

PENGUIN PEDDLER DONATES FROM COMMUNITY GIVINGS



Mother-daughter duo, Carmen Hale and Carol Blodgett, own and operate the Penguin Peddler in Paulding at 105 North Water Street.

The big news at Penguin Peddler is there have been many donations of objects and articles that were put up for sale since the opening of the store. When sold, the money is then given to charity. The ladies have chosen United Way for this donation. Over \$300 was given to Sonya Herber, United Way director, for the helping of the community. Many businesses keep the money they make, but Penguin Peddler made a

different choice.

On October 1, 2013 the Penguin Peddler opened its doors, taking over the building after Stykemain Chevrolet relocated. It was a much needed improvement over their previous facility.

The owner of the business, Carmen Hale, lives in Grover Hill and worked with her mother, Carol Blodgett of Paulding, the manager, to create a much needed business in the Paulding community.

Along with donating funds to United Way, one of their policies they have set in place is, after a designated time period the items become the property of the Penguin Peddler. They then take the items and donate them to the Wright Patterson Air Force Base. This enables the service members to get the items for free or very inexpensive.

Both Carol and Carmen are nurses, though Carol re-

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COOPER TURKEY GETS PRESIDENTIAL PARDON



The fourth through sixth graders at Grover Hill Elementary met a slate blue turkey from Cooper Farms. We also learned about the turkeys' life. Now, one of their turkeys is traveling to Washington DC to receive a pardon from the President and afterwards enjoy a life of ease

in a nearby farm! We sure enjoyed the visit and learned many new facts about how careful the farmers are to protect their animals from the spread of disease. Pictured here are Rachel Stoller, Brice Carnahan, Jess Munger and Jacob Robinson. *More on Turkey Pardon on Page 3.*

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 11/17 - BBQ riblet sandwich, herbed potatoes, country style spinach, mandarin oranges, apple juice
 11/18 - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, strawberry hash, dinner roll, apple crisp

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 11/12 - 11/18

11/12 - Veterans Day Luncheon; Bingo w/CHP at 12:00 Noon; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.
 10/13 - Bingo w/PCH at 10:00 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Turn Up at 12:15 p.m.; Merry & Bright Christmas Lighting at 6:30 p.m. on the Square
 11/14 - Birthday & Anniversary Celebration: United Way Presentation at 12:15 p.m.; Craft store open, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
 11/17 - Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Game Day at 10:00 a.m.; Bingo w/Fountain Park
 11/11 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.



UNFATHOMABLE WORLD EXISTS FOR MILLIONS

The Nurturing Well by: Jill Starbuck

Imagine a world where nobody is familiar. Your home doesn't seem to suit you. Your friends and family change daily. You cannot fix your own food, take care of personal hygiene, balance a checkbook, or read a book. You frequently get lost and wake up in the middle of the night wondering why nobody else is up. You watch television without following

the storyline. You hear the phone ring, but can't seem to find the right button to answer it. You forget how to laugh and cry, becoming seemingly emotionless. You have no interests or hobbies. Worst of all, you can't seem to get words out any longer. All of this happens in steps (slow progressive steps for some) until you essentially lose your identity.

This is only a smidgen of the world an Alzheimer's victim lives. Unfortunately, more than five million people in the United States live in this world. It typically opens its arms to the elderly, aged 65 or older. However, it sometimes lets in those younger. About 5% of those living in this world are in their 40s or 50s. Here, death is just waiting around the corner. But sometimes it lingers tortuously for years.

On November 1, 2014, President Barack Obama declared November National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. During this month, efforts increase to teach the public about Alzheimer's, to support caregivers and patients, and to honor those who have passed from the disease. These efforts are greatly needed as every 67 seconds a person develops the disease, with approximately half a million people dying each year from Alzheimer's. It is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States and continues to increase annually—at a rapid rate. By 2050, the incidence of Alzheimer's may nearly triple.

According to the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's is the most expensive disease in the United States, costing the country \$214 billion. This number could increase to \$1.2 trillion by 2050! These numbers do not take into account the countless, unpaid hours that caregivers provide, which were valued at \$220.2 billion in 2013.

As you can see, this disease is an extremely emotional, senseless, and expensive one. A desperate need exists to help with research and development to find solutions that will prevent, stall, or reverse the disease. To learn more about this devastating condition and how you can support those affected, visit the Alzheimer's Association website at www.alz.org.

Jill Starbuck has 20 years of experience as a business writer, editor, and market research analyst. She is a certified health coach through the Integrative Institute of Nutrition and a certified running coach through the Road Runners Club of America. She is also the co-owner of a running business. She can be reached at jillstarbuck@hotmail.com.

HOLIDAY SHOPPERS: BE SAVVY AND BE SAFE WITH TIPS FROM STEADY U OHIO

As holiday shopping season gets into full swing, the STEADY U Ohio initiative reminds Ohioans that there are things they can do to prevent falls during the hustle and bustle of bargain hunting. Older adults are at increased risk for falls and fall-related injuries, and the chances of a fall go up when we are rushing around or distracted by crowds and sales. The Ohio Council of Retail Merchants and the Golden Buckeye Program have partnered with STEADY U Ohio, an initiative of the Ohio Department of Aging, to provide these tips for shoppers to prevent falls:

- Shop at off-peak times to avoid crowds and long waits. Bring someone with you who can wait in line for you while you sit and rest.
- Report slipping hazards, such as spills, loose rugs or mats, and unsafe sidewalks or stairs to store staff immediately.
- Avoid walking around items blocking aisles or displays that block your view of other shoppers and obstacles. Tell store staff that you think these are hazardous.
- Ask store staff for help carrying heavy or bulky packages or bags to your vehicle. Avoid carrying large, low-hanging bags that can trip you.
- If you use your cane or walker, always shop with it or take advantage of the mobility scooters many stores provide if you could be on your feet for longer than you usually find comfortable.
- Tell store staff if you see anybody behaving in an unsafe manner.
- If you fall, even if you're not hurt, notify store staff and management right away so that they can document the incident and take steps to prevent future accidents.

"Falls are the leading cause of injury-related hospitalization and death among Ohioans age 65 and older," said Bonnie K. Burman, Sc.D., director of the Ohio Department of Aging, which operates STEADY U and Golden Buckeye. "However, falls are not a normal part of aging, and most falls can be prevented. Knowing your surroundings and your abilities are important to ensure a falls-free holiday season."

"Creating falls-free zones in Ohio's retail establishments can be achieved largely through staff and customer education," added Lora L.

Miller, director of governmental affairs for the Ohio Council of Retail Merchants. "We have partnered with STEADY U because we know that every retailer in Ohio wants to create a safe and pleasant environment and shopping experience for their customers and staff. When staff or customers fall in your business, it doesn't just hurt them, it also hurts your reputation and your bottom line."

In addition to tips for individuals and families to prevent falls, the STEADY U Ohio website (www.steady.u.ohio.gov) features a section specifically for businesses with tips and resources designed to help them create a culture of falls prevention among their staff and customers.

Things retailers can do to prevent falls for staff and customers include:

- Create a falls prevention policy and make sure your employees know and understand it.
- Identify issues with flooring, stairs, lighting and housekeeping that could cause accidents.
- Have staff regularly monitor aisles for items that have fallen off shelves and are blocking.
- Provide seating around your business, particularly in areas where customers may have to wait during busy times.
- When it's snowy or icy, extend sales or offer shopping options for older customers.
- Empower staff to offer assistance to customers who appear to be having trouble getting around.

Follow STEADY U Ohio on Facebook and Twitter for daily tips, news and resources to help prevent falls year-round.

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL WELCOMES NEW COO

Scott Weiskittel, MPT, has joined the administrative team at Lutheran Hospital as its new chief operating officer. Weiskittel brings with him a wide breadth of operational experience. He comes to northeastern Indiana from Pennsylvania where he served for the last three years as COO at Pottstown Memorial Medical Center, a 224-bed community hospital. For the two years prior to that, he was the hospital's assistant chief executive officer and ethics and compliance officer.

Weiskittel is a physical therapist by training who has gained valuable leadership skills working in markets in South Carolina, Tennessee and Pennsylvania over the past 15 years. He has extensive experience in managing service lines, developing joint ventures and delivering results on multiple capital projects. Weiskittel is also noted for helping Pottstown Memorial Medical Center receive numerous quality certifications and designations including several from The Joint Commission.

His professional development includes involvement with the American College of Healthcare Executives and

past membership on the Leadership Health Care initiative in Nashville, TN.

Weiskittel and his wife, Holli, are the parents of three children. He's an avid runner who enjoys giving back through volunteering. Examples of his community service have included membership with Meals on Wheels, Rotary and the Chamber of Commerce.

Weiskittel earned a master's in physical therapy from Widener University's Institute for Physical Therapy Education in 1997 and a bachelor's in biology from the University of Virginia in 1992.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL HOME CARE & HOSPICE MONTH

November is National Hospice and Home Care Month, but most of us would never know it.

Home care and hospice services continue to be shrouded in mystery and are frequently misunderstood, despite it touching hundreds of area families, and despite the many volunteers who devote hours of their precious time to it.

For the aged, disabled or ill, remaining in the homes they know and love can become increasingly difficult unless they can obtain services they need to support them. Whether it's for two days a week, for continuous twenty four hour care or end-of-life support, home care can allow patients to remain in their homes, protect their independence, and preserve their dignity.

The National Association for Home Care & Hospice (NAHC) has chosen four different themes for this year's celebration to represent core home care and hospice services. For Home Health, the theme is "Home is the Center of Health Care." The Hospice theme is: "Hospice = Love in Action." The Private Duty theme is "Loving Care Tailored to Each Family's Needs." The Home Care Aide Week (November 9-15, 2014) theme is: "Caring in Action."

"It's important for the public to understand the different services available in home care and the availability of agencies that provide those services," said Melissa Hale, RN, supervisor of Community Health Professionals of Paulding.

Non-medical home care and medical, skilled home health care are two very different things. Non-medical home care is ideal for individuals, especially seniors, who would prefer to remain in their own home rather than move into a nursing facility but need some assistance to do so comfortably and safely.

This type of home care is usually referred to as personal care or companion care, and services range from transportation, errands, light housekeeping, meal preparation and assistance with activities of daily living.

"For the most part, non-medical home care is a private pay service, meaning it is not covered by Medicare or Medicaid pro-

grams and must be paid for independently," said Hale. "However, there are some state government programs, like Passport that individuals may qualify for that will assist in payment for these services."

Medical home health care or "visiting nurses" is appropriate for people suffering from chronic illness and/or recovering from acute injury or illness and needing skilled care to remain at home. Skilled home health services are covered by Medicare, Medicaid, most private insurances and veteran's benefits.

"Home health services include medication management; wound care; physical, occupational, and speech therapies; and other skilled services provided by licensed individuals," said Hale. "It requires a physician's order, and that the patient is under the care of a physician."

In most cases, insurance providers stipulate that a patient must be home-bound and need intermittent, skilled services to qualify for visiting nurses services. Home bound doesn't mean that a patient must be bed-bound or confined to home, but it must be difficult for the patient to leave home unassisted.

Hospice care provides a combination of care to help patients and families focus on living when a loved one is terminally ill.

"The notion of the end of life being near can certainly be scary and lonely for the patient and their loved ones," said Hale. "Hospice sees this time as an important time of living."

The hospice team relieves those feelings of loneliness and anxiety; helps provide comfort and security with expert medical care and can even help attain last wishes. By helping patients live the last phase of their journey fully, hospice allows patients to feel a sense of much needed dignity and respect. At the same time, hospice recognizes and attends to the needs of family members providing care.

"There's an inaccurate perception that hospice means you've given up," said Hale. "Those of us who have worked in the field have seen firsthand how hospice and palliative care can improve the quality of life and may even prolong the lives of some people who receive care."

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The John Paulding Historical Society will be holding their annual Festival of Trees from November 13 through November 16 at the museum located across from the fairgrounds in Paulding. This year's theme is "A Caroling We Will Go". The schedule of events is loaded with fun and entertainment starting Thursday, November 13 open from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and supper will be from 4:00-6:30 p.m. The menu will be chili, hot dogs, pie, and a drink. Paint a Picture with Katie Diaz will start at 1:00 p.m. Entertainment for the evening will be the Oakwood Community Band starting at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, November 14, open from 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Lunch at 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. with a menu of chicken or sloppy joe sandwiches, salad, brownie, chips and a drink. Baked potato bar and dessert bar starts at 4:30 p.m. Entertainment at 2:00 p.m. will be singer Olga Kipp, and at 6:30 p.m. you can enjoy the bluegrass music of Brian Holbrook and company.

On Saturday, November 15, Santa arrives at 9:00 a.m. Pictures with Santa will be from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Brunch will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with a menu of breakfast casseroles, rolls, biscuits and gravy and a drink. Spaghetti supper will be served from 4:00-6:30 p.m. At 1:00 p.m., TNT the Clown will be doing balloon animals and Sassy the Clown will be doing face painting. From 1:00-3:00 p.m., there will be kids crafts with Kathy Denny. Entertainment will be Nancy Whitaker starting at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 16, open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Brunch served from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. with a menu of pancakes, sausage links, rolls, fruit, and drink. Entertainment will be Kelsey Clemens at 1:00 p.m. and Olga Kipp at 2:00 p.m.

Throughout the event we will be having area pianists playing our newly refurbished Square Grand Piano. This piano is from the 1850s and does not sound like the pianos of today. Square Grand Pianos are rare and having one refinished and tuned is even more rare.

Silent auction all weekend closes at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Ohio State Raffle all week-

end closes at 4:00 p.m. Sunday.

Voting for your favorite tree closes at 4:00 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is FREE. Please help the John Paulding Historical Society in their mission of Preserving the Past for Future Generations.

LEARN STRATEGIES FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS AT HEALTH FAIR

Northwest State Community College nursing students are hosting a Health Fair on Thursday, November 13. In addition to health tips, the fair will feature a flu shot clinic courtesy of the Fulton County Health Department. The entire event will run from 9:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m., with flu shots beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Flu vaccines, both injectable and mist, will be available. This year's vaccine offers additional protection, including two "B" strains and two "A" strains of influenza.

"Nursing students will offer free blood pressure screenings, skin cancer derma scan screenings, information on cardiovascular health and more," said Deb Mignin, NSCC nursing faculty. "With cold and flu season approaching, now is a great time to stop by for a flu shot and tips on how to stay healthy this fall and winter."

The Health Fair will be held in the Atrium at NSCC. It is free and open to the public. For more information, visit NorthwestState.edu or call 419.267.5511.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING AT HANDS OF HOPE PREGNANCY SERVICES

Hands of Hope Pregnancy Services is a local pregnancy care center that serves women in the Paulding area. They provide free pregnancy testing, pregnancy options counseling, and material assistance to women choosing life for their babies. They also offer free parenting classes and a series on practical fatherhood. Hands of Hope will be holding a volunteer training on Saturday, November 22, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The training will be in the basement of the Samaritan Center, located at 1030 W. Wayne Street, Paulding. We are especially in need of nurse volunteers, fundraising help, and church and school liaisons. If you are interested in serving the community through Hands of Hope, please attend this training day. Call 419-399-2447 for more information or to reserve your spot.

Penguin Peddler (Continued from Page 1)

cently retired. Carmen retired from the Navy in 2012 after serving for 22 years. She now works at Parkview Hospital by day.

Carol stated, "One new thing we are offering soon is gift certificates. People who aren't quite sure what to get a friend or family member will love sending a gift certificate from the Penguin Peddler."

