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Humestock Draws a Great Crowd by Dana Hales

The abundant food and the good music were well received by a crowd of approximately 200+ people at the first Humestock on Saturday afternoon and evening in downtown Hume. The Roadkill Cook-off had 7 great individuals or groups working their magic in preparation of various cuts of chicken, beef, pork and frog legs along with special sides such as sweet corn and spicy poppers. There was something good to eat for anyone's

James Starr and Brad Eastham of Paris brought a special Bar-B-Q trailer that was specially made with a smoker grill on the back end and a serving center on the front end. Just hook up the truck and go. They said they enjoy working benefit fundraiser events and town festivals. Their specialty of

Brian Rhode and Craig Bowyer had done up a special with frog legs and a pork butt entrées. Delicious choice for the hungry event audience. Tyler Stierwalt and Darren Haynes worked their magic with pork chops with a special sauce and a special spice rub in the preparations. They were cooking on propane and indicated they were the only ones to use that type of heat for the event. Janet Haynes and her sister Janice Benner were

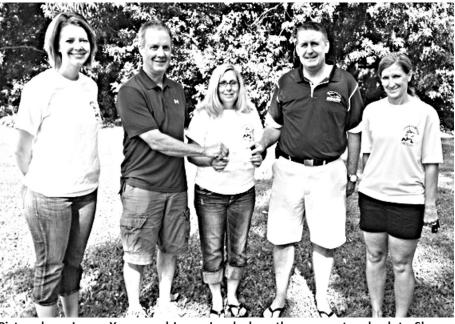


The Coon Holler Kids of Indiana perform the the audience delight during the the day was a Humestock summer event on Saturday. photo by Dana Hales

specially spiced pork chop that was flavored with peppercini, jalapeno and garlic It definitely was a good start for

working over their charcoal fire on country style ribs with a special home-

Newman 5K / Biathlon Proceeds **Donated to BETHS Place**



Pictured are James Young and Lance Landeck as they present a check to Sharon Jarboe, director of BETHS Place. BETHS Place is a domestic violence shelter in Tuscola, serving all of Douglas County. A donation in excess of \$5000.00 was made as a result of the support and efforts of all sponsors, volunteers, and participants of the race held during the Newman Freedom Festival earlier this summer. Also pictured on the left are BETHS Place board member Meaghan Gentry and board member Linda Scribner on the right. photo submitted by James Young

made sauce recipe that had come from their mother's kitchen.

Bill Coombs and his wife of Brocton, owners of the Brocton Tavern did up a delicious variation on smoked butt. They started around 5:30am in preparation.

The winners as determined by the judges were the DayRon Chops cooked up by Darren Haynes and Tyler Stierwalt and assisted by Annette Haynes and Nathan Haynes. The people's choice

> award went to Craig and Meghan Bowyer and Brian Rhodewith their frog legs and pork butt.

Music was underway as I approached the center of the park. The Coon Holler Kids were really impressing the crowd with their fiddleplaying talent and their singing ability for such young performers. Those Hoosier youngsters can really make some kind of music. Following them, the *Orizaba* band that calls Longview home played later on followed by Whiskey Fingers and the Killer Bee Honey.

Music of all kinds to entertain the audience was well received.

The event was part of the ongoing fund-raising effort for the upcoming Hume Festival. Joni Smith, Kendra Carroll and other townspeople have been very successful in their events leading up to the annual Festival scheduled for August



Fun at Broadlands Immanuel Lutheran Church includes Jackie Joines and Jay Hageman at the bean toss game. photo by Dana Hales

See more on page 7

Peace Meals Coming to an End as We Know It

Information has just become available that indicates the Peace Meal program that provides four meals per week to older residents in Newman as well as other counties in east-central Illinois (Champaign, Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Dewitt, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, McLean, Moultrie, Piatt and Shelby) will no longer have that service provided in current manner at the end of September. They are switching to a frozen meal program through CRIS. This will force the recipients or their caregivers to microwave or oven cook the meals for preparation. The issuance of the cooked ready-to-eat meals is coming to an end.

The East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging (ECIAAA) made the decision to go to a frozen meal program along with their supervisory agency, the Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA) recently. A memo dated July 22, 2013 was issued to Peace Meal Staff indicating this change and informing the supervisors to notify the site supervisors (in Newman, this is the First Christian Church) to make the recipients aware of the change-over.

Concerns over this change can be voiced to both IDOA and the ECIAAA and you should send emails, phone calls or letters to both organizations. The memo indicated that each county had at least one representative on the board, but the notice showed none from Douglas County. The program directors are encouraging everyone because the board of directors made the decision to change to the frozen meal program without notifying the recipients beforehand. They are also encouraging people to call their local representatives and senators about the abrupt change-over also.

Currently two of the local churches provide distribution for the meals delivered in the Newman area

The address for IDOA is: Attn: John Holton, Director, 1 Natural Resources Way #100, Springfield, IL, 62702. Email: Bert.Weber@illinois.gov

The address for ECIAAA is: Attn: Mike O'Donnell, 1003 Maple Hill Road, Bloomington, IL, 62806, Email: modonnell@eciaaa.org.

Currently there are not a large amount of meals delivered to Newman, but the amount of meals delivered to the 14 county area adds up quickly. The change from a ready-to-meal to a frozen meal that has to be prepared could have a big impact on many senior citizens throughout the area. Let the organizations know how you feel about the upcoming change now.

