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"The House Comes Alive"

Jessica Rosier Breathes New Life Into Barker Mansion

by M.D. Cunningham

When Kate Gerblick and her fiancé moved here from St. Louis, they weren't sure if Michigan City would become home to them. They didn't know anyone, so they decided to meet people at every possible opportunity.

The couple recently made an offer on what might be their first home. It was another piece of real estate, however, one open to all that set the stage for new friendships and provided the backdrop for events that have shaped their future.

That place was Barker Mansion, 631 Washington St. It was a warm Friday night last summer. Gerblick recalled wearing shorts and a blouse with a floral design, which she thought made her blend in with the flowers in the mansion's garden.

"We were sort of talking to everyone we could to see if we could find things to do, especially people our age," Gerblick said. "We were just hoping to make friends, too."

And they did. Not long ago, Gerblick watched the Super Bowl with a welcoming woman she initially mistook at the mansion as a photographer.



Jessica Rosier and her husband, Nick, appear at Barker Mansion's Vintage V-Day fundraiser in February.

That woman, Jessica Rosier, is the driving force behind the positive momentum at Barker Mansion and Civic Center, synonymous with elementary school trips to those who grew up in the area, yet still unknown to many, but which under Rosier's leadership as the new director is experiencing a rejuvenation. Not a week goes by when mansion staff aren't announcing a new arts and crafts event, children's activity or arts-oriented program.

"Jessica has brought a lot of change to the mansion. It's been amazing," said Emily Reth, whose involvement at Barker Mansion first began as an unpaid intern. On this evening, she's assumed the role of bartender. She begins to elaborate on other exciting changes, but before she can, she's serving up more champagne cocktails made available for an adults-only Valentine's Day fundraiser

at the mansion. The drink choices, like the piano music from Jay Brown — a volunteer and Gerblick's fiancé — whose fluttery notes accompany visitors down lavish halls and stairways, are true

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to Barker's time, but also timeless. The music and drinks, along with a photo booth and vintage auction, make for a rare, offbeat brand of fun.

Barker Mansion has a rich, storied history that dates back to 1857, when industrialist John Barker and his family moved into the home inspired by an English Victorian manor house. In 1905, Barker's son and daughter-in-law unveiled a lavish addition that boosted its room total to 38, not to mention seven fireplaces, 10 bathrooms and an intercom, vacuum and ventilation systems.

In more recent times, Cecilia Zubler was the mansion's beloved director. She was still finalizing plans for the latest Christmas display — a favorite for her — when she unexpectedly fell ill in late 2014 and passed away.

Rosier, a Minneapolis native, took the position in April 2015, respecting the mansion's legacy and inspired to expand its reach within the community and beyond.

"We're trying really hard to hold a diverse range of events," Rosier said. "Our typical target market has been an older crowd — and we love that — but we want to appeal to folks of all ages. In addition to new kids programs, we're hoping to plan some events that will appeal specifically to millennials."

Rosier is quick to credit others and called Reth a dynamic team member.



Jessica Rosier participates in a live history day at Charles A. Lindbergh Historic Site.

The word intergenerational often is used in conversations these days, capturing the spirit of their efforts.

"I am really looking forward to seeing the mansion increase its public profile," Rosier said. "I can't tell you how many times I tell people I work at the mansion and they say they've never heard of it, never visited and didn't know it was open to the public. I am seeing that slowly change..."

Another growing area is youth programs, which Rosier is particularly dedicated. Recent efforts designed for children

have offered a staunch reminder that even in a mansion, there's only a finite amount of space.

"One youth program I especially love is 'Night at the Mansion,' where Scouts get to 'camp' out here," she said. "Seeing sleeping bags spread out among world-class artwork and hearing giggles at midnight is great. The house comes alive."

"As far as challenges, we're quickly realizing the limitations with our space. As our programs grow bigger, things get crowded. Logistics in a 159-year-old house can be tough."

Rosier is exceptionally proud of the mansion's rapidly expanding connections to youth.

"You know the old cliché — kids are the future," she said. "We can't preserve our past if kids don't care about historic places like the mansion. We want them to experience the mansion through our different programs."

When she first started at Barker, Rosier savored arriving early and



Jessica Rosier participates in a day camp at Mounds State Park in 2013.



Jessica Rosier (right) chats with friend Kate Gerblick.

before setting about the day's work taking a moment to sit in the garden, maybe enjoy a granola bar. There's no telling where her mind may have gone, but her actions reflected an impressive education and solid base of experience.

"I didn't study history in school. I don't have a degree in history. I don't have a degree in historic preservation," she said. "And I think that's a misconception with a lot of people. They assume that I must have gone to school to work with old buildings, but I didn't. I went to school to work with people."

Rosier's background demonstrates her passion for hands-on integrated learning experiences. She originally came to the area to work as an interpretive naturalist for the dunes. She's also worked at the Charles A. Lindbergh Historic Site in Little Falls, Minn., along with an instrumental period spent as head naturalist at Mounds State Park an hour from Indianapolis. Rosier credited the latter experience as preparing her for anything.

"Running a historic home, managing a Nature Center, responding to questions about a controversial reservoir proposal, overseeing 50 volunteers and seven interns and staff members helped me gain de-

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Emily Reth serves up treats the Barker family may have enjoyed during the Vintage V-Day fundraiser.

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Jessica leads a dunes hike in 2014.

acades of experience in just a few years,” she said.

Rosier’s formal education culminated with a master’s degree in geography, with an emphasis in tourism planning and development.

“I’ve always loved helping people to understand the places they’re visiting and understand the places they’re going,” she said. “I’ve always found it intriguing how a tourist can come and visit a place and leave such an economic impact in the community.”

She sees it happening.

“We get visitors from all over the United States and even other countries, and they’re coming here to vacation in the dunes area, to see the lake, but we’re also in Michigan City at a time that’s really exciting as we’re starting to develop properties downtown more and more, get more shops and restaurants, so I want to drive our tourists there,” she said. “It’s just really interesting how all those pieces fit together.”

From a personal perspective, she continued, Michigan City has become her adopted hometown.

“I truly don’t want to be anywhere else,” she said. “My husband and I love the lake, the dunes, the local restaurants, and we are part of a fantastic faith community. I am so lucky to work and play in Michigan City.”

And Michigan City is lucky to have such a welcoming host.



Jessica checks in with visitors to Barker Mansion.

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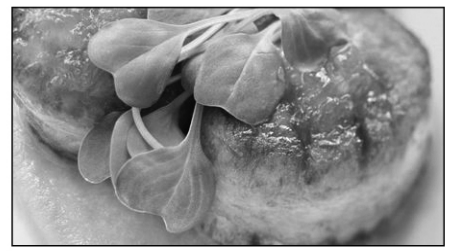
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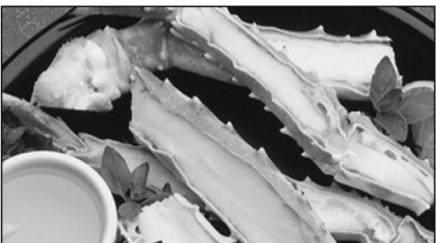
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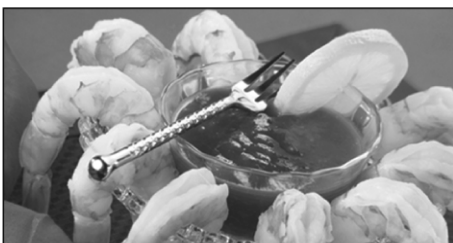
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LCSO, Chamber Music Festival Join Forces for Concert

by Andrew Tallackson

In a way, you could say it's a collaboration 15 years in the making.

Nic Orbovich and Phil Bauman have known each other for years, their friendship born out of respect for each other's artistic sensibilities. Their paths have frequently crossed, what with Orbovich having co-founded Michigan City Chamber Music Festival and Bauman not only conducting La Porte County Symphony Orchestra, but now performances of Handel's "Messiah" in Michigan City.

The logistics of having chamber fest musicians perform with the symphony, however, never clicked. Now, as the festival celebrates its 15th anniversary, all the elements fell into place with such ease, Bauman and especially Orbovich are beside themselves with anticipation.

"I can't recall a concert I've been this excited about in a long time," Orbovich said. "Phil's artistic values and the festival's are the same. We are about sharing quality music with our audiences."

Chamber fest musicians will join LCSO for the classic concert "Festival!" at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at Elston Performing Arts Center, 317 Detroit St. The lineup includes Ger-shwin's "Rhapsody in Blue," an "Academic Festival Overture" by Brahms and Mendelssohn's "Symphony No. 5 Reformation." Featured performers include not only Orbovich, an acclaimed violinist, but also: award-winning concert pianist Robert Auler, who made his Carnegie Hall debut in June 2005; cellist Wesley Baldwin, who

founded the Plymouth String Quartet; and violinist Zofia Glashauser, South Bend Symphony Orchestra's concertmaster.

Talks began in earnest about a year ago for LCSO to join forces with festival musicians, Bauman said. The most significant hurdle before then was the simple fact that the annual chamber festival unfolds in August during the symphony's off-season. So, with plenty of time to arrange the specifics, Orbovich and Bauman began the collaborative process of select-

ing the right music for the concert. The goal, Bauman said, was to consider the perfect fit for each performer.

"Nic and I trust each other's sensibilities," Bauman said. "There is no ego involved."

An added bonus is a Meet the Musicians preview, which includes a free recital and reception, at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at First Presbyterian Church, 121 W. Ninth St. Michigan City. Tickets to attend the Sunday concert

will be available then. The preview marks the first of its type for LCSO since November 2004.

"People get to know the musicians so they don't feel separated from them," Orbovich said. "One can't exist without the other. We want the audience to get to know us."

Will this collaboration become an annual tradition? Bauman and Orbovich hope so.

"Now that we've gotten our feet wet, I would never rule that out," Bauman said. "The synergy between the two groups is definitely there."



The friendship and collaborative spirit of Phil Bauman (left) and Nic Orbovich resulted in Sunday's concert.