Setting sales goals hasn't been easy, but they have exceeded their first year's goal. Over 8,000 items moved through the store in the first 12 months of operation. They consistently keep about 3,000 items ready for retail sale at any one time.

Keeping the store fresh and exciting is a target for the ladies, "Our patrons are friendly and exciting. They always come back to see the latest and greatest of what we have to offer," states Carol.

Make a trip and stop on in at the Penguin Peddler and see how they are supporting the community with your help.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL HELPS WITH HEALTHCARE EXCHANGE OPEN ENROLLMENT

The open enrollment period for the Healthcare Marketplace health insurance coverage for 2015 is November 15, 2014 through February 15, 2015. This coverage is available through the Affordable Care Act.

You must be enrolled in health insurance coverage by February 2015. If you don't have coverage in 2015, you may have to pay a fee per person, or 2% of your income, whichever is higher. The fee increases each year. Some people may qualify for an exemption from this fee. Persons missing the deadline may not be able to purchase Marketplace coverage for 2015 until the next open enrollment period for the following year.

If you are currently enrolled in a 2014 plan, your benefit year ends on December 31, 2014. Even if you like your current plan, the recommendation is to go online and check the options. You will want to confirm that your plan is not changing or perhaps you will find a plan that is more affordable or has ben-

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New Haven Business Changes (Continued from Page 1)

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OLD CROWN BRASS BAND IN CONCERT WITH "HOLIDAY IN BRASS 2014"

The Old Crown Brass Band will present "Holiday in Brass 2014" on Sunday December 21, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. This festive concert will take

place at the Arts United Center located at 202 E. Main St., Fort Wayne, IN.

The annual "Holiday in Brass" concert of the Old Crown Brass Band will feature many seasonal favorites with a brassy twist. The band has selected two arrangements by Stephan Bulla as their featured numbers. "A Christmas Suite" is a stirring four movement setting of traditional Christmas favorites and Bulla's "12 Days a Christmas" is a whimsical and fun filled frolic of the familiar tune. The more melodious side of the band is featured in "Canterbury Chorale" and "Magnum Mysterium". There will be a special setting of the reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas".

Also on the program is a brass band arrangement of "Bach's Prelude and Fugue in Bb Major", a tribute to Richard Strauss in a "Strauss Fantasy" and the very popular "A Christmas Festival" arranged by Leroy Anderson.

Old Crown Brass Band was founded in 2007 and has become one of Fort Wayne's premier performing ensembles. The band does about 8-10 performances a year and is in great demand throughout Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. The 35-piece brass and percussion ensemble is made up of members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, local music educators and freelance musicians. All members of the band are non-compensated and share a passion for brass band music. The band is a proud member of the North American Brass Band Association (NABBA) and Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne.

The band is under the direction of T.J. Faur and Tony Alessandrini.

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PRESIDENTIAL TURKEY PARDON (Cont. 'd)



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BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 16:8 - What is the Lord commending his servant for?
2. Luke 16:8 - The children of the world are in their generation wiser than who?
3. Luke 16: 8 - The Lord said in Luke 16:1 it says a certain rich man, who is this person?
4. Luke 16:8 - The children of the world are wiser in what?
5. Luke 16:8 - Who are the children of light?
6. Luke 16:9 - What does this mean, and I say unto you mean?
7. Luke 16:9 - What is mammon equivalent to?
8. Luke 16:9 - How does people use mammon in a sinful way?
9. Luke 16:9 - What does this mean they may receive you?
10. Luke 16:10 - If I am not faithful in a little, will I be faithful in a lot?

Comments or questions? Call James Potter at 419-393-4775 or e-mail atjps1941@yahoo.com. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Answers to today's questions:

1. The wisdom of preparing his earthly future.;
 2. Children of light.;
 3. The Lord.;
 4. Worldly matters.;
 5. Saint or saved.;
 6. The parable has ended.;
 7. Money or wealth.;
 8. By using mammon for self, instead of giving some back to God.;
 9. Those who help through benevolent works.;
 10. No.
- V 8 - The unjust steward is commended on his wisdom in preparing for his earthly life, but what about eternity. Loved ones today is the day to start preparing for eternity. You may say God loves us and because He loves us He won't judge us. That is true, God loves us, but in the book of Acts God shows us what we must do to be saved and when we are saved, Jesus adds us to His church. From the Book of Romans to Revelation, God shows us what we must do to stay in His will. Also in these books God has shown us what we must not do, for if we do the things He tells us not to, we lose our salvation. Read Revelation 21:8.

V 9 - Tells us to make friends. How are we to make friends? By helping those in need.

In this way worldly wealth may be wisely used to gain eternal benefits. God's people should be alert to use what God has given them.

"OI" Baldy says bye for now, but please continue to pray, read and study the Bible, for God's word is truth. Today, we do not live under any part of the Old Testament. Today we live under Christ's law which is the New Testament. Read Galatians chapter 3 about Christ's redeeming us from the Law of Moses. Only Jews were commanded to keep the law, not Gentiles.

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN TO SAY THANK-YOU?

Winning the Battle for a Generation by: Pastor Rick Jones

One cold Christmas Eve some 30 years ago the Lord laid upon my heart one of my uncles, a kind and generous man who had done many things to benefit our family when I was very young. To the best of my knowledge, no one had ever "thanked him," at least I know that "I had forgotten to say thank-you."

That night I wrote my uncle a long letter, specifically thanking him for the many ways he had helped our family. Writing that letter of gratitude transformed me and opened doors in my relationship to my uncle. Gordon MacDonald tells a story about saying "thank-you" of a husband and wife team who are three-day-a-week volunteers at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

MacDonald writes... The wife works at the information desk at the main entrance. Her mission: To welcome and provide information for people entering the hospital for the first time.

Her husband oversees a reception area for families and friends of cancer patients who are in surgery. His mission: To ensure that they are comfortable and cared for until the surgeon comes to tell them what has happened in the OR. When Gordon MacDonald asked them, "Why do you do this? You could be snorkeling in Florida," they said:

Because we are aggressively appreciated. Mass General practices a culture of appreciation. You can hardly go 15 minutes during the day without someone on the MGH staff stopping you (from hospital president to the cleaning staff) and saying thanks and something like "We couldn't do what we do without you." We're made to feel like an important part of a world-class medical team. We've never felt so completely valued in any other organization.

"Are you telling me," MacDonald replied, "that you receive more appreciation at the hospital than you got when you once poured yourself into work at our church?" They answered slowly, firmly, maybe even sadly: "There's no comparison."

We are only a few weeks away from "Thanksgiving" but we are reminded in scripture to give thanks for all things, all the time... 1 Chronicles 16:8 (KJV), "Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people."

While there is still time, tell someone "thank-you," call them, write them, email them, text them, Facebook them, whatever it takes, "thank them."

Rick Jones previously served on the staff of Defiance Area Youth for Christ for 36 years, first as a ministry coordinator and later as Executive Director. Rick is currently a pastor of an area local church.

"DINNER & A MOVIE" AT WOODBURN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

On Wednesday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m., Woodburn United Methodist Church will be hosting our next monthly "Dinner and a Movie Night". The fun will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a soup supper. We will be having homemade Swiss Potato Soup (to go along with our movie), homemade Beef Vegetable Soup, and (for those who don't like soup) homemade Chicken and Noodles. We'll also have Ghirardelli Triple Chocolate Chip Brownies (with dark chocolate, semi-sweet chocolate, and milk chocolate chips), fresh fruit for our diabetic friends, and a lot of good fellowship.

After the dinner, we'll adjourn to the sanctuary to view the inspirational harvest movie, *Faith Like Potatoes*. As the cover of the DVD says, this is the "inspiring true story of a farmer who moves his family to South Africa and suffers a series of seemingly insurmountable losses. Through unlikely friendships and much needed divine intervention, he discovers his life's true purpose and it sustains his unwavering belief in the power of faith. It's a moving life journey of a man who, like his potatoes, grows his faith, unseen until the harvest."

At the end of the movie, there will be a drawing for a door prize, but you must be present to win this prize. There is no charge for this uplifting evening of food, fun, faith, and fellowship.

Woodburn United Methodist is located at 4300 Becker Rd. behind the Woodburn X-press gas station in the middle of Woodburn. Pastor Terry McDonald and all of the people of Woodburn United Methodist are looking forward to continuing a tradition of "Dinner and a Movie Night at WUMC". Please join us!

LIFEWAY WESLEYAN CHURCH OF NEW HAVEN IS GROWING

This is an announcement to inform the local community about the positive things that are happening at Lifeway Wesleyan Church.

Lifeway Wesleyan Church, is Lighting the Way, by building a Family Life Center. This center will provide needed space for present and future ministries, as well as an outreach into the community.

This will be a place not only for the youth and children of the church, but also for a way for the church to reach out to the community too.

Keep an eye on what will be happening at Lifeway Wesleyan Church located at 7722 Moeller Road. More information is to come when they start to build the community Family Life Center.

MISSION (LUKE) 9:11 MINISTRY OPENS IN HICKSVILLE

A brand new interdenominational ministry is now operating in Hicksville. It is based on Luke 9:11 "... He welcomed them, spoke to them about God's kingdom, and healed those who were sick." Mission (Luke) 9:11 is an

outreach facility that exists to share the Good News of the gospel. It is not a church, but a community center to reach out in Jesus' love, who desire to see lives changed through the power of the Holy Spirit and to see wounded people healed and restored. They are currently working with people who are trapped in poverty or have addiction issues. There is a men's fellowship group on Sunday evenings, and women are encouraged to come in during the week for help with any needs that arise in their own lives.

A washing machine and dryer are eventually going to be installed so that clients can come in and do laundry if circumstances make it impossible to do it at home. A shower and emergency clothing will also become available. Hot lunches are served on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon for anyone who needs it. A professional counselor will be available after the first of the year (on a first come, first served basis) to help with more serious problems.

Some exciting things that will be happening include a 'Christmas Gift Bizarre' on Saturday December 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. People are encouraged to come over, look around, have lunch and stay for the Christmas parade and the light display at the Defiance County fairgrounds. If there seems to be enough demand that day, they will provide a community Christmas dinner for any members of the surrounding area who may not have another place to celebrate the holiday with family and friends.

If you are interested in becoming involved with any of these events, please do not hesitate to visit 104 Fountain St., Hicksville, OH (the brick building behind Cline's Grocery Store) or call 419-487-1077.

RUDOLPH ALL RED-NOSED OVER STAMP OF APPROVAL

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," the nation's longest-running and highest-rated Christmas television special "went down in history" to receive its stamp of approval today. The set of four Limited Edition Forever stamps depicting Rudolph, Hermey, Santa and Bumble were created from still television frames from the special which premiered 50 years ago in 1964.

The stamps were dedicated as part of the Postal Service's Holiday Kickoff news conference at the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum. Visit the Holiday Newsroom for mailing tips, mail by dates, letters to and from Santa and other information.

"Rudolph's story of guiding Santa's sleigh on Christmas Eve has been revered by families for five decades," said Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe in dedicating the stamps. "We're celebrating that milestone by having our fleet of 212,000 'sleighs' deliver Rudolph and his friends on 500 million Forever stamps to nearly 153 million addresses this holiday season."

The Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Limited Edition Forever stamps will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce. For more information visit the website at usps.com/stamps, the Postal Store,

HATS FOR HOLTS DAY



Pictured are Levi Martz, Dillion Lambert, Mrs. Jessica Davis, Bailey Adams, Cara Davis, Macy Moiser, Kara McDonald, Devin Huffine and Faith Meraz.

The Grover Hill Student Council is working hard this year. Right now they are currently putting the finishing touches on the Veteran's Day Program. The council is also doing a service project to help out a local family (The Chris Holt Family).

Every Tuesday in November is a Hats for Holt Day. The staff and students can wear a hat for donation. This money will be donated to Chase Holt and his family. Chase was diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis Type 2.

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tographed against backgrounds, giving the images their distinctive look. Art director Greg Breeding of Charlottesville, VA, designed the stamps.

The name Rudolph appears on the left side in white in the same typeface used for the credits in the original special. Santa waves cheerfully from another stamp, the reins of his magical sleigh held in one hand. The name Santa is printed in the lower right corner. On a third stamp, the Abominable Snow Monster stares menacingly from behind crags of snow. Bumble, the nickname for the Snow Monster used by prospector Yukon Cornelius is printed along the right side. The final stamp shows Hermey, the misfit elf, touching Rudolph's glowing red nose with the name Hermey printed along the bottom edge.

The December 6, 1964, premiere featured the voice of Burl Ives as Sam, a singing snowman, who narrates the tale of a misfit reindeer who finds his own special way to shine.

In addition to the Rudolph song, the special also contains five of composer Johnny Mark's previous songs and seven new songs that include "A Holly Jolly Christmas," "Silver and Gold," "Jingle, Jingle, Jingle," "The Most Wonderful Day of the Year," "There's Always Tomorrow" and "We're a Couple of Misfits."

50 Years of Television Rankin/Bass produced the television special using stop-motion animation. In this type of production, moveable models are pho-

After applying the first-day-of-issue postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes through the mail. There is no charge for the postmark up to a quantity of 50. For more than 50, customers are charged five cents each. All orders must be postmarked by January 5, 2015.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This is a shout out to all of the Antwerp Archer football players and cheerleaders and coaches. The 2014 season was unfortunately not strong enough to compete with the larger schools but it was not because you didn't practice and put forth your best efforts. The community is still very proud of you and glad no one got hurt playing this most dangerous sport.

My husband and I graduated in 1961 and there was no football during those four years because of a very serious injury prior to that. I only attended four years of high school at Antwerp Local School.

This school has a lot of good sports programs that are not so dangerous and that we have done very well in. Again, in our opinion, you did a good job no matter what the outcome. You obviously worked hard and made Antwerp proud of the Antwerp football team of 2014. Please never forget that.

Note: My father, Albert Francis Wells graduated from Dryden, MI in 1932. It

was from a small town, small school and they worked hard. He was 6'4" tall and there were two Miller boys equally as large who saved them many times from defeat. He would have appreciated your efforts immensely.

—Caroline Zimmerman

LIBRARY LEVY PASSES, HOLTSBERRY NEW COMMISSIONER

It's been a long hard road for the workers at the Paulding County Library. The workers and volunteers have put forth much effort to make this come together after the voters rejected a previous measure that would have made a permanent levy on taxpayers.

The voters narrowly approved the lower tax by a 20 vote margin on November 4th. Final results will be posted later this month.

Paulding County Board of DD also had their levy approved by Paulding County Voters, while the OSU Extension's .15 mil was rejected.

The Village of Antwerp overwhelmingly approved the new firetruck purchase and the renewal levy.

Mark Holtsberry also won the approval of the voters with over 50% approval, while Georgia Dyson received 9.5% and Bob Burkley 38%.

Grover Hill, Latty and Haviland voters both approved their renewal levies. Voters in Melrose approved all three of their renewal levies.

Three townships had renewal levies up for vote. One each in Auglaize, Crane and Washington and all were approved.

In Indiana both Leland Etzler and Tim Hines were voted in for the East Allen County School District.

KASICH SIGNS EXECUTIVE ORDER 2014-05K, CREATING ADVISORY BOARD FOR OHIO'S NEW SCHOOL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Governor John R. Kasich signed executive order 2014-05K creating the Community Connector Advisory Board to help provide guidance to the state superintendent of public instruction on Ohio's new school mentoring program.

