

OAKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL HOLDS CLASS OF 1949 REUNION

Seven members of the graduation class of 1949 from Oakwood High School enjoyed a lunch and visit on Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at Uncle Fudd's in Melrose.

Of the 46 freshman who entered only 27 graduated. Those attending the event were Howard Brown of Oakwood, Laura (Grimes) Bosh of Defiance, Lela (Weaver) Bennett of The Gardens of Paulding, Marilyn (McCullough) Young of Continental and Florida, Thelma (Harvey) Ordway of Oakwood, Bill Bidlack of Oakwood, and Faye (Adams) Tracy of Continental. Also attending were Phyllis Bidlack and Lela's son-in-law, Jerry Hammon.

Of the 27 graduates, 13 are still living and are scattered from Michigan to Arizona.

THANK YOU

The family of Esther L. Painter sincerely thank the doctors, nurses, and other medical personnel of Parkview Regional Medical Center for the excellent care provided during her recent hospitalization. You all are angels of mercy.

A big thank you to Michelle and Shawn Dooley for your professionalism in handling all arrangements upon the death of our loved one.

A special thank you to Reverend Tim Edwards of Christ Lutheran Church in Woodburn for your emotional and spiritual support. Also, your sense of humor helped to lighten heavy hearts during our sad time.

Whether it was a card, floral, memorial, condolence or a simple expression of "I'm so sorry for your loss," it was a blessing and comforting knowing that others cared and for that we are grateful.

God Bless,
—The Bauer, The Marlin, The Wakeland, The Halsey Families

FORT BROWN MEMORIAL DEDICATION



The Fort Brown Memorial Dedication was held Saturday, June 29th on a beautiful morning along the Auglaize and Little Auglaize Rivers. One hundred and fifty people met to hear Richard Rozevink give historical accounts of activities at the Fort, from diaries and journals of men who wrote of being at Fort Brown.

Captain William Brown had the fortification built at this spot for protection of troops and supplies as they moved down river to the confrontation with the British and Indians taking place further north. Forts Jennings and Amanda were also built in 1812 along the Auglaize River for the same purpose. Oliver Hazard Perry's victory against the British on Lake Erie in September 1813, helped break the coalition of the British with the Indians



in the old northwest and Fort Brown became an outpost manned by the Ohio Militia. Fort Brown was abandoned at the end of the year 1813 and its exact design, whether blockhouse or walled fort, is lost to history.

The Color Guard composed of American Legion Post #341, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts along with 1812

Huntsmen and Revolutionary War Soldier Reenactors carried flags which were posted with the American Flag. The Oakwood Community Band played marches and patriotic selections before and during the ceremony. A remembrance of those stationed at Fort Brown and all Veterans was held in a special ceremony of "Wreath Laying" at the monument by 1812 Jacob Stemple Chapter, DAR Chapters: Fort Defiance, General Horatio N. Curtis, Joel Frost, Isaac Van Wart, the SAR Centennial Chapter, and the Colonel Dames 1770. Gun salutes from muskets carried by the 1812 huntsmen and the rifles of the Legion preceded the playing of "Taps."

Boy Scout Tristin Knott installed a split rail fence along the Little Auglaize River as his Eagle Scout project. The Daughters of the War of 1812 dedicated a granite bench from which there is a view of the Fort Brown Monument and the scenic confluence of the rivers.

The small acreage remaining of Fort Brown is made to seem much larger by a neighboring owner who leaves adjacent acreage untilled and mowed. Helen Maddock of Oakwood worked at the park cleaning and planting in

preparation of the day's events and coordinated the activities of all the groups during the program. Helen displayed a daily ration of food allowed by the government for the 1812 soldier: an 18 ounce loaf of bread, ¾ pound of salt pork and ¼ pint of whiskey. The soldier could supplement this monotonous diet by hunting and foraging, which would also become necessary if allotments could not get to them because of difficulties of moving supplies through the Black Swamp.

At the program's end, a ham and soup bean dinner cooked over a wood fire and served with cornbread was offered at the Oakwood Community Park.

HARLAN HUSTLE 5K FUN RUN 2013

Remember to register by July 15th for the 5K fun run at Harlan Days in order to receive Harlan Hustle T-shirt! The 5K will be on Saturday, August 3, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.

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MR. & MRS. RON WILLIAMS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

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SECRETARY OF STATE HUSTED ADDRESSES OHIO ELECTIONS OFFICIALS ABOUT MODERNIZATION OF OHIO'S ELECTION SYSTEM

Speaking to more than 500 local elections administrators today at the 2013 Ohio Elections Officials Summer Conference, Secretary of State Jon Husted called for the continued modernization of Ohio's election systems, specifically making the case for the implementation of an online voter registration system. A copy of the Secretary Husted's speech has been included below. Modernizing Our Election System; The Case for Online Voter Registration in Ohio; Secretary of State Jon Husted speaking to the Ohio Association of Elections Officials Summer Conference: Good afternoon. I am happy to join you today at the 2013 Ohio Association of Election Officials (OAE) Conference Summer Conference. I am elated that after three years, my staff decided I was finally prepared to give the keynote address at my own conference. But let me tell you, it didn't come easy. They first tried to get the former Kentucky Secretary of State Trey Grayson, who serves on the President's commission on elections. I know this because Trey tipped me off about their lobbying efforts. Then, after Ken Blackwell and Jennifer

Brunner turned them down, they were left with no other choices but to ask me to do it. It is worth noting that this conference has record attendance (about 550 registrants). Now, I know you are here because you care about training and about getting the latest elections information. But I'd like to believe it's because I am the keynote speaker. Of course, that can cut both ways. Some of you are watching me deliver this speech like you watched the tightrope walker cross the Grand Canyon Sunday night - just waiting for him to fall. Well, to those in that category, I hope to disappoint you!

It's hard to believe that at this time last year, we were in full-preparation mode for the presidential election. We are Ohio after all - the most important swing state in the nation. We have the kind of jobs where every four years, the focus of the nation and the world are on what we do. Ohio elections face the most scrutiny, and so our election system must be the best. We did a good job last November, but we must strive to be even better in the future—and we are well on our way. Modernizing Our Elections:

Our goal is to make it easy to vote while improving the integrity and efficiency of our elections. We want to make it easy to vote and hard to cheat and that's exactly what we're doing.

I hope my remarks help put into perspective why what I do and what you do work together, hand in glove, to build the best election system in the county.

Step 1: Maintaining the voting rolls:

I want to take a moment to thank all of you, the board of elections members and staff, for your hard work. Since we last met, you have continued to work to keep our voter rolls in the best shape they have been in since Ohio launched the Statewide Voter Registration Database eight years ago.

When I took office, we had complete information on only 20 percent of voters. Because of our partnership with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) and your hard work, we now have complete information on 80 percent of voters. That's right—in two short years, we have quadrupled the amount of valuable voter information. It is amazing what we can do when we actually try.

In the same time period, you have verified and removed 220,500 deceased Ohioans from the voter rolls, ensuring less chance of fraud. You have also been diligent on duplicate registrations. In January 2011, there were more than 340,000 duplicate records identified on Ohio's voter rolls. Just before the 2012 election, you had that number down to 1,400 and you just keep plugging along.

I am also very pleased with the fact that since we launched our Online Change of Address System at MyOhioVote.com in August of last year, more than 109,500 people have used this service. That's 109,500 registrations you haven't had to hand-key and process! The Online Change of Address System has also allowed us to streamline the federally-mandated National Voter Registration Act process, where statewide, we will contact more than 300,000 voters, giving them an opportunity to update their information or confirm their registrations to stay on the rolls before we are required to remove them under federal law. (Let me repeat: We tried to help them stay on the rolls).

These are not just numbers. It is a modernization strategy built around the idea that "good enough" is not good enough. We want to pursue perfection and be the best in the nation.

Technology is already improving the way we run elections in Ohio and saving tax dollars, but we must continue to modernize. The regular and consistent electronic transfer of data between the BMV and Secretary of State's office (this is new, never been done before), and through our Online Change of Address System (also new), has streamlined the voter registration process. This efficiency has also benefited voters and boosted our accuracy.

Step 2: Public Accountability - Together We Issued First Ever Voter Fraud/Suppression Report:

You heard them, and so did I—the wild stories that follow a presidential election about the "irregularities" surrounding voting. And you know that lies left unchallenged can become conventional wisdom.

To get the facts and set the record straight, in January of this year, I issued a directive requiring county boards of elections to look into all substantiated irregularities in voting that were reported to you. In carrying out this task, you have made great strides in helping to promote the integrity of our state's elections system.

In May, my office issued the first ever statewide report on voter fraud and voter suppression. Out of 625 reported irregularities, 270 cases (to date) have been referred to law enforcement for further investigation and possible prosecution should wrongdoing be found. As part of that and through a new partnership in the Interstate Cross-check Program, my office has also referred 20 voters to the Attorney General who we believe voted in both Ohio and another state this past November.

