

## "YES VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS!"



Sitting on Santa's lap is Kalli Billman, student at Antwerp Elementary.

On Saturday, November 24—Small Business Saturday—Santa Claus visited children and families as they milled and shopped downtown Antwerp. The Hometown Pantry set up "shop" for Mr. Claus for the afternoon. There is just something about visiting

with Santa that radiates good cheer.

Don Rekeweg of Woodburn was the Santa of the hour for this holiday kick off weekend. He has "officially" been Santa since his graduation from the CW Howard Santa Claus School *(continued on page 3)*

## PAULDING LIONS CLUB HOST "MEET SANTA"

The Paulding Lions Club is once again hosting "Meet Santa" for the children. Last year we had over one hundred children participate and these children had a fabulous and exciting time.

This community event is planned for Saturday, December 1, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Paulding Eagles. Activities include crafts for the children while waiting for Santa to arrive, Christmas music, a free meal to the children provided by the Eagles Ladies Auxiliary, a raffle for children to win toys, and the opportunity to sit on Santa's lap and have their picture taken with Santa. All children receive a candy treat so no child goes home without a prize. The adults can participate in their own raffle and a chance to win some money. Prizes will be awarded and raffle drawn at 1:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy the festive spirit of Christmas. December 1st is rapidly approaching so mark your calendar and bring your children and yourself. Past response to "Meet Santa" has been astounding and we expect a big turn out this year as well. The children certainly do get excited seeing and meeting Santa!

## 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL LIBRARY WINTER WONDERLAND PARTY

'Tis the season to be jolly and join the party at the Paulding County Carnegie Library. Mark your calendar now for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Wonderland Party to be held on Thursday, December 6, 2012 in the Children's Room of the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding. Children are invited to visit anytime from 6:00-8:00 p.m. to have a free photo taken with Santa. Visitors will follow a wintery path through a forest of Christmas trees while they make their way to see this jolly ol' elf. Partygoers will also enjoy refreshments, make a craft and go home with a fun goody bag. Enjoy the sounds of the seasons, twinkling lights and beautiful decorations, plus check out the library's selection of awesome books and movies during this fun-filled, free event. For more information contact the library at 419-399-2032.

## STEVE & JUDY McMICHAEL CELEBRATE SILVER ANNIVERSARY



Steve and Judy McMichael recently celebrated their 25th Anniversary with their daughters, Kaitlin and Alyssa, family and friends at Disney World.

They were married November 27, 1987, at Emanuel Lutheran Church in New Haven. Steve is the broker/owner of Imagine Real Estate, and is a member of

various boards and organizations that serve the New Haven area. Judy works at Lincoln Financial Group and is a member of the Emanuel Church Choir.

Steve and Judy love to camp, spend time with their kids, backyard fires and traveling, especially to Disney World.

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## OBITUARIES

**Heaven Lee Smith** of Paulding was stillborn on November 14, 2012. She will be missed by her parents, Jack and Chelsea (Clellan) Smith; her brother, Jeremiah Smith; her sister, Halcyon Smith; grandparents, John and Tammy (Fidler) Clellan and Jack Sr. and Sharon (Ruder) Smith.

Private family burial was conducted Saturday, November 24, 2012 in Rochester Cemetery.

Donations in Heaven's memory may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding handled arrangements.

**Marietta Louise Harper**, 82, of Paulding was called home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, November 21, 2012 at the Gardens of Paulding. She was born on August 4, 1930 in Payne, to Paul and Bertha (Mabis) Zielke. She was baptized on September 3, 1930 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Briceon, OH and was a life long member. She married Frank A. Harper on March 19, 1952. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoyed crocheting and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband and three daughters: Carol (Russ) Flint, Brenda Rigenbach and Patti (Brian) Stoller all of Paulding and one son, Ron (Judy) of Springboro, OH; even grandchildren: Bruce (Karen) Flint of Narragansett, RI, Jennifer Higgenbotham of Fort Wayne, IN, Kaleigh (Ryan) Mapes and Anthony Stoller of Paulding, Brian, Troy and Morgan Harper of Springboro, OH. Also surviving are two great grandchildren: Krystal and Aaron Flint of Narragansett, RI and a brother, Wayne Zielke, Antwerp, OH.

Preceding her in death are her parents; and four brothers: Alvin, Carl, Ray and Paul Zielke; and two sisters: Clara (Dye) and Ruth.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 29, 2012 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Briceon. Burial will follow in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation will be 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, November

28, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services on Thursday.

Donations may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or the Gardens of Paulding Activity Fund. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherder.com](http://www.denherder.com)

**Ernest Franklin "Frank" Rike**, 88, of Paulding died Sunday, November 18, 2012 at his residence.

He was born February 22, 1924 in Hamler, OH, the son of Harley R. and Ida L. (Aderman) Rike. On May 26, 1949 he married Leona Rae Harrison, who survives. He was employed by Paulding County Department of Soil and Water Conservation retiring in 2003 and previously owner operator of Rike Equipment in Dafter, MI. He was a US Army Air Force veteran serving during WWII and a member of Paulding United Methodist Church and Gideon's International.

He is survived by his wife, Leona Rike of Paulding; a daughter, Laura (Kurt) Laplander of Clairmont, MN; two sons: Eric (Susan) Rike of Lowell, MI, and Mick (Dawn) Rike of Castle Rock, CO; a sister, Betty Bishop of Hamler, OH; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Dawn Marie Rike; a brother, Raymond "Pete" Rike; and a sister, Norma Rader.

Funeral services were conducted November 23, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will be at a later date.

Donations may be made to Paulding United Methodist Church; Gideon's International; or Community Health Professionals Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**Carla V. Yoh**, 72, of Paulding died Monday, November 19, 2012 at the Gardens of Paulding.

She was born December 9, 1939 in Tuscarawas County, OH, the daughter of Jephtha D. and Mildred L. (Holmes) Fitzgerald. In 1990 she married George W. Yoh, who preceded her in death on August 17, 1998. She was employed as a data administrator.

She is survived by a son, Rick Miller of Paulding; two daughters: Wanda M. Ziegler



of Paulding, and Kathleen K. Pace of Orlando, FL; a sister, JaDee (Rick) DeGood of Paulding; grandchildren: Sara Miller, Paul Miller, Aaron Pace, Jamie Lammers, Lindsey Lassiter, Hannah Tunis; great-grandchildren: Riley, Austin and Conner Pace, Taylor Kochenour, Greg Lammers, and Olivia Critz.

She is preceded in death by her husbands: George Yoh and Calvin Miller.

Funeral services were conducted November 24, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to American Cancer Society or Paulding United Methodist Church. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**Bernard Ray Flint**, 87, of Paulding died Monday, November 19, 2012 at CHP Hospice, Defiance, OH.

He was born December 29, 1924 in Paulding County, OH, the son of Jesse and Essa (Doster) Flint. On August 19, 1950 he married Jane Ann Deisler, who preceded him in death on November 30, 1995. He was previously employed by Integrity Motors, Winkles, Grizzley and Stokleys. He was a member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church of Paulding.

He is survived by four sons: Mike of Mineral Wells, TX, Gary (Donna) Flint of Dumas, TX, Randy Flint of Defiance, and Troy Flint of Payne, OH; ten grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren with one on the way.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife; a daughter, Sharon Nelson; granddaughter, Kimberly Annette Nelson; and brothers: Leo, Donald and Justus Flint.

Funeral services were conducted November 24, 2012 at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding. Burial followed in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Donations may be made to St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church or CHP Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**Amos W. "Bill" Fry**, 81, of Fort Wayne, IN died Monday, November 19, 2012.

He was born May 7, 1931 in Fort Wayne the son of Richard W. and Beatrice (Ross) Fry. On February 23, 1957 he mar-

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"He leads me beside peaceful streams, He renews my strength."

—Psalm 23:1-3

ried Wilma C. (Strabele), who survives. He was employed by Kemper Insurance for eight years and retired from Ohio Casualty Insurance retiring in 1993 after 28 years. He was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, Fort Wayne, and Adjusters Association.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma of Fort Wayne; sons: Richard (Cindy) of Liberty Township, OH, Michael (Susan) of Seattle, WA, Eric and Kevin (Angie) of Fort Wayne; daughters: Elizabeth (Stephen) Charles and Kendall (Tom) Clark of Fort Wayne; grandchildren: Mallory and Steven Fry, Matthew Fry, Jessica and Brittney Clark, and Kyle and Emma Charles.

A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted November 26, 2012 at Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Paulding. Burial followed in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations may be made to Masses, Parkview Hospice, or St. Mary's God's Kitchen. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**June L. Sutton Taylor**, 82, of Paulding died Tuesday, November 20 at the Paulding County Hospital.



She was born June 22, 1930 in Paulding County the daughter of Floyd and Emma (Gary) Sutton. She married George Eddie Freeman, who preceded her in death on April 16, 1970. On October 14, 1972 she married Virgil Taylor who preceded her in death on February 1, 2005. She was a member of First Christian Church, Paulding.

She is survived by her

sons: Richard (Susan) Moore of Payne, Mitchel Moore of Los Angeles, CA, Dennis (Faith) Moore of Noblesville, IN, Chet (Pam) Moore, and Lynn (Karen) Moore both of Paulding, and Glenn (Amber) Neal of Peoria, IL; step-children: Randall (Patty) Taylor of Bolivar, OH, and Jeanne (Brent) Kinkle of Van Wert; 19 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husbands; a brother, Vincent Sutton; and a sister, Rose Marie Haney.

Funeral services were conducted November 27, 2012 at First Christian Church, Paulding. Burial followed in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation was 4:00-8:00 p.m. November 26, 2012 at Den Herder Funeral Home, and one hour prior to services at the church on Tuesday.

Donations may be made to First Christian Church. Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

### PC CHAPTER OF THE OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 11/14/12 MEETING

With fourteen members present and one guest, the meeting began with Vice President Dave Betts wife, Janis, showing her completed "Amazing Grace" hooked rug featuring their dog Gracie as Dog in Water, which won her a Best of Show ribbon at the Allen Co. Ohio fair. Janis showed other projects, some completed and others in progress. A short period of time was allotted to view her beautiful handmade crafts.

The meeting was called to order by President Terri Gorney. October minutes were read by Secretary Kay Stoller and the financial report was given by Treasurer Sue LaFountain. Dave gave a presentation about a new concept found in his Family Tree magazine. They now offer QR coded medallions being put on gravestones. Using a smart phone with camera, those reading the QR code may learn quite a history about the deceased person or the fam-

ily. Dave read from the advertisement these medallions could contain unlimited text, 999 images and 5 videos. This would be a great asset to family members or genealogy researchers. More information can be found at their website, [memorymedallion.com](http://memorymedallion.com).

Robert Wilder has found four more War of 1812 veterans serving from DeKalb Co. Indiana, making a total of 74, with 42 of those from Ohio, since his program presentation at the October meeting.

Coming in 2013 a new round of Century family members will qualify with their lineage living in Paulding County in 1913 or before. Contact Ray Keck 419-399-4415 or Karen Sanders at [karen15806@gmail.com](mailto:karen15806@gmail.com). At present the membership count has risen to 74. This is a partial list of Charter Century Families sponsors: Karen Heck Sanders, Homer J. Sanders III, Rae Ann Pieper, Ray Eugene Keck, Sue Ann Huss LaFountain, Kathleen K. Ruhlen, Kay Ellen Huss Stoller, Mary Alice Derck Donat, Kenneth L. Donat, Jeffrey Lee Donat, Gary Douglas Donat, Charles Keith West, Terri L. Gorney, Barbara Ann Pio Gorney and Sue Pio Kratzman. First Family sponsors: Kathleen K. Ruhlen, Mary Alice Donat, Kenneth L. Donat, Jeffrey Lee Donat, Gary Douglas Donat, Charles Keith West, Barbara Laukhuf, Robert E. Baumle, Julia Belle Hart, and John P. Jackson. A continuation of members will be listed in the next news release.

The next public meeting will be Wednesday January 9, 2013, 6:30 p.m. at the Paulding County Library ground level meeting room.

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# MR. & MRS. ROGER REKEWEG CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Roger and Beverly Rekeweg, Woodburn, IN are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They were married December 2, 1962 at Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn, where they are still active members. They are parents of Mark Rekeweg (Linda) of Woodburn, Marty Rekeweg (Teresa) of Hilliard, OH and Melissa

Davis (Drew) of Avon, IN. They are blessed with six grandchildren: Abby, Brice and Emma Rekeweg, Claire and Grace Rekeweg and Addison Davis. Roger retired from farming and Bev retired from Raytheon. They celebrated with family and friends on November 24, 2012.

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in 2008. His wife Carolyn is his Mrs. Claus. For many years Don played Santa for just family and friends, but since his graduation has been taking on more and more commercial roles for the character. He enjoys talking to the children and making everyone feel that special something oly felt at Christmas. While talking about his experience at some of the workshops and classes he's been involved in with the Santa Claus School, he said, "There is no good way to describe the feeling unless you're there."

The Charles W. Howard Santa Claus School, is a non-profit organization, established in 1937. It is the longest continuously running Santa Claus School in the world. Thomas Valent is the present Dean of the internationally recognized Santa School.

The mission of the school is to uphold the traditions and preserve the history of Santa Claus; to provide our students with the necessary resources that allow them to further define and improve their individual presentations of Santa Claus.

In 1995, Tom and Holly Valent conducted the first World Santa School in Ilulissat, Greenland. The

participating countries included: Germany, Ireland, England, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Canada, Spain, Australia, Greenland, South Africa, Switzerland, as well as the United States.

This Santa School has been taught in Australia, Greenland, and England. Tom and Holly Valent have participated in the week-long St. Nicholas festivities in Zurich, Switzerland, Oslo, Norway and Stockholm Sweden.

### HAVE YOU BEEN SCAMMED?

It has recently come to our attention here at the West Bend News that quite a few people have been scammed or have received fake bills, false payments, etc in our area. Have you been scammed? Write and let us know. The local police have told us many stories they have been receiving lately from area residents.

