

## PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BIGGEST LOSER CHALLENGE 2013



Since the first Biggest Loser Challenge in 2012 was so popular, the PCH Fitness Center decided to put out the challenge again in January 2013. It began on January 7<sup>th</sup> with 72 people deciding to try to win the big money prize. Along the way a few people dropped out but overall, the 55 people who stayed in the

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## IT'S MARATHON BASKETBALL TIME!

By: Jim Hooker

This year's 24 Hour Basketball Marathon is fast approaching and this is a reminder to attend this 35<sup>th</sup> annual charity event, raising much needed monies for the Paulding Co. Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc.

The event will take place at the Wayne Trace Payne Elementary Gymnasium at the west edge of Payne beginning early in the afternoon on Good Friday, March 29 and conclude the evening of the next day. There will be at least 124 teams competing in various divisions, with varying degrees of talent—all 'playing ball for those who can't'. An absolutely great weekend of non-stop basketball.

Marathon Chairman Chad Benschneider of Payne has put in many an hour to make this weekend possible—as have all the loyal,

dedicated and hard-working Committee Members from all around Paulding County. They have done a superb job of securing a record number of team entries, pairing them, and finding other volunteers to referee the games, work the clock, work the concession stand, collect admissions at the doors, keep the gymnasium clean, etc. The spirit of 'selflessness' abounds... and how appropriate that it's Easter weekend! Come be a part of it.

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The Paulding County Independent Insurance Agents Association, Inc. is again accepting scholarship applications from all Paulding County high school seniors. We are proud of our area youth and are pleased to be able to award seven scholarships this year. Applications are available at each of the area County schools guidance office as well as the Paulding County Independent Agents (Antwerp Insurance Agency, Foltz Insurance Agency, Hornish Financial-Insurance Services, Inc., Stahl-Stoller-Meyer Insurance Center and Williamson Insurance Agency.)

The deadline for applications to be turned in to the guidance office or at Stahl-Stoller-Meyer Insurance Center is Friday, April 19, 2013.

## CRAIG ROBISON AWARDED BILL FRITCHA MEMORIAL AWARD



By: Beth Stauffer

At the 2013 State of the City banquet held at The Orchid on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, the recipient of the third annual Bill Fritcha Memorial Award was announced.

In 2011, the award was developed by Mayor Terry McDonald's office to recognize and memorialize New Haven's own Mr. Bill Fritcha. Mr. Fritcha was a long-time family man and business owner of Fritcha's Construction in New Haven, but as Mayor McDonald stated on Monday evening, "Diane (Fritcha, Bill's wife) and his family and all of us know how much we miss Bill, not for his giving, but for his love of community and big heart that seemed to know no stranger."

The Bill Fritcha Memorial Award Selection Committee unanimously decided to posthumously recognize the New Haven Police Department's Detective Sergeant Craig A. Robison as the 2013 recipient. Robison's brother, City Court Judge Geoff Robison, accepted the award on behalf of the Robison family. (Detective Sergeant Robison's wife, Sharon Robison, and mother Shirley Robison, were out of town and unable to attend Monday evening's event.)

Of Robison, Mayor McDonald said, "Once again, the Selection Committee had several very good candidates, but one stood out from among the rest. A man who has given through his work for the community not just a job, but a calling upon his life that meant something to him. This recipient gave to the community by giving thousands of hours over many decades to make New Haven a great place to live and raise a family. He never asked for anything, and he sometimes seemed embarrassed when someone recognized him for his volunteer work. He had a knack for getting others involved."

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OBITUARIES



**Merle L. Gerig, 85**, of Woodburn, passed away peacefully at his home Saturday, March 9, 2013 with his family by his side. Born in Woodburn on March 22, 1927, he was the son of the late Noah and Elsie (nee. Ehresman) Gerig. He was a lifelong farmer and worked construction. He was an active member of Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn, holding many offices at church, as well as Woodburn Lutheran School. He was elected for 16 years on East Allen School Board. Merle faithfully served as a member of Woodburn Lions Club since 1949, and served on Allen County Extension Board for many years.

He is survived by his wife of over 60 years, Eloise (nee. Klaehn) Gerig; children, Jackie (Ron) Bandelier of Tipp City, OH, Dean (Linda) Gerig of Woodburn, Jill (Neil) Richter of Wesley Chapel, FL, and Denise (Don) Ecker of Plymouth; siblings, Emerald (Gwen) Gerig formerly of Woodburn and Eloise Thorne of Arlington, TX; nine grandchildren; two step grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and three step great grandchildren.

Funeral service was Thursday, March 14, 2013 at Christ Lutheran Church, 4412 Park St., Woodburn with calling one hour prior. Rev. Timothy Edwards officiating. Arrangements were handled E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. Burial in the church cemetery. Preferred memorials are to Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn Lutheran School, or Heartland Hospice. For online condolences go to [www.harperfuneralhome.com](http://www.harperfuneralhome.com)

**PAULDING: Rosemary Kappel, age 89** died Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at Grand Rapids Care Center, Grand Rapids, OH. She was born February 19, 1924 in Henry County, Ohio, the daughter of Joseph H. and Genevieve (Long) Dietrick. On April 8, 1967 she married Friedrich Kappel, who preceded her in death on May 26, 1998. She was employed by Kappel Hardware True Value, New Holstein, Wisconsin, retiring in 1986. She was a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Paulding, where she

also volunteered in the parish office, and was formerly a member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church, New Holstein. She was a member of Paulding VFW Post #587 Auxiliary; past President of New Holstein Chamber of Commerce; and a member of Business and Professional Women Association of New Holstein, WI.

She is survived by nieces and nephews: Karen (Marv) Traver, Marsha Mathews, Larry Widmer, Edward Stults, Genevieve Stults, Suzanne Plummer, David Stults, Jody Tudico, Sandy Miller and a special niece, Ida Ronan; 19 great nieces and nephews; 41 Great-great nieces and nephews; and one great-great-great nephew.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brothers, Norbert and Bill Dietrick; and two sisters, Doris Widmer and Patricia Stults.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted Wednesday March 20 at 11 AM at the Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, Paulding, with Rev. G. Allan Fillman officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery.

There will be visitation 9 - 11 AM prior to services at the church on Wednesday. Donations may be made to Masses; Hospice of Northwestern Ohio; or Grand Rapids Care Center, Grand Rapids, OH.

Special thank you to Vicki and Tonya from Hospice of Northwest Ohio and all the staff at Grand Rapids Care Center.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, is handling arrangements.

**Robin Wolford, 52**, of Antwerp, passed away Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at her residence.

She was born in Erie, PA on December 14, 1960, a daughter of the late Aurelia (Nowaki) and Robert Wolford.

Robin will be sadly missed by her daughter, Aurelia (Ronald) Krick of Van Wert; siblings, Dede Goodison, Hamburg, NY, Mary Lynn (Ronald) Van Atta of Antwerp, Terry Whitaker & Karen Barnes of Fort Wayne & Ronald Richards of Tucson & grandson, Jakob Krick.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, Gerald Richards.

Services will be held March 23, 2013, at Noon, at the First Presbyterian Church, 114 Caroline Street, Paulding, Ohio.

Memorials are to Fort Defiance Humane Society, Box 2, 7169 St Rt 15, Defiance, Ohio 43512.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)



Wednesday, March 13, 2013 **Christine E. Laker (88)** was freed from the bonds of her earthly body and journeyed home with the Blessed Virgin Mary to be received into the loving arms of her Savior Jesus Christ. Christine rejoiced at meeting her earthly mother Marie (Kummerant) Phlipot for the first time since her birth June 19, 1924. And once again at her side her Aunt Rose (Phlipot) McGrath mother who raised, cared for and loved her as a daughter joined in the celebration.

Christine married the love of her life Roman C. Laker, August 21, 1945 as the world rejoiced at the end of WWII. She was a dedicated, supportive and loving wife for 67 years. As Roman & Chris shared their joyful love in the sacrament of marriage.

Christine devoted her life to caring for her 9 children: David (Janet) Laker (Cecil OH), Jim (Karen) Laker (Antwerp OH), George (Susan) Laker (Bryan OH); Jerry Laker (Defiance OH); Ken (Arlene) Laker (Cecil OH); Bonnie (Tim) Nally (Defiance OH); Ted (Donna) Laker (Antwerp OH); Rosann (Carol) Laker (Paulding OH); Mary (Scott) DeGood (Syracuse IN). Her 27 Grandchildren: Shelly, Jen, LeAnn, Tamara, Brian, Stephanie, Stacy, Heather, Andy, Danielle, Tim, Ashley, Matt, Mandy, Sara, Brad, Adam, Wes, Ryan, Abby (Laker); Regina, Kim, Nate, Aimee (Nally); Joshua, Caylyne, Cassandra (DeGood). Her 46 Great Grandchildren and 5 Great-Great Grandchildren.

Christine is the daughter of Raymond (Marie) Phlipot and raised by Rose (T.J.) McGrath. She has 4 living Phlipot siblings: Helen (Coil) Traverse City MI; Harold, Paulding OH; Laura (Pease) Paulding OH and Dorothy (Alt) Columbus OH. She was preceded in death by her parents: Raymond, Marie, Hazel Phlipot; Rose, T.J. McGrath, her siblings: Lawrence, Howard, Ruth, Earl, Mabel, Jerry Phlipot and Charles, Pat, Loretta, Leo McGrath.

Christine was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Cecil OH until 2003 and at the end a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Paulding OH. She was a member of the Altar Rosary Society and prayed the rosary daily to our Blessed Mother, Mary. She loved square dancing, gardening, harness horse races, local fairs, traveling and her many-many grandbabies! Please make memorials for a Mass or to Hospice Care of Paulding County or The Alzheimer's Association.

A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted 10 AM Tuesday, March 19 at Divine Mercy Catholic Parish with Rev. G. Allan Fillman officiating. Burial followed in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Crane Township, Paulding County.

Visitation was Monday, March 18 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with a Rosary Service at 7:30.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." —Romans 15:13 ESV

(Continued from Page 1) challenge collectively lost 420 pounds in the eight weeks of the challenge!

The big winner this time was Jim Collis who lost 13.9% of his body weight. When asked why he joined the challenge he stated that he was getting older and he heard that the older you get, the harder it is to lose weight. He read about the contest and thought that would be a good incentive for him to lose. He lost a total of 31 pounds in 54 days. He said his diet habits included portion control, changing what he ate and he exercised 1½ hours per day. He did take Sundays off. He says he feels better, breathes easier and sleeps much better. His next goal is to lose eight more pounds and then keep it off.

Coming in second is Melanie Banks, who works at the hospital who lost 10.74% of her body weight and coming in third is Ben Ricker, who also works at the hospital, losing 9.06% of his body weight. All together, these three lost a total of 92 pounds. The top three took home a total of \$720 in prize money.

Obesity is a huge health problem in the United States and Paulding County Hospital is gearing up to deal with this health concern. Along with the fitness center and our personal trainer, Naomi Brodbeck, PCH offers registered dietician consultations with Emily Cicero, and Dr. Mahtab Ahmed has recently

become certified as an Obesity Medicine Physician by the American Board of Obesity Medicine. For more information, please call 419-399-1745.

HITE PRAISES STATE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET, RETENTION OF TURNPIKE FUNDS IN NORTHERN OHIO

On March 13, 2013 the Ohio Senate lent its approval to House Bill 51, which appropriates more than \$7.6 billion to fund the Ohio Departments of Transportation and Public Safety over the coming biennium.

"The Governor listened and the General Assembly listened. Northern Ohio was heard. I am very pleased with the language in the Senate Transportation Budget," said Hite. "I appreciate all who helped this legislation come to fruition in a bi-partisan manner."

In addition to the budget appropriations, the Senate approved a plan that will allow \$1.5 billion in bonds to be issued on the Ohio Turnpike. Combined with federal and local matching funds, this money will contribute extensively to infrastructure projects in northern Ohio and across the state. The additional funding will increase the priority level of many highway projects. Some projects that were not expected until 2025 will be given immediate consideration.

"Having a district that

is directly impacted by the turnpike nexus, this legislation will bring an abundance of jobs to our district," added Hite. "I'm very pleased with the progress that has been made on this bill since its inception. We made a good bill better."

The bill received bipartisan support in the Senate with Transportation Committee Ranking Member Senator Capri Cafaro (D-Hubbard) saying that the legislation "does the responsible thing" on the Nexus Provision, which ensures that 90 percent of the funds raised through the bonding of the Ohio Turnpike will be used within 75 miles of the Turnpike.

Among the bill's provisions:

- Permitting the bonding of the Ohio Turnpike up to \$1.5 billion
- The Nexus provision, which ensures that 90 percent of the money raised through turnpike bonding will be spent on northern Ohio projects
- Increases the highway speed limit in Ohio to 70 miles per hour, outside of urban areas
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# DONATIONS CONTINUE FOR LIA PROJECT



## Paulding County Area FOUNDATION

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

By: Lisa McClure, Paulding County Area Foundation

It is, once again, time for the Paulding County Area Foundation Annual Business Meeting and Dinner. This year's event will be held on Friday, April 12, 2013 at Grant's Catering in Antwerp. Social time will begin at 6:00 p.m., with dinner following at 6:30 p.m.

