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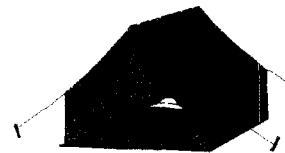
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## Fourth Edition



*From the  
Pen of*



*Grandma  
Hayman*

Another year has come and I have been blessed with fairly good health.

I sure am looking forward to the reunion, and just hope that everyone makes it this year. And, that the weather isn't so hot.

Like I said in the first edition of this newsletter, there were thirteen of my brothers and sisters. I only have two sisters left. Hazel Mitchell lives in Columbus, and Velva (Pete) lives by herself on a farm eighteen miles back of Parkersburg West Virginia

Hazel and I both live alone, so last fall she and I went up and stayed with Pete a few days. This was the first time we had a chance to be together, and we had such a good time. Nelly Jack, our niece, drove us around for two days over three counties to see the fall foliage. The leaves were just at their peak, and Hazel and I both said we saw more of West Virginia hills than we saw when we were young and lived over there. That was in the 1920's and 1930's. And would you believe there were not many cats then. At least we didn't have one. We also had to walk to school, church, and every where we went.

Then this spring Pete and I went to Columbus and stayed with Hazel a few days. She isn't well and can't drive like she did. So, we never got to go much up there. Although her daughter Donna and her husband Chuck came one evening and we

drove out to the Amish country. We ate at the Amish Door Restaurant.

Sister Pete was like me. She was tied down with the farm and then a sick husband, and we didn't get to go much. We sure enjoyed it all.

Keith, Leslie, Amber, Shane, and I took a trip over to my old home place in West Virginia the other day. We drove up on the hill, took some pictures, and then drove up along Cow Run, which is a small creek. I told Shane that when I was about his age I went swimming and fishing in that creek. He said "Grandma, I don't believe you.!"

From there we stopped at the Antioch Church where I went to church and Sunday School. There is a cemetery there, and my grandfather and grandmother Casto's graves are there. I was glad to see that someone had put flowers on their graves.

We were looking around, and found a grave marker with my mother's grandparents names on it. That would be my great grandparents. Great grandmother on the Casto side was Martha Parsons Bennett. She was married twice, first to Joseph Bennett (born in 1805 and died in 1862) and then to a Mr. Wink. I don't remember seeing this stone before.

Well, I now have eighteen grandchildren and thirty great

grandchildren. Brian and Carole are expecting the stork again, and I wish them the best.

Keith left his temporary day shift job and went back to pilot training. He will be gone for three weeks, but should be back for the weekend of the reunion.

Hope to see all of you at the reunion this year.

## LEISURE & HOBBIES

**Lil, Phyllis, and Mom** met **Ted and Sallie in** Jackson for a dining and shopping experience. They dined at the Lewis Family Restaurant, and then went to two local antique and arts and crafts malls.

**Rob and Lil** finally got their camper up on their Ohio river campsite on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Due to so much rain and floods, they weren't able to get it there earlier, so they are now all set for several outings, including several bean dinners which Rob's family loves.

**Don and Donna** got a new camping trailer two weeks after the reunion last year, and took it to their usual camping places, Chincoteague and Skyline Drive. In November, they took it to Ocean City, New Jersey along with another couple who had a motor home. It happened to be one of those early cold weekends when the temperature dipped below freezing, and most campgrounds were closed, but all went pretty well. They have been to the mountains already this year, and have more trips planned.

**Kenny, Becky, Jesse, Sarah, and Desiree** went to Ravenswood to see **Zac as the Cowardly Lion** in "The Wizard of Oz". The girls were very excited about having their pictures taken with the Lion, the Tin Man, the Witch, and Dorothy.

**Kayla Casto will** show her horse at the Ohio State fair this year. She competed in a point show to qualify, and made enough points. She is also on the Hocking County horse team. They entered a hippology contest, where they place a horse's body parts

on a table for identification. Kayla's team came in tenth place. Kayla also entered an All-American Youth Horse Show in May, and came in seventh place in "Western Pleasure".

**Nate Wilson is** a virtual whiz at puzzles. Although he is just shy of 3 years old, he prefers puzzles that have **60** to 100 pieces. When all he has around is a puzzle with fewer pieces, he'll sometimes turn the pieces over to the sides that have no picture and put the puzzle together that way.



**Jonathan Hart** has recovered somewhat from the shock of finding himself in the country. He was certain for a time that aliens had kidnapped his real parents and replaced them with beings who had taken him away from civilization. In one day, life as he knew it had vanished: **CompUSA**, **MediaPlay**, movie theaters, cable TV, a state of the art computer lab in his school -- all had vanished, and he was in the Boonies as he called it. He even gave his Internet address as Boonies, Indiana, and hoped that either his real parents would be returned soon, or it was all a really bad dream. He didn't unpack for about three months and walked around his new surroundings saying, "I have no life".

He says "I am suffering from computer **withdrawal**, or as my shrink likes to call it, computer impairment psychosis", due to the fact that the most powerful computer system in Indiana turned out to be an Atari".

As it turned out, his parents really hadn't been kidnapped, his father just

wanted a chance to get out of the suburbs for awhile, and his mother had gone along with the idea.

Jonathan did adjust somewhat after he found some other guys at school who were into collectible card games, and he's been playing ever since. Monthly tournaments have become the norm at the Hart home, and you can expect to see between 12 and 20 guys playing Magic, Middle Earth, Star Trek or Star Wars for at least twelve hours straight. They do come out occasionally to be fed, and his parents are amazed at how much food and drink can be consumed during a tournament!

