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IN MEMORIAM

LCpl. Abram L. Howard

We pay tribute and acknowledge the passing of LCpl. Abram L. Howard, a military policeman with the Police Mentoring Team, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, who died while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan, July 27, 2010. He was the son of Bart and Connie Howard and brother of Alexander J. and Olivia M. Howard of 1 Round Hill Road, Williamsport, PA.

The out pouring of love, honor and respect that was demonstrated through out the region at the loss of LCpl. Abram Howard was felt most intensely in our Newberry neighborhood where he grew up.

The sweltering noon heat of August 4th did not deter the young or old as they began to gather all along the published route through the neighborhood, waiting to receive their hero as he made his final journey home. Flags large and small were everywhere; lining the curbs, flying from porches and held by onlookers. Local commerce slowed to a snail's pace or halted for several hours.

The impressive official procession with helicopter escort, in addition to LCpl. Howard's family, included the US Marine Corps, PA State Police, Williamsport Bureau of Police, Lycoming County Sheriff, South Williamsport PD, Old Lycoming PD and over 100 Patriot Guard Riders.

In anticipation of a large turnout of those who wished to pay their respects to the Howard family, the visitation was held at the Williamsport Area High School. Scheduled hours were 3 PM to 8 PM but mourners began gathering well before the slated time - the last mourner departed at 11:30 PM.

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LCpl. Abram L. Howard



Abe's name in lights on Mark Sales & Leasing at the corner of West 4th & Diamond Streets. All advertising was suspended for one week.

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insideNewberry regrets it cannot publish all the beautiful tributes in full due to space limitations. From the eulogy written by his Uncle and Godfather Joseph Dincher, the recollections from his comrades-in-arms or the moving homily delivered by the Rev. Shane Kirby at the Mass of Christian Burial at St. Joseph the Worker Parish-Annunciation Church on Friday, August 6, 2010, what follows are edited excerpts from those tributes.



This young onlooker waves the American flag, honoring LCpl. Abram Howard's procession through Newberry.

From Uncle Joe's Eulogy on behalf of the Howard Family

Abe touched everyone's life in so many ways. He was a son, brother, nephew, cousin, friend, Marine and a hero. Abe lived life to the fullest. Beyond those titles, we also knew him as a kindhearted, sympathetic, loving, and caring soul.

In order to comfort his family during his deployment to Afghanistan, Abe made daily calls home to assure them everything was all right and to catch up on family news. Out of respect, love and devotion for his grandparents, Mimi and PopPop (Bernie and Helen Dincher), he called weekly to reassure them all was well with him and to confirm all was well on the home front.

As his Godfather, I'm so proud to learn that the Bible I sent to him while he was in Afghanistan was received with such devotion that he led his platoon in reading scripture everyday before and after they went out on patrol- with a great emphasis on Psalms 91.

I learned even more about my nephew Abram while sitting with my sister Connie, when she received a phone call from Abram's fellow Marines in Afghanistan a few days after his death. A young Marine from his unit informed Connie that Abram's selfless act of courage saved the lives of at least 2-3 other Marines.

As we have gathered with friends and family the stories we've heard about Abe's endearing heart were endless.

He made friends everywhere in the community. For instance, on the way home from school, he would stop at Paul's Corner Market, sometimes to buy penny candy

but most often just to stop and say "Hi" and carry on a conversation, making sure everyone was well.

He took friends under his wing during their trying times and helped them through their situations. So often, we heard how Abe was there from the beginning to the end. Never judging, just helping them through their plight, leading them in a better direction.

Abe followed in his parents' footsteps, picking up their loving, kind and joyful outlook on life; always welcoming people with open arms into the household and making them a part of the family.

But lets not forget to give Abe the glory he would so much want to be remembered by - being known as an instigator, antagonist and prankster, who loved the limelight. Yes, believe it, Abe was an instigator! His cousin Jeff recalls a time when Abe planned to steal his father's beer for a day trip up to the cabin with Alex, Jeff, and PopPop. Abe explained to Alex and Jeff, "We'll wait for PopPop to fall asleep and then its back to the fort." Years later Jeff explained, "We didn't get wasted. Instead, all three beers were wasted." Jeff claimed that they all took a sip and spat it out. I guess beer shouldn't taste good to 2 seven year olds and a five year old. It was just one of many experiences the three boys would share.

The family always told the boys that they were the "Three Amigos" or as Alex recalled, "The First Trifecto." Guess what Abe, that Trifecto still exists. You may have left your brother Alex and cousin Jeff's side but in moving from their side you have moved into their hearts, where you will never be forgotten. You have moved from their side to take the higher ground where we know you will not fail in protecting them throughout their life's journey.

When Abe was stationed in Afghanistan, it didn't slow him down from thinking up pranks. In a phone conversation with his father they talked about some of things he wanted to do when he got home. Bart asked, "So tell me, what is one of the very first things you want to do?" His reply, "I'm going to dig a fighting hole in Uncle Joe's front yard and plead Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. That way I can get away with it."

We know that Abe loves every minute of the attention he is receiving right now. If Abe could have planned his own funeral, this would have been it - a motorcade, TV, media, lights, cameras and action.