Why was this important? In a word: Confidence. It would not be good for any of us or for Ohio voters if unsubstantiated rumors, innuendo and hyperbole surrounding

voter fraud and voter suppression were allowed to stand. Our report demonstrated that voter fraud does exist, but it is not an epidemic. However, when we identify fraud, we take it seriously. We want to send a clear message to those who play by the rules and follow the law - your vote will not be diluted by those seeking to game the system. And if you do cheat, you will get caught and there will be consequences.

On the suppression side, you did not make any referrals to law enforcement. However, we will continue to work together to make it as easy as possible for all eligible voters to participate in our elections. Ohio has been a national leader in voter access and we want to keep it that way!

The Next Step - Online Voter Registration:

If you want to win the future, you can't live in the past. I push my team every day to use technology to improve our system of elections. I have a simple test: Does it improve the voting process for our customers—the voters of Ohio? Is it cost-effective? And does it improve the integrity of our elections?

I have tried to pursue reforms that account for the partisan concerns that tend to rise up in our line of work, and that is why one of my first recommendations to modernize our system of elections was online voter registration.

I began advocating for this reform three years ago. At that time we would have been a leader, with only a handful of states providing this option. Unfortunately, the legislature did not act, and we have gone from a leader to a follower. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, at least 19 states (including politically very red, very blue and purple) have adopted an online registration system and many more are considering legislation.

We are six months into this General Assembly and we have yet to see legislative action on this important reform. I recognize there are other important issues that demand attention, like Medicaid expansion and tax reform. However, it seems to me that surely there is time to include a provision for online voter registration.

But there is reason for optimism. We have bipartisan support in Ohio for online registration. Senator Frank LaRose of Akron, a Republican, and Representative Mike Stinziano of Columbus, a Democrat, are working on proposals to allow for online registration in Ohio.

The passage of online registration is a real opportunity for the legislature and all of us to show the public we can work together as Republicans and Democrats to improve voting for all Ohioans.

No matter your political leanings, online registration has something for you.

If you are a person most concerned about voter access, you should be pushing for online voter registration. It's convenient and easy for voters to use.

If elections security is at the forefront of your mind, then you should be pushing for online voter registration. It is actually more secure than the antiquated paper-based system because it allows for real-time verification.

If you are concerned about tight budgets and not having

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

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

enough resources to do your jobs effectively (that probably applies to everyone in here), guess what, you should be pushing for online voter registration. We know that in other states online voter registration has saved local elections officials significant time and money. We've even heard this from some of you who have found our Online Change of Address System has increased efficiencies at the local level.

If you value the accuracy of the voter rolls, you should be pushing for online voter registration. It requires less paper-processing and therefore, fewer data entry errors.

And take it from me: It is music to a legislator's ears to hear of policies that could eliminate waste, fraud and abuse. And so I would say very clearly to those in that camp, if you want an effective way to eliminate waste, fraud and abuse, you should be pushing for online voter registration.

And who better to deliver that message than all of you, the OAEO members - Republicans and Democrats alike - who regularly work together to administer local elections!

I have a summer project for you (and I hope you will be more excited about it than the workbook I got my six-year-old daughter to work on during break). I want each of you to reach out to your state representatives and state senators of both parties and ask them to pass online voter registration. Whether you write to them or talk to them in person, let's commit to working with the legislature to get this done.

Compare the States:

If you run into skeptics, here are a few facts you can use to make your case. When you consider the 19 states which allow for online registration, they are both red and blue. In fact, it's a pretty close split (11 blue and 8 red). And when you consider the size of Ohio's voting age population and the volume of voter participation in our state compared to the others, it's clear that Ohio should be among the states offering this service to voters.

In 2002, Arizona was the first state to implement online voter registration and we can glean much from their successes. A 2010 PEW Study

showed that in the first eight years, Arizona's online registration system has been extremely popular with voters. In fact, 70 percent of all voter registration activity in Arizona is now conducted online.

Arizona officials will tell you that from the perspective of running an election, it takes them less time and less money to process voter registrations because it eliminates data entry. One of Arizona's largest counties, Maricopa County (where Phoenix is located), has reported an \$.80 savings per registration processed when you use online registration vs. paper forms. Less data entry also has meant less human error and therefore, their rolls are more accurate.

And when it comes to Ohio, I've got some good news for you - we are actually ahead of the game because we won't have to start from scratch! In Ohio, we are already sharing electronic data between the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), the Secretary of State and all 88 county boards of elections. And we have already built the Online Change of Address System. This puts Ohio in a much better position than Arizona was to get full online voter registration up and running.

Yes, all that work you have done to improve our voter rolls will continue to pay off!


We Can Do Better: Okay, if facts aren't persuasive, how about a hypothetical story about Billy Buckeye to demonstrate how online voter registration might work better for Ohio.

Meet Billy Buckeye. It's early October and Billy sees on the 11 o'clock news that the voter registration deadline is looming for the upcoming election. From the comfort of his favorite armchair, he goes online to the Secretary of State's secure online registration site and prepares to register to vote.

Billy enters his name, address, date of birth, driver's license number, the last four digits of his Social Security number and passes the security test.

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If the information matches, Billy gets a transaction number for tracking, and the county board of elections receives a secure transmission from the Secretary of State's office with Billy's voter information, including his electronic signature.

Meanwhile, back at the board of elections, the diligent staff has a full plate. They are working 12+ hours a day, 7-days a week to help early voters, process vote by mail applications and train poll workers among other things. In the case of Billy Buckeye, all they have to do is accept the data transmission from the Secretary of State—no paper or data entry required, and there is no additional step of sending Billy's information to match at the BMV because it has already been verified.

Billy is now a registered voter. He is sent an acknowledgement card telling him where to vote on Election Day.

There's no question. Online voter registration would be more convenient for voters like Billy, and more streamlined for all of you.

As it relates to potential cost savings, let's put things into perspective for Ohio. Between 2010 and 2012, collectively, county boards of elections processed approximately three million paper registration forms. Conservatively, let's assume a savings of between \$.50 and \$1.00 per registration. So, had online voter registration been in place over those two years, local boards of elections could have saved up to \$1.5 - \$3 million.

In a time of tight budgets, cost savings are always important to talk about, but the value of online registration to voters and to the integrity of our elections sys-

tem - well, that's priceless!

Call to Action/Summer Assignment:

Online voter registration in Ohio would be more convenient, more accurate, less costly, more efficient and more secure. I believe we can get this done, and I am committed to making the case to the people who represent you in the legislature. I have already begun those discussions, but I am going to need your help.

During this summer legislative break, please talk to your local legislators about why this is so important for your county.

If our lobbying efforts are successful, we will have shown the General Assembly what you already know - that it is possible for Republicans and Democrats to work together to improve our elections system, benefiting of voters and taxpayers alike!

MAC GYM GOES WORLDWIDE

The McLaughlin Athletic Center events continue to grow. With the continued growth of marketing, scheduling and posting events comes communication challenges. In an attempt to try and bridge that communication, a website www.macgymohio.com has been launched on the world wide web. Upcoming leagues, tournaments, schedules, rules and other information is being posted and updated to provide current and potential customers the opportunity to know up to the minute what is happening at both the MAC Gym and K&S Tumblefit. Please check out the website and don't forget to support our sponsors noted on the sponsor page.

DIGGIN' FOR DINOS: SUMMER READING PROGRAM FINALE

Is your child or grandchild dinosaur crazy? We are! Join the Paulding County Carnegie Library's Youth Services department for our summer reading program fabulous, fantastic finale! Join Dr. T. Rex as he uncovers how we know what we know about dinosaurs, even though they've been extinct for millions of years. You'll be a REAL paleontologist in no time when you meet Brachiosaurus, Stegosaurus, and Triceratops and learn what dinosaurs look like from the inside out. You'll find out which dinosaur was the largest, which was the smallest, which had the most horns, the longest neck, and which ate the most food. And, of course, you'll meet the king of all dinosaurs, the gigantic Tyrannosaurus Rex! This animated, fun-filled, dinosaur extravaganza is appropriate for all Summer Reading Club participants. It is free and no registration is required! The event will be held at the Youth Leadership Building, Paulding County Fairgrounds, Tuesday, July 16th at 4:00 p.m. Call 419-399-2032 for more information.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR - THE WESTERN FRONT: 1775-1783 AT THE OLD FORT

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the American Revolution at Fort Wayne's Historic Old Fort. The Continental Army and British forces will reenact period specific artillery and military maneuvers. Daily activities of the era will come to life through demonstrations of period cooking, gardening, blacksmithing, and much more! Dispatches straight from the Second Continental Congress will be received throughout the weekend, reporting their deliberations on the question of independence for the States from Great Britain!

The Fort will be open to the public: 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, and 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 14. Tours of the Fort will be offered throughout the weekend. For more information and a daily schedule of events: www.oldfortwayne.org or call (260) 437-2836. The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at Headwaters and Lawton Parks.

About Historic Fort Wayne, Inc.: Founded in 2004, Historic Fort Wayne is a Non-Profit Organization that manages the Old Fort in Fort Wayne, IN. Our goal is to educate the community about Historic Fort Wayne and its significance to the Northwest Territory, the State of Indiana, and the United States during the 17th and 18th centuries through interactive programming. We are a 100% volunteer organization. All of our events are free to the public. All programming is funded by private and corporate donations.

