

BUTCHER - TREESH



Hannah Marie Butcher of Antwerp and Austin Frazier Treesh, formerly of Edgerton, are announcing their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Shelton and Sandi Bradbury of Antwerp and Curtis Butcher from New Haven, IN. She is a 2010 graduate of Antwerp High School. Hannah is currently employed at Wright & Lech, attorneys at law, in Fort Wayne, IN.

Her fiancé is the son

of the late Jewell (Frazier) Treesh and Ron and Amanda Treesh of Edgerton. He is a 2006 graduate of Edgerton High School and current student of Harrison College. He is currently employed at Signature Seating in Auburn.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at 4:30 p.m. on July 6, 2013 at Antwerp First Baptist Church.

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PAULDING LIBRARY GETS FACELIFT

The main historic Carnegie library in Paulding will be undergoing substantial interior refurbishing this summer that will include new paint throughout and new carpet on the main floor. In preparation for the centennial celebration,



the library has awarded All Trades Restoration, LLC the contract to manage this project. "We have enjoyed our pink library for decades," shares Susan Pieper, Library Director. "But, it is time for a change. The library will be painted in more neutral earth tones

that will blend beautifully with our existing warm walnut stained shelving units."

The entire project will begin June 27th with the south genealogy wing, followed by the north non-fiction wing, the east fiction wing, the elevator alcoves and the lower floor. The project should be completed by September.

"We are hoping to keep the library open throughout this refurbishing," states Pieper. "The only time we may have to close is for the carpeting." Most areas will be accessible during the work. For more information contact Susan Pieper at 419-399-2032.

PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS HOST LUNCHEON FOR HALL OF FAME TEACHERS

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will host a recognition luncheon for

Paulding County Hall of Fame Teachers on Monday, July 8, at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon will be held at the Paulding County Historical Building on Fairground Drive in Paulding. The requirement for induction into the Paulding County Hall of Fame is a minimum of 25 years of teaching in Paulding County Schools.

Those being honored as well as current members of the group are asked to make reservations by July 2, 2013. Anyone planning to attend should call Pam Young at 419-399-5427 or Karen Walker at 419-899-4161.

Current members are asked to bring a dish to share for the luncheon.

EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS NAMES NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



The East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees has announced the hiring of Dr. Kenneth Folks as the new Superintendent of Schools. Dr. Folks was previously the Assistant Superintendent of Marion Community Schools. He has served as principal in Northwest Allen County Schools and Northern Wells Community Schools.

Folks will enter the position with a wealth of experience. He received his bachelor and master degree's in secondary education from IPFW. He also received his administrator's license from IPFW and his doctorate in educational leadership from Purdue University. Folks also serves on the Board of Directors for the Indiana Association of School Principals, Indiana Public School Superintendents and Indiana Urban Schools Association.

Folks said, "I think my experience from all 32 years in public education is applicable to take the East Allen County School district to the next level. I'm happy to be the leader of the team that will make EACS the premiere school district in Northeast Indiana."

In addition, the above news release provided by EACS, Dr. Folks informed the media he would be diving right in as the Title 1 Application process must be completed by the end of June. He also stated he will be learning and with the educators and students in the schools, not monitoring from a far away office.

The President of the School Board, Neil Reynolds, stated he and the school board was very excited to bring Dr. Folks on board. The position open-

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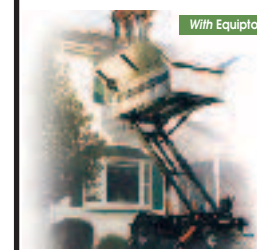
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DAYTON NATURALISTS NAMED PROJECT WILD FACILITATORS OF THE YEAR

Joshua York and Lauren Stayer were named the 2013 Ohio Project WILD Facilitators of the Year, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). York and Stayer are naturalists at Five Rivers MetroParks in Dayton.

The annual award from the ODNR Division of Wildlife and the Council for Environmental Education is given to a Project WILD facilitator who has contributed significantly to Ohio's Project WILD program.

Through multiple partnerships with York and Stayer, schools and child care facilities in the Dayton area have participated in many 'Project WILD,' 'Growing Up WILD' and 'WILD School Site' training opportunities. York and Stayer developed a series of popular workshops that combine Project WILD programs and activities with their own 'Inquiry Adventures' program.

York is the Five Rivers MetroParks Education Supervisor and has been a Project WILD facilitator since 2007. Stayer was named a Project WILD facilitator in 2011.

Project WILD is a supplementary education program emphasizing awareness, appreciation and understanding of wildlife and natural resources to generate interest and participation. More information is available at wildohio.com.

REP. BURKLEY ANNOUNCES PASSAGE OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY REVISIONS

State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne) has announced that the Ohio House of Representatives passed Senate Bill 66, which revises the state's Agricultural Commodity Handlers Law.

Among the key provisions in the bill is the removal of barley, oats, rye, grain sorghum, sunflower and speltz from the list of agricultural commodities regulated under the Agricultural Commodity Handlers Law. SB 66 retains the regulation of corn, soybeans, wheat and other crops designated by the Director of Agriculture.

Following the bill's passage, Rep. Burkley released the following statement:

"As a legislator with a predominantly rural district, I am pleased with today's vote and was happy to co-sponsor it. With all interested parties working together, our agriculture industry will truly benefit from this legislation. I thank my counterpart, Senator Cliff Hite, for his hard work on this issue and look forward to Governor Kasich signing it into law."

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2013 HARLAN DAYS THEME CHOSEN: "HAVING FUN & HELPING OTHERS"

Having Fun & Helping Others is the theme that has been chosen by the Harlan Days Committee. The committee is asking everyone who attends the fair to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the local Harlan Food Bank. There will be collection barrels located at the Headquarters Tent, Donut Tent and Food Tent. Please help the community while you are having fun at Harlan Days!

For 66 years, Harlan Days has been one of the best area festivals for the whole family! Everyone is bound to find something they enjoy and there is sure to be lots of fun again this year. There will be good food, fun rides, and great entertainment of all kinds, so come out with your family and meet your friends for the best festival around!

This year you can look forward to many events including Motocross on Thursday evening and the Street Legal Truck Pulls on Friday night. On Saturday morning there will be an All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast and the Harlan Days Grand Parade. The Cruise-In Car Show, which is always a big favorite with fairgoers, will be back Saturday afternoon. On Saturday evening, come out and see the Demolition Derby in the arena. Catch the Basketball Tournament, COED Softball Tournament or Cornhole Tournament. As always, there will be Mid-way rides and games, a Commerce Tent, Craft Tent, and Food Tent along with a wide variety of FREE events.

Keep watching your paper for more details about Harlan Days events! For further festival information or to volunteer at Harlan Days, please go to our website at www.harlandays.com. Then on August 1,2&3, bring your family and friends to Harlan Days where you can Have Fun & Help Others!

CITY OF WOODBURN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 6/3/13

Woodburn city council meeting minutes from June 03, 2013. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm. Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Abbott, Renner Voirol, Gerig, Treasurer Sarrazine, Superintendent Walls, Chief Duhammel were present. Councilman Rice came after all votes were taken.

POLICE CHIEF:
Chief Duhamell turned in his report. Woodburn Police Department responded to 61 incidents in May. The Woodburn Police Reserves have worked 88 hours in May. The department has tested walkie talkies for emergency preparedness and Chief Duhamell will be calling for a price. Phase II of the Emergency Plan was held May 23rd. Information was presented by Kathryn MacAuley of the American Red Cross and hand-outs were also made available from FEMA and other emergency organizations. They can still be picked up at City hall 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. weekdays. The Woodburn Police Reserves were approved by the Community Association to organize and hold a Golf/Go Cart race for the fall festival on October 12th. There will be 7 categories. It will be held on Front Street.

MAYOR:
Mayor requested that Councilman Gerig get estimates on tree removal in the alley behind Woodburn Welding. Mayor had a meeting with Sturtz Public Management on the Fiscal plan. There will be a meeting on the annexation. Date to be determined and published. The city will need to install 1800' of sewer to Maumee Center Road.

TREASURER:
Two corrections were made to the meeting minutes from the May 20th meeting. Councilman Voirol made a motion to approve as corrected, Councilman Gerig 2nd. All approved, motion carried.
Claim register was presented for payment. Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve, Councilman Voirol 2nd. All approved, motion carried. Ordinance G-13-1304 (an ordinance to sale bonds for water project and refund

WEST OHIO FOOD BANK RECEIVES LARGE DONATION

The West Ohio Food Bank is pleased to announce a major donation of \$10,000 toward our goal of raising \$120,000.00 to replace our industrial freezer and refrigeration units. Executive Director Scott S. Barr of the Shelby County United Way announced, "The Shelby County United Way is pleased to partner with the West Ohio Food Bank in their capital campaign for the replacement of the freezer units. The WOFB is vital to the food pantries in Shelby County. Over 2 million pounds of food is distributed annually to residents of food insecure homes (in Shelby County). Just over 1 million pounds comes directly from the WOFB."

Gary Bright the CEO of the West Ohio Food Bank said, "What was especially encouraging about this gift was that the Shelby County United Way came to us unsolicited after seeing our recent internal newsletter article about the need. This shows their commitment to addressing the needs of their community. Without this type of support to help us replace such a vital piece of our operation, we just couldn't function. Our Distribution of food is so dependent on our ability to refrigerate and keep frozen many of the products that we provide to the 175 plus programs that come to us for help."

Bright also said that, "while major donations are important, the food bank is also looking toward the communities that we serve for support." As an example he went on to say, "If we could get just 100 people, church classes, civic groups or clubs to donate just \$1,200.00 each, we can achieve this important goal and replace our 30 year old refrigeration and freezer system."

