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RIBBON-CUTTING AT THE CABBAGE PATCH RESTAURANT



Remember the days when we all went to Cabbage Patch for their fantastic omelettes?

In June 2011 the Cabbage Patch Restaurant was ready to close and went up for sale. Pete and Kathy Schlegel decided to purchase the land and business, and work to keep it going. July 4, 2011 marks the date that Pete and Kathy purchased the Cabbage Patch facility that is near the scenic Auglaize River.

Cabbage Patch is now a gas station and convenience store, not only selling gas, but also serves pizza, sandwiches and other foods and drinks.

They have also built a covered porch out front of the building that makes it very convenient to dine outside on nice (or not so nice) days and enjoy

The ribbon-cutting took place August 15, 2012 with members of the Paulding Chamber and other community leaders.

Pete Schlegel, who is also running for Ohio 82nd District Representative, stated, "I've lived in this part of the county practically my whole life, it is nice to see the community excited and supportive about

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Boul in Woodbutter

WCCH 8th ANNUAL BENEFIT **AUCTION IS COMING!**

You're Invited! The 8th Annual Woodburn Christian Children's Home Benefit Auction will be held on October 20th at the Woodburn Community Center, 22651 Main Street, Woodburn, Indiana, to support the Woodburn Christian Children's Home. Dinner will begin serving at 4:00 p.m. The Silent Auction will start at 4:00 p.m. and the Live Auction will begin at 5:00 p.m.

There is a listing of items on our website www.wcchonline.org, this is just a partial listing of the many items available. Check back periodically for new listings.

The Woodburn Christian Children's Home is supported entirely by voluntary contribution. We receive no federal, state or county support. We are entirely dependent upon our private contributors whose strong support enables this ministry to operate on a cash basis.

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ciently. Our cost of caring for a child is about half the average cost of similar child-care throughout the tri-state area. Children are evaluated for placement on a needs basis. Family participation is on a sliding scale. Over the years, numerous children have been accepted for placement even though their parents had little or no ability to pay.

SOCCER IN NEW HAVEN

By: Tami Britton

The New Haven Men's soccer team took the field Tuesday night at Kreager Park against the Bishop Dwenger Saints. The Saints



Justin Bennett making a

came out attacking and found an opening to score the first strike of the game at the 8 minute mark. The Dogs came back and played tough defense on a hard attacking Saint team that resulted in a penalty kick at the 25 minute mark of the first half, bringing the score 2-0 in the Saints favor. Both teams were playing tough resulting in multiple yellow cards on both teams for the game. The Dogs went in to halftime down 2-0. The physical play resumed in the 2nd half, with both teams having many missed opportunities at goal. Justin Bennett had many saves, shutting out the Saints in the 2nd half of play. The score was 2-0 at the final whistle. The game balls were awarded to our defensive players, Justin Bennett and Christian Guandique.

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All of our family and friends, all of Marcia's family and friends, the help you gave us was wonderful! Thank you. The visiting nurses and hospice care—what can I say—the best!

—Phil & Judd Helms

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Florence M. Morgan, 73, died Monday, August 13, 2012 at Hickory Creek of Hicksville, Hicksville.

OBITUARIES

She was born on October 10, 1938 in Hicksville, the daughter of Elza and Ruth (Ice) Sisco.

Florence was a 1956 graduate of Hicksville High School. On July 13, 1957, she was united in marriage with JP Morgan and he survives. Florence worked at North American Van Line from 1978-1994. She was a member of Church of God in Defiance, Ohio and a former member of Gospel Tabernacle in Hicksville where she was a pianist and Sunday school teacher. She was also secretary of HHS Alumni class.

Florence is survived by her husband, JP; three daughters: Yvonne (Denver) Miller of Pleasant Lake, IN, Suzanne (Albert) Huisman of Waterloo, IN, and Leanna (Jerry) Zachrich of Hicksville; six grandchildren; and 13 greatgrandchildren. She was preceded in death

a half-brother. Services for Florence were August 16, 2012 at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicks-

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by her parents; two sons: John

and Daniel; a half-sister; and

ville with Pastor Bob Knapp officiating. Burial was at Forest Home Cemetery, Hicks-

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30 YEARS OF HOSPICE WIN NEW HAVEN WOMAN HONOR

The Journal Gazette

A New Haven woman who has provided hospice care to dying patients for more than 30 years accepted a Golden Hoosier Award last week, the Indiana Lieutenant Governor's Office said in a state-

Elaine Cowen was one of 28 people who received the award Tuesday in recognition of their volunteer efforts. Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman and Division of Aging Director Faith Laird of the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration presented the awards at the state fairgrounds. Cowen started a hospice practice after the death of her mother. She now works as a volunteer, visiting patients in their homes, taking them to appointments and delivering their medicine.

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MOST OHIO ADULTS HAVE APPROPRIATE, USUAL **SOURCE OF HEALTH CARE, EXCEPT FOR UNINSURED;**

sues Poll (OHIP) found that 8 insurance." 'But that's only part of the

story," explains Kate Keller, Senior Program Officer for The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati, which funds OHIP. "The type of primary care provider is also important." An appropriate source of care is a place where the staff knows you and your health history. The staff provides regular and preventive care and can help catch minor problems before they become serious. More than 7 in 10 Ohio adults (72 percent) report having an appropriate source of care, such as a private doctor's office or public health clinic. Young adults (58 percent), adults living below 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL, 55 percent) and the uninsured (55 percent) reported much lower rates of rates of having an ap-

propriate source of care. OHIP also asked whether respondents could get health care when they needed it - either for routine care or for urgent care. More than 9 in 10 Ohio adults (94 percent) reported that they did not have difficulty getting an appointment for routine care or a checkup; with the majority (74 percent) saying it took less than week. Nearly 9 in 10 (86 percent) reported that they did not have difficulty getting an appointment with their doctor or clinic when they needed care right away. Uninsured adults (17 percent) reported having trouble getting an urgent appointment with their doctor at more than double the rate that insured Ohio adults (7 percent) reported having trouble getting an urgent appointment. Those under 200 percent of

The 2012 Ohio Health Is-

in 10 Ohio adults report having a usual source of care - a usual clinic, health center or doctor's office to go to when they are sick or need medical advice. "People who have a usual source of care are more likely to seek appropriate and timely health care when they need it," says Barbara Terry, Vice President for Community Impact at United Way of Greater Cincinnati. OHIP results are consistent with previous surveys in Ohio and with the Healthy People 2020 goal of 84 percent of people having a usual primary care provider. However, only about half of the uninsured have a usual source of care, compared to 84 percent of the insured. Says Terry, "These results emphasize the importance of increasing the number of people who have health

FPL (13 percent) reported

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

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"We live by faith, not by sight." —2 Corinthians 5:7

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Dianne Jones, Staci Kaufman, Brenda Wieland, Erika Willitzer, Pete Schelgel, Rachael Alvorado, Stacy Raines, Haley Schlegel, Alex Schlegel, and Kathy Schlegel are all there celebrating the ribbon-cutting of the Cabbage Patch! a new business be opened in

the new gas station."

The old restaurant building is currently being turned into a restaurant.

It was very exciting to see

the Paulding County area.

The Cabbage Patch is located at the corner of SR 111 and SR 637 in Junction. Stop

in and say "Hi" to Pete, Kathy and everyone else who is working hard to bring jobs to the county.

having trouble getting an urgent care appointment at nearly three times the rate of adults living above 200 percent FPL (5 percent).

More information about Ohioans' source of health care and wait times and other topics can be found on the survey website at https://www. healthfoundation.org/ohiohealth-issues-poll.

PAUL MARSHALL AND THE MARSHALL MEMORIAL SUPPORTING FOUNDATION

By: Lisa McClure, Paulding **County Area Foundation**

The Marshall Memorial Supporting Foundation was founded by the late Paul Marshall. Paul "Hap" Marshall was concerned with what would happen to his estate when he died. The Paulding County Area Foundation was set up to be the beneficiary of his estate. The idea of the foundation was, and is today, to leave something when we die for the betterment of our communities. It is set up so that a person can make a gift during his/her lifetime, or leave a gift at the time of death.

Paul Marshall's first contribution to the foundation was a \$75,000.00 check to get the foundation started. It wasn't long after, he set up plans in his will.

In 1996, Paul Marshall died and left 1406 acres of farmland in Paulding and Van Wert Counties to the Paulding County Area Foundation. His wishes were that his donation would be structured in such a way that it would benefit young farmers wishing to get into agriculture.

At the direction of Paul Marshall, his Will stated an Advisory Board of three persons to manage and supervise the operation and maintenance of the trust farmland in conjunction with the Paulding County Area Foundation. member of the committee was to be appointed by the Probate of Court of Paulding County, Dave Stiebeling of Haviland. One member to be appointed by the Paulding County Commissioners, Kent Eddy of Grover Hill; and third member is Mr. Marshall's executor, Larry Wenninger of Scott. The

farm tenants in Paulding

County include Clint Vance,

Crane Twp.; Nicholas Ruble, Latty Twp.; Noggle Farms, Blue Creek Twp.; and Wenninger Farms, Paulding and Jackson Twp. In Van Wert County, the farm tenants include Wayne Kemler, Hoaglin Twp.; Kent Fry, Noggle Farms and Jim Rolsten, Union Twp.

Because of the size of the gift, legal authority created the Marshall Memorial Supporting Foundation for tax exempt purposes. It has one member, Paulding County Area Foundation.

For further information contact the Paulding County Area Foundation at 419-399-8296.

SAVE THE DATE!

Due to Allen County's burn ban, Woodburn Community Association's fireworks display was postponed. However, mark your calendars for October 13, 2012, and come to Woodburn Park for an afternoon and evening of fun. You will find food, games, apple pie baking contests, and all the activities that come with a Fall Festival. Of course, the climax to the evening will be an outstanding fireworks display. Watch future issues of this paper for more de-

UPDATE – 1-69 RENUMBERING PROGRESS

Here is an update about progress in the INDOT Fort Wayne District on the I-69 "More Miles, New Numbers" renumbering project:

Between Monday and

Thursday this week, INDOT had two maintenance crews in each of two shifts working on southbound I-69 signage, starting just north of Exit 305 (SR 14, Fort Wayne). By the end of the day on Thursday, August 16, the crew had completed most of the signage between Exit 305 and Exit 264 (SR 18, Marion). The mile marker reference post crews stopped at mile marker 268.

The crews installed approximately 100 mile parker reference post overlay signs and 34 panel signs. The reason there were so many mile marker reference posts updated is that in the Fort Wayne area, the reference posts include mile markers for every 2/10 of a mile.

The panel sign crew will still have four additional panel signs to put up in the southbound lanes next week before they begin to renumber in the northbound lanes. The mile marker crew is expected to catch up to the panel sign crew next week.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Being nominated and voted 2012 Gem of the Year, sponsored by Antwerp Chamber of Commerce, was quite an honor. The phone calls, messages, cards, kind words and gifts were so thoughtful. The diamond shaped recognition award, with its polished black base, is beautiful.

With warmest appreciation,

—Karen Sanders

ANNUAL FAMILY PIC-NIC AT ANTWERP VFW

The Antwerp VFW Post 5087 will host an Annual Family Picnic on Sunday, August 26, 2012. This picnic is open to all members: regular, social and auxiliary. Steak dinners will be served starting at 12:00 Noon.

NEW HAVEN-ADAMS TOWNSHIP FD MEETING

By: Steve Gordon

At the August 16th meeting of the New Haven-Adams Township Fire-EMS Governing Body (NH-ATF) the main discussion centered on the proposed 2013 budget. Four of the five board members were in attendance.

There was a brief explanation from the fire chief, John Bennett, of changes to the new budget. (There has been no response for a detailed copy of the 2013 budget as of the writing of this article.) References were made to line item adjust-

Two budget-related conversations made up the bulk of the

The first issue was the lateness of the final budget presented to board members prior to the meeting. George Bergoff expressed his frustration having received a final copy of the budget in a less than timely manner before the meeting. He commented that he had no time to review it to ask any questions. In spite of his remarks, he made the motion to approve the budget as presented.

The second issue was the need to increase charged fees to adjoining townships that have contracts with NH-ATF for fire and EMS services. The current contracted fees are much less than the actual cost of providing those services. There was a consensus that Jefferson and Milan township trustees be notified that the new contracts will include increases over the next five years. A possible option suggested by Mayor Mc-Donald was to provide those contracted services with only volunteers from NH-ATF. There will be need to further resolve how those contracts will be increased. Should the contracts be increased based on the assessed valuation of the contracting townships? This issue will be forwarded to the city's financial consultant, Greg Guerrettaz, for further research and options.

There will be a public hearing on the budget in Septem-

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OAKWOOD ARBOR #759 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Bonnie Pier, Sec/Treas/Reporter; John Pier, President; Ruth Benien, Gleaner Arbor fraternal communicator.



The Benevolent Project being finished by Oakwood Gleaner volunteers at Oakwood Memorial Park.



Oakwood Arbor #759, Front (l-r) Helen Maddock, Shirley Lambert, Karen Cooper, and Edna May Spitnale. Back row: John Pier, Dick Parrish, Ron Cooper, and Dale Spitnale.

