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VBS Closes in Grand Style

The Newman Council of Churches Vacation Bible School finished their summer program with the final day on Thursday evening. Various activities were going on in different locations of the church as the evening progressed. The 8 and 9 year age group were being treated

closing program. Sabrina Kibler, co-director of the program, led the group in various songs from the "God's Big Back Yard" VBS theme. All the children were excited to be there and participate. Sabrina indicated that the children had collected money during the week to help



The enthusiasm shows from the children's excitement during the closing program. They are singing songs they had learned from the VBS "God's Big Back Yard" theme. photos by Dana Hales

to a variety of cookies and drinks for a snack while the 7 and 8 year old children were busy with a craft project making decorated sandals. The pre-K age group were attentively listening to Katie Krabel deliver a Bible message and reflect on her recent mission work in Haiti. The Junior High age group was with Perry and Kathy Albin for a short swim at their country pool.

By 7:15pm all the individualized groups re-assembled in the Sanctuary for the

Katie Krabel with her upcoming missionary work when she returns to Haiti. The youth group had collected \$280 in change over the course of VBS. Sabrina then said she had received another \$2.00 so that brought up the total to \$282 for their "Katie to Haiti" fundraiser.

All in all everyone had a great time at the vacation Bible school program and look forward to coming back next year.



Sabrina Kibler addresses the children during the closing program. Her enthusiasm for the program was contagious with the children as they all were actively participating in all the various activities.

Open House Attracts Many Viewers

by Dana Hales

Lloyd Simms had a vision about a house remodeling he wanted to undertake about two years ago. He and his wife, Adela took on a project that lasted almost two years to complete. The Simms' bought the former Grover Bradford property located on West Vanderen Street in Newman, which consisted of single-story 875 sq. ft. home and three lots. He has since turned it into a spacious two-story 1575 sq. ft. home with a second-story deck and a spacious front porch. The former home was basically a 4-room home with a very small bathroom that had been run-

With the help of a friend and his son, Lloyd started the salvage portion of the workable frame and floors of the former home, utilizing lumber available and some materials that were donated to him. They basically took the old home down to the frame and floors and built it up to include 3 bedrooms upstairs and a bath that includes a Jacuzzi. Each bedroom has more than built-in storage with a second living room on the main floor that could be a fourth bedroom. The main floor consists of the main living room with an open plan design to the kitchen that



Lloyd and Adela Simms at the front porch leading into the home they have just completed rebuilding and remodeling. They held an open house this past weekend to show the new home. It will be on the market in the near future. photo by Dana Hales

down since Mr. Bradford's passing. The Simms' found the current owners of the property and negotiated a buying price and purchased the property.

incorporates a breakfast bar, another full bath and a laundry/storage room in the see Open House cont. on p. 5

Lexie Minott Wins Miss Congeniality at Moultrie-Douglas County Fair



Notice to Shiloh School District #1 Parents/Guardians

Registration dates for the 2013-2014 school year are:

Thursday, August 8, 2013 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Friday, August 9, 2013 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Monday, August 12, 2013 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Thurs., Aug. 15 & Fri., Aug. 16 Teacher Institute Days – No Classes
Monday, August 19 First day of School Dismiss Shiloh 2:05 Newman 2:15
August 19-August 30 Dismiss Shiloh 2:05 Newman 2:15

Please note: After August 1 you may access registration forms online at www.shiloh1.us

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complete them when you come for registration.

Questions? Please call.....

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Shiloh Unit Office – Barb Board 887-2364 Ext 6

Peace Meals Menus

July 18: Chicken and noodles, peas, red cabbage w/sour sauce, whole grain wheat bread, pudding

July 19: 2 MEALS DELIVERED ON THURSDAY. NO MEALS SERVED ON FRIDAY.

July 23: Spaghetti w/Italian meat sauce, seasoned green beans, applesauce, whole grain wheat bread, cookie w/raisins

July 24: Taco salad w/lettuce, cheese, tomatoes and beans; peaches; juice; Taco Chips, cakke

July 25: Chicken, tuna, turkey, or cheese salad sandwich; vegetable bean soup, whole grain wheat (2), crackers, fruity glorified rice

July 26: 2 MEALS DELIVERED ON THURSDAY. NO MEALS SERVED ON FRIDAY.

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FROM THE NEWMAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Rev. Ben Williamson
First Christian Church

What is your greatest desire? The perfect marriage? 2.3 kids all in perfect health, preferably all smart and athletic? How about having your home paid off, good looks, and an excellent portfolio? You could probably come up with your own “hopes and dreams.”

We all have these desires. I have them. You have them. In fact, God speaks about giving us the desires of our hearts. In Psalms 37:4 He says just that: “and he will give you the desires of your heart (NIV).” Just think of it—what I desire God will give, right?

Perhaps you were like me last week and received a “religious” mailing in the mail. Inside the envelope was a prayer rug, testimonials from people claiming success, a personal prophecy, and instructions on how to use all of it. Sadly, many people fall for such things. They might think that the use of such items and mailing it back in makes one “right with God” or even as a substitute for Christian fellowship. (A simple internet search will show that this particular “ministry” that sends these letters out is nothing but a religious scam).