Peace Meals Menus

Aug. 1: Ham and beans, copper carrots, cornbread, pears Aug. 2: 2 MEALS DELIVERED ON THURSDAY. NO MEALS SERVED ON

Aug. 6: Beef Stew w/potatoes, carrots

and Onions, Slaw, roll, cake with fruit Aug. 7: Sausage gravy, Tri-Tater wedges, juice, biscuit, apricots Aug. 8: Hamburger or Brat, baked beans, potato salad, bun, peach crisp Aug. 9: 2 MEALS DELIVERED ON THURSDAY. NO MEALS SERVED ON

FRIDAY.

In Newman: Served Mon, Tues, Wed Call Betty Hopkins at 837-2037

In Hume: To Make Reservations, please call Jeri at 887-2442

In Brocton: To Make Reservations, please call Christie Cox at 276-3126 24 hours in advance Served Mon-Fri

Just a reminder

Our deadline is Monday at noon for that week's paper.

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FROM THE NEWMAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES Jim Allen **Wesley Chapel**

This spring I had the opportunity to attend the Missouri Preparation Expo in Lebanon, MO. No, there were no Doomsday people there, just average people looking for ways that they could be more self-reliant. There are a number of things that can cause a disruption in power and food distribution, and the vendors there had a variety of methods to help in such a situation.

Now, there were a lot of fun items there from all terrain utility vehicles to self-contained trailers that provided all you would need to survive anywhere you happened to be. I guess they were more or less an off road Airstream trailer. They even had some Winnebago type vehicles that were on steroids. All of these were meant to help people survive in hostile conditions.

I saw several water purification systems as well as freeze dried foods. Courses in planning gardens and preservation of food were offered. Extensive medical kits were available with seminars on how to use them. One class even taught suturing. I did not take this class because I did not want someone to tell me how ugly my work was. (I figure if it stops the bleeding that you are successful. Besides, a scar can make you look more manly).

Well, among the things a person needs to survive a catastrophe arefood, water, shelter, and energy. There were seminars on each of these topics. However, every single "survivalist" had one message in common. The number one priority for each of them wasnext paragraph please.

Have your spiritual house in order. All of them acknowledged that physical survival was meaningless without a proper relationship with God. This surprised me not because it is not true, but because so many people who are experts in preparedness realized without God and family, life is meaningless. We prepare so much for what MAY happen that we put off preparing for what WILL

So I encourage you all to put away something for a "rainy day". Prepare for the next blizzard or other natural disaster. It is wise to prepare for a few weeks of scarcity. But please remember to prepare yourself now with a close relationship with God. The great thing about this is that unlike other things, the His strength never runs out. I really believe that now is the time to prepare. (Maybe the wife will buy the argument that you do need a 4 wheeler to be prepared).

Thanks for reading, Jim

WCCC Meets in July

Wesley Chapel Community Club met on Wednesday, July 3, at the home of Shirley Emberton. Vice-President Julie Bauter called the meeting to order followed by the pledges to the American flag,

Christian flag, and the Bible. The Club Collect was recited by the members. Roll call was answered by Julia Albin, Marge Albin, Dee Allen, Julie Bauter, Martha Crane, Shirley Emberton, Darlene Hutchinson and Areta Joines and each gave an interesting fact Shirley Emberton and Areta Joines look forward glad Dee was about various First Ladies.

Next month's meeting will be held

on August 7. Areta Joines will be our hostess, and we will meet at noon at The Smith House in Tuscola for lunch.

Hutchinson.

Shirley Emberton led us in Songs & Devotions with a reading "Faith In God" from Psalms 37:1-8; 23-26. We then sang America the Beautiful and concluded with reciting the Lord's Prayer together. Prayer requests were given, and Julia Albin led

us in prayer. Julie Bauter chose to read portions of Psalm 92 as the special part of our program.

Dee Allen was our program, and she demonstrated how to make scarves using ruffle yarn. She brought a large basket of

ruffle yarn with a variety of colors as well as the crochet n e e d l e s necessary to make scarves. After o m frustration and success, we decided we all had different levels crocheting ability and were to the refreshments served at their WCCC meet-there to help. ing. Article and photo submitted by Darlene

were served

around Shirley's table with a Fourth of July theme. Fireworks cookies, chocolates shaped like stars, M&M's, and our favorite cashew nuts were served. Shirley gave everyone a small needlepoint basket with a Fourth of July theme filled with small treats to take home.

