

MAPLECREST ROAD EXTENSION OPENED



By: Beth Stauffer

This past week, a project many years in the making finally came to fruition when the Maplecrest Road Extension opened to traffic on Tuesday, October 30, 2012 from Lake Avenue to Adams Center Road at Indiana 930

in New Haven. The initial ribbon cutting ceremony had to be postponed due to the inclement weather in the area on Tuesday morning; instead, the ribbon cutting ceremony took place under blue skies early on Friday af-

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VETERANS' DAY ASSEMBLY AT ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL

Antwerp Local School will once again host their annual Veterans' Day assembly. This year's program will be held on Monday, November 12, at 10:00 a.m. in the main gym. Veterans are encouraged to enjoy the program then stay for lunch on us. The staff and students of Antwerp Local School appreciate the sacrifice made by our veterans and look forward to seeing you as we pay tribute to America's true heroes.

BOY SCOUT DATE CORRECTION

There is a correction on the dates for the Scouts food drive. The bags were actually distributed this LAST weekend, November 3rd and the Scouts will pick up full bags of food on Saturday, November 10. We apologize for any confusion. There's still time!

PAULDING COUNTY TALENT DISPLAYED



By: Sue Knapp

Paulding County is a great place to live. The county holds all kinds of interesting people with all kinds of talent. Arthur Davis from Paulding is one such person.

Arthur is a talented woodcarver. He has been

OAKWOOD KA SMARTIES WEIGH IN ON PUMPKINS



Oakwood Elementary KA Smarties have been learning about pumpkins. They used a pan balance to discover who had the heaviest pumpkin and the lightest pumpkin. Pictured weighing their pumpkins are Cadance Lucas and Libby Dotterer.

carving since the early 2000's. One of his latest projects is a bear, a big bear, carved from a diseased tree located on his lot.

He has also carved an aircraft carrier, a clipper ship and eagles to name a

few. He also paints pictures, sculpts and knows his way around auto and body repair on cars.

He is now getting ready to carve a bronco with rider and a turkey. Arthur uses

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OBITUARIES

David R. Brown, 68, of Oakwood died Sunday, October 28, 2012 at Kindred Hospital, Lima.

He was born July 19, 1944 in Defiance to the late John C. and Constance B. (Sproul) Brown. On July 26, 1969, he married Debra Relyea who survives in Oakwood.

Also surviving are his children: Christina (Steve) Mock of Defiance, Chad (fiancée, Leanne White) Brown of Oakwood, Troy (Theda) Brown of Syracuse, IN, Jason Brown of Oakwood, and Tiffany (Nathan) Kremer of Oakwood; 19 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and a brother: Fred (Helen) Brown of Defiance.

He was preceded in death by two grandchildren: Tommy and Troy Brown; and two brothers: Phillip Brown and one during infancy.

David retired from Cooper Farms, Oakwood and formerly worked for 10 years at Cooper Furniture, Oakwood. He was an Army Veteran from 1965 to 1967 serving in Vietnam. He was a 1962 graduate of Oakwood High School, and a member of the Oakwood American Legion Post 341 and Grover Hill V.F.W. He loved Ohio State Buckeyes and Cleveland Browns.

Funeral service was November 1, 2012 at Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood with Rev. Robert Merriman officiating. Burial followed in Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance with military rites by Oakwood American Legion.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to COPD Foundation or American Diabetes Association.

Condolences may be expressed at www.heitmeyerfuneralhome.com.

Fred "Bill" W. Varner, 73, of Defiance passed away Monday, October 29, 2012 at his residence.

He was born in Oakwood on July 21, 1939, a son of the late Helen E. (Harmon) Varner Thomas and Fred Varner. On November 23, 1958 he married Linda Brewer. Bill retired from Lafarge Corporation, Paulding, in 1997. He also worked at Paulding Exempted Village Schools and Innovative Assembly Services, Paulding.

Surviving are his wife, Linda; sister, Barbara Ott; step-sister, Thelma Thomas; sons: Rick (Karen) Varner, and Randy (Sara) Varner; grandchildren: Brett Varner, Nikki (Shawn) Hull, Kristen (Bill) Baumert, Erin (Daimon) Meeh, Ben (Lacey) Varner, Kyle Varner, Jacob Varner, and Kaley Varner; great-grandchildren: Paige Hull, Cadey, Dylan and Matthew Mills, Cyenna and Cash Baumert, Harlie and Hayden Varner.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Roger Varner; son, Ron Varner; step-father, David Thomas; step-brother, Donald Thomas; and a great-granddaughter, Nevaeh Varner.

Funeral services were conducted November 2, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Mr. Bob Verfaillie officiating. Burial followed in Paulding Memorial Cemetery, Paulding, Ohio.

Donations may be made to CHP Hospice, Bryan; American Cancer Society; or a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com



John I. Scarbrough, 85, of Grover Hill passed away on November 1, 2012 at St. Rita Medical Center, Lima.

He was born February 25, 1927 in Haviland to Fay Percy and Gladys L. (Wistner) Scarbrough, both deceased. He married Bessie Naomi Stetler on October 3, 1948. She passed on February 24, 2003. He owned the Grover Hill Lumber Yard for several years, then was a self-employed carpenter. He was a member of Zion United Methodist Church, Grover Hill and a U.S. Navy World War II veteran.

He is survived by a son, John Ed (Jackie) Scarbrough of Grover Hill; a daughter, Brenda (Tom) Ferrell of Grover Hill; brothers: Gene (Nova) Scarbrough of Grover Hill, Jerry (Linda) Scarbrough of Grover Hill, and Gail (Krista) Scarbrough of Grover Hill; sisters: Pat Ward of Midland, MI, Carol Bryant of Lima, OH, and Marge (Don) Stahl of Grover Hill; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Bessie; and one grandson, Bryan Ferrell.

Services were November 5, 2012 at Zion United Methodist Church, Grover Hill with Pastor Mike Waldron and Paul W. Miller officiating. Burial was in Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill with military rites at the gravesite by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Grover Hill.

Arrangements were handled by Cowan & Son Funeral Home, Van Wert. Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded at www.cowanfuneralhome.com

Janice E. Brown, 46, of Hicksville died Thursday, November 1, 2012 at Community Health Professionals Inpatient Hospice, Defiance, OH.

She was born on November 26, 1965 in Hicksville, the daughter of William and Margaret (Menefee) Brown.

Janice is survived by a daughter, Ruth (Chris) Gibson of Hicksville; a grandson, Riley Tae Gibson; her mother, Margaret; two brothers: John (Joan) and William all of Hicksville, six sisters: Sandra (Don)

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him... BUT God has revealed it to us by His Spirit."

—1 Corinthians 2:9-10

VanScoder, Colleen Miller, Sarah Brown all of Hicksville, Rosie (Ben) Schmucker of New Haven, IN, Debbie Witmer of Woodburn, IN, Nancy Brown of Fort Wayne, IN; a special friend, Blas Jasso; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, William; four infant sisters; and her grandmother, Ruth Brown.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, November 3, 2012 at Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Memorials may be made to Smith & Brown Funeral Home. Online condolences may be shared at www.smithbrownfuneralhome.com.

NOVEMBER IS AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

By Dr. Kara Heine Laughlin, Grabill Eye Center

Did you know the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in American adults? November is American Diabetes Month and also Diabetic Eye Disease Month drawing attention to not only diabetes, but the eye conditions that can affect both type 1 and type 2 pa-



tients. Diabetes can present in the eye in many ways, and whether you are on insulin or not, the longer a person is diabetic, the more likely he or she will have problems.

Eye doctors can sometimes be the first to be suspicious of diabetes in a patient even before it is diagnosed with blood work. Sometimes patients will come in simply with blurry vision. Rapid changes in glasses prescription can be a clue that blood glucose is abnormal. High sugar in some people can cause these big shifts as the lens in the eye swells.

Of bigger concern, however, are problems in the retina, or back lining of the eye that registers light. The

retina is fed by a blood vessel supply where the tiniest branches can leak fluid or bleed as they become weak from high blood sugar. This stage called 'non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy', and according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), between 40-45% of American diabetics have it. This early damage is just monitored by your primary eye doctor and can often be controlled with better blood sugar management, along with better blood pressure and cholesterol control. All of these things affect the health of the small blood vessels. If the damage progresses though, it can lead to poor blood flow to parts of the retina and the eye will try to make up for it by growing new blood vessels for nourishment. These vessels themselves do not affect vision, but they are weak and can bleed easily. This 'proliferative diabetic retinopathy' leaves a person at high risk for vision loss as the bleeding can progress to scarring, pulling on the retina, and even retinal detachment.

Advanced diabetic retinopathy is mostly treated by retinal surgeons who are very specialized eye doctors. It can include laser therapy to help shrink the abnormal blood vessels, or injections into the eye of a medicine that can stop the signals for new blood vessel growth. Diabetics are also at risk of 'macular edema'. This is swelling in the very center region of the retina and can occur at any stage of retinopathy. The fluid leakage here is dangerous because as it scars, it can leave a permanent blind spot in the middle of a person's vision. It is treated in similar ways to proliferative retinopathy with different types of lasers or injections. Diabetics are also at a higher risk of glaucoma than other adults and at a younger age. This may be related to blood flow to the optic nerve.

Overall, the standard of care is yearly dilated eye exams for all diabetics with the goal of damage being caught and managed early. According to the NIH, "People with proliferative retinopathy can reduce their risk of blindness by 95% with timely treatment." Your doctor that manages your diabetes will often ask about these yearly eye exams as they can signal how your body is doing overall with the disease. Make sure your eye doctor is communicating the results.

Remember, it is important to not wait for symptoms, and since diabetes

is a medical condition, eye exams to watch for related changes, regardless of if damage is present, should be covered under your medical insurance (ie: Medicare, Anthem, Aetna, PHP, etc.), even if you do not carry vision insurance. Check with your optometrist or general ophthalmologist to make sure he or she is a provider, and take the time now to have your eyes checked during American Diabetes Month if it has been more than a year since your last dilated eye exam. As always, follow your diabetes doctor's recommendations for diet, exercise, and medications knowing they can also be saving your sight.

OAKWOOD AREA SCRAPBOOKERS HOST SCRAPATHON

The Oakwood Area Scrapbookers will be hosting a Scrapathon November 16-18 in the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library. All fellow scrapbookers are welcome to join us. The hours for the event are Friday 5:00-10:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00-10:00 a.m., and Sunday 1:00-5:00 p.m. You are responsible for bringing your own food and drink. Call the library, 419-594-3337 to sign up. Space is limited so reserve your spot. You do not have to be committed to the entire weekend to join us.

THANK YOU

A great big thank you to everyone who made my 85th birthday so very wonderful! God bless you all.

—Betty Stubberfield

Thank You

Words can not begin to express the gratitude we feel for all the well wishes we received after the passing of our beloved "Pinky". All the cards, food, visits, and prayers were greatly appreciated. Special thank you to Pastor Mike and Kimberly Schneider for their support and to Dooley Funeral Home for easing us through the process. Also thank you to the Methodist Women's Group for the wonderful meal. Ray was an amazing husband, father, and grandfather; we will miss him dearly. Thank you all.

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Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much: Good times, good friends, a loved one's touch.

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1st & 2nd GRADERS HOST WEEKLY FRIDAY MASS



Grades 1 & 2 of Divine Mercy Catholic School, Payne, Ohio, recently hosted a weekly Friday Mass. They chose to celebrate

God's Creation by sharing a song of "The Seven Days of Creation."

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ternoon to a crowd befitting this landmark project in East Allen County.

While the Maplecrest Extension only officially made its debut this week, it has been a part of Allen County's local transportation plan for well over 30 years. Back in 1996, the Commissioners of Allen County ordered a preliminary engineering report to be completed on the proposed site from Lake Avenue to Adams Center Road at Indiana 930 in New Haven. This report was followed by a series of subsequent assessments and analyses to prepare the way for a 1.5 mile stretch of brand new four-lane roadway.