I know of a 30 year old who has as his ambition to be a millionaire by the age of 60. Now, I am in no way speaking negatively about wealthy people. The Lord knows that I have been blessed by very wealthy people. (Being a wealthy Christian means you have more resources to further the cause of Christ). But concerning this young man just mentioned, I have seen what “desiring” to be a millionaire has done to his family.

Where am I going with all this? Well, what in the world are we here on earth for? What really matters in life? What is the “goal” that we are working towards? Have you ever wondered why God has kept you alive this long? For the believer, why didn't God taken you to heaven the moment He saved you? The answer is because He has work left for you to do here on earth. And may I submit that the primary work that God has for us who have trusted Christ is to become like Jesus?

Karen Riddell

Happy 61st Birthday

from your family



JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 20: Roger Hinds, Mrs. Glenneth White, Mrs. Louise Davis, Kevin James Rogers, Jeffrey William Graham, Joyce Blair, Susan Biddle, Christine Reed

July 21: Janice Graves, Sara Cannava, Virgil Martin, Shirley McDermott Hulse, Geraldine Alice Lutz

July 22: Eileen Harrison Senters, Robert William Roney, Bill Wamsley, Joe Francis Boyer, Kathy Lynn Gordon Wright, Marilyn Christine Ross

July 23: Jean Boyer Dethloff, Dorothy Long Jeter, Gary Dean Fernandes, Janie Sue Chandler, Sarah Madden

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July 25: Maxine Pribble, Nina Berger, Charles Mankey, Bernita Ashwill, William Tinder, Darrell Kibler, Ryan Miller, Ella Faith Bennett

July 26: Judith Wax, Thomas McIntyre, Justin Sollers, Tony Liles

Many people know Romans 8:28, especially when the going gets tough: “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose” (NIV). But please let us not divorce this verse from the very next one: “For those God foreknew he also predestined *to be conformed to the likeness of his Son...*” (V.29 NIV, emphasis mine). You see, as Christians, we are still here on this earth to be made like Christ. Whether we experience the good (health, wealth, etc.) or the bad (death, poverty, disease, etc.), as Christians, God is making us more like Christ. In fact, the “bad” I just listed has a greater effect on becoming more like Christ than the “good.”

Then what about Psalm 37:4 quoted above that says God will give us the desires of our hearts? We need to read the full verse: “Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart” (NIV). You see, the condition to getting the desires of your heart fulfilled is based on delighting in the Lord. And do you think your desires might just change if they follow delighting in the Lord? Absolutely.

Some Changes for the Upcoming Disaster Exercise for Douglas County

The Douglas County Emergency Management and its partner, the Douglas County Health Department along with other participating agencies in the 2013 tornado exercise have reevaluated the existing scenario and found it necessary to reduce the size of the area involved entitled the disaster area. To better facilitate this exercise, the primary area will be the community of Garrett. Thank you for your cooperation and efforts and any new pertinent information that needs to be disseminated will follow.

For any additional information pertaining to this exercise that will follow over the next two weeks, contact Douglas County EMA, Joseph A. Victor, EMA Director, 217-253-9538.

THANK YOU

I want to express my deepest gratitude to all of the loyal people who helped me fulfill my hobby of decorating edible creations over the last 40 years. It has been rewarding to see the smile on a child’s face, the happiness of the newlyweds, retirees or the couples celebrating their 50 years of marriage. You always made me feel that not only my small contribution but I myself was part of the celebration.

I would be remiss if I didn’t give the greatest of appreciation to my husband who tolerated my anxiety, a messy kitchen and fast food because his needs were secondary to my hobby.

I’m writing not only to say thank you but to let you know I’ve decided to move on to other hobbies mainly a little more free time to get caught up from 40 years of letting so many projects go. Mainly housekeeping.

I’ll miss the smiles and being a part of the celebrations but I know there are plenty of alternatives to a “Nancy Cake”. I hope you all continue to celebrate life’s milestones with the great enthusiasm and loyalty you gave me.

Thank you so much for all your kind words, the memories and the challenges throughout the years. I will treasure them forever.

Nancy Richards

CATHOLIC CHARITIES “BACK-TO-SCHOOL MOBILE” Returns to Shiloh School

Catholic Charities “Back to School Mobile” will be visiting the Shiloh School District on **Monday, July 22, 2013, from 4:00 – 6:00 PM**

A birth certificate, proof of guardianship, proof of receiving SNAP or TANF benefits, or a medical card is required. Backpacks full of new school supplies will be available *at no cost* for families in need on a first-come, first-serve basis. School-aged children needing assistance are welcome.

Look for the large truck in the parking lot. In case of rain they will be in the ag shop at the back of the building.

This service, provided by Catholic Charities of Coles, Edgar and Douglas Counties, is in its seventh year and is one of their several ministries throughout the area.





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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Attend the Church of Your Choice
July 21: Murdock United Methodist Church Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Newman United Methodist Church Adult Sunday School at 8 a.m., Worship Service and Children's Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
First Christian Church, Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Sunday at 6:00 p.m.
Newman First Church of God, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study each week at 6:00 pm
Wesley Chapel, Sunday Services at 9:00 a.m.

Newman Legion Roof Project Progress

Steve Allen, through his letter to the editor a few weeks ago, had addressed a need for the local Legion Post about its roof repairs that cannot be put off any longer. Through that letter, the Legion has raised approximately \$3100 to date to replace the needed portion of the roof. Rod and Craig Bisby have indicated they will lend a hand through helping with the project when we start and volunteers from the post are ready to help out when the project gets underway.