**Michael Hart** had an exciting year. He has enjoyed his move to the country and has been busy being a five and now six year old. He has made many new friends, and several of them were on his first baseball team, the **Phillies**. His favorite movies are "The Sand Lot" and "Rookie of the Year".

Michael's first adventure after moving came while his Grandma and Poppy were visiting. While he and his brother were chasing a cat with water guns, he slipped on the porch steps. His Dad and Mom located a very good emergency room that had a doctor on call that specialized in five year old chins. Michael received a certificate for being so brave; he fell asleep while the doctor was putting in the eleven stitches.

Somehow, Michael talked his mom into making him the White Ranger **Ninja** costume for Halloween. His mom **didn't** know it would take **eight** hours of sewing when she started, but the excitement and pleasure Michael has gotten from the suit made it worthwhile.

## FAMILY

### Family Reunions

By Sfeve Young

As I think about what to say for the reunion, the approaching era of hurricane Bertha reminds me of Grandma Hayman, who had a sister, Aunt Bertha. I want to thank Grandma Focie for her Christian influence, her faith, and for Jesus. From the bottom of my heart, I can say she is at the top of the list, one of the most sincere and true Christians that I know.

I think about people I have met who do not see their kinfolk like we do, much of it because of our reunions throughout the years. On behalf of the family, I want to thank those who make it happen. I am thankful we have a family that gathers together, for it is truly a great gift.

### Hayman Reunion

By Beth Casto

Well, another year has gone by  
And its time for the Hayman reunion  
again

A time to laugh, eat, visit,  
And see how everyone has been

Grandma and grandpa made this  
possible

It has been a tradition for many a  
year,

So I think we should cherish these  
moments

For as long as we're here

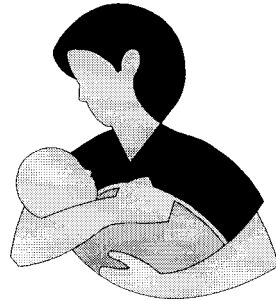
So for everyone, I want you to enjoy  
This time we have together  
For it will bring you a memory  
That will last forever

### Future Growth

**Pete and Lisa are expecting their** first child July 27<sup>th</sup>, and the blessed event may have already occurred as you read this.

**Carole finally** talked **Brian** into their third, and final, baby which is due January 8, 1997. Sarah says she wants another brother just like **Tim**—Carole says she would prefer a nice, sweet, calm, girl to round out the family.

**Aaron and Sarah Davis are also expecting.**



### New Additions

1995 was an incredible year in the household of **Ed and Kathy Hayman**. **They knew** it was going to be a special year for them when they learned in February they were expecting their first child! Overwhelmed with joy, the planning began.

As the months passed, Ed and Kathy transformed their spare bedroom into a magnificent nursery filled with their favorite Looney Toon characters. Ed further proved his handyman talents as he nearly single-handedly refinished the wood floors throughout their house and redecorated their bedroom.

Just when they thought things couldn't be any better, Ed landed a new job with Honda of America. He had reached a plateau in his career as an optician and welcomed the

change, but the best part was that Kathy would only have to work part-time once their baby was born.

On September 3, 1995, Ed and Kathy welcomed the birth of their son, David Alfred Hayman, named for Kathy's late grandfather. It was certainly a Labor Day weekend to remember.

### Gatherings

It was a happy time when **Aunt Elizabeth Stover's** family gave her a wonderful 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party. Those who went got to see some relatives they had not seen in quite a while, under happy circumstances.

But, there were sad times also. **Uncle Harry Hayman, dad's** brother, passed away Memorial Day weekend. Some long unseen relatives were met there also.

**Rob's** brother Gilbert (Gib) Hart died on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, and then Gib's wife Audrey died three months later on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Some of you may remember them - they came to visit at the reunion two or three years ago.

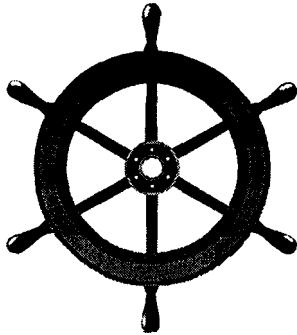
**John Wilson's** dad passed away the last of May.

**Becky Young** recently lost her maternal grandparents.

### Hayman Walk

**Ted** joined **Mom, Lil, and Phyllis** this year for the "Annual Hayman Walk", at least that is what they call it now. It used to be a walk across the Hayman farm in Apple Grove, but now it is from the parking lot to dining tables at Crow's in Pomeroy.

River Life (From the pilot house desk of the M/V Robert R Jewell) by Keith **Hayman**



Yea, this is my work area now as Pilot Trainee - no more work gloves. How big is the boat? Just how big is big? Well, the boat itself is 140' long by 38' wide by 52' tall, out of the water. Each jumbo barge equals 15 railroad cars, or 58 26-ton semi trucks. Thus, a 15 barge tow on the river equals 225 railroad cars or 870 semi trucks, 22,500 tons, ¼ a mile long or three football fields. Big? Yes, and I get to drive. Dad always said I would never amount to a \_\_\_\_, oh well, never mind, I just wish he could see me now.

It's my first day back on the boat for a 21 day trip. I **didn't** want to come back, but I had to so I could be home for the big **campout** - oh yes, the reunion too, shame on me.

