

A NIGHT AMONG THE STARS IN PAULDING



Prom Court: Front Row (L-R): Jordan Shull, Haley Schlegel, Taylor Schooley, Melissa Martinez, Laurel Wherkamp, Kastin Kelly, Kynsie Etzler
Back Row (L-R): Damon Egnor, Drew Perez, Alex Arellano, Michael Tope, Preston Gross, Lorenzo Salinas, Jarrett Sitton. Pictures by Carolyn Connelly.

PROM, PROM, PROM - THEY'VE BEEN WORKING ALL DAY LONG!

Everywhere one would look on Saturday, you would see fancy dresses, suits and tuxes. A beautiful day for the Paulding County schools' proms. The hair stylists were very busy according to Lindsey Hormann of Lindsey & Company in Paulding as well as the nail



techs and makeup artists.

The warm evening brought the crowds to all three of the prom walk-ins. From fancy footwear to top hats and dressy bling, this is the last big 'hoorah' for the seniors before commencement.

While watching all the attendees walk in, big and poofy dresses were back in along with

lots of sequins and jeweled accents. Of course, the black tuxes never go out of style for the young men. Although, some promenaded with spiffy white tuxes.

So many volunteers made this possible from all the schools. Be sure to thank the

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RAMCO SUPPLY OPENING GRANDLY WITH NEW MANUFACTURING FACILITY



Ramco is one of the newest additions to the Industrial Park along State Road 101 outside of Woodburn. The company's headquarters is located in Rochester, IN about 90 miles away.

This last weekend of April, on the 25th, the company celebrated their Grand Opening with a ribbon cutting including the officials of Woodburn. Mayor Richard Hoepfner stated, "I'm very excited to have Ramco in our Industrial Park. It's a great fit for our community."

In 1997, founder and owner, Marvin Ramer, began building post frame buildings in the Rochester IN, and

surrounding areas. He soon became dissatisfied with the two week lead times on metal roofing and siding in the area. He began to research the possibilities of buying directly from a national manufacturer.

In 2000, he built a 40x60 pole building, and started retailing metal roofing & siding, buying from several different national companies. A 10' computerized trim folder and a 10' shear were added in 2003 to Ramco Supply's manufacturing arsenal and most of the trim pieces were now made in-house, giving the added flexibility of manufacturing custom trims on

quickly and to exact specifications.

Adding more equipment including the ability to make their own custom metal rib panels and gave better quality control to the entire process. A larger trim shop was added in 2007, housing a 21' CNC metal brake, along with several trim roll formers, allowing the increase in the amount of stock trim.

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NOTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACES FOR COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES

It has come to our attention there is not sufficient parking spaces at the County parking lot on the southwest corner of Perry and Main Streets.

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OBITUARIES



WOODBURN, IN
Dorothy Phyllis (Brenneke) Benzinger, 95, passed away on Friday, April 24, 2015 at St. Anne Home, Fort Wayne. Born in Fort Wayne, she was the daughter of the late William and Rose (Gunzenhauser) Junk. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Woodburn. She was always ready for a card game and never held back on bid euchre. She is survived by her children, Richard (Candy) Brenneke of Woodburn and Janice (Steve) Singer of Hudson; sister, Jean Willmann of Tucson, AZ; five grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by husband, Lorenz Brenneke in 1974 and Walter Brenneke in 2001; brother, William Junk; and grandson, Todd Brenneke.

By Dorothy's request, services will be private. Preferred memorials are to Zion Lutheran Church. Arrangements by E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. For online condolences please visit www.harperfuneralhome.com

PAYNE:
Joyce E. Barrand age 80 passed away peacefully Saturday, May 2, 2015 at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Ft. Wayne. Den Herder Funeral Home of Paulding is handling arrangements.

TURNING A NEGATIVE INTO A POSITIVE WITH MUSIC & MEMORYSM

By: Bonnie K. Burman, Director of the Ohio Department of Aging

Bonnie K. Burman, Director of the Ohio Department of Aging a few weeks ago, a reporter from WDTN-TV2 in Dayton contacted the Ohio Department of Aging and our sister agencies for a story about the quality of nursing home care in her community. Staff walked her through our Long-Care Consumer Guide, explained the federal five-star rating system and described the state survey process. Then, the reporter asked a crucial question: What does the

state do with the fines it collects from under-performing nursing homes?

That opened the door for us to talk about the Music & MemorySM program.

Late last year, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the State Controlling Board authorized the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman to use Civil Monetary Penalty funds collected from nursing homes to support the Music & MemorySM Quality Improvement Project, an effort to help Ohio's nursing homes implement this innovative approach to dementia care. When we started, fewer than two dozen facilities were using the program. Today, more than 300 nursing homes are on their way to becoming Music & MemorySM Certified Care Facilities!

On April 28, during the 6:00 p.m. newscast, WDTN aired a follow-up to the nursing home quality exposé, this time focused on the Music & MemorySM program. The reporter's on-air colleagues noted that the story was a departure from her usual investigatory beat, to which she replied: "When I asked the State where that fine money was going, I wanted to make sure everyone knew about this heartwarming program."

The segment shows how the person-centered approach of Music & MemorySM improves the lives not only of the residents, but of their caregivers and family members as well. Music & MemorySM trains nursing home staff and other elder care professionals how to create and provide personalized playlists on digital music players that enable those struggling with dementia to reconnect with the world through memories triggered by the music they love. Staff from the Ombudsman's office are visiting participating nursing homes to support implementation and provide monthly webinars for nursing home staff on topics that build on the principles and practices of Music & MemorySM.

We will continue to expand Music & MemorySM to more nursing facilities and other care settings, such as assisted living and home care. We're also exploring ways we can help family caregivers unlock the power of music for their loved ones.

We're looking forward to creating many more positive stories like this with Music & MemorySM.

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 5/6 - 5/12

5/6 - Walking zumba at 10:30 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery Shopping to Van Wert at 1:30 p.m.

5/7 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Mother's Day Retreat & Celebration; Blood pressure & Toe nail Clinic at 9:00 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Turn up at

12:15 p.m.

5/8 - Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.; Birthday & Anniversary Celebration; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

5/11 - Raffle Day "Shedding Points" at 9:30 a.m.; Fingernail

Clinic 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Walking Zumba at 10:30 a.m.; Steering Committee Meeting at 12:00 Noon

5/12 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

ANTWERP HIRES NEW SUPER AND NEW ENGLISH TEACHER



Pat Ross welcomes Dr. Marty Miller as he will be taking over her duties as Antwerp Local School District Superintendent.

Since Pat Ross announced her upcoming resignation, the Antwerp School Board has been looking to fill the position for the 2015-16 school year. They selected Dr. Martin Miller from over 20 candidates applied for the Superintendent position left vacant by Mrs. Ross.

Dr. Martin Miller was born and raised in Paulding County and went to school starting in Oakwood. He later graduated from Paulding High School. Miller graduated with his administration degree from Bowling Green State University.

Marty served as a teacher for 16 years and principal for 12 years. Four and a half years were at Paulding Elementary. He currently serves at Ayersville as Elementary principal. "I thank everyone for the warm welcome and appreciate seeing so many involved at this board meeting," he really thought it was well represented by students, teachers, and parents.



Principal Tim Manz welcomes Nicholas Peckinpaugh.

A high school student group was there addressing issues of education they thought were important. The students spoke about problems in the middle school. One important point the student body representatives tried to emphasize: they don't care for the NOVA Program. Alex Vail was not able to be there, but he had a quote read by Samantha Provines.

Mikayla Boesch read a paper by Annie Miesle, who also could not attend, "Antwerp has a good selection of well rounded students." She continued on about the importance of education in the career world. She also read for Joshua Steiner, "However, I realized this class was not what it was made out to be. It is difficult in languages to in-

teract when it's not with a real teacher."

There were petitions put out for the students to sign and over 350 signed the petition who want to improve the education and not just to improve GPA. The students signed the petition who were not in favor of cutting the electives. They think it would be detrimental for all the future students of the school.

The NOVA class for English has no writing for college preparation according to one of the students. They claimed Amy Sorrell, current teacher, is much better than the NOVA classes. The young ladies did a great job presenting what they thought of how the school could benefit from continuing on and not following the NOVA classes.

Jasmine Reyes and the student council who went to this conference presented their experience and great education at this event. The small group workshops trained the students to be better leaders and

showing students how they can make a difference. They want to attend another OASC conference or possibly host one at Antwerp. There was no middle school student council before Jasmine Reyes came to Antwerp. It has been developed quite well since over the last several years. It was a great experience for the students and for the school as a whole.

Semi-annual tax dollars were received in March according to Kristine Stuart.

Mr Bute: yearbook field trip attended Kent State. There were 10 awards given to the yearbook staff and Mrs. Sorrell for their quality of work. One of the awards were for their spread designs. Brittany Smith won awards for top ad designs in the yearbook.

Graduation Rehearsal is Friday, May 15 at 8:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." —2 Chron. 7:14

THREE WOODLAN FOOTBALL SENIORS TO CONTINUE W/ COLLEGE BALL



Pictured from left to right are Woodlan Head Coach Sherwood Haydock, Hunter Loudon (Defiance College), Austin Conner (Trine University), and Elliott Gunderman (Defiance College).

Three members of the Woodlan High School graduating class of 2015 have announced their decision to continue their football careers at the collegiate level. All three were instrumental in leading the Warriors to back to back 8-4 records and leading the way for current Indiana State Sycamore and former Woodlan Warrior Jaylen Bennett, to rush for and set both the Woodlan single season (2,320 yards) and career rushing records (3,913 yards). This past season, the trio blocked for current Woodlan, junior Mitchell VanBrocklin, as he rushed for 1,808 yards.

Defiance College recruit, Hunter Loudon was a two way starter and All-Conference selection for the Warriors at offensive tackle and defensive

The senior breakfast is May 18 at 7:00 a.m. on Monday morning. This will be to send the seniors off for their last time at the Antwerp Local School.

Mr Manz reported Battle of the Books 6th graders competed at the Fairgrounds and did well but didn't win for the county. Many field trips are coming up of the elementary. From the Zoo, Sauder's Village and Grand Rapids are all coming up. May 15 at 7:00 p.m. is the final concert for elementary.

New Teacher Nicholas Peckinpaugh is currently a teacher in Canton in OH. He graduated from Bluffton University after finishing high school at Pandora, OH. He will be replacing Mrs. Geyer as a 4th and 5th grade English teacher.

Pat Ross stated the ALICE drills were on April 16. The first of these took place a year ago. The students were brought to the gym to discuss what would happen and what needs to be done. Saying, "Listen to your teacher." The broadcast class created this video and Mrs. Bagley did a great job creating this along with the entire broadcasting class. Where is the danger zone? This was all discussed with the students and helped them understand what safety is all about. The plan for next year will be a full drill with first responders.

Antwerp needs a new bus! Only one bus will be traded in instead of two, which was the plan last year. The new bus will be purchased this year by joining a consortium. There has been problems with one of the buses. A new fence is going to be installed soon protecting the bus garage.

Harold Gottke reported the light board failed right before the spring play began in the auditoria and it cannot

end. In two seasons as the starting defensive end for the Warriors, Hunter recorded 82 tackles and seven sacks.

Trine University recruit Austin Conner was a three year starter for the Warriors at offensive guard. During his career, Austin was selected for All-Conference, Indiana Football Coaches Association 1st team All-State, and will participate in the North/South all-star game in Indianapolis this summer.

Elliott Gunderman has chosen Defiance College to continue his football career. Elliot was a two year starter at Offensive Tackle for the Warriors. Elliot finished his senior year by being selected All-Conference and named to the Associated Press 2nd team 2A All-State team.

be repaired. He is looking at a new one as there will be a demonstration this week. They are looking at getting a 67% discount on new network switches but it probably won't come in until next school year (August).

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 5/6 - 5/12

5/6 - Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, orange juice, mixed vegetables, biscuit

5/7 - Cubed steak w/gravy, baked potato, green bean casserole, mandarin oranges, rice krispy treat, dinner roll

5/8 - Baked fish, cheesy potatoes, broccoli, strawberry shortcake, whole wheat bread

5/11 - Cheeseburger, baked beans, Spanish green beans, blushing pears, raisins

5/12 - Baked ham, roasted potatoes, winter blend, tropical fruit, cornbread, cookie

Thank You
 To my friends, family and classmates of AHS - Especially Lynn, Paige, Sue and Liz.
 Words cannot express how much your cards, calls, visits and prayers mean to me. When you are on the giving side, you have no idea how much that little gesture means until the tide turns and you are on the receiving end.
 It seems like this journey continues with still more bends and detours and we are trying to stay positive with each new struggle.
 Thank you all for your continued love, prayers and support.
 -Toby (Miller) Roesti

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Thank You
 To all the friends and family, a huge hug and thank you for all the love and support given to Mom and also to us through the years and especially now at her passing. Words cannot express how much it has meant to receive the cards, calls and talks sharing memories and words of comfort. We also appreciate and want to thank all those that have provided food or help in multiple ways. God's blessings on all of you. We will be forever grateful. Mom is at peace now and has joined Dad and all those she loved that have preceded her.
 With love,
 The Family of
 Fris E. (Parker) Woodcox,
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OLDER OHIOANS: LIVE "WELL BEYOND 60!"

May is celebrated nationally as Older Americans Month to recognize the achievements of our elders and acknowledge the many organizations that serve them, care for them and provide them with opportunities to grow, thrive and contribute. This year, the Ohio Department of Aging is encouraging all Ohioans to explore the many ways they can live "Well Beyond 60!"

Governor's Proclamation

"Choices we make throughout our lives have a bigger impact on how we age than genetics," said Bonnie K. Burman, Sc.D., director of the department. "No matter your age or fitness level, there is always something you can do to improve your health and well-being. Living well beyond 60 is about learning to make healthy decisions so that we continue to be vital members of society."

The department recommends a three-pronged approach:

- Take control of your health - Use the HEALTHY U Ohio initiative to learn strategies to actively manage your health and care, especially if you are among the three out of four older adults living with at least one chronic condition, such as diabetes or heart disease.

- Take control of your safety - One in three older adults will fall this year. Use the STEADY U Ohio initiative to recognize that falls are not a normal part of aging and that most falls can be prevented with minor changes to your home, health and habits.

- Continue to grow, thrive and contribute - Older adults who stay active through volunteering, working, learning and other activities see improved physical and mental health, according to the Corporation for National and Community Service.

For more information and resources, visit www.aging.ohio.gov/news/olderamericansmonth/.

Photo Project

Through May 15, Ohioans of all ages are encouraged to submit pictures that show how they or their loved ones are living "Well Beyond 60!" You can post pictures and selfies to the department's Facebook timeline as well as post photos and short video clips on Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag #WellBeyond60 and mentioning @OhioDeptOfAging. Additionally, you may submit photos by mail to: Ohio Department of Aging, ATTN: Older Americans Month Photo Project, 50 W. Broad St./9th Fl., Columbus, OH 43215-3363. Please note: Photos not accepted will be returned. The department reserves the right to use submitted images

and videos in its online and print publications and outreach. For more details, visit www.aging.ohio.gov/news/olderamericansmonth/.

CHALLENGED HIGHER PLANS ACTIVITIES FOR MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Challenged Higher Drop-In Center will be holding multiple activities throughout the month of May to celebrate Mental Health Month. The Center is kicking off the month on Tuesday, May 5, held in partnership with Orchard Tree Restaurant. Orchard Tree will donate 15% of each bill to Challenged Higher to support mental health initiatives in the community. Diners must present the flyer at the time of check-out to participate. Participating diners will be entered in a drawing to win a Family four-pack of tickets to the Ft. Wayne Children's Zoo. Flyers are available at Challenged Higher and at www.chpeercenter.org.

The Center will host its Spring Open House Monday, May 11, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Visitors are welcome to join in a game of Bingo and enjoy refreshments with members. Membership packets and individual tours will be available for those wishing to join.

A Peace Garden Celebration is scheduled for May 30 at 10:00 a.m. Attendees may bring a flower to plant in the garden in honor of someone coping with mental illness or in memory of a loved one. Refreshments to follow.

For more information, please visit www.chpeercenter.org or call Megan Sanderson, Director at 419.232.4584. Challenged Higher Drop-In Center is a 501(c)3 charitable organization providing mental health peer support, education and advocacy.