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY



Joe and Bernadine (Barnett) Carroll were married August 3, 1963 at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Brocton, Illinois.Marjorie Barnett and Henry Carroll were their attendants. They are the parents of three children; Tony, deceased, survived by Kendra Carroll, of Hume, Karla and her spouse David Watson of Charleston and Amy Carroll of Tuscola. They also have four grandchildren, Lucas, Ben, Katie, and Jacob. The Carroll's recently celebrated their 50th anniversary in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina with their children and grandchildren. They currently reside in Brocton, Illinois and are engaged in farming.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 3: Trula Aydelotte, Glen Hoel, Michael Prather, Don Bissey, Van Holt, Steve Hoff, Nicole Vandeventer, Brian Robinson, Sarah Freebairn, Patti Tapscott, Jesse Clifton, Christopher Hutchinson

August 4: Deborah Harbaugh, Michael Fulk, Edna Kiser, Mary Jane Crist, Albert Waller, Janeil Liles, Gregory Harbaugh, Sheri Vermillion, Gwen Gordon

August 5: Dorothy Rothermel, Lana Sanstrom, Jeffrey Davis, James Wood, Jackie

August 6: James Roller, Mrs. Imogene Hall, Larry Pettet, Benny Vermillion, Harriet Reutter, John Martin, Cynthia Bammann, Summer Burnett, Sarah Foster, Taylor Hawkins,

August 7: Dale Smith, Gary Pollock, Cynthia Hixson, Kendal Robinson, Lisa Veniza

August 8: Mrs. Ada Johnson, William Saiter, Jan Carleton, Bubba (Bob) Sumption,

August 9: Bobby Alberts, Betty Jo Wagoner, Madge Warters, James Mannin, Allison Pribble, Elizabeth Skinner, Gary Rhodes, Michele Bosch, Melinda Frederick, Samantha Partenheimer, Tim Dunn

Summer in the 70's and 80's is great! Probably won't stay that way though. School starting always brings out the heat again. Thanks for these days!



5-9PM Tue. - Sun. closed Mon. **Enjoy Ice Cream This Summer!**

COMMUNITY CALENDAR Attend the Church of Your Choice Aug. 4: 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.

Immanuel Lutheran Church. 9:00 am Worship Service

The Roofing Project For the Legion is Getting Closer

by Dana Hales

As of late last weekend the amount received has come to \$5400. We are now closing in on the estimated material costs for the project. What a great community to continue to support our organization and post facility.

The American Legion Post and Legion Auxiliary continue to be thankful for the community support through with their donations to enable us to complete this necessary 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 Rehabilitation 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 Millsap - \$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,

Library's Summer Travels Ends by Renee Henry

Children at Newman Regional Library District from birth through sixth grade have been reading to travel all summer, but that journey is soon to end.

Participants in the summer reading program should bring their sheets to the library by Saturday, August 3 by noon to get paid for their reading. They can still shop in the store, but can also save some of their book bucks to purchase items at the End of Summer Party.

The End of Summer Party is open to all children in the summer reading program. We will enjoy food, games, crafts and shopping on Monday, August 5 from 5-7 p.m. at the library. Please RSVP by Saturday by calling the library at 837-2412 so we know how much food to have.

Students who have been reading nonfiction books to fill their Reading Passports must also turn those in by Saturday, August 3. Everyone with completed passports will be invited to attend an IMAX movie in Savoy called Born to be Wild. We will be attending the movie on the morning of Friday,

Lana & Jim Sanstrom - \$100, Jim Biddle -

\$100, Lilian Goby - \$100, Mr. & Mrs. Earl

Dague - \$100, Michelle Naive &

Annaliese Keeling - \$100, Carl & Rita

August 9. The library will pay for the children's admission to the movie, any parents that accompany them would have to pay their own admission. If children want to purchase items at the concession stand they should bring money for that. Special discounted packages will be available ranging from \$3 to \$6.

The youth volunteers who have worked at the library this summer are also invited to attend the IMAX movie in appreciation for their dedication and assistance. The library has benefited from the efforts of: Matthew Holmes, Mason Hutchinson, Tyler Holmes, Harley Barry, Hali Wenglarz, Emma Gordon, Brianna Bange, Joshua Padgett, and Sidney Edwards. These volunteers have helped check items in and out, helped pay children in the reading program and served as clerks in our store, done some data entry, filled the pop machine, created flyers, and much more to keep the library services of high quality for our patrons.

Hope everyone enjoyed their trip this summer, the library staff surely has!

American Legion Renewals for 2013-2014 Year have Now Been Mailed Out By State Headquartersand Can Be Paid Now. They can be mailed in to the American Legion Post at Box 186, Newman, IL 61942.

Sisters Compete at Edgar County Fair Talent Contest



Two students from Shiloh Schools, Rebecca and Brianna Bange of Brocton competed in the talent show on Aug 22nd at the Edgar County Fair. Twelve year old Brianna sang "The House That Built Me" in the junior division that consisted of 13 contestants. Sixteen year old, Rebecca, competed in the senior division, placing second in a competitive field of nine, singing "Every Time We Touch". photo by Adam Bange

Thank you for your continued support.

Collins - \$100, Charly & Diane Anderson -\$100, Marge Shearer of Little Hall -\$100, Stan & Judy White - \$100, the Martin girls (Beverly, Judy, Karen, Kathy, LaDonna & Valerie) - \$100, Chris Lange -\$100, George & Laura Lange - \$100, Diana Gail Porter - \$100, Gary & Vicki Luth -\$100, Dale & Judy Kincaid - \$100, Jim & Pat Young - \$100, Claude and Martha Crane - \$100, Kathy Bundy (in memory of her father, Lloyd Shearer, a Legion

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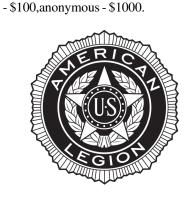
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Governor Quinn Announces Nearly \$190 Million in Federal Grants, Loans Aiding Flood Recovery

Deadline to Apply for Aid Extended to Aug. 8

CHICAGO – Governor Pat Quinn today announced nearly \$190 million in federal grants and loans have been approved to date to help people and businesses in 35 counties recover after widespread flooding in April. In addition, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today approved the state's request for a 15-day extension of the registration deadline. People who suffered damage or loss between April 16 and May 5 now have until Aug. 8 to register for federal grants and loans.