Email to info@westbendnews.net or mail to PO Box 1008, Antwerp, OH 45813 or to PO Box 91, New Haven, IN 46774 and your story may be published to help others know how not to get conned in this day of electronic transfers and internet.

# PROJECT AT MINNICH RD. AND SR 930

By: Steve Gordon

Tuesday night's Plan Commission meeting focused on a presentation for a request to change the zoning for a development project at the intersection of Minnich Rd. and SR 930.

Glenn Conkling, a representative of Tricon and local land developer, made a presentation to the New Haven Plan Commission that described a proposed multi-business project on the northeast corner of Minnich and 930. Of the 65 acres bounded by Minnich Rd., SR 930, and Dawkins Rd., only the southernmost 34 acres is seeking a zoning designation change from the current C-1 to I-1.

Mr. Conkling stated that he is working in partnership with RDC to develop the site for an "international company with an easily recognized name" that will be revealed at a later, more appropriate time. The company was only described as a package delivery firm and that this will be a distribution center. The center will act as an anchor for anticipated business or retail development in the remainder of the 65 acres.

Construction is expected to begin next spring with completion approximately mid-2014.

Bud Hall, owner of Hall's Restaurants, currently owns the property to the west on Minnich Rd. and spoke in favor of the project. He anticipates possible sit down restaurants to be built in the area.

Mr. Conkling expressed his desire to see that this project will meet the expectations of the community. He gave examples of other developments in Allen County that he as been involved with. They included: Cameron Creek, Timber Creek, Windsor Point, and Dawson's Creek in northern Fort Wayne.

Other than the actual distribution center, no other development is currently planned.

Brian Yoh, New Haven's planning director, stated that "RDC has been very cooperative" in meeting all of the city's requests.

The public was invited to make comments. City Councilman Bob Byrd spoke in favor of the project and the large financial impact it could have on New Haven. A representative from Holiday Inn Express shared his concern that increased noise could impact the quality of service for his customers. A nearby resident also expressed concern that increased traffic could negatively impact the quality of life for his family.

A decision for the rezoning is expected at the December 18<sup>th</sup> Plan Commission meeting.

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# CONGRESSMAN LATTA LAUDED FOR SUPPORTING ACCESS TO CANCER CARE

The American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) applauds the work of Rep. Bob Latta (R-Ohio) for supporting efforts to protect access to cancer care.

On September 24, Rep. Latta joined a bipartisan group of more than 100

House colleagues in sending a letter to U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius protesting Medicare's proposal to cut radiation oncology payments by an overall 15 percent, with a 19 percent cut to community-based cancer centers. On November 1, Medicare announced the final rule for the 2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS), which resulted in an overall seven percent reduction in payment for radiation oncology services and an overall nine percent cut to community-based cancer centers.

"Rep. Latta stood with us to significantly limit Medicare's proposed cuts to radiation therapy," said Laura I. Thevenot, chief executive officer of ASTRO. "Our members and their patients are extremely grateful for the support and leadership of Rep. Latta and colleagues to protect cancer care across the country. Access to high-quality cancer care is vital to increasing treatment success and patient survival."

A similar letter was also sent from the Senate, with almost 30 senators as signatories. The two letters combined sent a strong message to Secretary Sebelius that significant Medicare cuts were inappropriate for cancer care.

For more information about the 2013 MPFS changes for radiation oncology, contact Michelle Kirkwood, 703-286-1600, press@astro.org.

ASTRO is the largest radiation oncology society in the world, with more than 10,000 members who specialize in treating patients with radiation therapies. As the leading organization in radiation oncology, biology and physics, the Society is dedicated to improving patient care through education, clinical practice, advancement of science and advocacy. For more information on radiation therapy, visit www.ranswers.org. To learn more about ASTRO, visit www.astro.org.

# PAYNE AMERICAN LEGION GIVES BACK



Tim Baumle representing the Payne American Legion Post 297, presented Ellen Henriott of the Payne Methodist Church Food Bank with a donation of \$500 for the food bank.



Bob Williams representing the Payne American Legion Post 297, presented Brandon Wobler, treasurer of the Payne Scouts with a donation of \$200 for the Scouts program.

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**BUSY NOVEMBER FOR DMS PRESCHOOLERS**



Mrs. Vickie Laukhuf's Preschool class at Divine Mercy School in Payne have had a busy November. They have made pinecone turkeys, headbands and Indian art.

They have also been getting ready for their Indian Powwow and learning about pilgrims as well. Pictured above is Mrs. Laukhuf and her students.

**OUR QUAGMIRE**

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

"For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God," Romans 2:28-29 (ESV).

The Jews were God's chosen people to bring about God's will on earth. That does not mean they were automatically right with God because of their ethnicity. Throughout the Old Testament, we see

many ethnic Jews who were enemies of God and many Gentiles (non-Jews) who were exalted. Some Gentiles were even recorded in the genealogy of Jesus: Rahab the Canaanite and Ruth the Moabite.

Israel is now the Church. Or to put it another way, the Church is now Israel. God's people are now, and always were, all the faithful people form all the various races. That does not mean that we hate Israel or have the right to be anti-semitic. Our Savior was a Jew. Jews are made right with God the same way we all are, through the blood of Jesus. They are called to the

same sacrifice that we all are, to surrender their lives to Jesus and bring about His kingdom here on earth.

Politically, the bad theology that the ethnic Israel is still God's kingdom and that the promised land still belongs to them has led to problems in our attempts to restore an earthly, boundary-bound kingdom of Israel. We need to realize that our bad theology has put us in an extremely difficult situation. Holding onto that bad theology, even after seeing what it has caused, will lead to more hatred and violence. If those who claim to be followers of Jesus would acknowledge that our bad theology has empowered atrocities—some even in Jesus' name—and combine that with prayer, repentance, and seeking a peaceful way through the quagmire we find ourselves in, God will be faithful and provide a way through.

As Christians, we are citizens in a kingdom without boundaries and ethnic barriers. Our goal is not to take over and profit off of the rest of the world but to serve others and transform, as best as we can, the world into what God designed it to be. We do that through grace, peace, and love.

This will not happen until we stop allowing ourselves to be manipulated by the powers of this world into attacking and killing others for the advancement of these earthly powers. Under the guise of freedom and security, we are tricked into falling lock, stock, and barrel with those who don't know Jesus in advancing their temporary and earthly kingdoms.

As Christians, we are called to turn the other cheek. We are called to love our enemies. We are called to be known by our love. We will never bring about God's kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven if we continue to invest our lives in fighting for the twisted kingdoms of this world.

Let us avoid bad theology that causes us to condone actions that are contrary to the will and the kingdom of God.

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

**DO WE SHOW FAVORITISM?**

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

An episode of This American Life (the popular NPR radio show) focused on a young woman named Sara who was sharing her family's public fall from grace. She had grown up in a privileged family—enormous house, beautiful clothes, expensive schools, and country club memberships. Both her mom and dad had beautiful new Porsches. Her mom decked herself with beautiful jewelry. Sara's dad was an upwardly mobile lawyer. But despite the outward signs of success, her home life was marked by constant pressure to keep up the family image. Sara said:

"Rules were very important and etiquette, very important. My dad's insane temper

could be set off by the slightest offense. When I heard the Porsche rumble up the driveway every day when he came home, I would run into my room and hide. Because maybe today would be the day he found the candy wrapper in the sofa cushion... It was all about avoiding awakening the bee's nest."

But that glittering image "came to a screeching halt one night in 1990." Sara described the fateful day when her parents called a family meeting to tell the children that her father had done something very wrong and was going to have to pay. Much of their money, it turned out, had been embezzled from a trust fund of one of his disabled clients. Her father wept on the couch as he confessed his wrongdoing to his children and said, "We're going to have to start over. We are going to rebuild our lives."

Her father was disbarred from practicing law. They had to sell their beautiful home and Porsches. All their family friends disowned them. Sara's mother had to go back to work, changing sheets at a nursing home and serving as a janitor at their Baptist Church. And yet in the midst of this death—of security, wealth, achievement, identity—a beautiful new way of life was born.

Sara continued: "My dad instantly became better. He was happy. He chewed gum, which didn't happen before. And wasn't such a [jerk] all the time. And Mom, her transformation was amazing... She packed bagged lunches... for some homeless people who lived under a bridge... She went to Rwanda during the genocide. And she even let a homeless guy named Earl live with us once. He was a fugitive. We figured it out later. But who are we to judge? I mean, who are we to judge, really?"

We are warned in scripture regarding showing favoritism or preferring others solely on basis of their socio-economic status... James 2:3-4 (NIV), "If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, 'Here's a good seat for you,' but say to the poor man, 'You stand there' or 'Sit on the floor by my feet,' have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?"

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](mailto:defyfc@embarqmail.com)

**REVIVAL WITH MURPHY BUELL AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

A revival is scheduled for December 2-5 at First Baptist Church, 5482 CR 424, Antwerp, OH. On December 2, the music starts at 5:30 p.m. and the revival starts at 6:00 p.m. On December 3-5, the music starts at 6:30 p.m. and the revival starts at 7:00 p.m. Revival.

Pastor Murphy Buell of Middleboro, Kentucky will be the guest speaker. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to know that life is painful broken. Everywhere we look, we see the tragic effects of sin on people and society. The big question is, "Can the mess be fixed?" God's big answer

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is that Jesus came to heal all things through His death and resurrection. Through faith in Christ, anyone can participate with God in the restoration of all things. But how? We believe the heart of the matter is the human heart. Jesus said that out of the heart comes the real corruption in life (Matt. 15:18). That means that change on the outside can really only come when there is a change on the inside. All attempts to change human behavior without changing human hearts are like treating the symptoms of a disease but never dealing

with the cause. That's why revival is so important. Revival is a word that gets to the heart of the matter. It's a renewed relationship with Jesus that revolutionizes relationships with others.

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Bekah Bradley is an extremely talented local singer/songwriter with an exquisite voice who has won numerous awards for her God-given gift. Most recently, she competed in the Texaco Country Showdown finals, a national contest for rising stars in the country music scene. Bekah is currently in the studio recording her first EP that includes musicians who have recorded with other powerhouse singers like Christina Aguilera, Alan Jackson, Shania Twain, and more. The EP will be for sale very soon at www.bekahbradley.com.

To help supply our local food bank, the only price of admission for this very special concert is to bring a can of food per person. The Bekah Bradley Christmas concert is a rare opportunity to hear an up and coming artist of this caliber in our area. Her voice has an unmistakable, powerful tone. Support our local food bank and come for an evening of Christmas music that will leave you encouraged and inspired.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 9 and the concert begins at 6:30 p.m. at Westwood Fellowship Church, located at 4100 Becker Road, Woodburn, IN 46797. Seats will be given on a first-come, first-served basis, so plan to arrive early. For questions, call the church office at 632-4828.

**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 4:39 - What did Jesus say to Simon's wife's mother about the high fever?
2. Luke 4:39 - After healing her of the fever what did she do?
3. Luke 4:40 - How did Jesus heal these people?
4. Luke 4:40 - How many were healed?
5. Luke 4:41 - What were the demons saying?
6. Luke 4:41 - What did Jesus do to the demons?
7. Luke 4:42 - When it was day, what did Jesus do?
8. Luke 4:42 - What did the crowd try to do?
9. Luke 4:43 - What did Jesus tell the crowd?
10. Luke 4:43 - What was Jesus to preach?

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

Answers to the Bible questions of the week 11/21/12:

1. Galilee
2. Teach on the Sabbaths
3. At Jesus teaching
4. Authority
5. He had an unclean spirit
6. Let us alone
7. Be quiet and come out of him
8. With authority and power
9. Simon Peter
10. Simon's wife's mother.

The Sahara Desert: The Sahara Desert is a three and a half million square mile expanse of arid land in North Africa, west of the Nile River. It is almost the size of the United States, and is growing larger. The history of the Sahara Desert is interesting. Long ago, Romans made this area the granary of Rome by employing soil conservation and water management. When the Romans left, Nomads ruined the land and trees were cut for fuel. Dams and irrigation channels were abandoned. Goat's grazed upon saplings. Topsoil eroded. The land had been highly productive, but when rav-

aged, it became nothing but "waste." All of us have talents and great opportunities. What we choose to do with our lives will determine if we become "productive" or "wasteland." You and I need to realize the value of our soul and prepare for eternity. Matthew 16:26 for what is a man profited if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

**THE GLORY WAY QUARTET IN CONCERT AT GROVER HILL ZION UMC**

Grover Hill Zion United Methodist Church presents the Glory Way Quartet from Mansfield, Ohio on Sunday evening December 9 at 6:30 p.m. The Glory Way Quartet will be just returning from Nashville with their Christmas concert.

You are invited to come and hear this wonderful Christmas concert. A love offering will be taken for the quartet. Grover Hill Zion United Methodist is located at 204 S. Harrison St. Grover Hill, Ohio. Church contact: 419-238-1493, mwaldron@embarqmail.com

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**THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER PRESENTED BY OFF STAGE PRODUCTIONS**

In its third year, Off Stage Productions of Van Wert, Ohio will host the wonderful Christmas production, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* by Barbara Robinson and directed by Dan Bulau. A timeless themed production that is sure to pull at your heartstrings. Performances are set for Friday and Saturday, November 30 and December 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 2 at 2:00 p.m. at the Marsh Foundation Auditorium, 1229 Lincoln Highway, Van Wert, OH.

When Grace Bradley (Amber Evans) is forced to direct the annual church Christmas Pageant, little does she expect that her son will get all six Herdman children involved. The Herdman children are the worst children in the history of the world and normally just went around terrorizing the town, but now, somehow, they also managed to hijack the whole Christmas Pageant. The show promises to delight every audience member from the opening act to the unexpected heartwarming conclusion.

Returning to the play again this year and now cast as Mother, Amber Evans portrays a very caring person who rises to the occasion whenever a challenge is presented to her; Amber Evans portrays Grace Bradley in the show. Evans began her formidable acting career by participating in the show for the first time at the age

of fifteen when she was cast as Beth Bradley in the 1986 Van Wert Civic Theatre production of the same show. Timing is everything, and fortunately for Evans—her first acting experience was encouraged by the original director of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* who was filling in for an English Literature teacher at school. After listening to Amber read in class she was invited to audition for the play. Though she is not formally trained, Amber has held many rewarding and challenging roles in the history of her acting career through a variety of entertainment venues and under the direction of many seasoned actors and directors. Her first show as an adult was with Stage Left Productions (known as Stagecoach Dinner Theatre) in *Rumors* in the role of Cassie Cooper; she has had starring roles with Off Stage Productions and with the Van Wert Civic Theatre, and most recently was cast in the play *Wrong Window*.

