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What's happening around town

By Koby Keck
Editor

Spring has arrived in New Carlisle, or at least the calendar says it has. Baseball and softball seasons are underway at the high school (read about the first week of games in Sports) and practices have already started up at the little league diamonds as well.

Activity seems to be ramping up all over the area, with plenty of events coming up in the month of April and into May.

One of the major goals of *The Gazette* is to help get the word out about the activities of the various organizations and groups in the community. The second issue of the paper is packed with information about things to do and how to get involved.

This issue is the first to feature the Community Calendar (on page 5).

Calendar entries are listed free of charge and are also posted online at www.newcarlislegazette.com. You can submit your event on the website or email it to editor@newcarlislegazette.com.

Also making their debuts in *The Gazette*, are two new regular features.

Barbara Peterich is reviving her column "Recipes, Etc." an old favorite from the *New Carlisle News*.

Elementary school teacher Kaylor Keck will be giving us a look into the minds of children with "Insight into Kindergarten," a cartoon/column about his experiences in the classroom as a kindergarten teacher.

Hopefully you'll find these new columns enjoyable and

the event information useful.

Once again, feel free to send in any newsworthy item you would like to share with the community. Let us know "what's happening around town!"

CORRECTION

On page 5 of the March 25 edition of *The Gazette*, the times for two upcoming NPUSC Referendum Question & Answer Sessions were listed incorrectly.

The April 19 public meeting will be held at the Kankakee Township Fire Station in Rolling Prairie at 7pm CDT.

The second session, to be held at the New Carlisle Public Library on April 25, will begin at 8pm EDT.

Both events are listed in the Community Calendar.

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Major construction underway at power plant

By Koby Keck
Editor

Although the project officially broke ground last November, construction on the new St. Joseph Energy Center has become much more noticeable over the past several weeks.

Cranes tower over the site on Walnut Road, as the \$500 million Phase I construction has begun to make significant progress.

Kiewit Power Constructors is the contractor responsible for the engineering, design, and construction of the plant.

Specialty subcontractors, including many local companies, will be used for various aspects of the process.

At its peak, the project should create more than 500 construc-



Photo by Koby Keck
Early stages of construction are underway at the St. Joseph Energy Center.

tion jobs drawn from the region. current activity involves underground work like excavation, pipe and electrical bank installation operations. Kiewit will also be mobilizing around 120 operations staff to the area throughout the rest of the year.

According to Rick Dotson, project manager at Kiewit, much of the large concrete foundations later in the spring and summer," Dotson said.

The major construction phase is expected to last through Spring 2018. During that time, residents will notice Kiewit's presence in the community.

"You will see our black and yellow Kiewit trucks in town, and we will be involved in charity work and community events throughout the life of the project," Dotson said.

In other communities, the company has been involved with projects like toy and food drives, and also Habitat for Humanity.

Dotson says the community can expect to see an impact soon, as Kiewit is currently establishing a team of volunteers.

"We believe it's important to support the communities in which we live and work," Dotson said.

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New Carlisle Public Library

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New Carlisle Art Fair

Local artists' work will be on display during the weeks of April 18-May 1.

If you would like to display your art, contact the library for more details.

Butterfly Garden Class

Thursday, April 21 @ 7:00 pm ET

No registration required

PORT-A-PIT FUNDRAISER

For Historic New Carlisle, Inc.

Saturday, April 30, 2016

10 am – 2 pm ET

at the New Carlisle Fire Station

Pre-sale tickets guaranteed until 1 pm.

\$6.50 per half

Yummy Pit-Tatoes will also be available that day to purchase for \$3.50

To pre-purchase tickets, call

574-654-3897

Recipes, Etc.

By Barbara Peterich
For The Gazette

This is the first column that I prepared for the NC News on March 5, 2010. What a “great ride” it was, and I am looking forward so much to be a part of the NC Gazette now!

Julie Nixon Eisenhower’s
Chicken Divan

- 4 de-boned chicken breasts, cooked
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 - 10 oz packages frozen broccoli (cooked)
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 tsp curry powder (optional)
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs tossed with 2 T. melted margarine
- 2 cans cream of chicken soup
- parsley rice

1. Combine soup, mayo, lemon juice and curry powder and set aside.
2. Spread broccoli in buttered casse- role dish (13x9 inch)
3. Place chicken breasts on top of broccoli.
4. Pour soup mixture on chicken.
5. Sprinkle shredded cheddar cheese on top of soup mixture.
6. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for 25 minutes.
7. Serve over bed of rice.

