

PUBLIC MEETING SHOWS EACS' DIVISIONS; NOW, WILL IT BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD?

By: Elbert Starks III, The News-Sentinel

A few themes became apparent, and quickly, as I observed Wednesday night's "stakeholder meeting" at New Haven High School, part of East Allen County Schools' search for a superintendent. The series of meetings be-

individuals an opportunity to voice their thoughts about traits they want to see in the next superintendent. Wednesday's meeting was moderated by EACS board members Christopher Baker and Bob Nelson, who took notes and answered questions from the audience.



gan earlier this week and feature district administrators, teachers and support staff, as well as parents, students and other interested parties, and are meant to provide those

My takeaway: If the two dozen people who attended are an accurate snapshot of the discord that the district has faced – and still faces – in

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ANDERSON – VANCE



Casandra Gail Anderson and Jason Arthur Vance of Paulding, OH would like to announce their engagement and forthcoming wedding.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Kevin and Tamera Anderson of Paulding, OH. The groom-to-be is the son of Daniel and Lynn Vance of Paulding, OH.

Casandra graduated from Paulding Exempted Village School in 2001 and from International Business College with a degree in

business in 2002. She is currently employed at American Family Insurance, Dana Bair Agency as a licensed office manager and Rite Aid as a pharmacy technician.

Jason graduated from Paulding Exempted Village School in 2002. He is currently employed with the Village of Paulding as a utility worker.

The couple will exchange vows on April 13, 2013 at Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Payne, OH.

PHASE 1 OF ER RENOVATION COMPLETE AT PCH



Construction workers put the final touches on the U-shaped nurse's station in the new emergency room. PCH will begin seeing patients in the new ER at noon on Friday, March 29th.

The first of three phases of ER/Lab renovations has been completed. On March 29th at Noon, patients can once again enter the Paulding County Hospital Emergency Room at the original locations. You can either drive up to the ER entrance at the rear of the hospital or you can walk up to the ER registration window in the main outpatient lobby. At this point, five new ER rooms have been completed

along with a u-shaped nurse's station that has direct line of sight to all patient rooms. The next phase will include renovations to the east wing of the hospital to move the laboratory there permanently. Once the testing lab moves to the east wing, phase three will begin to add two large trauma rooms to the ER. The projected completion date for this project should be in the summer of 2013.

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Karen Sue Ross Grabianowski

passed from this earthly life to Heavenly Glory on March 19, 2013, following a 24 year battle with cancer. Karen was born in Lima, OH on October 13, 1944 to Betty Ilena Newton and Marvin Earl Ross. On August 9, 1969 Karen married the love of her life, Ronald Emil Grabianowski at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Antwerp, OH. Karen will be sadly missed by her Husband, Ronald; daughter: Jen Eve (Jeremy) Strassell of Columbus, OH and son: Aaron Ross Grabianowski of West Carrollton City, OH. Karen is survived by siblings: Janet Elaine (David) Johnson, Marvin (Betty) Ross, Ronald (Linda) Ross and Joseph (Yong) Green. Also surviving are many loving cousins, nieces and nephews. Karen was preceded in death by her parents, and brother, Bruce, and Grandparents Morven Asa and Bertha Rosetta (Koehler) Newton; Orval Fredrick and Esther Iona (Snyder) Ross.

Karen was a graduate of Columbus Grove High School, after which she attended The Ohio State University where she earned her B.S. Degree in Elementary Education. She continued Graduate studies at Indiana/Purdue University, Fort Wayne, IN. Karen began her teaching career at Antwerp Local Schools, teaching 2nd grade and Kindergarten. She substituted for many years in Paulding County schools, had worked in Human Resources at Sears TeleCatalog Co., Fort Wayne, was the second Antwerp Branch Library Manager (where she had managed the Library's move to their new building) and she had worked for the County Election Board at Carryall Township for many years. Karen served as an American Cancer Society

Reach to Recovery volunteer, had been an active 4-H advisor, a member of the National Education Association, Ohio Education Association, Ohio Retired Teachers Association (ORTA) and the Paulding Retired Teachers Association (PACRTA). For many years Karen was involved in horse rescue with the organization, Friends of Barbaro. Over the years, she believed that giving names online to the thousands of horses up for auction or possible slaughter, would help to save their lives. Karen authored and illustrated several children's books, as well as her autobiography. She loved weaving baskets, reupholstering furniture and gardening.

Visitation was Friday, March 22 at Hartman Sons Funeral Home, 10879 State Route 12 West, Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830. Funeral Services were Friday evening, following the visitation.

Family and Friends were invited back to the Funeral Home Saturday, March 23, followed by the processional to Woodlawn Cemetery, Lima, where there was a committal service and burial next to her parents.

In lieu of flowers the family appreciates contributions to a memorial scholarship in Karen's name to students of Paulding County Schools. Contact information or memorials may be sent to Scholarship Administrator: Mr. Jeremy Strassell, PNC Bank, 2346 Turtle Creek Drive, Columbus, OH 43235. The annual scholarship recipients will be selected by members of PACRTA.

Condolences may be expressed at hartmansonsfuneralhome.com.

Phillip L Helms, 60, of Payne, passed away Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at his residence.

Phil was born in Angola, Indiana on October 3, 1952 and raised by the late Richard & Helen Helms.

He retired from BF Goodrich, Woodburn.

On May 20, 1977 he married Marcia Handy who passed away July 18, 2012.

Phil will be sadly missed by his son, Judd of Fort Wayne; siblings, Diana Larimore, Dorothy Gebhart, Emily Jones, Kristina Kipker & Rick Helms all of Payne, Rita Stackhouse of Pleasant Lake, George Helms of Paulding, Donna Garstka & Patricia Speith of New Haven, Mary Roemer of Fort Wayne and James Helms of Oklahoma City. He is also preceded in death by his brother, Johnny Helms.

Services will be held at the convenience of Phil's family, under the direction of Dooley Funeral Homes of Antwerp & Payne.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

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WEST UNITY: Darrell Duane "Toe Head" Pease Jr, age 53, died Friday, March 22 at Bryan Hospital, Bryan, Ohio.

He was born in Paulding, Ohio, the son of Darrell D. and Freda M. (Howard) Pease Sr. On September 16, 2006 he married Peggy A. Lero, who survives. He was a life member of the AMVETS Post #54 Bryan; American Legion #669 West Unity; and Dept. of Ohio Sons of AMVETS Commander.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Pease, West Unity; parents, Darrell and Freda Pease, Paulding; a son, Shane Pease, Paulding; a brother, Mark (Diane) Pease, Mark Center, Ohio, and a sister, Lisa (Roger) Rhonehouse, Paulding.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 AM Wednesday, at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will be in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Paulding at a later date.

Visitation will be 2 - 8PM Tuesday, March 26 at Den Herder Funeral Home and one hour prior to services on Wednesday.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to AMVETS or American Diabetes Foundation.

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the wake of Karyle Green's departure, then it's going to take more than a few meetings to solve the issues that forced the board into the search process in the first place.

Why? Because not a single person who spoke at the meeting was happy about Green's tenure, which ended March 1.

Whether blame could or should be assigned to the departed superintendent for those feelings... with a large district that has EACS' unique challenges, it's likely not that simple, and Green certainly was not present to discuss comments made about her tenure.

But at the same time, there's no reading between the lines when you have statements like these made by taxpayers in the district:

- "(EACS is) such a diverse district that has been fragmented to the point that we're almost like five little districts."

- "The detached, aloof mentality (under Green) has hurt this district."

- "There are too many winners and losers (from) students and taxpayers."

- "It's not about the buildings. It's how you treat people."

- (On EACS' failed 2012 referendum): "That thing was dead in the water."

About a few of those sentiments: Karyle Green didn't hire herself. The East Allen County Schools board did, bringing her in from the South Bend Community School Corporation in mid-2009 to replace the retiring Kay Novotny.

The relationship between board and superintendent is crucial, and cracks began to show as early as 2010 when Green and the district were forced to address the potential takeover of Harding High School after years of academic woes - woes that predated Green's arrival and certainly were not a revelation to members of the board.

The district then embarked upon a series of redesign measures that included closing multiple schools and creating distinct feeder areas in its five attendance areas - measures that had to be modified once the board opted to take the proposed \$89 million renovation of New Haven Intermediate School (at the current site of Park Hill Learning Center),

as well as additions at New Haven High School to accommodate seventh- and eighth-graders and renovations at the former Harding High, to a referendum.

That "dead in the water" referendum was soundly defeated at the polls, rejected by 64 percent of voters.

To be clear: None of those things happen without board approval. Green's leadership style certainly wasn't praised by anyone at the meeting, but at the same time, she did not have the authority to independently pursue those controversial projects. She presented options, and the board had to decide whether to accept those or ask for others.

Education is a difficult business - sometimes, it's downright ugly - and hindsight will forever be 20-20. But the divisions between the East Allen constituents can't simply be laid at Green's feet, moving forward. Nor can EACS' woes - perceived or real - be shifted to "the press (that) paints us in a bad light, no matter what we do," as Baker said - because not a single thing I've written in this column is under my or any other media members' authority to address or fix.

The criticisms brought forth by those at Wednesday's meeting weren't about media coverage. They were about EACS' interactions with people.

The responsibility to address those lies with residents in the district and the EACS board - with the previous version of that body singled out in a "district climate survey" conducted by Daryl Yost, a former EACS superintendent, for giving the perception that board members represented their individual districts first instead of meeting the needs of the district.

Nelson - one of three new members of the board, along with Baker and Arden Hoffman, after last fall's elections - spoke candidly about the challenges that the board faces in moving forward.

"I think the board has to start the process of uniting. We are where it all starts," Nelson said. "I think it will take as long as the members of the board allow it to take, and we've had some open and frank meetings about that."

"We can still have our community identities. We should embrace those things. But the board has to look at the bigger picture and do what's best for the district. We have to do what's best for the students."

If that is what EACS does in moving forward, then it is entirely possible that while not everyone will agree with every move made by the district, a new superintendent will be able to serve the board, the district staff and the community equally and well.

Time, as always, will tell. www.newhavenbulletin.com

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
—I John 1:9 ESV

OLD PAULDING COUNTY JAIL SELLS!



Bids were opened on March 20, 2013 at 9:45 a.m. in the Commissioners' Office for the sale of the old Paulding County Jail. Four bids were received. The Commissioners accepted the bid from All Trades Historical Restoration

in the amount of \$11,770.00. In the event the bidder awarded does not close within thirty (30) days, the award will go to the second highest bidder, Rick Fortman in the amount of \$7,777.00.

PATROL'S TPR. TUSKO PROMOTED TO SERGEANT IN AT THE DEFIANCE POST

Tpr. Patrick M. Tusko was promoted to the rank of sergeant today by Colonel John Born, Patrol superintendent, during a ceremony at the Patrol's Academy. Sgt. Tusko will remain at his current assignment at the Defiance Post to serve as an assistant post commander.

Sgt. Tusko began his Patrol career in February 1997 as a member of the 128th Academy Class. He earned his commission in July of that year and was assigned to the Defiance Post.

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Sonya Herber and Chad Lantow of the Paulding Eagles.

The public is invited to attend the United Way of Paulding County Luau Fundraiser on Saturday, April 6, 2013 at the Paulding Eagle's Lodge from 6:00 p.m. until midnight. "The United Way Special Events Committee and Board Members are working hard to raise money for helping those in need in our county," stated Sarah Sajuan, Special Events Committee member. "Our committee comprised of Linda Bostelman, Nedra Mielke, Megan Clark, Anna Lee Adams, Sonya Herber, Pam Miller and I started organizing the event several months ago."

Pam Miller, Trustee of the United Way, said, "We are so thankful to have the Eagles support our efforts in the Paulding community. We couldn't do this without them. Entertainment will start at 8:00 p.m. with the Junk Yard Band from Fort Wayne, IN playing beach music. This will add special spirit to the night."

Eagle's Lodge in Paulding provided a cash donation in addition to steak dinners and their continuing support of this endeavor. Don & Perry's donated a 32" HD Flat Screen TV for the raffle.

"Terrific raffle items have been donated by businesses, board members, and individuals in the county. Some of the items include corn hole boards, a segmented hickory/walnut handmade bowl, luau tin men, a wine bottle tree, 10 karat Black Hills gold earrings with genuine diamonds, fuel gift certificates, luau inflatable toys, a handmade quilt, dinner gift certificates, umbrella, T-shirts, sweat shirts, pizza gift certificates, a Yankee candle, as well as many other gift certificates, and a hand carved wooden "Buckeye" guy," commented Megan Clark, Trustee of UWPC.

Clark added, "We will also have a 50/50 raffle to support our event and campaign. It will be an exciting evening with a competition held for

those dressed in tropical attire. Don't forget to bring your hula skirt and wear your Hawaiian themed shirts to enter the competition."

