

ANTWERP ANNOUNCES NEW BUS SCHEDULE & PRINCIPAL

The Antwerp School board had quite a few decisions on Thursday, May 16. The Antwerp Local School has decided to make one route to

Antwerp School board. Travis had been at the school for the past 17 years (12 as a teacher and 5 as principal). "This move to Hicksville is a great



Stephanie Tear welcomed to Antwerp by Pat Ross

school for the buses instead to having separate Elementary and High school nearly an hour apart. This may be able to save the school money by consolidating miles while only adding one bus north of the Maumee River.

Travis Lichty, Elementary Principal had turned in his resignation recently to the

professional opportunity and it is close enough to Antwerp to still be family-friendly. I will miss the people here at Antwerp. The students here are fantastic and the people I work with are truly special. I look forward to helping Hicksville Exempted Village Schools continue their excel-

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Happy Memorial Day!



GLOW IN THE DARK 5K MEETS HUGE SUCCESS!

Wayne Trace Jr./Sr. High School, through the efforts of its National Honor Society, is pleased to announce that nearly \$17,000 has been raised for the Maddox Franz Foundation, with much of these proceeds coming from the 5K event held in Payne, OH, on April 6, 2013.

Close to 450 runners/joggers/walkers participated in the "Glow-In-The-Dark" event, ranging in age from toddlers to senior citizens. This tremendous turn-out was made possible through countless hours of preparation from many behind-the-scenes volunteers, most notably Wayne Trace HS senior Staci Wenninger. Many other sponsors, both community members and business part-

ners, also made several generous contributions to this worthy cause.

Shown celebrating in the picture above are Wayne Trace NHS advisor Miss Jacqueline Frake, Mrs. Sarah Franz (mother of Maddox Franz and elementary principal at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary School), and Wayne Trace senior Staci Wenninger.

NOTICE OF CLOSING FOR MEMORIAL DAY

The West Bend News office will be CLOSED on Monday, May 27, 2013 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. The newspaper will be delivered one day late that week - Thursday, May 30th instead of Wednesday. The office will resume regular business hours on Tuesday, May 28, 2013.

—WBN editors

NEW HAVEN CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT: MILAN CENTER FEED & GRAIN



Milan Center Feed & Grain is a family business that was founded in 1957 by Marvin Stieglitz, who began by selling bagged feed from their farm in Harlan, Indiana. In the mid '50's he purchased a small mill in Harlan with his brother.

In 1963 when Marvin became the sole owner he realized the business had outgrown its current facility and he began looking for a larger

location. When the sight owned by the Brueggeman family on Doty Road went up for sale, it seemed the perfect location for the growing business. What made this location even better was a large home to raise his growing family.

Lynn Stieglitz, the oldest son and current general manager of Milan Center Feed and Grain said, "It was

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OBITUARIES

Due to errors two obituaries are re-ran from last week.



Jennie Marie Smith, 73, of Defiance, passed away on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at Mercy Hospital, Defiance, OH.

She was born on July 18, 1939 to Charles and AnnaDell (Reeb) Champion in Hicksville, OH. On October 15, 1965 she married Burdette S. Smith in Antwerp United Methodist Church.

Jennie was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church, Moose, Eagles, YMCA, and the Defiance Senior Center. She was a 1957 graduate of Hicksville High School where she was valedictorian of her class. She loved traveling, reading, puzzles, line dancing, water aerobics and was a people person who loved to interact with others. Jennie retired from the Chief Super Market after 18 years.

Jennie is survived by her longtime companion and partner, Steve "Woody" Whatman of Defiance, OH, children, Lana (Tony Sharp) Brock of Townsend, TN, Charles (Pamela Marie) Smith of Antwerp, OH, Richard Wayne (Tracy Lynn) Smith of Maryville, TN, Angela (Denise (Matt Salinas) Zech of Paulding, OH, grandchildren, Joel Seibert of Columbus, OH, Lisa (David) Schroeder of Paulding, OH, Joseph Smith of Paulding, OH, Alana & Carissa Zech of Defiance, OH, Aric & Cody Smith of Maryville, TN, Beth,

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Sidney, Joellyn, Kennedy Salinas of Paulding, Ohio, Dominic Sharp, and a sister, Sue (Harold) Howe of Angola, IN.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Burdette, and a sister, Gloria Maag.

Visitation was Sunday, May 12, and Monday, May 13, 2013 at Schaffer Funeral Home, Defiance, Ohio.

Funeral services were Monday, May 13, 2013, at the funeral home with Rev. Michael Donnelly officiating.

Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery.

The family suggest memorials be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences can be given at www.Schafferfh.com.



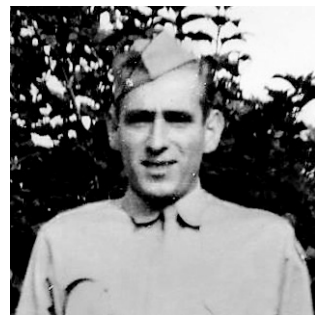
Woodburn - June M. James, 87, entered into the presence of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Saturday, May 11, 2013 with her loving daughters at her side. Born in Assumption, Ill. she was the daughter of the late David and Ola (Davis) Cotner. She was a member of Woodburn Missionary Church and a faithful prayer warrior. The Hope Center was blessed with the dozens baby quilts she so enjoyed making for them. She had worked for the old Woodburn telephone company and retired in 2006 from the staff of the Woodburn Missionary Church after 20 years of service.

She is survived by her daughters: Joyce James of Woodburn and Barbara (Kenneth) Knuth of Columbia City; grandsons: Daniel (Jennifer) Knuth of Columbia City and Thomas (Cari) Knuth of Ft. Wayne; Great Grandchildren: Mason, Emerson and Gilliana Knuth; sister-in-law: Imogene Cotner and a host of nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 34 years, Albert James in 1981 and siblings, Donald, Hershel and Aldyth Cotner.

Funeral service is 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at the Woodburn Missionary Church, 5108 Bull Rapids Rd., Woodburn, IN with calling one hour prior. Pastor Joel DeSelm officiating. Calling is from 2 to 8

p.m. Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at the church. Burial is in the Scipio cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Woodburn Missionary Church Library or Missionary Women International (MWI). Arrangements by E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. For online condolences please go to www.harperfuneralhome.com.

Sylvia K. Guyton, 77, of Melrose died Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at her residence. Heitmeyer Funeral Home, Oakwood handled arrangements



PAYNE: Stephen Papp, age 96 died Wednesday, May 15 at the Gardens of Paulding, Paulding, Ohio.

He was born in Port Huron, Michigan on November 9, 1916 the son of Andrew and Sophia (Peto) Papp. On June 30, 1951 he married Loraine M. Von Behren, who survives. He was a WWII Army Air Corp veteran. He retired in 1976 from International Harvester of Ft. Wayne after 30 years. He was a member of V.F.W. Post #587 and American Legion Post #297.

He is survived by his wife, Loraine Papp, Payne; two sons, Charles S. (Marjorie) Papp, Van Wert, and LaRue Papp, Indianapolis; a daughter, Karyl (Gene) Leser, Fishers, IN; a sister, Martha Straka, Defiance; three grandchildren, Stephen C. Papp, Nicholas and Nathaniel Leser; and a step grandson, Chris Sauer.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Julius and John Papp; and three sisters, Ida Overmeyer, Margaret Zavasky, and Helen Isaacs.

Visitation was Saturday, May 18 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding.

A graveside memorial service will be conducted 11AM Saturday, May 25 in Wiltsie Cemetery, Payne.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to Paulding EMS or Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

PAULDING: Ilean McClain, age 84 died Friday, May 17, 2013 at Parkview Regional Medical Center, Ft. Wayne, IN.

She was born March 26, 1929 in Lucas County, Ohio, the daughter of Frank and Blanche A. (Wilson) Guyton. On November 22, 1947 she married Lester E. "Earl" McClain, who survives. She was a member of Paulding United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Earl McClain, Paulding; three sons, Steve (Sheila) McClain, Paulding, Mark McClain, rural Cecil, and Robert (Alicia) McClain, Cascade, Montana; a daughter, Karen (Dave) Santo, Paulding; four sisters, Helen Shong and Barbara (Larry) Proconier, both of Defiance, Ester Bland, Paulding, and Shirley (Elton) Reneau, Findlay; a half sister, Marsha (Tom) Gorman, Kentucky; eight grandchildren; and fifteen great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers, Robert, Carl and an infant.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 AM Tuesday, May 21 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Ben Lowell officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation was Monday, May 20 at Den Herder Funeral Home and one hour prior to services on Tuesday.

Donations may be made to Paulding United Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

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Travis Lichty

lent level of achievement and face the challenges facing all public schools in Ohio," Travis commented.

The most notable decision in the meeting was the hiring of Stephanie Tear as the new Antwerp Elementary principal. Ms. Tear is currently serving as the Paulding Elementary School principal. She will have served in Paulding for two years by the time she finishes and officially starts at Antwerp, beginning her 3 year contract starting August 1, 2013.

Prior to working in Paulding County Stephanie worked for 18 years as a teacher. Her last position was educating 3rd & 4th graders at Mount Vernon, Ohio She also has experience teaching Preschool - Eighth grades.

Stephanie is excited to begin working with the staff at Antwerp Elementary School

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

—Romans 15:5-6

including Pat Ross, Superintendent, who she word under at Paulding.

She received her masters degree in 2011.

Stephanie is married to Jerald Tear who is the preacher at Hicksville First Church of Christ. She has three children. Her oldest son is Tony, a teacher-Intervention Specialist and boys varsity basketball coach. Her second child is daughter Kaylee, 19, is a waitress, Bailey who is becoming a freshman at Hicksville High School.

Stephanie had this to say, "It is very painful to leave Paulding. There are many tears being shed over the people I'll miss there. I do look forward to working at Antwerp with Pat and the staff.

The Antwerp Community welcomes you Stephanie!

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a natural fit to live next door to the business. I lived here from 1971 till I got married in 1982. I grew up working here, then went away to Michigan State University. I came back here to be part of the business in 1979."

In 1983 an additional building was added for office and retail space opening a whole new service for their clientele. In 2001 the old Brueggeman Lumber Company burned and plans to build a new retail space in the destroyed building were drawn up and opened in June of 2004. Then, unexpectedly Marvin Stieglitz passed away in November of 2002, and another key employee passed away in December. At that point, Lynn Stieglitz became the key decision-maker.

Milan Center Feed & Grain is predominately a feed mill and farm store. Their motto "Large or Small We Feed Them All" certainly is accurate. Located at their facility is machinery used to turn raw ingredients into feed of all types. They produce and bag the feed, and in addition to bulk feed, ship the finished product all from their buildings. Stieglitz said, "As far as feed, we get out as far as probably 25 or 30 miles. That would catch the bulk of it. We still deliver to some good sized farmers and some independents."

The rural area animals are not the only ones that benefit from Milan Center Feed & Grain. Stieglitz shared that they make a trip a week to the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo. He said, "We've been involved in that from the very start. Way back when the Children's Zoo was formed, Central Soya was centrally based here in Fort Wayne and they sponsored the petting area. Since we were the closest Master Mix dealer to the Central Soya office, we got involved with them. We have provided the feed for the petting area ever since."

Located in their farm store is animal feed for all types of animals; household pets as well as farm animals of all kinds. They even have feed for the wild birds. And

if you want to attract or drive away animals such as deer, they can help you with both. The store also carries all types of supplies that you might need to raise animals; feeders, waterers, houses, etc. Plus, if you would like to have fresh eggs every morning, they sell chicks.

If variety is the spice of life, then Milan Center Feed & Grain must be a spice cabinet. Stieglitz shared as he discussed his variety of products, "Distribution is such that if there are multiple uses for a product, we do it." In their store are a number of products that are used in the maintenance of baseball diamonds and football fields. Bentonite is a type of clay which is used to plug a leak in a pond, and it also can be used to groom ball fields, as well as a feed ingredient. Other examples include calcium carbonate which is a feed ingredient, a lawn and garden fertilizer, or it can mark your ball field. Also, copper sulfate which at one time was a feed ingredient is also an algacide for ponds.

Along with the animal husbandry items, and the lawn and garden items, the farm store also carries a large variety of gift items, as well as personal items, and toys for the kids. Stieglitz said, "Everything for life in the country."

Stieglitz shared some of the challenges of the feed and grain business. "The feeding sector has changed dramatically, especially since 2008," he said, "with the introduction of Ethanol the industry had to deal with the market literally taking our raw ingredients that make up our feed and more than doubling it. We were used to having corn at \$3 a bushel we saw it go up to \$8 a bushel."

Last year the rural community thought they were poised to bring corn back to a moderate price. Farmers had risen to plant acres and meet the demand. And then the drought during last growing season changed the hopes for price moderation. Stieglitz said, "So that put us off another 12 months. But farming is all about adaptation."

Milan Center Feed & Grain has been a member of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce since 2006, especially appreciating the PHP health insurance discount. Now they want to benefit from a marketing stand point. They invite the surrounding communities to discover the treasures and enjoy the events that Milan Center Feed & Grain offers. One such event that is coming soon is a Hoopstanny Hoedown being held on Saturday, June 15. At this event will be sales, a tack swap meet, children's games, wagon rides, bluegrass music, antiques, food, and more.

To discover all that Milan Center Feed & Grain has to offer visit their website: www.mcfeeds.com



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CMH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



The Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) Foundation has awarded four \$1,000 scholarships to deserving students pursuing degrees in healthcare. Winners were chosen based on field of study, GPA, and an essay. CMH Foundation scholarships are awarded annually in memory of Rachel Hofmeister and Steve Boon, both former Directors of Nursing at CMH, and Betty Altman, former RN and Board Member at CMH. The fourth scholarship is on honor of Peter and Maureen Kennerk.

This year's scholarship recipients are Conner Yoder (Hicksville), Austin Thomas (Ney), Ellise Wetli (Antwerp), and April Rock (Sherwood).

