

FIRST SECTIONAL WIN IN 17 YEARS FOR NEW HAVEN



Saturday, March 4th New Haven went back to Huntington North High School to take on Homestead for the Sectional Championship game. The entire game was a steady match. The Bulldogs finished on top 80-71.

at 10:00 a.m. The winner of that game plays again at 8:00 p.m. against the winner of the Kokomo vs Carmel game.

The Bulldogs' current record is 16-5.

Score by quarter:
New Haven: 22 19 17 22
Homestead: 17 18 19 17

New Haven goes to Marion for the Regional tournament against Northrop HS on Saturday March 9

NEW HAVEN BULLDOGS SNAG SECTIONAL BB TITLE

By: Beth Stauffer

In the first minute of play, the Bulldogs put up the first points on the game at Saturday night's Sectional Championship against heated rival Homestead at Huntington North High School.

With this first basket by Jabar Rice, New Haven took the lead never gave Home-

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ANTWERP BOYS TAKE SECTIONAL CROWN



Early in the week Antwerp had a miraculous win against Miller City and went on to take Holgate on at Paulding for the Sectional Championship game March 1st. Watching Holgate play basketball is about like watching paint fade. The team plays "stall ball" and to play against them you pretty much do the same.

Two of the quarters the Tigers and Archers both scored the same points. It was the second and third

quarters that made the difference for Antwerp in the low scoring match.

Holgate nearly came back at one point in the fourth quarter, but they got into foul problems at the end of the game trying to keep possession.

Antwerp took the crown on their scoring, beating Holgate at their own game. 11 points in free throws in the fourth quarter alone with Ganger leading at 5, winning the game 29-24.

The sectional crown is the 5th in the Coach McMichael era with others coming in 2004, 2005, 2008, 2011.

Scores by Quarter:
Antwerp: 2 8 6 13
Holgate: 2 4 5 13
Score by player:
Antwerp: Smalley 8, Hormann 4, Coleman 3, Copsy 2, Ganger 12
Holgate: Gustwiler 5, Grim 15, Aelker 2, Gonzalez 2

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OBITUARIES



Virginia June Cooper, 91, of Oakwood died Sunday, February 24 at her home, surrounded family.

She was born June 21, 1921, to the late Edgar Ray and Helene (Eastman) Rocky. Virginia attended a one-room schoolhouse until fourth grade, when she began attending Continental Schools from which she graduated in 1939. She married Virgil Homer Cooper on April 21, 1939 and in 1941 they moved to a house north of Oakwood where she lived until her death.

Known as the matriarch and co-founder of Cooper Farms, Virginia worked on the turkey farm and in the hatchery during the early years of the company. She had a passion for crocheting and would regularly be found making blankets and other items for friends and family. Virginia was a member of the Ladies Aid Society, Pollyanna Club and the Oakwood Methodist Women's Group, the Twin Oaks United Methodist Church, Sunday School Secretary/Treasurer and a member of the Everwilling Club, a home demonstration club established in 1948.

Virginia is survived by her three children and two daughters-in-law, Jim (Anada) Cooper, Dianne Cooper, Gary Cooper (Cheri) all of Oakwood, Ohio, as well as 13 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, three great-step grandchildren and two great-great step grandchildren. Greg and Suzanne Cooper (Arlyn, Tianna and Royce), Dawn and Mike Price (Peyton), Darcy Cooper, Athena and Steve Brown (Nicholas Brown, Lindsey and Jake Roose [Jackson], Christopher Brown and Allison Brown [Riley]), Kendra and Byron Kee-

ler (Maggie, Aaron and Joseph), Eric and Sandy Ludwig (Brittany and Reid Linder, Holly, Andrew, Blair and Brooke), Matthew and Amy Ludwig (Wesley), Jennifer and Mark VanCleve (Jacob, Jade and Malayna), Heather Cooper (Avery), Tara Cooper, Luke Cooper, Kacy and Brett Wagner, and Cole and Vanessa Cooper, a sister, Phyllis May Lloyd of Continental, and three brothers, Richard Rocky of Defiance, Marvin Rocky of Texas, and Randall Rocky of New Mexico.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Virgil Homer Cooper, a great-grandson, Brandon Andrew Ludwig, a sister, Carol Alma Shirey, and two brothers, Delbert Lee Rocky and Royal John Rocky.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, February 28 at Twin Oaks United Methodist Church, Oakwood.

Visitation was Wednesday, February 27 at Heitmeier Funeral Home, Oakwood, and one hour prior to services on Thursday at the church.

In lieu of flowers and gifts, the family asks that contributions be made to the Cooper Community Library, 206 North First Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873 or Twin Oaks United Methodist Church, 201 East Harmon Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873.



WAPAKONETA: Former Paulding resident, **Bradley Allen Pastor, age 35** passed away Tuesday February 26, 2013.

He was born September 5, 1977, the son of Deanna (Verfaillie) and Terry Pastor, in Paulding. On September 10, 2011 he married Marcia Kantner in Hocking Hills, and she survives. He was a 1995 graduate of Paulding Exempted Village High School. He worked at Plastipak Packaging in Jackson Center, and was an avid Michigan State university Spartans and San Francisco 49ers fan.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia Pastor, Wapakoneta; mother, Deanna (Tom) Rhonehouse, Paulding; father, Terry (Lisa) Pastor, Defiance; a daughter, Haley Pastor, Broughton; stepsons, Austin, Cody and Dylan Kantner, at home; two brothers, Jason Pastor, Paulding and Terry (Charlene) Pastor, Jr., of Antwerp; two stepbroth-

ers, Jerad Rhonehouse of Lima and Justin Sheaks, Defiance; two stepsisters, Loralie (Scott) Adams, of Indiana, and Ashley (Jonathon) Verhoff, of Defiance; a mother-in-law and father-in-law, Diana and Fred Kantner, of Wapakoneta; two brothers-in-law, Jason (Angie) Kantner of Thomasville, GA, and Kevin (Karen) Kantner of Wapakoneta; a sister-in-law, Sarah (Nic) Ball of Knoxville, TN; grandmothers, Clara Lenhart and Dorothy Kantner both of Wapakoneta; and many nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Preceding him in death were his grandparents, May and Andy Verfaillie and Helen and Louis Pastor, and grandfathers, Herman Lenhart and Grant Kantner.

Funeral services were Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial followed at Paulding Memorial Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation was Friday, March 1 at Den Herder Funeral Home, and one hour prior to service Saturday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to the Bradley A. Pastor family.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com



PAULDING: Dorothy Eileen Potts, age 79 died Monday, February 25 at St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima, Ohio.

She was born March 8, 1933 in Williams County, Ohio, the daughter of Corwin and Kathryn (Baur) Smith. On October 15, 1954 she married William Joseph Potts, who preceded her in death on October 6, 1982. She was formerly employed by Stokley's Canning Plant.

She is survived by three daughters, Frances Russell, Grover Hill, OH, Barbara (LeRoy) Gillett) Bryan, OH, and Rose Shepard, Oakwood, OH; a brother, Donald (Patricia) Smith, Edon, OH; a sister, Viola (Phillip) Lupien, Bryan; daughter-in-law, Cathy Potts, Sherwood; many grandchildren; many great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; son, Bill Potts; son-in-law, Pat Shepard; and a sister, Margaret Ann Hoover

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, February 28 at Den Herder Funeral Home with Rev. C. Joseph Fifer officiating. Burial will follow in Bowholtz Cemetery, Paulding County.

Visitation was Wednesday, February 27 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services on Thursday.

Donations may be made in memory of Dorothy Potts to her family.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com



Glen Duane Snyder, of Hamilton Lake, Indiana, died at St. Vincent Hospice on March 1, 2013.

Glen was the son of Nathan and Jessie Snyder of Antwerp, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings Gale and Rita Robinson Mourey.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

—Joshua 1:9 ESV

Glen is survived by his wife of 55 years, Coleen (Schaefer); siblings Ed, Fred, Wayne, and Ruth Anne Clem; three children, Dawn (Michael Clark), Michael "Duke" (Jane), and Patrick (Tammy); and eight grandchildren.

He retired from International Harvester/Navistar in Fort Wayne after 30 years.

Glen graduated from Tri-State College in 1955 and Antwerp High School in 1952.

In his retirement, he focused on things he loved: music, dancing, spending time with family, playing cards, and following sports.

Glen was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in Fort Knox from 1957-1959.

Glen gave back to his community in many ways: the Scrip Program at St. Michael the Archangel in Waterloo, the Board of Works, and Adams Township Youth League president and coach in New Haven, and the Hospital Board in Paulding, Ohio.

He was a member of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Waterloo.

Visitation hours were from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Waterloo, followed by Mass at noon and lunch. A private service will be held graveside in Payne, Ohio, at the St. John the Baptist Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the Snyder family requests donations to St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church.

Feller and Clark Funeral Home of Waterloo is handling arrangements.

To view an online obituary or to send condolences, visit www.fellerandclark.com.

WILLIAM J. SLONE, 74, of Paulding, died Sunday, March 3, 2013. Service is 2 p.m. Friday at Dooley Funeral Home, Payne, with calling one hour prior. Visitation also from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

MONTHLY SENIOR BREAKFAST AT GARDENS OF PAULDING

The monthly senior breakfast at Gardens of Paulding will take place this next Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. Any seniors are invited free of charge.

INCREASING TRANSPARENCY IN HIGHER EDUCATION

By: State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)

Transparency in education is essential to ensure that our colleges and universities are utilizing best practices to serve Hoosier students. Increasing the availability of information allows state leaders to establish ways to improve higher education administration in areas like grading practices and faculty policies. To create more clarity between state educational institutions and the public, State Sen. Jim Banks (R-Columbia City) and I have authored Senate Bill 180.

SB 180 would require every state college and university to share information on grading for general education courses and faculty member organization with the Commission for Higher Education. The Commission would then compile

this data in an annual report to be made available to the public and then presented to the Senate Education and Career Development Committee and the House Education Committee.

Information to be submitted to the Commission includes grade distributions for similar courses that are offered in each college or university. This data will be helpful in combating the issue of grade inflation, which is the gradual increase in grades over time for the same educational works done in the past. In order to stabilize grading across the state, academic practices of state institutions need to be transparent.

Educational data sent to the Commission also includes faculty salaries, governance, sabbatical practices and tenure policies. The report would also include the percentage of courses taught at the campus by teacher's assistants, instructors, non-tenured and tenured professors. This allows the Commission to see who is teaching our college students and what results they are producing. Additionally, the annual reports increase the accountability of state institutions by making information such as faculty hiring procedures and performance evaluations publicly accessible.

To keep the public aware of higher education trends, we chose to make this information open and available. With this academic data, parents and high school graduates will have a better understanding of how a particular school measures up when selecting a college or university that best fits their needs. Information in the report, such as faculty to student ratios, helps dem-

onstrate the institution's educational environment for each department within the school.

Members of the Senate and House Education Committees will analyze the data received from state colleges and universities to determine what institutions are doing to provide an exceptional college experience to their students. The information would also be useful in determining if a school is encouraging faculty to participate in opportunities for educational growth or professional development.

Increasing the transparency of state institutions allows state education committees to look at ways to improve grading practices and faculty policies. SB 180 will better prepare Indiana students for the workforce in whatever career path they choose. What do you think?

LOCAL GAME TOURNAMENTS SET

Pool, deck shuffleboard, quiz and snooker tournaments are being prepared. If you would like to enter, please send in your entry form to: Lynn Lichty, 7874 CR 224, Antwerp, OH 45813. Entry deadline is March 18, 2013.

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Dylan Wobler would love to announce the marriage of his dad, Shayne Wobler to Katrina M' Caffrey of Fort Wayne. The couple were united in marriage on December 8, 2013 at Metea

Park, Fort Wayne. Their parents are Michael and Nancy Wobler of Antwerp, Larry M' Caffrey of Fort Wayne and Rosemary M' Caffrey of Bartow, FL.

SEN. KRUSE: SENATE APPROVES LEGISLATION TO ADDRESS CHRONIC SCHOOL ABSENCES

Legislation authored by State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn) to address chronic school absenteeism passed the Senate today by a unanimous vote.

Senate Bill 338 would require school corporations to determine contributing factors to absenteeism and establish chronic absence reduction plans. It also establishes a 95-percent attendance rate requirement in order for a student to receive a graduation waiver.