Director of the United Way, Sonya Herber said, "I see the mission of the United Way of Paulding County come to life once again! This will be my first year attending the luau fundraiser. I've heard it's a festive night with the band adding to the lively atmosphere. The UWPC volunteers mobilizing the caring power of our community to improve lives is truly what United Way is all about! Building relationships with the county-wide community to promote services and maximize outreach is a priority of the UWPC."

Linda Bostelman stated, "As a Special Events Committee member, I look forward to attending the United Way Luau event every year. What an entertaining night!" Linda helps collect items for the raffles and donates her time every year to help with many of the United Way's fundraising events.

"The money raised by the United Way of Paulding County stays in Paulding County to assist the needs in our local community. If you would like to support UWPC in their efforts, contact the office at 419-399-8240. More information about the United Way is accessible on their website at <http://unitedway-ofpauldingcounty.org> or on the United Way of Paulding County Facebook page," commented Nedra Mielke, Special Events Committee member.

LOCAL PHYSICIAN EARNS CERTIFICATION IN OBESITY MEDICINE

Mahtab Ahmed, MD, Paulding County Hospital, recently passed the American Board of Obesity Medicine (ABOM) Certification Exam for Obesity Medicine Physicians and became certified in the subspecialty of obesity medicine.

Physicians certified in Obesity Medicine are able to positively impact all systems of the body by incorporating weight management into traditional models of medical practice. Specifically, this subspecialty requires competency in and a thorough understanding of the treatment of obesity and the genetic, biologic, environmental, social and behavioral factors that contribute to obesity.

Dr. Ahmed was among only 191 physicians nationally who successfully completed this year's exam.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than one-third of U.S. adults and 17 percent of U.S. children and ado-



lescents are obese. Obesity-related conditions include heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and certain types of cancer. In 2008, medical costs associated with obesity were estimated at \$147 billion.

Supervision from a health care provider is necessary to detect and treat weight-related medical conditions. A health care program supervised by a physician who is certified in obesity medicine offers a comprehensive and effective approach to maximizing overall health and reversing obesity-related comorbidities.

"In our own county, the prevalence of adult obesity is 34%, according to the Paulding County Health Assessment, a health survey performed in 2011," said Dr. Ahmed. "I am interested in being part of the solution to this medical epidemic by locally helping patients affected by obesity who seek access to safe evidence-based medical treatment options."

Patients and their health care providers need a variety of options for obesity treatments, since no single treatment approach will work for every individual. The American Society of Bariatric Physicians provides guidance to its members through a set of Obesity Medicine guidelines, which outline four medical weight-loss methods: dietary modification, exercise prescription, behavior modification and, when appropriate, medication.

Dr. Ahmed has been a board certified family practice physician at Paulding County Hospital since 2007. His practice has recently relocated to the Paulding Medical Center, which is located in a separate building at the west end of the hospital campus. He decided to become board certified in Obesity Medicine to help his patients and other interested patients in dealing with obesity and the health problems that are related to obesity. To find out more about his program, please call his office at 419-399-1574.

Keep the news coming. News is always free. Let your friends, neighbors and community know what's going on!

EASTER EGG HUNT IN OAKWOOD

The Oakwood Fire Department and Twin Oaks United Methodist Church are joining hands in sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt for the community children on Saturday, March 30, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Oakwood Community Park. This event is for all children ages preschool through 6th grade.

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At its best, technology offers solutions, enriches life, and makes us more efficient. Today's modern hearing aids do all three.

For more than 34 million Americans, hearing loss is part of life. Most frequently, it results from repeat exposure to loud noises - like at concerts, nightclubs, sporting events, crowded restaurants, loud workplaces and so on.

In many ways, hearing loss is the unintended by-product of life fully lived—that is, before we knew better about how to protect our hearing in such noisy environments. But when ignored and left unaddressed, hearing loss robs from life. It isolates. It debilitates. And it diminishes quality of life. It even takes a toll on fiscal wellbeing by cutting into earnings potential. And perhaps most notable, unaddressed hearing loss creates barriers and unnecessarily strains even the best of relationships.

But listen up: It doesn't have to. And it shouldn't.

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themselves to the positive effects hearing aids have on their social and work lives.

High-performance technology and style have merged with durability and ease-of-use when it comes to today's hearing aids. The options are so varied, in fact, that there is an attractive solution for just about anyone.

Today's high-tech hearing aids can be as discreet or as visible as you like. Designers offer styles that appeal to the fashion conscious, the trend-setter, the party-goer, the intellectual, the active sports enthusiast, the cautious grandmother, the romantic, the weekend warrior, and even the guy just tired of arguing with his wife and kids about the volume on the TV.

Simply, today's hearing aids transcend old-world notions about hiding a condition as common as hearing loss. Whether they sit discreetly inside your ear canal, or wrap aesthetically around the contour of your outer ear like the latest fashion accessory, today's high-performance hearing aids amplify life. They unabashedly send the message: "I'm too young and full of life to stop doing the things I love best."

If you think you or someone you care about is struggling with unaddressed hearing loss, ask yourself these questions:

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- Do you keep turning up the TV or radio?
- Do you sometimes miss a telephone ring or doorbell?
- Do you seem more irritated or tired at big family or social gatherings?

If the answer to some or all of these questions is yes, it's time to take that first step toward regaining the reins on life. Make an appointment with a hearing health professional, and take charge of your hearing loss.

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Thank You

The family of Ashley (Gardner) Messmann would like to thank our family, friends, neighbors and the community for the outpouring of love and encouragement during our time of duress and loss of our daughter, spouse, sister, granddaughter, daughter-in-law, mother and dear friend.



We lost Ashley, Tuesday, February 5, 2013 in a tragic auto accident and have missed her deeply ever since. Your prayers, cards, gifts, and the food that was sent to our family also have been greatly appreciated including all the contributions made to Asher.

We also want to thank Pastor Janet Strickland for her beautiful words at the service, and the Restoration Tabernacle church ladies for providing the great dinner following the funeral. We also appreciate and thank the Paulding Church of the Nazarene for the use of their facilities.

We thank Den Herder Funeral Home for handling the arrangements and their professional manner in which they took care of Ashley and also the care and compassion that they have showed our family.

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TWIN OAKS UMC HOLY WEEK EVENTS

This is a listing of the events being held during Holy Week at the Twin Oaks United Methodist Church in Oakwood.

- Maundy Thursday Meal Service, Thursday, March 28, 6:30 p.m.
- Good Friday Service, March 29, 7:00 p.m.
- Sunrise Service, Easter morning, March 31, 7:00 a.m.; Breakfast following Sunrise Service
- Easter Worship Service, March 31, 9:30 a.m.

SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE AT FRIENDS UMC

An Easter Service is planned at the Friends United Methodist Church, 305 Lewis Street, Latty on March 31, 2013. A sunrise worship service will begin at 7:00 a.m., with breakfast and fellowship to follow in church basement. All are invited!

PIONEER CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES EASTER SERVICES

Easter Sunday times of services at Pioneer Christian Ministries:

- Sunrise service at 7:30 a.m. followed by breakfast (no Sunday school service this week)
- Worship service at 9:30 a.m. (this week only)

Please come and join us this Easter Sunday. Pioneer Christian Ministries is located at 17936 Rd. 108, (Corner of Rd. 108 and SR 637), Paulding.

BALL BROTHERS OF GEORGIA TO PERFORM AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, DEFIANCE

The Tacketts are pleased to announce the first concert in the 2013 season of the "At Home with The Tacketts Concert Series." The Ball Brothers of Georgia will be in concert on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 1399 S. Jefferson Avenue, Defiance, OH 43512. This will be the quartet's third appearance in defiance with The Tacketts, who will also perform. No tickets are needed.

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HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES AT WOODBURN UMC



There will be many opportunities for worship during Holy Week at Woodburn United Methodist Church. The Holy Week services begin with a Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 p.m. This will be a traditional worship service including Communion. Communion at Woodburn Methodist is open to any who wish to come to the Lord's Table.

On Friday, March 29, there will be a Community Good Friday service at 1:00 p.m. at Edgerton Wesleyan Church. This church is located at 1717 Bertha St., Woodburn IN. Then, on Good Friday evening at 7:00 p.m., there will be a service at Woodburn Methodist which will include a Good Friday play followed by a brief meditation. The Good Friday play this year is entitled *The Crazy Man from Nazareth*. The play was written by Scott Crites, is produced by special arrangement with Eldridge Publishing Co., and is under the direction of Dawn Patterson. This play is a "contemporary one-act dealing with the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. "Crucifixion XXVI", the year's biggest sporting event, is about to take place, and Jerusalem Broadcasting Company has the exclusive coverage of the gala affair. Through five reporters, we visit Jesus' childhood home and witness the suffering on Calvary. The play is seen through the eyes of the non-Christians who make a mockery of the whole ordeal. Yet, the play reinforces the glorious acknowledgment that Christ, indeed, died for all of us."

The cast of characters are as follows:
 Eric Greedmore - Play by play announcer - Dick Hall
 Jim Cansin - Color commentator - Sean Patterson
 Faith Lesse - Roving reporter at Calvary - Sandy Hobbs
 Alacka Trust - Correspondent at Nazareth - Judy Copsy

Bryan Power - "Man in the Street" reporter - Pastor Terry McDonald
 Woman I - Thinks Jesus is a quack - Margo Tester
 Woman II - Believes in Jesus - LaVon Womack
 Sound and Lights Tech - Dawn Patterson
 On Easter Sunday, there will be a Sunrise Easter Cantata at 7:00 a.m. The cantata is *It Is Finished*. This cantata was created by Russell Mauldin and Sue C. Smith, arranged and orchestrated by Russell Mauldin, and under the direction of Dawn Patterson. This cantata is the story of Holy Week leading up to the crucifixion of Christ. The cantata begins with the "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Opener". This medley includes the songs "It Is Finished", "Beyond the Grave", and "Christ

the Lord is Risen Today". The cantata then moves to Palm Sunday with "Welcome the King!". We then follow Jesus in his final week, teaching the people, dining with his closest friends, clearing the temple of those who are defiling it, and time in prayer with the lovely "Behold How He Loves". This song contains solos by Annette Ruppert and Dick Hall. We then go to the haunting "When He Was on the Cross (I Was on His Mind) with Behold the Lamb". Next is the moving Gaither title song, "It Is Finished", followed by "Just As I Am (with I Come Broken)". The cantata concludes with the joyous "Christ Is Risen Finale" which includes "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" and "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today".

Members of the Woodburn Choir are:
 Soprano - Joyce Drayer, Annette Ruppert
 Soprano/Alto - Dawn Patterson
 Alto - Ruth Corn, Debbie Friend, Sandy Hobbs, LaVon Womack
 Alto/Tenor - Margo Tester
 Tenor - Lyda Cutchin
 Baritone - Dick Hall, Travis Ruppert
 Bass - Tom Cutchin
 Narrator - Judy Copsy
 Sound Tech - Sean Patterson

The Cantata will be followed by an Easter Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

The traditional Easter Service will be held at 9:00 a.m. and will also have Communion that is open to all. There will be no Sunday School class following the service, so that everyone can get to family

dinners.
 Pastor Terry McDonald and all the members of Woodburn United Methodist Church would like to welcome all to participate in the Holy Week activities. Woodburn United Methodist Church is located on Becker Road behind the Marathon Service Station in the middle of Woodburn.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN, HICKSVILLE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

St. John Lutheran, Hicksville began Holy Week on Sunday March 24 with Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday. The service began with the choir and congregation participating in a palm processional and ended with the passion of our Lord.

The week will continue with our next free meal ministry on Thursday, March 28 at 5:00 p.m. which is open to anyone. The meal is held in Luther Hall.

Holy Week will then continue with The Three Days (Triduum). Maundy Thursday, March 28, with the theme "The Bread and the Wine-Much More Than Symbols".

Good Friday, March 29, with the theme "The Cross-The Symbol of Defeat".

New this year will be Easter Vigil on Saturday March 30th with the theme "The Light Shines in the Darkness".

All three of these services will begin at 7:35 p.m.

The Resurrection of Our

Lord will be celebrated on Sunday, March 31st. The sunrise service will start at 8:00 a.m. The Tradition of Dressing the Sanctuary and Altar by the Altar Guild, acolytes and children is being brought back this year. An Easter breakfast will be served in Luther Hall after the sunrise service for all to enjoy. The Festival of Easter Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. with special music by chimers, soloist and brass choir. Holy Communion will be offered at both services.

An Easter Egg hunt for the children will follow the second service.

All are welcome to any and all of the services. The church is handicapped accessible. If you have any questions or need more information, call the church office at 419-542-6269, 812 East High Street, Hicksville.

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 Sunday - 8:30 a.m. - Antwerp
 Saturday - 5:30 p.m. - Paulding
 Sunday - 10:30 a.m. - Paulding

MARCH 29th @ noon patients will be seen in the ORIGINAL EMERGENCY ROOM LOCATION

Paulding County Hospital emergency room renovation Phase 1 completed. Phase 2 - the east wing will be renovated to house the laboratory permanently. Once the lab has moved to their new home, phase 3 will expand the ER to the current lab area. Important to note is that the lab draw station will remain in the main outpatient area for patient convenience.

