

HIGH 5 VOLLEYBALL CLUB WINS IVA WINTER FEST TOURNNEY



The High 5 Volleyball Club got off to a great start by winning the IVA Winter Fest Tournament in Indianapolis on January 26th without losing a set. The team consists of girls from Antwerp, New Haven, Wayne Trace, and Woodlan High Schools. Pictured here are mem-

bers of the team (l-r): Ashley Luginbill, Kianna Recker, Cortlyn Sowers, Peyton Short, Cassidy Wiedenhoft, Emily Derck, Anika Hoffer, Erin Mohr, and Andrea Jordan. The club is coached by Mike Kammeyer and sponsored by the McLaughlin Athletic Center - Team Mac.

MAUMEE GO-GETTERS 4-H CLUB NEWS

The Maumee Go-Getters 4-H Club will have their first club meeting on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. at The Nahrwold's barn 18812 Gar Creek Road, New Haven. Come and find out if 4-H is

something you would like to join. Allen County 4-H is for anyone preschool age to 18 years old, who wants to be challenged, meet new people and have fun! They would love to have you in their club! If you have any questions please call 260-493-4971.

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You never said goodbye
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And only God knew why.
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A million times I cried
If love alone could have saved you
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In life, I loved you dearly
In death, I love you still
In my heart you hold a place
That nobody could ever fill.
It broke my heart to lose you
But you didn't go alone
For part of me went with you
The day God took you home.

We love and miss you so much, honey!
Mom, Dad, Sara, & Kyle, Asber, Grandma and Grandpa Gross, Uncles, Aunts, and Cousins and of course, Bella and Cbi Cbi

LOCAL ART TEACHERS COMPETE IN SNOW FEST



Recently, some local artists traveled to Frankenmuth Michigan for their annual Snow Fest Snow Carving competition. Unfortunately, they did not place this year but as always had fun competing, and completing their

project. Sandy Dobbelaere PHS Art teacher Kinsey Dobbelaere Lincolnville HS Art Teacher and Eric Miller, Fruchey's Iron Worker were Team Ohio World Class Snowcarvers.

DATE OF PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION COFFEE CHANGED

Attention: The date of the Paulding County Retired Teachers Association coffee has been changed from Monday February 10 to Monday, February 17. The event will be held from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the Black Swamp Nature Center on Fairground Drive in Paulding. There will be no business meeting, but members may bring donations for local food pantries and for the scholarship fund. All retired teachers are invited to attend. All other retired school employees are also invited to join the group for coffee and conversation.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN NEW HAVEN

There will be a blood drive on Monday, February 24, from 2:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of New Haven United Methodist Church. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to redcrossblood.org using sponsor code umcnwh to schedule an appointment.

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OBITUARIES



PAULDING:

Rollin R. Cooper, age 79 died Monday, January 27 at Parkview North Regional Medical Center, Ft. Wayne, IN.

He was born June 16, 1934 in Paulding the son of Troy and Mary (Brown) Cooper. On August 7, 1955 he married Sharon L. Grimes, who survives. Rollin served in the US Navy from 1952 - 1956. He was previously employed by Paulding Exempted Villages Schools as a boiler operator and bus driver. He was employed for 31 years at BF Goodrich retiring in 1994. Rollin was an avid hunter and fisherman, traveling to Canada for many years with family and friends. Rollin and Sharon traveled to Alaska in 1998 for 3 months visiting many states. He also enjoyed photography, woodworking, welding and gardening and was famous for his wonderful, smoked meats. He was a member of the First Christian Church where he was a trustee and Property Committee member.

Rollin is survived by his wife, Sharon Cooper, Paulding, two sons, Michael Cooper, Paulding, and David (Teresa) Cooper, Grabill, IN; a daughter, Susan (Dennis) Knapp, Paulding; two sisters, Shirley Cooper Green, Convoy, OH, and Jeannie

(Charles) Thomas Waterbury, Fishers, IN; grandchildren, Sarah Knapp, Brian (Julie) Knapp, both of Paulding, Andrew (Lila) Cooper, Montezuma, OH, Libby (Ross) Kneueven, Ottoville; and great grandchildren: Lily and Kynzi Knapp, Kolton Kneueven, and baby Cooper due in February; also wonderful pets, Izzy, Gracie and Queenie.

Rollin was preceded in death by his parents; son, John Cooper; brother, Troy "Vern" Cooper; and wonderful companion dog, Greta.

Funeral services were conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, February 1 at First Christian Church with Rev. Paul Biery officiating. Burial followed in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Paulding, with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Visitation was Friday, January 31 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Christian Church Maintenance Fund or Boy Scouts Troop #315.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

DEFIANCE:

Morris E. Brune, age 80 went to his eternal home on January 30 at 9:35AM at Brookview Health Care, Defiance, Ohio with his beloved son Scott by his side.

He was born November 13, 1933 in Paulding, Ohio, the son of Oltie and Cora (Snyder) Brune. On May 21, 1959 he married Marcia K. Ross, who survives. He was employed for 42 years by Lonelm Printing. He was a US Army veteran serving during the Korean War and attended Paulding First Presbyterian Church. He loved working with stained glass, and wood,



carving birds, building clocks and gun cabinets. He collected coins and arrowheads.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia Brune, Paulding; a son, Scott (Laura Buchman) Brune, Ft. Wayne, IN, a brother, Allen (Mary) Brune, Decatur, IN; two granddaughters, Chelsea and Andrea Brune, Bloomington, IN; sister-in-laws, Eleanor Brune, and Linda (fiancé, Bill Baxter) Reinhart, all of Paulding, Martha Brune, Ashland, OH; and brother-in-law, Lanny Ross, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and four brothers, Richard, Paul, Henry "Hank" and Ervin Brune.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 AM, Tuesday, February 4 at the First Presbyterian Church, with Rev. David Meriwether officiating. Burial will follow at St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding, with military graveside rites accorded by VFW Post #587.

Visitation will be 4- 8PM Monday, February 3 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services at the church.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to First Presbyterian Church Sound System; Alzheimer's Association; Wounded Warriors Project.

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Lucas James Carnahan, age



25 died as a result of injuries sustained on Sunday, January 26, 2014 near Defiance.

He was born January 6, 1989 in Paulding, Ohio, the son of Jerry and Pauline (Manz) Carnahan. He was engaged to be married this summer to Constance Gray who also died as the result of the accident. He was employed as a mechanic by Kennfeld Goup, Archbold, and attended Junction Apostolic Christian Church and Rose Hill Church of God. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, hiking, and any outdoor activity.

He is survived by his parents, Jerry and Pauline Carnahan of Derby, Kansas; his paternal grandmother, Bernice "Buzz" Carnahan, Paulding; two brothers, Jason (Danielle) Carnahan, Paulding, and Nathan (Melissa) Carnahan, Andover, Kansas; two sisters, Liza (Chris) Scamland, Colorado Springs, CO, and Katie (fiancé, Joshua Womack) Carnahan, Derby, KS; and nieces: Lakin, Addison, Madeline, Taylor, Destiny, Kelsey, Kaylen and Abbie; and nephews: Owen, Coby, Caleb and Gavin.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Pete Carnahan, and maternal grandparents, Adam and Katie (Steffen) Manz.

Funeral services will be conducted 1:30PM Sunday, February 2, 2014 at the Junction Apostolic Christian Church with church clergymen officiating. Burial will follow in the Junction Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be 2-5PM and 6-8PM Saturday, February 1 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding and one hour prior to services on Sunday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to the Apostolic Christian World Relief.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

OAKWOOD: Howard Lee Brown, age 83 died Saturday, February 1, 2014 at CHP Hospice, Defiance, Ohio.

He was born July 15, 1930 in Paulding, Ohio the son of Ted and Dorothy (Kelley) Brown. On May 1, 1951 he married Mary Louise Mohr, who preceded him in death on October 10, 2004. He was employed by GM Powertrain, Defiance, retiring in 1991. He attended Dupont Church of the Brethren and was a member of the UAW #211. He was an avid fisherman and hunter, and enjoyed bird watching and flowers.

Howard is survived by a son, Mikel (Vicki) Brown, Grover Hill; two daughters: Dawn Brown and Karmel Prosser, both of Oakwood, OH; and 10 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; and 5 great-great grandchildren.

He is also preceded in death by a son, Johnnie Brown; infant twin daughters; a granddaughter, Regina Prosser; a brother, Leo Brown; and a sister, Carolyn Sue Bright.

Funeral services will be conducted 11 AM Thursday, February 6 at Dupont Church of the

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress." Psalm 59:16 ESV

FCCLA STUDENTS MAKE BLANKETS FOR GARDENS OF PAULDING RESIDENTS



FCCLA members constructed fleece lap blankets for residents of The Gardens nursing home in Paulding, OH. They were wrapped and delivered on December 19, 2013. Bridgett Moore and Michelle Young are pictured here. Jenifer Switzer is not pictured.

Brethren, with Rev. Terry Porter officiating. Burial will follow in Prairie Chapel Cemetery, Oakwood.

Visitation will be 6-8PM Tuesday, February 4, and 2-8PM Wednesday, February 5 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, and one hour prior to services on Thursday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to CHP Hospice or Dupont Church of the Brethren.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

ANTWERP:

Lelia Trauterman, 70, of Antwerp, died, February 1, 2014.

Arr by Dooley Funeral Homes of Antwerp & Payne.

OHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Ohio High School Athletic Association board of directors met Thursday morning for its regularly scheduled January meeting. The following are highlights from the meeting. The complete set of meeting minutes will be posted at OHSAA.org in the near future.

The coaches associations of the fall sports were given the opportunity to bring proposals to the board, which will be voted upon by the board at its April meeting. A proposal from volleyball coaches association was deferred until the February board meeting. The tennis coaches association made three proposals. First, that the season can begin three days earlier on a Friday instead of a Monday; second, to expand the number of matches permitted from 20 to 22; and third, to make available a third set tie-breaker option for regular-season matches when the contest has been decided and the coaches mutually agree. There were no other fall sports proposals.

The board approved the preseason sport manuals for the OHSAA's spring sports of boys tennis, softball and baseball. The track and field manual was approved at the December meeting. The manuals can be found on the respective sport pages at OHSAA.org. Note that manuals are no longer printed and mailed to schools.

The board approved the 2014 softball and baseball regional and state tour-

namment dates and sites. The information will be posted on the softball and baseball web pages at OHSAA.org.

Seven schools were recently penalized for committing infractions of OHSAA bylaws or sports regulations. The list of infractions and penalties are always included in the complete meeting minutes posted at OHSAA.org, but media may request the list in advance by contacting Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Information Services, at tstried@ohsaa.org.

The board approved a resolution of appreciation for the high schools and universities that hosted OHSAA football neutral site playoff games last fall.

The board recognized two Ohio coaches who were among the National Federation of State High School Associations 2012-13 national coaches of the year announced today. James McGill, boys golf coach at Toledo Ottawa Hills High School, and Jennifer Haney, field hockey coach at Hudson, were among the honorees. The complete release is posted at: http://www.ohsaa.org/news/misc/2012-13National-COY.pdf

The board accepted the minutes from the Soccer Advisory Committee. Details will be included in the complete board meeting minutes.

The board recognized OHSAA administrative assistant Renee Moore, who retires January 17 after more than 39 years of service to the OHSAA and its member schools. Ms. Moore served five different OHSAA commissioners and assisted with every OHSAA sport at some point during her career.

CLASSIC FEATHERS BIRD CLUB SCHEDULES FEBRUARY MEETING

The Classic Feathers Bird Club will meet on Sunday, February 9th at 2:00 p.m. at the Bryan Community Center on Buffalo Road. Club Members will be making Birdie Chop for their feathered friends. We hope to see you there.

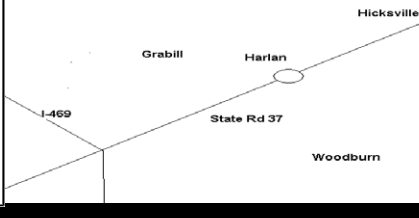
For more information on the club, email classicfeathers@gmail.com or call Carly Turner at 419-399-0520.

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PCAF AWARDS 2013 GRANTS



Paulding County Area Foundation has granted \$1,000.00 to Christ Community Center, Inc. located in Payne. The grant funds will be used to paint the interior walls of the Center. Lisa McClure, Executive Director presents the grant funds to Jennifer Martin, Secretary of Christ Community Center.