If You Go

Tickets are available at www.lcso.net or by calling (219) 362-9020. They also can be purchased at La Porte Savings Bank, 710 Indiana Ave., La Porte, Roxy Music, 1012 Lincolnway, La Porte, and La Porte County Convention & Visitors Bureau in Marquette Mall. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors. Students with a valid ID are free.



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Meet the Winner of The Beacher's First Beat the Editor Contest

by Andrew Tallackson

Patrick Cannon considers himself a movie buff. He makes it a point, if possible, to see every film nominated for an Academy Award. Some years, he and his daughter, Maggie, head to Chicago for a day-long marathon of Oscar-nominated pictures right before the ceremony itself.



A photo of Patrick Cannon, taken in a Utah airport and sent to us by email.

That's why the Long Beach resident jumped at the chance to participate in *The Beacher's* first Beat the Editor contest. He and Jamie Edwards, Michigan City, were the only two out of 43 entries to correctly predict seven of the eight categories, beating Editor Drew Tallackson,

who guessed six. Their ballots were placed into a drawing, with *The Beacher's* Janet Baines pulling out the winning entry.

Cannon receives two gift certificates from Hammer's Restaurant and Holly's Restaurant and Pub, the contest's sponsors. Our goal was to photograph Cannon with his prizes; however, he found himself in predicament, stuck in a Utah airport due to a three-hour weather delay. Not missing a beat, Cannon asked a stranger to snap a picture of him so he could send it to us by email.

Well played, Mr. Cannon.

The only category he missed, by the way, was the ceremony's shocking upset: Mark Rylance from "Bridge of Spies" took Best Supporting Actor over crowd-pleasing favorite Sylvester Stallone.

"I thought Stallone gave the performance of his career," Cannon said, "but I also thought (Rylance) gave an outstanding performance in that movie and probably should have won."



As for the Oscars themselves, they're still the most length-be-damned awards event, but this was the first time in years the show had any momentum.

In years past, moments existed where the ceremony felt as if it was finally headed somewhere, then, BAM!, a snooze of a production number. This time, the show's new producers, David Hill and Reginald Hudlin, made a few smart moves. They allowed a scrawl beneath each winner to list as many people they wished to thank as desired. It rolled by quickly, true, but at least the winners sidestepped the possibility of leaving anyone out.

Another welcome addition — insightful ways to enhance each category with explorations into the moviemaking process. Screenplay nominees saw their words splash across scenes as their films were announced. Costumes graced the stage as Best Actress nominee Cate Blanchett praised the ingenuity of the designers. The approach effectively added a layer of eye candy to the dusty approach of Hollywood's finest otherwise squinting at monitors too distant for them to read.

Host Chris Rock wasted no time addressing the elephant in the room — the absence of black nominees among this year's slate of performers — by welcoming everyone to "The White People's Choice Awards." Some of the skits suffered quick, brutal deaths — the Oscar crowd clearly was not familiar with the Stacey Dash controversy — but for the most part, Rock stood his ground, earning a laugh or two in the process.

Kudos to "Spotlight" for its come-from-behind upset, taking home statues for Best Picture and Original Screenplay. If anything, the recognition will get more people to experience this profound piece of cinema. Before the ceremony commenced, "Good Morning America" co-host Robin Roberts thanked the film's Best Supporting Actor nominee, Mark Ruffalo, for helping remind audiences of why investigative journalism must survive. She's right. The end of the film does not simply pat its characters on the back. It drives home the point that journalism gave a voice to countless people who suffered abuse within a community that turned a deaf ear to their cries for help.

Most satisfying was the six wins in technical categories for "Mad Max: Fury Road." Thumb your nose at the movie if you like, but George Miller's reboot of the franchise that made him famous con-



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tained more genuine artistry than 75 percent of the films nominated. I've said this before and will state it again: Movies at their best imagine the unimaginable. "Mad Max: Fury Road" treated audiences to the wildest ride of any movie in 2015, with Charlize Theron's Imperator Furiosa emerging as one of the all-time great action heroines.

Rest assured, too, that "Mad Max" costume designer Jenny Beavan added hilarious fuel to the "we-ain't-high brow-enough" fire. Decked out in a leather jacket, its back sporting a flaming skull, Beavan appeared better suited for a "Sons of Anarchy" reunion than the glittery pageantry of an Oscar ceremony.



Lady Gaga performs her Oscar-nominated song.

Sam Smith and Lady Gaga sang their hearts out during the Best Song performances...although the bizarre "Fifty Shades of Gray" number, likely choreographed by a dominatrix huffing bath salts, veered into laugh-out-loud camp.

The biggest upset of the night? You could hear the gasps amid the reticent applause as Patricia Arquette announced "Bridge of Spies" nominee Mark Rylance as the Best Supporting Actor winner. Syl-



Mark Rylance accepts the Best Supporting Actor Oscar for "Bridge of Spies"

vester Stallone appeared to be a shoe-in, his beautiful work in "Creed" seen as payback for not winning Best Actor back when "Rocky" debuted in 1976. But the decision to bestow the honor on Rylance confirms that voters after all these years still don't take Stallone seriously, that he's made too much drivel to be a legit contender. And, sadly, the sting of disappointment that clings over the decision like a black mass distracts from the truth that Rylance gave a beautifully textured performance in "Bridge of Spies." The subdued approach by the 56-year-old British stage actor kept you guessing until his final scene...when he broke your heart. In any other year, Rylance's victory would be celebrated.

But, hey, Stallone's taken one on the chin before, and later that evening, he graciously accepted the defeat. It's all part of a typical Oscar evening: triumphant wins, heartbreaking losses.

And, as we Cubs fans like to say, there's always next year...

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Performances are at 7 p.m. March 11-12 and 18-19 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 13 and 20. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors and \$5 for children 12 and younger.



Photo by Andrew Tallackson

Directed by Amy Crane, with Kyle McGrew serving as stage manager, the cast includes: Declan Lawrence; Liam Roder; Nikki Szymkowski; Ben Pizarek; Hannah Campbell; Tien Phan; Kayla LaRocco; Elaina Billys; Sidney Mahone; Niko Cabela; Min Park; Kelsey Sullivan; Kailey Holmquist; Cece Dickson; Adriann Reynolds; Cassidy Downs; JalonTae Blakely; Jenna Szaday; Penelope Prokuskki; D'Aria Kincaid; Sidney Mahone; Maggie Beeler; Javante Blakely; Matthew Ruiz; Maurice Walker; and Kate Zientarski.

Hoosier Star Auditions

La Porte County Symphony Orchestra is seeking contestants for the 11th annual Hoosier Star competition.

Open to amateur singers of all musical styles and age groups, something new is that duet competitors may audition. Times and dates are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 19, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 20, at La Porte Little Theatre Club, 218 A St., La Porte.

The event co-chairs are past winners Nanda Danitschek, with all proceeds benefitting LCSO. The competition unites amateur singers throughout the state to compete for recognition and cash prizes.

Contestants are divided into two age groups: youth — 17 and younger, and adult — 18 and older at the time of auditions. Ten finalists — five in each age group — advance to the final event and the chance to win monetary prizes and the title of 2016 Hoosier Star winner. Duet performers will enter as, and be considered, one finalist per each duet group.

No group performances may enter, and both competitors in a duet must be from the same age division. For auditions, applicants may provide their own accompanist, use a CD with no lead vocals, supply a digital mp3 capable device or sing a capella. A contestant of any age must be an amateur vocalist and a resident of Indiana or Southwest Michigan.

Finalists perform with the Hoosier Star Orchestra, conducted by Philip Bauman, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at La Porte Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge St. Audience members will choose the final two winners in each age division based on that night's performances. First and second place in the Youth Division receive \$500 and \$250, respectively. First and second place in the Adult Division receive \$1,000 and \$500, respectively.

Registration forms can be found at HoosierSTAR.com. Contestants are encouraged to pre-register for a guaranteed time slot. The registration fee is \$20 per person or duet. If a competitor would like to audition as a soloist and a duet, he/she must submit two separate audition forms, including separate fees. Audition applications must be postmarked by March 11 to receive a guaranteed time slot. Walk-ins are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis during the audition dates.

Email HoosierSTAR@LCSO.net or call (219) 362-9020 for more information. Applicants will be notified of their assigned audition date and time within a week before the auditions.

St. Paul Anniversary Celebration

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, 818 Franklin Square, will celebrate its 140th anniversary Sunday, March 13.

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Burleson's hip-hop/rap stylings are appropriate for all ages, with positive messages. He'll be joined by other musicians for the performance.

Tickets are \$5. Call (219) 874-4269 or visit www.festivalplayersguild.com for reservations.

Children's Film Festival

The Coastline Children's Film Festival, in collaboration with Krasl Art Center, will present its sixth annual international children's film festival throughout Berrien County and surrounding areas on March 11-20.

The event features the latest short films from the New York International Children's Film Festival, including animation from around the world, for children 3-8 ("Kid Flix") and 8-18 ("Party Mix"). Titles range from "When Marnie Was There" to the documentary "Landfill Harmonic."

The Opening Night Pajama Party is Friday, March 11, at KAC, 707 Lake Blvd., St. Joseph, Mich. Children can wear pajamas and slippers, and take stuffed animals. Music by Brandon Mattson starts at 6 p.m. EST and the movies at 7 p.m. EST.

Part of the event is the fourth annual Young Filmmakers Competition. A red-carpet award ceremony for the best films is at 5:30 p.m. EST Friday, March 18, at Citadel Oak Room, 91 Hinkley St., Benton Harbor, Mich.

Other locations with screenings include Michigan City Public Library, New Buffalo Township Library, Bridgman Public Library, the Loma Theatre in Coloma and The Stanley Clark School, South Bend.

All films are free, with a suggested \$1 donation. A complete schedule is available at www.coastlinechildrensfilmfestival.com

Cocoa and Canvas

Cocoa and Canvas, where proceeds support the Center for Creative Solutions' Creative & Innovative Grant, is from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at La Porte County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Marquette Mall.

Dori Huber is the instructor. Seating is limited. The cost is \$30. Call or text Keri at (219) 363-6006 to register.

Cheese Fare Luncheon

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 7396 W. Johnson Road, will host its annual Cheese Fare Luncheon around noon or 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 13.