"The only way for students to get a complete education is by being present during the school day," Kruse said. "Emphasizing the importance of attending class also prepares students to be punctual in their lives as adults. If we don't address the issue of chronic school absences, neither of these objectives will be accomplished."

The bill calls for public schools to record the number of students who are habitually truant and share this information in an annual report to the Indiana Department of Education.

To ensure the accountability of these reports, SB 338 requires public schools to keep a daily attendance record open for inspection.

SB 338 now moves to the House of Representatives for further consideration.

VANTAGE ADULT ED TO OFFER NEW PROGRAM

Vantage Career Center Adult Education in partnership with Boston Reed College will be offering a NEW Veterinary Assistant program starting in April, 2013. The program combines 35 hours of instruction with a 24 hour volunteer experience in the local area.

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Free Informational Meeting, Thursday March 7, 2013, 6:00-7:30 at Vantage Career Center in the Cup and Saucer Restaurant.

For more information, call Dee Dee at 419-238-5411 ext. 2121.

THE NEW HAVEN-ADAMS TWP. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT 5-YEAR MASTER PLAN

The New Haven-Adams Twp. Parks and Recreation Department will present its final draft of the Park Department's 2013-2017 5-Year Master Plan. This plan will be presented to the Park Board at their meeting on 03/04/13. The public is invited to attend this meeting and give input. This will be the last opportunity to do so on this 5-year plan. The Parks Dept emphasizes that public input is critical to the planning process as it helps them assess the wants and needs of the community. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the New Haven Administration Building Council Chambers.

A hard copy with comment sheets will be available in New Haven at the Parks Department located at 1125 Hartzell Street and the Administration Building located at 815 Lincoln Hwy East. An electronic version will be available at www.newhaven-parksandrec.org.

For additional information, please contact the Park Office at 260-749-2212.

www.newhavenbulletin.com

SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED ANNOUNCES ADJUSTED CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

Secretary of State Jon Husted announced the 2013 Adjusted Campaign Contribution Limits for Ohio. The updated limits take effect today, Monday, February 25, 2013.

"Full disclosure and transparency in campaign contribution filings is important to the success of our democracy and is dependent upon all key players being aware of the rules," Secretary Husted said. "To that end, I encourage all candidates and donors to familiarize themselves with the updated contribution limits."

In accordance with R.C. 3517.104, campaign contribution limits are adjusted for inflation in each odd numbered year by the Ohio Secretary of

State's office. Adjustments are based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers and certified by the Auditor of State.

Per the statutory formula, current contribution limits were multiplied by the five and three-tenths percent (5.3%) increase in the Consumer Price Index from 2010 to 2012 and the product was then added to the existing contribution limits. The limits will remain in effect until February of 2015, when the next adjustment is scheduled. The numbers are no longer rounded due to changes made in House Bill 1 of the 126th General Assembly, Special Session.

The 2013 Adjusted Campaign Contribution Limits report contains a detailed explanation of the procedures used in adjusting the contribution limits, a breakdown of all campaign contribution limits, and a reference chart containing the adjusted contribution limits.

LATTA: ALL OF THE ABOVE APPROACH NEEDED TO PROVIDE RELIEF AT THE PUMP

According to AAA, the national average price for a gallon of regular grade gasoline has increased to \$3.79/gallon, rising approximately \$.44 in one month. The average price of gas in Ohio is \$3.84/gallon. Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement in response to the latest rise in gas prices:

"Hardworking taxpayers, small business owners and farmers here in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District feel the negative impacts of escalating gas prices on their budgets," said Rep. Latta. "A report by the Energy Information Administration shows that gasoline expenditures in 2012 for the average U.S. household reached nearly \$3,000. We need a true all of the above approach that includes allowing America to utilize our domestic energy resources to provide relief at the pump while creating new jobs and improving U.S. energy security. According to the

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 2/4/13

Meeting Minutes from Feb 4, 2013. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 pm. Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Abbott, Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Treasurer Sarrazine, Chief Duhamell, Superintendent Walls were present.

POLICE CHIEF DUHAMELL REPORT:

90 hours were logged in January by the reservist. Woodburn police department currently has 12 reservist. The department worked 82 incidents in January. Many of our reservist have years of experience with other jurisdictions so we are happy to have such an experienced force in our reserve program. The reservist are about halfway through their training with the Woodburn PD.

MAYOR HOEPPNER:

The city is still working on the ADA compliance issues. The town of Monroeville has theirs posted at Town Hall and at the Library. Lynn Rorick and I met with BND to see what the progress of the Industrial Park was. We were told we are up against the county's new industrial park. We may have to revisit getting the park certified. There is a possibility that AEP would donate money for the certification of the park. We have been told we need to adopt an ordinance against Adult Entertainment (PORNO). Board of Works will meet at 5:00 on Feb 11, 2013 and moving forward will remain at 5:00 on the 2nd Monday of every month.

TREASURER:

Like to report that as of 2/4/2013 our webpage has been accessed 18,083 times and 154 times just since Friday February 1st.

The water rate hike ordinance has been viewed 34 times. A utility customer, who receives sewer service only, has requested to be considered inactive and not billed, on a property he owns on Woodburn Road while the house sits vacant. Councilman Abbott made a motion to deny the request due to the fact that we cannot monitor usage. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Warrants were presented, Council-

man Rice made a motion to pay warrants, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Meeting minutes from January 21 were presented, no corrections or additions were made. Councilman Voirol made a motion to approve, Councilman Renner 2nd, Councilman Rice and Abbott abstained because they were not present at that meeting, all others voted to approve, motion carried.

Ordinance # G13-1303 had its 2nd reading, Councilman Voirol made a motion to approve, Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

The 3rd (final) reading of ordinance G-13-1303 (Rezoning of the property located on the corner of Fahlsing/Main Street by the county) Councilman Renner made a motion to approve, Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT WALLS:

There was a leak in a valve at Havenwood it has been repaired and replaced with better hardware. Some of the residents of Havenwood are pumping from their basements directly to the streets causing standing water/ice in the streets. It was recommended that their contact their association to remedy that situation, but they cannot hook back into our sewer.

Ryan submitted prices for a new Lawnmower. Council to review.

COUNCILMAN ABBOTT: Requested pictures of the reservist to associate with the names we have.

COUNCILMAN RICE:

Talked with a representative from the new owner of the railroad. The are making strides to improve the tracks in town.

COUNCILMAN RENNER: No Report

COUNCILMAN GERIG:

Asked about the mock robbery at the bank. Chief Duhamell said all went well.

COUNCILMAN VOIROL:

Asked where we were with getting truck prices. Superintendent Walls is pursuing.

Councilman Voirol made a motion to adjourn, councilman Abbott 2nd, all approved, motion carried at 8:25 p.m.

Notes prepared by - Holly Sarrazine, Clerk Treasurer.

MR. & MRS. ROGER LILLY CELEBRATES 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Lilly of Antwerp are celebrating their golden anniversary on February 23, 2013. Joyce A. Coy and Roger A. Lilly were united in marriage on February 23, 1963 by Rev. Smith Ross in an open candle light

ceremony at First Brethren Church in Bryan. Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Lilly are proud parents of two children: Debra (Pat) Meek of Hicksville, and Todd A. Lilly of San Jose, CA. They have one grandson, Dylan Meek.

International Energy Agency, the U.S. is expected to surpass Saudi Arabia and become the top oil producer by 2020. Yet, while hardworking taxpayers in Ohio and across the nation endure these rising energy costs, the White House continues to drag its heels on policies that will increase domestic energy production, including its delay to approve the Keystone XL pipeline."



NEW HAVEN HIGH STUDENTS STATE BOUND IN JAG COMPETITION

At a recent Jobs for America's Graduates competition, Chanel Love, junior placed 1st in the Public Speaking competition and Demetrius Carter, junior placed 2nd in the Employability competition. Both students will compete at the State JAG contest on April 19, 2013 in Indianapolis. Approximately nine New Haven High students participated in the competition. Mr. Glynn Hines is the JAG Specialist.

Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG), is a program for high school juniors and seniors to help them stay focused and stay in school. JAG also helps students find entry-level jobs leading to a career and/or postsecondary education. The program gives students credit towards graduation and also offers them the opportunity to expand their horizons through business contacts, unpaid & paid internships, guest speakers, mentors, and community service opportunities.

WBESC MARCH MEETING PLANNED

The Western Buckeye Educational Service Center regular March governing board meeting has Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Van Wert ESC Office, 813 N. Franklin St., Van Wert, OH 45891.

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HOW DO I KNOW WHICH RELIGION IS THE RIGHT ONE?

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

Obviously, there are many religions in the world, but which one is right, how do you know which one to follow? For one Muslim man, a simple miracle made all the difference.

In a recent issue of *Christianity Today* (January 2013), a Muslim man describes his commitment to follow Isa al Masih, Jesus the Messiah. Surprisingly, a rather "ordinary" miracle caused this man to open his heart to Jesus. Here's how he described the miracle:

One night the only food my wife and I had was a small portion of macaroni. My wife prepared it very nicely. Then one of her friends knocked on the door. I told myself, The macaroni is not sufficient for even the two of us, so how will it be enough for three of us? But because we have no other custom, we opened the door, and she came in to eat with us.

While we were eating, the macaroni started to multiply; it became full in the bowl. I suspected that something was wrong with my eyes, so I started rubbing them. I thought maybe my wife hid some macaroni under the small table, so I checked, but there was nothing. My wife and I looked at each other, but because the guest was there we said nothing.

Afterward I lay down on the bed, and as I slept, Isa came to me and asked me, "Do you know who multiplied

the macaroni?" I said, "I don't know." He said, "I am Isa al Masih [Jesus, the Messiah]. If you follow me, not only the macaroni but your life will be multiplied."

With regard to determining which religion is the right one and the vital need to get it right, we read in scripture... Proverbs 16:25 (NIV), "There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death."

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

**Gene Daniels, "Worshipping Jesus in the Mosque," *Christianity Today* (January-February 2013)

MELROSE UMC PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Melrose United Methodist Men and the Melrose United Methodist Church, (712 State Street, Melrose) are sponsoring a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Saturday, March 9, 8:00-11:00 a.m. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee and orange juice.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT NEW HAVEN UMC

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BROKEN VESSELS TO PERFORM AT CECIL COMMUNITY CHURCH



Broken Vessels are set to perform at Cecil Community Church on March 9, 2013. The concert is set to start at 6:00 p.m. The church is located at 202 S. Main St., Cecil. The group is made up of husband and wife team, Scott and Lisa Roberts, and Lisa's cousin Elizabeth Ortigo.

Scott was born with a bone disease called osteo genesis imperfecta. This is a bone disease that causes the bones to be very brittle. He spent much of his life with casts on his legs and arms. Many times he was in body casts from his chest to his feet. His first break was when he was 3 weeks old. But through it all, with parents that taught him to trust God in whatever condition or situation. Scott's dad, Jimmy, had the same bone disease, so Scott knew that life could still be wonderful even with difficulties. He realized his need to ask Jesus to be Lord of his life when he was 12 years old, and God completely healed his bones. He's never had another break since that day. God still heals, and Scott wants every-

one to know about it.

Broken Vessels travels every week testifying of God's healing power. When God healed Scott, He could have made him 6 feet tall, but he chose not to do that. Scott is a little under 4 feet tall, and he walks with a walker that he calls "The ScottRod" ... The scars from his life are very evident. He is a broken vessel but has chosen to be a willing vessel.

You may not be broken physically where people can see... You may be broken Spiritually, or emotionally. This is sometimes worse than physical pain. But if You'll let God's light shine into Your vessel... That light will shine through the broken places. Anything that You may have been through in Your life is a testimony. Just because You may feel inadequate to do what God has called You to do, those scars and breaks in Your vessel will just be another avenue for God's light to shine and lead someone Home.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 6:27 - In this verse who are we to love?
2. Luke 6:27 - Who is speaking in this verse?
3. Luke 6:27 - What are we to do to those who hate us?
4. Luke 6:28 - What are we to do to those who curse us?
5. Luke 6:28 - What does bless mean in this verse?
6. Luke 6:28 - What are we to do to those who spitefully use us?
7. Luke 6:29 - To those who strike us, what must we do?
8. What does the word 'spitefully' mean in verse 28?
9. What does the word 'strike' mean?
10. Luke 6:30 - What does this mean giveth to every man that asketh of thee?

