

One Year Ago

- For the first time since 1965, the Van Wert County Fair has a new manager. Ohio City native Denis Ellinger has been installed in that post and is in the process of learning the ropes around the fairgrounds. Ellinger steps into the shoes of Paul Oeschle who became fair director on Dec. 27, 1965 and remained in that position until December 2007. From that point, he stayed on as fair manager.

25 Years Ago — 1988

- The Jefferson Wildcats didn't do it with mirrors or slight of hand. Instead, they used a smothering press and quick hands to get the Lincolnview Lancers down early. The Lancers couldn't recover from a 13-3 first quarter and went down to defeat 75-39.

- Catholic Daughters of Americas held its regular meeting at the Knights of Columbus hall with a jitney auction. Mary J. Menke, regent, reminded members of the upcoming CDA state convention to be held in April in Toledo. Delegates and alternates were elected as follows: Mary J. Menke, regent; Veronica Luersman, first vice regent; and Mary Young, renewal chairman; and alternates Kathy Shaw, Kay Dannhausen and Darlene Pohlman.

- Elida Future Farmers of America members Tony Rode, Matt Nusbaum and Bret Blymyer took part in district four co-op test at Liberty Benton High School. The contest consists of a written test covering the knowledge and operation of agricultural co-ops. The team placed second out of nine teams and will advance to state competition March 12 at Ohio State University.

50 Years Ago — 1963

- Members of the Modern Mothers Chapter of the Child Conservation League met Tuesday night in the home of the president, Mrs. James Belt. It was decided to hold the annual husbands party on Feb. 10 at the home of Mrs. Robert Bendele. The members of the club spent the remainder of the meeting making booties for the pediatric ward at St. Rita's Hospital.

- A Delphos team took over the leadership of the 25th annual Lima District Women's Bowling Tournament in its second weekend at Westgate Lanes. The local team of Agnes Swick, Jenny Gasser, Dorothy Smith, Eda Kohls and Alma Good, pushed two pins past the Milano Club, which had taken over first in the first shift Saturday.

- More than 50 women members of the Delphos Country Club and their guests, attended the special ladies day luncheon and card party held Tuesday afternoon at the clubhouse. The door

prize, a lovely floral arrangement, was awarded to Mrs. Hubert Calvelage and prizes in cards went to Mrs. Frank Spieles, Mrs. Henry Fettig, Mrs. Robert Liggett, Mrs. Robert Rozelle and Mrs. Tom Jones.

75 Years Ago — 1938

- The St. John's forces are hard hit by injuries at present but Coach Jake Schulte expects his players back in uniform by Feb. 8. Carl Vonderembse, reserve basketball player, sustained a dislocation of the left ankle Friday night in the game against Celina Public. Jim Lange, junior high player, sustained a fracture of one of the bones in his foot in practice this week. Robert Wiechart, varsity substitute, and Howard Ditto, varsity regular are both out of the lineup because of injuries.

- Emma Kohl, East Jackson Street, was hostess to the members of the Fortnite Pals Club at her home Friday evening. Mrs. George Laudick was high in five-hundred, Mrs. P. R. Thines, second, and Mrs. George Bertling, third. In two weeks, the club will meet with Mrs. William Brandehoff, South Pierce Street.

- According to all indications, the 1937-38 Varsity representation of the Ottoville High School should more than live up to past records chalked up by Ottoville quintets. Their record at the present time stands at eight wins and two losses. Friday night, the Varsity cagers veritably swamped Miller City by a 47-10 count.