

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO
April 16, 2008

Forest City Borough Council passed a resolution accepting Commerce Boulevard, in the VISION 2000 Industrial Park as a Borough street.

Forest City Council President Jim Lowry announced that the Forest City Area Ambulance Association has received delivery of a new ambulance.

Connie's Corner Restaurant, Pleasant Mount, has expanded to include Connie's Corner Store in its family.

Marge Schwartz told the News that Mavis' Ice Cream, Main Street, Forest City, will open on Sat., April 26.

It was 50 years ago, April 13, 1958, that the Freedman Theater closed its doors at 608-610 Main Street, Forest City.

Deaths: Joan F. Davis, Forest City; Colleen Garrick, Scott Twp.; William Douglas Phillips, Starrucca; Victoria G. Dulay, Honesdale.

20 YEARS AGO
April 15, 1998

The Herrick Twp. Supervisors signed a contract agreement with the PA Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development Division accepting a grant for \$15,800 to install a "flashing beacon" traffic light for Herrick Corners.

Forest City Council awarded a contract to Prince Excavating for site work on the Babe Ruth Field in the amount of \$1590. Unless Forest City Council changes its mind in May, there will be no lifeguard at Kennedy Park this summer.

Deaths: Ethel M. May, Thompson; Sidney Freedman, born in Forest City; Joseph J. Dottle, Carbondale; Anthony J. Barrese, Carbondale; Mary Benarick, Forest City.

30 YEARS AGO
April 14, 1988

The fifth annual Induction Ceremony of the Forest City Regional Chapter of the National Honor Society was held recently with nine new members added to the group.

Forest City Borough Council took public comment on the establishment of a \$162,500 Economic Development Fund for revitalization of local business and for the creation of new jobs.

Bob Lesjak, Brown Dale, has satisfactorily passed the National Board Exam for Funeral Service.

Deaths: Mrs. Helen Sanderson, Scranton; Robert Keselowsky, RD 1, Union Dale; Harriet Grunski, RD 1, Waymart; Mildred Woodmansee, Lake Como; Anthony Siock, Scranton.

40 YEARS AGO
April 13, 1978

Frank Gliha selected "Sportsman of the Year" by the Brown Dale Sportsmen's Club.

Joseph Sheptak elected president of Forest City Lions Club.

Jack Sisko was honored for his FCRHS basketball and baseball prowess by the Rotary Club. Jack recently became the first boy at the local high school to score 1000 points in his basketball career.

Councilman Tim Kihlullen elected vice-chairman of Susq. County Overall Economic Development Project.

An "unprecedented" meeting between FCRS teachers and the School Board will be held Monday to discuss "curriculum and personnel."

50 YEARS AGO
April 18, 1968

Further information on the April 6th death of Sp4 James Everett Silfee of RD Union Dale reports that he was killed by shot wounds suffered in action near the besieged outpost of Khe Sanh in the First Corps area. Silfee, a 1965 graduate of Forest City Regional high school, enlisted in the Army in May 1967. He arrived in Vietnam December 19, 1967.

John J. Lozinak, former local resident, has re-enlisted for four more years in the U.S. Navy. He was recently promoted from RMI to RMC at Newport, RI Naval Base where he teaches radio and teletype.

Sp4 John P. Pavelchak has returned home after completing a year's duty in Vietnam. John has been in the Army for two years.

William J. Stratford, president of the Pennsylvania Chapter National Assoc. of Postmasters, will be honored at a testimonial dinner to be held at the Hotel Casey, Scranton, on Sat., April 20, at 7 p.m.

60 YEARS AGO
April 17, 1958

The Freedman Theater, started here in 1925, closed its doors for the final show last Sunday.

The Forest City Joint School Board met in regular session at the high school and awarded a contract to Sprague and Henwood Inc., of Scranton, for core borings for the foundation of the proposed new Junior-Senior High School.

Miss Patricia Murray was chosen as a member of the Queen's Court at the Junior Prom held at East Stroudsburg State Teachers College. Five girls were chosen on the basis of charm, pose and attractiveness.

The Forest City High School Forsters, runners-up in the Northern Basketball League, were guests of the Forest City Lions Club at the Forest House on Monday evening.