The menu includes spaghetti with sauce, peas, salad, bread and butter, dessert and drinks. The cost is \$8. Guests can eat in or take carryout.

All proceeds assist with church expenses.

Sarett Nature Center

Sarett Nature Center, 2300 Benton Center Road, Benton Harbor, Mich., will host Maple Sugar Madness at 1 or 3 p.m. EST Saturday or Sunday, March 12-13.

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Adult Softball Signups

Signup is under way through April 22 for Michigan City Park Department's Adult Softball League.

The 2016 league fees are for a 10-12 game regular season and double elimination post-season tournament. Men's 16-inch, Men's 14-inch, Men's 12-inch, Women's and Coed divisions are offered.

Men's 12-inch, Men's 14-inch, Women's and Coed teams will be scheduled for seven-inning games, while Men's 16-inch will be scheduled for nine-inning games. The park department can alter the format for scheduling considerations, bad weather or other reasons. Games may be added or deleted depending on needs and circumstances.

The costs are:

- Men's 12-inch — \$525 at Patriot Park.
- Men's 16-inch — \$425 at Patriot Park.
- Coed — \$350 at Adams Park (Patriot Park when available).
- Women's — \$350 at Adams Park.

Money and rosters must be turned in together. No fee extensions are permitted. All rosters must include complete addresses and signatures of each team member, and all participants must be at least 18. The leagues will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to turn in money and rosters to the City Hall Park Office is 4 p.m. Friday, April 22.

The Park Department will assess a \$10 add-on-fee for each individual added to a team roster after the entry deadline. No player may be added after the date determined by the recreation director and/or league director. Rosters may not exceed 20 players. Rosters will be checked during the season to confirm validity. All players must sign the roster.

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The 30th Annual Northeast La Porte County Christmas Bird Count Results

The 30th Annual Northeast La Porte County Christmas bird count was held Dec. 14, with 55 species counted and 7,988 individuals birds counted.

The species figure is one of the highest on record. The overall effort was sponsored by La Porte County Conservation Trust and Potawatomi Audubon Society.

The mild December weather meant water in lakes within the count circle were open, so some species that might have moved south were still here. Ten species seen at the highest number ever for the count included: Redhead (41); Ring-necked Duck (75); Bufflehead (409); Pied-billed Grebe (64); Bald Eagle (3); Cooper's Hawk (4); American Coot (2323); Sandhill Crane (6); Ring-billed Gull (1197); and American Robin (75). Coots and Bufflehead were especially numerous on Hudson Lake — it is likely they were undercounted.

Because there was no snow, birds that are not waterfowl were widely scattered and hard to find. Not seen were "invasive" species such as Redpoll, Evening Grosbeak or Pine Siskin. Only one Red-breasted Nuthatch was seen.



Area residents involved in the annual Christmas bird count.

The highest count for any bird was the American Coot with 2,323, with one count party observing an interesting behavior. While spotting them at Stone Lake, a homeowner reported he saw a Bald Eagles attacking and eating the birds. The count party moved to Pine Lake, where they saw about 200 Coots floating together.

They were spaced apart in typical fashion, with a couple feet of space around each Coot. Suddenly, the group became tightly packed together, sometimes touching each other. Two Bald Eagles were observed overhead. After a few minutes, the eagles left and the group of Coots assumed normal spacing. That clumping together is considered a survival strategy.

Several species were seen at Ridgway Wetland that were not viewed at any other location, including: Northern Shoveler (3), Blue-winged Teal (2), Wild Turkey (15) and Belted Kingfisher (1). Also, four Sandhill Cranes were seen at Ridgway Wetland, which is the most at any location. Ridgway Wetland is owned and managed by the La Porte County Conservation Trust.

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Westchester Public Library

The following programs are available:

• **Knit Wits and Pearls of Wisdom at 9 a.m. Thursdays, March 10, 17, 24 and 31, at Hageman Library, 100 Francis St., Porter.**

The weekly meeting is open to the skilled and novices, with no registration required.

• **NorthShore Health Center free blood-pressure screenings from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, March 10, at Hageman Library and 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, March 16, in the Thomas Library Bertha Wood Meeting Room, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.**

Interested patrons also can receive help calculating Body Mass Index.

• **Decluttering Your Closets from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 10, at Hageman Library.**

Purdue Extension Educator Annetta Jones will give strategies and tips for decluttering and organizing. Registration is required by calling (219) 926-9080.

• **Music at the Museum from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10, at Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.**

The Flashbacks will perform. Members are: Suzanne Keldsen, playing guitar, recorders and fiddle; Julietta Raby, playing fiddle, mandolin and guitar; Nancy Cairns on dulcimer and ukulele; Paul Mache playing guitar and banjo; and Marti Pizzini on autoharp, dulcimer and guitar.

• **Graphic Novel Book Club from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10, in the Thomas Library Bertha Wood Meeting Room.**

The focus this month is "The Invisibles." Register in person with the IT department or by phone at (219) 926-7696.

• **Lego Club from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 11, at the Thomas Library Children's Department.**

Children build around a different theme using the library's Legos. Registration is required by calling (219) 926-7696.

• **Make N Take Kids Craft Time on Saturday, March 12, at the Thomas Library Children's Department.**

Children can make a shamrock and noodle necklace craft anytime during the day while supplies last.

• **Mad About Mysteries at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at Westchester Township History Museum.**

Joan Costello will present Anna Lee Huber's Lady Darby Mystery Series.



• **Downton Day at the Museum at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at Westchester Township History Museum.**

Museum Curator Serena Sutliff will recap the show before its farewell episode that evening.

• **Dr. Seuss Evening Storytime from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at the Thomas Library Children's Department.**

Aimed at children 4-10, the program will include reading stories and playing games. Registration is required by calling (219) 926-7696.

• **Word Games for Adults from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at Thomas Library's Bertha Wood Meeting Room.**

Adults 18 and older are invited.

• **Pokemon League from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays through May 24 at Thomas Library.**

The program is aimed at children in first grade and older. Attendees learn to make decks of 60 cards. They don't need to take anything unless wanting to take a starter pack of cards.

• **Children's Crochet Club from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays through June 29 in the Children's Department at Thomas Library.**

Attendees learn beginning crochet from instructor Sadie Steciuch. Children should take a size G crochet hook and skein of medium weight yarn. Register by calling (219) 926-7696.

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Michigan City Public Library

The following programs are available at Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St.:

• **Duneland Stamp Club at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 10.**

The club meets the second Thursday of each month. New members are invited.

• **Cocoa & Coloring at 3 p.m. Friday, March 11.**

Coloring generates wellness and stimulates brain areas related to motor skills, the senses and creativity. Light refreshments will be served. Coloring sheets and colored pencils will be provided.

• **Coastline Children's Film Festival at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 12.**

The sixth annual event features quality independent films and animation for children and young adults. Included are several short films made by children in Northwest Indiana and Southwest Michigan. Each film has been entered into the Young Filmmakers Competition. Visit coastlinechildrensfilmfestival.com for more information.

• **Kalita Magic Show at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 12.**

Matt Kalita returns for a magical family show.

• **Great Decisions at 6:30 p.m. Mondays, March 14 and 28.**

The foreign policy discussion program continues its 18th season. Discussions this month are the Kurds and migration. Reading material is available at the circulation desk.

Contact Robin Kohn at (219) 873-3049 for more information on library programming.

Pre-Licensing Course

Purdue University-North Central will offer a non-credit pre-licensing course to prepare for the Indiana Home Inspector Examination.

"Pre-licensing for Indiana Home Inspectors," presented by the Office of Continuing Education and Academic Outreach, will be held at the Hammond Purdue Calumet campus. It will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 4 through May 26. Registration is \$1,350, which includes all textbooks and materials. Payment plans are available. The registration and final payment deadline is 4 p.m. Monday, March 21.

During the state-approved program, students learn through intensive classroom instruction and hands-on labs by performing live home inspections with the instructor. The course is designed to meet the guidelines for providing home-inspection services in Indiana, and is a requirement to apply for a Home Inspectors License in the state.

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The Want

by Kevin Scott

Back when you were in school, you may have lost track of time playing tag or hide and seek — what kids did before technology, right?

You probably came inside exhausted, ate dinner, watched TV and went to bed, only to find out in first period of school the next day your big essay was due. “Crap,” you thought. “How could I forget?” Thoughts are going through your head, and when your teacher comes up to you to collect your paper, all you can spit out is, “The dog ate my homework!”

To any teachers out there, I ask, has anyone actually accepted that excuse? I mean, that has to be the oldest one in the book. But I digress.

Looking back on why you didn’t do your homework, it wasn’t because you were so busy. It wasn’t because you were behind on other homework. You just flat out forgot or didn’t want to do it. As an adult, we can look back and miss those school days: done by 3, not a care in the world. Just get your homework done and you’re golden. Nowadays, there are consequences for missed work. But again, when we were younger, we had excuses for not doing these things, and it was a slap on the wrist, maybe detention, maybe an F.

Let me get to the point. In the fitness industry, you hear this phrase uttered almost daily when talking about working out or reaching goals: “I don’t have time.” This phrase is the adult version of “My dog ate my homework.” Zig Ziglar said, “Lack of direction, not lack of time, is the problem. We all have 24-hour days.” I have this quote hanging up in my office to remind me that how I spend the hours of my day determines how much I can get done, not the other way around.

The reason I work in the fitness industry is because exercise can do amazing things, no matter how young, old, rich, poor, happy or miserable you are. Gyms and health clubs get negative stereotypes from people who don’t exercise, from those

who don’t use health clubs, even from competition in our very own market. Gyms and health clubs are not places where people judge one another for how they look. Let me take that back. GOOD health clubs and gyms are not places where people are judging one another for how they look. Every single person who enters a good health club or gym should feel welcome and ready to change their lifestyle, not simply lose weight.

Every single person has some goal he/she is trying to achieve, and deep down, each and every goal can be tied to health. Whether it is specifically fitness related, such as running a 5K, bench pressing 300 pounds, doing 10 push-ups and losing 10 pounds, or health-related such as lowering blood pressure, losing 20 pounds to take pressure off joints, eliminating medication, reducing risks of diabetes or recovering from a heart attack, all of these can be accomplished with exercise.

