

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO
April 23, 2008

Pleasant Mount Welding, Inc. is planning a \$2 million expansion project in Carbondale.

Kennedy Park is sponsoring a fund drive to benefit the park.

Emmett Mancinelli, architect and planner for "Vandling Properties", a new 70-site property development in Vandling, addressed Vandling Council April 14 to ask for some minor revisions in the town's sub-division regulations so development can start soon.

Vandling Council will meet with Leeward Construction to address problems with the new sidewalks.

Jennifer Natishak, 13, won the title of Miss East Coast Majorette Queen in the 12 to 13 year old age group.

Deaths: Joseph W. Zologa, Pleasant Mount; James M. Duffy, Clifford; Josephine Garm DeToro, born in Richmondale; Mary Frances Yaklic Hadley, Brown-dale.

20 YEARS AGO
April 22, 1998

The 1998 Forest City Old Home Week Committee announced plans for its Queen contest. The winner will receive \$500.

Vandling Borough Council has been trying to fix Hillside Street, also known as "the alley," for about a year but can't seem to get all the parties involved to agree to allow the project to proceed.

The Scranton Times-Tribune has announced that Ryan Kilker and Susan Kulikowski have been chosen, along with 23 other students from around the area, as a Scholastic Superstar.

Deaths: Thomas Konchar, born in Forest City; Albert Lyon Jr., attended FC schools; Stanley A. Kovy (Kowalewski) RR 1 Forest City.

30 YEARS AGO
April 21, 1988

Henry Prince, Democrat Committee person, recently announced his candidacy for the post of Democrat State Committee person representing Susquehanna County.

The Headstart Program which is conducted at FCRS, appears to be headed for cancellation there for the 1988-89 school year.

Rusty Peltz, a member of the sophomore class of FCRHS, was the top scorer in Level I of the eighth annual Mathematics Contest at Marywood College.

"Fun in the Summertime" a fashion show will be held at the Forest City Regional High School next week.

Deaths: Mrs. Priscilla Power, born in Vandling; Edmund McGall, Prompton; Mary Bush, born in Wilkes Barre; James Bruce, Jermy.

40 YEARS AGO
April 20, 1988

Ames Mfg. Company, announces plans to construct a 100,000 sq. ft. addition to their 60,000 sq. ft. facility in Vandling and to add 75 new employees.

Greater Forest City Industries Inc., will repay all of the \$25 bonds sold in the Tri County Industrial Fund drive of 1968.

Dr. A. B. Cimochowski was injured when attacked by a patient at Fairview State Hospital.

Maryann Klemensic and John Sisko were awarded the "I Dare You" award by the Danforth Foundation at FCRHS.

Deaths: Frank L. Gibson, Union Dale; Mrs. Mary Sotak, Forest City; Jack Trevarthan, RD 4, Montrose; Leslie La-Barre, Susquehanna.

50 YEARS AGO
April 24, 1958

A crowd of some 300 friends and associates of William Stratford turned out Saturday night to honor him at a testimonial dinner at Hotel Casey in Scranton. Some 60 local residents, including the local postal employees were in attendance to honor Forest City's native son.

Carl Matos, West Oneonta, N.Y., has been named to the Dean's List for the winter semester at the State University of New

York at Delhi.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fisher of Forest City received a telephone call last week from their son, Joseph. The call came to the Fisher home at 4:30 a.m. which was 6:30 p.m. Japanese time.

Residents and former residents of Vandling will be happy to hear that the history of Vandling will be carried in next week's issue of The News. This detailed history of the town was written by Miss Peggy Sheroshek, a senior at the local high school. Peggy spent many days scanning the back issues of The News and completed her research with visits to the Scranton Court House and perusal of records contained in the Vandling Borough Building.

60 YEARS AGO
April 24, 1958

Forest City Lions went to Harrisburg with demand for action on the Brownvale bridge.

Young Republicans Club of Susquehanna County was newly organized.

Michael Supko dies from injuries incurred in a fall.

Bank rating is hiked from standing of 6,453 to 5,976 among the 6,000 largest banks in the United States.

A fashion show was held by Margaret Kelly, home economics teacher at Forest City Joint High School.

70 YEARS AGO
April 22, 1948

The Union Dale baseball team, pennant winners last year in the North End League, defeated the Pleasant Mt. team Sunday in an exhibition game by a score of 11-3.

The body of Pfc. Frank Mosher, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Mosher, Brownvale, killed in action on D-Day at Normandy, has been returned here for interment in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Mrs. Michael Antonyak, 316 Hudson St., claimed by death.

Interest in Tuesday's Primary Election is focused on the contest for Republican nomination for State Senator and Congressman.

Rev. and Mrs. George McAllister observed their golden wedding anniversary in New York. Rev. McAllister formerly served as pastor of the Forest City United Methodist Church.