Community Connectors is one of the key education reforms signed into law by Kasich last June and seeks to bring together parents, community organizations, faith-based groups, businesses and others to support Ohio's schools and to mentor students. Community Connectors provides \$10 million in 3-to-1 matching grants that will help give more Ohio students access to role models who can help motivate and inspire them, as well as help them develop skills that lead to success in school and the workplace.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dr. Richard A. Ross, who will ultimately award the matching grants, asked Gov. Kasich earlier this fall to appoint an advisory board of individuals dedicated to mentorship and careers that can advise him on designing and implementing the program.

In response, Gov. Kasich has appointed:

- Rev. Dr. Todd Davidson, Antioch Baptist Church in Cleveland

GROVER HILL STUDENTS TALK CONSERVATION WITH HOLTSBERRY



The 6th grade students at Grover Hill Elementary welcomed guest speaker, Mark Holtsberry. They learned about soil conservation, native plants, and invasive plants. They enjoyed the samples brought in from Paulding County area.

- Alex Fischer, President and CEO of the Columbus Partnership
- Jane Keller, CEO and President of Cincinnati Youth Collaborative
- Bill Kitson, President and CEO of United Way of Greater Cleveland
- Rich Nathan, Senior Pastor of the Vineyard Church of Columbus
- Colleen Ryan, President of Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio
- Cynthia Dungey, Director of Ohio Department of Jobs & Family Services

"The power of mentorship holds great promise to help us better connect our communities with our schools, and lift up our educators and our kids," Kasich said. "We can show them why learning matters, we can teach them about workplace culture and professional etiquette. We can help them appreciate how important good character is to success in life as well as values like hard work, discipline and personal responsibility—all of which can help motivate and inspire them to find their purpose and to reach for the stars."

The Ohio Department of Education plans to kick-off the grant program later this fall.

SPACES AVAILABLE FOR CERTIFIED FISHING INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP IN FINDLAY

Spaces are available for educators, leaders, or conservation clubs who have a sincere interest in taking kids fishing and want to become certified fishing instructors, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Wildlife. A free workshop is available Wednesday, December 17, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will take place at Wildlife District Two Office, 952 Lima Avenue, Findlay,

If you know/recognize this 1971 Antwerp second grader, please drop her a line to wish her a Happy 50th Birthday!

CALLING ALL PAULDING COUNTY AUTHORS!

The Paulding County Carnegie Library will be hosting an Author's Fair on Thursday, December 4th at the main library in Paulding. The event will be held from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on the main floor of the library. Local authors are encouraged to contact Ali McCauley, Head of Adult Services, at 419-399-2032 to register to be a part of this event. "We have so many great authors in Paulding County," shares Susan Pieper, Library Director. "This will be a

great time to showcase their talents." Authors will have books to sell and will be available to chat with attendees about their books and writing style. For more information contact Ali at 419-399-2032.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library has been serving the citizens of Paulding County for almost 100 years. It was established 1912 and opened in 1916 as the first county library in the United States to be funded by Andrew Carnegie. For more information about the library go to www.pauldingcountylibrary.org.

The West Bend News READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

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Antwerp: Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H20, River Street Market, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Papa Oley's, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, The Rootbeer Stand, Agora, Pit-Stop

Broughton: Kohart's Surplus & Salvage

Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, McDonald's, Bryan Senior Center

Cecil: Cecil Elevator, Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

Defiance: Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots

Edgerton: Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, Frager's Barbershop,

Grover Hill: Ross' Gas Station, N&N, Quick Stop

Grabill: Do-It Best Hardware, Save-A-Lot

Hicksville: Cline's Market, Hickory Hills Golf Course, Sailers, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H20, Senior Center

Melrose: Uncle Fudd's Diner, Morning Star Convenience Store

Oakwood: Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, Phil's Diner, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware

Paulding: Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly Wood

and Vine, Paulding County Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., John Paulding Historical Society, Country Inn Living Center, Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery

Payne: Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza

Scott: Scott Variety Store

Sherwood: Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank,

Van Wert: Pak-A-Sak, Short Stop, Family Video, Orchard Tree, BalyEat's, Lee's Ace Hardware, Main Street Market, Walmart

INDIANA LOCATIONS

Fort Wayne: Walmart (Maysville Rd)

Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Harlan Cafe, iAB Bank

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Monroeville: Mel's Deli, The Village of Heritage, Phillips 66 Gas Station, Dollar General

New Haven: Curves, Milan Center, New Haven Branch Library, Ken's Meat Market, New Haven Bakery, Broadway Deli, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Restaurant, New Haven Chamber

Woodburn: Clip -N- Tan, Jim's Pizza, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, and Woodburn Branch Library, Financial Partners

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THE TRUE HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN FLAG

By: Stan Jordan

According to popular legend, the first American flag was made by Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia seamstress who was acquainted with George Washington, leader of the Continental Army, and other influential Philadelphians. In May 1776, so the story goes, General Washington and two representatives from the Continental Congress visited Ross at her upholstery shop and showed her a rough design of the flag. Although Washington initially favored using a star with six points, Ross advocated for a five-pointed star, which could be cut with just one quick snip of the scissors, and the gentlemen were one over.

What is known is that the first unofficial national flag, called the Grand Union Flag or the Continental Colours, was raised at the behest of General Washington near his headquarters outside Boston, MA, on January 1, 1776. The flag had 13 alternating red and white horizontal stripes and the British Union flag (a predecessor of the Union Jack) in the canton. Another early flag had a rattlesnake and the motto, "Don't Tread on Me."

The first official national flag, also known as the Stars and Stripes, was approved by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. The blue canton contained 13 stars, representing the original 13 colonies, but the layout varied. Although nobody knows for sure who designed the flag, it may have been Continental Congress member Francis Hopkinson.

After Vermont and Kentucky were admitted to the Union in 1791 and 1792, respectively, two more stars and two more stripes were added in 1795. This 15-star, 15-stripe flag was the "star-spangled

banner" that inspired lawyer Francis Scott Key to write the poem that later became the U.S. national anthem.

In 1818, after five more states had gained admittance, Congress passed legislation fixing the number of stripes at 13 and requiring that the number of stars equal the number of states. The last new star, bringing the total to 50, was added on July 4, 1960, after Hawaii became a state.

See ya!

THE 589th FIGHTER WING: THE LOW-BOW OUTFIT

By: Stan Jordan

This is May of 1944 and I am Willie Wilson, first lieutenant of the Army Air force. I hail from Pale Moon, Montana, back in the good ol' U.S.A. We are here in Lopshire Airbase in southern England. We fly the P51D Mustang for the 589th Fighter wing, but basically we are a tank busting outfit. At the present time, our ship is armed with 6 - .50 caliber machine guns, 2-20 millimeter cannons, and 4- 4 inch jumbo rockets. We are the best tank busters in the ETO, bar none.

We are off by ourselves here in Lopshire Air Base at the end of the runway. We eat at the main mess hall and obey all of the rules and regulations of the base, but we answer to Col. Baxter Bainbridge from Rocky Ridge, Tennessee. We are a hush-hush group, we usually get all of the new equipment to try out. We get all of the new ordinance and ideas from General George Patton. He is the best armored man in the continent. We have our crew and boys that keep our planes flying. We have Lt. Alva Ames from Bad Axe, Michigan. Next guy we have is Basil Barnes from Komo, Mississippi. Then, we have Neil Nelson from Grafton, Minnesota. We are loaded up for to make the dawn patrol, as soon as we get enough light to take off.

I am Willie Wilson, and my wing man is Basil Barnes. The other two planes fly off to our right and a little to our rear all the time. We head east across the channel to the Calais area to see what is up this early. We see a huge flight of B17 bombers coming back from a night-raid over Germany. There is a large number

of English bombers headed towards Germany. We are over France now and we must remain alert at all times. We are plenty safe from ground-fire, but there are still a lot of German fighter planes around.

We are looking for trains, trucks or any other type of vehicle that belongs to the Krauts. We went down to 1,000ft. and slowed down to about 250mph. There is plenty of daylight now and we can see pretty good. Here we go, there is a column of supply trucks heading for the coast. I blow up a truck and Basil gets a truck and the other boys are also having a little luck. We have the whole column burning on the roadside.

We fly south towards Caen, but we don't find any more action. We turn and head back towards Lopshire. We hold it at about 350mph and fly right down on the waves of the channel.

See ya!



A Blonde's Year in Review

*** January ***

Took a new scarf back to the store because was too tight.

*** February ***

Fired from pharmacy job for failing to print labels... Hellow!! ...bottles won't fit in typewriter!!

*** March ***

Got really excited... finished jigsaw puzzle in 6 months... box said "2-4 years!"

*** April ***

Trapped on the Macy's escalator for hours after the power went out!!

*** May ***

Tried to make Kool-Aid... wrong instructions... 8 cups of water won't fit into those little packets!!!

*** June ***

Tried to go water skiing... couldn't find a lake with a slope.

*** July ***

Lost breast stroke swimming competition... learned later, other swimmers cheated, they used their arms!!!

*** August ***

Got locked out of my car in rain storm... car swamped because soft-top was open.

*** September ***

The capital of California is "C" ...isn't it?

*** October ***

Hate M&M's... they are so hard to peel.

*** November ***

Baked turkey for 4.5 days... instructions said one hour per pound and I weigh 108!!

*** December ***

Couldn't call 911... "duh" ...there's no "eleven" button on the stupid phone!!

See ya!

WE'VE BEEN OUT-DUPED BY THE RUSSIANS

By: Stan Jordan

Here we are, the so-called mightiest, best, smartest nation to lead the whole world, and we've been out-duped by the Russians. The other day, Mr. Putin the Russian leader, announced that they would adjust their clocks as everyone says, "fall back," but not anymore. They will not adjust the clocks as spring comes. They will use the same time the year around. Then he said he could see no advantage in this time changing every year. They would stop the practice of time-changing twice a year.

Well, the biggest share of the American people feel the same way. There is no advantage to changing the time twice a year. I'm sure back in WWII that it would help with the farming and the war effort, but that is almost 70 years ago. It no longer helps our farmers, as they work long and hard as weather permits. The lights on their machinery is of top variety as well as all of the electronics and safety equipment.

I agree with the Russians, there is no advantage to the changing, so why do it? I hope the leaders in Washington D.C. will take note of this and do away with changing of the clock twice a year. It is the politicians that we should change twice a year.

See ya!

RECLAIM ARMISTICE DAY AND HONOR THE REAL HEROES

By: Arnold Oliver

More than a few veterans, Veterans For Peace among them, are troubled by the way Americans observe Veterans Day on November 11th. It was originally called Armistice Day, and established by Congress in 1926 to "perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations, (and later) a day dedicated to the cause of world peace." For years, many churches rang their bells on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month—the time that the guns fell silent on the Western Front by which time 16 million had died.

To put it bluntly, in 1954 Armistice Day was hijacked by a militaristic congress, and today few Americans understand the original purpose of the occasion, or even remember it. The message of peace seeking has vanished. Now known as Veterans Day, it has devolved into a hyper-nationalistic worship ceremony for war and the putatively valiant warriors who wage it.

Here is a news flash. Most of what goes on during wartime is decidedly unheroic, and heroes in war are few and far between.

I have to tell you that when I was in Vietnam, I was no hero, and I didn't witness any heroism during the year I spent there, first as a U.S. Army private and then as a sergeant.

Yes, there was heroism in the Vietnam War. On both sides of the conflict there were notable acts of self-sacrifice and bravery. Troops in my unit wondered how the North Vietnamese troops could persevere for years in the face of daunting U.S. firepower. U.S. medical corpsmen performed incredible acts of valor rescuing the wounded under fire.

But I also witnessed a considerable amount of bad behavior, some of it my own. There were widespread incidents of disrespect and abuse of Vietnamese civilians including many war crimes. Further, all units had, and still have, their share of criminals, con artists and thugs. Most unheroic of all were the U.S. military and civilian leaders who planned, orchestrated, and profited greatly from that utterly avoidable war.

The cold truth is that the U.S. invasion and occupation of Vietnam had nothing to do with protecting American peace and freedom. On the contrary, the Vietnam War bitterly divided the United States, and was fought to forestall Vietnamese independence, not defend it.

Unfortunately, Vietnam wasn't an isolated example. Many American wars — including the 1846 Mexican-American War, the Spanish-American War in 1898, and the Iraq War (this list is by no means exhaustive) — were waged under false pretexts against countries that didn't threaten the United States. It's hard to see how, if a war is unjust, it can be heroic to wage it.

But if the vast majority of wars are not fought for noble reasons, and few soldiers are heroic, have there been any actual heroes out there defending peace and freedom? And if so, who are they?

Well, there are many, from Jesus down to the present. I'd put Gandhi, Tolstoy, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on the list along with many Quakers and Mennonites. And don't forget General Smedley Butler, who wrote that "War is a Racket", and even, sort of, Robert McNamara, who came

around in the very end. In Vietnam, Warrant Officer Hugh Thompson stopped the My Lai massacre from being even worse. Another candidate is former U.S. Army specialist Josh Stieber who sent this message to the people of Iraq: "Our heavy hearts still hold hope that we can restore inside our country the acknowledgment of your humanity, that we were taught to deny." Ponder a million Iraqi deaths. Chelsea Manning sits behind bars for exposing those and other truths.

The real heroes are those who resist war and militarism, often at great personal cost.

Because militarism has been around for such a long time, at least since Gilgamesh came up with his protection racket in Sumeria going on 5,000 years ago, people argue that it will always be with us.

But many also thought that slavery and the subjugation of women would last forever, and they're being proven wrong. We understand that while militarism will not disappear overnight, disappear it must if we are to avoid economic as well as moral bankruptcy.

As Civil War General W.T. Sherman said at West Point, "I confess without shame that I am tired and sick of war." We're with you, bro.

This year on November 11th, Veterans For Peace will bring back the original Armistice Day traditions. Join them and let those bells ring out.

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Blair Carman and The Bellevue Boys, an amazing Rock 'n' Roll act out of Cincinnati, OH will be featured at The Rockford Belle on Saturday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. A high energy show sure to take listeners down memory lane - Blair and his band will perform authentic 1950's style Rock'n Roll/Rockabilly tunes ranging from a repertoire of original songs to include classics from Elvis Presley to Carl Perkins, Hank Williams, Jerry Lee Lewis, and many more! The public is invited to attend this performance located at 135 Market Street, Rockford, OH and experience one of the Country's Hottest Acts. Put together the 1957 hands of Jerry Lee Lewis and the 1957 look and energy of Elvis Presley and what do you get? A piano pumpin', thumpin' rockabilly kid named Blair Carman who no matter where he goes always receives rave reviews and leaves fans enthralled and wanting more. Piano player and singer, Blair Carman, has exhibited his passionate musical drive across the USA and Canada. His talent and professionalism has given him the opportunity to perform in a wide

variety of venues by opening for artists such as Three Dog Night, Trace Adkins, Marty Stuart, Jeff Bates and Hank Williams Jr.'s Bama Band. Blair has also shared the same bill with legendary performers Jerry Lee Lewis, Charlie Daniels, and Wanda Jackson. His music has been enjoyed by audiences at ballrooms, casinos, theaters, riverboats, and festivals. A sampling of venues performed include the John F. Kennedy Center and the Spanish Ballroom (Washington D.C), Clarendon Ballroom (Arlington, VA), U. K. Grand Center Ballroom (Lexington, Kentucky), Orpheum Theater (Galesburg, Illinois), Beale on Broadway (St. Louis, Missouri), Little Nashville Opry (Nashville, Indiana), International Rockabilly Hall of Fame (Jackson, Tennessee), Oneido Casino (Greenbay, Wisconsin). American Queen Riverboat (Vicksburg, Mississippi), Lakeside Hotel Casino (Osceola, Iowa), Mystic Lake Casino Hotel (Prior Lake, Minnesota), and Bobby Mackey's (Wilder, Kentucky). Blair has been on several local radio and TV shows and recorded twice at Sun Records Studio in Memphis, Tennessee.