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UNITED OIL CORP. EXPANDS IN WOODBURN

United Oil Corp. just announced they recently expanded into Woodburn. They installed a 30,000 gallon storage tank near the Cop next to the railroad track by the Woodburn Hardware store.

Joe Dorsey stated that having this site will make it much quicker to reach customers in their growing northeast Indiana, northwest Ohio area. They will not have to drive back to the main office when they can fill up so close to where it will be delivered—saving time and money.

Not only does United Oil fill home propane tanks they also sell commercial tanks and to farms. Farmers will use it for their livestock barns including eggs, chickens, turkeys, and grain storage dryers.

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The Antwerp Friends of the Library will have a book table set up at Antwerp's Day at Arts in the Park on Saturday August 10th. If you have any gently used books just sitting on the shelf that you would like to donate to the table, drop them off at the Antwerp Branch Library by Friday, August 9th.

GUSTIN - BARR



Sandra Gustin and Robert Barr are excited to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. The bride-elect is the daughter of Eric and Amy Gustin, of Zulu, IN. She is a 2008 homeschool graduate and is currently employed by Vision Investment

Group Inc. The groom-elect is the son of Frank and Susanna Barr, of Pierceton, IN. He is a 2007 homeschool graduate and is currently employed by Paragon Landscaping. The couple will exchange vows on October 4, 2013 at Westwood Fellowship Church.

2013 HANDS OF HOPE SUMMER BENEFIT

Save the 1 "A Look at the Hard Cases". Abortion proponents often justify their position by citing the "hard cases" - the cases involving rape or incest. Hear the pro-life side of the story on Tuesday, July 16 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene, 201 Dooley Drive, Paulding, OH when pro-life speakers come to Paulding to discuss their personal hard cases and the need to choose life every time. Speakers include Rebecca

Kiessler, Pam Stenzel, Monica Kelsey and additional speakers from "Save the 1". Hands of Hope Pregnancy Center is located at 1030 W. Wayne St. Suite A (across from Paulding County Hospital). Hands of Hope opened their doors in March. They are open Fridays from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. They offer free counseling, support and help to women facing unplanned pregnancy. They work with the mothers through their child's first year of life. For more information, contact Hands of Hope Director of Client Services, Malinda Ricker, 419-399-2447.

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A physical is required for all athletes in grades 7-12. Each athlete must bring an OHSAA Physical Form that is signed by their parent/guardian. Forms are available in the high school office or on the school website. This physical will cover the 2013-2014 school year. These physicals are intended for typical healthy athletes. Students with chronic health conditions like diabetes, cardiac, or pulmonary issues should see their family physician or specialist for a complete physical.

CHURCH. LOCAL.**By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church**

A few years back I wrote an article called "Going To Church Out Of Town." In it, I tried to encourage people to go to church in the community they live in. From the comments that I received regarding it, I think it was the most unpopular article I have ever written. And looking around my town, I don't think it worked on too many people. So this time I am going to try to make the point in a more proactive and even more offensive way. Offensive only in that I am going to more adamantly state a truth that is offensive in the hope that some of you reading this will start going to church in the community you live in.

You need to go to church in the town you live in.

The church needs that. And if you claim to be a Christian, you should be concerned about what the church needs. Your spiritual life, whether you recognize it or not, needs that.

If the purpose of going to church is for you to be entertained or for you to enjoy the best programs, then by all means, find the best church and drive to another town to go to it. Churches with better programs and a slicker presentation are out there.

Maybe you go to an out-of-town church because you grew up in that church, your family goes there, or you went to that church when you previously lived in that town. I understand all of those reasons, but the truth is that you moved. You moved. You chose to move, so switch churches to a local one. The town you live in now needs you to go to church in it. And your spiritual life needs you to live in close proximity with the Christians you worship, study, pray, and serve with.

Church is not something you go to. At its heart, church is all about relationships. It's something you are when you have given your life over to Jesus and are in relationships with brothers and sisters in Him. Church is about loving your neighbors and your community. Those things won't be done in the community you live in if a lot of the Christians go to churches outside of that community.

Because that out-of-town church with the nice programs, your family, the proper doctrines, or the charismatic preacher won't help the community you live in. They aren't focused on reaching your community for Jesus. They're focused, like they should be, on reaching the community they have been placed in for Jesus. See how it works. A church works to reach the community it is in, and you work through a church to also reach the community you are in.

Now, I understand that you can be all-out crazy in ministering to the community you live in when you go to church in another town, but I don't see that happening much. I don't see any of the larger churches that pull people from other towns investing money ministering back to people not in their town.

I agree that churches in communities outside of your town have better preachers. That's nothing against the preachers in your town, but there are always better

speakers out there. I agree that churches outside of your town can provide better programs for your children although I am sure that the churches in your town all try their best with what they have to fill that need. I agree that churches outside of your town have better facilities, but I don't really think facilities are something that we should be all that worried about.

None of those reasons are good enough reasons for a person to go to church outside of your town. This is true if you live in my town of Antwerp. It's also true in Payne, in Paulding, Woodburn, and New Haven. Wherever you live, it is important to go to church in that town. Antwerp needs Antwerp Christians to be the church in Antwerp if the people in Antwerp are going to see Jesus through its churches. The Christians in your town need to be involved in ministering to your town if your town is going to be reached for Jesus. The good churches from other towns aren't going to be interested in ministering to your town. And we aren't going to be the recipients of missionaries from overseas to minister to our towns. The missionaries for our towns are you and me.

What I hope to convince you of is that God intends for you—your time, your energy, your sweat, your passion, your prayers—to be part of His plan in ministering to the town you live in. God brings His will into our reality through people like you and me.

The people in your community need Christians loving them through the churches in your community. You are an important part of that because the church is only people who are in relationship with one another under the Lordship of Jesus. That is how the Kingdom of God grows. Please, go to church where you live. It's better for you. It's better for God's kingdom. It's better for your town. It really is better all around.

You can read more of Regan's writings at www.reganswritings.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.

ARE YOU STRESSED OUT AT WORK?**Winning the Battle for a Generation Column by: Rick Jones, Defiance Area YFC**

I read an article in PreachingToday.com regarding American's being stressed out at work. Nearly 70 of Americans cite work as a major source of stress in their lives; over half of Americans report being unsatisfied and unhappy with their jobs. How can the typical worker find a little more satisfaction in work? Adam Grant, a researcher at the Wharton School of Business, offers some simple advice: become a giver at work.

Based on his research, Grant has identified three basic kinds of workers: takers, matchers, and givers. Takers see the workplace as a competitive, dog-eat-dog place. "If I don't look out for myself first," takers think, "no one will." Matchers believe that work relationships are governed by even exchanges of

favors. In contrast, givers are other-focused, paying more attention to what other people need from them. Their hallmark is generosity at work.

Surprisingly, Grant has found that only eight percent of people describe themselves as givers at work. That's because most people assume that in the workplace givers will never get ahead in their career. Also, when people are stressed out at work, their first instinct is to retreat into a taker mentality. But Grant's research consistently shows that givers are among the most successful people in business. They may also be the happiest.

In one study, Grant found that givers who were high school teachers were less vulnerable to stress and exhaustion if they saw the impact their giving was having on their students. Being a giver at work also has lasting benefits on well-being outside of work. In a study of 68 firefighters, those who helped others on the job felt happier at home at bedtime than those who did not.

Grant asks a question that's relevant to every follower of Christ: "Would you rather achieve success [at work] that comes at the expense of others or in ways that lift other people up?"

What a great question! We are also reminded in scripture how we are to carry out our work... Colossians 3:23 (NIV), "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men..."

Let's all of us endeavor to give something back in our work this week; something encouraging to our fellow employees, our employers and something that brings glory to God. Amen!

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

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

1. Luke 8:19 - Who came to Jesus?

2. Luke 8:19 - Why couldn't they approach Jesus?

3. Luke 8:20 - Who told Jesus, His family wanted to see Him?

4. Luke 8:21 - Who did Jesus say was His mother and brother?

5. Luke 8:22 - On a certain day Jesus got into a boat with who?

6. Luke 8:22 - What did Jesus say to the disciples?

7. Luke 8:23 - Who fell asleep while they were sailing?

8. Luke 8:23 - What came down on the lake?

9. Luke 8:23 - What does the word jeopardy mean?

10. Luke 8:23 - What was the boat filling with?

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

Answers to last week's questions:

1. Those who have heard the word.

2. Honest and good heart

3. The ability to bear trials without grumbling

4. With patience

2013 PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Paulding County Hospital Foundation awarded seven scholarships totaling \$6,500 to Paulding County students pursuing a healthcare career education. Pictured are Sarah Nickols, Marlee Pease, Steven Strayer, Staci Wenninger, and Natalie Sinn. For the first time the Foundation awarded scholarships to current college students - the winners of these \$1,000 scholarships each are Kelly Zartman and Jessica Wenninger.

5. No
6. A lamp stand
7. No
8. Yes
9. No, God knows all
10. Take heed.

Some comments Luke 8:16-21:

V16 - Although Jesus spoke much of His messages in parables, He intended that the disciples make the truths known as widely as possible.