Editor's Note: We here at the West Bend News print all "Letters to the Editor" because we believe that everyone has a Constitutional right to freedom of the press. In saying that, we do not necessarily agree with the content that is printed. We are just the messengers. The name of the person who wrote the letter is placed at the end of each article. To be considered for publication, letters must be no longer than 1000 words, and you must provide a name along with a phone number and/or email to confirm validity of content. You can respond or submit a new letter by email, USPS or fax.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The following businesses bestowed outstanding support of Toucan Snow Adventure V, sponsored by the Fort Wayne Ski and Snowboarding Club:

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The February 2nd ski trip to Timber Ridge, MI, raised 124 pounds of food for Community Harvest Food Band, and \$1,837, for Honor Flights of Northeast Indiana.

—Michael Ehle, President, Fort Wayne Ski & Snowboarding Club

A SPIDER & A SAVIOR

By: Pastor Joel DeSelm, Woodburn Missionary Church

E.B. White's Charlotte's Web is a children's classic that transcends age barriers, offering a delightful story that is rich with truths for all of us.

It's a barnyard story about a bunch of farm animals who retain their animal existence while acting quite human.

One of the main characters is Wilbur the pig. Born a runt, he struggles not only with his self-esteem but also with his impending doom of becoming bacon or ham.

To his rescue comes the heroine of the story, Charlotte—a spider. She becomes not only Wilbur's mentor but also his savior as she weaves into her web phrases like, "Terrific!" and "Some Pig."

As a result of this supernatural commendation of Wilbur to his owners, Wilbur is saved from his fate on someone's plate and becomes the star of the state fair.

Ironically, in the midst of the excitement of Wilbur's rescue, there is the foreshadowing of Charlotte's death. For the time is rapidly approaching when she must spin her egg sac and fulfill her destiny to die.

The spider's attitude toward her approaching death enables the grieving Wilbur

to accept it as something right. She quietly says, "I feel peaceful. Your success in the ring this morning was... my success. Your future is secured. You will live."

The parallels between that story and this Holy Week are clear reminders of our own redemption. For I was as helpless and undeserving as Wilbur. It took a miracle of love and sacrifice to deliver ME from impending doom.

But it was a sacrifice not from a spider but from the very Son of God. And His last words, though more brief than Charlotte's, were no less profound: "It is finished!"

This week, may we all be caught up in the wonder and miracle of the old, old story of Christ's death and resurrection. And may your family's Easter season be your most meaningful ever.

MAUMEE GO GETTER 4-H CLUB MARCH MEETING

The Maumee Go Getters 4-H Club will have their first 4-H meeting on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. at The Nahrwold's barn 18812 Gar Creek Road, New Haven, IN.

Come and find out if 4-H is something you would like to join. Allen County Indiana 4-H is for anyone preschool age to 18 years old, who wants to be challenged, meet new people, and have fun! The Maumee Go - Getters would love to have you in their club!

If you can not make this meeting, the next meeting will be Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m. at The Nahrwold's barn. If you have any questions please call 260-493-4971.

VAN WERT COUNTY CARES FOR KIDS 5K IN APRIL

On Saturday, April 6, the Van Wert County Cares for Kids 5K Walk/Run, sponsored by Cooper Farms and 3Rivers Federal Credit Union of Van Wert, will be held at the Van Wert Elementary school. Proceeds from the walk/run will benefit the Van Wert County food and wellness programs for kids.

Pre-registration is taking place now through March 23 (postmark date). Forms can be found on the Cooper Farms and 3Rivers websites, at the Van Wert Hospital, YMCA and other local business.

"We are always looking for ways to give back to the community and help our team members and their families be healthy, so this seemed like a natural fit," said Kacy Wagner, Cooper Farms Human Resources Manager. "By doing this 5K we can provide a fun activity for families to do together, while giving back to the area children."

The 3.1 mile walk/run begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Van Wert Elementary school and will travel throughout the Van Wert public school campus, with splits at each mile. Adults and children of all ages are welcome to participate in the race.

"Being active with your children is one of the best ways to help them be healthy," said Wagner. "We hope to see families use this 5k as an opportunity to have a fun, healthy experience with their children."

Children who bring proof of participation in the 5K to the 3Rivers Van Wert office will receive a \$5 deposit into

their CUB account.

For more information contact Kacy Wagner, 419-238-4056 or kacyw@cooperfarms.com or Stephen King, 419-238-3113 or sking@trfcu.org.

SIGNALS ON INDIANA 930 TO BE RE-TIMED IN NEW HAVEN

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announced that signals on SR 930 in New Haven were re-timed beginning Wednesday, March 20, with changes to several left-turn operations.

Traditionally, at intersections with protected left turn signals, the left turn arrows precede the opposing thru-traffic green signal. After they were re-timed, at the intersections of SR 930 and Meyer Road, Maplecrest Road/Adams Center Road, Wayne Haven Street, and Brookwood Drive in New Haven, one of the left turn arrows will follow, or "lag," the opposing thru-traffic green in the signal cycle.

In other words, thru traffic will receive the green signal first, while left-turning vehicles wait on the lagging green arrow. The left arrow will complete the signal cycle, after the thru-traffic signal has become red, and before the intersecting street begins its green cycle.

As the signal timing work takes place at these intersections, while the timings download to the controllers, it is possible that traffic may not progress as smoothly as usual. INDOT asks drivers to be patient while the work is in progress. Additionally, drivers are asked to use caution on SR 930 in the New Haven area as they adjust to the new signal operations on this road.

These "lagging" left turn signals have already been used successfully in the INDOT Fort Wayne District to improve traffic flow, including on SR 930/Coliseum Boulevard in Fort Wayne. The purpose of the signal re-timing is to improve efficiency and reduce travel time for motorists on SR 930.

CITY WIDE CLEAN UP IN NEW HAVEN!

Dispose of unwanted residential trash and help us keep New Haven clean! The City of New Haven will sponsor its annual "City Wide Clean Up" on Saturday, April 13, 2013 to local residents. Materials will be collected at the New Haven City Hall Building, north parking lot, 815 Lincoln Highway East, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For further questions, contact Dave Jones, Superintendent of Utilities at 748-7056. With your cooperation, we can make this city wide cleanup project a great success and maintain a beautiful city.

DROP OFF:
815 Lincoln Highway East (New Haven City Hall Building). Enter the parking lot using the entrance on Lincoln Highway. The drive through drop off site will be located at the north side of the building (behind City Hall) and you will need to exit west of the City Hall building onto High Street. New Haven Residents must bring a valid driver's license and/or recent water/sewer bill.

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- Infectious waste
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• One (1) drop off load per household will be accepted.

• Appliances that utilize Freon (must have a certificate of Freon removal before they will be accepted.)

This is offered to New Haven residents. In order to provide this service on an annual basis, we will evaluate the response and participation each year and possibly lift certain restrictions in the future. Earth First will provide dumpsters as well as the disposal of unwanted residential trash and waste collection. This service is FREE to New Haven residents, therefore, we strongly encourage you to participate by bringing your unwanted items to the location listed above.

SENIOR CITIZENS:


In addition, this year the City of New Haven would like to offer pick up service for our senior citizens who are unable to utilize the drop off site. Please call New Haven City Hall and leave your address along with a brief description of items to be collected prior to April 13, 2013. A truck will come to your home between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 13th.

www.newhavenbulletin.com

DUST OFF THE CLUBS!

It's time to get ready for a Golf Scramble to benefit the Relay for Life Cancer Walk to be held in Paulding, May 31st - June 1st

The 4th Annual Scramble will take place on Saturday, May 18th at the Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Payne. Watch for Updates!





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OLD DAN & I CHAPTER 31: HOME FROM NORWAY

By: Stan Jordan

We started back to our Aachen Airbase at 1000 feet. We saw another radio tower below us, so Dan dove down and made a circle to the right and lined up with a tall radio tower. We had one 40 mm round left.

Dan fired our last round at the middle of the tower where the four legs come together and then the tower continues on up another 50 feet with a single leg.

We blew it off at the point and it tumbled to the ground. We scooted back up and flew even with the boys. We passed over Antwerp, then Essen, Germany and Dan made a slow descent over Liege, Belgium and then over to Aachen. Actually, it was a nice trip home, after leaving Norway.

Gen. Norm came into the meeting room after supper. He showed us some of the pictures developed from the cameras onboard and showed the action. He said we did a great job and only got a few small arms fire, but we were glad to get out of there.

Gen. Norm said, "It is raining outside and the weather people say it will continue to all of tomorrow. So why don't you fellows rest tomorrow and you ground crew don't need to get wet either."

After a few good remarks

from the crews and pilots, the general made another announcement. "Fellows, the French resistance tells us that up in Essen, the Krupp Works is back in business again." That plant makes cannons like the well-known 88mm. The town and the area has been bombed many times but they are in full operation once more.

I guess the bombed out buildings have been repaired with wooden structures and are operating 24 hours per day.

"On Thursday, you fellows load up with Napalm and all small arms armament, but you won't need extra gas tanks, because our target is not very far away," said Gen. Norm.

"We will be borrowing a fourth P-51 for me tomorrow, so you ground crew need to make it like the other three planes.

You know Dan's plane will have a 40mm cannon and a tank of Napalm," stated Gen. Norm. Lt. Wiltsie's plane will fly behind and his tracer shells will ignite the Napalm on the ground.

"Lt. Hornish will carry the other Napalm tank as before and I will follow behind in the new P-51 lighting the Napalm as we go.

"Lt. Wiltsie and Hornish will also carry 6 of the 5" MX-10 rockets. What won't burn up we will blow to pieces with the rockets. Now remember the wood building when blown up will put a lot of debris into the air, so don't fly into it.

"We will make as many passes over the area that the anti-aircraft guns will allow. We should be able to make two trips over it with no problem so we can take before and after pictures.

"Essen is darn near straight north of here 300 miles. Let's hit that place about 11:00 a.m. and keep right on going north.

Then we'll make a swing over Amsterdam and then another run over Essen with our rockets and then back to Aachen. See ya!

DAN WETLI, PILOT

By: Stan Jordan

Dan Wetli was born in the Antwerp area March 3, 1960. His parents are William and Helen Wiesehan Wetli. There were three boys in the family.

Dan graduated from AHS in 1978. He loved farming and he worked at the Weatherhead factory, but he wasn't too sure what he wanted to do for his career. He leaned toward farming.

One day his neighbor bought a small airplane. It



was sitting up near the road and barn in a stubble field. Dan stopped and looked the plane over. The neighbor man took him for a ride.

Before Dan was back on the ground he made up his mind that he wanted to fly and be a commercial pilot.

He was able to go to pilot school in 1980. He graduated in seven weeks which normally takes four months. He wanted to go to a multiple engine training facility and they made a deal with the owner of the school. Dan was already a good pilot with his license, and if he would help the new students learn to fly, the boss would help him learn to fly airplanes with multiple engines. So Dan accepted the offer—it was good for both sides.

Dan logged a lot of hours in single engine airplanes of all types. He even had his own small plane.

He married Patty Rogers in 1982 and they have three girls and one boy. Ellen is a senior at veterinarian school. Alex is at Purdue with an A.P. License and wants to follow in his father's footsteps. Alaine is sophomore at Ohio State in the biomedical field. Ellise is a freshman at OSU and studying to be a Nurse Practitioner.

Dan and his friend have their own business in Fort Wayne. They look after 14 planes for people and do commercial flights in their spare time. Most of the airplanes they have are single engine.

Dan flies quite a bit for a couple out of Pheonix, AZ that own a twin engine jet and carries up to 14 passengers. He generally flies at 41,000 feet, lots of times up to Seattle and then back to Gary, IN. Pretty much where ever they want to go.

Dan took his instrument and simulator training at Dallas Fort Worth. It was a three week course. I asked Dan if night flying was a problem and he said it wasn't, but most of his flights are during the day time hours. He told me there is a code that you can use to turn on the landing lights of a small airfield that does not have a full time

Air Traffic Controller.

I asked about the longest flight he has made. He said in the September he will fly this family from Phoenix to Rome, Italy.

He said, "On the ground all over the world, the red and green lights mean the same thing." The English language is universal in all foreign airports.

I asked Dan if he had any hobbies. He likes to play golf if he has any time.

He is very conscious of the fact that he has people's lives in his hands. Lots of people stop and give their respects to him for the good flight and that means as much or more as the pay check does.

Dan said he was up high in the sky on the tail of a tornado one time. His radar information was running about 10 minutes slow, but he finally got up and over the storm. That was his worst turbulence ever.

Dan says, "Flying is high tech now. Hydraulics and electronics do a lot of work for you, but you still must be alert at all times and not fall in complacency."

Dan has been flying for over 30 years now and has logged over 15,000 hours in the air.