Courthouse Employee Parking Spaces

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with the Paulding County Commissioners, are designating seven (7) spaces on the east side of the Courthouse, beginning at the Perry and Main Streets' intersection, heading north for employee parking. Each elected official in the Courthouse will be able to utilize one of these spaces at their discretion.

To facilitate the monitoring of parking in the lot and along Main Street, we will be supplying parking permits to be displayed in each employee's vehicle.

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MR. & MRS. GEORGE BREMER CELEBRATE 65th ANNIVERSARY



George and Kathryn (Koester) Bremer of New Haven, IN will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary with family at their home on Sunday, May 10th. They were married May 13, 1950 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne by the Rev. Henry Abram. They began dating in April 1948 at a barn dance for George's parents' 25th wedding anniversary.

George and Kathryn are blessed with seven children: James, Mary Bottoms, Rebecca Bennett, John, Thomas, Timothy, and David; 18 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

George retired from BF Goodrich after 26 years as a welder. Kathryn worked as a secretary and then became a homemaker when they started their family.

Ramco

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Along with all the additions in Rochester, Woodburn was selected with the help of the Lord as the next retail and manufacturing location after Marvin and his wife, Marietta began to see the need for expanding outside of the current area.

The industry has grown tremendously over the last 50 years, from one very large producer in West Virginia, shipping all over the U.S. to smaller, local, active manufacturers who can provide a variety of custom metals and colors in a timely fashion.

One specific item that sets Ramco apart from box stores and other manufacturers is the ability to buy directly from the steel mills, including SDI, and having the Valspar baked on paint and the Galvalume undercoating made to their specific formulas to provide the end user with the longest possible roof life.

Even with 48-hour standard turnaround, they keep 2,000-2,500 tons of steel on hand at all times between both facilities. 26 fantastic employees keep operations

humming from sales to final delivery.

Not only does Ramco Supply make the steel siding and roofing, they also manufacturer custom trim, eaves, and roofs, using .016 to .018 thickness of steel. Contractors rave about the consistency of the products produced by the company.

Making the panels, they start off with a 41" wide roll of steel and feed it through the press that squeezes the sheet as it passes through the dies, making the indents and ribs to complete 36" wide panels very quickly for local contractors and home owners who buy direct.

Marvin is very creative with his work and ideas, yet very conservative at the same time. People who need ideas for their concepts can speak with him, coming up with great solutions to nearly any projects with metal.

For more information about Ramco Supply or their products visit ramcosupply.com, stop in at either location or call 844-435-0598.

We welcome Marvin, his family, and Ramco to the area. It's great to see your here. May God bless you all as you serve this community.

DISCOVER THE CAN-DO YOU, TREAT HEARING LOSS, BHI URGES FOR BETTER HEARING & SPEECH MONTH

Getting a hearing test and treating hearing loss can open up a whole new way of looking at life, says the Better Hearing Institute (BHI), which is raising awareness of the importance of hearing health during Better Hearing & Speech Month in May. New research from BHI shows that people with hearing loss who use hearing aids are more likely to be optimistic, tackle problems actively, have a strong social network, and feel engaged in life.

BHI is encouraging people to take a free, quick, and confidential online hearing check at www.BetterHearing.org to determine if they need a comprehensive hearing test by a hearing healthcare professional.

Research has long shown that addressing hearing loss is one of the best things you can do to improve your quality of life, says BHI, which has been studying the effects of hearing loss and hearing aids on people's lives for decades.

Fortunately, for the vast majority of people with hearing loss, hearing aids can help. In fact, most people who currently wear hearing aids and participated in a recent BHI survey say it helps their overall ability to communicate effectively in most situations, along with having a positive effect on their relationships, work performance, ability to participate in group activities, and overall quality of life. Many also say they feel more confident and better about themselves as a result of using hearing aids.

For more information on hearing loss and to take the BHI Hearing Check, visit www.BetterHearing.org.

6 Compelling Reasons to Upgrade Your Thinking on Hearing Aids

Hearing aid technology and design have undergone a sweeping transformation over the past several years, taking off in terms of what they can offer youthful-minded people eager to stay active and engaged.

The new reality is that hearing loss is part of modern life for a great number of people. It's commonplace. But new technologies are making it easier to manage hearing loss.

Below are six compelling reasons to upgrade your thinking on hearing aids and to schedule an appointment today for a comprehensive hearing test by a hearing healthcare professional.

1. Addressing hearing health may help protect cognitive function.

A new study from the Bloomberg School of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University found that hearing aids may slow cognitive decline tied

to hearing loss, according to Reuters. The study found that estimated 20-year rates of decline in memory and global function were greatest in participants who did not use a hearing aid. Earlier studies have linked hearing loss to dementia and cognitive issues.

2. State-of-the-art features make today's hearing aids better than ever. Many hearing aids are virtually invisible, sitting discreetly and comfortably inside the ear canal. Many can adjust to all kinds of noise environments and pick up sound from all directions. Best of all, many are wireless. Many of today's hearing aids can stream sound directly from your smartphone, home entertainment system, and other electronics directly into the hearing aid itself—at volumes just right for you. Some are even waterproof.

3. Using hearing aids may help unleash earning potential. BHI research has found that using hearing aids reduced the risk of income loss by 90 to 100 percent for those with milder hearing loss, and from 65 to 77 percent for those with severe to moderate hearing loss. People with untreated hearing loss can lose as much as \$30,000 in income annually, the study found.

4. Many hearing aids can help mask ringing in the ears. Tinnitus affects nearly 50 million Americans and is often the result of noise exposure. It is almost always accompanied by hearing loss. The good news is that many hearing aids can help reduce the prominence of tinnitus by amplifying background sound. Just taking the focus off the tinnitus can provide relief for many people. Hearing aids also help reduce the stress associated with intensive listening, which alone can help relieve tinnitus symptoms.

5. More than 9 out of 10 of the newest hearing aid owners are happy. As many as 91 percent of all owners of the newest hearing aids—those purchased in the last year—are satisfied with their hearing aids, according to recent BHI research. When you look at just those with wireless hearing aid technology, the satisfaction rates go even higher. And just think, wireless technology seems to be getting better every year.

6. Today's hearing aid users are giving the thumbs up to others. The vast majority of current hearing aid users say they'd recommend a hearing aid to others with hearing loss. In fact, as many as 90 percent of people who purchased their hearing aid within the last four years say they'd recommend a hearing aid to a friend or family member, according to recent BHI research.

For more information, contact Buckeye Hearing Health, 1035 W. Wayne, Suite 10, Paulding, OH 45879 419-399-1719.



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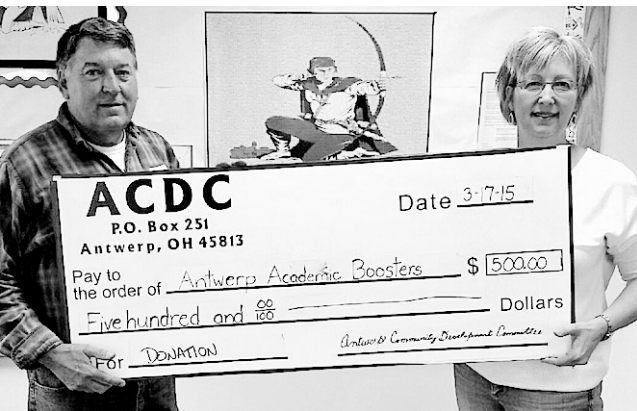
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Pictured above is A.C.D.C. President Jim Pendergrast and Mrs. Lynnette Vail representing the Antwerp Academic Boosters receiving a check for \$500.00 for book scholarships for graduating

seniors of Antwerp High School. Students who have been pride card holders for their high school years are eligible. not shown is Mrs. Kayla Bagley.

DINNER & A MOVIE AT WOODBURN UMC

On Wednesday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m., Woodburn United Methodist Church will continue hosting our monthly Dinner and a Movie Night. The fun will begin at 6:00 p.m. with hot ham and cheese sandwiches provided by the Ashes. We'll also have a lot of good fellowship.

After the dinner, we'll adjourn to the sanctuary to view the inspirational movie, *What If...* This movie tells the story of Ben Walker, who 15 years ago left his college sweetheart Wendy, and his calling to be a preacher, in order to pursue a business opportunity. Suddenly, an angel in the guise of tow truck driver, gives him the chance to see what his life would have been like had he followed his true calling. The movie stars Kevin Sorbo, Kristy Swanson, John Ratzenberger, and Debby Ryan.

At the end of the movie, there will be a drawing for a door prize, but you must be present to win this prize. There is no charge for this uplifting evening of food, fun, faith, and fellowship. Woodburn United Methodist is located at 4300 Becker Rd. behind the Woodburn Xpress gas station in the middle of Woodburn. Pastor Terry McDonald and all of the people of Woodburn United Methodist are looking forward to continuing a tradition of Dinner and a Movie Night at WUMC. Please join us!

VAN WERT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION HOSTS NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER OBSERVANCE

Everyone is invited on Thursday, May 7 to the local observance of the National Day of Prayer for Van Wert County and surrounding area. The Program begins at 12:05 p.m. and lasts till 12:55 p.m. and will be held in front of Van Wert County Courthouse. Prayers will be offered for the seven areas of influence: Businesses, Churches, Families, Government, Media, Military, and Schools. The theme for 2015 is "Lord Hear Our Cry" from 1 Kings

8:28. With all the civil unrest and the upcoming Supreme Court decisions, America desperately needs our prayers.

The Van Wert Ministerial Association invites all area people of faith to come together and seek the Lord for the healing of our land according to 2 Chronicles 7: 14. This the 64th Anniversary of the National Day of Prayer. For more information or questions please contact, National Day of Prayer coordinator, Pastor Paul Hamrick at 419-771-9378 or email at 771hope@gmail.com

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood church of Christ

1. Luke 19:11 - Who are the ones who heard these things?
2. Luke 19:11 - How did Jesus speak to these people?
3. Luke 19:11 - What town were they near?
4. Luke 19:11 - What did the people believe?
5. Luke 19:12 - What is the certain nobleman's name?
6. Luke 19:12 - Where was this certain man going?
7. Luke 19:12 - What was he going to receive for himself?
8. Luke 19:12 - Where was the certain noble man returning to?
9. Luke 19:13 - How many servants did the nobleman call?
10. Luke 19:13 - Who are the servants?

Comments or questions? Call James Potter at 419-393-475 or e-mail jsp1941@yahoo.com to reach the editor/proof reader call 419-39-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ.

Answers to today's questions:

1. Those who were traveling with Jesus Luke 19:1-10;
2. Another parable; 3. Jerusalem;
3. Kingdom of God;
4. Jesus;
5. A far country;
6. A kingdom;
7. Heaven;
8. Ten;
9. Disciples

Now let us see what we can learn from this parable that is truth. Verse 11 tells us Jesus was near Jerusalem, some 15 or so miles away, the crowd was expecting Christ to do something, and do you know what it was? Loved ones, so many people are expect-

ing this to happen today, as the Jews did back then, that Christ would set up an earthly kingdom like that of David. Loved ones, this is why Jesus is telling us this parable, that there will be no earthly kingdom. Verse 12 says a certain nobleman went into a far country. A couple of words we need to look at here. First word is 'noble man' which in my concordance it says one who belongs to the upper class and then goes on to say that it is Jesus and other books also refer this as being Jesus. Do you know of any who is higher than Jesus except God? The other word is 'far country', actually I should have said two words. Where is a far country? Remember now Jesus is on earth heading toward Jerusalem. As you and I continue our studies through Luke 24, we will see what Jesus is saying here taking place as we study, the far country is heaven, where God is and after they crucify Jesus, He is three days in the grave, then resurrected, spends forty days with the disciples, then ascends to heaven, where He is sitting at the right hand of God, ruling over His kingdom. Which is spiritual. Christ's subjects or people are those who have obeyed Christ through the Gospel message and been added to His church and Christ is ruling over His kingdom today.

"Ol' Baldy" loves you and surely prays that you would pray, read, and study the New Testament. "Luv Ya"

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR, WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST NEED?

Winning the Battle for a Generation by: Pastor Rick Jones

I grew up in a family of ten where there were a lot of life experiences, there was sickness, poverty, death and most importantly, there was love. Though I did feel loved by my mom and dad and brothers and sisters I knew nothing of God's love for me through Jesus Christ. However, one thing I did learn growing up was that all of us have one great single primary need, the need to be loved. What are you looking for, what is your greatest need? The need to receive and give love. Author and Pastor David Jeremiah writes about how love is like the strongest glue...

"Where can you find the strongest glue in the world? Not in a store or factory. Dive into the ocean instead and take a look at barnacles and mussels, which fasten themselves to boats, piers, and rocks. Many shellfish secrete a protein that allows them to firmly cling to any surface, even in salt water. Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology are currently studying shellfish in an attempt to develop a stronger kind of waterproof glue that can be used in ship repair and even with surgical incisions.

For an even stronger kind of glue, dive into the Bible and study the subject of love. The apostle Paul said that nothing can separate us from God's love and that God has shed abroad His love in our hearts (Romans 8:39; 5:5). According to Colossians 2:2, our hearts are "knit together in love."

Although the Church is made up of people from all walks of life, our love of

Christ must unite us. That means we must exercise patience, meet needs, and put the interests of others first. Love is the opposite of being selfish... I mean selfish.

"Love is extravagant in the time it is willing to give, in the strength it is willing to spend, and in the price it is willing to pay."

—George Duncan, Scottish revivalist

Whatever you may be looking for, whatever you may feel your lacking in life, I assure on the promises of God's Word that when you experience the life changing gift of God's love Jesus Christ, you will come to know what it means to live, truly live.

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

WEST OHIO FOOD BANK SUMMER BACK PACK PROGRAM GETS A BOOST FROM NFC FOUNDATION

The West Ohio Food Bank is proud to announce a donation of \$5,000.00 from the NFC Foundation to the West Ohio Food Bank's Summer Back Pack Program. The funds will be used specifically to provide food for this important summer program. The program provides 500 back packs each week for a ten week period.

The Summer Children's Back Pack program relies on partner agencies for distribution to the eligible children. Each back pack will include two breakfast, two lunch, two dinner, two snack and two drink items. All of the items are of the "single serving" variety.

This generous donation from the NFC Foundation will help the West Ohio Food Bank acquire the necessary 50,000 products needed to fill the summer back packs.

SO NEAR YET SO FAR

By: Gerry Weesner LPR, Maples United Methodist Church

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

"Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." Mark 12:28-34a (NIV).

COLORING CONTEST WINNER FOR NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH



Pictured are Dr. Carl Jeffery, Dr. Jessica Jeffery-Mohr, and Mylie Wittwer.

Jeffery-Mohr Dentistry of Van Wert is very happy to announce that Mylie Wittwer, a 1st grader from Payne Elementary is a \$20 winner of the coloring contest to celebrate National Children's Dental Health Month. Mylie received a \$20 gift certificate to Wal-mart Supercenter for her great drawing. The entire school was very excited to learn that she won the gift certificate.

During the month of February and March, Dr. Jessica Jeffery-Mohr visited the local area schools and the children

received kits that included a sticker, pencil, and a toothbrush. During the program, the kids met her friend B.G. Roo, the kangaroo tooth fairy, who showed the kids how to brush correctly and how to be a great patient at the dental office.

The contest included preschoolers to first graders from 14 different schools around the area. There were 955 who participated in the coloring contest and 1527 dental kits were given to the kids during the program!

Jesus told the scribe that he was not far from the kingdom of God. The scribe was near but not there yet. This could be taken as a compliment, but they are also chilling words. Chilling because the scribe did not yet believe in Jesus Christ, he was near the kingdom but not there yet. There was a danger that even though he was close he would not take the final step to be a part of God's kingdom. There is a decisive separation between those who have and those who have not entered into the salvation that is found in Jesus Christ.

Will a person take the next step or not? The choice is up to each individual. To see the truth clearly and then reject it is a fatal decision that will result in exclusion from heaven. A person that drowns a few feet from shore is just as dead as the person that drowns in the middle of the ocean. The scribe needed to take the next step to enter the kingdom of God. The scribe needed to do what all sinners need to do. He needed to repent of his sins. He needed to believe in Jesus Christ and accept His salvation. And, he needed to make a decision to be obe-

dient to the will and commands of God.