The West Ohio Food Bank is in the midst of an important drive to raise \$120,000.00 to replace the 30 year old re-

existing bonds) was read three times Councilman Renner made a motion to approve the first reading, Councilman Voirol 2nd. All approved, Councilman Gerig made a motion to approve the second reading, Councilman Renner 2nd. All approved, Councilman Voirol made a motion to approve the 3rd and final reading, Councilman Abbott 2nd. All approved, Ordinance Passed. Superintendent Walls: was not present

COUNCILMAN ABBOTT:
Reviewed the nuisance ordinance dealing with grass height and rank vegetation etc. The current ordinance has a stipulation of 9" before notice is given. Councilman Abbott suggested 6" with a 5 day limit to abate before the City steps in and mows/cleans up at owner expense. Treasurer will rewrite and have ready for the next meeting.

COUNCILMAN RICE:
Would like notification to go to resident on Hickory/Bull Rapids to mow grass. Would like to know if anyone is looking into spraying for Mosquitoes. Deputy Clerk to get quotes.

Councilman Renner: No Report
COUNCILMAN GERIG:
The two residents served with ordinance violations are cleaning up their properties. Four residents would like the city to vacate an alley. Treasurer will research ordinance to do that.

Councilman Voirol: No Report
Councilman Rice made a motion to adjourn; Councilman Voirol 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Notes prepared by Holly Sarrazine, Clerk Treasurer.

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frigeration and freezer units. The freezer is capable of storing about 11 semi trailer loads of food, while the refrigerator can hold up to 5 semi trailer loads of perishables.

It is important to note that 91 cents out of every dollar donated to the West Ohio Food Bank go directly to their mission of ending hunger in the 11 counties they serve in West Central Ohio. Map the Meal Gap, a hunger study done by Feeding America, sees 70,760 individuals and 28,870 children suffering from some level of food insecurity in the WOFB service area.

The West Ohio Food Bank is asking for donations of any size toward the replacement of the freezer and refrigeration units. To donate go online at wofb.org and follow the prompts, call the West Ohio Food Bank at 419-222-7946 or stop by the food bank, take a tour, and donate. The West Ohio Food Bank is located at 1380 East Kibby Street in Lima across from the Kewpee East.

VANTAGE BOARD REVIEWS END OF SCHOOL YEAR 6/6/13

The Vantage Board of Education met in the District Conference Room on Thursday, June 6, 2013. The minutes from the May 2, 2013 regular Board meeting were approved along with financial statements for the month of April, 2013. Treasurer Lori Davis updated the Board on Refunding Bonds.

Superintendent Staci Kaufman presented education and community updates, which included that work has begun this week constructing the solar array. The majority of the construction should be completed in 30 days, with solar power production expected tentatively on August 1. Employment needs continue as applicants are screened for the positions of Attendance Discipline Officer and Technology Support Specialist. She gave a summary of the first reading of NEOLA policy revisions recommended. Vantage will be present in several communities this summer as the parade and festival season is in full swing. Ben Winans reported on the end of school year activities and retirement and staff recognitions. Adult Education Director Pete Prichard reported on a pending ABE partnership with Apollo Career Center, Northwest State Community College Custom Training Solutions shared programs with Vantage, state accountability, and accreditation through ACCSC, as well as upcoming classes and events.

In new business, the Board:
1. Approved employment of the following, as needed, as schedule: Sarah Wurth, Social Studies; Mike Knott, Student Services Supervisor; Karen McGilton, Penny Baucom, Jessica Farr, Kaleb Baucom, all Summer Maintenance; Austin Meyer and Dustin Carter, Summer Technology; and John Ringwald and James Martin, Custodial/Maintenance;
2. Employed the following list, as Adult Education instructors, as needed, as scheduled: Pete Weir, T & I Programs Manager; Kevin Taylor, Doug Weigle, Glenn Schenk and Vicki Bidlack, all Police Academy assistants; Lynn Schweitzer, Health Careers; Justin Cornwell, Pharmacy Tech 2012-2013

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A Fort Wayne Monthly survey named Jeffrey Justice, MD, a Top Doc as rated by his peers. A professional survey of 2,500 licensed physicians asked them to name the doctors who they would trust to care for a member of their own family.
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CMH FOUNDATION MAKE PURCHASE FOR OB



The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation recently purchased a couch for ob. This couch is designed for maximum space in the patient room. The couch pulls out into a bed for Dad (or

other family members) to sleep while waiting for their special delivery.

Pictured are: Janis Meyer, Barb Savage, and Peggy Vaughn are inspecting the new couch.

and 2013-2014; Kristie Jones, Instructional Leader (Revised), Trade & Industry Program Manager (New), ABLE Coordinator (Revised), Transitions Coordinator/Student Support Specialist (New), Technology Support Specialist (New);
1. First reading of NEOLA new and revised policies.
The Superintendent requested that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the employment of an employee or official of the School District. No action was taken.
The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the district conference room.

PATROL PLANS OVI SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT THIS WEEK

The Ohio State Highway Patrol announced on June 23, 2013 that troopers will operate an OVI checkpoint to deter and intercept impaired drivers this week.

The county where the checkpoint will take place will be announced the day prior to the checkpoint, and the location will be announced the morning of the checkpoint.

If you plan to consume alcohol, designate a driver or make other travel arrangements before you drink. Don't let another life be lost for the senseless and selfless act of getting behind the wheel impaired.

Operational support for the sobriety checkpoint will be provided by local law enforcement agencies.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL MATCHING DONATION TO MADDOX FRANZ



Thrivent Financial for Lutherans presented a check to the family of Maddox Franz. Thrivent matched \$2,000 in addition to the funds raised from the April 6th Glow In the Dark 5K run/walk hosted by the Wayne Trace National Honor Society. Funds were

raised to offset medical expenses for Maddox. Pictured from left to right are Beth Kitson, Associate for Thrivent; C.W. Harper, President Paulding Defiance Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Brian Franz, Maddox Franz, Sarah Franz.

HAVE YOU HEARD THE CLOCK TICKING?

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

When I was in the fourth grade, our teacher, Mrs. Heath, challenged all of us to see how long we could hold our breath. I remember holding my breath, watching the second hand on the clock go around, one minute, then two and then I gasped for air. I will always remember what Mrs. Heath said next; "Now, that's all done and for all those seconds you held your breath, they are also gone, never to return. Please be very careful how you spend your time."

Someone who came to understand the eternity of each moment was UCLA Philosophy Professor, Dallas Willard. On May 8, 2013, Dallas Willard died. This great thinker, who taught philosophy at The University of Southern California for nearly a half-century, lost his mother when he was just two years of age. The final words she spoke to her husband as she was dying were, "Keep eternity before the children."

In many ways that defined Dallas Willard's life, and it addresses the central responsibility of every father, parent. We will help our children with many tasks throughout the various seasons of life, but nothing compares to the importance of keeping eternity's reality ever before our children (*With God: Give & Take, John Ortberg, Menlo Park Presbyterian Church, 5/12/13*).

There is something we all can learn, something we must learn before it's too late. That God has placed an eternal clock in our hearts and minds to remind us that time is precious, time is short. The scriptures remind us... Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NASB), "He has made everything appropriate in its time. He has also set eternity in their heart..."

Let's endeavor to listen to the ticking of the clock and consider then how we must live.

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

PAMPERED CHEF® TO BENEFIT HANDS OF HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER

Michelle Johnson, local Pampered Chef® consultant will be donating all proceeds to the month of June to the Hands of Hope Pregnancy Center. For more information please contact Michelle Johnson at 419-399-9701 or 419-670-3365.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 8:12 - Who are those by the way side?
2. Luke 8:12 - What does the devil do in this verse?
3. Luke 8:12 - Why does the devil do this?
4. Luke 8:13 - Who are those on the rock?
5. Luke 8:13 - How do they receive the word?
6. Luke 8:13 - What is it that these don't have?
7. Luke 8:13 - How long do they believe?
8. Luke 8:13 - What happens in the temptation?
9. Luke 8:14 - What happens to those who fall among thorns?
10. Luke 8:14 - How much fruit do they bring to maturity?

Comments or questions call James Potter 419-393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert 419-399-5022.

Answers to last week's questions:

1. Among thorns; 2. Thorns choked it; 3. Good ground; 4. 100%; 5. He who hears let him hear; 6. What does this parable mean? 7. They should know the mysteries of God; 8. Truths that can only be known by God; Read Ephesians 3:2-5 and 1st Peter 1:10-12. 9. Those who are not willing to receive Jesus message; 10. The word of God.

Now some comments on these verses:

This is the explanation of the sower: Christ is the great sower, and all whom he sends forth to preach are sowers under Him. The seed sown is the word of God, the Gospel, of the Kingdom. The soil is human minds. There are four kinds of human minds described. The wayside hearer; the light, flippant indifferent hearer, upon whom no impression is made;

2. The stony hearer; the mind that exhibits feelings at the appeal of the gospel, such as some may say, I feel chills running over my body, but upon whom no impression is made.

3. The thorny soil; the mind that takes in the Word, but is so full of worldly cares that these presently gain the mastery. This describes the world-serving hearer.

4. The good soil; the good and honest mind; the mind that receives and retains the truth. In such a mind the seed will grow and the new life will be manifest. But three things are needful: 1. a sower; 2. Good seed; the pure word of God; 3. a good and honest mind.

Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Ol' Baldy says bye for now, but continue to pray, read and study the Bible.

