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#### VILLAGE OF PAYNE STATUS UPDATE AS OF 7/2/12

The Payne Volunteer Fire Department Command Post is releasing the following status update post storm report:

 Power crews have arrived in the area as of this morning though there is no estimate on time of powering up the

• The Village of Payne has fully operating water and sewer service

• The Village of Payne has moderate traffic flow capabilities through the streets though there is still debris in the streets and low hanging wires and citizens are to use extreme caution when travel-

· Leaf and tree debris cleanup efforts are ongoing

 Fire and EMS will continue to staff the Command Center 24 hours until full power up is completed

 The Fire Department has limited water supply available for small livestock

• Frontier Communications is continuing their efforts for restoring phone/ cable services to the village and surrounding townships though there is no time estimate for full service restora-

• The Fire Department has baffled water and ice at the fire station located at the corner of Baily & Laura Street

• The citizens of Payne and surrounding townships should call 911 for any emergency situation

• For non-emergency calls please contact the Paulding County Sheriff's Office for relay to the Fire Department.

The Sheriff's Office can be reached at 419-399-3791

• The Payne EMS is encouraging the citizens of Payne and the surrounding townships to stay hydrated when working outdoors and take frequent breaks due to the extreme heat we are experiencing in our area

-Authority Payne Fire Chief Jamie Mansfield, Joseph M. Garmyn Payne FD P.I.O.

#### **WORK CONTINUES FOR** PAULDING-PUTNAM **CREWS**

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is still experiencing widespread outages due to the intense system of storms that devastated our area on Friday afternoon. All available crews including line crews from Michigan and North Western EC, Bryan are still working in the area.

As of Monday morning, approximately 7,500 of the cooperative's 13,000 members are without service.

"The transmission grid has suffered significant storm damage," General Manager George Carter said. "American Electric Power is bringing in crews from all over the country to aid in the restoration effort."

'Our crews are working as quickly and safely as possible and are mindful of the extreme inconvenience this has placed on all our members."

American Electric Power and AEP Ohio said it could be several days before all transmission service is restored. Members should make alternative arrangements in preparation of an extended

#### STORMS STRIKE IN NW OHIO & NE INDIANA



On Friday, June 29 strong storms struck the entire West Bend News reading area. Utility lines and power poles too numerous to count have fallen throughout Paulding County, Ohio and Allen County, Indiana. The destruction did not end there. Many barns were destroyed, roofs were lost and damage at schools have also been identified. Uprooted trees have fallen and damaged many houses in both Indiana and Ohio, not to mention farms and farm animals. The entire city of Van Wert was without power and also much of the state of Ohio and Northeast Indiana.

South of Antwerp at the junction of SR 111 and SR 49 numerous power lines were down in the road and in the fields crossing other roads. US 127 also had a similar situation just south of Paulding. Because of these situations be careful while driving, as this has also been reported in many

other locations nearby.

As of this writing, most of our readership is still without power. WBN staff asks, "If you see your neighbor in need, please help them."

According to American Electric Power it may take 5 to 7 days for power to be restored in all of these areas. In Ohio alone there were over 500,000 customers without power as of Saturday, June 30. Indiana Michigan Power reports that 108,000 customers were without power



in north east Indiana. Also, reporting on AEP's website this is the largest power outage since the 2008 hurricane in the Gulf Coast region.

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#### STORM UPDATE INFORMATION FOR **NEW HAVEN**

Due to the most recent storm, Mayor McDonald is asking for your continued patience and is seeking your assistance:

#### STORM DAMAGE AS-SESSMENT

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security is requesting preliminary damage assessment totals, not dollars, number of homes, businesses, buildings, etc. Allen County is looking to obtain damage assessment totals from the New Haven area. Please advise as soon as possible the amount of damage that was caused to your business or building(s) and advise if you received minor/major damage or if your business or facility was destroyed. Please provide an address and any photo(s). Allen County needs to forward the information to the State of Indiana.

Please email any damage assessment information and photos regarding your New Haven business to Deb-Anne Smith at the Mayor's Office at dsmith@newhavenin.org.

#### **ROADS CLOSED**

Green Road (a main artery in New Haven) from Berwick to Moeller remains closed due to power wires down entangled in trees.

#### **COOLING CENTER**

New Haven United Methodist Church will serve as a "Cooling Center" for residents in New Haven. New Haven United Methodist Church 630 Lincoln Highway East (West end of the building will be open). Open from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. daily until power is restored. Contact: Marilyn

at 260-749-9565.

#### NATIONAL SERV-ALL

National Serv-All has indicated that any spoiled items which need to be disposed of should go out with your normal trash. However, National Serv-All has asked that all spoiled items be bagged and contained properly to avoid leakage in your containers and to avoid spoiled items spilling onto the streets. (National Serv-All will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th and service will run one day behind.)

#### TREE BRANCHES

City utility crews will be picking up down tree limbs from the storm, however, in order to assist the public, residents will need to do the fol-• If homeowners want

limbs picked up, they will need to take limbs to the curb. City crews will pick up limbs at the curb.

 Residents are asked to cut branches (no more than 8' long sections) so they can be placed in the city trucks.

 Residents can also drop off limbs at 2455 Summit

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Jayden C. "JC" "JBug" Mitchell, 3, of Cloverdale, died Sunday, June 24, 2012 at Defiance Regional Hospital.

**OBITUARIES** 

He was born August 28, 2008 in Defiance to Samuel Mitchell and Jennifer Schroeder. His father survives in Ottawa and his mother and step-father, William Wildermuth, survives in Cloverdale.

He is also survived by his grandparents: Kimberly J. Schroeder of Paulding, Tim (Tammy) Schroeder of Paulding, Julie (Rollin) Bullinger of Oakwood, and Robert (Nancy Caraway) Mitchell of Ottawa; Great-grandparents: Ron (Hilda) Schroeder of Sherwood, Sandra K. Schroeder of Montpelier, Brice Carnahan, Jr. of Ranger, WV, Marjorie (Herman Heinz) Carnahan of Continental, and Shirley Meyers of Antwerp; seven aunts; seven uncles; and many great-aunts, great-uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by two aunts: Shalisa Moyer and Brandi Moyer; and his great-grandparents: Myrtle and Robert W. Mitchell.

Jayden loved to give hugs and kisses and had the most captivating smile. He enjoyed Thomas the Train, cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles and playing outside. He was the friendliest child that you could ever know and he never knew a stranger.

Funeral services were held June 28, 2012 at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood with Pastor Gene Yenser officiating. Burial followed in Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance.

Memorials may be made to Jayden's family. Condowww.heitmeyerfuneralhome.



Edward Michael Panico, 39, of Paulding, formerly of Antwerp, passed away Wednesday, June 27, 2012 suddenly, at his residence. Mike was born in Hicks-

ville, on November 29, 1972, a son of Tina (Dunderman) Huebner and the late James He worked at Classic Die

Services, New Haven and was a Detroit Tigers fan. On July 8, 2000 Mike married Elisa

He will be sadly missed by his wife, Elisa; daughter, Mary Cate; mother and step-father, Tina and Earl Huebner of Antwerp; sister, Stacie (Brad) Lovellette of Auburn; brother, Tim (Tasha); grandparents: Barbara and Andy Panico and Nila and Larry Dunderman all of Antwerp; step-sisters: Laura (Jim) Boesch of Cecil and Wendy (Craig) Locante of Salt Lake City; step-mother, Judy (Doug) Smith of Cecil; step-brothers: Greg Billman of Newville, IN, Doug Billman of Bryan, OH, Brian Billman of Decatur, IN.

Viewing was July 1, 2012 at Dooley Funeral Home, An-

Panico, PO Box 452, Antwerp, Ohio 45813. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.

#### **LATTA VOTES TO AID BLANCHARD VALLEY FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAM**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement following passage of the bipartisan Conference Report for the Surface Transportation Extension Act: "I was pleased to vote in favor of the Conference report which included the Portman language to save the City of Findlay \$3 million in their efforts tocontrol the flood problems to reduce job and property loss to community members." The Portman language

will allow the City of Findlay to utilize land that was previously off-limits for its Blanchard River Flood Protection Project. The fix will save the City more than \$3 million by providing an exemption to the Stafford Act, which will allow the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers to build a levee or other flood protection improvements on the land rather than having to divert around it.

Findlay suffered one of its most damaging flood events in 2007, with Blanchard River flooding causing \$50 million in damages while forcing hundreds of residents to evacuate and halting operations at Marathon, Cooper Tire and other area businesses.

In 2008, the land was purchased using the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, which prohibits the construction of flood walls

or levees on purchased properties. Soon after, the Army Corp of Engineers notified the City that the land was needed for flood mitigation improvements and that to build around the land would increase costs by more than \$3 million. Portman's language in the transportation and flood insurance package will allow flood protection improvements to be constructed on the properties

Lord is kept safe."

Last month, Latta along with Senator Portman, sent a letter to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Maj. Gen. Michael Walsh asking the Corps to prioritize efforts to enact a permanent flood control solution on the Blanchard River.

once the U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers certifies that these

improvements are the most

efficient and cost-effective

means of protecting the city.

#### **MONTHLY SENIOR BREAK-FAST AT GARDENS OF PAULDING**

The monthly senior breakfast at Gardens of Paulding will take place this next Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. Any seniors are invited free of charge.

#### **UNDERSTANDING OF HEALTH CARE REFORM** LAW REMAINS LOW; **LARGE MAJORITY OF OHIO ADULTS SUPPORT IN-CREASED ACCESS FOR ALL**

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act has been controversial since it was signed into law in early 2010. The law is designed to increase the affordability of and access to health insurance for all Americans. The U.S. Supreme Court heard challenges to the constitutionality of the law in March. To understand how many Ohio adults understand the new law and what they think about providing access to affordable, quality health care for all Americans, the 2012 Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP) included several questions about the law and support for increased health care access. OHIP, conducted annually, identifies what residents think about various health issues that affect communities, the state and the nation. It is funded by The Health Foundation of Greater

Only 4 in 10 (39 percent) Ohio adults report that they have enough information about the new health reform law to understand how the law will affect them personally. This is up slightly from 3 in 10 (34 percent) in March of 2011, however, Ohioans understanding of how the law will affect them personally has been consistently below the nation, where slightly over half (51 percent) say they understand how the law will affect them personally.

The health care law aims to increase the affordability of and access to health insurance for everyone, particularly those who are currently uninsured. "However, uninsured adults reported the lowest understanding of the potential impact of the law of all

groups measured by OHIP,"

says Kate Keller, Senior Pro-

gram Officer for the Health Foundation. "Less than 3 in 10 uninsured Ohioans reported that they had enough information to understand the impact of the law on them personally, compared to over 4 in 10 insured Ohioans."

More than 8 in 10 (83

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the

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percent) Ohio adults favor providing access to affordable, quality health care for all Americans. This was consistently high regardless of age, race, income, education, insurance status or political affiliation. The health care law debate has been very politically divisive. However, large majorities from all political parties (Democrats, 90 percent; Independents, 88 percent; and Republicans, 71 percent) favor providing access to affordable, quality health care for all Americans. More information about

Ohioans' views on access to care and other topics can be found on the survey website at https://www.healthfoundation.org/ohio-health-issues-

About the Ohio Health Issues Poll: The 2012 Ohio Health Is-

sues Poll (OHIP) is funded by The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati. OHIP was conducted May 29-June 6, 2012, by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati. A random sample of 834 adults from throughout Ohio was interviewed by telephone. This included interviews conducted by landline telephones and cell phones. In 95 of 100 cases, the statewide estimates will be accurate to  $\pm 3.4\%$ . There are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as nonresponse, question wording or context effects that can introduce error or bias. For more information about the Ohio Health Issues Poll, please visit https://www.healthfoundation.org/ohio-health-issues-

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—Proverbs 29:25

#### **LATTA STATEMENT ON CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement on the passage of the U.S. House of Representatives' vote to hold Attorney General Eric Holder in contempt of Congress for obstructing the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform's investigation into Operation Fast and

"The Department of Justice has failed to cooperate with a congressional subpoena for documents detailing this tragic and reckless program. Furthermore, the President's assertion of executive privilege protecting these documents calls into question earlier statements by the Attorney General that high level department officials were not involved. The facts of this dangerous operation must be uncovered and it is Congress' duty to hold Attorney General Holder accountable for blocking the investigation

and force him to comply." Operation Fast and Furious was a Department of Justice initiative that allowed roughly two thousand firearms to fall into the hands of drug cartels, one of which was linked to the death of U.S. Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry. With the approval of the contempt of Congress resolution, the case will be referred to a U.S. Attorney for prosecution. Should the Department of Justice not comply with enforcement, the House also passed a civil contempt resolution which would allow the Committee to bring the matter to court to force the Attorney General to comply with the subpoena.

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#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I have been following the exchange of "Letters To The Editor" by Apryl Hoot and Marcia Geller. I find them interesting and enlightening. Both seem to have a grasp of the EACS system. I am not familiar with the current problems and the suggested fixes for the EACS system. It's been many years since I had four children going to four different schools in the EACS and Central Lutheran School in New Haven.

However, as a retired councilman from New Haven, I am familiar with integrity. The previous mayor of New Haven, Lynn Shaw, had integrity in my opinion. The current mayor, Terry McDonald, has integrity in my opinion.

I have the utmost respect for integrity and also differences of opinions. Differences of opinion can and should be worked out in an civil way.

Again, however, when these differences produce unfounded statements inferring that our mayor in New Haven is somehow the same as our other elected representatives (politicians) at the national level, I draw the line. The confidence of the American people in Congress is at an all time low. I do not believe that our mayor of New Haven fits in that category nor does he serve only to enrich his power or finances.

I also find that, in my 14 years on the council, that residents and business owners of New Haven are rightly proud of their city, as I am.

-Wayne A. Doenges

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Good ol' mis-Rep. Bob Latta's at it again! He's misleading his district again! He claims he's "leading" a congressional delegation on Chinese dumping of large appliances in the U.S., and he's being a champion of the working class! What a joke! While he sounds sincere, he's supported tax breaks given to companies who outsource jobs to China, Mexico, Indonesia and anywhere else! His dad was an original supporter of NAFTA, and he's following in his dad's footsteps supporting a presidential candidate

who's chairmanship of Bain Capital took away many jobs out of the country, and left many communities destitute! (see "when Romney came to town" on the internet!)

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These chest-thumping acts towards the President won't happen against mis-Rep. Bob's campaign contributors! As soon as the election is over, if Bob wins again, it'll be business as usual, he'll go away and hide until the next election cycle! I'm betting that the people in the 5th district aren't sheep that Bob can pull the wool over their eyes by writing these empty letters every so often! Does he really think we're that stupid? He's only one or two times mentioned bi-partisanship in any of his letters, and always blames everything that is wrong on the Democrats! I'm also certain that he's not writing these, it's his staff, as he's busy courting campaign contributions to keep his seat!

I'll keep reminding everyone that this is the guy who when asked if he could help find some funding to help with the village of Melrose's sewage system said these words, "I think it would be financially prudent to re-locate the residents, and flatten the community, instead of spending the money there!" He's also voted against every Medicare bill, and veterans' bills (except the ones that cut VA benefits!), and supports tax cuts and incentives for multi-national corporations who export good paying American jobs overseas! If this is what you think will make America great, vote for him! If you think that spending millions of dollars to hold a \$174,000.00 a year job, he's your guy! If you think all residents of Melrose should be re-located, and their homes flattened, put an 'x' in his box! If you don't think this is the way to be represented in the 5th district, there's an alternative-stay tuned: more in the

—Mike Porter

#### PAULDING-PUTNAM ELEC-TRIC COOPERATIVE JOINS STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION

The Indiana Statewide Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives ("Statewide") has announced the addition of Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative to its membership roster. This brings Statewide's membership to 39 systems and marks their first increase in membership in more than five years.

"Accepting Paulding-Putnam's application to join Statewide was an easy decision for our Board," said Rick Coons, Indianan Statewide Association CEO. "Since they have consumers located in Allen and Adams counties in northeastern Indiana and their power supplier is Wabash Valley Power Association, located in Indianapolis, it was a natural step fro them to apply for membership. PPEC's addition also increases to maintain an extensive menu of programs and services for electric cooperatives and their employees and di-

IN addition to having access to a wide variety of programming, including director training and professional development courses, Paulding-Putnam will also hold a seat on Statewide Board of

Gerald Sorg of Fort Wayne,

Indiana, was nominated to represent Paulding-Putnam and will began his term on July 1, 2012.

"Paulding Putnam looks forward to being a member of the Indiana Statewide Association and we appreciate the other REMC's acceptance of our application." says George Carter, CEO of Paulding-Putnam Electric. "With the ever changing regulatory environment, myself and our Board of Trustees strongly felt that our Indiana member/owners would benefit from our mem-Paulding-Putnam Electric

Cooperative, Inc. is a member-owned, member-controlled nonprofit electric distribution utility established in 1935 and located in northwestern Ohio. They are proud to serve more than 12,900 member-owners in Paulding, Putnam, Defiance, Van Wert and Allen counties in Ohio, and Adams and Allen counties in Indiana. For more information, visit www.ppec.

The Indiana Statewide Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, based in Indianapolis, represents 39 electric cooperatives that serve more than 800,000 Hoosiers in 90 Indiana counties. For more information on Indiana Statewide and its members visit www.isa.coop.