V17 - It is the destiny of the truth to be made known. The disciples were to begin a proclamation that would become universal. (Read Acts 2).

V18 - These disciples heard not only for themselves, but also for those to whom they would minister. Truth that is not understood and appropriated will be lost. But truth that is used will be multiplied. Read Mark 4:21-25. Mark 3:20-21. Mark 3:21 but when it is own people heard about this they went out to lay hold of Him (Jesus) for they said "He is out of His mind." Luke 8:21 was Jesus disrespectful to His mother and brothers? Jesus reply was not meant to reject His natural family but emphasize the higher priority of His spiritual relationship to those who believed in Him.

Ol' Baldy says bye for now, but I am praying that you will continue to pray, read and study the Bible. Sometime read what God tells Isaiah: Isaiah 55:8-9.

IMPROVING INDIANA'S SCHOOLS**By: IN State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)**

Just as a great teacher can improve student learning, a great principal can improve his or her school. With that in mind, the Indiana legislature passed a law this session creating the Principal Leadership Institute to help Hoosier public school principals further their professional development.

The Institute takes place at Indiana State University, bringing together mentors and educators who are themselves highly regarded in their communities. These individuals will lead a symposium focused on giving principals tools to lead and improve their schools in measurable ways.

Over the next two years, the Institute will bring together 50 of the state's top principals, beginning what I hope will be the nation's premier leadership program for school principals. As educa-

tors and administrators cooperate to learn from each other and improve their own personal leadership capacities, the communities and schools to which they return will also improve.

Applications are now open for administrators to apply to the Indiana Principal Leadership Institute, and I highly encourage our local principals to apply. Nominating a principal demonstrates that the superintendent, school board and community believe the principal has a commitment to improving the school and the potential to make the school succeed.

This program is a unique opportunity to address the current needs of a school, including teacher evaluation models, student perfor-

mance, community involvement and shaping a strong school culture.

Do you know a principal who might be interested in the Institute? Send them to www.indianapli.org to learn about applying. Classes begin July 17.

As always, I want to hear your concerns and comments on education and other issues in Indiana. Please contact me at Senator.Kruse@iga.in.gov or by phone at 800-382-9467 should you have any questions about new laws or ideas about how to improve our community.

Training principals together to improve Indiana will help broaden our educational scope, but there are still many ways we can advance Indiana education. What do you think?

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OLD DAN & I CHAPTER 45: NOW AT SAIPAN

By: Stan Jordan
It has been quite a day. We got up and had breakfast at the Airbase on Samboanga in the Philippines. General Norm came and said all the 589th Fighter Wing is moving over to Saipan, an island in the Marianas. It is closer to the island of Japan, a good place for the bombers to stop. We are here at Saipan along with a lot of other units. This is the home of the B-29 bombers. They are so big, a Sargent let us look inside at one of them, He should look at one of our B-51s.

They need about two miles of runway if they are fully loaded with bombs. The fighter planes use a shorter runway on the sides of the main runway.

We were scrambled this afternoon and they told us to go as far north as possible and pickup a large flight of Kamikazes that were headed toward the invasion fleet of Saipan.

The fleet is scattered over a large area. We have 100's of fighter planes in the area and we need them all.

The B-29 Bomber is a large beautiful airplane, nicknamed the Super Fort, but they have a lot of problems. This A.M. there were about 100 bombers taking off on a mission and 35 of them returned a short time later with engine problems. I understand that is about the usual amount of dropouts every day.

Gen. Norm says there is a lot of hush-hush going on over at the other side of this airbase; some of it he doesn't even know about.

We had another scramble today and saw a few hundred Kamikazes today and met them at the north end of the Marianas. Like always we shot down a lot of them. A few

got through and sank part of our invasion fleet. We lost a couple Destroyers, a Cruiser and a big Carrier that was burning badly. We just can't shoot them all down, even though we try hard.

We gassed up the planes and filled up with ammo for the next scramble or patrol. Then we all went to the mess tent.

See ya!

ME & MY FIRST 10 POUNDER

By: Stan Jordan

This was probably February of 1985. Grandma Powell, Pauline and I stayed at Mossy Cove Fishing Camp on Lake Istokpoga in south central Florida. In fact, the north end of the lake is at Sebring, FL.

There were about 25 families for the winter, but all there was to do was to fish and boy I did! On this day, I went out with a man from Monticello, KY. Marshall Guffey, was a darn good fisherman.

Back home he operated an auto repair shop and a car wash. He fished a lot in Lake Cumberland. He served in Europe during WWII. When he was discharged he signed up with the Kentucky Reserves. When the Korean conflict came along he served as a Master Sergeant of a motorpool. He served his country in both wars.

It's about 7:30 a.m. and we took my boat and headed northwest over the lake in behind the little island. Both of us are strictly bass fisherman, large mouth Florida Black Bass, and this lake is one of the best.

We will be using live bait. Wild Shiners that we caught last night, they are from 5-8" in length. A wild Shiner looks like a small carp, but to a Large Mouth Bass he looks like a T-Bone steak.

We dropped anchor a little out from some Pencil Reeds and some thicker Bull Rushes.

I threw my bait up close to the Pencil Reeds and said to Marshall, "This looks like a good place."

And just in no time at all my bobber disappeared and my line was moving away toward the Pencil Reeds.

All this excitement now and Marshall is shouting, "Keep him out of the reeds." My line is tightening up now

and he is going straight for the reeds. I lay over and lay into this big fish. Then the water explodes and that big wallhanger came out of the water and tried to throw the hook. "Oh my goodness. He pulls like a 'gator." Oh he was a big one. I caught some eight pounders and I knew he was bigger than that!

It dawned on me that Marshall was screaming to keep him out of the Bullrushes. I kept a tight line and he took a little once. I am plenty nervous because he is bigger than any I have ever caught.

He came towards the boat and then back to the weeds. He slowed down now and almost to the boat. He turned over and I just worked him towards the boat.

Well Marshall picked him up with the net and landed him safely in the boat.

He kept repeating that this big boy would go over 10 lbs.

We didn't have the scales along so we put him on the stringer and tied him to the side of the boat, because this boat didn't have a live well.

Well, we fished there over an hour and we didn't get anymore bites. I told Marshall that I was going to let him go. Marshall replied we should go back and weigh him at the camp. We stopped a number of times to keep him alive.

At the company scales he weighed 10'3". We took pictures of him and then put him back in the lake. You probably don't care, but that was a milestone in my fishing career. I'm still relishing that moment.

See ya!

PAPA EAGLE & THE RIVER RAFT RACE

By: Stan Jordan

If you remember, in last week's paper, I told you about Papa Eagle dropping a brick with a two page letter attached at the front door of Advanced Chassis, as those owners are the sponsors of the Maumee River Raft Race. Papa Eagle's wife is plenty upset about all the noise and trouble and concern it will cause thus and with two little ones to care for.

After all Dan, we Eagles have to build our nest with food and water and the protection of the foliage. This area is just about right. You see, many generations

ago my forefathers lived in the Hood River Country in Oregon along the Roug River Basin also. I understand it was a beautiful place with plenty of food and water, but the shepherds who raised sheep started killing the eagles for taking a lamb home once in a while even though we are a protected species.

My old grandpas as the letter goes on resettled on the Maumee River from the Lake Erie on west to the Indiana Territory, because in the state of Ohio we are protected because we are an endangered specie. People are not supposed to kill us.

My wife of 38 years, is plenty high strung and upset having a raft race in this area. It will upset the peace and tranquility of the basin and she wants you to move the raft race to the Auglaize River.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Our blonde friend made a batch of chocolate chip cookies. She dumped the bag of M&M's on the kitchen table. It took her over two hours to separate the W's from the M's

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Her in-laws were coming over for supper and they were expecting roast beef, but our blonde friend had only hamburger. After a few moments of thought she put the hamburger in the oven and set the controls for roast beef.

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What do you call a blonde in the freezer? A frosted flake!

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A blonde decided to make a double batch of cookies. But she couldn't get the oven up to 700.

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See ya!

BIG EVENTS IN THE AREA SOON!

On Saturday, July 13th the big Homemade Ice Cream Social at the Bethel United Methodist Church takes place. Serving from 5:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. Carryouts available. Everyone welcome.

On Saturday July 13th is also the Big Boy\$ Toy\$. That is the annual Classic Cars Cruise-In on Antwerp's Main Street. Registration is at 3:00 p.m. Festivities till 8:00 p.m.

On August 10th, A Day in the Park is set to take place. The parade is at 10:00 a.m. Then festivities follow at Veterans Memorial Park. Bring your lawn chairs.

Saturday, August 17th, the 2nd Annual River Raft Race: they put in at the far end of the Park at 12:00 Noon.

See ya!

WHITETAILS UNLIMITED NAMES OHIO WILDLIFE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Wade Dunlap, Tuscarawas County state wildlife officer, has been named the Ohio 2013 Wildlife Officer of the Year by Whitetails Unlimited, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). White-

NEW OHIO STATE RECORD CARP (BOWFISHING DIVISION) CERTIFIED



A new Ohio record carp taken by bowfishing has been certified by the Outdoor Writers of Ohio State Record Fish Committee.