Groundbreaking took place on the Maplecrest Road Extension project in April of 2010 and in the 2½ years since then, Primco, Inc. of Fort Wayne has been busy fulfilling the construction contract they were awarded at an approximate cost to date of \$31.4 million dollars. The Engineer's initial cost estimate for the project was in the neighborhood of \$50 million dollars, which is a difference of \$18.6 million dollars.

Considering the cost of this project, one might wonder what the projected economic benefits to the Fort Wayne and East Allen County corridor will be

and just who exactly is footing the bill? According to a press release provided at the ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, back in 2008 the firm RW Armstrong conducted a feasibility analysis which determined that "the construction of the Maplecrest Road Extension alone was expected to have an economic impact of around \$86 million dollars for our community—an increase of 79% on the original public investment."

In addition to these impressive statistics, the project to date has provided "over 120,000 labor hours working on the Maplecrest Extension." This roughly translates into over \$2.5 million dollars in salaries paid to area workers, a portion of which New Haven resident Ed Beitler received for his work constructing the bridges that span the Norfolk-Southern Railroad tracks and the Maumee River.

In the future, the RW Armstrong feasibility study also predicted that "total economic output from post-construction private investment is projected to exceed \$715 million dollars over an 11 year period, adding \$236 million dollars in employee compensation and support more than 7,800 jobs in the Allen County economy."

The second question con-

sisting of 'Just who is paying for this project?' was also addressed by the press release provided at the ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday. \$11 million dollars in federal funding was earmarked for the Maplecrest Extension Project during former Congressional Representative Mark Souder's term as a part of a highway authorization bill. New Haven and Fort Wayne both have pledged \$4.2 million dollars to the project in addition to \$533,000 pledged from the Norfolk-Southern Railroad. Other funding sources include \$9 million in County Major Bridge Funds and a \$25 million dollar bond approved by the Fort Wayne City Council.

One might expect when talking about a major, multi-million dollar project to receive a mixed bag of positive and negative comments from the general public, but that does not appear to be the case with the Maplecrest Road Extension project. Everyone that I have spoken with about the project has been overwhelmingly positive, and for the most part offered different perspectives about why this is such a great addition to East Allen County.

Gary Marquardt, the Assistant Fire Chief at New Haven Adams Township Fire Station #2 on Paulding Road, envisions the Maplecrest Road Extension having "great benefit for our community." Marquardt added, "Fire and emergency services will now have access to both sides of the river and if a train is blocking the tracks we'll still be able to get to previously inaccessible areas like Riverhaven, North Landin Road and North River Road. This has been a long time coming."

Marquardt's wife, Ann, a local realtor, is also a fan of the Maplecrest Extension. "My commute is almost 2 miles shorter now," Ann told me with a laugh. She added, "I also think it's really going to open up that whole corridor of Fort Wayne into New Haven for growth. It's going to be a good opportunity for businesses to grow in New Haven and for new subdivisions in the Adams Center corridor and off of 469."

Stacy Downing, the Pastor of Hoagland United Methodist Church, said of the project, "The Maplecrest Extension has been a great gift to our family. It connects our new community (New Haven) with our old neighborhood (Georgetown), cutting significant travel time to see old friends, doctors, dentists and other favorite service providers! Plus, our toddler gets to cross a river and railroad tracks all on 'one' bridge!"

Barb Johnson, a music teacher at Concordia Lutheran School off of Lake Av-

KIDS' CLOTHES CLOSET IN ANTWERP

The Kids' Clothes Closet at Riverside Christian Church in Antwerp has been providing kids' clothes to those in need for over two years. If you know of someone who could use kids' clothes, then share God's love with them through the Kids' Clothes Closet at Riverside. Bring them with you or set up an appointment to stop in and get some clothes to share with them.

The Kids' Clothes Closet was created to help clothe kids in need while providing followers of Jesus an opportunity to reflect the love of Jesus. It continues to meet those needs through the generous donations of clothes from those in the Antwerp and surrounding communities. The Kids' Clothes Closet accepts all sizes of gently used kid's clothes and is currently short on baby boy clothes sized 3-9 months.

You are always welcome to come to Riverside's Sunday worship gathering at 10:30 a.m. and stick around afterward to get clothes or set up an appointment with Casey at 419-258-2726. If she is not there, just leave a message and she will get back with you.

The Kid's Clothes Closet is a ministry of Riverside Hearts & Hands.

enue and the Choir Director and Organist at Martini Lutheran in New Haven, said "I drove over it for the first time today and I love it. I can be sure I won't get caught by trains and I don't have to go around on Coliseum. It is awesome! It opens a lot of doors for many businesses. It will also help the people of Parrott Road."

Janet Hayward, a teacher at Central Lutheran School in New Haven, also loves the new Maplecrest Extension. Of the new roadway she said, "I love it! It will be great for New Haven businesses and it opens the door for more grocery shopping for the New Haven residents. I would imagine property

LUTHERAN FOUNDATION HELPS THE WOODBURN FOOD BANK WITH A \$2500 GRANT



Christ Lutheran Church again through the Lutheran Foundation, recently gave a Grant for \$2500 to the Woodburn Food Bank. Bambi Keller and Sandie Beerbower, Christ's Social Welfare Board, presented the check to Patti Shuler, Coordinator of the Food Bank. The money will be used to purchase meat and other grocery items needed to help the Food Bank for those receiving groceries to feed their families. The need is great as around 50 families may use this Food Bank

every week. This is all due to the Lutheran Foundation committee at Christ, and also all from the Christ Lutheran Church congregation who support the Food Bank throughout the year through groceries given. The Board appreciates the response of its members bringing many food products each week. The Woodburn Methodist church members and their coordinator, Patti does a great job in helping the people in the Woodburn Community.

values will come up for the people off of Parrott Road. They have direct access to Maplecrest now."

Adam Gaddy, who lives off of East State Street and travels to New Haven regularly to visit family and to take his daughter, Madelyn,

to her childcare provider's house, had just a few words to say about the Maplecrest Road Extension project, but perhaps he said it best of all when he said, "It's amazing; and, extremely convenient."

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DIRTY LAUNDRY

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Recently a young couple had moved into a rural neighborhood. Living next door to this new couple was Bill and Mary. One morning while eating breakfast, Mary looked out the window and saw her new neighbor hanging her wash. "That laundry isn't very clean!" Mary told Bill. "Our young neighbor doesn't know how to get her clothes clean!" Bill read the paper and didn't say a word. Every time the new neighbor hung the laundry out to dry, Mary would make the same comments. Bill continued to say nothing.

A few weeks later, Mary was surprised to look out her window and see a nice, fresh and clean row of wash hung out to dry. In surprise, she said to her husband, "Look Bill, she finally knows how to clean her laundry. I wonder what she learned?" Mary asked.

Bill replied, "Honey, I might have an answer for you."

"Really?" Mary said.
 "Yes, I do." Bill said. "I got up early this morning and washed our windows. I guess we finally learned to wash the windows." (From a video at

www.openthemeeting.com)

This story of Bill, Mary, and their neighbor is the filter through which our culture wants us to view the issue of judging others. If we notice that someone else has a problem, then that problem is really just our problem because we're judgmental. It's definitely not the other person's problem.

I concede that frequently the problem is our problem. We can't just run around trying to correct everyone. Jesus instructed us to judge rightly (John 7:21-24). We need to make sure that we are seeing the whole issue before coming to a judgment. All sides of the issue. We have to make sure that the problem isn't just us, our wrong attitude or our incomplete perspective.

But at other times, people actually have problems, and we are called to help them. We don't have to be perfect to practice righteous judgment. If that were the case, we wouldn't ever be qualified to help one another out because each one of us is a sinner in need of a savior. What we have to be is humble and loving. And if we have a problem with something, then we shouldn't start pointing that out in others (Matthew 7:1-5). People might not know how

to do their laundry. What would it benefit them if we didn't go over there and show them how to do it? We could do this in a creative and loving way. We could invite them to do laundry with us. But the goal would be helping and not just criticizing them from the comfort of our dining room table.

People might not know right from wrong. They might not have been taught it since birth. They might be out of touch with God in an area and need some help. We all have a somewhat skewed upbringing. Our society instructs us from birth that we are to let people be who they are, but some times people need to be loved out of being who they are. They need someone to show them that they can be better than who they are, that they are not limited to being who they presently are. Nobody is confined to just be who they are. Each one of us needs to work toward being who God planned for us to be. Most people have been taught by their parents how to do their laundry, but for those who haven't, they do need someone to teach them.

This is an excerpt from a larger piece asking whether we Christians are to judge and how to do that. It can be read at <http://alturl.com/jnd7i>.

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.regansavings.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.

AM I MY PARENTS KEEPER?

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

I had the privilege of officiating as a minister the funerals of both of my parents, something that I recall at the time as being hard but also a blessing. Fortunately for our family, neither of our parents suffered for any length of time before they died, though that is not always the case for many others.

For example, *People Magazine* reported in their September 3, 2012 issue that... Contemporary Christian Singer Amy Grant has buried her mother and is now watching her father suffer the same fate of dementia.

Her father, Dr. Grant was once a prominent radiation oncologist in Nashville who now struggles with basic mental functions. The battle of losing both parents to the same disorder has certainly taken a toll on Grant and her sisters. They've dealt with all types of emotions, yet found consolation from the wisdom of a friend who said, "This is the last great lesson your parents will teach you."

The singer said, "That changed everything. I've learned even tough situations are beautiful." Caring for parents who can no longer care for themselves is truly a gift because it teaches us so much about ourselves and allows us to deepen our understanding of love. It is so significant that God says such faithfulness pleases Him "very much..."

Regarding "being there" for our parents in their last stages of life is something that the Grant family has found rooted in the scriptures...

1 Timothy 5:4 (NIV), "But if a widow has children or grandchildren, these should learn first of all to put their religion into practice by caring for their own family and so repaying their parents and grandparents, for this is pleasing to God."

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

HEARTS & HANDS TO HOST FUNDRAISER FOR HOPE 2 LIBERIA PROJECT

On Saturday November 10th, Hearts & Hands: A Riverside Community Service Group is holding a fundraiser to support Hope 2 Liberia. Hope 2 Liberia is an organization that helps bring clean drinking water to Liberians. Last year Regan Clem had the opportunity to spend 10 days working with this organization on location. He will be returning again to do more work.

"Last year I went to Liberia and my eyes were opened to the great need facing the Liberian people. Due to that trip, eighty church leaders received training and over 1,000 people received access to water filtration systems that provide safe and clean drinking water. Since that time, my heart has been tugged to continue helping the Liberian people. Thankfully, I have been asked once again by Hope 2 Liberia to travel to Liberia. This time I will teach at a church leader's conference, provide water filtration systems, help out at a medical clinic, and work alongside the Liberians on the construction of one of the Hope Centers.

It's Hope 2 Liberia's vision "to provide safe and living water for the nation of Liberia, resulting in better health, available education and stronger leaders; all culminating in a renewed sense of hope." Hope 2 Liberia does this through establishing Hope Centers. A Hope Center provides safe drinking water and a place for the local church to meet. After seeing their work on the ground last year and Hope's empowering of the local churches in Liberia to meet the people's needs, I am excited to travel and work with their organization. Society cannot be rebuilt without longevity in the population, and a healthy society cannot be built without Jesus in the people's hearts. Hope 2 Liberia is working on both fronts," says Clem.

You can help too! Hearts & Hands are taking donations for baked goods for the fundraising morning to support this very important project," Says Courtney Shull, Hearts&Hands member. In addition to the bake sale items we will be taking Scentsy and Thirty One orders. They make wonderful Christmas gifts. This exciting morning will take place at the Arch (Antwerp Youth Center) Saturday, November 10th from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.! All proceeds will go to Hope 2 Liberia!