#### **WEEKEND STORM STATS** REPORTED

#### By: Josh Steiner

Originally, the storms that went through the area on Friday June 29th formed along a boundary that separated warm, moist air from warm, dry air to the north. The storms formed in far western Illinois as the boundary lifted northward. An upper level disturbance initiated the violent thunderstorms, and caused them to move eastward into the Chicago area, producing winds of over 60 mph at the time.

In our area, temperatures were quickly warming into the middle 90's, with moist air moving into the region from the southwest, with dew points eventually approaching the low to middle 70's just before the storms hit the Fort Wayne area. Due to the highly unstable and potent air mass in existence across the area, the storms strengthened rapidly as they left Chicago. At the same time, the storms followed the boundary southeastward into the

Minutes before the first gust of wind hit the Fort Wayne area, Doppler Radar recorded winds of almost 100 mph at an altitude of 2500 feet above the surface, right before that same patch of winds hit the Downtown area. It was hard for anyone to prepare for the onslaught that was coming, as the line of storms, called a derecho (De-RAY-sho), were moving at a forward speed of nearly 80 mph! Most storms only move at speeds of 20 to 30 mph. As the storms moved through Fort Wayne, the line once again rapidly intensified in the still highly unstable environment. According to the Storm Prediction Center, a wind gust of 91 mph was recorded at Fort Wayne one of the highest wind speeds ever recorded in the area, while winds of 88 mph just to

the northeast of Fort Wayne,

producing incredible dam-

age, with widespread tree and structural damage all throughout the city. As the storms strength-

ened, Doppler Radar also detected strong rotation as the storms passed over New Haven. The National Weather Service then issued a Tornado Warning for East Allen County, Paulding County, and Van Wert County. By the time the storms hit Antwerp, winds of almost 80 mph were reported, according to the Storm Prediction Center (National Weather Service), with even greater damage and widespread tree damage throughout the town. When the storms hit Paulding, a wind gust of 84 mph was recorded near PCH hospital. Despite the storms be-

ing extremely violent, they produced minimal rainfall amounts, with most areas seeing a quarter to a third of an inch of rain. Even the highest rainfall amounts were only in the range of 0.4 to 0.5 inches. These storms continued to strengthen as they moved southeast out of the area, knocking out power to almost 700,000 households in the state of Ohio. In fact, the derecho continued all the way to the Mid-Atlantic and out into the ocean, causing considerable damage and widespread communication failures in cities such as Washington D.C.

Even though the storms cause more damage in the Eastern states than here, we still recorded the highest wind speeds of the entire event! According to the National Weather Service, this is likely one of the worst storms ever to hit the Northeast Indiana, Northwest Ohio region, and likely one of the

derecho/squall line events in the Mid-Atlantic and Ohio Valley states ever recorded. At one point, the storms caused a total of more than 3 million power outages at the same time, more power outages than Hurricane Irene

produced in the Mid-Atlantic

Visit Josh's blog at http:// stormcenteroh.blogspot.com or email at storm\_reportsjoshua@yahoo.com and post a commment or question you'd like answered.

#### **BIBLE QUESTIONS**

#### By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ All answers can be found

in the New King James version of the Bible. 1. Luke 1:16 - Who will

- John turn to the Lord their 2. Luke 1:17 - Who would
- John go in the spirit and pow-3. Luke 1:17 – Who was John preparing the people
- 4. Luke 1:18 What did Zacharias ask the angel?
- 5. Luke 1:19 What was the angel's name?
- 6. Luke 1:19 What was the angel to bring to Zacha-
- 7. Luke 1:20 What did the angel tell Zacharias?
- 8. Luke 1:22 What did the people perceive about Zacharias?
- 9. Luke 1:24 How long did Elizabeth hide herself?
- 10. Luke 1:25 What did the Lord take away from Eliz-

Comments or questions call James Potter 419-393-4775 or 419-399-5022 for Lonnie Lambert. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Answers to 6-27-12 Bible Questions:

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- 1. Praying
  - 2. An angel of the Lord.
- 3. Fear
- 4. Do not be afraid 5. His prayer

- 7. Joy and gladness 8. Great
- 9. Drink wine or strong 10. With the holy Spirit
- Now a promise from God:

Psalm 9:10, "and those who know your name will put their trust in you; for you, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you."

The promise is that as long as we are seeking the Lord, He will not forsake us. Isn't this another beautiful promise, that Jesus will always be with us as we seek Him.

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Dave Jones, Utility Superintendent, is also asking residents for their patience. "We are experiencing a high number of branches down and this may take up to a month or so to get these picked up."

For more questions, please contact Superintendent Dave Jones at 414-9097.

For any limbs entangled in electrical wires, please contact your designated power

#### **DOWN WIRES**

If you do see power wires down - please contact and report this to either: Indiana Michigan Power at 1-800-311-4634, New Haven Police Department at 260-748-7080

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treat those who differ from

them than the way they treat

those with whom they agree.

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be treated." Sound advice for

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the most volatile topic, ahead

of arguments about children,

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who are married (or living

with a partner) have engaged

in at least one deceitful behav-

ior related to their finances

flict about money, 55 percent

of couples said they do not set

aside time on a regular basis

to talk about financial issues.

letter to Christians how im-

portant it is that we take

time to understand one an-

other... 1 Peter 3:1-2 (NLT),

"In the same way, you wives

must accept the authority of

your husbands. Then, even if

some refuse to obey the Good

News, your godly lives will

speak to them without any

words. They will be won over

by observing your pure and

same way, you husbands must

give honor to your wives.

Treat your wife with under-

standing as you live together.

She may be weaker than you

are, but she is your equal

partner in God's gift of new

life. Treat her as you should

so your prayers will not be

Let's stop arguing and

start appreciating the gift of

hindered.3

1 Peter 3:7 (NLT), "In the

Peter reminds us in his

• But despite all the con-

(such as hiding purchases).

about insufficient savings.

• 49 percent of couples

• Thirty percent of adults

As couples age, they

• The most common cause

chores, work, or friends.

• On average couples fight

You can often tell more

#### THE TRADITION OF DIVISION

#### By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary

The following story from the Toronto Globe and Mail illustrates the way things operate in so many synagogues, churches, businesses, and

A young rabbi was dismayed to find a serious quarrel among members of his new congregation. During Friday services, half the participants stood up during one part of the proceedings while half remained seated. All decorum was lost as each side shouted at the other to conform.

Members of each group insisted that theirs was the correct tradition. Seeking guidance, the young rabbi took a representative from each side to visit the synagogue's founder, a 99 year-old rabbi living in a nursing home.

"Rabbi, isn't it true that the tradition was always for the people to stand at this point in the service?" inquired the man from the standing-up

"No, that was not the tradition," the old man replied.

"Then it is true the tradition is for people to stay seated?" asked the sitting-down representative.

"No," the rabbi said, "that was not the tradition.'

"But rabbi," cried the young rabbi, "what we have now is complete chaos; half the people stand and shout, while the others sit and scream.'

"Ah," said the old man, "THAT was the tradition."

We smile when we read such a story, but quickly realize that in too many settings, people simply don't know how to get along peaceably. With the demands of life and the hectic pace of schedules, so often it's easier to sit in judgment, criticize, and become embittered about the way the other guy operates.

dose of tolerance, extending common courtesy and patience toward other people, regardless of how different they view a given issue or circumstance. Rare indeed are the people who can disagree and have variant positions on a subject, yet maintain grace, tolerance, and old-fashioned kindness toward one another.

What we need is a fresh

My encouragement for all of us is to make a conscious effort to give other people "room." Room to fail. Room to be wrong. Room to have their own opinions. Room to hold totally different convic-

#### MR. & MRS. BENNY WYCKOFF **CELEBRATE 40 YEARS OF MARRIAGE**



Benny and Deb Wyckoff recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. They were married June 24, 1972 at the Antwerp United Methodist Church by Rev. Charles Bradford. They have

children: Keegan, Krayston, and Gracie. A celebration for family and friends was hosted by their daughters.

two daughters: Kara (Matt)

Eicher and Tiffany (Josh

Leinbach); and three grand-

our spouse while there's still opportunity.

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

#### **THREE-DAY "HEART EXAMINATION" AT WIT-NESSES' CONVENTION**

This past weekend, over 5,400 people gathered at the Seagate Convention Centre in Toledo, OH to launch a series of summer conventions that will highlight Biblical references to the "figurative heart". Through lively discourses, dramatic Bible readings and presentations, and even a live play, program parts will emphasize how protecting the figurative heart will enhance one's spiritual well-being, family life, and happiness. Whole families came from parts of Ohio, Indiana, and

The convention has provided a welcomed economic boost to the local downtown area. Local hotels and restaurants report that they appreciated having the Witnesses as patrons.

Many local families such as the Postelwaite's from Antwerp, OH with grandmother Sally Fifer from Defiance, OH traveled to Toledo all three days to attend.

The conventions will continue for the next five weekends and will bring an estimated 36,000 visitors to the Toledo Area.

#### **BLESSINGS AND CURSINGS**

# By: James Wright, First

bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."

There is much to be said about this one little verse. There are those who believe that "God will promise to bless those or nation who bless the chosen people." They say that any nation that blesses the Jewish people, that God's blessings are upon them. "And those that curses the Jewish people that the curse of God is upon them."

The key verse is this,

ness of faith, Romans 4:13

Also look at Galatians 3:9,

still trust in the law or have rejected Christ as their Lord and Savior. May I encourage you to read the following books: Romans, Galatians, and Hebrews. They will give you a good understanding on what we just discussed. And pray about your study, let God guide you. Happy studying!

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"So then they which be of

faith are blessed with faith-

ful Abraham." The law was

not of faith, the purpose of

the law was to condemn man

of sin in his life, it could not

save man, and the only way of

escape was turning to God by

faith for mercy and pardon.

Paul says in Romans 10:4,

"For Christ is the end of the

law for righteousness to every

one that believeth." The law

was our school master (Ga-

latians 3:24), it was to bring

us to Christ, that we might be

justified by faith. All families

of the earth will be blessed-

how? The blessings that came

to the nations was full salva-

tion through Christ, Acts

3:25-26, "having sent Jesus

to bless you, in turning away

every one of you from his iniquities." To the Jew first,

then to the Gentiles, Gal, 4:14,

"That the blessing of Abra-

ham might come on the Gen-

tiles through Jesus Christ".

Salvation is the only means

to receive spiritual blessings,

there is no other way to attain

when it says, "I will curse

him that curseth thee?" The

curse is the curse of sin, the

"sin of unbelief." Galatians,

3:10, "For as many as are of

the works of the law are un-

der the curse." Read also

Romans 9:31-32, "But Israel,

which followed after the law

of righteousness, hath not at-

tained to the law of righteous-

ness. Wherefore? Because

they sought it not by faith,

but as it were by the works of

the law. For they stumbled at

the stumbling stone." You see,

Christ was that stumbling

stone, they did not recognize

their Messiah. Only a rem-

nant of Israel at that time rec-

ognized their Messiah, and as

a result was blessed through

salvation, along with those

Gentiles which believed. Isra-

el was, and still is looking for

that earthly king to set up his

earthly kingdom. Jesus told

them, "my kingdom is not of

this world," the thief on the

cross said to Jesus, "remember

me when you enter into your

kingdom". A spirit cannot

occupy a physical kingdom,

therefore Jesus also said, "the

kingdom of God is within

you." Folks, the kingdom of

God is a very present reality

in the heart of every believer,

to possess the kingdom is the

blessing through salvation.

Heirs with God, and joint

Can they be saved? Absolutely

they can, and many are. Why?

Because they have recognized

the one who was placed on

that cross some two thousand

years ago as their Messiah,

their God and King. Now

they are reaching out to their

fellow brethren and relaying

the same message, "Truly he

blessed are those who have re-

ceived Christ in their hearts,

and the cursed are those who

Again my friends, the

was the son of God.

What about Israel today?

heirs with Christ.

Now what does it mean

them, only through Christ.

#### REPORT FAILED CROP ACREAGE PRIOR TO DE-STRUCTION

would like to encourage farmers to report failed crop acreage that will not be brought to harvest to their local FSA office. Failed acreage must be reported to FSA before destroying and replanting to allow time for a "It is very important that farmers report failed acre-

age that will not be brought to harvest to the FSA office prior to destruction," said Maurer. "This simple act of insuring that failed acres are documented could be the determining factor in whether or not a farmer is eligible for future crop disaster program payments."

Form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, is used to report

Although low yield acreage does not need to be reported to FSA, producers are encouraged to keep good production records on acreage with a low crop yield to document crop losses. Reporting failed acreage to FSA will ensure compliance with current farm programs, and possible eligibility for future

Additional information

# Church of God Dupont,

Genesis 12:3, "And I will

"all families of the earth be blessed." If you remember, Israel was to be a peculiar people, (Deuteronomy 14:2) different from all other nations; they were to be separate from all other people. God chose them not because they were many, but because they were few, Deuteronomy 7:7. And when the scriptures say, "all families" it could not mean during the Old dispensation, because other families (nations) were not included in the Old Testament dispensation. So it must be pointing to another time. What time in history did God include other people into his household? It's when Jesus went to the cross, folks, and died for you and me. The household of God includes "all families", Jew and Gentile alike, under the New Testament dispensation, not the Old.

What did he mean, "And I will bless them that bless thee"? The promise that was made to Abraham was not made through the law or to Israel after the flesh, but it was through the righteous-



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failed acreage and may be completed by any producer with an interest in the crop. For crop losses covered by the Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP), producers must contact their local FSA office within 15 days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent. Producers with crop insurance should also contact their local agent when losses occur and before destroying the crop.

disaster programs.

in regard to failed crop acreage or crop losses covered by the Non-Insured Assistance Program (NAP) can be obtained by contacting your local FSA office. FSA program information is also available online at: www.fsa.



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SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 22: THE NEW BRIDGE

#### By: Stan Jordan

On the morning after the buffalo hunt, we all slept in till about an hour after daylight. Well now, the mess sergeant didn't, because he had deer meat and potatoes for the group from the Broken Bow agency.

The bridge crew started to work on the new bridge after that and Chief Soaring Eagle agreed where it should be

Farmer got out his plow and team and asked who their head gardener was.

The Shaman said, "Right here he is. His name is Possum." So he and Farmer talked a lot and both went down to the garden area. Farmer later told me Possum was born with sort of a lopsided head and face. He was a nice fellow and darn good worker, but his head was caved in a little bit, but he knew garden-

Possum was amazed at the new plow. Farmer let him plow a few rounds before lunchtime. The ground worked up nice. Possum wants a plow for himself but he can't get one

They plowed till quitting time and all was finished. Lots of room for family gardens then room for potatoes, a little wheat, lots of corn, and maybe some Timothy hay.

We sat up and talked around the fire; it is a new gathering place for the tribe. Some brought their new blankets. Possum wanted to learn about the one burner oil stove and he made a couple of pots of coffee. His marked up face

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is the only thing wrong with him. He is plenty sharp and ambitious.

After our group had pancakes for breakfast this morning, everyone and a lot of natives went out to see the fellows working on the new bridge. The soldier boys could do their job well, they had the natives to help lift and handle the bigger logs.

The bridge has a little arch in it as the Chief says, sometimes in the spring the water level will rise up. The bridge crew worked fast because this is practice for them as well as a necessity for the natives. The people are certainly happy to have the new bridge.

The crew stopped work about four in the afternoon to allow everyone to get washed up and come down to the new

The squaws wanted to show their appreciation for all of the white eyes' work. So they fixed supper for all of us in the camp.

They had a lot of soup kettles with lots of buffalo meat in the soup, also with some deer meat in some of the kettles. They had hominy type of corn along with creamy corn, corn dodgers and some hush puppies.

After the meal, the mess sergeant borrowed our one burner stove and got a skillet and buffalo grease and tried to pop some of the corn-what popped was good. The natives never had it in a skillet before, only on the ear.

The U.S. government wants us to teach the natives to our ways and customs in this area. I would say we are doing a very good job of that. The new cookout area and that type of cooking for a crowd is all new to them. The pots and pans and utensils, like the silverware, is all new

The Lieutenant borrowed Rooster's horse and rode back to the Fort to see the General. Chief Soaring Eagle did not

He wants permission to build them a long log building to be used as a ceremonial house or community meeting building or a shelter if

ASSORTED SCENTS

the weather gets bad. It will have a dirt floor. The Lieutenant would bring back another squad of workers along with boards for the roof and lots of supplies for the Mess Sergeant and the engineers. He left a Sergeant Murphy in charge of finishing the bridge. Well, the boys got the

bridge done two days ago, and they have been cutting and trimming logs for the new ceremonial building. The Lieutenant isn't back yet, but the sergeant figures it will be best to get started and find rocks for the fire places plus wood to burn at the cookout area. That is the meeting place for all.

We are learning each other's ways and language. We converse pretty well while sitting around the fire with a little coffee and corn cakes. The U.S. government would be pretty proud to see us at a bonfire at night, we would all smoke the peace pipe.

See ya!

