

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO
October 8, 2008

Approximately 2,000 runners will line up on Sunday at the Forest City Regional High School for the 13th Annual Steamtown Marathon.

Elk Mountain will hold its Fall Festival on October 11 and 12 at the Mountain.

NEP Telephone Co. installed a new cell tower in Union Dale on September 30.

A business fixture of downtown Pleasant Mount, the Pleasant Mount Cafe, managed by Art and Benita Haynes, has suspended operation.

Jason Pantzar and Nelson Herrmann are the all-season champs of Wivey's Memorial Golf League.

Deaths: Joyce Rouilliard, Archbald; Mary E. Pedley, West Clifford; Lucy C. McGinnis, Jessup; Joseph J. Krushinski, Eynon.

20 YEARS AGO
October 7, 1998

An area code split is coming to the NEP Telephone Co. exchanges. The new area code "570" will become effective December 5, 1998.

The Forest City Fire Dept. will conduct an open house in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week.

At 5 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 11, over 300 local volunteers will meet in the Forest City Regional High School gym. Their job will be to see that 2,000 runners in the Steamtown Marathon will be greeted, treated and sent on their 26.2 mile journey.

Deaths: Ralph Paoletti, Peckville; Edward J. Dieffenbach, Montrose; Peter Zelinski Sr., Dunmore; Rose M. Bednarczyk, Simpson; Shirley J. Kresock, born in Vandling; Mary Ann Opeil, Clifford; Cecelia Fendrock, Simpson; Joseph Hoholick, born in Dundaff.

30 YEARS AGO
October 6, 1988

Thirty-six-year-old Doris Jellies, Grand Ave., Forest City, lost her life in a violent head-on collision near the Pothole State Park in Archbald Borough last Friday.

The team of Dave Supko and Tim Chudzinsky, first-half winners in Wivey's Golf League, was victorious over Harry Heck and Bill Germ, second-half winners in a playoff match held recently.

James Dzwonchyk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Dzwonchyk, has been selected as the September Student of the Month by the Forest City Area Rotary Club.

Deaths: Fred Bock, Vandling; David Doyle, Orson; Joseph Rogers, Colorado; Frances Smith, born in Herrick Twp.

40 YEARS AGO
October 5, 1978

The Pennsylvania State Board of Examiners have notified Dina Marie Wasileski of her certification as a Registered Nurse.

Mrs. Susan Kuruts, Brown Dale, was honored by her family on the occasion of her 85th birthday.

Miss Becky Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Butler, Vandling, has enrolled at Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC, where she is majoring in Christian elementary education.

Fred Lang is the recipient of the Certificate for Meritorious Service for the year 1978 from the President's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped.

Deaths: Mrs. Roberta Fries, Vandling; Mrs. Elizabeth Brennan, Pleasant Mount; Fred Crandall, formerly of Union Dale.

50 YEARS AGO
October 17, 1968

Forest City receives check for \$8,862 for Federal grant on Ice Pond project.

Marine Captain Joseph J. Kolar, 25, of 517 Susquehanna St., Forest City, and husband of the former Miss Nan Ballard of Kermersville, NC, was promoted to his present rank while serving with the First Marine Aircraft Wing in Vietnam.

Airman First Class Richard Peterlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peterlin, 342 Main St., Vandling,

has graduated from technical school at Keesler AFB, MS. He was trained as a radio repairman and has been assigned to a unit of the Tactical Air Command at Langley AFB, VA.

60 YEARS AGO
October 16, 1958

William Sredenschek, one of the most highly esteemed resident of this community for the past 67 years, passed away Sunday morning in his apartment in the Forest House, which he owned and operated since 1909.

The Teen-Town committee of the Forest City Lions Club met last week at the Forest House to discuss the program of Teen-Town activities for the current year.

Anthony J. Burshnick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burshnick, 802 Delaware St., recently was among 85 cadets from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Denver, Colorado, who visited military establishments in Europe.