Blair Carman's outstanding talent has been recognized by Jerry Lee Lewis. He accepted an invitation to attend and play piano at Jerry Lee Lewis's 75th Birthday Party, and later was included in a book written about the artist; at the end of the book, Blair Carman is noted for continuing the legacy of Jerry Lee Lewis's Rockabilly Music. A must-attend event at The Belle on November 15 for [what will become] a rare and intimate appearance to see the band described as the "Midwest's Hottest Piano Pumpin' Rockabilly Band." Visit the band's website at www.blaircarmanband.com for music, videos, photos, and more! For more information about this event contact Tom Rogers at 567-644-9993.

NEWS FLASH!!!

Word has come to the local Chamber of Commerce that Santa is coming to town November 29! He will be coming in with the help of our local Fire Department at 10:00 a.m. on a fire truck and will be taking orders from kids at the fire hall till 12:00 p.m. We are planning on welcoming the big guy to town with a parade and Christmas specials celebrating National Small Business Saturday. We are encouraging our citizens to "SHOP SMALL" this year and support our local businesses. Events are still being planned to make this a nice community event. Kids start being extra good and get your lists made out for Santa!

HEALING RWANDA THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED SOCIO THERAPY

By: Jean de Dieu Basabose
After the genocide and war that destroyed the social fabric among Rwandans, different approaches have been used to restore hope, heal the wounds of the past and build social cohesion. "Community based sociotherapy" is one of the approaches introduced by the Byumba Anglican Diocese operating in the Northern Province of Rwanda.

Community based sociotherapy is understood as a way to help people come together to overcome or cure their problems. The approach helps people in a group format, where group members are given an opportunity to help their companions to overcome problems, as well as solve their own. Community based sociotherapy was first introduced in Rwanda in 2005. The program has been remarkably successful in assisting Rwandans in dealing with the consequences of genocide and war.

The group is used as a therapeutic medium to establish trust, confidence and open environments for discussion and peer-support structures. The approach has helped bring many people to recognize their mistakes and ask for forgiveness during the time of the Gacaca courts - transitional justice courts established in 2001 and designed to promote healing after the genocide - in Rwanda and to build up reconciliation and unity in the community. Applying the approach, the Byumba Anglican Diocese has tirelessly contributed to assisting wounded people in dealing with the psychosocial

problems unresolved by the Gacaca courts. Sociotherapy is defined by its practitioners, contributing to the 2008 book "Here We Are," as having six conditions:

- Safety: It is necessary to know that the people you look after are safe.
- Trust: It is necessary for the people in need to trust the individual who can help, because when there is no trust, those in need cannot move forward.
- Care: People who need help need to understand that there are individuals within the group who are able to take care of them.
- Respect: People need to know that even after they have shared their problems with the socio-group, they will still have the respect of its members.
- New rules: These are the rules set up and agreed upon by group members, thus providing a new start for living in harmony.
- Memory of emotions: The participants have the right to remember what happened to them and to be able to live with these memories, developing what is good and breaking through the bad.

Many testimonies on the healing effects of sociotherapy have emerged over the years in Rwanda. Participants have been able to alleviate their trauma by finding a space for sharing their hurting memories and wounded emotions. Raped women have been given the opportunity to talk about what has happened to them in safety with individuals who care. Through this approach, affected Rwandans have been able to move forward and give pardon to their abusers. They have learned to trust others and, as a result, realize that their lives can continue with meaning. The success and effectiveness of this method can be partially attributed to the fact that group relationships and community life are so integral to the Rwandan people.

Program leaders are making efforts to expand this approach to the entire territory of Rwanda. Currently they are working in the four provinces of the country in a consortium with two other organizations. Hopefully, such practices will also spread to additional locations outside of Rwanda where suffering has occurred. Restoring communities and relationships, healing traumas and promoting positive peace within and among communities and nations should be a high priority for all governments around the world.

Jean de Dieu Basabose, syndicated by PeaceVoice, co-founded and co-directs Shalom Educating for Peace and has more than 10 years of experience in peacebuilding work. A version of this article was originally published at Insight on Conflict.

SINBAD AT THE NISWONGER IN EARLY 2015
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"According to family members, McCarty was traveling to New Jersey to visit a daughter, and Weiss' were simply vacationing. I was told Michael and Wayne were longtime friends and experienced pilots. The families began to search for Michael,

Wayne and Rosalee after they failed to arrive in New Jersey at the scheduled time, said Sheriff Landers." Investigators with the FAA and NTSB continue to clean up the scene of the crash. They are hopeful to continue their process of determining what actually happened. If anyone has information regarding this incident or any other crime, please contact the Sheriff's Office at 419-399-3791. You can also leave information via Facebook by searching Facebook/Paulding County Sheriff's Office. View our website at www.pauldingohsheriff.com and leave an email for the sheriff. Or you may also leave an anonymous tip via the website by scrolling to the bottom of any page and clicking on "send us an anonymous tip."

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WOODLAN ENDS TOURNAMENT AFTER GREAT RUN



Mitchell VanBrocklin and the Warriors offense slowly drive forward until the touchdown is achieved in the third quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Bremen travelled quite a ways to take on the Warriors now that 75% of the Indiana football teams have been eliminated over the last three Friday night tournament games. This game started a little late because of the distance. The first quarter was all for Bremen with two touchdowns. The first by Grant Klockow and the second by Rom DePalma. Bremen's third touchdown was by Klockow and the Warriors were down by 21 before posting anything to the board. At seven minutes left in the half, Woodlan finally added points. Mitchell VanBrocklin ran 12 yards after the team

pushed their way down the field into Bremen's territory and Quentin Graber picked up another point with the kick. The half finished 21-7. The game didn't get much better for the home team while Bremen added the next touchdown. VanBrocklin added one more touchdown in the third quarter and one extra point by Graber. The fourth quarter Bremen picked up one more touchdown and finishing the game 35-14. Score by the Quarter: Woodlan - 0 7 7 0=14 Bremen - 14 7 7 7=35 This game Bremen clearly dominated on the

stat sheet. Total rushing was 365 vs 232 yards. Woodlan had two passes intercepted while Bremen had two fumbles picked up by the Warriors. Top offensive players for Woodlan were Mitchell VanBrocklin, Shawn Kitzmiller, Rick Ehle, and Alec Evans. Top receivers were Treven McCarter, William Harding, Alec Evans and Herm Rorick. Herm Rorick had 8 tackles followed by Shawn Kitzmiller 6, Jerimiah Casell 5, Hunter Loudon 5. Woodlan finished the 2014 football season 8-4, and the best season Woodlan has experienced in years. Great job!

RAIDERS FINISH FANTASTIC SEASON AT TINORA

Wayne Trace went north of Defiance to take on the GMC champions for the first football game of sectionals. There is not much to say. The game was dominated by Tinora and their turnovers plagued the Raiders.



This was no Cinderella story like last year for Raider Nation on their path to the state championship game. There was lots of action from the beginning, but mostly for the home team as they posted two seven pointers in the first quarter, holding the Raiders at bay. Wayne Trace revived their play in the second with a 56 yard pass by Tyler Showalter to Seth Saylor. The Rams added one more on to the board

the tournament scores. The last touchdown for the Wayne Trace team came from Jacob Dingus and only 4 yards from the goal. Like the first goal, the

rushing yards while Tinora had 300, making this ground game winning the match. Total offensive yards were almost identical at 482 to 487 (Rams).



Wayne Trace's Tyler Showalter attempts to pass the ball before getting tackled by Tinora's Chris Sweinhagen. More pictures at westbendnews.net

by TJ Gares. David Sinn added the next touchdown with only 27 seconds left on the clock with a 21 yard pass from Showalter and the half finished at 20-14. By the end of the third quarter, after the Rams added two more touchdowns and the Raider boys were feeling the pressure. The first touchdown of the fourth quarter was also added on by Tinora's Brevin Renollet, who scored three of

last was scored by the home team. The final score for the night was 47-20, sending Tinora to take on Spencerville next week. Spencerville then defeated Crestview this same night. Overall offensive stats were split strangely between the competitors. The Raiders had 25 first downs, Tinora 19. Passing yards had the Raiders in the lead at 333 to 187 for the Rams. Wayne Trace had 149

One major note was Jake Arend was able to join the game after missing the regular season from being injured in the scrimmage against Van Wert. Score by the Quarter: Wayne Trace - 0 14 0 6=20 Tinora - 14 6 13 14=47 Wayne Trace finished their 2014 season 8-3 and the Rams are still undefeated at 11-0. Great season boys!

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SOMMERS VOTED NWC FOOTBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

First-year Delphos Jefferson head coach Chris Sommers was selected as the Coach of the Year in all-conference selection voting by coaches at a meeting in Delphos on Tuesday, November 4th. Delphos won the conference title by defeating Spencerville in the final game of the year to finish the year with a 6-1 league win/loss record.

Jefferson senior, Jordan McCann, and Ada senior, Noah Beach, were voted Co-Linemen Of The Year in the NWC. McCann was selected as a first team all-conference defensive end for the second year in a row. Beach was selected as a first-team choice on both the of-

fensive and defensive lines for the second consecutive year. Preston Zaleski, Crestview senior quarterback, was named the Back of the Year in the conference.

The top four teams in the conference have all qualified for the OHSAA football playoffs with Crestview, Spencerville and Columbus Grove all tying for the runner-up position in the conference.

The final NWC standings for 2014 are as follows:

Delphos Jefferson - 6-1NWC, 8-2
Crestview - 5-2NWC, 8-2
Spencerville - 5-2NWC, 8-2
Columbus Grove - 5-2NWC, 6-4
Ada - 4-3NWC, 5-5
Allen East - 2-5NWC, 3-7
Bluffton - 1-6NWC, 3-7
Paulding - 0-7NWC, 1-9

PAULDING STUDENTS COMPETE AT NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION



Pictured here are Estee Miller, Kourtney Thomas who recently competed in the National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY.

Paulding FFA Sophomores Estee Miller and Kourtney Thomas recently competed at the National FFA Convention in the Agriscience Fair held in Louisville, KY. They placed fifth in the Nation and received a Gold rating. Estee is the daughter of Mike and Deedi Miller and Kourtney is the daughter of Jon and Becky Jo Thomas. Their science fair project was titled, 'Does playing music to chickens increase the mass of the egg yolk produced?'

ASK ME ... Miss C!

Dear Readers,
I am Miss C, author of the new column 'Ask Me, Miss C!' I hope to hear from you, as I am now accepting your letters and questions to discuss. Just don't ask me any math questions. You may submit your letters to the West Bend News with attention to me, Miss C or email directly to AskMeMissC@gmail.com! Your confidentiality will always be honored. I hope to see your letters and questions soon!

Miss C earned Masters Degree in Psychology (Community & Social) in 2005.

Dear Miss C,
I am single, 38, and have no children. I work in a job that I love, am active with my church, and love spending time with my whole family. I am mostly content with my life but have recently been thinking... am I normal? Most of my friends are married and/or have children... so what is wrong with me? Am I going to die alone because I haven't married and started a family of my own? I almost feel a form of peer pressure to conform to the lifestyle of my friends. I am not really lonely and it's not like I haven't been in relationships. They just haven't turned into what I believe a marriage should be like. Maybe I am just too picky? But I am weary of being labeled a crazy cat woman (yes I have cats too). Because apparently if you are single and have cats this is wrong?

Ugh! Am I normal?
—Single but not lonely in Ohio

Dear Single, but not lonely in Ohio:
Sometimes it is tough being that "never married" person. Our married and older friends might often ask us when we are going to finally settle down and start families of our own. Many blogs, books, and movies insinuate that if you are not married by a certain age, you must be too picky with unreachably high standards. Or perhaps we are too independent? That might be my favorite.

But it really comes down to something much simpler. Are you happy? Because it sounds to me like without others telling you what you should be conforming to, your life appears full. It sounds like you are choosing to do what you love in your life and so it seems silly to live your life in terms of others who do not wake up each morning and put on YOUR shoes. You are experiencing social pressure. A social pressure to conform to societal standards (which seem to be in place despite the fact that statistics suggest the number of single men and women has increased). And you are comparing social expectations of others, to fit the mold of your life. Your life does not need to be just like every other. In fact, if you are happy and content then why should you feel like you don't fit? Does that mean you

should never change? No. It doesn't mean you shouldn't change to better yourself (be the change you want to see in your life). But it does mean, don't conform to meet the standards of others. Remember, it is your life. And you get to choose how to fill it! And FYI, there are many people who see cat ownership and rescue as a sign of empathy and a good heart. So, the next time someone refers to you as a 'crazy cat lady', just respond with a simple thank you.

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2014 ACAC VOLLEYBALL ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

TEAM STANDINGS:
Adams Central 6-1, Leo 6-1, Heritage 5-2, Jay County 5-2, Bluffton 2-5, South Adams 2-5, Woodlan 2-5, Southern Wells 0-7

FIRST TEAM:
Adams Central - Whitney Peterson, 12, OH; Haley Gross, 12, MH; Madi Schwartz, 12, S
Leo - Emily Wenglikowski, 12, OH; Jen Timbrook, 12, L; Alyssa Gross, 11, S
Heritage - Kendall Knapke, 12, M/OS; Haley Hoffman, 11, M
Jay County - Abby Barcus, 10, M; Kylie Osborne, 11, OH
Bluffton - Kennedy Johnson, 12, OH
South Adams - Lauren Smith, 12, L
Woodlan - Kory Gerig, 11, MH

SECOND TEAM:
Adams Central - Meghan Manley, 12, OH; Jenni Baumer, 11, MH
Leo - Katie Crowe, 10, OPP; Maddi MacDonald, 11, DS
Heritage - Makalah Krick, 11, OS; Jessica Franke, 11, S
Jay County - Lizzy Schoenlein, 10, S; Abby Wendel, 11, OH
Bluffton - Sara Baumgartner, 11, MH
South Adams - Kylea Pierce, 11, DS
Woodlan - Paige Lichty, 11, S
Southern Wells - Arrianna Moore, 11, RS; Allison Blevins, 12, MH

ery competition this season so far, including Purdue's Get On Track Cheer Competition. This past weekend, they won first overall at the Indiana Cheer Semi-State Competition. This makes them top competitors this coming weekend at state. The cheer squad includes Savannah Funk, Madison Swanson, Kira Tucker, Breanna Bestul, Thet Nailing Soe, Olivia Funk, Baili Melcher, Taylor Coronado, and Malori Reed.

The individual stunt group has also been hard at work. They placed third out of five schools at camp. After that, they pushed themselves to win first at Purdue's Get On Track Cheer Competition and qualifying as one of five stunt groups to compete at state this weekend. The individual stunt group includes Kira Tucker, Baili Melcher, Savannah Funk, Olivia Funk, and Madison Swanson.

Coach Julie Lebamoff has been pushing her squad this season and tries not to teach them just the aspects of cheer, but also important life lessons. She says she wants her cheerleaders to give back to others and to always have a cheerful heart. Julie also coaches with Coach Kimberly Graber and Choreographer Kaylee Hubbard, both former cheerleaders at Woodlan. She is also helped out by the squad's manager Alex Lebamoff, Julie's son and the cheer squad's #1 fan.

Indiana Cheer State

Competition is this weekend, the girls' possible last competition this season. Woodlan has come close to the first place title year after year. Last year, they placed 3rd at state. They are hoping that working this hard will finally pay off and bring home a win for their coaches, their classmates, and for the city of Woodburn. Because let's face it, this is the year for the WHS!