Paulding County Area Foundation is pleased to announce awarded grants for the year 2013. Consideration for the grant process is June and December of each year. For further information on Paul-

ding County Area Foundation, please contact Lisa McClure, Executive Director at 419-399-8296 or visit the website at www.pauldingcountyarea-foundation.net

PAYNE ELEM. STUDENTS RAISE FUNDS FOR LOCAL FOOD PANTRY



Terry Wehrkamp, Cooper Farms Director of Live Production; Gary Cooper, Cooper Farms COO; Lisa and Tom Lefevre, and Jim Chakeres, Ohio Poultry Association Director.

In January, the Payne Elementary Student Council presented a check for \$700 to Mrs. Ellen Henriott, Director of the Payne St. Paul UMC

Food Pantry. The funds came from excess revenue collect during the December Penny Pitch Collection.

OHIO HAS TALENT! SATURDAY AT NPAC

Exercise your right to vote on Saturday and judge the contestants in the seventh annual Ohio Has Talent! at Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert.

Acts will be coming from all around the region, with the top vote-getters taking home \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place and \$250 for third place.

Sponsored in part by Citizens National Bank, the benefit show for Community Health Professionals' Van Wert Inpatient Hospice Center features 20 performers.

- Jon Albert of Fort Wayne, Ind. is a dancer combining popping, b-boying and hip-hop

- Hayleigh Bacome and Amanda Leis of Delphos are a contemporary dance duo

- Gabriel Beming of Sidney and Caroline Prakel of Versailles are a creative piano duet with antics inspired by Victor Borge

- Shay Bolton of Rockford is a vocal soloist who also plays piano and dances.

- Ann and James Brake, a brother-sister duo from Ohio City; James plays piano and Ann dances

- Makenna Cabe of Sidney was the first place winner of the Shelby County Apple Fest Talent Contest

- May Coppler of Fostoria studies voice, ballet, flute and piano. She was the winner of her age group in Fostoria's Got Talent 2012 and 2013

- Yan Coppler of Fostoria received classical training in high school and is a previous winner in her category in Fostoria's Got Talent

- Hailey and Heather Harshbarger from Anna. Hailey plays piano and they share lead vocals and harmony

- Kaden Hohman and Saylor Wise of Van Wert are an award-winning dance duo. They placed third at Ohio Has Talent! in 2012 and got a casting call for America's Got Talent

- Michaela Johnson of Van Wert loves music. She takes voice lessons and plays trumpet and piano

- Schylar Miller and Cole Wilson of Spencerville perform a vocal/alto saxophone duet

- Craig Muhlenkamp of Coldwater and Danny Schneible of Russia, OH are a partner juggling team that combine juggling, comedy and music

- Tyler Nygren of Van Wert is an award-winning illusionist who has performed across the country

- Katlayne Poorman of Fort Wayne, IN performs in talent shows and pageants and auditioned for America's Got Talent last season

- Victoria Ruble of Garrett Ind. is a vocalist who hopes to pursue music as a career

- Shelby County Line is a country band that has opened for national acts and plays area festivals and fairs. Members: Paul Luft, Yorkshire, Ben Tuttle, St. Marys, Cody Paul, Minster, Michael Molasky, New Bremen

- Danielle Stoller grew up in Latty and is now a senior at Illinois State University. She has played classical violin since she was six years old

- Hanna Tumbusch of St. Henry has taken vocal lessons and performed for audiences since she was nine

- Jimina Willis is a vocalist from Beavercreek

As the ballots are counted, last year's winner, Alex Wunder, will perform classic songs of the 60s, 70s, and 80s. The high school sophomore from Kettering has won other talent competitions and sang the National Anthem at a Cincinnati Bengals game this year.

For more information, please go online at npacw.ticketforce.com or call at Community Health Professionals, 419-238-9223.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS JOB SHADOWS AT PCH



Pictured here are Ashlyn Laney, Sue Beck, and Andrea Singer.

Ashlyn Laney and Andrea Singer, both seniors at Paulding High School, recently job shadowed at Paulding County Hospital. Job shadowing is a vital component in deciding upon a healthcare career and is considered when assessing application for scholarships. The Paulding County Hospital Foundation awarded

\$6,500 in scholarships last year and are now taking applications for 2014. Paulding County Seniors pursuing a healthcare career can get applications from your high school guidance counselor. For more information call Sue Beck at 419-399-3806. Scholarship applications must be submitted by February 14.

AUXILIARY & FOUNDATION OF CMH

The Community Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and Foundation are strong supporters of CMH. In 2013, the combined contribution to the lab and respiratory remodeling project totaled \$77,524.37. In addition to the next remodeling stage, the Auxiliary purchased a new tv for the digital display in

the Columbus Street Café, a laminator, landscaping, tuition assistance and assisted in treadmill purchases. The Foundation purchased a hi/lo bed, ob couch, provided scholarships and tuition assistance, and assisted with treadmill purchases. Combined contributions exceeded \$135,000.

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THE NEEDED AMERICAN REVOLUTION

By: Regan Clem, Riverside Christian Church

I hear the word "revolution" thrown around these days. Maybe it's the rural area I live in. Violent rhetoric. Thoughts of a new government. Freedom. Liberty. The American dream. It's like we're in the last days of America.

The revolution sounds more like a nightmare to me. I've walked the dirty streets of Liberia, traveled the crumbling roads, and seen the results of a modern-day "civil" war. There is nothing glorious in it. Electric boxes that haven't had power flowing through them in thirty years hang lifelessly on the wall. It's not good. Children starving. Dirty water filled with microscopic death. It's more than not good. It's the face of evil.

I get asked questions after giving a lesson that I cannot even fathom despite being in what was once one of the most prosperous African nations. They ask me, "Can someone still be saved if they've killed a man?" Because many of them have killed others in the "civil" war. They follow it and doubt, "Why should I have faith in our bedtime prayers that God will feed me tomorrow if my family went to bed yesterday hungry and are going to bed tonight without having anything to eat?" Imagine going to bed with starving children.

Imagine clinging to faith in that situation. We say that we would just go out and hunt, but you can't when all the animals have been killed because of decades of hunting. We say that we go and live in the country and start a better life for ourselves, and we can't because we will be overtaken by a rogue group stealing, raping, and slaughtering us. When I hear "revolution", I hear echoes of the Liberland "civil" war. I see our children and grandchildren starving, our nice men and women turning into killers, and our village streets flowing with unnecessary blood. Our pleasant country estates will

become unsafe. Our bustling cities will become cesspools of disease, depravity, and death. All the things we take for granted will become luxuries. I see an aftermath that is even worse than the situation being revolted against.

We do need a revolution. But like the things of God typically arrive, the revolution will not be like that.

The discouragement around me is palpable, like a shroud smothering our communities, reminiscent of the blanketing fog in spring. Except the sun doesn't break through and shine its light.

That is a lie. The Son always breaks through.

But we aren't helping ourselves. It seems like many are comfortable electing liars and thugs to lead us. We reward laziness. We promote greed as a virtue. We instigate violence. We encourage debauchery. I say this knowing that the thugs, liars, lazy, greedy, warmongers, and sexually depraved are all made in the image of God. Yet they have been wallowing in the mud of this world. Tarnishing their shine. Losing their gleam.

The solution is still a revolution. But a different revolution. An unusual revolution. A Kingdom Revolution.

Jesus established a kingdom that conquers by changing hearts through love and truth. Sacrificial love and unpopular truth.

But what does that look like?

We have to focus our efforts and energies in creating local communities that create something greater. The church is God's ideal instrument for this, yet the change must start in each of us who call ourselves Christian and spiral out of hearts permeated by the truth and live lives of loves.

We are struggling to find our identity as followers of Jesus in a post-Christian America. We're like a debutante who hasn't prepared well for her first dance. We dressed up all pretty and look the part, yet we haven't learned the steps. God knows the dance. He's playing the music. And He hasn't given up on us despite all of our missteps. He will forgive us and work with us where we are at. But, rest assured or hesitantly fear, he loves us too much to let us remain where we are at. He has something better for us.

Nebuchadnezzar was once given a prophecy. Not the sort any of us would like to have. It was a prophecy of judgment.

"Therefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable to you:

break off your sins by practicing righteousness, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the oppressed, that there may perhaps be a lengthening of your prosperity." (Daniel 4:27 ESV).

Like all prophecies of judgment, Nebuchadnezzar could avoid the upcoming punishment by changing his life. He had the opportunity to avoid the prophesied punishment and continue in prosperity. To do this, he was challenged to practice righteousness and show mercy to the oppressed. Daniel gave him this advice, which I think all of us who are greatly blessed would do well to take to heart. Nebuchadnezzar didn't change and was punished by being like an animal for seven years.

I feel that God is saying a prophecy of judgment over us. We don't like that. We're prosperous. We're doing well. So was Nebuchadnezzar. He didn't listen. Will we?

We would rather receive a prophecy of success, health, and wealth. So would have Nebuchadnezzar.

But like all prophecies, the upcoming wrath can be avoided. The message is the same: Stop our iniquities and practice righteousness. Show mercy to the oppressed. Truth and love. An unpopular truth and a sacrificial love. A truth that we don't often want to hear, and a love that we often don't want to live.

If we're honest, we're in the state we are in because of you and me—because of our churches. We have lived in such a way to make us who we are. Let's change. Let's have a Kingdom Revolution. Let's start with our churches. Let's start with ourselves.

Regan Clem is the pastor at Riverside Christian Church. You can follow his writings on Facebook at Pulling Weeds Out Of Potholes.

NEW HAVEN UMC PRESENTS HARRY RIPLEY'S BIRTHDAY BLUES

The New Haven United Methodist Church, 630 Lincoln Hwy E, will present Harry Ripley's Birthday Blues (a Comedy Murder Mystery Dinner Show) on Saturday, February 22, 2014. Social begins at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:00 p.m. (show to follow).

For more information, please go online at www.newhavenumc.com or contact church office at 260-749-9565.

WHAT KIND OF SHEPHERD WOULD DO THINGS THAT MAKE SHEEP AFRAID?

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

More than likely, one of the most treasured readings in all of scripture is Psalm 23, which begins with... "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want..." Some have interpreted "I shall not want" as referring to the affection of the sheep to their shepherd, literally reading, "I shall not want any other shepherd."

But what kind of shepherd subjects sheep to things that would make them afraid? Preachingtoday.com gives an example of what British shepherds do in the care of their sheep...

British shepherds often take sheep and rams, one by one, and throw them into a dipping trough, a huge

vat filled with an antiseptic liquid. The shepherd must completely submerge each animal, holding its ears, eyes, and nose under the surface. It is of course horribly frightening for the sheep. And if any of the sheep try to climb out of the trough too soon, the sheepdogs bark and snap and force them back in.

But as terrifying an experience as it is for the sheep, without the periodic treatment, they would become the victims of parasites and disease. It is for their good. One Christian writer witnessing this process couldn't help but remember that Jesus is called our Good Shepherd and we are his sheep. She wrote:

"I've had some experiences in my life which have made me feel very sympathetic to those poor rams—I couldn't figure out any reason for the treatment I was getting from the Shepherd I trusted. And he didn't give me a hint of explanation. As I watched the struggling sheep I thought, "If only there were some way to explain! But such knowledge is too wonderful for them—it is high, they cannot attain unto it," (Ps 139:6).

But what kind of shepherd subjects sheep to things that would make them afraid? A "Good Shepherd" who is committed to his sheep, though he often does things to us that frighten us and that we cannot, at the moment, understand.

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

MARTINI LUTHERAN TO OFFER FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

By: Beth Stauffer

How do you feel about your financial situation? Are you at peace with where you're at in your life or are you feeling overwhelmed with debt? If you have ever wished you knew how to get out of debt and be at peace with your financial situation, Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University might just be your answer.

Local church Martini Lutheran is set to offer Ramsey's nine week course beginning on February 9, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. and running through April 6th. Free baby-sitting and a meal will also be provided for families participating in the course each week.

According to the Financial Peace University website (www.daveramsey.com/fpu), the class is intended to serve as a plan to teach God's way of handling money. Through video instruction, class discussions, and interactive small group activities, Financial Peace University presents biblical, practical steps intended to lead participants from where they are financially to where they want to be. The Financial Peace University classes specifically focus on how to get rid of debt, manage money, and how to spend and save wisely.

For more information or to sign up for course being offered at Martini Lutheran Church, interested participants are asked to call the church office at (260)749-0014.

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LATTA HONORS NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement on January 31st in honor of National Catholic Schools Week.