Parsley Rice - 1 1/2 cup uncooked regular rice; 3 T. chicken bouillon cubes; 3 cups water; 3 T. butter; 1/2 c. chopped fresh parsley. Combine rice, bouillon and water in medium sauce- pan.

Bring to a boil, cover and reduce heat; Simmer 20 minutes or until ten- der; drain. Combine rice, melted mar- garine with parsley.

Etc. — Julie Nixon Eisenhower appeared on the “Mike Douglas Show” in 1974 and prepared this recipe on air.

She told Mike a little story of when she and husband David Eisen- hower were newlyweds (1968), she invited her mother and father (then the president) to their small apartment in New York.

She made up her mind this would be an eventful dinner and wanted something distinctive. Chicken Di- van was a very “special” dinner at the White House for the Nixons.

Obtaining this recipe required “secret” communication between Ju- lie and the White House chef! After watching the show, I was so excited. I wrote and asked for the recipe that I am sharing with all of you today as I did in 2010!

Good Luck Koby Keck with the NC Gazette!

Barbara Peterich was a featured columnist of the New Carlisle News since 2010, providing a recipe and an “Etc.” — an interesting story or tid- bit related to the recipe. Barbara will be reviving her column on a regular basis for The Gazette.

Insight into Kindergarten

By Mr. Keck



“She got the first chalk on her, and I was just trying to help out. I tried to get rid of it with the eraser, but it didn’t work!”

Two of my girls, one who gets in trouble constantly and one who has never done anything wrong in her life, came running to me during our free time in a complete panic, kind of the way siblings would run to a parent after one hurts the other: with one running to tell and the oth- er desperately pleading their case.

The one girl (the one who always gets in trouble) is completely covered

with chalk dust from her knees to her nose and looks upset. The other (the well-behaved one) is frantic and crying.

The little girl covered in chalk yells, “She got chalk all over me!”

The other girl, completely freak- ing out and sobbing, says, “She got the first chalk on her, and I was just trying to help out. I tried to get rid of it with the eraser, but it didn’t work! It got so much worse! I didn’t know what to do, so I just kept trying to erase it. I’m so sorry! Are you going to call my mom?!”

I was almost crying from laugh- ing so hard, and I told her it was okay, and she wasn’t in trouble.

The other girl throws her hands up and goes, “That’s not fair! If that was me, I would have gotten in deep trouble.”

She’s probably right.

Kaylor Keck is a second grade teacher at Elm Road Elementary School in Mishawaka, previously teaching kindergarten for 4 years.

Community Calendar: April 8 – May 1

April 9
Spring Artisan Fair
Lamb’s Chapel
6006 N Fail Rd, LaPorte
10:00am - 3:00pm (CT)
Spring fair full of talented vendors. Shop local and support your neighbors!

April 9
Fish Fry
United Methodist Church of New Carlisle
300 Compton St
4:00pm - 7:00pm (ET)
Adults \$9.00/Children (4-12) \$5.00/Under 4 Free. Carryouts available. New Prairie High School band will be helping and part of the proceeds will be going to them. Early ticket sales encouraged. Call 574- 654-7442 or stop by the church.

April 10
Salad Bar & Card Party
St. John Kanty Altar & Rosary Society
600 E. 700 N. Rolling Prairie
Doors Open at 11:30am (CT)
Lunch Served at 1:00pm (CT)
\$5 entrance donation. Piggy & Special Raffle Tickets to purchase. Tickets avail- able at the door or call Rose: (219) 778- 8375. BYO Cards & Dice.

April 15
Kory Minor, Motivational Speaker
New Carlisle Fire Station
7:00pm (ET)
Former Notre Dame and Carolina Pan- thers football player. Free event.

April 16
Painting Party: Lighthouse
New Carlisle Public Library
11:00am & 2:30pm (ET)
\$25 donation. All supplies included. Ages 13+, registration is required by April 11. Space is limited.

