

TOPE - KLINGLER



Sarah Alice Tope and Jason Dean Klingler of Paulding, OH would like to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Judy Tope and the late Dr. Lonnie Tope of Paulding, OH. The groom-to-be is the son of Tom and Lisa

Klingler of Oakwood, OH. Sarah graduated from Paulding Exempted Village Schools in 2005 and from the University of Saint Francis with a bachelor's degree in Communication Arts and Graphic Design, minoring in illustration and computer *(continued on page 3)*

GO GREEN STAMPS AVAILABLE FOR EARTH DAY

The Woodburn Post office will be putting our "stamp" on a greener future as we celebrate Earth Day, Monday, April 22, 2013. Our Go Green stamps will be the featured attraction.

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ZUMBATHON CHARITY EVENT

There will be a Zumbathon Charity Event benefiting the Hands of Hope Pregnancy Center of Paulding. The event will take place on Sunday, April 28, 2013 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Kiwanis Community Building, 103 S. Main St., Paulding. The Zumbathon *(continued on page 2)*

DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT AT NHHS



By: Beth Stauffer

The NHHS Key Club is sponsoring a Dodgeball tournament to benefit the New Haven Food Bank at Emanuel Lutheran Church on Friday, April 19, 2013. The tournament will take place in the NHHS gymnasium beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Daniel Romary, student at NHHS and member of the Key Club, stated the cost of admission is 2 canned goods to watch, and 4 canned goods to play in the tournament.

The New Haven Food Bank is experiencing a critical shortage of food, and any donations received at the Dodgeball Tournament will help to serve those in need in our community. According to Pat Speaks, a coordinator of the local food bank, the volunteers can serve as few as 20 families at the Food Bank a week, but as many 70 families a week in time of crisis. "We never turn anyone away who is truly in need," said Mrs. Speaks in an interview last fall. *(continued on page 2)*

HOLTSBERRY - WHITMAN



Mark and Lisa Holtsberry of Paulding, OH are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Chelsea Marcelle Holtsberry, to Joel Lynn Whitman, son of Bruce and Kara Whitman of Payne, OH. The bride is a 2007 graduate from Wayne Trace High

School and a 2012 graduate from The University of Findlay while earning her Bachelor of Science and Master of Occupational Therapy degrees. She is employed at the Community Memorial Hospital and Paulding County Hospital as an occupational therapist. *(continued on page 3)*

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OBITUARIES



Herbert A. Bertsche, 79, of Woodburn, died Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Fort Wayne. Born in Woodburn, he was the son of the late Benjamin and Bessie Bertsche. Herbert was a member of Woodburn Missionary Church, and the Woodburn Lions Club. He retired in 1998 as a truck driver for Mineweld, Inc. He also had been employed at Koester's Body Shop and Fort Wayne Auto Auction.

Herb is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Nancy of Woodburn; son, Michael (Amy) Bertsche of New Haven; grandchildren: Lucas and Katelyn Bertsche. He was preceded in death by his son, James in 2010; brother, George Bertsche; and sister, Janice Pauline Smith.

Service is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the Woodburn Missionary Church, 5108 Bull Rapids Rd., Woodburn, with calling one hour prior to service. Pastor Joel DeSelm officiating. Calling is also 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church. Burial is in Mennonite Cemetery, Woodburn. Preferred memorials are to Woodburn Missionary Church or Turnstone Center for Disabled Children and Adults. Arrangements by E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. Harperfuneralhome.com

RELAY FOR LIFE® VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FINISH THE FIGHT

The American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers to help plan the upcoming Relay For Life of Paulding County on May 31 - June 1 at Paulding County Fairgrounds. From organizing teams, to entertainment planning, to

fundraising—there are many different ways to get involved and help make this cancer's last century.

The next volunteer team and committee meeting will take place on Thursday, April 11 at the Paulding County Senior Center. Teams meet at 6:30 p.m., committee at 7:30 p.m. All interested in getting involved are welcome to attend. By participating, volunteers will be helping the American Cancer Society in the life-saving mission started one-hundred years ago.

"On May 22, 2013 the American Cancer Society celebrates 100 years of fighting to save lives from cancer, and it's the progress we've made together - as a community, as volunteers, as survivors and as leaders - that has helped us reach this incredible milestone with tremendous success," says Cara Boehm, local American Cancer Society staff partner. "We've never been more ready to complete our mission and put ourselves out of business. By lending your support to the Relay For Life of Paulding County event this year, you'll be helping the Society finish the fight and bring an end to cancer as we know it."

During Relay For Life events, teams of people camp out overnight at a local school, park, or fairground, and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Because cancer never sleeps, Relay events take place overnight, for 18 hours.

To join the Relay For Life of Paulding County as a volunteer, Team Captain, or participant, and to learn more about the program, call the American Cancer Society at 888-227-6446 x5210 or visit RelayForLife.org/Paulding.

The American Cancer Society is a global grassroots force of more than three million volunteers saving lives and fighting for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community. As the largest voluntary health organization, the Society's

efforts have contributed to a 20 percent decline in cancer death rates in the U.S. since 1991, and a 50 percent drop in smoking rates. Thanks to our progress, nearly 14 million Americans who have had cancer and countless more who have avoided it will celebrate more birthdays this year. As we mark our 100th birthday in 2013, we're determined to finish the fight against cancer. We're finding cures as the nation's largest private, not-for-profit investor in cancer research, ensuring people facing cancer have the help they need and continuing the fight for access to quality health care, lifesaving screenings, clean air, and more. For more information, to get help, or to join the fight, call us anytime, day or night, at 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

WOODBURN COMMUNITY ASSOC. TO MEET

Woodburn Community Association meets every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. We are planning our annual Woodburn Day in the Park which is scheduled for July 20. We would love for everyone to come and share their ideas for this family fun day! We also have openings for the Woodburn Queen Candidates. Please contact Mary at PNC Bank 260-632-4235 or entry forms can be located at Woodlan High School.

OLD CROWN BRASS BAND TO PERFORM AT HUBER OPERA HOUSE

The Old Crown Brass Band will present "Queen, Elsa and Others" concert on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Huber Opera House.

This concert features "Fusion Fanfare", "A Celtic Suite" by Phillip Sparke, "Invercargill" March, "Psalm 46" by Zdecklik, "Balkanya" (3 Balkanese Dances) by Van der Roost, "English Folk Song Suite" by Vaughn Williams, "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" arranged for Brass Band and a special arrangement of the epic rock piece

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons[a] of God."
— Matthew 5-8-9



FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE SUPPORTS YOUTH CENTER

The Antwerp Community Youth Center hosted a Father-Daughter Dance at the Antwerp United Methodist Church on April 6, 2013. 44 men escorted their little princesses (54 girls total) to a magical night of lace, silk, heels, dancing and some sweets (to keep them going). There was a plethora of volunteers from local families to make this special night possible. ACYC board members Ryan and Amber Zu-

ber chaired this event and they rallied their "troops" to make it a night for the books. Memories by Tawnya was on hand to capture the evening on digital film (look for the gallery on her website www.memoriesbytawnya.com).

This was a fundraiser event for ACYC, and after all was said and done, the dance raised approximately \$500 for the youth center. To keep up to date on all the happenings of the Antwerp Community Youth Center, like their page on Facebook.

"Bohemian Rhapsody" by Queen.

Old Crown Brass Band was founded in 2007 and has become one of Fort Wayne's premier performing ensemble. The band does about 10-12 performances a year and is in great demand throughout Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. This 38-piece brass and percussion ensemble is made up of members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, local music educators and freelance musicians.

The band is under the direction of Sam Gnagey and Tony Alessandrini. Admission is free.

DRIVE ONE 4 UR SCHOOL - ANTWERP

Budget cuts in the education system are always hard to hear about. Many of us may feel a bit helpless wishing there was something we could do. Turns out there is. Just test-drive a Ford from Integrity Ford, Paulding (419-399-2555) at the Drive One 4 UR School event on Saturday, April 20th at Antwerp High School from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and you can help your local high school raise funds for the Antwerp Athletic Department.

The Drive One 4 UR School program is not a new concept - it's actually a five-year-old initiative that has already raised more than \$10 million through nearly 3,000 events. Schools have used this money to fund educational programs ranging from athletics to music, even to fix damages from natural disasters!

But in April, Ford and its dealers are taking on a special challenge: raise a cool \$1 million for education through 300-plus events across the U.S. in a single month. Although, Drive One 4 UR School is a year-long program, now is the time to keep an eye out for these events in your area so you can help Ford, its dealers and, yes, the high schools raise money for educational programs.

Dealers provide the vehi-

cles for test-drives, while the high school helps organize the event. Both work together to get the word out to their community. For every valid test-drive completed, Ford will donate \$20 to Antwerp High School, up to \$6,000.

(Hope Continued from Page 1) will feature Zumba instructors, Mary Jane Fast, Beth Habegger, Reta Ptak, and Holly Vaughn. There will be many nice door prizes. There will also be a quilt raffle. You do not have to pre-register for this event. If you need any more information email micpat94@gmail.com

Also at this event will be plates that were made and donated by Gloria Craig. She will only be producing 50 plates. Each plate will feature a handprint and a Bible verse. Gloria has plans for making a second piece in the set. The kickoff for the pottery event will be April 20, 2013 at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene.

(Dodgeball Cont. from Page 1)

Everyone who receives assistance from the New Haven Food Bank must live in the NHHS district and provide proof of their current address by supplying a photo ID and a current piece of mail.

A majority of the food donations that the food bank gives away each week come from private donations from the community at large. The items that are most in need are essential items like peanut butter, dry cereal, canned fruit, and canned ready to heat meals like raviolis and Spaghetti-O's.

If you would like to contribute to the Key Club's efforts to support the New Haven Food Bank but can't make it out to the Dodgeball Tournament on Friday, contact the Key Club Advisor at NHHS, Mrs. Neri, at 260-446-011 extension 7243 or drop off your food items at Emanuel Lutheran anytime during church office hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday or on Sunday mornings. Financial donations are also welcome, and be dropped off at the church with the notation "New Haven Food Bank."

www.newhavenbulletin.com

Ronnie Jackson

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CORNERSTONE YOUTH CENTER AWARDED STATE GRANT

The Indiana Department of Education just awarded a four-year, \$175,000 grant to Cornerstone Youth Center in Monroeville.