80 YEARS AGO
April 21, 1938

Seven local youths were taken into custody by fire wardens on a charge of starting a forest fire in the woods west of the borough limits. They were discharged following a stern warning by authorities.

The lowlands of the Lake Erie Reservoir are being used as the fill for the lawns at the William Penn School.

Friend Arthur, of Vandling, on "Tuesday caught nine brown trout, ranging from 16 to 18 inches.

John Telban, prominent local resident died at his North Main Street home Thursday.

Mrs. George Reynolds, Lewis Lake, Union Dale, died Thursday. She had been in poor health for some time.

90 YEARS AGO
April 26, 1928

Ten graduates of the Class of 1928 of the Forest City High School have attained honor ratings with Miss Charlotte Gelder named Valedictorian. A class of 36 will receive diplomas June 1st.

Forest City will be represented by three local baseball teams during the coming season in regional leagues. The teams are semiprofs Grays, St. Agnes and KSKJ.

Slippery conditions brought on by a heavy, late season snow storm Tuesday caused several motor accidents at the Main and Dundaff Street intersection.

100 YEARS AGO
April 25, 1918

Rev. C.H. Sackett, former local Methodist minister, died yesterday at Bainbridge, N.Y.

Brandt Brown, incurred injuries that resulted in a fracture of his skull while riding on the side of the Blue Line delivery car near

the Bowery last night.

Friday, April 26, will be observed here as Liberty Day.

John Zedar has resigned his position as traveling auditor for the Grand Union Stores to enter the service.

NO 100 YEARS AGO
110 YEARS AGO
April 21, 1898

Local wheelmen and bicycle riders are being cautioned about their fast riding and were warned that pedestrians have the right of way on the roads.

Stillwater is the mecca for local fishermen now that the suckers are running.

Julius Freedman and family are occupying their new quarters in the Fleming House, which Mr. Freedman recently acquired.

Mrs. Mary Carey, wife of John Carey, Richmondale, died at her home on Friday.

130 YEARS AGO
April 19, 1888

A public park, three lots in extent, has been donated to the village by the D&H Co.

It is stated that the wages of Erie track laborers will be raised to \$1.20 per day this month.

James Johns and William Pentecost will hereafter have charge of the Erie Company's lumbering business in this section.

Taylor and Fleming have this week opened their new drug store.

Mr. Cramer has sold his horse to J.B. Fleming.

Fifteen mules perished last night when the Northwest mule barn was destroyed by fire.

Coming Events

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, 1 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 3 - Barking Cupcake sugar cookie baking & decorating class, Thurs., 6:30-8 p.m. Forest City Area Historical Society, \$30, reserve spot at 570-785-3030.

May 13 - St. John's Russian Orthodox Church, Dundaff (off Route 247), annual Mother's Day Dinner, Sun., take-outs 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Dinner servings noon until sold out, \$12 adults, \$6 children. 570-955-8758 or 570-585-8940.

May 15 - Clifford UM Church chicken 'n biscuit or ham dinner, Tues., 4-6 p.m., take-out or dine-in, \$9.95 includes dinner, drink & dessert.

School LUNCH MENU

Week of April 30

MON. - Popcorn chicken, dipping sauces, potato wedges, seasoned green beans, roll, ass't cookies.

TUES. - Hamburger or Cheeseburger, lett. & tom., roasted rosemary potatoes, baked beans

WED. - Rotini w/meat sauce, garlic breadstick, garden salad, broccoli.

THURS. - Turkey & melted cheese on pretzel bun, smiley fries, glazed carrots.

FRI. - Personal round pizza, garden salad, golden corn & carrots.

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

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cinnamon glazed toast sticks

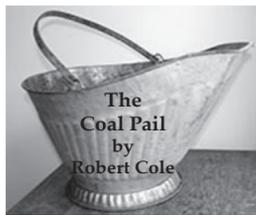
Tuesday - Cheese omelet w/donut holes

Wednesday - Assorted yogurt w/Zee Zee bar

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, Bordenstown, NJ. His parents were Alfred and Jessie Atkinson Cole. He was born in 1940 in his grandparent's house on Railroad Street. His grandparents were Richard and Jessie Atkinson.

All of the Railroad Boys carried slingshots in their back pocket. Most of them were made in the same way. 2 pieces of red inner tube rubber and a baseball leather pocket.

When it came fall the horse chestnuts started to drop from the trees and the crab apples were ripe. WOW-- what a great mess of stuff to shoot from the sling shots.

We used to take the horse chestnuts and with a pocket knife we drilled a hole in the top and a small hole in the side. Would get an elderberry branch and use it for a stem for the pipe in the horse chestnut pipe. BUGLER TO-BACCO for the pipe. Bugler was 15 cents for 2 packs and 2 papers for rolling. Also 1 roller. We smoked it in the horse chestnut pipe we made. Back to the slingshot story. We were out at night by main st. where the telephone company is now but it was a old lot that we called the horse yard.