HANDS OF HOPE OPEN HOUSE

Hands of Hope Pregnancy Services opened its doors on March 1st in Paulding across from the hospital. The public is invited to an Open House at the new office in the Samaritan Center on West Wayne Avenue, on Thursday, June 27, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The Chamber of Commerce will be there to do a Ribbon Cutting and the Board and Staff will give tours of the East wing of the building.

The medical building was acquired by Youth For Christ in 2012 and the vision for a pregnancy center in Paulding County became a reality. Doug Roop, the YFC staff members in Paulding County serves as the building manager. The steering committee had met several times last fall, and plans were made to have the center become incorporated as a non-profit, Christian-based, social service agency and apply for its 501c3. That has recently been approved and the tax exempt status is retroactive to the date of incorporation which was October 22, 2012. The center is funded totally by contributions and is eager to build up its donors based of individuals, families, churches, and local businesses associates.

In the two months of being open, one client has already had her baby and received gifts of baby items along with "buying" the items with the Baby Bucks that she had earned for the Baby Store by taking educational classes at Hands of Hope. Others have begun taking several of the 60-80 available class topics, such as infant and child development, child safety, alcohol and substance abuse effects on pregnancy, healthy relationships, and many other important topics for parenting. They earn points for each class attended, and double points if they bring a support person, a male or female, to learn with them, in preparation for "buying" a new crib or a car seat, or other new baby items. They remain active clients throughout their pregnancies, and keep earning points for diapers and other baby items through classes and other incentive programs. Hands of Hope will service the moms and their babies until the child's 1st birthday. The program is not a hand-out, but a hand-up so that the clients will gain self-worth while they learn proper parenting and other life skills. Donations of baby items and money for new cribs and car seats are needed and Hands of Hope welcomes community members to assist in providing the necessary items for those clients. Receipts are given for all charitable contributions for tax purposes.

Hands of Hope provides free pregnancy testing, guidance and material assistance for pregnant women and teens, and also post abortion support for anyone who requests it. Referrals are given for medical or legal advice, also to WIC and other service agencies, and for adoption. In the future, they intend to offer free first trimester ultrasounds and nurse consultations under

the direction of a medical director. The center is open on Friday s from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. for walk-ins or by appointment. The Director of Client Services, Malinda Ricker, is on staff and several volunteers have been trained to serve as receptionists and client support at Hands of Hope. Please call 419-399-2447 for more information or to request a volunteer application or send an email to client-services@handsofhopepaulding.com

FORT WAYNE FARMERS MARKET'S NEW HAVEN MARKET KICK-OFF STARTS FWFM'S NEW HAVEN SQUARE MARKET

Fort Wayne's Farmers Market (FWFM) is on the road! FWFM has joined forces with the City of New Haven to provide an even greater selection of high quality vendors to New Haven area residents. The New Haven market is in its 2nd year of operation. The location will be in Schnelker Park from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday evening through October 16th.

"FWFM is pleased to be working with the City of New Haven's Parks and Recreation staff to provide the residents in the area an opportunity to try some incredible products from local vendors," said Leigh Rowan, Market Coordinator. "This market will help spread our message of 'Buy Local, Buy Fresh' to an even wider audience."

FWFM is proud to offer fresh produce and foods with selections for those with special dietary needs or restrictions including vegetarian, vegan, paleo, sugar-free and gluten-free.

FWFM has several other satellite markets throughout the summer season:

- Parkview Regional Medical Center Campus (PRMC) - Tuesdays, May 28th to August 27th, 2:00-6:00 p.m.
- FWFM Downtown (One Summit Square) - Wednesdays, May 29th to September 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- Georgetown Square

- Thursdays, June 13th to September 12th, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

- Jefferson Pointe (near Carmike Theatre) - Fridays, June 7th to September 6th, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

- FWFM Downtown (Barr Street parking lot between Wayne and Washington) - Saturdays, June 1st to September 14th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

When visiting FWFM and individual vendors, be sure to check in on foursquare for deals and specials! FWFM encourages the community to "Buy Local, Buy Fresh" at every opportunity, including supporting other farmers markets.

WOODBURN PLANS "DAY IN THE PARK"

Have you heard the "buzz"? An even bigger and better family fun day is being planned for Woodburn's 2013 Day in the Park. The park will be filled with many opportunities to participate, observe or just simply enjoy the food, entertainment and visiting with friends.

New events will actually begin on Friday, July 19th with a Co-Ed Softball Tournament and an Adult Trivia Night at 7:00 p.m.

To participate or receive additional information on any of the following events, please contact the chairpersons listed below:

- Softball Tournament - Tiffany at 260-348-1191.
- Adult Trivia Night - Gary at 260-466-6599
- Hidden Talent Variety Hour - Melissa at 260-602-7942
- Parade of Dreams - Tonya at 260-255-0075
- Horseshoe Tournament - Mike at 260-632-0700
- Woodburn High School Alumni Reunion - Joan at 260-632-4538
- Corn Hole Tournament - Gary at 260-499-6599
- Food Tent - Naomi at 260-557-5871
- Bicycle Safety Rodeo - Randy at 260-632-0106.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This is an open letter to the Paulding County Commissioners in response to the "Letter to the Editor" printed a recent edition of the Defiance Crescend.

Dear Commissioners:
At your request I have reviewed a legal opinion originally issued by my office in 2008. At that time, the question presented was whether or not it would be a conflict of interest for a Paulding Commissioner to contract with a wind energy company and lease land owned by him to that entity, here in Paulding County, Ohio.

The opinion issued by me focused on the following facts:

1. The State of Ohio legislature approved laws contained in the Ohio Revised Code that permitted wind energy companies to do business in the State of Ohio and also provided a mechanism for taxing the wind energy enterprises.
2. The public Utilities Commission of Ohio provides all oversight of the wind energy farms including site location's approval.
3. The contract between the wind energy company and all land owners were similar as to terms and conditions and no preferential treatment would be given to the Paulding County Commissioner entering into a lease.

Based upon my research of Ohio Attorney General Opinions and Ohio Ethic Opinions in conjunction with the stated facts, I expressed and opinion then that a conflict of interest does not exist for a Paulding County Commissioner to enter into a private lease agreement with a wind energy company.

Having updated my research of Ohio Attorney General Opinions and Ohio Ethic Opinions I affirm my prior opinions that a conflict of interest does not exist for a Paulding County Commissioner to enter into a private lease agreement with a wind energy company under the facts as previously stated.

—Joseph R. Burkard,
Prosecuting Attorney

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Over the past month there have been a lot of rumors spread about my father, Tony Zartman, that I would like to address, as I am sure many of you would do if a member of your family was in the same situation.

One of the most disturbing rumors I have heard so far is that my father sees no harm in behaving cruelly towards animals and has even "drowned a kitten instead of finding it a home." Over my lifetime, I have seen many animals come into our family home, and not once have I seen my father mistreat one of them, but instead, I have only seen him act towards them with affection and respect. One of our own dogs was adopted, so we know first-hand the value and love that an adopted dog can bring to a family. To propose that my dad does not care about the fate of the dogs in the county is a preposterous, untrue statement. Have you ever even given a thought to the fact that the new changes could benefit the county and maybe you should give them a chance?

I would also like to point out the fact that at the time of the windmill lease signings, my parents only owned one piece of land, which a lease was signed for, terminated, and the ground was sold. My grandparents did have more leases signed on their land (not that my dad received any money from them), but they too were terminated without the construction of any windmills. I am confused as to why there is still controversy over the windmills considering it is old news

and they bring money into the county, is it because your land was not chosen for any leases, or the fact that you do not own any land to be chosen? I would just like to remind everyone that decisions can only be made with a two-thirds vote from the three commissioners, and my father is only one man.

Since some people deemed fit to dig even deeper into my father's past and bring up his involvement in the Dallas Lamb Foundation closing the nursing home in Payne, some things need to be clarified about that as well. When they asked my father to join the foundation board, they did so with full knowledge that they were already in poor condition financially with a strong possibility of a future closing. My father readily joined to try to find a solution in any way he could because of his concern for the community and the people in it. During this whole process, my dad never received one cent of payment for his service, unlike many of those before him. If my dad was getting rich off of the county this whole time, then why would my mom work three jobs, and my dad work two?

I was able to restrain from correcting the false accusations about my father until his faith and service to God was questioned. Throughout my freshman year at college, I struggled with a lot of stress and being homesick. My father's constant reminder to look to God during the rough times and the bible verse he texted me on my worst days were the only things that got me through the year. He has constantly pushed my siblings and I to pursue a strong relationship with our Heavenly Father and serve Him in any way that we could. My whole life my father was always the first to educate me about God's word and has volunteered to say the prayer before dinner at almost every function he attends. When people ask me who my biggest influence and role model was for a Christian life, I answer my dad without any hesitation. Currently, my father is guiding my fiancé and I through a class about baptism before he baptizes us on June 29th. Those who truly know my father would never doubt his faith, commitment, and service to God.

I wanted to write this letter to remind those who know my father, and inform those that do not, what a loving husband, father, friend, neighbor, and servant he truly is that deserves better than to have petty lies spread about him. I know without a doubt that God is the pilot of my father's life. Can you say the same about your own? "There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies, and a person who stirs up conflict in the community." Proverbs 6:16-19.

—Kelly Zartman

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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEARBY ATTRACTIONS THIS SUMMER

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

As the temperatures continue to heat up, Hoosiers across the state begin traveling to their summer destinations. As you may know, many attractions lie within the state's borders, and several weekend or day-long escapes can even be found here in Northern Indiana. Tourism not only creates and sustains jobs in our area; it brings in millions of dollars in revenue. As you're planning a trip this summer, I encourage you to consider an Indiana destination.