"In honor of National Catholic Schools Week, I applaud Catholic educators and leaders for prioritizing the values of faith, knowledge, and service among over two million students enrolled at Catholic institutions across the nation," Latta said. "I commend them for offering an educational environment for children and families that emphasizes the lifelong development of moral, intellectual, physical, and social values." He added, "With approximately 400 Catholic Schools in Ohio educating a diverse group of about 140,000 students, I know first-hand how important Catholic schools are and the meaningful contributions they make to our communities throughout the country."

Congressman Latta recently cosponsored House Resolution 46, which supports the goals and highlights the contributions that Catholic schools make in communities across the country.

VOICES OF UNITY YOUTH CHOIR TO WOW US!

The concluding concert of the 2013-14 Community Concert Series at the Niswonger on April 26 is set. "You've been hit by you've been struck by" the Voices of Unity Youth Choir! Moonwalk right into the Niswonger Performing Arts Center for a powerful performance by this World Champion Choir on April 26 at 7:30 p.m. This young and soulful group, straight from Fort Wayne, will present a moving tribute to the late Michael Jackson and Whitney Houston. The VOUYC is filled with talent ranging in age from 7 to 19. The members, who represent various backgrounds, are being equipped, educated, and empowered for the world before them. The unique and exciting group was founded in 2000 by Marshall White and has performed The National Anthem for several NFL Indianapolis Colts' events and had the opportunity to work with artists like Josh Groban, Livingston Taylor, and Keyshia Cole, just to name a few. The performance will include dance routines made popular by the King of Pop

Music and musical selections from Whitney Houston's vast library of hits. The program will also include songs from Voices of Unity's Praise Celebration 2014.

The region is honored to experience the music of the Voices Of Unity Youth Choir who will be embarking upon national and international travels. They are scheduled to perform at the 2014 Choirs of America event in New York City at Carnegie Hall on June 19-22. And they will once again be competing at the 2014 World Choir Games, this time in Riga, Latvia on July 9-19. Learn more about their Gold City Campaign 2014 at www.UPAF.com.

The Niswonger Community Concert Series 2014-15 Season will be unveiled as a part of the Voices Of Unity Concert Event.

For more information, please call the Niswonger box office at 419-238-6722; visit in person at 10700 SR 118 S, Van Wert; or visit online at www.NPACVW.org.

BREAKFAST-N-LEARN SERIES 2014 IN NEW HAVEN

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This will be the next topic of discussion at the February Breakfast-n-Learn on Tuesday, February 11th from 7:30-8:30 a.m. The meeting will be in the Police Training Room, New Haven City Hall.

RSVP for this event is required. Please call 260-749-4484 for breakfast by February 5th. This month's seminar is presented by Michael Thena, Digital Sales Director, WANE-TV

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NEW HAVEN'S JANUARY LUNCH N LEARN RECAP



On a cold snowy morning twenty people joined together to hear about "Fail Save Leadership". Brad Staats from Mod Bar Coffee Makers (previously from PEAK Enterprise Solutions) shared how planned leadership can help us set goals and achieve results. We all learned how to use the acronym SMART to help us set our goals. The acronym stands for these descriptions of a goal that will receive results: S=specific, M=measurable, A=attainable, R= realistically high, and T= Time Specific or Target Date. Everyone had a delicious lunch provided by Mancino's and at the end of the event, a survey was provided. From that survey we received these comments, "Thank you for putting this on. My business operates in New Haven and throughout IN and MI and your chamber does

a great job with these and communicates well. I plan my trips to town based on your events." "Interesting and Well presented" and "This is exactly what I needed to begin implementing some new marketing ideas." According to Sherri Berghoff from Harbor Assisted Living who coordinates these events, every evaluation said they would recommend this presentation to someone else and that they had at least one idea that they gained from this presentation. Harbour Assisted Living sponsored this event. If your company would be interested in sponsoring a future Lunch N Learn, please call Sherri Berghoff at 260-445-2369.

COUNTRY INN HOSTS RELAY FOR LIFE QUARTER AUCTION

The Country Inn Relay For Life team will be hosting a Quarter Auction on Saturday, February 22, 2014 beginning at 12:00 p.m. at the Van Wert Council on Aging. This is located at 220 Fox Road, Van Wert. For more information, please contact Susie Sanderson at Country Inn, 419-399-2345.

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COATS SUPPORTS BILLS TO INCREASE LOCAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Senator Dan Coats (R-Ind.) announced his support for two pieces of legislation that would convert existing federal education funding into scholarships to help parents of low-income households afford the school of their choice and assist children with disabilities. "Simultaneously making education more affordable and more available, without adding a dime to the deficit, is common sense," said Coats. "This will put parents in greater control of their child's educational path." Coats signed on to the Scholarship for Kids Act, introduced by Senator Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.), which would create \$24 billion worth of scholarships for 11 million low-income children to use toward any public or private school of their parents' choice. Coats also co-sponsored the CHOICE Act, introduced by Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.), which would create \$11 billion in scholarships for six million American children with disabilities, as well as children of military families. The funding for both bills is redirected from existing federal spending and would not contribute to the deficit. The scholarships would be awarded at the state level.

According to an Indiana Department of Education report released Monday, 19,809 Hoosiers received school vouchers during the 2013-2014 academic year, an increase from 9,139 recipients the academic year before.

ACDC HOLDS ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

Cold and snow couldn't deter the ACDC Board! Their annual planning meeting was Sunday, January 26 at Papa Oley's. The Board reviewed the past year's projects which included the Wine Tasting Night, Rib Fest, Paint The Town Pink, Big Hole Golf Outing, Haunted Walk in the Park, and Community Calendar. The support of these events and others made it possible for ACDC to donate \$10,221.66 to community projects and organizations. ACDC has decided to discontinue certain fund raisers this year including Paint the Town Pink, the Haunted Walk and the Community Calendar. The Board would like to see these events continued. So if your group is looking for a worthwhile fundraiser, consider one of these. Contact any Board member for more information.

Upcoming sponsored events will be the Wine/Cheese Tasting Night, Annual Rib Fest and the Big Hole Golf Outing. Several bus trips are also being planned for 2014.

The Board expresses sincere condolences to the family of Jeanne Schmunk. She was a long time supporter of ACDC. We have lost a friend. As always ACDC has depended on volunteers to make things happen. One of these is Tony Langham. He was nominated and approved to serve as a new Board member. We look forward to working with Tony.

Board members are Jim Pendergrast, Tina Conley, Aimee Lichty, Lisa Glass, Lisa Bragg, Tom Derck, Pete Vail, Jennifer Bute, Kirk and Laurel Hopkins and Tony Langham.

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT 1 WINTER OPERATIONS UPDATE

The following is an update regarding snow and ice operations on state highways within the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 which includes the counties of Allen, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert and Wyandot. This report is issued periodically during the winter months and as necessary during snow and ice events.

Did you know this snow and ice fact? Ohio is one of the first states to use multiple-colored lights on their snow plows, and is the first state to use green colored lights.

Additional facts concerning snow and ice within the eight-county region of ODOT District 1:

- The worst winter in recent memory in terms of cost was the winter of 2010-2011 which totaled \$5.58 million for snow and ice control costs.
- The least expensive winter in recent memory in terms of cost was the winter of 2005-2006 which totaled \$2.5 million.
- Over the past 10 years, the average cost per year for snow and ice control operations is \$4.1 million.
- Total amount of salt on hand throughout the eight-county region of ODOT District 1 is currently 15,800 tons.
- In a typical year the district would use approximately 35,000 tons of salt.
- To date approximately 45,000 tons of salt have been used on snow and ice control.

Snow and Ice Operations Totals - Winter Season (to date):

Allen - 455 mi.,	5,932.20T,	11,176.00 gal.,	107,296 mi.,	\$786,309.44
Defiance - 294 mi.,	4,379.36T,	29,534.00 gal.,	102,576 mi.,	\$678,998.21
Hancock - 561 mi.,	7,461.50T,	9,705.00 gal.,	146,371 mi.,	\$880,704.01
Hardin - 323 mi.,	4,063.54T,	3,731.00 gal.,	101,035 mi.,	\$558,606.69

STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT PAULDING COUNTY WILDLIFE



Paulding Elementary fourth graders were fortunate to have Mark Holtsberry from the Soil and Water Department give a presentation to them. He brought pelts that are/were native to Paulding County and shared how the Native Americans hunted and used these pelts years ago. Mr. Holtsberry is showing a beaver pelt to fourth graders Kyle Kelly and Jeffrey Huckabaa.

Paulding - 391 mi.,	5,309.26T,	28,323.00 gal.,	96,981 mi.,	\$691,709.90
Putnam - 422 mi.,	4,815.91T,	21,274.70 gal.,	113,583 mi.,	\$712,854.63
Van Wert - 370 mi.,	6,230.71T,	85,460.00 gal.,	113,583 mi.,	\$742,898.25
Wyandot - 461 mi.,	6,598.67T,	37,541.50 gal.,	104,380 mi.,	\$853,643.13
Total - 3,277 mi.,	44,791.15T,	226,745.20 gal.,	885,805 mi.,	\$5,906,270.25

tory relief for commercial motor vehicles delivering propane and home heating fuels to affected areas and consumers in Ohio and throughout the Midwest.

"We have experienced extremely cold temperatures this winter, which are not expected to subside any time soon," said Congressman Latta. "Ohioans are already experiencing the effects of these harsh winter storms, and we must do everything we can to help them protect their lives and livelihoods by getting them the supplies they need to heat their homes and farming operations. An extension of the emergency exemption will enable the delivery of propane to those most in need as quickly as possible."

In the letter, Congressman Latta also requested that the agency continue to work with other federal agencies, state officials and impacted stakeholders to find a swift and responsible solution that will provide relief to impacted Ohioans.

LATTA REQUESTS DOT EXTEND HOURS OF SERVICE EMERGENCY EXEMPTION TO ADDRESS PROPANE SHORTAGES

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) led a letter from the Ohio Congressional House delegation to U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Anthony Foxx, requesting the agency extend the hours of service emergency exemption, which is set to expire February 11, 2014. The exemption provides regula-

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2013, ME AND ANTWERP IN REVIEW

By: Stan Jordan

Last February, my co-worker, Ashley Messman was killed on Road 87 and the new 24 one foggy morning and a black shroud hung over us here at the WBN.

This past winter wasn't bad at all. We didn't have a lot of snow or ice. On March the 28th I took a tumble in the utility room in my house and I tore up my ACL pretty badly. I put five weeks in PCH, and here it is the following January and I still use a walker to get around with. I am getting along pretty good though.

We have a new girl here at the WBN, Sarah Klingler, her job is a graphic designer. She just got married on May 13th and she fits in real well.

I remember on Decoration Day I went down to the St. Mary's Center and had pancakes and sausage with the Rotary Club. Then I went down Main Street and watched the fine parade. Then onto the observance at the park and cemetery.

Then we had the big village wide garage sales and I'm still talking about the big annual Ribfest down by the fire house. Hundreds of people came and enjoyed themselves. Then we had the big cruise-in with the Big Boys Toys on Main Street, with well over 100 cars in the show.

In August we had A Day in the Park. Hundreds of people enjoyed themselves although it sprinkled a little in the afternoon. That morning I had pancakes and sausage down at the EMS Building. Then the 2nd Annual Maumee River Raft Race. In October we had

the annual Halloween Contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce down at the fire house. It was cold but well attended.

This year the Veterans had a number of events to attend by the VFW and the American Legion and a fine celebration at the high school.

This year's Christmas Lighting Contest was sponsored by the Chamber and a number of houses entered the contest.

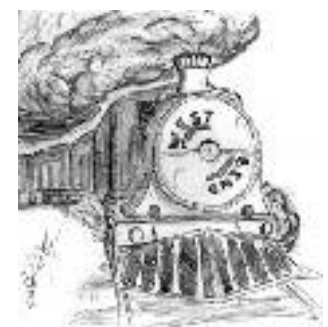
The eagle's nest has created quite a stir.

Santa Claus was at the fire house on December 14th for the kiddies. Also on Saturday, December 14th we had a seven inch snow fall and that slowed things up a little, but the snow didn't last too long.

We had fine weather for the holidays.