What brings Amber back to *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* is the "bond" that develops through fun interaction with actors, stage hands, technical crew and directors—all which make up a second family in theatre. She is comfortable under the lights and attributes that feeling to the director and the professional acting advice offered to all involved. She states, "It's amazing how quickly everyone learns their lines and their blocking with so few rehearsals and although there are times when things get a little rowdy, we have been able to accomplish so much in a very short amount time and have fun doing it."

Evans is very excited to be performing in this production for the first time with her son, Nathan, who is cast as Charlie Bradley, also her son in the show.

Elated, she states, "I really enjoy working with him as he has a very creative mind and this experience has added a whole new level in our relationship."

The storyline of the play has personally affected Amber's life and it is her hope that it influences the lives of others. She has learned that there is more to a person than the side they choose to show the world. Amber compassionately shares, "And sometimes, with a little patience and guidance that inner person is able to reveal itself and touch someone else's heart. It reinforces the old adage 'do not judge a book by its cover.' It also shows the changes that can happen to a person when the Lord touches your heart."

Fulfill your holiday experience with forty-nine cast members and a supporting crew of volunteers who have worked hard to make this production possible—*The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*—has an everlasting message that is sure to touch your heart while tickling your funny bone at the same time. All tickets are at 211 South Walnut Street between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tickets will also be available at the door, depending on demand, but may not be available. For more information: email info@offstagetheatre.com or call 419-605-6708.

**IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK ALOT LIKE CHRISTMAS!**



Are your Christmas decorations keeping the neighbors up? Has Martha Stewart told you "it's a good thing"? Maybe some wise men have knocked on your door or the power company has called to "check" on your meter? These are all signs that you might want to enter the "Christmas Village of Lights" holiday decorating contest.

The contest is sponsored by the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce and is open to anyone in the Antwerp School District.

Homes will be judged based on curbside appeal only. Judges will not enter the interior of any property. Each home will be judged in one of the following categories. You choose which category best describes your home display.

- Religious (best display with a religious theme)
- Clark Griswold (excessive use of outdoor lighting & decoration)
- Anything Goes (no specific theme, but WOW!)
- Martha Stewart would

be proud (if she would be proud... you WIN!)

A \$50.00 prize will be awarded to the top house in each category. Entry forms may be picked up at the Antwerp Pharmacy, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Marilyn's Petals & Vines or at Kammeyer's IGA. They are also available online at www.antwerphio.com. Entries must reach the Chamber by 5:00 p.m. on December 12, 2012. They can be mailed to PO BOX 1111, Antwerp, OH 45813 or turned in at Kammeyer's IGA.

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**OLD DAN & I, CHAPTER 15: BACK FROM ENGLAND**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Well, last night we sat around and talked about the raid on the heavy water plant on Arnun Island over by Denmark. Then we played euchre until way after midnight. Gen. Guggenheim had an appointment with Gen. Allen Applegate and told him the whole story and where and why we made the raid. He even showed the pictures from his gun cameras and him shooting down the five German planes. Gen. Applegate was pleased with the entire operation and even gave Norm a certificate that made him an official American ACE.

We celebrated with rolls and coffee at the mess hall. The whole shebang was a success. Now back to Aachen.

Gen. Norm flew the old C-47 transport back to Aachen. We cruised at about 200 mph and we three Mustangs flew right behind all the way. It seemed like we were hardly moving. I guess we got use to going high speed all the time. It was later in the afternoon when we touched down at our airbase. Gen. Guggenheim told the Lt. Meyers and Hornish all he could about our team.

We took all of our orders

from S-3. We don't tell anybody anything. Now I'm going to let you go back to your regular unit. I won't need you for a couple of weeks. When I do need you I will call you. I'm sending a note to your commanding officer that I recommend you boys get a weeks R&R down on the Riviera. I really appreciate you boys' help that I can really rely on you.

We laid around for a couple of days and Dan looked our P-51D all over, and the ground crew put in the fuel and ammo and had it ready to fly again.

We took off early today and flew over Luxembourg and then on over to the Rhine Valley. We are still looking for trains hauling supplies to the Western Front.

Dan and I got orders from Gen. Guggenheim to destroy any and all freight on the Gerbersheim Canal. That canal carries a lot of supplies to the Werks all around Stuttgart. That whole area is still turning out armament for the Krauts.

We left our Aachen airbase after it was good and daylight. We are loaded with ammo, but we don't need an extra gas tank for this mission. We follow the Rhine River Valley going south to Stuttgart. We shot up a number of canal boats and loading dock areas.

In the area near Heidelberg, we used our 40 mm cannon and blew the right side of a lock to smithereens. We made a tight circle and blew the other door to pieces. That will put that lock out for a few days. Even if they find some men to fix it.

We went on down the Rhine and came upon a big lock and blew all of these gates to pieces. We had fires

burning, we had barges burning, we had people running all over. The mules were scared and the punch carts were rolling down the hill.

We went right on down the river at about 300 ft altitude. I had my twin 20 mm guns raking the assembly areas. There was a lot of traffic here.

I'm not sure what happened next because I was busy with my cannon firing into the dock areas.

I heard and felt the plane shiver when Dan fired off his cannon. Then I realized we were flying upside down. Then we were right side up and all of the machine guns were barking again. Then I saw an FW-190 crashing into the Rhine River.

I guess this is what happened. We were going south in the Rhine Valley and there were some low hills on each side of the river.

A FW-190 came out of the right side of the river from a small depression and right in front of Dan. Dan's aim was a little off, so he rolled us over to the right side and that put his tracers right into the cock pit of that FW-190. I hope Gen. Guggenheim can understand this action.

The closer we got to the junction of the canal and river, the thicker the anti-aircraft bullets were.

There were boats and barges and a lot of action and scurrying all over, and right now I feel something hot on the inside of the calf of my right leg.

See ya!

after the baptism of the twins in the church. We had a huge carry in dinner right out on the Main St. of the post. This is April 1, 1856.

At the celebration we had foot races, horse races, trick riding, and some horsemanship displays. We had a horse-shoe pitching contest and a couple of ball games, and some quilting displays.

Rooster won all the foot races and did some somersaults and back flips. He is very light on his feet and well-coordinated.

Some of the soldiers showed off what their horse could do, and somewhere pretty good. Along about 5:00 p.m. they rang the bell and it was time to eat supper. So the ladies could clean up the area before dark.

Yellow Tulip, the Indian nanny, gave some demonstrations on how the Indians made different colors that was very interesting.

Callie, the twins and I sat with the Gen. and his wife in the warm sunshine. We talked about the summer's work and some of the nations troubles and cares. A lot of the southern farmers use slave laborers. Some of the northern people want this practice stopped. I can see down the road that this will cause some trouble.

He talked about the big train and railroad system in the east. The Rails have been laid into St. Louis now.

He said the engine is ran by steam moving big wheels on the side of the engine and the wheels run on two steel rails about four feet apart. In a few years he said The Rails will be right here in Fort Kearney. I can see a big change good and bad. Then the conversation turned to when are we going back to the agency?

Well, pretty soon, but I'm not sure which day. I have the wagons and animals ready for the trip. I would like to pick a warm sunshiny day—it would be warmer for the boys. This is Sunday, April 1, 1856. I think we will wait until Thursday.

"Gen., can we use the four soldiers again this summer? They are good workers and they know what has to be done and they go right ahead and get it done!"

The Gen. agreed and said, "I will have the first Sgt. to draw up the orders by Wednesday."

Rooster will still be the runner or liaison between us. Rooster had left the fort on Thursday and he had a good fire going in our home and the store room, plus a pot of beans cooking out on the cook area. He had brought a bag of biscuits in his saddle bags. Anyhow, that meal was well received because we were all tired from the two-day trip. We are going to rest tomorrow and then start the usual spring work the next day which is Monday.

Well I haven't written in a while because of everything that has been going on here. Farmer plowed the whole garden and the pasture area. That part is where we cut the Timothy hay for the animals.

That took all day and into the late afternoon. Pony that Walks, the Shaman, Half Moon, The Gardener, and about a half of dozen braves and a couple squaws, from Limping Buffalos Tribe arrived at the agency. We spent all the next day planting our garden. Yellow Tulip took care of the twins and Callie worked in the garden. She loves planting and watching things grow.

The mess Sgt. didn't come along this trip, so Rooster had a good meal ready for the workers and all. He had bean soup with a big deer bone in it. A couple of prairie chickens and some corn meal cookies. As we were eating and talking, two people on horses were coming into camp from the fort's direction. One was an officer, and it looked like Gen. Kearney. The other was a young nice looking army officer. I just couldn't recognize who it was—Holy moly! It's Billy Metzger.

See ya!

ance in 1951. His parents were Arden and Helen Hedrick. He didn't have any brothers or sisters. He graduate from Defiance High School in 1969. He was employed for a year at a Defiance Machine Company.

He entered the army in 1970. He served in the M.P.s, and then in the FIRST DIVISION, better known as the BIG RED ONE. He was around Mannheim, Germany most of the time. He was discharged in 1972. He went back to work at the same Defiance plant.

He married Elizabeth Beregazi in 1978 and she had eight children. So he came to Antwerp in 1978. George is a very big supporter of the Antwerp Archers in every endeavor.

He volunteered to raise and lower the American Flag at all the home games of the football season. That was about 30 years ago and he still can be counted on to raise the flag. George is very proud of having served his country when they called. He has belonged to the American Legion ever since he got home from the service. He has been the Post Commander here in Antwerp a number of times. He has been the M.C. at the Memorial Day celebration for many years. He assists with the forming of all of Antwerp parades, and any other veterans type of affairs.

George is a well-informed backer of all of the Archers' games in the Green Meadows Conference. He tells about the game with Fairview that went into three overtime periods. Like I said before he is well-informed of the Archers activities.

George is a well-read and well-informed sports fan. He is Ohio State all the way. He likes the Cleveland Indians and the Cleveland Browns. He is well-read on all these teams. I guess that is his big hobby. He says he gardens a little. He told me he was a fair weather fisherman.

He enjoys the family get-togethers and likes to romp with the grandkids. He enjoys taking care of the flag. It is the same proud feeling when you know you have served your country. He is very proud of the respect for the Antwerp flag that is shown by all the fans at the football field.

On behalf of all the Antwerp fans, we thank you for all your dedication. George, it was a pleasure talking with you.

See ya!

**SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 42**

**By: Stan Jordan**  
Well, we had a fine Easter celebration here at the fort,

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**By: Stan Jordan**  
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You wave at her.  
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How can you keep a blonde at home?  
You put in a circle drive.  
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Where is Engagement, Ohio?  
It is between Dayton and Marion.  
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See ya!

**GEORGE HEDRICK**

**By Stan Jordan**  
It was suggested to me that I do a column on the man that cares for and raises the American Flag at all the home football games for the Antwerp Archers.

His name is George Hedrick and here is the column.  
George was born in Defi-

**SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO WLS!!**

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at Woodburn Lutheran School on Saturday, December 1st, from 9:00–11:00 a.m. Talk with Santa and get pictures with him, in the Stellhorn Photo picture booth. Listen to Mrs. Claus read Christmas stories. Make a craft with Santa's helpers. Watch a Christmas movie, complete with popcorn. Take home a Christmas bag full of goodies and surprises! The ladies of Zion Lutheran Church will have their delicious peanut brittle available! Woodburn Lutheran School is located at the corner of State Road 101 and Woodburn Road.

This event is sponsored by Christ Lutheran Church Evangelism Committee.



**DON'T TAKE A "HOLIDAY" FROM WORKING TOWARD FINANCIAL GOALS**

**Financial Focus by: Phil Recker, Edward Jones Advisor**

We're well into the holiday season now. And while the holidays are joyous, they can also be expensive. In fact, at this time of year, many people make spending decisions they end up regretting. But you can enjoy the holidays and still stay on track toward your financial goals by following a few simple guidelines, including the following:

- Set a budget — and stick to it. Whether you're buying gifts or hosting holiday parties, you need to establish a budget and not exceed it. The people to whom you're giving gifts and entertaining do not expect you to dig yourself into a financial ditch on their account — and they wouldn't want you to do so, either.

- Compare prices. With some searching, you can almost always find less expensive versions of those gifts you're considering. But a word of caution: The earlier you start hunting for bargains, the better your chances of finding good prices.

- Watch for "after-holiday" sales. The best bargains typically appear when the holidays are over. While these sales may not benefit you this year, they can prove quite valuable if you decide to "stock up" on gifts for the next holiday season.

- Don't over-use your credit cards. Try to limit your credit card purchases over the holidays. If you must use a card, at least pick the one with the lowest interest rate — and do the best you can to pay off the card quickly. Over the last few years, Americans have actually done a pretty good job of lowering their household debt levels — and that's definitely a movement in which you'll want to participate. Keep in mind that the higher your debts, the less money you'll have available each month to

invest for retirement, college for your children or any of your other financial goals.

- Avoid dipping into long-term investments. If you find yourself coming up short when dealing with holiday expenses, you may be tempted to cash out at least a portion of your long-term investments. But this should be avoided, for at least two reasons. First, depending on the account you're tapping into, you may face penalties, fees and taxes. Second, and perhaps even more importantly, you'll be depriving yourself of resources you had earmarked for your key goals, such as a comfortable retirement. Of course, you may eventually be able to replace the funds you've withdrawn. But in the meantime, you've lost out on the growth potential these investments may have provided — and that period of lost opportunity typically cannot be regained.

- Build a "holiday fund." It might be too late for this year but, once the holidays are over, set up a special account for next holiday season. Even if you put in only a small amount each month, you'll be pleased with how much you can accumulate in a year. Keep the money in a liquid, low-risk account — one that's separate from any money you use for your normal day-to-day expenses.