Conner Yoder is a 2013 graduate of Hicksville High School. He is attending Ivy Tech and IPFW to major in Nursing.

Austin Thomas is a 2013 graduate of Fairview High School. He will attend Northwest State Community College majoring in Radiograph-

ic Imaging. Ellise Wetli is a 2012 graduate of Antwerp High School. She is currently attends The Ohio State University working towards her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree.

April Rock is a full-time RN at Community Memorial Hospital. She is working towards her Masters of Science degree in Nursing at Frontier Nursing University, with the goal of becoming a Family Nurse Practitioner.

ABOUT COMMUNITY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION:

The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation is a 501(c)(3) established to support the work of Community Memorial Hospital and to contribute to the growth and enhancement of local health care services. The Foundation supports the Hospital through fundraising dollars for projects, scholarships for those pursuing healthcare careers, and through community involvement.



PAYNE CHAMBER PREPARING FOR PROJECT: "GREEN AWNING DEMOLITION"

The Payne Chamber is very close to starting on its latest project to restructure the downtown business district by demolishing the old bar & coffee shop that has the green awning on the front of the building. After last year's large demo project that will provide an open lot to the future Antwerp Exchange Bank, this building was exposed and after further investigation had some very large problems of its own which the prior owner decided that she no longer wished to pour money into the building. The Chamber decided to proceed to purchase the building for the purpose of clearing it for future development of the downtown business district. For those who haven't seen the state of disrepair it was in, the entire kitchen area was gone and the kitchen floor was dirt & stone. The bar was removed, the walls torn down to brick, the drop ceiling was removed, & it had large roof leak which damage a huge portion of sub-flooring.

The Payne Chamber had an environmental survey done and found a small amount of flooring that will need to be abated. The environmental abatement contractor will be finished this week with their portion of the demo project. This clears the way for L.J. Irving Demolition to start the week following the Memorial Day holiday. The project cost of the total project is around \$48,000.00-\$50,000.00 including demo and the building purchase itself. The Chamber will need to borrow additional funds to cover the project cost.

For more information, contact Chamber president, Chad Benschneider.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 5/8/13

This 8th day of May, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Fred Pieper

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 197691 through 197726 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-017):

The Paulding County Sheriff will be retaining a drug enforcement officer; and it is necessary to increase the Sheriff's 2013 budget to cover the salary-related costs for said drug enforcement officer. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following:

001-017-00002/General Fund/Sheriff/Salaries, Employees-Sheriff
AMOUNT: \$30,000.00
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Tony Zartman to go into executive session at 8:26 a.m. with the County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting yea.

At 8:20 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, PAULDING COUNTY SUBCOMMITTEE:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint the following to the Ohio Public Works Commission, Paulding County Subcommittee, in his respective classification, to fill the unexpired term for Mr. Tony Zartman, beginning March 29, 2012, through March 28, 2015:

5 NEW NEW HAVEN POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS SWORN IN



May 15th was a special day for the New Haven Police Department. Not only was it National Peace Officers Memorial Day, but they swore in five new Police Reserve Officers.

In 1962 President John F Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

This current group of reserves officers went through an extensive selection process before beginning their training

in January of this year. They were required to pass a series of physical fitness tests before being allowed to take a written examination. After passing the physical and written examinations the applicants went through investigations and background investigations prior to being selected. The process started off with approximately 27 people applying.

These reserve officers spent 56 hours on basic law enforcement training to include law, physical tactics, firearms, and emergency vehicle operations. They have had numerous additional hours of department wide in-service training provided to them. All of this training will be beneficial for these reserve officers as they begin their law enforcement

careers. In addition to the training received these reserve officers have also completed nearly 80 hours of patrol time observing full time police officers enabling them to gain experience on the street.

Once sworn in as reserve officers and placed in uniform these officers will be in a probationary status until January 1, 2014, and then based upon their training and hours of service will have the opportunity to move to 3rd class officer status.

The new Reserve Officers being sworn in are: Jennifer Bontrager, David Jackson, Michael Poiry, Joshua Schofield, are Stuart Reed.

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NORTH WEST OHIO IS WORKING AGAINST INTERNATIONAL CHILD SEX SLAVERY



Darlene at the Handicapped Care Center in Kalaymo Myanmar where most of the children have had polio.

A local woman Darlene Briskey from Hicksville has been selected to travel on a team in November to visit handicapped orphans from Myanmar (Burma) and children in Cambodia who have been rescued or at risk of human trafficking so prevalent in the sex trade there.

Darlene has traveled to Myanmar several times in the past where she became aware of the terrible sex industry. Briskey stated that she has been praying, specifically since returning from a human trafficking ministry trip in Thailand, for the opportunity to visit Cambodia and share Jesus healing with the girls and boys whose lives have been filled with the darkness of the child sex industry. She became aware of this trip "accidentally" through a friend around mid-February. This particular team was by invitation only, so Briskey really did not believe she could be part of it unless God made a way. On May 17, she got a message telling her that the team would like her to join them. Visiting her friends in Burma is an added bonus.

A great deal of money for this trip is due very shortly; Briskey is relying on God to help her on this mission. She is available to speak to church or small groups if anyone would be interested in hearing more about becoming part of helping with this outreach.

Mrs. Briskey has volunteered in the Burmese refugee

community in Fort Wayne for many years and she currently volunteers as the international director of Children's Lantern's Freeing kids from sex slavery division. Briskey and the National director Sara Ball have created a prayer and outreach ministry called PS10, based on Psalms chapter 10. As well as prayer, they hand out fliers of missing and exploited children from our tri-state region and post the national human trafficking hotline number, primarily in truck-stops between Toledo and Fort Wayne. They are planning to continue with this work and expand through God's help in the future.

You can follow Darlene, PS10 or Children's Lantern on Facebook. For further information, contact Darlene at 419-542-8344 or send an email to Darlene@childrenslantern.org

FSA PROGRAM DEADLINES REMINDERS

The Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) would like to remind Ohio producers who have not contacted their local FSA office about ACRE enrollment to do so before the sign-up deadline ends. It is important producers contact their local FSA office to set up appointments before the June 3, 2013, deadline.

For more information about the DCP/ACRE programs please visit your local FSA office.

FAITH IN JESUS

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

When we hear the phrase "faith in Jesus," what does that mean?

It means that when his teaching is difficult, we will do it.

It means that when we don't want to do what he teaches, we will do it.

It means that when it is countercultural, we will still do it.

It means that when it will make us unpopular, we will do it.

It means that when it requires sacrifice, we will do it.

Faith is all about trusting in something.

The first Saturday in May is always Free Comic Book Day. How are you all enjoying your free comics?

What? You're saying you didn't go and get your free comics?

That's the thing. Free doesn't mean forced. There were free comics given away on Saturday, May 4th, at comic shops around the nation. Yet if you didn't go get them, you don't have them.

Grace is free. Faith is free. You just have to take it. You just have to express it.

However, when we talk about faith and grace being free, we can ignore the fact that when you take the free grace and acknowledge faith in Jesus, your life will change.

This was tough for the Christians in Rome to understand when Paul wrote them his letter. A lot of them were Jews. And they had placed their faith in the Old Testament law. Paul was saying, "Place your faith in Jesus." The Gentiles also wrongly placed their faith. Instead of the law, they placed it in freedom, and Paul was saying, "Place your faith in Jesus."

This is also tough for us. Our world, even the Christian culture, tells us to place our faith in so many things that are not Jesus.

If you believe that there is nothing greater in life than being high or enjoying pleasure, then you will spend your life chasing the next high or temporary pleasure. If you believe that there is nothing greater in life than spending time with your biological family, then you will spend time investing in your biological family. If you believe there is nothing more important than sports, then you will spend your time training yourself or training your child.

However, if you believe there is nothing more important than following Jesus, then you will spend your life looking for ways to serve Him. If you believe that there is nothing greater in life than being part of the family of God, then you will align your biological family time with family of God time. If you believe there is nothing more important than spiritually training yourself, then you will invest your life in loving others, studying together, and praying.

What you believe in matters. Your true beliefs influence every action of your life.

When we have a problem serving God, setting aside time for God's family, loving others, studying together, and praying, it doesn't mean that we don't have time for those things. We always find time for the things we really be-

lieve in. It doesn't mean that those things are impossible in our life. We always make possible the things that we really want. It means that we have a belief in Jesus problem. We have either created a fictional, pseudo-Jesus that doesn't make those radical calls on our life, or we have just justified away the radical call of Jesus on our life.

So Jesus is saying, you can spend your time having faith in Him and live the life you were created to live. Or you can have faith in one of the many idols of this world. The choice is yours. Faith in something temporary that will not get you where you are supposed to go. Or faith in something beyond our greatest imagining.

You do have faith in something. The question is whether that faith is in the right thing and will get you living the life you were made to live. The good news is that life with Jesus is like a free gift. You just have to take it. It would be like a motorcycle giveaway. Even if you won, you would still have to put the key in and take it home.

The big point that faith heads toward: Jesus' sacrifice covers our sins—if we have faith—to empower us to live like He lived, as a sacrifice for others. Faith is the key that unleashes God's work in our lives and in the lives around us. We have faith, and we bring that faith forward. From just something written about in a letter from Paul to the Christians in Rome nearly 2000 years ago to real life in your houses, in your churches, and in your community.

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.

HAVE YOU TURNED A 'BLIND EYE' TO GOD'S COMMANDS?

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

Perhaps you've heard the phrase "turn a blind eye," which means to ignore undesirable information. The saying comes from a 19th century British naval battle. On April 2, 1801, during the Battle of Copenhagen, the British fleet was attacking the combined navies of Denmark and Norway. Three British ships ran aground, so the admiral, Hyde Parker, decided that the fire of battle was "too hot for Nelson to oppose." So Parker sent an order, through signal flags, that the younger admiral Horatio Nelson should "Discontinue Action" and withdraw.

When Nelson heard his own signalman relay the order, he pretended not to hear him. Mesmerized by the thrill of battle, Nelson had no intention of obeying the order. He turned to his captain and said, "This day may be the last for us at any moment," even as a Danish cannonball struck his ship's mainmast, scattering splinters all around him. This was typical of Nelson's stubborn and aggressive approach to war. In fact, he'd already lost sight in his right eye in a previous battle. So when he pressed again to respond

to Parker's order, Nelson told his flag captain Thomas Foley, "You know, Foley, I only have one eye—I have the right to be blind sometimes," and then Nelson held up his telescope to his right eye and said, "I really do not see the signal!"

Sometimes we are all like Nelson, with one good eye and one blind eye, and when an order comes through from God, we hold up the telescope to the blind eye. As a result, we willfully ignore the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Regarding obedience, the scriptures remind us... 1 John 5:3 (NIV), "This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome..."

This week, when prompted by God's Holy Spirit to "obey a prompting" or a command from scripture that the Lord brings to your mind and heart, let us resolve to obey the Lord by showing our love for Him by obedience.

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

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 7:40 - What was the Pharisee's name in verse 39?

2. Luke 7:40 - What did Jesus say in this verse?

3. Luke 7:40 - What did Simon say?

4. Luke 7:41 - Who had two debtors?

5. Luke 7:41 - How much was the first one's debt?

6. Luke 7:41 - How much did the second debtor owe?

7. Luke 7:42 - Were these debtors able to pay?

8. Luke 7:42 - What did the money lender do?

9. Luke 7:42 - Jesus asked Simon a question, which of the debtors will love the money lender more?

10. Luke 7:43 - How had Simon judged?

Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of

Christ. Comments or questions on today's study questions, call 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert at 419-399-5022.

Answers to last week's Bible questions:

1. A Pharisee
2. Yes
3. She was a sinner
4. Jesus was reclining at the table
5. A vial of perfume
6. behind Jesus
7. Weeping
8. Began to wet His feet
9. Her tears
10. Kissing them

Comments on what we have been studying:

The verses 40-43 are an answer to the thoughts of the Pharisee, Luke 5:39. In verse 40 Jesus tells the Pharisee that he has something to say to him. The Pharisee whom we now know as Simon told Jesus, "say it teacher." Verse 41-42 - Jesus tells about two debtors owing a money lender some money and how they cannot repay the debt. The money lender graciously forgave them both. This is Jesus' way of telling you and me that regardless of how horrible a person we are Jesus can forgive these sins, if we are willing to turn from them, and do what is right. Saul was a murderer and was doing great harm to the Lord's church and Jesus forgave him; read Acts chapter 9.

Oh! Baldy says bye for now and I would like for you to continue in prayer, reading and studying the Bible.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Antwerp area is home to several hard working organizations and because of them, we have a lot to be proud of.

We have a community that prides itself in academic achievement through our local school system as well as many homeschoolers. We have sporting events that bring people out to cheer on the participants. We have festival events that draws folks here from all around the area.

We have a renowned musical organization, The Antwerp Community Band, that is comprised of volunteers, not only from Antwerp, but from the area, including Payne, Hicksville and Fort Wayne.

The Antwerp Community Band is a great asset to our community. I am proud of

the fact that I was able to be a member for sixteen years. I always look forward to the concerts and appreciate all the hard work that goes into making music. Most folks don't know the many hours spent by these fine musicians preparing for a concert, if they did the band would be more appreciated.

The band will be presenting their spring concert on Thursday, May 23 at the Antwerp Local School at 7:00 p.m. There is no admission charge. I encourage each of you who enjoy music to make an effort to be there. Bring the family or a friend, and show your appreciation to these hard working musicians. Cheer them on!