All in all, I think 2013 was a good year for the Antwerp area. Since January 1st it has turned extra cold and I'm afraid the whole month of January will be a real rip snorter.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

One Liners

****Her baking skills were so bad they used her biscuits for hockey pucks.**

****My luck is so poor, if I was starving to death and it was raining soup outside, all I would have is a fork.**

****What did Delaware? Her New Jersey.**

****What did Tennessee? The same thing Arkansas.**

****Woody Hayes wrote a book once called *It Don't Matter if You Won or Lost as Long as You Done Your Best*. That way of thinking is not the way anymore.**

****The chickens have come home to roost and they**

brought weeks of dirty laundry.

****Judge Roy Bean was the law west of the Pecos and he was just that.**

****Little Charlie was out in the chicken house. He dropped his chewing gum, and there was two or three times he thought he found it.**

****Clark Gable shook up the movie world when he said to Scarlett, "Frankly my dear, I don't give a damn."**

****Do you want to buy some Girl Scout Cookies?**

****He went thatta way.**

****In the old western movies, a 6-shooter could fire a dozen times.**

****In the highway numbering system, generally the north and south roads are odd numbers. The east and west highways are even numbers.**

****A naval destroyer is a hula hoop with a nail in it.**

See ya!

RAY FRIEND, FIRE CHIEF

By: Stan Jordan

Ray was born in Antwerp in 1944. His parents were Willard and Pauline Hargrave Friend. There are two children in the family: his sister Donna has two children and lives here in Antwerp.

He graduated from AHS in 1962. He worked for Klophenstein's in Leo for five years. He married Anita Foust in 1964 and they will be celebrating 50 years of marriage this year.

They have three children: Tom has one child and lives



in Antwerp; Jeff has three children and lives in Monroe, OH; Diana has two children and also lives in Antwerp.

He started to work for Schilb & Sons in 1986. He bought that business and renamed it Friend's Furniture. His son, Tom, is in business with him.

Ray put two years in the U.S. Army—ten months in Germany and a long time in Vietnam. In 'Nam he was in the first infantry division. He was a Ground Surveillance Radar Specialist.

Like a number of the other Friend boys, he joined the AFD in 1966, he has been Chief of AFD since 1987.

In my younger days I was on the AFD for 28 years, so Ray and I talked a lot about some bad fires. He remembered a bad fire at Gillen Oil in Paulding. He said it was very cold and miserable. Then the Haver fire in Hicksville. Another bad one at Langham's here in Antwerp where they painted the cement mixers. He said he remembers the big fire at the B.A. Smith Lumber Yard. He was assistant Chief at that time.

Then we talked nuts and bolts. Ray tells me that over the years they have replaced every piece of fire equipment. He hopes the City Council puts on the levy for a new fire truck. The latest truck now is a 1997. Our second pumper is a 1989. Both of them carry

a thousand gallons of water. The grass unit is a 1994 and carries 200 gallon of water. The 2000 gallon water tanker belongs to the township and has over 300,000 miles on it, and the frame is getting weak and needs to be replaced.

I asked about the size of the department, there is about 20 officers and men. If anyone is any interested they could use a few more. They meet and train twice a month on the first and third Wednesday.

They are studying all of Antwerp's buildings and contents and locations. Just to be familiar with them if need be, to know where every fire hydrant is located. There are a few old cisterns left here in Antwerp but there not in use anymore.

In his 27 years as Chief he has been under five different mayors, clerks and finance officers as they are called now. He is very proud of all his relationships with these folks. Ray is very proud of all the men and officers of his department.

I ask about hobbies. He likes to hunt and he uses a bow and arrow. He has killed a couple of bears so far. He also likes to golf when he gets time. He likes to spend time with his wife and family and his six grandchildren when he can.

Ray, it was very interesting to reminisce with you. We, the people of Antwerp, and the area are proud of you and the Antwerp Fire Department.

Yes, and a tip of my ball cap to all of you.

See ya!

A LITTLE HISTORY OF THE STEVENSON (AND RELATED) REUNIONS

The meeting of the Stevenson Reunion was held July 25, 1982 in the Woodburn Community Park with a carry-in dinner served at noon. This was the 33rd consecutive year that the family gathering had been held in the Woodburn Park, this facility being located centrally for the persons expected to attend. Prior to 1950 the gathering was held in the Riverside Park, Antwerp, Ohio (1934-1949) or in the shady groves on either the Harry Stevenson or Floyd Stevenson Farms, respectively (1925-1933). The first and second meetings have been held in the park in Antwerp.

The families attending this

ANTWERP TEACHER PRESENTS AT EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE



Antwerp High School science teacher Rose Reinhart recently presented at the Ohio Educational Technology Conference in Columbus. Reinhart was part of a panel that shared successful stories of technology integration in the classroom. She specifically discussed her flipped physics classroom.

year and generally so since 1967, were the descendants of William Henry (Harry) Stevenson and Lovina (Deihl), the progeny of their six sons and three daughters: Walter, Edward Alfonso, Vernon, Lloyd and Ted, and Stella, Mamie and Lottie. Of these children Lottie and Ted survive and were present among the 85 members and four guests this year. (Someone was present representing each of the children except Mamie, who died in her youth.)

When the first meeting was held August 10, 1923, the envisioned gathering was to include the brothers and sisters of William Henry Stevenson, children of Seth Stevenson and Alice (nee Foster), most of whom had migrated to Indiana in the 1870s from Trenton, New Jersey. They were George, Henry, Mary (Kyberz), and Emma, unmarried. All now deceased.

Pauline Tracy and Ruth (Tracy) Miller have served the organization as president and secretary, respectively, continuously since 1974. Walter A. Stevenson (Junior), living nearest to Woodburn has served as the one-man arrangements committee. This year the Rev. Frank Stephenson, a retired Lutheran minister, now living in Fort

Wayne, Indiana gave the Grace prayer, invoking God's blessing on the assembled people, their families and the abundant foods.

Maxine (Stevenson) Ramsier reported that her deceased mother, Jesse (Ruger) Stevenson, had written a history of the Stevenson family (William Henry (Harry) and Lovina) through 1975, which she would try to update and then share with the assembled families next year. Meanwhile, the secretary's minutes of the 60 annual meetings provide a running record of the births, marriages, deaths and other germane statistics, experienced by member families.

Prior to the organization of the separate Stevenson Reunion in 1923, the several Stevenson families met with families of the Swisher-Husted-Deihl Reunion, representing the relationship on the material side of the family, which included at times also Saylor, Stivers, Phillips, and Applegates. As these respective families increased in numbers each established its own indigenous reunion, retaining an open invitation for cross visitation.

—Submitted by Violet Stevenson-Hughs

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- Better sidewalks and connected bike parts? (and, if so, where?)
- A more attractive and appealing downtown (and, if so, how?)
- Locations for new economic development and employment (and, if so, where?)
- Development near the new interchange that is attractive and viable (and if so, how would you describe it?)

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WHAT TO EXPECT

The City's consultant, Poggemeyer Design Group, Municipal leaders and Planning Commission members will facilitate structured sessions to assure that your evening is meaningful and enjoyable. Group discussions will enable attendees to weigh in on important issues facing the Village of Antwerp and provide the opportunity to hear what friends and neighbors think. Results from the recent village survey will also be shared.

WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT

What is learned from this workshop will be used to direct future steps in the update of the Comprehensive Plan. Your input will be used to create a new description of desired development for key areas within the Village, and to create a long-term vision for Antwerp.

When Tuesday, February 11th 7:00 p.m.

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What The Antwerp we know and love today was created by the decisions of past generations. Now it's your turn to help create the future! Communities like Antwerp prepare a Comprehensive Plan to define long-term goals and aspirations. It is a unique time to consider challenges, and discover ways to build on community strengths. Most importantly, it is a time to consider how Antwerp can become the community our children and grandchildren deserve.

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DAILY WATER CONSUMPTION DEBATE: WHAT'S THE RIGHT AMOUNT?

The Nurturing Well by: Jill Starbuck

Water makes up 60% of our body weight and is crucial for survival. In fact, we can only survive a few days without water. We lose water daily and must maintain the proper level in order for our bodies to function optimally.

However, the debate about how much each individual should drink is ongoing. While most of us know that water should be an essential part of our daily beverage intake, the majority of us only drink half of the recommended amount. This means that many of us are walking around dehydrated. With all of the benefits water provides, imagine how much better we'd feel if we would drink the proper amount.

Are you getting enough water daily? Are you following the tried and true rule of drinking at least 64 ounces? If you are, you have a good base to start from. Although the Institute of Medicine recommends 13 cups of water for men and 9 cups of water for women, drinking at least 8 cups a day places you in a good position. Why? Because food can make up 20% of our water consumption, IF we eat from healthy sources such as soups, fruits, and veggies that consist mainly of water. Furthermore, some of the juices and milks we drink consist of a large amount of water. However, you should consume more water than juices and milks, which contain added sugars and calories.

These guidelines can help you with an average day, but certain situations will require more water consumption. Those situations include exercise, the climate, pregnancy, breastfeeding, exercise, and illnesses that result in vomiting, fever, and/or diarrhea. Do your research and learn how much more you'll need for such conditions. In the meantime, as the debate continues regarding individual water requirements, a good rule of thumb is to make sure you are not frequently thirsty and that your urine is colorless or light in color. Drink up!

LOVE & LAUGHTER: INTERACTIVE VALENTINES FUN AT THE NISWONGER

Be entertained AND have a chance to win \$100,000! Join the fun on February 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert for a night full of laughs, prizes, and love with The Not-So Newlywed Game. This interactive Game Show event, straight from California, is hosted by the legendary and 8-time Emmy Award winner, Bob Eubanks. The game will be played with eight couples competing for a valuable grand prize. Any ticketed guest can be chosen to join local guest couples, Thad and Deb Lichtensteiger and Jay and Kim Fleming on stage. Even those not selected will still have a chance to win \$100,000 by answering Bob's interactive questions posed to members of the audience. Parting gifts for chosen contestants will be provided by Slusher's Jewelry of Van Wert & Collins Fine Foods of Van Wert. All this along with Bob narrating hilarious clips from his well-known show, The Newlywed Game, will be the perfect blend of romantic comedy worthy of a couples or friends night out.

For more information, please call the Niswonger box office 419-238-6722; visit in person at 10700 SR 118 S, Van Wert; visit Online at www.NPACVW.org.

"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT:" SERVICE WITH A SMILE!



Vantage senior Health Technology student, Alex Winebrenner (Wayne Trace) administers a vision screening test to an elementary student.

At Vantage Career Center, students find the "best of both worlds". They receive a first-class career technical education while meeting all of the academic requirements for high school graduation. In addition to Trade and Industry programs and Business programs, Vantage also offers specialized programs in Service careers described below.

Due to the tremendous advances in the medical field, outstanding career opportunities are available to students in our Health Technology program. Many health care workers provide basic bedside care and take vital signs such as temperature, blood pressure, pulse and respiration. They may also prepare and give injections, collect samples for testing, feed patients and assist with bathing and personal hygiene. Students complete a State Approved Nurse Assistant Program and learn medical terminology, medical insurance and computer skills. Health Technology students assist at the annual Vantage Bloodmobile. They learn a wide-range of medical techniques through clinical instruction at healthcare facilities and extensive job shadowing opportunities. In this program, they develop work ethics, medical skills, and patient care skills.

In the Early Childhood Education program, high school students discover that working with young children can be very rewarding. This program prepares students to work in a licensed child care facility, operate a day care center, become a nanny or teach young children. Students create and provide developmentally appropriate preschool materials for children, learn the day-to-day operations of a state-licensed preschool, and explore careers that deal with the education of young children. In addition to receiving instruction in planning and conducting lessons, the students apply principles of child development and child psychology as they prepare the children for kindergarten. Upon completion, students are prepared for college and immediate employment in the childcare field.

The Culinary Arts program is the starting line for many students who are interested in careers in restaurant services and hospitality management. Students in this program operate the Cup and Saucer Restaurant, a full-service restaurant located at Vantage, which is open to the public three days a week throughout the

school year. This two-year program is also the foundation for students who plan to pursue further education for chef training or food service management. Students have the opportunity to become "Serve-Safe" certified and to receive the ProStart Certificate of Achievement. After graduation, students are prepared for professional culinary programs, immediate employment, and further education.

Avantage (French for "new beginnings") is the name of the Vantage Cosmetology Salon, a fully certified and licensed program by the state of Ohio and open to the public three mornings a week throughout the school year. Students create, cut, style, color and recommend hair designs for clients. They use advanced techniques to deliver a wide-range of skin care and nail treatments while experiencing a full-service salon environment. After successful completion of the program at Vantage and achieving the requirements of the state board of cosmetology, they are eligible to take the state cosmetology examination and become a licensed cosmetologist shortly after graduation. They will be prepared for immediate employment in a salon/day spa, advanced licensure, and further education.