Well, here's to you Mr. Hollywood. The world is your stage, now and forever.

We can leave Abe today with our hearts at peace, with the words of Jesus from John 15:11-13 "I have told you this so that my joy might be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one

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another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Abe, when your drill instructor taught you how to serve your country - it was God, Country, Corps. You served your country. Because of your unselfish act, you have paid the ultimate price. You gave this country that you so much loved, your life. LCpl. Howard, you have new orders now, so it's time for us to say goodbye. God has called upon you to guard the gates of Heaven. When you see Saint Peter to him you will say, "Another Marine reporting, sir. I have served my time in Hell." So Abe, carry on and may God bless you. *Semper Fi! We love you.*

Fallen Marine Remembered as Jokester, Athlete, Friend

By Staff Sgt. Luis Agostini

MARJAH, Afghanistan – A memorial service for Lance Cpl. Abram L. Howard was held at the Marjah District government center in Marjah, Afghanistan, Aug. 12.

The 21-year-old Marine was remembered as a standout athlete, a humorous storyteller, and most importantly, a great friend to his fellow Marines.

"He's the type of guy you know would have your back, no matter what," said Cpl. Andrew J. Gales, a military policeman and Howard's team leader with PMT, 2/6. "Abe, I'll miss you, brother."

"He excelled at all things, but was greatest at being a friend," said Cpl. Greg Safron, also with PMT, 2/6. "I'll miss my little, big brother, but I know he's watching over us and waiting in a better place."

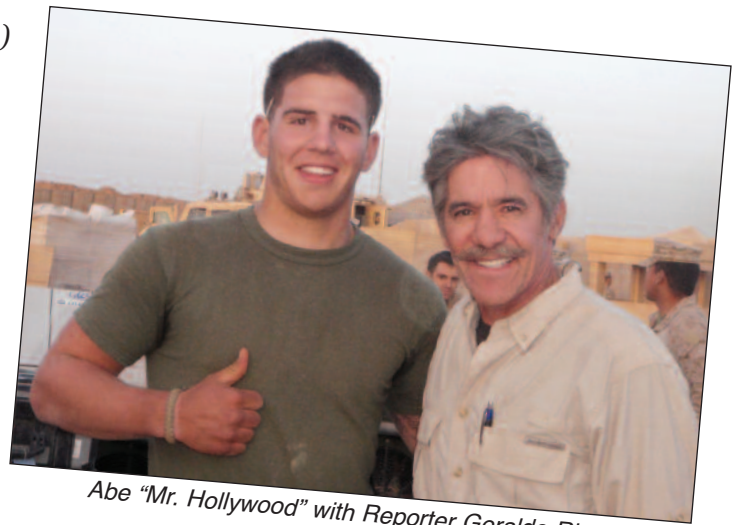
A team jokester and humorous storyteller, Howard always found ways to make his fellow Marines smile, during good times and bad.

"One time he was working out with his shirt off, and a gunny came by and yelled, 'Howard, you look like a Spartan!' That only fueled his ego," Gales said.

"He told us a story about his first match in varsity wrestling. His plan was to go in, shoot aggressively, take him down and intimidate him. He didn't know that his opponent had placed in the state championships. So when he went to go to shoot, he took a hard crossface and found himself on his back. His coach yelled at him, 'welcome to varsity, son!'" Safron said.

"The only thing that separates us from being brothers was blood," said Cpl. Shane Weyant, a military policeman with PMT, 2/6.

While conducting research on Howard for a personal letter to his parents, Lt. Col. Kyle B. Ellison, the commanding officer of 2/6, realized he had a lot more in common with Howard.



Abe "Mr. Hollywood" with Reporter Geraldo Rivera

"I do not claim to have known this Marine in the physical form, only as a name on a roster, or in passing on a patrol," Ellison admitted. "As I wrote a letter to his parents, I began to feel a connection, and by the end, I felt I knew him."

Much like Ellison, The six-foot, one-inch tall Howard was deeply involved in sports throughout his childhood and teenage years, Howard stood out as an excellent 189-pound varsity wrestler at Williamsport Area High School.

The Marine Corps runs deep in both family lineages.

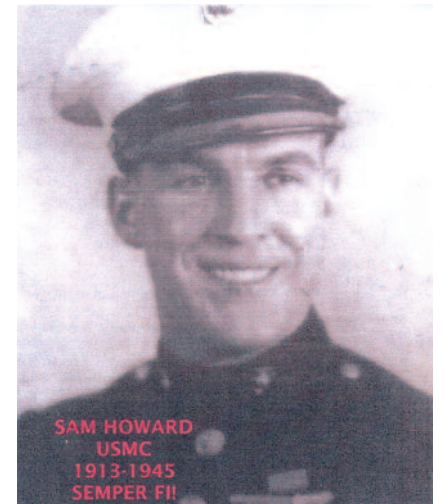
Howard was the 13th member of his family to have earned the title of United States Marine. He kept his father's and grandfather's identification tags in his cargo pockets of his trousers.

Howard's great uncle fought and died on the island of Okinawa during World War II.