CRESTVIEW WINS NWC SCHOLASTIC BOWL

Crestview won the Northwest Conference Scholastic Bowl competition with a perfect 6-0 record in matches held at Columbus Grove High School on Saturday, November 1. Crestview's win is the fourth consecutive NWC Scholastic Bowl championship. Bluffton and Ada tied for 2nd with 4-2 records in the competition followed by Allen East, Delphos Jefferson, Spencerville and Columbus Grove. Lincolnview and Paulding did not have teams entered in the competition.

Standings for varsity and JV teams are below:

VARSITY:
Crestview 6-0, Bluffton 4-2, Ada 4-2, Allen East 2-4, Delphos Jefferson 2-3, Spencerville 2-4, Columbus Grove 1-5

JUNIOR VARSITY:
Spencerville 5-0, Columbus Grove 3-2, Allen East 2-3, Delphos Jefferson 2-4, Crestview 2-3, Ada 1-4

2014 GMC FALL ALL ACADEMIC ATHLETES

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce their "All Academic Athletes" for the fall of 2014!

To be eligible for this honor, the athlete must be a senior, participate and letter in a recognized sport or cheerleading and have a 3.5 GPA or better after 6 semesters.

ANTWERP:
Joshua Steiner, Jacob O'Donnell, Olivia Tempel, Alex Vail, Collin Perry, Michaela Burns, Rachel Becker

AYERSVILLE:
Peter Elliot, Samantha Wank, Nathan Bassous, Pete Thieroff, Sabrina Bailey, Brayton Martin, Kollin Martin, Anna McGuire, Kyle Kern, Abygail Clem-

ens, Jacob Lamb

EDGERTON:
Duane Miller, Alicia Luke, Sydney Osentoski, Kiera Suffel, Andrew Cade, Brenna Lalonde, Kyli Purk, Chase McClellan, Lindsy Blair, Cassidy Flegal, Andrew Cliffton, Dakota Fritch

FAIRVIEW:
Kylie Hugg, Erich Wolfrum, Clayton Minic, Andy Robinson, Andrew Hill, Malin Adams, Kolleen Bolland, Emilee Carder, Dara Carder, Amelia Ankney, Brett Dietrich, Joe Macsay, Rachel Whitman, Cassie Johnson, Christina Gebers, Kaylie Burggrave

HICKSVILLE:
Jonathan Giesige, Ayden Ferrier, Michaela Bauer, Audrey Davis, Rachel Schroeder, Kevin Smith, Allison Slattery

HOLGATE:
Owen Clady, Mattie Grim, Danielle Like, Rachel Desgranges, Evelyn Gustwiller, Weston Mendez, Caroline Arps, Michaela Jones, Everett Klingshirm, Madison Sidle

TINORA:
Jillian Dietrich, C.J. Higbee, Kaylee Marihugh, Emma Bowden, Zachary Mahnke, Kayla Rethmel, Nicole Helberg, Ashley Mack, Dean Drewes

WAYNE TRACE:
Blair Baumle, Hank Sinn, Addison Baumle, Jacob Dingus, Sarah Young, Cassidy Hilkey, Jake Arend

WOODLAN CHEERLEADING

By: Kaitlyn Bestul

The Woodlan Cheer Squad has been working hard this year, practicing five days a week to get ready for state in the upcoming three weeks. It has not been an easy path either! It's taken a lot of passion, strength, commitment, and drive.

Competition has taken a lot of time and practice this season but it's all paid off! Woodlan started their competition season at Indiana University's Cheer Camp; They learned new skills and a routine they had to perform against other participating squads. They won first against ten other schools. The Woodlan Cheerleaders have won first in the Coed category at ev-

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FRIGHTFUL WEATHER FOR WOODBURN HALLOWEEN PARTY



By: Katilyn Burns, Woodlan Reporter

The weather was not particularly beautiful on Halloween this year, yet monsters all over came to show their fangs and smile wide at the annual Halloween party held at the Woodburn Community Center! The Woodlan Lions Club provided scrumptious donuts, warm cider, and prizes. Our very own Woodlan Service Club operated as judges, piloted the party, and ran the concession stand. Each participant received a candy bar, and the winners of each category won cash prizes. First place winners received \$5.00, 2nd place \$3.00, and 3rd place \$2.00. Best Halloween Character, Best Group, High School and Adult, and Most Original all acquired \$10.00 each.

This year's winners by category:

- Birth-3 years - 1st place Kynsley Fell (baby chicken); 2nd place Sophia Preston (Olaf); 3rd place Charlee Gerig (Pebbles)
- 4-5 years old - 1st place

Dalton Burleson (swat); 2nd place Brooklyn Hetrick (Indian); 3rd place Elizabeth Preston (blue dress)

Grades K-1: 1st place Elise Anderson (peacock); 2nd place Julia Stevenson (penguin); 3rd place Kayden Resor (pumpkin face)

Grades 2-3: 1st place Aubrey Anderson (Barbie); 2nd place Autumn Waikel (Elsa); 3rd place Oliver Adams (Si)

Grades 4-5: 1st place Ava Harris (enderman); 2nd place Austin Stevenson (Freddy Krueger); 3rd place Chase Bennett (Chuckie)

Grades 6-8: 1st place Haley Gerardot (grandma); 2nd place Dakota Adams (pimp); 3rd place Addison Wasbick (Dorothy)

High School and Adult: Frank Sarrazine (giant chicken)

Best Halloween Character: Addison Pritchard (dragon)

Best group: Reed & Roen Abbott (astronaut and planet)

Most Original: Max Adams (Tiger Woods)

- Take students to watch Antwerp alumni play at the college level
- Discussed ticket prices
- Basketball games
- Shoot for \$1 done by Rotary
- Mentioned mini-balls sold off during games, similar to Holgate and Tin Caps games
- 6. Video
 - Coach Hammer proposed idea for an introduction video shown before games. This video would show the line up and sponsors. Smart TV's would be needed, along with equipment to protect them in the gym
- 7. Baseball Field Move
 - Drew Altimus met with excavators and received two quotes to remove the fence at the auxiliary field, move the dirt, and grade field
 - Goal is to be on the new field within three years
- Discussed monetary partnership between Boosters and School district
- Subcommittee formed to determine finances: Aimee Lichty, Drew Altimus, Jason Landers, Shawn Schuette
- Vote: Once the Treasurer's report is official, the Athletic Boosters will pay \$5,000 under the condition the boosters has a fund amounting to over \$12,000.
- Motion made by Aimee Lichty. Seconded by Jasmine Reyes. 9 yays. 1 nay.
- 8. Recognition T-shirt
 - Discussed when students receive a free athletic t-shirt for competing at a higher level of competition
 - Christy Williamson and Scott McMichael will create a tier for each sport and level of elite competition (sectionals, districts, etc.)
- 9. Patron's Page
 - Joan Garbaciak reported that \$670 had been collected. \$610 previously deposited. Total of \$1280.
- 10. 100 Club
 - Aimee Lichty reported that 82 people have signed up. 18 more needed.
- 11. MAC Gym
 - Because of overflow at the MAC facility, they have requested to use the school facilities for basketball tournaments. The Athletic Boosters would host these tournaments on Saturday afternoons. The MAC would find the refs. The Boosters would be in charge of one tournament entry fee.
 - Boosters would run concessions and be in charge of clean up duty. Jasmine Reyes suggested the NHS and NJHS could earn service hours for helping with clean-up.
 - Motion made and seconded for the MAC facility to use our gyms. 10 yays. 0 nays.
- 12. Resignation
 - Judy Hamman resigned as treasurer, effective 10/29/14
 - Motion made by Barbie Wales. Seconded by Jasmine Reyes. 10 yays. 0 nays.
 - Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in the School board office.

Marilyn Hissong, assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction. The next step was to start tracking data to pinpoint student success in tests, they said.

Improvement also came to Fort Wayne Community Schools, where data-driven efforts produced 26 A's, up from eight in 2013. There were two more B's - nine this year, up from seven last year - and fewer C's and D's in the 49 schools FWCS operates.

There was not one F. Last year, one school received an F; in previous years, as many as 12 schools had received the failing grade, according to figures released by the state.

FWCS itself received a B, while Southwest Allen County Schools and Northwest Allen County Schools joined EACS with A's.

Schools' grades were higher in East Allen County Schools and Southwest Allen County Schools but dipped in Northwest Allen County Schools by one A and a downgrade from B to C for Arcola Elementary School.

"Arcola's scores have increased each year for the past three years," NACS Superintendent Chris Himsel wrote on October 15, the day the grades were supposed to be released. The rollout was delayed because some districts raised concerns about grade calculations. "There is no concern from my part on Arcola's performance," My concern is the continued

use of a flawed accountability system."

"Two of our schools had overall passing percentages of about 80 percent, and their final accountability grades were lowered by Indiana's growth model calculations," he said, referring to Summit Middle School and Lafayette School.

"SACS looks forward to the development of a more accurate method of assessing school performance by the Joint Committee on A-F," Downs said in a statement.

Summit Middle School and Lafayette Meadows Schools received C's.

The latest rankings came almost a month after they were expected; during that time, the State Board of Education and the nonpartisan Legislative Services Agency verified the data, finding several small errors.

Overall scores for local Catholic and Lutheran parochial schools went a bit higher, as did grades for the Thurgood Marshall Leadership

Academy, a charter school. Thurgood Marshall received a C this year, up from an F last year.

Timothy L. Johnson Academy and Smith Academy for Excellence received F's this year. Last year, Timothy L. Johnson received a D, and Smith Academy got an F.

Corey Smith, chief academic officer and assistant principal at Smith Academy, said school officials had met with the Indiana Department of Education.

"We will continue to meet with them to help us address the areas that need to be addressed," Smith said. There will be a "greater emphasis on data and using that data to drive our instruction and to create a plan to address the needs of the students," he said. The academy also plans to "raise our students' achievement through professional development of our teachers."

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AREA SCHOOLS IMPROVE ON STATE GRADES

By: Jamie Duffy, The Journal Gazette

Area public and private schools and a charter school fared better overall than last year on the A-F accountability grades computed by the state and approved at an Indiana State Board of Education meeting Wednesday, November 5th.

Area results are in line with schools statewide, which showed a 19 percent increase in A schools from 943 in 2013 to 1,124 this year out of about 2,100 schools that were graded.

Grades in the lower categories, C, D and F, decreased in number. Out of the 2,098 Hoosier schools receiving grades this year, the majority received an A.

It is the second year in a row for overall significant improvement in the grades, which are largely based on ISTEP+ results, though they also include graduation rates and other factors.

"Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz said, "This data shows significantly increased performance for our schools, particularly in schools that have been lower performing in prior years."

School corporations also received grades, and one of the more dramatic developments was the improvement of the East Allen County Schools district. The district this year moved into the A category after three years in the C category and the two previous years as a D and an F.

To celebrate that, Superintendent Kenneth Folks held a news conference sporting an orange ribbon with a gold A imprinted on it.

Several years ago, teachers started writing their own curriculum, said Folks and

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" 8TH GRADERS VISIT VANTAGE



Vantage Auto Tech junior, A.J. Phillips (Lincolnview), gets ready to explain what's under the hood of this vehicle to Wayne Trace 8th graders.



Paulding 8th grader, Keaton Davis, tries on the motion capture jacket (used for developing animation) in the Vantage Network Systems lab.



Antwerp 8th graders, Nathan Lee and Alayna Ryan, are all smiles as Vantage Cosmetology senior Kati Burgoon (Van Wert) demonstrates the finer points of a curler set.

Eighth graders from area schools got to take a peek at what the future might look like in fifteen different careers, as they visited the career technical labs at Vantage just a few days ago.

Each school in the Vantage district brings their 8th graders to Vantage for a career exploration activity, which involves a two-hour demonstration tour. Eighth graders receive a "mini-brochure" which describes the career technical programs and explains what a typical day is

like for students who attend Vantage. The eighth graders spend a little time in each lab and return home with a better idea of what goes on in this big, new school.

This career exploration activity is especially helpful by informing the students about all the options available to them. During the visit, the eighth graders are able to see what skills are being used in different career areas. Students may also become more aware of how their interests and abilities can be developed

into a rewarding career.

It's always fun hosting the 8th graders and giving them a chance to see what career technical education at Vantage Career Center is all about!

The annual Culinary Arts Thanksgiving Lunch Buffet is just around the corner. Mrs. Robin Burns and her class invite you to this popular event. It will be held two days this year - Wednesday, November 19 and Friday, November 21. Guests will be seated from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This year's buffet will include a delicious variety of salads, meats, vegetables, breads and desserts. Reservations are necessary for this special event. To reserve your spot, call 419-238-5411 ext. 2425.

A reminder to Vantage parents that Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, November 24 from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 25 from 10:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. Please call 419-238-5411 ext. 2126 to schedule your appointment.

ANTWERP ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MET IN OCTOBER

These are the minutes from the Antwerp Athletic Boosters Meeting on October 29, 2014.

Members Present:
Joan Garbaciak, Michelle Dooley, Aimee Lichty, Barbie Wales, Drew Altimus, Jasmine Reyes, Jerika Miller, Christy Williamson, Jason Landers, Scott McMichael

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Jason Landers. Approval of last month's minutes.

Old Business:
Treasurer's report update- (unofficial) \$12,439.74.
All bills paid
Deep fryer outdated, not needed until fall 2015

Cooler outdated, looking at warranty
New Business:

1. Constitution and By-Laws
 - Written after looking at through Athletic Boosters written laws from Lincolnview, Paulding, and Wayne Trace
 - Checking to see if Boosters can earn tax exempt status
 - Board of director's term is two years
 - Motion made by Michelle Dooley to accept the Constitution. Seconded by Scott McMichael. 10 yays. 0 nays.
 - Five terms will end at the close of
2. Fundraising and School Spirit
 - Reverse Raffle
 - Looking into a facility to hold this fundraiser
 - Interested in a casino night, but too expensive to hire the company
 - Looking into other fundraising ideas: Student-sold tickets, Script tickets, Booster store, Cake raffle, membership drive, Route 49 basketball tournament sales
 - Discussed raffling off a free pizza
 - Mascot needed to draw in younger students
 - Collin Perry wants to create a pep club for basketball games. Boosters praised this idea and hope to support him in the future.
3. New Concessions
 - Jason Landers offered to build a miniature pavilion with grills inside. Landers would build this structure to be a hamburger/brat stand. No labor cost, only materials. Landers will price the materials needed.
 - Discussed getting sponsors to donate food. Boosters cook the food.
 - This stand will be portable. It could be used for football games, track invitations, and softball/baseball double-headers.
4. Archer Travel Plan

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ANTWERP'S BOOK FAIR PROFITS LIBRARY AGAIN!



Third graders Isaac Reutter and Tycen Jones use the iPod to find reading level information about a book available at the fair as Camden Fuller scans a different book behind them.



Second grader Jessica Thornell fills out her wish list, and Jonah Keys (background) flips through one of the books to see if he's interested in buying it.



Third grader Alex Zijlstra tries to decide which book to buy.



Third grader Chloe Walls watches a promotional video on one of the books available at the book fair as she completes her wish list.



Third graders Cohen Hitzeman and David Puckett are excited as they read the backs of books they might want to purchase.

The Antwerp Local School Book Fair was once again a success! Students previewed the book fair, filled out wish lists, scanned book covers with iPods to find more information about the books and

watch promotional videos, and made purchases. Because of the total amount of sales, the library is now able to purchase over \$3,500 in Scholastic books!