The Oakwood Arbor #759 of the Gleaners Life held their July 23, 2012, Annual Dinner out at Dick's Steak House. There were 26 members and eight guests present. Vice President John Pier opened by asking for a prayer by Chaplain Bill Bidlack and then leading us into our pledge to the American

We then enjoyed the buffet dinner selected by our hostesses Dorothy Hornish, Dale and Edna May Spitnale with each receiving a Gleaner computer mouse writing pad, pen and chocolate candy.

After our dinner hour the minutes were read of last month's meeting and activities. Ron Cooper made a motion to accept, seconded by Dale Spitnale, motion carried. Tally sheets of the members acts and hours were turned in. Than you and correspondence were shared. Treasure report was given and our calendar year will end August 31.

Community Service Recognition Awards were presented to our Senior Volunteer Carole A. Adams (Mrs. Larry) from Oakwood, by Eileen Kochensparger; Adult Volunteer Dorothy Hoa-

gland (Mrs. Jonathan) from

Grover Hill, by Bonnie Pier; and Youth Volunteer Jehane Hoagland from Grover Hill, by Rosalie Wright. They each received from Gleaners: a clock engraved with their names and lifetime certificates. Communicator Ruth Benien congratulated them with a Gleaners Book

Communicator called the 2012-2014 Oakwood Arbor #759 Officers of President John Pier; Vice President Helen Maddock; and Secretary/Treasurer/ News Reporter Bonnie Pier to be installed at this time.

and a pin.

Ruth also told of the Ohio Picnic in Findlay on July 28th.

Chairperson of SR 66 N Road Side pickup; Helen Maddock, stated that the next date would be Wednesday, August 22nd, 9:00 a.m. Many volunteers makes the activity easier and faster!

We were pleased that two of our Arbor members were able to be with us again, since they had surgery and health issues the last few months. We called it 'mira-

Carry-in meal and 2012-2013 calendar will be couple of topics for our next meeting. Check your calendars for more details.

Cooper Farms has long been committed to sustainability and environmental preservation.

"We want to do all we can to have the least environmental impact possible," said Gary Cooper, COO. "It is important to us that we take these steps to preserve our natural resources as the opportuni-

Cooper Farms currently has two 1.5 megawatt turbines at this location, which came online in the first part of 2012. The two turbines provide approximately 50 percent of the company's power needs over the course of a year. "The growth of our Van

Wert location has enticed us to add this third turbine," said Jim Cooper, the company's CEO. "It is just the right move for our company and the environment." When installation of the

first two turbines began, they were able to provide 60 percent of the plant's power needs. However, two new large pieces of equipment have recently been installed, increasing the location's overall electricity usage. The plant was using 10 to 12 million kilowatts per year, which has now grown to approximately 15 million kilowatts per year.

With the first two windmills alone, Cooper Farms is the largest privately-owned generator of net-metered wind energy in Ohio at this

Cooper Farms will once again work with One Energy of Findlay, Ohio to complete installation of the turbine. "We are honored to have

been chosen to work with Cooper Farms as they expand their existing wind power," said Jereme Kent, One Energy General Manager. "Our goal is to make wind simple, helping companies like Cooper Farms utilize its environmental and financial benefits. We are proud of our partnership and excited to get this new turbine installed and online."

Cooper Farms and One Energy will make every effort to utilize local businesses for supplies and Ohioans for the work. Installation of the

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NEW HAVEN BRANCH LI-BRARY UPCOMING EVENTS

Teen Thursday: BINGO

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lucky? Play BINGO to win books and find out! Location: Teen Area; Date and Time: 8/23/2012, 3:30-4:30; Age Group: Teens ages 12-18, Middle Schoolers, High Schoolers Teen Thursday: Open Computer Lab - Enjoy the

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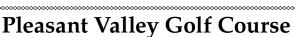
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OAKWOOD KA SMARTIES START THE SCHOOL YEAR!



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on bus safety and then took a bus ride to practice what they learned.

FINDING TRUE JOY

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Jesus taught, "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than

over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:4-10

The angels rejoice.

Not over Michael Phelps getting the most Olympic medals. Not over Eli Manning throwing a game winning pass. Not over the USA women's gymnastic team or Gaby Douglas' victory in the all around. Not over a book being released or some upcoming movie. Not even over the Buckeyes winning a national championship.

Not over you completing a marathon. Not over me losing weight. Not over grades in school or job performance. It isn't that God isn't involved in those things, but those are not the most important thing to

We get so caught up on the physical things that we forget the most important

The angels rejoice when someone comes to the Lord.

We must have that same perspective. We must learn to really value the things that God values and not the things of this world.

Our church will grow when most of us who make up that church body have God's perspective. When we give financially to the mission of the church because we realize that God's mission is more important than that 10% or more of our income. When we help out someone despite it putting us out because we realize that showing Jesus' love is more important than our personal space and/or time. When we put time with the Lord above time exercising because we realize that our spiritual health is more important than our physical

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expanded his practice when he

opened an additional office in

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the field of dentistry during those

years, but throughout that time

one thing has remained consis-

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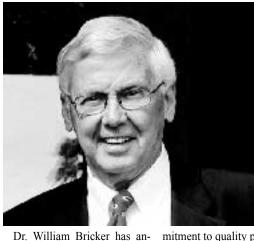
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very involved with the Rotary

Exchange Student program and recently, while on a trip to visit a former student in Rio de Janero, was presented with an award for his involvement with the program. He currently is a member of the Ohio State University President's Club along with the Ohio State Alumni Association,

Come Celebrate with us!

August 26, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Dr. Sarah J. Mowery has purchased Dr. Bricker's practice and continues to see patients at both office locations. Dr. Bricker plans to keep busy upon his retirement and is looking forward to traveling.

We must change perspective if we want to have the joy that Jesus wants us to have. We must change perspective if we want our church to grow.

So if we have a joy problem, we have a relationship with God problem. If we have a joy problem, we must figure out why one of the fruits of the Spirit is not materializing itself in our life. And if we have a fruit problem – I'm going with the tree analogy here - then we have a root problem.

May we focus on digging into Jesus.

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

BE A BETTER BILLBOARD!

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, **Woodburn Missionary** Church

A judge in Washington State has used bumper stickers to encourage better driving. He found that people guilty of driving while intoxicated resent having to attach the following message to their bumpers: "This car owned by a convicted drunk driver." Almost all offenders prefer the magistrate's other option: enrollment in an alcohol treatment program. The majority of people care about what others think of the. They want to maintain a good image.

The fear of embarrassment can apply to other kinds of unacceptable behavior, as well. For example, how many of us would be willing to walk around with a sign on our backs that accurately advertised our spiritual problems. Imagine displaying a sandwich board that read some-thing like this: "Caution: I'm a Christian who seldom prays or reads the Bible." Or what about this one: "Danger: I worry rather than trust the Lord." Imagine what it would be like to advertise with "Warning: I'm a child of God who gossips." or "Handle With Care: I'm overly sensitive to giving up my rights."

If God required each of us to wear a sign, so that all could see it, what would yours say? What would mine reveal? The way we answer that question says a great dal about our spiritual maturity.

But the fact of the matter is, people are reading us every day, even though we're not wearing sandwich boards. We are told in 2 Corinthian 3:3 that we are walking advertisements to both believers and unbelievers. People are watching us closely to see whether we walk what we talk, whether our behavior backs up our belief, whether our theology has become our biography.

I'm reminded of that little poem that goes something like this:

You are writing the gospel each day, In the things that you do

and the things that you say. Every day you write a chapter or two-

Tell me, what is the Gospel According To You?

May those of us who name the name of Jesus Christ commit ourselves to being "living epistles" of Him. The whole world is watching.

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BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ 1. Luke 2:15 - Where did

angels go, after leaving the shepherd? 2. Luke 2:15 - Where did

the shepherds go?

3. Luke 2:16 – Who was with the Babe? 4. Luke 2:18 - Those that

heard the shepherd's talk about the birth of Christ did 5. Luke 2:20 - When the

shepherds returned, what were they doing?

6. Luke 2:21 - How old was the child when circumcised?

7. Luke 2:21 - Who gave Jesus his name?

8. Luke 2:22 - According to the Law of Moses in this verse what did Mary need

9. Luke 2:23 - Every male who opens the womb shall be called what?

10. Luke 2:24 - According to the law what was Mary to offer as a sacrifice?

Comments or questions call James Potter at 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022. Jesus loves you, and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Answers to the questions on 8-22-12 article.

1. Because there was no room in the inn. 2. Keeping watch over

their flock by night 3. Angel of the Lord stood

4. Do not be afraid

5. Would be to all people

6. A savior

before them

7. Christ the Lord

8. Swaddling clothes and lying in a manger

9. Praising God

toward men

Now a word from the Bible: Matthew 7:21, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the Kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven."

THANK YOU

We both want to thank our family, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and all our relatives, friends from our church family and the community. This made our 60th wed-

ding anniversary so special. All the beautiful cards with special greetings, were sent to us to enjoy too. A family gathering at our

home was after the open house. Time for us to spend with families that came from Florida, Texas, Virginia, and South Carolina. We will not forget the

stormy weather that evening, it sent us all to the basement for protection. Even the flies came in! What a great time,

thanks to everyone. God's blessings. —Merle & Eloise Gerig

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WHAT PLANS HAVE YOU MADE FOR YOUR LIFE?

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

I've been told by some dear friends that "I am too busy," something that I may not want to hear but need to listen to. Preaching Today.com's editor had this to say about an article that appeared in the New York Times on the subject of "busyness, (Tim Kreider, The Busy Trap, The New York Times, 6-30-12)

A June 2012 article in The New York apparently struck a nerve for many people. The article received over 800 comments and was often quoted and retweeted. The following quote captures the essence of the author's analysis of what he calls "the busy trap."

If you live in America in the 21st century, you've probably had to listen to a lot of people tell you how busy they are. It's become the default response when you ask anyone how they're doing: "Busy!" "So busy." "Crazy busy." It is, pretty obviously, a boast disguised as a complaint. And the stock response is a kind of congratulation: "That's a good problem to have," or "Better than the opposite.'

Busyness serves as a kind of... hedge against emptiness; obviously your life cannot possibly be silly or trivial or meaningless if you are so busy, completely booked, in demand every hour of the day... [We're] busy because of [our] own ambition or drive or anxiety, because [we're] addicted to busyness and dread what [we] might have to face in its absence.

In our busy schedules we can too easily leave God out and presumptuously assume that we will always have time to do whatever we want. Please consider with me the caution given by our Lord's brother, James, regarding making plans without respect to the brevity of life... James 4:13-16 (NLT), "Look here, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there



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a year. We will do business there and make a profit.' How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fogit's here a little while, then it's gone. What you ought to say is, 'If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that.' Otherwise you are boasting about your own plans, and all such boasting is evil."

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NO ASIAN CARP FOUND IN WESTERN LAKE ERIE

After a week of intensive electrofishing and gill netting activities in Sandusky Bay, Maumee Bay and their main tributaries, officials have found no bighead or silver Asian carps in western Lake Erie. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) continue to work together to assess the current status of bighead and silver carp within western Lake Erie bays and select

"The sampling results are very encouraging, especially since we intensely focused on areas where we believed we had the greatest chances of finding these fish," said Rich Carter, ODNR executive administrator of fish management and research. "We look forward to the results of the environmental DNA (eDNA) analysis that will help us define future actions. We appreciate all of the efforts the Service has provided in assessing the status of Asian carp in Lake Erie."

"We are committed to supporting our state DNR partners in the field," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Midwest Deputy Regional Director Charlie Wooley. 'Service staff will continue to work side-by-side with DNR employees both on the water and in the labs as we try to answer the question, 'Are there any live Âsian carp in the Sandusky and Maumee areas?' This week's sampling has not provided any physical evidence that Asian carp are in these two waterways.'

Jim Dexter, chief of the fisheries division, MDNR, noted that this effort presented an "excellent effort to accompany the more sensitive eDNA testing." MDNR looks

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to this effort as a baseline of information and as a foundation upon which to build any future sampling efforts.

Fish sampling activities took place in response to the six water samples taken from Sandusky and north Maumee bays in August 2011 that tested positive for the presence of Asian carp eDNA. Additional eDNA sampling activities occurred July 30 - August 4, and those findings will be announced in a few weeks. DNR and ODNR are com-

mitted to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the region's natural and cultural resources for current and future generations. The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

SQUIRREL SEASON OFFERS HUNTERS PREPARATION FOR FALL HUNTING

Ohio's squirrel season will open on September 1 and provide hunters with an opportunity to take as many as six squirrels each day, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

Ohio's squirrel season, a long-time tradition for many hunters, offers ample hunting opportunities for fox and gray squirrels across the state. This is an excellent time to take a youth hunting or scout for the upcoming deer and fall wild turkey hunting seasons. Legal hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset

Squirrel season will be closed during the one-week statewide deer gun season, November 26 – December 2.

The abundance of nut crops is a good indicator of squirrel numbers the following year. Statewide nut production ratings for fall 2011 were lower in comparison to those from 2010. However, the predicted squirrel hunting outlook for the 2012-13 season is again above average. Although oak production was average, substantial increases in walnut production occurred throughout the state during fall 2011. Increased food supply in concert with

an exceptionally mild winter should lead to high squirrel densities and increased hunting opportunities this fall.