70 YEARS AGO
April 13, 1948

Rev. Francis Gleason, Forest City native, named pastor of St. Ignatius Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico, transferred from Penasco, New Mexico.

Rev. Floyd Crispel named pastor of Forest City-Union Dale Methodist Churches, succeeding the Rev. D. H. Beane, transferred to West Nanticoke.

Daylight Saving time is effective here Sunday, April 25th.

Clinton Township residents protest State Highway placing over ten miles of state roads back on township for care.

Local Red Cross Chapter collected \$1,830 in local fund drive.

Forest City High School Class of '48 honor students are James Burschnick, Paul Davies, Charles Ezren, Alice Kuzmicky, Margaret Opeka Florence Para, Mary Petrus, Jean Quinn, Josephine Swederski, and Ann Walsh.

80 YEARS AGO
April 14, 1938

The Freedman Theater, closed for a long period, is now undergoing extensive renovations prior to reopening by the Comerford Company.

Julius J. Kerl, superintendent of Forest City Schools for the past 13 years, was renamed to the position for another four-year term at a meeting on Tuesday.

Thirty-one members of the FCHS Senior Class are making arrangements for the class tour of Washington.

Michael McGrath, local barber, retired last night after conducting his tontorial parlor in the same building for the past sixty years. Frank Tomazic will hereafter operate the shop.

90 YEARS AGO
April 19, 1928

The Forest City Group, managed by Vic Hobbs, will be entered in the newly organized semi-pro league this season.

The Forest City Kiwanis Club will feature its Ladies' Night dinner-dance tonight at Hotel Muchitz.

The Young People Fellowship was organized at Christ Church with Adolph Bartholomay as president.

Local 1035 UMW endorse candidates of Mrs. Cornelia Bryce Pinchot for Congress and F. T. Gelder for Senator.

Paul Wilczynski, South Main Street, claimed by death.

Rev. Hollis Hunter was reappointed to Forest City Methodist Church.

100 YEARS AGO
April 18, 1918

The Forest City Hebrew Ladies Society will sponsor a dance in the Borough Hall for the benefit of the local Red Cross Chapter.

Miss Emma Wargo has left for Washington, where she has accepted a government position.

Alambro Bros. of Pittston have been awarded the contract to erect the new St. Agnes Church. Their bid was \$16,000.

The Klots Throwing Mill has announced a ten percent wage increase for its employees.

110 YEARS AGO
April 16, 1908

Steve Moody Moran issues a challenge to any man, 170-180 lbs., for a wrestling championship of the borough.

A coal pocket at the Clifford Breaker gave way late Saturday afternoon, strewing the railroad switch facilities with hundreds of tons of coal and timbers.

Dr. D. T. McGuire and D. G. Allen are making arrangements for the

erection of their summer homes at Coxton Lake.

A farewell reception was tendered for Rev. & Mrs. E. A. Martin at the Methodist Parsonage. Rev. Martin will shortly take up his duties as financial secretary at Wyoming Seminary.

120 YEARS AGO
April 14, 1898

Borough Attorney McKinney has petitioned Court for a survey to determine the line between Susquehanna and Wayne Counties in advance of building a bridge across the Lackawanna River.

Council fixed the tax rate at 10 mills for general borough purposes and a mill for light and water purposes.

W. H. Wildenberger, in a forty-yard shooting match, scored 9 out of 11 birds. The match was held near the Erie Depot on Tuesday.

Street Commissioner McCloskey is busy filling in the Main Street depressions with coal ashes.

130 YEARS AGO
April 12, 1888

Another trainload of Negroes arrived in town Saturday to work on the double tracking of Jefferson division of rail.

Last week two lots were sold on Main Street for \$750 and \$800 respectively.

Complaints are heard daily here about the shortage of dwelling houses in the village to take care of the number of families desiring to locate here.

Coming Events

Apr. 21 - Costello Monahan Brown American Legion Post 964, 14th annual Night at the Races, Sat., Pleasant Mount Fire hall. Doors open 6 p.m., post time 7 p.m. Door prizes & refreshments. 570-448-2817.