If you are interested in finding out about career opportunities in any of these fields or have questions about the service programs at Vantage, please call Mike Knott, Student Services Supervisor at 419-238-5411 or 1-800-686-3944 ext. 2032 or email him at knott.m@vantagecareercenter.com.

It's almost time for the annual Vantage Open House and BBQ Sandwich Dinner! Mark it on your calendars for Monday, February 10, 2014 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. If you haven't seen the new school yet, this is your chance! Tour the building, see the labs, check out the new equipment, talk to the staff and students. Do you have a sophomore who's interested in attending Vantage? There will be a Parent Information Session in the Community Room at 6:00 p.m. to help answer questions you may have. Interested in going back to school yourself? Adult Education representatives will also be there to answer questions about Vantage Adult Ed classes. No time to cook? Help support school-wide student activities by eating dinner at Vantage. Dinner includes sandwich, chips, cookies and bottled water.

POETRY FOR PAULDING STUDENTS



Paulding Elementary fourth graders are learning about poetry and creating poetry journals of their own in their Language Arts class. Jahnessa LaFountain and Jeremiah Smith are shown working on their poetry journals.

SOLAR SYSTEM PROJECTS FOR PAULDING 5th GRADERS



Paulding Elementary fifth graders have been studying the Solar System. After researching and gathering facts, each student selected a planet that interested them and created a 3-D poster which included facts about the planet. Shown are students Deyton Price, Kaeli Bustos, and Maggie Franz standing in front of some of the posters created by the fifth graders.

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The New Heights Educational Group is in need of volunteers for many assignments; the most urgent are listed below:

- Reading Tutor/Teacher
- Grant Writers (some training provided)
- Enrichment Day tutor/supervisor
- Secretary/Assistant to Director
- Event Coordinator

All tutors/teachers will need to submit a copy of your driver's license, background check, resume, and references.

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Registrations for 2014 season are now being accepted!
Registrations due March 1.

Late fee (\$25) applies if turned in after March 1.

Registrations will ONLY be accepted at open registration Feb. 10 at the Paulding Elementary during Parent-Teacher Conferences from 4:30 - 7:30 pm OR send your registration and payment to Paulding Youth Ball, P.O. Box 281, Paulding, OH 45879

Registration forms are available to download at www.pauldingball.com

Ideas for your Valentine!

Many people struggle with ideas on Valentine's Day and showing how much they love and care. Let these ideas and fine businesses help you!

Smart Valentine's Day Splurges

(NAPSA)—If ever there was a time to forget what's happened to your 401(k), it's Valentine's Day. Roses must be sent. Perfume must be bought. . . And if you're thinking of popping the question, you're certainly not alone: February 14 is second only to Christmas as the most popular day for doing so, and pity the man who doesn't give his intended a ring with bragging rights. Still, that doesn't mean you have to go crazy—especially when it comes to jewelry for loved ones and friends. While total consumer spending for Valentine's Day is expected to be up only slightly from last year's \$13.19 billion, a recent survey by BIGresearch found that

more men plan to buy jewelry than ever before. (Though let's be honest, most men wouldn't know a bangle bracelet from a cuff bracelet.) So here are what experts say are The Four Rules of Smart Splurging (whether you're shopping for jewelry or an engagement ring):
Rule No. 1: When Buying an Engagement Ring, Don't Automatically Think You Can't Afford Quality
 You've heard of De Beers, right? Patrons of this upscale jeweler pay as much as \$3.5 million for an engagement ring. But what few people realize, says jewelry and style expert Michael O'Connor, is that local jewelry stores also carry Platinum rings costing as little as \$2,650 that are the same high quality. "Jewelry is an investment in beauty and longevity," says O'Connor, "and Platinum is most women's metal of choice because of that. But even with a Platinum and diamond engagement ring, there are dazzling options for less than you'd expect." Jewelry should mirror a relationship—beautiful,

unique and lasting.
Rule No. 2: You Can't Go Wrong With Classics
 Fads come and go—remember mood rings?—so it never hurts to stick to either of the two most can't-miss gifts ever: Platinum and diamond stud earrings (for her) and Platinum cuff links (for him).
Rule No. 3: Necessity Is The Mother of Invention
 Stackable jewelry creates a dramatic effect and you don't necessarily have to buy all the stackable pieces at once. "Buying one or two now, with the promise of more to come, can actually be a way to show your long-term commitment," says O'Connor, who applauds the way the openwork pattern of designer Chad Allison's chunky cuff bracelets have the added advantage of "keeping the price tag affordable."
Rule No. 4: Invest Wisely. When it comes to the setting, make sure you buy the highest quality and that you're getting what you paid for by checking that the Platinum stamp (either "PLAT" or "PT950") is marked.



Rekindle Your Romance Year-Round

(NAPSA)—John, Paul, George and Ringo got it right—all you need is love. But sometimes the hustle and bustle of everyday life forces expressions of that love to fall between the cracks. With demanding schedules and a constant need for speed, Americans today are more on-the-go than ever before, leaving little room for much-needed "R&R" (relationships & romance).

that love and celebrate your romance year-round:
 • **Make a Getaway.** Pack your bags and wave goodbye to the world for the weekend.
 • **Dine In.** We all know the real way to our sweetie's heart—a home-cooked meal. Put the kids to bed, light a few candles, pour two glasses of wine or champagne and watch the evening sizzle as you treat the love of your life to what is bound to be a cherished memory. For a special after-dinner treat, snuggle up under a blanket with a romantic movie and a tasty dessert.
 • **Camp Out.** For those nature lovers, spend the evening outdoors together on a clear, warm night.
 Take a romantic stroll under the stars, enjoying the scenery and, of course, each other's company. If you're feeling adventurous, try camping out all night long (in the comfort of your own backyard) and watching the sun rise.
 • **Relive Your Past** for an evening. Photographs are one of the most important ways to keep the history alive. Breakout the picture albums, start smiling and remember when...
 • **Re-create your history** together by sending your sweetheart on a romantic scavenger hunt. Leave the



How To Give—Brilliantly

(NAPSI)—To be known for having the gift of giving, there are three things you should consider:
 1. Make it personal. Consider the recipient's hobbies and interests. For example, give a gardener seeds and gloves; send kitchen equipment to the gourmet cook. Also, if you have a special talent for knitting or painting or photography, give something you've created just for them.

2. Wrap it up. Any gift can seem more fun when it comes in a beautifully wrapped box.
 3. You don't have to spend a lot to give a lot. For example, you can really save and still shine when giving jewelry. That's because you can present a gem that's 10 percent brighter than a diamond yet available at a tenth of the cost.
 Those are just some reasons many consider it a better choice for an engagement ring than diamonds. In fact, according to a Harris Interactive survey, 78 percent of Americans believe it's completely appropriate to get engaged with a gemstone

other than a diamond. The survey also revealed that:
 • Nearly four in five think the cost of diamonds probably causes people to look for alternative stones for engagement rings.
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Rosy Tips for Valentine's Day

(NAPSA)—A stunning floral bouquet can express a range of feelings, from romantic to friendly to something in between. Not only will your wife or sweetheart love to receive a gift of flowers, so will your mother, daughter, sister and friend. From roses to tulips to orchids to lilies, there are flowers to please all the important people in your life.

terline to help keep the water clear. • Immediately place roses, loosely yet evenly spaced, in the vase.
 • Place the vase in a cool spot, away from heat.
 • To keep roses looking fresh, add warm water to the vase every day. Completely change the water every three days and re-cut the stems.



These simple yet effective care tips can help the person you love appreciate the beauty of roses for a good long time.
 • Give her office-bragging rights, even if it's just for one day. Unlock a unique Valentine's Day surprise: gorgeous red and purple blooms gathered into a deep purple vase for one unforgettable arrangement. Perhaps the best part, however, is the delicate silver key necklace that lets her know she'll always have your heart.

• Roses delivered in a box need to be opened at once and placed in water. If water isn't immediately available, place the open box in a cool, dark place.
 • To arrange the roses, fill a vase with luke-warm water and mix in the floral preservative.
 • Fill a sink or bowl with water. Using a knife or shears, cut an inch from the bottom of the stem while holding it under water. Remove the foliage that may fall below the wa-

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HOW WILL YOUR INVESTMENTS AFFECT YOUR CHILD'S FINANCIAL AID PROSPECTS?

Financial Focus by: Phil



Recker, Edward Jones Advisor

Even though it's only February, college financial aid officers are already gathering documents, crunching numbers and otherwise working to determine grants for the school year that starts this coming fall. If you have children you plan on sending to college, how will your own savings and investments affect their chances of getting financial aid?

The answer depends not only on how much money you have, but also where you keep it. Most colleges base their aid calculations on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which currently counts up to 5.64 percent of certain parent-owned assets in determining federal or state aid. By contrast, FAFSA counts up to 20 percent of a child's assets, such as an UGMA or UTMA account.

So, what parent-owned assets are counted when determining a student's need for financial aid? They include savings and checking accounts, non-retirement investment accounts and other types of assets. You do not have to report retirement accounts — such as traditional or Roth IRAs, 401(k)s and pensions — on the FAFSA. However, if you start taking withdrawals from these accounts, the withdrawals must be reported on the FAFSA as student income for the year in which the transactions occurred — which means these withdrawals could affect your child's financial aid package the following year.

A 529 plan, is one popular college-savings vehicle. If you own a 529 plan, you will need to report it on FAFSA as a parent-owned asset. But when you take withdrawals from the 529 plan, they won't be counted as parent or student income on FAFSA,

and they won't incur federal income taxes, provided the money is used for qualified higher education expenses. (If you don't use the money for these expenses, you'll be taxed and potentially penalized by 10% on the earnings.) Because a 529 plan is counted as a parental asset on FAFSA, some people ask grandparents to own a 529 plan. But while the value of an intact grandparent-controlled 529 plan will be excluded from FAFSA, the withdrawals themselves will be counted as untaxed income to the student on the following year's FAFSA, and this money could certainly affect aid decisions.

At least a year before your first child heads off to college, you may want to contact the financial aid office at a local school to ask questions about FAFSA, scholarships, loans and other aspects of assistance. Since most colleges and universities follow similar rules regarding financial aid, you should be able to get some helpful answers, no matter where your child goes to school.

Of course, even with careful planning, your student may not qualify for financial aid. If this is the case, you will need to consider other strategies for paying for college. But keep this in mind: It's best to develop a savings strategy for both college savings and one's own retirement goals. So, study the financial aid rules, consider investing in college-funding vehicles such as 529 plans and do whatever else you can to help get your kids through school, but don't forget about your own needs — because they are important, too.

LATTA SUPPORTS LEGISLATION TO PREVENT AMERICAN TAXPAYER DOLLARS FROM BEING USED TO FUND ABORTIONS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) joined his House colleagues this week in passing H.R. 7, the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act. The legislation, of which the Congressman is a cosponsor, would establish a permanent, government-wide prohibition on taxpayer subsidies for abortion except when the life of the mother is in danger, or when the pregnancy is the result of incest or rape. It would also prevent taxpayer dollars from being used to subsidize health care plans that cover abortion under Obamacare

and would require insurance providers to prominently disclose whether or not a health care plan covers abortion on the exchange.

"The President repeatedly told the American people that no taxpayer dollars would be used to fund abortions under Obamacare," said Congressman Latta. "However, like many of the promises he made regarding his signature law, this was not true. Yesterday, the House took action to hold the Administration accountable by preventing scarce taxpayer dollars to be used to fund abortions in Obamacare insurance plans."

Current policies prohibiting federal funding of abortions, such as the Hyde Amendment, are not permanent and only pertain to a limited group of federal funds. H.R. 7 will help protect the conscience rights and religious liberties of Americans by ensuring that no taxpayer dollars are ever used to cover abortion on demand.

MATTHEW A. MILLER JOINS COOK, BURKARD & GORRELL LAW FIRM



The law firm of Cook, Burkard, & Gorrell, Ltd. is pleased to welcome attorney Matthew A. Miller as an associate to its practice. He brings with him over five years of experience as an assistant prosecuting attorney for Paulding County.

Born in LaGrange, IN, to Roger and Kay Beth Miller, Matt grew up in Latty, OH, and graduated from Wayne Trace High School in 1997. He received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in Finance from The Ohio State University, and his law degree from Capital University Law School. He began his career as an attorney in 2008 with the Paulding County Prosecutor's Office.