In May, Governor Quinn successfully secured a federal disaster declaration that made these grants and loans available. Federal aid approved to date includes \$142.7 million in FEMA grants to more than 58,000 people whose homes and personal items were damaged or destroyed. In addition, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved \$46.4 million in loans for people and businesses affected by flooding.

"These grants and loans are helping thousands of people repair or rebuild their homes after the historic floods this spring," Governor Quinn said. "Without this aid, recovery would have been difficult, if not impossible for many people. We requested the deadline extension to ensure everyone who suffered damage or loss has a chance to apply. I urge all those in need to apply before August 8."

Pet Talk

Dr. Sally Foote

Okaw Veterinary Clinic Tuscola IL

Funny Things Our

I recently asked our face book audience

what "quirk" or behaviors their rescued

dogs or cats have had. We had a wide

range of comments - some very unique

and not a problem all the way to some

pets having a lot of behavior baggage as

they came into a home. I thought I would

share some of them with you and explain

a little of what is going on. This question

helped me to understand how our rescued

pets adjust to a new home as well as how new owners adjust to a rescued pet.

Many people commented about how

their cat or dog was timid or afraid of

meeting the other pets or some of the

with

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Pets Do

People in the 35 federally designated counties are eligible to apply for federal aid, which can include grants to help with home repairs, replacement of damaged personal property and other disasterrelated expenses, as well as low-interest, long-term SBA loans. Those counties include Brown, Bureau, Calhoun, Clark, Cook, Crawford, DeKalb, Douglas, DuPage, Fulton, Grundy, Henderson, Henry, Kane, Kendall, Knox, Lake, LaSalle, Livingston, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McHenry, Peoria, Pike, Putnam, Rock Island, Schuyler, Stark, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside, Will, Winnebago and Woodford.

Registration for federal disaster aid can be completed online at or via web-enabled phone at m.fema.gov. People may also call 800-621-3362 or (TTY) 800-462-7585. Residents who use 711-Relay or Video Relay Services (VRS) can call 800-621-3362.

Governor Quinn also secured federal aid to help local governments in 40 counties recover most of their expenses for response and recovery from April floods. Those counties include Adams, Brown, Bureau, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Clark, Crawford, DuPage, Fulton, Greene, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Kendall, Knox, Lake, LaSalle, Lawrence, Livingston, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McHenry, Mercer, Monroe, Morgan, Ogle, Peoria, Pike, Putnam, Rock Island, Schuyler, Scott, Shelby, Stark,

sure make you wonder. For your pet there is some kind of sense to these things. In other words these unusual habits are sensible to your pet and as long as they don't cause a problem for themselves or you - it's ok that they do this.

When these quirks are now a problem do not wait to tell your veterinarian. In a recent survey, owners claimed the veterinarian was the person who led them most reliably and quickly to the right help their pet needs. Early intervention is very important. Even a periodic problem is easier to fix than a daily one. I find the biggest difficulty is getting owners to see life through their pet's eyes. I guess this is natural. We are human so why would we understand? That is where a veterinarian and veterinary staff trained in animal behavior can help figure out what is going on and help. We are trained to look at life though both the pet's

eyes and yours (we are human too!). So what if this rescued pet's "quirks" are just too much? Let the rescue know as soon as the problems start up. Some may have known about some trouble and mistakenly thought they would just be better in a home. They may have the names of veterinarians who can help you out. They may also know what helped at the rescue and that may help you at home. Finding a new home for your pet is not always easy. Sometimes there are problems with your pet that makes finding a new home more difficult. Some problems are difficult to tolerate as you are discovering what the cause of behavior problems are. Returning to the shelter won't solve the problems in the home. They are 2 different settings. Please tell your veterinarian about the problems especially in the first few days. There may be some simple solutions because it has not become a habit or worse in your

Tazewell, Warren, Will and Woodford counties.

FEMA and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) currently are assisting local governments with their applications for federal reimbursement of 75 percent of eligible flood-related expenses.

Spamalot to Open July 31

The hilarious musical *Spamalot* opens on July 31 and runs through August 11 at The Little Theatre On The Square. The show is based on *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* and is a hilarious romp through Camelot where we meet the



Knights of The Round Table, as well as King Arthur and his side kick Patsy. You'll be rolling in the aisles even if you aren't a Monty Python fan. This amazing show features great music and dance numbers, show girls and lots of schtick. Recommended for adult audiences. Call for tickets now as we are filling up quickly and don't want you to miss out on all the fun. 217-728-7375 or www.thelittletheatre.org.

Champaign-Urbana Days Returns This August

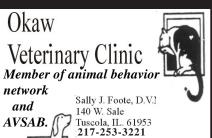
Take advantage of the last days of summer with one of the largest events in Champaign-Urbana! The Champaign Park District will be hosting its annual Champaign-Urbana Days event on August 10 and 11 in Douglass Park.

