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## PAULDING H.S. HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



1978 Paulding High School Football team inducted at the Hall of Fame Ceremony from January 28. Many other pictures & inductees at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

Paulding High School held its 16<sup>th</sup> induction ceremony of the Hall of Fame Saturday, January 28.

The 1978 Paulding High School Football Team will become the first team to be inducted into the Paulding High School Hall of Fame.

The 1978 Football Team finished the season with a perfect 10-0 record, which was the first undefeated season for Paulding High School since 1957. This team won the second straight outright Northwest Conference Championship and their ten wins set the school record for most wins in a season.

Some of the highlights from the season include:

—Finished rated #7 in the state by the UPI and #10 in the state by the AP.

—Continued winning

streaks of 14 straight games and 12 straight Northwest Conference games, including ten straight road wins.

—The defense recorded an astounding seven shut-outs and only gave up 20 points the entire season.

—The defense ranked first in the Defiance (34 teams) and Lima (51 teams) areas.

—The team average margin of victory was 20 points per game.

—The team ranked first in defense and second in offense in the Northwest Conference.

—Ten Panthers earned 1<sup>st</sup> Team Northwest Conference honors with five more earning Honorable Mention.

—Five players earned All-Ohio recognition with one 2<sup>nd</sup> Team and one 3<sup>rd</sup> Team recipients. Also had a player participate in the Ohio North-South All Star game.

The head coach of the team was Steve Clark. He was assisted by varsity assistants Bill Shugars, Dale Nienberg and Mark Burton. Randy Short and Ted Wunderle served as freshmen coaches that season.

Ryan Collins graduated from Paulding High School in 1994, where he earned two letters in football and four letters in wrestling.

Jerry DeLong graduated from Paulding High School in 1960 and earned 15 varsity letters during his time here: four each in football, basketball, and baseball, and three in track.

Front Row (L to R): John Colley, Mike Pennington, Dave Bash, Rick Pease, Randy Pease, Dan Kaufman, Scott Brune

2nd Row (L to R): Coach Steve Clark, Coach Dale Neinberg, Coach Mark Burton, John Venglarcik, Dan Clark.

3rd Row (L to R): Mike Gebers, Dennis Blanchard, Darryl Robinson, Willie Copeland, Scott DeGood, Greg Reinhart.

Back Row (L to R): Jeff Relyea, Tom Nicelley, Doug Arend, Rob McCain, Bob Carnahan.

## PROM DRESS CONSIGNMENT SALE COMES TO ANTWERP

It's all the talk among teenage girls: Prom is fast approaching! It's very exciting, but it can be stressful for parents, depending on family budgets and anyone who is facing unemployment. Luckily there are lots of ways to save, without losing style.

It may be the state of the economy or current trends—who knows—but it's now cooler than ever for teens to shop consignment. This is where Memories by Tawnya Photography has stepped up to help out her local community.

Memories by Tawnya Photography has organized a prom dress consignment sale for the area teens to shop and also help raise funds for the Antwerp Community Youth Center. The sale will take place February 11-12, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and 12:00-4:00 p.m. (see ad in this week's paper!).

If your daughter has a prom dress (or several prom dresses) that you know she'll never wear again, contact

## UP FOR AUCTION!!



The Wayne Trace Junior Class will be having a silent auction on Saturday, February 4th during the boys JV and varsity games. There will be many items up for bid. This 2004 Chevy Impala is proudly donated by Lee Kinstle Sales and Service.

memoriesbytawnya@hotmail.com. They will email you a contract to go over and print out. Then you may bring it with you on the day of dress drop off on February 9-10 (see ad for times). You may also pick up a contract the day you drop off your dress.

## RELAY FOR LIFE KICKOFF & RALLY

Please join the 2012 RFL Committee as we Kickoff

the 2012 Relay Season! The Kickoff is a chance for new teams and survivors to get information and registered for this year. Current teams will be fundraising. Everyone is welcome to attend and learn more about the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life! Relay For Life 2012 will be Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Fairgrounds.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**OBITUARIES**

**Shirley Knepper**, 71 of Payne passed away January 23, 2012 at Parkview Hospice, Fort Wayne.

She was born February 17, 1940 in Findlay, OH a daughter of the late Elise (Bretz) Thompson and Richard Knepper.

Shirley will be sadly missed by her children: Benny, Tim and Allison Huff and Sara (Huff) McKittrick; siblings: Pat Huffman, Nancy Biller, Beverly Anderson, Jackie Cortez and Gary and Tom Thompson; and grandchildren: Matthew Huff and Tyler and Tiara McKittrick.

There will be no services. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**Glenn "Suds" Sudlow**, 67, of Hicksville, passed away Friday, January 27, 2012 at Defiance Regional Hospital.

Glenn was born in Van Wert on December 16, 1944, a son of Anna B. (Hoover) Jordan and the late Glenn G. Sudlow. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1962 to 1966. He worked for Paul Kennedy & Sons and the Park Station in Antwerp; retired from Phelps Dodge and then worked at Publix in Florida. On January 17, 1970 he married Vickie Saul, who passed away November 2, 2011.

He will be sadly missed by his sons: Michael and Troy Justinger and Heath Sudlow all of Hicksville; mother, Anna Jordan of Defiance; siblings: Linda Brecht of Continental, Judy Cospsey of Woodburn, Bill Jordan of Florida and Lori Manon of Defiance; and several grandchildren.

Also preceding him in death are his step-father, Jack Jordan; sister, Shirley; and niece, Sara Manon.

His funeral service was at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp, on January 30, 2012.

Memorials are to Dooley Funeral Home, PO Box 452, Antwerp 45813. Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

**MAKING THE WISE CHOICE**

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

The wealthy English Baron, Fitzgerald, had only one son. The son had left home and died while away from home. Fitzgerald never got over the loss of his son, his only heir.

As his wealth increased, Fitzgerald continued to invest in paintings by the masters. At his death, his will called for all his paintings to be sold.

Because of the quality of the art in the holdings, a message was sent to collectors and museums. A great crowd gathered for what was to be an auction.

When the day of the auction came and the large crowd was assembled, the attorney read from the will of Fitzgerald. It instructed that the first painting to be sold was the painting "of my beloved son."

The painting was from an unknown painter and of poor quality. The only bidder was the old servant who had known the boy and loved him. For a small sum of money he bought it for its sentimental value and the memories that it held.

The attorney again read from the will: "Whoever buys my son gets all. The auction is over."

What an amazing story. The bidder at the auction chose to purchase the painting of the son because he loved the son. As a result, he automatically received all the father owned.

No one else saw any value in the painting. No one else chose to invest in the picture

of the son. Yet that decision to purchase the painting of the son became the wisest decision of all that day.

As I thought about that story, I realized—that's the way it is with Jesus. Whoever chooses Him gets all that God has.

Even though others may not see the value or point of choosing Jesus Christ, the reality is that it is the wisest decision a person can make. By choosing God's Son, a person can realize all of what God has.

**WATERING THE THIRSTY**

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

Many of you may know me in real life, but many of you probably just know me through these articles I write here in the West Bend News. Whatever the case, I am thankful that you take time out to read what I have to say. This week's article is different than most of my articles. Today, I am writing to share with you a great opportunity that God has blessed me with and to ask you to partner with me in watering the thirsty.

Last summer, Riverside Christian Church put on the Rock 4 Water, a music festival in the Riverside Park in Antwerp, to raise funds for Hope 2 Liberia. When I originally had the idea to raise money through a concert to provide safe drinking water for people in Africa, I had no idea where that money would go to. Through the recommendation of friends, I eventually found myself sitting in an office in Muncie, Indiana, with two guys, Sam Wrisley and Dave Rawls, who have an amazing passion for our Lord and His work. They shared with me the idea behind Hope 2 Liberia.

It's Hope 2 Liberia's vision "to provide safe and living water for the nation of Liberia, resulting in better health, available education and stronger leaders; all culminating in a renewed sense of hope." They do this through establishing Hope Centers. A Hope Center provides safe drinking water and a place for the local church to meet. If you are interesting in learning more, you can read about Hope 2 Liberia at [www.hope2liberia.org](http://www.hope2liberia.org).

This is where the opportunity that I have been blessed with comes in. I have been asked to go to Liberia and teach at a conference for the new church leaders in the area. The work that Hope 2 Liberia is doing is showing fruit, both spiritually and physically. People are receiving the Word of the Lord and receiving safe drinking water. What is being done right now will impact the Kingdom of God in Liberia for generations.

Liberia is a small country in West Africa with a population of 3.3 million. Each year over 65,000 Liberians die from malaria alone. Many more die from dysentery, cholera, typhoid and infectious hepatitis due to compromised water.

One out of four children under the age of five dies due to water-borne illnesses. Unsafe drinking water is the cause of the majority of disease in Liberia. Having recently emerged from a 14 year civil war, Liberia's infrastructure has been destroyed, and hundreds of thousands of its citizens were killed, maimed,

**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops, then your barns will be filled to overflowing..." —Proverbs 3:9-10

and displaced due to this devastating conflict.

With little infrastructure in place, an unemployment rate over 85% and a lagging economy, the people of Liberia are in need of help. It is time to take a stand, make a choice, and help end the needless deaths of innocent Liberian People.

Although this is a trip that will include teaching at a conference of local church leaders, I will also spend the rest of my time serving to establish more safe sources of water for the people of Liberia.

Will you serve with me? Your help will assist in providing training for church leaders and safe drinking water to the people of Liberia. It might be cliché, but honestly, together, we can make a difference.

First, I ask that you would pray for me and the three other guys going on this trip. It is a small group with a focused mission. We plan on getting a lot done through the conference and working on providing additional sources of clean drinking water.

Second, I ask that you would consider supporting me financially. Without the help of people like you, I will not be able to afford to go and help the people of Liberia. Hope 2 Liberia is paying half of the costs for my trip because they want me to teach, but I have to raise \$1900 on my own. If I raise more than that, it will just go to buy more water systems and increase the blessing. If you choose to financially support me, you can send a check

written to Riverside Christian Church to my address at Regan Clem, PO Box 256, Antwerp, OH, 45813. Riverside is providing financial oversight for my part of the trip. This allows you to make a tax exempt donation.

The trip that I am going on is from February 25 - March 5. If you would like to financially support me, please do so by as soon as possible. Together we can water the thirsty!

Also, if you have an extra Study Bible, the kind with chain reference and a concordance at the end, we would love to have it to give to the pastors over there. They don't have the resources and the technology that we have, so a Study Bible is an extremely beneficial tool for preparing sermons and lessons. If you drop your Study Bible off at the West Bend News, they will make sure I get it and I will make sure that it gets to a pastor in Liberia who would appreciate it. FYI, they speak English over there.