#### MORE ON ME

#### By: Stan Jordan

In January of 1950, Pauline's parents were spending the winter in Florida and they asked us to come down for a

Well, we had not had a vacation since World War II. so we went down to Florida around the Avon Park area and some other places to

We visited all of the popular places that Yankees visit and we really enjoyed ourselves. But the highlight of the vacation was we went bass fishing in Lake Okeechobee. There were very few people fishing that Lake yet. The Lake was full of big bass. You got a hit on your bait every time you cast it.

The big parapet was not built around the lake yet. You did not have to go through a lock to get in. You were allowed eight bass, so you kept throwing the small ones back into the water. When it came time to quit, we threw most of them back. I will never forget those trips to the big lake. I consider myself very lucky to have fished Lake Okeechobee before it got fished out.

In the years after World War II, Antwerp was progressing very well. The Volunteer Fire Department was getting some new equipment and we needed a bigger place to house it.

In those years, the town had the residue from the Furniture factory fire hauled away and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5083 had that nice new building built on that half block.

The people of Antwerp voted in millage to build a new fire station. That was in the early 1960's and it cost \$32,000. Well, we had a big dedication of the new fire house along with a big parade and carnival affair. This developed into the annual Fireman's Day. All assisted to make it a big success—all around the VFW post, the Firehouse, all the way down to the bowling alley. All the organizations pitched in and we had a big day, and it went on each year, for years on end. I always found that the people of Antwerp would come and help celebrate any occasion.

Shortly after the end of World War II, the People's Elevator purchased the East End Elevator and then tore it down. Then they changed the name to the Antwerp Equity Exchange. That business has grown by leaps and bounds and it does nearly \$20 million every year. It is now called Mercer Landmark.

We moved the post office down to the present location in 1972. Mr. Glass now owns the old post office building. The Antwerp Exchange Bank had already built their new bank at their present loca-In 1967, we went on a trip

to the West. Pauline's folks and all three of us. Gale had his driver's license and he did most of the driving. Like before, we went to a lot of the national parks and historic places, all the way to the Pacific Ocean and down to California. A little more next



Michaels owned a small farm in Canada, just yards away from the North Dakota border. Their land had been the subject of a minor dispute between the United States and Canada for generations. Mrs. Michaels, who had just celebrated her ninetieth birthday, lived on the farm with her son and three grandchildren.

One day, her son came into her room holding a letter. "I just got some news, Mom," he said. "The government has come to an agreement with the people in Washington. They've decided that our land is really part of the United States. We have the right to approve or disapprove of the agreement. What do you

"What do I think?" his mother said. "Jump at it! Call them right now and tell them we accept! I don't think I could stand another one of those Canadian winters!"

#### SNOOPY & I

#### By: Stan Jordan

In recent months, old secret files that were released by the government, states that Snoopy and I flew a fighter plane in World War II. Up until now, it was 'hush-hush' secret. It is sort of a known fact now that Snoopy, the great World War I flying ace, and I flew a P-51D Mustang fighter plane in World War II.

We flew out of a Clandestine Aerodrome in Shropshire, England. Only a couple of American desk-bound Generals knew of our opera-

We were issued a P-51, new from the States, and the English installed a Rolls-Royce Merlin engine and a P-51 was the best fighter plane in the

Our crew chief, Ol' Dan, was from Mouthwash, Wisconsin, and he has forgotten more about engines than most will ever know. He sent back to his father in Wisconsin and had him get a carton of spark plugs number 39013x. Dan would not say, but he did something with those plugs on our P-51 D (D for dog) was the fastest gas engine plane in that theater. It was just a little under 500 mph. Snoopy flew it full throttle nearly all the

Ol' Dan took our plane and made me a seat behind

the cock pit, facing the rear. We used the same canopy. My twin 20 mm cannons were operated hydraulically by me from inside the canopy. They faced to the rear on a ring mount, the only two seat P-51

All of this and my seat were engineered and installed by Dan, under the height of secrecy. The world was not to know that one of America's flying aces was a beagle dog. Well, Snoopy was not a true flying ace. You needed five kills to be an ace. Three of Snoopy's kills were mine. I couldn't tell anyone any dif-We flew far and wide over

Western Europe, we blew up railroad engines, tank traps, and any moving enemy armament on the ground.

After General Patton broke out of the beach head and covered most of Belgium in late 1944, we flew out of a cow pasture in Alsace Lor-

Our plane was equipped with three .50 caliber machine guns on each wing. Snoopy could fire out a hail of bullets in a hurry. I remember one time, I think he put about a hundred rounds in a big German transport truck. It was about more lead than the truck could haul.

On today's return trip, we were just cruising home about 400 mph. We didn't do much this morning. We didn't see any Luftwaffe at all.

Snoopy made a left turn and a short fast dive down to the Muse River and pushed the throttle forward. I knew he was going to

fly under the bridge over the Muse River outside of Stavelot. There was no use for me telling him not to fly under the bridge. The engine was screaming and if we had any friends left in town, we didn't anymore. Well, I knew he could fly under the bridge because we have done it before. We always get a letter from the General because the Burgemeister gets all over the General. Its a vicious circle. More on a little later on me and Snoopy.

See ya!

#### **AQUA ZUMBA NOW OF-**FERED AT THE PAULDING

Paulding Pool is now offering Aqua Zumba. A certified instructor, Cindy Hickok, will be conducting the classes. The starting date for this new class will be on Monday July 9th and end on August 16th, 2012. Class will be held every Monday and Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Anyone 15 years of age and older are welcome to sign up. For more information, call the Paulding Pool at 419-399-9593.

#### PAGE 5 - WEST BEND NEWS - JULY 5, 2012 **ABCD'S OF KEEPING FOOD** SAFE IN AN EMERGENCY

Always keep meat, poultry, fish, and eggs refrigerated at or below 40 °F and frozen food at or below 0 °F. This may be difficult when the power is out. Keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much

as possible to maintain the cold temperature. The refrigerator will keep food safely cold for about four hours if it is unopened. A full freezer will hold the temperature for approximately 48 hours (24 hours if it is half full) if the door remains closed. Obtain dry or block ice to keep your refrigerator as cold as possible if the power is going to be out for a prolonged period of time. Fifty pounds of dry ice should hold an 18-cubic foot full freezer for two days, Plan ahead and know where dry ice and block ice can be purchased. Q. Some of my food in the

freezer started to thaw or had thawed when the power came back on. Is the food safe? How long will the food in the refrigerator be safe with the power off? A. Never taste food to de-

termine its safety! You will have to evaluate each item separately. If an appliance thermometer was kept in the freezer, read the temperature when the power comes back on. If the appliance thermometer stored in the freezer reads 40 °F or below, the food is safe and may be refrozen. If a thermometer has not been kept in the freezer, check each package of food to determine the safety. Remember you can't rely on appearance or odor. If the food still contains ice crystals or is 40 °F or below, it is safe to refreeze. Refrigerated food should be safe as long as power is out no more than four hours. Keep the door closed as much as possible. Discard any perishable food (such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs, and leftovers) that have been above 40 °F

Q. May I refreeze the food in the freezer if it thawed or

partially thawed? A. Yes, the food may be safely refrozen if the food still contains ice crystals or is at 40 °F or below. You will have to evaluate each item separately. Be sure to discard any items in either the freezer or the refrigerator that have come into contact with raw meat juices. Partial thawing and refreezing may reduce the quality of some food, but the food will remain safe to eat.

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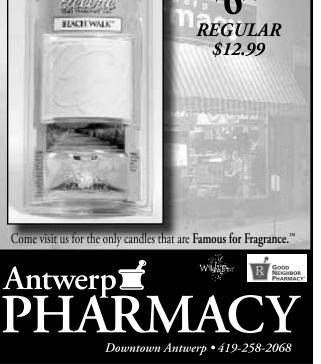


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PAGE 6 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 5, 2012 IT'S HOT OUTSIDE! HEAT & POWER OUTAGE FACT SHEET FOR RESIDENTS

Take care to stay cool and healthy while your power is out. Do not assume it will come back on tomorrow. You should make arrangements for the next several days. In an emergency, dial

You can suffer heat-related illnesses such as heat stroke and heat exhaustion when the body's temperature-control system is overloaded. Sweating is your body's natural way of cooling itself. In some situations, especially in periods of high humidity, sweating alone will not provide an adequate release of body heat. People aged 65 years or older are especially at risk because they are less likely to sense and respond to changes in temperature.

When it is hot:

- Drink more fluids (nonalcoholic, non-caffeinated), regardless of your activity level. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.
- Stay in air-conditioned buildings as much as possible. If your home does not have air conditioning, go to the shopping mall or public library—even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help your body stay cooler when you go back into the heat. Call your local EMA to see if there are any heat-relief shelters in your
- Do not rely on a fan as your primary cooling device during an extreme heat
- Check on a friend or neighbor and have someone do the same for you.
- Don't use the stove or oven to cook—it will make you and your house hotter.
- Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Take cool showers or baths to cool down.
- Check the local news for health and safety updates.

 Seek medical care immediately if you have, or someone you know has, symptoms of heat-related illness like muscle cramps, headaches, nausea or vomit-

The heat can make you sick. Look for these signs and call 911 if you are experiencing any of them:

• Symptoms of heat exhaustion are: heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea or fainting. People experiencing these symptoms should be moved to a cool, shady or air-conditioned area, and provided cool, non-alcoholic beverages.

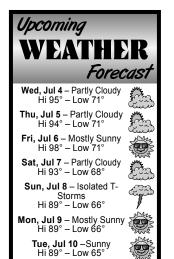
• Symptoms of heat stroke is a potentially life-threatening condition, characterized by: a body temperature of 103 degrees or higher; red, hot and dry skin with no sweating; rapid pulse; headache; dizziness; nausea; confusion; unconsciousness; and gray skin color.

#### **SPOILED FOOD:**

Food from the refrigerator should be thrown out if the power is out more than four hours. Never taste food to determine its safety; appearance and odor are not indicators of food safety. Keep the door closed as much as possible.

If the power is out for longer than two hours, follow the guidelines below:

- Throw away any perishable food (such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs, and leftovers) that have been above 40 for over 2 hours.
- For the refrigerator: pack milk, other dairy products, meat, fish, eggs, gravy, and spoilable leftovers into a cooler surrounded by ice. Inexpensive Styrofoam coolers are fine for this pur-
- A freezer that is half full will hold food safely for up to 24 hours. A full freezer will hold food safely for 48 hours. Do not open the freezer door if you can



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Thanks to Uncle Judd's Crew who volunteered their time & help





Jay Watson, Elayne Tressler and Tony Watson, the new operators of the revitalized and relocated Ice Cream Depot in downtown Antwerp.

By: Sue Knapp

Yes, you've read it right, Ice Cream Depot has returned to Antwerp and is open and ready for you to come and enjoy summer treats.

Tony Watson, who bought the Pocock building (the old Haver furniture store) has put the Ice Cream Depot in the third store front next to Kevstone Salon. The first and second storefront houses Hometown Pantry and a sportswear store featuring Antwerp School wear.

Elayne Tressler of Sherwood will be managing the Ice Cream Depot with Jay Watson as co-manager.

The Ice Cream Depot now serves hard and soft ice cream and soon will have to-order deli sandwiches. This fall a coffee shop will be included.

The ice cream is made by Toft's from Sandusky, Ohio. There will be 11 different flavors of hard ice cream including two sugar free and three varieties of soft ice cream. Some of the flavors are superman (kids' favorite), rocky road, black sweet cherry (yum), mint chocolate chip and 'to die for' yellow cake batter. Yes, I had a sample and I can't even describe how good it is! They will also be flurries, shakes, cones, sundaes, banana splits and much Outdoor seating is avail-

inside at a booth. Carry out is also available. Tony is very appreciative of all the support he's received from Antwerp people, and the local bank; but most importantly for the customer

support he has received in his

able for the diners' pleasure

at one of the bistro tables or

Antwerp business ventures. At present, the hours for the Ice Cream Depot are Monday-Thursday, 2:00-8:00 p.m.; Friday 2:00-9:00 p.m.; Saturday 12:00-9:00 p.m. and Sunday 2:00-8:00 p.m.

For questions or more information, please call 419-258-2199.

#### **PAULDING COUNTY COM-MISSIONERS MEETING** MINUTES FOR 6/18/12

This  $18^{\rm th}$  day of June, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members pres-

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The Paulding County Auditor, has

ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 13, 2012, Warrant numbers 188857 through 188933 in the amount of \$33,900 644 and it is cartified that of \$23,890.64; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or or-der was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1) these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and de-termined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were ad-opted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING

THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 182): The Board of County Commissioners

does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Capital Improvements Fund 182: 182-001-00001, Capital Improvements/Capital Improvements - \$7,150.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFY-

ING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-003): The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2012 Annual Ap-

propriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:
FROM: 001-016-00007/General
Fund/Commissioners' Buildings &
Grounds/Contract Services
TO: 001-003-00014/General Fund/

County Treasurer/Bank Fees

AMOUNT: \$167.80 IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-ING FAMILY CHILDREN FIRST AND

HELP ME GROW FY '13 BUDGETS:

The Board of County Commissioners have reviewed and does hereby approve Family Children First and Help Me Grow FY '13 Budgets for the fiscal year begin-ning July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013. IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING

AND AWARDING A PROPOSAL FOR SEWER SYSTEM HOOK-UP INSPEC-TOR FOR THE AUGLAIZE SEWER PROJECT:
This 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, being the

day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, proposals were received and opened for Sewer System Hook-Up Inspector for the Auglaize Sewer Project:

Paulding County Health Department, 800 East Perry Street, Paulding OH 45879 – \$150.00 per lateral hook up
IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING

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INTO A LAND LEASE AGREEMENT
AND MEMORANDUM OF LAND
LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ALLTEL
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS:

Alltel Communications, LLC, d/b/a/ Verizon Wireless, desires to lease a por-tion of property containing 7,000 square feet located at 700 Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio, referred to as Site Num-ber WLMS-022/Paulding DT/Paulding County Commissioners, for the instal-lation and maintenance of utility wires, poles, cables, conduits, and pipes over. poles, cables, conduits, and pipes over, under, or along said Utility Rights of Way, said Land Space, Rights of Way, and Util-ity Rights of Way as described in the Land Lease Agreement; and being duly elected officials, the Board of County Commissioners have the authority to enter into the Land Lease Agreement and related documents with Verizon Wireless. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby enter into a Land Lease Agreement and Memorandum of Land Lease Agreement with Alltel Communications, LLC, d/b/a Verizon Wireless, effective June 11, 2012, for a term of five (5) years for a total annual rental of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,200.00) to be paid in equal monthly

installments, in advance. IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNAT-ING THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTA-TIVE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE

(Continued on Page 7)

WILDLIFE BIOLOGISTS **VERIFY MORE THAN 100 BOBCAT SIGHTINGS IN OHIO IN 2011** 

For the second year in a row, more than 100 bobcats have been shown to be living in Ohio's southeastern counties with the confirmation of 136 sightings by state wildlife officials during 2011, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. The reports show an increase from the 106 verified sightings in 2010. The bobcat is listed as an

endangered species in Ohio and is protected by state law. Bobcats once roamed

across Ohio during early settlement, but as more people settled within the state, their numbers diminished. By the year 1850, bobcats no longer lived in Ohio. However, a handful of unverified sightings of the bobcat in the 1960s announced the introduction of the return of the Ohio bobcat. Since 1970, there have been 691 bobcat sightings in 38 counties verified by state wildlife biologists.

The majority of wildcatverified reports for 2011 occurred in Noble County and surrounding counties. The bobcat may be verified with photographs of the animal itself and its tracks; road kill recovery and sightings by Division of Wildlife personnel as well as encounters through incidental trappings, which are followed by the animals being released. Since bobcats are typically

elusive and it is rare for people to see them in the wild, the Division of Wildlife is using technology to clarify estimated populations of bobcats. To help them with their research, biologists use remote cameras and scent stations. Wildlife officials also use GPS radio collars to track the location of bobcats after catching and releasing them. The efforts to learn more

about the locations of bobcats have been supported by the Wildlife Diversity and Endangered Species Fund. Ohioans give donations to this fund through the state income tax check-off program and by purchasing cardinal license plates. People may also make donations toward this cause online at wildohio.com.

The ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at www.ohiodnr.com.

#### DO IT BEST CORP. AN-**NOUNCES TEAM HIRES** AND PROMOTIONS

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Do it Best Corp. is pleased to announce the following additions to its world headquarters team in Fort Wayne, IN. Matt Davis as a Web De-

Kyle Fuhrmann as a Systems Support Specialist In-

Lynn Kingdon as a Switchboard Operator

Tim Madigan for Lumber and Panel Sales for the Andrew Myers as an In-

ternal Support Technician Vincent Ringger as Web

Developer Intern Ryan Ripley as an IT Proj-

ect Manager Mica Smith as the INCOM Merchandising Coordinator

Jonathyn Truax as an Engineered Wood Specialist Further, Do it Best Corp.

proudly recognizes these recent promotions within its corporate office team. Ĵohn Gross as an IT Busi-

ness Analyst Shannon Merkel as a Mar-

ket Planning Coordinator Leroy Pierce as a PC Web

Application Support Analyst Steve Richardson as an IT Scheduler

About Do it Best Corp. Based in Fort Wayne, IN,

Do it Best Corp. is the only U.S.-based, member-owned comprehensive and fully integrated hardware, lumber and building materials buying cooperative in the home improvement industry. With annual sales of \$2.41 billion, Do it Best Corp. is the second largest co-op in the industry, serving more than 4,000 member-owned locations in

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new smoking law takes effect July 1st. Here's what you do need to know:

ING LAW TAKES

**EFFECT JULY 1st** 

- Employers must inform current and prospective employees that smoking is prohibited inside the building. However, this does not need to be via an updated labor law posting. It could be done, among other ways, via staff notices, updated handbooks and hiring materials for interview-
- Employers impacted by the ban do need to post conspicuous signage at each public entrance, reading something similar to, "Indiana state law prohibits smoking within 8 feet of this entrance."
- Employers must also remove all ashtrays where smoking is prohibited.
- New mandatory posting posters are not required, according to the Indiana State Chamber.