The new state record carp, weighing 53.65 pounds, was caught by Patrick Johnson of Toledo, Ohio in the Sandusky County portion of Lake Erie's waters. Johnson arrowed the carp June 9, 2013, using a fish point tethered with 200 lb. test Fast Flight line. Johnson's record carp is 45 inches long and 32-1/4 inches in girth.

His catch replaces the previous state bowfishing record carp that was arrowed in Sandusky Bay by Rich Cady on May 28, 2008, weighing 47.65 pounds and measuring 38

inches long. Ohio's record fish are determined on the basis of weight only.

Ohio's state record fish are certified by the Outdoor Writers of Ohio State Record Fish Committee with assistance from fisheries biologists with the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Biologists from the Ohio Division of Wildlife District 2 office in Findlay confirmed the identification of Johnson's catch.

For more information on Ohio's state record fish program contact Fred Snyder, Chairman, OWO State Record Fish Committee, 754 Co. Rd. 126, Fremont, OH 43420, phone (419) 332-0777, email fnsnyder@gmail.com, www.outdoorwritersofohio.org

tails Unlimited is a national conservation organization dedicated to the betterment of white-tailed deer.

Dunlap has been a wildlife officer for 11 years, serving Tuscarawas County the last four. Dunlap has significantly increased the ODNR Division of Wildlife's presence within the Tuscarawas County community, local law enforcement agencies and court system. Dunlap's investigations have led to a number of successful outcomes and convictions, many involving taking deer illegally. He has partnered with local conservation clubs to host annual youth events, and he is an active instructor in youth shooting sports programs.

Nominations are based on deer enforcement performance during the previous

deer season. The criteria for the award includes, number of wildlife arrests, cases involving unusual circumstances related to deer, cases involving trophy bucks, professional work ethic and dedication.

Whitetails Unlimited was founded in 1982 and raises money to support its mission of conservation, education and the preservation of the hunting tradition. For information about establishing a Whitetails Unlimited chapter, call Tim Schlater at 937-403-5811 (western Ohio) or Denny Malloy at 330-507-9489 (eastern Ohio).

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DEDICATION OF FORT BROWN BICENTENNIAL



By: Caroline Zimmerman, Gen. Horatio N. Curtis Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution

On June 29, 2013 over 100 people and dozens of patriotic groups came together to dedicate and honor the memory of Fort Brown located on the 'big' Auglaize and the 'little' Auglaize Rivers for the 200th anniversary of its construction in 1812 by a Col. Brown.

ing to tradition, several soldiers are buried on this site. A marker was placed here in 1953 by the Paulding County Ohio Sesquicentennial Committee.

After the presentation of the American Colors by the Gilitz-Brown Post American Legion, the Benediction was given by Pastor Eileen Kochensparger from Melrose United Methodist Church.



Together with Fort Jennings and Fort Amanda to the south, and Fort Winchester to the north, it guarded the army supply route into the Maumee Valley. In 1813 Gen. Greene Clay's Kentucky Militia, forming the left wing of Harrison's army passed this site on the Auglaize River in boats, on their way to relieve besieged Fort Meigs. Accord-

The American's Creed was followed by the "Star Spangled Banner" played by the Oakwood Band and a welcome was given by Carla Smith. Introductions were given to the various groups who laid wreaths at the marker including: Jacob Stemple, Chapter NSD1812 Fort Defiance Chapter, DAR; General Horatio N. Curtis Chapter,

DAR; Joel Frost Chapter, DAR; Isaac Van Wart Chapter, DAR; Centennial Chapter, SAR, and others.

The chaplain gave the prayers for the blessing of God to help us cherish the memory of those who in the early days of our country stood for truth and duty to country and for their sacrifice. She prayed that our faith be firm in the faith that our Forefathers had and the memory of the heroes of 1812.

A beautiful bench was dedicated and undraped by the US Daughters of 1812, Jacob Stemple Chapter. Member Gloria Fast and her husband, William Fast, who is a retired commercial high school teacher from Antwerp High School (and a member of the SAR and a Civil War re-enactor). Mr. Fast was the US Flag bearer in the processional parade and the recessional parade along with the local Boy Scout troop #19. Other patriotic groups were there also, as the Oakwood Band played. An impressive police escort was given to all the traffic concerned.

Many people were dressed in Civil War costume. The Battle of Gettysburg's 150th anniversary was July 1-3. The introduction of the speaker was given by Gladys Denson, a former member of the Paulding DAR Chapter and retired school teacher. She introduced: Richard Rozevink, Defiance historian.

Mr. Rozevink talked about the Auglaize River fortification of Fort Brown in the War of 1812. If the war had not turned out as it did, we might have been part of Canada remarked one of the historians who heard him speak that day. General Hull's unexpected surrender at Fort Detroit to the British and their Indian allies soon turned the Indians toward trying to take Fort Wayne. General William Henry Harrison raced to their aid with his remaining regiments of the Army of the Northwest. He assigned the task of building a supply road to the site of the old Fort Defiance at the confluence to the Maumee and Auglaize Rivers.

This was where the two sections of the Army of the Northwest were to join forces to push to recapture Detroit. More troops were coming from the east and planned to join the main group at the rapids near present-day Toledo.

Harrison was replaced by General James Winchester, but the mission remained the same. Colonels Barbee, Jennings and Poague started out from Fort St. Mary's (on the St. Mary's River). They were to build a road through the forests and swamp in order to move the needed supplies for the Army of the Northwest. Col. Poague started down the Auglaize River toward the Maumee River. As Winchester approached the side of old Fort Defiance, he became aware of a large force of 400 British regulars and 800 of their Indian allies in the ear. They were on the way to lay siege to Fort Wayne. About 25 September 1812 Poague got word that Winchester had request help from Harrison to deal with the threat.

Col. Poague's lead Co. under the command of a Cap. William Brown stopped work on the supply road and built a fortification for their protection and supplies placed in

his charge. The blockhouse/fort(ification) soon became known to the troops as Fort Brown in his honor.

Colonels Jennings and Poague also built fortifications (Fort Jennings and Fort Amanda) along the road. The British soon retreated back down the Maumee. Harrison once more was placed in charge of the Army of the Northwest. He placed Winchester in command of the west wing of the army and named the last Auglaize River fort, Fort Winchester in his honor.

Very little has been written about Fort Brown as it was a temporary structure like the other Auglaize River forts. Their primary mission was to provide shelter for the supplies and the troops who moved them forward to the main front of the war in the old northwest. Soon after Perry's victory on Lake Erie and Harrison's defeat of the British, they became outposts on the frontier, manned by Ohio Militia, Fort Brown was the first Auglaize River fort to be abandoned in late 1813.

Some of the journals of soldiers of the War of 1812, who came in contact with Fort Brown remarked, "We had nothing to cook and nothing to eat." They were warned by their higher officer to keep out the fires to keep the wolves from howling. They were very scared of the Indians of 1812 and 1813 while staying at the fort along the Auglaize River.

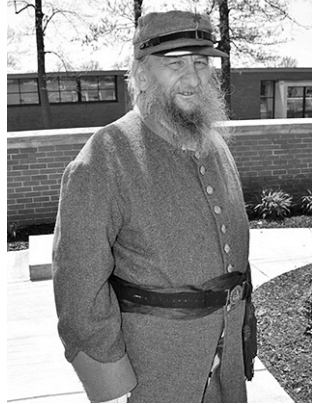
There is evidence in diaries of many military units that had stayed at the fort at one time or another on the Auglaize River: Kentucky Regiments; US Inf. Regiments; 3rd Detachment Ohio Militia; and many others.

A nice bean soup luncheon with corn bread and lemonade and cookies were served at the Oakwood Park for a donation by a local group for everyone who cared to share with them. It was a beautiful ceremony and day.

CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTOR READY TO OBSERVE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG

By: Eunice Trotter, American Senior Communities

When Union and Confederate soldiers square off this fall, James Reed hopes to be among them on the side of



the South portraying General James Lawson Kemper at a battlefield in Hartford City, Indiana, site of one of the largest Civil War re-enactment events in the country.

Mr. Reed, 69, is recovering from an illness at Community Nursing and Rehabilitation in Indianapolis, but the progress he has made gives him hope that he will also be with his re-enactor family and friends when Hartford City holds its annual Civil War re-enactment October 11-13.

Mr. Reed can now stand, thanks to the therapy he has

received. He had hoped to attend the 150th anniversary of the Civil War's most famous battle, the Battle of Gettysburg, where there were more than 50,000 casualties over three days July 1-3, 1863. The anniversary of that event was observed for 10 days through July 4th in Gettysburg, PA.

He has been a part of the Texas Brigade re-enactor group for 25 years. The brigade, which includes 1,200 people, participates in reenactments throughout Indiana and the Midwest.

When Mr. Reed gets into character, he gets in all of the way, he said. This means he may have to run or shoot his weapon or charge. General Kemper did. The soldiers stay in tents and eat food that is cooked in the open, like they did during the years of the war. All of this activity requires him to be in good shape. That's why it is critical that his therapy help him get where he needs to be, he said.