Following dinner, a brief annual meeting consisting of a recap of the fund growth of Paulding County Area Foundation, a report on the 2012 annual crop year of the Marshall Memorial Supporting Foundation will be shared.

Our evening will end with abundant entertainment from the southern gospel music group, "The Helmsmen" out of Michigan.

If you are not a supporting contributor member of the Paulding County Area Foundation, and would like to attend the annual meeting and dinner, please contact the office for dinner reservations. Please respond by phone or mail by April 1st with your RSVP.

I would be happy to assist you in becoming a supporter. As a supporter of the Paulding County Area Foundation, your financial gift allows for the Foundation to grant 501(c)3 organizations funds through our General Endowment Fund. In 2012, we were able to grant \$3,200.00 to local organizations, making a difference in Paulding County.

We, at the Paulding County Area Foundation, are proud to assist the needs of the people of Paulding County. We cordially invite you to attend our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Meeting and Dinner on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact the office at 101 E. Perry Street, Paulding, OH. 419-399-8296 for further information.



Pictured are Ron Williamson, Food Service Program Director with the Senior Center and LIA fundraising chair; Megan Clark, Administrative Assistant with Arend, Laukhuf, & Stoller and LIA fundraising team member and George Suvar, manager of Latty Grain.

George Suvar, manager of Latty Grain, is eager to get back into the swing of things since the June 29, 2012 storm caused extensive damage to his business. George stated, "We (Latty Grain) are back in business after the storm and are ready to serve the community." Demonstrating his commitment, Mr. Suvar and Latty Grain have donated to the Herb Monroe Community Park Project.

# SEARCHING FOR PEACE IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

Jesus taught, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid," (John 14:27 ESV).

You might not know Abraham Maslow, but his thinking has really hijacked the way that we pursue peace. In an article in 1943, he argued that we can't be self-actualized people until we have a good self-esteem. And we can't have a good self-esteem until we have love and belonging. And we can't experience love and belonging until we have our need for safety met. And we can't have our safety met until we have our bare minimum physiological needs met. One need met builds on the top of others until we have arrived at our goal in life. Generally, I would agree with this idea, but Jesus is the trump card. Instead of helping us traverse through Maslow's hierarchy of needs to finding the great life, Jesus just catapults us over the needs right into the midst of a great life.

Peace isn't found on the other end of our needs being met. It's about us being in the will of God. It's about having Jesus. The word translated peace can be understood as wholeness or completeness. Peace is found when one is made whole.

Think of it as our bodies. When you hurt a finger or a thumb, you realize how much it hurts to not be whole. If you lose a leg or an arm, you can still make do, but not being whole makes things much more difficult. Peace is wholeness. It's when we are completed. It's not when everything is perfect. It's not when all our needs are met. It's when we are whole.

In Liberia, I met this lady named Hawa. They call her Mother Hawa. During the Liberian Civil Wars, she found herself in a refugee camp in Nigeria for fourteen years. She didn't have her needs met. Her family was gone. She was alone. She was hungry. Safety wasn't even close to guaranteed. Yet she stepped out in faith and started an orphanage there in the middle of that refugee camp. She would meet needs. She would bring safety. She would love. She took in nearly one hundred kids and spent her life taking care of them.

One night during my recent trip to Liberia, I sat down with Mother Hawa outside the school in Johnsonville and we chatted for around an hour. Here I was, the rich American. Blessed beyond her greatest imaginings. Each of you, blessed beyond her greatest imaginings. And I was sitting by this sweet, precious fifty-year old lady who has spent most of her life taking care of orphans in a nation that produces a lot of orphans. She may not be as physically rich as us, but spiritually, she is a giant, who has every right to look down on me and all I have in a world where some have so little. Yet she doesn't. She is filled with love.

I heard her life's story.

# MORE DONATIONS FOR HERB MONROE COMMUNITY PARK



Pictured are Marge Roughton, Ron Williamson, Food Service Program Director with the Senior Center and LIA fundraising chair and Sonya Herber, Executive Director of the United Way of Paulding County and LIA project chair looking over plans for the Herb Monroe Community Park. Marge and her family Kevin and Sue Dangler, Greg and Jan Stoller and Marge's brother, Donald Bidlack, have made a donation toward this community project

And what a life. She is freed from the refugee camp, but she still pursues her calling. She runs an orphanage now in Liberia. In the midst of despair and hopelessness, she found peace. Not through having some hierarchy of needs met. She found peace in the midst of not having her needs met. Instead of working her way up to the top of the hierarchy of needs, Jesus carried her straight to the top. He says that you may not have your needs met. You may go a day or days without food, but I am going to use you to give food to others. You may not feel safe at night, but I'm going to use you to bring safety to others. You may not have a family, but I'm going to use you to be the family to others. And in that, she finds peace. What a beautiful, sacred peace. I was blessed to be in the presence of it.

Jesus claims to give us peace. But have you ever noticed that at times you feel like something is missing? That you are called to something that you currently aren't experiencing? That you haven't found peace even as a follower of Jesus? That's when you should look at Jesus' hierarchy of needs.

We want to be blessed, but we shouldn't pursue blessings. We should pursue being a blessing. We want to find peace, but we shouldn't pursue peace. We should live

a life forgiving and loving others. We want to be loved, but we shouldn't pursue being loved. We should pursue loving others.

We must pursue Jesus. Pursue His will. Pursue His plan for our life. He will lead us to love, which will lead us to peace, which will lead us to blessings. That hole we have can only be filled by passionately pursuing loving Jesus and loving others more. Lasting Peace is not found outside of Jesus; it is found in Him. In Him we can be whole.

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

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Woodburn Lutheran School will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00-2:00 p.m., for Preschool - 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Families will have the opportunity to meet the teachers, tour the school, and obtain information on the enrollment process and tuition assistance.

Indiana State Parent Choice voucher applications for the 2013/14 school year are available in the WLS school office. Income and eligibility requirements can be found at the Indiana Department of Education website: [www.doe.in.gov](http://www.doe.in.gov) (Click Hot Topics/Choice Program.)

Vouchers are available for students entering grades 2-8. However, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students may be eligible for an SGO, (Scholarship Granting Organization), award from WLS that will qualify them for a future voucher.

New students of WLS, entering grades 1-8, must complete an enrollment form, pay the registration fee, and complete an entrance exam. Kindergarten students will be required to complete a Kindergarten readiness test. Enrollment forms are available at the WLS school office and at the Open House. Classes are filling up, please register early!

Woodburn Lutheran School offers a caring, Christ-centered educational environ-

ment that allows students to grow academically and spiritually. If you have any questions, or would like further information, please contact, Sally Stites, at 260-632-5493.

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as he was an encourager, and would take the time to teach someone the necessary skills that they would need to help with the task he asked them to get involved in."

The prior recipients of the Bill Fritcha Memorial Award were Bill Fritcha in 2011 and Mr. Leon Davis in 2012.

Diane Fritcha, the widow of Bill Fritcha, was on hand to present the award created in honor of her late husband to Detective Sergeant Robison's family. "I knew Craig, and my family and I thought he was incredibly deserving of this award," said Mrs. Fritcha after the announcement of Craig Robison as the recipient of the 2013 Bill Fritcha Memorial Award.

Detective Sergeant Robison was a 21 year veteran of the New Haven Police Department. He was a Deputy Allen County Coroner, a member of the Indiana Coroner's Association, a Special Deputy U.S. Marshall, a member of the Federal Bank Robbery Task Force, and a Fraternal Order of Police and D.A.R.E. Officer. He also served for 27 years as a member and past president of the New Haven Festival Committee.

Robison passed away on July 1, 2011 at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne after suffering a heart attack at his home in New Haven.

On behalf of the grateful community of New Haven on the occasion of Detective Sergeant Robison's recognition as the Bill Fritcha Memorial Award recipient, I think it is safe to say that we are all relieved that Judge Robison failed at talking his little brother out of his life's calling as a law enforcement officer.

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**CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL LAUNCHES PRESCHOOL PROGRAM WITH OPEN HOUSE**



**By: Beth Stauffer**

On Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>, Central Lutheran School in New Haven, IN hosted an Open House for its brand new Preschool Program that is slated to begin in fall of 2013. The program boasts recently renovated, brightly colored, child-centric rooms on the lower level of Emanuel Lutheran Church located across the parking lot from Central Lutheran School on Green Street.

38 families, over 100 people in all, attended the event on Sunday to tour the renovated classrooms and meet the new Preschool Director and Teacher, Mrs. Jenna Hicks. Mrs. Hicks is a Fort Wayne native who attended both Holy Cross Lutheran School and Concordia Lutheran High School. She attended Concordia University in Mequon, WI before teaching preschool for three years in New Orleans, LA.

In 2011, Mrs. Hicks was named the Lutheran Education Association's Early Childhood New Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Hicks currently resides in Fort Wayne with her husband, Matt, a teacher at Concordia Lutheran High School, and her infant daughter, Briella.

Of Central Lutheran's new Preschool Director/Teacher, Principal Kevin Creutz said, "We are thrilled to welcome Mrs. Hicks as part of our faculty and we look forward to her ministry here at Central Lutheran Preschool."

Central Lutheran School is a ministry of three of New Haven's Association Member Churches: Emanuel Lutheran Church located at 800 Green Street, Martini Lutheran Church located at 333 Moeller Road, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church—Gar Creek located at 1910 North Berthaud Road. The CLS Preschool, in addition to being an extension of Central Lutheran School, will also work in tandem with Martini Lutheran Church's Kid Club Program which provides quality before and after school care and daycare for children ages 1 and walking through 12 years of age.

The new CLS Preschool will offer educational experiences for young children ages 3, 4, and 5 (Kindy Prep), and features affordable tuition and small class sizes. For more information about the CLS Preschool, contact Enrollment Manager Kelly Beverly at 260-493-2502 ext. 337 or via e-mail at [kbeverly@cluth.org](mailto:kbeverly@cluth.org).

**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

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

1. Luke 7:1 - Who is the he in this verse?
2. 7:1 - what did he conclude in this verse?
3. Luke 7:1 - What did Jesus enter in this verse?
4. Luke 7:2 - What was wrong with the Centurion's servant?
5. Luke 7:3 - Who did Centurion hear about?
6. Luke 7:3 - Who did the Centurion send to Jesus?
7. Luke 7:3 - Who were the Jewish elders pleading to?
8. Luke 7:4 - What did the Jewish elders say about the Centurion's servant?
9. Luke 7:5 - What did the Centurion think about the nation Israel?
10. Luke 7:5 - Why had the Centurion built for the Jews?

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 questions:

1. Jesus; 2. blind leading the blind; 3. they both fall in the ditch; 4. no; 5. his teacher; 6. speck; 7. a plank; 8. a hypocrite; 9. remove the plank from his eye. 10. no
- Some comments on the verses we have studied. Luke 7:1-10 - After Jesus finished his teachings in chapter 6, he goes to Capernaum. As we study the Scriptures we see that he made his residence at Capernaum. 7:2 - A Centurion is a Roman military officer in charge of 100 soldiers. A Centurion's slave was sick and Luke 7:3-5 - He sends some Jewish elders and friends of the Centurion to Jesus on his behalf. Notice how highly the Jewish elders speak of the Centurion. They told Jesus that he loves our nation and built us a synagogue. Verse six - The Centurion tells Jesus he is not worthy enough for Jesus to come under his roof. And Luke 7:9 - It says Jesus marveled at the Centurion—what does this mean? Marvel means to be astonished, as Jesus was about the Centurion's faith. Also this is mentioned in Mark 6:6 about the unbelief of the crowd. One shows the faith of a Gentile and the other the unbelief of the Jews.
- Ol' Baldy says bye for now. Surely pray you continue to pray and study.

**ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT AT ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB**

The Antwerp Conservation Club will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. The ACC is located at 17814 Township Road 53. It is open to the public.

Dress the children for the weather as we have no rain date.

Bring a basket for the children to gather the eggs.

Cupcakes and punch will be served after they open the eggs and get the prizes.

For information call Helen Livingston at 419-542-7871 or 260-444-9794.

**TENEBRAE SERVICE ON GOOD FRIDAY AT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn would like to invite the community to a Tenebrae service on Good Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please join us as we present "The Shadow of the Cross" in a dramatic service that will walk us through the final hours of Jesus' life including his crucifixion. Through scripture and music we will be reminded of the magnitude of God's love; a love so great that it continues through all time and eternity. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it," (John 1:5).

For more information visit our web site at [www.zionwoodburn.org](http://www.zionwoodburn.org) or call the church office 260-632-4679.

**WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?**

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

Henry Ward Beecher was a preacher in Brooklyn. Once in a while a certain member of his congregation would approach him and say, "I counted your mistakes in English today, and

you had 20."

Dr. Beecher would smile and reply, "Oh, I don't know. I bet you I made at least 40!" Then Beecher would laugh and give the man a warm handshake.

During that same time there was a young lad named Michael who would sit in the back pew and listen to the great preacher.