"Finally, as I finished writing this letter, I knew he clearly joined the Marine Corps to give back to a nation that had given him so much. That's why I joined," Ellison said.

While many Marines shared the memories of Howard, one Marine knew him better than others. Lance Cpl. Dennis M. Morales, an infantryman with 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, flew from Combat Outpost Cafaretta in Now Zad, Afghanistan to attend this memorial service. He had lost his childhood friend.

Morales and Howard grew up in the same Williamsport neighborhood, and both were 2007 graduates of Williamsport Area High School.



Abe's great uncle Sam Howard

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“He showed this California kid the true greatness of Pennsylvania,” said Morales, who moved to Williamsport from Ventura, CA, during his sophomore year.

Morales joined the Corps and Howard soon followed. Morales took leave to attend Howard’s boot camp graduation, and picked him up once Howard graduated from Marine Combat Training in North Carolina.

They kept in touch constantly through the years, through text messages, phone calls and Facebook. While both Marines were deployed, both Morales’ and Howard’s parents would send both Marines care packages. Morales also remembered that this past June marked Howard’s 21st birthday.

Through his communication with Howard, Morales knew that Howard wanted to make the Marine Corps a career. “This kid would never stop talking about reenlisting. His truck had all kinds of Marine Corps stickers on them.”

Although a somber moment for the Marines in Marjah, Ellison urged his Marines not to let Howard’s passing divert them from their mission. “There are more patrols to be conducted, more Marjah police to be mentored, and more Marjah citizens to be helped,” Ellison said.

From Rev. Kirby’s Homily

When LCpl. Abram Howard paid what President Lincoln called, “the last full measure of devotion” he became, after the example of Our Lord, that grain of wheat that died to produce fruit. Within the hearts of those in his unit who benefited from his service – in the hearts of his family and friends and all who only came to know his name in these last few days – his death produced fruit. We will all come to cherish and appreciate the freedoms we enjoy a little more because we have learned all too painfully the ‘freedom isn’t free.’ We will all come to express the love we hold in our hearts for those who are close to us, because we know that our time may be short. We will come to see the wisdom of the Cross a little more clearly because of Abram’s life and death.

Editor’s Note: *The complete obituary can be read at www.SandersMortuary.com*

A memorial scholarship fund for an outstanding student at Williamsport Area High School has been established in honor of Abram Howard. Make contributions payable to:

**WASD Education Foundation
201 W. Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701
Memo: Abram L. Howard Scholarship**

MY FAMILY IS A FOOTBALL

*A poem by Abe Howard, age 12
(one of his PopPop’s favorites)*

My family is a foot ball.
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of us all.
My Mom is the seams because she holds us
together.
Me and my brother are the white lines on each side
because we always have to be separated.
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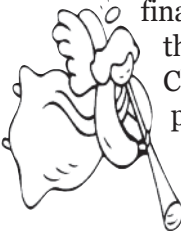
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Angel Food is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing grocery relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States. The Newberry Church of Christ is now a site where you may order and pick up this food. Each month's menu is different and consists of both fresh and frozen items. There is no limit to the number of units or bonus foods an individual can receive and there are no applications to complete or qualifications in order to participate.



Upcoming order dates and times:

October 12 (Tuesday) 5-6:30 PM
October 13 (Wednesday) 10 AM-1 PM & 5-6:30 PM
November 9 (Tuesday) 5-6:30 PM
November 10 (Wednesday) 10 AM-1 PM & 5-6:30 PM
December 7 (Tuesday) 5-6:30 PM
December 8 (Wednesday) 10 AM-1 PM & 5-6:30 PM

Brochures explaining in detail the food items, costs and dates are available at the Newberry Church of Christ and in many businesses throughout the neighborhood. The church is located at 822 Diamond Street (right across from Sanders Mortuary).

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WEST END CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

Soup Kitchen

WECCC invites everyone to enjoy the Soup Kitchen from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM each Monday and Thursday. For the past six months we have been offering lunch to all. We encourage individuals and families to come share the terrific food. You just never know what's cookin' in the kitchen. Some days it's homemade soup or tasty hoagies or you might dine on chicken salad sandwiches or Chicken Alfredo... whatever is offered, you can be assured it will be delicious. Come enjoy lunch and the blessings God has graciously shared with us. Donations are welcome but not required. You'll be glad you came.

Exercise Group

Want to shed a few pounds or just get into shape? The Community Center is now offering an exercise program to the ladies of our community. Open Monday through Thursday from 9 am until noon allows you to set your own schedule. The equipment includes a tread mill, stationery bike, 2 ab exercisers and a small elliptical. There's an array of exercise videos; most are considered "low impact" which allows you to build your own program at your own pace. Admission price is simply a donation. If you are interested, please contact Marge at 323-6297 and complete some paperwork. That is all there is to it. Hope to see you soon!