This event is a yearly tradition bringing generations of visitors to the park to enjoy events for young and old. Hear live entertainment while eating delicious food from our many food vendors. Watch the basketball and softball tournaments, or live pro wrestling! Kids will have a blast playing on inflatables and Touch-A-Truck, while senior citizens take a break from the heat at the Douglass Senior "Lifelong Commitment" Luncheon & Bingo.

Donations will be accepted to help prepare our community's children for the upcoming school year by filling the Champaign Park District van with school supplies! Visit champaignparkdistrict.com for a full schedule of events for Champaign-Urbana Days. We'll see you there!



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people in the home. I heard about separation anxiety, fear of strangers, loud noises to name a few. Some needed more than time and love. They needed positive training and an understanding from the owner of what the problems were to help unravel the fear and anxiety. Owners were able to get help from a trainer or a veterinarian. Getting outside help that was based on current behavioral science was essential to finding the right answer for what was troubling this pet.

Here are some of the funny quirks - the cat who eats peas; the dog who nurses his bed before falling asleep; and of course our Ranger who really loves to have t shirts on him and have his picture taken. These are not a problem but they

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"From the Sidelines: Observations from a Sports Fan" By:Tim Hendershot



2013 NCAA Football Preview, Part One: The Big Ten and American Athletic

This past weekend, our little area here in Illinois experienced some weather that was rare for the end of July. Instead of your typical summer heat bringing 90 to 100 degree temperatures along with humidity, most people were in pants with highs only in the 70s and very cool mornings in the upper 40s and low 50s. That weather reminded me of mid to late September. Ironically, the weather is typical of what you would see during the fall football season. Well, that football is fast approaching! This weekend officially starts up the pre-season camps and practices for the upcoming 2013 NCAA college football season as all of the Football Bowl Subdivision teams prepare to hopefully become one of the two teams that will play in Pasadena on January 6 for the final Bowl Championship Series national championship that will be held before some major changes begin in the 2014 season. Until then, the Alabama Crimson Tide come in as the two-time defending title holders and look to become the first team in BCS history to win three straight titles and the Southeastern Conference looks to end the BCS era winning its eighth straight. From The Sidelines begins its five part series looking at some of the storylines on each level of Division One and see which teams will be a factor on the road to Pasadena. This week, we will have a look at the Big Ten and Big East

Big Ten Conference

Welcome back, Ohio State. After a one year ban from post-season play, the Buckeyes return after an undefeated 12-0 season under Urban Meyer, which would had qualified them to play in Indianapolis as the Legends division champions and gave them a shot at playing in Miami for the BCS title a year ago. This season will see the scarlet and gray be eligible to play for the conference title and most experts have the Buckeyes as the pre-season number one team in the nation. That is hard to argue against since they have what could be the Heisman Trophy winner in quarterback Braxton Miller, who is back for his senior season. His combination of speed along with a quality arm makes him a double threat every time he touches the football. They are the definite favorites to win the Leaders division. Penn State is still feeling the repercussions of the scandal from two years ago, but Bill O'Brien did a tremendous job in his first season bringing a new culture and attitude to State College. Look for the Nittany Lions to play spoiler once again. Wisconsin will move forward after Bret Bielema bolted for the University of Arkansas during the off-season under new head coach Gary Andersen, who comes from Utah State. The Badgers don't have Monte Ball anymore, which gives the boys from Madison a challenge to fill that key spot at running back. Tim Beckman starts his second season with the orange and blue in Champaign and has seen recruiting skyrocket with the transfer of former Rochester product Wes Lunt coming in from Oklahoma State. Even though he must sit out until next season, his presence has brought a big boost to the Fighting Illini. Illinois hopes to make their final run in the Leaders division count before moving to the new Western division next season. Until then, the boys from Columbus will represent the Leaders division for the final time in Indy.

The Legends division will be much tougher to pick. Nebraska is the defending champs under Bo Pelini and will have Taylor Martinez back under center for his senior season. He showed why he is one of the top signal callers in the league and proved that in the Big Ten title game against Wisconsin last year. The "Black Shirt" defense for the boys in Lincoln will be front and center once again and will be very tough sledding for anyone playing against them. Michigan will look to Devin Gardner to be the main signal caller with Denard Robinson graduated while Michigan State and Northwestern will be looking to play spoilers in what will be the best division of the two. Until I see someone give the Cornhuskers a run for their money, the red and white of Nebraska will once again rule the Legends division.

So, it's Columbus vs. Lincoln in Indy. Both teams have rich traditions and great followings among them. Two great quarterbacks and two great defenses going head to head along with two great coaching minds to battle it out for the crown. I feel that Ohio State is on a mission to show everyone that they are back and they haven't missed a step since the whole Jim Tressel controversy. Urban Meyer has shown success in every place he has coached and I feel that the team from Columbus is the team that could break the streak of the SEC and win the national title. Although the Huskers will keep it a close game, the Buckeyes will hoist the trophy going undefeated and will play in Pasadena, not for the Rose Bowl, but for the BCS title.