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant will fund new after-school educational programs to be operated at Heritage Elementary School and New Haven Middle School. The grant was submitted in cooperation with East Allen County Schools.

Grant money will not be used for overall operating expenses or capital improvement projects at the Monroeville Cornerstone location. Therefore, this does not lessen the need for ongoing local community support for the Monroeville Cornerstone location, which serves Heritage Jr/Sr High School.

Cornerstone will manage the program at New Ha-

ven Middle School, which will target college and career readiness. The middle school program also will include ATOD (Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs) prevention curriculum, personal finance and structured recreation. Cornerstone will contract with The LEARN Resource Center of New Haven to manage the Heritage Elementary School program, which will focus on academic success.

Of the 76 organizations that applied for the 21st Century Grant, Cornerstone was one of only 25 to receive funding. The program is scheduled to start in the Fall 2013 academic year.

"We're really excited to receive this grant," Cornerstone Executive Director Kent Castleman said. "This will enable us to expand our reach geographically and allow us to have a consistent recruitment model for our primary mission, which is to serve students in grades 7-12 in Southeast Allen County."

Tamyra Kelly, EACS Spokeswoman said, "We are so excited that Cornerstone received the grant dollars for programs that will serve EACS students! We are enthused to have submitted this grant in cooperation with such a respected and viable youth-serving organization. Our students will certainly benefit from these programs."

Cornerstone Youth Center is located at 19819 Monroeville Road in Monroeville, IN. For more information, contact Castleman at 260-623-3972 or visit the website at www.cornerstoneyc.org.

ANIMAL CLINIC OF PAULDING DONATES DOGGIE WASTE DISPENSER FOR HERB MONROE COMMUNITY PARK



Pictured here (l-r) Brooke Rothenbuhler, Audrey Hanenkratt, Dr. Missie Bowman, Ron Williamson (LIA Class Member), and Beth Schweinsberg.

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce's Leadership in Action Class is trying to raise \$100,000 to build the park. If you would like more informa-

tion, please contact Friends of the Paulding Chamber, P.O. Box 237, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

OHIO GAME CHECK PROCEDURE UPDATED FOR 2013 DEER AND TURKEY HUNTING

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) encourages hunters to educate themselves about Ohio's new game tagging and checking procedure for the 2013-2014 hunting seasons. These changes provide a more consistent tagging process between exempt landowners and those using a permit. The new game check process applies to spring turkey, fall turkey and white-tailed deer hunting seasons.

A new feature this year is that hunters will need to make their own game tag to attach to the turkey or deer. Game tags can be made of any material (cardboard, plastic, paper, etc.) as long as it contains the hunter's name, date, time and county of kill. The ODNR Division of Wildlife has a blank game tag available at wildohio.com, which is suitable for the tagging and checking process.

Follow these steps when tagging wildlife during the upcoming spring hunting seasons:

1. Protect permits and game tags from the elements by placing them in a plastic bag or protective pouch before hunting.

2. Landowners and permit holders must complete a game tag immediately upon harvest and prior to moving the animal. The game tag must include the hunter's full name, date, time and county of kill. Hunters need to make their own tag from any material they choose, and write legibly with an ink pen or permanent marker.

3. Attach the game tag to the animal immediately upon harvest and prior to moving it.

4. Permit holders must complete the spring turkey permit with the date, time and county of kill. Those exempt from purchasing a permit can ignore this step.

5. Complete the automated game check process and receive an 18-digit confirmation number. Permit holders must record this number on the permit.

6. The 18-digit confirmation number must also be attached to the animal. Hunters may also choose to write the number on the game tag.

All hunters must report their turkey harvest using the automated game check system. Hunters have three options to complete the game check:

Online at wildohio.com or ohiogamecheck.com;

By telephone at 877-TAG-ITOH (877-824-4864). This option is only available to

those who are required to have a permit to hunt turkeys; and at all license agents. A list of these agents can be found at wildohio.com.

Game-check transactions will be available online and by telephone seven days a week including holidays. License agents' locations will be available for turkey check-in during normal business hours. Hunters can call the license agent for specific hours of operation. All turkeys must be checked in by 11:30 p.m. the day of the kill.

Landowners exempt from purchasing a turkey permit, and any other person not required to purchase a turkey permit, cannot use the phone-in option.

More information, including a pamphlet explaining the process, is available at wildohio.com. Hunters with questions can also call 800-WILD-LIFE (800-945-3543).

OVER-COMERS CONFERENCES AT TWIN OAKS UMC

(Tope-Klingler Engagement continued from page 1)

Dr. Blake J. Neff has lived in Grant County, IN for the past 17 years. For several of those years he served as pastor of the Van Buren United Methodist Church, having previously led that denomination's congregation at Amboy in Miami County. He grew up in Payne, OH having graduated from Payne High School before leaving the area to pursue higher education. He earned a PhD degree from Bowling Green State University and currently lectures in communication at Indiana Wesleyan University. Neff and his wife, Nancy, have been married for 38 years. The couple has three adult children and ten grandchildren.

Neff has written seven books, all of which were published by traditional publishing companies and several of which are being used as textbooks in college classrooms across America.

Blake's latest endeavors are the "Over-Comers Conferences," which are a series of lectures for the local church delivered in a variety of denominations and settings since the summer of 2012. Blake will be speaking at Twin Oaks United Methodist Church on April 19-20 evenings at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday April 21 at 9:30 a.m. during the worship celebration and once again following a carry-in lunch at 12:00 Noon. Everyone is invited to come and learn from Blake's teaching.

The deadline for ads and article submissions is Friday at 5:00 p.m.

graphics in 2010. She is currently employed as the graphic designer for both American Home Health Services and the West Bend News.

Jason graduated from Paulding Exempted Village Schools in 2000. He is currently employed at Time Warner as a service and installation technician.

The couple will exchange vows on May 18, 2013 at Nazareth Hall in Grand Rapids, OH.

(Holtsberry-Whitman Engagement continued from 1)

The groom is a 2007 graduate from Wayne Trace High School and a 2010 graduate from Northwest State Community college and earned his Associate degree of Applied Business in Business Management with Collegiate certifications: Marketing Assistant in Marketing, Advertising, and Salesmanship. He is employed at the Paulding County Courthouse as Deputy Auditor.

The high school sweethearts will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, June 22, 2013 at half past three in the afternoon at the St. John Lutheran Church, Sherwood, OH.

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The speaker for this event is Todd Thomas

Todd and his wife Sue live in Toledo, Ohio and call **Westside Community Church** their home. Todd is an ordained elder and serves WCC as Worship Administrator and Worship Leader. Additionally, Todd oversees the prophetic voice of WCC as a prophet responsible for bringing instruction and activation to the prophetic teams.

Over the years, Todd has and continues to serve as an Apostolic Team Leader for "Apostolic Team Ministries Association", "Toledo Regional and International", and "Kingdom Leadership International", serving in gift ministries and administrative roles, here at home and in other countries.

Overseas, Todd has ministered in Guatemala, Peru, Brazil, El Salvador, The Netherlands, Albania, Kenya, England, Germany, and the Ukraine

Todd and Sue desire to see the Body of Christ encouraged and equipped to do His works and come to a greater understanding of their role as representatives of His Kingdom on earth.

HANDS OF HOPE PREGNANCY SERVICES OPENS IN PAULDING



Paulding is pleased to announce the opening of a new service to Paulding and the surrounding communities. Hands of Hope Pregnancy Services is located at 1030 West Wayne Street in Paulding. They can be reached at (419) 399-2447. The center is opened on Fridays 9:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. Hands of Hope Pregnancy Services offers: free pregnancy tests, emotional and spiritual support, education including; prenatal care, parenting classes, bible studies and abstinence classes. For at-

tending classes, clients earn "Baby Bucks" in which they can use to shop for needed items in the Hands of Hope Baby Store. These services are available to all pregnant women through their child's first birthday. Services are free regardless of income.

In honor of Mothers Day, Hands of Hope Pregnancy Services will be having a gift drawing on Friday, May 10th. Each time a new or existing client comes in for an appointment, they can enter for a chance to win.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PAULDING



Sue Paulus, left, and Barb Searing, of the Paulding Presbyterian Choir, work on plans for the Spaghetti Supper to benefit the Herb Monroe Community Park.

A Spaghetti Supper for the public will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Paulding and hosted by the church choir, on Friday evening, April 19th. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., and delicious spaghetti with homemade sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, and assorted desserts will be served until 7:30 p.m.—or until it is gone! Carry out meals will also be available. There will be entertainment sprinkled in to enhance your "Italian Bistro" dining experience.

All proceeds from the evening will be donated by the choir to the Herb Monroe Community Park project in Herb's honor and memory. The new park, being created at the previous site of the abandoned Certified gas station on the northeast corner of the courthouse square in downtown Paulding, is a project of the Leadership in Action class of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce.

Herb Monroe, a longtime community figure, known and beloved by many, many people in Paulding, sang in the Presbyterian choir for seventy (yes, 70!) years, until shortly before his death in 2011 at the age of 98.

The Presbyterian Church, is located at the corner of Caroline and Cherry St., Paulding.

LOOKING FOR IDEAS

The Antwerp Ministerial Association is looking for ideas that will bring the churches of Antwerp together while meeting the needs of the Antwerp community. The Ministerial Association have some ideas, but they are looking for ideas from wherever they may come from, hoping and praying that the perfect ministry will come up that they have not thought of—a ministry that will help bring glory to God and spread the life of Jesus in the Antwerp community. If you have an idea, please write it up and send it to Riverside Christian Church at PO Box 1150, Antwerp, OH, 45813, or email Pastor Regan Clem at pilgrimboy14@yahoo.com.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

1. Luke 7:13 - When the Lord, saw the widow what did he have for her?
2. Luke 7:13 - What did Jesus tell the widow woman?
3. Luke 7:14 - What did Jesus touch?
4. Luke 7:1 - For those carrying the coffin did what?
5. Luke 7:14 - What did Jesus say to the young man?
6. Luke 7:15 - What did the dead man do?
7. Luke 7:15 - Who did Jesus present the live man two?
8. Luke 7:16 - What came upon all the people?
9. Luke 7:16 - Who did the people glorified?
10. Luke 7:16 - The people said what had arisen among them?