The most popular local attractions for families are the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo and Science Central. If you haven't taken your family to either of these locations, I highly encourage it. These are great ways to get your children excited about nature and science - which can translate to long-term interests and something they may incorporate into their futures.

To quench their thirst for competition, sports fans have many options in Northeast Indiana. In particular, the Fort Wayne Tin Caps play at one of the best minor league fields in the country, Parkview Field.

Fort Wayne's Three Rivers Festival is also a great family attraction every summer. The downtown event features concerts, raft races, arts & crafts and more. The festival will take place from July 13 to July 20 this year.

Just a short drive north of Fort Wayne, DeKalb County also has many great options. There are nine museums in DeKalb County that highlight the area's nickname: "Hub of Transportation History." The area also has an outdoor theater which offers free admission and showcases musical acts like the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra.

It excites me that Northeast Indiana offers so many tourism hot sports for the state and country to enjoy. I encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities that lie right in your backyard and embrace all that Fort Wayne and Auburn have to offer.

What do you think?

PAYNE CHAMBER WATCH BRICKS CRUMBLE ON GREEN AWNING PROJECT



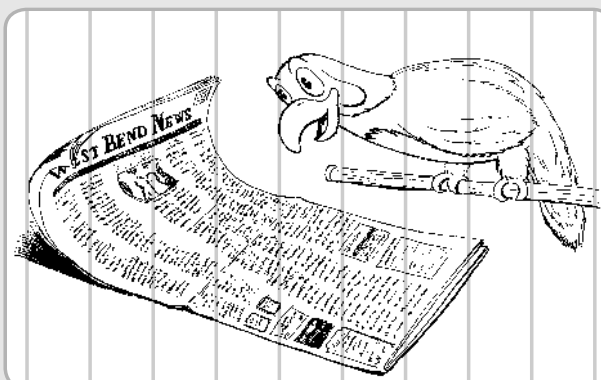
The Chamber was excited to see its most recent downtown project come to a thrilling conclusion as heavy equipment finally brought down the structure in a matter of a few hours Thursday June 20. We are very pleased to see the "Green Awning Project" come down safely. There has been a little confusion on what will go in the newest open lot, the answer is that the first priority the Chamber has is to try to use the lot to bring in a new business to our downtown and in the meanwhile we are talking of possible temporary uses for the lot while we leave the lot up for sale for development. The Antwerp Bank has no plans to purchase this site and they are still developing plans with a contractor for the corner lot which they plan to start in the fall of 2013.

Many businesses and individuals donated over \$26,000.00 so this nearly \$50,000.00 project could come to reality. The Chamber will need to borrow the


remaining amount against the old police station building. The Chamber now owns the current police station because of a building swap with the current bank building that we formerly owned. The Chamber have both the old police station and the former green awning building lot up for sale and welcome inquiries 419-769-4708 to help develop the new downtown. The Chamber would also like to let the community and its donors know that the Chamber has no future plans in the next few years to do anymore demo projects, largely due to the amount that has been given over the past two years and we cannot justify a future project without a buyer for the properties. All of the community support—it is very encouraging for business opportunities and to make our small town a better place in which to live.

—Chad Benschneider,
President

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2013 PAULDING COUNTY 4-H FAIR RESULTS

The Week of June 10-15 was the Paulding County 4-H Fair. These are the results from the different categories offered in the 4-H programs.

FFA RESULTS:

FFA Best Horticulture - Emily Albert
FFA Best Welding - Marcus McVay

FOOD AND NUTRITION:

Beginning Projects - I Spy in the Kitchen - Aleyah Cline, BEST; Fast Break for Breakfast - Ellie Stoller, BEST; Snack Attack - Alex Reinhart, BEST

Best Beginning Food Project - Aleyah Cline

2nd Place Beginning Food Project - Ellie Stoller

Intermediate Projects - Let's Bake Quick Breads - Alena Denny, BEST; Sports Nutrition 2 - Kandee Manson, BEST; Star Spangled Foods - Olivia Egnor, BEST

Best Intermediate Food Project - Kandee Manson

2nd Place Intermediate Food Project - Olivia Egnor

Advanced Projects - Yeast Breads on the Rise - Kathryn Clapsaddle, BEST; The Global Gourmet - Kathryn Clapsaddle, BEST

Best Advanced Projects - Kathryn Clapsaddle

Food with Dairy - Science Fun with Dairy Foods - Jonathan Clapsaddle, BEST

FOOD AND NUTRITION STATE FAIR QUALIFIERS:
Advance Level - Yeast Breads on the Rise - Kathryn Clapsaddle; Global Gourmet - Kathryn Clapsaddle; Intermediate Level - Sport Nutrition 2 - Kandee Manson; Star Spangled Foods - Olivia Egnor; Beginner Level - I Spy in the Kitchen - Aleyah Cline; Fast Break for Breakfast - Ellie Stoller; Snack Attack - Alex Reinhart

VEGETABLE GARDENING:

How Does Garden Grow - Julia Steiner

CLOTHING RESULTS:

Beginning Projects - Sew Fun - Julianne Roop, BEST
Best Beginning Clothing - Julianne Roop; Second Place Beginning Clothing - Christina Graham; Sewing for Others - Jehane Hoagland, BEST

Best Intermediate Clothing - Jehane Hoagland

Advanced Projects - Creative Costumes - Rachel Nicelly, BEST; Shopping Savvy - Rachel Kroeger, BEST

Best Advanced Clothing Project - Rachel Nicelly

Bernadyne Rogers Memorial Award - Alexis Keyser

Outstanding Clothing Award - Julianne Roop

State Fair - Sew Fun Project - Julianne Roop

FCS PROJECTS RESULTS:
Health - You're the Athlete - Matthew Stouffer, BEST; First Aid for Kids - Cameron Stoller, BEST; Alcohol Decisions - Mikayla Porter, BEST

First Place Health Project - Cameron Stoller

Second Place Health Project - Mikayla Porter

Health STATE FAIR QUALIFIERS:

First Aid - Junior Cameron Stoller; Discovery/Exploring 4-H - Jalynn Parrett, BEST

First Place Discovering 4-H Award - Jalynn Parrett

Family Life - Family History Treasure Hunt - Hannah Wilhelm, BEST

Family STATE FAIR QUALIFIERS:

Family History Treasure Hunt - Hannah Wilhelm; Leisure Activities - Cake Decorating - Christine Clapsaddle, Best; Scrapbooking - Katie Stoller; You Can Quilt - Alex Cardin

First Place Leisure Activity Project - Christine Clapsaddle

Second Place Leisure Activity - Alex Cardin

LEISURE ACTIVITIES STATE FAIR QUALIFIERS:

Cake Decorating - Christine Clapsaddle; Scrapbooking - Katie Stoller; Self Determined - Estee Miller

First Place Self Determined - Estee Miller

Second Place Self Determined - Jacob Stouffer

Creative Arts - Get Started in ART - Caitlyn Doster

Leadership - Leadership One on One - Matthew Klopfenstein, BEST; Teen Boardmanship - Ellie Miller, BEST

STATE FAIR QUALIFIERS:

Leadership - One on One - Matthew Klopfenstein; Self Determined - Junior Estee Miller

2013 JUNIOR FAIR BOOTH JUDGING RESULTS:

Best Use of Jr. Fair Theme - Doe C Doe; Most Creative Award - Blue Ribbon Workers; Most Educational - Leaders of Tomorrow; Best Use of Color - Campground Kids

2013 JUNIOR FAIR PARADE JUDGING RESULTS:

First Place (\$40) - Brown

Senior Rabbit Showmanship - Katie Carnahan, First;

RABBITS RESULTS:

Senior Rabbit Showmanship - Katie Carnahan, First;



Caylin Johanns & Rusty

Junior Rabbit Showmanship - Alli Hefner, First; Beginning Rabbit Showmanship - Tiana Cooper, First; Champion of Champion Rabbit Showmanship - Jowaine Grimes, First; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Ethan Noggle, First; Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Ashley Miller, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Alexis Howell, First; Champion Single Fryer - Jacob Kuhn; Reserve Champion Single Fryer - Riley Stoller; Grand Champion Rabbit



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Betty's & Buster Brown; Second Place (\$25) - Campground Kids; Third Place (\$25) - Flatrock Farmers

2013 JUNIOR FAIR KING QUEEN AND COURT:

2013 Queen - Emma Schmidt; 2013 King - Dalton Thomas; 1st Runner Up Queen - Blair Baumle; 1st Runner Up King - Matthew Klopfenstein; 2nd Runner Up Queen - Kara Burak; 2nd Runner Up King - Justin Carnahan; 2013 Prince - Caleb Cox; 2013 Princess - Maggie Cox; 2013 Jr. King - Payton Beckman; 2013 Jr. Queen - Christina Graham

MODELING RESULTS:

Cloverbud Class - Jazmyne Roddy; Beginner Class - Christina Graham; Intermediate Class - Rachel Kroeger; Advanced Class - Blair Baumle

Best Overall Model - Christina Graham

SMALL ANIMALS RESULTS:

Dog Care - Carissa Laukhuf, BEST; Dog Performance - Jowaine Grimes, BEST; Dog Working - Jowaine Grimes, BEST