Shane and I were busy the last two days cutting firewood along the trails in the woods. I think he was having more fun on his 4-wheeler than he was loading the wood in the wagon. Amber was helping me cover the pile with plastic to keep it dry - I hate wet **firewood**. Now that school is out, **Shane** has been having a lot of fun on his 4-wheeler all over the yard and race track, with Amber close behind on her little battery powered 4-

wheeler. If you notice the grass missing in spots, you will know why.

Leslie and I took the kids on a camping trip to Forked Run Lake for two nights. How was it? Rain, rain, rain, and lots of mud in our new tent! I got bit by a spider and had to get two shots in a place that I won't speak of (no, that's not the place the spider bit me). We are looking forward to going back, without the rain and spiders.

We still have our shabby looking shed in the campsite area, but you better take a picture if you want to remember it Our new shed will be build by the end of August

I have made two or three phone calls to get a "Port-O-Jon" on the campsite for the weekend. But, I keptgettingabusysignal-wewilltry again. I hope we will have some cool weather this year, and not a bunch of rain.

Out family is **looking** forward to seeing every one at the fire pit this year for the marshmallow roasting competition - "**Kraft Jet Puffed**" only please. See you all on the weekend of the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Brian **Hayman** is doing quite a bit of traveling in his watch and jewelry business. He went to Basel, Switzerland for an International Watch Convention, and visited Zurich and Frieberg also. He said it was not fun, since work began at nine each day and ended at eight that evening. Furthermore, he said they didn't roll out the sidewalks until nine and rolled them back up at six. He has also been to Dresden, Germany as well as New Jersey and Nantucket, Massachusetts here in the states.

Brian and his business partner have a watch store, "**The Trinity Collection**", at Nantucket in the summer and at Palm Beach, Florida in the winter.

**Barbara Jewell** is still working for D.F.S. and has been there for six years. Last year she was promoted to lead in her department She put in a job opportunity form for another department that was going to be new to the company. The name of it was Ultimate Outlet, which ships to Spiegel outlet stores. The department moved here from Chicago, and they were asking for three leads. She thought it would be a great opportunity and learning experience. She was one of the three selected out of 40 applicants for the job. She is over receiving, prep, and back stock She is now having to learn a lot about computers and systems, but is loving every bit of it

Kim **Barton** was promoted to warehouse supervisor at Distribution II (she loves to boss the male employees around!)

Ed and Kathy Hayman took their annual trip to Las Vegas. Stunt kite flying became a family affair when Ed took Kathy and David along to Lisle, Illinois for the week of July 4<sup>th</sup> for an annual balloon festival featuring Captain Eddie's Flying Circus Kite Team. David actually slept through his first opportunity to see fireworks, but it was a wonderful and exciting vacation for everybody anyway.

Beverly, Zachary, Olivia, and Lil took a trip to visit the Brice Hart family in Maryland in June. They all took an auto tour of the Gettysburg battlefields (Brice said the kids climbed on every cannon and tower there), visited a museum, and went to eat at HOSS's Restaurant (Brice's favorite), which was very good. Lil got to visit Kyle's kindergarten and meet his teacher. While the rest tried their hand at duckpin bowling (something different from tenpin bowling), Brice took Zac to a Baltimore Orioles baseball game, which was rained (flooded) out after the sixth inning. News reports said it was the most rain in Baltimore since they built Camden Yards. The dugouts were flooded and looked like swimming pools, with equipment floating everywhere.

Bruce, Lorna, Alan, and Beverly took a trip in May to Asheville, North Carolina. They toured the Biltmore Estate, and felt it was something to see!!! They stayed in Asheville and traveled to Tryon to see the wonderful Iris Dement in concert. They took the trip just for the concert, and decided they wouldn't do this for anyone else. They are all huge fans of Iris, and the concert was

wonderful. It was worth the trip and every penny. After the concert they chatted with her and got autographs.

Rob and Lil Hart visited Bruce, Lorna, Jonathan, and Michael last September. While there they visited Michael's kindergarten class and met his teacher, and went to Jonathan's Junior High School. They also went to a Go Kart track and watched Michael and Jonathan ride the cars. Lil and Lorna went shopping, since there are lots and lots of antique stores in Indiana. On the return trip Rob and Lil stopped in Columbus and went to Riverside Hospital to see Rich and Linda - Rich was there having hip surgery.

In October, Lil Hart returned to Bruce's and Lorna's to visit for a week. She met Bruce in Columbus at Ted's and Sallie's, left her car there, and went with Bruce to Indiana. Lil and Lorna had a fun filled week going to bazaars, antique shops, yard sales, and an apple festival. One day before she finished her week's stay, boom, it happened. Lil fell and broke both of the big bones in her arm. She was forced to stay another week. Isn't it every daughter-in-law's dream to have her mother-in-law come for a week's visit, fall and break her arm, and have to stay another week? But, Lil said Lorna was very attentive and very patient during her stay - no nurse could have been better.

Don and Donna took their regular week's vacation in Ocean City, New Jersey in June. They often make excursions to other nearby towns to shop and look around. They visited Stone Harbor on Monday, and later found out that Brice and Marcie had gone there with her parents for a weekend vacation the following Saturday. Naturally,

Don and Brice had both visited the local cold spot, the Springers Homemade Ice Cream Shop.

