

DOWN MEMORY LANE



HOW MANY of these Purple Riders can you name? Do you know the year? Send responses to presseditor1@gmail.com.

100 years ago Sept. 6, 1923

Frank Schneider has moved his old fashioned bakery from North Oak Street to the remodeled Ewald Building on West Main Street. The building was formerly the Racket store building which was moved away to make room for the Johnson Filling Station. Ewald Bros. bought the building, moved it across the street and completely remodeled it.

The Arcola Township High School opened Monday morning and 212 enrolled the first day, with a few more names added each day since that time. This is the largest first day's enrollment in the history of the school. All work started off well and while there are quite a good many new teachers in the faculty this year Principal Walters is of the belief that he has a fine corps of teachers.

Football practice has started and coach Angell has several of last year's huskies around which to build a team and a good many promising youngsters who are out each evening to learn something of the game.

The Arcola grade schools opened Monday under the supervision of Prof. R. W. Taylor, who succeeds B. F. Holscher as superintendent. The total enrollment for the first day was 330 pupils. Of this number 211 are in the east side building and 119 in the west side. The sixth, seventh and eighth grade do departmental work and in this department there are 126 enrolled.

A large crowd was in town Tuesday to attend the Bargain Day and among those who went home with a smile were Wm. Starbuck, Mrs. Ross Rusk, Mrs. Neva Allison, Mrs. D. Logan, T. F. Monahan, Joe Ewald, Mrs. Geo. Wingle, Miss Edna Hickman, Mrs. Albert Beavers, and Mrs. John Black.

The Arcola Woman's Club held their first meeting of the year Wednesday afternoon at the library Club rooms. Very interesting reports of vacation trips during the summer were given by Mrs. Clarence Coombe, Dr. Lawrence Butcher, Mrs. Frank Collins and Mrs. A. C. Adams. Mrs. Frank Collins was elected secretary to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of the former secretary Mrs. Lucien Rugh.

50 years ago Sept. 6, 1973

Joy Strader, Miss Arcola 1973, will be on hand to great visitors to the annual Broom Corn Festival to be held on Main Street in Arcola on Sept. 14, 15 and 16. A unique display of brooms and broom corn housed in a huge tent erected on Main Street will be just one of the many features available to the festival visitor.

For the first time since 1969 Arcola and Oakland will meet on the football field with game time slated at 7:30 p.m. on the Oakland gridiron. Coach Steve Thomas and the Arcola Purple Rider football squad will face a new opening opponent Friday, as all high schools are allowed to open their season one week earlier

than usual if they so desire. The new date is allowed as the state association prepares for the five class state football tournament that will go into effect next season. Thomas and assistant Byron Bradford have decided on their starting lineup for Friday's contest. The starting lineup includes 10 seniors and a junior.

The city council at their meeting Tuesday evening at the city hall scheduled Tuesday, November 20 as the date for a special election. The special election will be held in Ward two to fill the vacancy for alderman there. Harold Chaney resigned the post because of health reasons shortly after his election. City Clerk Raymond Holterman was given approval to publish the necessary legal notices and set the dates for the candidates to file.

A 1965 Mustang two plus two owned by Miss Elleen Hamilton of Arcola won first place in the mild custom division at the St. Jude Hospital Benefit Tri-State Auto Show held Aug. 25 and 26 at the Exposition Gardens in Peoria. Hamilton was also the recipient of the specialty award for the only entry by a woman. The bright red Mustang, retrieved from a scrap yard, was restored and designed with the help of P. G. Bowen, also of Arcola.

Employees of the Thomas Monahan Company in Arcola attended a three-day staff meeting of the firm. Attending were Harold Walters, Eva Anderson, Naomi Rothrock, Ellamae Portugal, Dale Callahan (Washington, Colorado), Hector Campbell (Laredo, Texas), Kenneth Castell, Donnie Ghere, Joe Bilbry, Ray Johnston (Pittsburgh), Archie Jones (Lindsay, Oklahoma), Thomas Monahan, Harry Ghere, Jim Monahan and Tim Monahan.

Twenty-one men from six area Boy Scout councils roughed it recently at Camp Drake, south of Oakwood. Included in the group was Joe Hunter.

25 years ago Sept. 10, 1998

Longtime Arcola residents Larry and Carol Bushu will serve as the official grand marshals of this year's Arcola Broom Corn Festival. The Bushu's have resided together in Arcola since 1971 when they made a family decision to relocate to a smaller town. Although they have lived in Arcola as husband and wife for the past 27 years, their ties to the area date back much further than that. Larry was born and raised in Arcola, graduating from Arcola High School. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy from the University of Illinois. His professional life has taken him to Paris, Champaign-Urbana and Tuscola before purchasing the Arcola Pharmacy. He was in Champaign-Urbana for 19 years. Carol graduated from Tuscola High School. Larry is four years older than Carol and did not know one another in high school. Carol went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and Math from Eastern Illinois University

and has since earned Master's degrees in Guidance and counseling from the University of Illinois and administration degree from Eastern Illinois University.