Primary fox squirrel range occurs predominately in the agricultural landscapes in the northeastern and western regions of Ohio, whereas the primary gray squirrel range is in the extensively forested east-central, southeastern and south-central regions. Gray squirrels are more dependent on hard mast, and their abundance is closely tied to the mast crop the previous fall. Fox squirrels are less dependent upon mast crop resources and likely use

tural areas. ing Diary Program, designed

supplemental food in agricul-

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Hunters who wish to participate in the Squirrel Huntto track trends in nut crops and squirrel populations across the Buckeye State, should contact the Waterloo Wildlife Research Station, 360 East State St., Athens, Ohio 45701, at 740-589-9930 for more information.

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New Haven Pet Hospital is expanding by adding two new associates to our veterinary staff Dr. Edward McKaig has been in practice for thirty years and Dr. Elizabeth Patrick has been with our staff for ten years. They welcome the addition of Dr. Gina Eisenhauer and Dr. Kyle Krish as the newest members to our team.



Dr. Eisenhauer is originally from Archbold, OH, and attended the University of Findlay graduating with a degree in biology and pre vet. She realized her childhood dream of becoming a veterinarian with acceptance into the veterinary school at Ohio State, earning her DVM in the spring of 2012. Newlyweds, Gina and her husband Jake are now located here in New Haven and enjoy biking on the Greenway, and taking road trips. She lists ice cream as her favorite food and running as a past time. We are so excited to have her with us.

Also returning to the area having grown up in Columbia City is Dr. Krish. He and his wife Kimberly met in high school and attended the University of Indianapolis. After graduating with a biology/chemistry degree he was welcomed into the veterinary school at Purdue. Upon graduation in 2011, Dr. Krish worked in a large veterinary practice in Las Vegas for one year and then accepted the opportunity to practice in New Haven. He and Kimberly have one fourteen month old son, Oliver as well as a small dog named Samson who enjoys going jogging with Kyle. Dr. Krish also enjoys playing and watching sports, spending time with family and traveling.



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SNOOPY IS GONE

By: Stan Jordan

Snoopy got the plane back to our air strip, and old Dan and I arrived a little later in the jeep.

Actually there wasn't much damage to the plane. Dan looked it over and made a good test on the hydraulic system. All turned out okay.

This morning Gen. Fatbelly and his driver arrived and said we were moving to an airstrip at Aachen, Germany. That is the first German town to fall to the Allies. It was a long and hard fought battle. Both sides lost a lot of boys. Hitler decided to let the Germans fight to the death, and not lose that first German town. The boys fought room to room, house to house and block to block. It took weeks, but it finally fell to the Allies.

We got ready to go, but we can't find Snoopy. Now, we have called and looked for him for over an hour. It is not like him not to be on time. We traveled and looked down all the streets and called and called, but Snoopy never showed up.

I asked the Burgomeister if he had seen a beagle dog around. He said he saw such a dog being carried by two girls maybe 10 or 12 years old. But he seemed peaceful, he wasn't being dragged

Well, the general said we

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would make another search for the dog and then we'd be on our way.

The general and his driver have started in their army car and old Dan will fly over in our P.51-D in a couple hours.

The general then told me a lot of new things about old Dan. He is not an enlisted man or an officer. He is a top grade warrant officer. He has worked for S-3 for many many months and has top clearance. He is a first class pilot as well as a mechanic. With his wages and flight pay and hazardous duty pay, he does pretty well.

Snoopy didn't show up that morning, and old Dan and I were a little late getting out on morning patrol. We made a big circle south out of Belgium, over Luxembourg, then turned east over the Rhine and then turned north for home to Aachen.

After the sun got up in the sky a ways, I thought I saw some light from under

I told Dan about it at that crossroads at the northeast corner. He made a big circle and slowed to about a 300 mph. And sure enough pulled under there was a 6 wheel car and a petrol truck.

Dan raked that area with his .50 caliber machine guns and I put alot of 20 mm rounds into those wheels.

The command car was shot up pretty badly and the gas truck exploded.

By now we were past the area, and Dan made a tight turn and we could see soldiers coming out of that big building. It must have been the barracks for the soldiers

We raked that building with all of our weapons and hot fire from the burning truck started the barracks

By now, we were out of that area, and going north. I throttled back and had plenty of fuel to get back on.

We got home all right. and to my report to Gen. Fatbelly, I said we destroyed a command car, a petrol truck and barracks. We did not see any Luftwaffe. at all. The allies pretty much control the skies now. The Krauts have lost most of their good pilots and planes and they have a shortage of airplane gasoline.

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SAM RIVERS, INDIAN **AGENT CHAPTER 28: ME & GENERAL KEARNEY**

By: Stan Jordan

We are in the camp of Limping Buffalo. His father, White Elk, was the chief, but he passed away a few weeks ago. The tribe people are plenty satisfied with their General Kearney is here

with us on this trip. He just wants to see all the progress we have made with the friendly natives. The general is satisfied with everything and after some squaws told him "thank you" for the blankets, he became a hero. We are going to have a big

supper tonight down at the cookout area, and then we will leave tomorrow and head for the Calamus River Tribe. The general wants to visit all of the area before he returns to Fort Kearney. We left for the Calamus

River area this morning. We crossed the Loupe River and then camped for the night on the north side.

The mess sergeant had a top notch breakfast, including fried deer meat, potatoes, hot biscuits and hot coffee. We just took our time getting started as we will get in to the tribal area in the middle of

We showed the general the new bridge the boys built last year. It was a good thing the bridge over the Calamus River was built high because the water level was higher than normal and we just rolled right across the new bridge.

Soaring Eagle, their chief, and their Shaman, Rapid River, led the welcoming committee. Possum, their top gardener, was there and he picked out Farmer and was ready to plow the garden. Farmer told him we will get everything ready for plowing and we will start at first light. That seemed to please Possum and he is sure ready to get to

The soldiers put up their tent. The general, Callie and I, slept in the new community building and it is nice.

The boys spent all day plowing and getting the ground prepared to plant. All the natives worked at their plot and by nightfall, the natives were finished planting. Then the next day everyone helped plant the potatoes and sewing the wheat. The corn was all planted the first day.

They had a few acres left and they broadcast a lot of Timothy Hay seed to grow for the horses in the winter.

I haven't written for a few days and this May weather is just great! We just sit and talk because the garden is not ready yet. The general and Hunter and several natives spent a whole day hunting. The general shot a small bear, someone got a big buck deer and a couple of prairie chick-

So we stayed over an extra day and the natives made a meal like the white man

So we started to eat four in the afternoon. Soup with deer meat, soup with bear meet, chicken on the hand turned spit over the fire. Different kinds of Indian bread, plus the corn bread muffins they had sort of corned dessert with honey on it. That was very tasty. Most of the soldiers and the general remarked about what a nice

meal and how enjoyable the

whole evening was. Before the party broke up

the general spoke up about the progress that was made over the past year, and how the natives are learning the white man's ways and language. He quoted some of the speech that White Elk gave before he died. The general was very honest when he said, "I have surely enjoyed myself with you all here, but I must go back to the fort to my people and tell them how good There was a lot of head

he finished and sat down. We will leave in the morning and go back to the Indian

nodding and agreeing when

We got home alright and we had a good cookout and

The mess sergeant took care of everything. Sort of a going away party for the gen-



By: Stan Jordan

I have used this story before, but my neighbor Kenny Hahn always gets a kick out

A man and his wife were standing in line at the bank at the teller's window. They were the 4th and 5th person in line. The first man pulled out a big black army 45 caliber automatic pistol. He demanded all the cash the teller had. She emptied all of her drawers and put it in the little sack the man had given her.

The robber turned around and asked the patron right behind him, "Did you see me rob the bank?"

The man said, "Yes." The robber killed him right on the spot. "I can't allow any wit-

He turned to the next man in line, "Did you see me rob the bank?"

The man replied, "Yes, I did." And he killed him right on the spot. "I can't allow any witnesses."

He turned to the couple next in line, and said, "Did you see me rob the bank?'

The man said, "No, but my wife did!"

See ya!

JACK & THURMAN

By: Stan Jordan

Jack and Linda want to build a new house somewhere in Milan Twp. Her folks live in that area. It would be easy to get to work at the Goodrich plant, and Linda would get to her job in just a few minutes.

They have settled pretty much on a place on Stellhorn, just a little east of Thurman. That is a good road and a fine neighborhood. Thurman is an old settle-

ment where the Storyteller Rd. crosses the railroad. I was talking with Cindy

& Terry Bowers, and this was his old stomping grounds. Terry's father & grand-

father, Adolf Brueggemann, owned and operated the Milan Center Feed & Grain business along with an elevator and general store over on the Doty Rd. Well, Terry told me that there was a train depot at Thurman and a railroad siding on the south side of the road where the big Korte building now stands.

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the same area.

Terry was a little shaver and would ride in the truck over to the railroad siding. The feed mill received and sent a lot of their merchandise by the railroad cars and that was the closest one. At that time it was the De-

troit branch of the Wabash Railroad system. It went up through Butler, IN and then through Bellville, then into Terry said that was a pret-

ty nice settlement back in the An old house stood on the

north side of the road. West

of the railroad before you got to the Schwartz Rd. was a store owned by a Mr. Burkholder. There was a family named Geogline and Windhorst and about a half dozen other families all with a German descent. father-in-law was

named Thurman so I was always interested in that area. Terry was a very interesting man to talk to and I sure appreciate all the history of that area. It was a different time and a different era. Jack and Linda want to

buy about an acre along this road. That is enough for a nice house and a lawn.

It is time to get started on all of that, as they have set their wedding date of June 27, 2013. They have been dating for over a year, and things are going great.

Well, a little time has past and Linda has graduated from college and she and Jack have a little more time together. They have secured their loan and the contracting men have started on the house.

On a Sunday dinner at Linda's folks' place, Jack told them all about his folks and family.

They would be coming for the wedding. His father CJ is a captain on the Mississippi

River. Not a passenger boat, but he delivers big barges sometimes nine or 12 at the same time. It is according to the wind and water level. He has been there nearly 30 His mother, Maybelle, is

first cook at the Rocky Rim Vocational School and has been there for over 20 years. Jack's sister, Coreen, attended that school and is an RN at the county hospital. She and her husband have a boy and girl. All of these

people will be at the wedding. They have rooms at the Holiday Inn. But that is a while yet. Linda has a good friend, down in Vincennes who is getting married soon. She wants Linda to attend the wedding, but not be a part of it. Linda wants to go and see

about some of the chores that are to be done at a wedding. She wanted Jack to find out if he can be gone from the job on Friday and Saturday night. Yes, he can be but he has to be back by 6:00 p.m.

Yes that is just fine, they will get there on Friday afternoon and be there all of Saturday, and be home on Sunday.

Linda has called down and got a down and outer room at the Holiday Inn. Of course, she had to use her Mastercard for reservations.

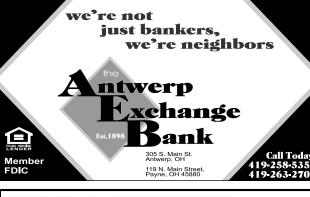
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EXPANDING FLEXIBILITY IN EDUCATION LICENSURE

The Kruse Report by: State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Au-As classes begin across

Indiana, teachers, administrators, parents and students look forward to making this another successful year for education. For many of these school corporations, this involves implementing a variety of new tools for Hoosier schools to help our educators and administrators give students quality instruction. This includes the updated Rules for Educator Preparation and Accountability (REPA II).

REPA II began in 2009 as REPA I. The Indiana Professional Standards Advisory Board created this measure in response to newly-elected Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. Tony Bennett's goal of recognizing the best Hoosier teachers. Under the new system, PRAXIS content exams tested educators' knowledge of their specialty and made their licensure subject to how well they performed on these assessments. This kept a balance between content knowledge teaching methods, ensuring instructors understood the topics they were teaching.

The State Board of Education (SBOE) recently introduced additional licensure rules to revise REPA I. Through REPA II, teachers will be able to add content areas to their certification through testing alone instead of returning to college. Additionally, it expands adjunct and emergency teaching permits, giving school corporations more local control in choosing teachers that fit their districts' immediate needs. In the event there is an urgent need for more faculty members, individuals with work experience in a particular field may fill these vacancies by earning a teaching license without getting an education degree. REPA II also reduces advanced degree requirements for administrators, allowing qualified applicants to take on management positions without obtaining expensive education. However, many believe

REPA II is not the way to improve instruction. At the Select Commission on Education meeting Tuesday, some argued the testing requirements under this measure allow almost anyone to become a teacher as long as they pass an exam and obtain a subsequent adjunct permit, regardless of what bachelor's degree they hold. They said, oftentimes, these new teachers are not qualified to manage a classroom or instruct students because they have no understanding of teaching methods. This, in combination with reducing advanced degree requirements for administrators, lowers standards for school staff members, some claim. Despite this, IDOE Assis-

tant Superintendent for Innovation and Improvement Dale Chu said REPA II will ensure that all Hoosier students have great educators in their school classrooms. He testified that research has shown a great teacher can bridge achievement gaps and often has a profound impact on the career earnings of students later on in their lives. Prior to this proposal, individuals who wanted to carry on their knowledge of their field to a school setting were unable to without years of costly, superfluous education. REPA II allows more people to assist understaffed schools and expand their work experience to teaching, supporters say.