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

Answers to last week's questions:

1. A blessed person is one whom God makes fully satisfied;
2. One who needs lifting spiritually?;
3. This is a spiritual kingdom that God will establish on earth, being the church; also means God's reign in the Christian's life; 4.

COACH DAVE ATCHLEY, JR. HAS 300th WIN



Dave Atchley, Jr. is the boys' basketball coach at Harlan Christian School. Mr. Atchley has been coaching for 18 years at Harlan Christian School. Friday, February 1st, Mr. Atchley had his 300th win.

Harlan Christian School has a basketball program for girls and boys, grades fifth

through high school who are academically eligible. Harlan Christian School schedules games with other private and home school educators of similar size. The basketball program at Harlan Church of Christ Christian School began in 1984 with Tom Roth as the athletic director and boys' basketball coach.

DAKOTA ATCHLEY SETS A NEW SEASON RECORD FOR HARLAN HAWKS

Dakota Atchley, son of David and Tammy Atchley, Jr., of Grabill, IN sets a new three-point season record at Harlan Christian School. Dakota, a sophomore, set the three-point record at 50 three-pointers. The old season record was held by Luke McBride, set in 2009 at 35 three-pointers.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Craftsman Tools, The End Of Tool USA

I am a proud American and have in recent years tried to increase my MADE IN USA purchases. That is why the most recent casualty to America's outsourcing has stunned this long time tool man. I started my tool collection when I was 13 years old on our family farm and by the time I turned 16 I had over \$3,000.00 in tools. When I was at Wayne Trace High School I along with a few other FFA students had completely overhauled our Ag department tools & tool storage system. We purchased a lot of Craftsman, SK, as well as some high end Snap-On & Mac Tools and were proud that the Ag shop had a better tool selection of USA tools than most of the students family farm shops. I have since left the farming industry and started my own auto repair business in 1998 where buying tools is still an expensive hobby. At the end of last year

I had broken one of my 10 Craftsman tape measures and went back to the store only to find that they no longer offer Craftsman tape measures. They gave me two options I could receive a onetime replacement with a Stanley brand tape measure which Sears will not warranty or I could receive a cash refund for the original purchase price. In January I decided that I needed some additional tool storage and they had a great deal on a stainless steel Craftsman tool box. I purchased the tool box and of course found "Made in Taiwan" on the box. I did know that their power tools and tool boxes had been made overseas for a while now so this wasn't a huge surprise and the same toolbox through Snap-On would have cost me 4x's as much. Last night I was back at Sears trying to get a few tools replaced and pick up a few small items. Upon closer inspection I found that Craftsman is starting to change over their long time USA brand sockets & wrenches with ones made in China. I also found a Craftsman pry bar I was looking at made in Taiwan. Needless to say I passed on both items and will opt to put that money towards my next visit from the Snap-On truck.

—Chad Benschneider, Benschneider Auto Payne, Ohio

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The residents of Paulding County will be receiving a letter in the mail signed by me very soon. Some citizens might have already received this letter over this past weekend. This request is from the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association (BSSA) in attempt to seek new associate members. I am a proud member of this Association.

I feel it is imperative to communicate with our citizens and let you all know this is not a scam. The BSSA will only request for membership using this system, and only with my approval. The Association does not contact prospective members by tele-

phone. The funds collected by the BSSA using this membership drive directly affect my office. Our Association will continue to have the resources necessary through education to advance my office into the ever-changing world we all live in. I urge you all to consider becoming an associate member of this fabulous organization.

My office is committed to making our neighborhoods a safe place to live. It is imperative that we seek progress to reduce the negative influences that crime has on our children and to help safeguard the elderly. Through your financial contribution to this associate member program, my office will continue to receive the training and guidance necessary to move forward.

If you have any questions in regards to this program, please contact the association at 800-589-2772 or by mail at 1103 Schrock Road, Suite 401, Columbus, Ohio 43229. As always, you can contact my office and ask for me directly.

—Jason K. Landers, PC Sheriff

STATEWIDE RAINBOW TROUT RELEASES TO BEGIN

More than 98,000 rainbow trout will be released this spring at 63 Ohio public lakes and ponds. The first release will be on Friday, March 1, at Adams Lake in Adams County, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

Rainbow trout releases will take place between March 1 and May 3, and the stocking of these public lakes and ponds are excellent opportunities for families to fish together. Fishing for catchable-sized trout is a great way to introduce young people to the outdoors. Rainbow trout are raised at state fish hatcheries and are 10-13 inches before they are released by the ODNR Division of Wildlife. The daily catch limit for inland lakes is five trout.

Some locations will feature special angler events, including youth-only fishing, on the day of the scheduled trout release. Contact the nearest wildlife district office for specific information. Additional information about trout releases is available at wildohio.com or by calling 800-WILDLIFE.

Anglers age 16 and older must have an Ohio fishing license to fish state public waters. The 2013-2014 fishing license is available now and is valid through February 28, 2014. The one-day license may also be redeemed for credit toward the purchase of an annual fishing license.

Ohio residents born on or before December 31, 1937, may obtain a free fishing license where licenses

are sold. Persons age 66 and older who were born on or after January 1, 1938, and have resided in Ohio for the past six months are eligible to purchase the reduced-cost resident senior license.

Sales of fishing licenses along with the Sport Fish Restoration (SFR) program continue to fund the operation of the ODNR Division of Wildlife's fish hatcheries. No state tax dollars are used for this activity. This is a user-pay, user-benefit program.

The SFR is a partnership between federal and state government, industry and anglers/boaters. When anglers purchase rods, reels, fishing tackle, fish finders and motor boat fuel, they pay an excise tax. The federal government collects these taxes, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service administers and disburses these funds to state fish and wildlife agencies. These funds are used to acquire habitat, produce and stock fish, conduct research and surveys, provide aquatic education to youth and acquire and develop boat accesses.

NEW HAVEN PARTNERING WITH FORT WAYNE FARMERS MARKET

The New Haven Farm Market is partnering with the popular Fort Wayne Farmers Market for this coming summer, our second season in Schnelker Park! Several other "satellite markets" are collaborating efforts to offer improved opportunities for shoppers and vendors alike. The New Haven Market, now held on Wednesday's, retains the charm of being located in Schnelker Park, our mission of bringing families into downtown New Haven, and offering a recreational and educational experience.

The partnership allows vendors a single, streamlined application process to register for as many satellite markets as they would like, with discounts for selling at multiple markets and the chance to secure more income with more markets to choose from. Shoppers have a chance to buy local goods almost every day of the week at the different locations. Market venues will be working together to offer the very best experience possible for everyone.

Recreation Director Anna Gurney said, "This partnership enables us to take the Market to a whole other level and lets us do things we just wouldn't be able to on our own. Pooling so many talents and resources under the umbrella of the Fort Wayne Farmers Market is going to allow us to give New Haven a truly thriving market."

Our market will also continue to feature kids' fun educational activities, provide space for local nonprofits to promote their missions, and spread the word about all of the other great programming available through New Haven Parks and Recreation! For more information on vending, sponsoring, or shopping at the New Haven Farmers Market, please go to www.ftwaynesfarmers-market.com.

OPERATION ROUND UP AWARDS GRANT TO MELROSE UMC



The Paulding Putnam Electric Trust - Operation Round-Up program has granted \$5150 to five organizations for the fourth quarter of 2012. The trust's purpose is to distribute gifts which will benefit people in the communities served by PPE. Melrose

United Methodist Church received a \$1000 grant to be used for handicapped accessibility within the church. Presenting the award is trust president Ray Etzler and Genevieve Noggle of the Melrose UMC Church.

CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTORS AND IMPROVING YOUR CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH

Dr. Peter Hanley, will discuss "Cardiovascular Risk Factors and Improving Your Cardiovascular Health" on March 28, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in Community Rooms 1 and 2 at Community Memorial Hospital (CMH), 208 N. Columbus St., Hicksville, Ohio.

Peter C. Hanley, MD, received his medical degree from Oxford University, Oxford, England. He completed his residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, and his Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship training at The Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. Hanley is board certified in Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular Disease, Critical Care Medicine, and Interventional Cardiology. He has been with Lutheran Medical Group since 1990.

This lunch and learn educational session is geared towards seniors, but anyone is welcome to attend. There is no charge to attend this event, and a complimentary brunch

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SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 55

By: Stan Jordan

We are back in the Indian Agency at Broken Bow on Rattle Snake Creek. This is the first week of December 1859.

Hunter built a big fire out in the store side of this building and we all eat over there for a few days and talk, play cards, and then talk some more.

General Kearney asked Callie and I, "What will you do, if and when Sam is called into the Army?"

Callie wants to stay at the fort with the boys and Yellow Tulip. She would operate a small business ladies' clothing store, and the boys will start school and Yellow Tulip still attend school at night.

I would like to see Callie and the boys go back to North Platte and work for her uncle there. They have a good school and I think Yellow Tulip should stay and go to school here.

The General is very serious now about the situation with the North and the South.

He says, "I will be made a Major in the 1st Calvary here at Fort Kearney. I have eight years of experience with a fine record and that will equal 4 years of college."

"I will be in the 1st Calvary but in the Indian Affairs Department. I have had experience as a scout for the Army, years ago in the Southwest. I am not an absolute stranger to the Army in this big mid-west."

The Gen. wants me to join the Army on Febru-

ary 1. It is 1860. This would mean no missing days in my record because I entered the Indian Agency on February 1, 1852.

We sat and talked, and the soldiers sat and played cards and drank a lot of coffee. The Gen. didn't have any idea as to what the soldiers would be doing soon.

So far there is nothing but talk about a war between the states, but the tension runs very high here.

The Gen. sent two wagons over to the Calamus River Tribe. He gave them our plow and all of our gardening tools along with our tripods that we use for taking care of our winter meat supply. He urged the Chief Limping Buffalo to help the tribe of Soaring Eagle with the gardening and hunting. These two tribes get along very well.

The Gen. is proud of the way both tribes have advanced in the white man's ways. The second wagon was to bring the soldiers back, but the first wagon was to stay with the Calamus village. He wants that tribe to use the plow and then take the plow to the Soaring Eagle Tribe and help them with their gardening.

Well, the boys have all returned to the agency and they will be going back to the fort very soon. Callie, Yellow Tulip and I will start loading our belongings in the wagon to move back to the fort.

See ya!

OLD DAN AND I: CHAPTER 28

By: Stan Jordan

This is January 1, 1945. I will tell you all I know about what went on today. It may take a while. What a day! Dan and I and the other two P-51's took off about daylight on dawn patrol.

We went down past St. Vith and Ecktarnoch and the Ardennes. All was quiet and we were cruising along at about 5,000 feet altitude. We saw a number of groups of the Luftwaffe down below us. Some where going north and

others were heading south.

Dan said over the radio, "This is BlueJay 1. I don't like the looks of this, so let's beat it back to the base." At 400 mph we got back in a hurry, but it was a little late.

There were between 25 and 30 German airplanes attacking our air base. They had blown up the planes sitting on the tarmac.

They were in single file destroying our planes on the ground without much resistance.

We fell in line behind the German planes and started attacking from the rear, they didn't know we were there.

Dan shot down a FW-190 then went right on ahead and got the next one and at the end of the airfield there was another brought down bringing the total hit to 3. By now they knew we were there. Another FW-190 was diving our rear and I got them with our 20mm gun. The Germans didn't know we had a rear gun on this plane.

The other two planes were also doing a good job, but we lost a lot of parked P-51 exploding and burning on the tarmac.

The German planes kept on going north—they didn't circle to fight us. I found out later they were going on to the next American Airbase.

We chased them away and blew up an ME-109. Lt. Hornish got one more, and Lt. Wiltsie shot down a FW-190.

There were three more of our planes that made it off the ground before being blown up, and they shot down some of the German planes. All six of our planes flew around to make sure they didn't return.

We helped clean up the big mess when we could. Some of the planes were still burning and we stayed away from them.

Oh what a mess! We lost 22 P-51 planes. All destroyed sitting on the ground.

We had a total of six fighters in the air. All started on the dawn patrol like we did.

Dan shot down a total of four and I got one. Lt. Hornish brought down a total of 4 and Lt. Wiltsie knocked down three.

The other three Mustangs from our base got a total of six planes, as I understand.

We dragged ourselves to the truck and then down to the mess hall for supper. We were almost too tired to eat.

Gen. Norm finally came into our meeting area, almost time for lights out. He said, "Fellas, our base lost 22 planes but we got 18 of theirs. I understand they had a raid of every Allied airbase in Europe. They figured it was New Years Day, and our guys would be sleeping in and they hit us hard."