If you would like more information about this project, or Hearts & Hands, look for our event on Facebook or call Courtney Shull at 419-506-1360 (leave a voicemail or text) or via e-mail, courtneyshull@gmail.com.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY POSITIVE SPEAKER ASSEMBLY



Nick McClain and Emma Schmidt, both seniors at Wayne Trace High School, came to Payne Elementary for our Positive Speaker Assembly. Nick and Emma talked about the importance of being

involved and working hard at school. They also talked about their plans for after graduation and how working hard at school has helped them be able to go onto college.

(Continued from Page 1) a sawzall (his only electric tool), chisels, files, hand scrapers and carving tools in his side yard to create.

Someone gave him some wooden pallets and he constructed a picket fence around his yard. The fence is a foundation for his hybrid marigolds that he started from seeds. These magnificent flowers line the whole fence creating a beautiful border to his property. Yes, he loves to grow things.

Arthur's companion, Linda Glover, is right by his side helping him and giving him support. She is very excited about his projects and acts as his spokesperson.

Arthur and Linda invites anyone to come and view his projects. You may call 419-378-0496 for an appointment.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Braxton Michael Hanenkratt was born on Sunday, October 28, 2012 at 12:30. He weighed 7 lb. 10 oz. and was

20 inches long. His parents are Amber Baumert and Neil Hanenkratt of Paulding. Proud grandparents are Steve and Melissa Mapes of Paulding, and Kim and Jim Smallwood of Antwerp.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Once again, it is time to honor Nancy Eagleson and lament the fact that her murder in Paulding County on November 13, 1960, has yet to be solved. Nancy was abducted in the village of Paulding while walking home from the movie theater, and her body was found hours later in a rural wooded area. No solid leads were ever developed even though an autopsy was conducted at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the next day, and physical evidence from the

crime was later examined at a lab in Toledo, Ohio. This physical evidence has disappeared—evidence that could yield DNA for analysis. It has been disputed whether or not it was ever returned to Paulding County from the crime lab. The evidence could still be in Toledo, or it may be somewhere in Paulding County, but its location is crucial.

Due to the efforts of Nancy's family, friends, and the sheriff's department, experts are currently examining this case, but progress is slow, and other, more recent cases have priority. If anyone has specific knowledge that would help solve this case, please contact the Paulding County Sheriff's Department at 419-399-3791. Particularly, if anyone can help locate the missing physical evidence from this case, please call. This evidence would include Nancy's clothing, high-heeled shoes, purse, scarf, and possibly bullet fragments. Anyone who actually saw this evidence is asked to call the sheriff's department to report when and where it was seen. Please do not call to report rumors, hear-say, unfounded accusations, or county legends. Specific, factual, first-hand accounts are needed.

Also, to honor Nancy and show support for the work in progress on this case, the Eagleson family, friends, and supporters will walk from the old Paulding Theater on Perry Street, just west of the square, to the abduction site on Flat Rock Drive on Saturday evening, November 17th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. This walk will take

place rain or shine (barring hurricanes and blizzards), so please bring a flashlight, warm clothing, and umbrella, if needed.

Sincerely,
—Jeanne Windsor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Kudos to Dan Garstka on his recent Letter to the Editor regarding the lack of progress on the US24 project. I am glad someone else is outraged by the incompetence by IN-DOT officials on this project! The redo of the bridge over the Gar Creek ditch only came after the bridge flooded. Residents sent pictures of the project and voiced concerns that the original bridge was too low, but INDOT engineers ignored the locals as un-informed and INDOT knew better. The redo of the asphalt and now the concrete work redo on a road that has never been driven on is just as aggravating. Look at the website from INDOT regarding the building of the new US 24 and the estimated cost was \$93 million. A later update listed the price tag at \$110 million. According to the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette when the Ohio portion opened up, the new price tag for the 11-mile Indiana section was listed at \$154 million. That is 60+% increase on a stretch of road with only three interchanges and one bridge over a creek, not a river! Taxpayers should be outraged. In my business, if I came back to a homeowner and told them that the remodeling project that I quoted at \$10,000 was now going to cost \$16,000, they would tell me to take the cost overages and stick them (you fill in the rest). As taxpayers, we should demand that the INDOT engineers involved should be fired for incompetence and the contractors that worked on the project be banned from doing work in Indiana for shoddy workmanship. Officials and contractors need to be held accountable for their actions. Indiana has to be a laughingstock to the Ohio DOT, to the transportation industry, and to local residents for the mismanagement of a project of 11-miles of road over flat ground in eastern Allen county. Maybe the West Bend News should run a new contest (instead of the opening date of the new US24) and pick a date for when orange barrels will first appear on the new road. I'll bet it will be sooner than it should be.

—Jeff Abbott

NOVEMBER IS HOSPICE MONTH W/ THEME: COMFORT, LOVE & RESPECT

Hospice nurses are often asked, "How can you work in hospice - it must be so sad!"

The nurse usually replies with something like this: "I love providing hospice care because I know I make a huge difference in the quality of a person's life. Hospice isn't about dying, but is about living as fully as possible despite a life-limiting illness. I can use my training as a nurse to bring comfort and dignity to my patients, and to those who care for them."

November is National Hospice and Palliative Care Month, a time to draw attention and raise awareness of this special kind of care.

"Coping with a serious or life-limiting illness is hard. Working with doctors and hospitals, figuring out insurance coverage, all in addition to taking care of your family can be overwhelming," said Melissa Hale, RN, nursing supervisor for Community Health Professionals in Paulding. "We want the community to know that there's help available that brings comfort, love and respect when it's most needed."

What is Hospice Care?

Hospice care provides pain management, symptom control, support, and spiritual care to patients and their families when a cure is not possible. The nation's hospices serve more than 1.5 million people every year - and their family caregivers, too.

Hospice is covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurance plans.

"Hospice is not brink-of-death care intended for the last days of life only," Hale said. "Hospice is most effective when we have months and not days to support patients and families at the end of life. It's not giving up, it's not the last resort... it's choosing the fullest life in the time remaining."

What is Palliative Care?

Palliative care is focused on relieving or soothing the symptoms of a disease or disorder. Palliative care is for people of any age, and at any stage in an illness.

The overall goal of palliative care is to improve your quality of life while you are ill. It brings the same interdisciplinary team care as hospice to people earlier in the course of a serious illness and can be provided along with other treatments they may still be receiving from their doctor.

"We work hard all year trying to educate people know the full range of services that we provide in the community," added Hale. "Hospice Month is a good opportunity to raise awareness of how we can help local families through a difficult time. That's the message behind this year's Hospice Month theme: Comfort, Love, and Respect."

To learn more, contact Community Health Professionals at 419-399-4708 or ComHealthPro.org; a full-service, nonprofit agency serving Paulding County since 1979.

PAULDING 7th & 8th GRADE ADVANCED READING STUDENTS



Paulding Middle School 7th and 8th grade Advanced Reading students (l-r) Brian Matson, Chantal Monnier, and Brianna Gorrell.

Paulding Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Advanced Reading Students have been working on their portfolios they developed throughout the first nine weeks grading period. Included in the portfolios are a letter to their parents, lesson materials, and pockets of material covered

the first nine weeks. These materials included: Interactive Notebooks, Writing Samples, Formative Assessments, Summative Assessments and The Ohio Standards. The Advanced Reading classes are taught by Mrs. Deb Paputakis.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY TALKS ABOUT FIRE SAFETY



The Payne Fire Department came to Payne Elementary to give an assembly about fire safety. They talked to all students about what to do in a

fire, who to call if there is an emergency, and they showed the students what they look and sound like when they are in their full firefighter gear.

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OLD DAN & I, CHAPTER 12: AT YARMOUTH-AIRBASE

By: Stan Jordan

The general told his driver to take four men who have had supper and go and relieve the men who were on guard at the planes. After the four new boys had eaten supper the general took all of us over the officers' lounge. After a couple of minutes of telling where we were and why, he settled down to business.

Fellows this is all top secret, you fellows have all been screened and approved or you wouldn't be here. Anything and everything you see and hear here, is top secret and you don't talk to anyone else about it. Yes, I know the other blokes will think we are snooty, but that is the way it is.

Still in that C-47 out there, is a new weapon just fresh from Ordnance called Napalm. It is a fluid-like material like in a flame thrower, but we are going to spread it from a tank carried under the wings of two of our P-51.

From the pictures we took of that raid on Amrun, Denmark. We found that the island where the Germans

manufacture heavy water, is lined with anti-aircraft guns of all sizes. The pictures we got were very good quality.

Well we want to put all of them out of action, when we raid that island again we want to save all the big bombers if we can.

Dan and his plane and Lt. Meyers P-51, will dump the Napalm on this line of anti-aircraft guns on the island, on each side of that big building. We will be down pretty low and flying pretty fast.

Lt. Hornish and one other P-51 will fly behind and up a little at about 400 foot altitude and spray the area with 50 caliber rounds to ignite the liquid and make a fiery inferno of a few hundred yards.

Now this operation has a two barrelled reason. One, to burn all the Krauts that are manning the 88 mm guns. The other is to put a black smoke on each side of the building to mark it for the bombers that are coming and that will be overhead.

We will have to wait on the weather man because we want the breeze to be out of the west to put the smoke over on the sea shore of Denmark. We don't want any bombs to fall on the main land of Denmark, just the Island of Amrun which is 6-8 miles off the coast of Troyer, Denmark.

We will not have to carry auxiliary gas tanks. I think we will make our run with the Mustangs just like we had planned, make a circle over Denmark proper, then up in the air and head back home for Yarmouth. The B-17's will have their own escort planes—probably P-

47s called the Flying Milk-bottle.

So, tomorrow your ground crew boys will service all the Mustangs, fuel, ammo, clean the bubbles so we can see all around.

Then right after lunch we will start installing the tanks of Napalm, and see how we can fasten them to the undercarriage. These are not a droppable unit. After we empty them we still have them attached to the fuselage. We have brought along an empty tank so we can learn how to mount them and then how to dump the liquid. It has about a six inch drain hole in the bottom of the rear of the tank. There is about a hundred gallons in each tank.

We will need one more pilot and one more P-51 to bring up the other side of the building on the island along with Lt. Hornish. I will acquire a P-51 Mustang and have Dan to check it out and see if its in perfect shape and ready to go.

The guards will not let anyone into the area. Positively no civilians nor camera people. Just short of shooting anyone. Any trouble at all, call me. I can handle it, that's my job, the general said.

I hope we can be ready to go, by tomorrow night. But then after we are ship-shaped we have to wait for the post weather bureau to keep us informed of the weather over on the Denmark side of the North Sea.

"Now, fellows do you have any questions or suggestions? This is the time to be sure of any fears or thoughts.

"Do you think the 50 caliber tracers will start the liquid on fire? Lt., that was tried five times at the ordinance depot and it kindled the liquid to burn all five times. It burns fast and hot. Something like light molasses, sticks to everything and burns. It's brand new and called Napalm. Another questions?"

"Yes general who is going to fly that other Mustang?"

"Well sgt. for security reasons we will wait til the last minute. Let's spend the evening in a euchre tournament in our room, okay?: See ya!

SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 39: GETTING BACK TO NORMAL

By: Stan Jordan

I haven't written for a while, it will take me a little time to bring you up to date.

It is now April 20, 1855. We are back at the Indian Agency.

At the fort, Dr. Grooms would not let Callie and the twins ride in the wagon 70 miles until it warmed up a little.

The soldier boys, Farmer and Hunter, along with me all came over here early and built the fires and had plowed the garden and things are about back to normal.

Roosters broken arm is okay now and he is the runner again. He was here for a few days and he has returned to Fort Kearney to report about everything here at the Agency. And to check if any new blankets for the indians have arrived.