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

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU 11/12 - 11/18

11/12 - Salisbury steak on bun, tossed salad, mixed fruit, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
11/13 - Fajitas, baked fries, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
11/14 - Pepperoni pizza, coleslaw, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
11/17 - Cheeseburger on bun, carrots, pears, milk
11/18 - Walking taco, baked beans, pineapple, milk; PLUS: Salad bar

WT LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 11/12 - 11/18

Breakfast:
11/12 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk
11/13 - Cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk
11/14 - Fruit stick, juice, milk
11/17 - Sausage pizza, juice, milk
11/18 - Egg & cheese muffin, juice, milk
Lunch:
11/12 - Soft shell taco w/cheese & lettuce, refried beans, corn fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad; Pizza sub or Pretzel w/cheese w/salad bar
11/13 - Chicken nuggets, french fries, California blend, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad; Pizza sub or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar
11/14 - Pizza, romaine lettuce salad, carrots sticks, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad; Pizza sub or Cheeseburger sandwich w/salad bar
11/17 - Chili soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, carrot sticks w/dip, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad; Pizza sub or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar
11/18 - Grilled chicken sandwich, french fries, cooked peas & carrots, fruit, milk; JH/HS: Chef salad; Pizza sub or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar

2014 NWC ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM SELECTIONS

OFFENSE:
Tight End - Nate Owens, SR, Crestview, 1st; Levi Kistler, SR, Bluffton, 2nd; Tyler Talboom, SR, Jefferson, HM
Offensive Line - Elijah Hawk, SR, Spencerville, 1st; Noah Beach, SR, Ada, 1st; Noah Illig, JR, Jefferson, 1st; Garrett Heuerman, SR, Allen East, 1st; Seth Moser, SR, Crestview, 1st; Levi Bass, SR, Ada, 2nd; Rece Roney, SO, Cols Grove, 2nd; Corban Grubb, SR, Crestview, 2nd; Bryce Lindeman, JR, Jefferson, 2nd; Travis Wireman, SR, Allen East, 2nd; Jarett Sitton, JR, Paulding, 2nd; Evan Pugh, JR, Spencerville, HM; Wyatt Krouskop, JR, Spencerville, HM; Brady Parkins, SR, Bluffton, HM; Evan Barnett, JR, Spencerville, HM; Christian Stechschulte, SR, Cols Grove, HM; Nick Jellison, SR, Crestview, HM; Emilio DeLeon, SO, Crestview, HM; Jacob Sherrick, SR, Allen East, HM; Derek Foust, SR, Jefferson, HM
Wide Receiver - Robbie Stratton, SR, Bluffton, 1st; Grant McBride, SR, Ada, 1st; Austin Bricker, SR, Bluffton, 2nd; Treton Gonzales, SR, Paulding, 2nd; Blake Ansley, JR, Ada, HM; David Bogart, SR, Cols Grove, HM; Spencer Miller, SO, Allen East, HM;

Aiden Fortman, JR, Cols Grove, HM

Quarterback - Preston Zaleski, SR, Crestview, 1st; Mitchell Ault, JR, Bluffton, 2nd; Seth Conley, FR, Ada, HM

Running Back - Zach Goecke, JR, Spencerville, 1st; Joey Warnecke, SR, Cols Grove, 1st; Hunter Binkley, SO, Jefferson, 1st; Logan Schick, JR, Allen East, 2nd; Jake Lippi, SR, Crestview, 2nd; Trevor McMichael, SR, Spencerville, 2nd; Caleb Smelcer, SO, Allen East, HM; Andrew Emery, SR, Spencerville, HM; Jordan Miller, JR, Crestview, HM; Michael Cline, JR, Jefferson, HM; Clay Wilson, SR, Bluffton, HM

Co-Lineman of the Year: Jordan McCann, Delphos Jefferson; Noah Beach, Ada

Back of the Year: Preston Zaleski, Crestview

Coach of the Year: Chris Sommers, Delphos Jefferson

DEFENSE:
Defensive Lineman - Noah Beach, SR, Ada, 1st; Logan Vandemark, SR, Spencerville, 1st; Warren Poling, SR, Jefferson, 1st; Corbin Betz, JR, Jefferson, 1st; Alex Ingram, SO, Crestview, 2nd; Nick Jellison, SR, Crestview, 2nd; Corban Grubb, SR, Crestview, 2nd; Devin Luginbuhl, SR, Bluffton, 2nd; Isaac Ludwig, SR, Paulding, 2nd; Enoch Jones, FR, Cols Grove, HM

Linebacker - Dalton Hicks, JR, Jefferson, 1st; Blake Ansley, JR, Ada, 1st; Joey Warnecke, SR, Cols Grove, 1st; Zach Goecke, JR, Spencerville, 2nd; Levi Bass, SR, Ada, 2nd; Jordan Roop, SR, Crestview, 2nd; Evan Pugh, JR, Spencerville, HM; Dylan Alt, SR, Bluffton, HM; Justin Overmyer, SR, Crestview, HM; Logan Schick, JR, Allen East, HM; Luke Long Green, SR, Ada, HM; Adam Deatrick, SR, Paulding, HM

Defensive End - Jordan McCann, SR, Jefferson, 1st; Jake Lippi, SR, Crestview, 1st; Wyatt Krouskop, JR, Spencerville, 2nd; Drew Wannemacher, JR, Jefferson, 2nd; Brant Follas, JR, Cols Grove, HM; Zach Little, JR, Bluffton, HM; Jarrett Sitton, JR, Paulding, HM

Defensive Back - Grant McBride, SR, Ada, 1st; Robbie Stratton, SR, Bluffton, 1st; Preston Zaleski, SR, Crestview, 1st; Josh Teman, JR, Jefferson, 2nd; Tanner From, SR, Cols Grove, 2nd; Trevor Dudgeon, SR, Jefferson, 2nd; Trevor McMichael, SR, Spencerville, HM; Calvin Wilson, SO, Spencerville, HM; Daniil Gelivera, SR, Spencerville, HM; Jace Stockwell, SO, Jefferson, HM; Logan Diller, JR, Cols Grove, HM; Branson Minck, JR, Paulding, HM

Specialist - Joey Warnecke - K/P, SR, Cols Grove, 1st; Austin Bricker - Ret, SR, Bluffton, 2nd; Logan Vandemark - K, SR, Spencerville, HM; Spencer Miller - Ret, SO, Allen East, HM

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4.0-3.67 (with no grade less than a B-) - Michaela Burns, Rachel Becker, Jacob O'Donnell, Collin Perry, Joshua Steiner, Olivia Tempel, Alexander Vail
3.66-3.33 (with no grade less than a C+) - Nicholas

Barnhouse, Darian Bauer, Alston Doctor, Nicole Hughes, Hannah Mills, Bailee Sigman, Gabrielle Zuber
3.32-3.0 (with no grade less than a C) - Elizabeth Bond, ReMien Jackson, Willie Jones, Samantha Provines

JUNIORS:

4.0-3.67 - Emily Derck, Elizabeth Hawley, Anne Miesle, Aaron O'Donnell, Allison Taylor, Jenna Wilson
3.66-3.33 - Sidney Barnhouse, Mikayla Boesch, Erik Buchan, Audrie Longardner, Kirsten Price, Blaire Rebber, Paige Rebber, Kiana Recker, Austin Wendt, Samuel Williamson

3.32-3.0 - Jeffrey Coleman, Joshua Longardner, Nichole Mills, Iann Roebel

SOPHOMORES:

4.0-3.67 - Emily Butzin, Carley DeLong, *Matthew Dooley, Joshua Ehlinger, Marissa Elkins, Olivia Miller, Emilee Phillips, Hanna Richey, Jaime Ryan, Hannah Schneider, *Jarrison Steiner, Maggie Wilson
3.66-3.33 - Mariah Elkins, Evan Hilton, Becca Johanns, Erica Meyer, Trey Mills, Brandon Pendergrast, Ashley Pratt, Arron Romero, Kaylee Schroeder, Sydney Sheedy, Hayden Spryn
3.32-3.0 - Derek Reeb, Alexander Smith, Peyton Short, Michael Taylor, McKenzie Turpening

FRESHMAN:

4.0-3.67 - Kaitlyn Clevinger, *Brian Geyer, Brooke Hatlevig, *Alexandra Hindenlang, Brandon Laney, Riley McAlexander, *Callie Perry, *Joshua Poulson
3.66-3.33 - Kaylee Bennett, Faith McDorman, Ashley Miller, Amelia Miller, Lynisha Moon, Jonathon Pendergrast, Dylan Peters, Megaen Price, Kylee Trauterman

3.32-3.0 - Noah Cline, Patrabhorn Jaroonnet, Rebecca McCroskey, Shaylean Moon, Kortney Smith, Jessica Walker

EIGHTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Ashton Barnhouse, Tyler Bauer, *Kendall Billman, Adam Butzin, Kati Carr, *Austin Chirgwin, Serenity Clark, *Jason

Dunstan, *Brett Fulk, Gene Garrett, Kaitlyn Hamman, *Nathan Lee, Ty Rebber, *Charity Roebel, Jake Ryan, *Gage Speaks, *Iris Sorrell, *Joel Steiner, Brayton Stuckey, Jared Sukup, Joshua Sukup, Alexis Wright

3.669-3.33 - Keaton Altimus, Levi Craig, Kobe Dunderman, Braden Evans, Chloe Franklin, Aiden McAlexander, Aubree Rager, Savannah Ridgway, Alayna Ryan, Rachel Walker, Corey Zartman

3.32-3.0 - Jack Dohoney, Katelyn Eaton, Chelsea Johanns, Christina Keever, Destiny Lee, Timothy Major, Mackenzie Meyers, Cole Sellar, Madalyn Turpening

SEVENTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Madison Boesch, Aleyah Cline, Alyvia DeVore, Boston Dunderman, *Alyssa Fuller, Charlie Hanes, Codee Hathaway, *Adison Hindenlang, Mallory Mansfield, Kendyl Miller, Alex Phillips, Chloe Saul, *Blake Schuette, Kaitlyn Smith, Julia Steiner, Elyse Stuary, Mackenzie Timbrook, *Melanie Wann

3.669-3.33 - Sayge Bonifas, Karsyn Brumett, Chase Friend, Garrett Laney, Jayvin Landers, Sydney Miller, Randall Mills, Ashton Minck, Holly Sanders

3.32-3.0 - Jacob Eaken, Izik Garrett, Destiny Gerken, Tabby Jones, Heather Oberlin

SIXTH GRADE:

4.0-3.67 - Madyson Bauer, Morgan Boesch, Rylan Brooks, Johnathon Buehrer, Jordan Buerkle, Lydia Butzin, Maycee Contreras, Carmen Cruz, Haile Daviz, Kadi Donat, Mallory Ehrhart, Dylan Hines, *Austin Lichty, Logan McKeever, Caleb Miller, Laura Miller, Eli Molitor, Kathryn Oberlin, Siera Octaviano, David Partin, Molly Reinhart, Madison Ruen, *Emily Sanders, Eric Thornell, *Grace Tuttle

3.669-3.33 - Heaven Bruce, Hunter Grant, Aaron Hawley, Asa Humes, Landyn Reyes, Autumn Smith, Joshua Timbrook

3.32-3.0 - Jason Geyer, Alicia Maag

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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
 General Code, Section 11681
 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
 PAULDING COUNTY:

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION (SUBSTITUTE PLAINTIFF), Plaintiff,
 vs.
 BRIAN D. SHUHERK, ET AL.,
 Defendants,

Case No. CI 13 148.
 Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 18th day of December, 2014 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

17186 US 127,
 Cecil, Ohio 45821
 Parcel Number: 13-12S-004-05

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at One Hundred Five Thousand and No/100 (\$105,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
 Paulding County, Ohio
 www.pauldingohsheriff.com
 Peter L. Mehler, Attorney for Plaintiff

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
 General Code, Section 11681
 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
 PAULDING COUNTY:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 CORA E. EVANS, ET AL.,
 Defendants,

Case No. CI 14 133.
 Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 4th day of December, 2014 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

120 East Wayne Street,
 Paulding, Ohio 45879
 Parcel Number: 30-24S-022-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

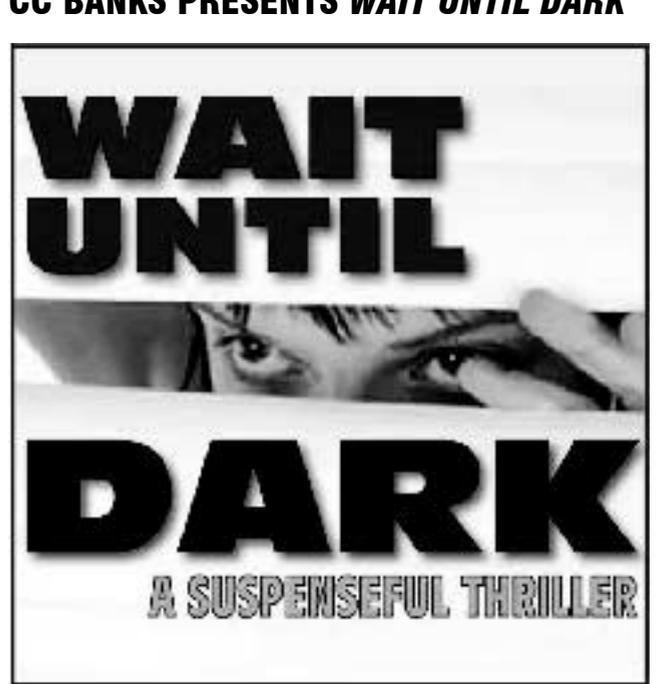
Said premises appraised at Seventy-five Thousand and No/100 (\$75,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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Sheriff Jason K. Landers
 Paulding County, Ohio
 www.pauldingohsheriff.com
 Stephen D. Miles, Attorney for Plaintiff



An apartment in 1960s Greenwich Village becomes the site of CCBanks Productions latest theater venture of cat and mouse. Desperate to reclaim a mysterious doll stuffed with illegal drugs, a con man lays a trap to ensue a blind woman with the help of his criminal sidekick and a few clever disguises, he spins a tale to fool the innocent and unsuspecting woman. But when the doll can't be found, the situation spirals out of control. From the author of *Dial M for Murder*, Frederick Knott's *Wait Until Dark* proves that what you can't see

can most definitely hurt you. Starring Rachel Banks, Denver Henderson, Aaron Mann, Jason Williams, Allison Banks, Bruce Essex and Jeremy Scott, this psychological thriller will be played out on the stage at Harvest Life, 20000 County Road 424 (old us 24), Defiance, OH on November 21, 22, 23. Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be catered by Grant's. Show will begin at 8:00 p.m. Sunday matinee is at 2:00 p.m. For more information, please call 429-506-1085 or visit the Antwerp Pharmacy.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition Report
 Jennifer L. Thomas; Paulding; Ob-struct of Bus; Guilty; pay all costs; community service; probation; addition to rules; 3 days jail, 3 days credit
 John A. Arnett; Oakwood; Count A; OVI/Under Inf; No Cont; proof of financial responsibility shown; pay all fines & costs; may attend The DIP Program in lieu of jail; community control ordered; secure valid DL; community service; 177 jail days reserved; Count B; OVI Refusal; Dismiss; Ct. B dismissed at the court's request; Ct. C; Mark Lanes; No Cont; pay all fines & costs; Ct. D; Seat Belt/Drive; No Cont; pay all fines & costs
 Leann B. Smith; FTY Emer Vehicl; Guilty; case was waived by defendant
 Amanda J. Trejo; Angola, IN; Ob-struct of Bus; No Cont; pay all costs; 14 days jail, 14 days credit; community service; probation; addition to rules
 Kelly J. Smith; Paulding; Count A; Possession; Dismiss; Ct. A dismissed; Count B; Drug Paraphernalia; J-No Cont; OL shall be suspended for 6 months; suspension shall run concurrent with the suspension on Count A traffic case; pay all costs
 Cory M. Boyd; Defiance; Confine of Dog; Count A; J-Guilty; pay all fines & costs; Count B; Confine of Dog; J-Guilty; pay all fines & costs
 Zachari W. Hall; Antwerp; Disorder Conduc; J-Guilty; pay all fines & costs