By following these suggestions, you may be able to take some of the stress out of this holiday season — and possibly even brighten all the other seasons of the year, too.

**NEW FLYING J TRAVEL PLAZA BRINGS 55 LOCAL JOBS, RESTAURANTS, MERCHANDISE TO NEW HAVEN RESIDENTS**

Pilot Flying J recently opened a Flying J Travel Plaza in New Haven, IN, featuring full amenities for area residents and the motoring public while adding 55 local jobs and other economic benefits to the community.

Located off Interstate 469 and Highway 30 at exit 19, the travel plaza offers New Haven residents many amenities, including:

- nine diesel lanes and 12 gasoline lanes with high-speed pumps for quicker refueling;
- two RV fuel lanes along with bulk propane and an RV dump station;
- Subway and Cinnabon as well as a Huddle House opening November 26;
- expanded food offerings

to include pizza, salads, sandwiches and hot dogs;

- premium coffee and cappuccino selections; and
- general merchandise for quick shopping needs.

"We hope that New Haven area residents will enjoy the convenience and amenities of our new Flying J Travel Plaza," said Jimmy Haslam, chairman of Pilot Flying J. "We're proud that our new travel plaza will serve this community through products and services as well as contribute to the local economy. And, we'll fill the needs of professional drivers carrying goods to communities across North America."

The new facility is Pilot Flying J's 35<sup>th</sup> in Indiana and the 654<sup>th</sup> overall in North America. It is expected to contribute more than \$3.5 million annually in state and local tax revenue.

"We invite New Haven residents to visit our new location. Our staff takes great pride in providing the quality service our guests deserve," said Scott Liddell, general manager for the New Haven travel plaza.

As with all other Pilot Flying J locations, the New Haven Flying J Travel Plaza honors the MyRewards loyalty card, through which members can earn in-store retail and restaurant discounts.

The combined network of over 650 Pilot Flying J travel centers and Flying J travel plazas across North America serves more than 1.3 million customers daily.

**About Pilot Flying J:**

Pilot Flying J is committed to making life better for America's drivers. Headquartered in Knoxville, TN, Pilot Flying J has over 650 retail locations and is the largest operator of travel centers and travel plazas in North America. The Pilot Flying J network provides customers with access to over 60,000 parking spaces for trucks, over 4,400 showers and over 4,000 diesel lanes, of which over 2,600 offer DEF at the pump. Pilot Flying J subsidiary Maxum Petroleum is one of the largest independent energy logistics companies in North America, selling and distributing over 1.3 billion gallons of refined petroleum products and serving over 15,000 customers. Together, Pilot Flying J and Maxum Petroleum employ over 25,000 people and generate sales of 9 billion gallons of petroleum annually. Visit [www.pilotflyingj.com](http://www.pilotflyingj.com) for more information.

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**SEN. KRUSE: GENERAL ASSEMBLY KICKS OFF 2013 BUDGET SESSION**

State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn) gathered with fellow legislators on November 20, 2012 at the Statehouse for Organization Day — the ceremonial start of the 118th Indiana General Assembly's budget session.

Organization Day is marked by the swearing in of new General Assembly members as well as the annual first roll call of all state lawmakers. This day also provides each House and Senate caucus with the opportunity to organize before session officially begins on January 7.

The 2013 session is a budget year, meaning lawmakers will draft a comprehensive proposal to fund govern-

**HALLOWEEN FUN!**



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary had some fun this Halloween. Students could dress up for the afternoon parade. Mrs. Perkin's 1st grade class had fun showing the school their costumes for the day.

**WINTERIZING PERENNIALS WITH MULCHES**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

Extreme temperature variations and drying winds can be harmful to many of our commonly planted perennials. Usually the foliage of most perennials starts to die and wither after the first hard frost. The question is when to remove the dead foliage.

One thought is to immediately remove the dead foliage. Many perennials will suffer no harm as a result, as long as you exercise great care when applying mulch. The other approach is to wait until spring to remove dead foliage. Research has found that mums survive the winter better if the old foliage is left

standing through the winter. You should always remove diseased foliage to discourage the spread of leaf-spot diseases and fungal problems.

Whether you decide to remove dead foliage in the fall or wait until spring, mulches provide the best protection for your perennials. Established perennials and bulbs benefit from mulches that are applied after the ground freezes, because mulches do not allow soil temperatures to fluctuate as much throughout the winter.

Mulches do a better job of insulating plants when space is allowed for air to circulate. Mulch that packs down to a dense mass during the winter can cause mildews and molds to form. Apply three to four inches of straw, pine

ment services for the next two years. By law, the 2013 legislative session must be completed no later than April 29.

"I look forward to working with legislators from both sides of the aisle this session," Kruse said. "If we are to create a budget that represents Indiana as a whole, we must hear all perspectives on our financial situation and take them into account. This will allow our state to best serve its communities."

Kruse said other Senate priorities for the 2013 session include:

- Protecting Hoosier children through improving Indiana's Department of Child Services
- Building on Indiana's low-tax, job-friendly environment
- Reforming Indiana's criminal penalties

Additionally, Kruse has been appointed as chairman of the Senate Education and Career Development committee and ranking member of the Utilities Committee. He will also serve as a member of the following committees in 2013 and 2014:

- Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee
- Pensions and Labor Committee
- Rules and Legislative Procedure Committee

As the 2013 session gets under way, Kruse encourages Senate District 14 residents to contact him with any questions or comments they may have. Kruse can be reached via email at [Senator.Kruse@iga.in.gov](mailto:Senator.Kruse@iga.in.gov) or by phone at 1-800-382-9467.

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**NEW SERVICES OFFERED AT ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS!**

Don't be caught without a child care plan! Ann's Bright Beginnings, located at 211 Emerald Road in Paulding, will watch your school age child during Christmas break and/or for school delays or cancellations. The bad weather is fast approaching — be ready! We will have staff to walk your child to school after the delay and we are also ready to entertain with games, centers and activities! Call 419-399-KIDS (5437) to include your child(ren) in this new adventure. We are also offering all day every day (Monday through Friday) child care for your preschool age child. This includes ages 3, 4 and 5 years old. Our staff

needles, or other mulching material in late November or early December when the soil surface freezes. A good organic compost used as mulch is also effective and can be used as a soil amendment in the spring.

Mulch should not be removed too early in spring or plants will begin to grow too early. Plants located on the south side of a building or wall will emerge sooner than those in other areas, but may be subject to spring frost damage.

Dehydration is a common problem when snowless winters occur. A layer of mulch several inches thick helps retain soil moisture. This mulch should be coarse and loose to permit air movement to roots. Root tissues continue to metabolize in the winter and requires oxygen for this process to take place. Reduced soil oxygen level increases the aggressiveness of many soil pathogens. Mulches which pack down should be avoided.

**Happy Birthday Mom, Grandma, & Great Grandma**



**Marsha Franklin**  
Celebrates her third 29th birthday. She married Jim Franklin Nov. 25, 1972.  
Love: Dave, Angie, Jeff, Chris, Linda, grandkids, & great grandkids

Oakwood Fire Dept. Women's Auxillary is hosting a **HOLIDAY ONE STOP SHOP** at the Oakwood Fire Station **DECEMBER 1, 2012**  
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# BULLDOG WRESTLING FALLS TO EAST NOBLE KNIGHTS



New Haven wrestling started last week, November 20, against East Noble. Shown above is New Haven's Rashad Jackson-Tatum pinning Jesse Maley in 2:26. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

On November 20, 2012 the New Haven wrestling team played host to East Noble. The Bulldog have seven returning letter-winners in their line-up: Ryan Shaffer (126), NHC Champ Reese Sieger (138), Luis Chacon (170), Brad Berghoff (182), Matt Robinson (195), Alex Schultz (220) and David Escalante (285) plus transfer letter-winners: Nate Mill (FW Northside) and Rashad Jackson-Tatum (Concordia). Three addition-

al returning letter-winners, David Lawhorne (late start), Spencer Perkins and Grant Bremer will join the "Dawgs" line-up upon recovery from injuries.

Against East Noble, New Haven took a loss as a team, both varsity and JV. Varsity: New Haven 18, East Noble 52; JV: New Haven 6, East Noble 15.

Individual results:  
120 - Sterling Lutter (EN) pinned Nate Miller (NH),

0:49

126 - Brennan Storey (EN) pinned Ryan Shaffer (NH), 3:33

132 - Mason Diffenderfer (EN) pinned Tommy McDowell, 0:54

138 - Reese Sieger (NH) won against Jacob Weimer (EN), 8-1

145 - Eli Parks (EN) pinned Justin Syndram (NH), 1:50

152 - Tyler Householder (EN) pinned Lenard Sanchez, 1:52

160 - Rashad Jackson-Tatum (NH) pinned Jesse Maley (EN), 2:26

170 - Luis Chacon (NH) won against Evan Argueta (EN), 9-7

182 - Brad Berghoff (NH) pinned Eric Butler (EN), 3:03

195 - Ross Walker (EN) won against Matt Robinson (NH), 6-3

220 - Brandon Joest (EN) won against Alex Schultz (NH), 8-3

285 - Drake Demuyt (EN) pinned David Escalante (NH), 2:52

106 - Garret Pepple (EN) pinned Sean Casey (NH), 1:49

113 - Conner Knapp (EN) won against Owen Doster (NH), 14-4

## SUE'S KITCHEN

By: Sue Knapp

First of all I owe an apology to you. In last week's recipe for Grape Salad I omitted the whipped cream (or Cool Whip). I hope this didn't cause too much confusion!

Now that Thanksgiving is over and we feel like stuffed turkeys it is time to concentrate on Christmas. It's time for finger foods. Everything we indulge in with justification (it's Christmas—only once a year). While we're not being brave, I will include in December's issues, Christmas recipes.

This recipe comes from Steve's sister-in-law, Melanie, from Georgia, the best cook in the world!

### Pimento Salad

1 sm. jar pimentos  
3 c. shredded cheese (co-jack or cheddar)  
mayo  
3 oz. cream cheese, softened  
salt & pepper  
Mix ingredients together and spread on crackers or small round rye bread. This can also be used as a sandwich spread—or I hear it is good to fix like grilled cheese sandwiches!  
Enjoy!

# WOODLAN SHOOTS DOWN BRAVES



Woodlan took on the Bellmont High School basketball at home Friday, November 24. The score went back and forth for most of the game with the Warriors gradually pulling ahead to win the game 59-48. Shown above is junior Jaylin Bennett scoring for Woodlan. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

## SANTA IS COMING TO ANTWERP

Santa Claus will be in Antwerp on December 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-2:30 p.m. at the Antwerp Fire Department on the corner of Cleveland and Daggett Street. Please bring your little ones and they will receive a little prize bag from Santa. Also there will be pictures offered and refreshments for the parents.

## 5K 4 WELLNESS DECEMBER MEETING

Help any school earn 5K or more for wellness! It has been done. You pick the school. Think of the impact! Share the information or get involved. A Wellness 4 Everyone Canal Days 5K Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-5:15 p.m. (note time change). The meeting will take place at the New Haven Parks Department (teleconferencing options, see below). 100% of pledges go directly to participating schools.

- Agenda:
- School Participation (Just 10 pre-registered per school guarantees full participation and funding opportunities)
  - Business Teams (Great for Spring Corporate Wellness CHALLENGE!)
  - Fund raising (Raffle, school sponsors, pledges etc.)
  - 6 Week Spring Training Program
    - Lunch Break Campaigns
    - Community Training Sites
      - Work Training Sites
      - Distance and Time Training Templates
    - Event transportation options for local and out of town
    - Marketing and Social Media
      - Awards
      - Determination for adding a 10K

Teleconferencing into meetings will be an option for those unable to attend in person or happen to be in other areas of the state. New Haven Parks and Recreation Office is located at 1125 Hartzell Road, New Haven, IN 46774. For questions, call or email Kerri Zurbuch, at 260-433-0024 or [kerri@wellstrategiesinc.org](mailto:kerri@wellstrategiesinc.org)

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# WOODLAN GIRLS DERAIL GARRETT



Woodlan took on the Railroaders at home Thursday, November 23. The game was close in points up to the half. The Lady Warriors then pulled out all stops and ran Garrett off the tracks with a final score of 57-32. Shown above is senior Jaryn Malfait shooting for Woodlan. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)



It was a close game for Antwerp against the rivals Delphos Jefferson Saturday, November 24 at home. The Archers fought hard from behind but it wasn't enough to take the win. Final score Antwerp 47 - Delphos Jefferson 51. Shown above is Antwerp's (left) Kaiya Jonison nearly pushed out of bounds and senior Alexis James being fouled on the shot. More pictures at [www.premium-light-images.com](http://www.premium-light-images.com) and [www.archerpics.com](http://www.archerpics.com)

## DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS IN ANTWERP ENDS 11/30

Antwerp students have fervently been collecting food, hats and coats for the annual Christmas For Kids Food, Hat, Glove & Coat Drive from November 12 through November 30.

The students have specific drop off rooms for donations at the school. In the high school:

- Seniors - Mrs. Sorrel
  - Juniors - Mr. Schott
  - Sophomores - Mr. Lehman
  - Freshman - Mr. Miesle
  - 8th grade - Mr. Tomlinson
  - 7th grade - Mrs. Cooper
  - 6th grade - Mr. Tempel
- The class with the most donations collected will be awarded with a dodge ball tournament against the teachers.

There is also a donation box at the entrance to Kammerer's Market.