"I have heard that we lost from 400-700 planes today. But the Krauts lost 228 planes and pilots that they cannot replace. So they got hit hard also."

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A: When the cow jumped over the moon.

Q: What do you call a cow who just had a baby?

A: De-calf-inated

Q: What is a cow's favorite lunch meat?

A: Bull-ogna

Q: What do you call a sleeping bull?

A: Bull-dozer

Q: What do you call a worthless bull?

A: A bum steer

Q: Where do cows go for lunch?

A: the Calf-eteria

Q: What does a cow wear to a football game?

A: A Jersey

Q: What is a Stock Holder?

A: A Corral for Cattle

Moscow doesn't make as much milk as Pa's Cow.

See ya!

MAUMEE RIVER BRIDGES ON SR 49



By: Stan Jordan

This is a story about the three bridges that have spanned the Maumee River North of Antwerp on SR 49. As near as I know there have only been three.

The top photo was the first of the three bridges. I have made a diligent search and I cannot find the exact date of when it was built. Somewhere or sometime I heard it was 1868 and I remember another person telling me it was 1880. I really don't know when, but I know it was replaced by the bridge in picture number two in 1903.

The first picture was taken on the west side of the bridge looking to the east. If you look closely to the left or north end of the bridge, you can see the peek of a building. When I was a lad, a man by the name of Harry Carr lived there. That is the in the area where Virgil Meyers lives now.

The second picture shows the 1903 bridge being replaced in 1952 by the present edifice. The 1903 structure, as you can see, was another three span bridge.

You can see the entrance was moved to the west a little on the current bridge. That made it a lot safer. You can see here the 1952 bridge had steel safety rails on the top.

Sometime in the 1960s or 70's the state of Ohio took

the metal rails out and concrete barriers were installed. At the same time a sort of walkway was taken out. This photo was shot looking south on SR 49 toward Antwerp.

The Hicksville-Antwerp Pike (SR49) was laid out back in 1845 to the Maumee River, but there was not bridge at that time.

I want to thank the State Highway Department and the Paulding County Engineers for their help. These photos were taken from the album loaned to me by Nancy Lichty.

I made copies for my files because maybe a 100 years down the road other folks might be interested in these.

We had heard rumors that there was a wooden bridge prior to the iron structures. We made phone calls and research and found no evidence for a wooden structure spanning the river.

In the 1892 historical atlas of Paulding County, it tells of three bridges over the Maumee in Paulding County. One was one mile north of Antwerp. One was at Jackson's Ford and another, one mile north of Cecil. All are metal bridges. The one at Jackson's Ford was the one we call Forder's Bridge today. I hope you find this as entertaining as I do.

See ya!

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NEW HAVEN TAKES DOWN WAYNE, MOVES ON



New Haven's Monte Steven Scores for New Haven

Friday, March 1 New Haven took on Wayne at Huntington North HS for sectionals. Anyone who has watched New Haven knows individually they are full of talent. As a team they are not always together. This time was different.

The first quarter of the game against Wayne High School in Fort Wayne, New Haven started strong, but Wayne soon was back on the board. By the end of the first

half the boys were ahead by only 4 points at the half

The second half the game was completely in The Bulldogs favor winning 81-62

Score by quarter:
New Haven: 17 20 23 21
Wayne HS: 18 16 11 17

New Haven Points by Player: Stevenson 14; Hogue 9; Ray 23; Bechem 23; Curry 2; McElvene 10

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Instead an opportunity to do so the rest of the game.

With VJ Bechem and Jabar Ray matching each other 3 point shot for 3 point shot early in the first period and big man Steve McElvene making some huge plays underneath the net, the Bulldogs quickly built up a lead and set the pace for the rest of the game. At the end of the 1st period, the Bulldogs were up 22-17.

As one would expect, New Haven's NHC co-conference champions this year didn't just lie down and die even though the Bulldogs had taken the early lead. At one point in the 2nd period, the Bulldogs had established a 12 point lead, but by half-time Homestead had whittled it down to just 6 points.

The Spartans were in it to win it, and a mere 6 point lead at half-time was a bit too close for comfort for many of the New Haven fans sitting in the stands on Saturday night.

The third period brought an all-out brawl on the court to take the overall lead on the scoreboard. Homestead managed to outscore the Bulldogs in the third 19-17, but it wasn't enough to bridge the gap and take away the lead the Bulldogs had established in the first period.

In the fourth period, the

Bulldogs were nothing if not consistent, continuing to put points on the scoreboard with over 80% accuracy in both three point shots and at the free throw line. When the clock ran out, 4 of the Bulldogs 5 starters had posted double digit numbers for the team (Monte Stevenson with 14, Jabar Ray with 20, VJ Bechem with 22, and Steve McElvene with 18).

Steve McElvene was a huge factor in the Bulldog's victory with his 18 points and 16 rebounds (more than double what anyone else put up in rebounds the entire game). McElvene played with a lot of heart, coming up with some big plays when it mattered the most under the net. After the game, McElvene said "Coach (Gooden) told me to come out and do my best, play strong," said McElvene. "I think I did that."

Indeed, he did. McElvene held Homestead's big man, 6'5 Calen Swanigan to just 2 points and 2 total rebounds during the game.

VJ Bechem, a Notre Dame recruit and New Haven High School leader both on and off the court, was the scoring leader for the Bulldogs on Saturday night. Bechem was on fire from 3 point land, hitting 4 of 5 attempts during the game.

Saturday night's game marked the second Section-

al Championship crowning for Bechem; his first was in 2011 as a Harding High School student where he was coached by Al Gooden. At the end of the 2011 season, Harding High School was closed and Bechem and several of his teammates (and Coach Gooden) were assimilated into New Haven High School.

"I'm just really proud tonight of my guys," said Bechem after the game. "We came together and played hard when it counted."

Jabar Ray's play on Friday night definitely helped get the Bulldog's to Saturday night's Sectional Championship game; his 20 points and 4 total rebounds was a big reason why the Bulldogs were able to defeat their archrivals on Saturday night. Monte Stevenson was also a key with his 8 assists and 14 points. Jordan Hogue's fast driving, physical play and 6 total rebounds also played a part in the Bulldog victory.

Truly, Saturday night's Sectional Championship was a team effort.

New Haven High School Principal Greg Mohler was beaming with pride over his team's sectional crowning on Saturday night. "I couldn't be any happier," said Mohler. "We've made this transition (from the Harding High School closure) and these kids and coaches and community have really just come together. This one's for New Haven."

Saturday night's win is the first Sectional Championship title for New Haven since 1996.

Next Saturday, the Bulldogs will head to Marion for the first round of the Regionals. The 'Dawgs will take on Fort Wayne's Northrop at 10:00 a.m.

LATTA: FEDERAL PAY RAISE "RECKLESS"

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement shortly after the House voted on H.R. 273, a bill to eliminate the automatic across-the-board pay raise for the President's Cabinet, the Vice President, and other non-military federal employees, including Members of Congress, that are scheduled to occur as a result of a recent Executive Order issued by President Obama:

"In the last decade, the average Federal civilian salary has increased, regardless of merit, by 62 percent while the private sector average salary only increased by 34 percent. Hardworking taxpayers throughout the nation are experiencing difficult times as our economy struggles to get back on track. With our national debt over \$16 trillion and automatic spending cuts scheduled to go in effect on March 1, 2013, a pay raise for federal employees is reckless and imprudent."

According to CBO, H.R. 273 would save taxpayers approximately \$11 billion over ten years. Congressman Latta introduced legislation at the commencement of the 113th Congress to permanently repeal the automatic pay adjustment for Members of Congress.

OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR #759 FEBRUARY MEETING NOTES

Members visited and enjoyed the snacks and drinks on 2/20/2013 with the preschool class at the Dupont Church of the Brethren. We left snacks for a week. Our regular meeting was at the Twin Oaks fellowship hall with President John Pier on February 25. Chaplain Bill Bidlack had the opening prayer. The state meeting delegates will be Dale and Edna May Spitznale, Helen Maddock, Mary Lou Lloyd, and John and Bonnie Pier. The state meeting is at the Bowling Green Country Club on April 14 at 3:00 p.m.

Committee reports were discussed by all:

March meeting at the youth building and giving to the fair board, 4-H scholarships and wood shavings for the swine barn.

April - Clean up Melrose with a dumpster at the park on 4/27 for 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Our meeting will be at 2:00 p.m. at the park.

May 4 Join Hands Day - We want to work with the boy scouts to clean up the buckeye trail.

June meeting is to honor three age groups of community service representatives.

July 6 meeting we will assist the crock pot class at the youth building at the fair grounds. Bottle caps can now be given to the Paulding Hospital or Defiance College to be used for dialysis patients.

Rhonda Smalley gave a nice informative talk about the Paulding Bargain Bin. She was dressed with clothes and jewelry from there and looked very nice. They have a nice 24/7 drop-off white house at the back door now. They have been in operation since 1962 and have been able to buy a lot of physical equipment etc. for the hospital. Items are recycled through the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission called the Treasure Chest in which the homeless can earn vouchers to buy things. ** Operation hours are Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Eileen Kochensparger reported on the hospital auxiliary gift shop and various events held—like sale of books and candy. This income helps the wish list at the hospital.

Rose and Bob Wright had a nice snack of ice cream, brownies, chips and coffee and koolaid.

Next meeting will be at the Youth building at the Fair Grounds on 3/25/2013 with the Parrish's as hosts.

PAULDING 5th GRADE GIRLS WIN NORTH CENTRAL GIRLS TOURNAMENT



Pictured here is the team: (l-r) Coaches Sam Rue and Matt Strayer, Syd McCullough, Sidney Kohart, Katie Strayer, Sierrria Kupersmith, Ivy Riggenbach, Miah Rue, Megan Garrity, Julia Fife, and, Coach Ron Riggenbach.

The Paulding 5th grade Pink Lady Panthers went to Pioneer, OH for a girls basketball tournament on March 2nd. The girls played great defense defeating Pittsville, MI 25-9 in the first game and then beat North Central 29-3, putting the Panthers in finals against Fremont, IN. The girls again

played a suffocating defense and hot shooting from Syd McCullough, Sierrria Kupersmith, and Ivy Riggenbach to lead the Panthers to a 21-11 victory and 1st place.

The girls will be traveling to Bluffton, OH on March 9th and to Antwerp on March 16th for tournaments.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHARGERS WIN STATE



Pictured - (Back Row) Head Coach Craig Fox, Cole Hayward, Mitchell Warnock, Asst Coach Don Wichman, Jackson Barger, Josh Gerig, Zach White, Nick Potter, Noah Aumick, Asst Coach Scott Dubbelde, (Front Row) Jordan Walters, Bryce Fox, and Benjamin Loshe.

The Central Lutheran Chargers (New Haven, IN) won the 2013 Indiana Lutheran School State Tournament last weekend. To accomplish the feat they had to defeat three teams that had beaten them earlier in the season, including the number one and number two seeds. The Chargers defeated St. John, Sauers in the first round of the tournament. In the semifinals, they defeated the number one seed, St. Paul, Fort Wayne. Then in the championship game, the Chargers got out to an early lead against Holy Cross, Fort Wayne and held on for a 36-25 victory. Their

record stands at 26-5 on the year. Four team members were selected to the all-tourney team: Bryce Fox (led the team with 42 points/17 rebounds), Joshua Gerig (29 pts/20 rebs), Zach White (16 pts/21 rebs), and Cole Hayward (10 pts/5 rebs).

The Chargers are the first team in school history to win a state championship. The team was honored on February 25 with an assembly at school so that the entire student body could celebrate the accomplishment. In March, Central will head to the Lutheran School National Tournament that is held in Valparaiso.

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Madison Berenyi, Hayleigh Jewell, and Brooke Hounshell



Pictured here is Katryna Fish with the Measurement Man.

Students in Mrs. Hammer's 2nd grade math class at Antwerp Elementary make a Measurement Man after learning about gallons, quarts, pints, cups, and conversions.

WOODLAN WARRIOR BASKETBALL SENIOR RECOGNITION

By: Jeff Abbott

Kimberlyn Graber (Cheerleader), daughter of Marlin and Doris Graber. Kim was a Woodlan cheerleader for 4 years and plans to attend Ivy Tech and pursue a career in Early Childhood Education.