Thank you for your time and may God bless you.

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.

**CHOCOLATE EVENT FOR HOSPICE**

Community Health Professionals' (CHP) Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center will host an event to tempt the taste buds called "Chocolate Decadence Extravaganza" on February 11, Noon-4:00 p.m. at the center located at 6817 SR 66, north of Defiance.

Vendors from throughout the area will display desserts, cookies, candies and chocolate patrons to sample and purchase. Baked goods will also be on sale.

There is no cost to attend. Visitors may purchase five samples or 15 samples. Proceeds will benefit CHP Hospice of Defiance. For more information, contact Rhonda Leininger at 419-782-4131 or visit the Community Health Professionals page on Facebook.

**HOW HAS A 1950'S NATIONAL ORGANIZATION'S CORE VALUES CHANGED?**

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

A pamphlet published in 1951 titled *The Gift of Life* contains some traditional advice about human sexuality and the sanctity of life.

For instance, the first page states, "The gift of life is shown to us with the birth of each new baby." Then on pages 21-22 the authors inform readers (presumably the average American teenager), "If one of the new male sperm meets and unites with an egg cell, a new life begins." The cover has a picture of a happy family—a mom and dad and three children—apparently leaving a church building.

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**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

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

All answers to these questions can be found in the NKJV of the Bible.

Objectives in studying this chapter:

—To review the accusation of the Jews presented by Tertullus.

—To consider Paul's defense before Felix

—To observe Felix's delay in rendering judgment on Paul. Please read the chapter: 1-27.

1. What are the main events in this chapter? (There are three answers).

2. Acts 24:1 - How long was Paul held waiting for his accusers?

3. Acts 24:1-2 - Who was Tertullus and what role did he play?

4. Acts 24:4-6 - Who was described in the charges by Tertullus?

5. Acts 24:6 - How did the Jews want to handle this according to Tertullus.

6. Acts 24:7 - Why were the Jews not able to carry out their plan?

7. Acts 24:8 - What did Lysias command them to do?

Comments or Bible questions call Lonnie Lambert 419-399-5022 or James Potter 419-393-4775. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Loved ones please continue to pray study and let God know that we love him. Bible answers are coming up next!

1. Made a great oath to eat nothing until they killed Paul

2. Paul's sister's son

3. Take his sister's son to the commander.

4. Tell no man you have revealed this to me.

5. 200 spearmen

6. Third hour of the night, which was 9:00 p.m.

7. Felix

8. Questions of the law

9. To state the charges against Paul

10. Antipatris

**WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND NINE WEEKS 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR**

**MERIT HONOR ROLL (4.0 GPA):**

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8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Elizabeth Lassiter, Brianna Sinn, Erin Mohr, Estie Sinn, Scott Wenninger, Taryn Homier

9<sup>th</sup> Grade - Kayla Zuber, Cassidy Hilkey, Blair Bauble, Erin Jewell, Hank Sinn, Isaiah Ross, Jacob Dingus, Addison Bauble

10<sup>th</sup> Grade - Madison McClure, Janey Janka, Abigail Shepherd, Haley Linder, Rachael Kreisler, Jacob Gerber, Sylvia Young, Madeline Bauble, Janelle Johnson, Matthew Klopfenstein, Madison Poling, Kendall Germann, Jared Sherry, Arlen Stoller, Logan Fast, Maximilian Schager, Libby Stabler

11<sup>th</sup> Grade - Andrea Scharf, Andrew Moore, Jonathan Harper

12<sup>th</sup> Grade - Ryan Jewell, Kelly Zartman, Rachel Long, Peter Sinn, Tyler Arnett

**FIRST HONORS (3.67-4.0 GPA):**

7<sup>th</sup> Grade - Daniel Sinn, Korene Shelton

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9<sup>th</sup> Grade - Jehane Hoagland, Jacob Arend, James Weaver, Rebecca Hamrick

10<sup>th</sup> Grade - Sean Durre, Brock Worden, Austin Conlon, Emilie Linder, Jordan Elick

11<sup>th</sup> Grade - Staci Wenninger, Graden Gudakunst, Natalie Sinn, Adrean Ross, Briana Schaffer

12<sup>th</sup> Grade - Reuben Stoller, Marloes Van Den Hengel, Christian Raab, Kari Myers, Zachary Cotterman, Megan Pierce, Austin Scheiner, Alicia Schmidt, Sadie Wassermann

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Courtney Mead, Sydney Critten, Cole Shepherd, Nicholas Durre, Victoria Ryan, Christopher Davis, Jessica Offerle, Corey Davis, Emilee Colgan, Kenzie Clemens, Jayson Nowak, Alec Vest

9<sup>th</sup> Grade - Corbin Linder, Carl Elliott, Sarah Young, Jill Ross, Molly Crosby, Hunter Martin, Matthew Baxter, Kristin Raab

10<sup>th</sup> Grade - Katelynn Back, Mackenzie Haney, Wesley Goings, Amber Combs, Brenda Feasby, Eric Hicks, Danielle Miles

11<sup>th</sup> Grade - Brian Myers, Courtney Seffernick, Sarah Nickols, Emily Whitman, Emma Schmidt, Tyler Ruiz, Mackenzie Campbell, Marisa Jones, Kylee Wenninger, Kaleigh Young, Jared Eklund, Krystal Wannemacher

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12<sup>th</sup> Grade - Christina Klinker, Rebecca Habern, Ashley Goeltzenleuchter, Emily Noggle, Devon Stahl

**ANTWERP JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL SECOND NINE WEEKS 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR**

**\*denotes 4.0 SENIORS:**

4.0-3.67 (with no grade less than a B-) - \*Kelsea Burns, \*Jayla Chamberlain, Brandon Dunderman, Zachary Dunlap, Hayley Feichter, Cassandra Harter, Jessica Langham, Ty Lee, Jessica Marlin, Bryant Miesle, Tyler North, Ann Reinhart, Alex Shaffer, \*Tricia Smalley, Thomas Taylor, \*Elise Wetli, Amanda Zielke

3.669-3.33 (with no grade less than a C+) - Taylor Barnhouse, Morgan Cramer, Joseph Hilton, Kyle Reinhart, Samantha Smith, Alysha Stuck, Troy Womack

3.329-3.0 (with no grade less than a C) - Sabryna Allen, Lauren Cline, Stormie Friend, Megan Fry, Nicholas Herndon, Skylan Howell, Corbin Jones, Cody Knapp, Albert Manella, Hannah Tempel

JUNIORS:

4.0-3.67 - Shawn Dooley, Edward Reinhart, Lydia Schneider, Morgan Williamson, Jesse Wilson

3.669-3.33 - Katlyn Bissell, Nicholas Bragg, Kacy Brumett, Justin Bute, Braeden Hormann, Cameron Huss, Taylor Jones

3.329-3.0 - David Altic, Danielle Daugherty, Alexis Jones, Colby Schaefer, Atticus Sorrell, Lydia Yenser

SOPHOMORES:

4.0-3.67 - \*Aaron Schneider, Kirsi Smith, Brock Taylor

3.669-3.33 - Dalton Grembling, Nathanael Hawley, Katie Hunt, Kyle Recker, Matthew Reinhart, Nathan Zuber

3.329-3.0 - Megan Slattman

FRESHMEN:

4.0-3.67 - Steven Bowers, Michaela Burns, Alston Doctor, Jacob O'Donnell, Collin Perry, \*Joshua Steiner, Olivia Tempel, \*Alexander Vail

3.669-3.33 - Rachel Becker, Nicole Hughes, Sarah Neace, Magdalene Reinhart

3.329-3.0 - Colten Bennett, Maria Bradbury, Dionicia Burk, Jarrett Bute, Samantha Provines, Bailee Sigman, Kelsey Titus, Claire Van Vlerah, Gabrielle Zuber

EIGHTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Mikayla Boesch, Justice Clark, Emily Derck, Serena Drake, Elizabeth Hawley, Audrie Longardner, \*Anne Miesle, \*Aaron O'Donnell, Kiana Recker, \*Iann Roebel, \*Allison Taylor, Samuel Williamson, Jenna Wilson, Cayla Woodcox

3.66-3.33 - Sidney Barnhouse, Avery Braaten, Erik Buchan, Sierra Cline, Jeffrey Coleman, Domimo Daugherty, Breanna LaFontaine, Joshua Longardner, Kennedy McMichael, Drake Neace, Kirsten Price, Devin Sanchez, Brittany Smith, Jacob Sukup,

Casey Thomas

3.32-3.0 - Joshua Buerkle, Chase Gerken, Bevin Hall, Destinee Schlegel, Kayle Slatery, Haley Timbrook

**SEVENTH GRADE:**

4.0-3.67 - \*Emily Butzin, \*Matthew Dooley, Joshua Ehlinger, Mackenzie Hart, \*Erica Meyer, Trey Mills, Emilee Phillips, Derek Reeb, Arron Romero, Jaime Ryan, Sydney Sheedy, Peyton Short, Hayden Spryn, \*Jarrison Steiner, McKenzie Turpening, Maggie Wilson

3.66-3.33 - Carley DeLong, Marissa Elkins, Evan Hilton, Becca Johans, Brandon Pendergrast, Alexander Smith

3.32-3.0 - Ashley Bowers, Mariah Elkins, Dalton Fisher, Ashley Pratt, Hanna Richey, Michael Taylor

**SIXTH GRADE:**

4.0-3.67 - Brian Geyer, \*Alexandra Hindenlang, Brandon Laney, Riley McAlexander, Callie Perry, \*Joshua Poulson, Kyle Trauterman, Rachel Williamson

3.66-3.33 - Kaylee Bennett, Kaitlyn Clevinger, Noah Cline, Brooke Hatlevig, Ashley Miller, Jonathon Pendergrast, Dylan Peters, Ashley Miller

3.32-3.0 - Caleb Cline, Noah Coy, Isaiah Danney, Zebastyn Getrost, Dakota Griffis, Faith McDorman, Koleton Porter, Megaen Price, Kimberly Puckett, Amanda Roberts, Hope Smith, Kortney Smith

**PUBLIC ALL-SESSION TICKET SALES BEGIN MONDAY FOR OHSAA STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT**

Public all-session ticket sales for the 2012 Ohio High School Athletic Association State Wrestling Tournament begin Monday, January 30, at 10:00 a.m., and plenty of tickets are expected to be available. The state tournament is March 1, 2 and 3 at the Jerome Schottenstein Center on the campus of The Ohio State University in Columbus.