## WT LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 11/28 - 12/4

- Breakfast:**
- 11/28 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk
  - 11/29 - Cheese omelet/toast, juice, milk
  - 11/30 - Fruit turnover, juice, milk
  - 12/3 - Sausage pizza, juice, milk
  - 12/4 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice, milk
- Lunch:**
- 11/28 - Raider lunch surprise, milk
  - 11/29 - Chicken nuggets, green beans, fresh veggies, fruit, milk
  - 11/30 - Fiestado, tossed salad, fruit, milk
  - 12/3 - Hamburger/cheese sandwich, hash brown, carrot stick, fruit, milk
  - 12/4 - Taco w/lettuce, cheese & salsa, corn, black beans, fruit, milk

## PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 11/28 - 12/4

- MS/HS - Breakfast:**
- 11/28 - Egg/cheese & sausage muffin, juice/fruit, milk
  - 11/29 - Coffee cake or Apple filled bread stick,

- juice/fruit, milk
  - 11/30 - Gravy (sausage) w/biscuits, juice/fruit, milk
  - 12/3 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk
  - 12/4 - English muffins or Bagel, yogurt or string cheese, juice/fruit, milk
- MS/HS - Lunch:**
- 11/28 - Walking taco w/lettuce, refried beans & salsa or Top Your Own potato, assorted fruit, milk
  - 11/29 - Oven potatoes, vegetable pack, cheeseburger w/bun, or Big Daddy pizza, tossed garden salad, assorted fruit, milk
  - 11/30 - Salad bar w/breadstick or Grilled or breaded chicken w/bun, baked beans, glazed carrots, assorted fruit, milk
  - 12/3 - Popcorn chicken bowl, fresh vegetables/roll or Salad bar w/breadstick, assorted fruit, milk
  - 12/4 - Mandarin chicken salad, breadstick or Sloppy joe w/bun, vegetable pack/oven fries, assorted fruit, milk

- Paulding Elementary**
- Breakfast:**
- 11/28 - Whole grain cinnamon roll, fruit/juice, milk
  - 11/29 - Breakfast burrito, fruit/juice, milk
  - 11/30 - Cereal or Bar, crackers, fruit/juice, milk
  - 12/3 - Rainbow yogurt, goldfish grahams, fruit/juice, milk
  - 12/4 - Pancakes, juice/fruit, milk
- Paulding Elementary**
- Lunch:**
- 11/28 - Cheezy bread stick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk
  - 11/29 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, bread, fruit choice, milk
  - 11/30 - Fish stix, broc-

- coli, vegetable choice, bread, fruit, milk
- 12/3 - Grilled chicken w/whole grain bun or Goldfish bread w/peanut butter cup & gogurt, carrots/celery, fruit choice, milk
- 12/4 - Hot dog w/whole grain bun or Whole grain uncrstable & gogurt, baked beans, vegetable choice, fruit snack, fruit, milk

- Oakwood Elementary**
- Breakfast:**
- 11/28 - Mini pancakes w/syrup, fruit, milk
  - 11/29 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk
  - 11/30 - Assorted cereal, crackers, fruit, milk
  - 12/3 - Rainbow yogurt, goldfish crackers, juice, milk
  - 12/4 - Mini maple pancakes, fruit, milk
- Oakwood Elementary**
- Lunch:**

- 11/28 - No school, P/T conferences & Thanksgiving holiday
- 11/29 - Waiver day
- 11/30 - Whole grain cheese breadstick w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk
- 12/3 - Hot dog w/whole grain bun, corn/celery, fruit, milk
- 12/4 - Whole grain breaded chicken w/bun, peas/carrot sticks, fruit, milk

## ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 11/28 - 12/4

- 11/28 - Meatball sub on bun, carrots & celery, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
- 11/29 - Grilled chicken on bun, peas, strawberries, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
- 11/30 - Pepperoni pizza, salad orange, milk

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# 3 GENERATIONS AT NEW HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL



By: Beth Stauffer

In this day and age, families are stretched thin and frequently many miles are in between the different generations within a family; grandparents live on one side of the country while parents and grandchildren live on the other side of the country. Here in New Haven, however, that's not necessarily the case. Within the halls of New Haven High School from August to June, you'll be able to find a unique situation where 3 generations of the same family are either coming to work or attending classes on

a daily basis. The first person you are bound to meet from this family as you enter New Haven High School is matriarch Barb Clements. During the school day, Barb keeps things running smoothly from her position as the secretary in the high school's front office. Since 1983, Barb has worked in varying positions at NHHS, from the library to ICE and from Attendance to being the after-school detention monitor, Barb has almost done it all within these hallowed halls. "Me and Mr. Monaghan, we go hand in hand," Barb told me with a laugh, referring to the fact that she is one of the longest serving staff members at New Haven High School along with living legend, and Social Studies teacher, Pat Monaghan. Next, if you were to travel to NHHS's Guidance Department, you would no doubt meet Barb's daughter, Michelle (Clements) Cordray, who serves as the Guidance Receptionist. Like her mother, Michelle is friendly and warm, with a knack for keeping things running smoothly in a busy office. For the last 16 years, Michelle has also served as the volleyball coach at New

Haven High School, as well as serving terms as a basketball coach and softball coach.

"This was always were I wanted to be," said Michelle of her desire to work at New Haven High School. "I was already here all of the time with coaching and I knew everyone, so this was a perfect fit."

To find Michelle's daughter (and Barb's granddaughter), Ella, You might have to look a little harder. As a sweet, soft spoken and well-mannered freshman, Ella blends into the crowd of students who roam the hallways at New Haven High School during school hours. After the school day is over, however, you might find Ella playing volleyball or softball for NHHS or participating in the Key Club, a service organization that works to better the lives of children and those in our community.

Long time New Haven residents will probably recognize Ella with little trouble, as according to Michelle both of her daughters grew up in the NHHS gymnasium. "Both of my girls were gym rats growing up," Michelle reminisced. "I have a team volleyball picture from when Ella was about 6 months old, and she was sitting on the lap of one of the players. I had brought in a baby walker that both of my girls used when they were little to run around the court in. They learned quickly where they could go and where they couldn't go. Eventually we had to use athletic tape to hold the wheels together on that thing because the girls had worn them out!"

Now that her daughter is grown and attending New Haven High School as a student, Michelle has a unique understanding of what it is like to be a freshman and having your mom watch your every move. "Michelle and her brother, Brian, were both students here when I worked here," remembered Barb, adding, "I started here in 1983 when Michelle was a freshman, and Brian came along as a freshman three years later."

At this comment by her mother, Michelle laughed and said, "I remember the one and only time I ever had to serve a detention, it was with my Mom. I wasn't nearly as nervous about having to serve that detention as I was about having to face my mother!"

"It was for a stupid reason, laughing too long at a joke in Spanish Class," Barb responded, also with a laugh. "I remember seeing Michelle's name on the paperwork that morning to serve detention and thinking 'Oh my goodness!'"

One might think that being a freshman would be hard enough without having your mom and grandma being highly visible, key members of the high school staff. Ella, however, sees the situation just the opposite. "I think it's neat," said Ella of being at the same school with her Grandma and Mom. "I always told my Grandma she had to stay at least one year while I'm at school," Ella said with a smile.

Ella's sister, Emily, a student at Meadowbrook Elementary, is now trying to convince Grandma Barb to do the same thing for her. "Emily tells me, 'Grandma, you have to stay at least one year for me!', but I tell her it's almost a given I won't be here then. But, I'll come back for anything she has going on," said Barb of her plans for the future.

Of course, the Clements-Cordray family spends a lot of time outside together outside of the school day. This trio of admittedly sports-oriented ladies is frequently joined by Grandpa Tom and Emily to watch New Haven High School football, volleyball, basketball and baseball games, as well as cheering on the Indianapolis Colts, IU basketball, and Notre Dame football and hockey. During the upcoming holidays, the family also has special traditions that they look forward to each year, such as visiting Coney Island and viewing the Christmas lights display at Franke Park. The family also attends church together on Sunday at the New Haven United Methodist Church, where they are active members.

"We really make time for each other," said Michelle, adding, "Life is so busy, but you have to make that effort for your family. We sincerely love and care for each other, so it doesn't feel like an effort."

"The girls live around the corner from us now, which is so fun!" added Barb. "I only wish my son and his family were here too," said Barb, referring to her son, Brian Clements, who is a teacher in Utah, Brian's wife, Erika, and her 9 year old grandson, Konrad.

# 1st THANKSGIVING AT LITTLE HARVEST DAYCARE



Little Harvest Preschool learned all about the story of the first Thanksgiving. We wrapped up the unit with making our own Native American vests and head-

bands. Shown here are Aubree Miller, Gabby Thomas, Adria Webster, Torree Sinn, Ryann Jay, Lance Maenle, Lexi Moore, and Gabby Carman.

# LEARNING ABOUT NATIVE AMERICANS



On November 16, 2012 Antwerp Elementary Kindergartners learned about Native Americans. The students made a clay pot, learned how Native Americans wrote, and made Na-

tive American necklaces and shakers. Pictured here are Mrs. McMichael's students showing off some of their creations they made during their centers!

Grandpa Tom, who is now retired after working for 41 years as a salesman for Wayne Pipe & Supply, originally brought the family to New Haven from Huntington County to be closer to his job. This decision has led to some very special memories for the ladies in his family recently, as Ella told me her favorite thing about being at school with Grandma Barb is "Getting to give her a hug at the beginning and end of every day." For Michelle, her favorite thing about working with her mom at NHHS is "Getting to eat lunch with my Mom every day." As for Barb, she simply stated her favorite thing about sharing NHHS with her daughter and granddaughter is "Just

being with my girls, and getting to see them every day." When Ella was asked if she felt like she couldn't ever get away with any normal high school shenanigans with her mom and grandma always being around at school, she simply stated "It doesn't really change anything whether they are here or not. I would still behave the same way as I do now with them being here."

Ella's mature statement gives credence to the old saying, "It takes a village to raise a child." Or, at least in Ella's case, a place like New Haven where loving and caring relationships with her grandparents and mother abound.

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**WOODBURN CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST**

Again this year, the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an outdoor Christmas decorating contest for the City of Woodburn. Monetary prizes will be awarded and judging will take place the week of **December 17th**

**Good Luck Decorating**

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# CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE IN NEW HAVEN

On Friday, December 7th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in downtown New Haven, a Christmas Open House will offer many holiday treats for all to enjoy.

5:00-7:00 p.m.: A Holiday Open House and New Haven Chamber's "Meet Me at 5:00" will take place. Sponsored by Peter Franklin Jewelers.

5:30-7:30 p.m.: There will be a FREE Horse Drawn Carriage Rides from Ruhl Furniture to the Depot. Sponsored by: Etica

Group, Ruhl Furniture and Chamber of Commerce.

Register to win 26" Kids Bicycle at Ruhl Furniture. Sponsored by: Ruhl Furniture.

There will be a drawing: Santa will arrive at 7:30 p.m. and draw the winner.

FREE Ornaments and Refreshments. Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and cookie.

Children can also paint a free ceramic ornament (while supplies last). Sponsored by T.J. Ceramics Power House.

Christmas Carolers and Refreshments at various businesses.





# PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS DECEMBER 2012 NEWSLETTER



## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,  
December is a busy month for the school district with many Christmas programs as well as the beginning of the winter athletic events. We are very proud of our many talented students and invite the community to attend our December concerts, programs, and athletic contests. What a wonderful way to celebrate the holiday season. Check the calendar at the right side of this page for dates and times. Most programs and concerts are free and it's not too late for our district residents, 65 years and older, to stop at the administration building and pick up a senior citizen pass for free admission to all athletic contests. We are also preparing for our 16<sup>th</sup> annual Senior Citizens' Breakfast on December 12<sup>th</sup>. This is a free event that showcases talented students throughout the district. Call the school switchboard at 419-399-4656 or 419-594-3309 to make reservations.

It is with mixed emotions that I begin my last month as Superintendent at Paulding. I have enjoyed my 14½ years with this district. Paulding is a wonderful school district with excellent staff, students, and parents. Thank you for the support you have given me and the opportunity to serve the district. It has been a time I will always cherish.

Yours in Education,  
Pat Ross  
Superintendent

## NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

**Paulding Elementary- Stephanie Tear**  
Greetings! We here at Paulding Elementary wish you and your family a blessed holiday season. We do have so many blessings in our lives. Our children are our biggest and best blessing! Many at Paulding Elementary often comment on how your children touch their hearts. I have heard that a smile or frown can heal or pierce a heart, so I love seeing all the smiles from staff and children within our building.

Last week was American Education Week, with the theme being "Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility". It focuses on working together to build great schools. I take this seriously and just recently sent out a family survey for your feedback. That data was organized and will be analyzed by teachers to determine our next steps in meeting your needs. A parent and teacher meeting was held to discuss making the cafeteria and indoor recess even better. It was a very positive meeting as teachers and parents brainstormed solutions to noise level, seating, staff approach, and recess activities. This will be ongoing work with the PAWS committee and systems will be in place within the school year.

If you have not had the opportunity to let your child's teacher know they are appreciated, I encourage you to do so. As I work each day side-by-side with the teachers at Paulding Elementary, I realize how fortunate your children are. Many of these teachers are so talented and amazing at what they do! We are blessed with many strengths within our staff. Teachers read the book Teach with Your Strengths this past summer, which involved an online survey to assess personal strengths. Our bi-monthly teacher meetings have been dedicated to discussing the results. The book is insightful and inspiring as teachers discuss their personal strengths and what great teachers look like. It is wonderful to know that the teachers at Paulding Elementary are very empathic developers, which means; we have teachers who have sympathetic hearts as they develop young learners. I hope you will take time to let them know you appreciate their dedication.

Paulding Elementary wishes each and every family a safe and blessed holiday season. My hope is that you enjoy one another and embrace time together.

**Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz**  
Autumn Greetings from Oakwood Elementary!! I want to start my article by thanking all who attended our Veteran's Day program on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. It was nice to have the seats set up for our Veteran guests nearly full! We appreciate their years of service and sacrifice.

The month of November has been a very busy one at Oakwood Elementary! We had a wonderful turnout at our parent/teacher conferences earlier this month – very close to 100%. Our students are much more successful when teachers, parents, and students are all on the same page, and this can only happen when the lines of communication are kept open. We encourage our parents to re-

member sharing questions, concerns, and successes with your child's teacher are not limited to twice a year at fifteen minute appointments. Any time questions or concerns arise regarding your child's education, please contact us.

Our character building theme in November has been 'Citizenship' and our theme for December is 'Caring'. Oakwood Elementary students are demonstrating citizenship and caring in a big way right now as our annual penny pitch is under way – over \$500 was collected in just the first three days of our five day collection drive! Our penny pitch is sponsored by the 6<sup>th</sup> grade student council, and our collection goes to the Oakwood Christmas Elf Project. All the money stays right here to help families in the Oakwood Elementary community. Thank you to everyone who has donated to help make our service project a success!