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

Answers to last week's questions:

1. I am not worthy;
2. Say the word;
3. yes;
4. Have not found such faith;
5. Found him well;
6. Nain;
7. Next day;
8. A dead man;
9. Her only son;
10. Her husband.

Now for some comments. Luke 7:13 - Jesus had compassion: the word compassion means to suffer with another. As you and I study about Jesus, we see how sorrow or need always touched his loving heart. Weep means excess crying. Has Jesus ever dried up the fountains of sorrow in your life? 7:14 - touched the Bier. The word bier means a frame for carrying the dead. When Jesus touched the Bier, this meant to stop. The body was covered, but not in a coffin. There was authority in Jesus words and acts of the Lord compelled obedience. Notice Jesus tells the dead man to arise. This is the first time Jesus has spoken to the dead. 7:15 - sat up; when the dead man heard that Jesus say arise, he sat up. Does this create suspense and wonder in the people gathered there? 7:16-17 - Came a fear; this just means a reverential fear. Not even the disciples have confessed him as the Christ. 7:17 - throughout Judea; the raising of the widow's son has spread throughout Judea, and all the regions throughout the area.

Ol' Baldy says bye for now, but surely pray and hope that each of you would be praying and studying.

SHARE THE LOVE



It started with life—the good, the bad, and the ugly. A little of all three actually. The Hathaway family are the average small town family. But they have seen some hard times lately—financially, physically, mentally, and emotionally. Not too long ago, two of the Hathaway children had to summon the courage to help their dad (Chris) when he went unconscious with a seizure while the wife/mother (Casey) was away with another daughter at a basketball game. It was a scary situation, but they managed to keep him safe while calling 911. The EMS arrived and all was taken care of. Casey was tore up inside about it though (as any caring mother would be), "After seeing the kids go through the heartache of watching their dad have this seizure while I wasn't home to comfort them, and having them handle it all so well until help arrived, I felt a huge ache in my heart to change this experience into something positive that would help make this more than just tragedy and fear for them."

A friend, Savanna Fetting, after hearing of the circumstance, sent out a message to Shelby Lynn, Event & Promotions Director for Star 88.3 asking if there was some way to turn this bad experience into a good one for the Hathaway family. Casey (unbeknownst to Savanna) had sent a separate message to Shelby. "After we got two separate emails, we knew we wanted to do something for their family," stated Shelby Lynn. The preparations began for a special morning for the children. Casey wanted it to be kept top secret, to make it all the more special.

On the morning of April 6th, the Hathaway children—Tayton, Codee, Becca, and Halley—were carted up to Fort Wayne to DeBrands Chocolates, under the ruse that they were picking something up, by their mother, father and grandma (Cheryl Hahn). Melissa Montana of Star 88.3 (along with her executive assistant, Michelle Sinn) met them at the door and surprised them with hot chocolates and gift bags for each of them. The entire family was speechless as they sipped delectable hot cocoa and pulled out chocolates, gift

cards, music CDs, t-shirts and other goodies from their bags. All of their faces seemed permanently fixed in a grateful smile that was beyond words, "My cheeks hurt!" Codee commented as she rubbed them.

The mission of STAR 88.3 is far greater than playing music on the radio—it is to "Use media to change lives through the love of Jesus." During the month of February the station did a 'Share the Love' contest, where people nominated those in their lives that they felt needed a dose of encouragement. There were over 200 submissions—and they 'shared the love' with 10 or so people/families just like the Hathaway family. Star 88.3 hopes to be able to do at least one of these 'Share the Love' surprises each month throughout the year, as resources are available.

A scrapbook of memories will be stamped out of this day for the Hathaway's for sure. While all of their life's troubles may not have melted away, this venture helped remind them that God's love and comfort finds a way into our hearts when we need it most. "Melissa Montana whispered in my ear that God loves us, and that yes it was Star doing this for our children and family, but it was God's love that brought us to them," Casey recalled as she reflected on the morning.

How's that for 'sharing the love'?

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OPENED EYES

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

I had a conversation the other day with two good, well-intentioned, Christian friends who I could not convince that the needs of the poorest in our community are nothing compared to the needs of the poor in other places around the world.

I remember when we did the Rock 4 Water concert to raise money to provide clean drinking water to Liberians. The people from Hope 2 Liberia had a booth set up. Someone from Antwerp expressed to them, "I just don't get it. Look at all the people around here that need help. Why aren't we helping everybody around here?"

One of my friends told me about a poor person in our community who lives in a rundown house and has to live off of his meager social security check for the month. Imagine fifteen people living in that small, rundown house without a job anywhere in sight, no social security, no electricity, then you will see how wealthy even the American poor are. Imagine that one in four of the kids born in that house won't live to the age of five, none of the kids will have an opportunity to reach their full potential because they have no access to education. That's the difference. American poor have needs, but some poor have greater needs.

My friends tried to convince me that it was the world's poorest's choice to live like that. That's a common idea in America because poverty in America is typi-

cally a result of the choices that the individual has made in their past. It might be a choice hampered with addictions, but it's still a choice. But it's no choice to be born in a poor society, to not have access to clean drinking water, to feel fortunate to have only one meal a day, and to not receive an education. It's no choice to be born under a totally corrupt government. That's not a choice. It would be a choice if, like us, they have access to clean drinking water, yet choose to drink dirty water. We could all go down to the Maumee and drink straight from the river, but we are all blessed to have convenient and safe water from our taps. That's a choice that the least of these around the world don't have.

We de-emphasize how blessed we are because of the faithfulness of those who have gone before us. The American "pull yourself up by your bootstraps" mentality is only available because of the great society we live in. The schools in our communities. The families we grew up in. The clean water we have available. The food on the table. The spiritual foundation of our society. All things we take for granted, yet we barely have anything to do with. Things that aren't there for the poor around the world.

It's not their choice to live like they do. They can't choose to go to rehab or a counselor and get their life straightened. They can't choose to work hard in a fair society to have all of the nice amenities that we take for granted. They can't choose to load up in the car they don't have and travel with the money they don't have to a better place. They dream of the paradise we take for granted and know as normal life.

We are blessed. They may not have a choice, but you do. It's your choice if you will help give them a hand up. Jesus said, "What you do for the least of these you do to me." Are you going to do anything for the least of these?

I have a little exercise for us. This may seem strange

**UNITED WAY OF PAULDING COUNTY
LUAU RAISES \$4,122.00**



Pictured above are the children who won the best dressed contest: Alivia Breckler, Aniyah Sajuan, Georgia Long, Anna Clemens, and Parker Long.

Nearly 150 enjoyed the 3rd Annual United Way of Paulding County Luau fundraiser on April 6 at the Paulding Eagles. "We couldn't do this without them," stated Sarah Sajuan, UWPC special events leader. The Paulding Eagles helped with hosting as well as spreading the word.

Many wonderful and fun raffle items were donated by businesses and individuals in the county as well as board members. Executive Director, Sonya Herber commented, "It was wonderful to see how individuals came together to support the UWPC and our mission to mobilize the caring power of the community to improve lives. What a GREAT event!"

There were many raffle prize donors: Anna Lee Adams, Antwerp Pharmacy, Baughman Tile, CJ Natural Meats, Sue Beck, Travel Services, Carla's Cut and Curl, Megan Clark, Cooper Farms, Country Times Market, Creamy Dreamy Soap, Fine Jewelry by Ruskaups, Sonya Herber, Kircher's Flowers, Marilyn's Petals & Vines, Mary Kay, Casey Cook, Oasis Bar & Grill, Oakwood Rhees' Market, Papa Oley's, Paulding County Area Foundation & Marshal Memorial Supporting Foundation, P.C. Senior Center, R&B Fabrications, S&P Miller Excavating, LLC, Rose Shepard, Rosemary Strahm, State Bank & Trust, Stiebeling Farms, Subway in

Antwerp & Paulding, and Susie's Family Bakery.

Winner of the 50/50 was Annette Seibert.

Winners of the raffles were: Kim Boatright, Ernie Crosser, Sonya Herber, Robin Dobbs, Karen Saxton, Tom Diaz, Linda Wisda, Cheri Estle, Will Kelly, Megan Clark, Dennis Clark, Carla Sulfridge, Mary Glass, Debbie Carter, Anna Lee Adams, John Saxton, Edith Sholl, Sandy Burkley, Robert Herber, Marilyn Long, Linda Bostelman, Ruth Williams, Konner Clemens, Bev Bercaw, and Jamie Clemens

Winner of the 32" HD Flat Screen TV was Brenda Vance from Paulding.

Junk Yard Band from Fort Wayne, IN played their fabulous music for the event to make it special. They played music recognized by all age groups.

"It certainly was an exciting evening, with everyone dressed in their tropical attire. The decorations were fantastic," commented Megan Clark, Trustee of UWPC. "We had an excellent steak dinner by the Eagles."

Board members and officers are President George Carter; Treasurer Bill Shugars; Secretary Erika Wilitzer; and Trustees Anna Lee Adams, Megan Clark, David Fisher, Harvey Hyman, Stephanie Lorentz and Pam Miller. Serving as High School Representatives are

but work with me here.

Say these things out loud as if they were true.

There is a little boy who will die if I don't give him clean drinking water.

There is a little girl who will not reach her potential if I don't provide her with an education.

There is a family who will lose a child to hunger if I don't feed them.

If you really believed these statements you just said, would you do something about them?

Now, I'm not asking you to stop loving your neighbor in the town you live in. We have people in our community in need. People we can help. These needs are different and, typically, not as fatal, but God has placed us where we are for a reason. To love our neighbors. But it's not an either/or situation. I am not asking you to stop loving people in our community, but to also love your neighbor just across the ocean. A neighbor you could send money to tomorrow if you wanted. A neighbor who can receive help from organizations that are just a phone call away. We're so blessed that we don't even have to go overseas to help.