Now, each one of these issues is specifically tied to one’s health and well-being. But how would it affect you if it affected those around you as well? Examples we hear all the time range from not being able to play with their kids because they are out of breath, not being able to go on vacation because they aren’t able to walk around with their family, not being able to walk up the dunes with their family, not being able to continue doing something they loved before because, physically, they can’t anymore. I came to a realization while I was on a hike at

Indiana Dunes State Park. I had just climbed a high dune, walked through uneven and icy grounds and crawled under tree branches. I realized I am deathly afraid of something happening in my life where I can’t just pick up my things and go for a walk, or a hike, or a run, or ski, or play catch, or play Frisbee, or swim, or walk my dog.

Why all this is pertinent is that “I don’t have time” is the last excuse you can use. People have busier lives than ever, I understand that. I am not trying to play down anyone’s priorities in life. How-



ever, just as the fitness industry has put a negative light on some gyms and health clubs as intimidating, they also have put the idea in people's heads that it takes hours at the gym to see results. This also is false. It takes time, consistency and dedication to see results, but you do not need to spend absurd amounts of time exercising if your goal is simply to get healthier.

The fact of the matter is: You must want it for yourself. Plain and simple. People who find excuses simply do not want it that badly. Whether we are talking about getting healthier, making more money, losing weight, gaining weight or any other big goals we have control over, it comes down to want. If you want it, you will do whatever it takes to get it. I mean, come on, if you WANT that bigscreen TV on Black Friday, you will get up at 3 a.m. Friday (or now 8 p.m. on Thanksgiving) to go out in the cold, stand in line, brave the crazies and get it. If you can go out on Black Friday, you can find time to exercise.

We are at the time when New Year's resolutions are almost as distant in the minds of people as what they wished for on their birthday five years ago. So if time is the reason you aren't able to make it to the gym or exercise at home, please try this. My recommendation is to self-audit your time. Write down your whole day broken down into half-hour time windows. Fill in what you did throughout the day in those windows. Include eating, sleeping, talking, walking, reading. Drop it down to 15-minute windows if you must. The next morning after logging your sleep, look back at how you spent the last 24 hours. I can almost guarantee there is a 30-minute (minimum) window somewhere in the day you can squeeze in a workout. Everyone can benefit from exercise, no matter where you are in your life.

I'll wrap this up with a couple thoughts. Discretionary income is defined as the amount of an individual's income that is left for spending, investing or saving after necessities such as food and housing. This includes luxury items, vacations and other non-essential items. If you have a budget, keep track of your spending or are in tune with your finances. This is common sense to you. What about discretionary time? How much time do you have in a day after all the essential things you need to do are done? What is the time left over and how do you spend it? Do you spend it playing "Angry Birds"? Do you binge-watch seasons of "Orange is the New Black"? Do you spend discretionary time AND money on eating out and drinking out more than you should? Think about it. If you are happy and healthy and can do all this, more power to you. If not, cut back. Your life is in your hands.

Edward Stanley said, "Those who think they have no time for exercise will sooner or later have to find time for illness." Please, find the time for your health and take care of yourself before you have to backtrack and save your own life.

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A Shaky Start

The headline could have read, “The Battle of the Devils.” The Red Devils of Michigan City opened the season at home against the No. 5 team in the state, the Gary Froebel Blue Devils. Rob McFarland was limited to a minute or two, just to see how his ankle felt. He’d turned his ankle something fierce in the very first practice.

“There’s a story,” McFarland said. “I went to a family doctor and there were just torn tendons and ligaments, and he put the thing in a cast. I was in a cast for about seven days and Doug (Adams) says, ‘So what are you doing with that thing?’

“Well the doctor put it in the cast.”

“Dr. Kubik here says that it shouldn’t be in a cast.”

“Oh.”

“‘You wanna play,’ and I was told to go home and talk to my doctor. I went home, sat in the bathtub and pulled that thing off and just got rid of it and came back. He said, ‘I think you’ll be OK,’ and I started to walk on it a little bit.”

With McFarland unable to play, the team lost a starter halfway through the first quarter. Jim Cadwell suffered a knee injury and had to be helped off the court. The team expected him to miss half the season.

With the exception of the first minute of the game, Gary Froebel led the whole way and beat Michigan City by eight points. Fortunately, the team was rich with forwards who could fill in. Michigan City reporter Bill Redfield acknowledged the injuries to McFarland and Cadwell, but wrote that Coach Adams “has some coachable boys among the available talent and the Red Devils won’t be a pushover for any club.”

A week later, Chicago Marshall High School visited Michigan City. The Marshall Commandos won the Chicago Public League championship in 1965 and finished third in the Illinois state tournament. The team returned four of its starting five players, including national top recruit Richard Bradshaw, who averaged 21 points per game and scored 34 against Elston the previous year. But Coach Adams had a plan for Bradshaw.

The boys believed Adams had a sense of humor, but all of them found it hard to get him to crack a smile. All of them but one. Just ask any one of the former players who was the funniest member of the team, and you’ll get one answer: Stanley Farmer. Farmer liked to say, “Yeahhh, Jack!” when agreeing with something he’d heard, or just to acknowledge a conversation of any sort really. One day in the training room, Adams was talking to Farmer while taping his ankles.

“Yeahhhh, Jack!” Farmer said.

“Stanley, you say that again and there’s going to be trouble,” Adams said.

“ O k a y y y , Jack!” Farmer replied.

During one practice, Adams blew the whistle and Farmer was on the far end of the gym. Adams held up two fingers and called across the gym, “Stanley, how many fingers am I holding up?”

“Five,” Farmer replied.

Adams shook his head and asked, “Stanley, if you can’t see, how do you know if you have the ball?”

“When I have something cold and wet in my hands,” Farmer replied.

Coach Adams just looked at him while the other boys turned away and tried not to laugh. Crazy kid that he was, Adams loved him, and he knew one thing: If he told Farmer, “Don’t let that player out of your sight,” he would have to guard him close.

Against Chicago Marshall, Adams gave Farmer his assignment: “Don’t let Bradshaw out of your sight. Wherever he goes — you go.”

When Marshall called a timeout, Farmer followed Bradshaw into his team’s huddle.

“Hey, what are you doing here?”

“I’m not supposed to let that guy out of my sight,” Farmer said.

Marshall’s assistant coach escorted Farmer back to the Red Devils bench. “Hey, here’s your guy,” he said.

Whereas Bradshaw had scored 34 against the Red Devils the previous year, Farmer held him to 13. And Bradshaw had to work hard for every one of those points. Meanwhile, Terry Morse carried the Red Devils’ scoring load in the first half and Dennis Krueger scored most of his in the second. They scored 24 points apiece, and Morse added 20 rebounds. Without Cadwell and McFarland in the lineup,

How Sweet It Is

The Story Continues

by Matthew A. Werner

Editor’s note — Matthew Werner’s four-part series soon will appear in book form. Updates are available on facebook at Elston 66: How Sweet It Is.



The game against Chicago Marshall High School. Stanley Farmer (No. 22) fights for the ball with Chicago’s Richard Bradshaw.

lingering ankle injury, missed the game due to the flu. In the first half, Elston fell behind by 15 points and connected on only 28 percent of their shots. At halftime, The Bears maintained a nine-point lead.

When the fourth quarter opened, Elston had cut the lead to three points, but the Red Devils began to lose one player after another — this time to fouls. Farmer fouled out in the third quarter, Krueger fouled out with five minutes to play and Sam Garrett got his fifth foul with 1:15 left in the game. Eight boys made field goals that night in the team’s balanced attack, but the real hero was Calvin George. A senior who hadn’t made the varsity or JV team the previous year, he came off the bench ready to play.

“He had a great night that night and really pulled us through,” Assistant Coach Al Whitlow said. “He

Michigan City beat the highly touted Commandos of Chicago, 93-69.

Friday night, the boys traveled to St. Joseph, Mich., and won handily, 84-52.

Bill Redfield wrote, “The Red Devils of Michigan City picked up a lot of boosters over the weekend and they could lose them just as fast this weekend.” Redfield was right. People began to take notice of the Elston Red Devils, but the team still had a rough road ahead. The boys would play the next six games on the road. In the upcoming weekend series, they would play two Top 10 teams back-to-back.

On Friday, Dec. 10, Michigan City Elston traveled to South Bend to play the No. 1 ranked team, and fellow Northern Indiana Conference member, South Bend Central Bears. Cadwell was still out with a knee injury, and poor McFarland, with that

hit some shots from the corner — I can see him to this day — he came in, he had a great shot and he had a great night that night.”

George would score 33 points all season, but the four most important points he scored came late in the fourth quarter against South Bend Central. With fewer than three minutes to play in the game, George’s field goal gave Elston the lead, 65-63. One minute later, his second basket made it 68-65, a lead Red Devils never lost. When the final buzzer sounded in South Bend that night — without two key players and three more who fouled out of the game — the Red Devils had upset the top-ranked team in the state, 73-69. Doug Adams compared the victory to one in 1958 when the Red Devils defeated state champion Fort Wayne South.

Saturday night, the team traveled to Valparaiso to play the sixth-ranked Vikings. When the game ended, Michigan City snapped Valparaiso’s streak of 18 straight home wins. This time, Farmer led the Red Devils with 21 points. It was a sweet, and unexpected present for Adams.

The following morning, Adams celebrated his 42nd birthday and two days later, The Associated Press rewarded Michigan City with the No. 5 ranking in the state.

For the next two weeks, the team struggled to find consistency. It lost a game at South Bend Adams by 11 points and Redfield wrote, “Michigan City didn’t come close to matching last week’s sparkling performances.” The next night, McFarland re-entered the lineup and scored 12 points as the team beat Hammond High School.

The last weekend of 1965, the boys played in Elkhart’s holiday tournament. They had dropped to 10th in The AP’s state ranking and flew past Warsaw, 94-71, as Cadwell scored 22 points in his first game back. Simmons added 20, Gipson, 14, Morse, 13, and Krueger, 12 — more evidence of that balanced attack. The next night, the team led Elkhart, 39-30, at halftime, but then went on to lose the game by one point.

