

**Reunions**



**Camden Alumni Class of 1967**

Members of the Camden Alumni Class of 1967 gathered at the Center Street Grill in Flora in April. Class members attending are pictured above, l-r: Front row – Marilyn Geiser, Delphi; Juanita Packard Wallace, Flora. Second row – Darla Sterrett Cowell, Logansport; Sharon Mitchell Groninger, Sabina, Ohio; Ruth Spence Correll, Denver, Ind.; Irene Flora Pyle, Delphi; Shirley Wagoner Fisher, Camden. Third row – Linda Sorenson Smith, Logansport; Dewey West Jr., West Lafayette; Kay Spittler Benn, Logansport; Anita Cable Brubaker, Battleground; Penny Wertz Richards, Camden; Rob Baker, Flora. Back row – Jess McCarty, Logansport; Judy Snoberger Corns, Rossville; Rita Linn Myers, Bloomington; Clayton Flora, Rossville. Also attending was Joe Sheetz, Burlington. The next scheduled gathering will be Aug. 19 at the Camden Tractor Pull. Plans will be made for another reunion in April 2007. Photo provided

**Looking Back**



**Public School, Delphi, 1881**

From the files of Hoosier Democrat, Delphi Journal, Journal-Citizen and Carroll County Comet.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Van Taylor, owner of Kirk's Popcorn of Flora, has acquired Yoder's Popcorn. Yoder's Popcorn is a family owned business located at Shipshewanna, and distributes popcorn in northern Indiana and southern Michigan.

The companies carry similar lines including unpopped and caramel corn.

Taylor said he will continue to distribute popcorn under both companies' names. Packaging will be done at his Flora business.

**25 YEARS AGO**

There were seven days with thunder and five days with fog, according to the April weather report of Joseph Peterson, Rt. 1, Delphi, local government weather observer. Sunshine was 45 percent of the possible time.

The highest temperature was 83 degrees, while the low was 30 degrees. The average high temperature was 67.4 degrees and the average low was 45.3 degrees, which was 4.1 degrees above aver-

age.

Total precipitation for the month was 4.66 inches, which is .73 inch above normal. Precipitation to date for the year was 7.51 inches, which is 3.22 inches below normal for the year.

**50 YEARS AGO**

On Thursday evening of last week Delphi high school held its first local Science Fair. Approximately 100 students of biology, physics, chemistry and general science exhibited projects on which they had been working this year. The exhibit was enjoyed by more than 300 people of the community.

**NOTICE:** The Carroll County Commissioners have ordered the courthouse closed each Wednesday afternoon, beginning Wednesday, May 16, for the summer months.

**75 YEARS AGO**

How many cottages do you guess there are on the local lakes at the present time? A survey of the lakes shows that there are 163 cottages on Shafer Lake from Lowe's Bridge to the Norway Dam, and 132 cottages on Freeman Lake from the Washington Street

Bridge in Monticello to the Oakdale dam.

A clever clown at a county fair greatly amused the crowd by imitating the squeals of a pig. But an honest countryman won greater applause by surprising the clown's artistry. Opening his cloak, he showed that a real pig had been doing the squealing. Good merchandise advertised with simple honesty is not enough to win today's public. The *Journal* specially asks our readers to patronize *Journal* advertisers only. There is a reason for it.

**100 YEARS AGO**

It seems that Flora is soon to have a system of water works. A company with a capital stock of \$25,000 has been organized in which Chas. G. Sines, E.G. Kitzmiller, Charles E. Nobes, Chas. Voorhees and M.W. Eaton are directors. The water will be secured from deep driven wells and the work of construction will begin as soon as the preliminaries are completed and the town board gives permission.

The barn of Edward Harrison, five miles east of town was destroyed by fire Tuesday and all the contents

Documents & Records Preservation Project. The HDRP project includes the continuation of scanning and archiving numerous photos of historical significance. To date, 15,000 photos can be viewed on the Web site. The project includes the creation of an easily accessible database for genealogy research.

We recently received notice of an Indiana native now living in the Manilla, Philippines area who would be willing to email photos or information the tombstones of soldiers who were killed in the Philippines during World War II. Those who are looking for such information, may contact Phyllis Moore at the museum.

New to the museum is a silver wind-up pocket watch with keys, which was donated by Jerry Sneathen whose grandfather, Joseph Sneathen, was a stable boy who often drove the carriage for Dr. Wickliffe Smith and James Whitcomb Riley. Riley gave the pocket watch to the boy to make sure he would be on time to fulfill his duties. We have also received many books at the museum.

mid-to-late June. Call or stop by the museum to order a copy.

The museum has initiated a companion family history program to the First Families of Carroll County program. The new program is called Second Wave. This family ancestry program honors the early settlers and their families who helped build Carroll County through commerce, education and the development of towns and villages. These ancestors helped to position Carroll County to move forward to the turn of the century and the introduction of Carroll County into the machine age.

The program will encourage

families to research and preserve their lineage for future generations. Members of this program will have their names listed in the booklet of the Annual Old Settler's Meeting held each August.

To qualify for membership as a Second Wave family, participants will provide documented evidence that of their earliest Carroll County ancestor residing in Carroll County between Aug. 2, 1855, and Dec. 31, 1900. Applications are available in the museum. We also have many resources for genealogy research. The staff is available to assist researchers. The application and information are available on the Web at [www.carroll-countymuseum.org](http://www.carroll-countymuseum.org).

The staff and volunteers of the museum are starting an oral history project to help preserve the stories and memories of long-time county residents. Its purpose is to preserve and collect 20th-century history through the medium of first-person testimony. Eventually we hope to have many of these interviews available on our Web site.

We applied for a grant which would fund part of our Historical

**Rockfield Alumni meet**

Rockfield High School Alumni Association met for the 76th annual meeting at the Community Building in Rockfield on April 29. Thirty-four alumni and guests attended. A buffet was prepared and served by the women of the Rockfield Presbyterian Church.

President Joe Seele presided. Names of seven members who died in the past year were read aloud: Gwen Coble Kahler, Helen Smith Roth, Harold Ringer, Pauline Hendrickson Adams, Ione Garrison Powell, Vance Fincher.

The association will meet again next year.

**CARROLL COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
Phyllis Moore, Curator  
Lisa Rush, Assistant

**History book in second printing**

The new history book "Carroll County Indiana Legacy 1824-2005" is in its second printing. The books should be finished by

**I would like to thank you for your support in electing me as the Republican candidate for Sheriff. I am looking forward to continuing to serve you.**

**Tony Burns**



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**John Chapman**

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**I would like to express my gratitude to all of those who supported me in the primary race for Carroll County Prosecutor. I am excited about the opportunity to help make positive changes in our community. I look forward to the general election in November and I ask for your continued support.**

**Thank you, Tricia Thompson**

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