1st Place Small Animal Project - Jowaine Grimes

Horseless Horse - Bailey Meyer

1st Place Horseless Horse Project - Bailey Meyer

Veterinary Science - The Normal Animal - Brooke Weidenhamer, BEST

1st Place Veterinary Science - Brook Weidenhamer

Jr. Leaders - 1st Place Jr. Leaders - Alexis Howell

2nd Place Jr. Leader - Kan-

Meat Pen - Ethan Noggle; Reserve Champion Rabbit Meat Pen - Ashley Miller; 6 Class Senior buck - Jowaine Grimes, First; 6 Class Senior Doe - Jowaine Grimes, First; 6 Class Intermediate Buck - Ethan Noggle, First; 6 Class Intermediate Doe - Ethan Noggle, First; 6 Class Junior Buck - Austin Howell, First; 6 Class Junior Doe - Ethan Noggle, First; Grand Champion 6-Class - Jowaine Grimes; Best Opposite 6 Class - Alexis Howell, First; 4 Class Senior Buck - Austin Howell, First; 4 Class Senior Doe - Jowaine Grimes, First; 4 Class Intermediate Doe, First; 4 Class Junior Buck - Jowaine Grimes, First; 4 Class Junior Doe - Jowaine Grimes, First; Grand Champion 4 Class - Austin Howell, First; Best Opposite 4 Class - Jowaine Grimes, First; Mixed Breed Rabbit Overall - Jowaine Grimes, First; Best of Show, All Breeds (Rabbits) - Jowaine Grimes, First; Best Opposite, All Breeds (Rabbits) - Alexis Howell, First; Doe & Litter - Jowaine Grimes, First

BEEF RESULTS:

Senior Beef Showmanship - Jacob Sukup, First; Junior Beef Showmanship - Eli Molitor, First; Beginning Beef Showmanship - Noah Ryan, First; Champion of Champion Beef Showmanship - Matthew Klopfenstein, First; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Morgan Hefner, First; Intermediate Skillathon 12-14 year olds) - Jared Sukup, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Tiffany Spangler, First; Grand Cham-

Champion Beef Female - Issac Nice; 1st Place Class A Beef Feeder - Matthew Klopfenstein; 2nd Place Class A Beef Feeder - Morgan Hefner; 1st Place Class B Beef Feeder - Jacob Sukup; 2nd Place Class B Beef Feeder - Eli Molitor; 1st Place Class C Beef Feeder - Joshua Sukup; 2nd Place Class C Beef Feeder - Jared Sukup; Champion Beef Feeder - Joshua Sukup; Reserve Champion Beef Feeder - Jacob Sukup; 1st Place Class A Steer - Isaac Nice; 2nd Place Class A Steer - Eli Molitor; 1st Place Class B Steer - Eli Molitor; 2nd Place Class B Steer - Jacob Sukup; 1st Place Class C Steer - Joshua Sukup; 2nd Place Class C Steer - Matthew Klopfenstein; Champion Market Steer - Eli Molitor; Reserve Champion Market Steer - Jacob Sukup; Rate of Gain Market Steer - Eli Molitor, First

DAIRY BEEF RESULTS:

Dairy Dairy Beef Showmanship - David Sinn, First; Junior Dairy Beef Showmanship - Joseph Schmidt, First; Beginning Dairy Beef Showmanship - Jonathan Sinn, First; Champion of Champion Dairy Beef Showmanship - Abram Klopfenstein; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Bethany Klopfenstein, First; Intermediate Skillathon 12-14 year olds) - David Sinn, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Bailey Combs, First; Champion Dairy Steer - Daniel Sinn; Dairy/Beef Feeder Class A - Jacob Klopfenstein, First; Dairy/Beef Class A Second Place - Matthew Klopfenstein; Dairy/Beef Feeder Class B - Emma Schmidt, First; Dairy/Beef Class B Second Place - Rebecca Mccroskey; Dairy/Beef Class C - Bethany Klopfenstein, First; Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class C - David Sinn; Dairy/Beef Class D - Bethany Klopfen-

stein, First; Dairy/Beef Class D Second Place - Misti Klopfenstein; Dairy/Beef Class E - Megan Reineck, First; Reserve Champion Dairy/Beef Class E - Sydney Reineck; Grand Champion Dairy Feeder - Jacob Klopfenstein; Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder - Megan Reineck

GOAT RESULTS:

Senior Goat Showmanship - Ashley Flynn, First; Junior Goat Showmanship - Molly Meeker, First; Beginning Goat Showmanship - Lexie Beckman, First; Champion of Champion Goat Showmanship - Tiffany Spangler, First; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Brandon Hornish, First; Intermediate Skillathon 12-14 year olds) - Connor Baumle, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Blair Baumle,



Olivia Egnor

First; Grand Champion Dairy Goat - Blair Baumle; Reserve Champion Dairy Goat - Ben Weible; Grand Champion Pigmy Goat - Ashley Flynn; Reserve Champion Pigmy Goat - Bailey Meyer; Grand Champion Breeding Boer Doe - Jalynn Parrett; Reserve Champion Breeding Boer Doe - Jalynn Parrett; 1st Place Class A Market Goat - Clint Spangler; 2nd Place Class A Market Goat - Molly Meeker; 1st Place Class B Market Goat - Tiffany Spangler; 2nd Place Class B Market Goat - Arlynn Cooper; 1st Place Class C Market Goat - Ar-

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Maggie Wilson preparing Food for the Fairgoers

Horstman; 1st Place Class E Market Goat - Molly Meeker; 2nd Place Class E Market Goat - Kyle Mobley; 1st Place Class F Market Goat - Jalynn Parrett; 2nd Place Class F Market Goat - Janae Pease; 1st Place Class G Market Goat - Brendan Hornish; 2nd Place Class G Market Goat - Korbin Slade; Grand Champion Market Goat - Kara Burak; Reserve Champion Market Goat - Molly Meeker; Born and Raised Market Goat - Aaron Horstman; Rate of Gain - Goats - Brendan Hornish, First

SHEEP RESULTS:

Senior Sheep Showmanship - Abram Klopfenstien, First; Junior Sheep Showmanship - Adrienne Rosswurm, First; Beginning Sheep Showmanship - Andrew Keyser, First; Champion of Champion Sheep Showmanship - Abram Klopfenstien; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Katie Oberlin, First; Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Grace Spangler, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Luke Spangler, First; 1st Place Class A Market Lamb - Abram Klopfenstien; 2nd Place Class A Market Lamb - Andrew Keyser; 1st Place Class B Market Lamb - Dana Rosswurm; 2nd Place Class B Market Lamb - Andrew Keyser; Champion Market Lamb - Abram Klopfenstien; Reserve Champion Market Lamb - Dana Rosswurm; Rate of Gain Sheep - Joseph Schmidt, First

SWINE RESULTS:

Senior Swine Showmanship - Olivia Cramer, First; Junior Swine Showmanship - Payton Beckman, First; Beginning Swine Showman-

ship - Wyatt Beckman, First; Champion of Champion Swine Showmanship - Olivia Cramer; Beginner Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Kaden Basster, First; Intermediate Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Rachell Kroeger, First; Advanced Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Logan Fast, First; Market Hog Class A First Place - Courtney Kupfersmith; Market Hog Class A Second Place - Rachell Kroeger; Market Hog Class B First Place - Logan Fast; Market Hog Class B Second Place - Olivia Cramer; Market Hog Class C First Place - Lauren Speice; Market Hog Class C Second Place - Ray Kupfersmith; Market Hog Class D First Place - Jacob Todd; Market Hog Class D Second Place - Rachel Kroeger; Market Hog Class E First Place - Adam Stalsberg; Market Hog Class E Second Place - Justin Speice; Market Hog Class F First Place - Courtney Kupfersmith; Market Hog Class F Second Place - Adam Stalsberg; Market Hog Class G First Place - Treanna Bidlack; Market Hog Class G Second Place - Meagan Speice; Grand Champion Market Hog - Jacob Todd; Reserve Champion Market Hog - Adam Stalsberg; Third Champion Market Hog - Courtney Kupfersmith

POULTRY RESULTS:

Senior Poultry Showmanship - Cameron Strahley, First; Junior Poultry Showmanship - Kaly Strahley, First; Beginning Poultry Showmanship - Riley Noffsinger, First; Champion of Champion Poultry Showmanship - Cameron Strahley, First; Beginning Chicken Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Adrienne Rosswurm, First; Intermediate Chicken Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Hannah Farr, First; Advanced Chicken Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Emily Albert, First; Beginning Turkey Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Bethany Klopfenstein, First; Intermediate Turkey Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Jacob Klopfenstein, First; Advanced Turkey Skillathon (15-18 year olds) - Mackenzie Haney, First; Beginning Duck or Geese Skillathon (8-11 year olds) - Faith Meraz, First; Intermediate Duck or Geese Skillathon (12-14 year olds) - Hannah Farr, First; Advanced Duck or Geese Skillathon (15-18 year olds)

- Bailey Zeller, First; Grand Champion Chicken Meat Pen of Three (Same Sex) - Brooke Weidenhamer; Reserve Champion Chicken Meat Pen of Three (Same Sex) - Emily



Michael Tope cleaning up at the County Music Boosters Fundraiser booth.

Farr; Grand Champion Turkey Meat Pen of Two - Jacob Klopfenstein; Reserve Champion Trukey Meat Pen of Two - Bethany Klopfenstein; Grand Champion Tom Turkey - Heather Oberlin; Reserve Champion Tom Turkey - Jacob Klopfenstein; Grand Champion Duck Meat Pen of Two - Alec Kuhn; Grand Champion Geese Meat Pen of Two - Bailey Zeller; Reserve Champion Geese Meat Pen of Two - Faith Meraz; Grand Champion Standard Breed - Chandler Diven; Reserve Champion Standard Breed - Chandler Diven; Grand Champion Fancy Breed - Ben Weible; Reserve Champion Fancy Breed - Brooke Weidenhamer; Grand Champion Exhibition Bird - Jacob Klopfenstein

2013 Outstanding Livestock Award - Luke Spangler

2013 Showman of Showmen Award - Chandler Diven

2013 Nathan Plummer Memorial Award - Luke Spangler

BIG, COLORFUL IDEAS FOR SMALL SPACES

(NAPSI)—Making a small room appear larger can be as simple as using color creatively. To add some breathing room to a compact space, all you need are some colorful ideas.