As the Select Commission on Education continues to meet, committee members will hear public testimony on relevant issues that impact our schools. While viewpoints may vary on these topics, it is important to keep students' interests in mind and make Indiana schools the best they

What do you think?

CHARITY CLASSIC COM-BINE TO RAISE \$740,000 FOR MAD ANTHONYS **CHILDREN'S HOPE HOUSE**

recently completed community-donation-match program orchestrated by local business leaders and Mad Anthonys officials raised more than \$600,000 to help fund an expansion of and upgrades to the Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House in Fort Wayne.

Bruce Dye, president of Heritage Food Service Group, which served once again as the sponsor of this year's Mad Anthonys Charity Classic for Children in June, spearheaded the match program. Dye pledged to match any funds raised through the program up to a set amount; his match, combined with funds raised through the community and the \$140,000 raised through the Charity Classic for Children, brought the 2012 total to \$740,000. Mad Anthonys members and leaders presented a check for the amount raised at an event Wednesday.

"Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House provides such an invaluable and important service to our community, providing a supportive, homelike atmosphere for families

in times of great need," Dye said. "I am proud and honored to be a part of this program and, through this donation, am looking forward to the Hope House expanding to serve more families in the "Thanks to the incredible

generosity of our community as a whole, and Bruce in particular, Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House can serve as a welcome respite for additional families," Eric Ottinger, president of the Mad Anthonys board, said. "Fundraising programs like these give us the opportunity to see what value this facility provides the community. We are excited to help it continue to grow and enhance the quality of its accommodations. About the Mad Anthonys

Charity Classic

The annual Mad Anthonys Charity Classic has been a Fort Wayne tradition since its founding in 1957. In 2007, the Mad Anthonys began a partnership with Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House, dedicating 90 percent of its fundraising efforts to the organization.

About the Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House

Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House provides nearby lodging and support services for families of children undergoing pediatric and neonatal treatment. Because Fort Wayne has become a health care hub for northern Indiana, southern Michigan and western Ohio, this function is critical to families of children with severe illnesses and conditions.

About the Mad Anthonys The Mad Anthonys is a charitable organization founded in 1957 and comprised of business leaders and professionals from northeast Indiana. The Mad Anthonys Charity Classic golf event is one of the country's premier charity golf events, raising millions of dollars for charitable organizations in Fort

4th ANNUAL OAKWOOD **COMMUNITY WALK FOR DIABETES**

The 4th annual Oakwood Community Walk For Diabetes will be held Saturday September 22nd at noon. Starting and ending location will be the Oakwood Elementary School. Following the walk, a free will donation luncheon and raffle prize drawings will be

held in the school. All proceeds benefit the American Diabetes Association. This year's event is in honor of the memory of Viola Dobbelaere.

Deadline to register is Monday September 3rd. Don't miss out on this wonderful event. Visit www. fightdiabetes.weebly.com for more details and/or call Sandy Seibert 419-594-2196 or Sally Armstrong 419-782-

THANK YOU

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er would like to thank you for your prayers, your concerns and the love you have shown to us during his illness and passing. The cards, food, flowers, and memorials were all very special to us. Without your prayers it would have been impossible for us to get through this time.

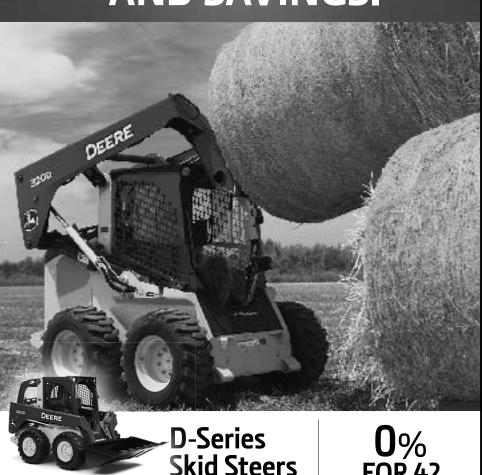
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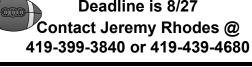
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PAGE 8 – WEST BEND NEWS – AUGUST 22, 2012 HERITAGE FALLS TO NEW HAVEN IN SEASON OPENER



New Haven took on Heritage in their first football game of the year Friday, August 17 at Heritage. Both teams started strong in the first half with Heritage 1 point in the lead. The Bulldogs came back and scored in the 3rd and 4th quarter, while the Patriots only scored once in the 4th. New Haven finished with their first win 20-14. Shown above is New Haven junior Jakhari Wilbert rushing the QB. More photos at www.archerpics.com

QUESTIONS & ISSUES ON THE PC GENERAL ELEC-**TION BALLOT FOR 2012**

Paulding County Board of Elections General Election is November 6, 2012. Listed below are the questions and issues to be on the 2012 ballot for Paulding County. For more information, please contact the board of elections office at 419-399-8230.

QUESTIONS AND IS-

Antwerp Village - renewal, 1 mill, 5 years, 2013 - 2017, fire & EMS Haviland Village - re-

newal, 3.5 mills, 5 years, 2013 - 2017, fire Melrose Village - replacement, 2 mills, CPT, commenc-

ing 2013, current expenses Payne Village - replacement, 1 mill, years, 2013 - 2017, fire

Payne Village - additional, 1 mill, 5 years, 2012 - 2016,

Benton Township - replacement, 1.5 mills, 5 years, 2012 — 2016, fire & EMS

Benton Township - Shall the Zoning Amendment for the unincorporated area of Benton Township, as provided by the Benton Township Trustees, be approved?

Washington Township renewal, 1mill, 5 years, 2012-2016, fire Washington Township

renewal, 3 mills, 5 years, 2013-2017, roads Paulding County - renew-

al, 1.4 mills, 5 years, 2013-2017, developmental disabilities programs

MANOR HOUSE YOUTH VOLLEYBALL HAS AR-RIVED!

Last winter the Pauld-

ing County Area Foundation awarded a grant to the ACF-CC for the purchase of volleyball equipment. Two used sets of standards and nets and four new balls were purchased in hopes that volleyball would again be played on the Manor House courts. On Tuesday, August 21, the Manor House hosted the first event. In conjunction with Antwerp High School, a four team scrimmage was hosted in Antwerp. The Varsity teams played at the school, the JV teams played on the two courts in the Manor House gym. This will be a prelude to the new Manor House 6th grade and Under Volleyball League that

PH: 419-258-2000 • 260-246-8843 • info@westbendnews.net will begin on Saturday, September 15 and play for six weeks. If you are interested in bringing a team, please con-

tact Tim or Brenda Copsey at 419-506-0108 for an entry

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR 7/16/12

Meeting Minutes from July 16, 2012. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Abbott, Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Treasurer Sarrazine, Utility Superintendent Walls were in atten

Councilman Abbott presided over the meeting in Mayor Hoeppner's absence.
AUDIENCE:

Resident reported street lights still out. I&M were in working on them today. Resident reported that a tree in the city's easement still needed removed.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Councilman Abbot (for Mayor)

- ERS is still advising us to wait to upgrade sirens until August. Councilman Abbott will discuss with mayor the procedure for setting off the sirens and the possibility of a fil-ter being put on at the same time of the upgrade. The filter is used to keep the upgrade. The filter is used to keep out unwanted signals that can trigger the sirens. WW Williams is to give a quote on the generator for City Hall, Fire Dept, Community Center building. Korte Electric is also giving a quote both for natural gas and diesel. The city has received some good application for the position of Police Chief. The city will continue to take applications until the end of July. Board of Works will interview July. Board of Works will interview

tions to the board. Mayor is going to draft a preliminary plan and it will be discussed at the next meeting for the Disaster Preparedness Plan. Community input is welcome. Council-man Abbott read through what has been drafted to date. Umbaugh will be in the office on July 24 to help with the budget.
Councilman Abbott relayed that

the Mayor would like the wages to re-main at their current rates for elected officials. Councilman Rice made a motion for elected officials salaries to remain the same, Councilman Voirol 2nd, four councilman voted yes, Councilman Abbott abstained, motion carried (note Councilman Abbott abstained from all votes because he was presiding in place of the

Councilman Abbott said he thought the "Day in the Park" festival was a success and would like an article to go in the paper from the council thanking the volunteers. The results of the decal choices were, the #1 decal won first choice.

Councilman Renner made a motion to accept the people's choice contingent on the hiring of a new Police Chief, Councilman Voirol 2nd, 4 voted yes, 1 abstained, motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT WALLS: Superintendent Walls would like the community to thank Randy Ger-

bers for supplying us with fuel and running nonstop for three days dur-ing the electrical outage. Ryan presented the Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems Discharge Monitoring Report and asked

for a motion to allow Councilman Abbott to sign off on it. Councilman Renner made a motion to allow Councilman Abbott to sign on the report, Councilman Voirol 2nd, 4 voted yes, 1 abstained, motion carried.

The water leak on 101 has been repaired. There is another on Woodburn Road that is scheduled to be repaired Wednesday.
Superintendent Wall informed

council that they have an emergency response plan in the shop and he will bring it in for council to review.

The aerator is now running in the lagoon so that should help with the odor. U would like to ask the public to watch hydrants for illegal usage. Only the Fire Department is allowed to fill their tanker from a hydrant, anyone else is stealing. We can tell that it is happening around 2:00–3:00 a.m. about once a week. There is a a.m. about once a week. There is a well down at the high school. Some-one will be out to check it. We have three wells in town that are active.

TREASURER:

Councilman Rice made a motion to approve July 2, 2012 meeting minutes, Councilman Gerig 2nd, 4 voted to approve, 1 abstained, motion car-

Warrants were presented, Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve, Councilman Renner 2nd, 4 voted to approve, 1 abstained, motion

Discount request were presented resident requested sewer discount for sprinkling, but request did not make it to our office until July 9 when it was e-mailed to us. Councilman Rice made a motion to reject. Councilman Gerig 2nd, 4 councilmen voted yes, 1 abstained, motion carried. Resident will be allowed discount for July and

August, but not Iune. Resident requested discount for filling swimming pool, but is not within our ordinance for our sewer discount. Councilman Rice voted to decline request, Councilman Voirol 2nd, 4 voted yes, 1 abstained, mo-tion carried. Resident requested discount because they felt the water was turned on in their absence. Council agreed that if it was put in writing per the ordinance we would then allow the resident to have a sewer discount, if resident was current on the utility

Correction to June 18 meeting minutes that should have read the \$3,000 for grant procurement would be shared between the City, Cham-ber of Commerce and the Woodburn Community Association. Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve change, Councilman Rice 2nd, 4 voted to approve, 1 abstained, mo-

COUNCILMAN RICE:

Is it time to conserve water? Su-perintendent Walls responded that we are all right for right now, but if we don't get rain soon we will be asking residents for a voluntary conservation. Councilman Rice also commented on how long it took John to get into the yard because there was no power and would like to see that ad-dressed in the emergency plan.

Councilman Rice suggested we put the city seal on the Blazer. Councilman Rice made a motion to put a city seal decal on the Bronco the same time we do the police decals. Councilman Voirol 2nd, 4 voted yes,

1 abstained, motion carried COUNCILMAN RENNER:

Will check property in his dis-trict that was supposed to be cleaned

up and report back.
COUNCILMAN GERIG:

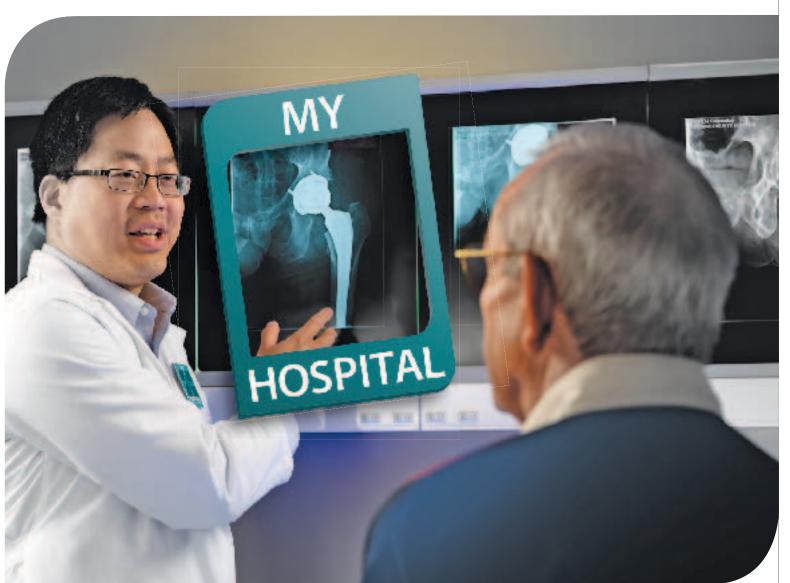
Tree on Stenger needs to be verified as to whether it is city's or owner's responsibility. Sign on Main Street needs straightened. COUNCILMAN VOIROL:

USW Union Hall on Elm Street is open during the day for heat relief as well as the Library. Please have the Mayor's chair

Councilman Rice made the mo-

tion to adjourn, Councilman Voirol 2nd, 4 voted yes, 1 abstained, motion carried at 8:50 p.m.

Notes prepared by Holly Sarra-zine – Clerk Treasurer.





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ROTH IRA: FOR YOUR RE-TIREMENT... AND BEYOND



Financial Focus by: Phil Recker, Edward Jones Advisor

If you're somewhat familiar with investing, you may know that the Roth IRA is a great retirement-savings vehicle. But are you aware that some of its benefits can also pay off for the next generation of your family?