William Cawley, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cawley, is among the group of IBM engineers who are presently installing an IBM electronics computer device for the government at Fort Meade.

70 YEARS AGO
October 14, 1948

Without any public observation the Forest City Recreation Board observed its first anniversary this week.

Andrew Warhola, well known proprietor of the Central Restaurant, died Tuesday in the Carbonate General Hospital.

Pat O'Malley, who last week served as an "ambassador of Pennsylvania Week", called on local friends. Mr. O'Malley is enroute to Europe.

Local and state police are investigating the theft of James P. Murray's car from his garage while Mr. Murray was in attendance at the National Convention of the Legion at Miami.

Deaths: Frank Rudolph Sr., North Main St.; Mrs. Elizabeth Bielonski, Higgins, St.; Maurice Wilcox, South Clinton, and Adolph Terry, Pleasant Mount.

80 YEARS AGO
October 13, 1938

Because of the high cost of hiring trucks for local street work, the Borough Council is studying plans for the possible purchase of a truck this week.

The local Legion and Auxiliary is planning a four-day celebration honoring the Golden Jubilee of the Borough. The affair will be held in the former Klots Mill.

Phil Cook, popular national radio entertainer, honored Brown Dale on one of his recent morning broadcasts.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Cable, popular Union Dale newlyweds, were tendered an old-fashioned party Tuesday night by a group of their friends and well wishers.

90 YEARS AGO
October 11, 1928

The Forest City Borough Council redeemed \$3,000 of its indebtedness bonds outstanding on the North and South Main Streets paves, surface sewers and Dundaff Street paves.

Mrs. Sadie Gilroy was installed as president of the Legion Auxiliary.

The Forest City Kiwanis Club observes a Ladies Night program at the Elkview Country Club Thursday evening.

The W. H. Jones family is moving their household effects from the Yanchitis building to an apartment in the Jones' building.

Mrs. James Brown, well known South Main Street resident, died at home last evening.

100 YEARS AGO
October 18, 1918

The Spanish influenza epidemic has hit the community. The Burgess with the Borough Council and Board of Health meeting in special session, have ordered the schools and all public meeting places closed.

Word has been received that Charles Skubic died in France on September 8th while serving with the U.S. Army.

Frank Walker died Sunday of

pneumonia. Mark Davies died yesterday, victim of the same disease.

Edward Conrad died Friday from burns received in a boiler explosion at the Stillwater works of J.W. Kirby Co.

110 YEARS
AGO October 15, 1908

The Farmers and Miners National Bank opened for business yesterday. Thirty thousand dollars were received in deposits during the business hours. During the afternoon the Forest City Band rendered a concert in front of the bank.

Atty. F. M. Gardner has been named chairman of the local Taft and Sherman political club.

The local baseball club with Madden and Wolfert as the battery, won a \$100 side bet game from the Carbonate Clippers, by a score of 10-8.

M.A. Hunsinger, Meshoppen, has accepted a position as pharmacist at the Davies and Allen Drug Store.

120 YEARS AGO
October 13, 1898

The street cars will be running to South Street next week.

Rev. J.J. Coroner preached the sixth anniversary sermon on the founding of the St. Agnes Church last Sunday.

Charles Dunn has left for Butte, Mont., where he expects to make his future home.

Frank Homan has entered the University of PA, where he will study pharmacy. He was formerly employed in the Pentecost store.

130 YEARS AGO
October 13, 1888

A Welsh Baptist Society is being organized here.

Main Street is being repaired for the coming winter season.

A Doctor Greene of New Milford has opened an office to practice medicine here.

"Blind Tom", a mule aged 35, the Hillside's first means for the power of its first reward here, has passed on to his reward.

School LUNCH MENU

Week of Oct. 15

MON. - Roasted BBQ chicken, onion rings, glazed carrots, dinner roll, fruit.

TUES. - Walking tacos w/ all the fixins, brown rice, buttery corn, black bean salad, fruit.

WED. - Stuffed shells w/ sauce, garlic breadstick, salad, seasoned green beans, fruit.