Also the telephone company kept poles and cross ties in the yard. Boopie, Chervink and me were near Main St. with our slingshots and pockets full of crabapples and horse chestnuts.

We watched for cars to come down Main St. Not too many at that time. Chervink said that he wanted a chase?? He hit a car with a horse chestnut with a thump.

The guy stopped and jumped out of his car and was running down through the telephone yard after us.

Did you ever see a couple of scared kids run and a grown man after them?? LOL He did not get us but he went back to his car and kept circling the block. Boopie and Chervink were right there at their house but I had to sneak through the back yards to get home.

OUCH-- I never did that again.



Week of April 30

Monday - Beef broccoli stir fry, lo mein noodles, Asian veggie medley, rocky road pudding.

Tuesday - Chicken & sausage bake, chuck wagon corn, brown rice, yogurt w/ fruit & granola.

Wednesday - Herbed Pork Roast, roast beets & carrots, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, apple slices.

Thursday - Turkey & dumplings, brussel sprouts, boiled new potatoes, peach crisp.

Friday - Beef Stroganoff, broccoli & carrots, ww noodles, rice pudding.

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

Vandling Council

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Councilman John Mayers said certain materials must be used when using liquid fuels money and he would contact someone from PennDot to see what materials can be used.

WATER PROBLEM

Councilman Bill Boyle said a water problem exists on 7th Street that needs to be looked at. Boyle resides on the street and told his neighbors he would bring it up to Council.

President Pantzar said he would have the street department look into it.

CAMERAS

Councilman John Mayers said the new cameras will be installed outside of the Municipal Building and the Borough Garage.

DELINQUENT TAXES

It was reported that \$1,800 was collected in delinquent real estate taxes and \$9,000 in delinquent refuse fees from 2017

TAX COLLECTOR

Councilman John Mayers made a motion to give tax collector Maryann Risboskin an additional \$500 in compensation for 2018. He said it is in the budget for 2018. Motion passed.

SALARY CHANGE

Mayers also made a motion that the salary for new council members and the Mayor be reduced from \$75 to \$50. Motion passed and Atty. Smith will advertise the change.

MS4 PERMIT

Councilman John Mayers said they need to file the first MS4 report for storm water systems by August. He will meet with county conservation in the immediate future to put together the framework for the report.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 21 at 7 PM.

Area Obituaries

Verna Lou Johnson
New Jersey

Verna Lou (Banks) Johnson passed away on March 29, 2018. She was 82. Verna was born in Peckville, PA to Florence (Miller) and Henry C. Banks. Verna grew up in Pennsylvania and Endicott, NY, and graduated from Beaver (now Arcadia) College in 1957. Verna was married to James R. (Jim) Johnson for 60 years. They resided in Succasunna, NJ, Rockaway Township, NJ, and at Cedar Crest Village, Pompton Plains, NJ since 2006. Verna and Jim spent many weekends and summers at Cottrell Lake, Union Dale, PA with friends and extended family.

Verna taught elementary school in Mine Hill, NJ and was a substitute teacher in Rockaway Township, NJ schools. She was a member of the First Memorial Presbyterian Church in Dover, NJ, serving as an elder and deacon, and was active in the United Presbyterian Women. Verna served as a Cub Scout leader, Girl Scout leader and Community Coordinator for Morris Area Girl Scouts. The matriarch of the family, she raised four children, and blessed family and friends with her culinary gifts. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, and scrapbooking. During summer months, Verna and family camped and traveled through nearly every state in the US, visiting many National Parks and Monu-

ments. Verna was predeceased by her husband Jim in 2017 and her brother Henry Banks. She is survived by sisters Nancy Mills of Warminster, PA and Lois Cameron of Newtown, PA, her children David (Beverly) of Essex Fells, NJ, Eric (Linda) of West Chester, PA, Steven (Sandy) of Midland Park, NJ, and Kristin Shute (Josh) of Allendale, NJ, and seven grandchildren, Katie Johnson, Becky Johnson, Sara (Johnson) Baginsky, Kyle Johnson, Pierson Shute, Morgan Shute, and Chesley Shute.

A memorial service will be held at the Cedar Crest Interfaith Chapel, Pompton Plains, NJ on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Verna can be made to either the Memorial Fund at the First Presbyterian Church, 51 West Blackwell Street, Dover, NJ 07801, or to the Scholars Fund, Cedar Crest Philanthropy Office, 1 Cedar Crest Village Drive, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444.

Arrangements are by Codey & Jones Funeral Home, Caldwell, NJ. Visit the Codey & Jones website at <http://CodeyJonesFH.com> for more information.

Town hall mtg.
Wed., April 25

Forest City American Legion announces that the Department of Veterans Affairs to host a community town hall meeting at the Park Street Complex, 648 Park St., Honesdale at 5 p.m. on Wed., Apr. 25.

Veterans Affairs employees will be on hand to assist with information on available services. For more information contact Jeff Swegel 334-549-6300.

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