



Roundhouse Rumblings

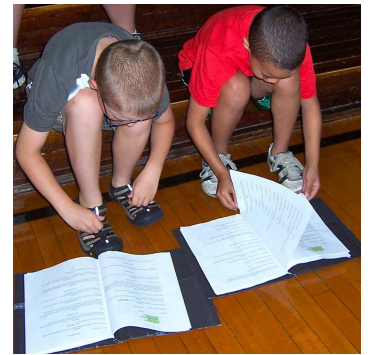
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Greetings dear friends,

We have had a whole bunch of fun here this summer. We had damsels in distress, and pirates, and rats. We served 2,484 incredible, edible eggs, and stacks & stacks of pancakes. We had a homemade pie contest. We had homemade ice cream. We had old time radio. And we had creatures that looked like aliens. We had fun reminiscing as we viewed the collection of slides that Vince Chorne had taken of the musicals, operettas & proms from 1958 to the mid 70's.

The facts & figures of the omelet breakfast are somewhat fascinating. This year it took 207 dozen eggs to feed 1,232 people. Total funds raised was \$7,526. Total number of volunteers to make this happen this year was 115 different individuals. Most of those helped at all three breakfasts. Once again, thank you to everyone who helped make this a very successful fundraising event.

Camp Creamery was an exciting and fun week for the 29 kids involved. In one week they learned speaking parts and songs and put it all together for a very fine performance of *The Legends of Blackbeards Gold*. These kids are great kids and worked very hard. They not only learned their way around the stage, but they also learned all the back stairways and nooks & crannies of the Roundhouse. Our next drama day camp is scheduled for July 16 - 20, 2012.



Camp Creamery - studying script

One of the highpoints of the Heritage Festival activities at the Roundhouse was the homemade pie contest. We began with the idea of how popular the pies were that had been served at the basketball concession stand and how New Providence became known for the best pies in the basketball circuit.

That got Jean Perry to thinking about all those women who made pies and she came up with this list. Yes, we probably forgot someone, but it still gets you to thinking about those favorite pies. We had nine entries in our homemade pie contest and Jean Perry won first place in the adult division with her coconut chiffon pie.

Noted pie makers

Elpha Beach	Reba Martin
Lola Beach	Elsie Minear
Hilda Bernard	Elsie Mitchell
Lillian Fuller	Lu Perkins
Della Chance	Adeline Perry
Helen Clampitt	Mildred Rains
Mildred Clampitt	Inez Reece
Agnes Clemons	Mabel Reece
Vera Cutler	Verma Seward
Helen Davis	Mary Sparks
Elizabeth Dooley	Safrona Speas
Blanche Faris	Virginia Tatum
Zenna Faris	Mary Waldo
Noma Hadley	Pauline White
Thelma Hadley	Margaret Whitehead
Shirley Harrell	Mary Whitehead
Delores Horn	Alice Williams
Ruth Hough	Darlene Williams
Iona Marsh	Margaret Winters
	Alice Young

Another highlight was the showing of Vince Chorne's slide collection. Folks had a great time trying to identify everyone, and reliving the memories. Dan Whitehead was able to be with us for the Sunday worship service. Sunday afternoon the Roundhouse Players presented another NPRH Radio Playhouse giving us a look back at old time radio shows, with lots of good laughs. And in the third half we all got to enjoy those homemade pies & ice cream. YUM!!!!

The Vince Chorne collection of slides is on DVD, but is not ready for sale yet as there is a possibility of adding more items to it. Hopefully, the finished product will be available by

December and can be purchased from K.D. Burkett at kdbphoto@heartofiowa.net.

Camp Creamery curtain call



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Renewal Community, Inc. is a non-profit community betterment organization. Regular meetings are held on the third Monday of every month at the Roundhouse. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Roundhouse is available to rent for special functions. Contact Judy Staples 641-497-5799 for rental rates and availability.

COMING EVENTS

Roundhouse Costume Parade & Carnival - October 29, 6:30 p.m.
Drama Day Camp - July 16-20, 2012
All School Reunion 2013

Classroom Building Update

The classroom building is still standing. The anticipated July/August demolition date has been delayed due to several factors. One delay was due to the time it took to secure the asbestos removal bids and then for the company to come and do the job. It was the last week in July, one of the hottest weeks of our summer, when the asbestos abatement team came. They started in the boiler room, removing the asbestos from the boiler & pipes. Then they moved into the classroom building, removing floor tile from two rooms and asbestos from the heat pipes. Each room or space had to be sealed off and each worker wore a double suit, the outer suit was made of Tyvek-type material which doesn't breathe. So those guys were nearly a puddle of sweat before the day was over. The photo here shows them removing the asbestos from the boiler room roof. They bagged up the asbestos in special bags and deposited them into a special enclosed trailer provided by the county landfill. This little project cost \$16,573!

In the meantime, Gehrke Inc. (the contractor for the demolition) began a major project in Eldora, so we are now waiting for our turn. This also gives us time to raise the remaining \$20,000 needed to cover all the expenses involved.

Total costs	
Demolition	50,000
Asbestos inspection	1,955
Asbestos abatement	16,573
Total cost	\$68,528
Funds raised to date	
Donations	35,850
Commitments	13,000
Total funds raised	\$48,850



We would so much appreciate your help in raising this last portion for the demo project. So many of you have been very supportive with your donations so far, but we are not quite there yet. Please, send whatever amount you can to help with the expenses of retiring this building. Some have asked if we will save some of the bricks. Yes, we will have a couple piles of bricks set aside for those who are interested.

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Thanks to Marlene Reece for the photos used in this newsletter.