Michael was an immigrant boy and had not been long in the United States. He would sit and listen and marvel about the truths shared by this wonderful man of God.

Later, Michael grew up to be Dr. Michael Pupin, professor at Columbia University and noted inventor. When asked of the reason for his drive and desire to succeed, he said, "You know when I was a boy, I was lonely and trying to find my way."

And then Dr. Pupin made this statement: "But nothing so inspired, stimulated, and blessed me more than those sermons of Dr. Henry Ward Beecher."

Interesting. One listener found grammatical mistakes and one youngster found help. All determined by what they were looking for. What are you looking for?

Is your goal always to be right on everything? Is it always to have your own way, always to criticize what others do, always to insist on things going according to YOUR agenda?

Or is your goal, rather, always to be teachable, always to look at people, circumstances, and situations and ask, "Lord, what would you have me to learn through this?" Far too many of us would just as soon be negative and critical, as teachable and flexible.

I'll make a deal with you. Let's both determine to cut others a little more slack and give a little more of the benefit of the doubt. And let's also try to discover what God is trying to develop in our lives.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Recently, there was an article in the Paulding Progress on reopening the new jail. I am all for this as long as someone can explain where the taxpayers' money went the first time. We, the people, passed a mill levy for operation of the new jail; before it even opened, it was specifically earmarked for the operation of the new jail. This levy was for five years and as close as I can calculate, created over a million dollars for the operation of the new jail. If you don't believe this check it out for yourself; it is on micro film at your public library. I went to the great jail debate held at the fair grounds extension office. No one could explain where this money went, they just needed more to keep the new jail in operation. It had not been open very long when they wanted a new levy for operation, until someone can explain where our money went. I encourage you to vote "no" again—not even our sheriff at the time

could explain this. Don't forget, they also forgot to pay the electric bill, but tried to explain that they thought they were operating at a very low cost; however, it cost us more money but they tried to cover this up by once again how it was going to save the county money because they could spread the amount they owed to the electric company by borrowing the money over a period of years. Yeah right! How stupid do they think we are? Once again a cover up! I will support the new jail when they can be responsible with our money, and if it is going to save the taxpayers money by not shipping prisoners back and forth I would like to know where that money we are going to save is going to be used.

Taxpayers beware! Make sure before they fool us again. Hopefully our new sheriff will get us headed in the right direction. Good luck, Mr. Landers, but as of right now my vote is a big "NO".

—Don Smith

RESPONSE TO THE EDITOR

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to an editorial submitted by a concerned citizen in regards to our county jail. In the past two and a half months, I have had the opportunity to speak with Channel 21 Alive News out of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Clear Channel News from Columbus, Ohio, The Crescent News and the Paulding Progress about my position on our closed jail. The neat thing about those opportunities is that I did not contact any of them, they contacted me. As I understand it, this all started after a concerned citizen reached out to the news media inquiring as to why our recently constructed jail remains closed.

I think this is wonderful coverage of a very important topic, and I did not shy away from the interested reporters. I believe that our jail being closed is an issue that deserves such attention, and I have pledged along the

way to give it a solid look to see if our building should be back in operation. There are a lot of facts that need to be looked at, and numbers have to be calculated, many of which are an educated guess because something we do not know for a fact is how many folks will be in need of a place to sleep in our facility day-to-day.

I commit to the concerned citizens of Paulding County that my jail administrator, as well as the Board of County Commissioners and myself are working together to see if it is more reasonable to continue to out-house our inmates, or reopen this state-of-the-art correctional facility. That is not an overnight task. I assume it will take several more months of my administration reviewing facts and numbers before any type of proposal is brought to the Board of Commissioners or the voting public.

On an informative side note; when the jail was in use in 2007 and 2008, our daily inmate average was 23 inmates per day and this building was justified. We hit a historic low for 2010 at 11.8 inmates per day. Today while I type this editorial, we have 26 inmates. Paulding County will pay Putnam County \$1170.00 today for our inmates to have a bed, and that is a fact not a guess.

In closing, I appreciate the fact that our citizens are showing concern for our county jail. I will work hard on educating the public on the facts of the operations of this office, most importantly if our jail should be reopened and why.

—Paulding County Sheriff, Jason K. Landers

HOW GREAT IS GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU?

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

I read a story this week of how a father in Japan gave his life in an effort to spare the life of his daughter. With Easter only a few weeks away, this father's sacrificial death provides insight for us into the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ for the souls of those who by faith, placed their trust in Him.

Last week during severe blizzards in Japan, a father froze to death while sheltering his daughter. The story reads, "Mikio Okada died as he tried to protect his only child, Natsune, against winds of up to 109kph and temperatures that plunged as low as minus 6 degrees Celsius."

Mr. Okada called his relatives to say that he was stranded and that he and Natsune would try to walk to their destination. But they were both found just 300 metres from the truck.

The story continued, "Mr. Okada was reportedly found hunched over his daughter, cradling her in his arms and apparently using his body and a warehouse wall to provide shelter. He had taken his jacket off to give to the child, a broadcaster said. The young girl was taken to a hospital near their home ... where she was found to have no serious injuries."

The apostle John wrote, "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and

sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins."

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: defycf@embarqmail.com

VANTAGE BOARD HEARS ABOUT ED GEE PROJECT 3/7/13

The Vantage Career Center Board of Education held their March board meeting in the District Conference room on Thursday, March 7, 2013. The minutes from the February 7, 2013 regular board meeting were approved along with financial statements for the month of January, 2013. The Board approved a resolution to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorize the necessary tax levies and certify them to the county auditor.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman reviewed the successful Grand Open House, and presented updates on the solar array and LEED status on the OSFC co-funded construction project. She welcomed and introduced seven members of the junior Industrial Mechanics program and their teacher, Mr. Kevin Van Oss, who had just returned from the ACTE Student Showcase at the Ohio Statehouse where their "Ed Gee" project had been selected to be displayed. Designer Connie Boley was also on hand as the students explained their roles in the project. High School Director Bob Vennekotter reported on final construction tasks, staff training on new technology, activities in career technical programs and upcoming events. Adult Education Director Pete Prichard updated the Board on the current initiatives, an informational Vet Tech program meeting, the addition of an Industrial Maintenance program, as well as full- and part-time program enrollment and upcoming classes and accreditation options.

- In new business, the Board:
    - Employed the following: Ben Winans, Student Services Supervisor, three-year contract; Ted Verhoff, T & I Supervisor, three-year contract; Lori Balliet, Asst. Treasurer, continuing; Dave Young, Maintenance Supervisor, continuing;
    - Employed the following as needed, as scheduled: Annette Klinger, Media/PR secretary; Kristy Rogers and Deborah Eckhart, cafeteria cooks;
    - Employed Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Rylee Carlisle, Welding;
    - Accepted the resignation of Cary Hengstler, Adult Ed STNA instructor effective March 4, 2013;
    - Appointed Bob Vennekotter as the District's Homeless Liaison per school policy;
    - Accepted the donation of scrap steel, with the value of \$4,760 from the Crown Corporation of New Bremen, Ohio, for the career technical education programs;
    - Approved overnight trips to Columbus for State BPA competition (March 14-15), FCCLA competition (April 17-19), SkillsUSA (April 22-23), FFA competition (May 2-3), and ACTE Student Showcase (March 6-7);
    - Approved Interdistrict Open Enrollment checklist for FY 2013-2014;
    - Approved the resolution to oppose, Governor Kasich's biennial budget (HB 59) which proposes to expand the Educational Choice Scholarship Program through two new programs that will significantly increase the number of publicly-funded vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools;
    - First reading of NEOLA new, revised or replacement policies. No Board action required at this time.
- The next Board meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2013 in the District Office Conference Room prior to the All Boards Dinner in the Commons Area at 6:00 p.m.

SPRING IS IN THE AIR IN NEW HAVEN!



Carousel Owner Tom Drummond, Audrey Luebke, and Manager Jamie Trammel

By: Beth Stauffer

Thursday, March 14th, 2013 was a beautiful day in New Haven, IN. The sky was blue, the sun was shining, and all signs seemed to point to the fact that spring is in the air. Another sure sign that spring is on the way is that on Friday, March 15, 2013 Carousel Ice Cream opened for the season in downtown New Haven.

On Thursday afternoon, Carousel Ice Cream owner Tom Drummond and his staff, Store Manager Jamie Trammel and employee Audrey Luebke, were hard at work preparing for Friday's Grand Re-Opening. Drummond, who is a New York native that splits his time between New York and New Haven, said he is excited to open for Carousel's second season in 2013 at the store's location at 717 Broadway, right down the block from Schnelker Park.

The staff was busy on Thursday afternoon preparing Carousel's signature homemade ice cream that is made in-store daily. Each one of Carousel's 30 specialty recipes is made in six gallon batches inside the store and takes approximately one hour to churn in the special ice cream maker located behind the counter. In addition to filling the freezer at the New Haven location, Mr. Drummond says he

also sells and transports ice cream made in New Haven to five different restaurants in the state of New York, and hopes to add additional locations to his roster of clientele in the near future.

According to Store Manager Jamie Trammel, some of the most popular flavors at Carousel Ice Cream last year included Cotton Candy, Oreo Banana, Butter Pecan, and Brownie Batter. This year, a few new flavors have been added to the mix, including Almond Joy, S'mores, and Lemon Supreme Cake Batter. "Our ice cream tastes so good because we make it all here in our store, and we use real ingredients," said Mr. Drummond, adding, "Our cheesecake flavors even have real pieces of graham cracker crust mixed in to add flavor and texture."

Carousel Ice Cream also offers four different flavors of tasty and refreshing Italian Ice: Cherry, Strawberry-Banana, Mango, and Lemon. On the first day of Spring (March 20th) and the first day of Summer (June 21st), all Carousel customers will receive a free medium Italian Ice.

Initial hours at Carousel for the Spring of 2013 are 12:00-7:00 p.m., seven days a week.

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**OLD DAN AND I: CHAPTER 30**

By: Stan Jordan

Last night in our ready room, it's actually our all purpose room, General Norm took the floor, laid out our next raid. "Fellows we have our next hush-hush job and it is also top on the list. Northern England and the Shetland Islands tell us that across the North Sea in Norway, and on the south end of Norway. There is a lot of big and tall radio antennas. The radios are very powerful and they are helping Berlin know all that is going on with the Royal Navy.

"The radio towers are ringed with radar and bombers don't do much damage when our bombs are dropped from 30,000 feet—not much accuracy. They want us to blow the towers down to the ground level, so they will be out of commission for a long time." Then he said, "Maybe you can blow their legs off right at the foundation with

the new 5 inch rockets the Americans just developed.

"Now tomorrow we can load the planes with all the ordinance and extra fuel tanks. We won't take any Napalm this time as the ground is sure to be covered with snow and that will protect the buildings from burning.

"Gentleman, that is 600 miles each way and with the extra fuel tanks, you should be able to make it with extra to spare. You can only make two passes at the target before you start for home.

"The towers are at the south end of Norway, just to the left of Kristanland around the small village of Wattland.

"If you fly a little slower and higher it will help conserve fuel, but you already know that.

"If you leave here at 9:45 a.m. and fly at 300 mph you will get there about 12 noon the way we always do. That generally works out pretty good.

"But now, keep this in mind: The towers are 300-400 feet in the air. They will have quite a few wires running from tower to tower. You could get caught in there like a fly in a spider's web. Don't try to fly between towers, stay above them. We want to destroy the towers but with no casualties. All the planes have cameras so be sure to use them. I want you to make two passes on the target if possible. Start home as soon as you finish the second pass and I'm sure you can make it

back here."

Well, we took two P-51's and got off at 9:45 and headed due North at about 10,000 ft altitude. Dan had the maps and directions. Radio silence was required except if necessary. Well, we passed Arnun, Denmark then we started to descend to near ground level to get under the radars. The other boys followed Dan as he went down. We are now arriving at the south end of Norway.

We slowed down to about 200 mph so we could seek and destroy the towers.

We arrived at the South end of Norway, making a turn to the left at the edge of the Norway Peninsula and in a minute or two there are the three big radio towers, our target for the day.

Dan fired a 40 mm round into the building below the tower and then another round into the third tower's building and both blew sky high. We made a big circle so the other planes could do their jobs.

Lt. Hornish put a rocket into two legs of the first tower. That is very dangerous because the pieces of steel shot out all over and the tower is still standing, but leaning a little. Lt. Wiltsie did about the same thing with the second tower and had the same results. Dan and I are now heading to the second tower and blew that radio shack to smithereens.

Lt. Hornish flew around back and hit the second tower and it shook and swaying, falling into the North Sea. Lt. Wiltsie took another pass around and shot off two rockets to tower number three. It hit, teetered and fell to the ground. The anti-aircraft shells are getting thicker in the air now and Dan and I started shooting up the anti-aircraft weapons. The other two pilots blew the middle tower over the bank and into the North Sea. By now the small arms fire is getting pretty heavy and I can see a few holes in our rudder.

I heard Dan on the radio say, "Let's take the elevator up to 5000 feet at 180 degrees. We did a fine job. Let's head back to our airbase."

We didn't drop our fuel tanks and we have a little drag, but we have enough to get back to Aachen.