Limping Buffalo, the chief of White Elks tribe, and his

son, Pony That Walks, their Shaman and a couple braves and a couple of indian women were here and planted our garden.

When all the boys went back with Limping Buffalo to their settlement one of the indian ladies stayed here at the agency to help Callie with her chores—sort of an indian nanny. She slept on the hay in the barn where it was nice and warm. She has caught onto the white mans ways quickly. Her indian name is Yellow Tulip.

After the boys and Half Moon and a lot of natives finished their garden, the soldier boys and I went over the Calamus River Tribe.

They all seem to be okay and in good shape. It takes one day from White Elks Village to the Calamus Village.

Farmer plowed everything in one long day. Their chief gardener is called Possum, and he had a lot of native help, at the end of the second day the gardening was finished.

We had a day-long Pow Wow with pipe smoking and all. The native ladies had an indian type of chili, and it was pretty good. Early the next morning we started back to the agency.

We got an early start and we pulled into the agency just before dark. Rooster was back from the fort and while everyone did their chores, he made a big pot of vegetable soup. He had opened up the storage here in the barn and all of our winter stash.

We sit around the fire and talked just like we did last year. Callie and Yellow Tulip had the twins well dressed and out for everyone to see and admire. It was a nice warm spring evening. Yes, our life here at home with the twins is the same as before but then a lot different. The boys and I got rid of all the hanging meat in the barn that the bear and wolves didn't ruin.

Then we went out to get some fresh meat. I got a small deer, Hunter got a big buck and some prairie chickens. We smoked some of the meat and we dried a good part of it and we fried up a lot of it. Yellow Tulip is learning to cook and eat like the white man. She is learning to speak english and wants to learn to read it.

She is a good worker and after she learned the ropes and what to do. Well, this summer rode right along and it's almost time to harvest the garden.

Rooster rode in last night and said General Kearney and some of the troops are bringing over the allotment of blankets and some other tools and supplies. About 164 blankets for Limping Buffalo's Tribe, and about the same number for the Calamus Tribe.

I think we will harvest our garden and load up the plow and go do the same at each of the other villages. We will distribute the blankets on the same trip. I think the general will enjoy those trips. The mess sgt. is going along and has a good time showing some of his wares.

Callie is going to stay here with the twins, Yellow Tulip and also the Hunter. If nothing else Hunter will bring in a good supply of wood for the winter. See ya!



The Antwerp Community Development Committee (ACDC) awarded a check to the Antwerp Community Band in the amount of \$300.00. ACDC makes donations throughout the year to

enhance the Antwerp area community. Shown above is Dan Fowler, ACDC President, presenting the check to Marilyn Zuber and Kathy Gormely.

A BAND OF HEROS

By: Stan Jordan

A letter to the Antwerp Archer Varsity football team of 2012:

Fellows, my hat is off to you.

You ended the season with a record of 0-10, but to me, that is not the whole story.

You boys put in a lot of time and effort. Not to mention all of the pain and poundings and the black and blue marks and contusions and abrasions. Not to mention the cold miserable wet weather.

To me you boys are heroes.

You went out and did your best.

Ben Franklin told me once, It is not whether you win or lose, it's how you

played the game. Fellows, even the pros that earn 5 million dollars a year, get beat once in a while.

Back in 1970 or 1980, I coached a slow pitch softball team of boys from the Antwerp Fire Department and Ray Friend's Furniture and we went 0-17. Tony Langham's team won the league that summer. See, you are not the only team to lose a few.

Play the game of life as hard as you did for the Antwerp Archers, and you will be okay.

That is part of your history. Down the road you can look back and say you went 0 and 10, but boy we tried.

You can always be proud of your years at AHS. I know, I am.

See ya!

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The Vantage junior Cosmetology class has elected officers for the 2012-2013 school year. They are (l-r) Tommie Stahl (Wayne Trace), President, Jessica Rutledge (Delphos Jefferson), Vice President, Ashliegh DeLeon (Parkway), Reporter, LaShawne Granger (Van Wert), Secretary, and Lydia Myers (Lincolnview), Treasurer.

The Vantage senior Cosmetology class is proud to announce that the 'Avantage' Salon is now open! This year brings more specialty services than ever before! New spa services include Spa pedicures, Gel Polish, Paraffin Dipping for extremely dry hands, Tea Tree Experience, deep conditioning treatment and aromatherapy. The salon will now be open from 8:30-11:00 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. A variety of cosmetology services including hair care, skin care, manicures, pedicures, permanents, hair cutting and styling are being offered. Groups are always welcome. It's a great way to have a ladies morning out. Please be sure to call 419-238-5411 ext. 2409 to make an appointment. Please note that if school is on a delay, cosmetology services are cancelled for the day.

In addition to serving customers, students are also taught salon management

skills, retailing practices and communication skills. Students also study the specifics of anatomy and chemistry related to the hair care industry. This year's instructors are Mrs. Amy Grothouse, (a Vantage Cosmetology grad herself) teaching the junior class, Mrs. Susie Smith, the senior Cosmetology teacher.

Students completing the cosmetology course of study and meeting the required competencies have the opportunity to graduate with a diploma and a license issued by the Ohio State Board of Cosmetology.

Come to Vantage for all treats and no tricks on Thursday, November 1st! Schedule an appointment in the salon for a haircut, manicure, or pedicure and then enjoy a delicious homemade lunch in the brand new Cup and Saucer! Call 419-238-5411 ext. 2003 to make your appointment TODAY!

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1st QUARTER 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

SEVENTH GRADE:

Merit Honor Roll (4.0) - Sara Sinn, Megan Moore, Lily Sinn

First Honors (4.0-3.67) - Garrett Silance, Kalin Gerber, Leah Maassel, Gracie Gudakunst, Adam Stoller, Connor Baumle

Second Honors (3.3-3.666) - Erica Mohr, Blake Davis, Elias Sinn, Celia Baker, Brooke Sinn, Taylor Carnahan, Marissa Huebner, Gabe Sinn, Alisa Elliott, Haley Rittenhouse, Cintiana Perez

Third Honors (3.0-3.2999) - Weston Sinn, Joel Johnson, Trisha Strickler, Aden Baker, Jacob Kuhn, Madison Chastain, Joseph Deboer, Jaydon Edwards, Autumn Banks, Kyle McClain, Quinton Stabler, Gillianne Wiseman, Maggie Crosby, Alyssa Dyingier

EIGHTH GRADE:

First Honors - Ethan Linder, Danae Myers, Blaine Jerome, Brady Stabler, Kacey Reinhart, Joseph Schmidt

Second Honors - Sarah Dyson, Seth Saylor, Emil Stoller, Daniel Sinn, Meg Crosby, Ethan Dunham, Korene Shelton, Gabrielle Gudakunst, Kolyn Hilkey, Julie Holbrooks, Colin Dorer, Brooke Lelonek, Samuel Nickols, Jonathan Sinn

Third Honors - Gage Pfeiffer, Caleb Schultz, Zachary Smith, Evan Baughman, Jayden Sherry, Seth Yenser, Blake Miller, Tanner Cook, Abbey McDougall, Natalie Kuhn

NINTH GRADE:

Merit Honor Roll - Bri-

anna Sinn, Stacy Flint, Estie Sinn, Scott Wenninger, McKayla Anderson, First Honors, Nicholas Durre, Jayson Nowak, Cole Shepherd, Hollie Wannemacher, Shayna Temple, Sydney Critten, Noah Stoller

2nd Honors - Corey Davis, Erin Mohr, Christopher Davis, Victoria Ryan, Nathanael Roop, Sydney Hofmann, Emilee Colgan, Jonathon Krouse, Courtney Mead, Taryn Homier

3rd Honors - Luke Miller, Austin Winebrenner, Justin Speice, Edwin Van Den Hengel, Alec Vest, Carley Wright, Arlyn Cooper, Lucas Sinn, Brenna Baker, Robert Rivera

TENTH GRADE:

Merit Honor Roll - Blair Baumle, Erin Jewell, Hank Sinn, Isaiah Ross, Jacob Dingus

First Honors - Rebecca Hamrick, James Weaver, Jehanne Hoagland, Sarah Young, Kayla Zuber, Hunter Martin, Cassidy Hilkey, Latasha Rivera, Addison Baumle

Second Honors - Elizabeth Brown, Mackenzie Swary, Molly Crosby, Grant Gillett, Jenny Holbrooks, Kierstan Baldwin

Third Honors - Tye Thurston, Leah Sinn, Jacob Arnd, Carl Elliott, Courtnie Laney, Kristin Raab, Krystal Jones, Corbin Linder, Robert Seffernick, Tyler Showalter, Matthew Baxter, Samantha Hinchcliff, Jill Ross, Bryce Eutsler, Daron Showalter

ELEVENTH GRADE:

Merit Honor Roll - Madison McClure, Abigail Shepherd, Haley Linder, Rachael Kreischer, Sylvia Young, Madeline Baumle, Janelle Johnson, Matthew Klopfenstein, Madison Poling, Jared Sherry, Arlen Stoller, John Rosswurm, Libby Stabler

First Honors - Sean Durre, Jacob Gerber, Kendall Germann, Logan Fast, Brock Worden, Sungmin Kang, Janey Janka

Second Honors - Mackenzie Haney, Jordan Elick, Brenda Feasby, Austin Conlon, Emilie Linder, Yifan Cheng, Brooke Wilcox, Katelynn Back, Matthew Lambert, Aaron Stoller, Britany Jenkins, Alexis Flores, Dustin Taylor, Devin Shaffer-Wenzlick, Danielle Kortokrax

Third Honors - Treanna Bidlack, Wesley Goings, Zachary Ramsey, Amber Combs, TJ Blackmore

TWELFTH GRADE:

Merit Honor Roll - Sarah Nickols, Jacob Long, Andrea Scharf, Emma Schmidt, Adrean Ross, Andrew Moore, Taylor Campbell, Emily Whitman, Marisa Jones, Kylee Wenninger, Jonathan Harper, Denise Smith

First Honors - Staci Wenninger, Kaitlin Lantow, Bryan Myers, Lyndsay Combs

Second Honors - Eric Maassel, Graden Gudakunst, Haleigh Garner, Courtney Seffernick, Mackenzie Fleagle, Ryan Kortokrax, Kaleigh Young, Natalie Sinn, Zachary Moore, Tyler Ruiz, Kyle Clark, Derek Langmeyer, Dalton Sinn, Jared Eklund, Krystal Wannemacher, Zachary Proctor

Third Honors - Andre Spinner, Chelsea Critchfield, Nathan Holtsberry, Briana Schaffer, Karena Egnor, Mackenzie Campbell, Taylor Grant, Gary Mielke, Zachary Hermiller, Audrey Greear, Michala Elliott

PAULDING COUNTY SOCCER CLUB SEASON COMES TO A CLOSE



Pictured with the U14 Girls are Hallieann Hale, Cheyanne Lucas, Hailey Weidenhamer, Hannah Vance, Gabbie Stahl, Miah Rue, Kaylee Plummer, Gabbie Stallbaum, Brooke Weidenhamer, Brie Steele, Molly Meeker, Suzy Manz. Their coaches were Sam Rue, James Lucas and Liz Meeker. Photo by Matthew Arellano.



Pictured with the U12 Boys are Drew Lumpkins, Ethan Letso, Luke McCullough, Joseph Reineck, Andrew Adams, Jonathon Clapsaddle, Charles Clapsaddle, Johnathon Buehrer, Fernando Garcia, Jr, Jacob Deisler and Domenic Wesley. Their coaches were Michele Buehrer and Shelly Clapsaddle. Photo by Matthew Arellano.



Pictured with the U14 Boys are Ben Stuck, William Deisler, Jared Paschall, Brian Matson, Kaleb Goshia, Felipe Rios, Skyler Maassel, Ryan Woodring, Robert Deitrick, Josh Trausch and Alex Schlegel. Their coaches were Rob Goshia and Mike Maassel. Photo by Matthew Arellano.