#### DUNKING AND DOUGHNUTS IN WOODBURN

July 14th promises to be a day filled with fun for all ages. While waiting on the parade to start at 10:00 a.m., enjoy some of the Lions Club's everpopular doughnuts. Be sure to enjoy the vintage cars on display for your enjoyment at the car show. The shelter house will be the home of a wide variety of crafts and the shaded park grove will host a wide variety of games and competitions for all ages until 7:00 p.m. Be sure to check out the dunk tank—you will be surprised at the "dunkies" providing a great target for

Beginning with the introduction of the queen candidates at 11:00 a.m., the entertainment tent's schedule is filled with talent contests, animal shows, and musical groups until 9:00 p.m. Of course, a delicious "taste of Woodburn" will be available all day in the food tent.

If walking is a problem, the "Shirley City Shuttle" will be available free of charge to help get people where they want to be. The day will start with a "bang" and end with a "boom" as the Woodburn Community Association

presents its annual outstanding fireworks display!

To participate or receive additional information on any of the following events, please contact the chairpersons listed below: Parade: Tonya at 260-255-

Talent Contest: Holly at

260-632-5318 Horseshoe Tournament:

Mike at 260-632-0700 Corn Hole Tournament:

Gary at 260-466-6599 Mush Ball Tournament: Duane at 260-403-1534

Craft Show: Tiffany at 260-

Food Tent: Cyndi at 260-

#### **MANOR HOUSE BAS-KETBALL LEAGUES HEAT UP**

The temperature outside isn't the only thing heating up in July. The Antwerp Manor House basketball leagues are now in full swing. There is one regular season week remaining to jockey for seeding position in the season ending league tournament. The 5th/6th grade boys play on Monday evenings. The current standings show a tight battle at the top with Marion (OH) Harding and Wayne Trace both locked up with 4-2 records and a head-to-head battle on Monday, July 9. Paulding stands at 2-3 and Antwerp at 0-4.

On Wednesday evenings the junior high girls take the floor. Fort Wayne Legit is a perfect 8-0 with Van Wert 6-2, Bishop Dwenger Saints 5-3, and Delphos Jefferson 4-4 close behind. Wayne Trace has two teams, Red 1-7 and Blue 0-8 that round out the field. Thursday evenings bring a competitive group of junior high boys teams to Antwerp. Wayne Trace and Archbold bring identical 7-1 records into July with Ft. Wayne Legit 6-2, Montpelier 3-5, Paulding 1-7 and the Toledo Saints 1-7 completing the brackets.

The season will end the week of July 16 on the respective evening for each league. There will be an admission to these games to offset the cost of a 2nd official. Please join us for the final two weeks of a great summer basketball season at the Manor House any of these evenings after 5:00

#### **UNCLE SAM**

The symbol "Uncle Sam," has his roots all the way back to the War of 1812. You can say "Uncle Sam" is an American icon. Uncle Sam, the Bald Eagle and The Stars and Stripes are some of our recognized national symbols. Uncle Sam is pictured as a tall, thin man with white whiskers, wearing a top hat, blue jacket with tails, and red and white striped pants. As an oak tree symbolizes strength, the symbol of Uncle Sam inspires pride and patriotism in our country. Samuel Wilson was a busi-

nessman in meat packing in Troy NY, he slaughtered and packed beef and pork for the government after war was declared against Great Britain in 1812. Meat was purchased by the government, packed in barrels and shipped to the soldiers during the War of 1812. One meat contractor stamped his barrels of meat with his own initials, "E. A.," for Elbert Anderson, and "U. S.," for United States on each barrel. Samuel Wilson supplied huge amounts of property for the government with the simple markings, "U. S." Wilson's employees were asked the meaning of the initials, and someone suggested that it meant "Uncle Sam," or "Uncle Sam Wilson." It did not take long for the joke to spread, and the initials "U.S." standing for "Uncle Sam," became a popular expression. The meat shipments stamped

with "U. S." came to symbolize the federal government. The story spread rapidly and the image grew for this fictional character. The person of Uncle Sam

was first written about in the

book in 1816, The Adventures

of Uncle Sam in Search After

His Lost Honor, by Frederick

Augustus Fidfaddy. The sub-

ject of the book was the War

of 1812. Uncle Sam was pictured on World War I and World War II recruitment posters designed by the artist, James Montgomery Flagg. The posters were designed to encourage citizens to help defend the country by joining the armed forces. Flagg used a version of his own face for the image of Uncle Sam, incorporating the red, white and blue of the American flag with the stars and stripes. Uncle Sam is a stern looking older man with white hair, goatee and a top hat. One early caption accompanying the poster reads, "What Are You Doing for Preparedness?" The Uncle Sam recruitment poster with

posters. The 87th Congress of the United States adopted a resolution in 1961, saluting Uncle Sam Wilson of Troy, New York, as the father of America's National symbol of Uncle

the caption, "I Want You For

The U.S. Army," might be the

best known with the most ar-

resting command of all the

—Gloria Fast, Daughters

(Continued from Page 6) PURPOSE OF VOTING AT THE AN-NUAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION OF OHIO IN 2012:

Article IV, Section 6, of the Code of Regulations of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio requires each member county to, for the purpose of voting at any annual or special meeting of the Association, designate an Official Representative and Alternate; and the designation of the Official Representative and Alternate for a county organized under the statutory form of county gov-ernment shall be by resolution of the board of county commissioners; and in designating to Official Representative and Alternate only a member of the board of county commissioners is eligible to be designated as the Official Representative and Alternate. Now, therefore that Mr. Tony Zartman is designated as the Official Voting Representative of Paulding County; and Mr. Fred Pieper is designated as the Alternate Voting Representative

ed as the Alternate Voting Representative of Paulding County.
STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF PAULDING – I, Nola R. Ginter, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Board at the regularly scheduled and conducted meeting held on June 18, 2012, which resolution is on file and of record in which resolution is on file and of record in the office of said Board. IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZ-

ING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE 2012 PAULDING COUNTY PAV-

ING PROJECT:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Ťravis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for two consecutive weeks for bids for the 2012 Paulding County Paving

Project.
IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZ-NEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE TR98-0.78B CONCRETE ELLIP-TICAL PIPE PROJECT:
The Board of County Commissioners

does hereby authorize Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for two consecutive weeks for bids for the TR98-0.78B Concrete Ellipti-Pipe Project.
IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZ-

ING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CR1-2.63B CONCRETE BOX CULVERT PROJECT:
The Board of County Commissioners

does hereby authorize Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for two consecutive weeks for bids for the CR1-2.63B Concrete Box Culvert Project. IN THE MATTER OF SUBORDI-

NATING A MORTGAGE POSITION FOR PROPERTY IN THE NAME OF RAMONA PRICE (CHIP):

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Paulding is the owner and holder of a mortgage on property located at 15660 Road 180, Antwerp OH 45813, in the name of Ramona A. Price; and the above described premises is encumbered by a mortgage granted to the Board of Commissioners, Paulding County, Paulding, Ohio 45879; and on this day the Board of County Commis-sioners agreed to subordinate and waive

the priority lien of the mortgage held by the Board of County Commissioners re-corded in Volume 498 at Pages 316-317 in favor of Huntington Bank. Now therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree to subordinate and waive the priority lien of the mortgage held by the Board of County Commissioners, Paulding County, Paulding, Ohio, in favor or

Huntington Bank. MEETING NOTES OF APPOINT-

MENTS:

Jane Gray, WPAU radio station - Auglaize Sewer Project Manager Mike Winans reported the sewer inspector bids are due today at 9:00 a.m. He stated the sewer project is running on or ahead of schedule. He reminded potential users that the sewer will only run house water. No outside water will be allowed in the system as we will be billed by the gallon. Mr. Winans also remarked that no homes will be connected until the project is com-

Commissioner Burkley noted the entire county is deeply saddened by the accidental death of Paul Keeler. Mr. Keeler served the county in law enforcement as probation officer, and as mail carrier. He will be deeply missed and Mr. Burk-ley urged county residents pray for Paul's wife Dawn as she attempts to cope with her loss.

Commissioner Pieper then com

mented on the 1812 flag raising which will take place at noon today on the Courthouse lawn. The 1812 Bicentennial Committee has coordinated the flag-raising by sending each county a flag and facts about the War of 1812. Fifteen states and part of Canada were involved in the War of 1812 against Great Britain. The War of 1812 lasted 2½ years. Ohio saw a lot of battles due to accessibility via waterways. Commissioner Zartman reported on the progress being made on the dome/cupola project. Repair to the inside of the struc-ture as well as exterior painting is being done. Mr. Zartman also commented work is being done on the south Courthouse entrance steps to the main floor and basement. Commissioner Burkley noted there had been nice crowds at the Paulding County Fair this past week. He thought the livestock sale went well and the truck pull brought a lot of people out. Mr. Burkley applauded the Fair Board for the improvements on the grounds and buildimprovements on the grounds and buildings. He also thanked area businesses for their support. Free gate entry would not be possible without their support. Phillip Jackson, Insbit – Mr. Jackson met briefly with the Commissioners to in-

quire as to rental space on the tower at the fairgrounds. The Commissioners advised him to contact Randy Shaffer Mike Winans, Auglaize Sewer Proj-

ect Manager - Mr. Winans opened the proposals for the sewer inspection. (see resolution above)

Lynette Beardsley, Vagabond Village

– Ms. Beardsley met with the Commissioners on behalf of her parents who own Vagabond Village. She reported they have hired Otto Gerdeman to assist with sewer issues. The Commissioners informed Ms. Beardsley they are not in a position to assist with a sewer project in the Cecil/US 24 area at this time.

Charles Wilson, Haviland Town Council member – Mr. Wilson is concerned about speeders driving through the village on SR 114. He asked if there could be more patrolling in an effort to stop this. He reports there is a villages patrol but not for grouph hours. The Com-

trol, but not for enough hours. The Commissioners recommended that he speak to the Sheriff's Office.

PHOTO COMPETITION DE-**TERMINES WINNING IMAGE ON 2013 WILDLIFE STAMP** 

The fourth annual Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp photo contest is underway, challenging resident photographers to enter their best snapshots of a Carolina or black-capped chickadee. The winning photograph will be featured on the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp to be issued March 1. The contest is open to

and older, and a cash prize will be awarded to the winning photographer. Young photographers, age 17 and under, are also encouraged to submit their photographs. The winner in the youth category will not be awarded a cash prize, but will receive Web and print recognition. The \$15 Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp will be avail-

Ohio residents, ages 18 years

able for purchase online March 1 at wildohio.com. Purchasing the stamp supports restoration of endangered and threatened wildlife species, research projects, land purchases and conservation easements as well as educational products for students and wildlife en-

"The Legacy Stamp is a great way for anyone who enjoys wildlife to make a direct investment in the future of Ohio's diverse wildlife population," said Scott Zody, chief of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

Each year, a collectible stamp depicting a different animal is issued to highlight the diversity of Ohio's natural world. Last year, Nina Harfmann from Pleasant Plain won the third annual contest with her photograph of a spotted salamander.

Discover more about the stamp by visiting wildohiostamp.com or calling 800-WILDLIFE.

Contest details:

- This contest is open to Ohio residents, age 18 and
- One \$500 cash prize will be awarded to the winning photographer.
- Youth up to 17 years of age may submit photos for Web and magazine recogni-
- Photos must be submitted by mail or handdelivered during business hours to ODNR Division of Wildlife, 2045 Morse Road, Building G, Columbus,

Ohio 43229-6693.

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- · Photo submissions will be accepted by mail Aug.
- Each photo must be accompanied by a completed entry form and submission • Complete contest rules
- are available at wildohiostamp.com. Employees of ODNR and their immediate family members are not eligible to participate.

#### FINAL ACREAGE REPORT-ING DATES QUICKLY AP-**PROACHING**

The State Executive Director for Ohio's Farm Service Agency (FSA), Steve Maurer, reminds producers of the acreage reporting requirements that must be met prior to receiving program benefits. If producers miss the acreage reporting deadline dates, a late filing fee will be charged. Maurer added, "Produc-

ers are required to file an FSA-578, Report of Acreage, certification for the farm by July 2 for small grains and by July 16 for all other crops except small grains." To be considered timely, acreage reports on crops are due in the county office by July 2 for small grains and July 16 for all other crops, or 15 calendar days before the onset of harvest or grazing of the specific crop acreage being

It is also very important that producers report crop losses, including those insured under Federal Crop Insurance (FCIC) and Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) within 15 days of the date damage occurred or 15 days from the date damage is apparent. Losses and or damages to crops must be reported after each disaster occurrence and in a timely manner to insure continued

eligibility for benefits. Producers are encouraged to visit their local FSA county office to file the required FSA-578 certification report before the deadline dates expire. Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits for a variety of programs.

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er lines, do not attempt to cross them or touch them in any way. Contact the local authorities or your local utility company and inform them of what you have found. Power lines laying on the ground may be hot and therefore deadly.

Pictures of the results of this deadly storm are at westbendnews.net website. Be sure to keep up-to-date on the website and also on the West Bend News Face-

#### PREVENTING CAR-**BON MONOXIDE** POISONING AFTER AN EMERGENCY Carbon monoxide (CO)

is an odorless, colorless gas that can cause sudden illness and death if inhaled. When power outages occur during emergencies such as hurricanes or winter storms, the use of alternative sources of fuel or electricity for heating, cooling, or cooking can cause CO to build up in a home, garage, or camper and to poison the people and animals inside.

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from accidental CO poisoning. CO is found in combustion fumes, such as those produced by small gasoline engines, stoves, generators, lanterns, and gas ranges, or by burning charcoal and wood, CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or partially enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned and can die from breathing CO.

How to Recognize CO

Exposure to CO can cause loss of consciousness and death. The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and

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confusion. People who are sleeping or who have been drinking alcohol can die from CO poisoning before ever having symptoms.

Important CO Poisoning Prevention Tips:

- Never use a gas range or oven to heat a home
- Never leave the motor running in a vehicle parked in an enclosed or partially enclosed space, such as a
- Never run a motor vehicle, generator, pressure washer, or any gasolinepowered engine outside an open window, door, or vent where exhaust can vent into an enclosed area
- Never run a generator, pressure washer, or any gasoline-powered engine inside a basement, garage, or other enclosed structure, even if the doors or windows are open, unless the equipment is professionally installed and vented. Keep vents and flues free of debris, especially if winds are high. Flying debris can block ventilation
- Never use a charcoal grill, hibachi, lantern, or portable camping stove inside a home, tent, or camp-
- If conditions are too hot or too cold, seek shelter with friends or at a community
- If CO poisoning is suspected, consult a health care professional right away

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#### FROM THE PAULDING **COUNTY EMA REGARDING LAST WEEKEND'S STORMS**

The recent high wind event has left several sections of Paulding County Ohio without power. The two major power providers, American Electric Power and Paulding Putnam Coop state it may be 3 to 5 days before all customers have their power restored. We are advising residents on home oxygen therapy to contact their oxygen provider if they need additional oxygen, If the provider cannot be contacted they may call the Paulding County EMA at 419-399-3500 for non emergency oxygen needs. If they have an immediate need they should contact 911. Other person with special needs may contact the Paulding County EMA at 419-399-3500 for assistance. Persons using generators to provide power should be aware that generators produce carbon monoxide and should never be allowed to run inside houses or garages and that they should make sure the generator is properly installed to prevent back feeding the power lines. Again power may not be totally re-

If any persons in Paulding County have special needs due to the power outages, or are willing to share a generator, etc.; they may call the Paulding County EMA office for assistance at 419-399-

#### PAULDING COUNTY COM-**MISSIONERS MEETING** MINUTES FOR 6/6/12

This 6th day of June, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred

#### ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:

Warrants documented as 188583 through 188681 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County

#### IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-ING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 4, 2012, Warrant numbers 188517 through 188581 in the amount of \$13,966.11; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code \$5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and that it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal

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IN THE MATTER OF RECEIV-ING BIDS FOR THE FY 2010 IACK-SON TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVE-MENTS PROJECT (CDBG):

This 6th day of June, 2012, being the day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, bids were received and opened for the 2010 Jackson Township Road Improvements Project (CDBG):

API Construction Corporation, PO Box 191, 11808 SR 205E, Laotta, IN 46763 - \$49,773.12

Ward Construction Company, 385 Oak Street, Leipsic, OH 45856 - \$41,900.33 The specifications will be studied

with a determination to be made later. IN THE MATTER OF RECEIV-

ING BIDS FOR THE FY 2011 JACK-SON TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVE-MENTS PROJECT (CDBG): This 6th day of June, 2012, being the day advertised in the Paulding Progress, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio

Revised Code, bids were received and

opened for the 2011 Jackson Township

Road Improvements Project (CDBG): API Construction Corporation, P O Box 191, 11808 SR 205E, Laotta, IN 46763 - \$33,235.82

Ward Construction Company, 385 Oak Street, Leipsic, OH 45856 The specifications will be studied

with a determination to be made later. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Mr. Fred

Pieper to go into executive session at 11:02 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Burkley. All members voting yea.