See ya!

**SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 57: CONCLUSION**

By: Stan Jordan

Dear friends and readers, this is the final chapter of *Sam Rivers, Indian Agent*.

He has been called to Washington DC to meet with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Bureau recognizes the fact that Sam has done an excellent job with the Indians. He has spent eight years with two of the Lakota Nation Tribes. The have learned to speak and understand English.

They have developed a better way to farm and garden. They learned how to cook and raise our type of foods. They had done stuff their way for hundred of years, but the white man's way were better, easier and quicker. Most of the Indians wanted to learn the white man's ways, but some old timers didn't want the change at all.

The Bureau wants Sam to lead some workshops, training men in the ways and learning of the Red Men, showing other Federal workers about their life and beliefs. Sam never lied to the Indians. He always looked them right straight in the eye and talked to them directly. He didn't look down on the Indians because of their ways. He always showed them respect and it paid off. They respected him and all he stood for. The bureau wants all of their agents to be as successful as Sam Rivers and maybe Sam can teach them that.

Sam said, "Callie and the twin boys, Ned & Ted, and Yellow Tulip will live in a cottage at Fort Kearney. The boys will go to school while Callie and Yellow Tulip run their successful clothing store. Yellow Tulip also is going to school in the evenings.

"1st Lt. Billy Metzger is the Post Veterinarian now. Rooster or Moe, Gardener and Slim are all corporals now. They are the soldiers who helped us managed the Indian Agency. All are fluent in the Lakota language and that might come in handy down the road.

"Sgt. Major at the Fort is now eligible to retire. Gen. Kearney is also eligible to retire but he has decided to stay in the Army for now. He is very worried about the situation with the southern states.

"He is like a true soldier, he is going to stay and do his part. It was people like this who settled the west. Good Bye."

See ya!

**ANTWERP HISTORY: OLD GEEZERS PLAYING BASKETBALL**



By: Stan Jordan

The above picture was given to me by Rex Hurni.

It is of a basketball game between the Antwerp Methodist and the Lutheran Churches. Also in the league was St. Mary's Catholic and

the Presbyterian boys.

In this picture starting from left to right is Rex Hurni, #25 is Walter Schilb (right in front), and the tall boy blocking the shot is Denny Shuherk, the boy dribbling is unknown.



Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards.

One day, they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, "Now don't get mad at me... I know we've been friends for a long time, but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is."

Her friend glared at her for at least three minutes—she just glared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

See ya!

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 3/4/13**

This 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Fred Pieper, Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:** Warrants documented as 195888 through 196010 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on February 27, 2013, Warrants numbered 195861 through 195877 in the amount of \$41,538.00; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**TRAVEL REQUESTS:**

Tim Baumle, OSVSC Spring Conference, Dublin OH - April 5-7, 2013

Greg Geyer, OSVSC Spring Conference, Dublin OH - April 5-7, 2013

Roger Taylor, OSVSC Spring Conference, Dublin OH - April 5-7, 2013

Dan Wilder, OSVSC Spring Conference, Dublin OH - April 5-7, 2013

Ann Pease, NW Ohio Clerk of Courts' Meeting, Ottawa OH - March 8, 2013

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING BID FOR THE 2013 PAU-CR 79-1.33 (PID NO. 83343) BRIDGE PROJECT:**

Seven (7) proposals were received for the 2013 PAU-CR 79-1.33 (PID No. 83343) Bridge Project on February 20, 2013; and after review of the aforementioned proposals, the Paulding County Engineer, Travis McGarvey, has recommended that the project be awarded to Eagle Bridge Company, 800 S. Van Demark Rd., PO Box 59, Sidney, OH 45365. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the 2013 PAU-CR 79-1.33 (PID No. 83343) Bridge Project to Eagle Bridge Company, in the amount of \$368,707.75.

**IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING BID FOR THE 2013 PAU-CR 87-8.61 (PID NO. 84899) BRIDGE PROJECT:**

Six (6) proposals were received for the 2013 PAU-CR 87-8.61 (PID No. 84899) Bridge Project on February 20, 2013; and after review of the aforementioned proposals, the Paulding County Engineer, Travis McGarvey, has recommended that the project be awarded to R & I Construction, Inc., 2931 S St. Rt. 67, Tiffin, OH 44883. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the 2013 PAU-CR 87-8.61 (PID No. 84899) Bridge Project to R & I Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$691,422.20.

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Claudia Fickel, County Auditor

- Ms. Fickel met with the Commissioners to discuss the indirect audit costs. It was suggested the bills go out soon so that reimbursement to the General Fund can occur during the current year. Indirect audit costs billed in 2013 are for audited calendar year 2011. Ms. Fickel reported Greg Flowers (Build-a-Computer) spent last Friday installing the firewall as a precursor to installing the updated ISSG software. The ISSG software is used for accounting functions in the Auditor's Office.

Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts - The Commissioners and Ms. Pease discussed the proposals received for the renovating of the Courthouse employee lounge.

Aaron Timm - Mr. Timm met briefly with the Commissioners. He had questions about the sewer project generators received last week at the Engineer's Office. He reported the generators have been washed off and are being stored out of the weather. Mr. Timm will make sure the generators are labeled as sewer project equipment and he requested gratis plates be ordered for them. If the generators need to be used, the protocol is to call the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office, in turn, will contact Mr. Timm to gain access to the storage building at the Engineer's Office site. The Commissioners agreed the generators need to be tested to make sure the connections are compatible with the sewer pump stations.

Becky Suvar, WMEA - Ms. Suvar spoke with the Commissioners by phone to suggest a tour of the Quasar Energy project in Haviland as part of the Four-County Solid Waste District quarterly meeting to be hosted by Paulding County in April. She offered to contact the other counties involved to see if there is interest in a tour of the facility.

Georgia Dyson, Dog Warden; and Ken Huckabaa, Deputy Dog Warden

- Ms. Dyson presented her revised 2013 budget for the Commissioners' review. A comparison of 2011 to 2012 noted an increase in the revenue. Ms. Dyson reported 2013 dog tag sales are up from 2012. She noted her truck is a 2003 Chevy S-10 and has 130,000 miles. She pointed out a significant increase in carryover funds from 2011 and 2012. Ms. Dyson also commented there are 678 dog tags purchased in 2012 that have not been renewed in 2013. She estimates 1,000 more dogs that have not been tagged. Ms. Dyson requested the permission to purchase another vehicle (see resolution above). At the Commissioners' request, Ms. Dyson is keeping a log of her phone calls.

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Set-up Day is Thursday, March 21 from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm only.  
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Due to limited space, pre-registration is important.

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# PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL BAND PRESENTS DINNER CONCERT "MUSIC OF THE NIGHT"



If you are ever in need to hire a teenager for a job, think about asking a band student. The kids in the Paulding Band are hard workers. They really work together to be a group of young people to be proud of and can count on to bring recognition to the Paulding Schools and community. This year they tried something new, they competed in marching band competition. The band originally decided to perform for "comments only" but when Mr. Don Clark, the band director asked if they wanted to try for a rating; they chose to try. They received an excellent rating, even surpassing bands that compete on a more regular basis.

These band kids and their Band Booster parents have worked and fundraised hard to accomplish their goals. The much awaited trip to Orlando will be coming up April 2.

As soon as they get back, the biggest fundraiser the Paulding Band participates in will be here April 13. Music Of The Night,

also known as MOTN, is a great night to help the band. The kids spend a lot of time learning songs just for that night to entertain their guests. This year's theme is music from the movies and Broadway. This event is a fantastic dinner concert and is by reservation only. We open the doors at 6:30 p.m. and a fun night begins. Dinner is catered by our friends at Grant's Catering followed by silent auction items, a raffle for an iPad mini and a 50/50 raffle complete the evenings fundraisers.

After Florida and MOTN the kids will kick into gear for spring concerts, graduation festivities and the Memorial Day Program. The band also marches in the John Paulding Parade and the Peony Parade in Van Wert. Just when it seems that band is over it is time for band camp and getting ready for a marching football season. These band kids sure can work!

If you would like to join the Paulding Band for their MOTN please contact the high school office or any

band member to make your reservation. Questions can be sent to the school in care of Mr. Don Clark, or the Paulding Band Boosters. d\_clark@pauldingschools.org

## GMC ALL-CONFERENCE BOYS BASKETBALL SELECTIONS

Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference selections for Boys Basketball for the 2012-2013 season:

### PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Ben Riehle, Edgerton 12  
**FIRST TEAM:**  
 Ben Riehle, Edgerton 12; Jacob Adams, Edgerton 12; Derek Grim, Holgate 12; Derek Drewes, Tinora 11; Dalton Sinn, Wayne Trace 12; Ryan Kortokrax, Wayne Trace 12

**SECOND TEAM:**  
 Noah Ganger, Antwerp 12; Jacob Smith, Ayersville 12; Max Nihart, Edgerton 10; Mitchell Gonzalez, Holgate 12; Robert Wuo, Tinora 12; Grady Gudakunst, Wayne Trace 12

### HONORABLE MENTION:

Derek Smalley, Antwerp 11; Trey Bauman, Ayersville 11; Duane Miller, Edgerton 10; Daniel Smith, Fairview 11; Conner Yoder, Hicksville 12; Jake Aelker, Holgate 12; Jacob Miller, Tinora 10; Corbin Linder, Wayne Trace 10

## MANOR HOUSE GYM WINTER VOLLEYBALL COMPLETE

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade and under winter volleyball season has come to a close with Defiance St. John Lutheran defeating Woodlan Blue 25-22; 25-22 in a hard fought final. The game was a culmination of a great day of improved play. Bryan knocked off the Woodburn Lutheran School Blue team 25-22; 25-18 and Woodlan Blue taking out the Woodburn Lutheran School Blue team 25-8 and 25-13. Lincolnview knocked out Wayne Trace 25-16; and a long set of 28-26. In the final four semi-final round it took extra matches and exciting play on both courts as Defiance SJ beat Lincolnview 25-21; 22-25; and 15-8. Woodlan Blue came from behind to beat Defiance 14-25; 25-23; 15-13, setting up the championship final.

It was noted that the league was organized to help improve volleyball play at this younger age level and it was evident in all games that the level of play was raised throughout the season.

# EACS BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO HOST COMMUNITY FORUMS REGARDING SUPERINTENDENT'S SEARCH

The East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustee realizes the importance of the outcome of hiring a Superintendent and will make every effort to allow EACS staff, parents and community members to participate in the selection of the next Superintendent. The Board will provide a search that is as open and as transparent as possible. To that end, the Board will be collecting input during several forums over the course of the next several weeks and providing opportunities for individuals to complete electronic surveys (to be posted soon on the EACS website - www.eacs.k12.in.us) to assist in choosing a new educational leader.

Please join the Board at the upcoming forums open to all parents and community members on:

**Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** - All New Haven/Harding attendance area schools will meet at New Haven High School

**Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** (at each respective attendance area's High School):

- All Heritage attendance area schools will meet at Heritage Jr./Sr. High School
- All Leo attendance area schools will meet at Leo Jr./Sr. High School
- All Woodlan attendance area schools will meet at Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School

It would help us if you would please reflect on the following questions prior to attending the meeting:

- What are the strengths of the schools in our communities that will attract a Superintendent?
- What are the challenges of the schools in our communities that a Superintendent will face?
- What are the personal and/or professional characteristics that will be absolutely essential for the success of the next Superintendent?

For more information, please visit the EACS website at www.eacs.k12.in.us.

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# FETTER & FRIENDS COMES TO PAULDING ELEMENTARY



Jack Fetter came to Paulding Elementary with his amazing animal presentation called "Fetter and Friends". He shared a wealth of information to the third graders about various animals. Shown

with Jack are Zach Gorrell holding a stuffed wood duck, Kyle Dominique holding the shell of a sea turtle, and Wyatt Beckman holding the horn of an African gembok.

## WOODBURN HISTORICAL SOCIETY SETS MARCH MEETING

Hey... all of you people out there, who have stories about Woodburn, plan to join us on March 28, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. We are always looking for more treasures to share with the community, so bring along anything that you think Grandpa and Grandma, Dad and Mom, big kids and little kids would be interested in seeing. Within the past few months we have received some very interesting things from the Bohren family and the Ernst Kammeyer family. We would like to share

them with you. The evening could get very interesting when you get to experience the lives of some of our older community members. These people wrote down their daily experiences and they were a lot different from 2013. Ladies, we thing that we are tough today... well, we "ain't" seen tough! We also would like to share some of the ideas and supplies that we received from the Indiana Historical Society and, we welcome any ideas that YOUR may have in preserving and displaying the material that we already have to share with the community. We also welcome any help that you can give in preparing the displays.