—Sandra Wann Antwerp, Ohio

PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition Report: Bill D. Dickess; New Haven, IN; Paraphernalia; Dismissed; case dismissed by State

Larry W. Taylor, Jr.; Paulding; Disorderly Conduct; J-No Cont; pay all fines & costs; pay or appear

Julian M. Zamora; Antwerp; Dom Violence; Bound Over; preliminary hearing held, case bound over to Common Pleas Court

Benjamin R. Jones; Paulding; Paraphernalia; J-GUILTY; pay all fines & costs, license suspension for 6 months; pay or appear; Possession; GUILTY; pay all fines & costs; license suspension to run with Count A

Bill D. Dickess, New Haven, IN; Possess Marijuana; Dismisses; case dismissed per State, costs to defendant

Heidi A. Boger; Antwerp; Confine of Dog; GUILTY; case was waived by defendant

Zachery S. Burns; Antwerp; Doc W/Persist; GUILTY; pay all fines & costs; probation; shall have no contact w/victim or property

Jon A. Foster; Defiance; Pass Bad Check; J-GUILTY; pay all fines & costs; make restitution; probation; pay or appear

Misty Dawn Owens; Oakwood; Fail to Reinstated; J-GUILTY; pay or appear

Brittany R. Vogel; Hicksville; Endanger Child; No Cont; pay all fines & costs

Norma J. White; Paulding; Telecom Harassment; J-No Cont; pay all fines & costs; community service; complete "Thinking for A Change" program; probation; shall have no contact w/victim or property

Jonathan E. Maxwell; Oakwood; Unauthorized Use P; J-GUILTY; pay all

fines & cost; community service, probation, pay or appear

Ricky A. Girod, Sr.; Grover Hill; Mfg. Of Drugs; Bound Over; defendant has been indicted & bound over to the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County

Raymond L. Webster; Payne; Felonious Assault; Bound Over; defendant was indicted; case shall be bound over to Common Pleas Court of Paulding County

Jason L. Mobley; Paulding; Assault; J-GUILTY; pay all fines & fees; shall have no contact w/victim; community service; probation

Mark S. Seibert II; Continental; Viol/Prot/Order; J-GUILTY; pay all fines & costs; complete "Thinking for A Change" program; community service; probation; shall have no contact w/victim or property

Property Transfers: Auglaize Twp.:

5/15/13; JP Morgan Chase Bank, N/A; Sec 21; pt NE¼; 5.549 acres; Carol Ann Hosko

Benton Twp.:

5/8/13; Cletus H. Coomer, dec'd; Sec 36; NW¼ SE¼; 40.00 acres; Sec 24 W½ SE¼ & SE¼ SE¼; 119.00 acres; Clarence A. Coomer, et al

Bluecreek Twp.:

5/8/13; Cletus H. Coomer, dec'd; Sec 30; E½ NE¼; 68.391 acres; Sec 19; Lot 13-14, 21-44; Tipton; Clarence A. Coomer, et al

Brown Twp.:

5/13/13; Enoch F. Saylor, Jr.; Sec 20; Lot 122 Cooper 3rd Riverview; 0.233 acres; Regina S. Mathis

5/13/13; Darlene Arneh; Sec 20; Lot 122; Cooper 3rd Riverview; 0.233 acres; Regina S. Mathis

5/13/13; Kendra J. English, et al; Sec 20; Lot 122; Cooper 3rd Riverview; 0.233 acre; Regina S. Mathis

5/13/13; Martin & Penny Myers; Sec 5; pt S½ NE¼; 6.45 acres; Keith & Pam Myers

5/14/13; Regina S. & John E. Mathis; Sec 20; Lot 122; Cooper 3rd Riverview; Ronald & Bendele, Sr. & VonDale Bendele

Carryall Twp.:

5/15/13; Fred I. Gordon, Trustee, dec'd; Sec 2; pt SW¼; 77.32; Sec 2; pt SE¼; 79.208 acres; Len P. Gordon, Trustee

Len P. Gordon, Trustee; Sec 2; pt SW¼; 77.23 acres; Sec 2; pt SE¼; 79.208 acres; Dennis Tippman, Sr. Family Partnership, LLC

Cynthia K. Yenser (aka Cynthia K. Lyons) & Timothy P. Yenser; Sec 5; pt E½ SE¼; 5.502 acres; Bryan & Patricia Ross

5/15/13; Richard L. Cottrell, dec'd; Sec 11; S½ S½ NW¼; 1.00 acre; Randy E. Dunderman

Crane Twp.:

5/15/13; Nancy Mees; Sec 30; pt NE¼ & pt NW¼; 50.139 acres; Robert Schoenike & Janice Theile

Emerald Twp.:

5/10/13; Rex R. Musselman, dec'd; Sec 3; NW¼ NE¼; 40.97 acres; Mary E. Doblinger & Rex A. Musselman

Jackson Twp.:

5/10/13; Virgil F. Tenwalde; Sec 35; pt NE¼; 13.16 acres; Thirteen Roses, LLC

5/10/13; Thirteen Roses, LLC; Sec 35; pt NE ¼; 13.16 acres; Earl H. & Jan C. Chapman

5/14/13; Horizon Land I. LTD; Sec 6; pt SE¼; 52.462 acres; Jeremy D. & Jessica S. Goyings

Washington Twp.:

5/13/13; Kimberlie A. & Jeremy Neely, et al; Sec 17; pt S½ NE¼; 13.767 acres; Sec 27; pt N½ S½ SW¼ NE¼; 8.00 acres; Sec 20; pt N½ NW¼; 37.52 acres; Sec 17; SE½ NE¼; 94.363 acres; Sec 4; E½ SW¼; 55.00 acres; Carolyn K. Pruden

Antwerp Village:

5/10/13; Douglas A. & Lisa Bragg; Lot 10-11; Kauffman's Addition; 0.287 acre; Jamie L. Shook

Dennie L. & Paula J. Keens; Sec 27; pt SW¼ outlots; 2.118 acres; Secretary of Veteran's Affairs

Paulding Village:

5/10/13; Betty Jean Brown, dec'd; Lot 69; original plat; 0.148 acre; Gus R. Brown

5/13/13; Brian N. Gribble, et al; Lot 4&5; Kinkade's Third Addition; 0.40 acre; Federal National Mortgage, Associates

Haviland Village:

5/8/13; Roger E. Ardlen, dec'd; Lot 22; 0.165 acre; Michelle R. Roberts

NEW HAVEN RESIDENTS: IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU SHOULD KNOW

Utility Department - Inflow & Infiltration Concerns Over the last year, the City has experienced a dramatic increase in sewer bills. Some monthly costs in 2012 alone have increased over \$100,000 compared to the same months in 2011. This is largely due to some area residents who have their sump pumps connected to the sanitary sewer. City Code §51.03(F) prohibits connection of sump pumps to the City's sanitary sewer. Illegal connections greatly increase the City's sewer bill which will eventually affect all residents. During dry weather, the City would expect to see a monthly bill of approximately \$80,000. However, some bills have been in excess of over \$200,000 during wet weather events. The City is actively looking to determine which homes are in violation of this ordinance so that the problem can be corrected to ensure that all homes are in compliance of the ordinance. Although we continue to experience shrinking budgets and limited resources, the City of New Haven remains committed to providing the best resources to its citizens. In order to keep sewer bills low, residents need to also do their part and comply with city regulations. If you have a sump pump and would like more information, please contact Utility Superintendent Dave Jones at 748-7056. Sump pump inspections are FREE

Engineering

The Moeller Road project is progressing rapidly and should be complete (weather permitting) by the end of June. Thank you for your patience as we make progress in the City. For questions, please contact the Engineering Department at 748-7030.

FIRST FINANCIAL DONATES TOWARD HERB MONROE PARK



The First Financial Bank has made a \$2,500.00 donation to the Herb Monroe Community Park project sponsored by the Paulding Chamber. The park will be located at the corner of Jackson and Main Street in Paulding across from First Financial. Pictured making the donation is Randy Swary, Vice-President/Office Manager and Sonya Herber, Executive Director of the United Way of Paulding County and LIA Project Coordinator.

Planning & Economic Development

Summer is the perfect time of the year to make improvements to your property. However, did you know that many home improvement projects require permits from the City of New Haven and/or the Allen County Building Department? To view New Haven's Zoning Ordinance, visit the "Planning" section of the New Haven website at www.newhavenin.org. If you have any questions about permits or building rules and regulations, be sure to contact: New Haven Planning Department (260) 748-7040 Allen County Building Department (260) 449-7131

Police Department

As a reminder, the New Haven Police Department assists citizens when they are locked out of their homes or vehicles. They also continue to conduct property checks for residents who go on vacation or away from their residence for an extended period

of time. For more information, contact the New Haven Police Department at 748-7080.

Parks & Recreation

Jury pool will open on May 25th (weather permitting) Meadowbrook pool will tentatively open on May 28th (weather permitting) Meadowbrook pool will be closed on the weekends.

The New Haven Farmers Market will run on Wednesdays from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in Schnelker Park from June 19 - October 16.

The Parks & Recreation Department has so many things to offer. For summer camps and other programs, please refer to your summer program guide. You can also download a copy by visiting the website at www.newhavenparksandrec.org or by contacting the Park Department at 749-2212.

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Advertisement for Paulding County Hospital Family Health Day. 14th Annual event on Saturday, June 8, 7:30 to 11 a.m. at PCH Medical Office Building. Pre-registration forms available at various locations. Includes a list of blood testing services and costs: Comprehensive Health Panel (\$30), Thyroid Screen (\$20), Hemoglobin A1C (\$10), and PSA (\$20).



OLD DAN & I CHAPTER 37: GOING TO GAUDAL CANAL AND HENDERSON FIELD

By: Stan Jordan

The monsoon season is about over. We four filled our P-51's extra gas tanks and we took a trip down to some of the old battlefields. We went south over New Guinea and Indonesia turned left and all the way south to Guadal Canal.

Quite a bit of the jungle has restored itself, but you can see that there were many battles in this area. Lots of American junk lying around on the beaches. We turned and went back north towards Bougenfield and Henderson Field.

Old Dan called on the radio and said, "This is Blue Jay 1."

They replied, "Come in Blue Jay 1."

Dan replied, "Three more and I have P-51's and are asking permission to land."

"Permission granted," replied the man.

When we landed we attracted a small crowd as those people had not seen any P-51's before. We all alighted from the plane to stretch our legs. They invited us to stay for lunch and wanted to hear

about our planes. They refused our planes and asked if we needed any more favors. There was a sign on an old piece of wood on a tree that said, "A Company 148th Infantry 37th Div of Paulding County, Ohio."

As I understand the whole division ringed Henderson Field from the Japanese from trying to recapture it. I really feel sorry for those soldiers three years back from the terrific heat. It is still hot. We were glad to get back in the air again.

We flew north all across the rest of the Solomon Islands and see lots of scars in the ground covered by broken vehicles and boats.

Gen. Norm is flying the number 3 plane because Lt. Wilsie was in bed with the flu. He could not make the trip.

It was a very interesting trip. We flew up to the Laytee Gulf up to the south end of the Philippines and back to Zamboanga.

Gen. Norm said, "We better fly over and go home on the same course we came as we're not cleared from any of the radars." That was three days ago and this morning we flew out on dawn patrol up to the northern end of Luzon and did not see anything and we didn't fire a round of any type. We turned and headed back home and ran into many kamikazes. We joined into the fights and pretty soon broke up the whole affair. We did not lose a ship or a plane today.

We had more rain, I thought the monsoon was over, I guess not. The rains have stopped now and the commander of the Zamboanga Airbase is holding a

parade tomorrow. As I understand Gen. Norm says we must enter the parade. That means we have to put on our uniforms and look like soldiers. I'm really starting to hate this because it going to be hot, and by the time you put on your uniform it's going to be worse. You always have to stand around and wait on some officer.

Let me tell you about the big parade today. All the officers and men met at our tent except Lt. Aussie Wilson. We saw a person approaching our tent who had on English type shorts or kilts with a short sleeve English type shirt on. The left chest of the man's shirt was covered with medals. He had two yellow ribbons hanging from each knee. He had a beat up old combat hat that is worn by the Aussie's. To our great surprise and enjoyment it was Lt. Aussie that none of us could hardly recognize, our #4 pilot from Freemantle.

See ya!

LOCAL STUDENT AWARDED MAJOR IPFW SCHOLARSHIP

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) is pleased to announce Jesse Wilson, a graduating senior at Antwerp High School, has accepted an IPFW Chancellor's Distinguished Scholarship. Jesse plans to pursue a degree in engineering and will begin taking classes at IPFW this summer. The scholarship provides full tuition and student fees and is renewable for up to four years.

QUILTS OF VALOR ON DISPLAY DURING CANAL DAYS

Yes, the Quilts of Valor Ministry of the New Haven United Methodist Church will once again display their latest patriotic quilts in their Chapel during Canal Days. The Ministry will have approximately 20 quilts available for viewing.

Hours are: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to Noon on Friday, and 8:00 a.m. til Noon on Saturday. There is no charge. The Ministry does make and sell patriotic hot pads, aprons, totes to help support their ministry. The quilts will then be blessed on Father's Day and possibly shown at the Midwest Steam Show in August. The Ministry has been invited to display their quilts at the "Quilter's Gathering" at Wayne High School early next year. Then the quilts will go to the local NE Veteran's Hospital to be distributed by the Chaplain to the wounded in his care.

This Ministry meets the second Saturday of each month and quilters are welcome. Need information? Call Peggy Anderson at 260-748-4890 or the church at 260-749-9565.

PRIORITIZING THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN INDIANA

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

One of the General Assembly's greatest achievements this session was providing funding for education and new opportunities for Hoosier students of all ages. As chairman of the Senate Education Committee, I couldn't be more thankful for the efforts that made these advancements possible.

Our legislative efforts focused on several different aspects of education policy. Highlights include:

- Increased K-12 funding by \$333 million, including \$30 million to reward Indiana's top-performing schools.

- Increased student financial aid by \$75 million and public university funding by more than \$100 million over the biennium.

- Expanded opportunities for regional college campuses to give them more flexibility to serve their students.

- Provided academic assistance to our returning veterans by expanding resident tuition rate eligibility and creating the "combat to college" program to support them through school and after graduation.