Kelly J. Smith; Count A; OVI/Refusal; Guilty; proof of insurance not provided; pay all fines & costs; community control; ordered evaluation at Westwood; secure a valid DL; community service; 174 jail days reserved; Count B; Fail to Reinstate; Guilty; pay all fines & costs; Count C; Fictitious Reg; Dismiss; Ct. C dismissed at the State's request
 April Y. Dunakin; Bradenton, FL; Count A; OVI/Under Inf; Guilty; attend The Dip Program in lieu of jail days; ALS vacated; proof of insurance provided; pay all fines & costs; 87 jail days reserved; Count B; Changing Lanes; Dismiss; Ct. B dismissed at the State's request
 Tasha J. Alvarado; Paulding; Assault; No Cont; pay all costs; shall have no unlawful contact w/victim; probation; addition to rules
 Matthew G. Gentry; Jonesville, MI; Count A; OVI/Under Inf; J-No Cont; proof of insurance provided; attend The DIP Program in lieu of jail; shall pay monthly; POC date; community control ordered; community service; 87 jail days reserved; to be fingerprinted; Count B; Fail Control; J-No Cont; pay per month; POC date; Count C; Unsafe Veh; J-No Cont; pay per month; POC date
Real Estate Transfers
 Blue Creek Twp.:
 10/28/14; Kerry Lynn Lanz, et al; Sec 16; 33.31 acres; To: Bill-Bob Farms, LLC Brown Twp.:
 10/31/14; Gale & Opal Jean Thiel; Sec 17; 0.389 acre; To: Rhonda Pestor Crane Twp.:
 10/31/14; Rolland L. Little; Sec 7; 1.0 acre; To: Eileen D. Shaffer, LE, et al Emerald Twp.:
 10/28/14; Jeremy J. Sharp; Sec 2; 5.161 acres; To: Rose & Dan Froelich Jackson Twp.:
 11/3/14; Robert A. Antoine Jr.; dec'd; Sec 2; 1.0 acre; To: Sue Ann Vaughn-Antoine Paulding Twp.:
 10/28/14; Kerry Lynn Lanz, et al; 30.46 acres; To: Bill-Bob Farms, LLC Latty Village:
 11/3/14; Margaret Ann Crutchfield; Lot 17; 1.33 acre; To: Randall Sulfridge Melrose Village:
 10/29/14; Robert L. Bair III; Lot 76; 0.17 acre; To: Misty Smith
 11/3/14; Paul W. Finnegan; Lot 33; 5.26 acres; To: Charles Edward Finnegan Paulding Village:
 10/28/14; Thomas E. Porter; Lot 34-35; 0.30 acre; To: Timothy Robert & Sharon Ann Franklin
 10/28/14; Ronald Lane, dec'd; Lot 141; 0.33 acre; Lot 4; 0.25 acre; To: Donna J. Lane
 11/3/14; HPI Properties, LLC; Lots 6, 22; 0.17 acre; To: Kelly R. Kupfersmith Payne Village:
 10/31/14; CR Homes, LLC; Lot 5; 0.30 acre; To: John J. Wobler
 11/30/14; Marie Roddy; Lot 9; 0.16 acre; To: John Roddy

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is requesting proposals for snow removal from the county-owned parking lot and its bordering sidewalks. The parking lot is located on the southwest corner of the Perry and Main Streets' intersection in the Village of Paulding. The proposal shall be for the 2014-2015 winter season. Said proposal should include any and all supplies, machinery operating costs, and labor to complete said project. Sealed proposals must be marked "County Parking Lot Snow Removal" and addressed to the Clerk of the Board. Proposals must be received at the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the basement of the Courthouse, 115 N. Williams Street, Room B-1, Paulding, not later than 9:00 a.m. on the 24th day of November, 2014. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals. Should you have any questions, please contact the Paulding County Commissioners' Office at 419-399-8216, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NOLA R. GINTER, CLERK
 BY ORDER
 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
 TONY ZARTMAN
 ROY KLOPFENSTEIN
 FRED PIEPER

iAB FINANCIAL BANK GIVING BACK TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AT ICARE DAY

On Tuesday, November 11th, employees with iAB Financial Bank will once again give back to organizations in the community by participating in their 2nd Annual iCare Day. Working at over 20 local non-profit facilities in Allen, Huntington and Wells counties, iAB employees will be spending time accomplishing various tasks for the charities. iCare

Day was specifically initiated by iAB to commemorate their anniversary as a bank and to recognize what can be accomplished when everyone works together to make a difference in the lives of others. Thousands of individuals in the surrounding communities will benefit from the efforts of iAB's iCare Day.

All iAB offices will be closed on November 11th to observe Veteran's Day; however, the employees of iAB will spend the day volunteering their time and efforts towards such tasks as painting, cleaning, landscaping, packing donation boxes and serving and preparing meals for veterans. These efforts come as part of iAB's continued commitment to giving back to the communities they serve. "iAB is very proud to be a community partner and each individual takes their commitment to our core values of integrity, accountability and brotherhood seriously," stated Michael C. Marhenke, iAB President and CEO. "When we work together, we truly maximize the power of partnership."

- Some of the organizations iAB will be working with on iCare Day are:
- A Hope Center - 3630 Hobson Road in Fort Wayne
 - Community Harvest Food Bank - 999 E. Tillman Road in Fort Wayne
 - Easter Seals/ARC - 4919 Coldwater Road in Fort Wayne
 - Mustard Seed Furniture Bank - 3636 Illinois Rd in Fort Wayne
 - Shepherd's House - 519 Tennessee Avenue in Fort Wayne
 - YMCA Childcare Services - 1117 South Clinton Street in Fort Wayne
 - Forgotten Children Worldwide - 429 E Dustman Road in Bluffton
 - Indiana Dream Center

Thrift Store - 515 North Jefferson Street in Huntington

- Master's Pantry - 171 East Morse Street in Markle

iAB Financial Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Independent Alliance Banks, Inc., is one of the largest locally-owned community banks in the area and employs approximately 285 people throughout Allen, Huntington and Wells counties.

RYAN WELLER TO PRESENT "PREHISTORY OF THE AREA FROM DUPONT TO CHARLOE: FROM HOBBY TO PROFESSION"

Did you ever wonder about those 'Indian arrow heads' and other artifacts picked up in the fields along our local rivers and streams? How old are they? How were they used? Who made them? Ryan Weller will have many answers to these questions in his illustrated presentation "Prehistory of the Area from Dupont to Charloe: from Hobby to Profession" Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cooper Community Library in Oakwood, OH.

Ryan spent most of his formative years growing up on a farm about three miles south of Oakwood. He collected Native American artifacts with his grandmother, Beulah Weller, and carried this interest through college and made it into a career. Most of the artifacts were derived from hundreds of miles of walking through the tilled fields from Dupont to Charloe. Upon graduation from Paulding High School, Ryan attended Defiance College and received a BS in History with a focus in Archaeology. Ryan furthered his education at The Ohio State University where he earned a MA in Physical Anthropology/Archaeology.

THE WEST BEND NEWS *Answers on Page 15*
Sudoku Puzzle

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SCARECROW WRITING IN GROVER HILL



Miss Manz's first graders at Grover Hill Elementary engage in creative writing about scarecrows. Pictured here are (l-r) Miss Angie Manz, Laura

Garberson, Cole Miller, Drew Shaffer, Kiera Youtsey, Zander Warren, Kamara Halliwill, Zach Landwehr and Koden Martz.

In 1993, he started his company Weller & Associates, Inc. based in Columbus, OH.

ROUSCULP GRADUATES FROM MARINE CORPS BOOT CAMP

Ryan will tell us about his extensive local collection of Native American artifacts and discuss some of the archaeological sites that he has excavated in central Ohio through his company. He will illustrate and discuss the types of materials, artifacts and features that have been identified at several important sites dating from 200 BC to 1450 AD.

PFC Thomas Edwin Rousculp, 19 of New Haven graduated from the United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island on October 31, 2014. PFC Rousculp successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD Parris Island as one of 75 recruits in Training Platoon 3081 of 3rd Battalion, Kilo. Platoon 3081 received "Honor Platoon" out of the six platoons that graduated that day. PFC, Rousculp following ten days home on leave will leave for one month Military Combat Training and then proceed to a Military Occupation Specialty School. PFC, Rousculp is the son of David and Patricia Rousculp.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-17** on October 27, 2014, entitled "an ordinance authorizing the village fiscal officer to transfer \$55,000.00 from the general fund to the police fund, and declaring the same an emergency." This Ordinance authorizes the transfer of funds from the general fund to the police fund to maintain a police department for the protection and safety of the Village.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-18** on October 27, 2014, entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A NOTE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM IN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a note to pay the balance due for the sanitary sewer system capital improvement.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-19** on October 27, 2014, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$8,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET LIGHTING FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the transfer of funds from the general fund to the street lighting fund to pay for street lighting expenses.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-20** on October 27, 2014, entitled "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE MAUMEE LANDING SUBDIVISION-PHASE 3 (LOT 2) TO THE ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 94-17, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance approves the final plat for the Maumee Landing Subdivision - Phase 3 (Lot 2), with the modification that the public streets on such plat will not be dedicated and accepted by the Village until the final coat of asphalt is applied.

The publication of these Ordinances is by summary only. The Complete text of the Ordinances may be obtained or viewed at the office of the Village of Antwerp Fiscal Officer located at 118 North Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



These are the Grover Hill Elementary November Student of the Month:

(front) YK Reed Bidlack, KA Konner Clemens, and KB Stefany Castillo-Lopez; (middle) 1B Whitney Boroff, 1A Riley Manz, 2A Lorie Sinn, 4B Elise Miller, Physical Education Class Chloe Beining,

2B Eli Martinez; Ms. Motycka's Class, Timmy Dysinger and 3A Kassidy Lewis; (back) 4A Laura Thornell, Ms. Au-France's Class Emma Weirick, 5A Nathan Sinn, 6B Lauren Barnett, 6A Natalie Bostleman, 3B Laryssa Whitman and 5B Claudia Sinn.

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 11/12 - 11/18

JH/HS Breakfast:
11/12 - Sausage, egg & cheese muffin, juice/fruit, milk

11/13 - Mini pancakes, sausage links, juice/fruit, milk

11/14 - Sausage gravy w/ biscuits, juice/fruit, milk

11/17 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk

11/18 - Tator tots w/ cheese, sausage links, juice/fruit, milk

JH/HS Lunch:
11/12 - Walking taco, refried beans, salsa, sour cream OR Top Your Own Potato, breadstick, milk

11/13 - Corn dog, kettle baked beans, cauliflower w/ dip OR BD pizza slice, baby carrots w/dip, milk

11/14 - Southwest chicken wrap, ORSA, lettuce, oven potatoes OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, milk

11/17 - Italian dunkers, green beans, marinara sauce OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, milk

11/18 - Turkey, bacon club salad, tomatoes, pretzel roll OR Sandwich w/bun, oven fries, milk

Paulding Elementary Breakfast:
11/12 - Burrito, juice/fruit, milk

11/13 - Muffin, string cheese, juice/fruit, milk

11/14 - Cereal or Cereal bar, juice/fruit, milk

11/17 - Yogurt, goldfish grahams, juice/fruit, milk

11/18 - Pancakes, juice/fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary Lunch:

11/12 - French toast w/ sausage, oven potatoes, tomato juice, milk

11/13 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, corn, whole grain bread, milk

11/14 - Lasagna, salad, fresh veggie choice, whole grain bread, milk

11/17 - Chicken on whole grain bun, carrots, fresh veggie choice, milk

11/18 - Corn dog, baked beans, fresh veggie choice, milk

Oakwood Elementary Breakfast:

11/12 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk

11/13 - Mini pancakes, juice/fruit, milk

11/14 - Assorted cereals, juice/fruit, milk

11/17 - Warm cinnamon roll, juice/fruit, milk

11/18 - Egg biscuit, juice/fruit, milk

Oakwood Elementary Lunch:

11/12 - Salisbury steak, whipped potatoes, gravy, romaine lettuce salad, bread,

milk
11/13 - Shredded chicken, whole grain bun, broccoli, celery, milk

11/14 - Cheese pizza, corn, carrot stix, milk

11/17 - Mini pancakes, mini sausage, celery stix, carrot stix, milk

11/18 - Grilled chicken, whole grain bun, broccoli, carrot stix, milk

LEGISLATIVE PREVIEW IN NEW HAVEN

The New Haven Chamber of Commerce will have a Legislative Preview on December 12, 2014. Senator Kruse, State Representative Lehman, State Representative Morris and State Representative Cox have been invited to present upcoming legislative priorities for this Session. The presentation is being held in the Police Training Room in the New Haven City Administration Building at 815 Lincoln Hwy. E. at 7:30 a.m. Coffee, juice, and rolls will be provided. An RSVP is requested by December 9. Phone: 749-4484 or email: info@newhavenindiana.org

POLL FINDS GIRLS HAVE INTEREST IN POLITICS BUT DON'T SEE CAREER POTENTIAL

Findings from a recent Girl Scout Research Institute poll show that while the majority of today's teen and tween girls are interested in politics (67 percent), and most are engaged in political, civic, or leadership activities (93 percent), only a minority (37 percent) are interested in pursuing a career in politics. The poll was conducted in September by the Girl Scout Research Institute with a national sample of more than 1,000 girls in the U.S. between the ages of 11 and 17.

While the vast majority of girls (83 percent) have already participated in civic activities such as a cause or campaign, or engaged with an organization they believe in, they stop short of envisioning political careers for themselves, seeing politics as a man's world, partially attributable to a media lens that favors men. Even in their teens and tweens, girls are already leaning away from the political arena, citing running for student government as an activity with little appeal for them.

The discrepancy between girls' desire to engage in the political world and their actual involvement in it is troubling. While, according to the poll, 78 percent of girls want to make a difference in the world and 76 percent want to help people, 92 percent believe there are other ways than politics to make a difference in the world—and 61 percent would rather be a movie star than president of the United States.

Interestingly, the fact that girls by and large don't want to enter politics does

not point to a lack of faith in their own abilities. Eighty-four percent of girls say, "I am smart enough to have a career in politics." What they are calling for is more support and encouragement from society, the media, and adults, to pursue a career in politics. Sixty-five percent of girls feel more mentoring from current politicians and positive stories in the press would encourage them to pursue political careers.

"We need to give girls more support and opportunities to experience and get excited about politics," said Roni Luckenbill, CEO for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio, "We need to start changing o.

These poll results hit close to home. Girl Scouts of Western Ohio alumnae Camille Borders received the 2014 National Young Woman of Distinction award last month for her Gold Award project, "Girls Run the World: Political Activism in Young Women". This one day event featured a network of exceptional political women and stressed the importance of gender-balanced leadership in politics. Borders is collaborating with League of Women Voter's Cincinnati Area to recreate the event annually and make a lasting impact upon the community.

The Young Woman of Distinction award is the highest honor in Girl Scouting. Ten girls were selected from more than 200 applicants across the nation.