The American Legion Post and Legion Auxiliary want to thank the community for their support through donations to enable us to complete this necessary project.

The post provides many, the place to hold special events such as graduation parties, birthday parties, wedding receptions, family gatherings, community events, and special land or property auctions. The Post facility has been and will continue to be an asset to the community through your generous donations to complete the roofing project.

The Independent will continue to keep the community abreast of the funding project efforts and its contributors.

Charlie VanSickle—\$100, Judy VanSickle—\$100, Don and Rita Hendershot—\$100, Gale and Connie Underwood—\$100, Newman Rehabilita-

PCH/FMC Donates Computers to Local Organizations by Mike Harrison

(Paris, Ill.)—In its continuing effort to support the Edgar County community, Paris Community Hospital/Family Medical Center recently donated more than 100 personal computers to local non-profit organizations.

A total of 119 refurbished computers were donated to 48 organizations throughout the county. These organizations included schools,



Richard Woods picks up computers, donated by PCH/FMC, for Shiloh school. photo supplied by PCH

tion Center—\$100, Don Luth—\$100, Dee Allen—\$100, Steve Allen—\$100, Dana & Binnie Trimble -- \$100, Harold and Rose Gallion - \$100, Doris (Allen) Young - \$100, Bob & Martha Burris - \$100, John & Mary Hawkins - \$100, Delbert Milsap - \$100, Bob Catron - \$100, Bill Crum - \$100, Tom Glenn - \$100, Laraine Glenn - \$100, Lary Rhodes - \$100, Ken & Linda Goby - \$100, Jerry Kincaid - \$100, Curt & Valerie White - \$100, Doug White - \$100, First Neighbor Bank - \$100, Lana & Jim Sanstrom - \$100, Jim Biddle - \$100, Lilian Goby - \$100, Mr. & Mrs. Earl Dague - \$100, Michelle Naive & Annalesee Keeling - \$100, Carl & Rita Collins - \$100, Charly & Diane Anderson - \$100, Marge Shearer of Little Hall - \$100.

churches, public libraries, and others located in Hume, Chrisman, Redmon, Kansas, and Paris. Numerous organizations were contacted and asked to submit a letter showing their interest toward receiving a computer.

“Donating these computers was an opportunity for us to give back to the communities we serve,” said Kim Macke, foundation development director at PCH/FMC. “We are pleased that our local organizations are able to utilize them. Every organization that requested a computer received at least one and no one was turned away.”

Each desktop computer’s hard drive was erased and reloaded with a licensed version of Windows XP Professional. Each computer ranged from three to seven years old and came with a monitor, keyboard, and mouse. A small quantity of laptop computers was donated as well.

In 2011, PCH/FMC completed the process of replacing all of its personal computers using federally funded electronic health record (EHR) program incentives monies. This program enhances PCH/FMC’s capability to support and contribute to the portable electronic health record to improve patient care anywhere. By upgrading its computers and software, PCH/FMC maximized the use of the federal funds and met the initial phase of the EHR program.

A Full House at The Oaks Manor

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Donna Akers who joined us here at The Oaks Manor on July 8th. We now have a full house!

We have been very busy around here with our cleaning, outings and making arrangements for our 5th Anniversary Open House which will be on Saturday, July 27th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. We invite the public to attend and help us celebrate 5 years of “Down Home” comfort!

The residents have been enjoying our Hummingbird Feeder. From what the Ladies are telling me, the little “Hummers” have found us. They enjoyed the outing at Hap & Mary Ethington’s so much, we decided to put up a feeder of our own.

We will be celebrating another birthday for one of our residents, Kathleen White on Saturday, July 20th. She’s picked Fried Chicken with mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and Chocolate Pie for her Birthday meal.

We’ve had a couple of residents who needed the assistance of our local Baker Ambulance crew. I would like to personally thank them for their excellent service they provide The Oaks Manor and our community! We are very fortunate to have them here in Oakland and I just want to let them know that the residents and our staff here at The Oaks Manor appreciate them very much! I would hate to think how we would be without their service.

Please stop by for a cup of coffee or iced tea and visit with us. I understand one evening as our residents were sitting out on the East side a couple here in town stopped by to visit and were served popcorn. Thanks goes to Pat Goodman for being so gracious and Pam & Randy Duzan for their visit.



Newman American Legion Post today. photo by Matthew Hales

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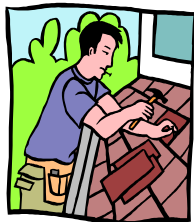


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Pet Talk with Dr. Sally Foote DVM



Post 4th of July Fatigue and Crankiness

Some of us may have noticed our dogs and cats acting tired or “grumpy” the days after the 4th of July.

Pacing, panting and trembling in fear of fireworks or unknown family members at parties are very tiring to many pets. Especially our older pets. The day after is when our pets feel the pain. This discomfort results in the “grumpiness” we see. So why do our pets get so grumpy? They don’t look like they are in pain - what is going on?

First understand that dogs and especially cats do not cry, or limp unless they are in severe pain. That muscle achiness, fatigue and just not feeling good results in the pet avoiding people, other pets or choosing to not play or go on walks. Pets hide their weakness as a way to protect themselves from predators in the wild. Even as a pet now, they still have that instinctive behavior to protect themselves from harm. So hiding, avoiding being petted or bumped into is a way to avoid feeling the pain as much. They may still eat ok, but basically they are avoiding doing a lot of the regular things they would do. If your dog or cat is showing these signs after a big weekend, take them to the veterinarian for a checkup. Have some screening x rays done to check for mild arthritis.