April 22 - St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church, Forest City, annual Roast Pork and Halubki dinner, Sun., Takeouts 11 a.m.-noon, eat-in noon-2 p.m., \$11. Tickets Ted Kowalick at 570-785-5147.

April 24 - Bag Ladies luncheon, wimpies, Tues., Starrucca Baptist social rooms, noon. Donation plus food pantry item.

April 28 - Country Alliance Church second annual widows banquet, Sat., 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Ramada, Clarks Summit. 570-587-2885 or 570-966-4800.

April 28 - Wayne County Historical Society will participate in the Thomas Kennedy Local History Festival, Saturday, Dorflinger Factory Museum, White Mills, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 570-253-5468, email yannster@ptd.net.

April 29 - Forest City Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast, sausage and eggs, Sunday, at Elegant Restaurant. Tickets available from Lions Club members.

April 29 - Cornell University "Hearsay" chorus, under the direction of Katie O'Neill, Pleasant Mount, will perform Sunday, April 29, 2 p.m. at Forest City Area Historical Society.

April 29 - Model train show & sale, Sun., 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Hawley Fire Dept., 17 Columbus Ave., Hawley. \$3 admission, under 12 free with adult. More information 570-226-3206.

May 5 - Ham & roast beef dinner, Sat., 4-7 p.m., \$12 adult, \$7 under 10; Pleasant Mount Emergency Services at Pl. Mt. dining hall, www.PMES28.com, 570-448-2963.

May 5 - Christ Episcopal Church, Dundaff & Delaware Sts., roast pork dinner, Sat., takeouts 3:30-4:30, 5-7 p.m. dinner, \$12, 570-785-3425.

School LUNCH MENU

Week of April 23

MON. - Boneless wings, wing or BBQ sauce, oven crisp fries, seasoned green beans, roll.

TUES. - Steak & cheese hoagie, fresh peppers & onions, sweet potato puffs, fruited Jello.

WED. - Chicken Alfredo o/pasta, garlic breadstick, salad, steamed broccoli.

THURS. - Taco meat o/tortillas, all fixins', steamed rice, buttery corn, black bean salad.

FRI. - Mozzarella sticks, sauce, garden salad, golden corn & carrots.

Alternates (HS) alternates: Tortellini Alfredo w/garlic knots, chicken ranch wrap (Ele) Cereal, hot dog, sun butter & jelly

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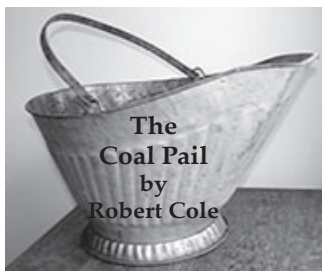
Monday - Cinnamon glazed toast sticks

Tuesday - Cheese omelet w/donut holes

Wednesday - Assorted yogurt w/Ultimate breakfast round

Thursday - Breakfast sausage pizza

Friday - Bagel w/cream cheese or jelly *Choice of assorted fruit or juice, milk. *Alternate breakfast: assorted whole grain or reduced sugar cereals.



The following short stories are of life as a young boy in the Forest City Area and are written by Robert Cole, Bordentown, NJ. His parents were Alfred and Jessie Atkinson Cole. He was born in 1940 in his grandparents' house on Railroad Street. His grandparents were Richard and Jessie Atkinson.

When I was 12 or 13 we used to like to take a walk to Stoneface. We would get some hotdogs and potatoes. Also a salt shaker. It was Boopie, Chervink and Frink. We would leave Railroad St. and walk the D and H tracks to the pumphouse.

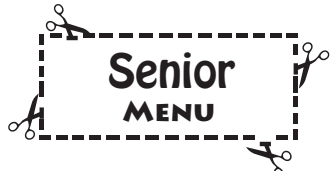
It was fun to try and stay on the rails and see how far you could walk with out falling off. I used to be able to jump from track to track with out falling off.

