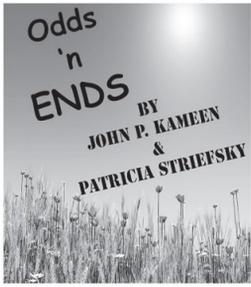


THE FOREST CITY NEWS



Odds in Ends
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You don't have to travel far to get "home cooking" at Curtis Home Cooking, 1318 North Main St., one of our newer Dining Guide advertisers. We enjoy their lunch specials with some of the best soups in this area. The best is their Amish Church soup with the tenderest beef you can imagine. Friday is potato pancake day. Give them a try. Their nightly dinners like chicken and biscuit and baked fish for Lent are as good as it gets. They also have a double burger that is big enough for a meal. You can get a single patty if you wish. Friendly and courteous service are always on their menu.

Congratulations to FCR's Junior Drama Club for their amazing performance in The Enchanted Bookshop. If you weren't lucky enough to catch it, you missed a truly entertaining and charming show, filled with drama, comedy and mystery. Bravo to both cast and crew alike.

Am I getting to that age?

I found this timely, because today I was in a store that sells sunglasses, and only sunglasses. A young lady walked over to me and asked, "What brings you in today?" I looked at her and said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator." She didn't quite know how to respond.

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball, but you are just too tired to bounce it.

When people see a cat's litter box they always say, "Oh, have you got a cat?" Just once I want to say, "No, it's for company!"

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, "An ambulance."

The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

Did you ever notice that when you put the 2 words "The" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs?"

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Some people try to turn back their "odometers." Not me. I want people to know why I look this way. I've traveled a long way and a lot of the roads were not paved.

You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

Ah! Being young is beautiful but being old is comfortable.

Lord, keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.

May you always have
Love to share,
Cash to spare,
And friends who care.

CORRECTION:

The buffet breakfast at the F.C. Historical Society scheduled for May 19 will need to be rescheduled to a different date. We apologize for any inconvenience.



The last installation of utilities in the VISION 2000 Industrial Park, of Greater Forest City Industries Inc., was completed recently. Electric lines were installed by PPL on poles which were installed 10 years ago by NEP Telephone Company. All utilities are now installed and await use by any companies interested in locating there.

All utilities now installed in VISION 2000 Industrial Park

Greater Forest City Industries Inc. announces the completion of a \$30,000 project to install electric lines in the VISION 2000 Industrial Park. All utilities are now complete in the Park.

GFCI secured \$282,000 in grants and local funding in 2017 to install a natural gas line from the UGI main lines in the Rail Trail. Despite UGI's original estimate of \$250,000 for the gas line, the final cost of the gas line installation was project was \$187,210.

With funding remaining, GFCI decided to have the electric lines installed. That final cost of the PPL installation was \$30,874.

The grant funds secured were \$141,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and \$49,000 from the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA). Local funds required from Greater Forest City Industries Inc. was \$92,000.

FCR Band Concert
Tues., May 7

The Forest City Regional Band will present its annual spring concert on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 7 P.M. in the Forest City Regional High School auditorium.

The concert will feature the 5th and 6th grade jazz band, junior/senior high school jazz band, 4th grade concert band, 5th and 6th grade concert band as well as the junior/senior high school concert band. Highlights will include music from Toy Story, Spiderman, Raiders of the Lost Ark and Queen. Donations will be accepted at the door.

Doughboy Restoration Is Delayed

Col. (Ret.) Jeffrey Swegel, commander of Charles & Martin Skubic Post No. 524 American Legion, has advised the News that the planned restoration of the Doughboy will not be completed in time for the Aug. 3rd Trail Town Festival.

The fund drive to pay for the repairs to the Doughboy and the Anthracite Coal Miners' Memorial exceeded its goal of \$14,300 on April 15th. Drive Chairman John P. Kameen reported that the total now stands at \$15,191.

Any monies raised over and above the restoration costs will be placed in a separate fund to be used for any future maintenance of the memorials.