Tickets can be purchased in person at Ticketmaster locations (including most Kroger stores), by calling Ticketmaster at 1-800-745-3000 or by going on-line at

ticketmaster.com. Ticketmaster orders will also include applicable service charges. To avoid service charges, tickets can be purchased in person at the OSU Athletic Ticket Office, located in the southeast corner of the Schottenstein Center with office hours Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Single-session ticket sales for the state tournament begin on Monday, February 20, at 10:00 a.m. Single-session tickets can be purchased by following the same procedures listed above for all-session ticket orders. A large quantity of single-session tickets is also expected.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Annual OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament schedule is as follows:

Thursday, March 1: Session 1 - 3:00-Division III Preliminaries; 4:20-Division II Preliminaries; 5:50-Division I Preliminaries; 7:20-Division III Consolation Round 1; 8:00-Division II Consolation Rounds 1; 8:45-Division I Consolation Round 1

Friday, March 2: Session 2 - 10:00-Division III Quarterfinals; 10:40-Division II Quarterfinals; 11:25-Division I Quarterfinals; 12:15-Division III Consolation Round 2; 1:00-Division II Consolation Round 2; 1:45-Division I Consolation Round 2

Session 3 - 6:30-All Divisions Championship Semifinals; 8:50-All Divisions Consolation Quarterfinals

Saturday, March 3: Session 4 - 10:00-All Divisions Consolation Semifinals; 11:00-All Divisions Third-, Fifth- and Seventh-Place Matches

Session 5 - 5:15-Hall of Fame Ceremonies and Parade of Champions; 5:45-All Divisions First-Place Matches.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

In spite of recent events and with all of this "reflection" going around, I figured I would share my piece of the story. My grandfather, Olan E Bidlack, was a man that I knew very little of—until he came to live with us. He lived right down the road from me during my childhood, and I know I use to go over there and stay with him but I can't remember the details. What I do remember of my grandfather will stay with me forever and they are the little details that make me laugh. Details, like me going into his garage with him and paying for the old school pops he use to keep in his fridge. Yes, it is true that he use to pay me to bring in his wood for him—a whopping \$2-\$3. Wow, I bet that really broke him and he would give it to me when he felt like it. I never asked. My father, mother, brother and I were the only ones down there to bring in the wood. We all helped each other out, when one couldn't do it, then the other would bring it in and if we all were

available then we all did it. That's how a family works, by helping each other.

That is the truth, I am just saying what really happened. So if anyone would like to ask me about it, just ask me. I have no problem explaining details. When my grandpa came to live with me, I was ecstatic! I wanted to get to know him better. I am very grateful that he did move in with us because it brought a smile to his face every day that I was with him. He was so ornery. There is not a day that I can remember when I didn't make him laugh—either from me acting goofy or me telling him a story. Whatever it was, I know he was at least happy to have me around. And in those six years, every time I walked through the door, he knew me. It was not a question. He loved to come watch me ride my dirt bike; before he came to live with us he would come to the track and watch for hours. Then when he came to live with us, he continued to watch. He absolutely loved it. He also enjoyed watching me run track. He only came to a few meets, but the few that he did come to I was so happy to have him there. I took him on a few runs with me in his wheelchair during the summer time which he enjoyed.

Over the six years we did talk about his children. We talked about my father and mother, and we talked about the "good" and the "bad" children in his words. He was grateful for my mother and father for taking him in. He was grateful to go to work with my father and feel like he was needed. He was grateful when I would come home and spend time with him, even if it meant him dozing off in his chair. He was grateful for me putting a marshmallow on his head and then laughing about it, or all the other silly jokes I would play on him. When he was at my wedding and was able to dance with his daughter, he looked like he was the happiest man on the earth. They twirled around

and laughed. I will always cherish that moment and the pictures I have to look back on.

Last year before Christmas we spent the day making frosted cookies. Grandpa helped and we all had a blast. The thing was Grandpa kept eating all the cookies he would frost! We didn't notice it until he was on his second or so cookie and he had frosting all over his fingers and mouth. It was a priceless moment. Unfortunately, we lost my grandpa a few days before Christmas this year.

I want to share a little story about our Christmas. Our original Bidlack Christmas plan was set for the weekend after Christmas. We were all together on December 18th. It was me, grandpa, my wife, father, mother, brother, sister-in-law and all the little ones. Out of nowhere I said, "Let's have Christmas tonight." So we all agreed. My wife and I drove to Defiance and got the presents, and my sister-in-law went to their house. On the way we had some struggles. My sister-in-law hit a deer and my wife and I were running behind. Long story short is we got back to the house and had one of the best Christmases I have ever had. I only got one present, but it was not about me. It was about being there with everyone I love. My grandpa got a snuggie, a new hat, some socks (he loved being warm), a big warm blanket, and a dress shirt that he wore for his funeral. We also buried him with photos of us, his warm fuzzy hat and his electric blanket that he always had on. I don't know what got into me, that night, to suggest Christmas, but I am glad I did. Grandpa got one last Christmas with the people that he cherished the most, with the people he loved the most and with the people that love him and will miss him. We got to see him happy about his presents and see him light up with love. I will always love and miss my grandpa until I am able to meet him again. Your grandson, and loving family.

—Seth Bidlack

**AHS REUNION CLASS REPRESENTATIVES NEEDED**

Twenty people attended the ACDC sponsored Antwerp High School Reunion meeting at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 25, at the Essen House to plan for the big weekend celebration in August. There will be a Friday Night Mixer, August 10 at the Antwerp VFW and then the big Dinner and Dance Saturday night, August 11 at the former old big gym (now the Essen House/Manor House) in Antwerp. Reservations are required for the dinner and suggested for the dance. A class representative from each graduating class year is responsible for contacting their classmates to come to the AHS Reunion.

The big reunion was held in 2006 and 2009 with approximately 700 people gathering each year. The cost to attend the events will be the same as in the past years. There is an official registration sheet that must be sent out by each year's class representative; only a few classes have a representative so far. Information is available by contacting Christy Williamson at 419-258-1110 or Jerry Zielke at 419-258-1502. A copy of the registration form is available on line at [www.villageofantwerp.com](http://www.villageofantwerp.com). The next AHS Reunion meeting will be held in March.

**PAULDING LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE TO VISIT LIBRARY BRANCH**

The Paulding County Carnegie Library Bookmobile will be visiting the Cooper Community Library, a branch of the library system, located in Oakwood. The Bookmobile will be parked in front of the library from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Thursday morning, February 2nd. "The Bookmobile will be open for everyone to visit," shared Susan Pieper, library director. "How cool is that, a library parked in front of a library!?" This visit will provide an opportunity for library patrons who might live further away from the branch library to consider the convenience of visiting the Bookmobile at one of its many southeast Paulding County stops. For more information, contact the Cooper Community Library at 419-594-3337.

**PAULDING ELEMENTARY SAYS GOODBYE TO BULLYING**



Kelli Schlatter helped with crafts at the Pajama Party.

Paulding Elementary Faculty and Staff members hosted a Parent Information Night on Tuesday, January 24th from 7-8:30 p.m. in the school's auditoria for a new program they plan to implement into the school. The program is the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program which is a program designed by Dr. Dan Olweus from the country of Norway. It is one of the most researched based bullying prevention programs available to school systems today. A group of 22 faculty and staff members from the Paulding Exempted Village School System and one parent went through two days of training in June 2011. Many members from that group have been meeting on a regular basis since August to take what was learned and turn it into a workable program for Paulding Elementary. Faculty and support staff members who did not go through the initial two-day training were first on the list to be trained. Next a parent program had to be developed and offered to all parents. Our final portion of the training is to hold a school kick-off assembly where the students will be taught about the program and how it will play a role

in their days at school and hopefully provide them with resources on how to handle bullying situations that occur in and out of school.

Along with the Parent Information Night on Tuesday, a "Good Night to Bullying" pajama party was held in the elementary gym for any students who attended with their parents. Elementary faculty members as well as high school National Honor Society members and FCCLA members were on hand to provide activities for the students while their parents were learning about the program.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

In answer to Ms. Bonner's "Letter to the Editor" in 1/18/12. Why did Olan Bidlack want his farm back? He already had it. He had a life estate with all control until he passed. Who told him he didn't own it? The deed is recorded at the courthouse Vol 427 page 038 of which you are named as one of the remainder men.

You sold that future interest before Dad even passed. Maybe there are a few details you may have missed living in Florida for the last 30 some years? No one could steal, sell or give that property away from Dad's control until he passed away.

This is the definition from USLegal.com of a life estate: A life estate is where a natural person owns all the benefits of ownership in the property during their life, or the life of another, with the property going to a remainder person after the death of the life tenant. It is an interest in real or personal property that is limited in duration to the lifetime of its owner or some other designated person or persons.

—Cindy Hubert

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**BILLY METZGER'S JOURNAL CHAPTER 41: THE 3M WAGON TRAIN**

**By: Stan Jordan**

As Fort Kearney faded away in the early morning mist, the remains of the 3M Wagon Train was going west out of Kearney to the gold strike in California. Billy Metzger had served with the group from November 25, 1848 until early March of 1851 and he stayed back at the Fort so he could go to college for the Army ROTC this September. Slim Jim Martin, El Paso Sam Rivers and Hiram D. Mason were all that's left and they soon will break up and go their separate ways. This is the middle of March and we are headed west on the Oregon Trail. We have business at Sublette, Wyoming. Then the 3M Wagon Train will head southwest for Sutter's Mill and the gold. Well, I am Jim Martin and I told Billy that I would keep a little journal of us until we get back to Kearney next January.

ary. We have stopped at North Platte, Scott's Bluff and into Wyoming Territory and then into Fort Laramie. We miss Billy Metzger because he always took care of the animals and wagons. We stopped at the same livery stable and got all of those things done. The man there asked about Billy and we explained where he was and how the 3M Wagon Train would soon be disbanding after we get to Sutter's Mill.

We told Mom at the restaurant where Billy was and how he liked her food. We also ate there all the time we were in Fort Laramie.

Not much to tell about, we went by Douglas, Glenrock and Casper. We turned south here and followed the North Platte River to where it originates. We traveled west at Alcova past Devil Gate, Split Rock and Martin's Cave.

There ain't anybody along here. A few hills, lots of rocks and Aquino Mountains. This is a rough part of the trail.

We went into a big forest and it carried all the way to Idaho. All there is are trees or rocks and more rocks.