Dan and I talked all afternoon at WBN. He is an interesting fellow to talk with. Dan talked with me about all sizes and types of engines—jet, piston, turbo-prop and other types; and I kept nodding my head like I knew what he was talking about. Some of the time I did!

In talking with him and learning his love and the dedication to the precision and excellency of the field of aviation, he is a fine ambassador.

Dan, we are very proud of you. You knew what you wanted to do and you went out and got the training. You are a hometown boy who went out and did a great job. You and your whole family are a credit to the community.

See ya!



During a recent password audit by a company, it was found that an employee was using the following password:

"MickeyMinniePluto-HueyLouieDeweyDonald-GoofySacramento"

When asked why she had such a long password, she rolled her eyes and said, "Hello! It has to be at least 8 characters long and include at least one capital."

-30- Sally phoned her husband, Bill, at work for a chat.

"I'm sorry dear," said Bill, "but I'm up to my neck in work today. I don't have time to chat."

Sally replied, "But I've got some good news and some bad news for you, dear."

"OK, darling," said Bill, "but as I've got no time right now, just give me the good news."

"OK," agreed Sally. "Well, the air bag works!" See ya!

PPEC HONORS EMPLOYEES



Paulding Putnam Electric recently recognized employees for their years of dedicated service. Pictured here are (l-r) Dan Melcher - 5 years; Jeff Ferris - 25 years; Rusty Rager - 25 years; Rob Weisenburger

- 5 years; Mark Staniski - 5 years; Alan Kohart - 20 years; Jason Cluts - 5 years; George Carter - 25 years; Steve Kahle - 5 years. Not pictured - Jamie Edwards - 5 years.

ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB COMPETES AT WAYNE TRACE

The Antwerp Wrestling Club recently competed in the Wayne Trace tournament on March 23, 2013. The Archers had a season high 20 wrestlers competing and were able to place 16 of them in the top 4 of their respective weight classes.

Finishing in 4th place on the weekend were CJ Eaton, Alex Zijlstra, Derrick Miller, Eli Reinhart, Logan McKeever, Jordan Laker, and Jarett Bute. Placing 3rd were Karsen Donat, Jarrod Traxler, Skyler Octaviano,

and Kaden Phares. Finishing as runners-up on the weekend were Luke McKeever and Avin Johnson. The Archer wrestlers were able to have 2 champions on the weekend in Kamren Johnson and Lance McKeever. Congratulations to all of the wrestlers for their hard work.

Be sure to catch the Antwerp Wrestling Club in their last tournament of the year when they host the 5th annual Archer Open at Antwerp High School on April 6, 2013.

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APRIL 2013 NEWSLETTER

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,
I am pleased to report that the Paulding Board of Education has selected a new superintendent to lead the Paulding School District for the 2013 – 2014 school year. Recently the Board hired Mr. William Hanak as Superintendent of Schools effective August 1, 2013. Mr. Hanak will transition into his new position over the summer and will be here full time beginning in August. Mr. Hanak is currently the High School Principal at Wauseon High School and will finish out this school year in that position. Please join me in welcoming him to the Paulding community.
The Ohio Department of Education has now approved an additional waiver day for Paulding Schools on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 to be used for safety planning in all buildings. All Paulding staff and administrators will be working on updating their building safety plans that day with the help of local law enforcement. All students are excused for the day.
Family financial situations may change throughout the school year. Please be aware that students may apply for Free or Reduced lunches at any time during the school year. I encourage families who have a change in their income to apply or re-apply for these benefits by picking up an application in any of our building offices, calling the building secretary to have an application mailed to your home, or downloading the form from our website under Parent Links. Also, please take advantage of your online account for checking lunch account balances. If you do not know how to access this account, contact our office at 419-399-4656, ext. 1512.
We are very proud of the academic and extracurricular achievements of our students, and the many outstanding staff members who work with these students on a daily basis. As always, I invite you to become an active part of our school district and to get involved in the lives of our young people by attending as many of the student activities as your schedule allows. Please feel free to visit me at my office in the Paulding Administration office, call me at 419-399-4656 or e-mail me at j_basinger@pauldingschools.org at your convenience if you have any questions about our school district or anything in this community newsletter.
John Basinger
Superintendent

we appreciate you staying committed to our children's success.

Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz

Hello from Oakwood Elementary on a sunny, but cold and windy, day! It looks like winter is determined to stay for all of its allotted days. While it seems like just yesterday I was writing my beginning of the year article, it is already time for me to put together comments about the final quarter of the 2012-2013 school year. It reminds me of Kenny Chesney's song, "Don't Blink"! For grades 2-6, the month of April is a month full of review as we make our final preparations for the Ohio Achievement Assessments and the Terra Nova Assessments which will be given on April 25 and 30 and May 1 and 2. As you may know, all students in grades 3-6 in the State of Ohio take a reading and math assessment; 5th graders also take a science assessment. Terra Nova Assessments will be given to students in grades 2-6. If you have not already done so, please mark the weeks of April 22-26 and April 29-May 3 on your calendar. It will be very important for your child to be at school, to have plenty of sleep, to eat a good breakfast, and to receive tons of your support and encouragement during the State Testing week. Please encourage your children to continue to give their very best effort through the final quarter of the school year, finishing on a strong, positive note.

April 19th is the date of Oakwood Elementary's 2013-2014 Kindergarten Screening. If you have, or know a child living in the Oakwood school area who will be five before August 1, 2013, please call and set up a screening and registration appointment (419-594-3346). We look forward to meeting many new students on April 19th!

We have a very special evening coming up on Thursday, April 11! We invite all neighbors, friends, family and supporters of Oakwood Elementary to join us for "Learning Is An Art" from 6:30 to 8:00. This special evening is an opportunity for us to showcase some of the really wonderful things going on in our building. Please plan to come tour Oakwood Elementary and enjoy special events taking place – SMARTBoard lessons, a science fair, project displays, educational games, live musical performances, and much more. We hope you will be able to join us as we share our students' successes!

The Oakwood Elementary PTO is hosting two events in April, and everyone is welcome. Their annual PTO Carnival is scheduled for Saturday, April 6th, from 4:30 to 7:00 – there will be many games for children of all ages to enjoy, a number of raffle items which will peak the interest of adults, and plenty of food. The second event they are organizing is a Mom-to-Mom sale on Saturday, April 20th, from 9:00 to 1:00. For more details about this event, please give us a call. **We really appreciate the special "extra things" our PTO provides for our students and staff. They are the best!

Middle School-David Stallkamp

Our school sent many students to the District Science Day at Ohio Northern University on Saturday, March 23rd. Congratulations to all that participated. I will get the top finishers posted in the next newsletter.

Our spring sports are up and running. We have many, many kids out for track, baseball, and softball. THANK YOU to all that have chosen to become involved in all extra-curricular activities. Please come out and support our kids in action. Look for schedules on the school website.

The school year is winding down VERY FAST. Please encourage your child to continue performing well in school. It doesn't take many failing grades to pull down a year's worth of hard work. We all have spring fever, but we must also accept the responsibilities that we all have, to do our job here.

Finally, I cannot say enough about needing your help and support for the upcoming **State of Ohio Achievement Assessment tests**. Kids always think these tests are not important and don't mean anything. This is just not true. We get a lot of important information from these tests and they stay in the student's permanent file for life. PLEASE stress to your child just how important it is that they give these tests their best effort. The testing schedule is as follows:

- 6th-8th grade READING — April 25
- 6th-8th grade MATH — April 30
- 8th grade SCIENCE — May 2
- 6th and 7th grade SCIENCE Terra Nova – May 2
- 6th-8th grade SOCIAL STUDIES Terra Nova – May 1

6th grade READING Terra Nova – April 26
6th grade MATH Terra Nova – May 3
Please make sure to try and schedule appointments, vacations, etc. away from these dates so that your child is here to take the test on the scheduled date. Also, please see that they get a good night's sleep and a good breakfast on these dates. This will help the kids perform at their utmost potential.

Monday, May 13, 2013, will be a **Day Off Of School** for any student that passed all areas on the 2012 Ohio Achievement Tests. Permission forms will be coming home for those students eligible to receive this incentive reward. School will operate as normal that day for those not eligible for this reward. There are two 8th grade class trips coming up. The first will be for any 8th grader that wishes to go to Springfield, Illinois. That trip will be May 8 through 10, 2013, and will be at their own expense. The second trip is open to all 8th graders wishing to go to Cedar Point. This trip is scheduled for Tuesday, June 4th, 2013. Cost per student will be \$25. May 16th will be our annual Award's Day ceremony in the HS gym beginning at 12:00 noon. Invitations will be sent out to the parents of those students receiving an award that afternoon.

8th Grade Graduation is scheduled for May 21, 2013, at 1:00 PM in the high school gym. If we must use any make up dates for school, this graduation will always be the last day of school.

Again, I thank you for your continued support of Paulding Middle School. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the school if I can be of any further assistance.

High School-Todd Harmon

Once again I would like to thank all the teachers, aides, parents, and students for doing their part in completing another year of State testing. The process went very smoothly and the attendance each day was great. I am confident the students' performance will show positive results and get students closer to graduating.

Thanks to all the students and staff that participated in our winter extra-curricular activities. Your efforts and commitments will continue to help improve our programs.

A big thank you and congratulations to Beth Kelly and Sandy Dobbelaere for a terrific job working with the students who put on the Monty Python musical 'Spamalot'. Many hours of practice go into making a performance like this. The students did a wonderful job!

There is still time to purchase tickets to the Band Booster's "Music of the Night" to be held on April 13 at 6:30 p.m. This is an evening of live music performed by our band members, while being served a delicious meal. A silent auction will be held throughout the evening also, which is intended to raise funds for the band program.

The FFA banquet will be April 20th in the Auditoria. This is a very well produced program that recognizes students involved in the FFA and their achievements through the year.

As we move closer to May and time for Prom (May 4th), a reminder goes out to students and parents about school fees. Students will not be allowed to participate in prom activities if all fees are not paid by May 2nd. Seniors who do not have all fees paid will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony or receive their diploma. We want to see students have a positive end of the school year, so please help in the fee paying process. As Spring and good weather come around the corner this last nine weeks, it is important to finish the school year strong as grades can make students ineligible for fall sports and extra-curricular activities if they are not passing. Please do not hesitate to call the high school office if you have any questions.

GUIDANCE OFFICE

Many scholarships will be available during the month of April. Students should check the school website for more information, including deadlines. The deadline to register for the June 8th ACT is Friday May 3rd. Senior Awards program is May 14th at 7pm.

PAULDING ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

The Athletic Boosters will be selling 2013-14 '300 Club' tickets (\$25) from April 1- June 30 as well as Maroon and White Club memberships (\$10). Please contact Camie Stallbaum at 419-399-9268. The Athletic Boosters appreciate all your support in helping our Panther Athletes. GO PANTHERS!!

MUSIC OF THE NIGHT

The Band Boosters are hosting a night of

food, fun, silent auction and prizes. 'Music of the Night' will be April 13th in the Auditoria, with doors opening at 6:30 with the meal being served at 7:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the High School and Middle School bands. Tickets are \$16. Contact any band member or Mr. Clark for tickets or information.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The school district has received federal IDEA-B funds for special education services. Public comment is encouraged and information is available. Contact Tillman Karl, Director of Special Education.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 21-27 is National Volunteer Week, established in 1974 as a way to honor the service of people who volunteer. Paulding Exempted Village Schools wishes to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to everyone who gives of their time and talents to make a big difference in our schools.