To understand why this is so, it's necessary to be familiar with a Roth İRA's features. For starters, when you contribute to a Roth IRA, your earnings have the potential to grow tax free, provided you don't start taking withdrawals until you're 59½ and you've had your account at least five years. The amounts you contributed aren't taxed when withdrawn because you've already paid taxes on the money you put in. And the potential for tax-free earnings can continue even when your beneficiaries inherit vour Roth IRA, though you'll need to consult with your tax advisor on this issue.

A Roth IRA also offers other features that can help you build resources for retirement while possibly helping your surviving family members. For one thing, you can contribute to your Roth IRA for as long as you have some earned income, up to the contribution limits, and as long as you meet certain income limitations. Even if you've officially "retired," you might do some consulting or parttime work. So you could put some of your earnings into your Roth IRA. This ability to keep funding your Roth IRA virtually indefinitely can give you more flexibility in managing your retirement income — and, depending on how you do manage that income and what your other objectives may be, you may also end up with more money that could be left to your beneficiaries.

Also, unlike a traditional IRA or a 401(k), a Roth IRA does not require you to start taking minimum distributions at age 701/2. In fact, you are never required to withdraw money from your Roth IRA. And by leaving your account intact for as long as possible, you'll potentially have more money available for a variety of options — one of which may involve leaving sums to your beneficiaries. Your non-spouse beneficiaries must take annual required minimum distributions, but they have the option to take the distributions over their lifetime.

Keep in mind, though, that your Roth IRA is part of your estate for purposes of federal estate taxes. In 2012, your estate would be subject to these taxes if it were worth more than \$5.12 million (or less, if you made certain gifts). In 2013, however, this amount is scheduled to drop to \$1 million unless Congress acts on this issue. (Some states also have estate taxes that apply at amounts less than the federal amount.) In any case, if you have a sizable estate, you should consult with your tax and legal advisors.

When you invest in a Roth IRA, your goal, first and foremost, is to help fund your retirement. In fact, basically all your decisions regarding your Roth IRA — how much to contribute, where to invest the money and when to begin taking withdrawals — should be based on your own retirement goals. However, as a side benefit to investing in a Roth IRA, you may find that you could help out the next gener-

ation, or two, of your family. **Edward Jones, its employees and financial advisors are not estate planners and cannot provide tax or legal advice. You should consult your estate-planning attorney or qualified tax advisor regarding your situation.

OHIO DOCUMENTS 79 HU-MAN CASES OF INFLUENZA A H3N2V

The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) announced today additional confirmed cases of Influenza A H3N2v, bringing the total number of cases statewide to 79.

Number of confirmed cases H3N2v in each coun-

Ashland - 1; Athens - 5; Butler - 17; Champaign - 13; Clark - 3; Fairfield - 1; Franklin - 4; Gallia - 11; Greene – 5; Hamilton – 3; Henry – 2; Jackson – 1; Licking - 1; Medina - 1; Monroe - 2; Montgomery - 1; Morrow - 1; Preble - 1; Ross - 4; Union – 1; Warren – 1

Those with confirmed cases of H3N2v are between the ages of 6 months and 36 years old. To date, several of the confirmed cases in Ohio were hospitalized, but they have since been treated and released.

At this time, surveillance indicates that the individuals most likely became ill with the flu virus after exposure to swine. Health officials have not determined person-to-person transmission, but know that it is possible and likely to occur.

Case counts will be updated daily on ODH's website: http://bit.ly/OhioH3N2vUpdates. Press releases with case counts in Ohio will be issued on Fridays moving forward.

With county fairs running into the first week of October, the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) and ODH remind residents and visitors that fair attendance is safe. Those attending the fair should remem-

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and running water before and after exposure to animals.
- Never eat, drink or put things in your mouth in animal areas, and don't take food or drink into animal
- Young children, pregnant women, people 65 and older and people with weakened immune systems should be extra careful around animals.
- If you have animals including swine - watch them for signs of illness and call a veterinarian if you suspect they might be sick.
- Avoid close contact with animals that look or act ill, when possible.
- · Avoid contact with swine if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms.

WILDLIFE COUNCIL AP-PROVES 2012-13 WATER-**FOWL HUNTING SEASON DATES**

The 2012-13 waterfowl hunting season dates have been approved by the Ohio Wildlife Council, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

The Lake Erie Marsh Zone encompasses portions of Lucas, Wood, Ottawa, Sandusky and Erie counties. The duck hunting season in the Lake Erie Marsh Zone is October 13-28 followed by a second segment that opens November 10 - December

The duck hunting season in the North Zone is October 13-28, followed by a sec-

PH: 419-258-2000 • 260-246-8843 • info@westbendnews.net JORDAN FLIGHT SCHOOL FOR ASHLEY



Shown above is team Louisville. Ashley Snipes of Paulding is sitting left of Michael Jordan.

Paulding native, Ashley Snipes, got a once-in-a-lifetime experience during the week of the Summer Olympics. She and her whole family was able to fly from Fort Wayne, IN to Santa Barbara, CA for a week of basketball practices, hard work, and fun games.

Coach, team owner and past NBA player Michael Jordan was the "Flight instructor" and demonstrated to the young people how to play better basketball and trained them to play smarter. Shooting and dribbling drills were also a priority. Ashley soon learned she was in a whole different world than Paulding County after realizing the english speaking kids were a minority at this camp located at the University of California - Santa Barbara Campus. There were kids from all over the entire world at this camp with approximately 700 young people there.

Ashley's co-ed team, Louisville, had 12 people on the

team and she was the only girl. Her team practiced and played two games each day with 12 hours per day total.

While Ashley was there she talked with Michael Jordan and he signed a basketball just for her, and received a certificate of authenticity along with her team picture.

The rest of the Snipes family had a great time along the coast and enjoying the sights of Santa Barbara. A week like that goes very quickly, but you'll not soon forget it!

ond segment that opens November 24 and runs through January 6, 2013. In the South Zone, duck season is open October 20-28, followed by a second segment that opens December 8 and runs through January 27, 2013.

The daily bag limit for ducks is six, which may not include more than four mallards (no more than one may be female), three wood ducks, one black duck, two redheads, four scaup, one canvasback, two pintails and one mottled duck. The daily bag limit for mergansers is five of which no more than two may be hooded mergansers. The daily bag limit for coots is 15. Possession limits after the first day are twice the daily bag limit.

In the Lake Erie Canada Goose Zone, the goose season is October 13-28 followed by a second segment that opens November 10 and runs through January 10, 2013. The goose season for the remainder of the North Zone is October 13-28, with a second segment that runs from November 24 through January 6, 2013, and a third segment from January 12-29, 2013. In the South Zone, goose season is October 20 - November 11 followed by a second segment that opens December 8 and runs through January 31, 2013.

The daily bag limit for Canada geese is three, raised from two. Light geese (snows, Ross' and blues) have a daily bag limit of 10, white-fronted geese have a daily bag limit of one and brant have a daily bag limit of one. The possession limit for brant and geese is twice the daily bag limit after the first day.

Hunters 15 years of age and younger will have the opportunity to enjoy special statewide youth waterfowl seasons. Young hunters in the Lake Erie Marsh Zone and North Zone can hunt September 29-30. The dates for South Zone youth hunt-

ers are November 23-24.

Licensed falconers can hunt ducks, geese, mergansers and coots statewide from February 8, 2013, through March 10, 2013, in the Lake Erie Marsh, North and South Zones whenever those zones are open to duck hunting.

Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification is required of all waterfowl hunters prior to hunting. Migratory game bird hunters must call 877-HIPOHIO (447-6446) and answer a few survey questions to complete the HIP certification requirement. Once the survey has been completed, hunters will be provided a certification number to write on their Ohio hunting license.

Waterfowl hunters age 18 and older will also need a

state wetland habitat stamp which may be purchased at any hunting license agent or at wildohio.com. In addition, all waterfowl hunters age 16 and older must possess a signed federal duck stamp which can be purchased at most post offices.

Copies of this season's waterfowl hunting regulations, which include maps of the zones (Publication 5295, Waterfowl Hunting Seasons), will be available online at wildohio.com or available at all license agent outlets by late September.

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EAST ALLEN UNIVERSITY



East Allen University Principal, Doug Hicks

By: Beth Stauffer

This past Tuesday, August 14th, 2012 way out yonder on Paulding Road in the former Paul Harding High School building, something really exciting happened. To any unknowing observer, it might have looked like just any other first day of school as students filed inside the double doors to the building with their backpacks on; however, that would have been a partially incorrect assumption. For the Junior High students entering the building for the first time on Tuesday, it was a typical first day of school, if there really is such a thing.

For 116 freshmen though, Tuesday was a day they won't soon forget as it was both their first day of high school and their first day of college. Yes, you read that correctly. Tuesday, August 14th marked the official opening of East Allen University, EACS' magnet flagship school that gives incoming 9th graders an opportunity to earn both a high school Core 40 diploma and an Associate's Degree from Vincennes University simultaneously.

East Allen University Principal, Mr. Doug Hicks, took time to talk with me at length about this exciting new endeavor for EACS last week, and the partnerships with other Indiana institutions that have helped pave the way to EAU's successful

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start. Ben Davis High School in Indianapolis was the first early college program in Indiana, and has been instrumental as a sounding board and model for the East Allen University program. Vincennes University, EAU's partner, is a leader in both the early college movement and in associate degree programs in Indiana. Odelet Nance, Vincennes University's on-site Dean at East Allen University, will ensure compliance to Vincennes standards in the classroom.

According to Principal Hicks, the main focus of East Allen University is to help students graduate with their Associate's Degree and Core 40 Diploma. Due to the academic nature of this program, students were required to sign a contract agreeing to study for two hours a night, every night, when they were accepted into the EAU program. With this in mind, the school will not be offering the traditional time consuming high school extra-curricular activities like sports, band, and choir but they will have a school yearbook, a few clubs, and intramurals.

I asked East Allen University freshman, and future Mechanical Engineer, Bobby Freeman III what he thought about not being able to participate in sports, and he said, "I love sports, but my favorite things are hunt-

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ing and fishing and that's not really a sport schools have so it's not that big of a deal. They are still going to have clubs and intramurals so I'll be able to play chess and stuff."

One of the most unique features that East Allen University provides, at least in my opinion, is the opportunity for the students to attend college who may not otherwise have the opportunity to do so. Additionally, students who qualify for the free and reduced lunch program at EACS have the opportunity to earn an Associate's Degree at literally no cost. To quote Principal Hicks, "That's an economical no-brainer!" For students not on the free and reduced lunch program, the cost is still significantly less than that of a traditional college or university, and all of the credits the students earn at EAU are transferable to any in-state public university (think Indiana University, Purdue, etc.) I recently had the oppor-

tunity to ask EACS Superintendent, Dr. Karyle Green, her thoughts about the exciting opportunities for students at East Allen University. She told me, "East Allen University is an opportunity for students who may not go to college to earn a two year degree, and it's a great opportunity for parents. Being able to leave a high school program with two years of college gives so many advantages throughout life. When you leave here, you can either go right into the work force or work to put yourself through two more years of college and get in two more years of college before starting graduate school. It's a great jumpstart!"

On Friday, August 17th, sat down with Sierra Downey, a former New Haven Middle School student. current East Allen University freshman, and future Neonatal Nurse and asked her what made her want to leave her friends behind and come to a new school this fall. She said, "It seemed like a good opportunity." When I asked Sierra what her parents thought about her decision, she added, ""My mom supports me 100%. When my mom found out about it, she was actually more excited about it than me. She was happy that I wanted to go. She loves the opportunity."

Bobby Freeman also commented about the support of his parents in his decision to attend East Allen University. "My parents were proud of me for making it because not everybody made it. They said they were proud of me for going to college. I also think it's cool that my mom went here. She went to Southwick, to Village Woods and Harding."

Principal Hicks cited strong parental involvement as one of the chief determining factors in the success of East Allen University. "I'm most excited about the great student body, a great staff, great parents that we've worked with, and we've had great support from the top administration. When you have those four pillars, you have a strong foundation to build something special. We have those four areas. As long as that stays that way, we are going to be successful not just this year but in the

vears moving forward."

Even though Sierra and Bobby have just barely completed four days of high school (and college!), I asked them what they liked and didn't like so far about EAU. Sierra told me, "I like that Mr. Hicks set up a coffee bar in the mornings. He did that to give it more

of the college experience

feeling. And all the teach-

ers are great. They are all outgoing." Bobby agreed with Sierra's sentiments, but added that the school lunches are "The worst thing I've ever had." I guess it's a good thing there's a coffee bar in the morning, hopefully with some biscotti! As I worked on this story this week, a poster hanging on the wall in Principal Hick's office stood out to me because of what it says: "Determination ~ The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph." The theme of being determined, of setting goals and working

about East Allen University.
EAU student Sierra
Downey told me with the
hopeful optimism that you
have as 14 year old freshman, "It's going to be hard,
but worth it."

hard, was a recurring one as

I talked to different people

EACS Superintendent Dr. Karyle Green told me with the wisdom that comes from being an integral part of many first days of school, "The students have to have a lot of motivation and a vision past high school. That's important, because it's going to be tough, and we've told them you're going to have hard times. But, you started your college experience as 14 year old high school freshman and sometimes that's hard to grasp. That's a big step."