"Color is one of the easiest, most affordable ways

to transform the look and feel of a room," says David Bromstad, HGTV® star and celebrity interior designer. "When used in a few well-chosen places, such as a feature wall or statement piece of furniture, color can have a big impact in a small space."

Bromstad offers these color tips for transforming a space from tiny to airy:

Create a focal point with paint. Paint a statement wall that draws attention away from the size of your space and toward something beautiful and vibrant. Bright or bold colors work well, as the wall can appear to recede, creating the illusion of space.

Go big with lighter and softer colors. In areas beyond the feature wall, use lighter and softer colors to make the space seem larger. Light blues and greens add significant light subtly to a room.

Coordinate your colors. Stretch your space and maximize impact by using color to coordinate your rooms and decor. HGTV® HOME by Sherwin-Williams offers pre-coordinated collections of color, paint and wallpaper. The color palettes can be used to ensure that your walls, furniture and accessories help create a cohesive look.

Reflect upon something. Placed opposite a window or side by side, mirrors can spread light throughout the room to make spaces feel larger. A tall mirror draws the eye up, making ceilings look taller. When angled toward your room's focal wall, a mirror can also create the illusion of depth.

Paint something unexpected. Think beyond your walls and consider painting your mailbox or address numbers on your home, a stairway banister or a piece of furniture. Add a colorful punctuation point by transforming a bedroom nightstand bright blue or a desk chair in an unexpected orange. Everything else in the room will appear larger.

"Clever use of color adds the illusion of space and injects personality into it as well. That's what's great about color; you can dramatically alter the look of a room while expressing yourself in a fun way," Bromstad adds.

For additional inspiration and information on HGTV HOME by Sherwin-Williams, visit www.sherwin-williams.com/hgtv.

GET READY FOR 4-H NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE DAY!

(NAPSI)—This October, young people all across the nation will take on geospatial technologies as they complete the 2013 National Science Experiment—4-H Maps & Apps. Designed by Colorado State University Extension, the experiment will introduce youth to the importance of geographic information systems (GIS) as they design and map their ideal park, use mapping to solve community problems, and contribute data to the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) The National Map program.

4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) is the pre-

ALBRIGHT ADVANCES TO STATE COMPETITION



Krystal Albright loves to ride her bicycle. Many of you may have seen her as she rides around Paulding and the surrounding area.

Krystal first started competing in Special Olympics, in cycling, in 2010. She enjoyed it so much that in 2011 she decided to compete in the one mile, three mile and five mile races along with the stage race. She finished third place female in the state of Ohio.

In 2012 she set a personal best record at state competition, and she came home with the title of second place female in the State of Ohio.

This year she has competed in Cleveland, Ohio and Oregon, Ohio where she placed either first or second in all of her races. She will advance to state competition, where she will once again represent Paulding County in State Games.

Krystal, along with about 2,700 other athletes, will travel to Columbus, Ohio to compete in the 2013 State Games on the campus of Ohio State University. State Games are held June 28-30. Competition is held in eleven different sports. Krystal is busy conditioning and training in preparation for this big event.

The part she likes best about training is when she works on her endurance. In the last few weeks Krystal, along with her coach who is her dad, have made several cycling trips. Among them have been trips to Defiance, Van Wert, and even Ottawa. Krystal is planning and looking forward to more of these trips before she travels to Columbus.

If you see Krystal out and about, wish her good luck at state. I'm sure she would appreciate all the support!

mier national rallying event for year-round 4-H science programming that reaches millions of young people each year. This exciting annual event brings together youth from all around the nation to complete a single, innovative science, technology, engineering or math (STEM) related activity in an effort to expose young people to new science topics and, ultimately, drive STEM workforce development. This year, 4-H National Youth Science Day will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013.

For more information about 4-H National Youth Science Day, go to www.4-H.org/NYSD. For more information about 4-H programs, go to www.4-H.org.

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LOOK BEYOND U.S. BORDERS FOR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor

Are you traveling abroad this summer? If so, you won't be alone. Increasingly, Americans seem to have gotten the "travel bug." In fact, over one-third of the population now holds valid passports, according to the U.S. Department of State. Of course, seeing the world can help broaden our horizons in many aspects of life — including how we invest.

Investment prospects now exist in every part of the planet. However, you might wonder why you should invest globally. Aren't there enough good opportunities right here in the United States?

The U.S. does indeed provide a wealth of investment choices. But you can still receive at least two key benefits from international investing. Let's take a quick look at them:

- **Growth potential** — As you know, the United States is a highly developed economy. That doesn't mean, of course, that we have no "upside" here — we do, and we always will. Nonetheless, you can also find growth opportunities in foreign markets. Which ones? There's never any one "right" answer. In one year, a particular country, or even an entire region, such as the Pacific Rim, might lead the way, as far as performance. Then, the very next year, a different country or region could top the list. Since it's almost certainly futile to try to guess which areas will perform the

best in any given year, you're much better off looking for solid investment opportunities in all regions of the world.

- **Diversification** — By investing internationally, you can help diversify your portfolio. The world's financial markets are connected to each other, but they don't always move in unison. In any given year, the U.S. markets may be down, but international markets might be doing significantly better. Consequently, if, during that year, you had only invested in U.S. companies, your portfolio would have taken a hit, but if you had spread your investment dollars around the world, your year-end results might have looked considerably different. Keep in mind, though, that while diversification can help reduce the effects of volatility, it can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.

Although international investing does provide some key benefits, it also carries some unique risks. For example, when you invest in companies based overseas, you may encounter political instability, which could threaten the financial markets of a country or an entire region. You could also experience currency risk, which means that changes in the value of the U.S. dollar, relative to foreign currencies, could harm the value of your investments.

In any case, you probably won't want international holdings to ever take up a majority of your portfolio. How much should you own? Again, there's no right answer for everyone. Your investment mix should be based on your risk tolerance, time horizon and individual goals.

And, because of the complexities involved with foreign markets, you may well want to work with a financial professional — someone with the expertise and resources to evaluate the pros and cons of international investments.

By looking past U.S. borders for investment opportunities, you can expand your horizons for potential investment success. Bon voyage!

iAB FINANCIAL BANK SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

iAB Financial Bank, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Independent Alliance Banks, Inc., and the Fort Wayne Community Foundation are pleased to announce the 11 recipients of the iAB Financial Bank Employee Scholarship award. Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement and personal qualities such as character, leadership ability and community service.

The 2013 recipients are:

- **Heather Huffman** — Pursuing a degree in Nursing from the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne. Heather is the daughter of Thomas and Dianna Huffman of Poneto, IN.

- **Nathan Liechty** — Nathan is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Indiana Wesleyan University.

- **Alexander Martin** — Alexander attends Indiana University in Bloomington, IN and is working toward a Bachelor's degree in Biology. He is the son of Brad Martin and Kathy Martin of Fort Wayne, IN.

- **Kristin Wilde** — Kristin is pursuing a Master's degree in Business Administration and Science Management from Indiana Institute of Technology Inc. d/b/a/ Indiana Tech.

2013 renewing scholarship recipients include:

- **Kelsey Ahrens** — Pursuing a degree in Nursing from the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, Kelsey is the daughter of Mark and Michelle Ahrens of Ossian, IN.

- **Melinda Bender** — Melinda is the daughter of Tom and Susan Bender, and she is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Telecommunications from Ball State University in Muncie, IN.

- **Jessica Grandlienard** — Jessica attends Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN and is working toward a Bachelor's degree in Dietetics. She is the daughter of Paul and Mary Grandlienard of Bluffton, IN.

- **Allison Hamm** — The daughter of Sidney and Donna Hamm of Grabill, IN, Allison is studying at Indiana Purdue Fort Wayne toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology.

- **Molly McKee** — The daughter of Mark and Beth McKee of New Haven, IN, Molly is working toward a Bachelor's degree in Education at Indiana Purdue University of Fort Wayne.

- **Angela Witmer** — Pursuing a degree in Business Administration, Angela attends Indiana Institute of Technology Inc. d/b/a Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne.

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- **Jennifer Witmer** — Jennifer attends Ivy Tech Community College in Fort Wayne and is pursuing a degree in Business Administration.

iAB Financial Bank employs approximately 285 people in our local communities which include Fort Wayne, Bluffton, Grabill, Harlan, Huntington, Leo, Markle, New Haven, Ossian, Van Buren, and Warren.

NEW HAVEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NAMES NEW PRESIDENT/CEO

The New Haven Chamber of Commerce has named Charles Hatten to be its new President/CEO. Hatten is expected to assume his new position July 1.

Hatten is a long time New Haven resident who has served the New Haven Chamber in several capacities for over 10 years. Hatten is currently serving as the Past Board Chair. During this period, the Chamber's membership more than



doubled and membership revenues grew by 300%. He replaces Vince Buchanan who will become the new Executive Director of the Regional Chamber on July 1.

"The New Haven Chamber of Commerce has enjoyed significant success over the past several years, and our support for the citizens and businesses of our community continue to be our primary mission. We are pleased that Charles accepted the challenge of leading this important organization and help us move forward and build on an already strong track record," said Rob Callahan, Chairman of its Board of Directors.