Joe Lortie (#12), son of Doug and Sandy Lortie. Joe played basketball for 4 seasons, football for 2 years, and 3 years of baseball. He participated in a missions trip to Alabama this past summer and he plans to attend IPFW to study civil engineering.

Shawn McGettigan (#21), son of Bill and Traci McGettigan. Shawn played basketball for 4 seasons for the Warriors and also played football. He works part-time at BA Romines Sheet Metal and he plans to attend Indiana Tech and become a recreational therapist.

Justice Williams (#23), son of Bernard and Janet Williams. Justice played basketball for 3 seasons with the Warriors and ran track for 2 years. He is in the marching band and jazz band at Woodlan and plans to study music in college.

Contrell Burden (#24), son of Kimberlie Burden and Contrell Curry. Contrell played 3 seasons of basketball for Woodlan, 3 years of baseball, and 4 years of football. He volunteers at the Weisser Park Youth Center and helps coach a 9-10 year baseball team during the summer. He plans to attend Ball State University and become a firefighter.

PANTHER 5K SET FOR 3/16

The Panther 5K is a race held by Paulding's High School Track team. The race will be an out and back course, which starts and finishes in front of Paulding High School. The race is set for March 16, 2013. There will be a mile fun run which will begin at 9:30 a.m. The 5K race will follow at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Registration forms can be found at www.defiancecountyrunner.com or in Paulding's High School office. You may mail in your registration to the school or register the day of the race at 7:30 a.m. Be sure to mark the envelope to the attention of Mr. Alvarez.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nic Alvarez at Paulding Elementary 419-399-4656.

PAULDING COUNTY NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

Nutrient management is a critical topic for anyone involved in agriculture. A concern is the wise use of nutrients to maintain agricultural production levels while protecting water quality. Paulding County OSU Extension and the Paulding County Farm Bureau are sponsoring a Nutrient Management Seminar program for anyone who buys, sells or manages manure or uses fertilizer.

The program will be held on Monday, March 18 in the Paulding County Extension meeting room located on the Fairgrounds. Registration and a light dinner will be available beginning at 6:00 p.m. with introductions at 6:30 p.m.

Speakers for the Paulding County Nutrient Management Seminar include Larry Antosch, Senior Director of Policy Development and Environmental Policy with the Ohio Farm Bureau, and Joe Nester, owner and consultant with Nester Ag. This seminar will focus on managing nutrients that are being applied to the ground and setting up a basic nutrient management plan.

Larry will be covering the high phosphorous level that has caused the harmful algae bloom in Grand Lake Saint Marys' and is also an issue on Lake Erie. He will be looking at the Importance of the 4R's, Impact of Nutrients on Water Quality, The Benefits of Using Manure as a Nutrient and its Role in Water Quality, Voluntary Action versus Regulatory

ANTWERP REVIVAL TAKES DOWN MILLER CITY



Antwerp Jr. Kaden Brumett shoots and hits the first 3 point basket of the game.

The Antwerp boys took on Miller City for the first game of their sectional tournament. With four minutes gone in the first quarter and the ball switching hands numerous times, Antwerp scored the first basket against their rival. Antwerp took charge, but it was still a low scoring, Antwerp in the lead, 8-5 at quarter.

The second time period Miller City took the score-

board back and lead the Archers by 17-11 at the half.

In the third quarter Antwerp still couldn't get the game back, but by the fourth quarter the Archers had a revival and with the momentum swinging their direction they won the game sending the Wildcats home for good. The final score was 37-33.

More pictures www.archerpics.com & Video at westbendnews.net

PAULDING BOYS LOSE CLOSE GAME TO RAMS



Lance Foor dunks the ball at the tournament game

Paulding took on Tinora at Defiance Tuesday, February 26 for their Division three boys basketball sectional tournament. From the records of both teams the game could have gone either way. The Panthers fell behind in the second half, but near

the end of the fourth quarter recovered but not enough to win the game. Tinora finished the game with an 62-59 victory. The Paulding boys ended their great season with a 16-7 record.

More pictures at www.archerpics.com

Action, and Developing Trust with the Public Regarding this Issue.

Joe will be promoting the Use of Best Management Practices (BMPs), Availability of Cost Share Programs to Address this Specific Issue, and How to set up a Basic Nutrient Management Plan for your farming operation.

For more information, please call 419-523-5874 or email at paulding@ofbf.org by March 13.

Continuing Education

Units for Certified Crop Advisors are being applied for.

PANTHER 5K

Paulding's HS Track team. Help the Track and Field program. The race will be in front of Paulding HS.

MARCH 16TH

- Mile fun run at 9:30am
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Cost: \$10.00 or \$18.00 with shirt

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BE AWARE OF RISKS OF NOT INVESTING



Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor

You've no doubt heard about the risks associated with investing. This investment carries this type of risk, while that investment carries another one. And it is certainly true that all investments do involve some form of risk. But what about not investing? Isn't there some risk associated with that, too?

In fact, by staying on the investment sidelines, or at least by avoiding long-term, growth-oriented investments, you may incur several risks. Here are some to consider:

- You might not keep up with inflation. If you put all your money under the proverbial "mattress," or, more realistically, you keep it all in "cash" instruments and very short-term investments, you might think you are "playing it safe." After all, you might reason, your principal is protected, so even if you don't really make any money, you're not losing it, either. But that's not strictly true, because if your money is in investment vehicles that don't even keep up with inflation, you can lose ground. In fact, even at a relatively mild three percent annual inflation rate, your purchasing power will decline by about half in just 25 years.

- You might outlive your money. For a 65-year-old couple, there's a 50 percent chance that one spouse will live past age 90, according to the Society of Actuaries. This statistic suggests that you may need your investments to help provide enough income to sustain you for two, or even three, decades in retirement.

- You might not be able to maintain your financial independence. Even if you don't totally run out of money, you could end up scrimping by — or, even worse, you could

become somewhat dependent on your grown children for financial assistance. For most people, this prospect is unacceptable. Consequently, you'll want to make appropriate financial decisions to help maintain your financial independence.

- You might not be able to retire on your terms. You would probably like to decide when you retire and how you'll retire — that is, what sort of lifestyle you'll pursue during retirement. But both these choices may be taken out of your hands if you haven't invested enough to retire on your own terms.

- You might not be able to leave the type of legacy you desire. Like most people, you would probably like to be able to leave something behind to your family and to those charitable organizations you support. You can help create this type of legacy through the appropriate legal vehicles — i.e., a will, a living trust and so on — but you'll still need to fund these mechanisms somehow. And that means you'll need to draw on all your financial assets, including your investments.

Work with your financial advisor to determine the mixture of growth and income investments you need during your working years and as you move toward retirement to help you meet your retirement goals. However you do it, get into the habit of investing, and never lose it — because the risks of not investing are just too great.

SPRING 2013 SEASONAL WEATHER OUTLOOK

By: Josh Steiner

Since we are in meteorological spring, I'd like to briefly recap the weather across the United States for the past three months. For the entire winter season, most of the eastern United States has been above to well above normal on average. Only the far southwestern United States has averaged even slightly below normal from December 1, 2012 through February 28th, 2013. This winter has also been characterized by above normal precipitation in portions of the Ohio Valley, Great Lakes, and lower Mississippi Valley.

And we all know how winter went for the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes. For the Ohio River region, snowfall was above normal due to the prevalence of clipper systems in that region, as well as Southwest Flow Events. The lower Great Lakes largely

ended with well below normal snowfall over a large area (discounting the Western Michigan snow belts), with most of the snow falling this winter over portions of the Central Plains, and Upper Midwest, as well as Southern New England.

The first spring outlook will be rather brief, but I'll explain a few of the factors involved.

The first two factors I will talk about is the PDO (Pacific Decadal Oscillation) and the ENSO state (El Nino/La Nina Southern Oscillation). For the weather geeks out there, the general SST anomaly pattern that you see in the above image clearly indicates a re-strengthening negative PDO. Although the PDO index progressively rose since October, it seems now that it may be going back negative once again as the climate wind patterns shift to allow for the fledging development of a weak, east-based La Nina. With the ongoing warm SST anomalies in the Caribbean, as well as the enhancement of the Northern Pacific jet, this seems to suggest that spring will be rather warm and wet over a large portion of the United States.

The EPO continues in its negative phase, as well as the WPO, which is the reason why we continue to see a large vortex situated near Alaska. This is the main reason why we haven't been able to see a more suitable pattern for winter weather all winter. This will largely act to "recreate" the Bermuda ridge, which will likely dominate the United States during the middle and second half of spring.

Other factors in the spring forecast include the North Atlantic Oscillation, the Arctic Oscillation, and the Pacific North American index. The trends in all of these variables seem to clearly indicate that a warmer pattern is on the horizon. In fact, its likely that in combination with widespread drought across the United States, most of the country will end up above normal in temperatures for a large portion of the spring.

Here's my official forecast: March 2013 – As we've already seen, March 2013 will likely remain cooler than normal, or near normal through the middle part of the month.

With an active, progressive pattern likely, precipitation will be near to slightly above normal, providing a few more chances for snow and rain across the area. By mid-March, temperatures are likely to rebound to normal, or possibly above normal. This will be in accordance with a deepening, east-based La Nina, a strengthening -PDO, and a relaxation in blocking across the Arctic. The Pacific jet will remain active, providing above normal precipitation to the region, and keeping drought conditions away from the area.

April 2013 – April will likely see more fluctuation than March will. In fact, it's likely that April remains near to slightly above normal as well, especially if we see long-term "after-effects" of stratospheric warming, which could allow blocking to rebuild for a brief time. Even so, this will be more likely in the earlier part of the month, with warmer conditions towards the end of the month. Fluctuations in the PDO, PNA and the ENSO will lead to varying strengths in the jet stream, and thus,

its likely that we see near to above normal precipitation for the month of April. Overall, temperatures and precipitation won't be too far from normal. The warm latter part of April will also lead into May (note: When I mention warmth, I mean departure from normal, and not actual temperatures.).

May 2013 – May will likely be a warmth month, and more than likely, very similar to May 2012, which was incredibly warm, but also incredibly dry. Due to changing climate patterns, its likely that the drought re-extends further east once again this summer, likely leading to intense heat once again. Several analogues seem to suggest that we could see at least one heat wave towards the end of May (much like last year). Early May could feature wetter conditions due to an active severe weather season as well, but transition to much drier conditions towards the end of the month.

This is my preliminary forecast for the spring, and it will likely change over the next few weeks. For now, it is my best "guess-timate" for the spring 2013 season. For more information in regards to severe weather, continue to visit the blog for further updates.

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF WORKS & PLAN COMMISSION MEET

By: Steve Gordon

Two different boards met in separate meetings Tuesday on behalf of business for the city of New Haven.

The Board of Works authorized spending in excess of \$100,000 dollars on equipment and services. The police department will be purchasing three new vehicles and the utilities department will also be adding new trucks to replace current vehicles.

One vehicle for the police department is to replace a damaged cruiser, while the remaining two all wheel drive cars will be used as multipurpose unmarked and marked transports.

The utility department is replacing vehicles that are high mileage and experiencing excessive repair needs.

The Board also approved to purchase the services of American Legal Publishing to update the ordinances of New Haven into a more uniform codification system. These will eventually all be available online and include a search feature. The cost of this agreement will be \$13,775.

The New Haven City Court will be allocating more than \$16,700 to purchase two new video systems to be installed in Indiana State Police cruisers. The systems can record activity inside and outside of the vehicle. The system has a rolling 30 second delay that can record 30 seconds previous to the actual activation of the video by the officer. It will document violations and evidence gathered by officers.

Dave Jones, the utility director did indicate that he may be modifying rules regarding utility bill adjustments in the future. He may require that a customer seeking an adjustment to their bill would be required to appear before the Board of Work personally. No final decision was made.

The New Haven Plan Commission met Tuesday evening, even though there

MOELLER ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE AT MEETING



By: Beth Stauffer

The City of New Haven hosted a session to update citizens about the Moeller Road construction project on Wednesday evening, February 27, 2013 in the Police Training Room at the City Administration Building. Director of Engineering Keith Schlegel led the meeting which was attended by approximately 30 citizens in addition to representatives from Brooks Construction, 3rd District Councilman Craig Dellinger, Police Chief Steve Poiry and Fire Chief John Bennett.

During Phase 4 of construction, the area of Moeller Road between Werling Road and Green Road is closed to thru traffic until May 24, 2013.