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- Horse Drawn Wagon Rides 9:00-11:30 am
- Tractor Wagon Rides 8-noon
- Sugar Shack, Tree Tapping & Collection Process
- Maple Products: Syrup, Candy, Fudge & Cotton Candy, • Kettle Corn
- Williams SWCD Tree Seedling Sale

**Woodland Events**

- Division of Forestry
- Edible Mushrooms
- Chainsaw Carving
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**Wildlife Events**

- Wildlife Pelts & Displays
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**Breakfast Cost:**  
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 More information call Williams SWCD at 419-636-9395

**KINDERGARTEN CAMP**  
 at Oakwood Elementary

**Who:** New Kindergartners for 2013-2014  
**When:** Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Oakwood Elementary café/gymnasium  
**What:** \*Fun activities for children familiarizing them with faces and places before Kindergarten screening  
 \*Papers for parents to fill out  
**Questions:** 419.594.3346

\*Children must be 5 yrs. old before August 1, 2013 to attend OE Kindergarten  
 \*Please bring: Certificate of live birth, immunization records, social security card, and custody papers  
 \*Kindergarten Registration/Screening: April 19, 2013



**VERY PRODUCTIVE WEEKEND FOR ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB**

The Antwerp Wrestling Club had the opportunity to wrestle in two different tournaments this past weekend (March 15-16). On Friday, March 15, 2013, eight Archer wrestlers competed at the Archbold Tournament. All eight wrestlers were able to place in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Placing 4<sup>th</sup> was Heaven Eaton. Capturing the 3<sup>rd</sup> place spot were Avin Johnson and Logan McKeever. Finishing runner-up were CJ Eaton and Aidan McAlexander. The wrestling club had 3 champions at Archbold as well. They were Kamren Johnson, Eli Reinhart, and Kaden Phares.

The Antwerp Wrestling Club also wrestled at Hicksville on Saturday, March 16. Many of the wrestlers competing Friday night returned to wrestle at Hicksville. All 15 Antwerp Wrestling Club participants placed in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Finishing 4<sup>th</sup> on the day at Hicksville were Derek Miller, Logan McKeever, Justin Shaffer, and Tyler Bauer. Placing 3<sup>rd</sup> were Alex Zijlstra, Hunter Sproles, and Heaven Eaton. Finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> on the day were CJ Eaton, Kaden Phares, and Aidan McAlexander. Placing 1<sup>st</sup> for the Antwerp Wrestling Club were Karsen Donat, Skyler Octaviano, Luke McKeever, Lance McKeever, and Eli Reinhart. This was also

Luke McKeever and Karsen Donat's first time to ever win a tournament. Also, Skyler Octaviano and Lance McKeever were able to win their first tournaments of this season.

For the whole weekend, the Antwerp Wrestling club was able to place all of the wrestlers who competed which is quite an accomplishment. They also had 8 individual champions with 2 first time winners as well as a double tournament winner in Eli Reinhart. Congratulations to all of the wrestling club for their hard work and their accomplishments. As the wrestling club season nears its end be sure to catch the Antwerp Wrestling Club as they compete at Wayne Trace on March 23, 2013 and then at their home

finale on April 6, 2013 at the Antwerp High School.

**NOTE:** It was also forgotten in last week's article that Logan McKeever placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Curt Florence Tournament in Ayersville on March 9, 2013.

**ANTWERP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THIRD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR**

**ALL A'S:**

3<sup>rd</sup> grade - Mia Altimus, Breanna Fulk, Alex Lehman, Luke McDorman, Gaige McMichael, Megan O'Donnell, Bradley Shroades, Kennedy Trabel, Ilse Zijlstra

4<sup>th</sup> grade - Rylan Brooks, Johnathon Buehrer, Maycee Contreras, Carmen Cruz, Halie Davis, Kadi Donat, Dylan Hines, Austin Lichty, Logan McKeever, Katie Oberlin, Molly Reinhart, Madison Ruen, Emily Sanders, Grace Tuttle

5<sup>th</sup> grade - Aleyah Cline, Alyssa Fuller, Adison Hindenlang, Chloe Saul, Blake Schuette

**ALL A's & B's:**

3<sup>rd</sup> grade - Alex Ade, Reece Buerkle, Nathan Dunstan, Kate Farr, Summer Franklin, Tucker Franklin, Jaidis Getrost, Hailey Grant, Brady Hatlevig, Grace Jones, Zachary Jones, Morgan Kniceley, Luke Krouse, Jagger Landers, Landon Lee, Emerson Litzenberg, Zachary Lockhart, Cade Lothamer, Shaelin McCrea, Jonathan Meyer, Faith Nestleroad, Kaden Phares, Jared Phillips, Draven Raens, Allison Reinhart, Samantha Rigsby, Grace Schuette, Lauren Schuller, Emma Shuherk, Madison Smith, Mason Steele, Austin Wade, Hayden Wagner, Trinity Wieland

4<sup>th</sup> grade - Morgan Boesch, Heaven Bruce, Jordan Buerkle, Lydia Butzin, Chase Clark, Mallory Eh-

**PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



Paulding High School has chosen their February Students of the Month. They are (l-r) Freshman Megan Reineck, Sophomore Alexis Howell, Junior Alyssa Shelmadine, Senior Caitlyn Pavel.

**AUCTIONEER TRAINING FOR OAKWOOD 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADERS**



The third graders at Oakwood Elementary were privileged to have local auctioneer, Tucker Shisler visit them on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. He shared about his training to become an auctioneer and how the job has changed over the years. Shown are third graders Wyatt Noffsinger, Olivia Sprouse, Paige Jones, and Haiden Newsome with Mr. Shisler.

rhart, Jason Geyer, Hunter Grant, Aaron Hawley, Asa Humes, Alicia Maag, Patrick Meyer, Chet Miller, Laura Miller, Eli Molitor, Siera Octaviano, Eric Thornell, Joshua Timbrook, Ryan Van Vlerah

5<sup>th</sup> grade - Madison Boesch, Sayge Bonifas, Karsyn Brumett, Alyvia DeVore, Boston Dunderman, Izik Garrett, Destin-ey Gerken, Carlie Hanes, Codee Hathaway, Nicole Kashner, Jayvin Landers, Garrett Laney, Nicholas McCreery, Sydney Miller, Ashton Minck, Heather Oberlin, Khadija Planz, Holly Sanders, Julia Steiner, Elyse Steury, Timmy Taylor, Kenzie Timbrook, Melanie Wann, Shayla Wieland, Ellie Wolf, Emma Zielke

Versailles upended Montpelier (Williams) in the finals following wins over Bryan (Williams) and Hicksville (Defiance). Montpelier beat Continental and Leo, IN (Allen, IN) in their pool.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> grade tournament, Spencerville (Allen, OH) also beat Montpelier in the finals. Spencerville got to the championship game by beating Crestview and Tinora (Defiance). Montpelier got to the finals through West Unity Hilltop and the young Ontario ladies travelling all the way from Richland County, near Mansfield. Next year's tournament has been established on March 14-15 and all teams noted they would like to return.

**PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER: 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SPRING SPRUCE-UP DAY AT SCHNELKER PARK**

Join us on April 13, 2013 for our seventh annual Spring Spruce up Day. We will meet at Schnelker Park for coffee and rolls at 8:30 a.m. Then volunteers will disperse to various park locations and work until 11:30 a.m. Afterwards you are invited to return to Schnelker Park for a cookout, weather permitting. Trash bags will be provided. Bring work gloves if you have them.

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**GET READY FOR SOME (FINANCIAL) SPRING CLEANING**



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

Spring is in the air — or, at the very least, it's on the calendar this week. And if you're like many people, you may be looking forward to doing some spring cleaning around your house and yard. But this year, why not go beyond your physical environment and do some "sprucing up" of your financial situation?

Here are a few possibilities to consider:

- Clean your portfolio of "clutter." When you go through your house, you may find some clutter in closets, storage areas, on top of desks, under beds or just about any other place. Your investment portfolio also may contain clutter, in the form of investments that no longer meet

your needs. Consequently, it's a good idea to "de-clutter" your portfolio periodically by selling those extraneous investments and using the proceeds to help purchase others that may be more effective in helping you make progress toward your financial goals.

- Consolidate your investments in one place. As you clean your house, you may find that you have many common items, such as brooms, hammers, duct tape and so on, scattered among various rooms. It might be more efficient to keep all such objects in one central location; this can help prevent you from needlessly replacing or duplicating them. As an investor, you may have an IRA with one financial services provider, an old 401(k) with a different one, and some other investments with yet another institution. If you consolidated all these investment vehicles with one provider, you might be able to save some fees and expenses. Perhaps even more importantly, by uniting all your investments in one place, you may find it easier to follow a central, unified investment strategy.

- Check for "gaps" in your financial strategy. Every spring, it's a good idea to check your gutters for leaks, your sidewalks for cracks and your paint for chips. By doing so, you'll help protect your home and surroundings. To help protect your family's future, it's important to have adequate life and disability

insurance.

- Plant seeds for growth. When spring arrives, it's time to plant the seeds for your flowers and vegetables. As an investor, you also have to be concerned about growth. Specifically, you'll want to consider investments that have the potential to grow enough to help provide the financial resources to meet your long-term goals, such as a comfortable retirement. Consequently, you should review your portfolio to determine if it contains an appropriate amount of growth-oriented vehicles for your individual objectives, time horizon and risk tolerance.

- Seek professional assistance. When you're tidying up for spring, you may find some jobs that you can't do alone, such as cleaning a heavily stained carpet, unclogging a blocked drain or trimming the highest branches on a tree. For these tasks, you might need to call in trained professionals. It's the same with investing: You can do some things on your own, but for complex tasks such as creating and maintaining an appropriate investment strategy, you may need to work with a financial professional.

Consider putting these spring-cleaning tips to work soon. They may just help put some sparkle and shine into your financial "house."

**2013 FEDERAL DUCK STAMP ART COMPETITION TO BE HELD AT OHIO'S MAUMEE BAY STATE PARK**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has selected Maumee Bay State Park Conference Center in Oregon, OH, as the site for its much anticipated Federal Duck Stamp Art Competition, which will be held on September 27-28. The selection, in part, pays homage to long-time Fish and Wildlife Service employee and acclaimed wildlife artist Bob Hines, who was born in Columbus, OH. The designer for the 1947 Duck Stamp, Hines also worked for the Ohio Division of Wildlife as a staff artist for many years.

"I am thrilled that the Midwest Region has again been selected to host the Federal Duck Stamp Contest," said Midwest Regional Director Tom Melius. "The Midwest has large conservation and art communities. The Federal Duck Stamp Contest is an opportunity to celebrate and honor both traditions."

"The quality marshes and wetlands along the shores of Lake Erie make the committee's choice of Northwest Ohio a great venue for the Federal Duck Stamp Contest," said Scott Zody, Chief, ODNr Division of Wildlife. "In addition to great natural resources, the region boasts some of the most dedicated and passionate waterfowl conservationists in the Midwest."

The Maumee Bay State Park Conference Center,

located at 1750 State Park Road #2 in Oregon, OH, is an ODNr facility that features a boardwalk and a nature center, among other amenities. Its selection is fitting because of its close proximity to the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge, 15 miles away on the shore of Lake Erie. Managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the refuge was established in 1961 to provide habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds, resident wildlife, and endangered and threatened species.

Also noteworthy is the gallery that bears Hines' name in the refuge's visitor center. It features an interpretive panel on Hines and a permanent exhibit of one of his paintings.

The Fish and Wildlife Service has a rich history of waterfowl conservation. The Federal Duck Stamp, heralded as one of the world's most successful conservation programs, is a testament to that success. Hunters, bird watchers and other outdoor recreationists, art and stamp collectors, and many other people who want to invest in wetland conservation buy Federal Duck Stamps. Ninety-eight cents of every dollar invested in the stamp permanently conserves wildlife habitat for future generations.

Proceeds from the sale of Duck Stamps are used to buy or lease wetlands and associated upland habitats for inclusion in the National Wildlife Refuge System. The stamp is a required purchase for hunters 16 years of age or older, and a current Federal Duck Stamp provides free admission into any national wildlife refuge.

"It's a small investment that brings American families long-term recreational and conservation returns," said Melius.

The Federal Duck Stamp Art Contest is the only legislatively mandated federal art competition in the nation. Thousands of wildlife artists have entered since the first open competition in 1949. A panel of art, waterfowl and philatelic authorities judges the art and selects the work for the next stamp. Judging will take place over a two-day period and is free and open to the public. The contest will also be streamed live on the Web.

This year's winning design will be featured as the 2014-2015 Duck Stamp, which is formally known as the Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp. For more information about the Duck Stamp Program or to view images of previous winners, visit: <http://www.fws.gov/duckstamps>.

To make reservations, and view images and a video of the host site, visit: <http://www.maumeebaystatepark-lodge.com/>

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We are both a leader and trusted partner in fish and wildlife conservation, known for our scientific excellence, stewardship of lands and natural resources, dedicated professionals and commitment to public service. For more information on our work and the people who make it happen, visit [www.fws.gov](http://www.fws.gov).

**"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": GOVERNOR KASICH VISITS VANTAGE DISPLAY @ STUDENT SHOWCASE**



Ohio Governor John Kasich talks to members of the Vantage "Ed Gee" team (from left) Kurt Hoersten (Delphos Jefferson), Aaron Contreras (Paulding) (back), Chazz Hahn (Paulding), Scott Pohlman (Delphos Jefferson), Jacob Blair (Paulding), Dominic Ardner (Delphos Jefferson), and Michael Miracle (Parkway).