Brice and Marcie took a big family vacation to Stone Harbor, NJ with all of Marcie's family. The weather was perfect! Kelsey's favorite thing was the hotel pool (the ocean had all that nasty sand, yuck!). Marcie, of course, loved all the delicious seafood. Brice's favorite was the 70 minute ferry ride coming home. Kyle just loved everything; jumping the ocean waves, the Zoo, the pool, and even watching the guy clean the pool.

Aunt Marge (Margaret Hayman Carpenter Packman) and her husband Bill took a trip on the American Queen when the river was high. Consequently, the smokestacks would not go underneath bridges, and they were stranded in Cincinnati. Wouldn't you know it, they were given a free trip to go another time.

Kenny and Becky will be taking their vacation in August, and have thought about Myrtle Beach or Sea World. However, they are still pleased with a very relaxing and nearby 'Best Western' vacation they took recently.

Mark and Beth will be celebrating their anniversary this year by going camping together at Bob Evans' farm. They will also be going on a six hour canoe trip, and taking a horse trail ride.

Beth will be turning thirty in three days on July 23rd and she is still trying to get over the shock.

**Mike, Terri, Kim, and Jeff** took their annual trip to the Amish country (Sugarcreek, OH) in June and went without the kids this time!

**Mike, Terri, Emma, Scott and Kim, Jeff, Tara, Terry** went to Disney World over Christmas vacation. Emma's favorite part was riding the "big plane" and seeing Mickey and Minnie. Tara's favorite part was getting her picture taken with Goofy.

**Ted and Sallie** took a weekend and went to Kentucky and West Virginia. On Saturday, they went to a furniture store in Carter City, KY. Sallie found a new recliner for her nest in the bedroom. They then went to Charleston, stayed overnight, and then went to the Charleston Town Center shopping. On Sunday they stopped in to see Mom, Lil, Phyllis, Linda, and Rich.

**Bruce, Lorna, Jonathan, and Michael** had a wonderful winter break in February at Disney World. It was so warm and sunny and so much fun, they almost didn't come back to Indiana. Michael was old enough to enjoy all the "big" rides, including the Twilight Zone and Thunder Mountain. Bruce and Jonathan are still young enough to enjoy all the "kiddy" rides, including Peter Pan. Lorna just enjoyed the warm weather and the shopping. They all enjoyed an old-fashioned ice cream parlor that had such wonderful ice cream that everyone had to have at least one large cone per day.

At Epcott, they especially enjoyed Germany. The food, music, and entertainment were great; Michael danced with a waitress, and Jonathan and Michael did the Hokey Pokey. The food was a surprise to Lorna: a lot of the dishes were familiar to her.

They were similar to the food she sees at the Hayman Reunion! She just didn't know they were German dishes, and why Bruce was always making such a fuss over German food! Another highlight was the Sci-Fi Drive in at MGM. Everyone sits in convertibles, and you can choose the front or back seat! The server comes to your car with the food, and showing on the screen are clips from old drive-in Sci-Fi movies. They serve great ice cream too!

## Health?

*(Editorial Note: I don't know if we should start this category or not - it mg turn out to be the biggest one of al as the years progress. But, here goes, and I'm sure we will miss a lot).*

**1 Rich** had another flare up of the same pains he had about a month ago. They put him back in the hospital in Point: Pleasant. They would not even release him over the weekend, and were going to transfer him to St. Mary's in Huntington the following Monday for some testing. He only has about 37% of his heart functioning, and may be looking at bypass surgery.

**2 Sallie's mom** was in the hospital, and then moved to Wetstone Convalescent Center. She had a mild heard attack and is still really weak and tired. She can not walk by herself and needs help getting out of bed. She is also very confused and doesn't know where she is. She thinks she is home. Sallie goes over every day and stays until Ted gets off work and goes over and chases her home.

**3** As you read elsewhere, **Lil** broke her arm.

**4 Michael Hart** fell on some steps at his home last September, and received eleven stitches in his chin.

**5 Keith** was bitten on the leg by a spider in June, and it swelled so much he had to go to the Emergency Room for treatment.

**6 Rich** had hip replacement surgery last September.

**7 Justin Seymour** was in a car accident last July and was in a coma for three days, but is doing fine now.

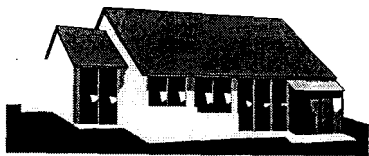
## HOMES

**Mark and Beth** moved from Gahanna to Gallipolis last August.

**Shari and John** have put in a contract to have a new house built about 7 miles up the road from their current place. Of course, they'll have to sell the house they're living in first. Know anybody who would like a nice three bedroom townhouse?

After a few months of persuasion **Sarah and Tim** got Brian to build a combination playhouse/swing set for the backyard.

Just when **Brian** thought **Carole** may have finally given up on trying to get him to finish some of the odd jobs he'd started around the house (putting heat in the basement, stripping and rehangng Sarah's closet doors, installing radiator covers upstairs, etc.), Carole started stripping wallpaper in their kitchen and needed some assistance. To make a long story short, after she got Brian involved, Carole got a remodeled kitchen (except for those couple of odd jobs Brian still needs to finish ...).