The Paulding County Soccer Club season has come to a close for the 2012 year. During this season they were able to watch the growth in individual athleticism, and also as a team. They all displayed leadership both on and off the field.

These are the athletes that

are eligible to play on Paulding High School's first Soccer Team next fall: Cheyanne Lucas, Brooke Weidenhamer, Molly Meeker, Suzy Manz, Ben Stuck, William Deisler, Jared Paschall, Kaleb Goshia, Skyler Maassel, Robert Deitrick, and Alex Schlegel.

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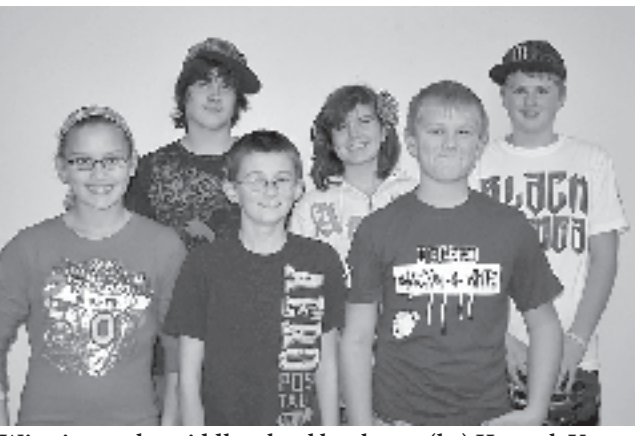
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WALK 'N ROLL TO SCHOOL CONTEST



Winning at the middle school level were (l-r) Hannah Vance, Zak Herman, Corbin Kohart, Kaitlyn Helms, Hunter Vogel, and Logan Bradford.



Elementary winners of the Walk 'n Roll to School Contest (l-r) were Mera Stuchell, Zoraya Valle, Charlotte Vogelsong, and Alexis Karshner.

Students in Paulding Elementary and Paulding Middle School recently participated in a Walk 'N Roll to School contest. Students were asked to draw a poster that illustrated a safe way to walk or ride bikes to school. Winners from each building were chosen.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY STUDY ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS



Miss Martz's Payne Elementary 6th grade social studies class was studying ancient civilizations. They studied ancient cave drawings and recreated their own chalk cave drawings as a project to go along with this area of study.

ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5, 2012

Defiance County:
Ohio 15 north of U.S. 24 to the Williams County line will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by Defiance County ODOT.

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 project has resumed with an anticipated completion before Thanksgiving. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 249, Ohio 2, Ohio 567 and Ohio 34 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by Miller Brothers Construction, Archbold.

Paulding County:
Ohio 111 east of U.S. 127 to Ohio 637 will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 637 south of 111 to Grover Hill will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 49 south of Payne will be restricted through the work zone during berm work. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Ohio 111 east of Five Span bridge will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for a drainage tile repair. Work is being performed by Paulding County ODOT.

Putnam County:
Ohio 694 one mile east of Ohio 115 will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for a ditch project. Work is being performed by Putnam County ODOT.

Ohio 65 at the south edge of Ottawa is restricted to one lane through the work zone for a project adding turn lanes at the Williamstown Road intersection. Work will continue through mid November. Work is being performed by Shelly Company, Findlay.

Ohio 613 between Putnam County Road 5 and McComb 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.

Van Wert County:
Ohio 697 west of Delphos will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Van Wert County ODOT.

Ohio 116 north of Venedocia will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Van Wert County ODOT.

Marsh Road over U.S. 30 will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair. Work is being performed by Van Wert County ODOT.

Ohio 118 in Ohio City closed October 15 for approximately 15 days for construction of a sanitary sewer. The closure has been extended from a five-day to a 15-day closure. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 81, U.S. 127 and Ohio 709 back to Ohio 118. Work is being performed by Santi-gnon Excavating, Celina.

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 1ST NINE WEEKS 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

THIRD GRADE:
All A's - Alex Ade, Mia Altimus, Kate Farr, Tucker Franklin, Zachary Jones, Morgan Kniceley, Alex Lehman, Emerson Litzenberg, Luke McDorman, Gaige McMichael, Megan O'Donnell, Draven Raens, Allison Reinhart, Lauren Schuller, Bradley Shroades, Emma Shuherk, Kennedy Trabel, Ilse Zijlstra

All A's & B's - Kristine Boylan, Olivia Campbell, Astianna Coppes, Summer Franklin, Breanna Fulk, Hailey Grant, Brady Hatlevig, Grace Jones, Luke Krouse, Jagger Landers, Landon Lee, Zachary Lockhart, Cade Lothamer, Jonathan Meyer, Faith Nestleroad, Kaden Phares, Jared Phillips, Samantha Rigsby, Grace Schuette, Madison Smith, Mason Steel, Trinity Wieland

FOURTH GRADE:
All A's - Rylan Brooks, Kadi Donat, Aaron Hawley, Logan McKeever, Chet Miller, Katie Oberlin, Molly Reinhart, Madison Ruen, Emily Sanders

A's & B's - Morgan Boesch, Heaven Bruce, Johnathon Buehrer, Jordan Buerkle, Lydia Butzin, Maycee Contreras, Carmen Cruz, Halie Davis, Landon Dockery, Mallory Ehrhart, Jason Geyer, Hunter Grant, Dylan Hines, Asa Humes, Austin Lichty, Alicia Maag, Laura Miller, Eli Molitor, Siera Octaviano, Eric Thornell, Joshua Timbrook, Grace Tuttle, Ryan Van Vlerah

FIFTH GRADE:
All A's - Madison Boesch, Aleyah Cline, Alyssa Fuller, Adison Hindenlang, Chloe Saul, Blake Schuette, Melanie Wann

All A's & B's - Sayge Bonifas, Karsyn Brumett, Allisen Cooper, Alyndia DeVore, Boston Dunderman, Chase Friend, Izik Garrett, Destiney Gerken, Carlie Hanes, Nicole Kashner, Jayvin Landers, Garrett Laney, Mallory Mansfield, Kendyl Miller, Sydney Miller, Randall Mills, Ashton Minck, Heather Oberlin, Alex Phillips, Holly Sanders, Julia Steiner, Elyse Steury, Timmy Taylor, Kenzie Timbrook, Ellie Wolf

WLS KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS LEARN SAFETY AT WOODBURN FIRE DEPT. & SAFETY VILLAGE



Woodburn Lutheran School kindergarten students learned important safety tips during recent field trips to the Woodburn Fire Department and Safety Village. At WFD the students were able to have a close look at the fire trucks and EMS vehicles. Safety Village provided the kids with tips on street safety.

HANDS-ON SCIENCE AT PAYNE ELEM.



Payne Elementary 4th grade students have been doing some hands-on science lessons with Mrs. Uphaus. In one of their labs, the students split a lima bean in half. They used a hand lens to find the root, stem, and leaf inside the seed. Once they examined the seed, the students drew and labeled on their paper what they saw in the seed. Waylon and Damien are working on their lab to find the parts of the seed.

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THE BLACK SWAMP CONSERVANCY MEETS



Pictured here are Black Swamp Conservancy members Sarah Brokamp, advancement coordinator; Clint Mauk, the featured speaker for the meeting; and Kevin Joyce, executive director.

By: Caroline Zimmerman

On Thursday, October 18, 2012 the Black Swamp Conservancy met at the Paulding Carnegie Library with a large crowd of interested persons who wanted to learn of their projects and beginnings. The speaker was Clint Mauk of Perrysburg, Ohio who was escorted with his executive Director Kevin Joyce. Sarah Brokamp also came, who is the Advancement co-coordinator who gave out an assortment of cards and literature on the conservation and protection of the natural area s and farmland in the NW Ohio, which was still known as "The Great Black Swamp". Their goal is to keep parts of it conserved for wildlife and natural beauty for now and for future generations. For more information you may write to POB 332, Perrysburg, Ohio 43552-0332 (419-872-5263) fax 419-872-8197. There are ways that you can appropriate your land that it can be saved "Forever" for future generation by contractual agreement and that

it will always be saved from the oncoming closure of the future coming in around us. There is even an area on Bass Island in Lake Erie that has been willed over to this organization.

Mr. Mauk started his talk with the prehistoric history of the area North of the Great Lakes and Fort Wayne, IN. "One and 1/2 million years ago it was under a glacier. "Bowling Green" was the only town in the middle of the circle. Even the Indians did not go into the Great Swamp because of the mosquitoes. And when the white men did come around 1830 they used smudge pots and covered themselves and their horses with coverlets. Ague and cholera in 1854 took a lot of lives because of the swamp, the settlers were determined to over take it."

"They needed to cut the great, huge trees that had grown for centuries in the Great Black Swamp. It took a good axe man at least a month to "fell" all the trees in an acre of land and that didn't include

getting the stumps out. There were wooden roads and a tavern in every mile. Thousands of great oak trees were what the majority of the trees were in the Great Black Swamp. Many of them went to build ships in Europe or even stayed here and went to Oak Harbor on Lake Erie. Goll Woods in Fulton County has many huge trees and most of them have not been cut and are in the Reserve. Hickory logs in Blue Creek went into the Auglaize River. The Swamp needed to be drained."

The speaker told a tale of the white couple in Ohio who are buried on the Sandusky River in Sandusky County. It is said that the Indians captured two white captives and married them during the War of 1812.

Our Marie DeLarme Creek is a very famous creek with legends galore including one about Johnny Appleseed being saved from the Indians by this person. It goes through Allen County, IN, Paulding County, OH and Defiance County, OH and further east. All of it is very beautiful and historical.

The first little ditches were crude and the trenches were made in a triangular shape out of wood that rotted. Clay was too expensive to ship in to make clay tile out of. Then, it was discovered that under all the muck was clay to make the tile out of and over 15,000 miles of ditches were dug and tiled in Wood County by 1930. That county still has thousands of miles of ditches. (So does Paulding County probably) Tiling was a great manufacturing business in Paulding County. Stave Mills were also plentiful if you look at the history books. The mud

and the trees brought people to this area on the canal boats that came through the county before the railroads in 1850.

Note: It was only 10,000 years ago that the glacier in NW Ohio started to recede enough to pull back from "The Summit (the hill) City" of Fort Wayne and continue to shrink back north up into Lake Erie. Paulding County is the flattest county in Ohio as it was the center of "the bowl." If you notice going on US 30 south of Paulding County and looking north you are looking down into a valley and if you are going on IN 37 or OH 2 looking south you are looking down into a valley. There are actual beaches of sandy soil along these highways and the hard silt is in the middle of the "Bowl" (Paulding County). We have sulfur water which I suspect is leftover from the Great Black Swamp.

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winning photo submission of any native turtle. Entries will be accepted August 5-16, 2013, and the photographer with the winning image will receive \$500. The selection of the winning photo will be made by August 30, 2013. The contest is open to Ohioans age 18 years and older. However, budding photographers age 17 and younger will be able to compete in the youth division. For complete contest rules, visit wildohio-stamp.com.

Last year's contest consisted of 114 images submitted by 58 photographers. Bruce DiVaccaro of Sheffield Village submitted the winning photo of a black-capped chickadee after taking the photo in his Lorain County backyard. The 2013 Wildlife Legacy Stamp will be available for purchase on March 1.

The inaugural Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp featured a Baltimore oriole and went on sale March 1, 2010. Subsequent stamps featured an eastern amberwing and a spotted salamander. Over the past 3½ years, the program has raised more than \$84,000. The collectible stamp and its companion photo contest are part of an innovative program intended to raise awareness and support for wildlife diversity.

It is important to note \$14 out of every \$15 Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp sold is invested in Ohio's Wildlife Diversity Fund. The fund supports habitat restoration, land pur-

chases and conservation easements, wildlife and habitat research projects, creation of wildlife educational materials, as well as efforts to restore and conserve endangered and threatened species.