- Improved transparency in higher education grading and employment practices to make sure universities are efficient and accountable.

- Enhanced credit transferability to minimize students' excess college costs.

Our budget provides the largest education investment in state history. As part of that investment, we wanted to help young people gain relevant skills to set themselves apart in a global economy and workforce. That's why a significant component of this funding provides for high school programs that will make our students college and career ready after graduation.

Many Hoosier students will enter the workforce

MR. & MRS. BRUCE YERKS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Bruce and Linda (Reddersen) Yerks of Woodburn will celebrate their 50th anniversary on May 25, 2013 at their Lake George home with family. They were married at Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn. Their children are son, Darren (Jeanette) Yerks

and daughter, Tracy (Mark) Gustin. Their grandchildren are Brett Yerks, Ethan Yerks, Evan Gustin, and Emily Gustin. The family will celebrate with a trip to Hawaii in July. Bruce and Linda are both owners and retirees of Yerks Seed Inc.

upon achieving their high school diploma, and we must ensure those students are prepared to pursue the career of their choice. Legislation I authored, Senate Enrolled Act 465, broadens high school vocational education programs and helps address the skills gap across Indiana. This new law gives the governor authority to create Indiana Works Councils, each serving a different region of the state. The Councils will ensure more students graduate with the jobs skills and college credits they need to succeed by overseeing career, vocational and technical education programs in high schools. From there, they will make recommendations on what could be improved to help these local students accomplish their goals.

This state budget's emphasis on K-12 education and beyond reflects our priorities for the future of our state. Our children deserve the best education possible, and I believe our efforts this session will expand access to more learning opportunities for more young people. Ultimately, this will put our state in a better position to help Hoosiers raise their families and grow as people. What do you think?

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LATTA STATEMENT ON OBAMACARE REPEAL

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) voted in favor of repealing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), also known as ObamaCare on May 16, 2013. Latta issued the following statement after the bill passed on the House Floor this afternoon:

"With promises of providing health care that is more affordable and widely available, ObamaCare has proved to do just the opposite. I voted in favor to repeal the President's health care law because hardworking Americans deserve real health care reform that decreases costs, lowers taxes, enhances the quality of care, and protects jobs. I will continue to work with my colleagues toward health care solutions that are accessible and patient-centered."

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UTENDORF - KOEHLER



James and Linda Utendorf of Grover Hill, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jodi Lynne, to Joseph Koehler, the son of James and Sue Koehler of Parrish, FL. The bride elect is a 2005 graduate of Wayne Trace High School and a 2007 graduate of St. Francis University, Fort Wayne, IN, with a degree in Radiology. She attended the 21st Century School of Oncology where she has received her Master's Degree in Desimetry. She is a Desimetrist for the 21st Century Oncology

Center in Sarasota, FL. Her fiance is a 2001 graduate of Davison High School in Davison, MI and a 2006 graduate of Ferris State University in Michigan as a Pro Golf Manager. He is an EMT for Sun Star Paramedics in Tampa, FL. The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Palmetto Bed and Breakfast in Palmetto, FL. They will reside at 4122 Middle River Terrace in Ellenton, FL after the wedding.

LATTA STATEMENT ON GOSNELL VERDICT

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement regarding the conviction of Philadelphia late-term abortionist Kermit Gosnell: "Today's conviction of abortionist Kermit Gosnell brings justice for three of the infants who were killed moments after their birth. The graphic accounts from the Gosnell trial have brought to light the brutality of abortion and expose the very gruesome and painful nature of abortion."

"Gosnell's horrific actions remind us of the over 1.2 million unborn children who are aborted every year in the United States. The sanctity of human life is precious and we must never forget that all children - whether unborn or just-born, deserve protection and care." Congressman Latta also sent letters to Attorney General Mike DeWine and Ohio Department of Public Health Director Dr. Theodore Wymyslo regarding the recent investigation launched by the House Judiciary and House Energy and Commerce Committees.

ELEMENTARY FUN RUN IN NEW HAVEN

By: Beth Stauffer
Last weekend, the New Haven Parks Department and Lutheran Hospital hosted an Elementary Fun Run at New Haven High School for children in Preschool-6th grade. This race was the first in a series of runs being sponsored this summer for residents; upcoming races include the community Canal Days 5K in June, a Jury Kids triathlon in July, and a 10K run in August. For more information on these races, visit the Parks Department website at www.newhavenparksandrec.org.

The top three winners in each age category in Saturday's race are as follows:

800 Meter Run, PreK and Kindergarten:

Boys Division - 1st place, Pau Lam Dang of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Ethan Smith of Grabill; 3rd place, Alex Stauffer of New Haven.

Girls Division - 1st place, Makenzie Kolvoord of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Audrey Geise of Fort Wayne; 3rd place, Sarah Maple of Fort Wayne.

800 Meter Run, 1st Grade:

Boys Division - 1st place, Matthew Poiry of New Haven; 2nd place, Tommy Howard of Fort Wayne; 3rd place, Rylan Bennett of Fort Wayne

Girls Division - 1st place, Arabelle Laurent of Fort Wayne

800 Meter Run, 2nd Grade:

Boys Division - 1st place, Pau Thu Lak of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Andrew Arnos of New Haven

Girls Division - 1st place, Sally Jo Kissner of Fort

Wayne; 2nd place, Joslynn Peters of Leo; 3rd place, Lydia Geise of Fort Wayne

1600 Meter Run, 3rd Grade:

Boys Division - 1st place, David Howard of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Ga Ma Ra Do of Fort Wayne; 3rd place, Dakota Chapin of Fort Wayne

1600 Meter Run, 4th Grade:

Boys Division - 1st Place, Johnny Sewell of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Brayan Piedra of Fort Wayne; 3rd place, Lukas Redmond of Fort Wayne

Girls Division - 1st place, Lily Kissner of Leo; 2nd place, Olivia Arnos of New Haven; 3rd place, Vanessa Villaneuva of Fort Wayne

1600 Meter Run, 5th Grade:

Boys Division - 1st place, Branden Sayre of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Pau Van Lian of Fort Wayne; 3rd place, Gus Wyss of New Haven

Girls Division - 1st place, Molly Gibson of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Stephanie Velasquez of Hoagland; 3rd place, Stephanie Frecker of Fort Wayne

1600 Meter Fun Run, 6th Grade:

Boys Division - 1st place, Daniel Stephen of Fort Wayne; 2nd place, Bradlee Sayre of Fort Wayne; and 3rd place, Christian Villanueva of Fort Wayne

Girls Division - 1st place, Jamie Seigler of Fort Wayne

The fastest time for the 800 meters in all divisions was Sally Jo Kissner of Fort Wayne who ran the 1/2 mile in 3:29.40. The fastest time for the 1600 meters in all divisions was Jamie Zeigler of Fort Wayne who ran the 1 mile in 6:11.30.

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ANTWERP PARTICIPATES IN UWPC'S DAY OF CARING



The United Way of Paulding County held another Day of Caring event in Antwerp on Saturday, May 4th. Boy Scout troop 143 was very busy cleaning the main streets of the village while Antwerp Chamber members took to the landscaping at the Village Green. It took volunteers four hours to complete the assigned tasks. Pictured is Troop 143.



Above is Loretta Baker, Sara Keeran, Sonya Herber, Executive Director of UWPC, Michelle Dooley and Nancy Lichty.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND SCRAP IN OAKWOOD

The Oakwood Area Scrapbookers will be hosting a Holiday Weekend Scrap over Memorial Day weekend in the Community Room of the Cooper community Library which is a branch of Paulding County Carnegie Library system. They would like to invite all fellow scrapbookers to join them. The hours will be Friday, May 24, 5:00-10:00 p.m., Saturday, May 25, 9:00-10:00 p.m., Sunday, May 26, 1:00-10:00 p.m., and Memorial Day 9:00-?

So gather up your projects and come and join us for a fun weekend. You are responsible for bringing your own food and drink. Please call the library, 419-594-3337 to sign up or for further information. Space is limited so reserve your spot! You do not have to be committed to the entire weekend to join us!

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 5/13/13

This 13th day of May, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Fred Pieper, Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, and Nola Ginter, Clerk
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 197727 through 197831 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE MARSH FOUNDATION:

The Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services is responsible under ORC §5153 for the custody, care of, and protective services for dependent, neglected and abused children; and the Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services is authorized under ORC §5153 to provide care and services which it deems to be in the best interest of any child who needs or is likely to need public care and services. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the Director of Paulding County Job and Family Services to enter into a State Fiscal Year 2014 for Family Foster Care Placement and Residential Treatment Services for Youth with the Marsh Foundation, a copy of which is on file at the Paulding County Department of Job and Family Services.

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEMS IN FUND 001-017:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create new line items in the General Fund for accurately tracking donations and expenses for the Sheriff's Project Lifesaver: 001-017-10006 Project Lifesaver - \$4,000.00

001-017-00021 Project Lifesaver - \$0 IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 128):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Defiance/Paulding Counties Joint Auglaize Sewer Project Fund (Fund 128):

128-001-00001/Defiance/Paulding Counties Joint Auglaize Sewer Project/Contracted Services

AMOUNT: \$97,797.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 128):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Defiance/Paulding Counties Joint Auglaize Sewer Project/Engineering Fees

AMOUNT: \$10,206.94

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING

THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 169):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Jail Debt Service Fund (Fund 169):



169-001-00004/Jail Debt Service/Note Interest

AMOUNT: \$10,882.50

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

David Cline, Paulding County Sheriff's Office; and Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Commissioner Zartman began the meeting by providing background information and the Sheriff's Office interest in "Project Lifesaver International". David Cline of the Sheriff's Office educated the Commissioners and Mr. Langham on the history and function of "Project Lifesaver International".

Started by law enforcement officers, "Project Lifesaver" is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization that provides police, fire/rescue and other first responders with a program, including equipment and training, to quickly locate and rescue 'at risk' individuals. People with cognitive disorders, especially those diagnosed with Alzheimer's, Autism, and Down Syndrome, are at high risk to the life threatening behavior of wandering off. The program provides in-depth training for law enforcement and other public safety agencies on the use of specialized electronic search and rescue equipment, technology and procedures. First responders are also taught how to communicate with people afflicted with cognitive conditions, which is an essential part of successful rescue efforts. Mr. Cline added the first 35 minutes are crucial when someone is reported missing. The system works best within a mile radius. Mr. Cline has attended informative meetings to learn how the program may benefit Paulding County. Defiance County has used the program since 2006. Coordinator Sergeant Mark Denning reports Defiance County currently has nine (9) people subscribing to the program. Mr. Cline stated the transmitter worn by the client has a 60-day battery. Several deputies will be trained to visit the client to replace the battery within the 60-day period. Mr. Cline emphasized clients need to qualify for the program by meeting certain criteria, such as; 1) qualifying medical diagnosis; 2) requiring 24 hour care giving services; 3) having a history of wandering off. The Commissioners noted they will request the Auditor to establish new line items for the revenue and expenses of this program in the General Fund. The initial set-up fee for the program will be funded by the Sheriff's Office. Donations will be accepted to off-set the expense and when the program is in full swing, expenses will be minimal. Mr. Cline reported the operational agreement was signed and sent on May 9, 2013. The time and date for training deputies will be scheduled soon. If consumers would like more information about "Project Lifesaver International", they can look on the website found at projectlifesaver.org. The goal of the program is to help save lives and 'bring loved ones home'.


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WOODLAN TAKES DOWN ANTWERP



Shown in the picture is Sophomore Shawn Kitzmiller after grabbing the ball at Shortstop and throwing the ball to first, getting the out.

More pictures here: www.westbendnews.net in the week of May 18 picture gallery.

The Woodlan girls and boys went to the Antwerp home field Friday, May 17.

The Antwerp girls softball team was scoreless against the Warriors who finished with a 7-0 win. Haley Hostetler was the top scorer with 2 runs, 2 RBI and 3 hits

The boys finished a little

different but not a lot. The Woodlan team took down Antwerp with a final score of 6-1

Antwerp: Justice Clark - 2 singles/1 RBI, Derek Smalley - 2 singles, Andy Coleman - 2 singles

Woodlan - 11 hits
Antwerp - 7 hits

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 2013 SENIOR AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM

The Senior Awards Program was held at Paulding High School on Tuesday, May 14, 2013. The following awards and scholarships were given to the Class of 2013:

Paulding Elementary PTO Scholarships - MacKenzie Hanenkratt, Mikayla Pieper

Oakwood Elementary PTO Scholarship - Savannah Roughton

Paulding Education Assoc. Scholarships - Abbey Edwards, Savannah Roughton, Courtney St. John, Dalton Thomas, Zane Wilhelm

PEVS Board/Administration Scholarships - Kara Burak, Abbey Edwards, Savannah Roughton, Courtney St. John, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm

Retired Teachers' Assoc. Scholarships - Abbey Edwards, Oaklyn Pavel

Oakwood Alum Assoc. Scholarships - Logan Adkins, Alexis Rue, Savannah Roughton, Julia Stuck

PCHospital Foundation Scholarship - Marlee Pease,

Steven Strayer

Paulding Chamber of Commerce Scholarship - MacKenzie Hanenkratt

PCAF Scholarships - Abbey Edwards, Dalton Thomas

Lafarge Scholarship - Zane Wilhelm

Systech Award - Savannah Roughton

Insource Technologies, Inc. Scholarship - Zane Wilhelm

Independent Insurance Agents Scholarships - Savannah Roughton, Zane Wilhelm

Zachary Arend Memorial Scholarship - Courtney St. John

Dr. Bruce Atkinson Scholarship - Marlee Pease

Russell Bauer Scholarships - Alexis Rue, Patrick Troyer

Virgil Cooper Scholarships - Savannah Roughton, Destiny Starry, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm

JP Crain Scholarships - Abbey Edwards, MacKenzie Hanenkratt, Catlyn Pavel, Savannah Roughton, Courtney St. John, Steven Strayer, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm

Iris Gallagher Scholarships - Kara Burak, Catlyn Pavel

Gorman Family Trusts Scholarships - Catlyn Pavel, Savannah Roughton, Courtney St. John, Zane Wilhelm

Ira Hamman Scholarships - Elizabeth Chandler, MacKenzie Hanenkratt, Mikayla Pieper, Maggie Wilhelm

Jacob Scholarships - Elizabeth Chandler, Mikayla Pieper, Maggie Wilhelm

Lela McGuire Jeffery Scholarships - Catlyn Pavel, Mikayla Pieper, Steven Strayer

Monroe Family Scholarship - Mikayla Pieper

Jerald Rodriguez Memorial Scholarships - Kara Burak, Courtney St. John

David A. Verfaillie Memorial Scholarship - Elizabeth Chandler

Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Nominee - Savannah Roughton

Rosemary Young Book Scholarship - Abbey Edwards

Melrose Area Book Scholarship - Alexis Rue

Pepsi Cola Company Scholarships - Elizabeth Chandler, Mikayla Pieper

GenFed Credit Union Scholarship - Savannah Roughton

Peony Pageant Contestant - Savannah Roughton

PHS Scholar Athlete Awards - Abbey Edwards, Sarah Nardone, Steven Strayer

Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Awards - Logan Doster, Courtney St. John

OHSAA Scholar Athletes - Sarah Nardone, Steven Strayer

NFHS Award of Excellence - Abbey Edwards, Lance Foor

College/University Scholarships:

Defiance College - Elizabeth Chandler, Abbey Edwards, Catlyn Pavel, Eryn Watson

Northwest State Community College Scholarship - MacKenzie Hanenkratt

Bluffton University - Savannah Roughton

Horace Mann full-tuition @ Antioch College - Austin Miller

Office Assistants - Abby Edwards, Austin Carlisle, Logan Doster, Tyler Hayner, Samantha Martinez, Sarah Myers, Macey Provines, Katie

Radel, Savannah Roughton, Kayla Simon, Courtney St. John, Destiny Starry, Maggie Wilhelm

Band Director-John Philip Sousa Award - Jacey Schroeder

Band Booster Scholarship - Breana Schmidt

Choral Awards-Varsity Quartet - Trey Schroeder, Julia Stuck

Art Awards: Outstanding Art - Logan Adkins, Macey Provines, Julia Stuck, Emily Thielbar

Stagecraft Award - Cody Thompson

Engineering Team Awards - Savannah Roughton, Dalton Thomas, Zane Wilhelm

Science Olympiad Awards - Tyler Hayner, Mikayla Pieper, Savannah Roughton, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm

Spanish Awards: Spanish IV - Tyler Hayner, Sarah Myers, Samantha Owens, Breana Schmidt, Steven Strayer

Spanish III - Jacey Schroeder, Elaine Smith, Destiny Starry

Drama Production: Most Outstanding Performance - Emily Theilbar

Outstanding Drama Performances - Logan Adkins, Olivia Hoisington, Savannah Roughton, Trey Schroeder, Destiny Starry, Julia Stuck

FFA Alumni Scholarships - Kara Burak, Jacob Luderman, Dalton Thomas, Patrick Troyer, Elizabeth Young

Mercer Landmark Scholarships - Jacob Luderman, Patrick Troyer

Beck's Hybrid Scholarship - Patrick Troyer

Student Council/Class Officers: Sr Class Pres. - Steven Strayer

Co-Vice-Pres. - Mikayla Pieper, Marlee Pease

Secretary - Alexis Rue

Social Chair - Kara Burak

Student Council Co-Pres. - Mikayla Pieper, Zane Wilhelm

Reps - Kara Burak, Olivia Hoisington, Alexis Rue, Steven Strayer, Maggie Wilhelm

Americanism Test Winners - Savannah Roughton, Steven Strayer

Yearbook Awards - Logan Doster, Samantha Owens, Mikayla Pieper, Katie Radel, Alexis Rue, Destiny Starry, Courtney St. John, Steven Strayer, Maggie Wilhelm, Elizabeth Young

Exemplary Attendance Awards - Michael Bauer, Steven Strayer, Julia Stuck

National Honor Society - Kara Burak, Abbey Edwards, MacKenzie Hanenkratt, Catlyn Pavel, Marlee Pease, Mikayla Pieper, Macey Provines, Savannah Roughton, Alexis Rue, Jacey Schroeder, Courtney St. John, Steven Strayer, Patrick Troyer, Kayla Warnimont, Maggie Wilhelm, Zane Wilhelm

Honors Diploma - Savannah Roughton, Zane Wilhelm, Steven Strayer, Marlee Pease, Catlyn Pavel, Dalton Thomas, Courtney St. John, Maggie Wilhelm, Jacey Schroeder, Austin Miller, Patrick Troyer, Alexis Rue, Sarah Nardone, Mikayla Pieper, Kara Burak

Award of Merit State of Ohio - Savannah Roughton, Zane Wilhelm, Steven Strayer, Marlee Pease, Catlyn Pavel, Dalton Thomas, Courtney St. John, Maggie Wilhelm, Jacey Schroeder,

LADY WARRIORS DOWN BELLMONT, HEADING TO TOURNAMENT



Woodlan Junior Haley Hostetler catches the infield fly for the out with Lauren Braaten there ready for backup.

More pictures here: www.westbendnews.net in the week of May 18 picture gallery.

Saturday, May 18 the Lady Braves went to the Warrior Field for a double header game.

In the first game Woodlan took a slow and steady early lead. By the end of the fourth inning the Lady Warriors were ahead 6-0. The Warriors scored their last point in the fifth inning. Innings six and seven were scoreless for both teams. The final score was 7-0 with Woodlan defeating the Braves.

Hannah Robbins and Haley Hostetler both scored 2 runs. Logan Smead, Lauren

Braaten and Kendra Graber each scored one.

The second game starting in the afternoon, had Bellmont scoring the first point in the third inning. the Lady Warriors finally scored in the fifth inning. The final score of that game was Woodlan 4 to Bellmont's 1.

Olivia Hostetler scored 2 points, with Haley Hostetler and Kendra Graber each scoring 1.

Woodlan heads the tournament action at Leo on Monday, May 20.

Austin Miller, Patrick Troyer, Kayla Warnimont, Alexis Rue, Macey Provines, Sarah Nardone, Mikayla Pieper, MacKenzie Hanenkratt, Kara Burak, Abbey Edwards, Sarah Myers, Breana Schmidt, Julia Stuck Samantha Owens, Tyler Hayner, Elaine Smith

Seniors Graduating with Highest Honors 4.0 or higher after 7 semesters - Savannah Roughton, Zane Wilhelm

President's Award for Educational Excellence - Savannah Roughton, Zane Wilhelm, Steven Strayer, Catlyn Pavel, Courtney St. John, Maggie Wilhelm, Jacey Schroeder, Austin Miller, Macey Provines, Sarah Nardone, Kara Burak

Kiwanis Student of the Month Award - Steven Strayer, Zane Wilhelm, Mikayla Pieper, Dalton Thomas, Tyler Hayner, Caitlyn Pavel, Courtney St. John, Breana Schmidt

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Zac Feasby

PAST ANTWERP GRADUATE HIRED AS TEACHER AT ANTWERP

Zac Feasby was hired at the Antwerp School Board meeting Thursday, May 16. Zac has been working at the School as the Boys Varsity Baseball coach and also as a substitute teacher. This is Zac's first full time teaching position.

Zac graduated from Antwerp in 2004, the same year School moved to the news facilities. He is a hometown boy from the Antwerp area. Steve and Terri Feasby are Zac's parents.

He majored in History at Bowling Green and then received his masters degree from the University of Toledo with certification in Social Studies.

WOODBURN COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY SCHEDULES MAY MEETING

The Woodburn Community Historical Society will meet on Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Woodburn Library on SR 101 on the east side of town. We need to regroup and talk about the Day in the Park.

THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone that came out to the Country Inn to wish me a happy 90th birthday and to all those that sent me cards and phone calls. Thanks also to the Country Inn for the use of the Great Room for the party & the staff for all their help.

—Freda Bidlack Bok

OAKWOOD GLEANER ARBOR #759 APRIL ACTIVITIES

April was a busy month for us (Oakwood Gleaner Arbor #759). On April 27, we hosted the Melrose town cleanup. We purchased the use of two dumpsters from the Real Waste Disposal Company. At 10:30 the first dumpster was filled, the residents of Melrose were good about cleaning up their area. Tristin Knott from the Boy Scout troop #19 helped separate out the metal. John Pier helped haul five loads to the Kohart's Recycling. At 2:00 p.m. the second dumpster was half full and moved to the 4-way stop. Sunday it was full. Thanks to Kohart's and the town of Melrose and the Oakwood Arbor, the Boy Scouts received a very nice check.

The hosts, Kelly Tumblin and Vicki Aufrance provided a nice luncheon for all the workers. A regular meeting was held.

On May 4 we joined hands with the Boy Scout troop #19 to clear and mow three miles of the Buckeye Trail starting 1½ mile south of SR 613 on CR 187. We supplied them with a heavy duty wagon and

a wheelbarrow which was used to haul the chain saws and gas. We had 25 workers. A pizza party including chips, cake, cookies, and pop floats were enjoyed by all. The venturing troop - a coed of youth - provided the cake and noodles.

On May 6th, we went to the Oakwood Elementary School to read to the children. We read to 180 children. We have plans to reward the 3rd graders with a snack after their Memorial Day practice. Our next meeting is on May 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall. Jerrolyn Parrett and Appache Etter are the hosts.

RAISING STRAWBERRIES

By: Jim Lopshire, PC Extension Educator

The strawberry is the most popular small fruit grown in the home garden. It is relatively easy to grow, produces large quantities of good-quality fruit without requiring extra equipment, and it can be grown in home gardens all over the state.

While strawberries will grow in most soil types found in Ohio, they do best on well-drained sandy loam or loam soils. The best site is one which permits good soil drainage and good surface drainage so that water doesn't accumulate in the area of the planting. Where the only site available is on heavy soils with poor soil drainage, strawberries should be planted on a 6-8 inch high raised bed to encourage good internal soil drainage.

Several types of raised beds can be used. Raised beds can be constructed of landscape timbers or strawberry pyramids, or soil can simple be ridged up along a row to create the raised bed. Soil amendments should be used to improve the soil to provide for adequate productivity.

There are three main types of strawberries. They are the June-bearing, ever-bearing, and day-neutral. June-bearing strawberries are the predominant type in Ohio. Their berries mature mostly in June, hence the name. Ever-bearing strawberries produce 2-3 crops a year while day-neutral may flower and fruit throughout the season. Most nurseries lump ever-bearing and day neutral types together. June-bearing types are most productive in Ohio while other two types are much less productive.

Typically, two dozen plants are a good start for a family of 3-4 people. Most of the plants should be of a June-bearing type, with some ever-bearing and some day-neutral. Common June-bearing cultivars are 'Earliglow,' 'Annapolis,' 'Honeoye,' 'Allstar,' 'Lat-eglow,' and 'Ovation.' Common cultivars of day neutral types are 'Albion,' 'Tristar,' and 'Tribute' while 'Ozark Beauty' and 'Quinault' are two common cultivars of the ever-bearing strawberry.

May is the best time to plant strawberries. When planting strawberries, only bury half of the crown, which is the short stem between roots and leaf stems. Please refer to OSU Extension strawberry fact sheet at <http://ohioline.osu.edu/hyg-fact/1000/1424.html> and the OSU Extension Bulletin 949, "Midwest Home Fruit Production Guide," for more information.

OHIO FSA ANNOUNCES CRP GENERAL SIGNUP STARTS MAY 20

The Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) will conduct a general signup for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) starting May 20, 2013, and continue through June 14, 2013. During the signup period, farmers and landowners may offer eligible land for CRP's competitive general signup at their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

"Over the past 27 years, CRP's benefits have grown thanks to many improvements of our natural resources including cleaner water, improved air quality, better habitat for wildlife, and a large reduction in soil erosion," said Maurer. "Currently, Ohio has about 319,000 acres enrolled in CRP and approximately 55,000 acres of CRP are set to expire on September 30, 2013."

Land currently not enrolled in CRP may be offered in this signup provided all eligibility requirements are met. Additionally, current CRP participants with contracts expiring on September 30, 2013, may make new contract offers. Contracts awarded under this signup are scheduled to become effective October 1, 2013.

FSA, which administers the CRP, will evaluate and rank eligible CRP offers using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) that shows the environmental benefits of enrolling land in CRP. There are six factors that make up the EBI: wildlife, water, soil, air, enduring benefits and cost. Decisions will be made following the end of the signup period and after analyzing EBI data on all of the offers.

For more information about general CRP signup, please contact your local FSA office or visit the FSA CRP website at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/crp>.

PAULDING-PUTNAM & WKSD ANNOUNCE PLAYERS OF THE GAME



Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative and WKSD 99.7 recently recognized members of Paulding High School football and basketball teams for outstanding performance. The players were chosen by the WKSD announcers during their radio broadcasts.

Pictured here are the 2013 Paulding High School Players of the Game: (front row, l-r) Kyle Kauser, Sierra McCullough, Abbey Edwards and Logan Doster; (back row, l-r) Steven Strayer, Lance Foor, Julian Salinas, Neil Roehrig and Trey Schroeder.

SURE DISASTER PROGRAM DEADLINE APPROACHES FOR 2011 CROPS

FSA would like to remind producers that they have until June 7, 2013, to apply for assistance for 2011 crop losses under the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) Program. The program provides crop disaster assistance payments to eligible producers on farms that have incurred crop production or quality losses.

FSA wants to ensure that all eligible producers are

aware of the approaching deadline. SURE covers producers on farms in disaster counties that incurred crop production, crop-quality losses or both, but in order to qualify, you need to file in a timely manner. FSA encourages anyone with questions to visit their local FSA office.