## "Home, in Indiana"

By **Loma Hart**

Our move to Indiana has been a year long adventure. It began last summer when we moved in record high temperatures, through the most accumulation of snow in 20 years, and continued into spring with record rainfall and flooding, accompanied by tornadoes, strong winds, and hail. It seems we couldn't have moved at a more exciting time! We moved to Noblesville last July, the day after the reunion, in 100 degree plus temperatures. Bruce will be delighted to tell you that all of my "stuff" wouldn't fit on the moving van, and the moving company had to send an additional truck the next day to pick up what was left. Of course all of his things fit on the first truck, I apparently had too much!

When the movers arrived at our new home, they were in for a big surprise: they couldn't back into our driveway, so they had to back through a very hilly sheep field, and the truck almost tipped. I heard yelling and a flurry of baaing, and saw the truck rocking. After recovering from that, we spent the rest of the summer adjusting to country life (Bruce didn't have to adjust). The meadow in front of our house is filled with sheep, (refer to the new Lassie movie), and the sheep fell utterly in love with Jonathan. They follow him up and down the driveway on his way to and from the bus, and start baaing whenever he is outside. Unfortunately the sheep do not understand what "shut up" means, and this only serves to make them more vocal. We also gained experience in herding escaped sheep; the motorcycle comes in handy for that.

Grandma and Poppy visited in the fall after school started, and Michael made his first visit to the emergency room, where he received 11 stitches in his chin. Grandma decided to come back to visit and do some shopping, and we made our second trip to the emergency room. She received a cast on her left arm, and a foot brace. The emergency room nurse (same nurse both times) said that on our third visit we would receive our own room!

There are numerous critters that frequent our back porch, including raccoons and opossums. The boys' first experience with one was when they came running in to say that a porcupine had cornered our kittens. It turned out to be an opossum, one that later decided to take up residence in our garage. Bruce undertook the mission to rid our garage of the varmint. After breaking my new broom in an unsuccessful attempt, the boys all joined in the nightly watch. Biron the cat, who had first alerted us to the opossums presence with persistent, hysterical meowing, was afraid to sleep in the garage, and had to sleep in the bathroom. The big break came when Bruce was packing up the trash, and one trash bag was resisting. The opossum jumped out of the bag in mid-air and I heard Bruce yell "Run" to Jonathan and Michael. I saw the opossum run into the family room followed by two boys and a man with a broom handle. Michael **was yelling**, "I didn't get to see his teeth!". From what I sorted out later, the varmint had leaped from the trash bag, ran toward the door and Michael, teeth bared. It rushed by Michael and into the family room, where it ran from under the love seat to the sofa and back again numerous times, as Michael and I blocked the way into the kitchen and the rest of the house, and Bruce and Jonathan



attempted to flush it out. It growled and hissed and bared its teeth, but eventually left the way it came, and Bruce was able to keep it running until it exited the garage. Biron could again sleep peacefully, until the raccoon started visiting.

Winter came early, and we had a beautiful white Christmas, and an even whiter and deeper New Year. We were unable to get out of our driveway for three days, even with the Blazer (no, it doesn't work like the one in the Michael Jordan commercial). Several trucks and tractors with snow plows attempted to plow us out but were unsuccessful. We finally located a neighbor who had a 1957 front loader with tires that were taller than Bruce. The equipment was huge, and I have it on video. I could just hear the farmer's thoughts as I was filming, something to the effect of "city folks"! Even with that equipment it wasn't easy! The drifts were five feet deep, the driveway was so long (150 yards or 1 ½ football fields in sports terms), and the stacks of snow were so high it was like driving through a tunnel! And then it snowed again, and we were stuck again for three days! And then again later for two. The snow didn't melt between snowfalls, so each time he plowed the stacks became even higher! Bruce thought all of this was really exciting (ask me what I thought)!

The stacks of snow were so big all of the snow didn't melt until Easter, and then it started raining! And it rained and it rained and it rained. Our creek became a river several times, and the fields looked like lakes and ponds. If it had been warmer I would have thought we were in the Everglades, but of course it wasn't hot, it wasn't even **warm**, it was cold. Unseasonably cold. And then in June it was finally spring, no scratch that,

summer had arrived, we missed spring, but we've just had a week of spring now, for the 4th of July.

Bruce has been wanting to go to a Moody Blues concert for the past 20 years, and it just had never worked out. Two years ago I stood in line for two hours to get really great seats, and the day of the concert at a new facility in Columbus, there was a terrible storm that damaged the concert pavilion, and the concert was canceled. This spring the Moody Blues announced a concert at a similar concert pavilion, just a couple of miles from our home. After some difficulty obtaining tickets, I purchased two, we were all set to finally attend a concert. We were leaving the boys home with a movie and pizza since it was so close to our house. That evening, just as we were leaving the house, there was a severe storm warning, possibly accompanied by hail and tornadoes. Should we go or stay home? What a dilemma, since there wasn't a cloud in the sky.

As the concert began, clouds started moving in quickly and the sky became dark. We could hardly hear the third song amidst the thunder and rain, and in the middle of the fourth song all the power went out and rain came blowing in from all directions, and the roof offered no protection. It was even blowing onto the stage, and that area was really protected. It was amazing how quickly the band and the entire Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra got off stage with all their instruments! We sat through about half an hour of a severe storm with lightning that put on a show of its own. Fortunately we had our rain slickers from our Disney trip (yes it rained a little even on vacation), so we didn't fair too badly. The storm blew over and power was restored, and we did enjoy an excellent concert. Thank goodness for cell

phones, so we could keep in touch with the boys during the storm, and for neighbors who made sure they were all right.