"I always put myself in the place," said Mr. Reed, adding that the therapy has been rigorous but effective.

He became a re-enactor after watching a re-enactment three decades ago. Soon he was with the Texas Brigade, which is almost like a family. "Re-enactor people are some of the best people you can run into," said Mr. Reed, who is a retired boiler operator. "We have lawyers, doctors, nurses, truck drivers, retired policemen."

His son joined a group. His fiancé also participates and makes his uniforms by hand. He has four other grown children and 10 grandchildren and some of them may join, too.

Born in Tennessee, Mr. Reed came from the South and spends a lot of time researching the Civil War. He spent two tours in the Navy during the Vietnam War.

After a heart attack, he spent a few months in a hospital. This gave him time to do more reading. About 25 years ago, for the 125th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, Mr. Reed was with his Texas Brigade at that observance, which was held on a private farm. This year, it will be at the actual site of the battle.

"So far, I'm progressing really well," said Mr. Reed. I couldn't even get out of bed

when I got here. I can stand now."

Operated by American Senior Communities, Community Nursing and Rehabilitation offer tours of its Moving Forward Rehabilitation Center, where Mr. Reed is a patient. For more information, call 317-356-0911, or please visit the website at www.ASCSeniorCare.com/cnr.

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HAGGERTY PRESENTS AT JULY'S LUNCH AND LEARN

Johnathan Haggerty, DC, ATC, CCSP, will present "How Chiropractic Works" as part of the Lunch & Learn Series on July 24, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. The presentation will be held in Community Rooms 1 & 2. Dr. Haggerty, a chiropractor, sees patients as part of CMH's Northwest Ohio Musculoskeletal Institute, which offers a wide range of surgical and non-surgical treatments for muscle, nerve, and joint pain.

Dr. Haggerty received his bachelors' degree in athletic training from Wilmington College. He later graduated from the notable Logan College of Chiropractic as a doctor of chiropractic medicine. Dr. Haggerty served as Athletic Trainer at Wilmington College and as an Assistant Athletic Trainer for the Cincinnati Reds. Prior to CMH he was an associate with the Winchester Chiropractic Clinic in Dublin, Ohio. His post graduate experience has helped countless athletes and patients return to top performance and a pain-free state of life.

By helping the body function properly, Dr. Haggerty helps to correct and relieve sprains, strains, disc injuries, and premature arthritis pain. In order to provide the best care for his patients, he will work closely with local orthopedists and medical physicians.

This lunch and learn educational session is geared towards senior citizens, but anyone is welcome to attend. There is no charge to attend this event, and a complimentary brunch is provided by the hospital. A nurse will also be on hand to take and record blood pressure measurements. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Lori at 419-542-5560.

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The 59th Ohio Left Handers State Golf Tournament will take place on Saturday, July 20, and Sunday, July 21, at Hickory Sticks Golf Course in Van Wert.

Three men's adult divisions, a womens division and a junior division will be held with the tournament being flighted ac-

ording to handicap. The tournament is open to players of any handicap. A practice round for the tournament will be held on Friday, July 19.

For more information or to register, please contact Al Welch at (419) 771-9450 or e-mail to al_jill_welch@yahoo.com.

GERMANN COMPETES IN USA WEIGHTLIFTING NATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS



Cierra Germann (New Haven, IN) competed in the USA Weightlifting 2013 National Youth Championships held in St. Joseph, MO, on June 28-30. She competed in the age 14-15, 69 kg weight class. Medals were awarded for the top six places in each weight class. Cierra received a medal for her fourth place finish.

Cierra accomplished a total of combined lifts (best snatch, best clean and jerk) of 113 kg (249 lbs), which is up from 100 kg just six weeks ago at Indiana State Championships. The top three places accomplished combined lifts of 132, 131 and 126 kg, respectively. Cierra is thrilled with her fourth place finish as many

of the lifters at the national level have been training and competing for 4-8 years. Cierra has been at it only 12 weeks and recognizes that there is a great deal of growth potential. She initially trained for six weeks to compete at the Indiana State Championships, her first weightlifting event ever, where she took first place in her weight class. She then trained six more weeks to compete at Nationals.

Cierra will now take a week off from weightlifting training to travel to Cincinnati, OH, and Indianapolis, IN, to play basketball in NCAA college exposure events with her AAU Gym Rats team.

Weightlifting training

will then resume in preparation for competition in late August in Lansing, MI, where the goal is to make a total qualified lift of 120-125 kg (275 lbs). Training will continue for 2014 National Junior Championships in Spring, 2014, 2014 Indiana State Championships, and 2014 National Youth Championships in Summer, 2014. The goal for the earlier national championships is to lift above the 130 kg level, and in the later, to lift above the 140 kg level.

Performance at the National level can lead to future International competition and recruitment to the US Olympic Team.

Cierra is trained and coached by Becky Levi of Spiece Sports Performance.

TWO ROAD CLOSURES IN THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN

The following streets in New Haven, IN will be closed on **Wednesday, July 10, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** for a the Trion Car Show:

Broadway Street North to Rose Avenue; Broadway Street South to Lincoln Highway; Main Street East to Ann Street; Main Street West to High Street.

No Detour will be provided.

High Street and State Street at the Norfolk and Southern RR Tracks in New Haven will be closed for railroad crossing replacement. This closure is scheduled to begin **Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.** and will end **Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

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1st Annual Kickball Day! Saturday July 27th 10-12

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Hearts & Hands

For More Information:
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All team members must be 21 years of
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DON'T GET TRAMPLED BY THE "HERD"



Financial Focus by: Gabe Pollock, Edward Jones Advisor

Every year in early July, thousands of people "run with the bulls" in Pamplona, Spain. While the event is exciting, it is also hazardous, and many runners have gotten badly injured over the years. As an investor, you may find that running with the herd is dangerous to you, too — because if you're constantly following what everyone else is doing, your own financial goals could end up getting "trampled."

The urge to run with the herd, or follow the crowd, may have been hard-wired into our psyches, according to anthropologists. In prehistoric times, running with the pack may have helped people minimize danger or increase their chances for finding food. But today, there are far fewer rewards for following a herd mentality — especially in investing.

For example, consider what happens when the financial markets go through a period of volatility. Virtually every time this happens, many investors flock to gold, apparently believing that the shiny yellow metal will always be valuable and that its price will never drop. Yet, the fact is that gold prices, like those of other financial assets, do fluctuate. Furthermore, certain types of gold-based investments can be quite risky in their own right.

What other "follow the herd" movements should you avoid when you invest? For

one thing, try to stay away from "feeding frenzies." If you look back about 15 years ago, you may remember the buzz surrounding speculative technology stocks — many of which were companies that had futuristic names but lacked some useful elements, such as profits or business strategies. For a few years, the prices of these companies soared, but in 2000 and 2001, the "dot-com" bubble burst, splattering investors with big losses that were either irreversible or, at the least, took years from which to recover.

The herd mentality often applies even when investors know the right moves to make. To illustrate: One of the most basic rules of investing is "buy low, sell high" — and yet many investors do the exact opposite. When prices drop, they sell, so that they can cut their losses — even though they may be selling investments that, while temporarily down, still have strong potential. On the other hand, when an investment's price has shot up, these same investors will often keep buying more shares, hoping to reap even bigger gains — even if the investment has now become quite expensive, as measured by the price-to-earnings ratio, and has little upside potential remaining.

Instead of emulating other investors, think about your own financial goals and create a viable strategy for achieving them, taking into account your risk tolerance and time horizon. Look for quality investments and hold them for the long term. Don't be discouraged by the inevitable market downturns, but be ready to adjust your portfolio as needed. Above all else, be patient and disciplined, always keeping your eye on your ultimate objectives.

It can feel comfortable when you're in the midst of a herd — but it can lead you to places where, as an investor, you don't want to go. Steer clear of the crowds and go your own way.

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP. TO RELEASE SECOND QUARTER EARNINGS

First Defiance Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FDEF) announced today that it intends to report second quarter earnings on Monday, July 22, 2013 after the close of the market. The earnings news release will be available on the company's investor relations website at www.fdef.com and at major financial information sites.

At 11:00 a.m. EDT on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, First Defiance will host a conference call at which William J. Small, Chairman, President and CEO, and Donald P. Hileman, Executive Vice President and CFO, will discuss the company's strategy and second quarter results. The conference call may be accessed by calling 1-888-317-6016.

Internet access to the call is also available (in listen-only mode) at the following URL: <http://services.chorus-call.com/links/fdef130723.html>

The audio replay of the conference call Webcast will be available at www.fdef.com until Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. For those without Internet access, the earnings release will be available by fax or mail upon request. To receive a copy, please call First Defiance Investor Relations at (419) 782-5104.

About First Defiance Financial Corp.

First Defiance Financial Corp., headquartered in Defiance, Ohio, is the holding company for First Federal Bank of the Midwest and First Insurance Group. First Federal operates 33 full service branches and 42 ATM locations in northwest Ohio, southeast Michigan and northeast Indiana. First Insurance Group is a full line insurance agency with offices in Archbold, Bowling Green, Bryan, Defiance, Maumee and Oregon, Ohio.