God loves us and calls us to come close to Him so that we may know the fullness of His love. We do not know the final destiny of the scribe, but we can and must be certain of our own.

DEMYSTIFYING ROMANCE EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

How scientific findings can help create and sustain more satisfying relationships will be discussed at Lifetree Café Thursday, May 7 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "What Makes Relationships Tick?" includes a filmed interview with Ty Tashiro, the author of "The Science of Happily Ever After: What Really Matters in the Quest for Enduring Love."

"Butterflies in the stomach come with stress hormones like cortisol, that are toxic if released over a period of time, and a pounding heart is really high blood pressure," says Tashiro, who says the extreme emotional high of love can actually be fatal if experienced for too long. "It lasts about two years," says Tashiro, "but it can come back throughout a relationship."

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Pastor Max Begley

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INDIA'S SHAME, AND THE WORLD'S

By: Mel Gurtov

A democracy is supposed to have the advantage of affording people of any social class, gender, or religious or ethnic group the opportunity to advance. In contrast with authoritarian political orders, democracies should be superior in their openness to change, to everyone's participation in politics, and to equality before the law. In a word, democracies are based on the politics of hope and the virtues of transparency. Or so the theory goes.

India defies these expectations. Though it has democratic institutions and vigorous political competition, at least among elites, when it comes to human development and human security, India falls very short—embarrassingly so when compared with China. The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), which measures human development and reports annually on conditions in nearly all countries documents the comparison. Overall, among 177 countries for

which data are available, India ranks 135th (in company with Tajikistan, Bhutan, and Cambodia), whereas China ranks 91st (along with Thailand, Armenia, and Fiji). In fact, there are very few categories of human development in which India does better on average than China, which surely explains why developing countries (and many Indian specialists!) looking for economic models are far more likely to choose China than India.

Statistically, among the most telling indicators of human development are those affecting children and women. Infant mortality is exceptionally high in India (44 percent, compared with China's 12 percent), and life expectancy for children is lower than in the poorest African country. Poor nutrition and sanitation, and limited access to health care, are the observable reasons. Child labor in India, at 12 percent for ages 5 to 14, is also uncommonly high.

Equally shameful is the low status of India's women, a fact recently brought home in two very different ways. One is the film (produced in Britain), India's Daughter, which explores the culture of rape, based on the well publicized incident last December in which a young woman was gang-raped on a public bus in New Delhi. The woman died of her injuries, the rapists were not the least bit repentant, and the government has banned the film on the specious argument that it will encourage more such assaults. The low status of Indian women is also the key factor in their limited access to prenatal and other health care. As a result, they are, as the article puts it, dangerously underweight.

In short, India is one of the worst places in the world to be a woman. Never mind Sonia Gandhi and other successful Indian women. For the overwhelming majority of Indian women, degrading treatment, sexual violence, and last-in-line access to the means of well being are the norm. (China is hardly a model here, but the status of women is certainly higher in China than in India.)

India's shame is also the world's. The latest UN report on the status of women pres-

HAPPY EARTH DAY TO YOU!!



The preschoolers in Mrs. Kohart's class at Paulding Elementary celebrated Earth Day with Mrs. Becky Suvar from the Paulding County WMEA program. Ms Becky comes every week to collect recycling from the school and

has helped the preschoolers and their families learn how to recycle and why it is so important. Dallas Schuchart and Addalynn Thomas are shown enjoying some "dirt" pudding and worms with Ms Becky at snack time.

ents the first "Platform for Action" since the landmark 1995 international conference in Beijing. The report finds that although women have advanced globally by some measures, such as political office holding and education, violence against women is pervasive everywhere. In the words of the report:

"Recent global estimates show that 35 per cent of women worldwide have experienced either physical and/or sexual intimate partner violence or non-partner sexual violence in their lifetime. While there is some variation across regions, all regions have unacceptably high rates of violence against women."

In India, according to the UNDP, more women than men (54 percent to 51 percent) believe wife beating is justified. Though few countries can match the depth of violence against women that characterizes Indian society, global and regional averages suggest that violence, and acceptance by men and many women of its legitimacy, cut across income levels.

When it comes to preventing violence against women and girls, the UN ECOSOC report repeats all the well-known reforms that are needed—in law, education, community awareness, and police enforcement — but accepts that cultural norms run deep. Thus the report notes that "although States are increasingly recognizing the importance of prevention, very few have introduced long-term, coordinated and cross-cutting prevention strategies, with the vast majority reporting on short-term piecemeal activities." This is bad news for women and girls everywhere, and nowhere more so than in India.

Mel Gurtov, syndicated by PeaceVoice, is Professor Emeritus of Political Science at Portland State University, Editor-in-Chief of Asian Perspective, an international affairs quarterly and blogs at In the Human Interest.

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Participants in any relationship status will find hope and help for having great relationships.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available. Lifetree Café is located in The Bachwell at 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Please enter on Court Street. Parking is available in the Courthouse lots.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for con-

PIZZA HUT TO ASSIST BAND & COLOR GUARD

The Spirit of Woodlan Marching Band & Color Guard is hosting at the Northwood Plaza Pizza Hut on Monday, May 11th 5:00-8:00 p.m. The band & guard will be working as employees that evening and will receive money for each buffet ordered that night. This event is used to support the band & guard during the 2015 marching season. Come out & help support one of the finest marching bands in the area!

WAYNE TRACE SOFTBALL OUTSCORED BY PARKWAY

On Friday, in the bright spring sunshine, high school softball took place between Wayne Trace and Parkway. Parkway dominated the field, taking the win for the day: 8-1.

Score by the Inning:
Parkway - 3 2 1 2 0 0 =8,
13H, 0E; Parkway - Shishler 1 run; Walls 3 runs; Bates 1 run; Burtch 1 run; Hawk 1 run; Hechler 1 run
Wayne Trace - 0 0 0 1 0 0 =1, 5H, 3E; Hitters: WT - Swary 1 run

The West Bend News READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

- OHIO LOCATIONS**
- Antwerp:** Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H20, River Street Market, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Papa Oley's, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, The Rootbeer Stand, Agora, Pit-Stop
 - Broughton:** Kohart's Surplus & Salvage
 - Bryan:** Chief, Town & Country, McDonald's, Bryan Senior Center
 - Cecil:** Cecil Elevator, Maramart, Vagabond
 - Charloe:** Charloe Store
 - Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware
 - Defiance:** Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots, Cabin Fever Coffee, Cabbage Patch Convenience Store
 - Edgerton:** Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, Frager's Barbershop, Utilities Office
 - Grover Hill:** Ross' Gas Station, N&N, Quick Stop
 - Grabill:** Do-It Best Hardware, Save-A-Lot
 - Hicksville:** Cline's Market, Hickory Hills Golf Course, Sailers, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H20, Senior Center
 - Melrose:** Uncle Fudd's Diner, Morning Star Convenience Store
 - Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, The Oakleaf, Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware
 - Paulding:** Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Napa Xpress, True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly
 - Wood and Vine, Paulding County Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Country Inn Living Center, Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587
 - Payne:** Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza
 - Scott:** Scott Variety Store
 - Sherwood:** Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank,
 - Van Wert:** Pak-A-Sak, Short Stop, Family Video, Orchard Tree, BalyEat's, Lee's Ace Hardware, Main Street Market, Walmart
- INDIANA LOCATIONS**
- Fort Wayne:** Walmart (Maysville Rd.)
 - Grabill:** Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales
 - Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Harlan Cafe, iAB Bank
 - Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub
 - Monroeville:** Mel's Deli, The Village of Heritage, Phillips 66 Gas Station, Dollar General
 - New Haven:** Curves, Milan Center, New Haven Branch Library, Ken's Meat Market, New Haven Bakery, Broadway Deli, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Restaurant, New Haven Chamber
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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

The English Tank Battalions have succeeded in capturing about half of Caen. It's house to house fighting, and some places down to room to room at a time. The Krauts will defend this city until the last man. That is an edict from Hitler.

We spend our morning sortie flying over Caen and seeing where we could do to help the foot soldiers. We found some German machine-guns on top of some buildings, firing down into the allied soldiers. We got rid of them in a hurry.

We shot up anything we could that was out in the open. Then, we saw some German anti-tank guns out in the open waiting on our Sherman tanks to come forward and we got rid of them with our rockets. We found a few road blocks and our rockets took care of them, also. This city has to fall to the allies before they can head east to Berlin.

The allied front line now runs pretty much north and south a few miles east of Caen. This morning, about 600 bombers came over and blanket-bombed a strip of land about 20 miles wide and a few miles deep into France, so that the allies could break out of the invasion area and start moving towards Paris. This is July 21, 1944, this was a good idea to bomb the German lines so Patton could start his break out. But the planners of the bombing raid told the pilots to bomb on the smoke made by the first row of bombers. That was a good idea, but the wind was from the east and blew the smoke over to the American lines and the following bombers dropped their bombs on the American soldiers. The government admitted to over 300 killed and over 500

wounded on the American side. The Canadians had over 600 killed and wounded. The bombing raid did some good, it weakened the German lines and Patton made it about 6 miles on the first day of his break out with an over-powering number of tanks and vehicles.

On a run like that, being that the ground is dry and hard, the tanks will be a few feet apart, running from north to south and a few miles wide. Our planes will keep looking for road-blocks and any sized group of enemy tanks or soldiers.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

There was a man in our town that was really frugal. In fact, he was downright tight about his money. He and his wife got along with the necessities of life, but they never had a vacation, a trip, or anything new. All of that costs money.

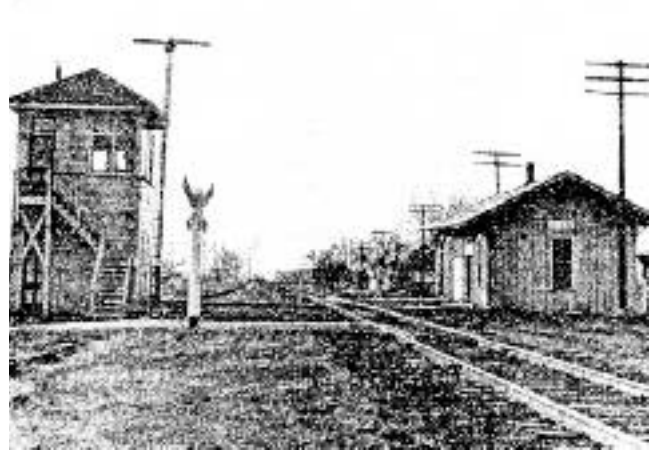
Well, he wanted to control his money all the time, so he made his wife promise that when he died, she would put all his money in the casket and he would be buried with it. After a few discussions, she agreed to this.

Well, the old geezer did die, and she remembered her promise to the old skinflint. At the church during the funeral service, a neighbor lady asked the wife if she abided by her promise to put all of the money into the casket with him. She said, "Yes, I kept my word." Just before they closed the casket, she went forward with a shoebox and placed it in the casket and returned to her seat.

The neighbor lady asked if she really put all that money in the casket. She replied, "Well yes I did! But first, I made a deposit and wrote him a check."

See ya!

THE DEPOT & TOWER AT CECIL



By: Stan Jordan

The above photo is of the Cecil Depot & Tower. This is the junction of Wabash railroad going east and west, and the Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinac railroad going north and south. It was owned by the NY Central. This photo was taken from the Paulding booklet called, *Visions*. The photo was taken by Dorothy Chester. As I understand, a couple miles of the C.J.M. Railroad is still used to bring cars of stone from the Lafarge Quarry north to Cecil and then on

to the east and west railroad line. It goes west, then, to New Haven and then onto the Norfolk and southern lines. The Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinac's last train ran in 1957. Nearly all evidence of all rails and tracks have long since disappeared. There is some of the railroad bridge over the Maumee River, just east of US 127. You can see it from the highway. The rails and ties of the line through Antwerp is being improved and updated. I think it will be busier as the years go along.

See ya!

IF YOU LIKE FOOD, THANK A FARMER

Guest Column by: Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted

In Ohio, agriculture is king.

While our state has a diverse and growing economy, there is no doubt that agriculture is Ohio's number-one industry.

The word agriculture commonly conjures up images of hard, physical labor in a field and dusty barns, but work in the modern agriculture industry is quite different. While it still involves a lot of hard work, if you drive by most Ohio farms today, you'll see that horses and plows have been mostly replaced by GPS-navigated tractors and combines.

Each month, my office chooses a sector of businesses in Ohio's economy to highlight. In April, I travelled across the state to bring attention to agriculture in Ohio and the businesses, people, and jobs that make up the \$105 billion-per-year industry. In fact, agriculture is so important in our state that 1 in 7 Ohioans is employed in an agriculture-related field.

Agritourism is a growing part of the agriculture industry that invites individuals and families to see how our food is transformed from farm to table. I encourage you to visit my website at www.OhioBusinessProfile.com to learn about some of these businesses and find a place close to you where you can learn about agriculture in your community, pick your own fruit and buy farm fresh vegetables.

As Ohio's Secretary of State, my office is the first stop for those who wish to start a new business in our state. That is a role I take very seriously. Every day, we do our part to make Ohio the best place in the nation to start and maintain a business and hire new workers. Be sure to stay tuned to OhioBusinessProfile.com for our next profile to learn about great, female entrepreneurs in our state and women-owned, Ohio businesses.

SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS FOR LAKE LA SU AN HAVE BEEN SET

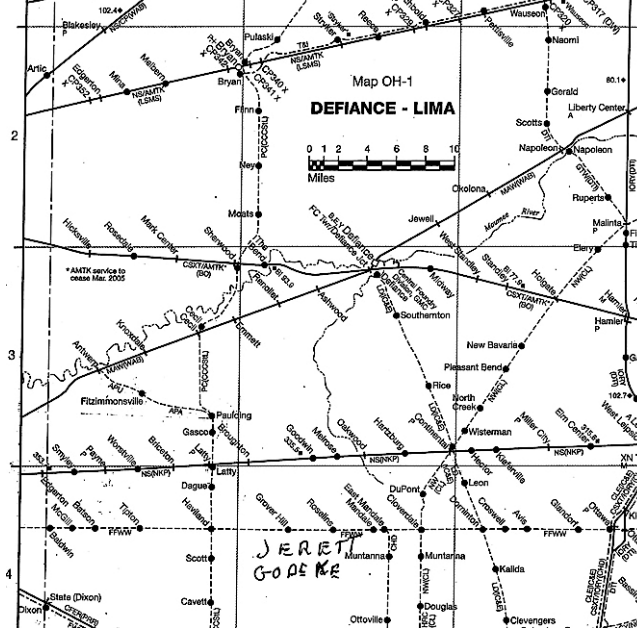
Fisheries biologists have set the special fishing regulations for this year at Lake La Su An Wildlife Area, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

Anglers are reminded that they are no longer required to make reservations, or obtain special fishing permits in order to fish the lakes on the La Su An Wildlife Area. In addition, anglers are not required to check in or out at the fish check station. All lakes on the area will be open to fishing, however; the number of days that anglers can fish the lakes will be restricted.

From May 1 through September 28 the lakes will be open to fishing four days a week: Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The La Su An Wildlife area will be closed to fishing at all other times. All lakes will be open from sunrise to sunset during designated fishing days. Sunfish bag limits for 2015 will be 15 fish daily, with no more than five fish being eight inches or larger. Largemouth bass will have an 18 inch minimum length limit, with a five fish daily bag limit and channel catfish will have a two fish daily bag limit. All bag limits are in effect area wide. This means that only one bag limit will be allowed each day regardless of how many lakes an angler fishes. All statewide fishing regulations apply to the area lakes, except when superseded by the special regulations mentioned above. Anglers are also reminded that no fish may be used as bait on the area.

These regulations have been designed by ODNR Division of Wildlife fisheries biologists to continue the tradition of quality bluegill fishing on the La Su An area lakes by continuing to regulate the amount of fishing pressure without the need for anglers to obtain a reservation. Parking will only be allowed in designated areas. For more information about fishing at Lake La Su An, visit the Division of Wildlife's webpage at: wildohio.gov under the Fishing Regulations. Select Lake La Su An on the Site-Specific Waters drop-down option.