Down the hill to the pumphouse and up a trail along the Lackawanna river. Along a concrete wall that was most likely part of Tom Morgans Mine. This trail took us to swinging bridge. WOW. A lot of kids did not like crossing it. 2 cables across the river with planks on them. We would get on it and shake it. LOL

Across swing bridge you could go left and to Jungle Dam or go straight up to the O and W Railroad track. Take a left on the track and go across a culvert to a path on the right. Up the path and maybe a 1/4 mile or so was STONE FACE on the right. It was amazing that Mr. Berrish could have carved this out of the side of the mountain.

There was a fire pit there and we would start a fire and throw the potatoes into it. Then after 1/2 hr after the potatoes got charcoal black we would cut sticks and put the hotdogs over the fire. Always had a pocket knife and cut the potatoes and put salt on them. UUMM I still cook potatoes in the wood fire at my camp only it is not hotdogs it is ribeye steak, green beans with bacon sauteed in a pan and salad. Best dinner ever. No place to get this except COLES CABIN Winterdale, Pa. All are invited. Just ASK.

Writer's Comment: It was sad to see Tom Suhadobnik's obit in the newspaper. He was a great guy. He pitched baseball for the Little League VFW Dodgers and I was the catcher. Also our 1st year of high school Tom pitched for Forest City and I caught. Never saw him after that but I knew he was a good guy.



Week of April 23

Monday - Yankee pot roast, carrots, green beans, mashed potatoes, ww roll, oatmeal raisin cookie.

Tuesday - Chicken scampi w/noodles, mixed veggies, garlic bread, raspberry peaches.

Wednesday - Swedish meatballs on ww noodles, peas & carrots, fruit cocktail.

Thursday - Glazed ham, sweet potatoes, brussel sprouts, ww roll, cherry gelatin.

Friday - Turkey salad sandwich on ww roll, chicken tortellini soup, beet spinach salad, fresh fruit salad.

For reservations, please call a day ahead at Forest City, 10-2, 785-3386. At Lenoxville, 10-2, THURSDAY ONLY, 222-9550, or you can call the Senior Service office at: 278-7664 or 800-634-3746

LIBRARY TIDBITS

by Nancy Narma

It's almost here! The 2018 Library Auction Night! Please join us on Saturday, April 21st, 2018 at the VFW Hall, located on Route 706 in Montrose for a night filled with laughs, beautiful items and a delicious buffet. The doors will open at 4:15 PM to give ample time for checking out the wide array of Auction items. The Dinner Buffet, starting at 5:00 PM, is filled with scrumptious pasta selections, and includes desserts and beverages. The lively Auction, (and if you've previously attended one from years past, you'll know what I mean) kicks off at 6:00 PM with something for every-

one's taste including Art in several mediums, Antiques, Collectibles, Specialty Baskets filled to the brim, Jewelry, Furniture, Event Tickets, Gift Certificates and many other useful, fun and unique items. The proceeds from this Auction benefit all four Library Locations—Forest City, Hallstead/Great Bend, Montrose, and Susquehanna, as well as the Susquehanna County Historical Society. Admission is \$10.00 per person and includes the Dinner Buffet. We hope to see you there—Come early, Bid often and enjoy the camaraderie with all those who love our Libraries.

Kindergarten Reg. at FCR Fri., April 27

The Forest City Regional School District has scheduled Kindergarten Registration for Friday, April 27, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Parents are required to phone the elementary office (570)785-2410 to schedule an appointment on this date. The registration process will take approximately 20 minutes. The child's medical/health information will also be recorded.

District policy requires kindergarten students to be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2018. If your child is already enrolled in the Pre-Kindergarten Program, there is no need to register them for Kindergarten.

Parents/guardians must bring the following items to registration:

- child's birth certificate,
- proof of residency; and
- child's immunization records

Immunizations should include:
4DpT
3 Polio
2 MMR
3 Hepatitis
2 Varicella or history of Chicken Pox disease

We look forward to meeting the students and parents of the Class of 2031!

Turkey shoot Fund-raiser Sat., April 28

The Gardner-Warner Post 154, 14515 State Route 3001, Montrose, is pleased to announce on Saturday, April 28, the annual Spring Turkey Shoot Fundraiser will be held beginning at noon until ???. Come out and enjoy the fun and games supporting the American Legion's fund-raising efforts for our programs.

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