For more information, visit the company's Web site at www.fdef.com.

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 6/17/13

City of Woodburn meeting minutes from June 17, 2013. Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Hoepfner, Councilman Abbott, Rice, Renner, Gerig, Voirol, Treasurer Sarrazine, Superintendent Walls, Chief Duhammel were present.

POLICE CHIEF:

Chief Duhamell turned in his report. WPD had eight officers qualify with patrol rifles since last meeting. The WPD also conducted Tactical Shotgun and Pistol training on the same day. Child ID kits and Junior Police Badge stickers have been ordered for the Day in the Park on July 20. Emergency Radios will cost \$719.70 for a set of 12. Councilman Renner made a motion to buy radios from the Rainy Day fund, Councilman Voirol 2nd all approved, motion carried. The Woodburn Police Reserves are gearing up for the Day in the Park Bike Rodeo, and also working on the Fall Festival October 12th. The Fall Festival will be the First Annual Front Street Drags. Golf Carts and Go Carts will compete in several different categories.

MAYOR:

We have two estimates for controlling mosquitoes, \$450 - Arrow and \$650 Arab. After discussion Councilman Rice made a motion to wait and spray closer to the Day in the Park activities unless notified by the department of health. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved motion carried. Treasurer can go with low bidder if the board of health calls with a risk area. The city received a thank you note from Kevin Heckley for purchasing the lawn mower from him. After meeting with Sturtz Public management, Patrick Proctor it was determined the annexation would not go forward, but the sewer line to Maumee Center Rd. would. There was a follow up with Scott Herald for the TIF process. October 5th there is a National Recognition Day for Vietnam Veterans and they are looking for a \$500 contribution from the City. Councilman Abbot made a motion to donate \$500 to the Vietnam Era Supporters, Councilman Rice 2nd,

all approved, motion carried. There will be a pre-construction meeting at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday for the water main project at City Hall.

TREASURER:

Two corrections were made to the meeting minutes Councilman Abbott made a motion to approve corrected minutes, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Warrants were presented, Councilman Voirol made a motion to approve, Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Ordinance G-13-1305 Nuisance/Grass was presented. Councilman Rice made a motion to read by Title Only, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Councilman Gerig made a motion to have the 1st reading by title only, Councilman Voirol 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Councilman Abbott made a motion to approve 1st reading of Ordinance G-13-1305, Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve the 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance G-13-1305 by title only, Councilman Renner 2nd, all approved, motion carried. The treasurer presented two wage ordinances that must be done before the budget for 2014 can be pre-

pared. Councilman Voirol made a motion to write the ordinance as per pay period instead of annual to avoid problems at the end of year with overages/underage because of pay period dates. Councilman Gerig 2nd, all approved, motion carried. Councilman Voirol made a motion to freeze wages, Councilman Gerig 2nd, Vote was Councilman Voirol, and Gerig voted yes, Councilman Renner, Rice and Abbott voted Na. Motion did not carry. Councilman Abbott made a motion to give the Mayor a 30% wage increase, The Treasurer a 5% wage increase and the Council a 3% wage increase. Councilman Renner 2nd Councilman Voirol voted no, all remaining Council voted yes, motion carried. Treasurer made a recommendation to change Deputy Clerk's wage disbursement from 1/3 general fund, 1/3 water, 1/3 sewer to 10% general fund, 45% water, 45% sewer. After discussion Councilman Rice made a motion to keep it 1/3,1/3,1/3. Councilman Abbott 2nd, 4 yes, Councilman Voirol voted no. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT WALLS:

Aerator for lagoon will go in tomorrow Well head pro-

tection Phase II is coming up. Reports for drinking water quality are at the printers and will go out soon. There is a water leak at the Hamptons. Ben Schmucker will be contacted to fix. We will be smoke testing the high school area.

COUNCILMAN ABBOTT:

Silk screens at Homestead addition is nearly nonexistent. Councilman Abbott will call granite Ridge Builders.

COUNCILMAN RICE:

Councilman Rice questioned Superintendent Walls about the asphalt patch on Front Street. Ryan to get quotes for several areas.

Councilman Renner - No Report

COUNCILMAN GERIG:

Councilman Gerig got estimates to take down two trees in the alley behind Norden's Welding Shop—\$800 to \$2000. After doing some research Deputy Clerk Palmer found out that I&M will remove the trees for free on their schedule.

Councilman Voirol - No Report

Councilman Renner made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Rice 2nd, Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Notes prepared by Holly Sarrazine, Clerk Treasurer.

LEGAL NOTICE

2013 Benton Township et al, Road Improvements

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding, Ohio, at its office in the Court House, 115 N. Williams Street, Rm. B-1, Paulding, Ohio, 45879 until **9:00 A.M., D.S.T. on July 24, 2013**

PROPOSAL:

Asphalt Paving on various Township roads in Paulding County.

The owner intends and requires that the project be completed no later than **September 30, 2013.**

Engineer's Estimate=\$626,220.00

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

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

All contractors and sub-

contractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

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

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

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

DECLARATION REGARDING MATERIAL ASSISTANCE/NONASSISTANCE TO A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

LEGAL NOTICE

2013 Paulding County Paving Project

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PROPOSAL:

Asphalt Paving of various Township roads in Paulding County, Ohio.

The owner intends and requires that the project be completed no later than **September 30, 2013.**

Engineer's Estimate = \$1,067,181.61

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Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, (614) 644-2239.

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

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

PROPOSAL: "2013 Benton Township et al, Road Improvements"

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

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
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THE 16th ANNUAL CRUISE-IN ON BROADWAY CAR SHOW



Canal Cruzers Car Club and the Trion Tavern Presents 16th Annual Cruise-in on Broadway in downtown New Haven on July 10, 2013. The 16th Annual Cruise-in on Broadway car show will feature street rods, classics, restorations, muscle cars, antique cars, and trucks. Sponsored by the Canal Cruzers Car Club and Trion Tavern. The show starts at 6:00 p.m. and continues till 9:00 p.m. The car show is open to everyone.

Prizes donated by area merchants will be raffled off. There were 458 cars on showcase for the 2012 car show. Canal Cruzers Car Club established 1994 in



New Haven is open to anyone interested in autos or trucks, with approximately 24 families.

For more information, contact Steve Ostheimer at 260-466-3622, steveoldtimer@yahoo.com; Dan Schuckel at r.d.schuckel@juno.com; Bill Winsemann at beth.winsemann@itt.com

Sponsors for the event are Canal Cruzers Car Club and the Trion Tavern.

Canal Cruzers Car Club was established in 1994 in New Haven. It is open to anyone interested in autos and trucks. With approximately 24 families, unlike your average car club, we try to make our club something the whole family can enjoy. It doesn't matter how old you are or even what kind of car you own.

DEFIANCE AMERICARE OFFICE RAISES FUNDS FOR FAMILY IN NEED

Employees of the Defiance AmeriCare Home Health office and their friends and family raised

over \$1,600 for a family in need. AmeriCare, which specializes in in-home skilled nursing, home health aides, and physical, occupational, and speech therapy, held a benefit in its office parking lot on Friday, June 28 to raise funds for Jacob, a 15 year old boy who was recently diagnosed with Rhabdomyosarcoma, a very rare form of cancer.

Jacob and his mother hail from Northwest Ohio and are currently residing in North Carolina, where they were transplanted by his father's Naval career. Jacob's father is currently not present, and his mother does not have the funding available to move closer to family. Jacob has undergone multiple surgeries and is now receiving chemotherapy and radiation therapy at Duke University Hospital, three hours from his home. His mother, who had to leave work to participate in his treatment, had been making a six-hour round trip many days to be with him due to a lack of space availability at the local Ronald McDonald House. Mother and son now have a suite at the Ronald McDonald House for four months, and are not allowed to go home due to the nature of his illness. They will be incurring food, clothing, and medical costs during their stay that cannot be met by the family.

Jacob's Journey benefit was a combined car wash,

bake sale, garage sale, and raffle, the proceeds of which went straight to the family to help with transportation, daily living necessities, and medical bills. The benefit was a huge success because of the community's generosity, in the form of donations from local businesses and all the individuals who stopped out to have their cars washed and indulge their sweet-teeth. AmeriCare is grateful to each and every one of these businesses and individuals for their contributions, especially to Brush Creek Sales and Rental of Pleading for loaning and delivering tables for the event; Tri-State Medical Supply and Bethany Skiver for their garage sale donations; Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (First Lutheran Church of Stryker), Kingsbury House, and Angie Vogel for their baked good donations; and R & D Custom Apparel of Pettisville for making t-shirts and bracelets to sell at the event. In addition, the McDonalds of Defiance, In the Flesh custom tattoo, Sonic of Bryan, Sauder Village, the Cooper Shop at Sauder Village, Rita Sellers, and Tom's Donuts for their donations of raffle items, as well as everyone who came out and volunteered their time.

Jacob's prognosis is unknown at this time due to the rare nature of Rhabdomyosarcoma and the very limited number of past cases. He continues to fight and is taking things one day at a time.