Apple Dumplings

Believe it or not, another year has passed and once again it's time to think about the sweet aroma of fresh baked apple dumplings. We are taking orders NOW! for our delicious dumplings. A pan of 4 large dumplings is only \$7.50. To order yours, sign up at the Center display just inside the Diamond Street entrance or see one of our wonderful volunteers at the Clothes Closet/ Thrift Shoppe during the week. To place your order by phone call 323-6297. Dumplings will be baked Saturday, October 23rd and must be picked up between 1:00 and 5:00 PM that day. Remember, they freeze well so order extra and early. Thank you for supporting the Community Center because you "Help Us – Help Others".

Christmas Trees

The 4th Annual Christmas Tree Sale will be December 3rd, 4th, and 5th this year. A variety of trees and fresh centerpieces will be available. Generally the trees range between 6 and 8 feet in height –you might find a few even taller. The price depends on the height of the tree and range from \$20 to \$40. Look for the large, colorful banner that will be hung on the Diamond Street side of



the Center to remind you that the trees are coming. Shop early for the best selection! Nothing says Christmas like the fragrance of fresh pine trees or centerpieces.

Thank You to the Community

From all of us at the West End Christian Community Center we would like to say "thank you" to all of you that donate your gently worn clothing and household items to us. We greatly appreciate your support and hope you not only donate but come to shop as well. You never know what you will find. Donations are received daily and all items are very reasonably priced. The hours for donations or shopping are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon, Wednesday evenings 4:30 – 7:00 PM, and Saturday mornings from 8:30 AM to Noon. Thank you for your support and generosity!



Working the Soup Kitchen – Three members of Webelos Cobra Den, Pack 14 of St. John's-Newberry,



UMC are working to earn a special patch that was released this year as part of the celebration to commemorate the anniversary of the 100th year of Scouting. Part of the requirement is to assist in serving at a nearby soup kitchen or help with a food drive. The cubs assisted

in serving people as they came in to eat lunch at WECCC's Soup Kitchen which serves the community every Monday and Thursday. The three boys who participated were: Bryce Britton, Dylan Garbrick, and



Colt McGinniss. Shown above are two of the three Webelos, Dylan (top) and Colt (bottom), who were able to attend and help serve on a Thursday when the photos were taken. For more information on scouting in your area, call 326-5121 or go to www.beascout.org.



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NEWBERRY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP RAFFLE

Winners of First NCP Fundraising Raffle Announced

This June the NCP held its first raffle to raise funds to support the work of the organization. Tickets were sold at their booth at the Newberry Lions' Fair. Top prizes were a Sony Stereo System from Mark Sales & Leasing won by Linda Courtney; Two new mountain bikes, donated by board member Tom Mazurek won by Janet Morgan and Linda Dalto; Beiter's contributed a DVD player, won by Crystal Jones; River Valley Transit provided 22 passes to cruise on the Hiawatha.

The NCP would like to thank all who participated. **insideNewberry** received the following letter from one of the winners:

Dear **insideNewberry**,

Upon receiving the call from Alannah saying I had won the Sony stereo system, I was really surprised as I'm not a person who usually wins things. When asked by Debbie Mazurek to purchase tickets, it felt like the right thing to do to support the Newberry Community Partnership because I had spent the first ten years of my life living and attending school in Newberry.

My older brothers and sisters attended Jackson Elementary, Lincoln and Roosevelt Junior High schools. I attended Jackson, as well, until fifth grade when my family moved from Newberry to another community.

Two of my sisters even worked part-time at the A&P store which was in the same building where Mark Sales & Leasing is located now and the business that donated the prize I won!

To continue my long-standing connection to Newberry up to the present, I'm employed by S.T.E.P. Inc. housed in the former Lincoln Elementary school on Lincoln Street. I guess it goes without saying; Newberry has and always will be a part of me and my life. I started my life here and still come here every day to work.

THANKS SO MUCH for the great prize. Every time I use it, I'll think of this great Community!

~ Linda Courtney



The Lucky Lindas

Top: Linda Courtney with her new stereo and Scott Barger, Manager of Mark Sales & Leasing.

Bottom: Linda Dalto with her new bike and helmet.



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2010 General Election

Important Dates and Reminders

Monday, October 4 – 5:00 PM

Last day to register or make changes to your registration before the election.

Tuesday, October 26 - 5:00 PM

Last day to apply for acivilian absentee ballot. If you'll be out of town during during the hours the polling places are open, or if you have an illness or physical disability prohibiting you from going to polling place, you may vote absentee.

Tuesday, November 2 – ELECTION DAY

Polls are open from 7 AM to 8 PM.

NEWBERRY POLL LOCATIONS

6th & 7th Wards now located at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 2233 Linn Street. Signs posted inside the church to direct you to the proper voting area.

8th Ward – Lycoming Presbyterian Church, 825 Arch Street.

