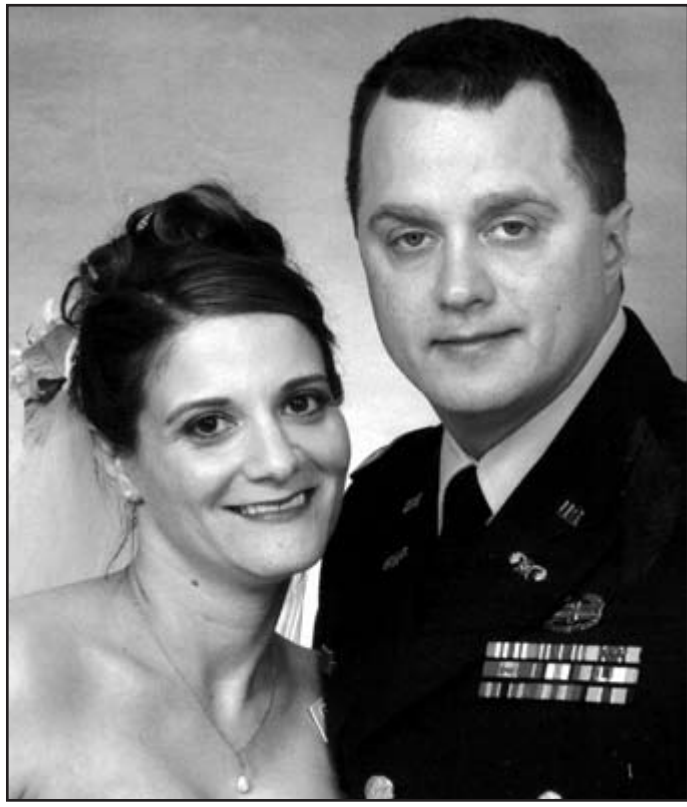


Pluth, Calhoun wed



Sara Pluth and Mark Calhoun were united in marriage at 1 p.m. Nov. 10 at St. Mary's Parish in Park Forest, Ill.

Deacon John Drechney officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joseph and Lucy Pluth of Richton Park, Ill. Parents of the groom are Bill and Pat Calhoun of Flora.

Matron of honor was Julie Adams of Boston, Mass. Bridesmaids were Michelle Corsetti of Frankfort, Ill., Lori Gruber of Park Ridge, Ill., and Bre Cherry of Mokena, Ill.

Flower girls were Maddie Gruber of Park Ridge, Sabrina Corsetti of Frankfort, Ill., and Shae Luer of Manitowoc, Wis.

Jason Calhoun of Bringham, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Matthew Pluth of Mokena, Ill., and David Pluth of Richton Park, Ill., brothers of the bride, and Robert McGriff of North Vernon.

Ushers were Dino Corsetti of

Manhattan, Ill., and Fabio Biasella of Joliet, Ill.

A reception was held at Dinolfo's in Mokena.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Marian Catholic High School. She received a B.S. degree in chemistry in 1998 and a master's degree in chemistry and secondary education in 2003, both from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She is a high school chemistry teacher.

The groom is a 1988 graduate of Carroll High School. He graduated from Purdue University in 1992 with a B.S. degree in natural resources and environmental science. He received an MBA from Indiana State University in 2000. He is a supply chain manager for Kraft Foods and has been a member of the Indiana National Guard since 1991.

Their home address is 3930 N. Pine Grove Ave. #1712, Chicago, Ill. 60613.

George 50th anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Dean George of 4253W. SR218, Delphi, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 24. A family celebration was held last summer in July when family members were visiting home.

George and the former Nancy Jane Bush were married Jan. 24, 1958, by the Rev. Richard Recher at Christ Lutheran Church in Indianapolis.

He is a retired heavy equip-

ment operator. She is a retired bank teller.

The couple has four children: Edward George (wife: Marie) of San Antonio, Texas; David George (wife: Cheryl) of Valdosta, Ga.; Alan George (wife: Lori) of Delphi; and Brenda Weaver (husband: Darrell) of Monticello. They have eight grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

EMBARQ and Comet to honor local youth volunteers

Comet staff report

EMBARQ and the *Carroll County Comet* have joined together to initiate a special program that will recognize young leaders across the state of Indiana. "Indiana Leaders of Tomorrow" will honor youth in grades 9-12 for their leadership through community volunteerism, academic success and extracurricular activities.