THURS. - Chicken smackers w/ dipping sauce, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, California blend vegetables, fruit, cookie.

FRI. - New York style or buffalo pizza, salad, steamed broccoli, fruit.

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BREAKFAST

Mon. - Sausage & Ch. Croissant.

Tues. - Egg & Ch. Croissant

Wed. - Bacon, Egg & Ch. Croissant

Thurs. - Ham, Egg & Ch. Croissant

Fri. - Egg & ch. on bagel

Coming Events

Oct. 12 - Close Encounter with Birds of Prey program, Northern Wayne Community Library, Fri., 6:30 p.m., 570-798-2444.

Oct. 13 - Fall Pork Dinner Christ Episcopal Church Forest City

Oct. 13 - Designer Purse Bingo, Trinity Episcopal Church, 58 River St. Carbonate. Doors open at noon, bingo at 1 p.m.

Oct. 13 - Sat., new art exhibits opening, Art-A-Pelago Galleries, Honesdale, 6-9 p.m., 570-470-5572.

Oct. 17 - Chicken-n-biscuit or ham dinner Clifford U.M. Church Main St. Clifford 4 to 6 p.m. Cost \$9.95

Oct. 20 - Free luncheon. Trinity Episcopal Church 58 River St. Carbonate noon to 1 p.m.

Oct. 20 - Harvest Dinner E. Ararat U.M. Church.

Oct. 20 - FCAES Meat Raffle 5 to 9 p.m. For more info call 570-785-5025 or 570-785-3226.

Oct. 25 & 26 - Haunted House by FCRHS Students. Location TBA.

Oct. 28 - Union Dale Chicken BBQ, drive-thru take-outs only, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., \$9, tickets UDVFC members, Mary or Tom Yale 570-679-2589 & Cable's Deli.

Nov. 4 - St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church Eye Round & Halubki Dinner noon - 2; takeouts 11 a.m. \$12



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 grandparent's house on Railroad Street. His grandparents were Richard and Jessie Atkinson.

It was in the early 50's and I used to set pins in the bowling alley down Main Street past Hornbeck Chevrolet. The next block. There were only a few alleys and had to set pins by stepping on a peddle and bringing up the pin to set the bowling pins on. Had to be quick because the bowlers were ready to go. Most likely leagues.

When I was older I set pins in Lancaster Pa. and it was an automatic pin setter. Had to put the bowling pins in a frame and pull the string and they were all set at one time..I used to set doubles--2 alleys at 1 time. I was in the pit gathering up pins and a bowler threw a ball down the lane. I picked it up and threw it back at him. You should have seen him move out of the way! LOL, in trouble again. WOW. It went flying up the alley and back into the stands. Got in trouble with the alley manager.

We got 10 cents a game then, and 10 bowlers and 3 games was a lot of money for us in those days. I used to set 2 leagues in a night. WOW--thought that I was rich. Was about \$6.00 for the night with out the tip. I can remember being able to pick up 4 pins in my 2 hands and placing them on the pins that came up from the bowling alley floor. Had to be fast or the bowlers would get frustrated if you were not ready for them to bowl. All fun and earned some \$\$

Senior MENU

Week of Oct. 15

Monday - Turkey burger on ww roll, french onion soup, carrot raisin salad, tropical fruit

Tuesday - Salisbury steak, green beans & carrots, mashed potatoes, dinner roll w/ butter, apple slices

Wednesday - Tuscan pork, brocc & cauli, boiled new potatoes, dinner roll w/ butter, sugar cookie

Thursday - Roast turkey, sweet potato, green bean casserole, stuffing butter, pumpkin squares

Friday - Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, tossed salad, zucchini & peppers, choco brownie

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

Snow Removal

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CELL TOWER

A site map of a proposed Kennedy Park cell tower was presented to Council by Councilperson Amy Bean. The new tower location appears to be behind the picnic area, some distance away from the Little League field which was proposed initially. She said no action will be taken until Council sets a public meeting with the cell tower operators.