Matt will join attorneys Norman Cook, Joseph Burkard, Brian Gorrell, and their exceptional staff at their offices on Water Street, and welcomes prospective clients to meet him there. In addition to his work as an attorney, he serves on the boards of directors of Paulding County Habitat for Humanity and the Paulding Kiwanis Club.

Matt is a member of the Apostolic Christian Church. He and his wife, Wendy, live in Paulding with their three children: Claire, Graham, and Caroline.

DIVISION IV GIRLS SECTIONAL DRAW AT PAULDING

Seeds:
1. Holgate, 2. Ayersville
Tuesday, February 18, 7:00 p.m. – Hicksville (5-13) vs. Antwerp (1-16)
Saturday, February 22, 6:15 p.m. – Holgate (13-2) vs. Hicksville/Antwerp winner
Wednesday, February 19,

6:15 p.m. – Ayersville (14-3) vs. Continental (9-7); 8:00 p.m. – Edgerton (12-6) vs. Wayne Trace (12-5)

Saturday, February 22, 8:00 p.m. – Ayersville/Continental winner vs. Edgerton/Wayne Trace winner

IMPORTANT 2014 DATES FROM NEW HAVEN BALL ASSOCIATION

New Haven Baseball Association registration dates are February 15th and February 22nd at the New Haven Parks Department from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tryouts will be March 8th at New Haven High School, starting at 1:00 p.m.; please arrive at 12:30 to sign in. Prep evaluations will be at 3:30 p.m.; please arrive at 3:00 p.m. to sign in.

You may also register online or print a registration form at the NEW NHBA website www.NHBABaseball.com.

Opening Day and Picture Day is April 26th!

WAYNE TRACE BOYS STEAM ROLL CONTINENTAL IN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Wayne Trace took on Continental in high school boys basketball on January 29th. The final score for the varsity game was a Wayne Trace win: 71-43.

Score by the Quarter:
Wayne Trace – 23 15 18 15=71

Continental – 10 9 11 13=43

Scorers of the Game:
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Continental – Swager 2, G Williams 5, Rue 10, Baker 1, Troyer 1, Mansfield 6, Stauffer 11, Prowant 3, J Williams 2

BURKLEY TESTIFIES ON COUNTY CREDIT CARD LEGISLATION

State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne) offered testimony to the Ohio House State and Local Government Committee on legislation he recently introduced to expand the work-related expenses that may be paid by a credit card held by a board of county commissioners or other county appointing authority.

Under current law, county credit cards can be used for purposes such as food, transportation, gasoline, telephone and lodging expenses. House Bill 386 would take current technology into consideration by allowing for the payment of webinar expenses, as well as automatic or electronic data-processing or record-keeping equipment, software and services with the use of the credit card.

"Having spent more than a decade in county government, I know firsthand how beneficial the passage of this bill will be to our local governments," Rep. Burkley said. "It has the support of several House members who have experience in county government, as well as the support of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio."

Representative Burkley introduced House Bill 386 in December 2013.

PAULDING WINS OVER DELPHOS JEFFERSON IN CLOSE GAME



Paulding Sophomore Corbin Edwards scores from the free-throw in the fourth quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

On Friday, January 31 Delphos Jefferson played against Paulding in boys basketball at the Panther court. In the first game, JV Paulding won in overtime 50-44 in a hard fought game.

The varsity game was just as close as the JV game. In the end the Panthers won 43-40

WT 7th GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM CHAMPS AT RAIDER INNOVATIONAL



The Wayne Trace seventh grade boys basketball team claimed the championship of the Raider Invitational on Saturday with a 34-29 win over Antwerp at Wayne Trace Junior High School. Wayne Trace is now 9-5 on the season.

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WOODLAN GIRLS FALL TO LEO DESPITE 4TH QUARTER LEAD



Haley Hostetler scores a free throw from the line. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Rivals Leo and Woodlan Girls Basketball met at the Warrior home court on Thursday, January 30. The home team got off to a fantastic start and the game looked like Woodlan had the Lions in a trap with all the points Gerbers was putting through the hoop. The second quarter was reversed but only by a four point difference, leaving Woodlan up at the half 22-16.

The third quarter both teams added 10 points to their scores. Fourth Quarter was the deal breaker for

the Woodlan girls. The ball started was being handled poorly with several turnovers benefiting Leo. The momentum swung and the Lady Lions took the game 45-41.

Woodlan Scorers of the Game:

Brooke Gerbers 16, Kenzie Salzbrenner 7, Rain Hinton 6, Haley Hostetler and Morgan Granklin both 4, Jaz Williams 3, and Kendra Graber 1

Score by the Quarter:
Woodlan - 14 8 10 9=41
Leo - 4 12 10 19=45

PAULDING GRAPPLERS TAKE TITLE



Paulding's Taylor Deatruck pinning Eli Schroeder. Photos taken by Heather Wesley. See the other pictures at westbendnews.net

In winning their second consecutive championship, Paulding scored a total of 302 points to take the 2014 Northwest Conference Tournament Championship in the event held at Allen East High School. Delphos Jefferson (279 points) took second place followed by Spencerville (265 points) in third.

Paulding senior Taylor Deatruck (132) was named Wrestler of The Year in the NWC. Taylor was a winner last year at 126 pounds. Tony Gonzales of Paulding was voted by his peers as NWC Coach of The Year.

Paulding, Delphos Jefferson and Allen East all had 3 individual champions in the tournament.

Individual high school champions are listed below:

- 106 - David Grant, DJ
- 113 - Schuyler Caprella AE
- 120 - Lee Dues, AE
- 126 - Cody Dickson, SV
- 132 - Taylor Deatruck, PL
- 138 - Brandon Soules, AE
- 145 - Tanner Vermule, PL

- 152 - Aaron Mock, PL
- 160 - Austin Windle, ADA
- 170 - Alec Gladwell, CG
- 182 - Will Selhorst, CG
- 195 - Dakota Valdez, PL
- 220 - Dustin McConnahea, DJ
- 285 - Logan Vandemark, SV

Team Standings:
VARSITY - 1. Paulding 302; 2. Delphos Jefferson 279; 3. Spencerville 265; 4. Columbus Grove 248; 5. Ada 217; 6. Allen East 157; 7. Lincolnview 98; 8. Bluffton 92

JUNIOR HIGH - 1. Allen East 296; 2. Delphos Jefferson 258; 3. Bluffton 209; 4. Paulding 207; 5. Columbus Grove 154; 6. Lincolnview 141; 7. Spencerville 135; 8. Ada 18

Paulding coach, Tony Gonzales, received the Coach of the Year award. This honor is voted on by the coaches in the NWC. Coach Gonzales himself is two-time conference champ. "The team did an excellent job to bring the trophy home two years straight," stated Coach Gonzales.

WAYNE TRACE GIRLS TROUNCE TINORA



Erin Mohr adds 2 points in 1st quarter for Wayne Trace. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Green Meadows Conference rivals Tinora and Wayne Trace fought it over girls basketball at the Palace on Thursday, January 30. The home JV team lost the first game 30-15.

The varsity game started with Wayne Trace scoring the first basket. The Rams retaliated with a basket of their own. The first half ended with the Raiders overshadowing Tinora 20-16.

Both teams had good third quarter scores. The fourth quarter is where the Lady Raiders stretched their abilities and their score, in

comparison to the guest team who had their least increase in the game. Mohr, Wilcox and Feasby all had 3-point baskets which was also the difference of scores by the end.

Score by the Quarter:
Wayne Trace - 14 6 12 13=45

Tinora - 9 7 14 6=36
Wayne Trace Scorers of the Game:

Erin Mohr 15, Brooke Wilcox 7, Brenda Feasby 7, Madi Poling 5, Sylvia Young 4, Lauren Speice 4, and Shayna Temple 3

Wayne Trace is now 11-5 and 3-2 in the Conference.

ANTWERP BALL ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION DATES

Due to the inclement weather on January 31st, the Antwerp Ball Association did not hold registrations at the school as originally planned. They will, however, still offer another date for registering for the spring/summer ball season.

Saturday, February 8th there will be registrations at the Antwerp Local School from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

For more information, please visit the website at www.antwerpball.com

LADY RAIDERS RULE OVER WILDCATS

The Wayne Trace girls basketball team dominated over Miller City on January 31st. The final varsity score for the night was 67-41.

Score by the Quarter:
Wayne Trace - 22 13 19 13=67

Miller City - 14 11 5 11=41

Scorers of the Game:
Wayne Trace - Flint 4, Mohr 10, Temple 11, Speice 14, Wilcox 6, Feasby 10, Young 8, Wannemacher 4
Miller City - Klear 6, Altman 5, Lammers 4, Warnimont 3, Welty 3, Berger 2
JV score: Wayne Trace 41, Miller City 22

ANTWERP HS WRESTLING COMPETES AT GMC TOURNEY

The Antwerp High School Wrestling Team recently competed at the Green Meadows Conference Tournament on February 1, 2014. Of the 7 wrestlers competing, 4 were

able to place in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Placing 4th at 120 pounds was freshman Logan Shaner. Finishing 3rd at 182 pounds were sophomore Austin VanAtta and at 285 pounds junior Jarrett Bute. Placing 2nd for the Archers was sophomore Justice Clark.

As a team the Archers were able to finish 6th in the tournament. The high school wrestlers will conclude their regular season this Thursday February 6 when they travel to Wayne Trace for the 2nd Annual Paulding County Tri-Meet. We wish them the best they head into the sectional tournament on February 14-15 at Archbold.

- GMC Team Results:
1. Ayersville (AY) 207.50
 2. Wayne Trace (WT) 148.00
 3. Edgerton (EDG) 132.00
 4. Tinora (TIN) 126.00
 5. Fairview (FV) 98.00
 6. Antwerp (ANT) 36.00
 7. Hicksville (HV) 20.00

ACAC WRESTLING MEET AT WOODLAN

The ACAC Wrestling Tournament took place on January 29th.

Team Scores:
1st Leo 252.5; 2nd Adams Central 216; 3rd Garrett 201; 4th South Adams 175; 5th Woodlan 118; 6th Heritage 91; 7th Southern Wells 76; 8th Bluffton 23

- Championship Matches:
- 106 - Moser (AC) dec DeMarco (G) 8-5
 - 113 - Lorraine (L) maj dec Roemer (W) 13-1
 - 120 - Miller (SA) tech fall Hissong (L) 17-2
 - 126 - Fawcett (L) dec Oliver (AC) 7-3
 - 132 - I. Eicher (L) dec

ANTWERP BOYS WINS OVER FAIRVIEW AND MONTPELIER



Antwerp's Trenton Cosey slides to the basket passed his opposition. He goes on to get the foul shot too. More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Fairview Boys Basketball travelled to the Archers home court on Friday, January 31. The Antwerp JV fell 63-44 to the Sherwood team.

The Varsity game went the other way and the home team finished on top. The Archers

won 63-44 in a dominating fashion.

The next night Antwerp at home again on Saturday, February 1. The boys had another fantastic game and won 76-47 against Montpelier.

- Bates (AC) 3-0
- 138 - Ellinger (AC) pin Beeks (SW) 1:55
 - 145 - Marbach (SA) dec Liter (AC) 6-0
 - 152 - Hepler (L) pin Lawrence (G) 3:05
 - 160 - Luginbill (AC) pin Isaacson (L) 3:02
 - 170 - A. Eicher (L) pin

- Gunion (G) 4:16
- 182 - Hinshaw (SA) pin Smith (SW) 1:40
 - 195 - Bo Davis (G) dec Salmon (W) 10-8
 - 220 - Bl. Davis (G) pin Barbarena (W) 3:59
 - 285 - Hager (L) pin Bol-lenbach (AC) 2:56

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WAYNE TRACE DEFEAT KALIDA AT PARENT'S NIGHT



Colby Speice adds three points in the second quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net Like us on Facebook to so you can be informed as the game pictures are posted!

Wayne Trace took on the Kalida Wildcats at the Palace on Saturday, February 1st. The Junior Varsity game was in the Raiders favor much of the game until Kalida tied it up at 30 with 3:35 left in 4th. The Wildcats ran away with their newfound momentum and won the game 42-33.

Following the initial match was Parents' Night with the cheerleaders and the basketball players along with the parents introduced to the crowd, celebrating family at the games.

I'm not certain how or why the Raider boys do what they do, but they certainly get everyone excited, wondering what is going on when nearly the six and half minutes into the game and they cannot hit the broad side of the barn with the basketball and the guest team is up 11-2. Amazingly the team pulls back into the game and finish the quarter only down by 4.