FIREWORKS MOVE INSIDE AT THE MAC GYM

July brought holiday fireworks outside and now they move inside with the culmination of six basketball leagues at the McLaughlin Athletic Center. Each evening July 15-19 will bring at least one single elimination tournament championship each day. Monday will be a 6th grade and under boys tournament with six participating teams. Tuesday brings a varsity girls tournament with six teams and four teams of 6th grade and under girls. Wednesday is the biggest night of the week with ten junior high girls teams. Thursday hosts eight junior high boys teams and Friday will close the week with four men's league teams vying for the MAC summer title.

Schedules will be posted on the new MAC website www.macgymohio.com

SIGNUPS OPEN FOR THE 2013 SENECA COUNTY FAIR TURKEY CALLING CONTEST

Signups for the 2013 Seneca County Fair's Turkey Calling contest will be held on July 1, 2, 3, 8, and 9 at the fair office according to the Seneca County Fair board and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

The contest will be held at 7:30 p.m. on July 26, during the Seneca County Fair.

Contestants will be broken into 4 age group divisions: Poults: ages 10 and younger; Juniors: ages 11 to 15; Intermediate: ages 16 to 20; and Seniors: ages 21 and older.

Each contestant will per-

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For more information, contact the Fair Board at 419-447-7888. The Seneca County Fairground is located at: 100 Hopewell Ave., Tiffin, Ohio.

LATTA BACKS LEGISLATION TO UPDATE EMAIL PRIVACY LAWS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) has signed on as a cosponsor to H.R. 1852, the Email Privacy Act, a bill to update current privacy laws and improve protections for electronic communications information stored or maintained by third-party service providers.

"Digital communication privacy laws have not been updated since 1986, and yet technology has changed dramatically and is consistently evolving. We must ensure that privacy laws keep up with technology and provide the courts with clarity in an ever-changing

field. This bill updates outdated laws by establishing a well-defined legal standard for the release of email and other electronic communications. Government can and must play a role in upholding the Fourth Amendment and guarding against government intrusion in our personal lives."

Under current law, electronic communications stored or maintained by a third-party provider can be obtained by a government entity if that digital communication is older than 180 days. H.R. 1852 removes the outdated 180-day rule and requires a search warrant based on probable cause.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition Report: Doneta E. Adkins; Oakwood; Falsification; No Cont; pay all fines & costs; reimburse costs of appointed counsel fees; standard probation; 3 days jail to run concurrent w/case #13 TRC-509; 15 days EMHA; no unlawful contact w/person

Drugs; Case A; Pre-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Common Pleas Court Grand Jury; case shall be bound over; Case B; Possess Chemical; Prel-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Common Pleas Court Jury; case shall be bound over; Case C; Endanger Child; Prel-Waive; defendant has been indicted by the Common Pleas Court Grand Jury; case shall be bound over

Chad E. Snavelly; Haviland; Case A; Domestic Violence; No Cont; defendant shall have no contact w/victims; complete community service; complete 'Thinking for A Change' through probation; if qualifications can be entered into the Fresh Start program; submit to mental health evaluation; Case B; Domestic Violence; No Cont; jail days to run concurrent w/Case A; Case C; Assault; No Cont; jail days to run concurrent w/Case B

Gary L. Owens; Oakwood; Disorderly Condc; J-No Cont Scott M. Rau; Scott; Paraphernalia; Dismissed; Case A dismissed, sentence is stayed; Case B; Child Endangerment; No Cont; defendant shall pay all fines & costs; sentence is stayed

James E. Farr; Paulding; Prohib Activity; Guilty; shall pay all fines; the antlers, skull cap and the cape of the deer are to be forfeited to the State of Ohio Division of Wildlife Terry L. Richard; Grover Hill; Confine of Dog; No Cont; defendant shall pay all fines & costs

A: Criminal Damages; J-No Cont; defendant has a pay for stay police for incarceration; pay all fines & costs; make restitution; complete 3rd Millennium Alcohol Course; community service; 'Thinking for A Change'; probation; seek employment; Count B; Underage Consum; No Cont; shall pay all fines & costs

Tommy Lee Bigger; Antwerp; Rec Stolen Prop; Dismissed; case dismissed per State w/out prejudice; costs waived Edward Miller; Antwerp; Junk Ordinance; Dismissed; case dismissed per Village; costs waived Jacob Allen Williams; Payne; Disorderly Condc; Ct-Not G; pay all fines & costs; pay or appear

Abbie L. Holton; Cloverdale; Pass Bad Check; No Cont; pay all fines & costs; probation; community service; seek employment; make restitution through clerk's office

Property Transfers: Benton Twp.: 6/24/13; O'Deli C. Williams, dec'd; Sec 18; Mooney Meadows; 0.344 acre; To: Dennis O. Williams, et al

7/1/13; William H. & Christine J. Hartsock; Sec 13; S 1/2; Sec 14; Shaffer Subdivision; 0.33 acre; To: Donald J. Kelble Blue Creek Twp.: 6/21/13; Rhonda J. Rager; Sec 19; pt W 1/2 NW 1/4; 1.00 acre; To: Eric M. & Emily L. Simindinger

Dix's 1st Addition; 0.202 acre; To: Steven & Pamela Miller Payne Village: 6/21/13; Harold Wannemacher, et al; Lot 4; Anspach Subdivision; 0.227 acre; To: John Keith Wannemacher

HOUSE PASSES BILL TO EXPAND U.S. OFFSHORE ENERGY PRODUCTION

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) voted in favor of a bill to expand U.S. offshore energy production, H.R. 2231, the Offshore Energy and Jobs Act.

"The U.S. has an abundance of natural resources and through the development of these resources we are able to create American jobs and lower energy prices. This bill will expand U.S. energy production while ensuring that it is done in a responsible way," said Latta. "This Administration's energy policy is far from the 'all-of-the-above' strategy that the President touts to the public. Since taking office in 2009, access to privately funded development of traditional sources of energy have been blocked on federal lands while regulations on plants that provide low-cost electricity to families and small businesses have increased," Latta continued.

According to the Congressional Research Service, the Administration's offshore leasing plan for 2012-2017 offers no new areas for lease and the lowest number of lease sales in history. This bill requires the Administration to submit a five-year leasing plan for developing offshore energy resources by 2015. Also included in the bill is a reorganization of the Department of Interior's offshore energy agencies into three separate agencies with an emphasis on environmental protections and safety to handle offshore energy operations.

EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS NAME CHANGES

Effective July 1, 2013 the following school names have changed per board approval on November 27, 2012. These changes are in alignment with the district's redesign plan.

- Highland Terrace Elementary going to New Haven Primary School (Pre-K - 2) Meadowbrook Elementary going to New Haven Intermediate School (Grades 3-5)

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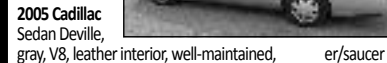
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YEAR AFTER DROUGHT, FIREWORK SALES RETURN TO NORMAL

Business boomed for local firework stores this summer. After a drought stopped most sales last year, this year's rebound was explosive.

Many stores around Fort Wayne were prepared to close this weekend, but were doing so after good sales the past several days.

"It went really well," Mike Hensley, a franchise owner of USA Fireworks, said. "A little bit larger than my average has been over the last five years. A lot of last minute shoppers this year compared to last. I definitely had the largest Fourth of July I ever had."

Hensley hadn't totaled this year's sales yet, but estimated he had sold five times more than last year.

"All the returned customers from two years ago that said, hey I'm sorry I missed you last year, I definitely appreciated hearing that," he said.

On Saturday, Hensley had several customers come through his doors, who hoped to get a deal before business closed.

"There's an expectation from customers that prices are reduced after the Fourth," Hensley said. "It will probably vary from owner to owner, as to how well they did, how much product they got left, and how bad they want to get rid of it."

Hensley said many stores see high costs when they shipped their unsold fireworks back to the warehouse.

Lincoln Dyer is a firework salesman at DKD Fireworks, located on Bluffton Road, which sells fireworks year round.

"This year was exponentially better than last," Dyer said. "Last year, we had a burn ban in place, and last year we did about \$400 in sales. Normally, that's what you should be doing per hour."

Dyer said the best sales are typically around the Fourth of July. Other good days for business include around high school graduations, Memorial Day, and Labor Day.

This year, more people were buying the higher-end fireworks. Dyer and Hensley said many of them closely compare to ones professionals use in their shows.

"There are basically two products that borderline between the professional and consumer grade," Hensley said. "Those are the multi-shots and cakes. They're one light, they're already pre-loaded by professionals and they're going to put out those big shots put in the air and get those nice loud booms."

Hensley said he has helped anyone build their own backyard show, with a budget ranging from \$300 to \$3,000. "I refer to it as a shotgun blast of pyrotechnics coming out of the ground with big thick tails going up in the air," he added. "It looks really nice, and it takes it to that nearly professional level."

"The displays are getting better," Dyer said. "The colors, the height, the loudness of the burst. It's definitely coming up and people are becoming more acquainted with those fireworks that do those kind of things."

The last professional scheduled firework shows took place Saturday night.

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