GRADUATION DATE REMINDER

The graduation ceremony for the class of 2013 will be May 26, 2013 at 2:30 p.m.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR EVENTS

JH Boys/Girls Track		
Apr. 8	Shawnee/Spencerville-H	4:30
Apr. 11	@Hicksville/Bryan-T	4:30
Apr. 16	@Wayne Trace/Van Wert-T	4:30
Apr. 18	@Lincolnview/Crestview-T	4:30
Apr. 23	Antwerp-H	4:30
Apr. 25	Wayne Trace Invitational-T	4:30
Apr. 29	@Fairview/Lincolnview-T	4:30
Varsity Boys/Girls Track		
Apr. 4	@Ottoville/Ft. Jennings-T	4:30
Apr. 9	@Van Wert/Defiance-T	4:30
Apr. 12	Bath Invitational-T	5:00
Apr. 16	Continental/Lincolnview-H	4:30
Apr. 19	Grove Bulldog Invitational-T	4:30
Apr. 23	@Spencerville/Temple Christian-T	4:30
Apr. 27	Ayersville Diller Invitational-T	9:00
Apr. 26	Hicksville@Antwerp-T	4:30
JV Baseball		
Apr. 4	Hicksville-H	5:00
Apr. 5	Elida-H	5:00
Apr. 8	Defiance-H	4:30
Apr. 9	Lincolnview-T	5:00
Apr. 15	Ayersville-H	4:30
Apr. 16	Archbold-H	5:00
Apr. 18	Napoleon-H	5:00
Apr. 19	Ottoville-H	5:00
Apr. 22	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Apr. 23	Bluffton-T	5:00
Varsity Baseball		
Apr. 1	Shawnee-T	5:00
Apr. 2	Fairview-H	4:30
Apr. 6	Ottawa-Glandorf-H	11:00
Apr. 8	Defiance-T	5:00
Apr. 11	Columbus Grove-T	5:00
Apr. 15	Crestview-H	5:00
Apr. 18	Delphos Jefferson	5:00
Apr. 20	Antwerp/Hicksville-T	11:00
Apr. 22	LCC-H	5:00
Apr. 23	Continental-H	4:30
Apr. 25	Lincolnview-T	5:00
Apr. 26	Wayne Trace-T	4:30
Apr. 29	Ada-T	5:00
Apr. 30	Archbold-H	5:00
JV Softball		
Apr. 1	Shawnee-H	5:00
Apr. 2	Antwerp-H	5:00
Apr. 8	Defiance-H	5:00
Apr. 19	Montpelier-H	4:30
Apr. 20	Van Wert-T	12:00
Apr. 23	Bryan-H	5:00
Apr. 30	Wauseon-H	5:00
Varsity Softball		
Apr. 1	Shawnee-H	5:00
Apr. 2	Bryan-T	5:00
Apr. 4	Wayne Trace-H	4:30
Apr. 5	Antwerp-T	5:00
Apr. 6	Ottawa Glandorf-H	11:00
Apr. 11	Columbus Grove	5:00
Apr. 15	Crestview-H	5:00
Apr. 16	Montpelier-T	5:00
Apr. 18	Delphos Jefferson-T	5:00
Apr. 19	Parkway-H	5:00
Apr. 20	Van Wert-T	12:00
Apr. 22	LCC-H	5:00
Apr. 25	Lincolnview-T	5:00
Apr. 29	Ada-T	5:00
Apr. 30	Stryker-T	5:00

DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

Apr. 1	NO SCHOOL	
Apr. 2	No School-Unless needed for make-up	
Apr. 3	NO SCHOOL-Waiver Day	
Apr. 3	Athletic Booster Meeting	7:00p
Apr. 6	OE PTO Carnival	4:30-7:00p
Apr. 8	Band Bstr Mtg.-Band Room	7:00p
Apr. 8	Sci. Olymp. Bstr. Mtg.-Auditeria	7:00p
Apr. 11	OE 'Learning Is An Art'	6:30-8:00p
Apr. 12	OE Student/Month Lunch	
Apr. 13	Music of the Night-Auditeria	6:30p
Apr. 16	Battle/Books Finals,Fairgrounds	12:30p
Apr. 16	Board Meeting,Oakwood Cafe	7:00p
Apr. 17-18	PE Kindergarten Registration	
Apr. 19	OE Kindergarten Registration	
Apr. 20	OE Mom-to-mom sale	9:00a-1:00p
Apr. 20	FFA Banquet-Auditeria	5:30p
Apr. 26	OE Kdg. Family Reading Day	2:30p
Apr. 26-27	State Science Olympiad	

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CATIE STRABLE MOVES TO SEMIFINALIST IN NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC BEE

Catie Strable, daughter of Mike and Lorie Strable of Paulding, is a fifth grade student at Divine Mercy Catholic School. Catie has been



notified by the National Geographic Society that she is one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2013 Ohio National Geographic Bee, sponsored by Google and Plum Creek. This is the 25th anniversary of the Bee. Bees were held in schools with fourth through eighth grade students throughout the state to determine each school's Bee winner. School-level winners then took a qualifying test, which they submitted to the National Geographic Society. In each of the 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia, the Department of Defense Dependents Schools, and the U.S. territories, the National Geographic Society invited the students with the top 100 scores to compete at

the state level.

The 2013 Ohio National Geographic Bee will be held at Grandview Heights High School on Friday, April 5, 2013.

The state winner will receive \$100, the "Complete National Geographic on DVD," and a trip to Washington D.C., where he/she will represent Ohio in the national finals at National Geographic Society headquarters, May 20-22, 2013. The first-place national winner will receive a \$25,000 college scholarship and lifetime membership in the Society. The national winner will also travel (along with one parent or guardian), all expenses paid, to the Galápagos Islands. The winner will experience geography firsthand through up-close encounters with the wildlife and landscape of Galápagos.

CARNIVAL TIME AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY!

The Oakwood Elementary PTO will be hosting a carnival on Saturday, April 6th from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at the school. Children of all ages will enjoy traditional carnival games, as well as, face painting and a cake walk. A menu of taco in a bag, pizza, and hot dogs will be available, as well as, sno-cones and popcorn! There will be a basket raffle with a variety of themed baskets. Come for a fun evening with your family!

PAULDING MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAMS PLACE 1st & 3rd



Paulding HS team in Division C (l-r) Tyler Hayner, Mikayla Pieper, Savannah Roughton, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm, Sarah Bales, Nick Hitchcock, Brad Matson, Rachel Nicelley, Kaitly Roughton, Ellie Miller, Isaac Nice, Katie Carnahan, Kathryn Clapsaddle, Michael Tope, Laurel Wehrkamp.



Paulding Middle School Team in Division B (l-r) Tori Bradford, Alli Harpel, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Victoria Meadows, Megan Reineck, Jordan Shull, Christine Clapsaddle, Daleigh Davis, Aaron Horstman, Estee Miller, Dayton Pracht, Wyatt Miller, Brian Matson, Charles Clapsaddle, Ethan Matty

The Paulding Middle and High School Science Olympiad team placed 1st and 3rd in the Science Olympiad tournament held in Defiance College on March 23, 2013. The teams are coached by Krisi Williams.

In order to win, the team competed individually or in groups in a series of 23 events testing members' knowledge of science skills, processes, and applications in a wide range of science disciplines including biology, chemistry, physics, technology, earth science, and mathematics.

The Paulding team will advance to the state finals at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, on April 27, 2013, where 40 junior and 40 senior high school teams

will compete. The winner in each division will spar in the National Science Olympiad Tournament which will be held at Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio on May 17-18, 2013.

Sponsored by The Ohio State University, the Ohio Science Olympiad is an academic, interscholastic competition designed to increase student interest in the STEM disciplines of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and to improve the quality of science education. It has grown phenomenally from just 23 teams competing in state competition in 1985 to 266 teams competing in eight regional tournaments in 2013. Nationally, over 350,000 students are involved in the Science Olympiad program.



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Though the most visible role of the Secretary of State is that of chief elections officer, the office is also the first stop for individuals or companies who want to file and start a business in Ohio. While recognizing these numbers can't provide a complete picture of Ohio's jobs climate, they are an important indicator of economic activity that Secretary Husted hopes will add to the discussion of how to improve the state's overall climate for business.

NOTE: New business filings are classified as forms filed with the Ohio Secretary of State that declare the formation of a business entity, including for-profit, non-profit and professional corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, limited liability partnerships and limited liability partnerships. Filing as a business in Ohio does not guarantee the company will begin operations, be profitable or create jobs.

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The award is given to members of Congress who score a 70 percent or higher score on key manufacturing votes as determined by the NAM. Congressman Latta scored a 95 percent during the 112th Congress, demonstrating his consistent support for pro-growth, pro-jobs policy agendas.

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RETIREMENT, SUCCESSION PLANS: "MUST HAVES" FOR BUSINESS OWNERS



Financial Focus by: Phil Recker, Edward Jones Advisor

If you own a business, you may well follow a "do it now" philosophy — which is, of course, necessary to keep things running smoothly. Still, you also need to think about tomorrow — which means you'll want to take action on your own retirement and business succession plans.

Fortunately, you've got some attractive options in these areas. For example, you could choose a retirement plan that offers at least two key advantages: potential tax-deferred earnings and a wide array of investment options. Plus, some retirement plans allow you to make tax-deductible contributions.

In selecting a retirement plan, you'll need to consider several factors, including the size of your business and the number of employees. If your business has no full-time employees other than yourself and your spouse, you may consider a Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plan or an owner-only 401(k), sometimes known as an individual or solo 401(k). Or, if your goal is to contribute as much as possible, you may want to

consider an owner-only defined benefit plan.

If you have employees, you might want to investigate a SIMPLE IRA or even a 401(k) plan. Your financial advisor, working with plan design professionals and your tax advisor, can help you analyze the options and choose the plan that fits with your combined personal and business goals.

Now, let's turn to business succession plans. Ultimately, your choice of a succession plan strategy will depend on many factors, such as the value of your business, your need for the proceeds from the sale of the business for your retirement, your successor, and how well your business can continue without you. If your goal is to keep the business within the family, you'll need to consider how much control you wish to retain (and for how long), whether you wish to gift or sell, how you balance your estate among your heirs, and who can reasonably succeed you in running the business.

Many succession planning techniques are available, including an outright sale to a third party, a sale to your employees or management (at once or over time), or the transfer of your business within your family through sales or gifts during your life, at your death or any combination thereof.

Many succession plans include a buy-sell agreement. Upon your death, such an agreement could allow a business partner or a key employee to buy the business from your surviving spouse or whoever inherits your business interests. To provide the funds needed for the partner or employee (or even one of your children) to purchase the business, an insurance policy could be purchased.

Your estate plan — including your will and any living trust — should address what

happens with the business, in case you still own part or all of it at your death. The best-laid succession plans may go awry if the unexpected occurs.

All these business succession options can be complex, so before choosing any of them, you will need to consult with your legal and financial advisors.

Whether it's selecting a retirement plan or a succession strategy, you'll want to take your time and make the choices that are appropriate for your individual situation.

You work extremely hard to run your business — so do whatever it takes to help maximize your benefits from it.

NOTICE OF COMMON CONSTRUCTION WAGE MEETING IN NEW HAVEN

Notice is hereby given that a wage scale committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 135A of the New Haven City Administration Building, 815 Lincoln Highway East, New Haven, IN 46774. A wage scale will be determined for the following projects:

1. WMP-2011-04 Water Main Improvement Project - \$277,000.00 (Estimated)* Rose Avenue (Martin Drain to Tanglewood Drive)
2. WMP-2010-08 Water Main Improvement Project - \$706,000.00 (Estimated) Green Road, Phase I (State Road 930 to Moeller Road)
3. SSIP-2012-01 Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project - \$350,000.00 (Estimated) Elimination of Woodbridge Pump Station
4. SIP-2012-01 Street Improvement - \$653,000.00 (Estimated) Deveron Drive and Woodridge Drive

HITE LEGISLATION INCREASES CAP ON GRAIN INDEMNITY FUND

Senate Bill 66, sponsored by State Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay), today passed the Ohio Senate with unanimous, bipartisan support. The legislation increases the cap on the Grain Indemnity Fund by modifying Ohio's "Agricultural Commodity Handler's Law."

"With nearly 400 licensed grain elevator locations in Ohio and more \$1 billion in agricultural commodities being stored, it is absolutely pertinent that we increase the indemnity fund cap so it can fulfill its purpose as an insurance policy for our state's number-one industry," said Hite.

The grain indemnity fund was created by the General Assembly in 1983 to reimburse Ohio farmers in the event that a licensed grain elevator became insolvent. This insurance is funded by the licensed grain operators themselves through a ½ cent per bushel assessment on grain. The fund is currently capped at \$10 million, which it will exceed unless immediately adjusted. Senate Bill 66 increases the cap to \$15 million.

In addition to presiding as the Chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, Senator Hite's district holds nearly a quarter of all the licensed grain facilities in Ohio, making this an especially important issue for Northwest Ohio.

LATTA COMMENDS HOUSE PLAN TO BALANCE THE FEDERAL BUDGET

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement after approval of a resolution that establishes the fiscal year 2014 budget:

"Hardworking taxpayers and small business owners have to live within their means, and in Ohio, every level of government is required to balance its budget. With our economy still struggling and too many Americans out of work, it is critical that Washington reins in its out-of-control spending.

"The Senate Democrat's budget plan, which raises taxes and fails to balance the budget, provides a stark contrast to the Republican budget plan. The Republican plan is a pledge to Americans to balance the federal budget in ten years, tackle Washington's wasteful spending, and fix the broken tax code to restore economic growth and create jobs."

FROM THE DESK OF THE PAULDING COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Paulding County prosecuting attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted five persons on Thursday, March 21, 2013.

Jared A. Zipfel, Defiance, DOB 2/22/1991, Corrupting Another with Drugs, F-4

David W. Pratt, Paulding, DOB 3/26/1979, Domestic Violence, F-4

Steven C. Clark, Paulding, DOB 7/17/1963, Non-support of Dependents, F-5

Jason L. Mobley, Paulding, DOB 3/18/1973, Domestic Violence, F-4

John P. Sandoval, Paulding, DOB 10/2/1974, Possession of Drugs, F-5; Assault, F-4

WAYNE TRACE BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING 3/18/13

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in special session on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 6:30 a.m. in the Lecture Room of Wayne Trace High School.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Rob Wannemacher. Roll call: Mr. Pat Baumle, Mr. Dick Swary, Mr. Perry R. Sinn, Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn - all present.