I haven't made any notes for a couple weeks. I don't know how Billy did so well. We are now nearing Twin Falls. Sam says we turn south here into Nevada.

We left Twin Falls and finally got down into Nevada. We repaired everything at Winnemucca and then on south, nothing but all over nothing. We bounce along and we finally get into Truckee, California.

Now we are on our last leg into Sutter's Mill location of the gold strike. It is now August 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sam and I want to leave California by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

We emptied the wagons like the other times and had a sale, a good sale. All those oil stoves went the first day. I guess the ships bring in kerosene now. Yes, oil is no problem now.

The gold strike is three years old now and the miners don't find the gold as easy as before. It is sort of petering out. Well, the sale went fine and what didn't sell we moved into the big hardware store. We all met in the big dining room of the hotel last night and discussed the future.

Big Chief Yellow Pencil Hiram is leaving the 3M Wagon Train here in California. Hiram is going to stay with the Brannan Brothers for awhile until he can find an office building in Sacramento. He is starting his own business of accounting and will do the

brothers' books. We told them all that Sam was going to get married when he gets back to North Platte. Well, Issue Wee, our Chinese friend, really likes El Paso Sam so he gave him a pound of gold dust for a wedding gift, that is around \$320.00. He can really use that when they get settled down.

The Brannan's sold the wagon that Hiram had to Sam for \$50.00 for the wagon and \$30.00 for the team. He needs that wagon because he didn't have one of his own and he will need one to bring his new wife and furniture from North Platte to the Indian Agency.

I will travel by himself, but will be a part of a 2 wagon train. After they arrive at Fort Kearney, Sam and his new bride will leave the trail there, but I will go on alone all the way back to Moline, Illinois and work for the John Deere company.

Sam and I left Sutter's Mill about the middle of August with 2 wagons. We pushed the teams right along on about the only load they had was feed for the animals and themselves. We hated to leave Hiram and all the Brannan's and the gold strike area. Once in awhile we mentioned how much they missed Billy Metzger. But we know he is better off going to college and building his future and to take care of his natural ability.

*Stan's note:* This is all of Billy Metzger's Journal for awhile. I wanted to show you about how things were back in 1848 in the wagon train day—how the people got along as best they could. Their characteristics and high morals were top-notch. It was the time before the Civil War. The whites had not caused trouble with the Indians. The Lakotas were not a warring people, they grew some vegetables and hunted for meat.

I am going to write about El Paso Sam River's becoming an Indian Agent. I am going to do it in the first person category. That is like I did in the story on Billy Metzger.

I enjoyed doing that story and I certainly appreciate you folks reading it and your comments.

So please hang in there and next week we will get Sam and Callie married there in North Platte, Nebraska Territory.

See ya!

**TECH. SERGEANT DORCY WATERS**

**By: Stan Jordan**

The following information about the death and return of his body to Antwerp Cemetery has been given to me by Mary Ellen (Waters) Holbrook, a relative of Dorcy and she lives in Paulding. I am very pleased to receive and pass on that information about Sgt. Waters.

We were neighbors on East Canal Street. In September of 1930 Dorcy carried me on his shoulder to my first day of school. I had stepped on a black thorn and couldn't walk very well.

Right across the street was the home of Glenn and Anna Belle Sudlow. Glenn was a sailor in the U.S. Navy and went down with his ship 'The Noel' in the Battle of Iron Bottom Bay in 1943 in the South West Pacific in the area of the Solomon Islands.

This is two of Antwerp's five heroes of Antwerp's Canal Street who gave their lives

in WWII. Dorcy Wayne Waters was a technical sergeant in the 339<sup>th</sup> Bomber Squadron of the 96<sup>th</sup> Bomber Group during WWII. He was top target gunner on a B-17 with the 413<sup>th</sup> that was shot down on May 12, 1944 over The Main River close to Frankfurt, Germany. He was born May 28, 1913 in Antwerp, OH and lived on Canal Street with his parents Ray and Anna Waters; brother, Ray and sister, Zeletta. He enlisted in the Army on September 15, 1942 at Camp Perry, OH.

On May 12, 1944 the 96<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group's mission was to attack the marshaling yards of Zwickau, Germany or an alternate site of the oil industry at Brux, Czechoslovakia.

The following is one of the reports filed by returning airman who was a navigator. "When we arrived in the vicinity of Frankfurt, we were attacked by about 45 enemy single-engine fighters. They made about five passes and knocked out all but five of us. We joined the lead group as a low squadron and followed them. Because both pathfinders had been knocked out in the lead group they decided to follow the 4<sup>th</sup> Combat Wing and drop on the same target. We dropped our bombs at 1340 on the marshaling yards at Zwickau," reported by Horace S. Winslow, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Air Corps, Lead Navigator.

Commanding Officer, Major Morrison Ulman also stated, "Each attack lasted from 3 to 4 minutes and was very intense... The aggressiveness of enemy aircraft can't be overstated in today's operations and attests to the ability of their pilots."

On May 26, 1944, Dorcy's mother, Anna, (his father was deceased) received the telegram that stated, "Regret to inform you your son Technical Sergeant Dorcy W. Waters has been reported missing in action since twelve May over Germany. Further report states he had returned to duty on three May from wounds received in action twenty-nine April. If further details or other information are received you will be promptly notified." A year later his status was changed to presumed dead.

In a letter to Anna Waters dated November 13, 1945, a Mrs. Helderman wrote about information she received from the Bishop's Office at Patterson, New Jersey. It contained the following details from a German priest. "On May 12, 1944, an air combat took place over my native town of Camberg, where I am now living. Twenty-seven Americans were killed in this combat. They were buried in the cemetery of Camberg. I could only identify seventeen airmen who were killed, some of them as Catholics. Please advise Mrs. Helderman of the death of her son... all have been buried in a common grave with a cross and inscription, 'Here lies twenty-seven American airmen who fell down in an air combat in the community of Camberg May 12, 1944.' Next day after the combat I said Mass for all twenty seven without exception of faith. I gave the grave side benediction and since in every daily mass I have remembered them in the, 'Memem pro defunctis.'" Mrs. Helderman also wrote, "I do hope you find some comfort in this letter, for I am sure

your dear son lies buried with my dear boy." A Report of Investigation on September 7, 1945 states that the grave had a "Wooden Cross-Marked as follows 'Heir Liegen 27 Amerikanische Soldaten Die Am 12 Mai 1944 Im Bezirk Kamberg Abstrutzten.'"

On November 19, 1945, Anna sent a letter to the Adjutant General's Office questioning if the government was checking this grave 'of our Boys who gave their lives'. Eventually the twenty-seven men were disinterred from the Camberg cemetery and on March 6, 1946, Dorcy had a military burial at the United States Military Cemetery at Margraten, Holland.

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1946, Dorcy's mother sent a letter to The Memorial Division requesting that her son be 'returned to his home here at Antwerp, Ohio.' The official request doesn't appear to have been filed until December 5, 1947.

Finally on February 1, 1949, Dorcy W. Waters arrived home by train with a military escort and was met by an honor squad from the Cottrell Boylan Post #253 American Legion. He was laid to rest next to other family members in Antwerp's Maumee Cemetery. You will find Dorcy Wayne Waters name proudly inscribed on Antwerp's Veteran Memorial.

Dorcy had been awarded the Purple Heart and the Air Medal with 2 clusters.

*Stan:* Again let me say that I thank Mrs. Holbrook for helping us clear up the story of Tech. Sgt. Waters. His body was returned to the Antwerp Cemetery. I guess I didn't remember that and I probably said so to some friends.

Thank you so much, Mrs. Holbrook. See ya!

**HI-CALIBRE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I was born in a chicken house at the edge of Wallpole, Massachusetts in 1740. You already know that my folks were very poor 'cause we lived in an abandoned chicken house.

My growing up playmate was a fellow named Ben Franklin. His folks had passed away and he was raised by his older brother. The older brother was all thumbs and tried to run a printing press and newspaper but he just didn't have the moxie for it. And he was very jealous of his brother, Ben, who was already a good reporter for this paper.

Ben had all of his over-

bearing brother he could stand, so he walked nearly all the way to Philadelphia. He worked at a newspaper and in a couple years he owned it and the printing rights that went with it.

He was very successful and soon he had a lot of work and things went well even in the local society and in New York and Washington. He became famous and he was even called to Washington some times.

Ben hired me to go out to the west and explore the streams and rivers. Hardly anyone knew anything or heard of anything past the big Mississippi. I was to make observations and come back and report so the paper could make a map and do stories on the unknown West.

I crossed the Mississippi up north in Illinois by a rope-fed ferry. I was told to look for the Platte River and the Missouri and the Greene and some of the larger ones.

Well, that is flat prairie country and lots of small rivers. But I found the Cedar River, then the Des Moines River, the Missouri, the Blue, and after a few weeks, The North Platte River. The Platte is a French name for shallow water. It was named by a French trapper in about 1714. In this area the rivers made a good type of transportation for the trappers and hunters and the Pawnee and Otto Indians. Furs was a big business especially beaver pelts.

Actually the Platte River is the North and South Platte Rivers. They come together in the city of North Platte, Nebraska.

The South Platte starts over in Central Colorado and drains a good part of that state's snow run off. The North Platte starts way up in North Colorado and drains the snow of Wyoming also. It carries zillions of square miles of drainage in that area. The Louisiana Purchase brought the Platte Rivers and area over to the United States.

The river and area brought a lot of pioneers to the west—the Oregon Trail, the Mormon Trail, the Pony Express and later the Union Pacific Railroad and later the Lincoln Highway and even later Interstate 80. The uses for this route and area in setting the west is beyond comprehension!

I took all my maps and notes back to Ben Franklin and he got the credit for all my work. They wanted to strike and mint a silver dollar of me but I refused.

See ya!

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Dale Vaughn & the Lost Horseman  
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**ANTWERP DOMINATES AGAINST FAIRVIEW**



Friday, January 29 brought the Apaches to the Archer gym. Antwerp went into the game as if they were the winners and they showed it. By the end of the first half the Antwerp boys were ahead 39-17 and finished the game 60-23. Shown above is Shown above is senior Bryant Miesle scoring 3 points from the foul for the Archers. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

**ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB TRAVELS TO WAUSEON**

The Antwerp Archer Wrestling Club recently competed in the Napoleon Wrestling Tournament on January 22, 2012. Of the nine wrestlers competing the tournament, six were able to place in the top four. Placing in the tournament were Skyler Octaviano, 3<sup>rd</sup> place; Kamren Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> place; Lance McKeever, 2<sup>nd</sup> place; Aidan McAlexander, 2<sup>nd</sup> place; Avin Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> place; and Eli Reinhart received 1<sup>st</sup> place.