American Athletic Conference

The Big East football conference is no more. A lot has happened during the off-

conferences and the seven catholic members leaving early to form their own conference in other sports. So, welcome to the new American Athletic Conference composing of the remaining six teams from the Big East along with four teams coming over from Conference USA. Louisville comes in as the last Big East football champion and the favorites to win once again in the newly formed league. This is also their last hurrah in the conference before joining the ACC next season and they look to leave the league with a bang and some momentum. This conference will be the most interesting and intriguing of the six major conferences due to teams like Houston, Central Florida, and Southern Methodist coming over from C-USA that bring a high-powered offensive style that could provide very high scoring games throughout the season. The two teams that will be challenged to stop these offenses will be Rutgers, who will become a member of the Big Ten next season, and Cincinnati, who were in the top fifteen in the nation in scoring defense a year ago. The one x-factor that the Cardinals do have is that Teddy Bridgewater is back at the controls under center and hopes to have another season like last year as he threw for over 3,700 yards and 27 touchdowns while only tossing 8 interceptions. He will need to get some help in the running game as the Cardinals were 105th in the nation running the ball at only 122.2 yards a game as defenses will look to put pressure on him every snap. The Bearcats and Scarlett Knights do have the defenses to do just that, but must show some big improvement on the offensive end. Until that happens, the boys from Louisville will represent the new American Athletic Conference in their last season in the league during this

season with teams joining other

year's BCS.

Next week: The Pac Twelve and Big
Twelve Conferences

Armstrong Bringing Raider Pride on Summer Diamonds Continuing Legion Season

by: Tim Hendershot

conferences.

As if the baseball season wasn't long enough for Luke Armstrong for the year 2013. The Shiloh High School seniorto-be had just finished his first and only season with the now defunct East Central Panthers program helping them to a regional championship this past May after transferring from the state of North Carolina and went right into the start of the American Legion summer baseball season getting on with the Moultrie-Douglas program for the 2013 schedule. Armstrong got his fare share of time on the field playing on both the junior 17 and under team and the senior 19 and under team for manager and current Tuscola Warriors Head Coach Duff Hoel. Well, all of that experience on the field has turned into a reward for him as he and his Moultrie-Douglas teammates defeated the Danville Post #210 A team this past Sunday afternoon at Baker Field in Charleston to advance on to the Illinois American Legion State

Junior Tournament starting this afternoon at Laker Stadium in Paris and will go through this Sunday August 4. Armstrong was a key component in this year's Panthers squad as a duel threat finishing with 4 home runs, 19 RBI, and 14 stolen bases while providing quality defense as a shortstop and go to results on the mound as a pitcher as well going 30.3 innings and compiling a 1.62 ERA helping them to an 18-15 record overall and 10-4 in the LOVC. His play as an infielder and offensive numbers earned him an Honorable Mention selection for the News-Gazette All-Area team and a First Team All-Conference selection by the league. Diamond Roundup salutes Luke on this accomplishment and wishes him and his Mo-Do teammates the best of luck in the state tournament in hopes of bringing home the crown for both respective counties.

Football is just around the corner. The JFL has started practicing and starts games in a few weeks. The high school program practices will be in session in less that two weeks. Hopefully, all high school participants are ready, physicals are done, and preconditioning has had a positive impact on blending the two former teams into a cohesive fighting unit. Look forward to the Tri-County Titans in action in a few short weeks. The gridiron will be ready.

Local Moultrie-Douglas County Fair Winners

Horse and Pony - Halter - Pony Mare Elsie Oberg, Camargo Champs, Villa Grove, Grand Champion

Horse and Pony - Pleasure Driving Novice Elsie Oberg, Camargo Champs, Villa Grove, Grand Champion

Moultrie-Douglas 4-H General Show Grand Champions

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Livestock Champions

Beef Reserve Grand Champion Heifer – Lane Bisby, Camargo Champs, Newman
Boer Goats Jr. Champion Doe- Dylan Campbell, Camargo Champs, Newman
Grand Champion Doe – Dylan Campbell, Camargo Champs, Newman
Reserve Jr. Champion Buck- Dylan Campbell, Camargo Champs, Newman
Reserve Grand Champion Buck- Dylan Campbell, Camargo Champs, Newman
Pygmy Goats-Reserve Grand Champion Wether- Darrin Simpson, Camargo Champs,

Jr. Champion Doe- Darrin Simpson, Camargo Champs, Camargo
Reserve Sr. Champion Doe- Darrin Simpson, Camargo Champs, Camargo
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See Moultrie-Douglas cont. on p.

Newman Library Sponsors Nigh Circus Party



The photo above shows some of the students who attended the Night Circus party on Friday, July 26 at the City Park. The event was sponsored by Newman Regional Library's Teen Page Turners Book Club and was open to the students age 13-18. Thanks to the following businesses that provided gift certificates as prizes for the various carnival games: Sugar Shack, Restoration Grocery, Pizza Man, Moore's Car Wash, Country Junction, and C & C's One Stop. We also appreciated the loan of equipment from Kathy Brown, Kelli Maxwell, Pam Shreeves, Loman-Ray Insurance, and the Shiloh Little League.



Brian Rhode and Craig Bowyer are all smiles as their entries slowly cook to perfection. They had a lot to say about their preparations and cooking talents that they shared with the crowd.

Apex

Did you ever take a good look at a church steeple,

the one that holds the bells so far above the people?

To me I believe there might be something much further to see. As people pray or sing joyously in the

chapel with glee,
I believe these occasions might set up
vibrational energy.

So as the chapel walls do resound the

sound,
I would believe in the steeple there is

energy to be found.

Focusing vibrational energies upward

in the sky from it's very top, letting God above know that humanity's

love and prayers never stop...