VOTER APPLICATIONS:

If you need a voter registration application or an absentee ballot application you can:

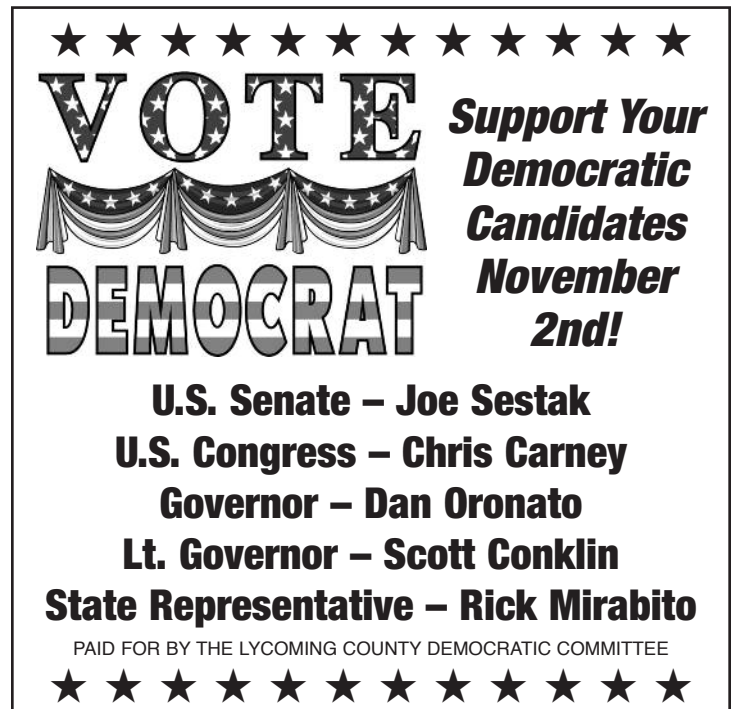
- Download an application on the Lycoming County website www.lyco.org and click on Voter Services.
- Pick up application at Lycoming County Voter Services, 330 Pine Street, Executive Plaza, 1st Floor, Room 101, Williamsport, PA.
- Call Voter Services office at 327-2267.

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EMERGENCY BALLOTS: Can be issued under some circumstances (of course, you need to be registered).

- 1.) If you are 65 years of age or older and disabled, you may be eligible to vote by Alternative ballot if you are assigned to an inaccessible polling place.
- 2.) If an emergency arises after the deadline for absentee ballots, you have until 8:00 PM on Election Day to apply for an Emergency Ballot at the county Board of Elections. If illness is the reason, application will need physician's signature. If absence from municipality is the reason, application will need to be notarized.



INSIDE OUR SCHOOLS...Reports from Newberry's Schools

Jackson Elementary School

Welcome New School Principal

Jackson Elementary School has a long tradition of close community ties, professional staff, a beautiful facility and grounds and a diverse student body. These are the some of the reasons Mr. John Killian wanted to be the principal at Jackson Elementary School. Following the recent retirement of Mrs. Kathy Eshleman, John Killian was selected as the new principal.

Mr. Killian told Inside Newberry, "Mrs. Eshelman shared with me a toy treasure chest that represented the school building. In this plastic chest, she placed toys that symbolized many of the situations and opportunities that I would find as principal of the school. As the weeks of school roll out, I am finding this school is a true treasure in itself. From the office secretaries, custodial staff, the P.T.O and the entire faculty, everyone has been sincerely welcoming to me."



John Killian, Jackson's new principal

Mr. Killian plans to continue to maintain the strong relationship Jackson Elementary has with the surrounding community. The P.T.O. provides an incredible support system to the school with assisting office staff, teachers, students and parents. Mr. Killian reminds families to join the P.T.O. and stay involved with the school. "This shows the children that adult family members value education," he commented.

His vision for Jackson Elementary is to celebrate differences in cultures and learning styles yet come together with the priority on learning. A new initiative in the Williamsport Area School District (WASD) and Jackson Elementary School will be School-wide Positive Behavior. Consistent behavior expectations are shared by staff and student body using a common language. Expected behavior is taught through brief lessons. All students viewed a DVD demonstrating the behaviors in several different settings. Principal Killian, along with Mr. Rathjen, Asst. Principal, met with all students the first week of school to explain the expected behaviors. The teachers will reinforce with brief lessons in the classroom throughout the school year.

Posters hang in areas of the school as reminders to teachers and students of the expectations in that setting. Be Safe, Be Present, Be Responsible, Be Respectful is the mantra for Jackson and throughout the school district.



Students will be recognized in many exciting ways for making good choices over the course of the school year.

Mr. Killian has worked in the WASD for eight years. He began as a 4th grade teacher at Stevens Elementary School then served as its Asst. Principal. The last three years, Mr. Killian was Asst. Principal at Lycoming Valley Middle School. Mr. Killian commented, "I've had the opportunity to work closely with very strong instructional leaders in this district and have had experience across many grade levels and developmental stages of children. I am familiar with the rigor of the curriculum as it spans from elementary to middle school and am excited about this new challenge."

Prior to working in the WASD, Mr. Killian taught in several Lycoming County school districts in various grade levels. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, an Elementary Teaching Certificate, a Master's in Elementary Education and a Principals Certificate. Over the summer, Mr. Killian attended a weeklong workshop in Boston, MA for School Leaders in Literacy. "Our students need to understand that learning is on-going for your entire life. We must instill that into our children."

Roosevelt Middle School

Aloha Roosevelt

A balmy spring day helped buoy the spirits of Roosevelt Middle School (RMS) students, staff, friends and alumni for "Aloha Roosevelt" activities on June 8th. It was an opportunity to catch up with former colleagues and tour the hallowed halls of Roosevelt School for one last time.