Just as we've begun to adjust to life in Indiana, it is time for us to move on to some place with fewer natural disasters. I'm thinking San Francisco, or maybe a volcano in Hawaii would be a good choice. It will, in reality, be someplace on the East Coast where there are hurricanes perhaps?!

## CHURCH

Kenny Young teaches the youth, and **Becky** teaches the intermediates at their church. About once a month, Kenny prepares the lesson for adults on Wednesday night. Becky is still taking piano lessons, but likes playing hymns better.

**Sandi, Wendy, and Russell Hayman still like** to sing in their church choirs, and do plays at Christmas time. Last Christmas, all their grandparents got to see the play, which included a live donkey in the manger scene. Wendy played Mary, and left the stage just in time, because the donkey decided to "go to the bathroom".

**Sandi** is an acolyte at the Methodist church she attends in Westminster, Maryland. Laura says that means she lights and extinguishes the candles, and gives the offering plates to the ushers. It also counts toward the community service hours that are required of Maryland students before they graduate from high school.

**Sandi, Wendy, and Russell** have all received pins for perfect attendance at Sunday School, plus bars for additional years. **Sandi** has 3 bars, **Wendy** 2, and **Russell** 1. **Russell** is especially proud of his pin and bar, and wants to continue so he will get a Bible book.

## SCHOOL

**John Wilson** earned another Bachelor's degree in May. This one is in Computer Science (his first degree was in Radio, Television, and Film). He had a 4.0 grade point average, which helped him land a new job with the telephone company.

**Olivia** finished her third year at A.B. College with a 3.35 grade point average. She received honorable mention on the Dean's list for the fall quarter. She is busy working the deli at Krogers again this summer.

**Rob and Lil** also went to Alderson-Broadus College to see **Olivia** in a band concert. She conducted a song by herself, and **Lil** was very impressed.



**Jonathan Hart** ended 7th grade at the Wellington School in Columbus last spring by receiving the Computer Science Award for the middle school, as well as making the Headmaster's List with High Honors. **Jonathan** graduated this spring from 8th Grade at Hamilton Southeastern in Noblesville, and will be starting high school in the fall.

**Zac Cunningham** graduated from Ravenswood High School on June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 3.71 grade point average. He was student-of-the-month twice during his senior year. He enlisted in the Navy last December and will be leaving on August 6<sup>th</sup>. He is planning a farewell

trip to New York City the end of July to see several Broadway shows.

**Lil and Rob** enjoyed going to Ravenswood High School to see **Zac** in some of his activities before he graduated. He was a member of the chorale group, and they staged their fall, Christmas, and spring concerts. They put on two musicals; one was 'You're a Good Man Charlie Brown', with **Zac** playing the part of Charlie Brown; the second was "The Wizard of Oz", with **Zac** playing the Cowardly Lion. They also put on a dinner theater and play titled "Strollin Down the River" which **Zac** emceed and played the part of Mark Twain. They also went to Charleston to see him in the West Virginia all-state choir. He was also in All State Chamber singers at Morgantown. He sure made his grandparents proud.

**Wendy Hayman** is studying the saxophone in school. She did exceptionally well according to her teacher, and she is now taking private lessons.

**Curtis Jewell** is involved in his school choir. They traveled different places to sing for different groups of people. He is now 11, and is moving on to middle school next year. **Barb** is sure his activities will increase, but she is ready because she loves getting involved with him and his activities.

**Ashley Whitlatch** graduated from Athens High School this year.

**Kayla Casto** received straight A's in school this year.

**Sandi Hayman** is doing exceptionally well in school. In the sixth grade she took a Plus Academic Abilities Assessment test that showed she was performing at a level with the top 20% of those in the ninth grade nation-wide. She was recommended for EEP classes during the summer, and the one she selected is acting.

**Kyle Hart** graduated from Mt. Airy Kindergarten, receiving the Panda Bear Award given for being student-of-the-week at least three times during the year. He really enjoyed learning about dinosaurs and "everything". This past spring he won 1st prize of all 6 kindergarten classes in the school's Math Poster contest. He was pretty excited to hear his name announced over the PA system that morning. He is looking forward to starting 1st grade and eating in the cafeteria with the big kids.

**Kelsey Hart** "graduated" from Pre-school and is getting ready to start Kindergarten. **Brice** can't say if she's excited or scared, it changes daily. Let's keep our fingers crossed on this one!

**Keri Wilson** finished kindergarten this spring. By the end of the school year, she had already finished all of the kindergarten benchmarks for reading and was starting to get into some first grade reading assignments. In math, she was learning simple fractions (Shari says things sure have changed since she was in kindergarten.) Keri also received a certificate for perfect attendance. So far, she thinks school is really fun.

**Michael Hart** had a great year in Kindergarten and really enjoyed riding the bus. During the year he was in a Christmas musical, and had the

role of Foxy Loxy in the Kindergarten play. He graduated this spring and will be in the first grade next year!

**Sarah Hayman** was thrilled with her first year of preschool at Holy Nativity. She was finally able to get out of the house, make new friends, and establish a degree of independence from Brian and Carole.

**Sarah Beth** Young graduated from pre-school.

In September, **Emma Shipkowski, 4**, will be attending preschool..

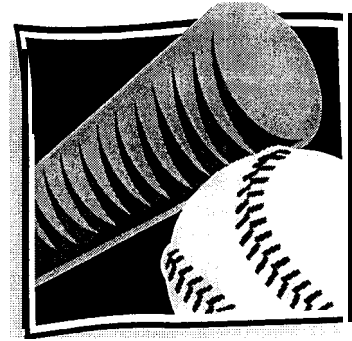
**Tara Huber** will be attending Hilliard High School as a freshman this year.