A MAP OF THE LOCAL RAILROADS



By: Stan Jordan

This picture is part of a map given to me sometime ago by Jerrett Godeke. He is a senior at AHS and is very interested in trains. It shows all the lines that criss-crossed this area since the 1860's. It shows the NY Central going through Paulding on north through Cecil and Sherwood. It was called the Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinac line. The last train on that line was in 1957. It shows the bottom line that ran through Grover Hill, McGill, Haviland and Mandale. It was called the Findlay, Fort Wayne and Western Railroad. It also shows the line that runs through Payne, Latty, Oakwood, and it was called the Nickelplate Line. Now, it is called the Norfolk and Southern. At one time, it was part of the NYC. It shows the Wabash run-

ning from Moberly, MO, to Detroit. It was also called the Toledo St. Lou RPO. It stopped at Cecil, Antwerp and Woodburn, also, with mail twice a day. It also shows the Chessie system that ran through Hicksville, Sherwood and Defiance on it's way to Washington D.C., originating in Chicago.

It also shows the old NYC that runs through Edgerton, Bryan, Defiance and Wausselon, on its way to New York City. It is now the Norfolk and Southern/Amtrak and also stops at Waterloo. Down in the left column, it shows the route of a narrow gauge line that was called the Antwerp-Paulding Line. Please keep this map handy, as next week's article will be about the Antwerp-Paulding Line and the Antwerp-Puckerbrush Line. See ya!

ANTWERP STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTEND STATE CONFERENCE



Antwerp middle school/high school recently sent 8 delegates to the Ohio Association of Student Council's state conference. The conference took place in Wellington, Ohio and lasted three days and two nights (April 23-25). Hundreds of student council members from all over the state attended this conference and learned leadership/team

building skills. Middle school delegates: Morgan Boesch, Landyn Reyes, Eric Thornell, Alyvia DeVore, and Mallory Mansfield. High school delegates: Emilee Phillips, Lizzie Bond, and Brittany Smith.

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MAKE EXERCISE FUN, NOT A CHORE

The Nurturing Well by: Jill Starbuck

For some people, the thought of exercise makes them sweat before they've made their first move. Whether it's because they are out of shape, out of time, or just hate exercise, they forgo it. Once in a while, they may attempt it, but the attempt is halfhearted or performed incorrectly—both of which defeat the purpose of exercise. Too often, people make exercise a chore rather than a lifestyle. The biggest key to making exercise a lifestyle is to find a form of exercise that you enjoy.

People often try forms of exercise that make them feel miserable, are too difficult, or are too boring. They sometimes throw themselves into exercise regimens that aren't suitable for their fitness level, which may cause an injury or make them too sore in the beginning. Other times, they don't perform the exercise correctly, which causes them to become frustrated and give up. Sometimes they simply don't give a particular exercise a chance or ever remain consistent enough to get the hang of it. Exercise enthusiasts have overcome all of these issues. For many, exercise is something they enjoy and is part of their daily routine. Without exercise, they don't feel complete.

Exercise doesn't have to be a grueling process. Nowadays, many inventive forms of exercise exist that seem

more like fun and play than true exercise. For instance, for those who enjoy dancing, Zumba may be a perfect form of exercise to try as it incorporates modern dance moves with aerobic exercises for a high-energy, yet fun environment. For those who enjoy running, running events from 5Ks to full marathons flood the nation year round. Enjoy swimming? Try a water aerobics class. Need to improve flexibility? Try a yoga class. Short on time? Try interval exercises. Join clubs that focus on walking, running, swimming, and others. Check out local gyms and discover new forms of exercise you've never tried. For instance, some gyms offer pilates, piloxing, kickboxing, and more. Never heard of some of these? Check them out! Numerous options exist in the exercise world.

While it is ideal to exercise most days of the week, you could even fit in unique forms of exercise as entertainment. For instance, indoor trampoline parks and rock climbing adventures can get your heart pumping. Many local parks feature organized hikes, treetop rope courses, bike trails, and much more. Get creative. Meet a friend for a walk at a park, zoo, or mall to catch up. There is something out there for everyone. Don't force yourself into a particular exercise because everyone else is doing it. Choose one that you truly enjoy. When you find the one activity that you enjoy, you are more likely to stick with it.

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

EACS ANNOUNCES TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Recently, East Allen County Schools announced its choices for Teachers of the Year from all of their schools. Listed below are the recipients from Heritage, New Haven and Woodlan schools.



Tina Asher

Tina Asher, Heritage Elementary

Tina Asher is a 1st grade teacher. She has been teaching for 18 years, all with EACS! Favorite teaching moment: "As I reflect on the last 18 years, my thoughts keep going back to my first year of teaching in East Allen County. In a fifth grade classroom full of amazing and challenging group of students, I worked diligently to provide the best education I could for them. Day after day my students and I worked hard to prepare for sixth grade. I had a small group of boys who struggled with reading the entire year. One boy in particular struggled through each day, doing his best but not confident in himself compared to his peers. In fifth grade, being a boy and an A+ reader was not always the most important goal to achieve. At the end of the year, I worried that I didn't do enough for him. A few years passed, my former student, now in seventh grade saw each other at a basketball game. He yelled across the gymnasium to get my attention. As we greeted each other and began our conversation, he said "I want to show you something Mrs. Asher" he opened his wallet and pulled out his report card. He was very proud to show me that he received passing grades in reading. At that memorable moment I knew that I did succeed in teaching this student the drive for success and to be a responsible, productive student who hopefully holds his head high today and strives to do his best."



Amanda Minch

Amanda Minch, Heritage Jr./Sr. High

Amanda Minch is a Business Education teacher. She has been teaching for 10 years all with EACS! Favorite teaching moment: "Was the first semester of the year, when I had a student in my class that was coming back for his senior year to get his diploma. The day that he received his diploma he came down to my room to show me. I will nev-

er forget the smile on his face and how much pride he had in himself."



Christina Fisher

Christina Fisher, New Haven Primary

Christina Fisher is a 1st grade teacher. She has been teaching for 13 years, 12 at EACS! Favorite teaching moment: "Watching a student that has been struggling finally see their hard work pay off. I love the sense of pride that radiates from their body."



Hope Norris

Hope Norris, New Haven Intermediate

Hope Norris is a 3rd grade teacher. She has been teaching 13 years, 11 of those years with EACS! Favorite teaching moment "Times when a student makes a breakthrough. It can be behaviorally, emotionally or academically. They have spent many hours working hard to meet this accomplishment and it is the best feeling to see their priceless smiles when they meet that success!"



Aaron Snyder

Aaron Snyder, New Haven Middle

Aaron Snyder is a 6th grade teacher. He has been teaching for 15 years all with EACS! Favorite teaching moment: "Any day where students are learning, having fun, and growing as individuals is a good moment!"



David Harvey

David Harvey, New Haven High

David Harvey is an Engineering Technologies/PLTW Construction teacher. He has been teaching 14 years, all with EACS! Favorite teaching moment: "A few years ago I

FRACTION TOURNAMENT PREPARES STUDENTS FOR ISTEP TESTING



The 5th grade students at Woodlan Elementary School competed in the spring fraction tournament. The tournament was a double elimination, head to head, bracket tournament.

Students competed in adding, subtracting, dividing, and multiplying fractions. The tournament was a wonderful review of curriculum

standards for math prior to the spring ISTEP testing.

In Mrs. Price's class the runner up was Elliot Berry and her teammate was Kaylin Snyder. In Mrs. Salzbrenner's class, the runner up was Madelyn Tibbetts and the champion was Edward Stuckey. All winners were rewarded with gifts from the Spring Book Fair.

was facilitating a Restorative Practice Circle and the conversation was getting pretty deep and intimate within the group. One particular student had shared some of his personal challenges during the circle. Another student understood the significance and asked me if he and the student who had shared could speak privately. I conceded and continued on with the circle. The students returned and at the end of the class I talked with both students. They had told me that they talked through the issues and that one student had led the other student to Christ. The thought of this story still gives me chills."



Matt Stebing

Matt Stebing, Woodlan Elementary

Matt Stebing is an Art teacher. He has been teaching 11 years all with EACS!

Favorite teaching moment: "When a student finally understands a concept we have been working on in class. The look on the student's face is priceless. A couple days later I will receive a drawing that uses the concept and I gladly hang it in the room. The students are so proud and so am I."



Rachel Michaelis

Rachel Michaelis, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High

Rachel Michaelis, is a Special Education teacher. She has been teaching for seven years with EACS. Favorite teaching moment: "Every time I see students showing care and compassion to other students with disabilities makes me so happy. Throughout the years I have seen unique friendships form."

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Blair Ludwig, One of the beautiful young ladies to grace the red carpet at Wayne Trace. More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP GIRLS WIN TRI-MEET

These are the results from the high school tri-meet on April 28th. Team participating included Antwerp, Edon and Fayette.

- Girls team results:
- 1st Antwerp 92, 2nd Edon 53, 3rd Fayette 16
- Individual events:
- High Jump - 1st H Smith, A, 4'10"; 2nd Lemmon, E, 4'8"; 3rd Keefer, F, 4'2"
 - Pole Vault - 1st Joice, E, 6'
 - Discus - 1st Bates, F, 100'; 2nd Partin, A, 91'3"; 3rd Sonney, E, 78'4"
 - 100m Hurdles - 1st H Smith, A, 17.9; 2nd Miesle, A, 18.3; 3rd Ko Smith, A, 18.7
 - 100m - 1st Recker, A, 14.3; 2nd Ewerks, E, 14.4; 3rd Wilson, A, 14.4
 - 1600m - 1st Kaitlyn, E, 6:03; 2nd Karissa, E, 6:04; 3rd Sigman, A, 6:36
 - Long Jump - 1st Roberts, A, 13'0.5"; 2nd Wilson, A, 12'5"; 3rd Recker, A, 12'3"
 - 300m Hurdles - 1st Miesle, A, 52.8; 2nd Ewers, E, 1:01.3; 3rd Schaffter, E, 1:03.2
 - Shot Put - 1st Bate, F, 30'1.5"; 2nd Balsler, A, 26'; 3rd Manella, A, 25'1"
 - 800m - 1st Longardner, A, 2:30; 2nd Kaitlyn, E, 2:50; 3rd Karissa, E, 2:54
 - 200m - 1st H Smith, A, 28.0; 2nd Ewerks, E, 33.3; 3rd Roberts, A, 34.5
 - 400m - 1st Williamson, A, 1:06.9; 2nd Ryan, A, 1:12.5; 3rd Lemmon, E, 1:19.8
 - 3200m - 1st Karissa, E, 13:12; Kaitlyn, E, 14:07; 3rd Sigman, A, 14:34
 - 4x400 Relay - 1st Antwerp, 4:38; 2nd Edon, 6:29
 - 3200m Relay - 1st Ant-

- werp, 11:00; 2nd Edon, 14:30
- 4x200 Relay - 1st Antwerp, 2:07.3; 2nd Edon, 2:28
- 4x100 Relay - 1st Antwerp, 58.7; 2nd Edon, 1:01.0
- In boys' team results:
- 1st Edon 82, 2nd Antwerp 45, Fayette 21
- Individual events:
- Shot Put - 1st Orway, E, 42'9.5"; 2nd Longardner, A, 42'7.5"; 3rd Gilmore, F, 40'8"
- 110m Hurdles - 1st Brubaker, F, 18.2; 2nd Blair, E, 19.0; 3rd Jucian, E, 20.6
- 100m Hurdles - 1st Batt, E, 12.2; 2nd Thiel, E, 12.4; 3rd Blair, E, 12.5
- 1600m - 1st Williamson, A, 4:45; 2nd Luduke, E, 5:01; 3rd Buchan, A, 5:06
- Long Jump - 1st Thiel, E, 15'6.5"; 2nd Wilson, E, 14'7"; 3rd Gerken, A, 14'2"
- 300m Hurdles - 1st Blair, E, 48.1; 2nd Brubaker, F, 51.1; 3rd Julian, E, 52.6
- 800m - 1st Williamson, A, 2:09; 2nd Buchan, A, 2:19; 3rd Laney, A, 2:21
- 200m - 1st Batt, E, 26.1; 2nd Thiel, E, 27.1; 3rd O'Donnell, A, 27.3
- 400m - 1st Hunter, F, 58.1; 2nd Thiel, E, 1:00.1; 3rd Hilton, A, 1:00.7
- High Jump - 1st Buchan, A, 5'6"; 2nd Blair, E, 5'4"; 3rd Hunter, F, 5'2"
- Discus - 1st Ordway, E, 118'8"; 2nd Gilmore, F, 116'1"; 3rd Patterson, A, 114'5"
- 3200m - 1st Williamson, A, 10:52; 2nd Braun, E, 11:52; 3rd Dorible, E, 12:42
- 4x200 Relay - 1st Edon 1:58
- 4X100 Relay - 1st Edon 52.6
- 4x400 Relay - 1st Edon, 4:24; 2nd Antwerp 4:52

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Paulding High School 2015 Prom Court: (front row, l-r) Princess Taylor Schooley, Queen Melissa Martinez; (back row, l-r) Prince Alex Arellano, King Michael Tope.



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DONKEY BALL – FANTASTIC FUN TIME!



Kyle Gardner is riding is donkey hard after taking a shot.

The stage was set for Donkey Ball at the Paulding Gym on Tuesday, April 28. The game was delayed when the donkeys were late as the vehicle was driving from Canton. All the teams had a great time on the backs of donkeys. The game was specifically put on as a fundraiser for the junior class for After-Prom.

The Panthers are certainly ready for their prom and after-prom. About 300 people were there for the arduous event, where the donkeys struggled with their masters—who chiefly ran the operation. Are they dumb? Nope! Some just didn't want to play basketball.

PANTHERS SERVE SHUT OUT GAME TO SPENCERVILLE

On April 30th, Spencerville played at Paulding in Varsity Baseball. Paulding served Spencerville a shut out game: 0-9. Score by the Inning: Spencerville – 0 0 0 0 0 0=0, 1H, 3E Paulding – 1 0 1 1 6 0=9, 8H, 0E Winning Pitcher: Egnor (7

innings, 0 runs, 1 hit, 10 K, 3 BB) Losing Pitcher: Meyer (4.2 innings, 5 runs, 5 hits, 7 K, 3 BB); Other: Carpenter and Becker Leading Hitters: Paulding (8 hits) – Martinez 1B, 2B, 1 RBI; Sitton 1B, 2B; Edwards 1B, 1 RBI; Mock 1B, 2 RBI; Johanns 1B, 1 RBI; Arellano 1B, 2 RBI; Spencerville (1 hit) – Thiery 1B Records: Paulding 8-9 (3-2); Spencerville 8-9 (4-2)

WOODLAN PROPELS TO VICTORY IN ACAC BASEBALL

By: Jeff Abbott
Three doubles and a home run in the top of the first helped propel Woodlan to a 4-0 lead that the Warriors hung on to get a 4-3 decision over Adams Central in boys' ACAC baseball at Monroe. Dylan Gerig had a 2-run homer in the inning, scoring Ben Schwartz while Shawn Kitzmiller, Spencer Sharrar, and Rick Ehle doubled in the opening inning to put 4 runs on the board for the Warriors. Woodlan worked out of jams in the fourth as Adams Central was unable to score with runners in scoring position and again in the sixth when the Jets put three runs on the board but were then shut down with bases loaded. Kitzmiller went the distance on the mound to get the win for Woodlan. Woodlan – 4 0 0 0 0 0=4, 10H, 0E Adams Central – 0 0 0 0 0 3 0=3, 10H, 1E

PILOTS INVADE & CONQUER RAIDER FIELD

On April 30th, the Wayne Trace Raiders played host to the Ayersville Pilots in high school baseball. Ayersville plowed over the Raiders, stealing the win from the home team: 19-1. Score by the Inning: Wayne Trace – 0 0 1 0 0=1, 1H, 5E Ayersville – 7 0 3 4 5=19, 14H, 1E Batting: Ayersville – Miller 4 runs; Kahle 2 runs; Dales 2 runs; Williams 1 run; Goonan 3 runs; Wolfrum 1; Wilitzer 4 runs; Sanchez 1 run Wayne Trace – Gillett 1 run Pitching: LP – Stoller 1 inning, 7 runs; Toppe 2.2 innings, 7 runs, 4E; Asher 1.1 innings, 5 runs, 5E WP – Engel 5 innings, 1 run, 1E

LADY WARRIORS OUT RUN RAIDERS



Paige Lichty hits the ball against the Wayne Trace Raiders on Monday, April 27. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Monday afternoon, Wayne Trace and Woodlan squared off on the mound in high school softball action.