The AP dropped them from the Top 10 rankings.

With six wins and three losses, the team was not where they wanted to be. Sure, it was a winning record and a decent start. Sure, they had suffered injuries and illness to key players, but they had beaten top-ranked teams despite those losses. They also managed to lose to less talented teams such as South Bend Adams and Elkhart. To win as many games as possible, win the Sectional and have any chance of getting beyond the Regional, Coach Adams knew his team needed something. Something to generate a long run like Adams’ team had done in his first year as head coach. The answer wasn’t clear yet, but Al Whitlow kept talking and talking, and Adams kept listening.

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A New Defense & Red Devils Roll

After the world rang in the new year of 1966, Elston played its first home game in more than a month and defeated the Goshen Red Devils on a Friday night. The following day, the boys boarded a bus and rode 150 miles down U.S. 421 to the state capital to play ninth-ranked, and still undefeated, Indianapolis Wood Woodchucks. The Chucks were led by 6'9" center Greg Northington, and expected to handle the northerly Red Devils on their home court.

If Indianapolis Wood had scouted the Elston Red Devils, there was something they could not have anticipated. Adams tried something new, and Bill Redfield pointed it out when he wrote, *"Northington and his tall teammates forced the Red Devils to use a zone defense for the first time in years and they did a pretty good job."*



Doug Adams

Adams set aside that strict man-to-man defense and deployed a zone against Indianapolis Wood. The team trailed most of the second and third quarters, and the game's leading scorer, Jim Cadwell, fouled out with three minutes to play. But Rob McFarland and Dennis Krueger combined for 13 of Elston's 19 points in the fourth

quarter of play. Stan Farmer chipped in 14 points for the game and 5'9" guard O'Neil Simmons pulled down seven rebounds against the taller Indianapolis team. It was another team effort. Another balanced attack. Elston defeated Indianapolis Wood, 57-52, on the Woodchucks' home court.

Adams was pleased with how his team handled the tough road game and the change in defense. He also was pleased with how well the zone defense worked out. As the boys boarded the bus for home, Adams told them, "You did a great job."

The boys started to click. Every one of them understood his role. Each player was happy to

contribute to the team's goal. They knew each teammate's strengths and limitations. If Simmons got the ball, something good was going to happen. If Cadwell was open, you passed him the ball and waited for him to make the shot. Everybody knew each other. Trusted each other.

"In the end, as long as the score was way ahead of the other guys, that was the point," Jim Cadwell said. "We didn't really much care who scored, we just wanted to win."

Back-to-back home games! The city couldn't wait to cheer for its team and finally had the boys all to themselves on Friday and Saturday nights. At the high school, a Friday home game meant a pep rally in the afternoon. The entire high school assembled in the Red Devil Gym. There were speeches, skits, and cheers. The No. 1 cheerleader, Principal Warren Jones, emceed the event and gave his favorite cheer that wasn't just for the team — it was for all Elston High School students.

"Is there anybody here from City?" Jones shouted.

Yeah!

"Are we weak?"

No!

"Are we strong?"

Yeah!

"Let's hear that Red Devil roar!"

Exuberant teenagers released 2,300 screams into the auditorium air. Students knew Mr. Jones and trusted him, but they also knew he maintained discipline and demanded respect and good behavior. As a rule, nothing was to be thrown on the basketball floor. Ever. During a pep rally one year, some kids had crafted paper airplanes and tossed them around in the student section. One airplane caught some air and drifted out of the student section and onto the center of the court. Jones stared at the students, stepped forward and took the microphone. "Do you know what these paper airplanes remind me of?" Jones asked. The assembly grew quiet. Uh-oh, students thought, here it comes. "It's like the Elkhart Blazers. They are flying very high but as soon as they meet Michigan City, they fall to the ground."

Ho-ho! Go Principal Jones! The students laughed and yelled.

Yes, he demanded discipline. Yes, he wanted every one to get a good education. But remember — he also wanted the kids to have fun. When asked about



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that story, Warren Jones grinned. "I don't remember that, but that was no place to get upset. You take it and do the best that you can with it."

Friday night. The Elkhart Blue Blazers visited Red Devil Gym, and Elston was eager to redeem its holiday tourney loss just two weeks earlier. The Elkhart player bus arrived and the boys found their locker room. At 6:30 p.m., the Pink Imps and Blue Blazers JV team tipped off their game. The varsity players sat behind the bench, dressed in sport coats and narrow black neck ties, patiently waiting for their turn to play. They teased each other and engaged in good-natured ribbing.

"Hey, Jim, see you got your crew cut trimmed. Perfectly lined up with the back of your shooting hand. Does that mean you're going to make a few more shots tonight? I sure hope so!"

Bill Redfield and other media people had squeezed into the crow's nest nestled between the ceiling and rafters. Elkhart parents and fans filled the 100 seats Jones had set aside for them. By the fourth quarter, the varsity team had left for the locker room and 4,100 Red Devils fans — students and adult season ticketholders — had arrived. They said their hellos and settled into their seats.

To accommodate all of the fans, the school had



Principal Warren Jones.

squeezed every possible seat into the cramped auditorium. They installed bleachers on the main floor. They also installed a massive bleacher on the stage behind the far basket that stretched so high, the people sitting at the top couldn't see the far end of the floor because the top of the curtain blocked some of their view. In front of the stage, more bleachers were squeezed in, three or four rows. Bodies pressed tight against the playing floor. As a player inbounded the ball, fans in the first row had to slide their knees to the left and the right to make room for him.

The JV team had fallen behind, so Coach Al Whitlow put on the 2-2-1 full-court press. The Pink Imps' defense choked the opposing team's offense in the backcourt, and they scored some quick, easy points. The crowd grew excited. Riled up. Man, they loved to see that 2-2-1 press in ac-

tion. Fans stood and yelled with approval. The massive student section pounded their hands and holstered their support.

Come on Red Devils, bury 'em! Bury 'em now!

The energy in the building began to thrum. The noise level increased. As Whitlow's Pink Imps excited the floor, anticipation grew to a fevered pitch.

Before the game, student artists spent hours

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painting a caricature of a Red Devil sticking a pitchfork into the backside of the Blue Blazer mascot, a tense, red-faced madman riding a lightning bolt. They spent another 15 minutes prior to the game stretching the artwork across an iron ring seven feet in diameter. Two boys now carried the ring onto the court and made a turn so everyone in attendance could see the art work. Fans nodded and applauded their approval. The band played "Rock Around the Clock" as the cheerleaders danced onto the floor and cheered to the beat:

*Hey everybody,
It's just about a quarter 'til 8,
Hurry up and don't be late,
Our starting five is really great,
Here they come now...*

One-by-one, each cheerleader called out the name of a starting player and skipped out onto the floor in formation, keeping rhythm with the band. After the sixth girl called out Coach Adams' name, the cheerleaders had formed a V and yelled, "Victory!"

Then, O'Neil Simmons broke through the paper ring and ran out onto the floor to a capacity crowd — all on their feet — that roared its support.

"Once we broke through the hoop, man, they just went wild," Simmons said.

Cadwell agreed.

"It was amazing, it really was. It was fantastic. It was one of the greatest feelings a guy could have is to run out — come out there and — the place goes crazy," he

said with a look of awe.

The boys' adrenaline pulsed. They knew that these people had come to see them play that night and they didn't want to let them down. They were Red Devils.

Michigan City had beaten a ranked, undefeated opponent on its home court in Indianapolis. They were playing at home in front of a sold-out audience. Everybody was cheering for them.

But rather than redeem themselves, the team reverted to its bad form. Passes missed their intended teammates. Shots didn't fall. Things looked bad. How could this be? What was going on?

When he was really upset, when a player made a foolish mistake, or did something Coach Adams didn't like, he'd tear off his glasses and stare at him. That look — you knew you were in trouble. Adams abused his thick, dark-rimmed glasses in the first two quarters of that game. Things were not going well. Sitting beside him, Al Whitlow kept talking, talking, talking into Adams' ear, telling him what he saw and feeding him ideas. Adams watched the action on the court and listened to his assistant coach.

Whitlow's thoughts gelled with Adams and he made a change here, another change there. On it went.

Elkhart led 10-9 after the first quarter and 21-20 at the half. Going into the locker room for intermission, the thought of getting beat by Elkhart a second time flooded Adams' mind. Meanwhile, the smartest players quickly ran down into the locker room so they could grab a seat in the second row. The further they could sit away from Coach Adams and the chalkboard



The Elston vs. Gary Froebel game. Terry Morse is No. 50.
Larry Gipson is No. 32.

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during halftime, the better.

Adams pounded the chalk into the blackboard so hard, broken pieces ricocheted this way and that, splattering the players seated in the front row. If someone's attention drifted off, an eraser, or a piece of chalk, hit him and brought him back into the conversation. If Adams was really angry, he'd just throw his glasses at you. You could tell if it had been a rough year by the amount of glue and tape holding his glasses together at the end of the season.

"In the right circumstances, he would yell," said Mike Adams, his son. "He'd raise his voice to make a point, and depending on how big the point he needed to get across, that's how loud he would yell."

"He was a very effective communicator," McFarland said, smiling. "He would get in your grill — it didn't make any difference who it was." But demean or belittle a player? "Never."

He expressed his disappointment or frustration. He would dress down the team by talking about their poor play, or address a mistake made. But he never swore, never insulted a player and never called anybody names — these things were not part of his values, and he would not do it to his boys. Ever.



Al Whitlow.

Adams was frustrated with the first half of play. He and Whitlow talked it over. The decision was made: We're switching defense. Adams put in the same five players who started against Elkhart in the holiday tournament, but the team experienced a much different result this time around. The

next day, Bill Redfield wrote, *"The five had a rough go of it until the third quarter when they switched to a zone defense and it forced the Blazers into 16 errors and they got but 8 shots, making only a pair."*

That's right. Elston switched to a zone defense and forced Elkhart to commit 16 turnovers and allowed them to score only four points in the third quarter. The Red Devils rolled and the fans went wild, cheering and screaming. During a timeout,

Adams had to wait for the crowd to calm down because the boys couldn't hear his voice over their screams no matter how loud he talked.