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IF RATES RISE, WHAT SHOULD YOU DO WITH BONDS?



Financial Focus by: Phil Recker, Edward Jones Advisor

Interest rates are at historic lows. But they will rise eventually. If you invest in fixed-income vehicles, such as bonds, what might higher rates mean for you?

As is almost always the case in the investment world, there's no simple answer. First, it's important to distinguish between short-term and long-term interest rates. The Federal Reserve is determined to keep short-term rates low until unemployment improves, but, in the meantime, longer-term rates may well rise.

Depending on your situation, a rise in long-term rates can present both opportunity and concern. The opportunity: Rising rates can mean greater income if you invest in newly issued bonds.

The concern: If you already own longer-term bonds, and rates rise, the value of your bonds will fall. That's because other investors won't want to

pay full price for your bonds when they can get new ones at higher rates.

Even if the value of your long-term bonds falls, isn't it worthwhile to hold on to them? After all, as long as your bond doesn't default — and if the bond is considered "investment grade," a default is unlikely — you will get a steady source of income and you'll receive the full value of your bond back at maturity. Aren't these valuable benefits?

They are indeed — but they may be more relevant for short-term bonds. Longer-term bonds — those of 10-year duration or longer — are more subject to inflation risk than shorter-term bonds. Of course, we've experienced low inflation for a number of years, but, over time, even mild inflation can add up. When this happens, and you own a long-term bond whose rate doesn't change, you could face a potential loss of purchasing power. One of the reasons that long-term bonds pay higher interest rates than short-term bonds is because the issuers of longer-term instruments are rewarding you for taking on this additional inflation risk.

Consequently, simply holding on to long-term bonds — especially very long-term ones, such as those that mature in 30 years — may not be the best strategy. If you review your fixed-income holdings and find that they skew strongly toward longer-term bonds, you may want to consider reducing your exposure in this area. If you did sell some of these bonds, you could use the proceeds to help build a

"bond ladder" — which may be one of the best ways to invest in bonds.

To create this ladder, you need to invest in bonds of varying maturities. When market rates are low, you'll still have your longer-term bonds earning higher interest rates, thereby paying you more income. And when market rates rise, you can reinvest your maturing short-term bonds at the higher rates. You must evaluate whether the bonds held within the bond ladder are consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances.

If you own bonds, you do need to be aware of where interest rates are — and where they may be headed. Nonetheless, as we have seen, you don't have to be at the mercy of rate movements. By keeping yourself informed and choosing the right strategies, you can benefit from owning bonds and other fixed-income vehicles in all interest-rate environments.

Before investing in bonds, you should understand the risks involved, including credit risk and market risk. Bond investments are subject to interest rate risk such that when interest rates rise, the prices of bonds can decrease, and the investor can lose principal value if the investment is sold prior to maturity.

KOHL NAMED RUNNER UP IN ALL STAR MOM CONTEST

New Haven resident Sarah Kohl was named the Runner Up in the Star 88.3 2013 All Star Mom Contest! Sarah was nominated by NewHavenBulletin.com feature writer Beth Stauffer for the award. Sarah will receive a gift certificate to Essentials & Frosting in Auburn, two tickets to the Mom's Night Out on August 22nd, and a family four pack of tickets to the StarNight at the TinCaps on June 9th.

Congratulations to Sarah and the Kohl family!
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OHIO IMPROVES STANDING WITH SMALL BUSINESSES, EARNS 'B+' FOR REGULATORY SYSTEMS

Thumbtack.com, in partnership with the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, has released the second-annual Thumbtack.com Small Business Friendliness Survey showing that Ohio improved in nearly every category, and the state earned a 'B+' for its regulatory systems overall.

The Thumbtack.com Small Business Friendliness Survey is the only survey to obtain data from an extensive, nationwide universe of job creators and entrepreneurs in order to determine the most business-friendly locations. While there are various "business climate rankings" that rate locations as good or bad for business, there are no others that draw upon considerable data from small business owners themselves.

"In surveying thousands of small businesses across America, we found that clear and consistent regulations were among their top priorities," said Sander Daniels, co-founder of Thumbtack.com. "Ohio's improvement

in these areas underscores the efforts of state and local officials to make the state more friendly to small business, though additional work remains to be done."

Some of the key findings for Ohio include:

- Ohio improved its overall ranking substantially, rising to a 'C+' from a 'D+' grade in 2012. The state also ranked ahead of Michigan and Pennsylvania, which earned a 'D' and a 'D+', respectively.

- Ohio's best grade was an 'A-' for its professional licensing regulations. The state also ranked highly for the quality of its online business resources.

- The state earned a 'B' grade for its tax code, and a 'C-' for its environmental regulations.

- Nationally, professional licensing requirements were more important to small business owners than taxes in determining a states overall business-friendliness, confirming the findings from last years study.

- The top ranking states overall were Utah, Alabama, New Hampshire, Idaho, and Texas. The lowest rated were Illinois, California, Hawaii, Maine and, in last place, Rhode Island.

- Among major cities nationwide, Columbus and Cleveland ranked well, respectively earning an 'A' and 'A-'.

- Within the state, Central Ohio was ranked the most business-friendly region.

"It is critical to the economic health of every city and state to create an entrepreneur-friendly environment," said Dane Stangler, director of Research and Policy at the Kauffman Foundation. "Policymakers put themselves in the best position to encourage sustainable growth and long-term prosperity by listening to the voices of small business owners themselves."

"Starting a business is one of the greatest risks I have undertaken. I have the good fortune of starting that business in Ohio. The state gave me an entire website guiding me so that the odds of success are greater. I am not sure I can qualify starting a business as easy, but the support in my state made certain that it wasn't too painful."

Thumbtack.com surveyed 7,766 small businesses across the United States. The survey asked questions about the friendliness of states and cities toward small business, such as:

"In general, how would you rate your state's support of small business owners?"

"Would you discourage or encourage someone from starting a new business where you live?" and

"Do you think you pay your fair share of taxes?"

Thumbtack and Kauffman ranked states and cities against one another along more than a dozen metrics.

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PUMPING FOR TIPS!



On Friday May 10th and Saturday, May 11th several Leadership in Action team members and representatives from the Senior Center and Paulding Chamber were "pumping for tips" at the Maramart gas station located in Paulding. The team graciously pumped gas, washed windshields, made payments inside and even purchased items for patrons so they would not need to get out of their cars! Customers were very generous with their tips in support of the LIA team project the Herb Monroe Community Park that will

be located at the corner of Jackson and Main streets in Paulding. The event raised \$703.00 for the park!

Pictured here are Ron Williamson, LIA fundraising chair/food service director at the Sr. Center; Sonya Herber, LIA project coordinator/director UWPC; Marsha Yeutter, Chamber President and Director of Paulding County Sr. Center; Megan Clark, LIA team member and Administrative Assistant at Arend, Laukhuf and Stoller, and in back, Paul Steele, volunteer for the Senior Center.

STATE LOANS AVAILABLE TO INDUSTRIAL BUSINESSES

The 166 Direct Loan Program provides capital for expansion projects to companies that have limited access to capital and funding from conventional, private sources of financing. Job creation is required for funding of all state loan programs. The size of the loans in this program range from \$500,000 to \$1,500,000. State loans are generally only 40% of the to-

tal project. Eligible projects include those related to commerce, manufacturing, distribution or research activities.

Retail projects are ineligible for the 166 Direct Loan Fund. Financing includes land/and/or building purchase or construction, and machinery and equipment purchase. Other requirements and fees apply. For more information, contact: Paulding County Economic Development, 419-399-8282.



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Paulding Elementary students are shown during their performance of "Circus Circus" which was performed Thursday, May 9th in the Middle School/High School Auditoria. There was a packed crowd on hand to watch the performance which was made up of students in grades 1-5. Mrs. Dawn Sloan was the director of the musical.

PLANTING THE TOWN RED; A COMMUNITY CONNECTS



Pictured here are Alia Clem, Elle Clem, Elleana Barker, Kate Farr, Sara Farr; these young gardeners are getting ready to 'Plant the Town Red'.

By: Sue Knapp

Antwerp is a pretty cool small town. The people are friendly, we have everything we need here to pretty much survive and better yet more things are happening.

A group of people got together in 2011 and formed a committee called 'Connecting the Pieces'. The committee is a think tank finding ways to promote Antwerp, with the goal of connecting the south end (South Erie Street) to downtown. Some of the ways to do this is signage announcing Veteran's Park, the different stores, the park, etc; sidewalks from the Legion to the empty lot by The Community Church (more about that later). You will be

able to walk from downtown out to South Erie Street. Sara Keeran, Village Administrator, is looking into grants to help with the sidewalks.

The committee is going forth with an idea and it is called 'Planting the Town Red'. We've all been through communities graced with a lot of flowers or a small area with benches or a gazebo with beautiful landscaping. The 'Connecting the Pieces' committee have a vision to make Antwerp a beautiful place people will remember and want to visit.

This first year the committee is asking all villagers to plant something red in their yard. This will create community involvement and get

everyone excited about future plans.

If you have a green thumb or just like to work with flowers a garden group or club is in the works. This group will create ways for beautifying Antwerp and help maintain the projects. Permanent planters for the downtown area is one of the projects that is being worked on.

Greenhouse Effect is behind this project, willing to plant the permanent planters and holding a plant sale. This is one of the projects for next year. The monies for this project will go to help with expenses and to purchase things dealing with maintenance.

'Connecting the Pieces' wants to see this project grow and expand each year. So get involved, put the red flower in your front yard and help beautify Antwerp.

For more information on the garden club, call 419-258-2371.

JOHN PAULDING DAYS SET FOR JUNE 6-8... NEW KID-FRIENDLY EVENTS ADDED

The annual John Paulding Days Festival is set to kickoff Thursday, June 6th at 5:00 p.m. and the much anticipated parade starts at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Going For The Green" which is in honor of the green space soon to be built at the corner of Jackson and Main Streets in Downtown Paulding. Those entering the parade are encouraged to use the theme however they wish. Executive Director of the festival and Paulding Chamber of Commerce, Erika Willitzer says it's her hope the festival will be a great success, just like last year.

The parade route will start on Main Street next to the Paulding County Carnegie Library, then entries will take a left on Perry Street and then a right on Williams, and entries can exit off of Jackson near the Post Office.

Rides will be situated on Jackson and Main Street and again will be conducted by D & D Putting and Amusements based out of Continental.

Also, new this year is the Free Family Music Fest. Families are invited to come down and listen to free music provided by various Northwest Ohio bands. Also new is the Free Courtyard Candy Drop. Kids are invited to line up around the lawn of the courthouse and when festival workers say go, the kids can go around and pick up sweet treats. Please bring your own bags.

Also, any businesses wishing to donate bags of candy, can drop it off at the Paulding County Senior Center, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce Board puts on this festival each year and we hope you'll make it a tradition with your family.

If anyone would like more information, please call the Chamber Office at 419-399-5215 or visit www.Paulding-Chamber.com.

SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED ANNOUNCES BALLOT BOARD MEETING

Secretary of State Jon Husted has called a meeting of the Ohio Ballot Board for Thursday, May 23, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. in the South Hearing Room of the Ohio Statehouse, located on the second

floor of the Senate Building at 1 Capitol Square, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

As required by Ohio law, the Ballot Board will meet to determine whether a proposed constitutional amendment regarding cannabis consists of more than one amendment. The Ballot Board has 10 days from the date the certification is received from the attorney general to complete this task.

If it is determined that there is more than one amendment, the Ballot Board will divide the initiative into individual petitions containing only one constitutional amendment so as to enable the voters to vote on each proposal separately and certify its approval to the attorney general. Petitioners would then need to resubmit summaries for each of the individual petitions to the attorney general for certification.

Petitioners will need to collect 385,253 signatures, which is equal to 10 percent of the total vote cast for governor in 2010. As part of the total number of signatures needed to place the measure on the ballot, petitioners must also have collected signatures from at least 44 of Ohio's 88 counties, and within each of those counties, collect enough signatures equal to five percent of the total vote cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election, 2010.

Secretary Husted serves as chair of the Ballot Board and oversees the board's proceedings. Other members of the Ballot Board include: Senate President Keith Faber; State Senator Nina Turner; Mark Griffin; and William N. Morgan. Ballot Board meetings are open to the public.

SCIENCE FUN FOR ANTWERP FIRST GRADERS!



Students in Mrs. Shugars' first grade class at Antwerp Elementary conducted a science experiment with several high school science students. The high school students taught the elementary students about the chemical reaction that can happen when Mentos and pop are mixed together. The students loved the experiment and enjoyed working with the older students.



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COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH TO WELCOME 3 BASKETBALL PLAYERS IN THE FALL

The College of Mount St. Joseph officially announces the following three student-athletes will be attending the College in the fall and playing basketball. They are freshmen Taylor Brown (Peebles High School) and Krystal

Wannemacher (Wayne Trace Jr. Sr. High School); and junior transfer Mea' Williams (Lakota West/Wilmington College).

Brown, a 5-foot-7 guard, played high school basketball for Head Coach Vohn Hoop. She was an All-League honoree and a District Honorable Mention selection (2012-2013). Brown won game MVP award honors in 2012-2013 and was a member of the Paint Valley Classic Defensive Team (2011-2012). In addition, she has also won other academic awards as well as the Honda-OSU Partnership Math Medal Award and the Wendy's Heisman Award. While in high school, she also played soccer, softball, volleyball; competed in track & field. Brown was in the National Honor Society and on Student Council. She has also participated in numerous extra-curricular activities, both in and out of school. Taylor, the daughter of Julie Brodt and Steve Brown, is planning on majoring in Business Administration.