A big step, indeed, but one that I believe the East Allen University student body is more than prepared to meet. In the meantime, I will really be looking forward to going back to East Allen University in four years to see Bobby, Sierra and the first inaugural class of East Allen University graduate, as they prove beyond a shadow of a doubt how glorious triumph can be when you work hard and remain determined to achieve your goals.

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WHEN IS A MELON RIPE?

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Melons will not get sweeter after they are harvested. They have no starch reserves to convert to sugar. So, how do you identify a ripe melon?

The general rules for selecting a melon are to choose one that is symmetrical in shape; free of cracks, bruises, or soft spots; and with just a slight softness to the touch. Sweet smell or aroma may or may not be a good clue. Melons that have been chilled will not have much smell.

Watermelons give you

several clues as to when to harvest. Observe the tendril, a small curly stem/pigtail on the watermelon vine directly opposite the point where the melon is attached to the vine. When the melon ripens, this tendril dries and turns brown or gray.

Watermelons also de-

velop a "soil spot" where the melon sits on the soil, unless you periodically turn the melon. Don't turn the melon, because you want to use this soil spot to determine ripeness in the melon. When the melon is immature, the spot is greenish or white. As the melon ripens the spot develops a cream or yellowish color. This indicates ripeness.

Thumping the melon to determine ripeness is difficult. However, people with a musician's ear may wish to choose their watermelon by thumping it. A dull thud sound indicates ripeness, or perhaps over-ripeness. A

ringing sound heard when the melon is thumped indicates an unripe melon.

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Cantaloupes, honeydew melons, and other small melons do not produce the tendril like watermelons, so that clue is absent. They often do not produce a tell-tale soil spot, but they do give other clues. The cantaloupes with netted rinds have a "ground color" below the netting. When this color changes to a golden color, the melon is ripe. These melons will also soften at the end away from the stem as they ripen, so you can press gently with your thumb to choose the ripest melon. There is also a sweet fragrance which is obvious when smelling the rind of a ripe melon.

Harvest the cantaloupe by twisting the fruit at which point it will separate from the vine. Do not wait for the melons to separate from the vine on their own. At full maturity and peak flavor the stem breaks or "slips" away from the vine easily. This stage is called "full slip." Commercial melons are harvested at "1/2 to 34 slip" to reduce shipping damage. This removes the fruit before it has reached maximum sugar content, and sugar content will not increase after harvest. This opportunity to harvest at maximum ripeness is one of the advantages of growing your own melons. Pick melons as they ripen as they will not all ripen at the same time. Cantaloupe will store for 1-2 weeks if held at 45-

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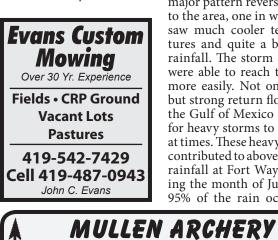
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SUMMER 2012

By: Josh Steiner After a long hiatus, I have returned with a review of this summer's weather, mainly focusing on events that affected the area, but with some emphasis on weather across the United States (as it plays a HUGE part in the weather for our area). I have collected as much information as I could for the area. For the article on the blog, I will try to provide a few images to help visualize the events. In my personal opinion,

I would rank the summer of 2012 as being at the top of the list for periods of crazy weather. From extreme drought conditions to localized heavy rainstorms, from periods of record and excessive heat, to destructive high wind events... this is what has characterized the summer of 2012.

Back during March 2012, record warm and dry conditions set up across the area, mainly due to increased atmospheric blocking over the Atlantic. This all leads back to failures in last winter's forecast. Last winter, it was expected that the trend of increased blocking, which is just the slang term for extreme "buckling" of the jet stream, tending to cause weather patterns to become stagnant, would continue as it had for the past two winters. Obviously, that didn't



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happen, which caused a more passive and zonal weather pattern with abnormal warmth persisting for most of the time. When a storm system did come, it was a southern stream system, originating from the split flow nature of the jet stream, which wouldn't allow cold air to infiltrate into the storm. The reason why blocking didn't set up last winter has been subjected to a range of many theories, with the most prominent theory being that the Arctic ice extent was much larger than it has been in the last several years. Well, blocking eventually set up, but well after the winter season was over, and it set up in the wrong position. This led to the extreme March In May/June/July 2012,

the jet stream became very stagnant, and in a position that did not allow for many rain producing storm systems to reach the region. As I have stated in past articles, a drought will lead to a positive feedback process in which the ground absorbs more sunlight, allowing for hotter temperatures, drying out the ground, and starting the process over. This is exactly what happened and what caused the heat to become oppressive across the area. Because the weather pattern was quite stagnant, the same thing continued through mid-July. Then a major pattern reversal came to the area, one in which we saw much cooler temperatures and quite a bit more rainfall. The storm systems were able to reach the area more easily. Not only that, but strong return flow from the Gulf of Mexico allowed for heavy storms to develop at times. These heavy storms contributed to above normal rainfall at Fort Wayne during the month of July, with 95% of the rain occurring

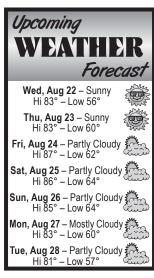
after the 15th of the month. By August, we have still been in a wetter and cooler pattern over the past few weeks, with temperatures only hitting 90 once during the month, and quite ample rainfall from frequent storm systems. So far this August, a mean trough has been located over the Eastern United States, bringing cooler weather, while the extreme heat has shifted westward into the Rockies and Southwest Deserts. At the very beginning of

June, a rather strong storm system exited the area, after bringing extremely cool weather and rain. The first part of June was generally below normal, with frequent days of highs below 70. By the middle of the month, things changed rapidly, with upper level ridging building back into the region, bringing a long streak of 90+ degree days, which was ended by a cold front, and a fairly intense storm. This brought temperatures back into the lower 80's for a couple of days. By this time, a rather large area of intense heat was building on the Northern Plains. At the same time, a shortwave moved into the Northern United States off of the Pacific, acting to push the heat core eastward.

By Wednesday, June 27, 2012, temperatures were already rebounding back into the 90's. By Thursday, one of Fort Wayne's four hottest days on record occurred, tying the all-time record high of 106. It has been a very long time since Fort Wayne has seen this kind of heat. In fact, the last time this happened was in the year 1988, during that infamous summer heat wave and drought. The next day, while it was expected that temperatures would hit the upper 90's with only isolated storms possible, a large clustor of storms formed west of Chicago, and became organized. By the time these already intense storms reached western Indiana, they had organized into a type of storm complex called a bow echo, named after the fact that the main line "bows" because of the strong winds occurring in them. This bow echo raced east southeastward at a forward speed of 80 mph!

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Before 3:00 p.m., the line of storms slammed into Fort Wayne, bringing widespread damage to the city, recording winds of over 91 mph, the highest wind gust ever recorded at the airport. The line of storms intensified as it moved into Ohio, bringing even more damage, and knocking out power to millions as it raced eastward. This will likely go down in the history books, as storms like these are quite rare in our area. In fact, given the number of power outages, it



had caused more than most hurricanes do! Hence the name that some people have given it - a land hurricane. In the wake of the destruction, a record breaking and massive heat wave set up over the area for the week of July 4th. Temperatures started in the mid-90's, a fairly warm heat for this area. By the middle of the week, on July 4th, temperatures had reached to 102. High temperatures then reached 100 degrees three more times, a feat that has never happened at Fort Wayne. The heat culminated on the last day, with a record high temperature of 103. After that, temperatures cooled a bit, with highs returning back to the mid 90's. In fact, it was in the 90's so long, that we had 22 consecutive days of 90 degree + temperatures, breaking the old record by 8

At this same time, the drought was really getting worse across the area, with nearly all of Northwest Ohio and Northeast Indiana in severe drought, and over half of the area in extreme drought. After the middle of the month, things began to look up for the area. Temperatures eventually became much cooler with not very many 90's after the 15th. The drought was also in recovery, especially with the four inches of rain that the area received during the latter part of the month By August, temperatures have only hit the 90's once, and rainfall has been quite frequent, a much different weather pattern than dur-

weather review. If you would like to know more about other significant weather events of the summer, contact me at storm_reportsjoshua@yahoo.com, or visit my blog at www.stormcenteroh.blogspot.com.

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a school bus on a four-lane roadway when the bus is traveling in the opposite direction of me? A. No. Traffic traveling in

the opposite direction of a school bus stopped on a fourlane roadway does not need to stop. Buses are required to pick up and drop off children from the right side of a fourlane roadway. **Defiance County:**

Ohio 249 from the Indiana state line to the village of Ney restricted to one lane through the work zone for a pavement repair and resurfacing project which will continue through early November. Work is being performed by Gerken Paving, Napoleon.

Ohio 15 closed July 30 for approximately one month for a culvert replacement project between Bowman and Watson Roads. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 66, Ohio 613 back to Ohio 15. Work is being performed by RG Zachrich, Defiance.

Ohio 49 just north of Ohio 249 closed June 4 for a culvert replacement project. The project has been delayed due to issues with the stability of the organic peat soil in the area which will require additional monitoring and engineering. The duration of the delay is unknown at this time. 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 between Ohio 111 and Antwerp will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for a roadside slope repair project. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 637 from Ohio 111 to the Van Wert County line will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 111 from U.S. 127 to Ohio 637 and within the village of Payne will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 49 at the south edge of the village of Payne reopened to traffic on July 13. Work on the bridge replacement project will continue through September with at least one lane of traffic maintained at all times. Throughout the month of August, one-lane traffic will be maintained with a temporary signal. Work is being performed by Dot Construction, Canfield.

Putnam County:

Ohio 115 between Vaughnsville and Kalida will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for smoothing of pavement bumps. Work is being performed by Putnam County ODOT.

Ohio 613 between Putnam County Road 5 and McComb will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for a pavement repair and resurfacing project which will continue through early November. Work is being performed by Shelly Company, Findlay.

Ohio 65 north of Ottawa is

Ohio 65 at the north edge of Leipsic will close August 20 for three days for a railroad crossing repair. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 613, Ohio 108 and Ohio 18 back to Ohio 65. Work is being performed by CSX Railroad.

Van Wert County:

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1812 MANSFIELD BLOCKHOUSE

Before the War of 1812, Mansfield was home to less than 100 people and was a community on the edge of the frontier. The town was founded in 1808 on a fork of the Mohican River and named for a U.S. surveyor, Jared Mansfield. Settlers arriving in the area recognized the hills for their fertile lands. The American Indian tribes lived side-by-side with the early settlers in this forest wilderness trading for food and other necessities and enjoying music and games with their neighbors.

All this changed when Great Britain renewed its conflicts with the young United States and incited the Indian tribes against the settlers. These settlers on the Mansfield frontier were now open to attack. Fifteen blockhouses were built for protection, two of them on the public square in the little town. When there were threats of an attack, the settlers fled to the nearest blockhouse until the danger was over.

A blockhouse resembled a mushroom; the second floor jutting outward several feet over the ground floor to prevent the enemy from climbing the outside walls. It was made of rough-cut logs laid into a square building. Narrow slits were placed near the top of the second floor to allow the settlers to fire on attackers.

John Chapman, known as "Johnny Appleseed," was in the Mansfield area during an uprising between settlers and Indians. Local legend says that Johnny Appleseed ran for help to Mount Vernon which is a 60 mile round trip. This might not be thought of as extraordinary, except "Johnny Appleseed" made it over-night and barefoot, bringing help for the settlers.

Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry and his fleet captured the British fleet, which had been in control of Lake Erie, in the Battle of Lake Erie

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in 1813. This removed Great Britian's influence in the northwest territory and, after that, clashes between the settlers and Indians were rare, and there was little need of protection in the blockhouse. Ready-made buildings, like the old blockhouses, were a great gain on the frontier and were often disassembled and rebuilt on other property. Settlements needed community buildings and some old blockhouses were used as a church, a jail, a school, and military supply storage. Mansfield used one blockhouse as a courthouse in 1813.

In 1816, one settler bought a blockhouse, had it taken down and moved to his property, where he used the lower level for a pigpen and the upper level as a chicken coop. At a later date, General James Hedges bought the farm including the blockhouse, then had the building covered with siding to keep the old logs out of the weather. Hedges sold the structure to a shingle maker, John Carson, who was also interested in its preservation. Carson told the story of General Hedges rubbing an old log with his hand and calling it "sacred timber." Both men knew the importance of protecting the old fort for future generations.

In 1906, Mansfield's population had grown to 19,000 people. The Centenniel Commission leased property for a new home for the old blockhouse. Some logs were badly decayed and were replaced by old logs from a cabin in the area. The blockhouse was rebuilt in South Park and took an honored place in the Centennial Celebration.

The blockhouse was rededicated in March, 2010, by the Ohio Society Daughters of War of 1812. Two hundred years after its being built on the frontier, several original logs have survived and are still part of the blockhouse. Mansfield's last, old blockhouse, survivor of the War of 1812, is located at 100 Brinkerhoff Avenue.

–Gloria Fast, Daughters of 1812

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOLS LUNCH MENUS FOR 8/29 THROUGH 9/4

8/29 - Cheesy breadstick, marinara sauce, grapes, carrots, milk

8/30 - Nacho beef w/ cheese, lettuce, corn, frozen fruit cup, orange half, milk 8/31 - Cheese pizza, cel-

ery w/dip, apple, milk 9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 - Fish or Tenderloin on bun, tator tots, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar or Fresh fruit

Menus subject to change.