The cheerleaders led the students in chants,
*City's got the pep,
 City's got the steam,
 City has got,
 The best team!
 Goooo City!*

Throughout the city, thousands of Red Devils fans listened to the broadcast on the radio. Second shift-ers working in Michigan City's factories tuned in. Old men who didn't have a season ticket and young boys who aspired to be Red Devil basketball players tuned in. Women and girls tuned in. Fans of every color, age and religion tuned in. This was Michigan City, Indiana, and basketball was their game.

Within minutes, the game was in Michigan City Elston's hands. No longer was Elkhart a threat. No longer was Adams worried about losing two games to the Blue Blazers in the same season. After years of strictly man-to-man defense, Adams deployed a zone and the adjustment was exactly what the team needed.

Whitlow explained the change:

"When you have 6'5", 6'6" and 6'4", and 5'9" and 5'9", and you have the bench, you start utilizing the talent that you have so that you can get the most benefit from it. You make the adjustments. If I'm a clumsy 6'2" forward — which I was — then I can't chase a 6'4" guy who's got a good shot and I can't get to him in time in a man-to-man, then we need to think about a way to get me out there. So, why don't we start you out here, Al, and you play this wing of the zone. Now you don't have so far to go to get to that guy. And by the way, you're going to get some help from over here and that kind of thing. I'm making that up as I go, but that's typically what you have to do, you have to adjust to your talent. I know the 2-3 (zone) was a staple of our defense after that as well as the press. We were able to press, too. Change a little personnel and we could press."

When the final buzzer sounded, the pep band

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erupted into its standard victory song, "Wipeout," and fans filed toward the exits.

Final score: 55-37, Elston.

The local taverns were quiet during the game as their few patrons quietly drank beer while they listened to the radio broadcast. Others listened at home or were at the game. Afterward, taverns filled with fans who came out to talk about the game and hash out all the details.

The following night, the crowd's nest filled with statisticians and reporters, and 4,200 fans again squeezed into Red Devil Gym. The cheerleaders cheered, O'Neil Simmons tore through the paper ring and the boys ran out onto the floor to a cacophony of screams. The crowd grew so excited, the players could barely hear. On the court, 5'9" Larry Gipson joined Simmons at guard and the two combined for 37 points. Twice, when Hammond Noll got the score close, Michigan City applied the 2-2-1 zone press that turned into fast and easy points.

20-18.

30-18.

38-20.

Michigan City won, 96-67. The switch to zone defense paid off. The players were all healthy and really starting to gel as a unit. Adams frequently played eight, 10, 12 guys each game. And the 12 young men were the most selfless group of players a coach ever could have asked for.

"We just wanted to win. We didn't care who scored."

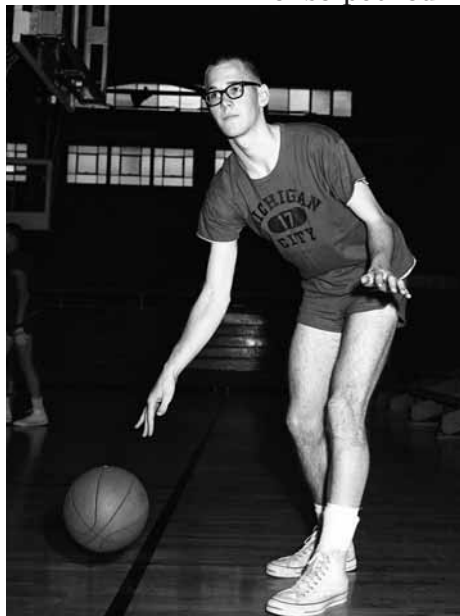
The team was firing on all cylinders. Weekend after weekend, the Red Devils rolled over opposing teams.

Friday night. They brushed off conference opponent Mishawaka, 77-45.

Friday night. They cruised past their arch rival, the La Porte Slicers, 83-67.

Saturday night. Elston pounded the Muncie Central Bearcats, 96-53. All 12 players scored.

"It was a great team effort. We had great depth. Teams might stay with us for a half, but by the third quarter, we were blowing them out of the ballgame," Doug Adams said years later.



Rob McFarland.

The team closed out January with a perfect 7-0 record and returned to the Top 10 rankings. The offense poured in points as it averaged 78 per game. The 2-2-1 press and the zone defense stifled opponents who averaged only 51 points per game that month.

In February, the boys continued to roll.

Saturday night. Peru, Indiana. Michigan City, 93-Peru, 48. Eleven Red Devil players scored.

Friday night. Michigan City, 80 – South Bend Washington, 57. Cadwell, Krueger and Simmons all had the flu. McFarland led the team with 19 points.

Friday night. Michigan City Elston, 77 – South Bend Riley, 59. The team locked in the Northern Indiana Conference championship and won its 10th game in a row. The following afternoon, the boys boarded a bus and traveled to the

Berry Bowl in Logansport to finish the regular season schedule.

The Berry Bowl

Saturday night at the legendary Berry Bowl in Logansport, the Berries were riding a nine-game home win streak, and the hometown fans were not impressed with the Red Devils' 10 straight wins. Michigan City was, after all, one of those northern teams and not a member of the powerful North Central Conference, they thought.

"The Berries' fans were unimpressed with the Red Devils' record and said in so many words that the North Central Conference has too much class for the upstate teams," Bill Redfield wrote. "It was pointed out, however, that Elkhart, an also-ran team in the Northern Indiana Conference, beat Marion's North Central champions."

The game was intense from start to finish, and grew really heated at one point. Adams spotted six Logansport players on the court. At the same time, a referee whistled one of his boys for a personal foul. The officials didn't spot the sixth man and rejected Adams' pleas, but they didn't ignore his protest. Adams undoubtedly stomped his foot and shouted his favorite exclamation when he was angry, "Holy Toledo!" An offended referee blew his whistle and slapped



Stanley Farmer

Adams with a technical foul. Logansport made all three subsequent free throws.

Coach Adams was angry, no doubt about it, but he sat down and stifled his frustration. A tight game like this was no time to make matters worse. His team needed him. Besides, he and Warren Jones had an agreement. Jones said, "Holy Toledo! He said that once in a while to the referees and got a tech, but Doug and I had an understanding — only one tech, because it riles the crowd. So I would say, 'Okay, Doug, no more than one each game.' He abided by that. He never got more than one tech."

Redfield noted that, *"The Berry boosters weren't around after the game but they did make some kind of comments about the Red Devils as they appeared to have the game won. At the same time, they got in some digs about Michigan City's big men getting away with fouls."*

The fans that Redfield alluded to ignored the fact that Logansport went 11 ½ minutes — including the entire third quarter — without being whistled for a foul, and that big men Terry Morse and Rob McFarland fouled out with 5:30 to play. It was a two point game then, but seconds later when Logansport finally did commit a foul, Jim Cadwell's free throw started a two-minute burst that gave Michigan City a 10-point lead.

When the Red Devils exited the gym along the bleachers, fans tossed popcorn, empty cups and wadded up programs at them. The strong fourth quarter play and contributions from the bench — at least nine players played and eight of them scored — earned Michigan City Elston its 11th victory in a row, 77-63.

If Redfield was right and Logansport fans considered them not classy, well, Michigan City never claimed to be so. The city by the lake had a nice beach, but it was better known for making rail cars and steel. It embraced its hard-working, blue-collar character and had no intention of letting that go. The North Central Conference could have its classy image. The players, fan buses, and fans returned to the city where wicked winds blew off Lake Michigan and lake effect snow blotted out the sun.

The team took pride in breaking Logansport's nine-game home win streak and in its own 11 straight victories. They had a 17-3 record. The AP ranked the Red Devils fifth in the final statewide ranking. It was the last week of February, and the state basketball tournament was about to start.

(Our series continues next week.)

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A Valparaiso Old-Time Dance is Saturday, March 12, at the MAC, 135 W. Lincoln St., Chesterton.

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MCHS Students Compete in Japanese Olympiad

Fifteen Michigan City High School students traveled to Ball State University on Saturday, Feb. 27, to participate in the Japanese Olympiad of Indiana.

MCHS was among 12 high schools competing in the day-long tournament, including Blackford, Bloomington North, Carroll, Chesterton, Connersville, Elkhart Memorial, Highland, Muncie Central, North Central, Penn and Valparaiso.

The Olympiad tournament features separate competitions for Level 2, 3 and 4 students, depending on how many years of Japanese they have studied. They compete in a playoff against all other schools at the same level, with only the top three scoring teams advancing to the final. The competition is judged by Japanese professors who are native speakers from Indiana University, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Ball State, Purdue, DePauw and Earlham College.

MCHS students Sarah Lynch and Tyler Westman competed at Level 4. The Level 3 team of Shelly Enriquez and Eryn Sitar barely missed making the final round by a question-and-a-half, placing sixth in state overall.



The Michigan City High School students who attended the Japanese Olympiad of Indiana.

At Level 2, City had two teams. Brien Rissman and Angel Darschewski placed 10th in a field of 16, while a second team of Alexis Barth, Samantha Lannier and Lauren Werner competed against the eventual first-place team from North Central in their playoff, missing the final by only two questions and placing sixth in state.

Former MCHS competitors Joanna Warnke and Preston Mahaffey and Level 4 student Tara Foley participated as volunteer coaches, and Level 1 students Miranda Braniger, Charles Shaw and Kiara Stansil attended the tournament as well.

During the event, competitors and spectators learned about various aspects of Japanese culture, notably performances of the traditional Japanese instrument the koto, and sparring and practice by members of the Mudowan Kendo Club, which draws members from across Indiana.

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Indiana Dunes State Park

The following programs are offered:

Saturday, March 12

- **9 a.m. — 16th Annual Running with the Irish 5K.**

The competitive run and non-competitive walk unfolds throughout the park. Visit www.stpatsparish.org/5k-run to register. Park roads will be congested before and during the event.

- **2 p.m. — Leprechaun Hunt.**

Meet in front of the Nature Center for a 45-minute hunt, complete with prizes, that includes a naturalist using his GPS unit.