POSSIBLE HOTEL

Mayor Chris Ginton said he will meet with a friend soon to discuss building a hotel in Forest City. He said a feasibility report may be undertaken. Questions about location, parking, etc., he said, were premature at this time.

Mayor Ginton also said he was having a follow up meeting with the President of Johnson College about putting a satellite campus in Forest City.

PICKLE BALL COURT

Council approve purchas-

ing equipment for a pickle ball court at Kennedy Park. Patty Walker, Clifford Twp., said the temporary courts set up at the Park are drawing crowds on Sunday. Council agreed to spend \$210 to purchase two nets, a bag of balls, and several rackets. Where they would be stored was not decided.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council also approved \$270 to replace all locks at Kennedy Park and to control the distribution of keys.

Council will join the Greater Forest City Business Alliance at a cost of \$75.

Public Works dept. reports continued problems with rocks and dirt flowing into storm water catch basins.

The previously proposed ordinance removing six parking meters on Main Street to comply with PennDOT sight regulations was approved. Pres. Cost said the removed meters will be placed elsewhere in the town.

Controversy in Herrick continues

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Schultz said, "My conversation with Marissa was that it would take eight months to redo the ordinance. We should start immediately. That was Marissa's advice."

Harvatin said, "Herrick is part of ESCP (Eastern Susquehanna County Partnership). We did a multi-municipal comprehensive plan. The 2nd phase is the zoning ordinance. Gibson Township residents were against it and pulled out. There is a proposed zoning ordinance and that was our plan in 2005."

Schultz said, "That would impose significant severe restrictions on residents. This area would be totally unprepared. It deals with conditions in a densely populated area."

Harvatin said, "I was told that if you have a zoning ordinance, you have to provide for every use in the township."

Supervisor Brian Zembrzycki asked, "What would it inflict on our residents?" Schultz replied, "The language would have requirements for conditions that don't exist up here. We are 40 years behind up here."

Stephen Pendrak said, "Nancy is right. There are 2 issues. Legal and spirit of the law and the responsibility to the township residents. There is no personal ax to grind but there is a responsibility to the residents when you see opposition."

Harvatin asked, "You want to change the zoning ordinance? Do you want the whole thing thrown out? Do you want the health clinic thrown out? We don't have an application. If and when we get a second application, you can't change the zoning ordinance in the middle of it."

Pendrak said, "We can ask for a change." Harvatin replied, "So, are you asking for us to change it because you don't like it? We hired a consultant in 1988 and it cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000. We didn't come up with it ourselves." Schultz said,

"There are big holes in the code. Nothing aimed at any particular industry."

Zembrzycki asked, "You want us to vote tonight to get a consultant to review everything or just Section 608? Where do you find a consultant in the area?"

Harvatin stated, "I want to see something in writing for what you want changed."

Pendrak replied, "Conditional use properties. It is limited in scope." Harvatin said, "So you want us to hire a consultant to review the conditional use in the ordinance?" Pendrak said yes.

Schultz said, "I don't think you should vote on it tonight. Brian, I would be happy to volunteer my time and go over it with you." Harvatin said, "I have to speak to the solicitor and go over how much it costs. I'm not prepared to vote on it tonight."

Harvatin said, "My request is that everything be looked over and changed if applicable before anything is voted on."

Harvatin said, "With the fire and everything else, I have to take finances into consideration."

Zembrzycki said, "I would have Nancy call Marissa to see if what Kurt says is true and go over the zoning."

Jennifer Burman asked, "Do you feel our zoning ordinance is out of date?" Harvatin replied, "No, it has worked for 20 years."

Meredith said, "I think it is how it is interpreted and that is what I want to be looked at it." Harvatin said she would look into it and contact McAndrew. Meredith said, "I can't book people. It is no longer a pleasurable resort. I need to know. I invested over \$300,000."

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 5 at 7pm at the Herrick Center Baptist Church. Meetings will be held there indefinitely.

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