Stanley Victor Paskavich



One of the more popular games was popping balloons with blow darts during the Night Circus party for teens on Friday. photos and text submitted by Renee Henry

More From the Humestock 2013

Some of the special Bar-B-Q chefs that prepared the meat entrees and speciality items for the cook-off. photos by Dana Hales



Janet Haynes and Janice Benner, sisters prepared their entry with a special recipe developed by their mother.

EXCELLENT FOOD WAS AVAILABLE AND PLENTY OF IT AT THE HUMESTOCK 2013!

Pictured in the photo to the right are James Starr and Brad Eastham, both of Paris. They are standing on their special cooker/serving bar trailer they built to participate in cook-off events and benefit rallies. They enjoy cooking for large and small crowds. Their pork chops were very tasty! participant photos by Dana

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Tyler Stierwalt and Darren Haynes stand in front of their grill while their entry slowly cooks. They used a special rub and a special home-made Bar-B-Q sauce to flavor their pork chops.



The Recipe Corner Brownie Cupcakes w/Cookie Dough Frosting

Ingredients

1 ¹/₄ C. all-purpose flour

1/4 tsp baking powder

1/4 tsp salt

1 C. granulated sugar

½ C packed light-brown sugar ½ C + 2 Tbsp cocoa powder

³/₄ C butter, melted

2 large eggs

1 12 tsp vanilla extract

2Tbsp milk

Cookie Dough Frosting

10Tbsp salted butter, at room temperature

½ C packed light-brown sugar

1 ½ C powdered sugar

1 tsp vanilla extract

1 tsp molasses

2-3 Tbsp cream or half and half

½ C all-purpose flour

3/4 C mini semi-sweet chocolate chips

Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In mixing bowl whisk together flour, baking powder and salt, set aside. In a separate mixing bowl, whisk together granulated sugar, light-brown sugar and cocoa powder. Pour in melted butter and use a wood spoon to stir until combined. Mix in eggs and vanilla extract. Stir in milk. Add dry ingredients and mix just until combine (batter will be thick).

Divide batter among 12 paper lined muffin cups filling each about 2/3 full (about ½ cup batter in each). Bake in preheated oven 16-20 minutes (lesser for gooier brownies). Allow to cool in muffin tin several minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool. Cool completely then frost with Cookie Dough Frosting. Store in an airtight container.

Cookie Dough Frosting

In a mixing bowl, using an electric hand mixer, whip together butter and light-brown sugar until pale and fluffy, about 3-4 minutes. Mix in flour then add powdered sugar, vanilla, molasses and 2 Tbsp cream and blend together until smooth adding an additional 1 Tbsp of cream to thin if desired. Fold in chocolate chips.

Submitted by Mary Melton

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Immanuel Lutheran Ice Cream Social/Summer Fun

Sunday afternoon brought a crowd of around 160 to the Broadlands Immanuel Lutheran Church for a great meal and dessert of pie and home-made ice cream. 60 pies were prepared along with over 30 gallons of ice cream for the event. The church families also contributed side dishes for the dinner. The afternoon activities that included events for the whole family were children kiddy rides with garden tractors pulling small wagons, a cemetery walk, a 4-wheeler barrel race, bean-bag toss and a trap shoot for the hunting crowd. To top the event was the Steel Sharpened Steel band featuring Mark Maxey from Tuscola to entertain the crowd with great music.



Bri Struck at the controls with Mike Luth on the back to give her a run through the course. After letting Mike off, she took off on her own timed run. photo by Dana

The event was organized as a free-will fundraiser event for the local church and their parishers. Different individuals took a leadership role in organizing each event. Mike Luth ran a 3-barrel race using modern day 4wheelers. While there, I watched Bri Struck of Broadlands ride with Mike to see how the course was run and then she made her own ride with a time of 26.9 seconds. She was in second place in the girls division when I left.

Andi Luth was driving a John Deere garden tractor with a 6 wagon hitch to

give youngsters a ride around the church property.

The cemetery walk drew a large crowd to look and listen to the history of the church and members from the past. The group was led by LeAnn Benner of Homer who had a wealth of knowledge about former members of the church. Others in the group like Gerhardt Mohr and Gary Luth could expand the discussion on former families of the church.

Dean Rothermel ran the trap shooting course for the day that included a 4 position event. 28 participants registered for the event. Steve Smith, Sam Smith, Abbie Smith and Jason Smith all contributed their time by manning the clay bird throwers or the registration and ammo table. Dean had all prospective shooters go through a firearms safety briefing before anyone was able to move to the shooting points. Safety was a primary concern for all shooters and spectators. I was able to watch a former student of mine, Keith Rohl of Homer shoot 17/20 from the first shooting spot. Everyone had a good, safe time in the event.



Shooter Travis Hockett, age 21 of Sidell takes aim awaiting the next clay bird while Dean Rothermel and trap thrower Jason Smith look on.

Mark Maxey of Tuscola from the band called Steel Sharpened Steel was scheduled to perform at 3:00pm. They were finishing their setup when I had to leave, but were already beginning to sing for the gathering crowd. The band has completed a new album on the Mustang label called "Damascus Road Experience". The album was available to the listening audience. The attendees were in for a treat with the



Brian Taylor at left center listens intently to LeAnn Benner explain some of the grave sites during the cemetery tour held during mid-afternoon at the church.