PEVS BREAKFAST & **LUNCH MENUS FOR 8/29** THROUGH 9/4

MS/HS – Breakfast: 8/29 - Breakfast sandwich, fruit or juice, milk

8/30 - French toast, sausage links, fruit or juice, 8/31 - Gravy (sausage) w/

biscuits, fruit or juice, milk 9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 - Fruit or Juice, southwest bake, milk

MS/HS - Lunch:

8/29 - Walking taco w/ salsa & sour cream or Top you own potato, breadstick, assorted fruit, milk

8/30 - Roll/chicken dippers, assorted dips, broccoli & cheese or Big pretzel w/sauce, broccoli & cheese, assorted fruit, milk

8/31 - Summer blend vegetables, big daddy pizza slice or Salad bar, bread stick, assorted fruit, milk

9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 - Salad (grilled chicken), pretzel bread stick or Sandwich, oven fries, assorted fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:

8/29 – Warm whole grain cinnamon roll, fruit choice,

8/30 - Breakfast burrito, fruit choice, milk

8/31 - Assorted cereals, cereal bars, fruit choice, milk

9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 – Egg, cheese & bacon breakfast pizza, fruit choice,

Paulding Elementary – Lunch:

8/29 – Cheezy breadstick w/marinara sauce, green beans, smart cookie, assorted fruit, milk

8/30 - Chicken nuggets, sweet potato fries, corn, bread w/margarine, assorted fruit, milk

8/31 - Fish w/bun, broccoli, vegetable choice w/ ranch dressing, assorted fruit, milk

9/3 – No school, Labor

. 9/4 - Taco salad w/crackers, lettuce/cheese/salsa, refried beans, assorted fruit,

Oakwood - Breakfast:

cinnamon roll, fruit choice,

8/30 - Breakfast burrito,

fruit choice, milk 8/31 - Assorted cereals, cereal bars, fruit choice,

9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 – Egg, cheese & bacon

breakfast pizza, fruit choice, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Lunch

whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, and/or celery, fruit, milk

8/30 – Cheese breadstick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk 8/31 - Taco in a bag, let-

tuce w/cheese, carrot sticks, fruit, milk 9/3 - No school, Labor

9/4 - Mini pancakes,

sausage, potato tots, and/or celery, fruit, milk

VILLAGE OF PAULDING COUNCIL MEETING MIN-UTES FOR 7/16/12

Paulding Village Council met in Regular Session on July 16, 2012,

at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Mayor White called the meeting to order. Finance Director Tope called roll with the following members present: Roger Sierer, Mike Trausch, Barb Rife, Tom Diaz, and Randy Daeger. Administrator Wiebe and Solicitor Jones were also present. Councilman Jim Guelde was absent.

Diaz motioned to approve the minutes of the July 2nd Council

meeting, seconded by Daeger. Vote: Paul Eiserle, Village resident, was present requesting a smaller

meter cover be placed over his meter to make it more manageable to monitor his water usage. Trausch presented the Recreation Committee's July 9th report.

The major topics of discussion were the following: • Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Beckman had inquired about the installation of a mirror in the women's restroom at Jeffery Park. Upon Beckman receiv ing quotes for the mirror, Sauder's

mittee accepted the donation from Sauder's and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Beckman. The Youth Ball Association would like to develop a landscaping plan for Jeffery Park. Trausch will assist the Association by contacting

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donated one to the parks. The Com-

• Storm damage updates were given regarding each of the parks. The Committee is working to contact contractors to repair damages to fencing, lighting, and dugouts.

• The Committee would like to

express its sincere gratitude to all individuals who assisted the Village in cleaning up storm damage left at the parks.
Daeger inquired of future plans/

expansion of the park. Trausch noted the Association would like to install a travel boys' baseball field, soccer fields, etc. Paul Eiserle requested expanding the parking lot. Trausch relayed the Association intends to expand its parking facilities

as the park grows.

White presented the Buildings & Grounds Committee report from July 9th. The Committee had met to review the two (2) farm bids. The Committee recommended approving Thad Sinn's bid of \$191.25 per acre for the lagoon property. No bids were received for the cemetery property. Trausch motioned to approve the Committee's report, seconded by Diaz. Vote: all yea.

Resolution 1266-12 re: A Reso lution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Paulding to Apply for, Accept, and Enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement for Construction of Waste Water Facilities and Designating a Dedicated Repayment Source for the Loan, and Declaring an Emergency, was read to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea. Rife motioned to approve the legislation, seconded by Diaz. Vote: all yea. Wiebe noted this legislation was submitted by Julie Ward of RCap, and requested it to be approved as an emergency.

Wiebe presented the Admi trator's Agenda. It consisted of the

• Change Order #3 for the Wastewater Lagoon Improvements project (increase of \$3,053). The overall cost of the project is \$62,894 less than the original bid amount.

• The "Permit to Install" (PTI) applications for Phase I of the Sewer Separation project is being submitted along with a fee payment of

enter into a contract with TTL Associates, Inc. for soil sampling for Phase I of the Sewer Separation

Daeger inquired if the "Con-struction Cost" under Item #5 on the PTI application should be "\$335,000" or if it needs to be changed to "\$3,350,000". Wiebe noted he will meet with the engineer to make sure this is corrected before it is sent. Sierer motioned to approve the Administrator's Agenda, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all yea.

Wiebe reminded Council, and the public, of the Public Meeting that is scheduled for July 25th at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Building. This is an information meeting for the public regarding Phase I of the

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sewer separation project. Mayor White relayed Mayor's Court collected \$1,358.65 for the

month of June 2012. Solicitor Iones noted he recently filed the Quit-Claim Deed with the

Recorder's Office for the Certified property; therefore, the Village officially owns the property. He also relayed he is currently negotiating a lease agreement with the Chamber. Jones requested approval of a "Revocable Encroachment Permit" for Tyanna Erford, the owner of the property located at 312 S. Williams

Street. This permit allows Ms. Erford to retain a garage that stands on her property—it encroaches into the alley approximately 8" The agreement states the permit is revocable at the will of the Village, the owner must maintain the property, and the building can not be replaced once it is removed. Trausch motioned to approve the permit, seconded by Rife. Vote: all year Mr. Eiserle inquired when the

Barnes Hotel will be cleaned-up. Solicitor Iones relaved Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) has helped secure Federal grant fund-ing to remove the debris and clean up the area. MVPO is currently obtaining quotes (and as it is believed to include asbestos the process must be done by specialists and is more costly). Jones hopes the project will be completed by year-end. Wiebe thanked Ericka Willitzer, Chamber Director, for her efforts in contacting MVPO for their assistance.

Rife inquired of the Village's storm damage. Wiebe noted he believes the majority of damage has been identified and reported. He relayed various buildings did suffer some roof damage, but there was nothing real significant. He relayed has been in conversation with the Village's insurance adjuster. Diaz thanked employees and citizens for their clean-up efforts.

Daeger motioned for Council to move into Executive Session, seconded by Diaz. Vote: all yea. Council returned to Regular Session.

Diaz motioned to gift \$1,000 to Paulding County Economic Development for the Village's 2012 contribution, seconded by Daeger. Vote: all yea.

Daeger motioned for \$1,000 to be given to the US-24 Corridor Committee for their efforts in marketing the area for economic development and also advertising local events, seconded by Rife. Vote: all

Daeger motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Trausch. Vote: all

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

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It's an exciting time at Vantage Career Center, where students can explore, experience, and excel in high school while preparing for immediate employment and further education!

To prepare for the upcoming school year, Vantage will hold two orientation meetings to welcome new students and their parents to the school. The first orientation meeting will be held on Monday, August 27th at 7:30 p.m. This is for students who are enrolled in Ag & Industrial Power Technology, Auto Body, Auto Technology, Building & Grounds Maintenance, Carpentry, Electricity, Industrial Mechanics, Precision Machining, and Welding.

The second orientation meeting is set for Tuesday, August 28th at 7:30 p.m. and is for students in the following programs: Network Systems, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Interactive Media, Early Childhood Education, Food Careers, Health Careers, and Medical Office Management.

Both meetings will be held in the new Commons Area at Vantage. The evening will include a brief general session as well as an opportunity for students and their parents to meet the career-technical and academic instructors and check out the labs. Class schedules will be available for pick-up and students will be able to pay their program fees, put money on their lunch account, and be measured for uniforms.

All students new to Vantage and their parents should attend this meeting. Please park in the South (student) parking lot and enter the building through the new Commons entrance on the Southeast corner of the building.

the drinking water system

by these drier than normal

Delaware Wildlife Area will

be unable to pump water

from Delaware Reservoir to

fill their marshes for early

duck season. These pumped

marshes provide an ideal

habitat for migrating water-

fowl and shorebirds. Water-

fowlers and bird watchers

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the ramp within the Dela-

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interested in the Delaware

State Park Duck Blind Lot-

tery occurring on Saturday,

August 18 should be aware

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all. Visit the ODNR website

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NESTING SEASON

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RESULTS AVAILABLE

AS OHIO'S PEREGRINE

Biologists with the Ohio

Department of Natural Re-

sources' (ODNR) Division

of Wildlife monitored 36

territorial peregrine falcon

pairs and banded young

falcons at 17 nest sites dur-

ing 2012; limited access at

some nest sites prevented all

were laid this year, and 59

young peregrine falcons fledged from 26 success-

ful nests across the state.

In 2011, 67 peregrine fal-

con chicks fledged from 24

Young peregrines from

this year's hatch are now

flying around several Ohio

It was estimated 90 eggs

young from being banded.

ODNR ensures a bal-

of this unusual situation.

All boat ramps are ex-

Due to low lake levels,

conditions.

Students who attended Vantage last year can get their class schedules, put money on their lunch account and pay program fees between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 21 and 22. Students who are unable to pick up their schedules on the dates above are asked to call Vantage Student Services at 419-238-5411 or 1-800-686-3944 ext. 2126 to make other arrangements.

The first day of school for new Vantage students is Wednesday, September 5th. The first day of school for returning Vantage students is Thursday, September 6th. The school day runs from 8:23 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.

If you should have any additional questions, please call Vantage Student Services at the number above for more information.

LACK OF RAIN MAY IMPACT DUCK HUNTING AT DELAWARE **RESERVOIR**

Due to a marina construction project, coupled with the drier than normal conditions this year, duck hunting opportunities at Delaware Wildlife Area and Delaware State Park may be diminished this fall and winter, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

To facilitate boat ramp repairs at the Delaware marina, Delaware Reservoir will begin its annual winter drawdown on September 10 instead of the normal October 1 date. Additionally, the lake is being drawn down

more than normal in order JUNIOR LEADERS AT ANN'S CAMP! to relieve stresses placed on



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Paulding Leaders recently visited the campers at Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool. They did lots and lots of bubble activities with us! We did bubble painting bubble wrap painting and then went outside and blew our

by the Wildlife Diversity and Endangered Species Fund, which receives donations from Ohioans through the state income tax check-off program and by the purchase of cardinal license plates. Individuals wanting to donate to the fund can also donate online at wildohio.com.

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cities including Cleveland, Akron, Bowling Green, Cincinnati, Dayton, Lakewood, Lima, New Richmond, Warren, Wrightsville (Adams County) and Youngstown. Individual falcons have been also spotted in other areas of the state. These birds, as well as the territorial pairs

could return next year to establish territories and perhaps successful nests. From 1989-1993, along with several other Midwestern states, the Ohio Division of Wildlife hacked 46

that did not nest this season,

birds throughout the state. Peregrine falcons were delisted as federal endangered in 1999 and down-listed in Ohio to state threatened in 2008. Peregrines remain on the state threatened list, and the Division of Wildlife continues to monitor the

population.

Anyone interested in following peregrine falcon activity in Ohio can view the latest updates online at wildohio.com. The peregrine falcon page features information on the bird's history, nest status and links to cameras that record activity at several of the nest locations

across Ohio each spring. No state tax dollars are used to support this program. Monitoring and recovery efforts are supported

own bubbles! It was a bubblerific day!

Shown here from the left are campers and Leaders: Anna Clemens, Alexis Howell, Ariel Thomas-Masih, Blair Baumle with Conner Reuille, Mallory Fisher, Sarah Young with Kati Phares,

ceive such a call and I made sure we would not accept deliveries or anything to our

The operation of scams today is becoming more and more sophisticated, causing thousands of Hoosiers to fall victim to fraud every year. The Indiana Attorney General's office tracks fraud trends across the country on behalf of consumers because very few scams actually originate in Indiana. The call I received originated from the state of New York.

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division coordinates with the Federal Trade Commission, National Association of Attorneys General, Better Business Bureau and other consumer protection agencies to gain knowledge of scams occurring in other states in order to provide quick notice of potential threats to Hoosiers.

Do not fall victim to such sneaky and conniving ploys. One of the best resources to stay up-to-date on the latest scams is through Indiana's Fraud Alert Program.

Consumers can sign up to receive the latest fraud information via email and text message on the Attorney General, Greg Zoeller's,

Sylvia Young with Addison Hunt, Hailey Clem, Faith Clem and Konner Clemens. Summer camp is officially over and preschool will be starting soon! Call 419-399-KIDS (5437) to register your child for Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool!