Sunday, March 13

- **10 a.m. — Bird Banding Demonstrations.**

Explore the science of bird banding at the Nature Center, including banding nets to investigate birds up close.

- **2 p.m. — Fire on the Prairie.**

Learn how prescribed fire benefits habitats, then help the naturalist start a fire if conditions are right. Meet at the Nature Center. Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by a parent or adult.

Indiana Dunes State Park is at 1600 N. County Road 25 East (the north end of Indiana 49), Chesterton. Call (219) 926-1390 for more information.

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore

The following programs are available:

- **The annual Maple Sugar Time festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, March 12-13, at Chellberg Farm.**

The event includes free ranger-led tours of the sugaring operation and a pancake breakfast sponsored by Chesterton Lions Club.

One-hour tours start every 20 minutes. Visitors learn how American Indians first boiled maple sap into sugar, and how early settlers used large iron kettles to make syrup. Stand in the warm steam of the sugar shack, where sap is boiled down the way the Chellbergs did in the 1930s, or drill a tap hole, lug heavy sap buckets using an old-fashioned yoke and enjoy a free taste of pure maple syrup.

Guests can warm up in the farmhouse and collect recipes featuring maple syrup. Volunteers will explain how to make maple syrup at home, and how modern maple sugar farmers use advanced technology to make syrup today.

Pure maple syrup and sugar, and related products such as maple-flavored popcorn and maple water, will be for sale on site.

Chellberg Farm is located off Mineral Springs Road between U.S. 20 and 12.

- **Find Your Park Film Series on Saturdays and Sundays.**

Explore a different National Park Service site through films shown at 2 p.m. Saturdays at the Paul H. Douglas Center and 2 p.m. Sundays at Indiana Dunes Visitor Center. Call the park's information line at (219) 395-1882 for this week's film.

The Visitor Center is at 1215 N. Indiana 49, Porter. The Paul H. Douglas Center is on Lake Street in Gary. Call (219) 395-1882 for more information.



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Quiz Bowl Team Headed to State



Michigan City High School's Quiz Bowl Team has earned a berth to the State Quiz Bowl Tournament on Saturday, March 12, at Harrison High School, Lafayette. The team defeated Marquette, Crown Point, Portage, Merrillville and Hobart during the regular season, and reached the semifinals in the DAC tournament. Pictured are (from left) Alex Schooley, Coach Brian Richards, Rishi Verma, Eryn Sitar, Colin Moran, Kaelie Winebrenner, Rhiggs Thomas, Cody Friedrich, Sydney Kohn, Team Captain Kaitlyn Steinhiser and Elizabeth LaFollette.

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MCAS Wall of Fame Nominations

Michigan City Area Schools is seeking nominations for the 2016 MCAS Wall of Fame.

The annual award, first presented in 1976, honors employees who made outstanding contributions to MCAS children. Staff from every area are eligible: administrators, bus drivers, custodians, food service personnel, instructional assistants, maintenance personnel, paraprofessionals, teachers and secretarial staff.

To qualify, the candidate must have been employed by Michigan City Area Schools for a minimum of 15 years. Special circumstances may be considered for those not meeting the 15-year requirement due to hardship or death. Candidates must have been retired or separated from the school system for at least five years. Employees from schools independent before school reorganization, as well as those from schools no longer in existence, are eligible. Death does not make a person ineligible.

All applications remain on file for three years. At the end of that time, candidates must be renominated. When they are removed from the active list, the person who nominated them will be notified.

Forms are available at all school offices, the MCAS Transportation/Service and Plant Planning Buildings, the MCAS Administration Building and Michigan City Public Library. The form also is available at EducateMC.net/WOF. The deadline is 4 p.m. Monday, March 28. Contact Betsy Kohn at (219) 873-2000, Ext. 8365, for more information.

Lighthouse Museum Seeks Docents

Old Lighthouse Museum in Washington Park is seeking docents, with a "coffee" meeting scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday, March 12.

Docents greet museum visitors, give tours if requested and help with projects and special events. They volunteer for a couple of hours at a time, working with another person.

Current and prospective docents 18 and older are invited to the meeting. Call (219) 872-6133 or visit www.OLDLighthouseMuseum.org for more information.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade is from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 12, through Michigan City's Uptown Arts District.

The parade steps off from 10th Street, marching north on Franklin Street and ending at Fourth Street.

Contact Johnny Stimley at (219) 872-0361 or johnnystimley@yahoo.com for more information.

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Challenge Match



Ivy Tech Pejic Campus has successfully raised 75 percent of its challenge match goal with Unity Foundation of La Porte County. The challenge is for Ivy Tech to raise \$100,000 for its endowment fund, and the Unity Foundation will make a cash grant of \$50,000. A number of recent match donations were received in honor of former President Rick Soria (center), as he relocated to Florida. He is pictured here with Unity President Maggi Spartz (left) and Cindy Hall, Ivy Tech executive director of resource development. Contributions to the endowment fund may be sent to Unity Foundation, P.O. Box 527, Michigan City, IN, 46361, attn: Ivy Tech match.

Daddy Daughter Dance

Safe Shelter for Domestic Violence will host a Daddy Daughter Dance from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. EDT Friday, March 11, at Shadowland Ballroom, 333 Broad St., St. Joseph, Mich.

Tickets are \$40 per couple, with discounts available for adults taking more than one daughter.

All parental figures and those serving as role models are welcome to participate. A DJ will play family friendly music, with free carousel rides available from 7 to 8 p.m. EDT. Refreshments will be served, free photos available and the Curious Kids Discovery Zone open for free to dance guests.

Net proceeds help provide survivors of domestic violence the services needed through Safe Shelter.

Visit www.cfsswmi.org to become a sponsor, make a donation or buy a ticket. Tickets also are available at Edgewater Bank locations.

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January R.O.S.E. Winner



Troy Crowel was named Visit Michigan City La Porte's January Recognition of Service Excellence award.

He has worked at Michigan City's Fiddlehead Restaurant since September.

"When a new person comes into the restaurant, I like to find out what they like to do and then I tell them about all the cool things we have to offer," he said.

"If they have kids with them, I suggest the zoo. Also, I like to send people to Barker Mansion and Hesston Steam Museum. I always encourage people to linger in our downtown because of all the fun things to do."

This is what the nominator wrote about the service people receive from Crowel: *"I took my family to this restaurant a few weeks ago on a Saturday to celebrate my daughter's birthday. It was our first visit, and he was the only server on the floor. You could tell he was busy at one point. I counted nine tables that he was juggling, as well as handling the bar. His service was impeccable. He took his time to explain to us the restaurant's mission statement, had an answer to every question and was even able to surprise my little girl with an amazing dessert. I've been a server and know the feeling of being in the weeds. Let me tell you, this guy is a rock star!!! We will return because of him."*

Crowel received a framed certificate, rose corsage and \$100 bill. He will be invited to the annual R.O.S.E. luncheon May 5 at La Porte Civic Auditorium and be nominated for Indiana's Hoosier Hospitality Award.

Visit <http://bit.ly/RoseNomination> to nominate someone for the award.



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American Red Cross

The American Red Cross La Porte County Chapter will sponsor the following bloodmobiles:

- First Church of God, 2020 E. Lincolnway, La Porte, noon to 6 p.m. Monday, March 14.
- La Lumiere School, 6801 N. Wilhelm Road, La Porte, 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 16.

Donors must be in good general health and feeling well, at least 17 (16 with parental consent) and weigh at least 110 pounds. Call (800) 733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org for more information.

Historical Society Annual Meeting

The La Porte County Historical Society Inc. will hold its first meeting of the year, its annual meeting, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, at the museum, 2405 Indiana Ave., La Porte.

The agenda includes committee chair reports on 2015 activities. Bonnie Quigley will present the program "History of La Porte Little Theatre."

Visit www.laportecountyhistory.org for additional information.

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La Porte Jaycees Festival

The La Porte Jaycees seeks artisans and crafters for its 43rd Annual Arts and Crafts Festival.

The outdoor event, which kicks off the Jaycees' July 4 festivities, is held in conjunction with the La Porte Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 25, in downtown La Porte.

Vendors must furnish display tables, chairs and tents. Single spaces are 10x10 and cost \$35 prior to June 12. Interested crafters may contact the La Porte Jaycees through www.laportejaycees.org for an application and additional information.

NRA Inside the Home Class

Michigan City Rifle Club, 4801 E. U.S. 20, will host an eight-hour NRA Personal Protection in the Home Shooting Course at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 19.

The course teaches the basic knowledge, skills and attitude essential for safe and efficient handgun use, and provides information on the law-abiding individual's right to self-defense.

The \$150 fee includes light refreshments and lunch. Each student must provide a firearm and 150 rounds of ammunition. Class size is limited, and preregistration with deposit is required. Call (219) 369-3577 or email jotto32@gmail.com to register or for more information.

Duneland Weavers Guild

Duneland Weavers Guild will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 12, at Westchester Public Library Annex, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

After Show 'n Tell, experienced guild members will offer mini workshops: Knitting Q&A; Knotty Problems When Weaving; and Continuous Warping with Card Weaving.

Guests are welcome. Visit dunelandweaversguild.org for more information.

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March 10 — Music at the Museum, 2-3:30 p.m., Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.

March 10 — Graphic Novel Book Club, "The Invisibles," 6-7:30 p.m., Westchester Public Library, 200 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton.

March 10-14 — Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks, Mich. *Now showing:* "Son of Saul." Rated R. In Hungarian, Yiddish, German, Russian, Polish, French, Greek and Slovak with English subtitles. Times: 6 p.m. Fri.-Mon. *Also:* "Carol." Rated R. Times: 6 p.m. Thur., 9 p.m. Fri.-Sat. & 3 p.m. Sat.-Sun. All times Eastern. Info: vickerstheatre.com

March 11 — Cocoa & Coloring, 3 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

March 11 — Open Mic Night with Host Dan Leonhardt, 8 p.m. EST, The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks, Mich. No cover. Info: www.acorntheater.com, (269) 756-3879.