Currently, the Moeller Road construction project is in Phase 4 of 6 total Phases. The current phase began on January 21, 2013 and is expected to be completed on May 24, 2013. The major component of this phase is the installation and testing of a new water main and storm sewer along Moeller Road. Other aspects of the project moving forward include the installation of curbs and gutters, new sidewalks/ramps, road widening, and sod and seed of the areas disturbed during construction.

Major concerns of citizens voiced at the forum include safety issues, from unsafe drivers speeding thru the

work zone to what the city plans to do about trees and bushes that will pose a threat to a driver's field of vision when entering/exiting subdivisions and private driveways after the project is completed. Another major issue residents are having in the construction area is cars being driven thru the yards of private citizens to bypass the barricades set in place to divert traffic along alternate routes. Director Schlegel said that the City is aware of the issue and are working on a way to handle the situation. Police Chief Poiry stated that police presence in the construction area is being increased and tickets issued to those breaking any laws or ordinances of the city.

Property owners and residents in the construction area who have questions or are experiencing problems related to the construction along Moeller Road are encouraged to contact the City's Engineering Department at 260-748-4030.

Phase 5 of construction on Moeller Road is expected to begin on May 27, 2013. This phase will involve closing the intersection at Green Road & Moeller Road and will last for approximately 12 days during construction. The 6th and final phase will begin around June 12, 2013. The project is expected to be completed on Friday, June 28, 2013.

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were no scheduled agenda items. The eleven member board did participate in an informal training session, led by the group's attorney, Pat Hess. He reviewed specific topics for the benefit of the board that did include newly appointed members. Issues that were discussed included: board member conflict of interest, the Indiana Open Door

Law, procedures for public hearings, general procedures for the planning process, and a general discussion of the city's comprehensive plan.

Planning director, Brian Yoh, did state that he expected future meeting agendas to be busy as there are several development projects being proposed in the near future.

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ODNR ANNOUNCES OHIO WETLANDS HABITAT STAMP COMPETITION WINNER



The artwork of Ohio native Adam Grimm won first place in this year's Ohio Wetlands Habitat Stamp Design Competition, sponsored by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Grimm's painting of a Northern pintail will appear on the Ohio wetlands habitat stamp issued in fall 2014.

The winning entry was selected from a field of 18 original paintings submitted by artists from nine states, including 10 entries from Ohio. The competition was held on Saturday, February 23, at the Ohio Ducks Unlimited annual banquet in Licking County.

Second place honors went to Daniel Allard of Pickerington with his painting of canvasbacks, and the third place entry was painted by Jeffrey Hoff from South Dakota with his painting of a redhead duck.

Last year's winner, Jeffery Klinefelter of Indiana, will see his painting of a pair of blue-winged teals appear on the 2013 wetlands habitat stamp.

Approximately 24,000 Ohio wetland habitat stamps were purchased last year, according to the

ODNR Division of Wildlife. The proceeds from stamp sales help fund vital wetland habitat restoration projects in Ohio. These habitats are important to many resident wildlife species, including state-endangered trumpeter swans, wetland birds, amphibians and numerous migratory species.

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ODOT TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING I-75 RECONSTRUCTION

The reconstruction of Interstate 75 and adjoining projects taking place on Ohio 117/309 and Ohio 81 in Lima this construction season will be discussed during a public meeting conducted by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) District 1.

The meeting will be held Wednesday, March 13, at 5:30 p.m. at Howard Johnson, 1920 Roschman Avenue, located just east of the Ohio 309 interchange with Interstate 75 on the east side of Lima.

Officials with ODOT and representatives of Beaver

Excavating Co., Canton, the contractor for the project, will share the overall features of the project, the general schedule of construction and how traffic will be maintained.

Displays of the project will be available for viewing. Representatives from both ODOT and Beaver Excavating will be available to address questions throughout the evening.

The reconstruction of Interstate 75 will take place in three phases. This meeting will focus on the current phase of the project, referred to as Phase 2, which will reconstruct the existing lanes of the interstate from Fourth Street to just north of Ohio 81. This phase also includes the reconstruction of the Ohio 81 and Ohio 117/309 interchanges, the reconstruction and realignment of Ohio 81 from Neubrecht Road to Stewart Road, and a safety upgrade to Ohio 117/309 east of the Interstate 75 interchange to the Allen County Fairgrounds.

Construction on this phase is expected to begin in early March. Completion is expected in 2015.

Kirk Slusher, ODOT District 1 deputy director, said the meeting will provide the public with information about what they can expect over the next several months. "We will explain the general sequence of construction, and how and when travel will be affected," said Slusher. "We want to convey the impacts the project will have and encourage dialogue and attendance at the meeting," he said.

Details about the project will be communicated in a number of ways. Those wishing to receive project updates directly to their email may send their request to Rhonda Pees, ODOT District 1 public information officer, at rhonda.pees@dot.state.oh.us.

Project information may also be found at www.facebook.com/ODOTLima75; on Twitter, prefaced with #ODOTLima75, at https://twitter.com/#!/ODOT_NWOhio; and on the Web at www.odotlima75.org.

Phase 1 of the Interstate 75 reconstruction project, which is the replacement of the Fourth Street and Reservoir Road bridges over Interstate 75 in Lima, took place this past construction season and will be completed in the spring. Both structures were opened to traffic last fall.

Phase 3, from the Auglaize County line to Fourth Street, will begin in 2014. This phase also includes the reconstruction of the Breese Road and Ohio 65 interchanges as well as the replacement of the Hanthorn and McClain Road bridges over Interstate 75. Completion of this phase is expected to be in 2015.

Ohio's highways are essential to keeping and creating new jobs. With a mission to provide easy movement of people and goods from place to place, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is responsible for maintaining one of the largest transportation networks in the nation. Guided by ethical principles and accountability, ODOT works to improve safety, enhance travel and advance economic development. As a \$2.8 billion enterprise, the department wisely invests in its core services of snow and ice removal, annual construction program and highway maintenance operations.

OHIO FISHING, HUNTING & TRAPPING LICENSES AVAILABLE NOW

Ohio's 2013-2014 fishing, hunting and trapping licenses are now available, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

The 2013-2014 licenses will be valid immediately upon purchase through Feb. 28, 2014. The 2012-2013 licenses are valid through Feb. 28. White-tailed deer and fall wild turkey hunting permits will go on sale June 1.

New this year, the 2013-2014 licenses include a transaction receipt and effective dates that match the fishing, hunting or trapping season.

Licenses and permits purchased online or at retail outlets are printed on plain white paper that is not waterproof. Licenses and permits will be printed along with additional information relevant to the license or permit purchased.

Licenses and permits can be purchased online at wildohio.com and at hundreds of agent outlets throughout the state. A complete list of participating license sales agents can be found at wildohio.com.

Each license buyer must have a Social Security Number (SSN) recorded in the system. However, people who purchased licenses last year can now use their customer ID number in place of a SSN.

SSNs are required to purchase a recreational license, regardless of age, for the purpose of child support collection enforcement under Federal Statute 42. As a recreational license provider, the ODNR Division of Wildlife is obligated to comply with this law and cannot issue a license or permit without the SSN of the purchaser. A proper security system is in place to protect SSNs and any databases that contain them.

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BROWN BETTY'S & BUSTER BROWN'S 4-H FEBRUARY MEETING NOTES

The Brown Betty's and Buster Brown's 4-H club held a meeting on February 19th at the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library System. The meeting was called to order by Katie Carnahan, president. The Pledge of Allegiance was started by Ben Estle and the American flag held by Jack Woods, and the 4-H pledge was started by Katelyn Estle and the 4-H flag held by Emma Elkins. Roll call was taken by Estee Miller and 28 members were in attendance. Secretary minutes from last meeting were read and approved. A bake sale was discussed and was tabled until next meeting. Stacy Hiler was a special guest. Demonstrations were done by Tianna Cooper, Katie Carnahan, Arlyn Cooper, Hunter Kessler, and Madison Parrett. Deedi Miller was our spotlight speaker. Katie Carnahan

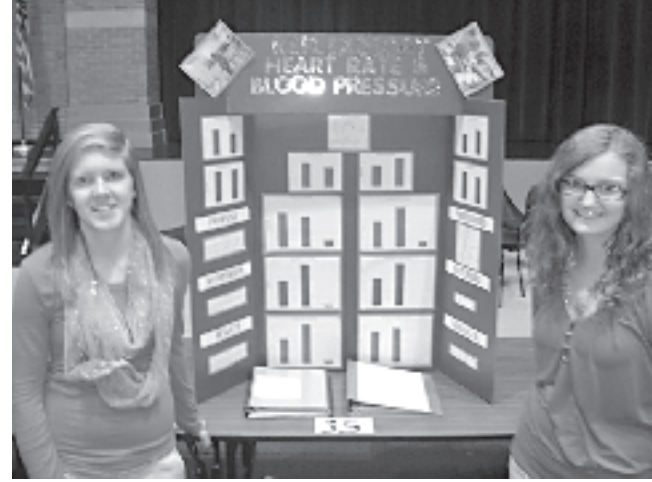
OPERATION ROUND UP AWARDS GRANT TO BLESSINGS IN A BAG



The Paulding Putnam Electric Trust - Operation Round-Up program has granted \$5150 to five organizations for the fourth quarter of 2012. The trust receives money through monthly contributions from member's rounding up their electric bill to the next whole dollar. Donations are used to distribute

gifts which will benefit people in the communities served by PPE. Blessings in a Bag received a \$2000 grant to be used to provide nutritious weekend meals for children in need. Presenting the award is trust president Ray Etzler and Kelsi Manz who brought the idea for the program to Paulding Schools.

ANNUAL SCIENCE FAIR AT PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL



Pictured here are (l-r) 8th grade students: Brooke Weidenhamer and Ava Moats-Landis displaying their project on Reflexology: Heart Rate and Blood Pressure.

Paulding Middle School recently held their annual local Science Fair. The students worked all year on preparing their projects for judgement and the opportunity to move on to District competition. The Science Fair was coordinated by 7th Grade Science

teacher, Mrs. Leann Favorito. The day would not have been complete without the efforts of not only Mrs. Favorito and the participating students; but also all of the judges that took time out of their busy days to assist in this process.

han adjourned the meeting. Snacks were provided by Hunter Grimes and drinks were provided by Arlyn and Tianna Cooper. The next meeting will be March 19th

at the Community Room of the Cooper Community Library, Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library System.

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GET THE EDGE: VANTAGE OPEN HOUSE



Monday, February 25 Vantage opened their brand new facility to the world. The \$35 million project just finished on December 31, 2012 and it was ready to be shown off!

Superintendent, Staci Kaufman opened the evening welcoming the guests to the new building and invited everyone to check it out.

The existing structure was 123,000 square feet and



"I think that the new building is amazing and how the students who go there now are lucky to be in the new building and with all new equipment. The cosmetology lab is amazing and I love the new pedicure chairs. I wish these new resources were there when I attended Vantage."

*-Sara Gardner
Class of 2011*

was 35 years old. The major renovation project took 18 months and added another 67,000 square feet giving new space for training and adult education.

Representative Tony Burkley, 82nd district, was at Vantage for the festivities. He said he believes education facilities like this are great and are needed to help

the young people be ready for the workforce in our area.

Handicap accessibility is now standard and has custom service program features including the Advantage Salon, Cub & Saucer Restaurant, and the Early Childhood Education Preschool.

Mikayla Stetler of Parkway said she loves Vantage, "Because it starts you off at a level playing field. We have uniforms and at first you wonder why, but then you realize it makes you more confident of what you are doing." Each of the departments wear different uniforms depending on the field they are working in.

There are 470 student from these schools: Antwerp, Wayne Trace, Paulding, Fort Jennings, Parkway, Continental, Kalida, Crestview, Lincolnview, St. John, Delphos Jefferson, Ottoville, Van Wert and 13 home schools. 31% or 143 of the student body is from Paulding County.

Vantage is not only an education facility, but it is also a large employer. There are 100 full time employees and many part time workers too.

"I love it here," said senior Ashley Wurst. She is a Culinary Arts student at Vantage and she says "It's great to see how people find career, finding out what they like to do."

If you are interested in contacting Vantage visit their website at vantagecareercenter.com or call 419-238-5411.

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GLOW IN THE DARK 5K IN PAYNE

The Wayne Trace High School National Honor Society chapter is sponsoring a Glow in the Dark 5K run on Saturday, April 6, 2013. Entrants are encouraged to wear as much glow in the dark or neon attire as they can.