Krystal Wannemacher

Wannemacher, a 5-foot-9 forward, played high school basketball for Head Coach Greg (Gus) Davis. She averaged over 10 points per game her final two prep seasons, and also had seasonal averages of 4.3 assists per game last season and 3.2 steals per game the season before. Following her junior season, Wannemacher a First Team All-GMC selection, was named to The Times Bulletin Dream Team, was given the 2012 Wayne Trace Hustle Award and was a District Seven Second Team honoree. Her senior season saw her named GMC Honorable Mention and All-County Second Team. Wannemacher, who also played high school varsity volleyball and compete in track & field, played AAU basketball for Northwest Ohio and Ohio Thunder (2009-2012). She was on her school's Honor Roll for four years and was a 2009-2013 Academic Silver Award recipient. Krystal, the daughter of Lou Ann and Thomas Wannemacher, is planning on majoring in Athletic Training/Physical Therapy.

Williams, a 5-foot-10 forward, will be joining the team this coming year after playing two seasons for NCAA Division III Wilmington College. While at Wilmington, Williams saw limited action, playing in eight games (26 minutes) and scoring nine points, while grabbing five rebounds, and recording two assists; and a block. In high school she played for Head Coach Andy Fishman. Mea', the daughter of Renee and Jim Williams, is planning on majoring in Business Administration.

The College of Mount St. Joseph, located in Cincinnati, Ohio, is a member of the NCAA Division III. The Lions, coached by Ashley

Bland, are in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference.

ASHLEY PIERCE GRADUATES FROM INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Ashley Pierce, daughter of Leroy and Sara Pierce of Harlan, has received a Bachelor's of Science in Business Marketing and a second BS in Business Management from Indiana University - Fort Wayne during the IPFW commencement ceremonies held on May 15,



Ashley earned Dean's List honors for 11 semesters and was placed on the Honors List all 12 semesters. For her academic excellence, Ashley was awarded the Chancellor's Scholarship for four years. She is a member of Delta Sigma Pi - Iota Lambda Chapter and served as their VP of Community Service. She is also a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, an international honor society recognizing business excellence. Ashley will continue interning through the summer and then plans to pursue a career in marketing.

OHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Ohio High School Athletic Association Board of Directors met Thursday morning at the OHSAA office for its regularly scheduled May meeting. The following are highlights from the meeting. The complete set of meeting minutes will be posted later at OHSAA.org.

- The OHSAA's new school administrators workshop will be held Tuesday, August 6, in Columbus. The workshop, which can also be attended by veteran administrators, is held to explain OHSAA regulations and answer commonly asked questions. Registration information will be sent to schools later this month.

- The OHSAA has updated its annual "Eligibility Guides" for high schools and middle schools (two separate guides) and posted them on the eligibility page at OHSAA.org. The OHSAA has also created a new pre-season meeting video presentation that will be posted on the OHSAA website for all member schools to use in their mandatory pre-season meetings with student-athletes and parents. The video will serve the 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years.

- 17 member schools were recently penalized for committing infractions of OHSAA bylaws or sports regulations. The list of schools and their infractions and penalties is always included in the complete meeting minutes posted at OHSAA.org, but media may obtain the information in advance of the minutes being posted by contacting Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Information Services.

- By a 5-4 vote, the board approved a proposal from the golf coaches association that will allow one designated coach per school per event to speak with his or her players any time on the course except on any green or in any sand bunker. Pace of play regulations will still be enforced. Previously, coaches could only talk with their players between the green and next tee.
- By a 9-0 vote, the board approved a proposal from the golf coaches association that permits the use of USGA-approved range finders. Note that communications devices are still not permitted, meaning that range finders that are cell phone apps are not permitted.

- The presidents of the various Ohio coaches associations met at the OHSAA April 3 for OHSAA updates and announcements to report back to their members.

- The board approved the 2013-14 OHSAA general sports regulations and the sport-by-sport regulations. The regulations will be published in the annual OHSAA Handbook and posted at OHSAA.org.

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INTRODUCING THE BEE-TTLES

As part of on-going efforts to save the federally protected American burying beetle, animal experts from *the Wilds* are once again releasing beetles that were bred at the conservation center.

One group of beetles will be released on May 13 at 10:30 a.m. in Fernald Nature Preserve near Cincinnati. This will be the first introduction of beetles propagated in human care to this park. On June 11 at 10:00 a.m., beetles will be released at *the Wilds* for the third straight year as part of the recovery plan to establish a colony on the grounds of the 9,600 acre conservation center and safari park.

"*The Wilds* participates in numerous cooperative breeding programs for endangered species but the American burying beetle program is extremely special because beetles hatched and reared at *the Wilds* are released into native habitat here on our property," said Rick Dietz. Vice President of *the Wilds*. "It is an extremely rewarding experience for the staff and one that we are very proud of."

In 1989 the American burying beetle, once found in 35 states, became the first insect listed as a federally protected endangered species. In the wild, they use the carcasses of small animals as a source of food for their developing young. To breed these beetles, scientists at *the Wilds* select a male and female, place them in a five-gallon bucket partially filled with dirt and provide them with a quail

carcass to get started. Within a few days the pair will bury the quail and lay their eggs.

Researchers at *the Wilds*, in conjunction with the Ohio State University and the Cincinnati and St. Louis zoos, are working to raise and release beetles to support the Ohio Division of Wildlife's conservation plan for American burying beetles which is part of the federal recovery plan for this endangered species.

As part of the recovery plan, *the Wilds* team has worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to develop a cooperative agreement authorizing the releases at *the Wilds*.

PAULDING COUNTY CHAPTER OF OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY "PICTURES ARE WORTH 1000 WORDS"

The May 2013 meeting garnered general discussion consisting of the upcoming June 12th potluck at 6:00 p.m. to be held at Antwerp's Riverside Park along with a Riverside Cemetery walk. There will not be a PCCGOS meeting held in July. August 14, 2013 meeting will be held at the Paulding County Library, ground floor at 6:30 p.m. Guest Kelly Bergheimer will present: Mess on Your Desk! Guests are always welcome!

Member, Mr. Bill Wilder's presentation "Pictures are Worth a 1000 Words!" consisted of writing your own biography. Pictures inserted here and there will make it more appealing as well as informational. Passing copies of his undated family photos, Bill then asked us to look at the entire picture and tell him what we saw. Things seen: Five generations of the Wilder family with youngster Bill held by his father. The trees were bare of leaves and no coats, thus making it a spring or fall photo. Bill told us it was fall of the year of his June birth, but

one member picked up on his size, shoes and clothing. He was a toddler, not a 3 month old baby, thus Bill agreed that the photo was taken in spring the following year. Another photo was Bill and his siblings as young children, but also found was the back of an old car, and a faint figure of a person behind landscaping rocks (possibly his mother). Bill reiterated "Pictures are worth a 1000 words!"

Bill suggested starting by interviewing your relatives, beginning with the oldest while they are still with you to offer assistance of what's in that box of old photos. Listen carefully and be sure to jot down notes. Ask questions about family as far back as the person can remember. Write names, dates and locations on the back of all photos. You won't remember years later, possibly making your heirs more willing to just throw them away.

This poem written by Ernest Jack Sharpe gives us all a prospective of "happy days of yore." Titled: Old Photographs. A box of faded photographs I open yesterday, and instantly my memories were carried far away to many friends and places from years so long ago, as I sorted through those photographs of folks I used to know. There were some family members that are no longer here, and photographs of sweethearts I once thought very dear. Thoughts swiftly raced and tumbled on things that are no more, as I daydreamed over photographs and happy days of yore.

If you haven't yet written your own biography, start today by keeping a note pad with or near you. Jot down notes remembered at the moment, not to worry about the timeline. Then set aside some time to put your notes in order. It can be by the year, the event or anyway that is interesting reading for those you leave behind. Thought for the day: What you collect are keepsakes, but your heirs might not give a hoot!

PROPOSED NEW HAVEN SR 930 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT AT GREEN STREET PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces that a public hearing for the proposed SR 930 intersection improvement at Green Street in New Haven will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Park Hill Learning Center Auditorium, 1000 Prospect Avenue, New Haven. The purpose of the public hearing is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on current design plans

for the proposed intersection improvement project.

The project proposes reconstruction of the SR 930 intersection at Green Street. A slight elevation of Green Street to the north of the intersection is intended to improve the sight distance from Green Street. The new proposed intersection will consist of one through lane in each direction, with dedicated left- and right-turn lanes on all approaches, with curb and gutter. A 5-foot sidewalk will be constructed on the west side of Green Street, both north and south of the intersection of SR 930. A closed storm sewer system would be utilized for drainage, and new signals would be placed. Construction of the project will require approximately 1.8 acres of new permanent right-of-way. At this time, it is the intent to maintain SR 930 open to traffic during construction; however, Green Street north of SR 930 will be closed for a short duration due to the change in grade. Maintenance of traffic plans are preliminary.

The tentative timetables for the right-of-way acquisition and construction will be discussed during the formal presentation. Public statements for the record will be accepted following the presentation.

All comments collected before, during and for a period of two weeks after the hearing will be evaluated and addressed in the final design study report. The preliminary plans will be available for review prior to and following the formal presentation. Conversations will not be part of the official record.

With advance notice, INDOT can make accommodations for persons with disabilities and persons requiring auxiliary aids for the hearing and visually impaired. In addition, accommodations for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons, such as language translation services/interpreters, can be made, with advance notice. Please contact the INDOT Office of Public Involvement at (317) 232-6601 should accommodations be needed.

The environmental document and preliminary design plans, along with other materials on the project, are available for viewing at the following locations:

Hearings Examiner, Room N642, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2216, Phone # (317) 232-6601 rclark@indot.in.gov

Indiana Department of Transportation Fort Wayne District Office, Planning & Programming, 5333 Hatfield Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808, PHONE (866) 227-3555 NEinformation@indot.in.gov.

THREE TEAMS TO BE INDUCTED TO PAULDING ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The Paulding High School Athletic Department will induct three teams into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, August 30, 2013. This induction will take place before the varsity football game vs. Wayne Trace. The new inductees are the undefeated 1957 football team, the undefeated 1988 football team and the 1960 State Championship boys track team.

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IHSAA 3A & 4A BOYS BASEBALL SECTIONAL PAIRINGS

IHSAA - 3A Boys Baseball Sectional at Angola

Wednesday, May 22:
5:00 p.m. - Concordia vs Dwenger; 7:30 p.m. - Woodlan vs Angola

IHSAA - 4A Boys Baseball Sectional at Huntington North

Wednesday, May 22:
5:00 p.m. - New Haven vs. South Side

Thursday, May 23:
5:00 p.m. - Concordia/Dwenger winner vs Woodlan/Angola winner; 7:30 p.m. Leo vs Garrett

Monday, May 27:
12:00 p.m. - Championship game

IHSAA 3A & 4A GIRLS SOFTBALL SECTIONAL PAIRINGS

IHSAA - 3A Girls Softball Sectional at Leo

Monday, May 20:
5:00 p.m. - Concordia vs Woodlan; 6:30 p.m. - Angola vs Garrett

IHSAA - 4A Girls Softball Sectional at Homestead

Tuesday, May 21:
7:00 p.m. - New Haven vs. Homestead

Wednesday, May 22:
5:00 p.m. - Concordia/Woodlan winner vs Angola/Garrett winner; 6:30 p.m. - Leo vs Bishop Dwenger

Thursday, May 23:
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Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschoolers were recently visited by Firefighter Michael Schweinsberg (also a preschool dad!). Firefighter Mike talked with us about what to do if our house catches on fire and what to do if our clothes catch on fire. Then we practiced yelling "HERE I AM!" so the firefighters could find us in a fire. Shown here with

our friendly Paulding Firefighter are from left: Mallory Fisher, Hayden Gorrell, Deklyn Schweinsberg and Grady Barton.

Check out this week's classified ad for information for summer care for your 2½ year old through fifth grade. We have many fun activities planned you won't want your child to miss!

EXPLORING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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

Before it's even time to enter kindergarten, many children growing up in low-income families are already behind. Research shows that each year, these children are exposed to 8 million fewer words than children growing up in higher-income homes.

Many people point to affordable preschool as the way to close that gap. Indiana legislators are currently debating what role the government should play in financially supporting early childhood education programs.

Head Start is probably the most well-known government-funded early childhood education program. The federal government spends about \$8 billion each year on Head Start, which amounts to \$8,000 per student. The program focuses on building social and cognitive development for children from low-income families, but the effectiveness of the program has been questioned. Studies show that by the end of kindergarten, students who participate in Head Start are academically ahead of non-Head Start children from similar backgrounds. When extended, though, studies suggest that the advantages may disappear by the end of third grade.

A community-supported preschool in Columbus, however, has shown that preschool can provide effective education. Busy Bees Academy is run by the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation, but receives support from local corporate and philanthropic partners. Children can attend Busy Bees for only \$80 a week, with this expense reduced to only \$5 for low-income families. When the preschool started, participating children on average achieved two years of academic progress, well surpassing anyone's expectations.

Preschool's effectiveness at preparing children for kindergarten would be studied under a legislative proposal currently being debated by the General Assembly. The proposal looks to collect data assessing the kindergarten-readiness of children completing programs at preschools rated highly on the voluntary Paths to QUALITY evaluation system. If data shows these preschools improve children's future academic careers, it would strengthen the case for state financial support for early childhood education.

Has a child in your life academically benefited from attending preschool? Do you think this is an area that the state should provide additional funding? As always, I want to know, what do you think?

NEW HAVEN'S MENSING EARNS HONORABLE MENTION AT NHC GOLF CONFERENCE

New Haven High School's golf team recently competed in the NHC Golf Conference. The teams participating in this year's conference are Homestead, Carroll, East Noble, Dekalb, Columbia City, Bellmont, Norwell, and New Haven.

As a team New Haven came in 8th place at NHC with a score of 365. New Haven Sophomore Matt Mensing earned an Honorable Mention for his performance at this tournament. His score on 18 holes was 81.