**PAULDING COUNTY CHAPTER PERI MEETING SCHEDULED**

The next Paulding County Chapter PERI Meeting will be held on February 1, 2012. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Senior Center. The speaker will be Tony Langham on the topic of The Economic Development in Paulding County. Call for meal reservations at 419-399-3650.

**FIVE RAIDER WRESTLERS NAMED TO 2012 BRAKEMAN REPORT**

Since 1972 every wrestler and coach in Ohio anticipates the publication of the most insightful list of wrestling rankings compiled in the state. It is called the Brakeman Report, and is comprised of ranking wrestlers in all weight classes in their respective divisions. Going beyond the rankings, he gives insight and synopsis of each district and the path that all wrestlers will endure on their journey to state. In the last three years, he has been 76% successful in predicting state champions in Ohio.

This year Wayne Trace had five wrestlers ranked in the Brakeman Report. First at 126, sophomore Aaron Miller is ranked 23<sup>rd</sup>. He currently has a 22-10 record and was a district qualifier.

Standout senior Kameran Clemens ranked 8<sup>th</sup>. Clemens stands at 31-5 on the year and has been tournament champion at Arcadia, LCC Holiday Tournament, Woodlan Tournament, and runner-up at Van Buren. He is a retuning state qualifier finishing 4<sup>th</sup> at districts last year.

In the 145 pound class, senior Zach Cotterman sits at 22<sup>nd</sup>. His record is 17-3 and he has been bothered this year by some injuries. He expects to be back in time for GMC's and sectionals. Zach was runner-up at Arcadia, medical defaulted to 6<sup>th</sup> at Van Buren, and was a district qualifier last year.

Junior Sawyer Temple posts a 26-6 record and is ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> in the state. He has been on the podium as champion at Arcadia. He then underwent knee surgery and returned placing runner up at Woodlan invite. Last year, he was a district qualifier.

Ranking 16<sup>th</sup> and having a 24-7 record on the year, se-

nior Tyler Arnett started the season later than the others after recovering from a broken leg. He was runner-up at the Woodlan Invite and a district qualifier last year.

Of note in the Report is a line that is sure to please any Wayne Trace wrestling enthusiast. Brakeman pens, "Wayne Trace has developed a fine team over the last few years with Kameran Clemens serving as the linchpin." Typically, this report discusses individual talent at each weight, but it is clear the current coaches and wrestlers of Wayne Trace are beginning to be noticed as contenders. With Clemens's trip to Columbus last year, current undefeated dual record in DIII, continued success of the upperclassmen, and impact of the freshman class, Raider wrestling looks to be very solid not only this year, but also the next several years.

Coach Clemens was excited about the report. "I can remember when we (coaches) were excited to get one wrestler mentioned. To have five of them is pretty impressive. All the boys have been working hard, and this is not something that happens in one season, this is an accumulation of years of getting on the mat, working hard, and remaining focused. These five all started wrestling in our Wayne Trace Wrestling Club. Wayne Trace has steadily built a strong wrestling team and program. I knew this could be done here (Wayne Trace), and it's really nice to see it all come together after all the work," stated Clemens.

**PAULDING JH BASKETBALL SQUARES OFF AGAINST SPENCERVILLE**

The Paulding 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball ran their record to (9-3) on the season with 32-30 upset over an undefeated Spencerville team on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. The Panthers have defeated Crestview (twice), Bryan, Tinora, Lincolnview, Delphos Jefferson, Fairview, Edgerton and Spencerville for their nine wins. Their losses have come at the hands of Van Wert, Spencerville Wayne Trace. The 7<sup>th</sup> graders will open in the Wendy's Classic Tournament on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:20 a.m. when they take on the Columbus Grove Bulldogs at Crestview Middle School.

The Panther 8<sup>th</sup> grade team now stands at (4-8) after a close two point loss to an undefeated Spencerville 8<sup>th</sup> grade team on Tuesday. The Panther wins have come against Bryan, Lincolnview, Fairview and Edgerton. Losses were to Crestview (twice), Van Wert, Spencerville (twice), Tinora, Wayne Trace, and Delphos Jefferson.

**PAULDING OUTSCORES OTTOVILLE**



After the Hall of Fame induction ceremony Saturday, January 28 at Paulding, the varsity boys basketball team took on Ottoville. In a fast paced game the Panthers outscored the Big Green 50-35. Shown above is junior Lance Foor scoring for Paulding. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

**3D WRESTLERS COMPETE IN NAPOLEON**

3D wrestling competed in Napoleon on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January. Placing for 3D were Dominic Carnahan, Juan Castillo, Dakota Oswalt, Dakota Shaffer and Michael Humphreys - all in 1<sup>st</sup>. Hunter Powell was in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

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## FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER



### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,

The second semester of the 2011-2012 school year is off to a great start. The annual organizational meeting for the school board was held on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Greg Reinhart was elected President and Liz Hunt was elected Vice President. Also serving on the board this year are Bob Burkley, Jim Foltz, and Mark Manz. The next meeting is Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Administration Building Conference Room.

As noted in the last newsletter, our new website has been launched. We are still in the process of adding new information and making it a better communication tool. Many of our teachers have added classroom websites, so check back often for new information.

If you have children attending school in our district, plan to attend Parent-Teacher Conferences on February 6<sup>th</sup> or February 13<sup>th</sup>. Communication between home and school is an important factor in the success for all students. Working together will make Paulding Exempted Village Schools a stronger school district.

Pat Ross  
Superintendent

### NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

**Paulding Elementary-Stephanie Tear**

We are looking forward to a fabulous February here at Paulding Elementary! With the first half of the 2011-2012 school year half way complete and conferences coming up on February 6 and 13, from 4:30-7:30, it just seems that this wonderful year is flying by!! I must say, this second round of conferences is an awesome opportunity the school gives parents to learn about their child's progress. We are looking forward to seeing many parents at conferences!

Paulding Elementary held its annual Spelling Bee on January 6. Lexie Beckman earned the trophy winning first place and Heather Manz earned the first runner up title. Lexie will now compete at the county Spelling Bee on February 2. Good Luck Lexie!!

Paulding Elementary held its annual 'Reading is a Sport' program. This is a reading incentive program that promotes reading and the children are rewarded by being recognized at the Varsity Girls' Basketball Game January 31 OR the Varsity Boys' Basketball Game February 7, along with a free ticket to the game. I am proud to report that Paulding Elementary had around 60 students receive a free pass!

Ohio Academic Assessments will be given at the end of April and beginning of May. These assessments are taken by all students in Ohio. Teachers and students have been working hard to gain skills necessary to do well daily and succeed on the assessments. Students are setting goals and striving to show growth while monitoring their progress. I once heard that the tragedy of life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach. Student ownership is an important component to student success. Mrs. Tear will be presenting OAA information to the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade parents on February 21<sup>st</sup>. This will be an evening dedicated to learning about the Ohio Academic Assessment and what it means to your child, our school and our district. Nelson Mandela said, "There is no passion to be found in playing small - in settling for a life that is less than what you are capable of living." My goal is to get the maximum potential out of each child that comes through Paulding Elementary. Understanding testing is a small piece of that process. We hope to see you at this important meeting!

Enjoy this busy month of February! Stay warm and stay safe!

**Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz**

Hello from Oakwood Elementary on a cloudy, rainy Monday! Who would have guessed we would be having thunderstorms in January!?! I am writing this on the 94<sup>th</sup> day of school. If the weather cooperates, we will have had our 100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration before you read this article. And let me tell you, that is a BIG event to our primary grade students!

We are well on our way through the third nine weeks, but we took some time in January to recognize a record number of students who made the Honor Roll, earned Perfect

Attendance, and/or gained the B.U.G. Club status (Bringing Up Grades) during the second quarter. We are very proud of these students! At each grade level, the work gets progressively more difficult and the expectations get higher as we move through the year. (It seems fitting that our character trait for January was Perseverance!) We appreciate the efforts of all of our students and continue to encourage each of them to make these quarterly awards part of their goals for the third and fourth nine weeks.

We held our 2012 Spelling Bee on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Twenty-two Oakwood Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders competed for top spelling honors. Congratulations to sixth grader, Colton Lloyd, our Spelling Bee Champion, and to sixth grader, Thomas Heilman, our Runner-Up! Both students did a remarkable job!! Colton will represent Oakwood Elementary at the Paulding County Bee in Antwerp on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Reading-Is-A-Sport is wrapping up for this year. Several of our students met their reading goals and will be recognized at a PHS Varsity boys' or girls' basketball game. We want to thank our Varsity Panther athletes for making the events special for our hard-working readers. It is so exciting for our students to be the stars in the "half-time show" at The Jungle!

Thank you for your continued support!

**Middle School-David Stallkamp**

Thank you to all of the parents that have been so supportive of Paulding Middle School. Total parental support is what makes the goal of getting a top notch education possible for all of our kids. Being positive and encouraging towards getting a great education is what it takes to make every child successful. Thank you for helping us.

Congratulations go out to the following students for their academic success: Marcus Miller, 2012 Spelling Bee Champion and Audrey Manz as Runner-Up; Cade McGarvey - District Geography Bee Champion; Taylor Manz, Geography Bee Runner -up. Science Olympiad Top Ten Finishers at the Northmont Competition near Dayton: 4<sup>th</sup> place for Food Science- Megan Reineck and Allison Harpel, 7<sup>th</sup> place for Write It-Do It - Taylor Manz, 8<sup>th</sup> place in Dynamic Planet - Allison Harpel and Brian Matson, 9<sup>th</sup> place in Reach For The Stars - Christine Clapsaddle, and 10<sup>th</sup> place for Rocks and Minerals - Wyatt Miller.

The 42 students receiving all A's for the Second Nine Weeks and making the Gold Card Club were: 6<sup>th</sup> Graders- Abigail Adams, Isaac Baldwin, Logan Bradford, Brianna Gorrell, Audrey Manz, Brian Matson, Cade McGarvey, Emma McMaster, and Marcus Miller. 7<sup>th</sup> Graders- Allison Arend, Brittany Brown, Christine Clapsaddle, Hannah Farr, Paige Fitzwater, Preston Johanns, Andrea Kremer, Skyler McCullough, Molly Meeker, Estee Miller, Chantal Monnier, Dayton Pracht, Logan Shaner, Ashley Snipes, Cameron Strahley, Chella Vargas, and Faith Vogel. 8<sup>th</sup> graders- Lucas Arend, Kelsey Beck, Victoria Bradford, Allison Harpel, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Branson Minck, Emily Moore, Megan Reineck, Emilee Ringler, Taylor Schooley, Jordan Shull, Tzu-Mei Tenwalde, Jaycie Varner, Cullen Wenzlick and Drayson Wenzlick. We also had another 79 students attain Green Card status of all A's and B's and a total of 66 more with C's or above. I am very proud of the 187 students with C's or better on their second nine weeks report card.