NEW BUSINESS:
13-03-05 - A motion by Pat Baumle that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, offer Kevin Wilson a one-year administrative contract as principal at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary School for the 2013-2014 school year. Seconded by Perry Sinn. Roll call: Pat Baumle, Perry Sinn, Dick Swary, Lisa McClure, Duane Sinn - all aye. Motion passed.

13-03-06 - A motion by Pat Baumle to move the regular board meeting from April 8, 2013 to April 15, 2013 to better accommodate schedules. Seconded by Lisa McClure. Roll call: Pat Baumle, Lisa McClure, Dick Swary, Perry Sinn, Duane Sinn - all aye. Motion passed.

13-03-07 - A motion by Perry Sinn to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Dick Swary. Vote by Acclamation of members. Ayes have it - motion passed.

HOOPS FOR HEART: ANTWERP STUDENTS GIVE BACK



Antwerp Middle and High School students participated in the annual Hoops for Heart competition on Wednesday, March 20th. Students must donate at least \$10 to the American Heart Association to participate in the day's events, which include a middle and high school three-on-three, free throw, and three-point competitions.

The winners of the high school three-on-three (top) were seniors Andy Coleman, Lydia Yenser, and Braeden Hormann. The winning middle school team (bottom) consisted of eighth graders Brandon Pendergrast, Hunter Noel, and Mike Taylor. Seventh grader Brandon Laney

and freshman Jeff Coleman won the three-point contests, while seventh grader Dylan Peters and junior Derek Smalley won the free-throw contests.

The top money collectors for the day were senior Katie Bissell and seventh grader Cody Eblin. Overall, Antwerp students raised over \$3,700 this year for the American Heart Association, making the total over the last 16 years over \$50,000. The marketing director of the American Heart Association paid Antwerp Middle/High School a special visit on Wednesday because the school has raised so much money for the cause over the years.

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LEGAL NOTICE

2013 Joint Chip Seal Projects

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding, Ohio, at its office in the Court House, 115 N. Williams Street, Rm. B-1, Paulding, Ohio, until **10:00 A.M., D.S.T. on April 3, 2013**

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 sub-contractors 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.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
Nola Ginter
Clerk, Board of Commissioners

man, Gage Waltmire, Reed Zartman

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SIXTH GRADE:
All A's - Madi Brigner, Caden Bland, Madison Coyne, Anne Eklund, Brooke Greulach, Alli Hefner, Carissa Laukhuf, Clark Laukhuf, Julianne Roop, Kaylee Shepherd, Wyatt Stabler, Matthew Stouffer

All A's & B's - Alec Anderson, Ethan Crosby, Reese Etzler, Gracie Laukhuf, Josiah Linder, Levi Manz, Evan Mohr, Billiejo Moore, Ellie Moore, Rachel Ringler, Kristen Rittenhouse, Austin Smith, Reece Thompson, Ashley Thrasher

DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 2ND NINE WEEKS 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

FOURTH GRADE:
Treyton Banks, Cameron Cox, Allison Dyson, Jacob Graham, Kaden Sutton, Garrett Williamson

FIFTH GRADE:
Tommy Holmes, Catie Strable, Camden Thompson

SIXTH GRADE:
Grant Baumle, Emily Dyson, Hayden Williamson

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MISS HORNIAK 3C:
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MRS. HOHLBEIN 4A:
Kaylyn Cox, Hunter Dobbelaere, Sadie Estle, Selena

HONEST ABE VISITS GROVER HILL STUDENTS



Pictured here are (l-r) Katie Stoller, Deacon Sanders, Mr. Lincoln, Cara Davis and Katrina Stoller.

WT Grover Hill Elementary School had the pleasure of a visit from our 16th president Abraham Lincoln on March 15, 2013. He told the students about Elizabeth (Lizzy) Keckley. Lizzie was the seamstress for the White House during his administration and a

very close friend of his wife, Mary Todd Lincoln. Lizzie was a former slave that spent 12 years saving the money she earned from making dresses to purchase her freedom. She became a civic activist and an author in Washington, DC.

LEARNING MATH WITH JELLY BEANS!



Using jelly beans and toothpicks, the first and second graders of Divine Mercy Catholic School constructed

3-D geometric shapes as a math project. They became engineers and mathematicians.

Guyton, Hailee Huner, Alexis Lamond, Marquise Seibert

MRS. BOCKRATH 4B:
Ethan Hill, Brendan Hornish, Ambrion Merriman, Jalynn Parrett, Megan Dearth*, Kaitlyn Shaffer *, Ben Weible

MRS. PIER 5B:
Darrick Bowersox, Wyatt Hale, Kaela Lucas, Riley Noffsinger, TJ Vargo, Samantha Wagner, Audra Stuck*

MISS BRIMMER 5C:
Braxton Conley, Trey Her-

nadez, Michael Humphreys, Taylor Long, Claire McClure, Jordyn Merriman, Natalie Speiser, Kelsey Guyton*

MRS. DAILY 6A:
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PAULDING BOY SCOUT TROOP 315 SCOUT FOR FOOD



The Paulding Boy Scout Troop 315 recently participated in a Scouting For Food event which resulted in 1,100 pounds of food and personal

items being donated to the Caring and Sharing Food Pantry in Paulding.

Pictured here are (l-r) Brian Knapp, Luke Jackson,

Travis Coutts, David Fisher, Dillion Hobart, Jordan Weidenhamer, Michael Kohart, Shawn Jackson, Brian Matson, and Verl Dasher.

SIGNS OF SPRING!




Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers might think it's still cold outside, BUT signs of spring are around us! Konner Clemens brought in his brand new baby goat to show and play with us. His name is Daniel and he is three weeks old. Konner's mommy had to tube feed him and help him to survive his first few weeks. We are very grateful she did,

because we loved meeting him!

Shown here with our new skipping little friend is from left: Silas Foltz, Austin Finfrock and Konner Clemens. These children are in the afternoon class of three and young four year olds with Mrs. Cheri Collins and Mrs. Ann Miller.

Let West Bend News announce your engagement, wedding or anniversary. It's only \$6 per column for the photo and the announcement is community news.

We want to thank everyone for their support and help making our Mom - 2 - Mom Sale a great success. A special thank you to Paulding Eagles for donating the use of their hall.



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35th ANNUAL BASKETBALL MARATHON SCHEDULE - "PLAYING BALL FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T"

This is the playing schedule for the 35th Annual Basketball Marathon to be held on March 29-30 at the Payne Elementary gym.

MARCH 29:

Youth:

- 1:00 - American Legion Riders vs. Defiance Rehab Service
- 1:30 - Midwest Com Fed Credit Union vs. PHS Yearbook
- 2:00 - Foltz Insurance vs. St Paul/St John H.S.
- 2:30 - Deborah's Golden vs. Payne Knights Of Columbus
- 3:00 - N & N Quick Stop vs. Junior Leaders

Womens:

- 3:30 - Hooker Enterprises Painting vs. Save Da Ta Ta's

Youth:

- 4:00 - Ebel's Butcher Shop vs. Susie's Family Bakery
- Mens:
- 4:30 - Dunking Deputies vs. Systech Env. Corp.
- 5:00 - Class Of 11' Raiders vs. Chief's 3rd String Exhibition:
- 5:30 - P.C. Tigers vs. Paulding Fire Department
- 5:55 - Opening Ceremonies

Mini Tots:

- 6:00 - Ditmyer At Lee Kinstle vs. Williamson Insurance

Mini Youth:

- 6:30 - East Allen Ag & Turf vs. Dealey Farms

Mens:

- 7:00 - Prairie Farms Dairy vs. 20 Years, Out Of Names

Co Ed:

- 7:30 - Kauser Trucking vs. Pros & Koenns

Mens:

- 8:00 - C.T.R. vs. In Memory Of Nate
- 8:30 - Big Time Ballers #28 vs. R & B Fabrications
- 9:00 - Misfits vs. In Memory Of Mrs. Elick

Co Ed:

- 9:30 - Sac Attack vs. T.O.T.
- 10:00 - LMG Gi Poo Patrol vs. DCI Plastics
- 10:30 - Bnajmbacpjm vs. The Academy
- 11:00 - Paulding Co Hospital vs. Team Claymiller

Mens:

- 11:30 - Sycamore Flats/Alumni vs. GM-Powertain-Defiance

MARCH 30:

Youth:

- Midnight - Puckerbrush vs. Signature Embroidery

Mens:

- 12:30 - Taylor Made Systems 1st vs. Taylor Made Systems 3rd

Co Ed:

- 1:00 - Dingles vs. Berries
- 1:30 - Radabaugh Farms vs. Den Herder Funeral Homes
- 2:00 - Slattery Oil vs. Li-city Barber Shop
- 2:30 - The Boars Nest vs. Old School Coed
- 3:00 - Cincinasti Ballers vs. Spartech Plastics
- 3:30 - Class Of 2011 vs. The Mounties

Mens:

- 4:00 - Legends vs. Whiskey Tango Foxtrot
- 4:30 - Baby Daddy Inc vs. Old School Ballers

Co Ed:

- 5:00 - Alaskan Fire Dragons vs. Good Times Alcohol
- 5:30 - Dealey Chemical vs. Super Heroes In Training

Mens:

- 6:00 - Dairy Queen vs. Walnut Street Warriors

Co Ed:

- 6:30 - St John Tire Service vs. Antwerp Pitstop

Mens:

- 7:00 - Old Guy From The Y vs. True Vine Tree Service
- 7:30 - Lace Up vs. Linder Clan

Tots:

- 8:00 - Divine Mercy vs. Lee Kinstle
- 8:30 - NAPA True Value vs. Divine Mercy

Mini Youth:

- 9:00 - Whitman's vs. Whitman's
- 9:30 - Divine Mercy vs. Noggle Farms #1
- 10:00 - The Future vs. Payne Super Valu Tots
- 10:30 - Dealey Accounting vs. Chase Case

Tots:

- 11:00 - Kaufman's Steak House vs. Noggle Farms #2
- 11:30 - Grace Home Improvement vs. Styles Unlimited
- Noon - Williamson Insurance vs. Baughman Tile Co
- 12:30 - Johns Manville vs. Justin's Girls

Mini Youth:

- 1:00 - Brigner Trucking vs. Bubble Gum Babes
- 1:30 - Antwerp Exchange Bank vs. Etzler Clan Next Generation

Youth:

- 2:00 - National Honor Society vs. St Paul UMC

Mens:

- 2:30 - R.E.O. Legacy vs. Indiana Army National Grd

Youth:

- 3:00 - Lakeside Love vs. Lakeside Love
- 3:30 - Mustangs vs. Blue Berries

Mini Youth:

- 4:00 - Gross Trotters vs. Dennings Drive In
- 4:30 - Flat Rock Lodge 580 vs. St Johns/St Paul JHS
- 5:00 - In Memory Of Bo Chamberlain vs. Raiders Of 2019
- 5:30 - Treece Electric vs. Williamson Insurance

Mens:

- 6:00 - 2010 District Champions vs. Bomb Squad

Co Ed:

- 6:30 - Mansfields Big Poodle Gang vs. Bob Thomas Ford-Lincoln
- 7:00 - Herbert E Orr vs. W.W.J.D.

Mens:

- 7:30 - Michael Mott DDS vs. Kortokrax Plumbing, Heat & AC

Youth:

- 8:00 - Octopi vs. Squids
- 8:30 p.m. - Closing Ceremonies

ANTWERP CUB SCOUT PACK 143 HOLD BLUE & GOLD CEREMONY



Antwerp Cub Scout Pack 143 held their annual Blue & Gold Celebration/Crossover Ceremony on March 10. Several of the boys were presented with their rank badges

that they have earned. This was also a special day for the 5th grade boys as they crossed over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts.

2nd ANNUAL CHILDREN'S LANTERN CRAFT SHOW EVENT

This will be our second annual Cottage and Craft Show for the communities of NW Ohio and NE Indiana. Last year the vendor's fees, vendor's raffle, lunch proceeds along with some donations, brought in \$3000. All of that money was used to send a team of 13 young women to Uganda and Ethiopia. The women visited orphans and prayed for and encouraged countless women and children.

We have put together a great group of vendors this year and again all their fees are being used to help world missions. This year's team travel will team will be traveling to a feeding station we sponsor near a remote village in the mountains of Peru.

They will have the opportunity to help feed and meet the children there.

It is being held on Friday and Saturday April 12-13 from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Compass (the former Skylark bld) 320 Jackson Ave in Defiance, OH. We have some very unique and wonderful vendors coming and we are planning another great vendor's raffle. We will be serving lunch and have even added the option of a carry out dinner from 4:00-5:00 p.m. for people who do not want to cook after such a fun day. All those proceeds also will be used for world missions.