A slow beginning left the scoreboard at 1-0 Woodlan until the 5th inning when the Lady Raiders scored 2 and the Warriors scored 5. The rest of the game was all Woodlan, giving them a win for their record: 9-3. Score by the Inning: Wayne Trace – 0 0 0 0 2 1 0=3, 8H, 8E Woodlan – 1 0 0 0 5 3 x=9, 9H, 1E

Wayne Trace Hitters – Ma Crosby (single), Mo Crosby (single, RBI), Critten (single), Baumle (2 singles, 2 runs), Swary (3 singles, RBI) Woodlan Hitters – Vance (single, double, 2 runs, RBI), Hostetler (single, two runs), Lichty (2 singles, double, 2 runs, RBI), Salzbrenner (single, RBI), Fredrick (2 singles, run, 2 RBI), Hoepner (single, run, RBI) Winning Pitcher – Baughman (7 innings, 8 hits, 3 runs, 2 earned runs, 7 strikeouts, 3 walks) Losing Pitcher – Baumle (6 innings, 9 hits, 9 runs, 2 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 1 walk) Records – Woodlan 5-5, Wayne Trace 8-6

ANTWERP BALL ASSOCIATION KICKS OFF THE SPRING SEASON!



It was a beautiful day for Antwerp Ball Association Kickoff on Saturday, May 2. The day began with several early games and then at 9:00 a.m. the National Anthem was played over the loud speaker with the games continuing right after. Many improvements were made to the ball park in the off season. One of these improvements include the new

restroom facilities. The people loved the port-a-pots... excuse me... loathed the port-a-pots... in any case the spectators all said the new facilities are fantastic. It will be another great year for the Antwerp Ball Association with all of the hardworking volunteers, parents and coaches who make it possible.

JAY COUNTY WINS AGAINST WOODLAN IN ACAC BASEBALL ACTION

By: Jeff Abbott
Jay County pounded out 10 hits and scored 11 runs to beat Woodlan in ACAC boys' baseball at Warrior Field. The top three in the batting order scored 7 runs for the Patriots and had 5 of the hits, including a 2-run home run by Levi Long. Lead-off batter Shawn Kitzmiller scored the lone Woodlan run. Ben Schwartz took the loss on the mound for the Warriors. Score by the Inning: Jay County – 3 0 3 5 0=11, 10H, 1E Woodlan – 1 0 0 0 0=1, 4H, 2E

doubleheader at Woodlan in girls' softball. The Eagles led early before the Warriors came back with 3 runs in the fourth and the game winner in the fifth, Kenzie Salzbrenner scoring on an Eagles' wild-pitch. Three consecutive hits by the top of the Warriors batting order in the fourth led to 3 runs. Alyssa Hoepner got the win on the mound. Hoepner gave up 5 hits and struck out 8 in the game for Woodlan. In the second game, Woodlan sent 16 batters to the plate in the second inning and scored 10 runs to get the sweep with a 13-0 win. Emma Baughman pitched for the Warriors and got the win. Six walks and 3 hits led to 7 consecutive Woodlan runners scoring in the game. Score by the Inning (1): Churubusco – 1 0 1 0 2 0 0=4, 5H, 1E Woodlan – 0 0 1 3 1 0 x=5, 8H, 2E Score by the Inning (2): Churubusco – 0 0 0 0 0=0, 5H, 5E Woodlan – 2 10 1 0 x=13, 7H, 0E

DOUBLE WIN FOR LADY WARRIORS

By: Jeff Abbott
Woodlan pushed a run across the plate in the fifth inning and then held on to get a 5-4 win over Churubusco in the first game of a

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iAB FINANCIAL BANK WELCOMES WILLIAM THATCHER AS EXECUTIVE VP, CHIEF LENDING OFFICER

iAB Financial Bank is pleased to announce William H. Thatcher, III has joined the organization as Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer. Thatcher earned his Bachelors degree in Business Administration from Aquinas College with a focus in Accounting and Business. With a background of over 25 years in banking and management, he brings a depth of skilled experience to the iAB team to further forge and strengthen partnerships formed with customers and the community.

"We're extremely pleased to bring William Thatcher on as Chief Lending Officer," said Michael C. Marhenke, iAB President and Chief Executive Officer. "With his background in retail and business banking, treasury management and lending, he truly has a multi-faceted viewpoint of all aspects of banking, sure to be a true asset to iAB and the services and products we bring our customers."

Although his banking career has taken him all over the country, Thatcher was born and raised in the Fort Wayne area. Upon returning to the community, he volunteered with the Fort Wayne Ballet, Catholic Charities and the Boys and Girls Club of Fort Wayne. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with family, golfing and reading.

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CONCERT WITH COOL CAT REVUE TO REV IT UP FOR MOTHER'S DAY ON MAY 9th



Turn it up a notch and celebrate a special Mother's Day on Saturday, May 9th with a spectacular performance by Cool Cat Revue at the Rockford Belle, of 135 Market Street, Rockford, OH. Concert at 7:00 p.m., doors open at 6:00 p.m. The newly formed professional music duo with vocalists Shannon Persinger and Doug Hartle, of Fort Wayne, IN will feature dynamic impersonations of Country, Jazz, Rat Pack, Oldies, Classic Pop, and More!

Doug Hartle started singing publicly in church at the age of 7. By age 15, he was singing professionally and is now entering his 34th year of professional entertainment. Vocal harmony trio CLASSIC VOICE, based in Fort Wayne, is where Doug spends time in a group setting. Singing his solo act "A Vegas Sounding Show" featuring songs from Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Michael Buble' and other "Crooner" style singers is his current solo act.

Shannon Persinger started singing at a very young age, but it wasn't until middle school that she became aware of how very much she loved to be in the spotlight and sing for an audience. With an extensive background in show choir and in musical theatre, Shannon began singing professionally in 1994 and has been a lead singer of several area bands in Northeast Indiana. Most recently, Shannon ended her seven year run as one half of the duo "Shade n' Shannon." Currently, Shannon is keeping busy singing on the worship team at The Chapel in Fort Wayne. She also sings jazz in her very own group, The Shannon Persinger Jazz Quartet. Never short

on energy or pep, Shannon was looking for something musical to do in addition to her jazz quartet. It was during that search that she realized that something great was right around the corner...

Since first working together in THE POSSE in 1994 and remaining good friends over the years, Shannon and Doug decided it was time to join forces and develop a new musical venture called COOL CAT REVUE. Shannon and Doug knew their show would showcase a variety of music made popular by the greats like Elvis, Patsy Cline, Frank Sinatra, Michael Jackson, Johnny Cash and more, but they also wanted to add something novel and fun... something that was different... but what exactly? One day as they were sitting around the Persinger's kitchen table, Shannon and Doug happened upon a great idea... why not add TV theme songs into a portion of the show? The great TV Land Revue portion of their show will be filled with memorable and catchy TV tunes that will bring audience members along on a nostalgic journey through a simpler time.

Doug states, "This is an opportunity to sing with one of my favorite female vocalists of all time. Shannon is such an incredible talent full of energy and she presents such amazing versatility! It's fun to explore these musical opportunities with her!" Shannon states, "I am so very honored and excited to be working with my very talented friend, Doug. His intensity and love for music is infectious and it will no doubt make me a better performer!" Both performers have families in Fort Wayne and both are Christians who are so very thankful to God for His many blessings, especially the gift of music! With their combined talents and love of varying musical genres, Shannon and Doug will deliver a high-energy show that is full of fun and variety that is sure to please audiences everywhere.

The Rockford Belle invites the public to celebrate "Mom" at this special Mother's Day event. Cool Cat Revue's enjoyable entertainment style will take listeners to another time and place on May 9th. For more information, please call 567-644-9993.

2015 GMC SCHOLAR ATHLETES

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce their All Conference Scholar Athletes for the spring of 2015!

To be eligible for this honor, the athlete must be a senior, participate and letter in a recognized sport or cheerleading and have a 3.5 GPA or better after 7 semesters.

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AYERSVILLE:
Sabrina Bailey, Kollin Martin, Josh Hug, Abby Clemens, Adriana Dockery

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Alicia Luke, Duane Miller, Sydney Osentoski, Kiera Suffel, Nora Kinder, Brenna LaLonde, Kyli Purk, Chase McClellan, Cassidy Flegal, Lindsay Blair, Dakota Fritch

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Malin Adams, Emilee Carder, Sara Carder, Brett Dietrich, Andrew Hill, Joe Macsray, Haley Robbins, Erich Wolfrum, Andy Robinson, Christina Gebers, Kolleen Boland, Austin Ramey, Ali Hug

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Michaela Bauer, Nathan Delagrang, Jonathan Giesige, Jacob Husted, Rachel Schroeder

HOLGATE:
Owen Clady, Lincoln Okuley, Mattie Grim, Danielle Like, Rachel Desgranges, Weston Mendez, Madison Sidle, Everett Klingshirn, Salina Gray

TINORA:
Tyler Williamson, Jennifer Clemens, Ashley Mack, Tiffany Fairchild, Kayla Rethmel, Emma Bowden, Kennedy Schlegel, Jillian Dietrick, Acie Hall, Hunter Vogel, Chris Sweinhagen, Josh Ehlers, Casey Helton
WAYNE TRACE:
Wayne Sinn, Addison Baumle, Cassidy Hilkey

VANTAGE FFA STUDENTS COMPETE AT AREA 1 ENVIROTHON

By: Staci Miller, Education Specialist, Paulding SWCD
On April 22nd two Vantage FFA teams competed at the Area 1 Envirothon held at 4-H Camp Palmer. The Envirothon is a competitive, outdoor academic team event for high school students. A unique and enjoyable learning experience, the Envirothon is designed to stimulate, reinforce, and enhance interest in the environment and natural resources. Teams consist of five students, which work together cooperatively to complete each of the five different areas. The Ohio Area 1 Envirothon tests students' knowledge of soils and land use, forestry, wildlife, aquatic ecology, and current environmental issues using an "ecostation" format. The 2015 issue was "Urban and Community Forestry." This was the first time Vantage FFA members participated in Area 1 Envirothon. The teams from Vantage FFA were sponsored by the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District. Staci Miller, Education Specialist helped the teams prepare for Envirothon by having a study session with them and providing them study materials for this event. The students worked very hard at studying and preparing for this competition. The Vantage FFA Team One placed 24th out of 58 teams and Vantage FFA Team Two placed 41st out of 58 teams. The students and FFA advisor, Mike Miller, really enjoyed this contest and they are looking forward to participating next year. The Paulding SWCD is very proud of two Vantage FFA teams and are looking forward to having additional teams from Paulding County compete next year.

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THE OLD FORT FLAG TURNS PINK

In recognition of the 2015 Turn the Town Pink observance, Historic Fort Wayne, Inc. is raising a pink flag over the Old Fort. The flag will be raised on Friday, May 8 at 9:00 a.m. to kick off the day when pink ribbons are being hung throughout downtown Fort Wayne. Members of the Board of Directors, breast cancer survivors, and representatives from the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer will be on hand to help to raise the flag. It will remain flying through the month, except during weekend events when a historical flag will be flown in keeping with the era of that weekend's reenactment. The flag, measuring 12'x20' is believed to be the largest pink flag flying in support of breast cancer awareness and fundraising.

This is the fourth year that the Old Fort will raise the pink flag. The tradition was begun in 2012 by several of the Fort's volunteers who had lost their mothers to breast cancer. The Old Fort is proud to help raise awareness of

this campaign against breast cancer. The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

OHIO REPRESENTATIVE BRINKMAN TALKS TERM LIMITS

Tom Brinkman is a Republican state representative from Mt. Lookout, Cincinnati, OH:

I am troubled that Ohio's political class and our citizens have become polar opposites on the term limits issue. By an 8-1 vote last week, a committee of the Constitutional Modernization Commission advanced two proposals to weaken term limits from eight to 12 years.

The voting members were state lawmakers or appointed by lawmakers. At the same time, Ohioans for Good Government released a poll showing that a whopping 78 percent of registered voters oppose lengthening term limits to 12 years.

After spending enough time in the legislature to know, I can say unequivocally that the voters are right. Term

limits have improved our elections and our legislature, by securing for the people a greater role in both.

It's no secret that incumbents are rarely taken on and beaten. In theory, that would mean the system is working, because members are rewarded for a job well done.

But all too often, incumbents win not because they are the best candidate, but because they are most adept at using powerful connections to deter challengers.

We see a lot of it in Washington, where some members have gone decades without facing a serious opponent.

Term limits are a game changer. Not only do term limits ensure open seat elections on a regular basis, but they also generate more competition in re-election campaigns.

I learned this firsthand, after challenging and defeating the same incumbent who had replaced me. Term limits didn't provide an advantage to either one of us, but they did give us a level playing field from which voters could choose.

The numbers show my case wasn't unique. According to the Institute on Money in State Politics, having term limits on a state legislature has a positive impact on electoral competition. Ohio scored near the top of their rankings with 84 percent of seats contested, while our neighboring states without term limits lagged behind.

A study from the Indiana Law Journal backed this up, by finding a statistically significant jump in candidate filings from the time before and after Ohio's term limits law took effect. Those who claim term limits resulted in fewer choices at the ballot box are mistaken; voters actually got more.

The positive effects of term limits go further. The political structure inside the Capitol that had relied on power and seniority for so long grew

WT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



April Students of the Month for Grover Hill Elementary School were announced. Pictured here (front, seated) RS1 - Zoah Wineland, 1A - Torree Sinn,

1B - Myleigh Sheets, KA - Leah Bland, KB - Colton Kimmel, 3A - Wendy Flint, 2B - Gauge Ogle; (back, standing) 6A - Dade Sanders, 2A - Morgan Elliott, 4B - El-

liott Boroff, 5B - Tyler Sinn, 4A - Ezra Sinn, 3B - Evan Walls, 5A - Madison Farquhar, 6B - Wyatt Shelton. Absent: YK - LaShan Reynolds, RS2 - Jake Downing.

more inclusive to new members and perspectives. Engaging leadership went from something I rarely saw to an everyday occurrence that promotes debate.

Best of all, members who challenge their own parties now have greater independence to do so. Legislators in Illinois and New York, where there are no term limits, don't know this feeling. They have spent the last two decades dwelling under one speaker who intimidates members using a ruling class mentality. In Ohio, we are fortunate that term limits safeguard turnover in leadership, so many good men and women have opportunities to serve.

Based on the polling, it's clear that the people of Ohio don't want to revert back to the way things were prior to term limits in 1992. They don't want the uncompetitive elections dominated by special interests. They don't want a Capitol run by a chosen few.

If the experiment with permanent politicians has failed in Washington, why go back to it in Ohio? All of us in Columbus like to say we listen to the people. But on term limits, the people aren't asking for 12 years. They're adamant that "eight is enough." It's time we listen to them.

LADY BULLDOGS POST 2-1 WIN OVER WARRIORS

By: Jeff Abbott

New Haven scored twice in the fifth inning and made the lead hold up for a 2-1 win over Woodlan in girls' softball action. The Bulldogs allowed just 5 hits and limited the Warriors to one run, scored in the top of the sixth. Emma Baughman took the loss on the mound. Paige Lichty had a two-base hit on offense for Woodlan.

Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 1 0 = 1
NH - 0 0 0 0 2 0 x = 2

PAULDING VARSITY BASEBALL AT ADA

The Paulding baseball team traveled to Ada on Monday evening, April 27th. While the Paulding softball team struggled against the Ada team, the baseball team was the exact opposite. The Panthers took charge of the game with a run in the 2nd, 2 in the 3rd and finishing the 6th with 7 and the 7th with 3. Ada scored a lone 3 runs in the 3rd inning. Paulding stole the win from the Ada field: 13-3.