The 5K run or 1 mile fun run/walk will take place at the Payne Elementary School ball field and registration begins at 6:00 p.m. This race is to be in honor of Sarah Franz (principal of Payne Elementary) and her newborn, Maddox, who is in need of a kidney transplant.

For more information about this event please send an email to waynetracehs@gmail.com

EAST ALLEN UNIVERSITY STUDENT NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED



Nicole Winans, 9th grader at East Allen University, has placed in the top ten of the National Poetic Power essay contest. The contest was titled "Celebrating What Is Important to Me". Nicole's essay was selected to be published in the anthology, which will come out this summer. As well as a top ten national recognition Nicole was also awarded a cash prize.

MANOR HOUSE GYM HOSTS NEW TOURNAMENTS

The Manor House Gym will be hosting new tournaments for the area this weekend. Fourth grade boys and girls tournaments will be added to what has already been busy winter tournament schedule. The day will begin with the boys divi-

sion as teams travel in from Adams Central, New Haven, and Hoagland, IN and Crestview, Bowling Green, Holgate, Napoleon St. John Lutheran, as well as Antwerp. The girls division will start a little later with Butler Eastside, Woodburn Lutheran School, Edgerton St. Mary Catholic, and Tinora.

Pool play will take place throughout the day until the girls finals take place at 1:50 p.m. and the boys finals round out the day at 5:30 p.m. Awards will be presented to champion and runner-up teams and all award winners will be pictured and honored in the ever growing Manor House Wall of Fame.

WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 3/6 - 3/12

- Breakfast:**
 3/6 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk
 3/7 - Cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk
 3/8 - Fruit turnover, juice, milk
 3/11 - Sausage pizza, juice, milk
 3/12 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice, milk
Lunch:
 3/6 - Chicken alfredo, broccoli, fruit, milk
 3/7 - Turkey hot dog w/ bun, baked beans, baked chips, fruit, milk
 3/8 - Quesadilla, corn, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk
 3/11 - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, fruit, milk
 3/12 - Fiestado, romaine lettuce, carrot/celery sticks, fruit, milk

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 3/6 - 3/12

- 3/6 - Taco, black bean dip, scoops, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
 3/7 - Taco omelet, hash browns potatoes, OJ, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
 3/8 - Cheese pizza, chicken salad sandwich, salad, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
 3/11 - Hot dog on bun, cooked spinach, rosy applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
 3/12 - Chicken strips, spice or regular french fries, peaches, milk; PLUS: Salad bar

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CANDY HEARTS' MANY PURPOSES - EVEN MATH!



On Valentine's Day, Mrs. Hammer's 1st grade math class at Antwerp Elementary sorted and graphed their candy hearts according to color. Pictured here are Kahlea Shook and Carson Altimus.

MR. Q & MISS U TIE THE KNOT AT ANTWERP ELEMENTARY



Mrs. McMichael's kindergarten class at Antwerp Elementary held a wedding ceremony for Mr. Q and Miss U. Each student had a special part in the wedding ceremony. The students have been studying the letter Q and found out that most Q words have the letter U behind the Q. After the ceremony, the students enjoyed wedding cake to celebrate the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. QU!

GALLON ROBOTS AT DIVINE MERCY



Divine Mercy fifth and sixth graders are learning about capacity in math class. Each student made a "Gallon Robot" to show the relationships between the customary capacity units. The Gallon Robot's body is made of one gallon, the upper arms and lower legs are quarts, there are two pints attached to each quart, and there are two cups attached to each pint. This allows the students to relate the parts to each unit it represents.

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Notice of Second Public Hearing

Paulding County intends to apply to the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA), Office of Community Development (OCD) for funding under the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP), a federally funded program administered by the state. The county is eligible for \$400,000 of Fiscal Year 2013 CHIP funding provided the county meets the applicable program requirements. On February 6, 2013, Paulding County conducted the first public hearing to inform citizens about programs available to the county as outlined in the State of Ohio Consolidated Plan. Funding for programs administered by OCD are provided by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and other funding sources as identified by the State.

Based on citizen input and local officials' assessment of county needs, Paulding County is proposing to undertake the following CHIP activities for Fiscal Year 2013.

Activity	Amount	Source of Funds	Target Area
Private Owner Rehabilitation	164,000	HOME	County-wide
Private Owner Rehabilitation	82,000	HOME	Village of Cecil
Home Repair	73,000	CDBG	County-wide
Home Repair	18,000	CDBG	Village of Cecil
Emergency Monthly Hsg Payments	15,000	CDBG	County-wide
Administration	48,000	CDBG	
Total	400,000		

A second public hearing will be held **Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Paulding County Commissioner's Chambers, 115 N. Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio. The public hearing is to give citizens the opportunity to review and comment on the above proposed activities.

Citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting on March 27, 2013, to express their views and comments on the Paulding County CHIP application. If a participant will need auxiliary aids (interpreter, brail or taped materials, listening device, other) due to a disability, please contact Maumee Valley Planning Organization prior to March 25, 2013 at 419-784-3882 in order to insure that your needs will be accommodated.

GRADY GUDAKUNST AWARDED FRANKLIN B. WALTER ALL-SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Superintendent, Brian Gerber is shown presenting the Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award to Wayne Trace Senior, Grady Gudakunst and Wayne Trace Jr/Sr Guidance Counselor, David Alt.

Grady Gudakunst was recently awarded the Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award. The award program was established by the Ohio Educational Service Center Association to promote and recognize outstanding academic achievement. One senior from each county in Ohio received this award. Applicants must be a high school senior enrolled in a public school district within the ESC's service region. Recipients should demonstrate outstanding academic achievement as indicated by high school grades, test scores, and school activities and awards.

Grady has been invited to attend a special recognition luncheon at the Confer-

ence Center at NorthPointe in Lewis Center, Ohio to be recognized and receive his award.

WOODLAN'S ATHLETIC OFFICE SECRETARY RETIRES

By: Jeff Abbott

Mrs. Ruth Miesle was recognized before the boys varsity basketball game at Woodlan. Ruth will be retiring as the athletic office secretary at the end of the school year. She has 17 years of service at Woodlan and in the athletic department. Ruth has taken care of concessions and supplies, gate receipts, getting programs out, athletic letters and certificates, hospitality room supplies and goodies, physicals lined up for the athletes, eligibility checks, and many more functions necessary for athletic events to run smoothly. She has also served as the Woodlan Service Club sponsor, which has won the Salvation Army Bell Ringer Award for 6 years. Ruth organizes the Red Cross Blood Drives at Woodlan (next one is February 28!!). She will be missed by the Woodlan community.

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EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS' KARYLE GREEN STEPS DOWN EARLY

The East Allen County School Board and Dr. Karyle Green have mutually agreed to part ways effective March 1, 2013 rather than continuing through the remainder of her contract, which expires in June 2014. The board is intent on looking forward, and believes that this decision is in the best interest of the students, teachers and schools.



The school board has a new perspective on the goals, priorities and best interests of East Allen County Schools. The board will be prepared to share its plan for an interim superintendent and a timeline for finding a permanent superintendent at its regularly scheduled board meeting on March 5, 2013.

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ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB WRESTLES AT O-G

The Antwerp Archer Wrestling Club recently competed at Ottawa Glandorf on March 3, 2013. 12 wrestlers competed in the tournament and 10 were able to place in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Placing 4th for the Archer wrestlers were Karsen Donat, CJ Eaton, Avin Johnson, and Halie Davis. Placing 3rd were Jarrod Traxler and Heaven Eaton. Placing 2nd was Kamren Johnson. Placing 1st for the wrestling club were Eli Reinhart, Aidan McAlexander, and Justice Clark. All of the Archer wrestlers have worked hard for these accomplishments. Be sure to catch the Antwerp Wrestling Club in the next month as they compete locally at Hicksville, Defiance, Wayne Trace, Ayersville, and at the Antwerp High School on April 6, 2013.

MANOR HOUSE WINTER VOLLEYBALL SEASON CONTINUES

The winter volleyball season continues at the Manor House Gym, with leagues for 6th grade and under and junior high girls, as well as adult league tournaments being played monthly. This Saturday will bring a close to the youth and JH regular seasons and seeding will take place for the season ending tournament March 17.

Co-ed adult volleyball tournaments continue through April. Teams from all over the Midwest continue to partake in events hosted by Mike Harvey of Fairplay Volleyball of Grabill, IN. Participating this past weekend were teams from Jackson, MI; Warsaw, IN; Portland, IN; Muncie and Fort Wayne. Teams register as A or B division and consist of two boy-two girl teams and play on 8' nets. Many of these players are former college and high school players that excelled

in their sport. Tournaments will continue on March 30. Registrations can take place at www.fairplayvolleyball.com

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 3/6 - 3/12

- MS/HS - Breakfast:
 - 3/6 - Sausage biscuit, tator tots, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Links (sausage), waffles, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Gravy (sausage) w/ biscuits, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Egg & cheese burrito, juice/fruit, milk
- MS/HS - Lunch:
 - 3/6 - Pizza, corn, fresh vegetable or Top Your Burrito, assorted fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Vegetable pack, cheese breadstick, chili soup w/crackers or Honey mustard tenders, summer blend vegetables, roll, assorted fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Salad bar w/breadstick or Cheeseburger or BBQ w/bun, oven potatoes, pickle spears, assorted fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Salad bar w/breadstick or Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, celery, roll, assorted fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Salad (oriental chicken), egg roll, rice krispie treat or Cheeseburger w/bun, oven fries, vegetable pack, assorted fruit, milk
- Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:
 - 3/6 - Breakfast burrito, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Muffin, string cheese, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Assorted cereal or Cereal bar, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Yogurt, goldfish grahams, juice/fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Pancakes, juice/fruit, milk
- Paulding Elementary - Lunch:
 - 3/6 - Egg/cheese omelet, tator tots, tomato juice, muffin, goldfish grahams or Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, crackers, yogurt, fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Sloppy joe w/whole grain bun, tator tots, green beans or Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, crackers, yogurt, fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Pizza, romaine salad, vegetable choice, sherbet or Goldfish bread w/peanut butter, crackers, yogurt, fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Hamburger w/ whole grain bun, Pennsylvania blend vegetable choice or Hot dog w/whole grain bun, fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Taco salad, lettuce/cheese, salsa/refried beans, crackers or Hot dog w/whole grain bun, fruit, milk
- Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:
 - 3/6 - Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Assorted cereals, crackers, fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Mini pancakes, fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Sausage biscuit, fruit, milk
- Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:
 - 3/6 - Sloppy joe w/bun, celery, baked Lays, California blend, fruit, milk
 - 3/7 - Taco in a bag, lettuce, refried beans, fruit, milk
 - 3/8 - Cheese cup, whole grain chips, green beans, carrot sticks, fruit, milk
 - 3/11 - Corn dog, baked beans, celery sticks, fruit, milk
 - 3/12 - Breaded mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

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NIH HAO!



The students in Mrs. Kohart's preschool class at Paulding Elementary enjoyed learning about China and how children in China cel-

brate their New Year. They learned fun facts about China and enjoyed playing at their own Chinese restaurant complete with chopsticks.

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PAYNE ELEM. STUDENTS TELL IT LIKE IT IS!



First graders at Payne Elementary wrote a sentence of what they would do if they were President such as "I would let the teachers go on a trip," "I would let a dog be in my cabinet," "I would say children didn't have to have

homework," "I would not let people rob banks," and "I would make my teacher my butler." Pictured here are Caitlyn Thomas, Brenna Parker, Jude Stoller, Caden Tumblin, and Lucas Kennedy.

HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND CONSERVATION/WETLAND CONSERVATION COMPLIANCE - 'SOBBUSTER/SWAMPBUSTER' COMPLIANCE

USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director, Steve Maurer reminds landowners and operators that in order to be eligible for most FSA and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) program benefits, compliance with Highly Erodible Land Conservation (HEL) and Wetland Conservation (WC) provisions is required.

Farmers with HEL determined soils are reminded of tillage, crop residue, and rotation requirements as specified in their conservation plan. NRCS is required to conduct status reviews on a percentage of farms every year to ensure conservation plans are being followed on HEL tracts.

Producers should notify FSA prior to conducting land clearing or drainage projects to ensure compliance. This includes clearing trees or brush, bringing any acreage into agricultural production (even if it was in production at some point in the past, taken out of production for some reason, and now the desire is to bring it back into production). This is nothing new and has been part of overall program policy since 1985.

