please mail, email and use Facebook to contact your friends and classmates so they don't miss this chance to get together. The next committee meeting is July 11, 6:30 p.m. at the Essen House. Volunteers are needed.

The AHS Reunion weekend coincides with the Antwerp Chamber Day in the Park so there will be lots of old acquaintances and families in town. The AHS Reunion events start with a DJ get-together at the VFW Friday night, August 10, and then the BIG Reunion dinner and dance Saturday night with The Wannabees live.

The AHS Reunion was first held in 2006, the second in 2009, and it has grown each time. In 2009 there were so many people attending

the dance that many stood outside (of course it was a lot cooler outside). This year with the roof exhaust fans working and additional fans inside, we hope it is more comfortable. There is no real practical way to set up that large of an air conditioning system for one night. So in case we do have a real scorcher again this August 11, we are extending the gathering area outside to include the front lawn and are setting some seating outside.

Events come and go and the AHS Reunion is no exception. Attendance and volunteers are two requirements for the AHS Reunion to continue on into the future. This is an ACDC sponsored event and all proceeds go to the improvement of Antwerp.

AHS Reunion Committee: Christy Williamson, Pam, Terry and Kyle Zartman, Jan and John Reeb, Karlann and Denny Lee, Jerry Zielke, Laurel and Kirk Hopkins, Melanie Oberlin, Kathy Gormerly, Kara Eicher, Carrie Durbin, Tony Langham and all volunteers.

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