Our second graders and kindergartners would like to thank the members of the John Paulding Historical Society for inviting them to tour The 'Festival of the Trees' on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. The second graders enjoyed decorating their Christmas tree with ceramic snowflake ornaments created in Mrs. Stork's art class. Once again, the talking tree was a BIG hit with both the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and the kindergartners. On the topic of Christmas trees, our fifth graders created tree ornaments made from old CDs during their art classes. They took the ornaments to the Cooper Community Library where they hung them on a tree in the children's department. The tree looks really cool!!

The fifteen days of December are very busy at Oakwood Elementary – that's not telling you anything new, right?! Our bands and choir are practicing and will be performing at different times throughout the month; and our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are busy learning lines and songs for their Christmas program. Our students are reading for the Reading Is A Sport Program. Our second quarter is coming to an end. And, the list goes on!! Amidst all of the special events, teachers are working hard to help our students make positive academic gains! (Please check out the Oakwood Elementary webpage to find out when our events are taking place and to see pictures of our kids in action!)

Oakwood Elementary Staff and Students wish you and your loved ones a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

**Middle School-David Stallkamp**  
Hello from the Middle School!  
I hope that everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving break and that we all took time to let those we are thankful for know how much we care and think of them. It is a wonderful time of year to express our sincere thanks for all we have been given. I am thankful for all of you. Without wonderful, caring, dedicated parents, our job here would be harder than it is. Thank you very much.

Midterm reports went home November 20<sup>th</sup>. PLEASE stay on top of your child's progress in the classroom. Time is going by very quickly and the year can rapidly slip away if we do not stay on top of things. If they are experiencing difficulties, please contact the teachers and ask them for ways to help. The staff here is very dedicated and only wish the best for every student. The second nine weeks grading period ends on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Grade cards will be coming home after the first of the year.

A big THANK YOU to all that purchased items for our annual fund raiser. We profited \$10,000 for the students. That is a tremendous amount for the economic times we are living in. Thank you for helping the school purchase neat things for the kids with this profit money that we wouldn't be able to do for them without it. Thanks again. I would like to give a big THANK YOU to Paulding-Putnam Cooperative Electric Company. They have given Paulding Middle School a \$2000 grant for the purchase of student incentives. This \$2000 will be used to purchase Honor Roll T-shirts for the kids. Thanks to their Operation Round-Up, we were able to receive this grant. Thank you, again, to Paulding Putnam and all of their customers that have signed up for Operation Round-Up.

I always look forward to our annual school Senior Citizen's Christmas Program. I enjoy spending time with our seniors and listening to their wonderful stories. This year's program is set for December 12<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to call the switchboard at 419-399-4656 and reserve your spot for this morning of activities and fun.

On December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m., we will be holding our annual Band and Choir Christmas Concert in the high school gym. Come

on out and enjoy a fun afternoon of wonderful Christmas music.

Our winter sports seasons are preparing for their schedules to start. Check out our school website or the schedule in this newsletter for your favorite teams and come watch our kids play. They love playing in front of large crowds. Let's get that Paulding Spirit back into our school sports.

Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Keep in touch.

**High School-Todd Harmon**  
Happy Holidays to everyone from Paulding High School. We want to be thankful for all that God has blessed us with and for the loved ones that we will gather with over the Holiday seasons.

Thank you goes out to Beth Kelly and Sandy Dobleare and their Drama crew for their rendition of "Bad Hair Day". All involved did a wonderful job. The Senior Citizens Breakfast will be December 12 for all district residents that are 60 years and older. The program begins at 8:30 a.m.

Our Band and Choir Christmas concert will be held on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 in the High School Gym. Thanks to Dave Clappsaddle and Don Clark for their time in preparing the students for their performances.

High School students will be taking their semester exams December 19-21.

The Student Council will once again be having a canned food drive with a new twist. In order for a student to be a part of the reward film and snacks, they will need to bring 2 canned food items, AND a winter HAT or pair of GLOVES. Participation is VOLUNTARY but encouraged as we teach the students of Paulding to be good citizens and reach out to those in times of need as the winter sets in. The Drive will be from December 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST**  
The annual Senior Citizen Christmas Breakfast will be on Wednesday, December 12. All district residents 60 years and older are invited to join us at 8:30 a.m. (doors open at 8:15 a.m.) in the auditoria for a great breakfast, fellowship and entertainment. We will be showcasing the talents of our students in each building. Please call the school at 419-399-4656 or 419-594-3309 to register. Parking will be available in the lot on the corner of Emerald Road and Caroline Street.

**AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**  
American Education Week was a great week for our students and staff. Paulding Exempted Village Schools would like to thank our school community for its support. The partnership of students, parents, teachers, staff and community helps PEVS reach its goal of providing students with a quality education so they can grow, prosper and achieve in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Again, thanks to everyone in the Paulding Exempted Village School District for all you do to make our school a great place for students to learn.

**WINTER SPORTS**  
Good luck to our athletes and coaches as their seasons begin. The scheduled activities will provide an opportunity for students to participate and for fans to enjoy the events. The National Federation of State High School Athletic Association advises the following for parents and other fans:

- Realize that a ticket is a privilege to observe a contest and support school activities, not a license to verbally assault others or be generally obnoxious.
- Respect decisions of contest officials.
- Be an exemplary role model by positively supporting teams in every manner possible, including content of cheers and signs.
- Respect fans, coaches and participants.
- BE A FAN...NOT A FANATIC

All students are to remain seated once the game starts until half time. Once the second half starts, students are to remain seated until the end of the game, even if they are seated with parents.

**WALKING FOR EXERCISE**  
Walkers may use the buildings according to the following schedule: Oakwood Elementary-Monday-Thursday, 6:30-7:30 a.m. and 3:30-5:30 p.m. Please use the First Street entrance by the flag poles. Paulding High School-Monday-Thursday, 6:30-7:30 a.m. on the balcony and 5-6:30 p.m. on the ramp.

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E-Books are now available through our school libraries. A quick search in our online library catalog (CAT) will reveal the print materials that are available in the Media Center and also electronic resources. The elec-

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You may access the online catalog from the district home page. Choose Media Center from the top "Department" toolbar. Scroll down to the appropriate school CAT link. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Williams in the Media Center.

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To access the INFOhio database website ([www.infohio.org](http://www.infohio.org)) outside of the school building, you need a password. This information is now available on the ProgressBook site. You can also contact the school Library/Media Center.

**FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)**  
Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. Please go to the school's webpage at [www.pauldingschools.org](http://www.pauldingschools.org). On the Parents drop down list, click District Policies, Board Policies, & Forms (on the left side of the screen). Click 8000 Operations, then 8330 F9 Annual Notice to Parents Regarding Students Records and Specific Events/Activities.

**ATHLETIC CALENDAR**

**JH Wrestling**

Dec. 3	Lincoln/FV/Lima North-H	5:30p
Dec. 8	Bryan Invitational-T	9:00a
Dec. 10	Delphos St. Johns-T	4:30p
Dec. 13	Fairview/Antwerp-H	4:30p
Dec. 17	Col Grove/Ayersville-H	6:00p
Dec. 18	Defiance-H	4:30p

**Varsity Wrestling**

Dec. 1	Montpelier Invite-T	9:30a
Dec. 8	Lancer Invitational-T	10:00a
Dec. 15	Edgerton Duals-T	10:00a
Dec. 17	LCC/Ayersville-H	6:00p
Dec. 29	Grv Invitational-T	9:30a

**JH Boys Basketball**

Dec. 4	Crestview-T	5:00p
Dec. 6	Van Wert-H	5:00p
Dec. 10	Bryan-T	5:00p
Dec. 11	Spencerville-H	5:00p
Dec. 13	Tinora-T	4:30p
Dec. 27	Wayne Trace-H	4:30p

**Freshman Basketball**

Dec. 6	Spencerville-H	5:00p
Dec. 7	Defiance-H	4:30p
Dec. 11	Wayne Trace-H	5:00p
Dec. 13	Allen East-T	5:00p
Dec. 17	Van Wert-T	5:00p
Dec. 20	Bluffton-H	5:00p

**Boys JV/Varsity Basketball**

Dec. 1	Antwerp-T	6:00p
Dec. 7	Defiance-H	6:00p
Dec. 8	Wayne Trace-T	6:00p
Dec. 10	Montpelier-H	6:00p
Dec. 14	Allen East-T	6:00p
Dec. 18	Van Wert-H	6:00p
Dec. 21	Bluffton-H	6:00p

**JH Girls Basketball**

Dec. 3	Antwerp-T	5:00p
Dec. 4	Crestview-H	5:00p
Dec. 6	Van Wert-T	5:00p
Dec. 10	Bryan-H	5:00p
Dec. 11	Spencerville-T	5:00p
Dec. 17	Edgerton-H	5:00p
Dec. 20	Hicksville-T	4:30p

**Girls JV/Varsity Basketball**

Dec. 4	Hicksville-T	6:00p
Dec. 6	Spencerville-T	6:00p
Dec. 11	Wayne Trace-T	6:00p
Dec. 13	Allen East-H	6:00p
Dec. 18	Montpelier-T	6:00p
Dec. 20	Bluffton-T	6:00p
Dec. 27	Bryan Invitational-T	TBA
Dec. 28	Bryan Invitational-T	TBA

**Good Luck Panthers**

**DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS**

Dec. 3	Band Booster Meeting	7:00p
Dec. 4	PE PTO Family Night	
Dec. 3-7	PE PTO Book Fair	
Dec. 4-6	OE PTO Santa's Secret Shop	
Dec. 5	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
Dec. 6	PE Picture retakes	
Dec. 6	PE Xmas program, Auditoria	7:30p
Dec. 7	FFA Fruit Pick up	
Dec. 8	ACT Test Commons	7:30a-1:00p
Dec. 10	Sci Olymp Bstr Mtg, Auditoria	7:00p
Dec. 12	Senior Citizens' Christmas Bkfst	8:30a
Dec. 14	OE Student of the Month Lunch	
Dec. 16	Band & Choir Concert, Gym	3:00p
Dec. 17	FFA Chapter Meeting, Ag Room	
Dec. 18	OE 4th/5th gr. Christmas Prog	7:00p
Dec. 18	Board Meeting, Adm. Bldg	7:00p
Dec. 19	OE 6th gr Band during lunch	11:15a
Dec. 19-21	High School Exams	
Dec. 21	End of Second Quarter/First Semester	
Dec. 24-Jan. 2	CHRISTMAS BREAK	
Jan. 3	Classes Resume	

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**TASTY TRIP!**



Mrs. Kohart's preschool students from Paulding Elementary visited Susie's Bakery recently. Susie gave the students a tour of the bakery and showed them how she decorates cakes. It was a fun and tasty trip!

**STUFF THE BUS!**



Paulding Middle School held their annual "Stuff the Bus" campaign to help the needy and to help re-stock the local Caring and Sharing Food Pantry. The middle school Student Council sponsored this annual event.

Pictured here are student council members Kalen Kelly, Jocelyn Camposano, Estee Miller, and Lexi Beckman loading the bus to take to the pantry. Many in the community donated items to help the less fortunate this holiday season.

**WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 11/5/12**

Meeting minutes from November 5, 2012 City of Woodburn Council meeting. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Treasurer Sarrazine, Utility Superintendent Walls were in attendance.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Police Chief Duhamell presented a report with progress of the police department including his reserve program, trick or treats at the station (including pictures) shooting schedule, business checks, and an activity report for October. The Blazer has been put back into service and decaled. Chief Duhamell reported that he has been approved for the military surplus program. Chief Duhamell presented his request for purchases. Councilman Rice made a motion to approved his request including four bulletproof vest, two lasers, and holsters as presented by Chief Duhamell. Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

**AUDIENCE:**

There was a landlord there to protest water usage. It was determined that there would be a onetime credit and from now on a final read would be taken with every shut off whether for non-payment or name change.

**MAYOR:**

Presented for the second time a quote from T&C Construction to make the corner of Westmont and Core handicap accessible. The price is \$2400 and they would "throw in" 8' repair on Ash St. Councilman Renner made a motion to approve. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. The topic of the display sign for City Hall was revisited and Councilman Voirol made a motion to go forward with the low bid. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

A quotation from Korte Does it All was presented to repair lights at City Hall and it was decided to check with local electrical contractors and take bids.

We now have three reserve officers Nathan Fike, Ryan Riechhart, and Aaron Ginder.

There will be a meeting Wednesday November 7, to discuss the annexation. We need to define boundaries and get surveys.

A request to go to a seminar at IUPU was presented to council at a cost of \$190 plus room charges. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve the Mayor to go. Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

We are working with a bonding company, Bingham, Greenbaum & Doll, to bond the water main project on Main Street as well as Umbaugh.

Chief Duhamell will be our contact with Homeland Security.

We will be changing our cell phone service to Verizon Wireless. We will be getting five iPhones at no cost: one for the police department, one for the Treasurer's Office and one for the Mayor. We will be upgrading the air cards in the police vehicles

to "hot spots" at a savings of \$20 per month. Discussion was had as to the necessity of the Treasurer to have a phone, council agreed to keep it in that department. No vote was taken or motion made.

**TREASURER:**

Meeting minutes from 10/15/12 were presented a motion was made by Councilman Gerig to approve. Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Discussion was had about publication in the paper before approval. Mayor wants to wait until regular meeting to approve before publication. No vote was taken.

Warrants were presented, Councilman Voirol made a motion to pay. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Because of the new contract extension with National Serv-all the garbage pickup will go up with the January billing to \$10.26 per household. This will be billed to residents and landlords whether the house is occupied or not.

A motion was made by Councilman Voirol to have the second reading of Ordinance G-12-1205 Police Reserve Program in it's entirety. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Gerig to have the third reading be by title only. Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Councilman Rice made a motion to approve Ordinance G-12-1205. Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Garage sales for next year have been scheduled for May 3-4, and September 20-21. Large item garbage pickup will be the following Friday of each garage sale date. This is a change due to the price quote from National Serv-all who has requested to save money we go to having it picked up on Friday instead of Saturday.

**UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT:**

Superintendent Walls reported that they had replaced a hydrant on Ash Street and fixed a leak. We are hoping to fix a leak later this week at the co-op. We are waiting for the harvest to finish up. A hydrant on Fahlsing will be replaced and the auto owner billed.

Quotes from three engineering firms were presented and reviewed for the engineering of the plant disinfection system that needs to be done to be in compliance. A motion was made by Councilman Voirol to accept Wessler Engineering's proposal. Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried. The utility department has hired a new employee.

**COUNCILMAN AB-BOTT:** Excused

**COUNCILMAN RICE:**

The resident on Hickory and Bull Rapids would like us to fill in his hole with our excess dirt. Ryan will take care of that. A street sign at Maple/Lynwood needs repaired. The residents living at Maple/Lynwood will be out of their 5 wheeler soon as work progresses on their home that was damaged by fire.

**COUNCILMAN RENNER:**

What is the status of the house on 101? Sheriff Sale.

**COUNCILMAN GERIG:**

When is new 24 to open - Mid to late November? Has the alley between main and Stenger south of Christ Lutheran been repaired? It has been graded and will table any further work on it until spring.

**COUNCILMAN VOIROL:** No Report

Councilman Gerig made a motion to adjourn at 9:06 p.m. Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved. Meeting adjourned. Notes prepared by - Holly Sarrazine, Clerk

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**ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS WINS PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD!**



The tree decorated by Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers recently won the People's Choice Award in the kid's category at the Festival of Trees! We decorated our tree with stars to go with the

theme of "Follow the Bethlehem Star". Shown here in front of our winning tree are from left: Mrs. Ann Miller, Ariel Thomas-Masih, Konner Starbuck and Mrs. Cheri Collins.

**YOUTH DEER-GUN HUNTERS HARVEST MORE THAN 9,000 DEER DURING OHIO'S TWO-DAY SEASON**

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual youth deer-gun season proved successful for many hunters across the state, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

"This excellent youth deer-gun season is a tribute to our young hunters as well as the non-hunting adults who accompanied them this weekend," said ODNR Director James Zehringer. "Offering special hunting seasons encourages families to spend time together outdoors, and we are glad so many young Ohioans participated this year.

Youth hunters checked 19,178 white-tailed deer during the two-day season, November 17-18. The harvest total represents a 5.7 percent increase from 2011 (8,681) and is the highest total since 2009 (9,269). Youth hunters have checked at least 8,300 deer every year since 2005.

Counties reporting the highest number of deer checked: Tuscarawas (317),

Coshocton (295), Muskingum (280), Licking (262), Knox (247), Holmes (235), Belmont (234), Guernsey (232), Harrison (225) and Washington (196). These were also the top 10 counties in 2011, although the order was different.

Ohio's youth deer-gun season was open in all 88 counties. All participants were required to wear hunter orange, possess a valid Ohio youth hunting license and youth deer permit and also be accompanied by a non-hunting adult.

Youth hunters can commemorate their achievement with a First Harvest certificate, available at wildohio.com. Participants can upload a photo and type in their information to personalize the certificate. Hunters can also share photos by clicking on the Photo Gallery tab online.

The youth deer-gun season is one of four special youth-only hunting seasons designed to offer a safe and excellent early hunting experience for young hunters. Special seasons are also set aside for upland game, wild turkey and waterfowl hunting.

All hunters will have a chance at bagging a white-

tailed deer during the statewide deer-gun season, which is open Monday through Sunday, November 26 - December 2, and an additional weekend, December 15-16. More information can be found in the 2012-13 Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations and at wildohio.com.

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

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 10/31/12**

This 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Tony Burkley, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Burkley to go into executive session at 8:00 a.m. with the County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fred Pieper. All members voting yea.

At 8:05 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**

Warrants documented as 192695 through 192775 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL REQUESTS:**

• Marsha Yeutter, AOOA Directors' meeting and grant delivery, Toledo OH - November 2, 2012.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on October 29, 2012, Warrant numbers 192659 through 192672 in the amount of \$2,232.43; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 AN-**

**NUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 024):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Permissive Tax Fund (Fund 024):

024-001-00001 - Permissive Tax/MRV Expenses AMOUNT: \$11,590.53

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 073):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the DRETAC Fund (Fund 073):

073-001-00007 - DRETAC/Contracts/Services-Treasurer AMOUNT: \$228.84

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 254):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2012 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Professional Training Fund (Fund 254):

254-001-00005 - Professional Training/Miscellaneous AMOUNT: \$1,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-014):**

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

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

TO: 001-014-00018/General Fund/County Court/Indigent Defense

AMOUNT: \$15,000.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2012 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-014):**

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

FROM: 001-014-00011/General Fund/County Court/Workers' Comp

TO: 001-014-00003/General Fund/County Court/Supplies

AMOUNT: \$200.00

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

• Scott Edgar - Mr. Edgar requested meeting with the Commissioners for the purpose of obtaining a variance at his residence (see resolution above).

• Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center - Ms. Yeutter presented a travel request for signatures. She also obtained signatures on her 3-C application for the Senior Center meal grant.

• Wanda Harris - Ms. Harris requested meeting with the Commissioners for the purpose of obtaining a variance at her residence (see resolution above).

• Ann Pease, County Clerk of Courts - Ms. Pease presented the legal office report and fee disbursements for September. \$3,044.94 in fees were paid into the General Fund for the month of September. Ms. Pease also reported an increase in new cases, stating there have been 863 new cases in 2012 compared to 765 cases at this time in 2011. She also

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Answers on Page 15

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**LIFE CYCLE OF A PUMPKIN**



Payne Elementary 1<sup>st</sup> graders in Miss Miller's class recently studied the life cycle of a pumpkin. They predicted how many seeds were in their pumpkin, counted the seeds and then carved the pumpkin.

reported the Title Office is doing well, doing a large volume of out-of-county titles. Ms. Pease then suggested improving the Courthouse employee break room. The water issue seems to be solved with the

recent repairs to the Courthouse roof and windows. The Commissioners encouraged Ms. Pease to discuss plans for the break room with the other elected officials and report back to them at a future date.

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# OAKWOOD KINDERGARTNERS ENJOY THANKSGIVING FEAST



At Oakwood Elementary the KA Smarties and KB Super Kids recently learned about the First Thanksgiving. To celebrate they had their own Thanksgiving feast complete with turkey, corn, corn bread, mashed potatoes and

pumpkin pudding. Pictured are Ed and Apache Etter with Super Kids Allison Carnahan and Braelyx Bartley. Also in the picture are Smarties Bryce Manz and Adrieana Biliti. Mr. and Mrs. Etter cooked the turkey this year!

# STEER TAGGING & WEIGH-IN FOR 2013 PAULDING COUNTY JR. FAIR

The Paulding County Jr. Fair will be holding its annual steer tagging and weigh-in on Saturday, December 1st from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds. All members planning to exhibit a steer(s) at the 2013 Paulding County Fair MUST have their animal(s) tagged on this date. Livestock trailers should enter through the west gate and weigh-in will take place at the scales in

the east end of the hog barn. In the event of bad weather, the snow date for tagging will be Saturday, December 8th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. If you have any questions about steer tagging and weigh-in, please contact the Extension Office at 419-399-8225 or email Staci Hiler, 4-H Program Assistant at hiler.23@osu.edu.

# ANTWERP 24/49 ALL COMMITTEES MEETING 11/13/12

A meeting of all committees involved in the 24/49 development project was held at Antwerp Town Hall on November 13, 2012 to bring the committee members up-to-date on development and project goals for attraction of targeted businesses to the Village of Antwerp. Four committees had been developed which include Land Development, Community Activities, Connecting the Pieces and Marketing and Communication. These committees gave a progress report. Paulding County Economic Development Director Tony Langham opened the meeting stating that his office has been receiving more phone call contacts with the opening of U.S. 24 from Antwerp to Toledo and expects more activity with the opening of the last section of highway to Fort Wayne, Indiana scheduled to open the next

day. It was noted that with the completion of 24 it now only takes approximately one hour to drive to Toledo from Paulding County.

Randy Derck, President of the Antwerp Community Improvement Corporation noted the CIC will be scheduling a meeting of the board sometime in early December.

Ray Delong, Chairman of Connecting the Pieces Committee stated his committee has been meeting regularly and held two downtown clean-up days and noted that both S. Erie and W. River Street received American Flags for the street light poles with financial assistance being received from the VFW and ACDC. He continued by stating the committee was developing plans to form a gardening club, with assistance from the community, that could assist in developing landscaping and maintaining proposed flower beds that would connect the downtown business district to the proposed business development on S. Erie. Fundraising ideas are in the works for Spring of 2013.

Delong also said the Boy Scouts, Eagle Scouts have been instrumental on working on projects for Antwerp. The Rotary is planning an improvement to the community tennis court as well. Tim Copsey has been a leader by developing basketball games at the Manor House gym and is drawing people to Antwerp. Also, the old small gymnasium is being used for youth wrestling training by a community program assisted by Chad McKeever.

Consultant Larry Dillin noted that even though the village has had numerous festivals and events over the summer months, the Community Activities Committee needs to continue to meet and promote and coordinate these events with all organizations that hold events in the village.

Mr. Dillin and the group noted that the Marketing and Communication Committee is very important to spread the word of all the good that is happening in Antwerp. With the resignation of the committee chairman, Mr. Hartman, the committee needs to regroup and find new members to develop the marketing strategy to promote the village. It was the feeling when the committee was formed to have the group connected with the high school so we would have students and faculty involved in the process in a technological manner.

Village Administrator Keeran stated that the village website is currently being maintained and is up-to-date but expansion of the existing website has been on hold waiting to see what the marketing committee would recommend. Financing is the number one reason that the website hasn't changed as well. Expansion of the existing website would include more links and maps to other sites and organizations in Antwerp.

Cheryl Hardy of Hardy Communications and Marketing stated that surveys show that videos are outpacing pictures in searches on the web. She noted the videos can be taken with cell phones and don't have to be professional grade productions. People just want to see the activity or event that is being promoted. A facebook page

with multiple administrators can update information on a continuing basis.

Ms. Hardy also stressed how important marketing would be for the success and development of the commercial development in attracting investors to the area.

The group visions that the village could strive to become an "Ohio Gateway Community". As the first town inside the state line, the village could promote an Ohio manufacturer/producer store. Products made in Ohio could be sold in a small retail setting with an on-line component. Additionally, with the possible availability of Dr. Bricker's wildlife collection, this outstanding collection could be an attraction, either in a stand alone museum or as a part of a themed restaurant. Mr. Dillin felt the community should not let this collection get away.

In updating the group on his efforts to attract commercial businesses to the S. Erie Site, he explained that his group has had contact with several different types of retail including a hotel, restaurant and fuel station. He felt it would be better for the businesses investing and for the village to open the development with several businesses. Mr. Dillin stressed that when retail can go anyway in the United States, it is up to the community to promote itself. He further stated we needed to be very vocal in our promotion.

In wrapping up the presentation, Mr. Dillin stated that it was easier to get outside investment if local people were willing to invest in the project.

# WT 21st CENTURY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM GETS FESTIVE



The Wayne Trace 21st Century After School Program students recently decorated a tree for the Festival of Trees held at the John

Paulding Historical Society. They created handmade ornaments and garland for their tree! They are "Reaching for the Stars!"

# PC RETIRED TEACHERS HOLIDAY COFFEE

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will host a Holiday Coffee from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on Monday, December 3. The event will be held at the Black Swamp Nature Center on Fairground Drive across from Park Lane School in Paulding. Retired administrators, teachers, aides, secretaries, cafeteria workers, custodians, and bus drivers from any county school are all invited to attend. No reservations are necessary. Donations for the food pantry and the scholarship fund will be accepted.

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# DINNER W/SANTA AT BOB'S

Santa will be arriving at Bob's Restaurant in Woodburn at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2012. All children 10 years old and younger will receive a free kid's meal while visiting with Santa. Bring your camera to capture that special moment of your child(ren) with Santa.



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WT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES FOR 11/19/12

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday the 19th of November at 7:30 p.m. in the Lecture Room of Wayne Trace High School.

Meeting was called to order by President Perry Sinn with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Ray Etzler.

Roll Call: Mr. Pat Baumle, Mr. Dick Swary, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mr. Perry Sinn - Present; Mrs. Lisa McClure - absent

CORRESPONDENCE, RECOGNITION OF GUESTS, HEARING OF THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Arnold introduced Mr. Ray Etzler as the interim Wayne Trace Payne Elementary School Principal during Mrs. Franz's absence.

TREASURER REPORT:

Distributed forecast copies. Final copy of State Audit is now online with Auditor's office

12-11-01 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A motion by Duane Sinn to approve the following consent agenda items:

A. to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2012 and October 22, 2012 Board Meetings;

B. to approve the payment of bills and investment report for October 2012 as presented by the treasurer;

C. to approve the updated 5-year forecast as presented;

D. to approve the election of American Fidelity Assurance Company as the provider of Section 125 Plan services for the year February 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014;

E. to accept a \$2,000.00 donation from the Cooper Family Foundation for Scholarships;

ADDED: F. upon the recommendation of the Director of Transportation, Head Mechanic and Treasurer to authorize the purchase of a 2014 Titled, 72 passenger, Stock Model BBCV3303, Blue Bird Vision Bus from Cardinal Bus Sales and Service, Inc. at a total cost less trade in of \$75,225.00.

\*\*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes? NONE

Seconded by Pat Baumle. Roll Call Vote: Duane Sinn, Pat Baumle, Dick Swary, Perry Sinn - all aye. Motion passed.

VANTAGE REPORT - PAT BAUMLE:

Nothing to report, unable to attend meeting

WT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - ALAN LAUTZENHEISER, PRINCIPAL:

Students of the Month - Brady Miller; Lorie Sinn; Larissa Whitman; Olivia Longstreth; Hannah Maenle; Blake Stoller; Alexa Campbell; Rachel Stoller; Isaiah Rittenhouse; Julie Sinn; Jacob Hull; Madison Elston; Natalie Torman; Alivia Miller; Madison Adams

Veteran's Day - The Veteran's Day program was held at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary on Monday, November 12. Mrs. Beining and Mrs. Davis chaired and planned this year's event with all classes participating. Nearly 40 veterans joined us for the program. They were joined by family members and friends from the community.