**Terry Huber** starts 7th grade this year.

**Russell Hayman** is really looking forward to starting kindergarten. He told Laura he was ready to go as soon as school was out this spring.

Speaking of school, **Rob and Don** celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> graduation anniversaries this year. Don and Donna, plus Ted and Sallie, went to the Alumni Banquet at Racine where Don met 5 of his 29 fellow graduates.

## SPORTS



**Curtis Jewell** is still involved in sports all year round, playing baseball, basketball, and soccer. He is now ending baseball (ask him if he won first place). His team the Yankees, played July 13<sup>th</sup> in the championship, and won first place trophies.

**Terry Huber** was selected to play on the All-Star team in baseball. He pitches and plays first base.

**Sandi, and Wendy Hayman** play softball, with Sandi in the majors and Wendy in the minors. They and **Russell also** took swimming lessons.

**Jesse Young** is also playing several sports. This is the first year that the players do the pitching, and he is doing real well, with a .600 batting average, the team's best. He is their shortstop and a pitcher. He won his first two-hit game 3-2, striking out 7, walking two, and hitting 1 batter. They won the regular season 1 1-2 and the end-of-season tournament. He also made the all star team.

Jesse went out for track, and won the Wood County standing long jump for 9-10 year olds. He also entered the Hershey Relays, but did not prepare well.

Jesse is on the Warhawk football team this year, and Sarah Beth is one of the cheerleaders. She is very athletic also. She started dance and tumbling lessons, swam this summer, and is ready to ride her bike without training wheels.

Kyle Hart entered the local fishing derby and caught, of all things, a snapping turtle. Unfortunately, it had to be let go before it bit someone. Kyle should have received a prize for the most unusual catch of the day!

Phyllis went to a double-header baseball game between Athens and Meigs High Schools. Jordan played for Athens, and Justin played for Meigs, and of course she had to root for both teams. All worked out okay since each team won a game.

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# Pilot training program headed 'in right direction

by Ken Dren ten

Pilot trainee Keith Hayman slowly guided the *M/V James R. Morehead* near the Winfield Jocks on the Kanawha River before bumping gently against the locks concrete abutment.

"That's beautiful," said pilot Tim Hayhurst, standing in the pilothouse. "You're doing it exactly right."

"I was a couple feet off," Hayman admitted.

A foot or two made no difference in steering an AEP River Transportation Division towboat up to a concrete abutment. But those in the division's pilot training program learn quickly that the difference between safe operation and big problems is often measured by a few feet.

"Winfield's Locks are 56 feet wide, your two barges are 52 feet wide," he said. "You've got four feet to play with."

Hayman was in the fifth day of a training experience that is taking him from his former position as second mate

to that of an associate pilot.

Currently there are three trainees in the program, which qualifies AEP employees as pilots on the Ohio, Kanawha and Monongahela rivers. Wayne Satterfield and Ed Grimes are the other trainees. Ten pilots have been trained since the program began in 1989.

"We can only teach him so much, and then he's on his own."

— Reavis

Steve Edens, River Division human resources manager, said the program benefits both employees and the division.

"It provides continuous opportunities for employees to advance," Edens said. "The employee reaches a certain level as a deck crew member, and there's still another opportunity for advancement.

"We don't have to spend time teaching rules, policies and

procedures," Edens said about training those who are already long-term employees. "Those things are already engrained in them. We can concentrate on hands-on skills training."

Hayhurst, Hayman's mentor for a six-hour watch, passed the program in 1990.

"The training gives everyone an incentive to move up to the pilothouse," Hayhurst said. "You get a lot of good experience." That experience is intensive and on-the-job. Trainees are added to a boat's nine-member crew, so either the captain or a pilot always accompanies them.

"You've got to pay attention," Hayman said. "There are so many things to watch out and listen for, all at once. You can never let your guard down. You have to watch out for all ends of the barges, and all your crew. The safety of the crew and the boat is the number one concern."

High winds, high water, fog, bridge abutments and sunken barges can make handling 1,125 feet of barges loaded with coal a challenge for any pilot.

"There's a bunch of stuff on



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Keith Hayman, a pilot trainee on board the *M/V James B. Morehead*, takes a look to the stern as he maneuvers a load of coal barges past Amos Plant on the Kanawha River in West Virginia.

the river you have to wiggle around," Hayman said.

Pleasure craft are another potential hazard. "A lot of them don't know you can't maneuver real fast," Hayman commented. "They think you can get out of their way."

Only after he has graduated from the program will he stand a pilothouse watch without supervision. "The crucial part for him will be his first midnight watch by himself," said Morehead Captain Terry Reavis, who has piloted AEP towboats for 17 years. "We can only teach him so much, and then he's on his own" To enter the program, an employee must have a valid U.S.

Coast Guard pilot's license and letters from three AEP captains who agree to take him on board their boats for training. A review board, composed of towboat captains, River Division Manager Gale Rhodes, Port Captain John Reynolds, Safety Representative Mike Weisand and Crew Coordinator Mary Thompson, interviews the employee. The candidate must have 365 days of steering time before entering the training program.

A trainee is not considered an associate pilot until his or her steering is observed and tested by Reynolds. The training period can last months, and is as long as necessary for each trainee.