Paulding - 0 1 2 0 7 3 = 13, 14H, 1E

Ada - 0 0 3 0 0 0 = 3, 3H, 7E
WP - Egnor (3 innings, 0 runs, 0 hits, 7 K, 1 BB); Other: Martinez

LP - Wilson (1.1 innings, 7 runs, 6 hits, 1 K, 2 BB); Other: Gray and Shaffer

Paulding - Johanns 3- 1B, 3 RBI; Mourey- 2- 1B, 2 RBI; Arellano 2- 1B, 2 RBI; Egnor 2- 2B, 1 RBI; Mock 2- 1B, 2 RBI; Martinez 2- 1B, 1 RBI; Edwards 1B, 1 RBI

Ada - Everhart- 2- 1B
Records: Paulding 7-8 (2-2)

LADY RAIDERS WIN BIG AGAINST PILOTS

On April 30th, the Wayne Trace softball played Ayersville. After 5 innings the game was over, giving the Lady Raiders the win: 14-4

Score by the Inning:
Ayersville - 0 0 0 4 0 = 4, 6H, 4E

Wayne Trace - 0 0 6 4 4 = 14, 20H, 1E

Winning Pitcher - Crosby (5 innings, 6 hits, 4 runs, 2 earned runs, 10 strikeouts, 0 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Brown (4-1/3 innings, 20 hits, 14 runs, 10 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Wayne Trace - L Sinn (two singles, run); Thrasher (two singles, RBI); Ma Crosby (single, two RBI, run); Mo Crosby (four singles, RBI, three runs); Critten (single, three runs); Laney (three singles, RBI); Bergman (two singles, home run, four RBI, two runs); Baumle (single, run); Swary (three singles, three runs)

Ayersville - Brown (two singles); Brown (single, run); Seigman (single, RBI); Baker (double, two RBI, run); Martin (single, run)

Records - Wayne Trace (9-7, 4-2 GMC); Ayersville (11-7, 3-3 GMC)

ARCHBOLD TOPS PAULDING BY 1 RUN

Archbold varsity baseball played at the Paulding home field on April 28th. Paulding lost by just one run at the end of the 7th: 4-3.

Archbold - 1 0 0 0 1 0 2 = 4
Paulding - 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 = 3
WP - Bucklew (7I, 3R, 8H, 9 K, 1 BB)

LP - Johanns (7I, 4R, 8H, 3 K, 2 BB)

Paulding - Edwards 2- 1B, 1 RBI; Martinez 2-1B; Arellano 1B; Egnor 1B; Johanns 1B; Doster 1B

Archbold - Sparks 2B, 1 RBI; Brubaker 2- 1B

Records: Paulding 7-9 (2-2)

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LADY BULLDOGS WIN NH RELAYS



On Friday evening, the Lady Bulldogs' Track & Field team made it a Senior's Night that they will not forget by winning the New Haven Relays by defeating Van Wert by 1.5 points. The Lady Bulldogs started the meet off with the 4x800 Meter Relay team of Brooke Feipel, Hayley Newman, Bri Dishong, and Paige Boatright running a season best and finishing 3rd. Nakita Turner had the team's first individual championship by winning the 100 Meter Hurdles in a time of 15.99, which broke the school record. Kaniah Creech followed with her own in-

dividual championship in 100 Meter Dash in a time of 12.83. Paige Boatright made it 3 individual championships in a row by winning the 1600 Meter Run in a time of 5:29.61. The 4x100 Meter Relay Team of Nakita Turner, Ja'Nyia Grundy, Ja'Kyia Grundy, and Kaniah Creech kept the championships coming by winning the 4x100 Meter Relay in a time of 51.07. Megan Kage also brought home an individual championship in the Pole Vault with a vault of 9'6".

Second place finishers were Kaniah Creech in the 200 Meter Dash, Paige Boatright in the 800 Me-

ter Run and 3200 Meter Run, Andrea Lawrence in the High Jump and Long Jump, and Haley Whitacre in the Discus. When the night was over, the team had placed in 15 out of the 16 possible events.

Paige Boatright won the Armstrong Award which is given to the athlete that scores the most points in the meet. Paige finished the night with 27.5 points.

1st New Haven 132; 2nd Van Wert 130.5; 3rd Leo 74; 4th Bishop Dwenger 71; 5th Concordia 54; 6th Garrett 38.5; 7th Woodlan 24; 8th Heritage 17; 9th Blackhawk Christian 1

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"FROM THE VANTAGE POINT": VANTAGE SPRING SPORTS ATHLETES



These Vantage students all are involved their school's spring sports program. Pictured in the front row are Derrick Schimmoeller (Kallida baseball), Mari Flint (Antwerp softball), Brooke Brown (Van Wert softball), Shylyn Shepherd (Van Wert softball), Miranda Stittsworth (Van Wert softball), Cheyenne Miller-Sweet (Antwerp softball), Bailey Seibert (Ottoville baseball). In the back row are Dakota Valdez (Pauling track), Riley Moore (Wayne Trace track), Hunter Blankemeyer (Lincolnview track), Corbin Phillips (Parkway baseball), Fred Shepard (Continental baseball), Terry Dockery (Continental baseball), and Cole Dotson (Continental baseball).

WAYNE TRACE SENIORS VISIT THE GREAT AMERICAN BALLPARK



36 Wayne Trace Seniors recently spent the day at the ball park, the Great American Ballpark to be exact. They enjoyed watching the Cincinnati Reds host the Milwaukee Brewers. Although the Reds came up short, a good time was had by all in attendance.

2015 NWC SCHOLAR ATHLETES

Northwest Conference scholar athletes for 2015 winter sports season. Scholar athletes are letter winners who have earned these GPA:

- 1. Gold level - GPA of 3.50 to 4.00;
- 2. Silver level - GPA of 3.00 to 3.49

CHEERLEADING:

ADA - (Gold) Haley Jenkins, Ashley Breidenbach, Rielyn Castle, Gabby Linnon, Lyric Jones

ALLEN EAST - (Gold) Destiney Goble, Taylor Gutierrez, James Hunt, Sara Perez, Kierstin Prater, Kayla Redmon, Kasey Reneau, Kassidy Reneau; (Silver) Madison Hatcher, Carter Jarman, Morgan Zellmann

BLUFFTON - (Gold) Makayla Smith, Kaity King, Kylee Leugers; (Silver) Emily Stratton

COLUMBUS GROVE - (Gold) Rachel Kohls, Mady Schroeder, MacKenzie Clymer, Raiya Flores, Alexis Recker; (Silver) Alyssa Ridinger, Emily Pitts, Juanita Mata

CRESTVIEW - (Gold)

Eden Allison, Janie Boroff, Katie Hughes, Emma Leary, Hannah Leary, Olivia Leary, Paige Michael, Lauren Schmid, Whitney Smart

DELPHOS JEFFERSON - (Gold) Bria McClure, Claire Sensibaugh; (Silver) Sarah Fitch, Samantha Klint, Megan VanSchoyck

LINCOLNVIEW - (Gold) Brooke Lehman, Mackenzie Strite, Miki Dull, Kelsey Brenneman, Kaylee Hobbs; (Silver) Kershin Pavel, Dakota Hammons

PAULDING - (Gold) Alexis Howell, Haley Schlegel, Jordan Shull, Kynsie Etzler, Molly Meeker, SeSe Bullard, Taylor Schooley

SPENCERVILLE - (Gold) Allison Bowsher, Gabrielle Goecke, Adrian Johnson, Kacie Mulholland Kennedy Sharp, Amelia Wood; (Silver) Amber Stapleton

BOYS BASKETBALL:

ADA - (Gold) Blake Willeke; (Silver) Brayden Sautter, Levi Bass, Grant McBride, Coleten Lee

ALLEN EAST - (Gold) Logan Ryan, Jacob Sherrick; (Silver) Travis Guthrie, Luke

Perkins
BLUFFTON - (Gold) Eli Runk, Levi Kistler, Joel Siefker, Nick Friesen; (Silver) Bret Rumer

COLUMBUS GROVE - (Gold) Joey Warnecke, Jace Darbyshire, Baily Clement; (Silver) David Bogart, Tanner From, Colton Grothaus, Corey Schroeder, Bryce Sharrits, Gabe Stechschulte, Logan Diller

CRESTVIEW - (Gold) Jacob Lippi, Mitchell Rickard, Spencer Rolsten; (Silver) Connor Lautzenheiser, Cody Mefferd, Derek Stout, Preston Zaleski

DELPHOS JEFFERSON - (Gold) Jace Stockwell, Trey Smith, Brenen Auer; (Silver) Kurt Wollenhaupt, Josh Teman, Ryan Goergens

LINCOLNVIEW - (Gold) Tyler Brant, James Smith, Colton Snyder, Trevor Neate, Austin Leeth, Hayden Ludwig; (Silver) Derek Youtsey, Chandler Adams, Justis Dowdy

PAULDING - (Gold) Alex Arellano, Ben Heilshorn, Jarrett Sitton, Preston Ingol, Preston Johanns; (Silver) Brad Crawford, Christian Burtch, Corbin Edwards, Treton Gonzales

SPENCERVILLE - (Gold) Bailey Croft, Griffen Croft, Grant Goecke, Zach Goecke, Mason Nourse; (Silver) Jacob Meyer, Dakota Prichard, David Wisher

GIRLS BASKETBALL:
ADA - (Gold) Alexis Amburgey, Tori Wyss, Sidney Faine, Tessa Coulson, Melina Woods; (Silver) Lindsay Walden, Carlee Marshall, Haley Wyss

ALLEN EAST - (Gold) Abby Burley, Kyra Clark, Audrey Rodriguez, Aubri Woods, Kylie Wyss; (Silver) Carly Clum
BLUFFTON - (Gold) Kay-

ASK ME Miss C!

This week no one officially Asked ME, Miss C. Don't be shy! I am waiting to hear from you! Send your questions and letters to me via email: AskMeMissC@gmail.com, visit my Facebook Page to leave a message, or you can send a letter to my attention to the West Bend News!

This week I will address a question that I overheard just last night when I was visiting a local ball park.

"My child probably isn't going to get to play much, should I talk to her coach?"

I recently heard a great advice quote, "You need to prepare your child for the path, not prepare the path for the child." It's true, children learn many great lessons from playing sports, but when we intervene and try to influence our children's coach, what are we really teaching our children? Every parent wants the very best for their child, but as parents we often seek to control every aspect of the child's life, and make sure it is all positive. While this may have short-term highs, there can be significant long term consequences.

Life is filled with wonderful times and horrible times. But when we grow up, for the most part, there is not magical mom or dad to come in

and save the day when those horrible times come. We pick ourselves up and we move forward. We learn to cope. And learning to cope begins as children. As painful as some lessons may be (especially as parents watching children face adversity) they are building character that will last their live times.

Now back to the question at hand. Should this parent speak to the coach about the child's playing time? No... not per say. Instead, if your child is playing a sport where they have improvements that need to be made, ask the coach what you can work on with the child at home. Encourage the child to work hard to overcome the struggle. Or perhaps it will help the child to learn about a sport or other opportunity that better suits their unique talents (we all have them!). Either way, the lesson that child learns will prepare them for hard work ethics that have long term positive consequences.

And to conclude, I would like to share a letter that I found online. It is a letter a coach sends to all his parents:

"Regardless of where your son shakes out in the playing time or lineup mix, it is important that your communi-

cation to him be positive. If he hears you talking about what a bad deal he's getting, or something similar, his attitude is going to suffer. And if his attitude suffers, there is nearly no chance that he'll earn more playing time or time at a different position he likes better. Conversely, if he really is deserving of more playing time and I'm just missing it, if he keeps working hard, trying his best and bringing a positive attitude to the field, I'll notice it. I can tell you that if a parent comes to me to complain about position or playing time, then forever after that, if the player does move up or play more, you'll have to wonder if it was something he earned himself, or if it was something that came as a result of your complaint. On the other hand, if everyone takes the attitude that "the cream will rise to the top," and is patient, then you'll know that everything your son gets is deserved. (The latter feels much better). Everyone will have their chances to show what they can do in the game. It is important that they are prepared for those opportunities, and make the most of them."

Blessings,
—Miss C

la Kindle, Katie Burkholder, Haley Baker, Taylor Monday, Andie Schmutz, Abbie Parkins; (Silver) Kearstin Barry, Alicia Schmutz

COLUMBUS GROVE - (Gold) MacKenzie Wurth, Sydney McCluer; (Silver) Becca Endicott, Kyrrah Yinger, Brooke Hoffman, Jade Clement, Carlee McCluer, Paige Bellman

CRESTVIEW - (Gold) Emily Bauer, Terra Crowle, Brady Guest, Megan Hartman, Kennis Mercer, Mackenzie Riggerbach, Claire Zaleski

DELPHOS JEFFERSON - (Gold) Heather Pohlman, Sarah Miller, Devyn Carder, Jessica Pimpas, Macy Wallace; (Silver) Brooke Culp, Shelby Koenig, Bailey Gorman, Taylor Stroh

LINCOLNVIEW - (Gold) Katlyn Wendel, Kayla Schimmoeller, Hannah McCleery, Julia Thatcher, Claire Clay, Stephanie Longwell, Ashton Bowersock; (Silver) Madison Gorman

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SPENCERVILLE - (Gold)

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WRESTLING:
ADA - (Gold) Noah Beach, Jarod Woodland, Chase Sumner; (Silver) Austin Windle

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BLUFFTON - (Gold) James Badial-Luna, Nathaniel Staley, Justin Haggard; (Silver) Cole Wilson, Dylan Pletcher

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ADA - (Gold) Aaron Spar, Evan Smittle, Zach Beaschler, Katey Stuart, Kyley Stuart, Casey Swick, Alexandra Boyadzhiiev, Mara Guyton, Mackenzie Wills, Jil Wolber, Olivia Guyton; (Silver) Mitchell Wilcox, Andrew Robey, Jacob Park

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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
PAULDING COUNTY:

THE ANTWERP EXCHANGE BANK
COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.
JOHN R. RODDY, ET AL.,
Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 020.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 28th day of May, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

408 West Oak Street,
Payne, Ohio 45880
Parcel Number: 19-08S-012-00

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

Said premises appraised at Forty-five Thousand and No/100 (\$45,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com

Michael C. Jones, Attorney for Plaintiff

ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF 5/4/15

Defiance County:

Ohio 49 south of Edgerton, both north and south of Kramer Road, will be closed beginning May 4 for one week for culvert replacements at two locations. Traffic will be detoured onto Ohio 249, Ohio 2, Ohio 576 and U.S. 6 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by the Defiance County ODOT maintenance garage.

Ohio 18/49 in the village of Hicksville will have occasional lane restrictions during the week for work relating to the installation of curb ramps in preparation for a resurfacing project. Work is currently taking place between the Hicksville High School and

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER
Plaintiff,

vs.
BARBARA ARCHER, ET. AL.,
DEFENDANTS,

Case No. CI-15-057
Judge Tiffany Righter-Beckman

TO: BARBARA ARCHER AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA ARCHER

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 22358 Rd. 60, Oakwood, Ohio 45873
Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by BARBARA ARCHER AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA ARCHER to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you.

The real property in question is situated in the Township of Washington, County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

Situated in the Township of Washington, County of Paulding and State of Ohio:

A parcel of land being situated in the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section Fifteen (15), T1N, R4E, Washington Twp., Paulding Co., Ohio, and which is more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin at the Northeast corner of the northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section 15; thence North 88°02'49" West (assumed bearing for the purpose of this description, taken from a previous survey) on the North line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of said Section, six hundred forty and zero hundredths (640.00) feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

Ohio 2. Work is being performed by Brooks Construction, Fort Wayne, IN.

Paulding County:
U.S. 127 north of Paulding at several locations will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for drainage tile repair. Work is being performed by the Paulding County ODOT maintenance garage.

Seeding will occur at the following locations during the week with traffic maintained through the work zone. Work is being performed by the Paulding County ODOT maintenance garage:

- Ohio 637 north of County Road 126
- Ohio 500 just south of Ohio 111
- Ohio 111 east of County Road 133
- Ohio 66 at the Putnam County line
- Ohio 613 east of Township Road 131

U.S. 127 between Garfield Avenue and Jackson Street in the village of Paulding closed April 13 for approximately eight months for a sewer separation project. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 613, Ohio 637 and Ohio 111 back to U.S. 127. Work is being performed by VTF Excavation, Celina.