Promotion and sale of the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp has been a grassroots effort and has been successful thanks to the dedication of conservation groups across Ohio. Stamp collectors and conservationists will be able to purchase the 2010, 2011 and 2012 stamps for a limited time.

More information about the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp and other wildlife-related topics can be found at wildohio.com.

TREESTAND SAFETY

By: Jim Lopshire, PC Extension Educator

A recent Ohio State University Medical Center study found that falls from tree stands are the leading cause of hunting-related injuries in Ohio. Researchers analyzed trauma databases from two Level 1 trauma centers in central Ohio over a period of 10 years. Of the 130 patients who suffered hunting-related injuries, 50 percent of injuries resulted from falls and 92 percent of the falls were from tree stands.

Hunter education regarding proper and safe use of tree stands is critical to decreasing the incidence of hunting-related injuries and keeping

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The fifth annual Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp Contest will feature Ohio's many native turtle species, found throughout the state in many different habitats, from woodlands to lakes to swamps.

"Turtles are some of the most recognizable animals in Ohio," said Scott Zody, chief of ODN's Division of Wildlife. "Children especially enjoy viewing and identifying turtles in their native habitats. The Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp is a great way to bring positive attention to turtle conservation."

Native Ohio turtles include Blanding's turtle, eastern box turtle, eastern musk turtle, eastern spiny softshell turtle, midland painted turtle, midland smooth softshell turtle, Northern map turtle, Ouchita map turtle, snapping turtle and spotted turtle.

Sale of the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp benefits the Wildlife Diversity Fund, which is used to protect and manage many wild animals and their habitats. Conservation is important for some Ohio turtle species. The spotted turtle is listed as a threatened species in the state, which means the species may become endangered under continued or increased stress. The eastern box turtle and Ouchita map turtle are species of concern, which means those species might become threatened in Ohio.

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Finally, to learn more about tree stand safety, visit the Treestand Manufacturers Association and take a free online course at <http://www.tmastands.com/>

According to the Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences, approximately 10 hunters are killed nationally every year in falls from treestands with even more than that severely injured. Taking a few precautions can help

make sure that a successful hunt is the highlight of the day when using a treestand.

NEW HAVEN K-9 PHOTO FUNDRAISER



By: Beth Stauffer

There's an old saying that goes, "One good deed begets another."

As I gathered information to write this story over the weekend, I learned that in the community of New Haven, Indiana, this saying really is true.

This coming Saturday, November 10, 2012 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Walgreens in New Haven, residents will have the opportunity to have their photos taken with local K-9 Officers Britt and Remi, along with their handlers, New Haven Police Officers Brent Bolinger and Scott Adam. The 4x6 photos taken on Saturday are completely free and compli-

ments of Walgreens. Donations for the New Haven K-9 Unit's fund for a new K-9 officer will be accepted, and greatly appreciated, during this time.

Saturday's photo shoot with Britt and Remi would not be taking place, however, if it weren't for the lasting legacy of former New Haven K-9 Officer Riley and the kindness of New Haven residents, Mike and Carla Mowery. In July of 2012, the Mowery's were featured in a newspaper article after they donated K-9 cooling vests to the NHPD after seeing Britt and Remi working in over 90 degree heat during Canal Days. The Mowery's gave the vests in honor of K-9 Officer Riley, who passed away in 2011.

Walgreen's manager, Cindy Goodwin, was so moved after reading this article that she cut it out of the newspaper; in fact, she still has a copy of it at the store. "Reading about Riley, and the couple who donated the vests, well, it really made me want to be able to do something for the dogs," she said.

After several months of thinking of ways to help the K-9 unit, Goodwin's co-worker and fellow Walgreen's employee Stacey McDaniel suggested the photo shoot with K-9's Britt and Remi. "Stacey has lived in New Haven all her life, and went to school with one of the police officers," said Goodwin, referring to Britt's officer, Brent Bolinger. "Stacey offered to call him and he and Officer Adam were very willing to help us set this up."

All of the donations received on Saturday will go to the New Haven Police Department K-9 Unit towards the acquisition of an additional K-9 Officer. K-9 Britt is 11 years old and approaching retirement at the end of November. Britt's replacement officer, Armour, is New Haven's newest K-9 Officer. Armour is currently being trained by Officer Scott Adam. After Britt's retirement and the addition of Armour to the NHPD, a 3rd K-9 Officer will be needed to fill the vacancy left by K-9 Officer Riley's passing in 2011.

According to Officer Adam, the current going rate for a K-9 Officer is in the neighborhood of \$6,500 to \$8,000. While that amount may seem high to some, when you consider what our community receives in return, a K-9 Officer is a pretty sound investment. "With budget cuts, it's a lot cheaper to get a new four legged officer trained than it is to train a two legged officer," Officer Adam told me. "Remi's paycheck is a good brushing, some loving, and a bowl of food at night. She'd be happy to work 24/7, but I need a day off every now and then!"

As for Saturday's photo shoot for residents with K-9 Officers Britt and Remi to raise money for a new addition to the NHPD K-9 Unit, Officer Adam added "We couldn't do it without the community. If every resident of New Haven just gave a \$1.00, we would be set for years. Any little bit helps."

Walgreen's Manager Cindy Goodwin agreed, adding "Our goal is to collect some

THE WOODLAN GIRLS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM HELPS OUT THEIR COMMUNITY



On Wednesday, October 17th, the Woodlan Varsity Volleyball Team went to the Woodburn Community Food Bank after practice which is housed at the Woodburn United Methodist Church. The players and coaches stocked the shelves, donated

several food items, and collected \$460 to contribute to the food bank. Currently, about 55 local families are utilizing the food bank. The girls did a wonderful job stocking the shelves, and an even better job collecting items and money for their community.

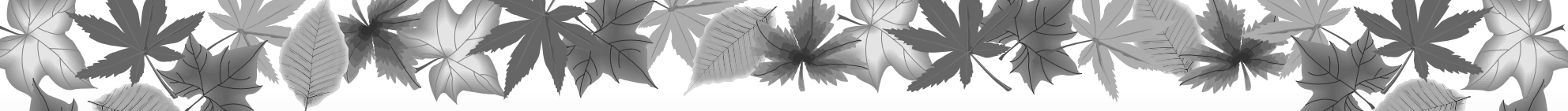
money for the New Haven K-9 Officer fund. We aren't charging anything for the pictures, but we are hoping that people will come out and donate to the K-9 Officer fund. All the money that is donated will go directly to the dogs."

If you would like to make a donation directly to the New Haven K-9 Officer Fund but cannot make it to the photo shoot at Walgreens on Saturday, donations are always being accepted at the New Haven Police Department located at City Hall, 815 Lincoln Highway East in New Haven. Please make your check payable to "The New Haven Police K-9 Unit".

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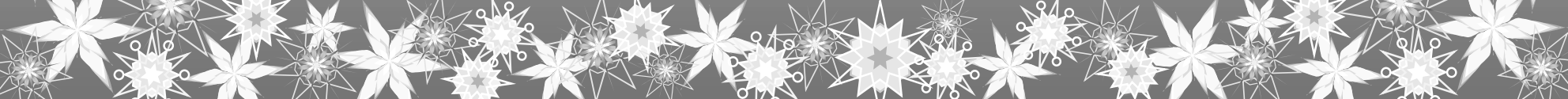
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STILL TIME TO SET UP OWNER-ONLY 401(K) FOR 2012

Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor



If you're a small-business owner, with no full-time employees (except possibly your spouse or business partner), you're probably used to taking care of just about everything on your own. So, if you're thinking of establishing a retirement plan — and you should — you might also be attracted to “going solo” with an “Owner-only” 401(k).

An Owner-only 401(k), sometimes known as an Individual 401(k), has been around for a few years now, and has proven quite popular — and with good reason. This plan is easy to establish, easy to administer and, most importantly, gives you many of the same benefits enjoyed by employees of a company that offers a traditional 401(k) plan.

These benefits include the following:

- Tax deferred earnings — Your earnings aren't taxed as they accumulate.
- Tax deductible contributions — An Owner-only 401(k) consists of two components — salary deferral and profit sharing contributions, both of which are generally 100 percent tax deductible. If you choose to make Roth salary deferrals to your Owner-only 401(k), your contributions aren't deductible, but you won't pay taxes on your earnings, provided you don't take withdrawals until you're

59-1/2 and it's been five years since your first year of Roth deferral.

• Variety of investment choices — You can choose to fund your Owner-only 401(k) with a wide range of investments. And you can construct an investment mix that's appropriate for your risk tolerance and long-term goals.

Furthermore, an Owner-only 401(k) can potentially allow you to make greater contributions, at an identical income level, than other small-business retirement plans, such as a SEP IRA. In 2012, you can defer up to \$17,000, or \$22,500 if you're 50 or older (as long as you don't exceed 100 percent of your income). Then, in addition, you can make a profit-sharing contribution equal to 25 percent of your income (slightly less if you are unincorporated). So, by combining the salary deferral and profit-sharing components, you can potentially contribute up to \$50,000 to your Owner-only 401(k) in 2012, or \$55,000 if you're 50 or older. And these figures are doubled if your spouse also contributes to the Owner-only 401(k).

However, you're not obligated to contribute anything to your plan. So, if your business is slow one year, you might scale back your contributions, or put in nothing at all. Then, when business picks up again, you can get back toward contributing whatever you can afford, up to the maximum.

Clearly, the Owner-only 401(k) can offer you some key advantages in building resources for retirement. But it's not the only small-business retirement plan on the market, so, before you make a decision, you may want to consult with your tax and financial advisors to determine if an Owner-only 401(k) is indeed the right plan for you.

But don't wait too long. You'll have to establish your Owner-only 401(k) by December 31 if you want to receive any tax deductions for 2012. And in any case, the sooner you start putting money away, the faster the progress you will make toward the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

OVER 36 MILLION AMERICAN ADULTS HAVE SOME DEGREE OF HEARING LOSS

The statistics are shocking and even more so knowing that over half of those 36 million Americans are under the age of 65. Hearing loss is an increasing health concern in this nation that is often preventable. Taking time to see an audiologist for regular hearing screenings and knowing the signs of hearing loss can protect your hearing. Make an appointment with an audiologist this October during National Audiology Awareness Month.

“Hearing loss can be caused by exposure to loud noises, ear infections, trauma, or ear disease; harm to the inner ear and ear drum, illness or certain medications, and deterioration due to the normal aging process,” explains Dr. Kimberly Molitor, Audiologist. The amount of noise Americans are exposed to today plays an important role in the recent increase of hearing loss across the nation. It is no longer just a health concern for seniors.

Have you stopped going to restaurants and social gatherings? Do you keep to yourself when in noisy environments? If you answered yes, you may have a hearing problem. Some tell signs of hearing loss are: trouble hearing conversation in a noisy environment such as restaurants, difficulty or inability to hear people talking to you without looking at them, and/or a constant pain or ringing in your ears.

On average, most Americans don't know how to recognize the first signs of hearing loss or which health professional is qualified to diagnose and treat the condition. If you think you may have a hearing loss, you need to see an audiologist.

An audiologist is a licensed and clinically experienced health-care professional who specializes in evaluating, diagnosing, and treating people with hearing loss and balance disorders. The first step in treatment of a hearing problem is to get your hearing evaluated by an audiologist. A hearing evaluation will determine the degree of hearing loss you have and what can be done. Although most hearing loss is permanent, an audiologist can determine the best treatment, which may include hearing aids, assistive listening devices, and hearing rehabilitation.

In response to the growing number of Americans suffering from hearing loss, the American Academy of Audiology in conjunction with Buckeye Hearing Health have launched National Audiology Awareness Month this October.