Governor John Kasich attended the 2013 Ohio ACTE Student Showcase on March 7 in the Statehouse Atrium. He stopped at the Vantage display and spoke to several members of the "Ed Gee" project team. Also stopping by were Representative Tony Burkley and Lynn Wachtmann, and Senator Cliff Hite.

Ed Gee is a metal sculpture the students designed and fabricated, to represent all 16 career technical programs Vantage has to offer high school students. His permanent home will be in the large display case at the new student entrance. Ed Gee was unveiled at the Vantage Grand Open House held this past February 25. This project was selected as one of 30 projects to be on display at the Ohio Statehouse.

Seven members of the junior Industrial Mechanics class, and their teacher, Mr. Kevin Van Oss, had been working on the project with local artist (and Vantage alum), Connie Boley since early fall. Team leader, Dominic Ardner from Delphos Jefferson said, "Working on the Ed Gee project taught me responsibility, teamwork, and leadership. We used everything that we learn in Industrial Mechanics to build Ed Gee - welding, electricity, milling, fabricating and even CAD with the new Torchmate. It was pretty cool that the Governor stopped at our display too."

"I watched these students become a cohesive unit throughout the Ed Gee project. They had to work under a timeline and they met often to make sure they were on track. These guys had to learn how to compromise and also be open to ideas

from other team members", said their teacher, Kevin Van Oss.

Parkway junior Michael Miracle summed it up best when he said, "We are very thankful for the opportunity and the experience of taking Ed Gee on his first "road trip" to the Statehouse and having the Governor stop at our display. It was awesome!"

Gov. Kasich spent about half hour at the Showcase, talking to students and viewing their displays. He also addressed the 150 students, teachers and guests in attendance. The purpose of the Showcase was to show legislators and lawmakers the projects and programs that students work on through career technical education and the value of CTE to Ohio's students and economy. The timing of the Showcase was set to coincide with State budget process as lawmakers review the Governor's proposed budget, which includes a new education funding formula that will impact career technical education.

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**PROPOSAL:**

Chip sealing various Township roads within Paulding County, Ohio.

Engineer's Estimate = \$155,776.53

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed as listed above.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contrac-

tor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

All contractors shall follow all applicable Federal and State OSHA regulations. The contractor shall also hold the County Engineer harmless for any violations or fines received while engaged in this project.

All contractors must provide current Certificate of Liability Insurance Coverage for \$1,000,000 along with a current Certificate of Worker's Compensation Coverage, before they can be hired to perform any type of work for the Paulding County.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations.

**All materials shall conform to the 1997 revision of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.**

**"DOMESTIC STEEL USE REQUIREMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE APPLY TO THIS PROJECT. COPIES OF SECTION 153.011 OF**

**THE REVISED CODE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY OF THE OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES."**

**Prevailing Wage.** Recipient shall comply, and shall require that all Contractors and subcontractors working on the Project comply, with the prevailing wage requirements contained in Sections 4115.03 to 4115.16 of the Revised Code.

Sealed bids shall be in writing and in accordance with specifications furnished by Paulding County and on file in the Offices of the Paulding County Engineer and Commissioners.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, and bids on the above named items to be marked:

**PROPOSAL: "2013 JOINT CHIP SEAL PROJECTS"**

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received.

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Clerk, Board of Commissioners

needed to effectively teach a VHS online course. Participants learn how to foster online community-building, facilitate project-based and collaborative learning, promote online dialogue, design activities and assessments that achieve learning objectives or outcomes and become comfortable with the Desire2Learn online course platform.

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This winter, many educators from around the county successfully completed either NIM or SCO including **Ellen Williams, Paulding High School, Paulding, OH.**

**LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS STARTING TO PREPARE FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY FAIR**

By: **Staci Hiler, 4-H Program Assistant**

Paulding County livestock exhibitors are beginning to prepare for the 2013 Fair Season with Paulding County being the first fair in Ohio. This year the fair runs **June 10-15, 2013** at the Paulding County Fairgrounds.

This week all livestock exhibitors will be completing the Quality Assurance Training Program required for all livestock exhibitors in the State of Ohio. Paulding County's Quality Assurance dates are **March 21<sup>st</sup>** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and **March 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Extension Building. The exhibitor and a parent/guardian must attend one of these programs or contact the Extension Office at 419-399-8225 to attend a program in another county. All exhibitors must complete QA by **June 1<sup>st</sup>** to exhibit at the fair. This year's program focuses are on Identifying and Tracking Animals, Establishing an Efficient and Effective Animal Health Management Program and Providing Proper Care for Your Animals.

The Senior and Junior Fairboard are gearing up for livestock weigh-in and tagging. The tagging and weigh-in is set for **Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds, at the east end of the swine barn. This will include the following animal species: goats, swine, sheep, dairy beef feeders and beef feeders. Livestock trailers and exhibitors are asked to enter through the west entrance gate.

Rabbit tattooing is scheduled for **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the rabbit barn. All meat pen and single fryers must be tattooed with the Paulding County Jr. Fair tattoo to show at the fair. Also on **May 4<sup>th</sup>**, is Community Service Work Day at the fairgrounds. If you or your group is interested in helping to prepare the fairgrounds for fair, please contact Staci at the Extension Office at 419-399-8225.

For poultry exhibitors, the Extension Office will be again placing a bulk order of chickens from Milan Center Feed

and Grain. Order forms are available at the Extension Office or online at paulding.osu.edu. Order forms are due by **March 28<sup>th</sup>** at 4:30 p.m. to the Extension Office.

Members exhibiting horses at the fair will need to meet the following deadlines: Horse I.D. with current picture and "Permission to Participate" forms as well as lease agreements are due **May 1<sup>st</sup>** to the Extension Office. First year horse exhibitors are required to complete the safety videos. They are available to borrow from the Extension Office.

Skill-A-Thon is set for **May 29<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-5:00 p.m. in the Extension Hall. Livestock exhibitors will be required to know the parts, breeds, and medication label identification as well as bring their completed 2013 record book to Skill-A-Thon. Anyone unavailable to attend Skill-A-Thon may attend Pre-Skill-A-Thon on **May 20<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension Hall. RSVP must be made by **May 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Mark your calendars for the 2013 Paulding County Fair in Paulding Ohio! This year's fair theme is "Growing and Showing at the Paulding County Fair." Come out and show your support for our youth in Paulding County.

**LATTA COSPONSORS RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE UN ARMS TRADE TREATY**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) is an original cosponsor of a bipartisan concurrent resolution to oppose the United Nations Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), H. Con. Res. 23, which includes concerns that the treaty may infringe on Americans' constitutional rights.

"I have concerns that the ATT will infringe on the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding U.S. citizens to keep and bear arms. Additionally, the ATT should clearly recognize the legitimacy of other lawful activities, such as hunting and sport shooting, as it pertains to the private ownership of firearms," said Congressman Latta.

The current ATT treaty text does not exempt civilian firearms from its scope or recognize the inherent right to self-defense. The first U.N. conference was held in July 2012, and failed to reach consensus agreement on the treaty text. The ATT enters final negotiations at the U.N. on Monday, March 18, 2013.

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**EDUCATORS IN 18 U.S. STATES & TWO COUNTRIES JOIN THE VHS COLLABORATIVE**

The VHS Collaborative (VHS), the nonprofit pioneer of K-12 online learning, announced that 64 additional educators representing 18 U.S. states and two countries, have started teaching or supporting VHS (http://www.TheVHSCollaborative.org) courses at their school. Having completed VHS's graduate level NetCourse Instructional Methodologies (NIM) or Site Coordinator Orientation (SCO) course, these individuals have begun participating in the Spring semester, which is presently in progress.

As a nonprofit collaborative of schools, VHS' mission is to provide students with access to high quality online learning experiences and courses not offered at their school, while supporting educators with the professional development and services they need to provide an effective 21st century education to every student. VHS member schools have access to a range of collaborative core, elective, enrichment and AP® courses that inspire, ignite and deepen learning. The courses enable students to develop digital literacies and independent learning skills, explore college majors and careers, try interesting electives, earn credits, participate in global classrooms and get the opportunity to take advanced courses not offered at their school. Courses are taught by active classroom teachers who are specially trained in online teaching best practices, highly qualified, and certified in their subject areas.

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The Village of Antwerp, Ohio is requesting professional qualifications for the "Coordination, Design, and Construction of Antwerp Commercial Drive Improvements for the Village of Antwerp."

The Village of Antwerp will be utilizing Economic Development (ED) - Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG) to complete the professional and construction services outlined hereinafter.

The Village desires to design and construct an entrance drive off SR 49 to provide an access for a new commercial business that requires access to their site. The new access drive will also serve a future commercial/industrial area.

Professional Qualifications will include a discussion of Project Understanding and Past Experience with street design, water, storm, and sanitary sewer design and construction, Past Work with the Community, Firm History, Technical Expertise, Similar Projects, Key Project Team Members, Current Work Load, and a brief discussion on firm's knowledge and experience with CDBG - ED Funding.

The Village of Antwerp will review all qualifications submitted and rank the firms. It is the intent of the Village to enter into negotiations with the most qualified firm.

**Four (4) copies of the Statement of Qualifications must be received by 4:00 p.m., on March 27, 2013** in a sealed envelope and marked "Antwerp Commercial Drive Improvements for the Village of Antwerp." Late submissions will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the consultant. The Village of Antwerp anticipates selecting the most qualified consultant by April 1, 2013.

*Statement of Qualifications is to be submitted to:*  
 Village of Antwerp  
 Attn: Ms. Sara Keeran, Administrator  
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*All questions regarding this request for professional qualifications should be addressed to Ms. Sara Keeran, Administrator at (419) 258-2371.*

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Paulding Middle School is pleased to announce that 24 7<sup>th</sup> grade students in Mr. Deisler's Wellness Class are becoming certified in CPR. Mrs. Beth Stoller, the school nurse, is instructing the class on CPR. Pictured here are middle school students practicing on the manne-

quins on the proper procedures for chest compressions and breathing. The students are: Cailtyn Myers on the techniques of breathing through a mask, and Colton Lloyd on the correct way to administer chest compressions. Each student successfully completing the course will become a card carrying, certified CPR member.

**LOCAL EDUCATORS ADVOCATE FOR CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION ON CAPITOL HILL**

Superintendent Staci Kaufman and Adult Education Director Pete Prichard from Vantage Career Center in Van Wert, OH, attended the Association for Career and Technical Education's (ACTE) National Policy Seminar (NPS) March 4-6 in Arlington, VA, and met with Members of Congress on Capitol Hill to educate them about the value of career and technical education. Career and technical education (CTE) delivers real-world training and skills development to over 94% of America's high schools. Now, more than ever, the nation is turning to CTE to prepare the skilled workforce needed to keep America competitive and grow our economy. With CTE programs expanding and changing across the country to meet the needs of employers, students and communities, educators and administrators are challenged to effectively

advocate for resources and support on local, state and federal levels. While attending ACTE's three-day briefing on federal policies, Ms. Staci Kaufman, Vantage Career Center Superintendent consulted with Congressmen Bob Latta to encourage more support for CTE and other education and workforce development programs. At the opening session of the NPS, attendees heard from Dr. Anthony Carnevale, director and research professor of the Georgetown University Center of Education and the Workforce, who spoke on his research findings in career outcomes for students engaging in CTE programs of study in secondary and postsecondary settings. Nearly 30 percent of associate degree holders make more than those with bachelor's degrees. And 44 percent of graduates from four-year colleges have higher earnings than those with graduate degrees, said Carnevale on Monday morning. Carnevale applauded the efforts of ACTE, noting that

career tech programs were efficient and a proven approach that helps students gain real-world experience and provides skilled workers for the economy.

Other speakers at NPS included James R. Stone III, professor and director of the National Research Center for Career and Technical Education (NRCCTE), Mark Edwards, Executive Director of Opportunity Nation, and leaders from the Congressional House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

Jane Oates, Assistant Secretary of Labor, Employment and Training Administration delivered remarks during the closing general session and emphasized the importance of education that trains individuals in the skill areas needed by the workforce today and moving forward into the future. She stressed the importance of the partnerships between CTE and business and industry leaders to ensure economic vitality and strong job growth for the country.

Over 400 teachers and administrators attended the conference and participated in the Hill visits. The National Policy Seminar is an annual event that takes place in early spring as policymakers are beginning work on the federal budget and appropriations process as well as reauthorizations such as the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and the Workforce Investment Act.

**EVALUATING YOUR WHEAT STAND**

**By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator**

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, 70% of the winter wheat stands in Ohio were rated good to excellent going into the winter. The other 29% was rated fair and only 1% fell into the poor category. As the winter wheat begins to green-up, farmers need to be aware of the condition of their wheat stands. This time of year marks the start of possible stand losses from heaving, a situation where ground freezing and thawing pushes the plant crowns and roots to the surface. The result of heaving is the desiccation and eventual death of the plants. Another concern is stand loss in fields due to ponding caused by very wet soil conditions and/or poor drainage.