Those nominated will be featured in a special section of the *Comet*. Twelve finalists from around the state and the schools they attend will each receive a \$500 cash award. The winner will receive a \$2,500 cash award and his or her high school will receive a \$2,500 donation from EMBARQ.

"Many students throughout the

state of Indiana have been recognized for their volunteerism through the Leaders of Tomorrow program," said Jim Wagner, EMBARQ public affairs manager. "EMBARQ is pleased to partner once again with the *Comet* to honor area youth and their leadership roles."

Nomination forms are available via the Internet at www.leadersot.com or at the *Carroll County Comet*, located at 14 E. Main Street in Flora and 114 E. Franklin St., Delphi.

All completed nomination forms should be sent to "Indiana Leaders of Tomorrow," c/o EMBARQ-Jim Wagner, 213 West LaPorte Street, Plymouth, IN 46563. The deadline for receiving nominations is Feb. 16.

90th Birthday

Alice Harrell was honored by family and friends for her 90th birthday at the Burlington Community Center on Dec. 23.



Harrell

Her three sons and wives, eight grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren gathered for a catered meal. Her sons are Tom Harrell (wife: Dorothy) of Kokomo, John Harrell (wife: Susan) and Fred Harrell (wife: Angie), both of Burlington.

Born Dec. 11, 1917, Mrs. Harrell has lived all her life in the Burlington area.

She was married to James Harrell, who passed away in 1986. They had several good years of retirement in Sun City, Ariz., prior to his death.

At the birthday celebration, over 140 friends stopped to visit and enjoy cake, ice cream and punch. Photographs were taken of each visitor and family, so many memories will be documented for years to come.

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Delta Theta Chi offers two local scholarships

Comet staff report

Applications for a scholarship at Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School and Delphi Community High School will be offered again this year in the amount of \$300 to a student from each school. Applications must be received by March 21.

Delta Theta Chi is an educational sorority and is awarding these scholarships in the area of liberal arts.

Liberal arts consist of majors in the following: English, arts, humanities, languages, history, Journalism, sociology/ psychology, music, political science, geography, economics, creative studies and oral communications.

For an application, visit the school guidance office or contact Michelle Simmons at 765-268-2314.

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Announcements

Friends of the Rossville Library are holding a **BOOK SALE** Jan. 23-28 at the library, 400 W. Main St. Hours are: Wednesday, Friday and Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday from 1 to 7 p.m.; and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The annual meeting of the **BALL HILL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2, at 1 p.m. in the Cutler Fire Station. All interested in the cemetery are welcome. For more information, call 765-268-2455.

CARROLL COUNTY DAY in Florida will be Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. at Homer's in Sebring. The change of location, date, and time was due to the closing of Whistle Junction on Jan. 8. Carroll County Day is for Carroll County snowbirds in Florida and for former Carroll County residents now living in Florida. For more information on this year's gathering, contact Gene and Donna McCarty at Cypress Garden Mobile Home Park, 1951 Lake Daisy Rd., Lot 306, Winter Haven, FL 33884; phone 863-326-5402.

DELPHI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL BANQUET will be Jan. 28 at the Wabash & Erie Canal Interpretive Center. Meet and Greet will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a buffet to follow at 7. Speakers will include mayor Randy Strasser with a State of the

City address, Dan Schultz, Joe Mayfield and a representative from the county council. The chamber will present a review of last year, plans for 2008 and three awards. A cost is associated with the event. Call (765) 564-3034 or e-mail info@delphichamber.org by Jan. 24 to make reservations.

MODERN'S EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS will meet Jan. 24 at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at Solomon's Grille. Host will be Barbara Sterrett.

Carroll County Tobacco Prevention Coalition announced two-week **NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY STARTER KITS** are available free of charge to those who enroll in a stop-smoking program by calling the Indiana Tobacco Quitline at (800) 784-8669. The quitline is available 24 hours a day. Callers will speak to experienced quit coaches who are ready to provide the help people need to break the addiction.

TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP ADVISORY BOARD will meet Jan. 23 at 7 p.m. in the trustee's office Advisory board members will audit and sign the 2007 annual financial report. For information contact trustee Joann Vianco at (765) 564-4221.

CARROLL COUNTY RE-DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND COMMISSION will meet Jan. 25 at 1 p.m. in the commissioners' meeting room on the second floor of the courthouse. Agenda items include reorganization, current bond report and a request from Carroll County Council for an inter-fund loan. The public is invited to attend and for comment.

Delphi's **ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEER CALL-OUT** will be Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. at the Stone Barn. Volunteers are encouraged to attend and help plan this year's event sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse Carroll County. Call Debbie at (765) 491-8515 for information.

Delphi Community High School's **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** is participating in the American Cancer Society's Daffodil Fundraiser for **CANCER RESEARCH**. Call (765) 413-8828 for information.

Channel 2

Programming for Jan. 23-30 is listed below:

Wed., Jan. 23 - 7 p.m. - Rossville vs. Frontier girls' basketball game; Delphi vs. Sheridan boys' basketball game.

Thurs., Jan. 24 - 7:30 p.m., Live audio of Carroll vs. Cass girls' basketball game on www.broadcastsport.net.

Fri., Jan. 25 - 8 p.m., Live audio of Carroll vs. Northwestern boys' basketball game on www.broadcastsport.net.

Sat., Jan. 26 - 2 p.m., Live audio of Carroll vs. Rossville girls' basketball game; 7:30 p.m., Live audio of Delphi vs. Maonaquah boys' basketball game - both on www.broadcastsport.net.

Sun., Jan. 27 - 10:30 a.m., Live worship service from Flora First Brethren Church; 7 p.m., Worship from Delphi Wesleyan Church taped earlier in the day; Rossville vs. Sheridan girls' basketball game.

Tues., Jan. 29 - 7 p.m., Carroll vs. Cass girls' basketball game; Carroll vs. Rossville girls' basketball game.

Wed., Jan. 30 - 7 p.m., Carroll vs. Northwestern boys' basketball game.



This week I continue my soupy series with a few more family pleasing favorites. Nothing says comfort better than a big bowl of Chicken Noodle Soup. This recipe is definitely traditional fare. Hamburger Onion Soup is rich, creamy and unique. And, Wild Rice Soup is a creamy, cheesy, tasty treat.

Happy eating!

Chicken Noodle Soup

3 large bone-in chicken breasts, cooked, skinned, deboned (reserve broth)

- 1 large carrot, diced
- 1 large onion, diced
- 2 stalks celery, diced
- 2 quarts chicken broth
- 6 oz. small noodles
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 3/4 tsp. parsley
- 1/2 tsp. sage
- 1/4 tsp. garlic powder

Cube chicken and set aside. Put broth into a large soup pot. Add vegetables and cook until tender. Add chicken and noodles and cook until tender. Add seasonings and simmer for a few hours.

Hamburger Onion Soup

1 lb. ground chuck or ground sausage (or a mix)

- 4 C. chopped onions
- 2 cans mushroom soup
- 8 oz. fresh mushrooms, chopped

- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 7 C. water

Brown meat in skillet. Add water and onions and cook for 10 minutes or until soft. Add chopped mushrooms. Let boil for 5 minutes. Add soup and heat through. Add cream cheese right before serving, allowing enough for cream cheese to melt. Add more water if soup is too thick.

Wild Rice Soup

- 2/3 C. wild rice
- 1 C. potatoes, finely grated
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 C. chicken broth
- 2 T. butter
- 1 quart milk
- 2 T. flour
- 1 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1 tsp. parsley flakes
- 8 oz. Velveeta cheese
- 10 strips bacon, diced and cooked

Cover wild rice with water in a large pot. Simmer over low heat about 40 minutes until rice is barely tender, making sure you don't overcook. Drain and set aside. In a soup pot, combine broth and butter. Add potatoes and onions. Reserving a fourth cup of milk, pour remaining milk in soup pot. Stir often to avoid scorching. Add flour to remaining milk and stir into soup pot until soup is creamy and smooth. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in rice, parsley, cheese and bacon. Heat until cheese melts.

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