It was the second quarter where the boys flexed their abilities with Luke Miller drilling 3-3 point baskets in a row, leading the charge for the whole team and the crowd was going wild! This team is one entertaining group to watch.

The second half went well with the third quarter piling up the points for the Raider Nation. In the fourth quarter Kalida outscored the home team, though not by enough to take the game. Wayne Trace took the win 63-57

Raider Points by Player:
Corbin Linder 17, Luke Miller 13, Ethan Linder 11, Devin Wenzlick 8, Colby Speice 6, Jake Arend 4, Cole Shepherd 2, David Sinn 1, TJ Blackmore 1.

Score by the Quarter:
Wayne Trace - 9 20 23 11=63

Kalida - 13 14 15 15=57

Wayne Trace is now 12-1 for the season with Kalida at 9-7, both competitive teams.

RAIDERS TAKE DOWN RAMS

It was a close game on January 31st when the Wayne Trace boys basketball team took on the Tinora Rams. It was a close game, with a Raider win: 67-64.

Score by the Quarter:
Wayne Trace - 6 21 20 9 11=67

Tinora - 17 20 12 7 8=64

Scorers of the Game:
Wayne Trace - E Linder 14, Speice 8, Arend 9, C Linder 15, Wenzlick 4, Sinn 17

Tinora - Kessel 2, Drewes 31, N Drewes 5, Kahle 6, Renollet 5, Miller 11, Bailey 4

JV score: Wayne Trace 55, Tinora 37

LADY BULLDOGS FALL AGAINST COLUMBIA CITY

The New Haven Lady Bulldogs played host to the Columbia City Lady Eagles on February 1st. The Lady Eagles took the game from the beginning, claiming a victory for the night: CC 47, NH 25

Score by the Quarter:
Columbia City - 13 12 12 10=47

New Haven - 2 7 10 6=25

Scorers of the Game:
Columbia City - Cormany 2-7-11, Hansen 3-1-7, Hinen 1-2-4, Pettigrew 1-0-2, Rentschler 4-1-9, White 3-3-9, Wright 2-1-5

New Haven - Finan 1-0-2, Grundy 2-3-7, Hope 1-2-4, Lapsley 0-1-1, McGraw 3-0-9, Tanner 0-2-2

PANTHERS FALL TO WILDCATS IN GIRLS BB

Paulding and Delphos Jefferson went head to head in high school girls basketball on January 30th. The lady Panthers took a loss on the night: 43-56

Score by the Quarter:
Paulding - 15 8 7 13=43

Jefferson - 18 14 13 11=56

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding - Varner 1; McCullough 14 (4 - 3's); Combs 14; Vogel 5; Pease 4; Reinhart 5

Jefferson - Culp 8; Gorgens 15 (3 - 3's); Stockwell 16; Sensibaugh 11; Pimpas 2; Binkley 4

Turnovers: Paulding 22; Jefferson 18

Rebounds: Paulding 24 (Vogel 8); Jefferson 25

Records: Paulding 5-10 (1-6); Jefferson 7-10 (2-4)

JV: Jefferson won

LADY WARRIORS TRAMPLE RAIDERS

The Woodlan girls basketball team went head to head with Southern Wells on February 1st. The game was one-sided from the start in Woodlan's favor, ending the night with a Lady Warrior win: 44-24.

Score by the Quarter:
Woodlan - 5 15 13 11=44

Southern Wells - 2 11 8 3=24

Scorers of the Game:
Woodlan - Graber 3, Hostetler 6, Gerbers 22, Salzbrenner 7, Hinton 2, Williams 2

Southern Wells - Knowles 2, Carter 11, Harton 6, Prible 2

JV score: Woodlan 20, Southern Wells 41

WARRIORS DOWN THE BRAVES

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan pulled away from Blackhawk with a 16-4 second quarter and a 18-3 third period and the Warriors downed the Braves 55-29 in girls' basketball. The Warriors led 16-10 over the home team after the first quarter and then pulled away in the second period and continued their dominance in the third period. Haley Hostetler led scoring for the Warriors with 17 points.

Score by the Quarter:
Woodlan - 16 16 18 5=55
Blackhawk - 10 4 3 12=29

Scorers of the Game:
Woodlan - Hostetler 17, Franklin 8, Gerbers 8, Graber 7, Hinton 6, Leggett 3, Cook 2, Salzbrenner 2, Williams 2

Blackhawk - Coats 6, Perlich 5, R. Pulver 5, C Pulver 4, Henry 4, Byler 3, Jolky 2

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCES JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High School recently named their Students of the Month for January. Pictured here are (front row) 8th grader Erica Mohr, 7th grader Brant Heck, and 12th grader Katie Back; (back row) 9th grader Seth Baylor, 10th grader Shepherd, and 11th grader Jake Arend.

These students were nominated and voted upon by the teachers at Wayne Trace.

They received a "Raider Pride - Pay Forward" t-shirt as part of their award. Other nominees included: 7th graders Anne Eklund, Carissa Laukhuf, Gracie Laukhuf, Sadie Sinn, and Ellie Stoller. 8th graders Kaitlyn Harris, and Haley Rittenhouse. 9th graders Ethan Linder and Danae Myers. 10th graders Olivia Barthold and Clint Sinn. 12th graders Austin Conlon and Jordan Elick.

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Robert H. Young, Attorney for Plaintiff

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Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681
Revised Code, Section 2329.26
THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:
FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,
vs.
MELISSA M. EGNOR, ET AL., Defendants,
Case No. CI 13 186.

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Parcel Number: 28-33S-103-00

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Andrew C. Clark, Attorney for Plaintiff

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681
Revised Code, Section 2329.26
THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:
BMO HARRIS BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO M & I BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,
vs.
VIRGIL C. ROGERS, ET AL., Defendants,
Case No. CI 13 123.

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Robert J. Olender, Attorney for Plaintiff

INDIANA WRESTLING SECTIONALS #12 RESULTS

The Indiana Wrestling Sectionals #12 were fought on February 1st.

120 RESULTS:
3rd Place Match:
Taj Neeley (FW Wayne)

21-11, Jr. over Heath Seiking (Heritage) 15-12, So. (Dec 9-5)

126 RESULTS:
3rd Place Match:
Nik Hoot (Woodlan) 23-

8, Jr. over Ryan Shaffer (New Haven) 21-20, Jr. (Fall 4:33).

5th Place Match:
Cam Robb (Homestead)

17-18, Jr. over Javier Johnson (FW Wayne) 12-27, Fr. (Dec 7-5).

138 RESULTS:
1st Place Match:
Kyle Bender (New Haven)

20-19, Jr. over Kyle Leland (Homestead) 10-14, Jr. (Fall 3:26).

5th Place Match:
Zack Zink (Woodlan) 12-

10, Fr. over Alex Beal (Huntington North) 7-12, Jr. (Dec 8-5).

152 RESULTS:
3rd Place Match:
Mc Lash (New Haven) 14-

12, Sr. over Seth Bullock (FW Wayne) 18-17, Jr. (Dec 6-3).

160 RESULTS:
5th Place Match:
John Isaacson (Leo) 9-8,

So. over Nick Potter (New Haven) 15-22, Fr. (MD 12-0)

170 RESULTS:
1st Place Match:
Aaron Eicher (Leo) 29-2,

Sr. over Luis Chacon (New Haven) 31-7, Sr. (Dec 7-1)

5th Place Match:
Marc Howell (Huntington North) 13-16, Sr. over Mason Berry (Woodlan) 8-23, Fr. (Fall 1:33)

182 RESULTS:
5th Place Match:
Russell Davies (FW Snider) 21-8, Jr. over Michael Meyer (New Haven) 11-16, Jr. (Fall 4:07)

195 RESULTS:
1st Place Match:
Kanez Omar (FW Wayne)

37-0, Sr. over Brian Salmon (Woodlan) 23-7, Sr. (MD 13-3)

220 RESULTS:
5th Place Match:
Edwin Barbarena (Woodlan) 12-19, Jr. over Deyonne Hunter (FW Wayne) 13-16, Jr. (Dec 4-3)

285 RESULTS:
3rd Place Match:
Mikey Rivera (New Haven) 28-12, Jr. over Woody Kline (Heritage) 24-7, Sr. (Dec 4-2)

Team Scores:
1. Leo 224.0; 2. FW Snider 182.5; 3. FW Wayne 163.0; 4. Huntington North 156.0; 5. Homestead 125.0; 6. New Haven 97.5; 7. Heritage 78.0; 8. Woodlan 71.0; 9. FW South Side 46.5; 10. FW Bishop Luers 32.0

WAYNE TRACE GRAPPLERS COMPETE IN GMC TOURNAMENT

The Raider Wrestling team competed in the GMC wrestling tournament on Saturday, February 1st at Fairview. Coach George Clemens had three wrestlers crowned as GMC champions and had six more finish in the top four garnering all conference honors. The team finished second in the conference to perennial powerhouse Ayersville.

George Clemens IV wrestled in the 106 pound weight class and was crowned champion and earned First team All Conference honors. Clemens captured his victory via a tech fall and earned his second straight GMC championship.

In the 113 pound weight

class, Dustin Taylor wrestled a very competitive match that came down to the wire. Taylor avenged a loss from last year and finished his senior season wrestling career as a GMC champion and First team All Conference with a narrow 9-8 decision.

At 145, Tyler Showalter returned to the mat after missing nearly all of the season from an injury, and dominated the weight class winning all matches by pin. He pinned his opponent in the second period in the championship match and was crowned GMC champion and All Conference First team.

Ruger Goeltzenleuchter fell in the championship match. A freshman, Goeltzenleuchter was winning the match and made a small mistake that cost him the title. He finished runner up and earned All Conference Second team honors at 120 pounds.

Zaine Cotterman wrestling at 138 found himself in the finals and wrestled a hard fought match. He was on the losing end though, and garnered All Conference Second team honors and was runner up.

At 160, Jacob Dingsu also wrestled his way to the championship match and dropped a close match. Dingsu stood in the runner up spot on the podium and captured All Conference Second team honors.

Riley Moore wrestling in the heavyweight class garnered two straight wins and wrestled for a first place finish. He fell just short and finished as runner up and All Conference Second team.

In the 170 pound weight class, Josh Reel wrestled a solid tournament and dropped a match early. He wrestled his way back to a third place finish on the day. Mathew Baxter wrestling at 126 battled throughout the day. He dropped his third place match and finished the day in fourth.

Caleb Schultz, Brandon Laney, Daron Showalter, and Justin Pierce also competed in the tournament but were not able to land in the top four of the conference.

Coach Clemens stated, "I believe we are on the right track and definitely wrestled better than we did at LCC. We had some wrestlers come back from injuries that have had little practice time. Daron wrestled really well, and was so close in his matches.

"I knew Tyler would be competitive, but for him to come back after his injury on nearly no practice and dominate the weight class like he did was impressive. If we continue to work hard and wrestle like this, I believe there will be a lot of red, white, and blue singlets at districts," finished Clemens.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Cecil has completed their 2013 Annual Financial Report and it is now available for viewing. To view a copy of this report, please contact Carlene Turner, Clerk-Treasurer at 419-399-3166 to schedule an appointment.

The Village of Cecil meets on the 3rd Monday of Each Month at 7pm in the Cecil Firehouse Community room for their Regular Council Meeting. The public and residents of Cecil are encouraged to attend.

—Submitted by: Carlene Turner, Clerk Treasurer

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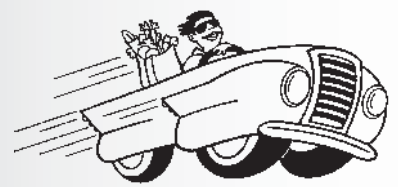
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**SECRETARY OF STATE
JON HUSTED ANNOUNCES
MEETING OF OHIO BOARD
OF VOTING MACHINE
EXAMINERS**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that the Ohio Board of Voting Machine Examiners will meet on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. on the 15th floor of the Continental Plaza Building located at 180 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

The agenda includes:
• Review of the application for certification of the Democracy Suite 4.14B Voting System (submitted by Dominion Voting Systems, Inc.) and examination of the voting system for approval for use in Ohio elections.
• Review and possible approval of rules and standards

governing the certification of electronic pollbooks for use in Ohio elections.

• Review and possible approval of two examination matrixes/matrices – one for a testing lab and one for the Board of Voting Machine Examiners – to be used in the examination and certification of electronic pollbooks for use in Ohio elections.