When Jesus gave his tough teaching about loving our neighbors, one of the guys

asked, "Who is my neighbor?" He didn't ask to know who to love; he asked to get out of loving. What's the bare minimum that I have to do to follow Jesus' teachings? That's not the question we should ask. Jesus replied with the story of the Good Samaritan teaching that our neighbors are anyone who we see in need. A better question is, "What opportunities do I have to be the hands and feet of Jesus?"

William Wilberforce once said, "You may choose to look the other way but you can never say again that you did not know."

Those of us who have been blessed are blessed to be a blessing. Not to selfishly indulge in our blessings. Our communities suffer from selfishness of all sorts. I suffer from selfishness of all sorts. But God calls each one of us to something greater. The least of these around the world need something greater. Jesus is waiting to be loved.

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

Nathan Holtsberry, Wayne Trace; Aaron Schneider, Antwerp; and Steven Strayer, Paulding.

The organization special events committee is comprised of Sarah Sajuan, Linda Bostelman, Megan Clark, Anna Lee Adams, Rose Shepard, Sonya Herber, and Pam Miller.

Upcoming special events include:

Saturday, April 27, Day of Caring, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon in Paulding and in Payne, Saturday May 4, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon in Antwerp.

Saturday, May 18, Armed Forces Day event, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Chief Supermarket parking lot

United Way of Paulding County also will be participating in John Paulding Days in June, Paulding County Fair, Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival Sept 20-22, and a Halloween Party and Fingerprinting ID Kits for KIDS with Sheriff, Jason Landers at the Eagles on October 26.

United Way has received 100 percent of its fundraising goal of \$55,501. Remember, it is not about meeting a goal, it's about meeting needs. All the money raised by United Way of Paulding County stays within the county to help Paulding County residents.

If you would like to volunteer and give your time assisting with special events please contact the United Way of Paulding County office 419-399-8240 or by email at: pcu-wdirector@gmail.com

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IS THE WEALTH OF THE CHURCH?

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

In the middle of the third century there was a Christian leader named Lawrence who served as a deacon in the Church of Rome. According to tradition, Lawrence was in charge not only of "holy things," (like the Communion chalices and candlesticks), but also the church's treasury and what we would call its mercy fund. In Lawrence's day, public opinion had turned against followers of Christ, and one day the prefect of the city asked Lawrence to gather up and

give him "the wealth of the church." Lawrence sent back a message: "I do not deny that our Church is rich... and that no one in the world is richer, not even the emperor... I will bring forth all the precious things that belong to Christ, if only you will give me a little time to gather everything together." The prefect agreed, as he dreamed of what he could do with the money, gold, and silver.

For three days, Lawrence ran about the city, collecting the Church's treasures. But they were not the sort of treasures the greedy prefect was dreaming of. Instead Lawrence walked through all the alleys and squares of Rome and gathered the church's real treasure—the poor, the disabled, the blind, the homeless, and the lepers. The people he gathered into the church included a man with two eyeless sockets, a disabled man with a broken knee, a one-legged man, a person with one leg shorter than the other, and others with grave infirmities. He wrote down their names and lined them up at the entrance to the church. Only then did he seek out the prefect to bring him to the church. "These are the treasures of the Church of Christ!" Lawrence declared as he presented the ragged crowd to the astonished prefect. "Their bodies may not be beautiful, but within these vessels of clay they bear all the treasures of divine grace."

Regarding our responsibility to the poor and especially those from the household of faith we read in scripture... James 2:15-16 (NKJV), "If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Depart in peace, be warmed and filled,' but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit?"

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OLD DAN & I CHAPTER 33: THE RAID ON ESSEN

By: Stan Jordan

All four of our P-51's took off from our Aachen Air Base and headed due north. It was about 9:00 a.m. Dan, our leader, leveled off at about 5,000 feet and about 300 mph. We scooted right on over the Brussels area and then we dropped down to about 300 feet. Dan and I flew in over the big Krupp Werks area and we spread our napalm over the anit-aircraft guns. Lt. Wilsie came in behind us and his tracers started the napalms burning.

Over on the other side of the Werks, Lt. Hornish dumped his napalm and Gen. Norm came in after him and his tracers started the napalm burning. That helped to keep the anti-aircraft guns down to a minimum.

We made a tight circle and came around the wooden parts of the factory. Dan fired two of our 40 mm stuff at some buildings and it pretty well blew up the area.

Dan and I made a little bigger circle and we came back over the area and we could see all the damage that our MYX rockets had done.

Everything that was made

of wood was blown to smithereens or was on fire. We could see some doors going into the hillside and we put two rounds in there and they just blew apart.

Then the other fellows poured that opening full of rockets and they went on north and made a big circle over Amsterdam and then we came back to Essen and took pictures so we could see what a pretty good job we had done.

Gen. Norm called and said that there is an air base over a couple of miles. We went over there and caught a couple planes and supply trucks on the ground. We used up our small ammunition on the tower area. The other planes used up the rest of the rockets on any available target.

We started home and we cruised over the Dunant, Belgium area. That is great canal traffic. We ran east over the canals and sure enough we found some German barges.

The boys used any rockets they had left. We used our machine guns on the barges and wharfs and set a warehouse on fire.

Dan turned back to the south and we were coming on our airbase at Aachen.

We were coming but going by the windsock we had to turn around and land into the north.

Dan came on the radio and said, "Okay fellows, single file and follow me about 350 mph."

Dan started at the north end and did a barrel roll right down the landing strip, then came Lt. Wilsie, then Lt. Hornish then Gen. Norm was not going to be left out. He did a barrel roll and took that P-51 right straight up as he could

without stalling.

Then we all landed like good pilots do and we waited for Gen. Norm to land and give us a good dressing down.

He had a big grin and said, "Fellows, I haven't blew off steam for ages and I enjoyed it."

See ya!



Wife vs. Husband

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?"

"Yep," the wife replied, "in-laws."

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A man said to his wife one day, "I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time." The wife responded, "Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you."

KARLANN LEE RETIRES AFTER 42 YEARS

By: Stan Jordan

She was born in Antwerp in 1951. Her parents were Rex and Eloise Hopkins. She has one brother, Kirk, of Antwerp.

She graduated from AHS in Toledo in Interior Decorating. In 1970 she married Frank Lichty and they had two children: Mandy, who lives and teaches in Fort Wayne, and Emily lives in Antwerp with two children: Ella, Carson.

She started to work in Fort Wayne. She stopped at the BF Goodrich plant and she was employed there in 1971.

She married Denny Lee in 1995. He had two children: Jeremy has four boys, Jeremy is gone now but his four boys are still in the area.

Laura, his daughter, has three boys and lives in Columbus now.

Denny also just retired from BF Goodrich with 42 years experience. They have nine grandchildren.

I asked her what her hobbies are, and she named a number of them: auction sales, garage sales, spending time with family, crocheting, sewing, boating, just being retired, sleeping in and not having to rush around. "You know, just enjoying my retirement," she said.

I asked if there is something she'd like to have done but didn't. "I would like to have been an Interior Decorator but things just didn't work out that way," she replied. She said she would have been a stay at home mom with her children, but that didn't happen either.

Karlann is appreciative of her life and her family. She is a lady who feels really good about her retirement and she makes you feel good when you talk to her about it.

See ya!

THE MAJESTIC MIGHTY MUDDY MAUMEE RIVER RAFT RACE

By: Stan Jordan

The other day I had a meeting with Dan Bowers. He is the owner/operator, CEO, and top dog at the Advanced Chassis Works on Rd. 176.

I asked him if we were going to have the Annual River Raft Race. "Oh, yes, we had a barrel of fun last summer and we have already discussed it. We are not sure about the date yet," Dan replied.

We reminisced about how hot it was last year and how low the river was. They had to portage their rafts a lot of the time.

Dan said, "Oh, yes, we are going to hold the 2nd Annual Maumee River Raft Race! There needs to be a little more water in the river. Now I've got to go make some drawings."

See ya!

LATTA URGES FOR FULL OPERATING SERVICES AT TOLEDO EXPRESS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) sent a letter to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Administrator Michael Huerta in support of maintaining the midnight to 6:00 a.m. Air Traffic Control services at the Toledo Air Traffic Control Tower.

"A loss of Air Traffic Control services for any period of time would be detrimental to the livelihood of businesses that depend upon the services provided by the tower at all times. These businesses provide emergency medical transport, cargo and refueling, as well as "just in time" inventory to the area's critical automotive industry," Latta wrote.

In addition to affecting local economic development, the closure of the Toledo Air Traffic Control Tower would have impacts on Ohio Air National Guard's 180th Fighter Wing, which has a 24-hour homeland-security mission.

"Instead of looking for responsible ways to minimize the pain of budget cuts, the FAA has chosen to follow the Administration's political message that spending cuts cannot be achieved without severe consequences to the safety and well-being of Americans," said Congressman Latta. "It's difficult for me to believe that Air Traffic Control Tower closures supersede cuts to the FAA's \$500 million budget for con-

sultants and \$200 million budget for travel and conferences. I urge the FAA and the Administration to evaluate other responsible options to attaining budget reductions and to provide information on other alternatives that were considered to mitigate the sequester's effect."

The FAA is currently conducting a study to evaluate the services. The study is expected to conclude by the middle of April 2013.

KEEP YOUR EYES & EARS OPEN—IT WILL SOON BE SOCCER SEASON IN ANTWERP...

The Antwerp Soccer Association is gearing up for the 2013 soccer season and will be sending out registration forms within the next couple of weeks. Please watch for these forms to come home from school (Antwerp Local) with your children as well as inserts that will be in the weekly newspaper publication that we receive from the West Bend News, or you may visit us on Facebook.

We are a noncompetitive soccer league that was established for the children of not only our community, but others as well. Our "goal" in this soccer league is to see each and every child playing soccer, getting some exercise, having a great time, hearing the giggles and seeing the smiles.

We are always looking for individuals willing to be a coach and/or referee. Experience is NOT REQUIRED. Last year we unfortunately had to make the teams larger than we would have liked because of the lack of coaches. Please help us this year in volunteering to coach so that the children are able to get more playing time as well as be able to play multiple teams rather than the same one each week.