I urge you all to sign up for the email and text alerts, and if you have been the victim of a fraudulent scheme, received a scamming phone call, or if you have any further questions, please visit http://www.in.gov/attorneygeneral/ or call 1-800-382-5516. Taking a few moments to sign up for alerts could help you avoid a scam.

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3 Commercial SS Coolers (needs repair) Very Clean Household, Glassware & Collectables including England matching sofa and love seat3 Pc Living Rm Suite with Matching sofa, love seat & chair 2 England matching recliner rocker chairs Other sofas and chairs of varied descriptions ... Wood Rockers Howard Miller Grandfather Clock Tempus Fugit Grandfather clock Ashley Drake Home Office Center with 2 tall book cases and book case with corner desk & office chair ... 4 Glass door maple china cabinetCorner Desk & Matching Book Case 3 Pc poster style double bedroom suite 5 Pc maple double bedroom suite Wood drop leaf dining table & chairs ... Wood drop leaf kitchen table & chairs Several table lamps including brass & Tiffany style End & coffee tables including maple drop leaf Console Sewing Machine...... 36" Vizio Flat Screen TV and 32" RCA TV ers & portable DVD player Reproduction Console Radio 3 Wood Serving Carts Reproduction Dry Sink (nice) Mirrors Bedding, Linens, Doilies, etc. Set of Noritake China, service for 12 and other china and sets of Fine Glassware and Decorator and Collector Items including several matching sets of crystal goblets, glasses, etc. Tea Sets Pitchers & bowls Figurines WWII / Korean War era portable organ (very fine and interesting piece), military patches (some NAZI) Postal service items and misc stamp collection Primitive tools 2 Copper boilers Old store style balance scale Flat ironsContents Of Home Library with Many, Many newer Books of varied topics and some older books & VCR & Cassette tapes & 78 RPM records Costume Jewelry Many nice home decorator items including baskets, many brass items Upright and other Sweepers. Binoculars Several clocks and radios and electronics File cabi .. File cabinet .. Fans..... Tableware, Pots, Pans, Kitchen Items & Related ... Ceiling fan Nice Artwork including Ashton Framed Art & other Pictures & Frames & Related Contents Of 2 Story Home with Basement - **Still Moving In and Unboxing - Partial Listing** 2 Auction Rings - Bring a Friend Inspection Fri., Aug. 24 from 3:30 P.M. until 5:30 P.M. and beginning 8:30 A.M. day of auction **Terms:** Cash or approved check day of auction; VISA, Master Card or Discover Card For photos & more detailed list visit our web site @ www.gorrellbros-paulding.com Sellers: Irene S. MacDonald (surviving spouse of Roger B. MacDonald, Jr., Defiance, OH) by Dennis Parish, POA and .. Gorrell Bros. Auctioneers - Don Gorrell, Larry Gor-Sheila Franklin .

rell, Matthew Bowers, Aaron Timm, Sandra Mickelson, Nolan Shisler

IT'S A SCAM; WATCH

The Pond Report by: IN State Rep. Phyllis Pond, **House District 85**

Local residents need to be on the lookout for any suspicious calls, especially ones where the caller says you have previously ordered something and attempts to solicit your credit card or banking information. I recently received such a call, the caller said I had placed an order for garage floor sealer two years ago and I had requested a split order. The caller said I would be receiving the remaining six gallons delivered to my house and I would be charged for that. He started the conversation by saying that because of the order that I had allegedly placed, I was the winner of a large flat screen television with a surround system. I promptly ended the call, believing it to be a scam and a poor at-

tempt to acquire my bank-

ing information. Still, it

made me very uneasy to re-

PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION

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PH: 419-258-2000 • 260-246-8843 • www.westbendnews.net **UPDATE MADE TO OHIO'S** ENDANGERED SPECIES

Every five years a status assessment of Ohio's fish and wildlife species is conducted. Several species have been taken off Ohio's Endangered Species List while others have been added, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

Five species were downlisted from endangered to threatened and include the bobcat, Lake Erie watersnake, trumpeter swan, blue sucker and the mountain madtom. The yellow-bellied sapsucker was downlisted from endangered to species of concern.

Those species going from threatened to special interest were dark-eyed junco, yellow-crowned night-heron, hermit thrush and least flycatcher.

Osprey, bald eagle, bluebreast darter and rosyside dace were taken off the threatened list and will no longer receive a designation. All of these species have experienced tremendous range expansion due to improved habitat or water quality.

Other species that will no longer receive a designation are the blue grosbeak, little blue heron, American widgeon, rock pocketbook, flat floater and fat pocketbook.

Those species added to Ohio's endangered species list were upland sandpiper, Iowa darter and gilt darter. The Eastern harvest mouse was added to the threatened

Species going from no designation to species of concern include smoky shrew, deer mouse, prairie vole, woodland vole, southern bog lemming, silver-haired bat, red bat and hoary bat. The evening bat, American black duck and variegated orange moth will now be listed as a species of special interest.

Listed as extinct are Kramer's cave beetle and the tubercled blossom mussel, which have not been found

Sudoku solution from page 13

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globally in more than 100 years. Extirpated from Ohio are the spoonhead sculpin, blackchin shiner, blacknose shiner and Mississippi silvery minnow, which have not been found in the state for 25 years. One mammal, the Southern red-backed vole, has been listed as extirpated. The Division of Wild-

life has legal authority over Ohio's fish and wildlife, which includes about 56 species of mammals, 200 species of breeding birds, 84 species and subspecies of amphibians and reptiles, 170 species of fish, 100 species of mollusks and 20 species of crustaceans. In addition, there are thousands of species of insects and other invertebrates which fall under the Division of Wildlife's jurisdiction.

The first list of Ohio's endangered wildlife was adopted in 1974 and included 71 species. An extensive examination of the list is conducted every five years. Input is sought from professional Division of Wildlife staff and other wildlife experts across

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ER: Over \$1000 new; Like new,

806 Centerfield Dr., Pauld-GARAGE SALE: 4032 SR 111, 3 mi. south of Antwerp, 4 mi. north of Payne, 4 mi. east of State Line. Fri & Sat, Aug.

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SECRETARY OF STATE HUS-TED LAUNCHES NEW ON-LINE CHANGE OF ADDRESS TOOL FOR OHIO VOTERS Ohio Secretary of State

Jon Husted today launched a new online service that allows Ohio's registered voters to update their voting address online. This new tool, housed at www.MyOhioVote.com, will help voters in meeting their primary responsibility: To be registered at their current addresses 30 days prior to an election. Additionally, reducing manual data entry at Ohio's boards of elections will save tax dollars and improve the accuracy and security of Ohio's voter rolls. 'We are making it easier for Ohio voters to do their

part in making Election Day run smoothly," Secretary Husted said. "This added convenience for voters is also a powerful tool against voter fraud as current and accurate voter rolls leave less room for abuse." The most common reason a voter must cast a provisional rather than a regular ballot

on Election Day is because they have not updated their address prior to the voter registration deadline. Provisional voters' ballots must be verified for eligibility in the days following an election before they can be included in the official tally. Secretary Husted noted that had this system been in place during the 2008 Presidential Election, an estimated 130,000 voters who cast a provisional ballot could have taken advantage of this convenience and voted a regular ballot.

"With more voters expected to participate in the Presidential Election, it follows that there will be more provisional ballots. My hope is that more Ohioans will take advantage of the new Online Change of Address System so they can vote a regular ballot," Husted said. "This is another positive step in making Ohio elections run better.'

All Ohioans of voting age will be able to use the site; however, in order to update an address online, the individual must already be a registered voter and must provide four identification keys that exactly match what's in Ohio's Statewide Voter Registration Database, including: their last name, Ohio driver's license number, the last four digits of their Social Security number and their date of birth. If a voter does not meet these requirements, they will be able to print and complete a voter registration/change of address form to mail it in to their county board of elections office.

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To ensure as many voters as possible are able to update their information online, the Secretary of State's office is working with the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) to share data. Every month the BMV provides identification information to complete voter records. Currently, more than 6 million of Ohio's registered voters will be able to change their

Upon completing the online process, the voter's county board of elections will send out a notice to confirm the change in address and provide the voter with their new polling place and precinct information for Election Day.

Voters who get their address updated between now and the first week of October will also be in line to receive an application to vote by mail for the November Presidential Election—an initiative Secretary of State Husted is sponsoring to ensure voters statewide have equal opportunity to participate, whether they choose to vote early, by mail or on Election Day.

"This November all eyes will be on Ohio, and we voters have important decisions to make. As chief elections officer, I want to ensure Ohio's voting process is accessible, accurate and secure so that we can all have confidence in the results," Husted said.

For more information, or to access the new Online Change of Address System, go to MyOhioVote.com.



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PAULDING SOCCER WINS



The Paulding U14 Boys soccer team is 2-0 after wins over Kalida (3-1) and Ft. Jennings (2-1). Playing forward are Kaleb Goshia and Alex Schlegel. Midfielders are Ben

Stuck, Josh Trausch, Brian Matson and Felipe Rios. Defenders are Skyler Maassel, Jared Paschall, Robert Deitrick, and Ryan Woodring. Goal keeper is Will Deisler.

PAULDING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S "LEADER-SHIP IN ACTION PRO-GRAM" NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Leadership in Action is a series of experiences designed to enhance personal and professional leadership qualities. Class sizes are limited to 20 people and your application must be approved to attend. The speakers, challenges, and local tours of Northwest Ohio companies makes this program an unforgettable journey for the quest of leadership. Paulding Chamber Executive Director, Erika Willitzer was a past class member and says it played a vital role in how she interprets leading and working with other individuals. "Quite frankly, I learned how to be a better public speaker and how to take personal accountibility. We all complain at times, but this class taught me, I can do something about

what I see wrong. It taught me I can't continue on with a goal in mind, even though others are saying, "You'll never accomplish anything!" Willitzer went onto share a story that she feels epitomizes what Leadership in Action teaches.

Once there was a group of frogs merrily hopping through the forest. They didn't have a care in the world until two of the frogs fell into a deep pit. All of the other frogs quickly gathered around the large pit and peered down into its deep vastness. They all begin to scratch their heads trying to come up with a way to help. After a long period of time they couldn't think of a solution, they all agreed it was hopeless and yelled down to the two frogs to prepare for their fate and that they would never get out.

Unwilling to believe the other frogs, the two frogs jumped even higher. The group of frogs above the hole begin to shout even louder to quit, to give up, that they would never get out of there alive and it wasn't worth it.

After a period of time, one of the frogs gave heed to what was being said and gave up and died. The other frog though jumped even higher. The shouts of discouragement continued and got louder. And though he was absolutely drained of every bit of energy he had, this determined frog continued to jump even higher—in miraculous ways. Eventually he jumped so high he sprang right out of the pit. The other frogs celebrated

this frogs victory and then gathered around him in puzzlement. They said, "Didn't you hear us tell you to stay down, you wouldn't get out?" In response to that the frog he said "Oh, is that what you were saying? I am hard of hearing, and I thought you were telling me to jump higher. I didn't think you were discouraging me, I thought you were encouraging me." (Story from Mike Roger's book: *Teamwork and Leadership)* Willitzer went onto make

these two points regarding that story: 1) You will have many people tell you all your life, including yourself, that it is too hard, quit, and don't try. Don't listen to them. 2) Being positive works. As a leader you can shape behavior so much better by being positive than being negative. Înspire people, don't knock them down. And these are just a few of the remarkable lessons you'll learn by taking the "Leadership in Action" course. The program is nine months of discovering leadership skills, you've always had inside of you. If you're interested and want to find and enhance your skills as a leader please contact the Paulding Chamber of Commerce via email at PauldingChamber@ gmail.com.

YOUTH INVITED TO FISH AT **STOCKED PONDS ON 8/25**

Approximately 500 young anglers age 15 and younger participated in the youthonly fishing pond opportunity held on June 30 at the five state-owned ponds across Ohio. Youth interested in fishing in stocked ponds are again invited to join in this fun experience on Saturday, August 25.

I attended the last youthonly fishing event on June 30 at Delaware State Park, and I enjoyed visiting with the kids and their parents," said Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Director James Zehringer. "As the summer winds down, we want to encourage the future anglers of Ohio to get out and enjoy this fun outdoor activ-

The designated youth-only fishing areas are at Sycamore State Park, west of Dayton; Delaware State Park, north of Delaware; Maumee Bay State Park, east of Toledo; Caesar Creek State Park, southwest of Xenia; and the Wildlife District Three youth fishing ponds in Akron. This unique youth event

will be held on August 25 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. for anglers 15-years-old and younger. Bait and assistance from volunteers will be provided at no charge on August 25. Youth are encouraged to bring their fishing poles; however, poles will be available during these events. All young anglers must be accompanied by a parent or guardian while at the youth event, but adults are not required to have a fishing license. Adults are not allowed to fish in the youth area, but they may assist their young anglers. Picnic tables and restroom facilities are available, and young anglers are encouraged to wear hats and sunglasses to protect themselves while casting their lines.

State park ponds will be stocked with catchable channel catfish and hybrid bluegill just prior to the youth-only fishing event and will be open

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family-friendly These youth only fishing events and areas are partially funded by the purchases of Ohio fishing licenses and federal contributions from the Sport Fish Restoration Fund.

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