This meeting of the Board is open to the public.

Board Members: Dale Fellows (Chair and Board of Elections Member, Lake County), Inajo Davis Chappell (Board of Elections Member, Cuyahoga County), Joyce Kale-Pesta (Director, Mahoning County Board of Elections), and Amy Searcy (Director, Hamilton County Board of Elections).

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**SECRETARY OF STATE
HUSTED ANNOUNCES
IN-PERSON ABSENTEE
VOTING HOURS FOR 2014
PRIMARY**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced uniform days and hours for in-person absentee voting for the 2014 Primary. The announcement was made during a speech by Secretary Husted at the Ohio Association of Election Officials (OAE) Winter Conference in Columbus, OH.

The days and hours set by Secretary Husted apply statewide and mirror a proposal put forward by the OAE, a bipartisan group. In-person absentee voting will begin April 1, 2014, which is 35 days before Election Day, and end at noon the Saturday before the election. The hours are:

- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, April 1, 2014, through April 4, 2014;
 - 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2014, (last day of voter registration, R.C. 3501.10(B));
 - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, April 8, 2014, through April 11, 2014;
 - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, April 14, 2014, through May 2, 2014; and
 - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, May 3, 2014.
- Secretary Husted noted

the plan put forward by the OAE for uniform in-person absentee voting is the only proposal that has received bipartisan support.

"To date, the OAE plan is the only voting schedule that has garnered Republican and Democratic support, balancing both access for the voter and the legitimate administrative and cost concerns for large, medium and small counties," Secretary Husted said. "Most importantly, this plan ensures that voters in each county have the same access to the ballot."

Secretary Husted has repeatedly urged lawmakers to pass a bipartisan plan that establishes uniform days and hours for in-person absentee voting in each election. In the absence of action by the legislature, the Secretary is setting uniform hours for in-person absentee voting for the Primary to ensure fairness and that all voters are playing by the same rules.

Also during his speech, Secretary Husted reiterated his commitment to do a statewide mailing of absentee ballot applications for the 2014 General Election. The Secretary also shared with attendees the importance of every vote, highlighting data recently collected by his office that found that out of 110 recounts in 65 counties, 35 local races and 8 local issues were decided by one vote or by breaking a tie during the 2013 General Election.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition Report
Myra Ann Hoffman; Defiance; Obstruc Business; No Cont; re-pay court appointed fees; fines & costs to be taken from bond; probation; community service
Jacob William Neace; Hicksville; Confine of Dog; Guilty; case waived by defendant
Daniel B. Guilford; Antwerp; Confine of Dog; Guilty; case waived by defendant
Ski Lar; Ft. Wayne; Child Restraint; Guilty; case was waived by defendant

Personal Property Transfers
Auglaize Twp.:
1/28/14; David R. & Judy L. Fohner; Sec 32; 15.237 acres; Lot 19; Auglaize Hills Development; .0517 acre; To: David R. Fohner, Trustee & Judy L. Fohner, Trustee Brown Twp.:
1/28/14; David R. & Judy L. Fohner; Sec 4; 65.183 acres; To: David R. Fohner, Trustee & Judy L. Fohner, Trustee

1/24/14; Lesta Rathburn, dec'd; Lot 32; 160.00 acres; Lot 32; 20.0 acres; To: Lucille Ziegler, et al Carryall Twp.:
1/23/14; V & R Koenn Corp.; Sec 25; 51.145 acres; To: Lion Farm Properties, LLC
1/29/14; Bradley W. & Lisa D. Laker; Sec 3; 2.0 acre; To: Brian K. & Arani Wentland Crane Twp.:
1/23/14; V & R Koenn Corp.; Sec 18; 4.152 acres; Sec 17; 40.313 acres; Sec 2; 75.984 acres; Sec 14; 78.623 acres; Sec 23; 105.701 acres;

Sec 23; 81.417 acres; To: Lion Farm Properties
1/23/14; V & R Koenn Corp.; Sec 14; 0.244 acres; To: Jean M. Munger
1/23/14; Jean M. Munger; Sec 14; 1.438 acre; To: Jean M. Munger
1/23/14; V & R Koenn Corp.; Sec 18; 1.693 acre; To: John & Barbara G. Wappas
1/23/14; John & Barbara G. Wappas; Sec 18; 3.269 acres; To: John & Barbara G. Wappas
1/23/14; V & R Koenn Corp; Sec 21; 1.693 acre; To: Phillip Koenn
1/23/14; Phillip Koenn; Sec 2; 3.211 acres; To: Phillip Koenn Jackson Twp.:
1/23/14; Ruth E. Mohr, dec'd; Sec 30; 16.00 acres; To: Carol Wyatt, Trustee & Rudy Mohr, Trustee Latty Twp.:
1/23/14; Ruth E. Mohr, dec'd; Sec. 33; 38.50 acres; To: Carol Wyatt, Trustee & Rudy Mohr, Trustee
1/29/14; McClure Farms, LLC; Sec 27; 20.89 acres; To: Ryan W. & Nicole D. McClure Grover Hill Village:
1/28/14; Nathan W. & Stephanie Priest; Lot 10; 0.206 acre; To: Robert J. Fisher Paulding Village:
1/28/14; Mary Ellen Morse, dec'd, LE, et al; Lots 162-163; 0.43 acre; Lots 164-165; 0.34 acre; To: Gary M. Morse, LE, et al

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LEFEVRE FARMS WINS U.S. POULTRY ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARD



Terry Wehrkamp, Cooper Farms Director of Live Production; Gary Cooper, Cooper Farms COO; Lisa and Tom Lefevre, and Jim Chakeres, Ohio Poultry Association Director.

The U.S. Poultry & Egg Association recognized Cooper Farms contract turkey growers, Tom and Lisa Lefevre, with the Family Farm Environmental Excellence Award, North Central Region. The award, which recognizes exemplary environmental stewardship by family farmers engaged in poultry and egg production, was presented on January 28, 2014 at the International Poultry Expo, a part of the 2014 International Production and Processing Expo in Atlanta, GA.

"Tom and Lisa are absolutely perfect examples of what being a turkey grower is all about," said Bill Staugler, Cooper Farms Turkey Growout Manager. "Anyone who knows the Lefevres, has seen that Tom has constant dedication doing things the right way for the animals, as well as the land, water and community."

The Lefevre family started growing tom turkeys for Cooper Farms well over a decade ago, after raising turkeys on their own for many years prior. Lefevres are one of Cooper Farms' largest growers, with a total of 12 barns in three different locations, which house the turkeys from five weeks of age to their market age of just under 21 weeks.

"The Lefevres epitomize the reality of the modern family farm," said Terry Wehrkamp, Cooper Farms Director of Live Production. "They are up early and to bed late, working hard on their livestock and poultry operations and other sideline ventures. They are truly resourceful, efficient, care deeply about the environment, their animals and their place within the community. But, family comes first for the Lefevres and having fun, while they are doing what they love, comes naturally."

The Lefevres go above and beyond in all that they do, and environmental stewardship is no exception. Projects such as the creation of a comprehensive nutrient management plan through the USDA's Department of Natural Resources Conservation Service, proper manure

application with routine manure and soil sampling, construction of retention ponds which capture runoff water and irrigate water in the summer month and installation of specialized waterways and filter strips to reduce soil erosion and much more.

In September 2013, the Lefevres were recognized at a 2013 Environmental Stewardship Award winner at the Ohio Livestock Coalition Annual Meeting, similarly recognizing their many accomplishments as a family farm which protects Ohio's land, air and water quality.

"We are very proud to see the hard work of one of our excellent growers acknowledged on this national level," said Wehrkamp. "We have always known that we have partnered with some amazing farm families to raise our animals to market, and the Lefevres are a shining example of that. Their dedication to being great farmers is exemplified by this award and it is truly a deserved honor."

The US Poultry Family Farm Environmental Excellence Award is rated in several categories, including dry litter management, nutrient management planning, community involvement, wildlife enhancement techniques, innovative nutrient management techniques and participation in education and outreach programs. Applications were reviewed and farm visits conducted by a team of environmental professionals from universities, regulatory agencies and state trade associations to select the national winners from each of the six geographical regions.

NORTHWEST STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPCOMING MEETING

The Board of Trustees of Northwest State Community College will hold its next regular meeting on Friday, February 7, 2014, at 12:00 p.m. in the McDougale Center (room A101C) on NSCC's Archbold campus.

NEW: CHAMPIONS, ADVERTISERS, EVENTS; MAC GYM

2014 has brought with it a lot of "new" to the MAC Gym. After battling five weeks of weather and league games, tournament play was finally able to begin.

The day started with 5th grade boys' games. Paulding defeated Wayne Trace in the play-in bracket, before falling to Leo in the semifinal game. Antwerp upended Eastside to set up the Leo-Antwerp final. 6th grade boys play was fierce as Paulding went to the wire to knock Wayne Trace out, then Woodlan defended their #2 seed by beating Paulding. Antwerp went to the wire before falling to Archbold. Weather hampered Leo's trip, so Archbold moved directly to the final game against Woodlan. Both boy's championship games are yet to be scheduled.

Girls games began with 5th grade team Crestview playing Antwerp, and Tinora playing Tinora White. Crestview made quick work in moving to the semifinals while Tinora struggled to move on in the bracket. Crestview didn't have enough gas to move on as #1 seed Tinora Green made the finals, and Defiance defended their #2 seed over Tinora White. The finals will be February 6, at 7:30 p.m. 6th grade girls action matched Woodlan against Van Wert, and Paulding against Crestview. Woodlan went straight to the finals beating Van Wert and Crestview, following the Lady Knight's win over Paulding. The other bracket saw intense action. Fairview routed Edon; Antwerp narrowly escaped Holgate, and needed overtime to take down Fairview, setting up the Antwerp-Woodlan final. The game will be played Monday, February 10, at 5:30 p.m.

The 3rd and 4th boys division played their season at the Woodburn Lutheran School. In the 4th grade division Hoagland ended Paulding's season, while Monroeville upended Woodlan. Eastside then beat Monroeville and Tinora took care of Hoagland. Tinora maintained their undefeated season winning over Eastside in the championship game. In the 3rd grade championship game, Woodlan won over Eastside.

Although the weather is cold outside, the gymnastics room, lobby and gym are warm inside the Vancrest campus. Heating costs have risen, but thanks to new recent sponsors: NAPA, Riverside Hardware, and ACDC, costs have been maintained and events can continue uninterrupted.

Events in the gym are heating up as well. Gymnastic and Zumba classes continue to grow, winter volleyball

leagues have started in the youth and 7/8/9 grade divisions, and adult volleyball tournaments are scheduled through FairPlay Volleyball in Fort Wayne, IN. Basketball tournaments are scheduled this Saturday for 4th and 6th grade girls; 4th grade boys and girls February 15; and grades 4/5/6 boys and girls on March 14th and 15th. Slots are filling up and teams continue to be excited to come to Antwerp and play their respective sports.

BURKLEY, HILL INTRODUCE CALAMITY DAYS LEGISLATION

State Representatives Tony Burkley (R-Payne) and Brian Hill (R-Zanesville) have announced that they are introducing legislation to increase the number of calamity days that school districts are allocated for the 2013-2014 school year.

Schools are currently allotted five calamity days for the year, with school districts making up calamity days beyond the fifth. The legislation introduced by Representatives Burkley and Hill would allow four additional calamity days, bringing the total number of days to nine for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school

GOVERNMENT CLASSES AT DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL



Fifth and sixth graders from Divine Mercy have been studying the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the checks and balances of the three branches of government. The class broke into groups to build mini 3D models of the White House and the Capitol Building. Pictured here

are (front row, l-r) Grant Schmidt, Catie Strable, Garrett Williamson, Alex Reinhart, Kaden Sutton, Treyton Banks, Kenadie Daeger, and Isaac Head; (back row, l-r) Jacob Graham, Jayden Mollitor, Tommy Holmes, Carson Rupp, Allison Dyson, Drew Forrer, and Cameron Cox.

year. "The recent cold, snow and ice have put Ohio schools at a necessary stand-still in order to keep our kids safe," Rep. Hill said. "I'm confident that those at the local level can be trusted to adapt to the change in calamity days and ensure that students are taught the

needed curriculum they will need to succeed before the end of the school year."

With the passage of House Bill 59, the state operating budget, schools will be switching from a measurement of days to hours starting with the 2014-2015 school year.

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