We welcome children from all communities and all walks of life, no matter their needs. Each and every child deserves a chance and that is what we are here to do. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you in August. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please feel free to call Regan Clem (260-460-0977) or Stacie Peters (419-506-0307).

WOODLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The Woodlan Primary School Kindergarten Registration will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the school. Any questions, please call 260-446-0280. Child must be five years of age before August 1, 2013. Please bring the following paperwork:

- Child's original birth certificate
- Immunization records
- Proof of residency (current utility bill, rental/lease agreement)

JUDGE BECKMAN SHADOWS STATE REP. BURKLEY AT THE STATEHOUSE

State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne) was shadowed by Paulding County Common Pleas Court Judge Tiffany Beckman on April 10th at the Statehouse in Columbus. Beckman is taking part in the Ohio Judicial Conference Legislative Exchange Program.

As part of the program, Judge Beckman and Representative Burkley have attended meetings with representatives from various state offices, including the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Department of Agriculture, the Ohio State Highway Patrol, and the Correctional Institution Inspection Committee.

"I have known Judge Beckman for several years from my time as a county commissioner," Representative Burkley said. "It has been a real joy to have her shadow me for the day."

The Judicial-Legislative Exchange Program is aimed at improving the working relationship between the judicial and legislative branches by pairing individual legislators and judges and allowing them to see the day-to-day work of one another.

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Joel Frost, Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

is hosting a perspective member workshop on **Tuesday, April 23rd, 2013** at the **Hicksville High School Computer lab from 4-6PM.**

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PROUD DAY FOR PAYNE 5K



Wayne Trace area students and parents participated in the Glow in the Dark 5K in Payne on Saturday, April 6th. The event was organized by friend, Staci Wenninger. There was a fantastic turn out to support Maddox Franz, son of Sarah, Principal at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary.

The event raised approximately \$10,000 for young Maddox who is in need of a kidney transplant.

Everyone had a great time in their neon attire in support of a great cause for a fantastic educator's family.

The Wayne Trace NHS was proud to have 450 applicants to support the "Glow in the Dark 5K" to benefit the kidney transplant for Maddox Franz. The runners and walkers wove all through the town of Payne sporting glow sticks, glow necklaces, neon clothing, and neon painted faces. 1st place for the male group was Kevin Heckman with a time of 16:53. 1st place for the female group was Gina Ryan with a time of 21:40.

1st place for the 12 & under group was Levi Manz with a time of 26:51.

More good news for a great community!

AGENTS REMIND PROM GOERS - YOU BOOZE, YOU LOSE

Undercover agents with the Ohio Investigative Unit are taking an active role in enforcing Ohio's alcohol laws to ensure everyone has an enjoyable and safe prom season. Agents throughout Ohio will be conducting compliance checks on liquor permit premises, educating Ohio's high school students through Sober Truth classes, and working with local alcohol coalitions and law enforcement to bring awareness to the dangers of underage drinking.

"This is a memorable time for Ohio's students, parents and school administrators," said Agent-in-Charge Eric Wolf. "We don't want these memories to be tarnished by

underage drinking - remember, You Booze, You Lose."

Agents remind liquor permit premises to watch for underage individuals attempting to purchase beer - often with a false identification. Clerks should also lookout for individuals 21 and over purchasing alcohol for a person who is not yet 21. In Ohio it is illegal to share in the cost of purchasing alcoholic beverages, or attempts to do so - even if the sale is refused.

Parents who are hosting a party for their child's friends should also be aware of Ohio's laws and how they could impact them. In the state of Ohio, parents cannot give alcohol to children who are under 21, even with the other parents' permission. Parents also cannot allow minors to consume alcohol in their home.

Anyone convicted of attempting to purchase alcohol as a minor, sharing in the cost, using false identification or furnishing alcohol to a minor may face a maximum sentence of six months in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine.

Anyone under 21 years of age who is caught driving with a blood alcohol concentration of .02 percent or more can be arrested. If convicted the individual could have his or her driver license suspended for at least 90 days, up to a maximum of two years. Also, four points would be added to their driving record.

Agents are also asking for local hotels and limousine companies to be vigilant and report underage drinking and parties to local authorities.

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SECOND GRADE (A):

All A's - Kaden Colley,

ARCHERS TOPPLE RAIDERS IN BASEBALL



Wayne Trace Senior Cade Harvey throws the ball to 1st while Antwerp Sophomore Collin Perry runs to 2nd. More pictures at www.archerpics.com

On Monday, April 8 Antwerp travelled to Wayne Trace for some high school baseball. The Archer stole the game from the Raiders: 3-2

Antwerp stats of the game:

Pitching - Tyler Messman winning pitcher; 5 scoreless innings in relief; 5 Ks

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INVESTORS CAN LEARN FROM EARTH DAY'S LESSONS

Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor

Next week, we observe Earth Day. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day has grown into an international movement whose goal is to raise awareness of the need to take action to sustain a healthy, sustainable environment. You can do your part through recycling and other measures, but you can also apply some of the lessons of Earth Day to your financial situation — and, in particular, to your approach to investing.

Give these ideas some thought:

- Make the most of your existing resources. One of the most valuable lessons of Earth Day deals with the need to be responsible managers of the natural resources we have available. As an investor, it's important to maximize the benefits of the resources to which you have access. For example, are you contributing as much as you can afford to your 401(k)? At the very least, you should put in enough to earn your employer's match,

if one is offered.

- Take advantage of a favorable environment. Underlying all Earth Day activities is the goal of creating a healthy environment in which to live. You may also benefit from a positive investment environment — and that's what we appear to be experiencing, at least in terms of low interest rates, low inflation and the financial market. So in this favorable atmosphere, look for those investment opportunities that are appropriate for your situation.

- Don't over-consume. Excess consumption has played a big role in causing some of the environmental issues we face. Consequently, many Earth Day programs teach us to get by with less, or at least to avoid acquiring more than we need. To translate this philosophy into your investment habits, take a close look at the number of trades you make. Are you constantly selling old investments and buying new ones in the hopes of capturing higher returns? This type of trading can result in significant fees and transaction costs — and possibly higher taxes, too. Perhaps just as importantly, this constant activity, with all its starts and stops, may detract from your ability to follow a long-term, consistent investment strategy.

- Avoid "toxic" investment moves. The motivation to create Earth Day developed, in part, by the growing awareness that industrial toxins were affecting our air and water. And you can find many toxic investment moves, too. To illustrate: Many people chase after "hot" stocks after hearing about them from friends or relatives, or see-

ing them touted by so-called experts in the media. But by the time these people acquire the hot stocks, the stocks may already have cooled off. Furthermore, these stocks may not have been appropriate for these investors in the first place. Another potentially "toxic" investment move is to try to time the market — that is, try to buy investments when prices are low and sell when they're high. In theory, this is a good way to invest; in practice, it's almost impossible to predict market highs and lows. Instead, consider buying quality investments and holding them for the long term, or at least until your needs change.

By following these Earth Day-related suggestions, you can help yourself make progress toward a healthier — and possibly more productive — investment environment. And that's worth celebrating more than once a year.

FERTILIZER LABEL AND APPLICATION RATE

By: Jim Lopshire, Extension Educator

All fertilizers will have a series of three numbers displayed prominently on the label. These numbers represent the percentage by weight of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium. For instance, a 24-4-8 fertilizer will have 24% nitrogen, 4% phosphorus as P2O5, and 8% potassium as K2O. A 46-0-0 fertilizer will have 46% nitrogen and no phosphorus and potassium.

Though all three elements are important in maintaining a healthy turf stand, nitrogen will cause the greatest response. Because of this, most

fertilizer recommendations for lawns are listed as pounds of nitrogen per 1000 square feet.

If late fall fertilizer was applied last October or November, then make only one fertilizer application this spring, preferably in late April or early May, using no more than ¾ pound actual nitrogen per 1000 square feet. If a late fall fertilizer was not applied, then make two applications this spring; the first application in early April, the other in mid to late May using 3/4# actual N per 1000 square feet each time.

Fertilizing with phosphorus and potassium is also important in maintaining a healthy lawn. The best way to determine how much phosphorus and potassium to apply annually is to follow the recommendations of a soil test. In lieu of a soil test, a general recommendation is to apply 1/4 as much phosphorus and 1/2 as much potassium as nitrogen. For a one year fertilization cycle, if you apply 4 pounds nitrogen per 1000 square feet per year, you should apply 1 pound phosphorus and 2 pounds potassium per 1000 square feet per year.

It is best to fertilize lightly in spring and early summer, little to none in summer, and heavy in fall. A heavy fall fertilization program will produce the healthiest turf throughout the year. Applying high rates of nitrogen in the spring and summer stimulates excess leaf growth at the expense of root growth. Not only does this force you to mow more often, it reduces turf quality during the summer. High application rates of spring and summer nitrogen can also stimulate disease, weed, and insect activity.

If you apply a pre-emergence herbicide that is combined with fertilizer in April, the May fertilizer application should be skipped. Professional lawn care companies may increase the number of applications while decreasing the rate of nitrogen per application. This can give a more gradual feeding of the grass plants and produce a high quality lawn.

SOIL TESTING

By: Jim Lopshire, PC Extension Educator

Soil testing is an excellent measure of soil fertility. With a representative soil sample and an accurate soil test, sound fertilizer recommendations can help gardeners and growers improve plant quality and productivity. Soil testing takes the guesswork out of fertilization and is extremely cost effective. It not only eliminates the waste of money spent on unnecessary fertilizers, but also eliminates over-usage of fertilizers, hence protecting the environment.

Soil fertility fluctuates throughout the growing season each year. The quantity and availability of mineral nutrients are altered by the addition of fertilizers, manure, compost, mulch, and lime or sulfur, in addition to leaching. Furthermore, mineral nutrients are removed from soils as a result of plant growth and development, and the harvesting of crops. A soil test will determine the current fertility status of the soil and provide the necessary information needed to

COMEDY NIGHT IN ANTWERP



The Antwerp High School basketball program will host a Comedy Night featuring Chicago Comedy All-Stars Tim Harrison, Bob Jay, and Jimmy McHugh on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. (doors

open at 6:00 p.m.) This hilarious evening will take place at Grant's Reception Hall in Antwerp. For more information, please contact TJ Hammer at the Antwerp School.

maintain optimum fertility year after year.