Van Wert County:
U.S. 30 eastbound and westbound at various locations from just east of Dutch John Road to Ringwald Road west of Middle Point will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for bridge maintenance. Work is being performed by the Van Wert County ODOT maintenance garage.

LANE RESTRICTIONS PLANNED FOR WESTBOUND S.R. 930/COLISEUM BOULEVARD

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces that the right lane of westbound S.R. 930/Coliseum Boulevard, between North Anthony Boulevard and Paul Shaffer Drive, were restricted beginning April 29th, to facilitate bridge beam painting from the river below. The painting is

thence South 1°57'11" West, two hundred ninety-five and seventeen hundredths (295.17) feet to an iron pin; thence North 88°02'49" West, two hundred ninety-five and seventeen hundredths (295.17) feet to an iron pin; thence North 1°57'11" East, two hundred ninety-five and seventeen hundredths (295.17) feet to a point on the North line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 15; thence South 88°02'49" East, on the said north line of the Northwest Quarter (1/4) of Section 15, two hundred ninety-five and seventeen hundredths (295.17) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 2,000 acres of land, more or less, but subject to all legal highways, ordinances, restrictions and easements apparent or of record. A survey of the above property is recorded in Vol. 251, Page 269, Paulding County Deed Records. Parcel ID No. 32-15S-007-01 Property Address: 22358 Rd. 60, Oakwood, Ohio

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of your real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason K. Landers, Sheriff
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
115 N. Williams St.
Paulding, Ohio 45879
419-258-8220

TREE RINGS TELL AGES



Staci Miller from Paulding Soil and Water Conservation recently visited Antwerp Elementary School to talk to first graders about trees. Here, Alex Stevenson and Kendall Simonin learn about

counting rings to see how old a tree is. After the presentation, each student was able to take home a Colorado blue spruce to plant and take care of.

expected to be completed by May 15.

INDOT reminds drivers to use caution and consider worker safety when driving through any active construction zone.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Dispositions:

Eric N. Greene; Antwerp, OH; Off Inv Und Age; J-Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; placed on standard probation; shall make monthly payments; shall report to the probation office on 4/24/15; complete all previous requirements of diversion program
Terry L. Kouts; Coldwater, OH; Dr. on Closed Rd; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Billie Jo Atkins; Defiance, OH; Driv w/o Lic; J-Guilty; Proof of financial responsibility provided; pay all fines and costs by 9/25/15 or will be sent to collections; shall pay \$75 per month commencing 5/29/15
Emily R. Breininger; Oakwood, OH; Theft; J-Guilty; Defendant placed on standard probation; shall pay all fines and costs; complete 40 hours community service; complete online 3rd Millennium theft course; shall have no contact w/victim or her address; pay for stay at jail
Kimberly A. Williamson; Defiance, OH; Disorderly Conduct; J-Guilty; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing in open court; case shall be bound over to the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio
Cory M. Mendez; Paulding, OH; Drug Abuse Inst; Prel-Waive; Bound over; Count B; Endanger Child; Prel-Waive; Bound Over
Leslie A. Porter; Cecil, OH; Possess Heroin; Prel-Waive; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; case shall be bound over to the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio; Count B; Drug Abuse Inst; Prel-Waive; Bound over; Count C; Endanger Child; Prel-Waive; Bound Over
Rosa Lcela Guerrero-Ayala; New Haven, IN; Driv w/o Lic; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 4/30/15 or will be sent to collections
Marco Anthony Cobel; Paulding, OH; Driv w/o Lic; J-Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today; Count B; Prohib Turn; J-Guilty; Pay all fines and cost today
Joshua J. Grimes; Oakwood, OH; Unauthoriz Use P; A-Dismiss; Case dismissed per state; with prejudice; costs waived
Daniel J.W. Miller; Grover Hill, OH; DOC w/persiste; Guilty; Defendant to show proof of the court of payment of jail fees; defendant shall have no contact with victims or residence; complete 20 hours community service; complete Thinking For A Change; Placed on Standard Probation; Pay all Fines and costs
Burton F. Long; Theft; No Cont; Defendant to pay all costs; Complete 40 hours community service; maintain gainful employment; complete 3rd Millennium online theft course; shall not consume alcohol nor enter any bars; report to probation after release from jail
Pauline M. Fletcher; Cecil, OH; Confine of Dog; J-Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs today 4/20/15
Marco Anthony Cobel; Paulding, OH; Driv w/o Lic; No Cont; Pay all fines and costs today

LATE PLANTING START MAY CALL FOR ADJUSTING MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR CORN

Because of the cooler, wet weather in April that has caused spring planting delays across the region, growers may need to adjust some of their management practices when they are able to get into their fields to speed up crop establishment, said an agronomist with the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences at The Ohio State University.

Across Ohio, as of the week ending April 26, only 2 percent of corn was planted, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service. That compares to 3 percent that had been planted by the same time last year and 20 percent that had been planted on average during the past five years, the agency said.

"The concern for many growers is that delayed planting reduces the yield potential of corn," said Peter Thomison, an Ohio State University Extension agronomist. OSU Extension is the statewide outreach arm of the college.

Thomison said that while late planting could result in a

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

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reduction in corn yield, growers should resist getting into their fields before the soils are dry.

"Growers should avoid tillage and planting operations when soil is still wet," he said. "Even if that leads to late planting and the potential for lower yields, getting into wet fields could lead to soil compaction which can instead reduce yields for several years."

The optimal time to get corn planted in southern Ohio is between April 10 and May 10 and in northern Ohio between April 15 and May 10, based on historical crop data, Thomison said.

"But, while growers who follow those planting dates generally see optimal yields, growers who don't find optimal planting conditions may want to hold off, especially if the forecast calls for continued wet weather," he said.

However, once conditions are right for planting, many growers are likely able to get corn planted in a week, Thomison said.

"We've seen years where well over half of the corn statewide was planted in a week," he said. "In 2005, many growers were forced to replant after a major freeze event hit the region and damaged a lot plants."

"But that year, we ended up with corn replanted by May 10. Growers can make remarkable progress in the right planting conditions. It's all going to depend on how much rainfall we receive, and how quickly they can get into the fields."

In addition to avoiding tillage and planting operations on wet soils, growers can learn other management tips to consider when dealing with a late planting season. These tips were offered by Thomison and Extension state specialists Steve Culman and Mark Loux in a recent Corn Newsletter (corn.osu.edu) posting.

"Most of the adjustments aren't going to be major changes for some operations as many growers are doing some of these management practices already," Thomison said.

Local OSU Extension Educator for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Sarah Noggle added, "In April, we caution growers to be aware of soil temperatures, while in early May, growers should focus more of the calendar versus soil temperatures. Historical averages in Paulding County tell us the soil temperatures will start warming up."

PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP HYDRANT FLUSHING UPDATE 4/29/15

The Village will finish flushing fire hydrants south of the Railroad Tracks by Friday, 5/1/15. Hydrants north of the railroad tracks will be flushed between May 4th and middle of May. Hydrants will not be flushed if raining or if other projects require immediate attention. Please just check your water for discoloration before washing clothes to avoid rust spots. If you have any questions, please contact the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12** on April 20, 2015, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$5,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE TRASH FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Village Fiscal Officer to transfer \$5,000.00 from the general fund to the trash fund to pay Real Waste Disposal LLC for trash collection services.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13** on April 20, 2015, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH O.R. COLAN ASSOCIATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT IDENTIFIED AS PAU SRTS ANTWERP PHASE II PID 93589, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with O.R. Colan Associates, an ODOT approved consultant, for the purpose of right-of-way appraisal and acquisition for the safe routes to school project identified as PAU SRTS Antwerp Phase II PID 93589.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01** on April 20, 2015, entitled "A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY EIGHT-TENTHS OF ONE MILL FOR A RENEWAL LEVY FOR CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution requests the County Auditor to certify the total current tax valuation and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by eight-tenths of one mill to place a renewal levy on the ballot for expenses associated with maintaining and operating the cemetery.

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

I PROMISED MY KIDS...



It's a typical Tuesday night. Fort Wayne resident Jeremiah Johnson climbs into his SUV and begins the trek to Dupont Hospital for his usual dialysis treatment. He follows the exact same routine every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.

His longtime girlfriend, Tara Yarian, usually drives him to the eight-hour sessions since diabetes has left Johnson blind in his right eye. Three times a week, Johnson makes his way to the Fresenius Medical Care and checks in. Nurses check his blood pressure, measure his skin temperature and take his pulse. Then, Johnson said he is hooked up to the dialysis machine which slowly removes his blood and filters it, returning "clean" blood back into his body.

It's a tedious process and can get overwhelming, Johnson said. Side effects of dialysis include nausea, dizziness and muscle cramps during the procedure, all caused by rapid changes in blood fluid levels during dialysis.

"I do it or I die," Johnson said. "There is no in between. When I was first told I needed dialysis I thought I was going to die because my father died from dialysis complications. I lay in the hospital bed and tried not to cry in front of Tara or the kids."

Always a fighter, though, Johnson said he is accustomed to the dialysis routine—he's been receiving the treatments since 2011 and living with diabetes for more than 30 years, since he was a child, he said. He learned how to inject insulin into an orange before performing the injections on himself and attended diabetic camps to help cope with the disease.

But while Johnson has been able to manage his diabetes in the past, the disease began to take an even bigger toll on his body, threatening sight in his good eye and presenting other complications.

In 2012, it became clear that Johnson would need a kidney transplant. So, he was put on the transplant list and the wait began.

If it weren't for Brittani Sprunger, a Living Donor Coordinator at Lutheran Transplant Center, Johnson said, he'd still be swimming in a sea of paperwork. Instead, she has helped Johnson navigate the complex world of organ transplants. Until a match is found for Johnson, he waits. But, he doesn't wallow.

Surely no one would blame Johnson for being scared and angry at the hand life has dealt him. But, Johnson said, he chooses to embrace the life he's got left – no matter the length. After all, he's got five kids to live for.

"The longer it goes and I don't get a transplant, the closer I get to the end. The closer I get to the end, the clearer things get," Johnson said. "I always thought that having a career and making money were the important things in life. The truth is that family and loved ones are what truly matters. Memories are the only true thing you leave behind."

Johnson puts those words into action and makes memories each and every day, Yarian said. He is giving of his time, talents and resources to anyone who needs help. He is a dedicated father to not only his own two sons, but to Yarian's three children, too. He never misses one of their hockey games, show choir competitions or, most recently, his oldest son's graduation from basic military training in Georgia.

"Jeremiah always makes sure others get what they need and puts them first," Yarian said. "He gives people food who need it. He is good at figuring out how to make sure no one ever goes without – if he has it he will make sure that if others need it, they have it too."

It was on the trip to Georgia where Johnson took a turn for the worse. He went to sleep while getting ready to go to the graduation and woke up in an Atlanta hospital. Yarian's youngest son, Colton, had recognized the signs of low blood sugar and called an ambulance like his mother had taught him.

"Colton is my hero and he doesn't even know it," Johnson said of his latest trip to the emergency room.

Johnson hopes the community will hear his plea and get tested for possible kidney donation. If not to save his life, then to save one of the other 180 people in the area who are in need of a kidney today.

"People like me don't have to die. Everyone has two kidneys and we only need one to live. People can donate and save a life and who doesn't have that on their bucket list – to SAVE another human life," Johnson said.

The Lutheran Transplant Center sees many cases like Johnson's each year. The center offers pre- and post-operative care and boasts a shorter wait time for a kidney transplant than most centers in the tri-state region, according to Sprunger.

Sprunger said kidney recipients get more long-term results with kidneys from a live donor. And since humans need only one of their kidneys to live, living donors are preferable.

"On average, a living donor's kidney will last 15-20 years. They can last much, much longer than that, we've seen them last patients for 40 years. On average, a deceased donor kidney will last a recipient 10, 15 years. So there is definitely a benefit, longevity-wise, with the living donors as well."

Sprunger said more than half of the center's kidney transplant patients received their kidney from a living donor. Living donors can be family, friends or even a stranger. Living donors need to be between 18 and 65 years old and healthy. They don't incur any costs for the evaluation or hospitalization and receive a pre-transplant health evaluation to ensure the safety of both the donor and the recipient. Most living donors spend only one to two days in the hospital and can return to work from two to four weeks after the surgery, depending on the occupation.

Johnson's battle won't be won solely with the kidney transplant, though. He will have a long road ahead with an intense regimen of anti-rejection drugs and post-operative care to ensure his body doesn't reject the new organ.

According to the National Kidney Foundation, 7 percent of kidney transplants fail

within a year, and 17 percent of transplant patients need a new kidney after just three years. In fact, over 20 percent of kidney transplants every year are re-transplants. The body rejects a new kidney for the same reason it protects you against colds and other viruses. Though tests can be run to indicate how likely rejection will be, there is no way to be sure about whether rejection will happen or not. For this reason, transplant patients will be prescribed immunosuppressive agents, or anti-rejection drugs, in an attempt to dampen down the body's natural immune response.

As one can imagine, the surgery, cadre of drugs and intense follow-up care isn't cheap – and Johnson's insurance will leave him footing 20 percent of the bill. That's in the \$20,000 range, Johnson said. The kicker, he said, is that he has to raise some of the funds before the hospital will commit to performing the surgery.

"I no longer qualify for Medicaid so I may not be able to get a transplant to save my life unless I can show (the hospital) that I can afford the meds to keep the kidney if I get it," Johnson explained. "So now money becomes the key to seeing my kids grow up, which I think is wrong but I have no choice in the matter."

For more information about Jeremiah visit <http://bit.ly/KidneyForJeremiah>. To get tested as a potential kidney donor, call Sprunger at Lutheran Transplant Center, 260.435.6211.

"I promised my kids that I would be at their college graduations and be here to meet my first grandkids," Johnson said. "Every time I think about giving up because of how sick I get, I remember that promise. If nothing else, I stick to my word."

SPORTS CARD SHOW IN FORT WAYNE

Saturday May 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Hotel Fort Wayne located at 305 E Washington Center Rd. (exit 312a off of I-69) in Fort Wayne, IN there will be a sports card and collectibles show. Dealers from the tri-state region will be in attendance buying, selling and trading both sport and non-sport cards and collectibles. Featured will be vintage and new singles, hobby boxes and supplies... attendance is free and the public is invited to attend. Please feel free to bring your items in for appraisal.

For more information please contact Brian Mayne at 260-824-4867 or mcscomics@adamswells.com or on Facebook at Fort Wayne Baseball Card Show.

U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HONORS CONGRESSMAN LATTA WITH "SPIRIT OF ENTERPRISE" AWARD FOR PRO-BUSINESS RECORD

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) was recognized for his pro-business legislative record by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which presented him with the "Spirit of Enterprise" Award at a ceremony Wednesday, April 29th.

"I have worked hard in supporting pro-growth, pro-business policies as a Member of Congress, and I am honored to accept this award from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. I look forward to continuing this work to advance future policies that allow businesses to create jobs, and put our country back on a path towards prosperity."

The Chamber's prestigious Spirit of Enterprise Award is given annually to members of Congress based on their votes on critical business legislation outlined in the Chamber publication, How They Voted. Members who supported the Chamber's position on at least 70% of those votes qualify to receive the award.

"For 50 years, through our How They Voted scorecard, the U.S. Chamber has been recognizing legislators from both sides of the aisle who have worked to pass legislation and enact policies that bolster our country's economy, create jobs and keep our nation's spirit of enterprise alive," U.S. Chamber President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue said.

"The Spirit of Enterprise award honors those members of Congress like Congressman Robert E. Latta (OH-05) who has recognized the need and shown a commitment to pro-growth policies in the second session of the 113th Congress."

During the second session of the 113th Congress, the Chamber scored members on eight Senate votes and 14 House votes, including terrorism risk insurance (TRIA), tax extenders, and the "CRomnibus." Also scored were votes to ensure free speech, fund transportation and infrastructure, and to further U.S. energy independence.

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BOARD OF ELECTION ANNOUNCE TO BE CLOSED MAY 7TH

The Paulding County Board of Elections office will be closed on Thursday, May 7th. The will re-open regular business hours on Friday, May 8th.