Blood tests and urine tests are also a way to check for early problems that may be showing up after a stressful weekend.

Secondly, often we misinterpret how anxious and upset our pets are at times. Many of us can clearly see that the dog with the tucked tail, howling, digging and pacing constantly is upset. A cat that is meowing constantly, running from room to room, or hiding deep under the bed for hours is highly anxious. The early signs of anxiety are missed which is the best time to offer a more quiet place for our pets to settle down. So getting highly anxious takes a lot of energy out of our pets. Be aware of the signs on anxiety and use the pheromones, calming supplements or medications that your veterinarian suggests. If you have ever been scared and tense for hours you know how achy your shoulders, neck and arms feel. Your pets are going through the same thing. Don’t under estimate how much this constant body tension can hurt them. Check our website under Behavior articles and help for information to intervene earlier.

If your dog or cat is on medications to help with arthritis, ask your veterinarian about increasing the dose or other steps you can take after these big weekends to minimize any day after pain. Sometimes adding an anti-anxiety medication for a few days can help a lot. Be aware the day after of young children, or other pets “bugging” that older pet. This is a time your senior pet may snap at someone not because they are mean, but because they are saying “stay away - I hurt”. Please listen to what your pet is telling you. Give them space and get them help.

Dr. Sally J Foote Okaw Veterinary Clinic
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Are Sports Drinks as Harmful to Kids’ Teeth as Soda?

Delta Dental Suggests Parents Have Kids Drink Water to Quench Thirst

NAPERVILLE, Ill.—With summer sports in full swing, kids will be very tempted to gulp down large sugary sports drinks to stay hydrated. Consuming too many of these beverages, however, can harm a child’s teeth. Delta Dental of Illinois advises parents to monitor and limit the number of these beverages that children consume to help prevent cavities.

“Young athletes need to replace fluids, carbohydrates, protein and electrolytes after strenuous exercise,” said Dr. Katina Spadoni, DDS, dental director for Delta Dental of Illinois. “The high sugar count and highly acidic content of sports drinks can increase a child’s susceptibility to tooth decay and enamel erosion if too much is consumed.”

Like soda, energy and sports drinks contain high levels of acidity and high concentrations of sugar. A study from the Harvard School of Public Health found that 12 ounces of a leading brand of cola and a leading brand of energy drink each contained 42 grams of sugar, while a leading brand of sports drink contained 21 grams of sugar. ¹ According to a University of Iowa study, a leading sports drink had the greatest erosion potential on both enamel and roots of teeth when compared to leading energy drinks, soda and apple juice. ²

Sugar itself does not rot teeth, but rather, the acid that is produced when sugar mixes with certain bacteria in the mouth.

Decay forms around the parts of the tooth where the plaque accumulates. The high acid from the drinks themselves can also have an erosive effect on the whole surface of the tooth. Sugary, acidic drinks are particularly damaging when they are sipped frequently throughout the day because they spend a prolonged amount of time washed over the teeth.

A great way to monitor a child’s intake of sugary drinks is to limit consumption to a single 12 to 16 ounce bottle instead of buying a 32 or 64 ounce bottle. Encourage kids to consume as much water as they do sports drink. Drinking water keeps them hydrated and helps wash any lingering sports drink from teeth. If your kids find water boring, consider adding slices of orange, lemon or cucumber to make it more appealing.

“As with all foods and beverages that contain significant amounts of sugar,” Dr. Spadoni said, “moderation is the key to maintaining good oral health.”

For additional information to improve oral health, visit mouthmattersil.com.

About Delta Dental of Illinois

Delta Dental of Illinois (DDIL) is a not-for-profit dental service corporation that provides dental benefit programs to individuals and more than 5,000 employee groups throughout Illinois. DDIL covers 2 million individuals, employees and family members in these groups nationwide. DDIL is based in Naperville, Illinois and offers single-site administration and client services.

A Trip with My Dad by Dana Hales

Last Saturday morning my Dad and I headed out with the golf cart on the trailer to take in the I & I Antique Tractor Show in Penfield. This annual event is held in mid-July every year as a gathering of antique farm machinery and equipment on static display and actual field and production usage as the weekend goes on. It is a time to reminisce about equipment of bygone years and listen to some of the stories of “what it was like back in my days”. We arrived at the site about 10 o’clock and successfully unloaded the golf cart and then headed to the entrance. If there was one golf cart roaming the display areas, there seemed like there were 500 or more including John Deere Gators, garden tractors with wagons and other utilitarian vehicles. There were even people walking around all the displays also.

The first part we undertook to see was the vast array of tractors. John Deere, International, Minneapolis Moline, Oliver, Case, Allis Chalmers, Ford, Montgomery Ward, Hart Parr and many others were well represented. Some included implements such as crop cultivators and plows.