Mid-term reports for the Third Nine Weeks Grading period will go home on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for February 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. PLEASE mark this on your calendars to come in and visit with your child's teachers. Please call Marcy at 419-399-4656, extension 1212, to schedule an appointment.

Our Middle School **SCIENCE FAIR** is set for February 10<sup>th</sup> after school in the auditoria. This is always a great event. Come on in that evening and look at all of the neat projects our students have been working on for many weeks and months.

I will be taking any 8<sup>th</sup> grader that wishes to go to Cedar Point for our annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. The trip is tentatively set for Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Cost for each student will be \$25 and the forms and payment are due by March 30, 2012. ALL school fees and other outstanding money MUST be paid in full for the student to be able to go on this trip.

Two items down the road but coming quickly for your reference: **OAA test dates-April 25<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Reading. April 27<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math. May 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Terra Nova Tests will be given also on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Terra Nova Social Studies tests will be administered to grades 6, 7, and 8 on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation - this will ALWAYS be the last day of school. For now, barring any make-up days, it is scheduled for May 23, 2012, at 1:00 PM in the high school gym. FEES must be paid in full for any 8<sup>th</sup> grader to walk in this time honored ceremony.**

Thank you again for your continued support of Paulding Middle School.

**High School-Todd Harmon**

Greetings on behalf of Paulding High School and its dedicated staff. We have been very fortunate not to have missed any days of school which normally occurs around this time due to incimate weather. This has allowed our teachers to continue to work hard to prepare students for the upcoming state testing known as the OGT's. The Ohio Graduation Test will be administered March 12th through March 16th. We will be using the 2 hour delay schedule for all Juniors and Seniors who have passed all areas of the OGT's. All Freshmen, Sophomores, and any Junior or Seniors who have not passed the test, will start school at regular time this week for testing. Please make sure if your child is testing that they show up for all testing days, get plenty of sleep, and have a good healthy breakfast so they can do their best to pass the test the first time taken. Thank you for all your support as we work together for your child's success.

The scheduling process has begun for the 2012-2013 school year with the guidance counselors Chelsea Koester and Jim Miller. They present students with information on course offerings, scheduling options, and requirements for graduation. Students should be discussing these options with parents and guardians as they build their schedule and make decisions that will further their academic and career goals. Parent teacher conferences will be Monday, February 6th and Monday, February 13th from 4:30 to 7:30 P.M. Please stop by to discuss any issues or concerns with your child's teacher to build bridges for success. Please contact the high school office at 419-399-4656 to schedule your child's conferences.

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**

The second parent-teacher conferences of the school year will take place on Monday February 6, and Monday, February 13, from 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. both days at all buildings. This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teachers. Everyone is strongly urged to participate. **There will be no school Friday, February 17.** Please mark your calendar.

**AFTER PROM PARENTS**

The junior class parents will again be hosting the After Prom this year. There will be an After Prom meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 in the commons at 7:00 P.M. Any junior parents may attend. Donations are being collected to sponsor this event. If you have not been contacted and would be interested in donating, please contact Amy Pease at 419-399-5909.

**VALENTINE GIFT DELIVERIES**

Paulding Schools are asking that Valentine flowers/gifts not be delivered to students at the school. Other arrangements should be made to deliver such items as the school will not accept them. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

**FREE PRESCHOOL SCREENING**

A countywide preschool screening will be offered February 10 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Antwerp Methodist Church for children up to 5 years old. Snow date is February 17. A second screening will be offered March 16 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding from 12:00-4:00 p.m. Snow date March 23. All students interested in attending Pre School next year must be screened.

**FREE ONLINE TESTING PRACTICE**

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### ATHLETIC CALENDAR EVENTS

<b>Varsity Wrestling</b>		
Feb. 11	NWC-Col Grove	10:00
<b>JH Wrestling</b>		
Feb. 11	NWC-Col Grove	10:00
<b>JH Boys Basketball</b>		
Feb. 7	Delphos Jefferson-H	5:00
Feb. 9	Defiance-H	4:30
Feb. 14	Lincolnview-T	5:00
<b>Freshman</b>		
Feb. 2	LCC-T	5:00
Feb. 7	Hicksville-H	4:30
Feb. 9	Lincolnview-H	5:00
Feb. 16	Ada-H	5:00
<b>Boys JV/Varsity Basketball</b>		
Feb. 3	LCC-T	6:00
Feb. 7	Hicksville-H	6:00
Feb. 10	Lincolnview-H	6:00
Feb. 17	Ada-H	6:00
Feb. 18	Bryan-H	6:00
Feb. 24	Spencerville-T	6:00
<b>JH Girls Basketball</b>		
Feb. 7	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Feb. 9	Defiance-T	4:30
Feb. 14	Lincolnview-H	5:00
<b>Girls JV/Varsity Basketball</b>		
Feb. 1	Fairview-T	6:00
Feb. 3	Lincolnview-H	6:00
Feb. 5	Continental-H	1:00
Feb. 10	Ada-H	6:00
Feb. 15	Defiance-H	6:00
Feb. 17	Spencerville-T	6:00

### DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

Feb. 1	Soph. Vantage Visit	8:30a
Feb. 1	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
Feb. 2	Pldg Cnty Spell Bee-Antwerp	7:00p
Feb. 6	FFA Chapter Mtg-Ag Room	6:00p
Feb. 6	Post-Second. Mtg-Media Ctr	6:30p
Feb. 6	Parent-Teacher Conferences	4:30- 7:30p
Feb. 7	MS Mid-Term reports sent home	
Feb. 7	Band Bstr Mtg-Band Room	7:00p
Feb. 10	M.S. Science Fair-Aud	2:00-3:30p
Feb. 11	ACT Test	7:30a-12:3p
Feb. 13	Science Olympiad Bst Mtg	7:00p
Feb. 13	Parent-Teacher Conf	4:30-7:30p
Feb. 13	Credit Flexibility Mtg	6:30p
Feb. 14	Board Meeting-Adm. Bldg.	7:00p
Feb. 17	NO SCHOOL Due to Conferences	
Feb. 20	NO SCHOOL-President's Day	
Feb. 20-25	National FFA Week	
Feb. 21	ASVAB Tests for Jrs/Srs	
Feb. 21	FFA Alumni Meeting	7:00p
Feb. 28	OE. 5th/6th gr. Band Concert	7:00p
Feb. 29	Engineering Team Comp.- ONU Ada	
Feb. 24	OE. Kdg. Family Reading Day	2:30p
Feb. 24	OE Preschool Family Day	
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# LADY WARRIORS BRING DOWN S. WELLS IN CLOSE GAME



The Southern Wells Raiders took on Woodlan at the Warrior home court Saturday, January 28. The game was close down to the last second. With little more than a minute left Woodlan was 5 points in the lead, but the Raiders soon tied through foul shots. With just a few of seconds left on the clock, Warrior junior Lauren Ehle (shown above) captured the ball and the shot to finish the game 65-63. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

# LADY RAIDERS LOSE A TOUGH GAME



The Lady Raiders took on Delphos Jefferson at home Tuesday, January 24. The first half Wayne Trace girls struggled to keep the ball in their possession and ultimately cost them the game. Final Score: 40-54. Shown above is sophomore Lauren Speice shooting for the Lady Raiders. More pictures at [www.westbendnews.net](http://www.westbendnews.net)

# WARRIORS LOSE TO PATRIOTS

By: Jeff Abbott

The Heritage Patriots came to Woodlan for an ACAC boys' basketball game and the team that coach Dave Randall was in charge of last year, showed their former coach their stuff as the Patriots routed the home team 67-37. Heritage led the entire way in the game, getting 22 points from Mitch Castleman. Brock Hines and Alex Emehiser each had 9 points for Woodlan.

Score by the quarter:  
Heritage - 13 14 20 20=67  
Woodlan - 6 12 12 7=37  
Scorers of the game:  
Heritage - Castleman 22, Scheumann 12, Toles 10, Knapke 7, Terry 4, Sheehan 4, Franke 4, Dossen 2, Lockett 2  
Woodlan - Hines 9, Emehiser 9, Harris 6, Evans 4, Patterson 3, Schwartz 2, Gerig 2, Bennett 2

# LADY WARRIORS VICTORIOUS OVER BRAVES

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan and Blackhawk battled through three quarters before the Warriors got a strong fourth quarter to secure a 55-49 win in girls' basketball. Woodlan took an early lead on the Lady Braves and were ton top by 3 at the end of the first quarter, 9-6. The lead was at 4 at the half but Blackhawk outscored the Warriors in the third period to take the lead heading into the final stanza. Woodlan came back strong in the final 8 minutes and outscored Blackhawk 21-14 retake the lead and get the win. Lauren Ehle led the scoring for the Warriors with 19 points

Score by the quarter:  
Woodlan - 9 12 13 21=55  
Blackhawk - 6 11 18 14=49  
Scorers of the game:  
Woodlan - Ehle 19, Hostetler 14, Price 14, Gersbers 6, Knoblauch 2  
Blackhawk - Zehr 25, Henry 11, VanLaar 4, Moonen 4, Hicks 3, Chalfant 2

# WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING 7TH AT LCC INVITE

Wayne Trace attended the LCC Thunderbird Invitational on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of January. Featuring 40 OHSAA state qualifiers and 16 state placers from 2011, this is one of, if not, the largest and toughest division III tournaments in the state. After wrestling for two days, the team found themselves in 7<sup>th</sup> place in a field of 37 teams. "This tournament is really tough and I felt the boys wrestled well over the last two days, commented coach Clemens.

The Raiders, as a team, would hang around the top of the team points and would even be in first place after round one. Starting off the first round strong, all but two would post wins. Obviously, as the rounds continued and the competition elevated, they would slip to third. The team would remain competitive, throughout, but some misfortune and an injury would slightly impact their final placement.

Individually, Tyler Arnett would be the highest placing Raider of this tournament. He entered the tournament seeded second. He would pick up wins over athletes from Dayton Christian, Columbus Grove, Carlisle, and Blanches-

ter. In the finals, he would face the number one seeded wrestler from Allen East and fall to him with a score of 16-10. "Tyler wrestled much better in this tournament than he did at Van Buren. He is starting to peak at the right time," stated Clemens.