WOODLAN WINS IN CLOSE GAME WITH BLACKHAWK

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan held on to defeat Blackhawk 8-6 in boys' baseball. The Warriors took an early lead only to see it disappear in the third inning when the Braves scored 3 times. Woodlan regained their advantage with 2 runs in the bottom of the inning. Woodlan stretched the lead to 7-4 in the fifth, getting a three-run homer from Brad Barker. A solo shot in the sixth from Shawn Kitzmiller made the lead 8-4. Blackhawk threatened in the seventh, getting a two-run homer from Adam Targgart to cut the deficit to 8-6. Back-to-back strikeouts ended the Braves comeback attempt. Jake Summers got a pair of hits for Woodlan and Brad Barker had a pair of hits including the 2 run homer. Rick Ehle picked up the win on the mound

Score by the inning:
Blackhawk - 0 0 3 1 0 0
2=6R 9H 1E
Woodlan - 1 1 2 0 3 1
x=8R 8H 2E

UNIVERSITY OF SAINT FRANCIS ANNOUNCES DEGREE COMPLETIONS

Dr. J. Andrew Prall, Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Saint Francis, has announced the names of the students completing degrees in December 2012, May 2013, and August 2013.

The following students have completed degrees (from the WBN readership area):

- Christine Johnson of Antwerp, Nursing
- Jared Lyke of Antwerp, Business
- Kyle Proxmire of Cecil, Biology

PATROL WARNS MOTORISTS TO WEAR A SAFETY BELT - CLICK IT OR TICKET

Motorists who refuse to wear their safety belts - beware. The 2013 national Click It or Ticket safety belt enforcement mobilization kicked off May 20 to help save lives by cracking down on those who don't buckle up.

Members of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and the Ohio Traffic Safety Office, in conjunction with the Tri-State Law Enforcement Council - which includes law enforcement agencies from Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky - joined together at the Gallipolis City Park, along the Ohio River, to showcase their combined commitment to saving lives through safety belt enforcement. And their message was clear - Click It or Ticket.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 52 percent of the 21,253 passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2011 were not wearing their safety belts at the time of the crash. In 2012, of the fatal crashes where safety belt information was known, 61 percent of the people killed on Ohio's roadways were not wearing a safety restraint.

"Too many drivers and passengers are not wearing their safety belts, and it all too often ends in tragedy," said Ohio Department of Public Safety Director Thomas P. Charles. "Our goal is to save more lives; therefore, our law enforcement partners will be out enforcing safety belt laws around the clock."

More than 900 law enforcement partners around Ohio, including the Ohio State Highway Patrol, will be aggressively enforcing the law during the mobilization, which runs May 20 - June 2.

"It's simple - safety belts save lives and reduce injury in crashes," said Colonel John Born, superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. "It is the easiest thing you can do to protect yourself, your family and your friends."

In 2011, safety belts saved an estimated 11,949 lives nationwide according to NHTSA. While this year's Click It or Ticket enforcement mobilization runs through June 2, troopers will continue their zero tolerance policy year-round when motorists are stopped for other violations and are found to not be wearing their safety belt.

Troopers ask that you wear your safety belt every time and insist that those who travel with you buckle-up as well. Law enforcement and other safety partners will be holding awareness events and educational activities to stress the importance of safety belt use around the state during the mobilization.



CHILDREN'S LIBRARY HAS NEW TEAM LEADER

Sara Molitor, previously the Branch Manager of the Payne Branch Library, has been promoted to Head of Youth Services for the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding. Sara has been with the library on and off since 1999, hiring a library clerk before she was hired full-time as the manager of the library's second oldest branch. Ms. Molitor, a 2013 graduate of Leadership in Action, follows Anissa Williamson who has chosen a new career path after serving sixteen years with the library.

"Sara will balance our outstanding, award-winning youth services team," remarked Susan Pieper, Library Director. "She brings years of experience in managing a branch library where she was responsible for not only the management of the branch collection, but also for programming for youth and adults."

Sara shares, "I am excited to take this new position of Head of Youth Services. I enjoy working with children of all ages and hope to bring some different ideas to the Paulding County Carnegie Library." Sara has a ten-year-old son, Jayden, and knows first-hand how important reading and access to information is for children.

Sara, leading an experienced team, will be responsible for administering the department's many programs, including Battle of the Books, Summer Reading Program, Fall Extravaganza, special events and more. Sara shares, "I am excited to work with Kirk and Jonne. We are all here

for the same goal to 'create new readers' and to introduce youth to the joy of books and the library. I am excited to see what our team will do!" Molitor will also be responsible for collection management of the children's department, including acquisition, marketing and weeding. And, Sara plans on providing a more public view of the youth services program via social media marketing.

Sara was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana and graduated from Wayne Trace High School in 2001. At Vantage Career Center she studied Early Childhood Education and Desktop Publishing. She is the daughter Harry Molitor Jr. and Robin and granddaughter of Harry Molitor Sr. and the late Dorothy Molitor, Lendell Burk and the late Barbara Burk.

Stop by the main historic library in Paulding and say "Hello" to the library's new Head of Youth Services!

The Paulding County Carnegie Library serves a predominately rural population through the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding; branches in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood and Payne; and a Bookmobile that travels throughout the county providing library service to communities, head start programs, preschools, and assisted living facilities.

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SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED RELEASES NEW BUSINESS FILING FIGURES FOR APRIL 2013

Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that 8,539 new entities filed to do business in Ohio in April 2013. These numbers are up compared to April 2012, in which 7,765 new entities filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State's office has assisted with 32,504 new business filings to date in 2013 (January-April). This is an increase from the same time period last year, in which there were 31,565

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

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

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 4/22/13

This 22nd day of April, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Fred Pieper, Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, and Cindy Peters, Clerk
ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 197281 through 197344 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on April 22, 2013, Warrants numbered 197219 through 197233 in the amount of \$1,982.25; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

TRAVEL REQUEST:

Marsha Yeutter, Annual Legislative Breakfast, Toledo, OH - April 29, 2013

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 021):

The Board of County Commissioners

does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Unclaimed Monies (Fund 021):

021-001-00001/Unclaimed monies - Unclaimed monies
AMOUNT: \$6,087.85

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Jim Langham, Paulding Progress and Jason Landers, Paulding County Sheriff discussed background on jail levies and options from last weeks meeting. Sheriff Landers commented that it may look like it's cheaper on paper to out house prisoners. When the decision was made to close the jail, we saw a decline in inmate population. On average we went from ten inmates a day, increasing to twenty in 2012. The daily average now is in the mid twenties. When you have an increase in numbers, the cost goes up to out house. Last year we had a budget of \$280,000; spending \$260,000 for out housing inmates to Putnam County. This year, our budget is \$320,000, although the projection through the end of the year looks to be over by \$17,500. Our transport officers are a big expense, not only their time involved transporting prisoners from Paulding to Putnam County, but the additional expense of fuel and maintenance on the cruisers. In addition, if an inmate needs medical attention, we would incur those same expenses and a deputy would have to sit with them at a hospital, possibly shift to shift, depending on their medical necessity. A positive to bringing our prisoners back to our own jail would allow the Sheriff local control with the ability to have interaction on a daily basis and develop relationships with inmates. The economic impact is unknown at this time. The Sheriff's office would need to hire additional staff, thus creating new jobs within Paulding County. Visiting family members would then also be buying gas and groceries, keep tax dollars within our county. Mr. Zartman commented that the total impact would be a safer community for our citizens to live in. The initial cost to get the jail started up is unknown at this time. Salaries would be the biggest expense for newly hired correction officers, training, duty gear and equipment for the new staff, workers' compensation, insurance, PERS, kitchen start up costs, including kitchen staff and general maintenance of the jail due to those areas not being used to house prisoners.

NOTICE

To any individual(s) who have items stored at 5763 Rd. 424, Antwerp Ohio. The owners of 5763 Rd. 424 will claim any and all property remaining on the premises if it is not removed by 5pm, Friday, May 24th and will dispose of at their discretion. Be it also known that individual(s) had previous verbal notification on April 1st, 2013 to remove items from this property. Owners must be present when items are removed from the property. Robert and Sonya Herber, owners.

Sudoku solution from page 13

2	7	4	5	3	1	9	8	6
9	1	8	6	4	2	5	7	3
5	3	6	7	8	9	1	4	2
3	4	5	2	9	7	8	6	1
8	6	7	4	1	5	3	2	9
1	2	9	3	6	8	4	5	7
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Antwerp High School has announced its 2012-13 Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

Shawn Dooley was named Valedictorian of Antwerp High School class of 2013. His parents are Shawn and Michelle Dooley. After high school he plans to attend Ohio Northern University and ma-

job in computer science.

Morgan Williamson was named Salutatorian of Antwerp High School class of 2013. Her parents are Mark and Christina Williamson. After high school she plans to attend The University of Toledo and major in psychology.

ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR

4-year Academic Excellence Awards:

Jesse Wilson, Morgan Williamson, Shawn Dooley and Nick Bragg

Class of 2013 Award of Merit:

David Altic, Kacy Brumett, Justin Bute, Shawn Dooley, Ryan Girardot, Cameron Huss, Morgan Williamson

Class of 2013 Diploma with Honors:

Justin Bute, Shawn Dool-

ey, Ryan Girardot, Cameron Huss, Morgan Williamson, Jesse Wilson

National Honor Society:

Kacy Brumett, Shawn Dooley, Lydia Schneider, Morgan Williamson, Jesse Wilson

Parent Employment Scholarship – Morgan Williamson

Antwerp Rotary – 1st Shawn Dooley; **2nd** Cameron Huss

J.P. Crain – Katlyn Bissell, Justin Bute, Shawn Dooley

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Paulding Co. Area Foundation – Katlyn Bissell and

Justin Bute

Paulding County Independent Insurance Agents – Shawn Dooley, Ryan Girardot, Lydia Schneider

Gen Fed Credit Union Scholarship – Justin Bute

VFW Post 5087 – Colby Schaefer, Morgan Williamson, Justin Bute

Antwerp Education Association Book Scholarship – Justin Bute, Shawn Dooley, Chelsea Grimes, Cameron Huss, Colin Krick, Edward Reinhart, Lydia Schneider, Atticus Sorrell

Principal's Leadership Award – Morgan Williamson

PDR Scholarship – Justin Bute, Morgan Williamson, Katlyn Bissell, Lydia Yenser

Shelly A. Litzenberg – Alexis Jones, Avrial Sawyer

Antwerp Student of the Month – Edward Reinhart, Justin Bute, Morgan Williamson, Cameron Huss, Shawn Dooley, Colin Krick, Katlyn Bissell

Merit Based Scholarships:

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Bluffton University – Cameron Huss

Bowling Green State University – Katlyn Bissell

IPFW – Ryan Girardot, Edward Reinhart, Jesse Wilson

Oberlin College – Justin Bute

Ohio Northern – Shawn Dooley

Southeastern Illinois College – Alexis Jones

University of Saint Francis – Andrew Coleman

University of Saint Francis – Atticus Sorrell

University of Toledo – Morgan Williamson

them how to ride or stay safe," he says. "A lot of these kids' families can't afford bikes; they'd rather spend money to put food on the table."

With such an important mission in mind, Kneller wasn't satisfied to limit the program to Meadowbrook students alone. He mentored the PE teacher at Prince Chapman Academy, who now use the bikes to teach the same program every fall.

With every new class of burgeoning bicyclists, Kneller puts a special emphasis on staying safe in traffic. He tells his students to think of their bike as their car, and to take their role as "drivers" seriously.

"I teach kids that their handlebars are like their steering wheel, and I show them how to use the brakes carefully and quickly," he says.

Ultimately, he hopes the Bike for Life program continues to keep the community's smallest members safe. "In an accident, you're never going to win when your 80 pounds riding a bike," says Kneller. "Kids need to understand traffic safety, especially when they ride."

Tom Kneller will be teaching the Bike for Life program through May 24, 2013.

ANTWERP 2013 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



The Antwerp Local School Class of 2013 walked out of the school for the last time today, Sunday, May 19, 2013. The Antwerp Band started the afternoon with songs from various movies and then moved on to the Processional.

Shawn Dooley and Morgan Williamson were honored as the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the graduating class of 49 students.

The Words of Wisdom were given by Patricia Miller, Co-Founder of Vera Bradley.

School Board President Steve Provines presented the students with their diplomas.

Though it was not listed in the Commencement Bul-



letin, The Class Song, "Let the Good Times Last," was written, played and sung by Atticus Sorrell on his 12-String Fender Guitar. See the video at www.westbendnews.net

Many great pictures of the graduation at www.westbendnews.net

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Paulding True Value celebrated their Grand Re-Opening on May 3rd and 4th!

Door prize winners were:

- Weber Gas Grill – Evan Schlatter
- Patio Set – Matt Salinas
- Power Washer – Shirley Bowers
- Lawn Mower – Sue Brown
- Gas Trimmer – Jan Cook

Over \$450 was donated to Boy Scout Troop #315

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MEADOWBROOK PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM KEEPS SMALL CYCLISTS SAFE

At Meadowbrook Elementary, veteran Physical Education teacher Tom Kneller gives fourth and fifth graders the ride of their life – literally. For four weeks every spring, his Bike for Life unit teaches students all about bicycles: How to ride them, how to care for them, and most importantly, how to stay safe.

The idea for the program started nearly a decade ago, after Kneller saw a community-wide need for better bike safety.

"I started seeing all these kids without bikes, or who'd never really learned how to ride a bike," says Kneller. "And I realized that nobody was teaching them bike safety."

So Kneller set to work, writing grants and requesting donations. Thanks to help from Fort Wayne Cardiology, The St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, Parkview Health and Walmart, he pulled together 35 eighteen-speed bikes for students to use. Allen County Commissioner's also donated traffic signs are affixed with wheels, allowing him to reposition them for each lesson.

As far as Kneller knows, Bike for Life is the only program of its kind in the state. Eight years into teaching it, he believes the need for the program grows every year.

"Many of these kids are part of single-parent families, and there isn't anyone with enough time to show

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