At 11:12 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 

#### A motion was made by Mr. Fred

Pieper to go into executive session at 11:14 a.m. with the Paulding County Court Judge Suzanne Rister to discuss personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Burkley. All members voting yea. At 11:37 a.m. all members present

agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.
IN THE MATTER OF PARTICI-

PATION AGREEMENT REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION SERVICES OF CONSUMERS (TALX) OF THE COUNTY COMMIS-SIONERS' ASSOCIATION OF OHIO SERVICE CORPORATION: The Board of County Commission-

ers does hereby enter into a Participation Agreement Regarding the Employment Verification Services of Consumers (TALX) of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio Service Corporation, effective July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2013.

IN THE MATTER OF SOFT-WARE MAINTENANCE AGREE-MENT WITH MAXIMUS, INC. AND PAULDINGCOUNTYDEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES: The Board of County Commission-

ers does hereby enter into a Software Maintenance Agreement with Maximus, Inc. to provide support and maintenance for Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services for the use of the Quarterly Information Consolidation System (QuIC) and Random Moment Sampling System (RMS) which both are a part of the Maximum Ledger Suite (MLS); and this agreement is in effect from July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, at a fee of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars and 00/100 (\$2,850.00) for the 12 month period beginning July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013

#### MEETING NOTES OF APPOINT-

MENTS:

Jane Gray, WPAU radio - Commissioner Zartman began today's radio spot by discussing the recent wind turbine blade malfunction. He reported that EDP Renewables have all the turbines back up and running after the mishap. New blades are on site and will be installed soon. The blade manufacturer has de termined there was a failure in production. The carbon fibers inside the blade

were bent. With every gust of wind the blade weakened and eventually broke, hitting the second blade and causing it to break. The Ohio Power Siting board has yet to give EDP Renewables the OK to go back to 100%; however, have approved partial production until further notice. As regrettable as this accident was, Mr. Zartman stated we are fortunate that nobody was injured. Commissioner Burkley then discussed the state grant for assistance in the demolition of blighted areas. He stated Maumee Valley Planning Organization will be doing the paperwork and administrative end on behalf of Paulding County to apply for these funds. Paulding County has been allotted \$104,000.00 and the application deadline is June 30. The grant may only be used for demolition of residential properties and is not to be used for commercial buildings. Villages may seek grants for commercial buildings. Various villages can present properties for consideration. Mr. Burkley remarked, The money is there, so we will pursue

Commissioner Pieper reported on a meeting the Commissioners recently attended at the Twin Oaks United Methodist Church in Oakwood. Cooper Farms hosted a meeting/luncheon to update the community on their operation. Focus was on animal care and health, environment stewardship, safely of the animals and employees, and the Cooper Farm Foundation. Mr. Pieper stated the meeting was very informative and provided a nice overview of the entire operation. He explained Cooper Farms have vehicles for emergencies to safeguard animal and employee safety. They also closely monitor the health of their animals and employees and take every precaution not to cross contaminate farms. The new truck wash which will be located just outside of Oakwood will assist in that process by killing viruses, which promotes health herds and farms. Mr. Pieper was impressed at the extensive record-keeping of the animals (from birth to death) and manure management and application (both liquid and dry). He also pointed out Cooper Farms is outstanding when it comes to community involvement and donations.

In closing, Commissioner Zartman reminded listeners of the John Paulding Days parade on Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. The parade kicks-off the weekend activities. The Commissioners encourage all to attend John Paulding Days.

Niki Warnke, Kylee Collins, Maumee Valley Planning Organization; Barry Rosebrock, Ward Construction Co. Opened bids for the FY '10 and FY '11 Jackson Township Road Improvement Projects (CDBG). See resolutions above.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher met with the Commissioners to present her regular monthly investment report. She also provided copies of the delinquent tax report for the Commissioners' review. Ms. Wannemacher announced the 2<sup>nd</sup> half tax bills have been sent to the printer and will be mailed next week. She also reminded the Commissioners the unvoted jail debt note is due September 6, 2012.

Travis McGarvey, County Engineer - Mr. McGarvey reported the EDP Renewables project road improvements work will begin today in Benton Township. He also said the Worstville railroad crossing will be closed for a couple of weeks for some grade improvement work. There are also several bridges that will have work done over the next several

Joe Forkin, State Treasurer Regional Representative - Mr. Forkin stopped in to inform the Commissioners of a couple of new programs offered through the State Treasurer's Office.

Corey Walker, Paulding County Department of Job & Family Services - Mr. Walker reported the recent sharing of services between Paulding and Defiance Counties DJFS agencies is going well. He reports good work participation involvement, with only four people on cash assistance at the Paulding agency. Mr. Walker also presented the Paulding agency's TALX and Maximus maintenance agreements for approval (see resolutions above).



Excludes OEM Products. Offer expires July 31, 2012

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# NOW YOU SEE IT AT UNCLE FUDD'S

By: Sue Knapp

Uncle Fudd's, on June 23rd found Steve, Stan and myself along with Judge Suzanne Rister, her children Elizabeth and Seth, sister-in-law Jodi and niece, Rayni attending the Fireman's Frenzy. Besides area people, there were some visitors from Idaho and Fort Wayne. This benefit is put on for the area school children. The Oakwood Fire Department and EMS sponsor the event. The firemen and EMS wait tables. They are very good, but I don't know if they would want to quit their day

house painting faces and making balloon animals. Dick Stoner went table hopping doing what he does-magic tricks. Later, he put on a show. Door prizes from local businesses were handed out. The crowd was very pleased with

Sassy and TNT were in

We've all heard of Stoner's

PAULDING COUNTY COM-

the Board of County Commis-sioners met in regular session with the following members

Tony Zartman, Tony Burk-ley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Gint-

Warrants documented as 188834 through 188935 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS.

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order

numbers and payments includ-

ed in the Allowance of Claims on June 11, 2012, Warrant num-

bers 188701 through 188809 in the amount of \$22,952.59; and

it is certified that both at the

time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor

is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process

of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appro-priated and free from any pre-

vious encumbrance; and pur-suant to the Ohio Revised Code

\$5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Com-missioners. Now, therefore the

Paulding County Commission-ers approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted

by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal

actions of this Board of County

Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio con-cerning the adoption of this

resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this

er, Clerk ALLOWANCE

MISSIONERS MEETING

MINUTES FOR 6/13/12

out of Fort Wayne, right? Dick opened his store and started doing professional magic in 1949. His family runs the store although his son-in-law is the only one doing magic presently. Dick has done shows all over the U.S., including Las Vegas 2-3 times

As he table-hopped, he came to our table. Steve asked him to make me disappear but Dick said no. Dick put two foam bunnies in my hand and when I opened my hand and tossed them down there was a whole litter. Now how did he do that? It was a great evening, very entertaining. The kids loved Sassy and TNT; the food—as always—was great; Dick Stoner was cool and I'm still around!

Kudos go to Oakwood's Firemen and EMS and to Uncle Fudd's for making life a little easier for area children.

Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO COURTHOUSE TOWER

It is necessary to make emergency repairs to the Courthouse tower area; and the Traditions Group presented a listing of repairs. Now, therefore the Paulding County Board of Commissioners do accept the proposal from the Traditions Group for emer-gency repairs to the Paulding County Courthouse Tower in the amount of \$7,150.00. IN THE MATTER OF AU-

THORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SUBMIT A FISCAL YEAR 2012 FORMULA ALLOCATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT:

**DEVELOPMENT:**The State of Ohio Department of Development provides financial assistance to local governments for the purpose of addressing local needs; and of Commissioners desire to participate in the Program to receive financial assistance to undertake and carry out Com-munity Development Activities under the Small Cities Com-munity Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fiscal Year 2012 Formula Allocation Program Grant; and the Paulding Coun-ty Board of Commissioners have the authority to apply for financial assistance and to administer the amounts received from the State of Ohio Depart-

ment of Development, through

the Small Cities CDBG Fiscal Year 2012 Formula Allocation Program Grant; and the Paulding County Board of Commissioners must direct and authorize the President of the Paulding County Commission ers to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as

may be required.
SECTION 1: That the Paulding County Board of Commissioners authorizes the President of the Board of Commissioners as official representative of the Paulding County Commissioners upon the approval of a Formula Allocation Program application in the amount of \$67,000 to participate in the State of Ohio, Department of Development, Small Cities Community Development Program and provide all information and documentation required in said application for submission

SECTION 2: That the Paulding County Board of Commissioners hereby approve filing an application for financial assistance under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Community Development Program.
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Fred Pieper to go into executive session at 11:15 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Burkley. All members voting

yea.
At 11:28 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the

regular session and go into regular session.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Don Miller, The Traditions

Group - Mr. Miller met with the Commissioners to provide an update on the copula/dome project. He reviewed several pictures taken of the tower area, showing water damage. He presented a proposal prepared by R.J. Kunkle for an emergency repair to the damaged area of the tower before continuing with the cupola/ dome area. The Commissioners approved the proposal (see resolution above). Marsha Yeutter, Senior Cen-

er - Ms. Yeutter presented the Passport contract, which was signed by the Board President. he also reported a successful John Paulding Days and Senior Day at the Paulding County

Niki Warncke, MVPO Ms. Warncke conducted the 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing for the 2012 CDBG Formula Allocation Program. In attendance were: Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center; Carlene Turner, Village of Cecil; Rich-ard Bowers, Village of Haviland; Michael Meyer, Crane Township; Marty Adams, Brown Township; Don Johnson, Auglaize Fire Department; Matt Davis, MVPO; Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, and Fred Pieper, Paulding County Commissioners. Ms. Warncke reviewed seven submitted projects and the amount proposed. A listing of allocation for the last eleven years was also reviewed. The Commissioners authorized submission of the grant application (see resolu-

ion above).
Matt Davis, MVPO – Mr.
Davis presented the Moving
Ohio Forward grant information. He reported there is
\$104,296.00 available to Paulding County to be used to demolish vacant, abandoned and blighted properties that detract from existing home values and create a possible toxic breeding ground for crime. The grant is made available from Obio At made available from Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine's recent settlement with five of the nation's largest mort-gage servicers over foreclosure abuses, fraud, and unfair and deceptive mortgage practices. Maumee Valley Planning Organization will apply for and administer the grant for Paulding County. Mr. Davis is hopeful that several demolition project can be done. The work is to be completed by December 31, 2013. Grant dollars are reimbursed after the work is

Claudia Fickel, County
Auditor – Ms. Fickel joined
the Commissioners in a conference call to Jeremy Brisson at the Ohio Department of Development regarding the tax credit certification for the wind farms. The Commissioners expressed the need for this information to facilitate the local government and school budgeting process. Mr. Bris-son assured the Commissioners that the Ohio Department of Development will continue to work on the documents that govern this program.

#### **SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT HARLAN DAYS 2012**

Harlan Days is August 2, 3 & 4 and crafty people are being sought after to set up booths! An entire tent will be devoted to crafts and will be in the same prime location as last year. If you are interested in registering or need more information, please send an email to: harlandayscrafttent@gmail. com or call Renee Ely at (260) 657-5592/evenings. Harlan Days 2012 Enter-

tainment:

Thursday, August 2: Hoosier Gentry Barber

Shop Quartet, 5:15-6:15 p.m.; The Twang Gang, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Friday, August 3: Harlan Days Vocal Con-

test - Preliminaries, 6:45

p.m. with finals to follow. Judges will be Terra Brantley, Barb Richards, and Mary Smith. Saturday, August 4: Mark's Ark, 12:00-1:00 p.m.; Allen County K-9

Demonstration, 1:30-3:00 p.m.; New Haven Alumni Band, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Bel-Airs, 6:30-7:30 p.m. & 8:30-10:30 p.m.; Mike Hemmelgarn, 7:15-8:15 p.m. On Stage, 8:30-9:30 p.m. strolling the fairgrounds.

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Harlan Days Cruise-In Car Show is set for Saturday, August 4, 2012. Registration is 4:00-6:00 p.m., with judging from 5:00-7:00 p.m. and awards at 8:00 p.m.

There will be awards for the Top 25 Best in Show, a Special Award, Chairman's Choice Award and free dash plaques will be given to the

first 75 cars that register. I Class and II Class. Trailer cars will not be judged, only shown. Motorcycles are not included in the Cruise-In. For more information please call Floyd Fogle at (260) 657-5683 or (260) 704-1414. The Vocal Contest is back

at Harlan Days! The Harlan Days Festival will again be holding a Vocal Contest this year. The contest will be held on Friday, August 3 at 6:45 p.m. The contest will be open to contestants who are 17 years old and older. This is not a karaoke contest and all participants will be required to bring their own CDs. A CD player and professional sound equipment will be provided. All music accompanying the singer must be on the CD. Background singing will be permitted on the CDs. Song length will be limited to five minutes. Contestants will be asked to prepare two songs.

Those who are selected as the top three finalists will perform a second song to determine first, second and

PAGE 9 - WEST BEND NEWS - JULY 5, 2012 third places. Cash and prizes will be awarded. There will be an entry fee charged per contestant. The number of contestants will be limited to 20 participants.

Entry forms are available under the Events tab on the Harlan Days website at www. harlandays.com and also on the 'Harlan Days Festival & Fair' Facebook page. Please call (260)657-5930 for more information.

Crash and Bash action will be returning to Harlan Days for 2012. United Demolitions will have an action packed show on Friday, August 3 in the Harlan arena. Big cars, mini cars, and stock classes will compete and run demolition heats and features with big cars and mini cars also competing in figure 8 style racing as part of the program. Jeff Abbott, Woodlan PA announcer will serve as emcee/ announcer for the event. For complete rules and entry information, contact United Demolition Derbies via Facebook.com



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This year's event will be held Sunday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the well-manicured Cherry Hill Golf Course, on Wheelock Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Registration begins at 12:00 am, with tee-off at 1:00 pm.

The cost for this event is only \$75 per person. This price includes entry into all events, 18 holes of golf, riding cart, dinner and various awards.

There will be an awards presentation and dinner directly after golf at the Cherry Hill Event Tent.

To help us properly plan for this event, register early! Forms are available on the WLS website (www.wlsedu.org), the Christ Lutheran Church website (www.christluthernchurchwoodburn.com), at Christ and Zion Lutheran Churches, or by calling 260-632-5493.

Proceeds from this event will be used for tuition assistance.

*Golf attire is required: collared shirts and dress slacks or shorts.* All participants must be at least 8 years of age.

Entries, Sponsorhips, or Dontions may be mailed to:

Woodburn Lutheran School, PO Box 159, Woodburn, IN 46797.

Checks may be made payable to Woodburn Lutheran School.



SHOULD YOU TAKE A PEN-SION BUYOUT?

#### Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor

Have you recently received a pension buyout offer? If so, you need to decide if you should take the buyout, which could provide you with a potentially large lump sum, or continue accepting your regular pension payments for the rest of your life. It's a big decision.

Clearly, there's no "one size fits all" answer — your choice needs to be based on your individual circumstances. So, as you weigh your options, you'll need to consider a variety of key issues, including the following:

 Estate considerations Your pension payments generally end when you and/ or your spouse dies, which means your children will get none of the money. But if you were to roll the lump sum into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), and you don't exhaust it in your lifetime, you could still have something to leave to your family members.

• Taxes — If you take the lump sum and roll the funds into your IRA, you

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control how much you'll be taxed and when, based on the amounts you choose to withdraw and the date you begin taking withdrawals. (Keep in mind, though, that you must start taking a designated minimum amount of withdrawals from a traditional IRA when you reach age 701/2. Withdrawals taken before age 591/2 are subject to taxes and penalties.) But if you take a pension, you may have less control over your income taxes, which will be based on your monthly pay-

• Inflation — You could easily spend two or three decades in retirement - and during that time, inflation can really add up. To cite just one example, the average cost of a new car was \$7,983 in 1982; 30 years later, that figure is \$30,748, according to TrueCar.com. If your pension checks aren't indexed for inflation, they will lose purchasing power over time. If you rolled over your lump sum into an IRA, however, you could put the money into investments offering growth potential, keeping in mind, of course, that there are no

• Cash flow — If you're already receiving a monthly pension, and you're spending every dollar you receive just to meet your living expenses, you may be better off by keeping your pension payments intact. If you took the lump sum and converted it into an IRA, you can withdraw whatever amount you want (as long as you meet the required minimum distributions), but you'll have to avoid withdrawing so much that you'll eventually run out

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 Confidence in future pension payments — From time to time, companies are forced to reduce their pension obligations due to unforeseen circumstances. You may want to take this into account as you decide whether to continue taking your monthly pension payments, but it's an issue over which you have no control. On the other hand, once your lump sum is in an IRA, you have control over both the quality and diversification of your investment dollars. However, the trade-off is that investing is subject to various risks, including loss of principal.