The celebratory afternoon's events began with an outdoor cook out with tasty grilled chicken, corn on the cob and watermelon. After lunch, everyone assembled in the gymnasium where Principal Reggie Fatherly offered an official welcome to launch the afternoon's events. The crowd sang the Roosevelt Alma Mater accompanied by the RMS's Jazz Band and Chorus. That solemn moment was followed by RMS's Wacky Olympics, a demonstration of teamwork and good sportsmanship by the students and staff in some off-the-wall events.

School Superintendent, Dr. Kathleen R. Kelly offered inspiring words to the students and staff as they embarked upon their new journeys.

The attendees then moved outdoors and lined up along both sides of the bus lane in the west end parking lot for The Rough Rider Procession. There were tears in the eyes of many as the school's very own Teddy Roosevelt paraded up the lane with his Rough Rider flag one final time and proudly advanced up Millionaire Drive.





"Teddy Roosevelt" bids farewell to the school bearing his name.

The students were dismissed and Roosevelt's doors remained open until 5:00 pm that day for any and all who wished to take one last walk down Memory Lane.

Editor's Note: Aloha in the Hawaiian language means affection, love, peace, compassion and mercy. Since the middle of the 19th century, it also has come to be used as an English greeting to say goodbye and hello. We bid a fond aloha/goodbye to Roosevelt and look forward to saying a joyful aloha/hello in a few years.

Saint John's School of The Arts Scholarship Recipients Announced

Four students enrolled in flute and piano lessons at Saint John's School of the Arts have been named recipients of Monica M. Weaver Memorial Scholarships for the 2010 fall semester. The students honored are: Shannon Wapinsky, flute and Caleb Fausnaught, piano; both of Williamsport; from Montoursville Deken and Faith Upright, piano.



"The Monica M. Weaver Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 1997, and since then more than 125 students have benefited," said Anne Keely, the School's director.

The Olivia S. Walden Memorial Scholarship was established in 2008 to benefit School of the Arts dance students, and this fall's scholarship recipients are Sara Eiswert, Jessica, Julia, and Taylor Harvey and Rebecca Layton all of Williamsport.

More information about these scholarships or the School of the Arts may be obtained by calling 327-5575.

West Branch School Where Children Love to Learn

West Branch School would like to project a warm hello to everyone and hope you all had a wonderful summer!

This past school year, West Branch School "invited" a "Famous American" to the school nearly every Friday during Morning Meeting. They were hosts to George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Ben Franklin, Dolly Madison, and Betsy Ross, just to name a few. Downstairs teacher, Julie Miller secretly played these Famous Americans each week and students got the chance to interview the Famous American guest. Parents were invited to attend the visits and often did. One parent, Kirstie Bower, even got in on the act and came to the school as Amelia Earhart.

The visits began with just the downstairs younger students, but were so well received and so popular, that soon the visitors were also visiting the upstairs older students as well. The students got to see a real flintlock gun when Davey Crockett came to visit. They learned about the horrible conditions in which slaves lived when Harriet "Moses" Tubman came to town. They learned about aerodynamics when Orville Wright came to visit without his famous brother. They expanded on what they already knew about Sacagawea when she sat among them for a while.

How did they all get to West Branch School? Was it a time machine? A rip in the space/time continuum? However they got here, students, parents, and teachers alike



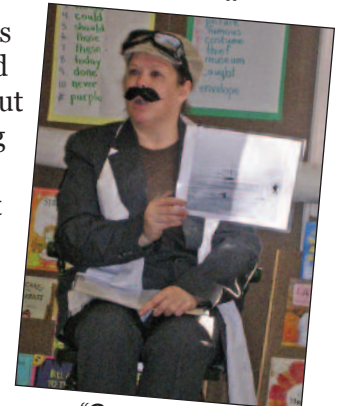
"Dolly Madison"



"Amelia Earhart"



"Davey Crockett"



"Orville Wright"

INSIDE OUR SCHOOLS...

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enjoyed the visits immensely and learned so much from each visitor! The visitors made history come alive for each student.

West Branch School offers a variety of highly educational and fun activities throughout each year; including field trips, projects, plays, in addition to our wonderfully structured academics and diverse curriculum. We are still accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year for our Upstairs students, which range from Grade 3 through Grade 8. Here at West Branch, we consider each of our students gifted, giving them the individual attention they deserve.

Feel free to stop by the school or give us a call to take a tour and start the application process for your son or daughter. We are located at 755 Moore Avenue.

Questions? Call (570) 323-5498. Operations Manager, Natali Prindle, will be in the office Monday through Friday, 8 AM - 4 PM to answer any questions you may have. We look forward to hearing from you!

GOOD NEIGHBORS

Dear *insideNewberry*,

There are so many great neighbor stories that it's difficult to pick out just a few. However, Mr. Ronald Perry of Cummings St. with his upbeat positive attitude towards life is a man who lives by his actions. He is frequently repairing bikes of neighborhood children. He asks nothing in return except good manners.