Soil pH is one of the most indicative measurements of a soil test. The effect of soil pH is great on the solubility of minerals or nutrients. Before a nutrient can be used by plants it must be dissolved in the soil solution. Most minerals and nutrients are more soluble or available in acid soils than in neutral or slightly alkaline soils.

Some plants grow well over a wide range of soil pH, while others grow best within a narrow pH range. Most turf grasses, flowers, ornamental shrubs, vegetables, and fruits grow best in slightly acid soils which represent a pH of 6.1 to 6.9. Plants such as rhododendron, azalea, mountain laurel, and blueberries require a more acidic soil to grow well. A soil test is the only precise

way to determine whether the soil is acidic, neutral, or alkaline.

Soil samples can be taken in the spring or fall for established sites. For new sites, soil samples can be taken anytime when the soil is workable. Autumn can also be a good time to take soil tests if one wants to avoid the spring rush and suspects a soil pH problem. Fall soil testing will allow you ample time to apply lime to raise the soil pH. Sulfur should be applied in the spring if the soil pH needs to be lowered.

Gardeners, homeowners, landscapers, growers, farmers, and all other interested parties should contact their local OSU Extension office to find out the scope of services in each county, if they have questions about soil testing.

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PAYNE ELEMENTARY 5th GRADERS GET A LESSON ON TREES



Mark Holtsberry of the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation came to Wayne Trace Payne Elementary to talk to the students in Mrs. Stouffer's and Mrs. Saylor's fifth grade classes about trees. After his presentation, he gave each student and teacher their own tree to plant.

WORK ZONE AWARENESS WEEK BRINGS ATTENTION TO SAFETY "WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER"

Governor Michael R. Pence is proclaiming April 15-19, 2013 as Work Zone Awareness Week in Indiana. Work Zone Awareness Week marks the ceremonial start to highway construction season and intends to bring awareness to motorist and worker safety in work zones.

INDOT will invest more than \$1 billion in new highway construction projects this year to enhance safety, mobility and economic growth in Indiana. INDOT's goal is to maximize both the safety and mobility of motorists and workers while maintaining as much access as possible to businesses, residences and emergency services.

INDOT is dedicated to continuously improving work zone safety. This year's National Work Zone Awareness Week theme is "We're All In This Together," and INDOT needs participation from everyone, especially motorists, to make highway work zones as safe as possible.

Highway workers go about their duties while thousands of vehicles drive through their workplaces at

high speeds, and it is critical for everyone's well-being to drive safely. Four out of every five deaths in highway work zones are drivers and their passengers, not highway workers. Last year, eight people were killed and more than 500 people were injured in Indiana highway work zones. The majority of these injuries and deaths are caused by rear-end collisions, following too closely or making improper lane changes.

Highway work zones — especially those with narrow lanes or changing traffic patterns — leave little room for distractions and require attentive, cautious driving habits. Never text or talk on the phone while driving, especially through a work zone. Several studies show drivers using a phone are four times more likely to be in a crash. Other distractions, which include everything other than driving, can be just as dangerous.

Speeding or driving recklessly in a work zone is also dangerous. Motorists face fines of up to \$1000 for speeding, up to \$5000 for driving recklessly or aggressively, and up to \$10,000 and/or a prison sentence of up to eight years for injuring or killing a highway worker. These fines are used to fund additional Indiana State Police work

zone patrols.

Indiana State Police have nine white pickup trucks patrolling in and around highway work zones across Indiana. The pickup trucks resemble typical vehicles normally seen in and around highway construction zones. Motorists are urged to comply with reduced speed limits in construction zones to promote safety for the highway workers as well as the motoring public. Motorists that fail to heed the reduced speed limits may meet one of the troopers driving the special pickup truck police vehicles.

Motorists can learn about highway work zones at www.TrafficWise.IN.gov or by calling 1-800-261-ROAD (7623). Updates on projects and restrictions are also available at www.INDOT.IN.gov, by following @INDOTNorth-east on Twitter and liking Indiana Department of Transportation: Northeast on Facebook.

As part of Work Zone Awareness Week in Indiana, INDOT would like to alert drivers to some of the work zones they might encounter in Northeast Indiana this construction season:

- 1.) I-69 bridge replacement in both directions over the Little Black Creek, near mile 271, in Grant County.
- 2.) I-69 resurfacing between Exit 348 (US 20) and the Indiana/Michigan state line in Steuben County.
- 3.) SR 14 added travel lanes project, west of Fort Wayne, between West Hamilton Road and Scott Road.
- 4.) SR 930/Coliseum Boulevard resurfacing in Fort Wayne, between I-69 and the Cloverleaf, including resurfacing on US 27/Lima Road between SR 930 and Washington Center Road.
- 5.) I-69 interchange at Union Chapel Road, Exit 317, in Allen County, with construction of a roundabout intersection at Union Chapel Road and Diebold Road, and construction of a roundabout intersection at Union Chapel Road and Auburn Road.
- 6.) SR 19 road reconstruction in Elkhart, between Lusher Avenue and Beardsley Avenue.
- 7.) US 20 added travel lanes project, east of Elkhart, between CR 17 and SR 15.

SECRETARY HUSTED ANNOUNCES APRIL OHIO BUSINESS PROFILES

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that as part of an ongoing effort to recognize the impact of Ohio businesses, April's Ohio Business Profile will highlight companies across the state that are part of the emerging bioproducts industry in Ohio.

"Companies manufacturing bio-based products in Ohio are having great success combining agricultural expertise with emerging technologies to create new and better products," Secretary Husted said. "Ohio agribusiness is improving our environment and our economy, which means jobs and a better quality of life for everyone."

Businesses specializing in the manufacturing of bioproducts utilize natural, renewable materials that can be used to replace petroleum-based products. Some examples of bioproducts being explored in Ohio include making plastic additives or

print toner from soybeans, using plant fibers to reinforce plastic, as well as growing a new dandelion crop that could be turned into high performance rubber.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Ohio ranks 2nd nationally for the number of bio-based companies and materials produced. In fact, more than 45 Ohio-based companies and more than 1,200 bioproducts manufactured and distributed in the state have been designated USDA BioPreferred — a program intended to help promote the increased purchase and use of bio-based products.

Companies profiled this month include:

- USA Soy Solutions, LLC. / BioBased Spray Systems, LLC. — Sidney, Ohio — A new company that provides ag based lubricants and hydraulic fluids as well as dust suppressants. Patented the product BIORESTOR which is a USDA bio preferred asphalt rejuvenator sealer that is made from soybean and other agricultural oils.
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Secretary Husted's office also releases a monthly report of new business filings in Ohio. Recent data has shown that the number of newly-registered businesses in Ohio is up for the year as compared to the same timeframe last year.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PAULDING COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Paulding County prosecuting attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted seven persons on Thursday, April 11, 2013.

Kevin W. Carlisle, Paulding, DOB 9/28/80, Illegal Processing of Drugs, F-1; Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals for the Manufacture of Drugs, F-2; Endangering Children, F-3; Tampering with Evidence, F-3

Somer B. Bullinger, Paulding, DOB 10/16/80, Illegal Processing of Drugs, F-1; Illegal Assembly or Possession of

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Dr. Tope and his helper, Elizabeth, visited Mrs. McMichael's Antwerp kindergarten

classroom. They taught the students the importance of caring for their eyes.

Chemicals for the Manufacture of Drugs, F-2; Endangering Children, F-3

Scott J. Meyer, Paulding, DOB 6/9/89, Possession of Heroin, F-5

Andrew D. Hughes, Antwerp, DOB 3/13/81, Non-Support of Dependents, F-5

Bruce M. Thomas, Defiance, DOB 3/9/56, Permitting Drugs Abuse, F-2, 2 counts

Baron L. Osley, DOB 4/10/81, Trafficking in Cocaine, F-1; Trafficking in Cocaine, F-2

Jonathon E. Maxwell, Oakwood, 10/8/86, Illegal Assembly or Possession of Chemicals for the Manufacture of Drugs, F-2

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Forms can be found at the Woodlan High School, Woodburn PNC Bank or by calling 260-632-4235.

OHIO'S PEREGRINE FALCONS BEGIN NESTING

Ohio's peregrine falcons are nesting in several locations, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Ohio's adult breeding peregrine falcons generally pair with a mate and select a nesting site by April.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife maintains a webcam showing the peregrine falcon nest box on the 41st floor of the Rhodes State Office Tower in downtown Columbus. Durand, a female peregrine falcon, and Spark, her mate, are incubating four eggs. Incubation takes an average of 33 days, and hatching is estimated to begin on

or near Saturday, April 27. Live streaming video of the nest box is available at wildohio.com through The Ohio Channel.

Key events such as egg laying, hatching and fledging will be noted on the website as the nesting season progresses. A blog with updated information and links to other FalconCams is available at the ODNR Division of Wildlife's peregrine falcon webpage. The Columbus FalconCam is viewed annually by tens of thousands of people from all 50 states and 60 different countries.

Columbus has not had a successful nest since the 2010 season because of mate changes. However, Ohio had a busy 2012 season with 36 confirmed pairs, of which 23 sites produced 59 fledglings. At least 48 nest sites have been documented in Ohio, although not all are active every year.

Ohio began reintroducing peregrine falcons in 1989. Several pairs were released in Ohio's major cities between 1989 and 1992. Because of successful restoration activities in Ohio and across the nation, the peregrine falcon was removed from the federal endangered species list in 1999. In Ohio, the peregrine falcon was downlisted from endangered to threatened in 2008.

Federal funds for the peregrine falcon project and other wildlife diversity efforts of the ODNR Division of Wildlife are provided through the State Wildlife Grant Program, which targets species with the greatest conservation need.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife peregrine falcon management program has been supported by the sale of cardinal license plates, the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp and contributions to the state's Wildlife Diversity and Endangered Species Check-off Fund. Ohioans can donate all or part of their state income tax refund by checking the appropriate boxes on the state tax return form (Form IT 1040, Line 25c; Form IT 1040EZ, Line 18c; Telefile Worksheet, Line 13e-3) and filling in the amount they wish to donate. Individuals wanting to donate can do so online at wildohio.com.