We passed a demonstration of unloading corn on a hiker into a small corn crib in preparation for shelling later on. I remember helping with the shelling growing up on the farm. There

always seemed like two times in the year that we shelled corn. In the summer on days when it was too hot to do anything else and in the winter when it was too cold to do anything else. My remembrances of shelling also included being able to drive when I was 13 or 14 years old. If we had a break-down or needed something left at our farm, I got to drive the drag-wagon car back to pick up the needed pieces. I could at least see through the steering wheel of the 1949 Buick sedan that we used to pull a wagon and haul the other helpers to the shelling site.

There is never a shortage of food stands. By noon we found one we could identify with. Bacon cheeseburgers and sodas were the right answer for our meal. After finishing our dinner we took off again and ran into Jerry and Beverly McGee. They were there with the Pulling Contest display where their sons Chris and Jeremy were to compete later that night and also on Friday and Saturday evenings. Denny Happ of the Allerton/Homer area was also there assisting with the display showing pulling tractors of the past including Bob Reed’s John Deere, Larry and Jerry Gerdes with their heavy engine tractors of the past and other names that gained notoriety.

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Sports News

New Shiloh Football Era Starts This Week

The Shiloh participants in the Junior Football League will have gotten underway this past Monday and will be starting a new era in cooperation with the folks from Oakland and Kansas, the Tri-County Titans. The Shiloh youth have combined to play under the Titan banner with all home games being played at Oakland. They will suit up with youth participants from Kansas and Oakland and play in the conference they had previously played in a few years ago.

Charleston Speedway Recap

There was a great amount of racing Saturday evening. The Street Class consisted of 16 cars with B.J. Deal running the fastest time of 16.299. Newman's **Matt Dillon** was in the first heat and came in fifth in the feature race overcoming Daryl Hellman to reach that spot. Matt still continues to place in the point standings

Their high school counterparts will also participate in a new cooperative arrangement playing with the Tri-County Titans. All their home games and all practices will be held at Oakland for the next two years. Look for the high-lites of the games from Tim Hendershot as the JFL opens up on July 28th with their thraditional Jamboree game at Cumberland and the High School program starts off with their first game on August 23rd.

very well in third place with 172 behind Hellman with 188 and J. Griffith with 242.

Next weekend at the races will be a double points night. Saturday, July 27th will be the 3rd Annual Raymond White Memorial Race. Check out the website at www.charlestonspeedway.net or on the Facebook page for racing information.

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back. It is a great layout for a young family with a large amount of yard area for children to play.

Adela spoke of Lloyd's vision of how the home was to be and she was his constant encouragement to complete the task. He worked with his own ideas of what the rejuvenation of the new home should be. As the reconstruction was making progress, some local visitors came to observe what had been done and

also donated some windows, construction materials and other goods to help with the progress.

Now that the home is completed, the Simms will put the home on the market to sell it. They currently live on South King Street and enjoy the home they are in but would like to continue to possibly obtain another house in Newman to refurbish. Congratulations to Lloyd and Adela Simms on a job well done!



Shown in the above photo are Adela and Lloyd with their daughter, Heaven in the new kitchen that included the breakfast bar, built in cabinets at work level and wall units. The lower photo shows the second living room/bedroom on the main level on the east side of the home. The floors in the main level are the original flooring that has been cleaned, prepared and refinished with proper flooring finish that adds a special touch in the ovall theme of the remodeling. photos by Dana Hales



Summer Sizzle With Tim Hendershot

Welcome to the next to last edition of the Summer Sizzle for the 2013 season. Our Softball B team went into their league tournament in Tolono and surprised a lot of people by battling their way into the final eight teams going 1-2 during the week with their lone win coming in an elimination game in extra innings. The young team finished the season 4-8 with a lot of the team moving up from Softball C one year ago and will have plenty of experience to build on for next season. The Softball A team played their first game in over a week and a half at home against Tuscola 2 and came up short losing in four innings by a score of 14-7. The team did travel to Champaign to face the Champaign Border Girls for the second time to end the regular season, but the Sizzle was unable to get that result. The Softball A team began their double elimination tournament on Sunday in Tuscola and it will go through this Saturday. Below is a look at how all of our main teams have done this summer season. Catch you all next week for a final wrap up of the Raiders best summer season to date on the diamonds!

Team	Record	Result
Minors	11-9	2 nd Round, Tourney
Coach Pitch	13-2	League Champions
Softball C	13-1	League Champions
Softball B	4-8	2 nd Round, Tourney
Softball A	5-4	Still Playing

2013 Tri-County JFL Schedule

July 28	Jamboree @ Cumberland	12:00 noon
August 3	Tri-County Bye Week	-
August 10	@ Newton	5:30 P.M.
August 18	@ Casey	1:00 P.M.
August 24	Palestine	5:30 P.M.
August 31	Oblong	5:30 P.M.
September 7	@ Martinsville	5:30 P.M.
September 14	Marshall	5:30 P.M.
September 21	Paris	5:30 P.M.
September 28	@ Cumberland	5:30 P.M.



Playoff Games will be held on Oct. 5th & 6th. Time and place TBA
Championship Games will take place at Marshall on October 12th time TBA

High School Football Camp Starts July 22nd

The Tri-County Titan High School Football Camp will be held July 22nd – 26th at Oakland High School from 5-7 pm. This is open to all Oakland, Kansas, and Shiloh high school students who are interested in playing football. Cost

is \$25 for the first sibling and \$15 for second sibling. Please make checks payable to Tri-County Football. If you have any questions, please contact Head Coach Adam Clapp at Oakland High School at 346-2118.