"If you are planning on

installing new tile or grading wet spots in a field, contact your local FSA county office before starting any work," said Maurer. "Also, if you intend to clear any trees to create new cropland, these areas will need to be reviewed to ensure any work will not jeopardize your eligibility for benefits."

Landowners and operators can complete form, AD-1026 Highly Erodible Land Conservation (HEL) and Wetland Conservation (WC) Certification, to determine whether a referral to NRCS is necessary.

"Something as simple as clearing a fence row or converting a pasture into cropland could result in losing USDA benefits on all farms in all counties for the affected participants," explained Maurer.

It is your responsibility to notify FSA and NRCS of intentions to clear ground, improve drainage systems on what may be considered farmed wetlands, deviate from an approved conservation plan on HEL land, etc. BEFORE you perform these actions so reviews can be conducted to ensure your eligibility is maintained. If you have acquired new ground, make sure you inform FSA and NRCS prior to conducting any activities.

For more information on HEL and WC provisions, contact your local FSA office.

WOODLAN RUNS OVER RAILROADERS



Shown in the picture is Woodlan senior Jaylin Bennett blocked by Garrett's Matt Singleton with foul shots following. More pictures & video at www.westbendnews.net

Woodlan may have fallen to Antwerp two weeks ago, but that didn't discourage them at the Sectional Boys Basketball game against Garrett at the Railroaders home court. Woodlan started off scoring the first basket and never fell behind after the first points earned. One thing the Warriors struggled with was hitting free-throw shots, which didn't put them down, but their score could have been higher. By half-time the Warriors racked up a score of 35-20 showing they couldn't be stopped.

The punishment for the

Railroaders didn't end with the first half, but their tournament chances did. The Woodlan boys finished the game with the 60-43 win over Garrett moving them to take on Angola Friday, March 1, 8 pm, again at Garrett H.S.

Woodlan Points by Player: White 6, McGettigan 16, Gerig 13, Williams 9, Stieglitz 6, Bennett 8, Gustin 2
Points by Quarter: Garrett: 8 12 12 13
Woodlan: 17 18 12 13
In Sectional Championship game, Woodlan boys basketball fell to Concordia Saturday evening 73-38.

WAYNE TRACE FALLS TO RAMS IN CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



Nick McClain racking up the score!

Tinora and Wayne Trace, the two powerhouse teams of the Green Meadows Conference, met at Defiance March 1 for the boys basketball sectional championship game. The game started with the Raiders taking the tip-off and Colby Speice scoring the first points in the match.

The Raiders started off with a solid lead but it was quickly eroded as Tinora got a couple of lucky turnovers and scored on both. For the second quarter Wayne Trace struggled to get

the ball through the hoop. By half time the score was tied at 28, leaving the teams to start with a clean slate for the second half.

Wayne Trace choked in the rest of the game and Tinora took home the sectional championship with a 55-47 win.

The Raiders closed out a fantastic season with a 20-3 record
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2/26/13 - Joseph H. & Barbara E. Barker; Sec 2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4, 40.00 acres; Sec 3 pt NE 1/4 NE 1/4, 11.153 acres; Joseph H. & Barbara E. Barker, Trustees Latty Twp.
2/19/13 - Ronnie Lejeune Crone & Pamela Ann; Sec 21 SE 1/4 & E 1/2 SW 1/4 SE 1/4, 58.000 acres; Sec 21 pt SE 1/4, 2.00 acres; To: Ronnie Lejeune Crone & Pamela Ann
2/21/13 - Ethel Ann Jones aka Ethel Ann Keck; Sec 27 SW 1/4 SW 1/4, 40.00 acres; To: Charles H. & Kimberly Cook
2/21/13 - Charles H. & Kimberly Cook; Sec 27 SW 1/4 SW 1/4, 40.00 acres; To: Charles H. & Kimberly Cook
2/21/13 - Craig A. & Ruth E. Stoller, Trustees; Sec 1 E 1/2 NW 1/4, 82.237 acres; To: Thomas G. Sinn Paulding Twp.
2/19/13 - Dorothy A. Sticler, Trustee, dec'd; Sec 31 pt SW 1/4 & pt NW 1/4 & pt SE 1/4, 232.68; To: Mary Kay Martin, Trustee
2/19/13 - Richard J. Windsor, dec'd; Sec 14 pt SW 1/4 SW 1/4, 3.00 acres; To: Florence E. Windsor Antwerp Village.
2/20/13 - Ruby M. Nern, dec'd; Sec 37 Wilhelm Addition, 0.150 acres; To: Pamela J. Zartman
2/21/13 - Samuel W. Shepherd; Sec 3 & 2 W, 35.50, Daggett's 2nd Addition, 0.104 acres; To: Olen G. McMichael
2/22/13 - Mary L. Kitson, dec'd; Lot 91 & 92 E 22 ft. & Canal/Wilhelm Addition, 0.53 acres; To: Phillip D. Kitson
2/25/13 - Hope E. Smith, dec'd; Lot 14 & Lot 15 pt & Block C, .305 acres; Lot 6 N 1/2 Block A 0.074 acres; Lot 5 S 60 ft. Daggett's Fourth Addition 0.034 acres; To: Robert Max Smith & Carol Jean Chilcote
Melrose Village:
2/19/13 - Stevie & Linda Lambert, Lot 166 original platt, 0.172 acres; To: Gregory E. Landers
2/25/13 - Gregory E. & Marsha K. Landers, Lot 166,168,170 original platt, 0.516 acres; To: Dustin A. & Lisa L. Dobbelaere
Paulding Village:
2/25/13 - DJ Land Co, LLC, Sec 1 Lot 01004 out lots, 1.005 acres; To: DJ Land Co, Inc
2/25/13 - Joann M. Perl; Sec 13 Lot 23 pt out lots, 1.56 acre; To: Yoder Construction, Inc.
2/25/13 - Yoder Construction, Inc.; Lot 11 condo #2 Bittersweet Village Phase #2; To: Joann M. Perl
2/27/13 - Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; Lot 23 & 24 Noneman's Subdivision, 0.286 acres; To: Fifth Third Mortgage, Co.
Payne Village:
2/19/13 - Dorothy A. Sticler, Trustee, dec'd; Lot 54 original platt; 0.200 acre; To: Mary Kay Martin, Trustee
2/26/13 - Anna E. Harshman, et al; Lot 49 pt Lot Block G, 0.717 acres; To: Joseph H. & Terel C. Morehead
Scott Village:
2/19/13 - Mildred L. Rhinehalt, dec'd; Lot 3 pt Lot out lots, 0.162 acre; Lot 1 pt Lot out lots, 0.153 acres; To: Jay Mae Hortmier & Lou Anne Matthews

Criminal Disposition Report
Steven L. Brown; Paulding; Assault; Defendant to pay for stay, pay all fines and costs, complete community service, counseling, secure valid license, no contact w/victim, evaluation at Westwood.
Jared L. Schibley; Woodburn; Aggravated Robbery; case dismissed w/o prejudice, costs waived
Kevin F. Dunakin, Paulding; Domestic Violence; case dismissed, court shall release 90% of the total bond amount less 25%, sur charge back to poster
Kevin F. Dunakin, Paulding; Domestic Violence; case dismissed
Summer Hayden (3 counts); Paulding; Confinement of Dog; defendant to pay all fines and costs
Dale Martin; Payne; Criminal Damage; defendant to pay all fines and costs, submit to alcohol evaluation, no unlawful contact w/victim, probation, restitution hearing set
Robert W. Berry, Jr; Paulding; Felonious Assault; defendant has been indicted by the Common Pleas Court for further proceedings, warrant & warrant block reined
Dale Martin; Payne; Disorderly Conduct; case dismissed
Property Transfers
Blue Creek Twp:
2/27/13 - Thomas & Kimberly Sinn; Sec 14 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 & SE 1/4, 81.383 acres; To: Craig A. & Ruth E. Stoller, Trustees
Brown Twp:
2/25/13 - Timothy R. Bockrath, dec'd; Sec. 12 E 1/2 W 1/2 NE 1/4, 40.44 acres; Sec. 12 W 1/2 W 1/2 NE 1/4 37.602 acres
Carryall Twp:
2/25/13 - Hope E. Smith, dec'd; Sec. 32 pt SW 1/4, 38.54 acres; To: Robert Max Smith & Carol Jean Chilcote
2/26/13 - Joseph H. & Barbara E. Barker; Lot 35 pt E 1/2 NE 1/4, 32.878 acres; Sec. 26 pt SE 1/4 & pt NE 1/4 & pt SW 1/4, 147.042 acres; Sec. 35 pt NE 1/4 & pt NW 1/4, 22.964 acres; Sec. 27 pt NW 1/4 & pt NE 1/4 & pt SE 1/4, 133.558 acres; Sec. 22 pt SW 1/4 & pt NW 1/4, 85.107 acres; Sec. 27 pt NW 1/4, 37.715 acres; Sec. 34 pt SW 1/4 & pt SE 1/4, 84.799 acres; Sec 34 Lot 1-3 Joseph Barker Subdivision, 0.849 acres; Sec 34 Lot 8-9 Joseph Barker Subdivision, 0.349 acres; Sec 35 pt NW 1/4, 185.95 acres; To: Joseph H. & Barbara E. Barker, Trustees
2/27/13 - Samuel W. Shepherd, Sec 23 pt SE 1/4, 1.508 acres; To: Jeffrey & Brenda L. Conley
Emerald Twp:
2/20/13 - Roger & Patricia L. Eckhart, Sec 8 pt NW 1/4 NW 1/4, 3.679 acres; To: P. Lenore Wakeland
2/22/13 - Cristale Brinkman; Sec 33 pt N 1/2 SW 1/4, 1.915 acres; To: Douglas Marhugh
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Dixie is originally from Antwerp, but currently resides with her husband in Columbus, OH. Her cancer was found during a routine mammogram.

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FEDEX CHOOSES NEW HAVEN FOR \$25 MILLION HUB

By: Sherry Slater, The Journal Gazette

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FedEx Ground Package System Inc. is teaming with a New Haven property owner on a \$25 million, state-of-the-art regional distribution center at 11039 Lincoln Highway E.

The vacant 40-acre site is owned by Setzer Properties ZFWY LLC. The landlord has agreed to invest about \$12.5 million to construct a 178,000-square-foot warehouse/distribution center.

FedEx, which has a long-term lease on the facility, is planning to invest \$12.5 million in new mechanical and electrical equipment.

The international shipping company plans to create 87 part-time jobs at the new distribution center. The most common position, package handler, will pay \$11.31 an hour, according to a tax abatement filing. Plans call for 82 of those jobs.

The shipping giant already employs 34 full-time, four temporary and 69 part-time workers in New Haven. They will be moved into the new building when it is completed in September 2014. Construction is to begin May 1.

FedEx is asking Allen County officials for a tax break on the project. Savings could total \$1.5 million over five years.

David Westrick, a FedEx Ground spokesman, demurred from confirming the project, saying that "as a matter of policy, we don't have further information on specific proposals under consideration."

However, a FedEx official wrote in a filing with the county that most packages handled at the distribution centers will be long-distance shipments from customers outside the county.

Mayor Terry McDonald said New Haven's east side hasn't seen much growth in recent years.

"This will help to jumpstart that area with other development," he said.

Beth Stauffer, a New Haven resident who is on the Canal Days Festival board of directors, was excited Friday afternoon to learn about the project.

"That's a significant amount of money," she said of the investment.

Stauffer said recent infrastructure investments such as the Fort-to-Port project

and the Maplecrest Road extension have helped area businesses thrive, including Do it Best Corp.'s distribution operation.

Manufacturing and logistics combine to employ one in four Hoosiers.

"Logistics" refers to warehouse and shipping operations, such as the \$70 million distribution center that Family Dollar Stores Inc. recently built in Ashley, creating 350 jobs, and the \$36 million distribution center General Mills built near Fort Wayne International Airport, creating 65 jobs.

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WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING CLUB COMPETES IN TITAN OPEN

Sunday, March 3rd, Wayne Trace Wrestling Club competed in the 10th Annual Titan Open wrestling tournament in Ottawa.

Placing for the Raiders: 2nd Asa Ames and Logan Vance; 3rd Landon Foltz, and Jarrett Hornish; 4th Kameryn Sutton, Luke Beckman, Gabe Sutton, and Kamaron Bevis.

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