There is also Mrs. Fox, Sr. of Funston Avenue who throughout the year is sweeping and raking properties far exceeding her own. She is a "one-woman-street beautification"-person!

Keep up the great work with your publication.

Sincerely,

Julie Hulslander of Funston Avenue

Editor's Note: Do you have or know a "good neighbor" that you'd like to share with *insideNewberry* readers? Please call 601-0298 or write to *insideNewberry*, 913 Diamond Street or email *insideNewberry@yahoo.com*.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF CIVIC & OTHER GROUPS IN NEWBERRY

These active groups welcome new members, just call to let them know you'd like to attend. To be listed, contact Editor, *insideNewberry*, 913 Diamond Street, Newberry, PA 17701 or *insideNewberry@yahoo.com*.

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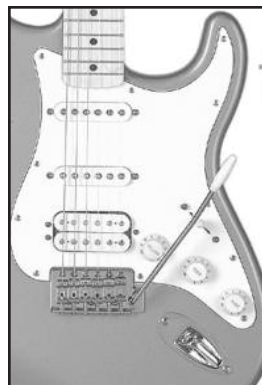
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A Brief History

Following a mine disaster in Wales in 1882, Lady Diana Wolverton, founder of an orphanage in Dorsetshire, England, gathered a group of people together to make clothing (one to wear, one to wash) for the children whose parents had died in the disaster. She "glimpsed the fact that old garments might pauperize, but new garments equalize." Founded as Queen Mary's Clothing Guild (QMCG), it is still active and assisting thousands of people in need each year.



The Clothing Guild comes to America

The Needlework Guild of America was founded in Philadelphia in 1885 and incorporated in 1896 by Mrs. Harpence, who was impressed with the work that was being done by the QMCG and shared the concept with her niece, Laura Safford, who in turn told 6 of her friends. They agreed to help her sew for the needy. The first year, they collected 921 articles which were donated to hospitals and orphanages. The official name was changed to New Garment Agency, Inc. (NGA) in 1989 to better reflect the scope of services offered.

The Newberry Branch of the NGA was founded in 1914. "Our purpose is to provide new clothes, coats, shoes, linens and hygiene products to children and adults in need in the Williamsport area," said member Marcie Klinger.

She added, "The NGA's ties to Newberry are strong. Our unofficial host is St. John's Newberry UMC Church where our largest annual distribution, called In-Gathering, occurs on the Monday after Thanksgiving. Although the majority of requests are filled during the In-Gathering the NGA continues to respond to needs throughout the year. In 2009, Newberry NGA served 575 individuals and countless others through member agencies such as Head Start. More than 3,300 articles of new clothing were donated for use to their clients."

This year the Newberry Branch is working with the Williamsport School District, Lycoming County Mental



Becky Miller Pryor receiving the 2009 Worker of the Year Award at NGA National Headquarters in Warminster, PA.

Health/Mental Retardation, Children & Youth, Lycoming-Clinton County Head Start, Salvation Army and United Churches of Lycoming County/Shepherd of the Streets. Needed items are purchased by members and volunteers with money collected from the public and contributions from organizations that include Newberry Lioness & Lions Clubs and Consistory Lodge #106 of Williamsport. All monies collected are returned to the community.

The Newberry NGA seeks your support for their efforts and welcomes those interested in membership.

A fundraising Yard Sale will be held Saturday, October 16, from 8:00 AM 2:00 PM at St. John's UMC.

Speakers are available if your organization or group wishes to learn more about our work in the community. Contact Debra Buckman at dbuckman@pct.edu or call 323-1707.

~ by Marcie Klinger, Becky Miller Pryor & Debra Buckman

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Although there is no charge, donations are gratefully accepted and forwarded to various community service organizations. The church, located at 2101 Newberry Street, offers ample parking and is wheelchair accessible. For more information please call St. John's-Newberry United Methodist Church at 326-5569.

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REMEMBERING JACKSON SCHOOL

Three Generations

Told by Betsy Ross McCoy

In the July edition of Inside Newberry, you read about my mother's recollections of Jackson school in 1935. Since then, three additional generations of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren have attended Jackson School – 31 at last count.

Following are brief remembrances of the school from my son, Andrew James Ross, my nephew, Jordan Andrew Artley and myself.

I attended school at the present location at Wayne and Hillside Avenues. The building had three floors, and a large playground at the rear of the school. There was only one television set, located in the auditorium/gymnasium. Girls were not allowed to wear slacks or shorts - dresses had to be fingertip-length or longer. The most advanced piece of equipment in the school was a mimeograph. I can still remember the aroma of the ink.

Many of my classmates were children of my mother's classmates. The accompanying photo is from my third grade class. Our teacher was Mrs. Connolly.

My son, Andrew, attended school in the same building. There were a few changes, the playground equipment had been removed and there were televisions in all the classrooms.

A few teachers had computers (which would not even be recognizable now!), and car phones, which were carried in large messenger-style bags over the shoulder. A "Gifted Program" had been added to the curriculum that challenged the minds of the students enrolled. Andrew has no children attending Jackson yet, but I have high hopes.