Some of the crowd of 67 patriotic area scouts and friends who gathered to participate in the Forest City Area Pocket Flag Project sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of Charles & Martin Skubic Post #524, American Legion.

Pocket flags are packaged here For front line military personnel

Some 300 small folded American flags will be sent from Forest City to military personnel on the front lines. Sixty seven proud Americans gathered in the Forest City Area Emergency Services on April 22 to fold the flags and place them, with personal notes, into an individual 3'x3" plastic bag.

The program was arranged by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Charles & Martin Skubic Post #524 American Legion, Forest City. Among those groups participating were the local and area Boys Scouts, Girls Scouts, Cub Scouts and a FCR Senior project.

The Pocket Flag Project was conceived in 2001 and has resulted in nearly 2.5 million flags distributed. In addition to learning about the U.S. flag and the

Upper Valley National Day of Prayer, Thur., May 2

On Thursday, May 2nd, the 16th annual observance of the National Day of Prayer sponsored by the Greater Carbon-dale Area Ministerium, will be held at the Carbondale train station, Trinity Place. The Bible says, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord", a blessing that is not only for nations, but communities, families and individuals as well.

Everyone is invited to attend the inspirational service of music, Scripture and prayer featuring many local members of the community. Preceding the service and beginning at 6:30 p.m. local church musicians will present a half-hour concert of well-known hymns and contemporary Christian music. Please bring your own seating. If the weather is inclement, the service will be held in the sanctuary of the Trinity Episcopal Church, Trinity Place. For directions: <https://nationaldayofprayer.org/events>

Dinner at Christ Church Sat., May 4

A chicken and biscuit dinner will be held at Christ Episcopal Church, Dundaff and Delaware Streets, Forest City on Saturday, May 4, 2019. Eat in is served family style from 5 to 7 or take outs from 3:30 to 4:30, either way cost is \$10.00 which includes: chicken and biscuit, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas and carrots and dessert.

To reserve your tickets please call the church at 570-785-3425.



The 3x3 plastic bags contain a folded American flag, and a note, to provide a pocket full of home to be sent to deployed or deploying military to the front lines.

sacrifices of our military, volunteers fold and package the flags to send to our front line and deployed troops.

Included with each flag is a card that says: "A flag for your pocket so you can always carry a little piece of home. We are praying for you and we are proud of you. Thank you for defending our country and our freedom. www.2ndofJuly.com American Legion Post #524 and local volunteers Forest City, PA."

Research work of Frank Orasin Now available at Historical Society

Forest City Area Historical Society is making available a considerable amount of research done over the years by Frank Orasin of Saratoga, California. It has been assembled and catalogued by Society curator Barb Klobucar and will be available at the Museum during hours when it is open.

Mr. Orasin has done vast research on the lives and deaths of all Forest City area servicemen from WW I, WW II, Korean War, Vietnam War and the Middle East Conflicts. This includes details of the location and causes of death, and places of interest of the killed in action.

In addition, Mr. Orasin, who is of Slovenian ancestry,

room on each card for volunteer groups to include a personal message or return address for thank you notes.

The officers of the Local Legion Auxiliary are Pres. Pauline Wilcox, Vice Pres. Amy Vaughn, Secy. Dusti Swegel, Treas. Kerry Henderson, Chaplain and Parliamentarian Gloria Edwards. VP Vaughn has a son A1C Clayton Steckert who is on Air Force active duty in Italy.

For security reasons the local volunteers are not given the names or the locations of the front line military who will receive the flags. Many of those receiving the flag write thank you back to volunteers. The flags are only for deployed and deploying soldiers and not for the public or for veterans and active military not serving on the front lines.

All the Scouts in attendance, along with parents and friends, were treated with pizza by the Auxiliary.

Mother's Day Photos for The Forest City News

The Forest City News will be accepting photographs for its annual Mother's Day edition. The date of the publication for this edition is Wednesday, May 8. This year Mother's Day is on May 12th.

This year's edition will be in full color.

The cost is \$20 for color.

Anyone interested in having their picture in this issue can email or drop off a picture at the News office no later than Wed., May 1. You can email photos to fcnews@nep.net.

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