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FOURTH GRADE:

All A's — Molly Adams, Lauren Barnett, Kaeli Bustos, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Adela Foltz, Megan Harpel, Caleb Manz, Maggie Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Blake McGarvey, Deyton Price, Jaron Pogue, Sydney Reineck, Gabrielle Stallbaum

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MEADOWBROOK ELEM. LEARN TO FOCUS ON HEALTH



By: Beth Stauffer

On Tuesday, October 30 and Wednesday, October 31, Meadowbrook Elementary School hosted a Focus on Health fair for all of East Allen County School's 2nd grade students. The schools participating in the two-day event include Heritage Elementary, Cedarville Elementary, Southwick Elementary, Woodlan Primary, and Highland Terrace Elementary.

The coordinator of the event, Meadowbrook teacher Thomas Kneller, said “The format for the 2nd grade event is different than what we have for each of the Focus of Health events we have for the older grades. The 2nd graders go to each of five learning stations for a lesson, and at the end of session Ronald McDonald comes out and talks to the kids about safety.”

The five different learning stations included University of Saint Francis nursing students discussing the importance of healthy lungs. IPFW nursing students discussed heart health and good hygiene such as hand washing

and teeth brushing. A fourth learning station taught the students the 5:2:1:almost none principal which means you should eat five fruits and vegetables a day, have no more than two hours of screen time a day, have at least one hour of physical activity per day, and drink almost little to no soda pop or sugary drinks. The final learning station gave students a hands-on experience with fresh fruits and vegetables, incorporating games and music into the experience.

While at the Focus on Health event, 2nd graders had the opportunity to have their weight, height, pulse, and blood pressure recorded. Students were also provided with informational materials about personal, physical and mental health.

The 4th graders will have their turn next at the end of November at three day Focus on Health geared especially for them at Meadowbrook Elementary. The dates for the 4th grade Focus on Health event is November 27-29.

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INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY



Paulding Exempted Village School's students participated in International Walk to School Day by walking to school on Wednesday, October 10. All bus students were dropped off at LaFountain Park, and were escorted to school by Mayor Greg White, and school staff. Walkers were encouraged to walk to school with parents or older siblings who attend school.

Paulding Exempted Village Schools has participated in the Safe Routes to School Program since 2009. At that time a school travel plan was developed. This plan set in motion a proposed plan so that all students within walking distance would be able to walk to school safely. The goal of the program is to make bicycling and walking to school a more appealing transportation alternative, and to encourage an active and healthy lifestyle beginning at an early age.

In 2010 the school travel team applied for and received \$497,839.00 in funding. This money will be spent on construction of sidewalks, crosswalks, bicycle racks, curb extensions, and other road improvements within a two mile radius of the school. Construction has not begun

yet, but hopefully will next spring. Engineers are now working on the final design of the project. In February of 2012 an application was submitted for round two of this funding. We applied for \$497,060.00 worth of funding. That funding has also been approved. Part of this funding includes a sidewalk that will extend from the corner of Johnson and Emerald Road going all the way to the school. Other sidewalk improvements and construction are also in this round of funding.

In the future we should have better pedestrian access to the school. Walk to School Day is a step closer in achieving the goal of getting more students to walk to school, thus promoting a healthier life style.

Shown in the photograph is Superintendent Pat Ross, along with Michael Wood, Summer Bates, and Zoey Kirkland as they climbed out of the school bus and were in route for a walk to school. Mrs. Ross has been a strong supporter of the Safe Routes to School program, and was heavily involved in the development of the school travel plan, which has awarded the district and village of Paulding with almost \$1,000,000 worth of funding.

SPACES STILL AVAILABLE FOR CERTIFIED FISHING INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP IN FINDLAY

Spaces are still available for adults, groups, or conservation clubs who have a sincere interest in taking kids fishing and want to become certified fishing instructors, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Wildlife. A free workshop is available on Wednesday, December 12, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will take place at Wildlife District Two, 952 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio 45840.

Passport to Fishing is a one-day instructor training program that qualifies individuals to become Division of Wildlife certified fishing instructors, similar to a hunter education instructor. All participants will need to pass a background check before being certified.

Passport to Fishing was developed by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and adopted by the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation. Workshops teach volunteers the basics of fishing and how to run a four-station fishing program with a fishing event. These instructors then go back to their communities, with a written curriculum and training aids, to teach youngsters and beginning anglers the basics of fishing.

By becoming a certified instructor, you will not only be able to help in reconnecting students with the outdoors, but you will also have the skills and resources to help you do it in a more successful way. Resources available include grants, equipment, brochures, and training.

To register for the workshop, please call Linda at 419-429-8347. For additional class information, visit www.wildohio.com.

2012 GMC FOOTBALL ALL CONFERENCE SELECTION

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference selections and Players of the Year for Football for the 2012 season:

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Colby Speice, Wayne Trace, 11

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Jeffrey Timbrook, Fairview, 12

FIRST TEAM:

Offensive Ends - Hunter Flower, Edgerton, 12; Andy Guilford, Fairview, 12; Korbin Showalter, Wayne Trace, 12

Offensive Tackles - Mitchell Grube, Tinora, 12; Devin Wenzlick, Wayne Trace, 11

Offensive Guards - Brandon Rittenhouse, Tinora, 12; Ryan Kortokrax, Wayne Trace, 12

Offensive Center - Brady Schafer, Tinora, 12;

Quarterback - Colby Speice, Wayne Trace, 11

Punter - DJ Hagerman, Ayersville, 11

Running Backs - Justin Flory, Ayersville, 12; Kaleb Johns, Hicksville, 11; Kipp McCann, Tinora, 12

Place Kicker - Jakob Gersung, Holgate, 12

Defensive Ends - Mitchell Grube, Tinora, 12; Devin Wenzlick, Wayne Trace, 11

Defensive Tackles - Jacob Adams, Edgerton, 12; Josh Kline, Hicksville, 12; Ryan Kortokrax, Wayne Trace, 12

Linebackers - Jeffrey Timbrook, Fairview, 12; Dylan Rumbaugh, Tinora, 12; Kipp McCann, Tinora, 12

Defensive Backs - Shane Bostic, Hicksville, 12; Derek Drewes, Tinora, 11; Korbin Showalter, Wayne Trace, 11

SECOND TEAM:

Offensive Ends - Matt Tobin, Fairview, 12; Shane Bostic, Hicksville, 12; Cade Harvey, Wayne Trace, 12

Offensive Tackles - Blake Sholl, Hicksville, 11; Brock Worden, Wayne Trace, 11

Offensive Guards - Josh Kline, Hicksville, 12; T.J. Blackmore, Wayne Trace, 11

Offensive Center - Aaron Stoller, Wayne Trace, 11

Quarterback - Derek Drewes, Tinora, 11

Punter - Derek Drewes, Tinora, 11

Running Backs - Jeffrey Timbrook, Fairview, 12; Kurt Kahle, Tinora, 11; Jared Sherry, Wayne Trace, 11

Place Kicker - Josh Camp, Tinora, 10

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Defensive Tackles - Tate Ankney, Ayersville, 12; Logan Dickerson, Tinora, 11; Jacob Ziger, Tinora, 11

Linebackers - Nick Hart, Hicksville, 12; Tyler Showalter, Wayne Trace, 10; Colby Speice, Wayne Trace, 11

Defensive Backs - Hunter Flower, Edgerton, 12; Reid Renollet, Tinora, 11; Jacob Dingus, Wayne Trace, 10

HONORABLE MENTION:

Derek Smalley, Antwerp, 11; Nick Barnhouse, Antwerp, 10; DJ Hageman, Ayersville, 11; Devon Bergeon, Ayersville, 11; Bowen Callaway, Edgerton, 12; Dakota Fritch, Edgerton, 10; Tyler Nusbaum, Fairview, 12; Sam Garrigus, Fairview, 12; ean Conley, Hicksville, 12; Conner Yoder, Hicksville, 12; Weston Schwab, Holgate, 12; Brandon Gustwiller, Holgate, 12; Austin Mahan, Tinora, 11; A.J. Fairchild, Tinora, 12; Jake Arend, Wayne Trace, 10; Jake Gerber, Wayne Trace, 11

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Sudoku Puzzle

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2012 GMC VOLLEYBALL ALL CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference Selections and "Player of the Year" for Volleyball for the 2012 season:

PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Emily Cramer, Senior, Ayersville High School

FIRST TEAM:

Alexis Jones, 12, Antwerp; Emily Cramer, 12, Ayersville; Molly Hammersmith, 9, Ayersville; Corinna Gebers, 12, Fairview; Jourdan Taylor, 11, Hicksville; Bre Hughes, 12, Tinora; Krystal Wannemacher, 12, Wayne Trace

SECOND TEAM:

Katie Bissell, 12, Antwerp; Lydia Yenser, 12, Antwerp; Jamie Newman, 11, Edgerton; Tabbitha Thiel, 12, Edgerton; Sarah Polter, 12, Fairview; Allie Slattery, 10, Hicksville; Rachel Desgranges, 10, Holgate

HONORABLE MENTION:

Avrial Sawyer, 12, Antwerp; Nikki Schroeder, 12, Ayersville; Sarah Fritch, 11, Edgerton; Cali Schoenauer, 10, Fairview; Mickie Gonwick, 12, Hicksville; Jillian Clady, 11, Holgate; Erica Smay, 12, Tinora; Tanya Sinn, 12, Wayne Trace

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PAULDING COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 24th ANNUAL BANQUET



This photo is of the P.C.C.O.G.S. Century Families of Paulding County Ohio recipients who have a Certificate of Recognition listing their ancestors living in Paulding County 100 years or more. This is just some of the 69 families who came to the banquet.

The PCCOGS annual banquet was held October 28, 2012 at Scotty's Club 111, along the Auglaize River, owned by Dennis & Carolyn Scott. Our VP and Program chair, Dave Betts, gave the attendance count at 68. Newsletter editor, President Terri Gorney, welcomed everyone. She began with prayer before the delicious buffet luncheon was served. Terri hosted the presentation of handing out Certificates of Recognition for Paulding County First Families and Paulding County Century Families. Honored were 35 First Families who were living in the county at least 132 years ago or more making a total of 412 approvals. Century Families who were living in the county at least 100 years or more totaled 69 Charter Member approvals. Over 1100 ancestors have been recognized since inception. Each person or family representing their lineage as direct descendants of this year's Paulding County pioneers accepted their certificates naming each family member who obtained this honorable distinction for their category. Mr. Ray Keck was recognized for his many years of devotion to the Society's projects and the countless hours of volunteer researching. He has held the Chairmanship of First Families since its inception 25 years ago. Karen (Heck) Sanders

was quite surprised to be recognized for being a part of their newest project, Century Families, acting as co-chairman with Mr. Keck and was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for Volunteer of the Year by the Paulding Co. Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. Social time followed the luncheon and presentations.

Did your family reside in Paulding County, Ohio 100 years or 132 years or more ago? With Century Families being perpetual, your ancestors residing in Paulding County in 1913 will soon be eligible for Century Family status. Please contact Ray Keck at 419-399-4415 or Karen Sanders at 419-399-5764 or e-mail karen15806@gmail.com to receive one or both applications by mail. Help is available; please ask if you need assistance with the application or proving eligibility.

The Paulding County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month from September through June at 6:30 p.m. in the Paulding County Carnegie Library, 205 S. Main St. Paulding, OH 45879 on the ground level meeting room. November 14, 2012 meeting will feature Janis Betts rug hooking techniques update and a presentation on Johnson's Island. We look forward to seeing you!

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ACORN MAST SURVEY RESULTS SHOW INCREASES FOR WHITE, RED OAKS

The 2012 acorn mast survey conducted at 38 Ohio wildlife areas showed an increase in production from the previous year, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. The acorn mast nearly matched the banner year of 2010. The overall number white oak trees producing acorns increased 36 percent from 2011, and the number of red oak trees producing acorns increased by 9 percent.

