



86th Birthday Celebration

Mabel Rickels celebrated her 86th birthday at her home February 23rd. She was born to Etta and Jarve Nio on February 25, 1916. She is the wife of the late Ray Rickels. She has lived all but 12 years here in Mt. Vernon and has nine children, all living, 35 grandchildren, 58 great grandchildren and 16 great great grandchildren.

Five of her nine children were present - Midge, Rodger, Ann, Jane and Jimmy. All total there were 45 guests in and out through the day. A buffet lunch was served and ice cream and cake. The family wishes to thank each and everyone who came and for the gifts and cards she received.

Birth & Birthdays



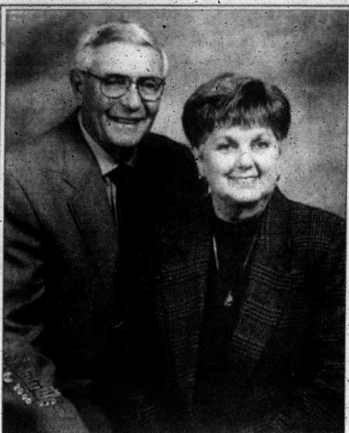
Jameson Levi Burdine celebrated his first birthday on January 30th with a Blues Clues party. Jameson is the son of Adam and Kelli Burdine. Those that attended the party were Chelsea, Overbey, Grace Gantner, Ariel and Trevor Scheffler, Katelyn and Lindsey Brown, Renee and Rebekah Grevdon, Elizabeth Lawrence, Sydney Hughes, Justin Brown, Spencer Mullins, Jeremiah Brown, Sarah Herbert, Makayla Singleton and lots of other family and friends. Jameson would like to thank everyone for helping him celebrate his first birthday.



Happy 13th Birthday Jacob Renner March 11th. Love: Dad, Mom, Amanda, Sarah & James



Happy 16th Birthday Abby. May all your dreams come true and I do hope that you always makes you as happy as you are today. May God always walk with you. We love you. Bill, Jean, Kala & Bucky.



50th Wedding Anniversary

Billy and Carol Riddle celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, March 2, 2002 with a family reception at Broadfield Baptist Church. They were married March 4, 1952 in Mt. Vernon by Rev. Phil Beck.

The Riddles have three children: Vicki Scott, Cheryl Brown and David Riddle. They also have five grandchildren: Corey Scott, Angie and Jared Brown and Weston and Kyle Riddle. Happy 50th - we love you!



Loni and Angie Thomas of Broadhead are proud to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Emilee Brooke, born January 2, 2002 at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. Emilee weighed 7 lbs. 15 ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Janice and Gayla Winstead of Mt. Vernon. Paternal grandparents are Loni and Bernice Thomas of Mt. Vernon. Great grandmothers are Bernice Sams, Alberta Winstead, Stella Bea Bullock and Mollie Mullins.



Mr. James Repper, formerly of Fairview, will celebrate his 72nd birthday on March 7, 2002.

As the days come and go, You see his got taking hold. He cannot take the heat or the cold. When God made him, he broke the mold.

He is still able to get around, Just not with leaps and bounds. His steps are slow, In his heart, he knows.

Time is passing fast, Now his fondest memories are in the past. "I use to do this" and "I use to do that."

Now most of the time it is in the chair he sat.

His steps do not chatter to me, He is as special as he can be. If you need him, he is there, Just because he cares.

Just how special is he to us, For him we like to make a fuss. On March 7th he will turn seventy-two. We hope he will see many more, too.

So Uncle James on this special day, Our wish is for you to have a very Happy Birthday!!!

Gardening & Landscaping Tips

By: Max Phelps

It Doesn't Have To Be Yellow
Thinking spring? Seeing yellow? That's great if you love yellow, but what other choices are there besides forsythias and daffodils for this time of year? Let's discover a bunch of plants some other color besides baby-chick yellow.

First, let's look at trees that bloom early. Maples are earliest bloomers in some locales, though the blooms are rather inconspicuous. Few trees make the impact of a large saucer magnolia (magnolia soulangeana) on a pretty day in late winter. The pink to white blossoms are truly large as saucers.

Hard to beat at any season, but



especially for earliest white blooms is the serviceberry (amalancheier), also referred to as 'sarvis'. This small tree presents dairy white blossoms well ahead of dogwoods and crab apples and callery pears and cherries.

White blossoms arrive a little later in spring on a number of trees. Perhaps the most common of these is the Bradford pear. But there are crab apples, plums, white-blooming redbuds and Carolina silverbellis, too. And more choices still later on include hawthorns, yellowwood, catalpa and fringe trees.

Beautiful early blooms such as flowering cherries, crab apples and native redbud trees give us many shades of pink early in the season. Then there are pink and red dogwoods, more magnolias, and pink-blossomed yellowwoods and hawthorns.

Exotic trees that you might consider include michelia, fig, paulownia, parrotia, parrotitree and davidia (or dove tree).

Second, take note of these attractive shrubs. For white blossoms, try star magnolia, Korean white forsythia, forsythia, honeysuckle, serviceberry (again), mock orange, azaleas, Merrill's magnolia, firethorn, chokeberry and various viburnum and spirea cultivars.

For pinks and purples there are azaleas rhododendrons, heaths, heathers, flowering almonds, lilacs, wisteria, wigelia, Jane magnolia, pieris and andromeda.

For reds and other hot colors there's flowering quince, Carolina allspice, pawpaw, azaleas and shrub locust with hot pink panicles of flowers.

A short list of desirable perennials and bulbs with something besides daffodil and dandelion yellow in winter or spring would include the following: bellebores, hyacinths, white and pink daffodils, alliums, tulips, pansies and violas; creeping phlox, candytuft, primrose, rock cress, baptisia and baneberry.

While dandelions, daffodils, euphorbia and forsythia undoubtedly all have a group of admirers, hopefully you will have learned about some lovely alternatives that will work for you in your yard as you try and create a pleasing look that will stand out from the crowd.

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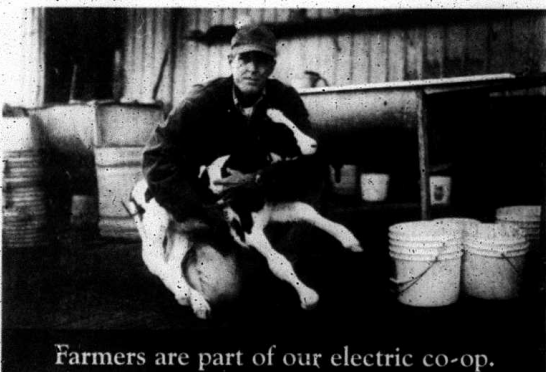
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