Hatten has been involved in serving the community on several boards and currently leads a program serving Military Families in Northeast Indiana. He held various leadership positions at Tokheim, Petroleum Parts and Briljent. He graduated from IPFW with a Bachelor's Degree in Business and IVY Tech with an Associate in Computer Technology. Charles and his wife of 40 years, Teresa has two daughters, five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

"Through the efforts of the Board of Directors, the staff of Mayor McDonald, the new Executive Director of the Regional Chamber and others, we see the future of the East Allen County business community being very bright," said Hatten. "I am anxious to get started, working with our partners in making the New Haven community a great place for employers and employees to thrive and prosper."

FOREIGN INVESTORS MUST REPORT U.S. AGRICULTURAL LAND HOLDINGS

Ohio Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting State Executive Director, David Drake, reminds foreign investors, who buy, sell or hold a direct or indirect interest in U.S. agricultural land must report their holdings and transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture. Failure to timely file an accurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land. Foreign persons who are buying or selling land must report the transaction within 90 days of the date of the transaction.

Who Must Report:

- Individuals who are not U.S. citizens or citizens of the Northern Mariana Islands or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;

- Individuals who are not lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residence or who are not paroled into the U.S. under the Immigration and Nationality Act;

- Any organization created under laws of a foreign government or which has located its principle place of business outside the U.S.;

- Any U.S. organization in which a significant interest or substantial control is directly or indirectly held

by foreign individuals, organizations or governments; and

- Any foreign governments.

What to Report:

- Each tract of agricultural land in the U.S., its territories, the Northern Mariana Islands and the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands owned by persons required to report; and
- Leaseholds of 10 years or more.

USDA designated the FSA to collect the AFIDA report forms. Individuals wanting to obtain an AFIDA report form (FSA-153) may do so from any FSA county office. The (FSA-153) is available in both English and Spanish translations. You can also go online and download the form. Although interested parties may obtain a report form from any FSA County office, the completed form must be returned to the FSA County office where the land or where the programs are administered.

Foreign investors should contact your local FSA if this pertains to you. To locate the Farm Service Agency county office, you can look in the telephone book white pages or go on-line to: www.fsa.usda.gov/oh and then click on the "County Offices" link. Then click on the county where the land is located.

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OAKWOOD WORKS TOGETHER FOR THE PARK



Charlene Stucky and Brandi Keller representing the Oakwood Park Board.

On Thursday, June 20th the Oakwood Park Board put together a free-will offering dinner for the community at the American Legion. Of the dozen or so volunteers, not one sat and watched. The entire community pitched in either serving or donating to add more park equipment and maintaining existing gear.

"I am excited to see everyone turn out for this evening," Charlene Stucky continued, "It really helps us be able to take care of the park!"

Brandi Keller, the newest park board member,

agreed with Charlene. This was her first year serving at the dinner. Brandi stated, "We live in town and this is how community works. I remember playing in the park when I was little and now it's my turn to help."

Nearly every year the dinner has such a good attendance, they run out of food.

The next event the Park Board has planned is Santa Claus coming to town with cookies and treats along with carriage rides.

If you would like to help out with the Oakwood Park Board, call 419-594-2126.

WOODBURN BRANCH LIBRARY JULY EVENTS

SMART START STORYTIME:

Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m. - This Storytime features finger plays, songs, stories of various lengths and crafts.

YARNLOVER'S GATHERING:

Thursdays, July 11, 18, 25, 7:00 p.m. - If you already know how to knit or crochet or if you want to learn how to knit or crochet join us at Woodburn. We have people that can help you get started or teach you new techniques. Join us for a creative evening.

WOODBURN LEGO CLUB:

Monday, July 8, 4:00 p.m. - Grades 3 and up can create with Legos. There will also be Legos at the library for you to use. And, of course, snacks.

INTERNET, WORD PROCESSING & E-MAIL HELP:

HOME WORK—GETTING THE JOB DONE FROM HOME

(NAPSI)—Increasingly common in the corporate world, telecommuting allows employees to work from home while staying connected to their office through conference calls and videoconferencing. According to the Huffington Post, "It is a trend that has grown, with 34 percent of connected workers saying they would be very likely to telecommute on a full-time basis if they could."

With the growing popularity of programs such as Skype and GoToMeeting, the "old" downside of telecommuting, not being able to meet colleagues face to face, has virtually disappeared. Now, many telecommuters participate in multiple videoconferences per day, making it imperative to dress professionally and keep a clean and organized at-home workspace.

That being said, here are some tips to help telecommuters remain professional, productive and focused while working from home.

1. Claim a space. It's important to designate a specific area in your home as your

workspace. Separating yourself from distractions like a buzzing washing machine or a sink full of dirty dishes allows you to stay focused on work.

NEW HAVEN BRANCH LIBRARY JULY EVENTS

FAMILY STORYTIME:

Tuesdays, July 2, 16, 23, 30, and Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 a.m.

July 2 & 3 - C is for Cookie

July 10 - Big and Tall, Short and Small

July 16 - Oh What a Day

July 23 & 24 - Summer Snow

July 30 & 31 - R is for Robots

BUILDING BRAINS LEGO CLUB:

Tuesday, July 9, 3:30 p.m. - Do you love building with LEGO blocks? We'll supply the LEGOs you supply the imagination.

THOSE WITTY BRITS:

Wednesday, July 17, 7:00 p.m. - A book club devoted to British humor. Come and laugh with us.

2. Create separate e-mail accounts. Having work and personal e-mails sent to different in-boxes makes it much easier to stay on task. Only log in to your work e-mail during your designated "working hours" and you won't be distracted by the coupons, advertisements and updates from your friends that pile up in your personal in-box.

3. Stay connected. It's important for telecommuters to be in contact with their office throughout the day, reassuring their employers that at-home workers are positive contributors, reliable and productive. Regularly check in with your boss to clarify instructions or report progress. At the office, it's easy to drop by a co-worker's desk and say happy birthday or ask for a second opinion on a project; when working from home, substitute these personal interactions with an e-mail or phone call.

4. Stay organized. A clean and organized workspace can help increase your productivity. Try using a system like ClosetMaid's ShelfTrack® Elite Home Office Kit and Accessories. Complete with adjustable shelves, this flexible and affordable DIY office system can be configured for any space. Conceal desk and workspace clutter with fabric bins or trays.

5. In today's global economy, many people don't work a standard "9 to 5," and telecommuters are even more tempted to keep nontraditional hours as they juggle to balance work and home life. Although it may be necessary to have a flexible schedule, be careful not to be consumed by your job. Working through family dinners or putting in long weekend hours can be unhealthy and stressful. Commit to keeping a regular schedule, planning breaks throughout your day and leaving free time to spend with family or enjoy hobbies. To remain on track, try to keep your work week as close to 40 hours as possible.

Although telecommuting has some obvious advantages

KINDERGARTEN SUMMER CAMP IN OAKWOOD



2013-14 Oakwood Elementary Kindergarten students recently joined Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Snyder and Ms. Manz at the Oakwood ball-

park for their summer camp. Students played with old and new friends, listened to several stories and worked on a fun art project.

(e.g., a serious savings on gas), it's important to remember that working from home requires discipline. Keeping regular hours, maintaining a clean and organized workspace, dressing professionally and limiting distractions allows telecommuters to be just as successful as their in-office counterparts.

For more information on how to solve your storage and organization dilemmas, you can visit www.ClosetMaid.com or call (800) 874-0008.

TIE THE KNOT WITH HEALTHY, FESTIVE FINGER FOODS

(NAPSI)—Weddings and engagement parties go hand in hand with festive fare. To help celebrate-while being mindful of everyone's waistlines—say "I do" to CanolaInfo's "Engaging Appetizers" recipe collection, an elegant marriage of health and flavor.

"Traditional appetizers are often heavy and loaded with saturated fat, but these dishes taste great and leave you feeling good, too," says Ellie Krieger, M.S., R.D., host of the Cooking Channel's "Healthy Appetite," who developed the recipes.

To cut calories and saturated fat, Krieger uses better-for-you ingredients such as nonfat yogurt, seasonal produce and canola oil, which has the least saturated fat and most omega-3 fat of all common cooking oils.

"These recipes show how easy it is to prepare truly delectable dishes that are 'wedded' to nutrition," says Krieger. "Canola oil keeps saturated fat in check and lets all the bright flavors shine through."

The engaging appetizer

recipes average about 100 calories per serving and are low in saturated fat and sodium.

Here's a healthier twist on shrimp cocktail to please both bride and groom and their guests.

Shrimp Cocktail with Lemon Mint Pesto 32 Servings

1 lb large shrimp, peeled and deveined, tails on (about 32 shrimp)

¼ cup pine nuts

1½ cups packed fresh mint leaves

2 Tbsp fresh lemon juice

1 small clove garlic, finely minced

3 Tbsp canola oil

¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper

1. Bring large pot of water to boil. Add shrimp, return to boil, then cook until shrimp are pink and just cooked through, 3-4 minutes. Drain and place in refrigerator to chill completely, at least 2 hours and up to one day.

2. In dry skillet, toast pine nuts over medium-high heat, stirring frequently, until golden and fragrant, about 2 minutes. Set aside to cool slightly.

3. In food processor, place mint, lemon juice, garlic and pine nuts and process until chopped, stopping to scrape sides down once or twice as needed. With processor running, drizzle in canola oil. Add black pepper and pulse a few times to combine. Pesto may be made up to three days ahead and stored in airtight container in refrigerator.