Before selecting either the lump sum or the monthly pension payments, weigh all the factors carefully to make sure your decision fits into your overall financial strategy. With a choice of this importance, you will probably want to consult with your financial and tax advisors. Ultimately, you may find that this type of offer presents you with a great opportunity so take the time to consider

#### **NEW HAVEN POLICE DEPT.** K-9 UNIT

The New Haven Police K-9 Unit has been an important part of the Police Department since 1981. Earlier this year, the New Haven Police Department K-9 Unit suffered the sudden loss of K-9 Officer Riley. Through financial support from the community, the Police Department has been able to have three K-9 units since this program began. These donations are used for the purchase of K-9 units and equipment.

The Police Department is seeking donations to add another K-9 unit to the department. All donations are used toward the purchase of a K-9 and necessary equipment. For more information or to donate, please contact K-9 Supervisor Sgt. Brent Bolinger or K-9 Officer Scott Adam at

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#### WATERING DROUGHT STRESSED LAWNS

#### By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Many homeowners wonder whether they should regularly water their dry lawns during a drought or essentially leave them alone. The most telltale sign of

drought stress is the crunchy tan or brown leaves of grass that has entered dormancy. The plant is still alive, but the leaves dry up and die. This helps the plant conserve water and survive a drought. Homeowners can water the turf to avoid drought stress al-

together. A deep, good soaking two to three times a week will eliminate the need to water the lawn daily. Watering in the early-morning hours is most effective. Watering in the evening could encourage disease or pests. The advantage to deep

watering is the turf will stay green, aesthetically pleasing and actively growing. The ground remains soft so it can be used for recreation and deep soaking will foster deep roots which will help plants better survive a prolonged drought. The disadvantage is the higher water bill for those with city water and some increased risk of turf disease.

A second option is allowing the turf to go dormant and water only occasionally to help it survive. Breaking dormancy actually drains reserves within the plant, and if conditions remain dry and the weather is hot, the plant is not likely to replace those reserves. In a 'typical' summer, lawns go dormant and resume active growth when conditions improve. The downside of dormancy is the appearance of the lawn and the risk of problems arising on the inactive lawn, such as weed invasions.

The common question is how much water is enough to keep the turf alive? Applying ¼ to ½ inch every two to four weeks should be enough to maintain moisture in the crown and roots so the turf can survive and resume growing when conditions improve. Some thinning and turf death can occur if there is no rain for 4-6 weeks and no irrigation is applied.

When lawns are dry, it is important to stay off them. Mowers and other heavy equipment can cause substantial damage to vulnerable, stressed grass. Once rains return, the turf will begin to recover and grow new leaves.

#### PAULDING COUNTY COM-**MISSIONERS MEETING** MINUTES FOR 6/20/12

This 20th day of June, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley,

and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Fred Pieper ALLOWANCE

CLAIMS: Warrants documented as

189048 through 189132 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor

for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following 'Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 18, 2012, Warrant numbers 188985 through 189047 in the amount of \$26,246.24; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is comPH: 419-258-2000 • 260-246-8843 • info@westbendnews.net

#### MYERS – BANNISTER



Steven and Lorie Myers of Lancaster, SC announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Janelle Marie Myers to Joshua Joe Bannister both of Ant-Joshua is the son of Mi-

chele Geiger Yantiss and Michael Yantiss of Paulding. Janelle is a 2003 graduate

of Van Wert High School. She is attending Northwest State Community College where

she is in the nursing program. She is currently working at The Gardens of Paulding.

Joshua attended Paulding High School and is currently working at Modern Plastic Recovery, Haviland, OH.

The couple will exchange vows in an outdoor ceremony on July 7, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at Foster Park Bridal Glen, located in Fort Wane, IN. Reception will follow at Grant's Reception Hall at 4:00 p.m.

pleting the certification ("now"), AMOUNT: \$39,717.07 that sufficient funds were avail-**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** able or in the process of collec-A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 11:15 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zart-

man. All members voting yea. At 11:34 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regu-

#### MEETING NOTES OF AP-POINTMENTS:

Claudia Fickel, Amy Kauser, Lou Ann Wannemacher - The Commissioners shared a recent e-mail received from the Ohio Department of Development (ODoD) regarding the status of the PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) on the wind farms Matt Sutherland at ODoD has emailed the tax commission with questions regarding pro-rating 2011 and the date the turbines are considered taxable. There was discussion regarding the fees. It was decided the fee rate would be 2 1/2%. The fee rate will be evaluated annually based on millage. The fee will be due when real estate taxes are due, in accordance with other public utilities. The PILOT will be considered new money and can be used by the schools, townships, and county at their discretion. EDP Renewables will be producing 99 mega watts and Iberdrola 76 mega watts at their Paulding

tion, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code \$5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section \$121.22 of the Ohio Re-

#### IN THE MATTER OF SUP-PLEMENTAL APPROPRIA-TION (FUND 078):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize and direct the County Auditor to make a Supplemental Appropriation for the following: FROM: Pay-In #94621

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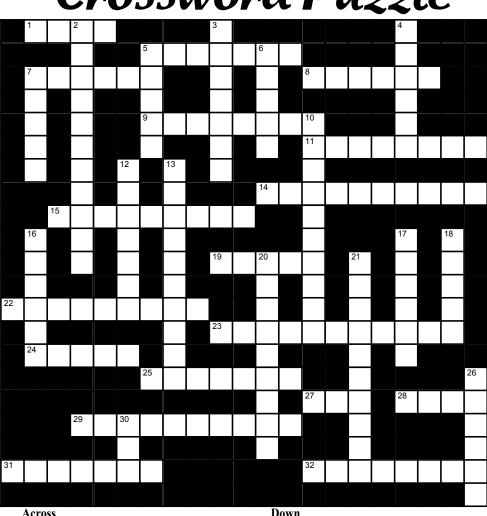
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"Fortuitous Trivia"

# Crossword Puzzle



- 1. This laundry detergent got lots of mileage out 2. of the line, "ring around the collar."
- 5. This country has more tractors per capita than
- This inventor averaged one patent for every three weeks of his life.
- This organ was successfullly transplanted from a cadaver to a live person.
- **9.** Aldai Stevenson was senator of this state.
- 11. This state is called the Bear State.
- 14. In finance, the letter "P" stands for this.
- 15. He first commanded the troops in South
- **19.** The "C" stands for this in "CNN".
- **22.** The ballet term used for a 360 degree turn on
- **23.** This type of water snake is named so because of the white inside its mouth.
- 24. The Gold Coast has become known as THIS.
- **25.** The least popular month for weddings.
- **27.** In Peter Pan, who was named Nana.
- **28.** The number of US states that border the Gulf of Mexico.
- **29.** The auther of The Great Gatsby.
- **31.** The Treasure State.
- **32.** This "Joe" was named The Yankee Clipper.

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- The largest of the Southern states.
- The other Northern Pacific state along with Washington.
- This country saw a world record 315 million voters in the May 1991 elections.
- This surname means, "son of Nick."
- The largest and densest of the four rocky
- **10.** California's state capital.
- **12.** In basketball, the Supersonics are from here.
- 13. This continent has the fewest flowering plants
- 16. James J. Braddock was a world champion in WHAT sport?
- 17. The first planet to be discovered using the telescope in 1781.
- 18. This valley in the US has reached a temperature of 134 degrees.
- **20.** Muhammad Ali was said to have floated like one of these.
- **21.** The largest city in Alabama.
- **26.** The color of Woodstock.
- **30.** The minimum number of musicians needed to be considered a big band.

#### ANNUAL 4th OF JULY CEL-**EBRATION AT ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB**

The Annual 4th of July celebration is planned at the Antwerp Conservation Club on Wednesday July 4th. A potluck is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. Meat will be supplied by the ACC.

There will be two bands for entertainment. Lee Kelson Band and a local band of young men, Last American Outcasts. Bring lawn chairs for the family. Public is invited for food, fun, fellowship and entertainment. There will be games for the

Last American Outcasts (LAO) band members are Andrew Ehlinger, Brandon Dix, Steven Girlie, Nick Stevenson, and Nick Berry. They will play 6:00-8:00 p.m. Then the Lee Kelson Band will play 8:00-10:00

#### TAKING STOCK OF OUR SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY **SYSTEM**

#### The Kruse Report by: IN State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)

It's hard to name a field where accountability doesn't improve quality and performance. Whether its business, government, education or our everyday personal lives, it's always good to be held to high standards. In 1999, Indiana took an

important step toward improving school performance by passing Public Law 221 - the state's comprehensive school accountability law. Among other things, the law requires schools to be placed in distinct categories based on performance. In an effort to make these

performance categories more easily understood by students, parents, teachers and administrators, the State Board of Education voted to adopt an A-F labeling system beginning in the 2010-2011 school year.

The A-F grading system gives schools their own "report cards" to ensure transparency and target problem areas within the education system. This model sets goals for elementary, middle and high schools, then ranks the institutions according to their ability to meet these objectives. In the event of failing grades, schools will be put on academic probation and begin an improvement plan, with the state having the ability to make deeper interventions if failure continues.

Proponents of this system believe it will help more students achieve academic success by keeping schools accountable for student performance. Giving families a statewide system for understanding the performance of schools also helps them make informed decisions about where they want their children to attend school.

Of course, others think the A-F grading system is not the right solution. On this side of the issue, it is believed that simplifying school assessment in this way places a disproportionate amount of responsibility for student progress on teachers. Other determining factors such as parent or guardian involvement, family socioeconomic background and home access to resources such as the Internet are ignored.

This summer and fall, I have the opportunity to cochair the General Assembly's Select Commission on Education, where both schools of thought on this education grading system are being discussed. We have heard testimony from teachers, administrators and legislators about how to best assist our schools. While there is disagreement about which methods to use, everyone participating shares the same goal: improving our schools for the sake of Hoosier children.

The Commission meetings over the next few months will help determine how to structure the accountability system. Regardless of what is decided, we must keep the interests of our students as the core focus of our policymaking. Without that, we will lose sight of what's truly important - ensuring Hoosiers have

tion possible. What do you think?

access to the best K-12 educa-

#### **ENCOURAGING CHILDREN TO EXPLORE CAREERS IN** SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,

**ENGINEERING AND MATH** 

(NAPSI)—For many parents, the road to a great future for their kids may be easier to find than they realize. That's because eight of the top 10 best paid majors are in engineering, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers. Children who learn the fundamentals of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) subjects in early grades are better equipped to pursue an engineering career.

Parents play a vital role in shaping their children's education and career aspirations. Science and engineering fair projects are often students' first—and, in many cases, only-opportunity to gain hands-on experience with STEM subjects in ways that directly relate to their own lives, personal interests or aspirations. A science fair project can give your child the chance to create his or her own education experience, one that allows him or her to experiment, just as scientists and engineers do in the real

What Parents Can Do To help your child stay excited about STEM subjects through a science fair:

1. Find a science fair at www.societyforscience.org.

2. Choose a science fair topic that means something special to your child. Don't start with a generic listing of science fair topics. Instead, start with your child's personal interests and go from there. For example, if your child likes video games, consider studying graphics processors. A website like www.sciencebuddies.org can help your child find a project geared to his or her interests.

3. Consider a mentor who

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Answers to "**Sudoku** puzzle 8/10/11"

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can share his or her life experience with your child. Mentors can connect a child with real-world applications of their STEM studies. Microsoft found that 57 percent of STEM college students were inspired by a teacher or class. 4. Remember: There are

no "wrong" results in a science fair project. Your child's original hypothesis may not be correct but it's learning about the scientific method and engineering process that really matters.

5. Parents don't need to be scientific experts to help their kids with their project. Offering support and encouragement and attending the science fair are just a few ways to help.

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# ANN'S CAMPERS CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY



Ann's Bright Beginnings Campers were recently visited by some residents from The Gardens of Paulding! The residents read us stories and then we planted flowers for our dads together. One resident, Karl Werling, sang some songs from his childhood to the children! What a

Shown here with our flowers for our dads are from left: Mrs. Georgia Olwin, Addison Hunt, Reina Kleman, Byron Schmidt, Mallory Fisher, Hai-

pursuant to the Ohio Revised

Code \$5705.41(D)(1), these

purchases must be approved

ley Clem, Mrs. Barb Porter, Faith Clem, Joci Schmidt, Mr. Karl Werling and Kati Phares. Our next camp session starts on July 9! Call 419-399-KIDS (5437) to get your child on the

#### PAULDING COUNTY COM-MISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES FOR 6/11/12

This 11th day of June, 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** CLAIMS:

Warrants documented as 188694 through 188809 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE OR-DERS AND PAYMENTS:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 6, 2012, Warrant numbers 188589 through 188634 in the amount of \$107,655.24; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and

by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were

adopted in an open meet-

ing of this Board of County

Commissioners, and that all

deliberations of this Board of

County Commissioners and

of any of its committees that

resulted in such formal ac-

tion, were in meetings open

to the public in compliance

with all legal requirements

including Section \$121.22 of

the Ohio Revised Code. IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-**TION (FUND 023):** 

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Common Pleas Computer Research Fund 023:

023-001-00001, Common Pleas Computer Research Fund/Research Expense - \$1,996.67

IN THE MATTER OF

#### AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-**TION (FUND 170):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the Wireless 911 Fund 170:

170-001-00006, Wireless 911 Fund/Other - \$10,000.00

#### IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-**TION (FUND 251):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation in the CCW License Fund 251:

251-001-00003, CCW License Fund/Miscellaneous - \$2,000.00

#### IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-TION (FUND 001-017):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2012 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-017-00016/ General Fund/Sheriff/Workers' Comp

TO: 001-017-00002/General Fund/Sheriff/Salaries, Employees/Sheriff

AMOUNT: \$5,070.74

#### IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-TION (FUND 001-016):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2012 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-030-00001/ General Fund/Insurance/ Loss Control/CORSA

TO: 001-016-00005/General Fund/Commissioners' Building & Grounds/Maintenance Repairs

AMOUNT: \$9,647.92

The Ohio Attorney General's Office was successful in a settlement with the nation's largest mortgage servicers overforeclosure abuses, fraud, and unacceptable mortgage practices and has made \$75 million in funding available for residential demolition; and Paulding County has identified a strategic need within its community and desires to participate in the Program to receive financial assistance for demolition under the Moving Ohio Forward Demolition Grant Program; and Paulding County has the authority to apply

for financial assistance and to administer the amounts received from the Ohio Attorney General's Office; and Paulding County directs and authorizes Matt Davis at Maumee Valley Planning Organization to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby: Section 1: Authorize Matt

Davis at Maumee Valley Planning Organization as the official representative of Paulding County's application to participate in the Ohio Attorney General's Office and provide all information and documentation required in said Application for the Moving Ohio Forward Grant Program; and Section 2: Approve filing

a grant application under the Moving Ohio Forward Demolition Grant Program by Paulding County; and

Section 3: Understands and agrees that participation in the Moving Ohio Forward Demolition Grant Program will require compliance with program guidelines; and

Section 4: Commit itself to provide the match as described in the application and guidelines; and

Section 5: Declare this resolution shall go into effect and be in force form and after the earliest period allowed by

#### MEETING NOTES OF **APPOINTMENTS:**

Mike Winans, Auglaize Sewer Project Manager - Mr. Winans updated the Commissioners on the progress of the Auglaize Sewer Project.

Jane Gray, WPAU radio Commissioner Zartman discussed the construction/ renovation work currently being done on the cupola/dome area of the Courthouse. The Traditions Group has been contracted to do some repair to the inside of the dome area, as well as some painting. They will be replacing some of the wood and using a rubberized sealer on it to prevent leakage. The work began last week, with the crew taking a break for the John Paulding Days festivities. Commissioner Pieper commented on the May financial reports, stating there were \$137,000.00 in sales tax received. He also noted the investment income for the year was estimated at \$114,000.00; but is falling short due to the economy and low interest rates. Commissioner Burkley stated he enjoyed the John Paulding Day parade and complemented the Chamber of Commerce under Erika Willitzer's lead for a well planned event. The Commissioners reminded radio listeners that the Paulding County Fair kicks off today. They encouraged county residents to attend and to support the 4-H animal auction this Saturday. There is no entry fee to the Paulding County Fair, so come out and have a good time!

Bill Edwards, Paulding County Health Department Mr. Edwards briefly met with the Commissioners to discuss the sewer inspection specs. He also reported issuing several food licenses at a very successful Antwerp Ribfest this past weekend.

Georgia Dyson, Dog Warden - Ms. Dyson met with the Commissioners to discuss dog warden activity over the past weekend.

Van Wert County: Ohio 709 just east of U.S.

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#### **ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF JULY 2, 2012**

(Note: Work will take place Monday through Friday unless otherwise indicated. No work will take place on the July 4th holiday.)

Did you know this highway fact...? Q. Why when a highway

is closed are the barricades

sometimes placed along the side of the road rather than in the middle? This makes it appear as if the highway is still open. A. Barricades may only be placed in the center of a highway at the point where the highway is actually closed.

Barricades in advance of the closure may not legally be placed in the middle of the roadway but must be placed off to the side to allow local traffic access to adjacent roadways and to residences.