March 11-13 and 18-20 — "Godspell," Marquette Catholic High School Rudy Hart Theatre, 306 W. 10th St. Times: 7 p.m. March 11-12 & 18-19, 2 p.m. March 13 & 20. Tickets: \$10/adults, \$8/students & seniors, \$5/children 12 & younger.

March 12 — 16th Annual Running with the Irish 5K, 9 a.m., Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Registration: www.stpatsparish.org/5k-run

March 12 — Coastline Children's Film Festival, 10 a.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

March 12 — Duneland Weavers Guild, 10 a.m., Westchester Public Library Annex, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton. Info: dunelandweaversguild.org

March 12 — Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, 1-3 p.m., Michigan City's Uptown Arts District. Info: (219) 872-0361.

March 12 — Kalita Magic Show, 2 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

March 12 — Leprechaun Hunt, 2 p.m., Nature Center @ Indiana Dunes State Park, 1600 N. County Road 25 East, Chesterton. Info: (219) 926-1390.

March 12 — Old-Time Dance, the MAC, 135 W. Lincoln St., Chesterton. Doors open @ 6:30 p.m., dancing @ 7 p.m. Admission: \$5/children 14 & younger, free.

March 12 — Hip-hop artist Brennen Burleson, 8 p.m., Mainstreet Theatre, 807 Franklin St. Tickets: \$5. Info: www.festivalplayersguild.com, (219) 874-4269.

March 12-13 — La Porte County Symphony Orchestra classic concert. Free preview: 6 p.m. March 12 @ First Presbyterian Church, 121 W. Ninth St. Michigan City. Concert: 3 p.m. March 13 @ Elston



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Performing Arts Center, 317 Detroit St. Cost: \$20/adults, \$18/seniors, free/students with valid ID. Reservations: www.lcso.net, (219) 362-9020.

March 12-13 — Annual Maple Sugar Time festival, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Chellberg Farm, Mineral Springs Road between U.S. 20 & 12. Free. Info: (219) 395-1882.

March 13 — **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.**

March 13 — Cheese Fare Luncheon, noon or 12:30 p.m., Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 7396 W. Johnson Road. Cost: \$8.

March 13 — Downton Day at the Museum, 2 p.m., Westchester Township History Museum, 700 W. Porter Ave., Chesterton.

March 14 — Great Decisions, 6:30 p.m., Michigan City Public Library, 100 E. Fourth St. Info: (219) 873-3049.

Mondays — Codependents Anonymous (CoDA), 6 p.m., Franciscan Alliance-St. Anthony Health. Info: (219) 879-3817.

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March 11-19 — Musical-comedy "Guys on Ice," Elkhart Civic Theatre @ Bristol (Ind.) Opera House, 210 E. Vistula St. Times (Eastern): 7:30 p.m. March 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19/3 p.m. March 13. Tickets: \$19/adults, \$17/students, seniors 62+. Reservations: (574) 848-4116, www.elkhartcivictheatre.org

March 13 — Tri-Annual Irish Bourse Stamp Show, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. EST, Comfort Suites Hotel, 52939 Indiana 933 North, South Bend.

March 15 — River Valley Garden Club meeting, 1 p.m. EDT, Harbert Community Church, 6444 Harbert Road, Sawyer, Mich. Info: www.rivervalley-gardenclub.org

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JROTC Finishes Second in Military Drill Meet

The Michigan City High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps finished second out of 14 schools Feb. 20 at the Pike High School military drill meet in Indianapolis.

The winner was East Aurora High School from Aurora, Ill. It has the largest JROTC program in the world with 750 cadets. Michigan City has 91.

Michigan City finished first in Unit Personnel Inspection, second in Unarmed Platoon and third in Color Guard. Those units were commanded by Capt. Jalen Stockley, 2nd Lt. Alexis Nowatzke and 2nd Lt. Jacob Williams, respectively. The Wolves just missed placing in the Armed Platoon category. Cadet Lance Cpl. Griffin Williams finished eighth out of 500 cadets in individual competition.

"To finish so well against very stiff competition is really a tribute to the hard work and dedication of our cadets," the senior Marine instructor, Maj. Tom McGrath, said. "We placed ahead of schools that compete at the Navy National JROTC Drill Championships in Daytona Beach, Fla., in May."

Michigan City's next drill meet will be another competitive one at Concordia High School in Fort Wayne on March 19. The week prior to that meet, cadets will support the Indiana High School Athletic Association regional boys' basketball tournament by providing parking support for the approximate 14,000 fans that will visit Wolves Den. Cadets will provide the Color Guard for the semifinal and final games, as well as help with security. In between the semi final and final games, the cadets will march in the Michigan City St. Patrick's Day parade.

In other news:

- The JROTC conducted presentations for eighth-graders at Barker and Krueger middle schools to familiarize them with the program.

The presentation consisted of drill — basic and exhibition — and physical training. McGrath introduced the program. Stockley, the cadet commanding officer, and Nowatzke, the cadet executive officer, provided their impressions to the students. The program concluded after a question-and-answer session.

The MCJROTC is required to have at least 100



Cadets pose with their earned trophies, including the overall second-place trophy.

cadets to maintain the program.

Master Sgt. Jeff Benak, the Marine instructor, is optimistic enrollment will increase.

"The presentations went very well," he said. "Our cadets really gave the eighth-graders a good show, and that was reflected in the number of good questions that were asked during the question and answer

segment."

- The group underwent a Command Inspection under the auspices of the Marine Corps Inspector General inspection program.



Cadet Capt. Jalen Stockley leads the armed platoon in executing "Eyes Right."

Cadets were evaluated on their personal appearance, knowledge of general military subjects and execution of military drill. The majority of the drill units had to be cadets who were not members of the MCJROTC competitive drill team. Additionally, the MCHS program was inspected for their administrative and logistic accuracy.

"Based on my conversation with our regional director, Cpl. Leonard, we are certainly on par with the best schools in our region," McGrath said.

There are 50 schools in Michigan City's region, which stretches from West Virginia to South Dakota and Minnesota to Kansas.

The inspection started with a command brief done by Stockley.



Off the Book Shelf

by Sally Carpenter

Two weeks ago, I introduced Chains, about a slave girl, Isobel, in New York City during the Revolutionary War. It is part of a trilogy called “Seeds of America.” This week, I would like to recommend the second book in the series, Forge. The other book, Fever 1793, by the same author, takes place in Philadelphia and covers a historical event.

Laurie Halse Anderson is an amazing author, carefully researching the historical aspects of her stories while introducing fictional characters who flesh out the time and place, and show their humanity, not just the statistics of the story. Let me explain...

Forge by Laurie Halse Anderson (paperback, \$7.99 in bookstores and online; also available as an eBook)

Chains was narrated by Isobel. It took place during the summer of 1776, still a time of war and an unknown future for most. But not for the slaves and indentured servants—their future would not change, no matter who won. Isobel met Curzon, a slave boy, and against her better judgement became a spy for the colonists, carrying information to Curzon she obtained from her Loyalist owner.

At the end of Chains, it appeared Isobel and Curzon had escaped their white masters, but as Forge begins, Curzon narrates that Isobel left him to go south to find her sister, Ruth. Curzon heads north and ends up joining the American army. As 1776 comes to a close, the army camps at Valley Forge.

The description of the camp and the conditions they lived (and died) under is horrendous. Anderson writes plainly and no-holds barred on camp life: lack of supplies coming in on a regular basis meant less and less food, worn out clothes and boots and less ammunition. Hurriedly constructed wooden shacks provided minimum comfort from the harsh weather as the winter refused to relent.

One day, as food has become almost nonexistent, Curzon comes face to face with his old master, Bellingham. Since he is still Bellingham’s property, he is taken back to town to serve in his master’s house.

Imagine Curzon’s surprise to find the kitchen maid is Isobel! Apparently, she didn’t make it far before she was caught as a runaway slave.

Although days become a round of mind-numbing, back-breaking jobs from dawn to past dusk, Curzon never gives up on trying to escape with Isobel. Even going back to the army is preferable than staying with Bellingham because at the camp, he has

friends. He finds out one day those friends haven’t forgotten him as one comes forward with a bold plan for his escape. Dare he take it?

The ending will surprise you and make you want to continue following the story of Curzon and Isobel. Ashes, which concludes their story, will be released this October.

Fever 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson (paperback, \$8.99 in bookstores and online; also available as an eBook)

Mattie, her mother and grandfather own and run a coffeehouse in Philadelphia, the new U.S. capital. The summer of 1793 is very hot, and one day they get word that Polly, their hired girl, took sick and died quickly in the night. Soon, more are dying and the word is out—the yellow fever has struck the city.

Many people rush to leave the crowded city for the fresh air of the country to protect themselves from a disease doctors know nothing about. The coffeehouse is kept open until one day, having gone to market for fresh food, Mattie’s mother is brought back in a cart and dumped on the doorstep. It was feared she had the fever. She recovers, however, and persuades Mattie and her grandfather to go to the country to a friend’s house until the weather breaks. That was the only thing people of the time knew: Once the frost hit, the fever disappeared.

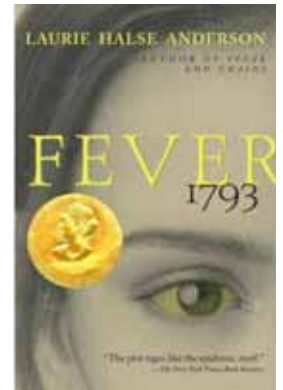
Mattie and her grandfather start out to the country only to be left by the wayside: grandfather sick, not knowing exactly where they are, without food or money. For the first time in her life, Mattie finds herself in charge—a scary proposition for a 14-year-old girl. The story shows how children of the time grew up very fast. Mattie had to make decisions that would affect whether she and her grandfather lived or died.

How they survive and make it back to Philadelphia and find her mother gone, the coffeehouse ransacked, makes for a realistic look at how people reacted to the fever and each other, and how help can come in the most unlikely of places.

From *The New York Times Book Review*: “The plot rages like the epidemic itself.”

Anderson has also written two modern stories that bear mentioning: Speak, which deals with teen rape, and Winter Girls, covering the heartbreak of anorexia. All in all, she is a writer who can get to the heart and emotion of young people facing difficulties, even death.

Till next time, happy reading!



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