Dean Rothermel, in the white shirt and hat, talks with the waiting shooters while one shooter on the right takes aim toward the clay pigeon flying to his front. Immediately behind him is a range officer monitoring the shooter for safety concerns. The whole shooting event was run in a very professional manner with safety being considered first.





Mark Maxey of Tuscola, in the front center, sings for the gathering crowd along with the band "Steel Sharpened Steel". They entertained a large crowd with good music for about two hours. photos by Dana Hales

Join In the Fight To End Rural Hunger In Illinois

Donate to the America's Farmers Food Drive to benefit local food pantries

DECATUR, Ill.- Nearly 15 percent of households in Illinois face food insecurity, which amounts to an estimated two million people, according to Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization. In Macon County alone, more than 16,500 people struggle to find food. Families in these farming communities are often busy helping to feed the world, but do not have access to enough food to sustain a healthy lifestyle for themselves. Thanks to the upcoming America's Farmers Food Drive, rural households across the state of Illinois will soon see food on their own

The fifth annual America's Farmers Food Drive, sponsored by Monsanto in conjunction with Farm Progress and the Howard G. Buffett Foundation (HGBF), will take place at the Farm Progress Show,

Aug. 27-29 in Decatur, Ill.

All FFA chapters and 4-H clubs in Illinois are invited to participate in the America's Farmers Food Drive. Food collected will benefit the communities of those who donate. Students who donate food at collection centers located at entrance gates one, seven and nine will receive free entry to the Farm Progress Show. The top three FFA chapters and top three 4-H clubs that donate the highest amount of food, in pounds, will be awarded \$250.

"Through the America's Farmers Food Drive, we hope to raise awareness among our youth about rural hunger," said Brad Roberts, Monsanto corporate communications manager. "Members of FFA and 4-H are the next generation of farmers, and it is important they understand the struggles some families in their own communities face. Last year, more than 14,800 pounds of food was raised at the Farm Progress Show in Boone, Iowa, and we hope to exceed that

amount this year."

Additionally, for every pound of food collected, Monsanto will donate \$1 (up to \$10,000) to United Way of Decatur and Mid-Illinois, and the HGBF will donate \$1 (up to \$10,000) to Feeding America.

"Although America's farmers work day "The America's Farmers Food Drive is an opportunity for farmers, community members and ag youth to help feed their families, friends and neighbors."

Monsanto launched the America's armers Food Drive in 2009 at the Farm Progress Show in Decatur, Ill., which has

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Benjamin Franklin was named the first postmaster general for the United States.

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August Health Screenings at PCH/ **FMC**

(Paris, Ill.)—Leighsa Cornwell, RN, BS, community health and disease management coordinator at Paris Community Hospital/Family Medical Center, will provide blood pressure, blood sugar, and lipid panel/total cholesterol screenings (HDL, LDL, and triglycerides).

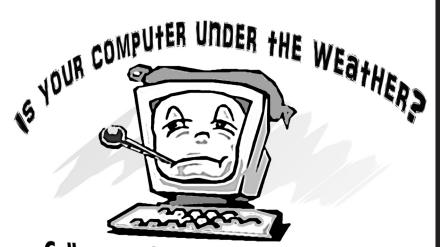
The screenings will take place in the PCH/FMC Visiting Specialty Clinic from 7 to 9 am on Tuesday, August 6, and Thursday, August 8. For blood sugar tests, patients are asked to fast eight hours prior to the screening. The cost for all three screenings is \$25.

To schedule an appointment, call 217-465-2606 (or toll free 1-866-465-4141), Ext.

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Contact Sue Summerville, 217-684-2435, to register or for further information. Cost: \$120 for certification class including text and IL exam; ServSafe exam at an additional fee; \$60 for recertification class including text. Both classes also available



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Deadlines for news and advertising are noon Monday.

July 26, 1775, the U.S. Postal System was established by the **Second Continental Congress.** Who was the first postmaster general? see p. 7 for answer

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Reserve Grand Champion Bantam-Feather Legged- Jordan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola

Reserve Grand Champion Production Class- Renae Spannagel, Country Clovers, Villa Grove

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Poultry Best In Show- Jordan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola Rabbits Grand Champion Large Purebred- Danielle Simpson, Camargo Champs,

Reserve Grand Champion Large Purebred- Chad Smith, Camargo Champs, Villa

Reserve Grand Champion Small Purebred- Caitlan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola

Grand Champion Rabbit- Danielle Simpson, Camargo Champs, Camargo **Sheep Grand Champion Ewe -** Renae Spannagel, Country Clovers, Villa Grove Reserve Grand Champion Ewe- Renae Spannagel, Country Clovers, Villa Grove

Showmanship Awards

Beef - Junior Showman- Lane Bisby, Camargo Champs, Newman Pygmy Goat - Senior Showman- Cheyenne Childers, Camargo Champs, Cisco Poultry - Junior Showman- Jordan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola Rabbit - Novice Showman- Chad Smith, Camargo Champs, Villa Grove Junior Showman- Caitlan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola

Clean Pen Awards

Beef- Lane Bisby, Camargo Champs, Newman Goats: Pygmy- Darrin Simpson, Camargo Champs, Camargo All Other Fowl- Caitlan & Jordan Lewis, Camargo Champs, Tuscola



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