



Fairborn Baker High School Class of 1973 recently held their three-day 40th reunion. Photo courtesy of Scott Romer Photography

Class of 1973 holds reunion

FAIRBORN — Three days of festivities highlighted the the Fairborn Baker High School Class of 1973 40th class reunion in August. The three-day reunion included a get-together on Friday night at TJ Chumps, a school tour of Baker junior high school on Saturday morning, a dinner/dance on Saturday evening at Greene County Country Club and a family picnic on Sunday at Fairborn Community Park. More than 70 classmates from 15 states attended.

Serving on the reunion committee were Alan Niebes (chairperson), Cary (Boyd) Criss, Heather (Falleur) Landers, Charles Freniere and Karen (Wright) Hayes. The class of '73 was the second class to graduate from Baker (now the junior high) at a time when Fairborn had two high schools.



Middle: Flyerette drill team officers Louise (Richardson) Meyer, Lynn (Yasko) Jones, Cary (Boyd) Criss
Above: Classmates and husband/wife Jim and Phyllis (Coyle) Null sit in the Baker auditorium during Saturday's tour. Photos courtesy of Alan Niebes



Left: Sheri (Severino) Siegfried and Charles Freniere discover they are nearly neighbors in Wellington, Fla. Right: John Warrick, Jeanette (Mengel) Hall, Debbie (Anderegg) Kwan, Louise (Richardson) Meyer. Below: Members of the Fairborn Baker Choraliens music ensemble: Cary (Boyd) Criss, Debi (Marsh) Davidson, Linda (Gartin) Foley, Alan Niebes, Shawn (Hoxie).



Ohio police report major shoplifting ring busts

MIDDLETOWN (AP) — Police say an undercover task force has been busting up organized shoplifters who targeted discount retail stores across western Ohio from the Cincinnati area to north of Dayton.

The Middletown Journal reports (<http://bit.ly/1dyfLGN>) that police departments from Colerain Township to Troy and Urbana north of Dayton have worked together for weeks on the case. Authorities say 57 people have been arrested this summer on theft and related charges and that more than \$300,000 in stolen merchandise has been seized. Much of it was from flea market vendors.

Authorities say well-organized teams worked together to steal everything from body spray to high-end electronics from retailers. Investigators say the merchandise was stolen for illicit sales at flea markets, pawn shops and over the Internet.

The 13-agency task force started last spring with five Middletown police forces and expanded across four counties and 13 communities. Of those arrested, 32 were from Middletown.

Police say thieves worked in groups of three to eight people, with some distracting the cashier and other store personnel while others stole items they already had buyers lined up for.

"These people are not your average shoplifter," said Tom Lawson, a Middletown police officer. "This all they do." Task force supervisor Sgt. Steve Ream of Middletown police say many of those involved in the thefts made their living that way.

Besides selling the merchandise, the shoplifters sometimes would return it to stores and can get gift cards, police said. Then they would sell the gift cards.

Authorities say the shoplifters often hit stores along Interstate 75.

Obituaries

Kimm L. Esterline

Kimm L. Esterline "Deano" age 54 of Fairborn died on Friday, August 30, 2013 at Sycamore Hospital. He was born the son of Ralph & Ruth (Davis) Esterline on September 24, 1958 in Xenia. He is preceded in death by his parents. Deano is survived by his brothers Bill Esterline of Newark, Ohio and Garry Esterline of Fairborn, nieces Kelsey Ann, Abby Lee, Rebekah Ann, and Samantha Eilene, great grandnephews Gabe and Danny, and great grandniece MacKenzie. Deano was a lifelong resident of Fairborn. He graduated from Baker High School in 1976. Deano was a loyal employee of Andes Drive-Thru. He was a loving brother and uncle and he will be missed by all who loved him. Friends may call in the Burcham Jennings Funeral Home on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 from 5PM to 7PM where funeral services follow at 7PM with Pastor Ken Majors officiating. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Deano's memory to help with the funeral costs. Friends and family may leave online condolences at www.BurchamJennings.com.

Area digest

YSHS open house

YELLOW SPRINGS — The Yellow Springs Historical Society will host an open house at the Grinnell Mill from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8. It's a opportunity for visitors to explore the renovated mill and view a one-day exhibit — "Historical Yellow Springs Art: a reflection of our eclectic community" — with original bookplate art, quilts and other items of artistic interest selected from the Historical Society's growing collections. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Library meeting

FAIRBORN — The Board of Trustees of the Greene County Public Library system will hold its next regular meeting 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11 at the Fairborn Community Library, 1 E. Main St. The Greene County Public Library system is available on the Internet at www.greenelibrary.info.

Hebble Creek hike

FAIRBORN — Join Greene County Parks naturalists for this brisk walk within Hebble Creek Reserve to search for dragonflies and damselflies within the park located on Spangler Road. The hike will be held beginning at 9 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 12. Long pants and binoculars are recommended. The hike is free to all participants but donations are accepted. For more information, call Greene County Parks & Trails at 937-562-6440 or email jbowman@co.greene.oh.us.

Farmers' market

YELLOW SPRINGS — The Yellow Springs Farmers' Market is open from 7 a.m. to noon, every Saturday from now until mid November in King's Yard, located in downtown Yellow Springs behind the Trail Tavern.



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