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It wouldn't be a day at the tractor show without going thru the vendor's areas. There was everything from new model tractors to new scoop shovel handles to antique tractor parts for sale. Something could be found for everyone. I found some replacement wheels for my air compressor, wo 30 round magazines for andAR15 and and inside caliper. Never know when you might need one of those calipers.



Finally around 2:00 pm we decided that we had had enough excitement and headed to the truck and trailer. I got the privilege of driving the golf cart back on the trailer. Driving up the deck wasn't bad until it takes the quick drop going to horizontal. You have to be quick on the brakes to keep it in place. After securing the cart on the trailer we headed back toward Newman in a very warm truck cab. I think Dad will have to get the air conditioner checked out. We drove with the 2-55 cool air. Two windows down and 55 miles per hour.

All in all we had a great time. Good company, good food, and good entertainment. We are looking forward to next year's show.

A 1937 model A John Deere tractor similar to some that we saw a the show. photo by Warren Gable

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Vacation Bible School Hi-Lites

Pictured are Samantha Hutchinson, Judy VanSickle and Shannon Gordon helping at the craft table as they work on their decorated sandals. Craft projects that were age appropriate were appreciated by the children and parents.

Pictured below are the helpers that put together the snacks that the children really appreciated during their stay at VBS. Wally Hutchinson, Darlene Hutchinson, Shirley Emberton, Jacob Gordon and Anna Williamson each had their work cut out for them in preparing and distributing the snacks when needed.
photos by Dana Hales



Pictured at left are Katie Krabel with the pre-school youngsters as she delivers a special message about seeing God through your own back yard. Katie has been a missionary teacher in Haiti and will be returning there to teach full time and minister to the youth and their parents. Her assistance at the VBS program was well received and the children enjoyed her presentations.
photo by Dana Hales



The Recipe Corner

Irish Cream Pound Cake

Serves 12 to 16

Ingredients

- 1 ½ C. (3 sticks) butter, softened
- 2 C. firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1 C. sugar
- 5 large eggs
- 3 C. all-purpose flour
- 1tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt
- ¾ C. whole milk
- ¼ C. Irish cream liqueur

For the glaze

- 2 C. confectioners' sugar, sifted
- 3 Tbs. Irish cream liqueur

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Spray a 12-cup fluted bundt pan with nonstick baking spray with flour.
2. In bowl of stand mixer fitted with paddle attachment, beat butter and sugars at medium speed until fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well and scraping the sides of the bowl after each addition.
3. In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, and salt; set aside.
4. In liquid measuring cup, add liqueur to milk. Gradually add flour mixture to butter mixture alternately with milk mixture, beginning and ending with flour, beating well after each addition.
5. Spoon butter into pan and bake 1 hour and 15 to 20 minutes or until a wooden skewer inserted into the center comes out clean. Let cool in pan 10 minutes. Remove from pan and cool completely on a wire rack. Drizzle with glaze.
6. For the Glaze: In medium bowl, combine sugar and Irish cream, whisking until smooth.

Submitted by Mary Melton

If the opposite of "pro-" is "con-"; what is the opposite of progress?

anonymous

This Week in History

During this week, July 16, 1945, at 5:29:45 a.m., the Manhattan Project comes to an explosive end as the first atom bomb is successfully tested in Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Plans for the creation of a uranium bomb by the Allies were established as early as 1939, when Italian immigrant physicist Enrico Fermi met with U.S. Navy department officials at Columbia University to discuss the use of fissionable materials for military purposes. That same year, Albert Einstein wrote to President Franklin Roosevelt supporting the theory that an uncontrolled nuclear chain reaction had great potential as a basis for a weapon of mass destruction. In February 1940, the federal government granted a total of \$6,000 for research. But in early 1942, with the United States now at war with the Axis powers, and fear mounting that Germany was working on its own uranium bomb, the War Department took a more active interest, and limits on resources for the project were removed.

Brigadier-General Leslie R. Groves, an engineer by his training, was now in complete charge of a project to assemble the greatest minds in science and discover how to harness the power of the atom as a means of bringing the war to a decisive end. The Manhattan Project (so-called because of where the research began) would wind its way through many locations during the early period of theoretical exploration, most importantly, the University of Chicago, where Enrico Fermi successfully set off the first fission chain reaction. But the Project took final form in the desert of New Mexico, where, in 1943, Robert J. Oppenheimer began directing Project Y at a laboratory at Los Alamos, along with such minds as Hans Bethe, Edward Teller, and Fermi. Here theory and practice came together, as the problems of achieving critical mass-a nuclear explosion-and the construction of a deliverable bomb were worked out.