SNOW IS GONE & IT'S TIME TO SPRING CLEAN INDIANA HIGHWAY

The snow plows have barely been off the road a full week and now workers

for the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) are focusing their efforts on patching potholes and removing litter from along highways throughout the State. The Annual Trash Bash takes place from April 6-28, 2013, and coincides with National Earth Day to aid in raising awareness of litter.

INDOT crews, along with crews from the Indiana Department of Correction (DOC) and Adopt-A-Highway, remove hundreds of tons of rubbish and debris from the roadway edges in time for spring each year. In 2012, 15,812 bags of trash were collected from state highways and right-of-way areas.

"Cleaning up Hoosier highways is one of the ways that offenders can give back to the community and turn doing time into doing good," said Indiana Department of Correction Commissioner Bruce Lemmon. "Working with INDOT to help spruce up our great state is one of our agency's favorite activities."

INDOT encourages all Hoosiers to keep Indiana's highways clean by following these simple tips:

- Don't litter: Set a good example for everyone, especially children.
- Be responsible: Carry a litter bag in your car instead of tossing trash out the window.
- Report it: Report areas where people have illegally dumped garbage to your local transportation, public works or conservation office.

• Adopt it: To find out how your group can become involved in helping beautify an area near you by participating in Adopt-A-Highway, Sponsor-A-Highway or other highway beautification efforts please contact our Customer Service Department at (260) 484-9541 or 1-866-227-3555.

INDOT reminds motorists to follow the posted work zone speed limit, use caution and consider worker safety when traveling through a work zone. For the latest news and information about INDOT, please visit www.in.gov/indot.

NEW FISHING REGULATIONS SET FOR AEP PONDS & RESERVOIRS

New fishing regulations are now in place at American Electric Power (AEP) ponds and reservoirs, including AEP ReCreation Lands, Conesville Coal Lands and Avondale Wildlife Area for the 2013-2014 license year, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

Daily bag limits are enforced at all AEP ponds and reservoirs. The regulations apply to black bass and sunfishes in more than 350 ponds and lakes among more than 80,000 acres of AEP lands available for public fishing, hunting, hiking and camping in Ohio. New regulations are intended to help sustain the high-quality largemouth bass and bluegill fishing known in these waters.

The new black bass regulation is a 14-20-inch slot length limit developed by the ODNR Division of Wildlife that increases anglers' chances of catching trophy bass. Anglers may keep two fish under 14 inches and

one fish 20 inches or larger, for three fish per day (largemouth, smallmouth, or spotted bass, singly or in combination). However, anglers will not be allowed to keep any fish in the protected slot. This regulation applies to all AEP waters, and an angler's daily limit will apply to all AEP lands collectively, and not just a particular pond or lake.

The new sunfish regulation is a 20-fish daily limit to ensure opportunities for a greater number of anglers to catch quality fish. This regulation will also apply to all AEP waters so an angler's daily limit will apply to all AEP lands collectively, not just a particular pond or lake.

A permit is required to use AEP ponds and reservoirs. The permit is free and can be obtained from the AEP office in McConnellsville, AEP corporate offices, ODNR Division of Wildlife district offices, or any sporting goods and bait stores near the ReCreation areas.

New regulations were developed by the ODNR Division of Wildlife through review of data from fish surveys, creel surveys, consideration of management options, and extensive public input. More information can be found at wildohio.com in the 2013-2014 fishing regulations. Additional information about AEP lands is also available. An Ohio fishing license is required at all AEP ponds and reservoirs.

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

LATTA RAISES OHIO FIRST-NET PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNS

The Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing today titled "Oversight of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) and Emergency Communications." Vice Chair of the subcommittee, Congressman Bob Latta (R - Bowling Green) provided the following opening statement at the hearing:

"Public safety and emergency communications are an extremely important topic, one that affects every single American. That is why it is imperative that FirstNet is successful. The nationwide interoperable public safety network is a massive undertaking - it is critically important that the communications system is done right by FirstNet - for the safety of all Americans."

FirstNet was created by the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 and is tasked with building and maintaining a nationwide, interoperable broadband public safety network. Latta submitted for the record a letter from Ohio's Chief Information Officer on concerns regarding FirstNet's funding, communication, planning and representation.

Additionally, Latta questioned FirstNet Chairman Sam Ginn on the lack of state input into the development of the public safety network and raised concerns about FirstNet's business and cost recovery model.

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STUDYING THE MIDDLE AGES!



The 7th grade Social Studies class of Mrs. Cheri Estle at Paulding Middle School have been studying the Middle Ages. As part of their curriculum, the students were to build a castle from this era. Pictured here are some

of the castles made by the students. Also pictured is 7th grader, Maggie Groh, displaying her castle. The students enjoyed this project and learned much about the Middle Ages.

ODOT TO INVEST AN ESTIMATED \$2.3 BILLION IN STATE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THIS YEAR

Your tax dollars will be hard at work as the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) launches one of the largest, most aggressive construction seasons to date with projects totaling approximately \$2.3 billion.

ODOT will begin or continue construction of nearly 1,000 projects statewide including the reconstruction of Interstate 75 in Allen County.

The reconstruction of Interstate 75 through Lima and Allen County began last year with the replacement of two bridges over the interstate at Reservoir Road and Fourth Street. The project continues this year as the reconstruction of the existing lanes of

the interstate between Fourth Street and Ohio 81 is now underway. The project includes the reconstruction of the interchanges at Fourth Street, Ohio 117/309 and Ohio 81, and a safety upgrade on Ohio 117/309 from the Interstate 75 interchange to the Allen County fairgrounds.

“Investing in our state’s transportation system is vital to our economy and to job creation,” said ODOT Director Jerry Wray. “We work hard to establish and maintain an efficient, effective transportation system that gets people and goods where they want to go in a timely and safe manner.”

ODOT’s robust construction schedule consists of an impressive 996 projects, which could total as much as \$2.3 billion. ODOT will begin or continue work on 10 mega projects, each totaling more than \$50 million.

New work will begin late this year on the eastbound Innerbelt Bridge in Cleveland, which is the largest, most expensive mega project in Ohio totaling approximately \$330 million. That amount also includes the demolition of the current, aging Innerbelt Bridge in downtown Cleveland.

Locally, other significant projects include:

- The resurfacing of several state routes in Hardin County
- The extension of the existing raised-curb median and extension of a turn lane on Elida Road in front of the Lima Mall, Allen County

Motorists should use caution throughout construction work zones this year. The top three causes of work zone crashes are: following too closely, failure to control, and improper lane change, all of which can be prevented by safe driving. For up-to-the-minute road conditions and details on highway construction projects in every area of the state, visit ODOT’s premier website: www.ohgo.com.

OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR #759 MARCH 25th MEETING

We met at the Black Swamp Nature Center with the Jr. and Sr. Fairboard, 4-H kids, and Melrose mayor. The room was full. We have a lot of hard working people putting together the fair. There are 26 active Jr. Fairboard members who have logged over 9,000 hours of volunteering.

Their Christmas lights at the fairgrounds was a big success. The Sr. Fairboard estimated over 18,090 hours. The fair will be bigger and better and free this year thanks to day sponsors. A donation was made to the fairboard for building up-keep and to 4-H for camp scholarships. The town of Melrose received a donation for holiday events. For our animal support we put money towards swine bedding.

Our community service representatives will be: under 18 – Alexis Howell; under 65 – Brian Holbrook; over 65 – Gary Frederick. These people will be honored on June 24 at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall.

Our representatives for the Bowling Green State meeting on April 14 at 3:00 p.m. will be Helen Maddock, Mary Lou Lloyd, Dale and Edna May Spittnale, and John and Bon-

nie Pier.

We will try to attend a Boy Scout meeting to make plans for Join Hands Day to clean up three miles of the Buckeye Trail on May 4. The wind this year took down our flagpole rope for the Charloe Park. We are in need of a bucket truck to re-thread the rope.

A donation was made for the use of the Black Swamp Nature Center and for Rhonda Smalley’s talk about the Bargin Bin.

Helen Maddock asked for our help in planning the Fort Brown celebration on June 29 at 10:00 a.m.

Ruth Benien reported coming events: June 22 – ball game; July 27 – state picnic; convention in French Lick, IN – October 25-27.

Next meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on April 27 at the Melrose Park after the dumpster collection. Kelly Tumblin and Vicki Aufrance are the hosts.

TREVOR WEBSTER QUALIFIES FOR EDWARD JONES’ FINANCIAL ADVISOR LEADERS CONFERENCE

Trevor Webster, an Edward Jones financial advisor in Van Wert, qualified for the firm’s 2013 Financial Advisor Leaders Conference.

This conference recognizes financial advisors who are among the leaders in the financial-services firm. The conference also will provide additional training to help them serve more individual investors in their communities.

Webster was one of only 793 financial advisors who qualified out of the firm’s nearly 12,000 financial advisors.

The 2013 conference will be held in May at the firm’s headquarters in St. Louis, MO.

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MANOR HOUSE VARSITY BOYS TEAM WINS NAYS TOURNAMENT



Manor House champion team are pictured above. Front Row: Nick Clemens, Kadice Renier, manager Kyle Harris, Kaleb Clemens, Alex Arellano.

Back Row: Coach Eric Camarillo, Jacob Miller, Trestan Gonzales, Brant Barna, Trenton Copsey, Lance Foor, Coach Cory Mendez. Absent Will Vorhees.

This past weekend the Antwerp Local Schools and the Manor House gymnasium hosted their second annual NAYS tournament. This year 38 teams came from as far as Detroit, MI, Lagrange, IN, and several from the Toledo, OH and Fort Wayne, IN areas

and several six county area teams. 68 games were played on four courts throughout the weekend. Tournaments were held in seven divisions. Winners included: NW Ohio Thunder 5/6 grade boys, Fort Wayne Legit 5/6 grade girls, Fort Wayne Legit 7/8 grade

girls, South Side Select 7th grade boys, Fort Wayne Legit 8th grade boys and Fort Wayne Legit varsity girls.