We want this event to be fun and we invite you come meet us and find out more about what we do and enjoy part of the day. For more information about Children's Lantern go to childrenslantern.org

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ROAD TO FREEDOM "MYSTERIES OF THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD"



Rita Thelen presenting Quilts & the UGRR. Patterns are (l-r) Basket, Tumbling Blocks, Star, Log Cabin, and Monkey Wrench.

The Underground Railroad was neither underground nor was it a railroad. It was a network of trails and safe-houses used by the slaves on their way to freedom in Canada. Rita Thelen, Lima, OH was the speaker at our March 13th meeting. A map of the UGRR routes in Ohio showed a trail in eastern Paulding, County. She explained that Ohio was a "free state", with over 3,000 miles of trails and at least 23 points of entry along the Ohio River. This inspired Rita to find, purchase and use her antique patterned quilt collection in a presentation called "Secret Stitches: Coded for Freedom?"

Sight contains a code used by the family of Ozella Williams. Each quilt pattern transferred information about how best to successfully escape north. Ten quilt patterns were used in the following code: The monkey wrench (pattern) turns the wagon wheel (pattern) toward Canada on a bear's paw trail (pattern) to the crossroads (pattern). Once they got to the crossroads they dug a log cabin (pattern) on the ground. Shoofly (pattern) told them to dress up in cotton and satin bow ties (pattern) and go to the cathedral church, get married and exchange double rings. Flying geese (pattern) stay on a drunkard's path (pattern) and follow the stars (pattern). At first reading, one is struck by the imagery and poetic descriptions. But beneath the language lies a much deeper, larger story, a story that reaches back to Africa and forward to the Carolinas, connecting African symbols to familiar quilt patterns, all tied together with the sounds of spirituals and the African American struggle to escape the bonds of slavery.

The book *Hidden in Plain*

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Legend has it that in 1831 a runaway slave slipped into the Ohio River with his owner in hot pursuit. He swam for his life across the great river while the other man sought out a boat to row after him. The slave landed in Rip-

ley, OH and immediately ran from view. The owner, giving up his search, declared the slave had "gone off on an underground railroad." For the safety of all involved, few records were kept of the numbers and identities of persons who reached freedom along the railroad, but it is estimated that at least 40,000 passed through Ohio. Area folklore tale: an Underground Railroad safe-house is still standing on North Williams St., Paulding, OH.

David Betts, VP, called the March 13th meeting to order with fifteen members and four guests in attendance. Jill (Rood) Noyes of ACRES Land Trust, which owns over 80 preserves in Indiana & Paulding Co. Ohio, will be the P.C.C.O.G.S. program on April 10, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. at the Paulding County Library ground level meeting room.

To be included as a 2013 Century Family member, your ancestors must be living in Paulding County Ohio by December 31, 1913. First Families membership requires your ancestors to be living here by December 31, 1880. For applications, please contact Ray Keck at 419-399-4415 or Karen Sanders at: karen15806@gmail.com.

PAULDING CO. CHRONICLES III: THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

By: Caroline Wells Zimmerman

The "Underground Railroad" was a term used as early as the late 1700's which meant "a network of persons who helped escaped slaves on their way to freedom from the slavery (Southern states to the Northern states and on into Canada). It was not underground nor was it a railroad, but got its name because of its secret activities that had to be done in that way, using disguise and usually in darkness and along certain "trails". Various routes or stopping places were established as "safe houses" and were called "stations" and those persons who helped the escapees were called "Conductors". The persons they helped were called: "packages or freight". Conductors knew the secret codes and words and signs.

There were 14 different states that were part of the Underground Railroad with a network of routes that extended to "the promised land" (Canada) and beyond the hands of the fugitive-slave hunters. Some of the "Conductors" were black people themselves, like Harriet Tubman. Harriet Beecher Stowe, who wrote *Uncle Tom's Cabin* knew first hand of the plight of the fugitive slave and the dangerous travels they took to try to escape to freedom with the Underground Railroad in Cincinnati, Ohio.

White abolitionists were a great help, but most of the help came from the free blacks themselves along the "Railroad". White Southerners who supported slavery hated the idea of organized white abolitionists and in the 1850's, they strengthened the Fugitive Slave Laws. It first was enacted in 1793 which authorized local governments to seize and return escaped slaves to their owners and imposed high fines and penalties on anyone who helped in their getaways. Slavery began in Amer-

ica when the first African slaves were brought to North American colony of Jamestown, Virginia in 1619 to help with production of tobacco. Slavery was practiced in the American colonies in the 17th and 18th centuries. Slaves were an important commodity and helped build the economics of this new nation. However, the invention of the cotton gin in 1793 really made the need for slaves for cotton production in the South.

The American Civil War (1861-1865) freed the nation's 4 million slaves; however, the racial tumultuous years of Reconstruction (1865-1877) to the Civil Rights movement in the 1960's have been equally hard. Martin Luther King's assassination made him a noted hero for his work for equal rights for black people in this generation.

Please note that not all slaves were negro or black skinned. It was just that a person with dark or colored skin was more easily recognized if they escaped. Statutes regarding refugee slaves existed in America as early as 1643 and the New England Confederation. Slave laws were passed in the original 13 colonies. Even George Washington had slaves which he released when he died. Thomas Jefferson was said to have had several children with one of his slaves, Sally Hemmings.

Ownership of slaves goes back to pre-biblical times. However, it was never right in the eyes of God. Our own constitution says: "All men are created equal..."

Many times slaves were a part of the family and had no where to go if they were released, so they stayed on. However, most times, slavery was a brutal business with the separation of families, the value at auctions of a young female with two children would sometimes bring \$10,000 (in today's money), as would a young healthy male that the owner hoped to work until he died. Many owners were cruel, obviously so, if they hunted the slaves down like animals if they tried to escape and would torture or murder them within the law. Even the people in the Underground Railroad were susceptible to jail, fines and loss of property if they helped the slaves to freedom.

Fugitive Slave Clauses were put into effect in some states that "no person held to service or labor" would be released from bondage in the event they escaped to a free state". This clause was passed in 1793 by Congress. It also made it "right" that slave owners and their "agents" could search for escaped slaves within the borders of free states (like Ohio). If a slave was found, the slave was returned to his/her home state and at least a \$500 penalty was also imposed on any person who helped harbor or conceal escaped slaves. This Act met with heavy criticism. Northerners hated it and built resistance groups and safe houses to aid slaves in their escape to the North. They even passed "Personal Liberty Laws" that gave the accused runaways the right to a jury trial and tried to further protect them from bounty hunters.

Henry Clay's famed Compromise of 1850 was a group of bills that helped quiet early calls for Southern seces-

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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sion (into the Civil War over Slavery). It upped the fine of interference to \$1,000 and 6 months in jail for interfering with the returning of a suspected slave. It was argued that the law was biased in favor of the Southern slaveholders (obviously). Northern states like Vermont and Wisconsin passed new measures to bypass the new law and riots broke out because the slaves were coming through their states to escape. Other rescue states were: New York, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

Harriet Tubman, the famous "Conductor" on the Underground Railroad during the 1850's was born a slave in Maryland. She left her free husband in 1849 and returned to the south at least 19 times to lead her family and hundreds of slaves

to freedom along the "Railroad". It is said she never lost a fugitive nor let one turn back. She carried a pistol and faith in God. She collaborated with John Brown in 1858 in planning the raid on Harper's Ferry. The two met in Canada where she told him all she knew of the Underground Railroad in the East. She was sorry she could not be present for the raid, but he admired her knowledge and courage. After the Civil War, Tubman was a nurse, scout, and spy for the Union Government. In 1896 she was present in Washington DC at the organizing meeting of the National Association of Colored Women.

(Look for conclusion of Mrs. Zimmerman's column in next week's issue of the West Bend News!)

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2nd ANNUAL PANTHER 5K



The winners (l-r) are Kirk Shellhouse (overall male champion), Seth Bidlack (overall champion), and Simona Jackman (overall female champion).

On Saturday, March 16th many competed in the second running of the Panther 5K. There were several great times and individual efforts. Earning first for the 13 and Under age group was Angel Brizozowski and Shawn Jackson. Second in the 13 and Under age group was Ashley Snipes and Ethan Hill. First place for the 14-18 age group was Andrew Layman with Dayton Pracht earning 2nd. First for the 25-30 age group was Josh Neilson. Earning first for the 37-41 age group was Bryan Snipes and Maryann Mitchell. Second place for the 37-41 age group was Brandy Snipes and Robert Payton. Earning first for the 42-52 age group was Kelly Pracht and Defiance Triathlon's Sam Switzer. Our overall top female was Simona Jackman and top male was Kirk Shellhouse. Our grand champion was Defiance Triathlon's and Dave's Running representative, set-

ting a course record of 17:01, Seth Bidlack!

This year's sponsors included Layman Well Drilling, Layman Horizontal Drilling, Spartech, Lafarge, Susie's Family Bakery, Signature Embroidery, and Northwest Ohio Welch Trophy. Without their support this race wouldn't have been possible.

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 3rd NINE WEEKS 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

GRADE 6:

All A's - Alexandra Arend, Luke Brewer, Charles Clapsaddle, Fletcher Cook, Haylee Dominique, Kamdyn Etzler, Eugene Hemenway, Macy Iler, Tristan Kinder, Courtney Luderman, Heather Manz, Shana Manz, Ethan Matty, Jaret Miller, Leah Nusbaum, Sydney Price, Zoe Shepherd, Jennifer Stahl, Ka-

lyn Strahley
All A's & B's - Cory Adams, Nicholas Barnett, Lexie Beckman, Angel Brzozowski, Harmony Burtin, Alexandra Cardin, Hailey Harris, Cole Heller, Casey Holman, Madison Hull, Abigail Leaman, Bailey Manz, Hailey McDaniel, Mary Panico, Kristen Razo, Joseph Reineck, Michael Schmitt, Brock Schooley, Brandon Scott, Hunter Sherry, Carson Shull, Haleigh Stallbaum, Gabriel Steele, Charity Stoller, Malory Taylor, Megan Tope, Briana Townley, Victoria Valle, Addison Wesley

GRADE 7:

All A's - Abigail Adams, Logan Bradford, Jocelyn Camposano, Miah Coil, Brianna Gorrell, Savannah Habern, Stephanie Habern, Shawn Jackson, Kalen Kelly, Audrey Manz, Brian Matson, Cade McGarvey, Emma McMaster, Abbigaile McMichael, Marcus Miller, Caitlyn Myers, Kaylee Plummer, Devon Smith, Gabriella Stahl, Hunter Vogel

All A's & B's - Blake Anderson, Allison Ankney, Lily Arend, Isaac Baldwin, Cassandra Bishop, Alexandra Brown, Ashley Bulka, Blake Bussing, Ethan Dominique, Haylee Donnell, Abigail English, Conner Erb, Chloe Foltz, Hallieann Hale, Kaylen Hale, Jacee Harwell, Thomas Heilman, Austin Howell, Anna Karlstadt, Corbin Kohart, Michael Kohart, Colton Lloyd, Winter McStoots, Elizabeth Mobley, Sunshine-Rae Newsome, Daviah Pessefall, Cassidy Posey, Stephanie Powell, Hannah Vance, Jordan Weidenhamer, Brienne Wilson

GRADE 8:

All A's - Leona Aldred, Allison Arend, Christine Clapsaddle, Daleigh Davis, Hannah Farr, Lauren Hill, Preston Johanns, Emily Knodel, Skyler McCullough, Estee Miller, Ava Moats-Landis, Chantal Monnier, Faith Vogel, Beth Yates

All A's & B's - Kaleb Becker, Brittany Brown, Angelica Chandler, Brody Clemens, William Deisler, Robert Deitrick, Hailey Dix, Kameron Echols, Paige Fitzwater, Kat-

lynn Fuller, Kaleb Goshia, Mercedes Hibbard, Aaron Horstman, Preston Ingol, Matthew Karia, Andrea Kremer, Aubrey Kremer, Kaytlin Ladd, Molly Meeker, Ryan Nicelley, Tyler Nichols, Jared Paschall, Dayton Pracht, Caitlin Proxmire, Destini Ransom, Jo Elyn Salinas, Simeon Shepherd, Ashley Snipes, Cameron Strahley, Benjamin Stuck, Chella Vargas, Brooke Weidenhamer

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL THIRD NINE WEEKS 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

SENIORS:

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3.5-3.99 - Tyler Ash, Elizabeth Chandler, Logan Doster, Tyler Hayner, Sarah Myers, Neil Roehrig, Breana Schmidt, Trey Schroeder, Kayla Simon, Elaine Smith, Dalton Thomas

3.0-3.49 - Logan Adkins, Nicholas Clippinger, Sydney Early, Lance Foor, Ashley Justinger, Samantha Martinez, Austin Miller, Samantha Owens, Destiny Starry, Emily Thielbar, Elizabeth Young

JUNIORS:

4.0 - Emily Albert, Stephanie Baldwin, Sean Bentley, Jerika Bland, Taylor Dangler, Guy Harder, Nicholas Hitchcock, Ashley Johanns, Sierra McCullough, Kaylyn Rager, Kaitlyn Roughton, Julian Salinas, Sidney Salinas, Jaelyn Schlatter, Chelsie Schoepflin, Alesha Simon, Tiffany Spangler, Kaley Varner, Meagan Weller

3.5-3.99 - Sarah Bales, Eric Busch, Megan Coak, Taylor Deatrick, Melissa Durham, Gerod Harder, Paige Hawkins, Cody Jarrell, Joe Kauser, Rachael Kesler, Ashlyn Laney, Andrew Layman, Kandee Manson, Kelsi Manz, Brad Matson, Janey McCourt, Michael Mott, Rachel Nicelley, Abby Pease, Chelsea Rose, Kayla Shaffer, Alyssa Shelmadine, Shelly Stafford, Victoria Stephens-Vazquez, Jenifer Switzer, Jade VanCleve, Cal Ward, CeCe Weidenhamer, Bailey Zeller

3.0-3.49 - Dylan Carnahan, Olivia Cramer, Tyler Fry, Javier Gonzales, Kyle Kauser, Cotey Nichols, Ryan Schindler, Allison Singer, Andrea Singer, Quentin Vance

SOPHOMORES:

4.0 - Katie Carnahan, Kathryn Clapsaddle, Erin Johanns, Amanda LoCastro, Isaac Nice, Shayla Shepherd, Ashlyn Strahley, Malayna VanCleve, Laurel Wehrkamp

3.5-3.99 - Taylor Ankney, Kayla Dietrick, Hannah English, Claudia Foltz, Alexis Howell, Jacob Long, Ellie Miller, Emily Pastor, Haley Schlegel

3.0-3.49 - Christian Burtch, Jarrod Clark, Lydia Clemence, Lyndi Clinton, Ben Heilshorn, Melissa Martinez, Morgan Riley, Bill Smith

FRESHMEN:

4.0 - Lucas Arend, Allison Harpel, Taylor Manz, Bridgett Moore, Emilee Ringler, Taylor Schooley

3.5-3.99 - Kelsey Beck, Tori Bradford, Damon Egnor, Kynsie Etzler, Nathan Gee, Luke Jackson, Lauren Johanns, Kacie Karlstadt, Taylor Kochenour, Sam Ladd, Matthew Martinez, Kim Matson, Victoria Mead-

STUDENTS TO BE RECOGNIZED AT FCCLA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



Pictured here are (l-r) are Rachael Burkhart, Alexis Howell, Kristen Schilt, Haley Schlegel, and Michelle Young. Not pictured - Kelsi Manz.

Paulding High School FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) members recently attended the FCCLA Regional Rally at Vantage Career Center. Michelle Young has received her Power of One Degree and will be recognized at the Ohio FCCLA State Leadership Conference in Columbus in April. Kelsi Manz received a gold medal and state qualified

with her National Programs in Action Star Event "Blessings in a Bag". Kristen Schilt and Haley Schlegel received a gold medal and state qualified with their Chapter Service Display project "Pretty in Pink". Alexis Howell and Rachael Burkhart received a gold medal and state qualified with their Chapter Service Manual project "Pack the Suitcase".

ows, Branson Minck, Emily Moore, Krista Mullins, Haley Porter, Megan Reineck, Kristen Schilt, Jordan Shull, Mei Tenwalde, Jaycie Varner, Nicholas Warnimont, Cullen Wenzlick, Drayson Wenzlick, Katlyn Wesley

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AUCTION THURSDAY APRIL 11 6:00 P.M.

126 Acres Paulding, OH Wooded - Recreational - Hunting - Farm Land 3 Parcels From 23 acres to 52 acres

Farm Location: Northeast edge of Paulding, OH - From McDonalds at the north edge of Paulding on Rt. 127 go east 1/2 mi. on Dooley Drive to Emerald Rd; Turn north on Emerald Rd. & go 1/2 mi. to Rd. 154 (Johnson Rd.); Then east on Johnson Rd. for 1/4 mi. - watch for auction signs

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**

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DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH 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: 1997 Sunfire, automatic, w/110,000 miles, 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 tine 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.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition Report: 3/20/13 - John Paul Sandoval, Paulding; Assault; Defendant waived preliminary hearing, matter transferred to docket of the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County, Ohio: Possession; bound over, matter transferred to the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County, Ohio Sarah M. Scott, Paulding; Criminal Damage; Defendant shall reimburse the costs of the appointed council, shall pay all fines & costs, community service, no contact w/victim or property Calvin L. Moore, Paulding; Disorderly Conduct; Defendant shall pay all fines and costs Brianna J. Watson, Continental; Fictitious Plat; shall pay monies per month commencing 3/20/13; has a POA date; show proof of financial responsibility to the court Cody A. Goings, Oakwood; Domestic Violence; shall pay all fines & costs; no unlawful contact w/victim; complete community service; complete "Thinking for a Change" program; submit an evaluation at Westwood & complete counseling & treatment David Pratt, Grover Hill; Domestic Violence; preliminary hearing held; Court finds probable cause to believe the crime alleged was committed; matter transferred to the docket of the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County, Ohio Real Estate Transfers: Auglaize Twp.:

3/13/13; Douglas & Charles Bidlack; Sec 22; S½, SE¼, NE¼; 15.00 acres, 5 Acres: N¼ SE¼ NE¼; 11.63 acres; To: Rhonda S. Bidlack 3/18/13; Robert Cupp, Sr. et al; Sec 28; pt SE¼ SE¼; 0.986 acres; To: Bank of America, NA 3/20/13; Roger C. & Patricia L. Eckart; Sec 27; pt E½ NW¼ & pt NE¼ NE¼; 5.935 acres; To: Ruben Valdez Brown Twp.: 3/12/13; Ladonna J. Miller; Sec 5; pt W½ SE¼ & pt SW¼ pt lot 1-3: 130.87 acres; To: E & R Farm, LLC Carryall Twp.: 3/13/13; Douglas A. & Lisa A. Bragg; Sec 33; pt SW¼ SW¼; 3.00 acres; To: Kyle & Kelsey Kauser Emerald Twp.: 3/20/13; Nathan L. & Debra L. Ruger; Sec 14; W½ SW¼; 2.542 acres; To: Travis J. & Lilian J. Schlatter Harrison Twp.: Antwerp Dairy Leasing, LLC; Sec 8; S½ NE¼ & E½ N½ NE¼; 127.083 acres; To: Zylstra Dairy, LLC Latty Twp.: 3/15/13; Jeanne M. & Charles Paisley, et al; Sec 17; pt SE¼ NE¼; 20426 acres; To: Ann & Lowell R. Trausch 3/15/13; Jeanne M. & Charles Paisley, et al; Sec 17; pt SE¼ NE¼; 20427 acres; To: Jeanne M. & Charles Paisley Paulding Twp.: 3/15/13; Rolland A. & Kenji Stabler; Sec 34; pt NE¼; 5.501 acres; To: Rolland A. Stabler Antwerp Village: 3/13/13; Brenda K. Whitehouse, dec'd; Lot 26; pt lot Block C; 0.687 acres; To: Michael H. Whitehouse, LE, et al 3/18/13; Judy L. Billman, Trustee; Lot 6 & 7 5 E 10 ft.; 0.263 acres; To: Thomas J. & Sarah E. Henschel Cecil Village: 3/19/13; Larry G. & Phyllis Gerken; Lot 14 & 15 Roselet's Addition; .440 acres; To: Kelly S. Tuttle Paulding Village: 3/12/13; Lisa M. Porter; Lot 8-10, 34-35 Homestead; 0.72 acre; To: Thomas E. Porter 3/13/13; Zachary T. Bradford et al; Sec 18 Lot 2; pt lot out lots; 0.38 acres; To: Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation 3/13/13; Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; Lots 123 W½ Lot 134 W½ original plat; 200 acres; To: Keith & Pamela J. Myers

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CITY OF WOODBURN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 2/18/13 Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2013. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 p.m. Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Abbott, Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Chief Duhamell, Superintendent Walls were present. POLICE REPORT: Chief Duhamell reported that so far this month we have logged 56 incidents. AUDIENCE: Wessler Engineering explained chlorine swirl system that will be required in the near future for sewer by IDEM. MAYOR: Tony Burris with Allen County Solid Waste will be in tomorrow for a meeting for recycling. Looking at options. This would reduce our overall garbage quote for next year. Our contract with National Serv-All ends at the end of 2013. March 19 IACT legislative day conference I would like a motion to approve for me to go \$79,000. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Rice. Councilman Voirol 2nd all approved, motion carried. Warrants - Do we want to change ordinance amended for mileage. Right now all mileage is covered. Do we want to adopt it to exclude city limit mileage. Council agreed to leave ordinance as is. TREASURER'S REPORT: (as read by the Mayor) FCC license has been renewed and is good until 2023. Warrants were read and Councilman Abbott made a motion to pay claim register for February 18, 2013, Councilman Gerig 2nd; all approved, motion carried. Meeting minutes were reviewed one correction year needs to read 2013. Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve as corrected, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried. ADA Resolution 13-190 was read and a motion to approve was made by Councilman Gerig, Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried. I&M have installed two new lights at the railroad crossing directing on the sidewalk on Woodburn Road. Best Lawn sent a reminder for the spring and fall fertilization of the yard at city hall, Councilman Gerig made a motion to continue with them, Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried. SUPERINTENDENT WALLS: The sump pump letters are close to the 30 day. There are 4 that have completed, 2 that have not responded and 2 that are owned by banks. Ordinance violation is up to \$2500. What would council like to do? Councilman Abbott made a motion to charge \$100 month disconnect fee violation after 3 months it goes to \$200 at six months we disconnect water until compliance. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Councilman Voirol made a motion to replace motor \$2500 for back up mower, Councilman Rice 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Safety Inspection passed with flying colors. COUNCILMAN ABBOTT: Are wells now in good shape? There is still high chlorine at shop. COUNCILMAN RICE: Caution Police about where the patrol cars are seen. Councilman Renner: no report Councilman Gerig: no report COUNCILMAN VOIROL: Am I the only one who thinks the sign should be moved? Councilman Rice agreed. Councilman Abbott said he's had a lot of people comment on how they like the sign. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Notes prepared via recording by Holly Sarrazine, Clerk Treasurer.

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"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION AT VANTAGE PRESCHOOL!



Vantage preschoolers have fun on the slide on the brand new Early Childhood playground! Registrations for the Vantage Preschool are now being accepted for the 2013-14 school year.

Climbing on the outdoor playground equipment... hands on science... making goobligook and play doh... listening to the library lady reading a story... These are just a few of the fun activities Vantage preschoolers experience. Interested in sending your preschooler to Vantage? Registration is now under way for the 2013-2014 school year. Registra-

tion is on a first-come, first-served basis. There are three options for preschool classes this year. For all options, children must reach the age of 3 by August 1st.

The traditional half-day preschool sessions are the most popular choice. The morning preschool session meets Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 10:50 a.m. and is taught

by Mrs. Marcia Osenga, Mrs. Donna Myers and the senior Early Childhood students. This session is for 3 year-old children and young 4 year-olds.

The afternoon session also meets Monday through Thursday from 12:00 noon until 2:20 p.m. and is taught by Mrs. Marcia Osenga, Mrs. Donna Myers and the junior Early Childhood students. This is a pre-kindergarten class for 4 year-olds and young 5 year-olds.

The FULL DAY option is available from 8:30 a.m. - 2:20 p.m., Monday through Thursday. This is a pre-kindergarten class for 3, 4 and 5 year-olds. Preschoolers pack their lunch.

Vantage Preschool provides developmentally appropriate activities for the total development of children ages three through five years old.

The children experience many hands on activities in language arts, science, math, kindergarten readiness, literature, and social skills. High school juniors and seniors who are preparing for a career in early childhood education work di-

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The Early Childhood Education program uses the Early Learning Content Standards to meet the guidelines for preschool education determined by the Ohio Department of Education.

For more information about the Vantage preschool, or to reserve a spot for your child, please contact Donna Myers or Marcia Osenga at 419-238-5411 ext. 2521.

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Starting on April 15th, Pioneer will be doing some much needed repairs at the railroad crossing on Bull Rapids Road in Woodburn, following

completion of those repairs they will move to the crossing at Woodburn Rd. in front of Bob's Restaurant. The last location in Woodburn will be the crossing at Center St. by Doehrman's Repair Shop. Please watch for signs on road closures and prepare for detours.

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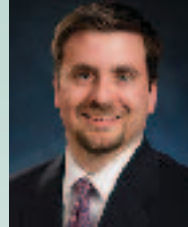
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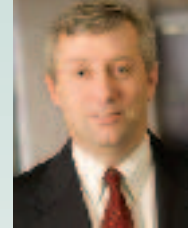
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