Finally, on the morning of July 16, in the New Mexico desert 120 miles south of Santa Fe, the first atomic bomb was detonated. The scientists and a few

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All You Can Eat Buffet

Friday July 19th
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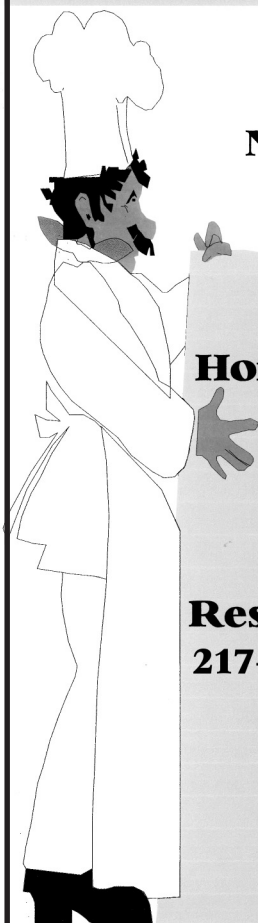
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Risk Management Deadline Remains Unchanged

SPRINGFIELD, IL USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Scherrie V. Giamanco, State Executive Director in Illinois announced an extension of the FSA acreage reporting deadline today. Farmers and landowners have an additional 18 calendar days to submit their annual report of acreage to their local FSA county office with the deadline extended from Monday, July 15, 2013, to Friday, Aug. 2, 2013. Only the FSA reporting deadline has been extended. The acreage reporting requirement for crop insurance has not changed and remains July 15.

“We want to ensure our producers maintain their program benefits by filing their reports accurately and in a timely manner for all crops and land uses, including prevented and failed acreage,” said Giamanco.

Accurate acreage reports are necessary to determine and maintain eligibility for various programs, such as the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP); the Average Crop Revenue Election Program (ACRE); the Conservation Reserve

Program (CRP); and the Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP).

Acreage reports for FSA are considered timely this year when filed at the county office by the new applicable final crop reporting deadline of Aug. 2, 2013. Producers should contact their county FSA office if they are uncertain about reporting deadlines.

While FSA is able to extend its deadline, Springfield Regional Office Risk Management Agency (RMA) Director, Brian Frieden emphasized today that RMA’s acreage reporting date remains July 15, 2013, for most spring planted crops in the country. Farmers are reminded to report any loss within 72 hours of discovery to their insurance company. Farmers must report prevented planting acreage to their insurance company, in writing, within 15 calendar days after the final planting date. Losses must be reported and an insurance adjuster must view and release the crop before the crop is destroyed. Farmers are also reminded to contact their insurance

agent if they have any questions about coverage, prevented planting, or for reporting and processing a claim.

Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. Contact a local crop insurance agent for more information about the program. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers or on the RMA web site at www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/.

Producers also should visit their USDA Service Center to complete acreage reporting for FSA. For questions on this or any FSA program, producers should contact their FSA county office or seek information online at www.fsa.usda.gov.

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Getting to the Root of the Problem

Root damage is a major, unseen cause of tree failure

One of the major causes of tree failure is root damage. When a tree’s root system has been extensively damaged, the whole tree can fall to the ground - or onto your house.

“Most homeowners look up to assess the trees in their landscape,” notes Tchukki Andersen, BCMA, CTSP* and staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. “Unfortunately, a significant amount of the information on tree health and structural integrity lies unseen below ground.”

Trees may fall over because the roots can no longer anchor their weight. In the urban and suburban landscape, roots can be lost or damaged by excavation, trenching, soil compaction, excess fill, paving, fungal decay, or environmental stresses such as drought or flooding.

“Some of the indicators of root problems can be detected by homeowners, while others can only be diagnosed by a professional arborist using specialized examination methods,” says Andersen.

Homeowners should look for signs and symptoms that could indicate root problems. Common symptoms include decline in the tree canopy, usually starting at the top but occasionally affecting one side or major branches throughout the canopy. A tree with an increasing lean, especially with soil heaving around its base, is another sure symptom of root problems. Signs of root problems include dead roots, broken roots and presence of fungal fruiting bodies (mushrooms) at the base of the tree or radiating out from the base.

On the way down ... causes of root damage

Sometimes it is obvious that utility trenches, repaving, grading or soil compaction occurred in the tree’s root zone. To determine how the root damage might affect the health of the tree, a professional arborist can estimate how much of the rooting area was affected within the Critical Root Zone (CRZ). The CRZ is a circular area around the stem of the tree, usually smaller than the area defined by the outer reaches of the tree’s branches, known as the drip line.

Think of the tree as both a structure and a living organism. As a rule of thumb, up to 40 percent of the root system can be damaged - causing problems for the living organism - before the tree’s structure is seriously impaired. Conversely, the tree can be biologically healthy while the main roots it counts on for support are deteriorated. Factors to consider include a leaning tree, direction of prevailing winds relative to decayed roots, and soil conditions.

It can be difficult to assess damage to the root system. A tree may have a restricted root system because of impervious soils, or limited space to grow due to buildings or sidewalks. If new curbs or sidewalks were installed or trenches dug for utilities, essential roots could have been damaged or removed during the construction. If any of the main roots inside the CRZ are damaged or missing, the risk of tree failure is greatly increased.

What can you do?

Be on the lookout for the signs and symptoms of root damage. These symptoms can be subtle, even undetectable to the untrained eye. A professional arborist can accurately diagnose root problems and potentially take corrective action. To find a professional arborist, contact the Tree Care Industry Association, a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation’s only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry

standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the “Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies” program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org.

**Board Certified Master Arborist, Certified Treecare Safety Professional*
Editors: If you would like additional information or digital photos, please contact atetreault@tcia.org

TCIA arborists, safety and business professionals are also available as sources for tree related articles and issues: 1-800-733-2622 or andersen@tcia.org.

About the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA): Founded in 1938, TCIA is a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture. It has more than 2,100 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA also has the nation’s only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that adhere to industry standards for quality and safety; maintain trained, professional staff; and are dedicated to ethical and professional business practices. With access to the latest and best safety standards and training, the typical TCIA member company has 50 percent fewer accidents than a typical non-member.