4. To serve, place about 1 teaspoon sauce in each of 32 shot glasses, then set one shrimp on top of sauce in each glass.

For more recipes and culinary tips, go to www.CanolaInfo.org.

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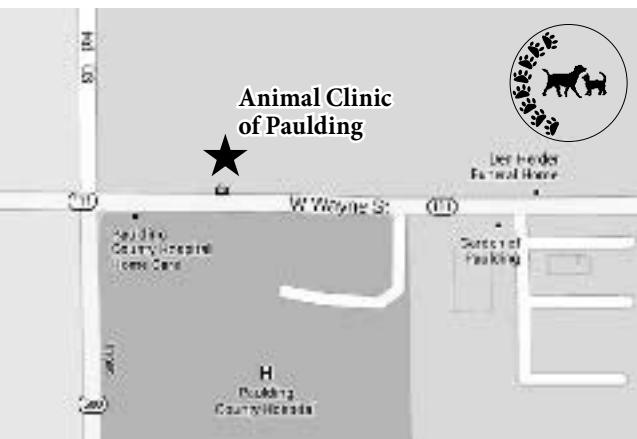
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SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED CERTIFIES INITIAL REFERENDUM PETITION SIGNATURES

Secretary of State Jon Husted certified that the group seeking a state referendum on House Bill 7, has met the initial 1,000-signature requirement on the petition they filed to qualify for the November 2014 ballot.

Ohio law requires petitioners seeking to place a referendum on the ballot to first submit 1,000 valid signatures and the full text of the law, or section of the law, to the Secretary of State's office for certification. Petitioners collected 2,764 signatures, of which 1,390 were deemed valid. The Secretary also approved the full text of the law submitted with the signatures.

Once the signatures and text have been certified by the Secretary of State, and the petition summary has been certified by the Attorney General, petitioners may begin collecting the required 231,148 valid signatures to place the measure on the ballot. In this case, petitioners will have until September 3, 2013, to collect the required signatures.

Be sure to tell the businesses you patronize, that you saw their ad in the West Bend News.

LATTA: FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF OUR LAWS IS TO PROTECT THE DEFENSELESS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) issued the following statement regarding his support for the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (H.R. 1797), a bill to prohibit abortions 20 weeks after fertilization, which is during the second trimester:

"The graphic accounts from the recent Gosnell trial brought to light the brutality and painful nature of abortion. The public and jury in the Gosnell case have rightfully condemned the abortionist, but the horrific and painful actions he inflicted on babies born alive after botched abortions are tragically performed on unborn children every day in the U.S. I believe that one of the most fundamental principles of our laws is to protect the defenseless, especially the unborn, and I will continue to be an unyielding supporter of H.R. 1797, and other legislation that affirms the sanctity of human life."

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 6/10/13

This 10th day of June, 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 198453 through 198531 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST:
 Marsha Yeutter, AOoA Annual Meeting, Toledo, OH - June 27, 2013
 Marsha Yeutter, AOoA Budget Meeting, Toledo, OH - June 13, 2013

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2013 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 002):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Dog & Kennel Fund (Fund 002):

002-001-00011/Dog & Kennel/Equipment
 AMOUNT: \$26,800.00

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 Fund (Fund 128):

128-001-00009/Defiance/Paulding Counties' Joint Auglaize Sewer Project/Engineering Fees
 AMOUNT: \$2,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-015):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-015-00002/General Fund/Election Board/Salary-Employees
 TO: 001-015-00011/General Fund/Election Board/Health Insurance
 AMOUNT: \$904.96

FROM: 001-015-00005/General Fund/Election Board/Contract/Services
 AMOUNT: \$1,500.00

FROM: 001-015-00009/General Fund/Election Board/Workers' Comp
 AMOUNT: \$380.31

TO: 001-015-00007/General Fund/Election Board/Other Expenses
 AMOUNT: \$1,880.31

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2010 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 147):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2010 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 147-001-20134/PHIG/Other Expenses
 TO: 147-001-20131/PHIG/Salaries-Employees
 AMOUNT: \$175.94

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE PAULDING COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE 2013 COUNTY CHIP SEAL PROJECT:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize Travis McGarvey, Paulding County Engineer, to advertise in a paper of general circulation within the County for two consecutive weeks for bids for the 2013 County Chip Seal Project.

IN THE MATTER OF SIGNING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES SUBGRANT AGREEMENT WITH

PAULDING COUNTY CSEA:

Amended Substitute House Bill 119 of the 127th General Assembly, the biennial budget bill, makes counties subgrantees of federal human services funding; and in order for counties to continue to receive human services funding through the state, and continue to provide the vital services needed by Ohio's most vulnerable population, the counties must sign these subgrant agreements; and the subgrant agreement includes language to help ensure counties remain in compliance with federal and state law, such as provisions that require ODJFS to provide technical assistance, training, and monitoring to counties. Now therefore, the Board of County Commissioners agrees to enter into the ODJFS Subcontract Agreement G-1215-11-5410, effective July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2015, by signing the same on this date.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A CHANGE IN COUNTY ROAD SIGNAGE:

There is currently a stop sign at Paulding County Road 143 (CR 143) at its intersection with Paulding County Road 232 (CR 232) in Emerald Township; and a traffic flow study has been conducted at said intersection and it has been determined the traffic flow on CR 143 is much higher than on CR 232. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners, to improve the safety at the intersection of CR 143 and CR 232 and at the recommendation of the Paulding County Engineer, hereby approve a change in County road signage by making said intersection a four-way stop; and the intersection of CR 143 and CR 232 remain a four-way stop until October 1, 2013, at which time the stop sign will be on CR 232.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein to go into executive session at 1:51 p.m. with the Paulding County EMA Director to discuss personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 3:00 p.m., all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

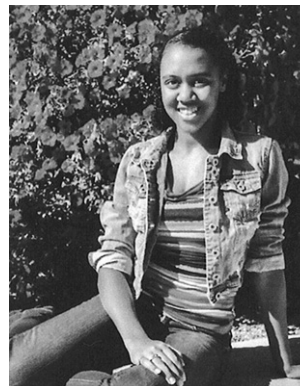
Greg Griffiths, Emerald Division, LLC; Corey Walker, DJFS; Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor - Discussion about the property located on Dooley Drive. Mr. Griffiths stated he will be working with Gorrell Realty for the appropriate paperwork. Mr. Walker will check with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services for regulations on purchase arrangements. The Prosecutor's Office will do the necessary title work.

Travis McGarvey, County Engineer - Mr. McGarvey reported there has been a traffic accident/safety study done on the CR 143 and CR 232 intersection. Currently, CR 143 as a stop sign and CR 232 does not. The study revealed CR 143 is higher in traffic with an average of 1,243 in a 24-hour period, compared to 310 and CR 232. Mr. McGarvey proposed making it a 4-way stop until October 1. At that time, it is his recommendation to change the stop to CR 232 (see resolution above).

Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Commissioner Fred Pieper informed Mr. Langham that Ms. Chase Francis, Northwest Ohio's liaison for the Governor's Office, recently met with him to hear concerns of projects within the county. Commissioner Pieper noted the discussed Local Government Funding (LGF) cuts and the impact it has on counties. He related the LFG suffered a higher percentage in cuts than other programs. Paulding County has worked toward consolidating services and are currently down to the point of compromising services and safety. Commissioner Pieper then stated Paulding County has had several fatalities where county roads cross the new US 24. He has been discussing the safety issue with Mr. Kirk Slusher, Ohio Department of Transportation, District 1, about the possibility of initiating a safety audit. Mr. Pieper also suggested the formation of a safety audit committee, consisting of representatives from the Sheriff's Office, Ohio State Patrol, EMS, appropriate transportation offices (Ohio Department of Transportation, Paulding County Engineer, Township Trustees), to review statistics gathered from the safety audit and to examine the sites for accident-contributing factors. The Committee would then make recommendations to ODOT to improve the safety of the intersections audited.

Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts - Ms. Pease met briefly with the Commis-

PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS



Abbey Edwards



Catlyn Pavel

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association is pleased to announce the recipients of their 2013 scholarships for high school seniors planning to enter the field of education. Abbey Edwards and Catlyn Pavel will each receive a \$350 scholarship. Both Edwards and Pavel are graduates of Paulding High School and both will attend Defiance College. Edwards plans to major in Early Childhood Education and hopes to teach preschool or kindergarten. Pavel plans to major in Education and hopes to teach Special Education.

Commissioners to comment on the progress of the Courthouse widow/painting project. She said the windows look great. She also invited the Commissioners to her office to access the condition of the woodwork.

Ken Huckabaa, Assistant Dog Warden - Mr. Huckabaa met with the Commissioners at their request. Mr. Huckabaa reported working 99 hours last two-week pay period. Mr. Huckabaa explained a typical day as dog warden, noted that he arrives at the kennel at 9:00 a.m., waters, feeds, cleans, and lets the dogs out to run. He then checks in at the Sheriff's Office and then drives around, especially to trouble spots, in an attempt to control the number of strays. Mr. Huckabaa reported the kennel is currently full, with 12 dogs. He noted one is scheduled for pick-up by the owner and another is to be rescued. He also reported he had three runs on Saturday and two on Sunday. It was suggested that he try working a shorter week day and cut back on some driving to help control some overtime hours. The Commissioners all expressed their appreciation for this willingness to assist during Ms. Dyson's injury leave.

Randy Shaffer, EMA Director - After adjourning Executive Session, the Commissioners requested that Mr. Shaffer compose a job description and provide copies of the contract with the State of Ohio for the LEPC grant. Mr. Shaffer reminded the Commissioners of a training exercise scheduled for June 29.

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