"Girl Scouts has encouraged me to fight the injustices I see in the world," said Borders. "This award has added fuel to the fire of activism inside me. I will continue the work for gender equity that started through my sustainable Gold Award."

To become a member or volunteer for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio, please visit girlscouts.org/join. Read the full results of the pulse poll.

ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF 11/10/14

Defiance County:
Ohio 18 between the village of Hicksville and the village of Sherwood will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work will be performed by the Defiance County ODOT maintenance garage.

Paulding County:
Ohio 114 east of Ohio 637, just west of Roselms, will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for drainage tile repair. Work is being performed by the Paulding County ODOT maintenance garage.

Ohio 613 west of U.S. 127 will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by the Paulding County ODOT maintenance garage.

Putnam County:
Ohio 12 between Road

STUDENTS CONDUCT EYEGLASS DRIVE



The Wayne Trace Payne Elementary Student Council sponsored a used eyeglasses drive during the month of October. Student Council

Members presented 165 pairs of used eyeglasses to Grover Hill Lion's Club member, Max Kochensparger.

T-4 and Road C-3 will close November 12 for three days for a culvert replacement. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 696, Interstate 75 and Ohio 235 back to Ohio 12. Work is being performed by the Putnam County ODOT maintenance garage.

Van Wert County:
U.S. 30 from the village of Middle Point to the city of Van Wert in the east-bound driving lane will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by the Van Wert County ODOT maintenance garage.

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Space is available for potential hunters who want to take Ohio's hunter education course before many of the state's popular seasons begin, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. Ohio's hunter education courses are taught by certified instructors and are designed

for every age and ability. Courses are taught by some of Ohio's best and most knowledgeable hunters. Many people who take a hunter education course have never hunted, but want to try it. Find an available class at wildhio.gov or call 1-800-WILDLIFE (1-800-945-3543). Hunter education is a requirement for all first-time license buyers in Ohio, except those who hunt with an apprentice license.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife offers three types of certification courses: instructor-led training, home-study courses, and proficiency testing. A home-study course is available for Ohio residents, and students complete a test led by certified instructors. A proficiency test is available for Ohio residents 18 and older and experienced in hunting and safe firearms handling.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 10/20/14

This 20th day of October, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

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

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 211426 through 211525 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING A NEW FUND (FUND 198), CREATING NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEMS, ESTIMATING REVENUE AND APPROPRIATING TO EXPENSE LINES:

A new fund must be created to accurately track expenses and revenue associated with Common Pleas OVI Finds. Now therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the Ind Drivers-Co. Pleas Fund (Fund 198), estimate the revenue, and appropriate to the following expense line items for said fund:

New: Fund 198 Ind Drivers-Co Pleas

Revenue: 198-001-10001 Ind Drivers - \$500.00

Expense: 198-001-00001 Ind Drivers - \$500.00

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEMS IN FUND 282:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the following revenue and expense line items in the CPCSP Fund (Fund 282):

Revenue: 282-001-10002 IDIF

Expense: 282-001-00006 IDIF

TRAVEL REQUEST: Claudia Fickel, Winter Conference, Dublin OH - November 19, 20, & 21, 2014

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING A NEW FUND (FUND 197), CREATING NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEMS, ESTIMATING REVENUE AND APPROPRIATING TO EXPENSE LINES:

A new fund must be created to accurately track expenses and revenue associated with Common Pleas OVI Finds; now therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create the Prison Sub-Co. Pleas. OVI Fines Fund (Fund 197), estimate the revenue, and appropriate to the following expense line items for said fund:

New: Fund 197 Prison Sub-Co. Pleas

Revenue: 197-001-10001 Prisoner Housing - \$500.00

Expense: 197-001-00001 Prisoner Housing - \$500.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 190):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2014 Annual Appropriation by appropriating to the Moving Ohio Forward Fund (Fund 190):

190-001-00001/Moving Ohio Forward/Miscellaneous Expense

AMOUNT: \$5,874.42

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Mr. Langham met with the Commissioners and discussed the recent renovation/remodeling project at the County Court/CSEA Annex. The CSEA occupies the north side of the building, County Court is on the south side, and the middle section of

the building has now been renovated to house the law library. Two features of the newly-remodeled building are sound proof hearing rooms and a multi-purpose room. The building is handicapped accessible and will be available to schedule court-related meetings/hearings and mediations. Local bar association members will also be able to utilize the rooms. The Commissioners noted the office furniture is to be delivered today. Commissioner Zartman commented that the timing meets the needs of their office in lieu of Commissioners Pieper's unfortunate accident. Because of its handicapped accessibility, sessions will be held in the law library beginning on October 27 until further notice.

Rick Weaver and Ellen Smith, Rural Transportation Plan - Mr. Weaver presented and reviewed a spread sheet listing several recommended transportation related projects and initiatives in the five-county area, including Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams. Mr. Weaver reported a technical committee meeting on October 31, 2014. The plans for chosen projects need to be submitted to ODOT by spring 2015.

Sarah Noggle, Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator (OSU Extension) - Ms. Noggle met with the Commissioners to present her third quarter report. She lead the Commissioners through the report, expanding on the Agricultural Fertilizer Applicator Certification training held in September. The 2014 Senate Bill 150 requires certification for anyone who applies commercial fertilizer to 50 or more acres. This applies to not only farmers, but also to agribusiness and landscaping professionals. The deadline to be certified is September 30, 2017. Over 800 applicators have been certified in the northwest Ohio area just in the month of September. Paulding County was one of the first three training locations and currently has over 90 people certified. Ms. Noggle then reported the 2014 Farm Science Review held in September exceeded 130,000 attendees, where she taught an afternoon class. Mapha Schaad and Dianne Cooper, two local Paulding County women, were honored at the '100 Years of Extension and 100 Women in Agriculture' display. Ms. Noggle has also participated in various weed and insect surveys. She also reported the Statewide Dairy Manure Technology Day was held highlighting dairy manure research. Ms. Noggle praised the Paulding County Master Gardener Volunteers for their landscaping efforts at the Black Swamp Nature Center and for their assistance in developing a program on native and invasive plants in Paulding County. Ms. Noggle reported several other speaking engagements and meeting she attended during July, August, and September. She reported fielding over 200 phone calls, emails and personal visits. Ms. Noggle noted the .15 millage levy campaign has begun. Passage of the levy will ensure funding for Paulding County OSU Extension over the next 5 years. It will generate \$66,000.00, with the cost on a \$100,000-valued home being \$5.25 per year. Ms. Noggle closed her report by updating the Commissioners on 4-H. She reported 100 campers, 14 Cloverbuds, and 30 camp counselors attending 4-H camp at Camp Palmer. 4-H camp is set for July 9 through July 13 in 2015. Ms. Noggle added 22 Paulding County 4-H members qualified to go to the 2014 Ohio State Fair in a variety of projects.

Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel reported a virus in their office computers last week. She noted the daily back-up was a 'life-saver'.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 10/29/14

This 29th day of October, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, Fred Pieper, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 211663 through 211712 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST: Carol Temple, Ohio Record-ers' Winter Conference, Columbus, OH - November 10-13, 2014

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein to go into executive session at 8:08 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fred Pieper. All members voting yea.

At 8:34 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF IMPROVING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on October 27, 2014, Warrant numbered 211649 in the amount of \$195.00; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D) (1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING/APPROPRIATING A NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEM IN FUND 079:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create a new

expense line item in the EMA Fund (Fund 079) and appropriate to said expense line item:

079-001-00016 Insurance - \$498.42

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 028):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2014 Annual Appropriation by appropriating to the General Tax Fund (Fund 028):

028-001-00005/General Tax/Land Sale Expense

AMOUNT: \$294.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-003):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2014 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-003-00007/General Fund/County Treasurer/Advertising and Printing

TO: 001-003-00006/General Fund/County Treasurer/Travel

AMOUNT: \$20.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2014 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 009):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2014 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds in the Engineer-Gas Tax Fund (Fund 009):

FROM: 009-001-00011/Engineer-Gas Tax/Contract Projects

TO: 009-001-00036/Engineer-Gas Tax/Other Expense

AMOUNT: \$10,000.00

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Lisa McClure, Marshall Memorial Area Foundation - Ms. McClure met with the Commissioners for an update on the building project at the Paulding County fair grounds. The bids came in at above the estimate; however, Ms. McClure was pleased to report sufficient donations to construct the buildings. She noted additional donations may still come in to finish the exterior cement work, which was not included in the original bid. There will be an estimated \$25,000.00 shortfall to complete the animal wash rack and the area between the buildings. Ms. McClure said she is amazed at the in-kind donations toward the project.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher presented the contract for the County's bond counsel. The Commissioners recommended that she forward it to the Prosecutor for his approval.

Phil Jackson and Cindy Peters - The Commissioners listened to an update on the phone and internet service for the Courthouse and various other County entities. Mr. Jackson had a listing of the phones that will be put on the new system. Telephone programming and routing calls was discussed.

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Pictured here (first row) are Isaac Yoder, Derric Salser, Sawyer Miller, Rylee Schindler, Anthony Vowels, Jacob Graber, Jonathon Frye, and Coach José Lopez; (second row) Coach Lynn Swing, Eli Trumbull, Cole Brandenberger, Ben Figgins, Mason Salomon, Kyle Stucky, Caleb Swing, Ethan Glasscock, Drew Swing, and Coach Jay Horn; (third row) Coach Lael Barkman, Marcus Nafziger, Stevie Cresse, Evan Gregory, Cameron Straub, Richie Crockett, Ian Lepley, and Coach Nate Glasscock.

A Christian football team, the King's Crusaders, was started four years ago in a backyard that holds an official football field. It began with 13 players in 2011 and now has 42 players including both a middle school team and a high school team. Although the home field is located near Leo, IN, players have come from as far away as Montpelier, OH, Hamilton, IN, and Bryant, IN. Many schools are represented within the team: Blackhawk Christian, Canterbury, Carroll, Harlan Christian, Homeschoolers, Lakewood Park Christian, and Leo. The Crusaders play approximately 10 games per season against Christian school teams, homeschool

teams, and other independent club teams.

What makes them different? The team exists to glorify God and disciple young men through football. They have a devotion at each practice led by one of the coaches or a player's dad. They begin each game with a prayer. They end each game with all the players from both teams coming together in a huddle in the center of the field. They are then encouraged and challenged by the head coaches. Finally, embracing one another, a coach or sometimes a player leads the whole group in prayer.

On Saturday, November 1, 2014, the King's Crusaders competed in the CALA

(Christian Athletic League of America) championship game against the undefeated Washtenaw Saints. This big game was played on a turf field at Hastings High School in Michigan. Although the Crusaders had a winning season, they knew it would be a tough game. They battled. They won. They surprised the league. The final score was Crusaders 32 and Saints 16.

God has made it possible and blessed the dream of just a few families who wanted to give their sons an opportunity to play football. For more information: visit www.tristatecfl.com or contact Lynn and Lauri Swing at lynnlauriswing@juno.com or 260-632-4082.

MAUMEE NATURE CLUB HOSTS "WOODBURN WOODS & WATERFOWL"

You are invited to join Maumee Nature Club on November 15 and find out about the wildlife in the Woodburn area. First, there will be a birdwatching event at 9:00 a.m. at the ponds on Tile Mill Road. The migrating ducks are arriving and this time of last year, you could see buff head, scaup, ruddy, northern shoveler and redhead ducks. Bring binoculars if you have them,

but there will also be a scope available for better viewing. Then, at 10:00 a.m., there will be a "history" hike at Acres Blue Cast Springs nature preserve at the intersection of Old US-24 and Blue-cast Road. A tour will be given of the old sanitarium grounds, then will continue on to the trails on the west side where there are beautiful views from the bluff s of the Maumee River. In the time since Blue Cast opened to the public last year, there have been sightings of many different mammals and tur-

tles, and 88 different species of birds. Hopefully, many will be spotted this Saturday as well! If you are participating in the Allen County Trailblazers this year, this hike at Blue Cast Springs will fulfill one of the trail requirements.

You can participate in either or both events and they are free of charge. Please dress for the weather and bring a camera if you wish. All are welcome. For directions and more information, go to www.facebook.com/maumeenatureclub.

MANY OHIO FURBEARER TRAPPING & HUNTING SEASONS BEGINS

Hunting and trapping seasons for many of Ohio's furbearers began Monday, November 10, including red and gray fox, raccoon, skunk, opossum, weasel, mink, and muskrat. Red and gray fox, raccoon, skunk, opossum, and weasel seasons are open through Saturday, January 31, 2015. Mink and muskrat hunting and trapping seasons are open through Saturday, February 28, 2015.

For Erie, Ottawa, and Sandusky counties, as well as the area of Lucas County east of the Maumee River, mink, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, and weasel trapping season extends through March 15, 2015.

Beaver and river otter trapping seasons are open Friday, December 26 through Sunday, February 28, 2015. River otter trapping is allowed in 43 counties, mainly in eastern and central Ohio. Bag limits for otter trapping vary by county.

A fur taker permit is required in addition to a valid Ohio hunting license to hunt or trap furbearing animals, except for coyotes, which may be hunted or trapped year-round without a fur taker permit. A special Ohio Division of Wildlife permit is required to trap beaver and river otter on state public hunting areas.

Although coyote have no closed season and no daily bag limit, special regulations for hunting and trapping coyote during deer gun season exist. Rifles and night-vision scopes are legal for coyote hunting, but are prohibited between 30 minutes after sunset and 30 minutes before sunrise during any deer-gun and deer-muzzleloader seasons.

River otters were reintroduced into Ohio from 1986-1993 and have increased their range in the state. River otters were removed from Ohio's Endangered Species List in 2002. Full details of open counties as well as checking and permit requirements can be found at wildohio.gov.

River otters that are accidentally captured, either in excess of bag limits or in closed counties, must be released unharmed. River otters that cannot be released must be turned over to the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Beaver trappers in particular are advised to watch for river otter sign and modify set placements where necessary. The Ohio State Trappers Association and the Ohio Division of Wildlife published a guide

on how to recognize river otter sign and use avoidance techniques while trapping for beaver in areas closed to river otter trapping. A copy of the publication can be ordered by calling 800-WILD-LIFE (1-800-945-3543).

Additional hunting and trapping information is available in the 2014-2015 Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations at wildohio.gov, or by calling 1-800-WILD-LIFE (1-800-945-3543).

WOODLAN SHOW CHOIR TO HOST ANNUAL DINNER THEATRE

The Woodlan Warrior Ambition Show Choir will be holding their annual Dinner Theatre on Friday, November 21, 2014. There will be two performances at 6:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Dinner will start being served at 5:15 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. The menu will be spaghetti, salad, texas toast, dessert and drink.

This year, the Warrior Ambition is performing its 13th dinner theatre under

the direction of Mr. Kyle Romine. The Warrior Ambition has competed for the past 10 years in various contests across the area. They have also travelled to Walt Disney World seven times to perform at Disney's Magic Music Days, Disney Performing Arts on Stage and Festival Disney. The Warrior Ambition is choreographed by Mrs. Nikki Prichard. This year's show entitled, Glitch, is an original composition, with music and lyrics by Dr. Todd Syswerda, professor of music composition at Indiana Wesleyan University, is a celebration of our own uniqueness and "glitches." It is a message to all that everyone has their own story to tell.

For more information about this night, call Woodlan High School at 260-446-0290 extension 7444.

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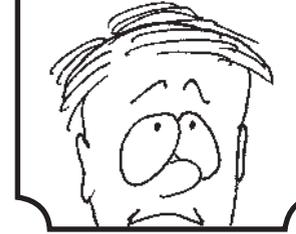
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