If you’d like more information about this topic, digital photos or to schedule an interview, please contact Amy Tetreault at (603) 314-5380 or atetreault@tcia.org.

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ASSUMED NAME

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on July 5, 2013, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of DOUGLAS County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Bender’s Bee Ranch, located at 940 N. C.R. 2510 E., Newman, IL 61942 which certificate sets forth the owners as follows: Diana Gail Porter.

Dated: July 5, 2013

Judi Pollock
County Clerk

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Rose Statement on Ameren Guaranteed Rate Profits

SPRINGFIELD, IL – State Sen. Chapin Rose (R-Mahomet) offered the following comments on the heels of a recent ruling by an administrative law judge and federal authorities siding with the Midwestern utility Ameren and their rushed plans to drive a high-voltage transmission line through prime agricultural lands and over homes in Douglas, Piatt and Macon counties.

“It is inconceivable to me that the federal authorities are guaranteeing Ameren and other transmission companies a 12.38% rate of return on these projects, paid on the backs of ratepayers. Ameren is just one of several projects coming through Illinois driven by this exorbitant profit. Knock out the profit and you stop the power lines. I will be working directly with our Congressional delegation to demand that Congress put an end to these ridiculous incentives, which are nothing more than subsidies to the wind industry,” Rose said. “It is one thing to construct necessary power lines in an efficient and cheap manner. But, it is absolutely wrong to let the power companies get outrageous guaranteed profits with no consideration as to necessity, let alone any assurance that the projects are done in the cheapest, most efficient manner possible.”

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Garage Sale in Hume, IL. Lots of tools, antiques including clocks and a Coca Cola table & chairs, household goods, adult clothing and miscellaneous. Located at 220 Western Ave. on Friday July 19th and Saturday July 20th from 8:00am to 4:00 pm. 7/18

FLEA MARKET

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ISP and Douglas County Sheriff Conduct RSC
Pesotum, IL. (7/10/13) The Illinois State Police announced the results of a Roadside Safety Check (RSC) held during the late evening hours of Friday, June 28, 2013 with the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office and the Tuscola Police Department. The RSC was conducted on U.S. Route 36 westbound at I-57 in Tuscola. Safety checks are designed to remove impaired drivers, however, when other violations are observed such as driving with a suspended or revoked license, operating a vehicle without a valid registration or insurance, or safety belt violations, enforcement action may be taken. The following citations and written warnings were issued at the safety check.

	Citations	Warnings
Registration offenses	0	6
Driver’s license offenses	0	0
Equipment offenses	0	6
Occupant restraint offenses	4	N/A
DUI of Alcohol	1	N/A
Other Alcohol – Related offenses	0	N/A
Other Ill. Vehicle Code violation(s)	3	6
Criminal Arrests - (Alcohol/Drug related)	0	N/A
Other Criminal Arrests	1	N/A
Total Enforcement Activity	9	18

Roadside Safety Checks are part of the “You Drink and Drive, You Lose” campaign and are funded through a grant from the United States Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The grant is administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Safety.

Douglas County CUB Clinic a Success



Douglas County-area senior citizens were the beneficiaries of a free financial seminar sponsored by State Sen. Chapin Rose (R-Mahomet). The July 10 event featured speakers from AARP, the Illinois Treasurer’s Office and the Citizens Utility Board, which offered money saving tips on utility bills. “I would like to extend a special ‘thank you’ to the Douglas County Farm Bureau for hosting the event at their Tuscola office and to local media outlets for their pre-coverage of the fair,” Rose said. Pictured is Sen. Chapin Rose addressing the attendees at the clinic last week. photo provided by Ron Deedrick, Senate aide

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dignitaries had removed themselves 10,000 yards away to observe as the first mushroom cloud of searing light stretched 40,000 feet into the air and generated the destructive power of 15,000 to 20,000 tons of TNT. The tower on which the bomb sat when detonated was vaporized.


On August 6 and August 9 the weapons were used to claim a quick end to WWII. The bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki with devastating results causing Japan to accept total unconditional surrender thus finally ending WWII.



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Living Historians Recognize Service during 1960s and 1970s

WHO: Illinois State Military Museum
Illinois State Military Museum
Living History Detachment
Illinois National Guard and Militia Historical Society

WHAT: If you recall LBJ, jungle fatigues, Ho Chi Minh sandals and C-rations, you’ll want to be at the Military Museum’s Vietnam encampment. To highlight the service of the Illinois National Guard and other citizen-Soldiers during the Vietnam War Living Historians will establish Fire Base Castle on the Museum grounds to display equipment, uniforms and weapons used in Southeast Asia and during the Vietnam Era.

WHEN: 10 to 4:30 p.m., July 20, 2013

WHERE: Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd, Springfield, Ill., 62702, two blocks north of the intersection of MacArthur Blvd. and North Grand Ave.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Admission and parking are free. For additional information, please contact the Illinois State Military Museum at 217-761-3910.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School! Without you it could not have been the great success that it was! Special thanks to all the parents who sent their children—looking forward to seeing you all next year. Big thanks to Katie Krabel for teaching us the joys of serving Jesus in Haiti! Our prayers are with you for this coming year.

Anna Williamson

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