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CES student is essay winner

Comet staff report

Karlee Kitchel of Flora was recognized recently as a county winner in the David Deuter Memorial Essay Contest.

This past school year, fifth grade students across Indiana were asked to participate by composing an original essay in approximately 100 words on the subject, "What Being A Good Citizen Means To Me."

This is the 12th year for the contest, which is provided by the Indiana Troopers Association (ITA). The annual program honors the memory of a longtime ITA member and 26-year veteran of the Indiana State Police, David Deuter, who was killed in the line of duty on the Indiana toll road on July 16, 1998.

In this year's program, all 92 Indiana counties participated. One winner was selected from each county, and from those county winners a statewide winner and four runners-up were selected. The statewide winner received a \$1,000 U.S. Savings bond, and runners-up each received \$750 in bonds. All remaining county winners were each awarded a \$500 bond by the association. In addition, winners received "You Make a Difference" certificates from Governor Mitch Daniels, engraved plaques, a "Respect for Law" Camp Scholarship, and other gifts.

Many of the county awards were presented by area Indiana State Police officers at end of year awards programs at the winner's school.



County winner in memorial essay contest

Carroll Elementary student Karlee Kitchel was recognized recently for being the Carroll County winner in the statewide David Deuter Memorial Essay Contest for fifth graders. All participants wrote an essay on "What Being A Good Citizen Means To Me." She is pictured with Indiana State Police Superintendent Dr. Paul Whitesell, Indiana's First Lady Cheri Daniels, and Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. Suellen Reed. Photo provided

Indiana State Police officers at end of year awards programs at the winner's school.

All county winners, their families, school officials, and legislators were invited to the Indiana State House for the Statewide Awards Program in June. Guest speakers were Indiana's First Lady Cheri Daniels, Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. Suellen Reed, and Indiana State Police Superintendent Dr. Paul Whitesell. Members of the Indiana Senate and House of Representatives also were invited to attend. Following the

presentation of awards, an entertaining program geared to youth was presented by Jungle John and his Silly Safari.

Karlee will be a sixth grader at Carroll Elementary School. Her parents are Ladd and Kim Kitchel.

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Reunions

Stephen reunion

The families of Lincoln and Annie Laurie Larimore Stephen are having a reunion July 27 at Faith Lutheran Church, north of Deer Creek. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m.

Those attending are asked to bring their own table service and a well-filled basket.

Orren Oyler family

The Orren Oyler family will have a reunion Aug. 10 at the 4-H building at the Flora Community Park.

A carry-in dinner will begin at 12:45 p.m.

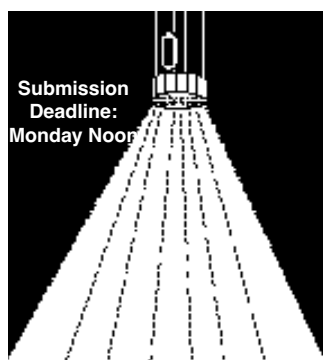
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Hampton completes infantry training

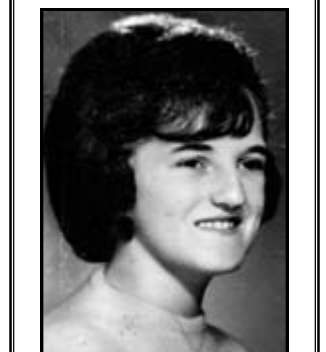
Army Pvt. Danny A. Hampton has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core values and traditions. Additional training included development of basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experiencing use of various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

Hampton, is a 2004 graduate of Delphi Community High School, is the son of Chris Hampton of Delphi.



Happy 60th Grandma Vicki



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FHS Class of 1950

Flora High School Class of 1950 had its 58-year reunion June 29 at Flora's Family Restaurant. Class members attending are pictured above, l-r: Front - Laverne (Wiles) VonAhrens, Paul Shields. Back - Dean Isaacs, Dick Carter, Mitch Sanderson, Connie Burton, Joan (Draper) Frey, Jerry Albaugh. Also attending were Dick VonAhrens, Melinda Isaacs, Julie Carter, Betty Sanderson, Ann Burton, Walley Worrell, and Dorothy Fulton. Photo provided

Library

Camden Public

"Catch the Reading Bug" summer program ended last week with special activities. Children who participated in the program were treated to a trip to the Peru Circus last Wednesday night. Twenty-seven children and seven adults attended.

On Saturday the children enjoyed "Reward and Party" Day, complete with popcorn and drinks. Prizes were then awarded to the highest readers in each grade as follows: Kindergarten - Ella Foreman and Karissa Tomson tied with 30 books; 1st grade - Katie Stanley, 31; 2nd grade - Emily Snoeberger and Katie Kleckner, tied with 25; 3rd grade - Amanda McCarty, 24; 4th grade - Blaine Snoeberger, 38; and 5th grade - Sierra Bohling, 37. Other children who participated were: Nathan Abramczyk, Paige Jones, Jasmine Hinojosa Pettinger, Scott Ashby, Lydia Hensley, Max Snoeberger, Addison Yerkes, Brandon Freeman, Emily Snoeberger, Chelsea Whitfield, Cassie Hinojosa Pettinger, Carlie French, Madeline Hollingsworth, Coy Myers, Cori McCarty, Claire Snoeberger and Autumn Freeman.

The children were required to read 15 or more books to complete the program. A book was presented to the first place winners. Everyone received a special certificate for taking part.

Those in the sixth thru eighth grades BINGO reading group were: Brett Abramczyk, Jackie Hensley and Caitlyn French. The Bingo highest reader was

Jackie Hensley.

CC on the Same Page

Copies of the Carroll County On the Same Page book, "Animal, Vegetable, Miracle," by Barbara Kingsolver, are now available. A book discussion will be held at the library on July 30 and will be led by Judy Berkshire.

Flora-Monroe Twp.

It's the end of summer reading, and the library's 90th birthday, so we're having a party and everyone's invited! Bring the kids for an old-fashioned birthday party with a craft, game, treats and a little library twist on the entertainment.

This is also an excellent time to view the artwork from this summer's "A Bug's World" art classes that were taught here at the library. The art reception will also feature the teacher, Grace Woodruff, who will be available for any questions or comments.

Flora Library's 90th birthday party, sponsored by Beta Alpha Chapter, Psi Iota Xi, and Bishop, Bishop and

Bishop is Thursday, July 24, at 2 p.m.

The last day to pick up prizes for the "Catch the Reading Bug" summer reading club is this Friday, July 25.

It's the end of summer before school starts back up. With gas prices so high, take a "staycation" here in Indiana. Go to Amish country, visit the dunes, tour a winery, explore caves in the south, experience the city life of Indianapolis or relax in a lazy river in one of many water parks throughout the state.

The library has the Indiana 2008 Travel Guide that can help you plan your fun close to home. Information on camping, lodging and festivals are included in this guide. Pick up the travel guide at the main desk.

Storytime is on summer break. Kids can hear stories 24 hours a day by calling the library's Dial-a-Story, 967-3814. The story currently playing is "Johnny Cake." Friday the story changes to "The Ants and the Grasshopper."



KELTIE L. LAKE, JAMIE NIPPLE and MEGAN L. WALTON, all of Delphi, were among 742 DePauw University students who have been recognized for outstanding academic performance and named to the Dean's List for the 2008 spring semester.

Call Outs

CHS volleyball

Carroll High School volleyball callout will continue through Thursday, July 24, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Carroll County YMCA in Flora.

Participants are asked to turn in their completed physical forms as soon as possible.

Questions may be directed to Coach Sarah Kirkman at 765-566-3527.