Fifty years were celebrated Wednesday, September 2, at the annual meeting of the Arcola Cooperative Grain Company. The co-op, which began in 1948, honored 49 past directors at Rockome Gardens Restaurant. Among the honored guests was Arcola's Harry Keal, who was on the original Arcola Co-op board 50 years ago. The cooperative posted its best year ever, from June 1, 1997 to May 31, 1998, including a net profit of \$370,000 (693, 899.62 today). Out of that net profit, the co-op paid approximately \$170,000 (\$312,805.27 today) back to the local farmers. The \$170,000 figure was based on about four cents a bushel on the grain sold to the co-op from the farmers.

There are six new teachers for the 1998-99 school year. They are Andy Manna (junior high social studies, high school history and assistant football coach), Lori Anderson (half time kindergarten and half time study hall monitor), Jeff Walton (junior high and high school health, elementary and high school physical education), Susan McLane (sixth grade), Stephanie Malin (high school art and cheerleading sponsor) and Renee Frost (half time elementary guidance counselor and half time Project Success coordinator).

Records are made to be broken and that is what happened Friday night in the Purple Rider football team's 19-0 victory over Illiopolis. Senior running back Kolin Peterson eclipsed the all-time career rushing record at Arcola High School. Peterson ran for 104 yards in 22 carries and broke the record with 9:03 left in the second quarter on a four yard run up the middle for a first down. At the end of the game Peterson had 504 carries for 3,793 yards to break the record held by Tom Monahan (3,728 yards in 467 carries).

10 years ago Sept. 5, 2013

The Budweiser Clydesdales are one of the featured attractions of the 43rd annual Broom Corn Festival, which is to start Friday in Arcola. Other highlights of the festival include the races and parade on Saturday and a performance by the Henningsens Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Arcola school district welcomed 10 new teachers to its staff at the beginning of the 2013-14 school year. They are Jenny Buxton, Sarah Krause Megan Holzhauser, Ashlyn Hudson, Jessica Hanna, Patricia Moreno, Chris Weirman, Tommy Eddleman, Zach Zehr and John Lidy.

Several friends and family of Cpl. Allen Roberts participated in the fourth annual Illinois Run for the Fallen event Aug. 17 in Charleston. Marine Cpl. Roberts, a 2004 graduate of Arcola High School, was killed in Iraq while serving his country in November of 2007.



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He was 21 years of age. There were 881 miles run or walked for fallen Illinois military members during the event in Charleston. Those who participated in Allen's memory are Joella (Strader) Glenn, Jeanne Strader, Jaye Roberts (Allen's mother), Joy (Strader) Tuttle, Janet (Strader) Nacke, Bill Nacke, Jeannine (Strader) Bertsch, Rod Bertsch, Julie (Rairden) Mills, Mike Tuttle, Nancy Rairden and Sue (Rairden) Stout.

Arcola High School volleyball coach Amy Schreiber has plenty of youth on her side as she enters her first year at the helm of the program. Of the 23 players on the roster, only three are seniors. They include Alexis Conlin and Klaire Karmazinas and Maria Climaco. The Purple Riders open their season Monday, September 2 at Sullivan.

On Tuesday, August 27, Arcola Lions Club held their annual family picnic at the Ar-

cola City Park. Sixteen members along with their spouses, children and grandchildren were in attendance. The club also welcomed the following special guests: Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Lyons and children, Kevin Huckstep and Tammy Hopkins, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Biggs and children, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Budd and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jenkins, Harriett Ingram and Wanda Dilliner.

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	LUNCH - Hamburger Horse Shoe	\$9.95
SUN. 10th	BREAKFAST - Country Fried Steak	\$9.95
	LUNCH - Beef Pot Roast	\$9.95
MON. 11th	BREAKFAST - 2 Pancakes, 2 Patties & Coffee	\$7.95
	LUNCH - Panko Breaded Tenderloin	\$8.55
TUE. 12th	BREAKFAST - Mini Country Boy	\$6.75
	LUNCH - Tater Tot Casserole	\$7.95
WED. 13th	BREAKFAST - Silver Dollar Pancakes, 2 Eggs, 2 Bacon	\$6.75
	LUNCH - Chicken and Noodles	\$7.95

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