Fields should not be evaluated until completely green from warmer temperatures for at least 10 to 14 days. Stand evaluations will be more accurate when made during weather periods that promote growth. Yield potential is reduced if tiller numbers fall below 25 per square foot after green up.

Farmers can evaluate wheat stands by selecting 10 to 15 spots in the field and count the number of plants per foot of row. A stand with an average of about 12 plants per foot of row may still result in a good population of head-bearing tillers per acre. For those fields with tillers, 15 tillers per square foot is considered minimum for an economic crop. The number of tillers per square foot is equal to the number of tillers in 19.2 inches of 7 inch

wide rows or 14.5 inches of 10 inch wide rows. Extension studies have shown that under adequate weather conditions, tillering may compensate for relatively poor initial stand establishment.

If your winter wheat has not started to green-up, you may be wondering if your winter wheat crop survived. To evaluate whether your winter wheat survived, begin by digging up several seedlings across the field and cut them longitudinal or lengthwise with a very sharp knife or a safety razor blade. If the crowns look white to yellow to light green in color, they are healthy and will continue to grow. If you find that the crown has turned tan to brown and is soft, it did not survive the cold weather.

In addition, you can check whether seedlings will grow by trimming the roots and leaves down to about ¼ to ½ inch above and below the crown. Place these seedlings on a wet paper towel and place the towel in a Ziploc bag or plastic container that can be sealed. Place the container at room temperature and check for re-growth in 24-48 hours. Viable seedlings will show re-growth almost immediately. Stressed wheat will take longer than usual to develop, but as long as the crown is healthy, a stand will establish.

**EROSION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS**

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

The right to private property is a fundamental freedom under the U.S. Constitution. With that right, Americans have the authority to own, sell and manage their personal property in accordance with the law.

Our Founding Fathers understood these rights are vital to a free and prosperous society, and they protected private property in the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, which reads, "No person shall be... deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation." This idea dates back to hundreds of years before the Constitution's formation, setting the tone for future laws to follow it.

However, the expansion of government over the last 100 years has lessened these rights. One of the most famous examples is the Supreme Court's 2005 ruling in Kelo v. the City of New London. This case dealt with the issue of eminent domain in the sense that private property could be transferred from one private owner to another if a government entity deemed the decision in the best economic interest of the community. After much debate, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of the City of New London's use of eminent domain in this fashion. The court held that "public use" under the Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment could also be interpreted as "public purpose" as long as the government planned to use the property to benefit the community. With this ruling, the prospect of any American's personal property being taken away and given to another citizen

**PAULDING YOUTH GIRLS WIN BACK-TO-BACK CHAMPIONSHIPS**



The Paulding 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball team defeated the Kalida Wildcats 14-8 to win the St. Patrick's Day Spring Fast Break Tournament. This year the tournament was moved from Paulding Jr/Sr High School to the Manor House Gym in Antwerp. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls backed up last year's 4<sup>th</sup> grade championship to win the title back to back.

The Lady Panthers defeated Crestview 15-9; Hicksville 18-5 and West Unity Hilltop

25-3 in pool play to make it into the finals. The team celebrated the championship with shamrock shakes at the Paulding McDonald's. Team players include: Syd McCullough, Ivy Riggenschick, Sydney Kohart, Miah Rue, Katie Strayer, Julia Fife, Megan Garrity, Sierra Kuper-Smith, and Mozerat Martinez. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders are coached by Ron Riggenschick, Matt Strayer and Sam Rue.

more favorable to the government became a real possibility.

Another example of the erosion of property rights is the Obama administration's attempt to expand the Clean Water Act. This act gave the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) control over "navigable waters," allowing a government agency to set quality standards for bodies of water in the federal government's jurisdiction.

In 2011, the Obama administration introduced a guidance document to "identify waters protected by the Clean Water Act." In the document, the EPA sought to amend the act from "navigable waters" to any scope of private water that could possibly have an effect on federally controlled water. The rationale behind it was that sources of water, such as ditches and gullies, could overflow from excessive rainfall and cause pollution in navigable waters. In response to the amendment, U.S. senators proposed legislation to stop this expansion of regulation and infringement on property rights.

Limitations like the Clean Water Act often pose serious threats to Americans' management of their property. They make it more difficult for people to build or farm on their own property by forcing them to jump through the hoops of burdensome government standards. Instead of encouraging government overreach, our laws should give individuals more authority over their personal property. As legislators, our key responsibility is to uphold the Constitution and the rights of the people. Limiting government regulation is an important component to ensuring those freedoms. What do you think?

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**NEW HAVEN'S MAYOR ADDRESSES CITIZENS AT STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**



Mayor Terry McDonald, MYAC's Lindsey Mulholland, and Deb-Anne Smith of the Mayor's Office

**By: Beth Stauffer**

Monday evening, March 11, 2013 marked the City of New Haven's Annual State of the City Address at The Orchid. The event, which is hosted by the New Haven Chamber of Commerce, was well-attended with over 100 citizens and dignitaries from Allen County and the State of Indiana attending.

The New Haven Chamber of Commerce's Chairman of the Board, Rob Callahan, served as the evening's emcee. President/CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, Vince Buchanan, gave a blessing before The Orchid's staff served a delicious dinner to the guests at the event.

A representative from Senator Dan Coats office was in attendance at Monday night's event, in addition to Allen County Commissioners Nelson Peters and Therese Brown, New Haven City Council members Floyd Ball, Craig Dellinger, and Sarah DiGangi, City Court Judge Geoff Robison, Parks Department Superintendent Mike Clendenen, Police Chief Steve Poiry, and Fire Chief John Bennett.

From the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC), Lindsey Mulholland delivered a poised, well-prepared State of the Youth Address to those in attendance. Mulholland said, "We are proud to represent the Mayor's Office and are honored to serve in an

organization that is developing young leaders and giving teens the voice to represent our peers in the community."

Later in his address, Mayor McDonald stated emphatically, "This is New Haven's time!"

With this statement in mind, McDonald talked at length about the renewed sense of energy currently emerging in New Haven. "Our community's investments over the years in our roads, streets, underground infrastructure and the investments of our business community in their employees, facilities, and in the community is being seen and is appreciated," said McDonald. McDonald specifically credited investments by CDT, Pampered Coach, Bad Dad Motorcycles, Robinson's Towing and Body Shop, and the new Pilot-Flying J location on 930 as companies who are showing a vote of confidence in New Haven's future.

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**OHIO AMBER ALERT STEERING COMMITTEE ADDRESSES RECENT WIRELESS EMERGENCY ALERT**

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the WEA to specific hours when the general public would be out and on the road.

Due to the recent alerts and feedback received, The Ohio AMBER Alert Steering Committee has put temporary measures in place to limit use of the AMBER Alert WEA to between 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight. The measure will be discussed further at the next Ohio AMBER Alert Steering Committee meeting and a permanent set of WEA operational hours will be implemented. There will be no Ohio AMBER Alert WEA messages between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m.

Cellular phone users who wish to opt-out of the program can contact their service provider, however the Ohio AMBER Alert Steering Committee urges the public

to keep the program active, considering the adjustment in operational hours, so they can possibly help find a missing or abducted child.

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### NEW HAVEN CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT: O'DANIEL FORD-MITSUBISHI

Jeff O'Daniel, General Manager for O'Daniel Ford-Mitsubishi is one of three brothers that own and run the O'Daniel Automotive Group. In the early '60's, Jeff's father Maury, started his career in the car business partnering with his brother, Joe, in Evansville, IN. The family came to the Fort Wayne area and purchased Johnstone Oldsmobile on Bluffton Road in 1979. Over the years all three boys got involved with the business from the time they were preteens, picking up trash, washing cars and sweeping the parking lots.

Jeff said, "I am in the business with my two brothers; younger brother Greg older brother Randy. We are all partners in the O'Daniel Automotive Group. It has been a good business relationship with my brothers and everyone pulls their weight. We get along well. We all have our own responsibilities and expertise."

The O'Daniel Automotive Group took on the AMC, Jeep, and Renault franchise back in the early 80's which grew into the Jeep franchise. After that they picked up the Chrysler dealership. Now they have Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge, and Porsche Audi in the main store on Illinois Road. They also have Mazda and Auto Mart used car store just across from Jefferson Point.

By the mid- 1990's, the three brothers took full control of the operations and have helped grow the family business from that single Oldsmobile dealership in Fort Wayne, to five locations in the Fort Wayne area.

O'Daniel Ford-Mitsubishi came to be when an opportunity with the Ford Franchise came up in 1997. Jeff said, "We moved in here on November 1. Shaver Ford had the franchise before that. He came to us and he wanted to make some changes, so we took advantage of it. We were just looking for opportunities

to grow and this location fit into our model."

In the O'Daniel Automotive Group "customers always come first", "That is the thing we strive for; customer satisfaction and taking care of our customers and building loyalty with them," Jeff said. "We try to keep it down to earth with our customers and give them good value for their dollar. That seems to keep them coming back."

Jeff maintains that customer loyalty is a priority at O'Daniel Ford-Mitsubishi and the key to success. In April of 2010, O'Daniel Ford won its fifth President's Award from Ford Motor Company. The prestigious award honors dealerships for delivering a superior customer experience in sales, service and overall ownership of their Ford, Lincoln, or Mercury vehicle. O'Daniel Ford was one of only five dealers recognized in Indiana. Dealers become eligible through survey responses from customers related to their service, satisfaction and overall dealership experience.

"Earning this award is a reflection of our entire staff's commitment to delivering the best customer experience possible", said Jeff in an interview with Business People Magazine. "I couldn't be more proud to receive this recognition, especially since it comes from the people we value most - our customers. They're the reason we are able to achieve this award."

All three brothers were inspired by their father Maury who taught them to give back to the community that supports their business. O'Daniel East Ford-Mitsubishi certainly takes that directive to heart. They have been doing the "Drive one 4 UR school event" for 4 years with NHHS.

Jeff said, "We have raised \$21,090 for the New Haven High School and are having our 5th event this Spring, May 11, 2013. We donate \$20 for every test drive up to \$6,000. We hope to raise the total donated to over \$26,000 this year."

O'Daniel Ford-Mitsubishi and the Ford Motor Company recognize that schools need to raise funds to support their extracurricular activities. So, the Cruise 4 UR School program was developed as a unique and exciting way to engage the local community and support their fund-raising efforts. Since launching in December of 2007, more than one hundred Cruise 4 UR School events have taken place nationwide, raising thousands of dollars to support sporting and extracurricular activities.

O'Daniel Ford has been an active member in the New Haven Chamber of Commerce for fifteen years. This is another example of their support of the community. When asked what their biggest benefit of membership has been, Jeff said it was the business contacts they have made.

Although the company has seen its share of challenging market conditions, including the recent recession, it is doing well. Jeff commented, "Last year, 2012, was probably the best year we have had since 06 or 07. Kind of at the end of 07 is when everything hit the wall. But last year was a good year and we see the retail activity getting better all the time."

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Auction Parcel 1 ---- 52.462 acres with frontage on Johnson Rd. ... 48+- tillable acres with Emerald Acres to the west, Auction Parcel 2 to the south and Auction Parcel 3 to east .... USDA soil survey indicates a mixture of Latty and Nappanee type soils ..... There is a .67 acre CRP filter strip on Parcel 1 and Buyer will succeed to the CRP contract.

Inspection: A Gorrell Bros. Representative will be at Auction Parcel 1 on Sat., March 30th from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M. with an ATV utility vehicle

Auction Parcel 2 ---- 23.112+ acres of wooded, recreational land with Flat Rock Creek meandering through it .... Much seclusion and close to Paulding ... This parcel includes a lot in the southeast corner of Emerald acres at the intersection of Helen St. and Dennis St. that is the access - the lot has city water & sewer and concrete slab.

Call or Stop In The Office For Survey, Aerial Map & Information

Auction Parcel 3 ---- 50.326+ acres of wooded, recreational land ... Access to this parcel is at the southeast corner of the parcel from a small area that has frontage on C-111 at the curve near the old County Home .... It is very difficult to enter with a small amount of frontage along the curve in the road ----- once you enter, the surroundings consist of trees, brush, logs, water & wildlife - stop in the office for information

Auction Location: Gorrell Bros. Auction Facility At 1201 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH. Auction Procedure: Multi Parcel Bidding with the bidder able to bid on one, all, or any combination of Auction Parcels Terms:\$5,000 earnest money for each parcel on the day of auction; balance due at closing on or before May 11, 2013 upon delivery of warranty deeds and certificate of title. Possession: At closing - buyer farms the land for 2013 Seller: Horizon Land I, LTD - Dale E. Duncan, Member .... Gorrell Bros. Auctioneers; DonGorrell, Sale Mgr; Larry D. Gorrell, Broker; Sandra Mickelson - Aaron Timm - Nolan Shisler- Auctioneers

AUCTION THURSDAY APRIL 11 6:00 P.M.



**PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS**

**CRIMINAL DISPOSITION REPORT**

Rebecca A. Krueger; Napoleon; Criminal Damage; Dismissed; Criminal Trespassing; Guilty; Removed from Diversion Program; Community Service; complete "Thinking for a Change"; Henry County Community Service; Probation; No alcoholic beverages; pay fines & fees  
Linda S. Franklin; Paulding; Child Restraint; pay \$50.00 per month commencing 3/29/13; has a POA date of 8/14/13

Thomas G. Wolfenbarger; Antwerp; Disorderly Conduct; pay all fines & costs; repay court appointed counsel fees; no contact w/victims have been lifted: Assault; case dismissed

Trevor L. Saylor; Paulding; F.R.A. Susp; Dismissed

Christina McKeever; Antwerp; Disorderly Conduct; pay all fines & costs

Jeremy G. Baer; Antwerp; AGG Menacing; pay all fines & costs; no contact w/victim; jail time to run concurrent w/current case in Van Wert, work release granted

Shawn Ingol; Paulding; Unauthorized use of Property; Probation; pay fines & costs; community service, POA date set

Chad L. Long; Melrose; Disorderly Conduct; fines & costs to be taken from bond; no contact w/victim or property

Jeremy E. Shaffer; Oakwood; Assault; Shall pay for stay in jail; fines and costs to be paid; probation; complete "Thinking for a Change"; community service; shall not possess or consume alcohol or enter bars

Brenton Clements; Paulding; Assault; must pay for stay in jail; probation; complete "Thinking for a Change"; complete anger management; shall have no contact w/victims or residence, pay all fines & costs

Cheri Todd; Oakwood; Confinement

of dog; pay all fines & costs; pay or appear at court

Harold G. Schilt; Oakwood; Possession; OL suspended for 6 months commencing 10/31/12 under class 7 suspension on count A & B to run concurrently with another case; pay all fines & costs or appear in court; Paraphernalia; pay all fines & costs or appear in court. OL suspension to run concurrently with another case

John Paul Sandoval; Paulding; Assault; defendant waived preliminary hearing; transferred to docket of Common Pleas Court of Paulding County; Possession; bound over; matter transferred to docket of Common Pleas Court of Paulding County

**PROPERTY TRANSFERS:**

Crane Twp: 3/08/13; Ronald LeRoy Slattery; Sec 18 pt SW¼; 3.264 acres; To: Cynthia A. Shull Slattery; 3/08/13; Cynthia A. Shull Slattery; Sec 7 pt E½ NW¼ & pt W½ NE¼; 59.273 acres; To: Ronald LeRoy Slattery

Grover Hill Village: 3/08/13; Elma McClure, dec'd; Sec 23 Lot 11 pt out lots, SE¼ SE¼; 0.898 acres; To: Danielle M. Nuding

Paulding Village: 3/07/13; Norma J. Philipot, dec'd; Lot 18 Home-side Allotment; 0.155 acre; To: Carson L. Laney; 3/08/13; Cheryl L. & Glenn H. Troth; Lot 158 & 159 original plat; 0.300 acre; To: Joseph R. Burkard, et al

Payne Village: 3/08/13; Frances W. & James A. Litzburg; Lot 14 & 15; Town-line Acres Addition; 0.55 acres; To: Roger A. & Lana E. Stuart

**Sudoku solution from page 13**

2	4	8	1	9	3	7	6	5
7	6	3	8	9	2	9	2	1
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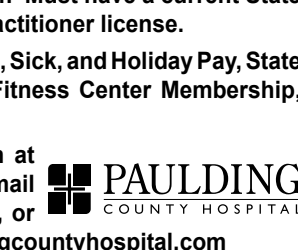
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**FARMLAND, RESIDENTIAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION**  
**DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> 2013**  
**TIME: REAL ESTATE 9:00 AM. PERSONAL PROPERTY 10:00AM.**  
Location: 23914 Defiance Williams Co. Line Rd. Defiance, Ohio 43512

**REAL ESTATE:**  
Tract 1: Approx. 3+/- acres, with 1-story ranch, attached two car garage, 1728 sq. ft. living area, three bedrooms, two baths, on a crawl, built in 1993, and a 32' x 40' pole barn.  
Tract 2: Approx. 20+/- acres of tillable farmland, frontage to State Route 66 & the Co. Line.  
Tract 3: The combination of Tracts 1 & 2

**PERSONAL PROPERTY:** AGCO 7ft disc mower Mod. 5407, Craftsman: tool boxes, wrench sets, pushmower, bench grinder, drill press, Lincoln 225 welder, Schmacher 200 amp charger, Husky rear tire tiller, 80 bales of straw, Ready Heater 55, Appliances & Furniture: Kenmore washer & dryer, GE refrigerator, Kelvinator chess freezer, 42" Flat screen TV, Sony 50" TV, Recliners, Couch, Loveseat, dining table & chairs, bedroom suit, Bunkbed/futon bed, Samsung 22" TV, Misc: Wheel Horse 308-8 riding mower, 25-bags Regal 29sq. ft cellulose Insulation, Hearts & Flowers Dolls, household and much more. Go to www.auctionzip.com auctioneer ID# 13801 for more information.

**Auctioneers Note:** A wonderful opportunity to buy a nice country home on 3 acres, or a total of 23 acres. Come prepared to buy don't miss this offering!!!!

**Terms:** \$5000 (non-refundable) down per tract day of auction, with balance on or before April 30th. 2013, all announcements made day of auction take precedence over all printed material, Taxes: Prorated

**Owner:** Estate of Kathleen E. Laws, Cynthia R. Hancock & Ronald E. Laws II, Co-Executors, Attorney Ryan Breiningner of Newcomer, Shaffer, Spangler & Breiningner, Defiance Co. Probate Court case 17524.

Auctioneer: Darren L. Bok, Broker: Douglas E. Walton  
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**DATE: MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup> 2013**  
**TIME: REAL ESTATE - 9:00 AM**  
**PERSONAL PROPERTY - 10:00 AM**  
Location: 1318 Spencerville Rd. Hicksville, Ohio 43526

**REAL ESTATE:** 3.026 acres with 1768 sq. ft. 1.5 story home, with full basement, three car garage, and one additional storage building, located two miles west of downtown Hicksville.

**PERSONAL PROPERTY:** Husky riding mower, Oak table, Roseville pottery, Hull pottery, costume & gold jewelry, 32" Flatscreen TV, Tools, Upright Piano, Newer washer & dryer, china set, McCulloch 3200 chainsaw, Tools and much more. \*\* Auction TENT provided\*\* watch upcoming ads for more details, or go to www.auctionzip.com Auctioneer ID # 13801

**Auctioneers Note:** This is an opportunity to purchase a nice home situated in a quiet rural setting, in the Hicksville school district, come prepared to buy!!

**Terms:** \$5,000 down (non-refundable) day of auction, with balance due on or before April 23 2013. All announcements made day of auction take precedence over printed material. Taxes: Prorated

**Owner:** Estate of Eva L. (Weeks) Hawkins & Donald Hawkins, Executrix Linda D. Camp  
Attorney John Shaffer of Newcomer, Shaffer, Spangler and Breiningner, Defiance Co. Probate case 17098

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**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2013 - 9:30am**  
**ANTIQUES - FURNITURE - GLASSWARE - HOUSEHOLD**  
**LOCATION:** 17 Beverly Drive., Hicksville, OH 43526. N. Main St. AKA St. Rt. 18, west to Meadow Lane to Beverly Drive. Behind Smith-Brown Funeral Home.

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**ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES:** waterfall 4 dr chest & vanity w/oval mirror & bench; chair w/padded cloth seat; hurricane lamp; Lane cedar chest; WWII Navy uniform; Navy blankets; mink coat & hat; crystal & pressed glass; pink depression cake plate; etched glass pitcher, bowl, glassware; rag rugs; crock bowl; min. caste iron scales w/weights; sad iron; 5ft.+ old ship display (REALLY NEAT); oak plate rack; misc. china & pottery including Lefton, Royal Albert, Noritake, Nippon hand painted, Roseville, Hobnail, Royal Haeger, Hull; bud vases; Ohio Art watering can; 2 pieces of very old baby clothes; wooden Silvertone stereo & cabinet; chenille bedspread; 4 gal crock; lots of 33; 45 & 78rpm records; collector plates including Glenna Kurz, Lena Liu, Thomas Kinkade; ; Ig. JFK illustrated book, Def. Co. Men & Women in WWII, old school readers, & other misc books; **FURNITURE:** fancy hall mirror; 4 pc BR suite; wingback & stuffed chairs; rocker/recliner; wooden rocker w/padded seat & back; TV stand; 8 drawer chest; bookshelves; coffee table; round dining table w/4 padded chairs & 1 leaf; maple drop leaf table w/chairs; table pads; very nice matching sofa & love seat; additional sofas; lamp stands; plant stands; library table; curio cabinet; metal ice cream table w/2 chairs; patio chairs; wicker chairs; stools; card table & chairs; faux brass bed frame; **TOOLS: Ariens 5.5HP self propelled lawn mower w/rear bagger;** misc. hand & garden tools; drill bits; 6' alum. & 8' wooden ladders; floor fans; B&D elec lawn edger; B&D 1/2" elec drill; weed whip; tool box; 2T jack; gas & garbage cans; Craftsman work bench w/built in tool box; wheelbarrow; tree trimming pole; snow shovel; **MISC.:** afghans; wool blankets; quilts; oak regulator wall clock & other clocks; Hoover upright & canister sweepers; lamps; framed prints; picture albums & frames; 13" Panasonic TV; 13" Zenith port. TV; vases; silver plated serving tray; wastebaskets; Pyrex bowl sets; set of 12 dinner plates; pots & pans; flatware & utensils; granite wear; sm kitchen appliances; paper shredder; paper weights; musical figurines; salt & peppers; alum. walker; Christmas decorations; towels; linens; fireplace equip.; 40's & 50's Hixonians; misc. brass pieces; stones & gold flakes from Alaska; window A/C w/remotes; Avon bottles; canning jars; elec. skillet; ceramic bells; cake plate; shoe shine box; travel kit; rowing machine; yard sun dial; metal & wooden storage cabinets; picnic table & benches;

**TERMS:** Cash or check w/proper ID;  
**AUCTIONEERS:** Bruce Guilford, Steve Zuber, Ray Yoder, Kevin Anspach,  
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### CASTALIA STATE FISH HATCHERY OFFERS CONTROLLED TROUT FISHING

A half-mile section of Cold Creek at Castalia State Fish Hatchery in Erie County will be open to a limited number of anglers on selected dates for controlled trout fishing, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

Controlled trout fishing is offered by the ODNR Division of Wildlife at the Castalia State Fish Hatchery from May 6 - November 29. No weekend or holiday fishing is available. Anglers interested in this event must apply online from March 1-31 in order to be eligible for a random drawing. Applicants can apply at wildohio.com.

Only one application is allowed per person. Anglers age 16 and older must hold a valid fishing license in order to apply and participate in this event.

Two seasons will be offered. Adults and teens 16 and older can fish from May 6 - June 14 and from August 19 - November 29. A second season will be held for those 15 and younger from June 17-August 16.

Youth sessions are 7:00-11:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Successful applicants will be assigned a session. Adult sessions are 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Individuals selected to participate can bring two adults ages 16 and older and three youths 15 and younger (no more than six people total).

Random drawings for

permit selection will be held in April. The results of the drawing will be posted at wildohio.com. Applicants not chosen will not be notified.

Special fishing rules will be in effect for this event to ensure a quality fishing experience. This includes a no catch-and-release rule; anglers keep all fish they catch. The daily bag limit is five trout per angler. Anglers are required to check in at the hatchery upon arrival and check out at the end of their session.

Those who purchase a one-day fishing license may later return it to a license agent to receive credit toward purchase of an annual fishing license. Sales of fishing licenses along with the Sport Fish Restoration (SFR) program continue to fund

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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.

### LOCAL BOY BAGS WILD PIG



Chet Clevinger, an 11 year old 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Antwerp Local School, recently took a hunting vacations with his father to north Texas where he killed his first wild boar sow. He took it with a .50 caliber muzzleloader while hunting in heavy brush. It was the first time they attempted a pig hunt. The sow was too large to drag out of the heavy brush, so they quartered her right there and brought out the good parts, in pieces. She was estimated to be over 300 pounds—one of the largest taken in the area. Average size for wild sow is just over 100 pounds.

Wild boar are native to Europe and Asia, and are a

destructive invasive species in the Americas. They are not numerous in Ohio but have been found in southern Ohio. The ODNR encourages Ohio hunters to kill all wild boar and feral swine they encounter. Only a valid Ohio small game hunting license is required to kill them, and landowners can do so without a hunting license.

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### FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT YIFAN "NAN" CHENG TO SPEAK AT NEXT JPHS MEETING

The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting their General Meeting on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the museum located across from the fairgrounds. The public is invited to attend.

The program for the evening will feature Yifan "Nan"

Cheng, 16 year old foreign exchange student at Wayne Trace High School. Mr. Cheng is from Zhengzhou, China. He will speak to the group about his homeland and culture. Nan enjoys bicycling and swimming and loves music.

In addition, Sue Thomas of Oakpoint will be doing a Powerpoint presentation on a recent trip she and her family took to Thailand. The evening promises to be very interesting and informative.

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