Sawyer Temple would place at the same place he was seeded, third, for the red, white, and blue. Wrestlers from Ayersville, Coldwater, Blanchester, Delphos St. Johns, and Edgerton would fall to Temple. Temple's only loss of the day would be to Dixie. "Sawyer is really coming on after missing some time for knee surgery. Getting back to wrestling at the level he is capable of," quipped Clemens.

After attempting to wrestle nicked up, Kameron Clemens would medically default to sixth place. He would garner wins over wrestlers from Chanel, Hicksville, and Bluffton before falling to the number one ranked wrestler in the state from Dayton Christian. He would then attempt another match, but was far from his normal form. "Any injury is unfortunate, but it is part of wrestling. Things may have been different had Kameron been 100%," commented Clemens.

Final teams standings would be: Dixie 148.5, Mechanicsburg 141.5, Coldwater 129.5, Ayersville 126.5, Delphos St. Johns 109, Newark Catholic 106, Wayne Trace 102, Allen East 101, Greenview 100.5, and rounding out the top ten would be Carlisle 96.5. Placing seventh is the best a Raider wrestling team has done at this tournament. The previous benchmark was eleventh.

Individual records for Wayne Trace:  
106 - Dustin Taylor 1-2  
113 - Matt Baxter 1-2  
120 - Zaine Cotterman 0-2  
126 - Aaron Miller 2-2  
132 - Tyler Showalter 2-2  
138 - Kameron Clemens 3-3  
145 - Jacob Dingus 1-2  
152 - Sawyer Temple 5-1  
160 - Tyler Arnett 4-1  
170 - Tim West 0-2  
182 - Aaron Harris 1-2  
195 - Justin Pierce 0-2

# ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB COMPETES IN TOMAHAWK TOURNAMENT

The Antwerp Archer Wrestling Club competed in the Tomahawk Wrestling Tournament in Wauseon, OH on January 29, 2012. All eleven participants placed in the top four of their respective weight classes. Placing 4<sup>th</sup> were Halie Davis, McKenna Smith, Skyler Octaviano, and Corbin Eaton. Placing 3<sup>rd</sup> were Kamren Johnson, Lance McKeever, Luke McKeever, and Jerry Davis. Placing 2<sup>nd</sup> were Avin Johnson and Logan McKeever. The lone champion for the Archers was Eli Reinhart. If you are interested in wrestling, practices for the club are on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. in the high school auditoria.

# ACAC WRESTLING

By: Jeff Abbott

Adams Central claimed 4 individual champions and won the ACAC wrestling meet on the home mats. The Jets took championships at 120, 126, 132, and 152. Leo had champions at 160, 170,

and 285. Woodlan had a champion at 145.

ACAC Wrestling - Adams Central 230.5, South Adams 189.5, Leo 174, Garrett 172.5, Woodlan 155, Heritage 127, Bluffton 81, Southern Wells 61

Champions:  
106 - Lee (G); 113 - Moser (SA); 120 - Walburn (AC); 126 - Ellinger (AC); 132 - Roe (AC); 138 - Moreau (G); 145 - Zink (W); 152 - Schultz (AC); 160 - Steury (L); 170 - Weber (L); 182 - Conrad (H); 195 - Gibson (G); 215 - Biberstine (SW); 285 - Hager (L)

# WT WRESTLING CLUB TRAVEL TO TOURNAMENTS

On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed in the Blue & White Bidy Tournament in Napoleon. Placing 1<sup>st</sup> for Wayne Trace: Jarrett Hornish and Brendon Bidlack; 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Hunter Long (Div.3), Jacobe Carpenter, and Max Rassman; 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Hunter Long(Div 2), and Kameron Bevis; placing 4<sup>th</sup>: Hunter Showalter.

On January 29<sup>th</sup>, wrestlers traveled to Cardinal Stritch, OR, and also Wauseon. Placing 1<sup>st</sup> in Wauseon for the Raiders: Bryson Parrish, and Grant Baumle; 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Eli Ames, Jeffery Stephenson, and Jacobe Carpenter; finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> place: Asa Ames. Kameron Uverz, Logan Vance, and Sam Stephenson. Placing 1<sup>st</sup> at Cardinal Stritch: Hunter Long; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Jarrett Hornish.

# ASHLEY SNIPES WINS FREE THROW CONTEST



Congratulations go out to Paulding Middle School Seventh Grader, Ashley Snipes. The Knights of Columbus hosted a free throw shooting contest on January 14<sup>th</sup> at Paulding Middle School. Ashley made 11 of 15 foul shots to advance to the District competition at Kalida on January 21<sup>st</sup>. At Kalida, Ashley made 20 out of 25 to win the District's and qualify her to move on to Regional competition to be held in Ottawa on February 12<sup>th</sup>. She is the only female that will be representing Paulding County and Paulding Middle School in this competition. Great job, Ashley. Good luck at Regionals!

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**INVESTORS CAN LEARN MUCH FROM SUPER BOWL TEAMS**



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

It's Super Bowl time again. And whether you're a sports fan or not, you can probably learn something from the Super Bowl teams that you can apply to other endeavors — such as investing.

What might these lessons be? Take a look:

**\*\*Pick players carefully.** Super Bowl teams don't usually get there out of luck; they've made it in part because they have carefully chosen their players. And to potentially achieve success as an investor, you, too, need carefully chosen "players" — investments that are chosen for your individual situation.

**\*\*Choose a diversified mix of players.** Not only do Super Bowl teams have good players, but they have good ones at many different positions — and these players tend to play well together. As an investor, you should own a variety of investments with different capabilities — such as stocks for growth and bonds for income — and your various investments should complement, rather than duplicate, one another. Strive to build a diversified portfolio containing investments appropriate for your situation, such as stocks, bonds, government securities (CDs) and other vehicles. Diversifying your holdings may help reduce the effects of market volatility. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, can't guarantee a profit or protect against loss.)

**\*\*Follow a "game plan."** Super Bowl teams are skilled at creating game plans designed to maximize their own strengths and exploit their opponents' weaknesses. When you invest, you also can benefit from a game plan — a strategy to help you work toward your goals. This strategy may incorporate several elements, such as taking full advantage of your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, pursuing new investment opportunities as they arise and reviewing your portfolio regularly to make sure it's still appropriate for your needs.

**\*\*Stay dedicated to your goals.** Virtually all Super Bowl teams have had to overcome obstacles, such as injuries, bad weather and a tough schedule. But through persistence and a constant devotion to their ultimate goal, they persevere. As an investor, you'll face some challenges, too, such as political and economic turmoil that can upset the financial markets. But if you own a diversified mix of quality investments and follow a long-term strategy that's tailored to your objectives, time horizon and risk tolerance, you can keep moving forward, despite the "bumps in the road" that all investors face.

**\*\*Get good coaching.** Super Bowl teams typically are well-coached, with disciplined head coaches and innovative offensive and defensive coordinators. When you're trying to achieve many financial goals — such as a comfortable retirement, control over your investment taxes and a legacy to leave to your family — you, too, can benefit from strong "coaching." As your "head coach," you might choose a financial professional — someone who can help you identify your goals and recommend an appropriate investment strategy to help you work toward them. And your financial professional can coordinate activities with your other "coaches," such as your tax and legal advisors.

Unless you're a professional football player, you won't ever experience what it's like to play in the Super Bowl. However, achieving your financial goals can be a fairly big event in your life — and to help work toward that point, you can take a few tips from the teams that have made it to the Big Game.

**GROUNDHOG DAY**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

Groundhog Day is a holiday celebrated on February 2 in the United States and Canada. According to folklore, if it is cloudy when a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day, the groundhog will leave the burrow, signifying that winter will soon end. If on the other hand, it is sunny, the groundhog will supposedly "see its shadow" and retreat back into its burrow, and winter will continue for six more weeks.

As the legend goes, Groundhog Day has been around for centuries, its origins clouded in the mists of time with ethnic cultures and animals awakening on specific dates. Myths such as this tie our present to the distant past when nature did, indeed, influence our lives.

February 2 falls about halfway between the winter solstice in December and the vernal equinox in March, and is celebrated in some cultures as the midpoint of winter. It's not far from the time many groundhogs end their hibernation around the second week of February.

The tradition of Groundhog Day in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania dates back to 1887. Pennsylvania's earliest settlers were Germans who brought the tradition with them. Legend has listed bears and hedgehogs as part to the tradition before the groundhog.

Groundhogs are rodents, and belong to the same family as squirrels. The groundhog is known by several other names, such as the woodchuck and whistle-pig. The name whistle-pig comes from the loud, shrill whistle groundhogs sound when frightened. Additionally, they are fierce fighters when necessary. There are reports of groundhogs fighting off dogs as big as collies.

Groundhogs have two burrows, one for summer and one for winter. Generally they are solitary animals, but may share a burrow. The summer burrow is usually located in the middle of a meadow or pasture, near grass and other plants used for food. The winter den is typically located in a wooded or brushy area near the summer den.

The burrows have one main entrance, as well as other tunnels used as look-outs for enemies. Although predators are rare, the most common are humans and red foxes. In their winter burrows, groundhogs go into deep hibernation. Their metabolic rates and heart rates drop as low as 5-15 beats per minute, as well as their internal temperature as low as 38-40 degrees Fahrenheit.

Punxsutawney Phil is not the only weather-predicting groundhog! Atlanta has General Beauregard Lee, New York has Staten Island Chuck, and Ontario has Wiarton Willie. However, Phil is the oldest, the original, and by far the most popular of the weather-predicting groundhogs!

**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" SKILLS FOR TOMORROW**



**Vantage Electricity juniors Jay Watson (Paulding) and Tyler Farris (Crestview) work on the servo-robot during lab.**

At Vantage Career Center, there are nine different Trade and Industrial programs offered to high school students in the Industrial and Engineering Systems cluster. Here is a brief look at those programs.

In the Ag Diesel Mechanics program, students learn the techniques for the maintenance, service and repair of industrial diesel and agricultural equipment and engines. Students in Ag Diesel Mechanics belong to the Vantage FFA Chapter.

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The two-year Auto Technology program provides hands-on experience in the areas of hydraulic brake systems, automotive engines and suspension systems. Students learn the skills required to inspect, repair and adjust today's highly computerized vehicles.

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The Vantage Welding program is a nationally recognized AWS (American Welding Society) training and testing facility. Students have the opportunity to earn industry certifications in plate and pipe welding. This program has earned the National Exemplary designation in career technical education.