#### **Defiance County:**

Ohio 281 between Fruit Ridge Road and Township Road 188 will be restricted through the work zone for pavement repairs. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

Ohio 249 just east of the Indiana state line will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for drainage repairs. Work is being performed by Defiance County

Ohio 15 just south of the Williams County line will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for drainage repairs. Work is being performed by Defiance County

Ohio 249 at Openlander Road closed June 26 for approximately three days for a culvert replacement. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 2, U.S. 6 and U.S. 127 back to Ohio 249. 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 49 at the south edge of the village of Payne closed May 1 until mid July for a bridge deck replacement project. Work on the project will continue through September once the route is reopened to traffic. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 114, U.S. 127, Ohio 613 and Ohio 500 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by Dot Construction, Can-

127 will be closed beginning July 9 for three days for a culvert replacement. Traffic will be detoured onto U.S. 127, Ohio 81 and Ohio 116 back to Ohio 709. Work is being performed by Van Wert County U.S. 30 east of Van Wert

will be restricted to one lane through the work zone at various locations for drainage repair. Work is being performed by Van Wert County 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 mid July. The project will take place from U.S. 127 to Ohio 66. Work is being performed by LICA Construction, Berne, Indiana.

#### SR 930 LANES TO CLOSE & **OPEN ON NORFOLK SOUTH-ERN BRIDGE**

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces that the eastbound left lane on SR 930/Coliseum Boulevard is closed at the Norfolk Southern Bridge, just north of the Cloverleaf at Washington Blvd. The eastbound right lane is reopened on the bridge. Phase II of the bridge deck replacement and widening project will move traffic from the left/passing lane to the right/driving lane and outside shoulder. The northwest loop from westbound Washington Boulevard to southbound Coliseum will also re-open at the same time so that all ramps at SR 930/Coliseum and Washington Boulevard will be open.

(NOTE: This project is on the railroad bridge just north of the Cloverleaf. It is separate from the bridge maintenance work that is taking place during the next week.)

The project, which will replace and widen the eastbound bridge deck over the Norfolk Southern Railroad, is scheduled to be complete in October 2012, weather permitting. The contract was awarded to Primco, based on the low bid of \$1.2 million.

INDOT reminds drivers to use caution and consider worker safety when driving through a construction zone. For the latest news and information about INDOT, visit www.in.gov/indot. You can find traffic restriction information at www.trafficwise.IN.gov. Contact the Fort Wayne District toll free at 866-227-3555.



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The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association is hosting a recognition luncheon for Paulding County Hall of Fame teachers. Any teacher who has dedicated 25 or more years of service to the students of Paulding County may be inducted into the Paulding County Hall of The luncheon will be held

on Monday, July 9, at 11:30 a.m. at the Black Swamp Nature Center Building located at the corner of Mc-Donald Pike and Fairground Drive, across from Park Lane In order to plan lunch ar-

rangements and seating, those planning to attend are asked to reply with their reservations by calling Pam Young at 419-399-5427 or email Karen Walker at mikekarenwalker@

#### WBESC SCHEDULES JULY MEETING

The Western Buckeve Educational Service Center Regular July Governing Board Meeting is set for Wednesday, July 11, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at the Van Wert ESC Office, 813 N. Franklin St., Van Wert, OH.

#### WESTERN BUCKEYE ESC APPROVES SEVERAL PER-SONNEL ISSUES IN PREPA-RATION FOR THE 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

ing Board held their regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at the Paulding ESC office. Board President Mr. William Poe II welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Su-perintendent Brian Gerber reported to the Board all the adjustments and realignment of Western Buckeye ESC ration for the 2012-2013 school year

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 dis-cuss personnel issues. No action was taken after the Board came out of ex-

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

A. Motion to accept the resignation

of Katie Perkins as the Developmen-tal Preschool teacher at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary, effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

B. Motion to accept the retirement resignation of Karla Treece, effective June 1, 2012, and reemploy her as the Director of Student Services at Lincolnview Local Schools, effective for the 2012-2013 school year.

C. Motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to Reduce in Force one (1) Truancy Officer position for the 2012-2013 school year per Board Policy 4131, due to funding cuts. D. Motion to adjust Peg Schilb's contracted days from 108 to 120 for the

2011-2012 school year at her current rate.
E. Motion to adjust Linda Clark's

E. Motion to adjust Linda Clark's contracted days per her request, from 212 to 186, effective July 1, 2012, benefits remaining at current levels.

man's contracted days from 260 to 212, effective July 1, 2012, due to a Reduction

in Force. G. Motion to approve Matt Krites as Family and Children First Director for the 2012-2013 school year, effective

July 1, 2012.

H. Motion to approve Extended School Year (ESY) services to the following personnel and contracted ser-

vice providers: Angie Bonifas – ESY Summer OT Services at current hourly rate; Michelle Hanneman – ESY Summer Speech services at current hourly rate; Nicole Jefferson – ESY Summer OTA

services at current hourly rate; Paula Lugibihl – ESY Summer PT services at current hourly rate; Heather Matthews ESY Summer PTA services at cur-rent hourly rate; Linda Utendorf – ESY Summer Itinerant PS Teacher at current hourly rate

I. Motion to approve the amended FY12 and the FY13 appropriations for Western Buckeye ESC as presented.

J. Motion to approve FY13 Service Contracts with Antwerp Local, Crestview Local, Lincolnview Local, ParcLane Training Center, Paulding Exempted Village Schools, Thomas Edison Center, Wayne Trace Local and

Delphos City Schools.

K. Motion to approve an agreement with SORSA for property and liability insurance for the period of July 1, 2012.

Computer Services Cooperative (NO-M. Motion to enter into agreement

with Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) for computer services for FY13.

N. Motion to approve submission of the FCFC SFY13 Operational Capacity Building Funds Grant and the Shared Plan update and support. O. Motion to approve the FY13 Family and Children First and Help Me

Grow Budgets as presented. Motion to approve the HMG-FY13 Application for Part C and GRF Subsidies and approve the FY12 HMG Bud-

get Revision.

Motion to approve non renewal of Cindy East as LPN at WTPE.

Motion to accept the resignation of

Motion to accept the resignation of Nicole Adams.
Consent Items - NOACSC:

A. Motion to approve the final FY12 NOACSC Revenue and Appro-B. Motion to approve the transfer of funds from NOACSC to NOACSC-

COG.
C. Motion to approve the FY13 NO-

ACSC budget as presented.
D. Motion to approve the FY13
Member and Non-Member fees as pre-

E. Motion to approve the FY13 Library Services SOW with WOCO.

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. with no additional Board

action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on Wednesday, July 11, 2012 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Van Wert ESC office located in the Thomas Edison Early WAYNE TRACE LOCAL

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR 6/11/12

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in regular session beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Mon-day June 11, 2012 in the Lecture Room of Wavne Trace High School. Pledge of Allegiance was led Perry

Sinn ROLL CALL:
Dick Swary, Pat Baumle, Duane
Sinn, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn - all "Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code

Section 121.22(G)(1), a motion by Pat Baumle to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the em ployment of an employee of the School District. Seconded by Dick Swary. Roll Call Vote: Pat Baumle, Dick Swary, Duane Sinn, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn all ave. Motion Passed.

#### Reenter regular session at 7:30 p.m. CORRESPONDENCE, RECOG NITION OF GUESTS, HEARING OF THE PUBLIC: Honored the retiree's with plaques

- Kevin Snyder, 37 years; Debra Fisher, 32 years; Jennifer Ramsier, 29 years; John Huebner, 27 years; Deb Brigner, 27 years; Holly Snyder, 26 years; Jane McGarvey, 15 years; Sandy Lemieux, 16 years at WTGH through the ESC Honored the Excellence in Educa-

tion award winners for 2012 - Ms. Mallory Diamond, Elementary Art Teacher at both campuses; Mrs. Jana Smithmyer JH/HS Physical Education and Health In attendance were four of the new

employees for the 2012/2013 school year and Ms. Franz introduced them to the Mrs. Brenda Temple – cook at WT

Payne Elementary Ms. Bethany Hughes - WT Payne

Elementary Kindergarten

Ms. Kim Coomer – WT Payne El-ementary Kindergarten Ms. Katie Perkins - WT Payne El-

ementary 1st Grade
REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Discussed elimination of uniform supplies fund (classroom supplies)

and rolling fees and costs into the general fund, will include in consent next After discussion agreed to the Phel-an Insurance bid for general coverage

effective 7/1/12. 12-06-02 - CONSENT AGENDA

A motion by Pat Baumle for the Board to approve the following consent

agenda items: A. to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2012 and May 21, 2012 Board

meetings;
B. to approve the investment report and payment of bills as presented by the treasurer for May 2012; C. to approve the updated 5-year

forecast as presented;
D. to reverse advances made from general fund to grant funds during the

year: EdJobs Fund, \$1259.10; Expanding A/P, \$172.26; RttT, \$1122.00; Title I, \$1107.12; ECSE Pre-School, \$10.00; Title II-A, \$570.01 E. to accept the proposal of Phelan

Insurance Agency representing Ohio Casualty Insurance totaling \$49,167.00 for district liability, vehicle, and general overage insurance for the 2012-2013

F. to adjust the impressed balance of the Jacob Scholarship fund to \$30,351.89; (original amount was \$30,179.90); G. to set the time and place for the fiscal year end meeting as June 29, 2012

at 6:30 am in the Lecture Room at Wayne \*Before we pass the consent resolu-tion, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the

discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes? Seconded by Lisa McClure. Roll Call Vote: Pat Baumle, Lisa McClure, Dick Swary, Duane Sinn, Perry Sinn – all aye.

Motion passed
VANTAGE REPORT - PAT BAUMLE:

Held meeting last Thursday. Re-placed painters on project due to prob-lem All construction proceeding on

WAYNE TRACE PAYNE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT FOR JUNE - SARAH FRANZ: 1. We have completed the interview process for our two kindergarten teach-

er positions and our first grade teacher position. We have a lot of top quality

candidates, and we are glad to make our recommendations to Mr. Arnold and

the board. We are confident that we have

found the best candidates, and they will

be a great asset to Wayne Trace.
2. I would like to thank those who

were part of the Interview Committee.

It takes a lot of time to be a part of this process. Thank you to Teresa Pfeiffer, Melissa LaBounty, Stephanie Cox, Mal-

lory Diamond, Michelle Berry and Belinda Miller. The committee found this

to be a very difficult and enlightening

process due to having so many excellent

3. We have begun the process for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade position. Once the dead-line is met, we will gather the resumes

and begin deciding who to interview. Five teachers are willing to come in

during the summer to help with this

Kelly Stouffer, Alyssa Saylor and Marie

Moore.
4. Congratulations to Kalin Ger-

ber. Kalin earned all A's all six years of

elementary. We greatly appreciate all of her hard work and effort. We are very

proud of her accomplishment! Kalin is

the daughter of Shawn and Shane Ger-

Erica set a new AR record. She previously set the record last year with 1,075 AR points. This year Erica earned 1,312

AR points! Erica loves to read and set a

goal that was a challenge for her. We are very proud of Erica and her accomplish-

ments! Erica is the daughter of Greg and

most sincere congratulations to our

teachers who are retiring. We will miss

their smiling faces and enthusiasm at WT Payne Elementary. They have

brightened the halls for many years, and we wish them all of the best. Thank you

and congratulations to Jennifer Ramsier,

Kevin Snyder, Holly Snyder, Deb Brigner

and Deb Fisher.

7. We will hold our Open House on

Thursday, August 16th from 5:00-6:30

WAYNE TRACE GROVER HILL

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL RE-PORT FOR JUNE - ALAN LAUTZEN-

HEISER, PRINCIPAL:
1. The 2011-2012 school year

wrapped up with our Kindergarten

Recognition and annual Awards Assem

by parents and family members.

blies. These events were all well attended

2. Scores from the Spring administration of the OAA's will hopefully be

available soon, but are not available at the time of this report.

3. Gregg and his helpers are working hard on summer cleaning and main-

tenance. They are well underway and everything is progressing on schedule

the recommendations for the open po-sitions at Wayne Trace Grover Hill El-

ementary. I went to thank those WTGH

staff members who assisted by being a

5. Gregg and I are working with the authorities and the fire department

related to some fire damage on the play-ground area. It seems apparent to Greg

and me that this damage was deliberate

members at Wayne Trace Grover Hill El-

ementary who have served our students and our community well. Sandy Lemiux,

who was our 4-6 Resource Room teach-

er; Deb Fisher, who taught Physical Education; and Jane McGarvey, who worked

in the cafeteria. Their service to our kids

is appreciated and they will be missed.

WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - KEVIN E.

improvement when compared to the

past few years. This year 77% of the sophomores passed all five section com-

pared to 84% last year. 2012 Results - Reading 87%; Math 89%; Writing 87%; Science 85%; Social

2011 Results - 95%; 90%; 93%; 88%;

2010 Results - 83%; 81%; 88%; 81%;

2009 Results - 90%; 82%; 96%; 77%;

2008 Results – 88%; 73%; 89%; 73%;

It might be beneficial for you to see

the break down in each testing category. WTHS – Reading – Adv 10%, Accel 39%, Prof 38%, Basic 11%, Limited 2%

Math – Adv 32%, Accel 30%, Prof 27%, Basic 5%, Limited 6%

Science – Adv 28%, Accel 32%, Prof 26%, Basic 15%, Limited 0%

Social Studies - Adv 33%, Accel 22%, Prof 22%, Basic 17%, Limited 6% As you look at these scores it is im-

portant to know how we compare to the

State - Reading - Adv 19%, Accel 35%, Prof 32%, Basic 8%, Limited 5%

Math – Adv 39%, Accel 24%, Prof 20%, Basic 9%, Limited 8%

Writing – Adv 1%, Accel 40%, Prof 47%, Basic 10%, Limited 2%

Science – Adv 27%, Accel 25%, Prof 25%, Basic 17%, Limited 6% Social Studies – Adv 33%, Accel 21%, Prof 28%, Basic 9%, Limited 9%Summer

OGT test will be given the week of June 25th for any student who needs to retake

one or more section.

I would like to thank Mr. Alt for all

of his assistance with getting graduation set up. Also I would like to thank Mr. Arnold and the members of the board of

education for their assistance with grad-

uation. Your presence is always greatly

A. Curriculum - RttT is focusing on teacher evaluation system which will af-

fect us in the 2014/2015 school year. One-to-one program proceeding with an 18 month planning window.

No Committee Reports.
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

appreciated.

44%, Basic 12%, Limited 1%

Writing - Adv 1%, Accel 41%, Prof

This year the OGT results indicate

OGT Results:

. This year we say good-by to 3 staff

part of the interview team.

4. I have provided Mr. Arnold with

6. Again, we want to express our

5. Congratulations to Erica Mohr.

ber of Pavne.

C. Buildings and Grounds - Wool ace to begin work on old athletic field septic system with upgrades and re-

Parking lot rework to begin in late

June or early July.

D. Events – Yearend awards programs held in all 3 buildings.

Seventh grade girls choir and 8 grade mixed choir received "Excellent"

atings at recent Large Group Contest at Parkway Middle School E. Operations 12-06-03 – Consent Agenda Items:

A motion by Pat Baumle for the Board to approve the following consent agenda items:

A. to commend 2012 valedictori-

ans Megan Pierce, Peter Sinn, and Kelly Zartman, all of whom finished their high school careers with a 4.0 GPA; B. to commend Ryan Kortokrax for placing fifth in the Division III shot put at this year's state track and field meet.

Congratulations also go out to coaches Troy Branch, Brian Yenser, and Annette C. to commend this year's Excellence in Education Awards winners: Mrs. Jana Smithmyer and Miss Mallory

D. to commend our seventh grade girls' choir and eighth grade mixed choir, each which earned an "Excellent" rating at the recent Junior High Large Group competition;

E. to approve participation in the Federal Free and Reduced Price Lunch and Breakfast Program for the 2012-2013 school year;
F. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTGH Principal,

to approve the voluntary transfer of Vicki Noffsinger to the open library aide position at WTGH; G. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Kim Coomer a one-year limited contract as a kindergarten teacher at WT Payne Elementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement

on salary schedule to be determined: H. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Katie Perkins a one-year limited contract as a 1st grade teacher at WT Payne Elementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement on salary schedule to be determined;

I. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTGH Principal, to offer Tammy Nouza a one-year limited contract as a 3rd grade teacher at WT Grover Hill Elementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement on salary schedule to be de-

ited contract as a kindergarten teacher at WT Payne Elementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement on salary schedule to be determined; K. upon the recommendation of

year limited contract as a science/social studies teacher at WT JH/HS, beginning placement on salary schedule to be de L. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTGH Principal,

to offer Kathy Denny a one-year contract as a teachers' aide at WT Grover Hill Elementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement on salary schedule to be determined;

ementary, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, with placement on salary schedule to be determined; N. upon the recommendation of the

technology helper for approximately 80-100 hours at the rate of \$7.70 per hour; PULLED ITEMS 0, P AND Q FOR

DISCUSSION AND LATER VOTE:

Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director (for coaching positions only), to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year to the following certified personnel: Annette Sinn – Head Cross Country (pay to be 50% of total cross country

Jim Linder – Head Boys' Basketball Mallory Diamond - 7th Grade Vol-

Craig Miller – JV Boys' Basketball Tom McCord – JV Girls' Basketball Joe Linder – JH Boys' Basketball

(1/3 pay) Jennifer Mohr – 8th Grade Girls'

Basketball Cindy Crosby - 7th Grade Girls'

Basketball Susie Johnson - Boys Faculty Man-

P. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and

Athletic Director (for coaching positions only), to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year to the following classified personnel: Terry Campbell – JH Cross Country (pay to be 50% of total cross country

Gus Davis – Head Girls' Basketball

George Clemens – Head Wrestling Dan Shepherd – Assistant Boys' Mike Priest - Assistant Girls' Bas-

Dennis Stabler- Assistant Wrestling Dan Bland - Freshman Boys' Bas-

Jim Sherry – JH Boys' Basketball

(1/3 pay) Al Welch – JH Boys' Basketball (1/3 Q. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and

Athletic Director, to approve the followthe 2012-2013 school year: Troy Branch - Cross Country Anita Branch - Cross Country

Brett Beckman - Boys' Freshman Betty Myers - Girls' JH Basketball Katie Clemens – Wrestling Jason Rassman – Wrestling Nick Seiwert – Wrestling

Lawrence Temple – Wrestling
R. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal and due to our allocation of federal grant funds, to re-employee Kay Head as Title I teacher at WT Payne Elementary for the 2012-2013 school year at her appropriate placement on the salary schedule.