ODNR Division of Wildlife employees scanned the canopies of selected oak trees on 38 state wildlife areas to determine the percentage of trees that produced acorns and the relative size of the acorn crop. Thirty-two wildlife areas reported an increase in white oak acorn production, and 27 wildlife areas showed an increase in red oak acorn production. An average of 52 percent of white oak trees and 67 percent of red oak trees bore fruit in 2012. In 2011, 16 percent of white oak trees and 58 percent of red oak trees bore fruit.

"The fall of 2010 represented the highest percentage of fruit-bearing white and red oaks recorded over the past eight years," said Suzie Prange, forest wildlife biologist with ODNR's Division of Wildlife. "During the fall of 2012, a rebound occurred with the percentage of oaks producing fruit almost equaling the bumper crop of 2010."

Ohio's fall crop of acorns is an important food source for more than 90 forest wildlife species, and mast crop abundance can affect hunting plans. Hunters can expect to find deer, wild turkeys and squirrels concentrated near areas with heavy crops of white and chestnut oak acorns this fall. In areas with poor acorn production, these animals are more likely to feed near agricultural areas and forest edges. Acorn production is cyclical, with some trees producing acorns nearly every year, while others rarely produce. Wildlife prefer white oak acorns since red oak acorns contain a high amount of tannin and taste bitter.

ODNR's Division of Wildlife is currently participating in a multi-state research project to estimate regional acorn production throughout the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states. Wildlife biologists hope to use the acorn production information gathered in the study to forecast wildlife harvest and reproductive success rates on a local and regional basis.

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\$178,000 RAISED SO FAR IN CMH FOUNDATION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) Foundation has raised over \$178,000 in cash and pledges for its current capital campaign to relocate and expand the hospital's Respiratory and Laboratory Departments.

The CMH Auxiliary provided the lead gift for the project, pledging \$100,000 over three years. Hospital officials say that half of the \$250,000 campaign goal must be collected before construction will begin.

The expansion of the Respiratory and Laboratory Departments will provide larger, more private, and more appropriately configured space for patients and staff. This project will also relocate these two departments closer to the front of the hospital and closer to in-patient rooms, surgery, the emergency department, and registration.

While the current space itself is a concern, the community should know that CMH's equipment is state-of-the-art. "We utilize some of the best and most up-to-date equipment available—the same equipment used by larger regional hospitals," says Amy Thornell, Lab Manager.

While patient care is always the first priority, CEO Mel Fahs acknowledges that there is also a financial sustainability aspect to the project. "In today's uncertain healthcare environment, our hospital must continue to grow in order to remain a viable facility, and to continue providing quality healthcare close to home," said Fahs. "Respiratory and Laboratory are two of our highest growth areas, and this expansion will help secure the future of our hospital."

The CMH Foundation board members include Janis Meyer, Peter Kennerk, Roger Pence, Roger Strup, Marilyn Burggrave, Lila Wittig, Carol Weidenhamer, Mel Fahs, Michelle Waggoner, and Laverne Miller, MD.

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WT GROVER HILL ELEM. 1st NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

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 1B - Tucker Antoine, Kyla Hurd, Kaden Landwehr, Hayden Manson, Logan Miller, Nathaniel Wappelhorst
 2A - Alyssa Crutchfield, Ava Dougal, Madison Elliott, Matt Kline, Hannah Maenle, Anna Miller, Abby Moore, Eli Rickard, Josh Shelton
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 3A - Haylee Finrock, Faith Meraz Allen Minck
 3B - Brayson Parrish, Claudia Sinn, Eli Spinner, Abbie Stoller, Rachel Stoller
 4th - Devin Nickols Isaiiah

WTPE 3rd GRADERS GO ON PAULDING COUNTY HISTORICAL TOUR



On October 23, 3rd graders from Wayne Trace Payne Elementary went on a Paulding County Historical Tour to see all the places that they have been learning about in their Paulding County History unit. Some of the places they visited were the John Paulding Historical Mu-

seum, the Paulding County Courthouse, New Rochester (the 1st county seat), Junction (where the Wabash-Erie and Miami-Erie Canals met), Charloe (the site of the Oquanoxa Indian reservation), Paulding County Lock #21, and the site where Fort Brown once stood.

- Rittenhouse Katie Stoller
 5A - Reid Miller
 5B - Andrew Sinn, Claire Sinn, Miriam Sinn
 6th - Olivia Egnor, Bryan Hofmann, Austin Reed, Sadie Sinn, Trae Sinn, Ellie Stoller, Kaitlyn Doster
ALL A'S & B'S:
 1A - Cassidy Lewis, Caleb Mosier, Citlali Aguilar, Evan Walls, Nolan Walls
 1B - Olivia Longstreth, Trista Woodin, Harley Youtsey
 2A - Olivia Logan, Kristin McDonald, Brielle Sheets, Gabe Thrasher, Storm Tracy
 2B - Chloe Beining, Macy Doster, Brooklynn Elston, Nick Fleming
 3A - Alexa Campbell, Hunter Dugan, Logan Hale, Brady Hershberger, Jakob Landwehr, Karlie Simindinger, Tatum Tigner, Lauren Walls
 3B - Orion Elick
 4th - Madison Farquhar, Nathan Sinn, Trevor Sinn,

- Kassidy Campbell, Cara Davis, Alena Denny, Gabby Donis, Serenity Gurtner, Lyriisa Hammons, Wyatt Shelton, Julie Sinn, Tiffany Sinn, Katrina Stoller, Natalie Wappelhorst, Lydia Whitman
 5A - Amanda Wharry, Nate Showalter, Krista Markley
 5B - Nick Bostelman, Worth Clark, Mason Elliott, Madison Elston, Lexy Gibson, Breanna Huffine, Kirsten Lewis, Ashlynn Parrish
 6th - Sara Edwards, Adynn Elston, Noah Hasch, Derek Myers, Keagann Parrish, Ayan Rowe, Prestyn Thomas, Natalie Torman, Natasha Torman, Nathan Wappelhorst
ALL B'S:
 2B - Brice Carnahan
 3B - Faith Maynard, Mechial Mullins, Cameron Sinn, Tyler Sinn
 5B - Fred Hoagland
 6th - Madalynn Varner

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- Joe Estle*, William Finch, Emma Florence*, Gavin King, Gabe Nunez, Caydence Rue, Ean Seibert*, Chandler White, Bryanna Winke
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MISS HORNIAK 3C:
 Sophia Fisher, Micah Bollman, Stephanie Ladd*, Hunter Long, Kalyn Goshia, Carsen Perl*, Noah Seibert, Sam Woods
MRS. HOHLBEIN 4A:
 Hunter Dobbelaere, Sadie Estle, Selena Guyton, Hailee Huner, Alexis Lamond, Marquise Seibert*
MRS. BOCKRATH 4B:
 Dylan Daniels, Meagan Dearth*, Hailey Hartzell, Ethan Hill, Brendan Hornish, Ambrion Merriman, Ben Weible, Jalyynn Parrett, Kaitlyn Shaffer
MRS. PIER 5B:
 Darrick Bowersox, Kaela Lucas, Andra Stuck, Samantha Wagner
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SR 930 LANE RESTRICTIONS START NEXT WEEK ON BRIDGE AT WASHINGTON BLVD. CLOVERLEAF

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces intermittent lane and ramp restrictions on the SR 930/Coliseum Boulevard "Cloverleaf" bridge over Washington Boulevard. Starting Tuesday, November 6, until Friday, November 9, the ramp from eastbound Washington Boulevard to westbound SR 930/northbound Coliseum Boulevard will be restricted to one lane. The acceleration lane and shoulder on eastbound SR 930/Washington Boulevard under the Cloverleaf will also be restricted as inspection takes place under the bridge.

Additionally, guard rail work will restrict one lane in each direction on Coliseum Boulevard south of the Cloverleaf on Monday, Novem-

ber 5, from approximately 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. the same day. The limits of this work will be between New Haven Avenue and the Cloverleaf.

On Monday, November 12, on westbound SR 930/northbound Coliseum Boulevard, the right lane will be restricted for inspection work, followed by restriction of the left lane on Tuesday, November 13.

All work will take place between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., and all work is weather permitting.

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

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EAST ALLEN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER ELECTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The East Allen Family Resource Center has elected the following individuals to its board of directors: John Woolums, American Family Insurance, and Jessica Ogle, Dulin, Ward & DeWald. 2012-2013 board members include: Board Chair, Steve McMichael, Imagine Real Estate, Board Vice-Chair, Patricia Knaebe, Harrison College, Board Secretary/Treasurer, Diana Duncan, Garden Vigor, David Altekruze, Kelly Automotive, and Dave Hill, Park Center.

and cash prizes. Doors open one hour before the start of the game.

Contact one of the following for more information: Emily Tempel, Antwerp at 419-258-2837; Missie Bowman, DVM Paulding at 419-399-2871; Pam Herminghuesen, Van Wert at 419-238-0734; Alice Schaufelberger, Van Wert at 419-238-2883; or Carl Jeffery, DDS, Van Wert at 419-238-5810.

DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS IS MONDAYS AT 12 NOON!! DEADLINE FOR "FOR SALE BY OWNERS IN THE WEST BEND NEWS" IS FRIDAYS @ 5PM!!

OSU VAN WERT/PAULDING ALUMNI CLUB HOSTS GAME PARTY

The Ohio State Van Wert-Paulding Alumni Club is sponsoring an OSU vs. Wisconsin game party event at Van Wert Frickers on November 17, 2012. There will be food, raffles for a pair of Michigan/OSU game tickets

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9	9	6	3	8	2	7	1	1
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HANNAH ROBBINS SIGNS WITH TAYLOR UNIVERSITY



Pictured are (front) Jim Robbins, father; Hannah, and Tami Robbins, mother. In the back are Woodlan Coach Barry Ehle; Micah Robbins, brother; Coach Brad Bowser, Taylor U.; and Woodlan AD Todd Thieme.

Hannah Robbins, Senior at Woodlan High School, recently signed a national letter of intent to continue her softball career at Taylor University in Upland, IN.

WOODLAN & WOODBURN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CO-SPONSOR FOOD DRIVES

As the holidays approach, the Woodlan Primary, Intermediate and Junior High classes will be doing their part in making the season more enjoyable for some of the less fortunate people in the community by having a food drive. From November 5 - November 16, the primary and intermediate classes will be competing to see which class will bring in the most pantry and hygiene items. From November 12 - November 21, the junior high classes will join in the competition.

At the end of the competition and after the food has been delivered to the Food Bank, the two winning classes will be given a pizza party sponsored by the Woodburn Community Association.

Woodburn Lutheran School will host a food drive in the spring, with their winning class also receiving a pizza party from the Community Association.

TOLEDO BULLS WIN AT MANOR HOUSE GYM

The Toledo Bulls made the trip down the new US24 and won the pre-season boys 6th grade basketball tournament on Saturday at the Manor House Gym. The Bulls defeated Marion Harding, from Marion, Ohio, 47-23 in the finals. Also participating in the tournament was another Toledo team, the Toledo Trinity Lutheran Vikings, and a Manor House team comprised of Paulding County boys. Marion had to battle their way to get to the finals game, defeating Toledo Trinity and the Manor House team twice, but they could not get past a very quick and strong Bulls team. The Bulls finished the day 5-0.

The Manor House team, consisting of Paulding players; Fletcher Cook, Luke Brewer, Carson Shull, Bailey Manz, Jarrett Miller, and Antwerp players; Javin Landers, Ty Rebber and Nathan Lee beat Toledo Trinity Lutheran 36-19 earlier in the day.

Preparations and scheduling are now taking place for the boys and girls winter leagues that will begin December 8. The leagues already have 23 teams signed up to travel to the Manor House Gym in Antwerp on Saturday mornings.

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