The highlight of the exciting weekend was the championship game of the varsity boys tournament. Five teams competed in the bracket and the host Manor House team captured the title in an exiting sudden death overtime finish 58-56 to garner the title. Heading into the final seconds of regulation Detroit hit a 3 point basket to tie the game and send it into the overtime. Sudden death overtime is when there is no time on the clock and the first team to score wins. Detroit won the jump ball and in two quick passes attempted a three point basket that hit the back of the rim. The Manor House team nabbed the long rebound and threw deep to a streaking Lance Foor for the games final points and the tournament championship.

The Manor House team defeated Western Basin Toledo, South Side Select Fort Wayne and Junior Role Models Fort Wayne to reach the finals with Detroit.

Lance Foor ended the game with 17 points. Trenton Copsey led all scorers with 26 points for the Manor House team. Other Manor House players include: Jacob Miller, Trestan Gonzales, Brant Barna, Nick Clemens, Kadice Renier, Kaleb Clemens, Alex Arellano, and Will Vorhees.

The Manor House team will play the rest of the season as the Northwest Ohio Venom team and will conduct practices and workouts in the Manor House gym. The coaches for the team are Cory Mendez and Eric Camarillo. The manager is Kyle Harris.

ANNUAL WALLEYE MIGRATION UNDERWAY ON MAUMEE & SANDUSKY RIVERS

The annual appearance of migrating walleye in the Maumee and Sandusky Rivers brings fantastic spring fishing opportunities, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

An annual phenomenon in northwest Ohio occurs each spring when a portion of Lake Erie's walleye population moves up the Maumee and Sandusky Rivers to spawn. Although the fish caught represent a small portion of all Lake Erie walleye, the run brings hundreds of thousands of fish within casting distance of eager shore anglers.

Walleye spawning normally occurs in these rivers anytime from mid-March through mid-April, but the peak activity usually occurs the first week of April when the water temperatures range from 40 to 50 degrees. Moderately-high water also increases the number of walleye in the rivers, especially if river temperatures are warmer than lake temperatures.

The best fishing areas in the Maumee River are from Orleans Park in Perrysburg upstream to the end of Jerome Road in Lucas County. Sandusky River anglers will find better success from Brady's Island to Rodger Young Park in the city of Fremont. Fishing is prohibited upstream from Rodger Young Park to the Ballville Dam.

Anglers are reminded the bag limit for Lake Erie and its tributaries is four walleye until April 30. Anglers are also reminded that there is a year-round 15-inch length

MARCH SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL CONTEST



Students at Paulding Elementary and Paulding Middle School competed in a contest during the month of March. This contest was sponsored by Safe Routes to School. The students viewed and discussed a video on bicycle safety. Their names were then entered into a drawing. Names that were drawn from the Middle School were Ben Estle (grade

7) and Hannah Vance (Grade 7). Winners from Paulding Elementary were Quintin Gonzales (Grade 4), and Ashlyn Goings (Grade 2). Their photos are shown above with their prizes. Their names will also go into a drawing for a new bicycle. The bicycles will be awarded to the lucky winners on May 9 during a BMX show at the school.

limit for walleye on Lake Erie and its tributaries to the first dam or designated landmark. Anglers can see the latest on the walleye bite or review the 2013-2014 Ohio Fishing Regulations at wildohio.com.

Fishermen who are wading also need to ensure they are prepared to experience an unexpected cold water immersion and should consider wearing a flotation device as well as fish with a partner. Though most anglers wade in the rivers while walleye fishing, some choose to fish from boats. ODNR advises boat anglers to always properly wear life jackets, take precautions against overloading their boats and capsizing, be well dressed to avoid the onset of hypothermia and be prepared to handle any emergency. Boats should never be anchored off the stern.

Special regulations are in effect for Maumee and Sandusky River walleye fisheries during March and April. Fishing is only allowed between sunrise and sunset in specified areas, and treble hooks are prohibited. Anglers may only use a single hook that is no larger than 1 inch from shank to point. Only fish that are hooked inside the mouth may legally be taken, and any snagged fish must be immediately released.

The sales of fishing licenses, along with the Sport Fish Restoration (SFR) program,

continue to fund ODNR Division of Wildlife fish management operations. No state tax dollars are used for these activities. These are user-pay, user-benefit programs.

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

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K & S TUMBLEFIT OPENS IN ANTWERP



Kelli Bradbury and her mother Susie Arnold will soon be opening K & S Tumblefit in Antwerp, OH. They have scheduled an open house for April 28 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Vancrest of Antwerp, site of their new business. Anyone interested in tumbling, gymnastics, and fitness should make plans to attend the open house.

Lifelong Antwerp residents, Kelli (Walters) Bradbury and Susie (Franklin) Arnold, are pleased to announce the opening of K & S Tumblefit, a tumbling and fitness program for both children and adults. Formerly known as Joanie's Tumble and Cheer, Kelli and Susie

are very excited about the opportunity to keep gymnastics, tumbling, and fitness available in the surrounding community and believe they have the knowledge, experience, and qualifications to provide a great service to all interested children and adults.

Kelli brings a wealth of experience, including fifteen years of teaching choreography at the high school and middle school levels; seven years of competitive cheerleading, including one year with Bowling Green State University; several years of gymnastics training and/or coaching; and two years of coaching high school cheerleading.

Likewise, Susie brings with her thirteen years of coaching cheerleading at the high school and middle school levels; six years of cheerleading in school; and several years of gymnastics training and/or coaching, including running multiple gymnastics clinics over the past twenty-five years.

Classes will begin on May 2, 2013, and will be held at the Vancrest of Antwerp (formerly known as the Manor House) in the old elementary chorus room (down the left set of steps in the main lobby) and the main gymnasium. Everyone interested is encouraged to attend an open house on Sunday, April 28 at the Vancrest of Antwerp from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Parents will also receive more instructional information at their child(ren)'s first class.

Classes will continue to consist of beginning, intermediate, and advanced gymnastics instruction.

Monday's class times will remain the same as they are now. At this time, students will stay with their current class, but students may be moved to a different class as determined by the instructors' discretion.

Thursday's and Friday's classes will be combined. Students unable to perform back-handsprings on their own will have instruction on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Students able to perform back-handsprings on their own will have instruction on Thursdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday's classes will be moved up one hour to 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and Noon. Any high school student who previously came on Saturday and is able to perform a tumbling pass should plan on attending either the 9:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m. class, as this is when the big gymnasium is available for tumblers of this level. All other students who previously came on Saturday, but are unable to do tumbling passes, should plan on attending either the 11:00 a.m. or Noon class. Once the instructors determine levels of gymnastics ability, students may be moved to a different class as determined by the instructors' discretion.

Parents will need to provide their phone numbers

and/or e-mail addresses when they register their children. Much communication and information will come via a monthly newsletter to be sent on-line. Parents without internet access may also receive a hard copy of the monthly newsletter.

Long-term goals include starting fitness classes for older teen-agers and adults of all ages, including Zumba and other high and low-energy dancing; low-cost, on-site baby-sitting for mothers with young children who wish to participate in fitness classes; and a "parent-tot" class for mothers and/or fathers of children ages eighteen-months to three years old.

Everyone interested in any of these services is highly encouraged to attend the open house on April 28. If you're unable to attend the open house, or if you have any questions you would like answered prior to April 28, feel free to contact Kelli (419-506-0418) or Susie (419-506-0427).

BACKYARD COMPOSTING

By: Jim Lopshire, PC Extension Agent

Sources: University of Minnesota Backyard Composting

Backyard composting is a process that allows naturally occurring microbes to convert yard waste, such as leaves and grass clippings, to a useful organic soil amendment or mulch. Gardeners have used compost for centuries to improve the physical condition of soil and to add some of the nutrients needed for plant growth. Incorporating compost into light, sandy soil helps it hold both moisture and nutrients, while adding it to heavy soil improves drainage.

To produce compost efficiently from yard waste several conditions must be met. The micro-organisms responsible for decomposition need oxygen, water, and nitrogen. Particle size also affects efficiency. The smaller the plant pieces, the more rapidly they will break down. Use a shredder or power mower to chop up leaves and small twigs before adding them to the pile.

Locate your compost pile close to where it will be used so it won't interfere with activities in the yard or offend neighbors. The site should have good drainage and not on concrete. The pile will work best where it is somewhat protected from drying winds, yet receives partial sunlight to help supplement heat for the pile.

Build your compost pile in layers. Begin with eight to ten inches of leaves, grass, or plant trimmings. Water it to the point of being moist, but not soggy. Then add a

nitrogen source, such as ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, or an inexpensive high nitrogen lawn fertilizer without herbicide.

Sprinkle the pile with 1/3 to 1/2 cup of fertilizer per 25 square feet of surface area (a 5' x 5' bin). If you live in a rural area and have access to livestock manure, you can use a two-inch layer of manure as your nitrogen source.

You may choose to add a one-inch layer of soil or completed compost over the nitrogen to increase the number of decomposing microbes in the pile. However, most leaves and plant scraps have enough micro-organisms to get the job done without the addition of soil or compost.

Repeat these layers until the pile reaches a height of five feet, watering each time you add new layers.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Lofton Alexander Brown was born on April 12, 2013 at 10:27. He weighed 5 lb. 14 oz. and was 18.5 inches long. His parents are Tim and Lorianne Brown of Antwerp. Proud grandparents are Charlie and Anita Kerr of Howard, OH, and Bill and Linda Brown of Antwerp.

UNITED WAY OF PAULDING COUNTY ANNUAL MEETING

The United Way of Paulding County will hold its annual meeting on Monday, April 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room located in the Marshall Memorial Foundation building located at 101 E. Perry, Paulding OH.

NORTHEAST HOOSIER CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATIONS

Conversations have occurred throughout the school year regarding many different factors concerning the Northeast Hoosier Conference (NHC) member schools. In analyzing many different factors, disparity among schools in terms of enrollment continues to grow. As a result of these discussions, principals and athletic directors will be considering future conference membership affiliations. All member schools (which include New Haven High School) will abide by the constitution established by the NHC throughout the process.

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