\*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes? PULLED ITEMS 0, P AND Q. Seconded by Duane Sinn. Roll Call Vote: Pat Baumle, Duane Sinn, Dick Swary, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn - all aye. Motion 12-06-04 - "Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), a

motion by Duane Sinn to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the contract and employment of employees of the School District". Seconded by Dick Swary. Roll Call Vote: Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn - all aye. Mo-Reenter regular session at 10:10

A motion by Duane Sinn for the

Board to approve the following 3 consent items which were items 0, P and Q from original consent agenda. S. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and

Athletic Director (for coaching positions only), to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year to the following certified personnel:

Annette Sinn – Head Cross Country (pay to be 50% of total cross country

Jim Linder Head Boys' Basketball-

Mallory Diamond - 7th Grade Volleyball

Craig Miller – JV Boys' Basketball Torn McCord – JV Girls' Basketball Joe Linder – JH Boys' Basketball

Jennifer Mohr - 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Cindy Crosby - 7th Grade Girls' Susie Johnson - Boys Faculty Man-

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ager
T. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director (for coaching positions only), to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year to the following classified personnel:

Terry Campbell – JH Cross Country (pay to be 50% of total cross country)

Gus Davis – Head Girls' Basketball

George Clemens - Head Wrestling Dan Shepherd - Assistant Boys Basketball Mike Priest - Assistant Girls' Bas-

Dennis Stabler - Assistant Wrestling Dan Bland – Freshman Boys' Bas-

Jim Sherry - JH Boys' Basketball

(1/3 pay) Al Welch – JH Boys' Basketball (1/3

U. upon the recommendation of the

Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director, to approve the following individuals as volunteer coaches for the 2012-2013 school year:

Troy Branch – Cross Country Anita Branch – Cross Country Brett Beckman - Boys' Freshman Betty Myers – Girls' JH Basketball

Katie Clemens – Wrestling Jason Rassman – Wrestling Nick Seiwert – Wrestling Lawrence Temple – Wrestling Seconded by Perry Sinn. Roll Call Vote: Duane Sinn, Perry Sinn, Dick Swary, Pat Baumle, Lisa McClure - all

aye. Motion Passed. A motion by Pat Baumle that upon the recommendation of the Superinten-dent, JH/HS Principal, to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2012-2013 school year to the following certi-

fied personnel: Jim Linder – Head Boys Basketball Seconded by Dick Swary. Roll Call Vote: Pat Baumle, Dick Swary, Duane Sinn, Lisa McClure – all aye. Perry Sinn – nay. Motion Passed 12-06-07:

A motion by Pat Baumle to autho-

rize the superintendent, during periods when this board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to make offers or employment directly to candidates' for either teaching or non-teaching positions on behalf of this board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this board, subject to a subsequent vote of ratifica-tion by this board; provided however employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the superintendent's offer. Nothing in this resolution shall re-

quire the board of education to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal records check satisfactory to the board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or board

And on behalf of the board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this board is not in session, subject to ratifi-cation by this board; provided however, that upon ratification by this board, such as of the date and time of the superintendent's acceptance. Seconded by Lisa McClure. Roll Call Vote: Pat Baumle, Lisa McClure, Dick Swary, Duane Sinn, Perry Sinn – all aye. Motion passed. 12-06-08:

A motion by Duane Sinn that upon the recommendation of the superintendent and the treasurer to adjust the classified contracts of Annette Baumle and Ann Olwin with salary increases of 2.18% for the 2013/2014 school years. Seconded by Dick Swary. Roll Call Vote: Duane Sinn, Dick Swary, Pat Baumle, Lisa McClure, Perry Sinn – all aye. Motion passed.

Âdiournment

A motion by Lisa McClure to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Pat Baumle. Vote by Acclamation of members. Ayes have it – motion passed. The next regular Board meeting will be held July 9, 2012.

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J. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Bethany Hughes a one-year lim-

the Superintendent and WT JH/HS Principal, to offer Tasha Stucke a onewith the 2012-2013 school year, with

M. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Brenda Temple a one-year contract as a cook/cashier at WT Payne El-

Superintendent and Technology Coordinator, to hire Caleb Mead as a student

O. upon the recommendation of the

PAGE 14 - WEST BEND NEWS - JULY 5, 2012 CHURCH VIES TO PUR-CHASE EX-HARLAN

#### By: Devon Haynie, The Journal Gazette

**SCHOOLHOUSE** 

If Sunrise Chapel Pastor Lael Barkman had his way, Harlan Elementary School would spring to life again.

Its doors, shuttered a year ago, would be open to the small-town community. The school could be used by national Christian groups, Barkman's own church and organizers of the local fair.

But for that to happen, Barkman's church would need to be able to buy the vacant building. And under current state law, that can't happen for at least three more

Barkman and his Harlan supporters are the second group of community members to come up against a 2011 law that gives charter schools the first option to buy vacant school buildings. The Fort Wayne-South Bend Catholic Diocese tried to purchase Monroeville Elementary this past spring in hopes of converting it to a Catholic school but came across the same obstacle.

The law requires districts to put unused buildings on a list with the state Department of Education so that anyone interested in creating a charter school can find a possible location and lease or purchase the buildings for \$1.

Even if no charter school expresses interest, the building has to sit unused for four years before it can be sold.

"Our urgency isn't about getting more church space; it's about the community," Barkman said. "It's such a travesty. It's just sitting there when it could get some good use."

East Allen County Schools closed Harlan Elementary at the end of the 2010-11 school year as part of a district redesign plan meant to help bring the district's finances in line. Many in the town were distraught by the closing, fearing it would lead to the death of

This past spring, Barkman's church offered to purchase the building. But the offer was so low that state statute required the district to hold off for another offer.

By some interpretations of the law, the district had waited long enough without a high enough offer that it could re-advertise the building, and accept the offer from the church. But after EACS ran into problems with selling Monroeville Elementary, it put its plans to sell Harlan

To date, no charter school has showed interest in the property. To keep the building maintained, the district is spending \$58,150 a year, according to district officials. EACS school board Presi-

dent Neil Reynolds said he and other board members would like to find a way to give the building back to the community, and expressed frustration with the law.

"It doesn't make sense at all," he said of the legislation. "I'd like to see the building be used for something. That's far better than having it sit there and deteriorate."

The law regarding the sale of unused schools was authored by GOP House Speaker Brian Bosma who said the intent was to address situations in which districts were purposely refusing to sell buildings to charter schools to avoid competition. Only anecdotal evidence was offered in hearings on the legislation, and it focused on urban areas such as Indianapolis and

As it stands, the law has the possibility to affect several other schools EACS decided to close during its redesign process, including the buildings formerly or currently known as New Haven, Hoagland, Meadowbrook, Village and Woodburn elementary

Russ Simnick, president of the Indiana Public Charter Schools Association, said he supports adding some flexibility into the law. While existing and future charter schools need time to examine locations, he said a four-year requirement might be a bit

"Part of the reason we advocated for these types of laws is because a vacant school building in a community is not a good thing for anyone," he said. "We would certainly be open to working with the General Assembly and community groups to make sure that we identify them, but that they don't just stay vacant."

In the meantime, Simnick said districts should follow the law as it is written. Several months ago, his group sent a letter to EACS asking it to back off a deal to sell Monroeville Elementary to the Catholic diocese. His organization has also filed suit against Fort Wayne Community Schools for trying to sell a closed elementary school to the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority.

Barkman believes that if his church acquires the school, the entire community will benefit. He counts the Harlan Park Authority, the town trustee, and the trustee board, and others as his sup-

Although Barkman's plan to use the school were still being finalized, he said he hoped to lend it out to Leaders Alive International, a Christian leadership training group, the local Harlan Christian Youth Center, and others who wanted space. The building could also be used by the community during Harlan Days, the annual fair, he said.

"Most of the time when I go to town and visit the post office or banks, people say, 'Any update on the school? We're hoping for you to get it. We're dying for you to get it," he said. "We've already been talking about having a community day in celebration if we do.'

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INTEREST RATES

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"I am extremely disappointed with the Supreme Court's ruling this morning. Since the passage of PPACA, the American people have found that costs will go up not down, and many patients will not be my colleagues to repeal the health care law and replace it with meaningful reform."

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Commission, which will meet through September to discuss multiple issues related to Indiana's education policy. The meeting can be viewed

Kruse is co-chair of the

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#### PAGE 16 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 5, 2012 PAULDING COUNTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY SYSTEM CLOSED

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system will be closed until further notice due to a State of Emergency in Paulding County. According to Randy Shaffer, Paulding County EMA director, over 90% of Paulding County residents are without power. That includes all locations of the library sys-

"We do not know when we will be open," stated Susan Pieper, Library Director. "AEP Ohio has around one-half million customers without power, over 300,000 in central Ohio. It may be up to a week before full power is restored."

Meanwhile, patrons are asked to be patient and simply hold on to their items. There will be no fines charged during this period. When power is restored, it is advised to call the library at 419-399-2032 before venturing out to verify your favorite branch is open.

Editor's Note: The Antwerp Branch Library will be open during regular hours.

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#### **NEW INDIANA LAW RE-QUIRES MORE VIGILANCE OVER STUDENT-ATHLETE CONCUSSIONS**

#### By: Tom Coyne, The Associated Press

Indiana residents will have fewer places to smoke and will pay child support for fewer years, and high schools will have to be more vigilant about ensuring student-athletes who sustain concussions don't return to action until they are medically cleared under new state laws taking effect Sunday.

The smoking ban has been one of the most widely debated and publicized laws in the state, finally passing after six years of legislative wrangling. Other new laws, such as the concussion law, haven't drawn nearly the same scrutiny but still will affect a lot of Hoosiers.

The concussion law is aimed at providing safeguards to ensure student-athletes and their parents don't succumb to pressure for athletes to return to play before they are fully healed, said Dr. Joseph O'Neil, a neurodevelopment pediatrician at Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis, who pushed for the

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"The last person to ask is the athlete, because they're going to want to get back in no matter how bad they feel," O'Neil said. "This will educate athletes, parents, coaches, teachers, school officials, athletic directors and athletic trainers about what concussions are and its risks."

The law requires schools to remove student-athletes suspected of sustaining a concussion from play or practice immediately and not allow them to return until they have written clearance from a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.

Schools also must inform and educate high school coaches, student athletes and parents on the nature and risk of concussions, including the risks of playing before being healed.

"The main thing is to recognize that a concussion has occurred and get a kid out of harm's way," said Dr. Terry Horner, who works with Methodist Sports Medicine and the nonprofit Indiana Sports Concussion Network.

Sen. Travis Holdman, R-Markle, one of the law's authors, said it was modeled after a Washington state law that applies to all youth

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sports. That law is named after teenager Zackery Lystedt, who suffered a debilitating brain injury in 2006 when he returned to a football game shortly after suffering a concussion.

The NFL supported the new Indiana law and others like it. The NFL says 38 states have passed some type of law aimed at making sure youths don't return to play after suffering a concussion. Holdman said the Indiana

law covers only high school sports because there is no governing body for middle school sports or youth sports to oversee its implementation. The Indiana High School Athletic Association has been charged with making sure high schools know the law.

The law was passed in 2011, but the enactment date was set for this year to give schools time to prepare and make sure enough medical providers received training so they could evaluate athletes with concussions, Holdman said.

**IHSAA** Commissioner Bobby Cox said it shouldn't be a major change for most Indiana high schools. He said the IHSAA began a concussion protocol at the start of the 2010-11 school year, calling on schools to remove from a game athletes who exhibit symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion. It also said they needed to be cleared by an appropriate health care professional before they return to play.

O'Neil and Horner said they hope the law will eventually be expanded to cover all youth sports.

"Our plan would be to promote this for every athlete in every sport, no matter the age," Horner said.

The smoking ban covers all businesses in Indiana except for bars, casinos, horse-racing facilities, retail tobacco shops and hookah bars and private clubs. Businesses covered by the policy must remove all ashtrays and post signs stating smoking is prohibited within eight feet of an entrance.

The Indiana House had approved smoking ban bills in five previous sessions only to see the Senate ignore it until this year. Supporters say the law passed was too water down and they hope the legislature will someday make it more restrictive. Opponents say business owners should have the right to decide whether to allow smoking.

Another law changes the age at which non-custodial parents can stop making child support payments to 19, instead of the current 21, unless the child is disabled. The Department of Child Services says the law applies only to court orders issued in Indiana and doesn't affect orders for educational support.

Indiana residents will be protected by a new self-defense law that says they can use force if they reasonably believe it's necessary to protect themselves, someone else or their own property from unlawful actions by a public servant. The law is in response to a public uproar after the state Supreme Court ruled last year that residents couldn't resist officers even during an illegal entry.

The state also has a new nepotism law that says government employees will no longer be allowed to hire or promote their relatives or have direct supervision over

PH: 419-258-2000 • 260-246-8843 • info@westbendnews.net STUDENTS VISIT WASHINGTON, D.C. & **AREA SITES** 



Savannah Roughton, left, of Paulding, and Matthew Meyerhoffer, of Ottawa were among 35 high school winners from throughout Ohio and West Virginia who visited Washington, D.C. and other points of interest June 15-21 as part of Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives, Inc.'s Youth Tour to the nation's capital.

The week-long trip included a visit to the U.S. Capitol and other areas of historical significance. The students were awarded the tour in a scholastic competition sponsored by Paulding-Putnam

their tour of the nation's capital, students met with members of their Congressional delegation, visited Arlington National Cemetery and attended a performance at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Savannah is the daughter

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ergy\* cooperative. The soph-

omores and juniors joined

1,500 other rural youths rep-

resenting 42 states. As part of

of Shelly and Eric Roughton and Matthew is the son of Jim and Julie Meyerhoffer.

them. The law exempts some people who already have jobs. The law also states that local government agencies can't enter into or renew contracts in which the contractor is a relative of a council member or mayor.

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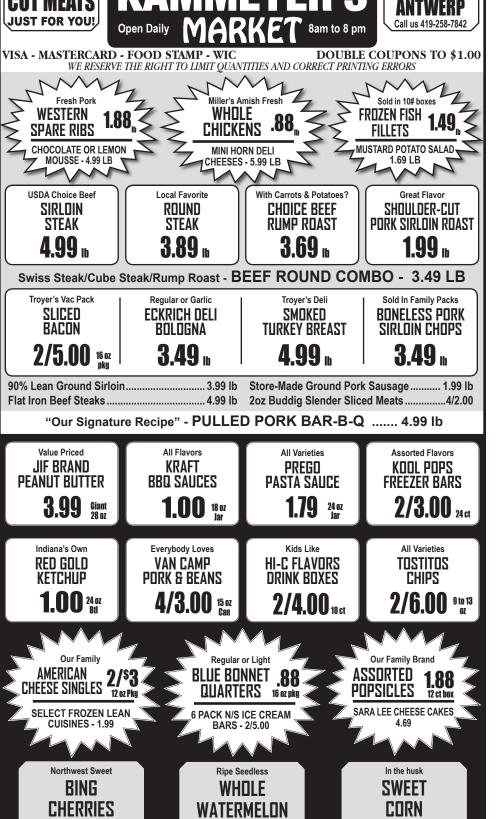
#### KIDS LEARN RECYCLING **BASICS IN SUMMER READ-ING PROGRAM AT OAK-WOOD LIBRARY**

Week Three of the Summer Reading Program at the Cooper Community Library will be Wednesday, July 11th. Becky Suvar from WMEA (Waste Management Education & Awareness) will be our guest that day. She will be sharing with the group how America was dreaming big in

Jill Johnson

Owner

the 60's about the space program, Earth Day in the 70's, and making recycling programs important in the 80's and how we can continue to dream big by thinking globally but acting locally with recycling programs in our communities. With that all in mind, the children will launch their own space kites with reused and recycled tails, fly high some planets with a parachute and make their own out-of-space picture to take home. All participants are to meet at the library at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 11 and we will walk to the park as a group where the fun will begin! For more information, please contact Sue at the Cooper Community Library, branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system.



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