CONGRESSMEN LATTA AND WELCH ISSUE RURAL CALL COMPLETION RESOLUTION

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) and Congressman Peter Welch (D-VT), Co-Chairmen of the Rural Telecommunications Working Group, reintroduced a bipartisan resolution that outlines steps the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) can take to improve telephone service in rural areas.

"Uncompleted calls to rural areas has been a recurring issue for many of the constituents we represent," said Latta and Welch. "While the FCC continues to take action to pursue those entities responsible for dropped calls, the problem persists. This bipartisan resolution builds upon Congressional and FCC efforts to resolve this matter, and reiterates the need for the Commission to aggressively pursue those who violate call completion rules. We must do more to protect the daily communications needs of rural communities, businesses, public safety officials, and families residing in rural areas who depend on and deserve reliable telephone service."

Dependable, quality telephone service is critical to keeping rural parts of America competitive in the national economy. One of the main causes of poor rural call completion stems from retail long-distance providers' increasing use of third parties to deliver calls to rural areas at reduced rates.

Latta and Welch's resolution expresses a sense of Congress that telephone service must be improved in rural areas of the country, and states that no entity may unreasonably discriminate against telephone users in these areas. It also encourages the FCC to aggressively pursue entities that violate FCC call completion rules and contribute to poor quality telecommunications services in rural areas, and to take enforceable action against those responsible.

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SENATOR HITE RECOGNIZED AS CHAMPION FOR AGRICULTURE AND POULTRY ISSUES

OH State Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) was honored during the Ohio Poultry Association's annual banquet for his efforts in promoting Ohio's poultry industry.

"It has been an honor to serve Ohio's No. 1 industry which employs 1 in 7 Ohio workers and feeds, fuels and clothes our society," said Hite.

Senator Hite was awarded the Golden Feather Award for his efforts in championing livestock agriculture and Ohio's poultry industry.

"I am pleased to recognize Senator Hite as this year's Golden Feather Award recipient," said Jim Chakeres, executive vice president of the Ohio Poultry Association. "He has a well-earned reputation for having an open mind to all parties and their opinions, and the OPA has been especially appreciative of him seeking input from our members on vital matters to our industry throughout the years."

Senator Hite has served as chairman of the Senate's

Standing Committee on Agriculture since 2011. In this post, he oversees legislative matters affecting Ohio's farmers and the agriculture industry.

FLOWER PLANTER COMPETITION IN CITY OF WOODBURN

The Woodburn Dirt Diggers Garden Club would like to announce that we will be hosting the Flower Planter competition this year. There are 10 planters and they have been relocated to the Woodburn Park. Judging will be earlier this year since the Summer Festival for the 150th birthday of Woodburn was moved up from July to June 12-13. You will be responsible for your planter throughout the summer. The design and plants you use are completely up to you. Be creative and put your green thumbs to work and win prizes. To participate contact Jan Palmer committee member for the Summer Festival and member of the Woodburn Dirt Diggers at 260-632-5318 during the day or 260-632-4754 in the evening or e-mail us at woodburndirtiggers@aol.com

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GARAGE SALE: May 7, 8, 9; 8am. 1008 Powers Street. Tools in back. New Haven, IN. Toys, Lumber, Building Supplies, Household & Collectibles.

COMMUNITY YARD & RUMMAGE SALE @ The Christian Community Center of Harlan 12616 Spencerville Rd Harlan, IN. May 7-9, 8:30 A.M.-4 P.M. Solid oak entertainment center, hundreds of rolls of fabric for crafts, upholstery, lots of clothes, books, VHS, puzzles, round table, and lots and lots of misc.

GRAVES TREE EXPERT: Tree trimming, tree removal, dead limb removal, storm damage, clean up, stump removal, free estimates. Call Paul, 260-341-7255.

GARAGE SALE: Friday, May 8th; 8-5. 2 miles north of Paulding. 12978 Rd. 176. Tons of kids items, boys 3-5, girls 7-10, toys, bikes, men & women's, misc. household items & furniture. THINK SPRING!! Garage sale season is right around the corner! Advertise your garage sale in the West Bend News and receive FREE use of yard signs to help promote your sale! *Some restrictions applied. Ask for details!

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LADY PANTHERS ATTACKED BY SPENCERVILLE

Paulding softball faced the field against Spencerville recently. This high scoring game ended with a Spencerville win: 12-10.

Score by the Inning:
Paulding - 2 7 1 0 0 0 =10, 13H, 3E
Spencerville - 1 1 2 0 2 1 5=12, 18H, 2E
WP - Shumate
LP - Schilt 6IP, 10 runs (8 earned), 3 BB, 2 K's
Hitters:
Schilt 3-4, 2 runs; Riley 3-4, 1 run, 2 RBI; Davis 1-3, 2 runs, 2 RBI

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU 5/6 - 5/11

5/6 - Mini corn dogs, mixed vegetables, banana, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
5/7 - Meatball sub, sweet potato fries, orange smiles, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
5/8 - Pizza rippers, tossed salad, applesauce, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
5/11 - Grilled chicken on bun, corn, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
5/12 - Sloppy joe, bean dip w/scoops, pineapple crisp, milk; PLUS: Salad bar

SPACES AVAILABLE FOR CERTIFIED FISHING INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP IN FINDLAY

Spaces are available for educators, leaders, or conservation clubs who have a sincere interest in taking kids fishing and want to become certified fishing instructors, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). A free workshop is available Saturday, June 6, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will take place at Wildlife District Two Office, 952 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio, 45840.

Passport to Fishing is a one-day instructor training program that qualifies individuals to become ODNR Division of Wildlife certified fishing instructors. All participants will need to pass a background check before being certified.

Passport to Fishing was developed by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and adopted by the Recreational Boat-

ing and Fishing Foundation. Workshops teach volunteers the basics of fishing and how to run a four-station fishing program with a fishing event. These instructors then go back to their communities, with a written curriculum and training aids, to teach youngsters and beginning anglers the basics of fishing.

By becoming a certified instructor, attendees will not only be able to help in reconnecting students with the outdoors, but will also have the skills and resources to do it in a more successful way. Resources available include grants, equipment, brochures, and training.

To register for the workshop, please call Linda at 419-429-8347 by May 25. For additional class information, visit wildohio.gov.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

Sudoku solution from page 13

9	6	9	8	1	2	7	4	3
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United Way **United Way of Paulding County Is Searching For An EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

POSITION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OBJECTIVE: The Executive Director serves as the general manager and fiscal agent appointed and employed by the Board of Directors. The Executive Director, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, represents and promotes the United Way to all components of the community.

- JOB REQUIREMENTS:**
1. Assists the Board of Directors in matters of policy formulation, interpretation and implementation; long and short-range goal setting; and securing high quality volunteer leadership for United Way;
 2. Supervises all office operations.
 3. Provides administrative assistance to Campaign Chairperson regarding such matters as volunteer recruitment and training, scheduling, goal-setting and campaign promotion;
 4. Analyzes and evaluates fund raising and fund distribution results to benefit future campaigns.
 5. Provides leadership procuring United Way services desired by the community such as needs assessments, information and referral services, and consultative input on special projects;
 6. Develops a sound working relationship with the Directors of all affiliated agencies by providing consultation regarding their services and programs, budgets, inter-agency cooperation and current community needs;
 7. Monitors agency activity and ensures that United Way funds are used as given;
 8. Maintains cooperative relationships with other United Way organizations and ensures all necessary and required forms and reports are completed and filed in a timely manner.

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & ABILITIES REQUIRED:

- Associates Degree or the equivalent.
- Professional experience in administration, communications, development, fund raising, fund distribution, and volunteer recruitment.
- Strong computer skills and knowledge of current software applications such as: Word, Excel, and Quickbooks.
- Strong administrative, organizational, written and oral communication skills.
- Initiative, self-discipline and the ability to work without supervision while supervising and motivating others.
- Ability to work effectively with community leaders, donors and applicants demonstrating a blend of leadership presence and cooperative work style.

JOB STATUS: Part-time, 25-30 hours per week.
HIRING RANGE: \$17,000 base pay with performance incentives
WORK REQUIREMENTS: The Executive Director position is currently a part-time position working a flexible schedule of 20-25 hours per week. It will be necessary to work on special events which will require evenings and weekends hours. Out-of-county travel may be necessary.
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: Associates degree in related field of equivalent work experience.
Experience Required: Previous non-profit experience in leadership role required; United Way experience desired. Previous experience fundraising and must have working knowledge of non-profit fiscal management, accounting, and budgeting experience. Must have excellent MS Office and computer skills, writing and presentation/public speaking skills, and exceptional interpersonal relationship skills.
DEADLINE: Until position is filled.
Email Resume and Cover Letter to pcedpam@gmail.com

R&B Fabrications HELP WANTED
R & B Fabrications Inc is now accepting applications for its **GRAPHIC DESIGN/TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT**
Candidates should have a strong background in design with experience in Adobe Illustrator, Corel Draw or Flexi Sign, Microsoft Word and Excel. Strong computer skills are a must. Job responsibilities include logo design, light engineering work creating blueprints, creating and printing signage and heat transfers and updating R&B's website. Experienced candidates are encouraged to apply at 20128 Road 138, Oakwood, Ohio.

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CAMPBELL SOUP JOB FAIR
First hour is exclusively for military veterans
Date: **Friday, May 8th**
Time: **8 am to 9 am Military Veterans Only**
9 am to 1 pm General Public
Place: **Napoleon American Legion**
Address: **500 Glenwood Avenue, Napoleon, OH 43545**
The Campbell Soup Company, the world's leading maker and marketer of soup, seeks quality and safety conscious individuals to join our Napoleon operations team for the current season. We are dedicating the first hour of our job fair exclusively to veterans.
Ideal candidates will have manufacturing work experience, be willing to work any shift and must be able to work overtime as needed. Forklift experience is a plus. Most positions require the ability to lift/carry 50 lbs. repeatedly.
Applications for this season's general labor and distribution center/forklift positions will be accepted on Friday May 8th at the Napoleon American Legion from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. for veterans only, and then from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the general public. If an applicant has completed a WorkKeys assessment prior to the job fair, they should bring a copy of their scores when they apply. Those who have not done the WorkKeys assessment will have an opportunity to register for it at the job fair.
Seasonal positions start at \$14.42/hour. Season may run from July through February. Employees will be required to satisfactorily complete a background check, physical and drug screen. Applicants who have already applied for the 2015 season through their local Ohio Means Jobs office do not need to attend. Those who cannot attend the Campbell Soup Job Fair may apply at their local county Ohio Means Jobs Office/ Job and Family Services. *Equal Opportunity Employer.*

NEW HAVEN PRIMARY STUDENTS AND STAFF WALK FOR FITNESS



New Haven Primary students, staff along with Superintendent, Dr. Ken Folks, Board Member, Bob Nelson and Superintendent of New Haven Parks, Mike Clendenen took a walk around the neighborhood. This event PACES 'ALL CHILDREN EXERCISE SIMULTANEOUSLY' helped the kindergarten to second grade students understand the importance

of aerobic fitness by walking. The walk was created to celebrate National Physical Education Fitness. This is the schools 5th consecutive year. "The kids were very excited and have asked about the big event for sometime. Students have been actually practicing for the walk at recess" said Mrs. Danielle Newman, principal. The school is participating with the MIGHTY MIL-

ER NATIONAL PROGRAM sponsored by the New York Road Runners (NYRR). The goals for tracking miles were determined by grade levels at the beginning of the year. Many of the students have been tracking their miles. There are nearly 100 students and staff who already earned gifts for miles walked. Students in kindergarten and first grade had to walk 30 miles; 2nd graders had to walk at least 40 miles and the intense intervention students needed to walk at least 20 miles to earn incentive gifts. Students walked together by classroom around the Highland Terrace neighborhood in great 60 degree weather!

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WOODBURN COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Woodburn Community Historical Society met Thursday, April 24, 2015 at the Woodburn branch of the Allen County Public Library in Woodburn, IN. The meeting was opened by President Mrs. Gloria Gerig with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the USA.

New business concerned the Woodburn Summerfest, June 12-13. The Historical Society will set up a table in the park near the shelter house. They will have their book: *150th Anniversary of Woodburn*. A Sesquicentennial - 150 Years button will also be available. All members are urged to wear it to promote the event. Commemorative miniature Woodburn buildings are also going to be ready for the celebration.

The Woodburn Post Office is making a cancellation stamp to read: "City of Woodburn, Indiana, Est. 1865, Summerfest - June 12,13, 2015. The cancellation stamp will be free on any mailings.

It was unanimously decided not to have a float in the Woodburn parade on June 13 for the Historical Society. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on what will be presented for the display at the Community Center.

The May meeting will be Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Woodburn branch of the Allen County Public Library on SR 101.

All members were urged to bring a guest and potential new member to the next meeting. For more information, please contact President Gloria Gerig at 260-632-5268.

Submitted by Caroline Zimmerman, Sec. Pro tem

PAYNE ELEMENTARY WINS COUNTY READING BATTLE!



A packed house rooted on teams as they battled for the county championship in the Battle of the Books.

A Bank. That was the answer to one of the final questions that pushed the Payne Elementary Sixth Grade Battle of the Books team to victory over Divine Mercy in the 2015 Battle of the Books county finals on April 30th. The Battle of the Books is a literary competition between Paulding County schools and home-schooled children sponsored by the Paulding County Carnegie Library. Teams made up of 5th and 6th graders compete by answering questions about books on the Battle of the Books list. The list and books are supplied to each elementary school and library location at the beginning of the school year. The winning school receives a trophy and each team in the finals receives special medals. This year's competing teams represented Antwerp, Oakwood, Payne, Grover Hill, Paulding and Divine Mercy.

"The Battle of the Books has been held for almost 25 years," states Susan Pieper, Library Director. "The program has grown to be very competitive and exciting. It was great to see principals, teachers, family and friends rooting on their



Payne Elementary took the honors winning the 2015 Battle of the Books. Winning team members from left are: Riley Stoller, Jacob Stouffer, Owen Manz, Ryan Wenninger, Chloe Parker and Carlee Mead.

teams in this competition of brain-power."

"The winning team from Payne Elementary had a combine total of almost 5,000 Accelerated Reader (AR) points this year," shared Pieper. "This is an awesome achievement and provides a sense of accomplishment for the students."

"We are so grateful for our sponsors who help make this program possible," shares Sara Molitor, Head of Youth Services. "Dr. Larry Tope and Dr. Jeffery Rhees, DDS make it possible for each finalist team to receive t-shirts and Lafarge provides funding for the Battle books to be placed

in the elementary school libraries each year. We could not have a successful battle without their support."

So, what was the question that prompted the winning answer? In the book, *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*, what was the building before it was turned into the library? The team from Payne received an extra point for correctly identifying the author of the book, Chris Grabenstein.

For more information about the Battle of the Books competition or if you would like to help sponsor the 2016 competition, contact the library at 419-399-2032.

MVPO TO HOST PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING

Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is currently developing a long range transportation plan for the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams. The plan is called Moving Together 2040 and the public is reminded that a draft of the plan is currently available for public review and comment. The draft has been posted on MVPO's website at www.mvpo.org/transportation.html and mem-

bers of the public may comment on the draft until May 13, 2015. Comments can be submitted to Ellen Smith by phone (419-784-3882), e-mail (ebarry@mvpo.org), or by entering comments into the comment box located on the webpage. The draft plan is also available in print and can be requested by contacting Ellen Smith at ebarry@mvpo.org or by phone at 419-784-3882. The public will be given one final opportunity to comment on the plan at the upcoming meeting of the MVPO Technical and Citizens Commit-

tees. This meeting will take place on May 18, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. and will be open to the public should anyone wish to submit a final comment on the plan. This meeting will be located at:

1300 E. Second Street, 2nd floor Conference Room, Defiance, Ohio 43512

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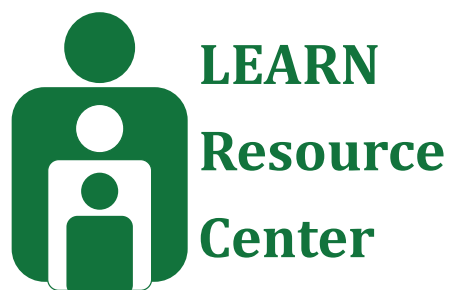
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