# BIRTHDAYS

Trace Lewis Young	Jan 9, 1995	Mindy Susan Young Seymour	Aug 5, 1953
John Martin Wilson III	Jan 14, 1962	Jesse Nathaniel Young	Aug 11, 1986
Terry Allen Huber	Jan 14, 1962	Beverly Carol Hart Cunningham	Aug 15, 1956
Lucas Paul Edward Huber	Jan 16, 1996	Wendy Christine <b>Hayman</b>	Aug 20, 1986
Nicole Kay Wise	Jan 21, 1987	Keri Anne Wilson	Aug 25, 1990
Melanie Jo Perry Huber	Jan 24, 1964	Paul Richard Gleason	Aug 26, 1939
Cory Joseph Seymour	Jan 28, 1977	Gloria Jean Young Sebring	Sep 1, 1952
Zachary Alan Cunningham	Jan 29, 1978	David Alfred <b>Hayman</b>	Sep 3, 1995
Lillie Mae <b>Hayman</b> Hart	Feb 25, 1934	Alexandra <b>Megan</b> Perry	Sep 5, 1991
Focie Leona Stover <b>Hayman</b>	Mar 2, 1917	Shari Lynn <b>Hayman</b> Wilson	Sep 6, 1962
Christopher Edwin Perry	Mar 15, 1962	Barbara Jean Jewell	Sep 6, 1963
Michael Shipkowski	Apr 1, 1962	Kimberly Jo <b>Hayman</b> Barton	Sep 11, 1962
Michael Robert Hart	Apr 10, 1990	Alan Ray Cunningham	Sep 12, 1952
Brian Wesley <b>Hayman</b>	Apr 13, 1965	Ashley Brooke Whitlatch	Sep 21, 1978
Mallory Roseanne Wise	Apr 17, 1990	Teresa Lynn <b>Hayman</b> Shipkowski	Sep 23, 1963
Kyle Michael Hart	Apr 20, 1990	<b>Tara</b> Jo Huber	Oct 1, 1981
Russell Mark <b>Hayman</b>	Apr 29, 1991	Amber Dawn <b>Hayman</b>	Oct 4, 1993
Leslie Roberts <b>Hayman</b>	Apr 3, 1963	Linda Carol <b>Hayman</b> Gleason	Oct 8, 1943
Paul Frank (Pete) Perry	Apr 9, 1968	Mark Alan Casto	Oct 9, 1963
Sarah Beth Young	May 6, 1991	Mark Christopher <b>Hayman</b>	Oct 12, 1960
Kenneth Young	May 9, 1960	Shawn Patrick Perry	Oct 14, 1970
Allyson Lee Davis	May 12, 1995	Justin Michael Seymour	Oct 14, 1979
Amy Michelle Perry	May 16, 1995	<b>Marcie</b> Jo Manclark Hart	Oct 21, 1963
Phyllis Leona <b>Hayman</b> Young	May 22, 1935	Sarah Elizabeth <b>Hayman</b>	Oct 26, 1992
Robert Gene Hart	May 26, 1928	Aaron Joseph Davis	Oct 29, 1971
Edward Lee <b>Hayman</b>	May 31, 1942	Timothy Michael <b>Hayman</b>	Oct 30, 1994
Laura June Nevins <b>Hayman</b>	May 31, 1960	Carole Ann Sauerwald <b>Hayman</b>	Oct 31, 1960
Kelsey Erin Hart	Jun 9, 1991	Robert Lee Jewell	Nov 1, 1966
Rebecca Brown Young	Jun 10, 1966	Jonathan Edward Hart	Nov 4, 1981
Curtis Lee Jewell	Jun 12, 1985	<b>Brice</b> Erwin Hart	Nov 8, 1960
Darlene Combs	Jun 15, 1959	Edward Lee <b>Hayman</b> II	Nov 15, 1968
Emma Kay Shipkowski	Jun 19, 1992	Shane Michael <b>Hayman</b>	Nov 17, 1987
Olivia Jo Cunningham	Jun 20, 1975	Donald Gerald <b>Hayman</b>	Nov 20, 1938
Desiree Layne Young	Jun 24, 1991	Lisa Monica Newell Perry	Nov 22, 1965
James Mark Sebring	Jun 28, 1956	Kyle Robert Jewell	Nov 24, 1990
Joyce Ann Deckard Perry	Jul 5, 1963	Kathleen Dunn <b>Hayman</b>	Nov 26, 1967
Derrick Lewis Whitlatch	Jul 17, 1970	Lorna Dawn Bell Hart	Nov 29, 1955
Donna Jean Lewis <b>Hayman</b>	Jul 10, 1939	Terry Allen Huber, Jr.	Dec 12, 1983
Sallie Rose Taylor <b>Hayman</b>	Jul 15, 1941	Sandra Michelle <b>Hayman</b>	Dec 14, 1984
Jeffrey David Barton	Jul 22, 1966	Keith Alan <b>Hayman</b>	Dec 20, 1959
Nathaniel Kent Wilson	Jul 22, 1993	Steven Ray Young:	Dec 23, 1956
Beth Ann Hart Casto	Jul 23, 1966	Jordan Whitlatch	Dec 30, 1980
Bruce Edward <b>Hart</b>	Jul 30, 1954	Diane Grimm Jewell	
Scott Michael Shipkowski	Jul 31, 1994	Sarah <b>Pullens</b> Davis	