Industrial Mechanics stu-

dents learn how to perform preventive and corrective maintenance and the set up and adjustment of plant machinery. Students learn the basics of welding, electricity, machining, metal fabrication, residential and industrial plumbing, heating and air conditioning.

The Electricity program provides entry-level training ranging from residential wiring to industrial electrical applications. Students learn how to install, maintain and troubleshoot a variety of electrical systems, including the installation of coaxial or fiber optic cable for computers and other telecommunications equipment. Seniors also use their residential wiring skills to wire the Vantage Carpentry House project each year.

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# WINTER WEATHER QUIZ

By: Josh Steiner

This is a winter weather quiz with questions about snowflakes, freezing rain, sleet, driving conditions, blizzards, and severe weather. Once again I am predicting that February will finally start winter for us, with several snow events possible. There is record cold building in Alaska right now which is one of reasons for this forecast. Alaska's weather is well below normal for several reasons. One of them is consistent troughing over the Gulf of Alaska. Throughout nearly the entire winter, a major trough has been present over Alaska, keeping extreme arctic air locked up in Alaska and Siberia, and with near ideal conditions for the building of cold air masses, temperatures have been well below normal for the entire state. All of this cold air in Alaska will finally break loose this upcoming month as a ridge, which will be building into Alaska this week, and will begin to dislodge the arctic air out. At the same time, it will push into Canada. For more information about the forecast and when winter will reach the area, go to Northwest Ohio Storm Prediction Center at [www.stormcenteroh.blogspot.com](http://www.stormcenteroh.blogspot.com).

**1. Which type of front, in association with a storm system, is the most likely to cause a heavy snow event or significant freezing rain and sleet?**

- A. cold front
- B. occluded front
- C. warm front
- D. stationary front

**2. Which type of ice crystals are the most efficient at colliding and becoming snowflakes?**

- A. columns
- B. prisms
- C. sheaths
- D. dendrites

**3. How deep does the region of below freezing temperatures in the atmosphere have to be for precipitation to reach the ground as freezing rain?**

- A. less than 100 feet
- B. 10,000 feet
- C. 1,456 feet
- D. 2,000 feet

**4. What type of surface conditions would a meteorologist observe hours before a winter storm (ice, sleet, or heavy snow) hits the region?**

- A. Time: 6:00 a.m.
- B. Current temperature: 34;

Clouds: thick dense overcast, with dense fog at the surface; light southerly winds becoming increasingly stronger.

B. Time: 8:00 p.m. Current temperature: -10 degrees and falling. Clear skies, with strong, northerly winds.

C. Time: Noon. Current temperature: 23 degrees and steady. Increasing northeast winds under dense overcast of altostratus clouds

D. Time: midnight. Current temperature: 54 and rising rapidly. Severe thunderstorms with damaging winds and large hail, along with strong southerly winds.

**5. What kind of driving conditions will cause your car to slide more across the road?**

- A. Temperature, 16 degrees. Heavy snow is falling with tiny snowflakes, snow covered road.
- B. Temperature, 29 degrees. Sleet and snow mix. Roads becoming ice covered as sleet and snow melt on salted roads.
- C. Temperature, 30 degrees. Heavy freezing rain is falling. Salt trucks have not yet made it to the roads.

**6. Which situation will give the worst visibility in a winter storm?**

- A. smaller dendritic snowflakes with temperatures in the low teens. Strong northeast winds blowing heavily falling snow into drifts and swirls.
- B. Lake effect snow band with extremely heavy snowfall rate. Temperature at 32, causing rather large snowflakes.
- C. High winds causing extreme drifting and blowing of lightly falling and the two feet of freshly fallen dry snow on the ground.

**7. In proximity to a mature low pressure system where will the heaviest snow fall, given the right conditions?**

- A. 150 miles to the left of the track of the low, near the occluded front and north of the warm front
- B. Directly in the track of the low pressure system
- C. Within the warm sector of the cyclone
- D. Just poleward of the warm front, about twenty miles north of the front

**8. At what temperature is it too cold for snow to fall?**

- A. 5 degrees
- B. 8 degrees
- C. less than 0 degrees
- D. none of the above

**9. Which choice is the most likely to cause an extended period of very cold and snowy conditions across the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley?**

- A. negative North Atlantic Oscillation, negative Pacific North American Teleconnection, weak El Nino
- B. negative NAO (North Atlantic Oscillation), positive Arctic Oscillation, and weak La Nina.
- C. negative NAO, nega-

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➤ Please bring your tax bill with you when coming into the office to make a payment.

➤ If you cannot make it into the office, please use the addressed envelope enclosed with your tax bill and mail it to the office.

**Trailer Tax Will Be Due Thursday, March 1, 2012**

Paulding County Treasurer,  
 Lou Ann Wannemacher  
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 Hi 42° - Low 26°

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Sat, Feb 4 - Partly Cloudy  
 Hi 39° - Low 28°

Sun, Feb 5 - Partly Cloudy  
 Hi 40° - Low 27°

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Tue, Feb 7 - AM Clouds  
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**ROY W. KLOPFENSTEIN  
DECLARES CANDIDACY  
FOR PAULDING COUNTY  
COMMISSIONER SEAT**



Roy W. Klopfenstein has declared his candidacy for the January 2, 2013 county commissioner seat that will be open with Tony Burkley filing for the newly created 82nd State representative seat.

Klopfenstein is a life long resident of Paulding County living west of Haviland at the same location where he arrived home from the hospital in 1960. He is the son of Ellen and the late Alvin Klopfenstein of Haviland and the son-in-law of Donald and Myrna Hubbard of Grover Hill. He is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and Purdue University Agriculture Short Course.

Roy and his wife, Deborah, have been married thirty years in March with four sons. Andrew is a senior, and Evan is a sophomore at The Ohio State University. Gary is a senior and Matthew, a sophomore at Wayne Trace High School.

Roy has been self-employed in farming for over 30 years, working with his dad until his retirement in the late 80s. He has worked past winters at Materials Handling in New Haven, Haviland Drainage Products, and doing siding and construction work.

He has served many years with the Paulding County 4-H advisory council overseeing the construction of the Youth Leadership Building at the Paulding County Fairgrounds in 2000 and 2001. Starting in the late 90s serving on The Ohio State University Extension Advisory Council in Columbus having held secretary, treasurer, vice chair and chair positions. He has also served on the local OSU Extension Advisory

Committee for many years.

In January 2004, he was appointed to the USDA Farm Service Agency State Committee in Columbus by President Bush and served in that position until December of 2008. In that position, he was responsible for setting and implementing farm bill policy for the farmers in the state of Ohio. The committee was also responsible for handling appeals by the states farmers and landowners with regards to their program participation.

Klopfenstein is serving as a trustee for the Paulding County Area Foundation and is a past vice president and president of that organization. He is also a member of the Blue Creek Township Zoning Appeals Board and was a member of zoning commission that drafted the zoning regulations in 2000.

"I consider it a privilege to have served our community in the past, appreciate all those before me that have worked to make Paulding County a great place for Deborah and I to raise our family."

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR  
THE MARCH 6TH PRIMARY  
ELECTION**

Absentee ballots for voters are ready for the upcoming Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 6, 2012. Polling locations on Election Day will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Any qualified Ohio voter may request an absentee voter's ballot without stating a reason. The ballot must be applied for in writing or in person for each election that you wish to cast an Absent Voter's Ballot. You may, but are not required to, use the application form prescribed by the Ohio Secretary of State (form 11- A). Your request must contain ALL of the following information:

- Your name;
- Your signature;
- The address at which you are registered to vote;
- Your date of birth;
- ONE of the following:  
(a) Your Ohio driver's license or state ID number; or (b) The last four digits of your Social Security number; or (c) A copy of your current and valid photo ID, military ID, current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck,

or other government document that shows your name and current address. (Note: You cannot use as proof of identification a notice that the board of elections mailed to you.)

-A statement identifying the election for which you are requesting an absentee voter's ballot;

-A statement that you are a qualified elector;

-If you want the ballot mailed to you, you will need to include the address to which you want it mailed.

An application by mail must be received by the Board of Elections office by NOON on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The deadline for absentee voting in person is Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> by 6:00 p.m. There will be no voting in the office on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> nor Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. You must vote in the precinct where you reside on Election Day. Applications for persons who are hospitalized by a medical emergency will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you requested an absent voter's ballot and change your mind about voting absentee and decide to vote at your precinct polling location on Election Day, you will be required to vote a provisional ballot. You may not return your absent voter's ballot to your polling place. You or a near relative may deliver your absent voter's ballot to the Board of Elections office until the close of the polls on Election Day (7:30 p.m.) or you may return your absent voter's ballot by mail. If you return your ballot by mail, it must be postmarked no later than the day before Election Day (March 5<sup>th</sup>) and received by the office not later than 10 days after Election Day in order to be counted. Please affix sufficient postage for the prompt delivery of your ballot. If you would like more information or have questions concerning absentee voting, contact the Board of Elections at 105 East Perry Street, Paulding or call 419-399-8230. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 NOON and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Additional hours for absentee voting will be from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. The office email address is paulding (ohiosecretaryofstate.gov). The Paulding County Board of Elections website may be found at <http://sites.google.com/site/pauldingboe/> or [electionsonthe.net](http://electionsonthe.net).

**WT 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS CHAMPION 49 CLASSIC**



(front Row) Evan Baughman, Brady Stabler, Jayden Sherry, Kolyn Hilkey, Blaine Jerome, Jon Sinn. (back row) Coach Al Welch, Seth Yenser, Noah Ryan, Seth Saylor, Ethan Linder, Coach Jim Sherry, Emil Stoller, Head Coach Joe Linder.

The Wayne Trace 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys won their Championship game last Saturday vs Hicksville in the 49 classic 7<sup>th</sup> grade

tournament. The Raider's defeated Hicksville by a score of 65-34. Edgerton defeated Antwerp in the consolation

game. The Raiders are now 14-0 on the season.

**WINE & CHEESE TASTING PARTY AT JPMS MUSEUM**

The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting a Wine and Cheese Tasting Party at the Museum. This event will benefit the Museum's maintenance and activities. Enjoy a variety of cheeses (7) from Home-town Pantry in Antwerp,

and a variety of wines (7) from Chief Supermarket in Paulding, and all kinds of delightful desserts.

This event will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2012 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the museum, 600 Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio.

You may purchase advance tickets at J.P. Museum 419-399-8218; Holly-Wood & Vine 419-399-9061 or Rose Munger 419-399-3473.

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