Andrew Ross in the 3rd Grade at Jackson (1987)



Bottom row L-R: David Vasilinda, unknown, Kenny Hunter, Mark James, Rick Oeler, Frank Zaydell. Second row L-R: Donna Rizzo, Ann Folmar, Kristi Strayer, Terri Buttorf, Romana Winter, Kathy McLaughlin, Janice Getz Third Row L-R: Billy Thomas, Betsy (Mary) Ross, Cindy Westphal, Karen Martinozzi, unknown, Debbie McQuillen, Mark Cline, Mike Singer, Danny Merrick Top Row L-R: unknown, Peggy Ashenfelder, Cindy Cohick, Rick Mahonski, Terry Gearhart, Terry Betts, Lee Winters, Robert Weaver, Greg Whitmeyer, Doris Klopp.

My nephew, Jordan, started Jackson School in 2007 at the present building erected in 1993. Again, there have been many changes since Andrew graduated.

The school now has a security system. No one can enter the building unless they ring the front bell and are buzzed in by the office staff. Classrooms have computers – as do most of the students.

And more students than not also have cell phones that are slim enough to slip in a back pants pocket – a far cry from the portable phones of my day! Mimeographs have been banished to the landfills, and my guess is that not one student in Jordan's class has ever tasted Johnny Marzetti.

From our four generations, 32 children have attended Jackson School, and there will soon be even more. We have had PTA officers, grade parents, grade grandparents, and many proud parents of terrific students. And we are all honored to claim Jackson School as our elementary alma mater.



Jordan Artley in the 3rd Grade at Jackson (2010)

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DUNKIN DONUTS

Local Establishment Adds Historical Pictures

A few months ago I started the task of adding historical pictures to our Dunkin Donuts in Newberry. Over the years we have added pictures to our Loyalsock and South Williamsport locations to help capture the rich past of the communities we serve. The Newberry community has a rich past as well, and deserved the same celebration.

I started with the James V. Brown Digital Photo Archives which are accessible online. Now this wasn't as easy as it sounds. Some of the pictures were not listed under Newberry so I had to go through every picture, which took up a considerable amount of time, to see if I could identify something in the picture.

I knew at this point I was part of the way there, but felt that there were more pictures and history to uncover so my next stop was Scott Sagar at the Thomas T. Taber Museum. The amount of pictures that the Taber Museum has accumulated throughout the years is astounding! After looking through their catalog, Scott was able to pull the pictures from the archives that interested me for Newberry. He came back with original prints, negatives, and even a glass negative! I didn't even know they had glass negatives.

After my second stop, I could sense that I was closer to achieving my goal, but I felt more could be discovered. Now, where in Newberry can I find a wealth of knowledge, stories, photos, and history of our area?



Newberry's Dunkin Donuts adds historical pictures to their walls

Where better than the place this journey begins – Dunkin Donuts. I was off to the Newberry Dunkin Donuts where at almost any time during the day you can find the locals hanging out, drinking great coffee, and reminiscing about the history of Newberry. They were a huge help with deciding which pictures to use in the store.

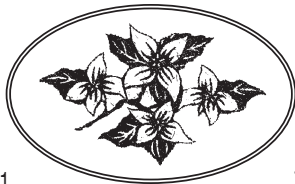
With the help of the experts, our faithful patrons, and through careful deliberation, it was time to ready the photos. Dave at B & S Pictures Frames was the obvious choice and it proved to be a good one. He mounted and framed the pictures and did an amazing job!

The journey of gathering the photos, reminiscing with the locals, and learning to appreciate the rich history of Newberry was one of my most rewarding experiences I have had in a long time. I hope customers in the stores enjoy the pictures as much as I enjoyed the experience!

~ Brittany Bower

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- 4 PM to 7 PM, Mater Dolorosa Church, 635 Hepburn Street
- Adults \$7.00, \$7.50 at Door; Children 12 & Under \$4.00
- Spaghetti & Homemade Meatballs, Salad, Roll & Butter, Dessert, Coffee or Tea
- For tickets contact Camille Salvatori (MAS Printing) 326-9222

Saturday, October 16 - Newberry NGA Benefit Yard Sale

- 8 AM to 2 PM, St. John's-Newberry UMC

Friday, October 22 – Lycoming Presbyterian Church Spaghetti Dinner

- 4 PM to 6:30 PM, 825 Arch Street (Handicap Accessible)
- Adults \$7.00, Children 10 & Under \$3.50
- Spaghetti, Sauce, 2 Meatballs, Salad, Italian Bread, Beverage, Homemade Desserts, Homemade items also for sale

Saturday, October 23 - Brodart Book Sale

- Doors Open 8 AM to 1 PM, Use Rear Entrance

Sunday, October 31 - Halloween

NOVEMBER 2010

Saturday, November 6 - Turn Your Clocks Back EST Starts Sunday November 7

Thursday, November 11 – Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 25 - St. John's-Newberry FREE Traditional Family-Style Thanksgiving Dinner

- Noon to 2 PM

Tuesday, November 2 - Election Day

DECEMBER 2010

Friday, December 24 - Lycoming Presbyterian Church Candlelight Service

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