Parent-Teacher Conferences - Conferences were well attended. We had an attendance in the building of over 90%. I also wish to thank those teachers who came in early or stayed late in order to accommodate the schedules of some of our parents. Parent-Teacher conferences are an important opportunity for our students' parents and teachers to team up to better meet the educational needs of our students.

PTO Fundraiser - The fundraiser was completed recently. We thank all of the members of the community who assisted us and special thanks to the PTO for all they do for our students and staff.

Christmas Program - Practice has begun in earnest for the annual Christmas Program at WTGH. Ms. Spinner and the students are practicing nightly as they prepare for the holiday performances.

Grade Level Meetings - Staff members at various grade levels have contin-

ued to meet with their WTPE counterparts and Mrs. Feichter to continue to develop effective instruction and assessments for the students.

WT Payne Elementary Principal's Report - Sarah Franz, principal

1. Thank you for allowing Ray Etzler to come in and sub for me while I am out on maternity leave. I take my job very seriously, and I feel much more comfortable knowing that Mr. Etzler will be here while I am gone.

2. We are having our annual Lock in drill the day after this writing. We have talked to the students why it is so important that we are safe and why we practice our safety drills.

3. We held our Veterans' Day program on the 12th. We had several area Veterans come for lunch and join us for the program. The 3rd grade did a fabulous job presenting the program.

4. Our 6th grade will be presenting our Thanksgiving Program on Wednesday the 21st at 1:30 p.m.

5. We are again participating in the Neighbors in Need food drive. In the past we have given our donations to Job and Family Services for the Christmas baskets they made for the county. They do not do that anymore, so we will be donating our items to the local food pantry at the Methodist Church in Payne. We will be collecting until December 4th.

6. The Christmas program is always a well attended event. We have scheduled it for December 14th at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

7. The Teachers are continuing to revise their Curriculum Maps so they align with the new/revised standards. They are having a lot of good discussions and moving ahead in the process.

8. Jesse Noffsinger repaired the drainage for the area across from the school. It is great! I have contacted the Engineers office about the problem with the tiles running in the ditch between the football field and the church. Chad Crosby is working with Jesse to determine where he is talking about and to see if there is another tile already installed.

WT HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - KEVIN E. WILSON, PRINCIPAL:

On Friday, November 9, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. an assembly to honor our Veterans was held in the high school gym. This is the fourth or fifth year we have put together an assembly to honor our local Veterans and I felt this year the Social Studies Department and student were outstanding. After the program the cafeteria staff provided some refreshments for our guest. It was great to see the Veterans sitting around the cafeteria engaging in conversations over their time in the service.

During the month of October we received good news from Northwest State. At this time we have several students enrolled in the PSEO program at Northwest State. As you know this is a program that takes dollars from foundation monies. What Northwest State has proposed is a program called "Project Jump Start". All classes offered through Project Jump Start are unique dual enrollment program that are made available online. After meeting with the Rhodes representatives, I feel there are great opportunities available through this program. If you as a board agree to the Memorandum of Understanding with Northwest State we can begin using this Dual Enrollment Program, also the other benefit of "Project Jump Start" is that all of our students currently enrolled in the PSEO program at Northwest State will be rolled into a Dual Enrollment program. This is just a paper work switch at Northwest State and will have no effect on our students currently enrolled in the PSEO program. The benefit to this is that we will no longer lose the foundation dollars we currently are losing.

A board resolution is needed for us to begin in this program. So I am asking the board at this time to make a resolution for WTHS to take part in Project Jump Start offered through Northwest State.

On October 23, 2012 Mr. Alt and I visited Delphos Jefferson to look at a "Digital Academy" they started just this year. I also have visited TRECA, in Marion, Ohio which is from where Delphos receives its curriculum for this "Digital Academy". This is a very interesting concept that again has the potential to save the district dollars. Currently we have several students who are home schooled or have been placed in the AVA program. AVA is a program currently of-

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ferred through the ESC at a cost of \$2,500 per student. Comparing the cost of AVA (\$2,500) to TRECA (\$500), it seems that creating a Wayne Trace Digital Academy is the best way to go. This year Delphos has 40 students in its digital academy, many of whom are behind in credits or home schooled students. After hiring a staff person to run the program, purchasing 40 Dell laptops, and paying for the Delphos Digital Academy curriculum it will save their district over \$100,000 this year. I would like your thoughts on whether or not to continue this investigation.

At this point JoEllen has the two junior high computer carts set-up and currently they are in use all day long. I have taken the opportunity on several occasions to observe Mrs. Kim Miller's class along with Miss Klopfenstein's class as they complete their lessons with the use of the laptops.

While in Mrs. Miller's room I watched the students as they worked on career report Power Points. The student's power points are placed on Google Apps, this way they are able to work on them from any location that has internet access. In the past Mrs. Miller would take her students to the computer lab and they would have a flash drive or maybe just save it to their student folder. By combining the use of Google Apps and the new laptops, the students have complete access to their Power Point projects. Another positive is that they can even work as partners while each student is sitting at home.

In Miss K's room the students are creating what I would call a journal of their readings. As I watched this group of student what impressed me most was that usually you have students digging through folders and books to find their journal, but with the laptop they were able to find file and the lesson began immediately. Not one student was looking through a text book or binder in an attempt to find their work, it was already on the laptop and easily found.

Mrs. Christina Sinn's students are working with the new iPads. Mrs. Sinn is currently looking for different apps that will fit the needs of her students. She did find and has downloaded the Biology textbook onto these iPads. The textbooks are being put to use by Mrs. Hatcher's Biology class. This class is an inclusion class in which Mrs. Sinn and Mrs. Hatcher work together to meet the needs of all students. At this time they are both very excited about the possibilities they see with the use of the iPads.

Parent/Teacher conferences were held on October 31st and again on November 1st. Attendance was not as high as the staff and I would have liked for it to have been. Here are the results by grade level: 7th grade 24/73 students attended for 32.8%, 8th grade 20/76 students attended for 29.8%, 9th grade 13/75 students attended for 17.3%, 10th grade 10/74 students attended for 13.5%, 11th grade 7/51 students attended for 13.7%, and 12th grade 5/55 students attended for 9%. Parent teacher conferences are a very important and if I had to give an idea of why fewer parents are attending I would have to say because the staff is always in contact with the parents through the entire year via e-mail for phone calls.

On the weekend of November 9th the WTHS Drama department put on its fall play. This year's play was a murder mystery/comedy that was very well done. The cast for this drama was small, but those that were involved did an outstanding job. Congratulations goes out to Mr. Miller and the cast for an outstanding job.

I want to remind everyone that the date for this year's NHS inductions will be November 21, 2012. The ceremony will begin at 1:40 in the junior high gym. I hope you are able to attend this very important ceremony honoring those students who have proven to be outstanding in leadership, character, service to their community, and excellence in the area of academics.

This past month we have had a visit from the Health Department and the EPA. Both visits pointed out some minor items for us to work on, but overall the re-

ports were positive.

At this time we are working on cleaning up the stage area in the junior high gym. First we have taken down the curtains and currently are looking for storage. These curtains were torn and we felt they needed to come down before they were beyond repair. Secondly we are looking to get rid of the ping pong tables that are stored on the stage. These tables are damaged and so we put them out to the staff for sale, but if we don't get any offers we will need to look at another avenue to getting rid of the tables.

With the passing of Betty Myers, Mr. Linder and I have had discussions on how best to honor her. We are currently looking at a girls' varsity basketball game to honor her. As we work out the details I will pass them along to you.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: A. Curriculum Updates to report cards and ratings of buildings.

Mrs. Feichter presented program on the requirements and processes for implementation of the new Ohio Teachers Evaluation System (OTES) and what to expect as the new program takes effect.

Along with that she also disseminated information on the new state wide testing plans and how this will become part of the teacher assessment process.

In a like vain the Ohio Principals Evaluation System (OPES) is being used this year and will be required in fiscal 2014.

Beginning next year Wayne Trace will begin offering college level courses in a group of areas in conjunction with Northwest State Community College. This will allow students to complete dual credit courses at the local level saving the district considerable funding.

B. Personnel Items in Consent agenda

C. Buildings and Grounds - H.E.A.T. proposal to replace old lighting in buildings with a savings payback of approximately 11 years. Board requested they add outside lighting in the proposal before considering.

D. Events - Veteran's Day programs at all locations were extremely successful. Thanks to all who were involved.

Dinner for a Dollar is being planned for December 6, 2012 at 12:30 p.m.

E. Operations - Have proposals for camera security system inside and out from multiple sources. Will review and offer possible recommendation at next meeting.

Pre-School inspections completed and both schools pass.

Our Vantage board representative, currently Pat Baumle, is up for renewal this year.

12-11-2 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

A. to commend Charlene Butler from Northwest Ohio ESC and Chris Feichter from Western Buckeye ESC for organizing and leading an informative in-service session on the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System on October 12, 2012;

B. to commend social studies teachers Kerry Gudakunst, Bill Speller, and Joe Sinn for organizing and leading the annual Veterans' Day assembly at WT Jr./Sr. High School;

C. to commend the teachers Joan Boterf and Teresa Pfeiffer and WTPE third grade students for putting on a nice Veterans' Day assembly at WTPE;

D. to commend teachers Jessica Davis and Trisha Beining for organizing the annual WTGH Veterans' Day assembly and to the WTGH staff for contributing to this year's event;

E. to commend Coach Chris Ross-wurm and the varsity boys' golf team for winning the Green Meadows Conference championship and for qualifying for the district tournament this school year;

F. to commend Coach Bill Speller, the assistant football coaches, and the varsity football team for winning the outright Green Meadows Conference championship this school year;

(Continued Next Week!)

Sudoku solution from page 13

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**PAT ROSS NAMED SUP. AT ANTWERP LSD**



Following Mark Hartman's unexpected resignation in October, the Antwerp Local School District has since named Pat Ross as interim Superintendent. She will be taking over permanently starting January 1, 2012.

Pat, living and working in Paulding County for many years, isn't originally from this area. She graduated from Clay High School in South Bend, IN. Pat then received her teaching degree from Ball State University, her Masters from IPFW, and her Administrators license from Bowling Green State University.

Pat started out at Antwerp Local School back in 1981. Throughout her career at Antwerp she taught Health, and Physical Education. Following her employment at Antwerp, Pat took a job at Paulding Schools (PEVS) as Curriculum Coordinator, Paulding Middle School Principal and five years as Superintendent.

Twenty three years ago Pat (Mundt) and Brian Ross

were married. They have two children, Eric who is a senior at Notre Dame, and Jared who is at the University of Toronto. They attend St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding where Pat is also a Sunday School teacher.

Outside of school Pat participates in the community coaching Club Volleyball and this year she coaches the 12 & under team. She is also on the Kiwanis board and helps with PC Workshop.

Her initial goals at Antwerp:

1. Continue to improve the quality education;
2. Watching and learning;
3. Getting to know the parents and staff at the school

Pat stated, "I am very excited to be given this opportunity to come back and work with the Antwerp Community." It's great to see educators like Pat who are developing realistic goals for helping the young people create a passion for learning!

**PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR THE ROAD**

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

Soon enough, winter will be here, bringing snow and ice along with it. Harsh winter weather often presents a challenge to even the most experienced drivers, making typically safe roads slick and icy.

Teenagers particularly struggle in difficult driving conditions. According to State Farm Insurance and the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Research Institute, teens are almost 10 times more likely to be in a crash during their first year on the road. Unfortunately, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among teens in the United States.

Oftentimes, car accidents are a result of factors such as speeding, cell phone use, substance abuse and other distractions. When considering teens have the lowest seat belt use rates of any age group, the consequences of these accidents can be deadly.

This winter, I encourage parents to talk to their children about driver safety. Here are some topics to think about before beginning that conversation:

- **Distracted Driving:** Current data on crashes involving 16-year-old drivers indicates that having multiple teenage passengers in a car makes a fatal accident twice as likely as alcohol-impaired driving. In fact, 90 percent of surveyed teens have seen passenger behavior that distracted a driver.

Make sure your students understand the dangers of distracted driving, and encourage them to be responsible when getting in a car with their friends.

- **Cell Phone Use:** The United State Department of Transportation reported cell phones are involved in 1.6 million auto crashes each year, causing a half million injuries and taking 6,000 lives. Nine out of 10 teens reported it was common to see their friends driving while talking on cell phones. Texting and driving is just as dangerous. According to the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, texting while driving is six times more likely to cause an auto crash than driving while intoxicated.

Promote good driving habits by avoiding the use of cell phones while driving, and talk to your children about doing the same.

- **Speeding:** This is a common problem among new drivers who are not com-

fortable in their cars yet. For some drivers, however, speeding is not an accident. Nearly half of teens reported seeing passengers encouraging drivers to speed at least sometimes, and half of teen drivers reported driving 10 miles per hour over the speed limit at least sometimes.

Ensure your teen understands the risks of this reckless driving before getting behind the wheel of a car.

- **Seat Belt Use:** State Farm reported only 65 percent of teens consistently wear their seat belts as both a driver and passenger, and six out of 10 drivers ages 16 to 20 who

were killed in car accidents were unrestrained. While seat belt use may seem like a trivial thing to many teen drivers, it can mean the difference between life and death.

Encourage the teen drivers you know to keep themselves and their friends safe by abiding by Indiana seat belt laws.

- **Substance Abuse:** While consuming alcohol under the age of 21 can have negative consequences in any setting, it is particularly dangerous when teens drink and drive. Fifty-three percent of surveyed teens reported see-

ing substance use behind the wheel of a car at least sometimes.

Talk to your kids about avoiding drugs and alcohol, and discourage them from getting in a car with someone who has been abusing these substances.

Teaching your teenagers how to drive can be a challenge, but talking to them about safety can make the process a bit easier. I encourage all parents to talk to their children about driving, especially as the winter weather approaches. Be sure to listen to their thoughts and ask them, "What do you think?"

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