April 16
The Ultimate Elvis Experience
Presented by NP Choir Boosters
New Prairie High School Auditorium
6:30pm - 8:30pm (CT)
Alvie “Elvis” Ellenwine and The Sweet Sensations. Advance tickets \$10/At the

Door \$15. Tickets available at the NPHS office or through a choir student. Proceeds benefit NP General Choir Fund.

April 16
Treasure Hunt
Sponsored by Discover New Carlisle
Downtown Business District
Register to win door prizes at each of the participating retailers and qualify to be en- tered into a grand prize gift basket draw- ing. Check out the ad on page 7 for more information and participating retailers.

April 18 - May 1
New Carlisle Art Fair
New Carlisle Public Library
Local artists’ work will be on display. To display your work, contact the library for more details.

April 19
McDonald’s Giveback Night
For New Prairie Music Boosters
3 Knute Rockne Plaza, Rolling Prairie
4:00pm - 7:00pm (CT)
A percentage of all sales at the south end plaza location (off the Toll Road) will be donated to the New Prairie Music Boost- ers. Download a flyer at www.newprairie- bands.weebly.com or get one at the door that night.

April 19
NPUSC Referendum Q&A
Kankakee Twp. Fire Station, Rolling Prairie
7:00pm (CT)
New Prairie United School Corporation will be holding a public meeting to share information and answer questions from the community regarding the Building Renovation project.

April 21
Butterfly Garden Class
New Carlisle Public Library
7:00pm (ET)
Learn how to make a butterfly garden. No registration required.

April 22-23
Friends of the Library Book Sale
New Carlisle Public Library
9:00am - 5:00pm (ET)

Still accepting donations for gently used books, CDs, and DVDs. Drop off dona- tions at the library.

April 23
Annual Inside Yard Sale
Rolling Prairie United Methodist Church
350 N and U.S. 20
8:00am - 1:00pm (CT)
Furniture, kitchenware, electronics, tools, toys, etc. Baby and children’s clothing will be accepted but not adult clothing. Donations may be brought to the church April 18 to 22 from 8-12. If you need items pick up, call 219/ 778-4236 or 219/ 608-9205.

April 23
Rolling Prairie Baseball Association Opening Day
Parade, team introductions, and National Anthem. Scrimmage games will be played.

April 25
Know Your Credit
Sponsored by 1st Source Bank
New Carlisle Public Library
4:00pm - 7:00pm (ET)
Pull your credit report for free. Get advice from experts. Learn how to correct, im- prove or simply start credit.

April 25
NPUSC Referendum Q&A
New Carlisle Public Library
8:00pm (ET)
New Prairie United School Corporation will be holding a public meeting to share information and answer questions from the community regarding the Building Renovation project.

April 29-30
New Prairie Knolls Garage Sale
Subdivision at County Line Rd
9:00am - 4:00pm (ET)
Over 30 neighborhood homes participat- ing. If rained out both days, will be re- scheduled for May 6-7.

April 30
New Prairie Little League Opening Day

April 30
Port-A-Pit Fundraiser
For Historic New Carlisle
New Carlisle Fire Station
10:00am - 2:00pm (ET)
Pre-sale tickets guaranteed until 1:00pm (ET). \$6.50 per half. Yummy Pit-Tatoes available to purchase for \$3.50. To pre- purchase tickets, call 574-654-3897

April 30
Hudson Lake Spring Fling
Promoted by Hudson Lake Conservation Association
Monroe’s Crossing
7038 N Chicago Rd
7:00pm - 11:00pm (CT)
Dancing, raffles, food & drinks on the lake. Live music by Dr. Groovy & The Soul Surgeons. Drawings at 9pm - Win- ners must be present. \$5.00 cover in ad- vance, must be 21 or older to attend. Call 574-654-7222 for tickets.

April 30
Trivia Night Fundraiser
For Hometown Days
American Legion Post 297
Doors Open 6:00pm (ET)
Trivia 7:00pm (ET)
\$10 per person. Teams of 10 people each. A fun night of trivia, games, piggy raffles, and more. 21 or Older event. Cash bar benefits the American Legion. Reserve a table online at www.hometowndays.net.

May 1
Hudson Lake Mennonite Church Worship
Chicago Trail Village
Coffee and Pastries 9:45am (CT)
Worship 10:00am (CT)

SUBMIT AN EVENT

Visit the Community Calendar page on newcarlislegazette.com to submit your event. Event listings are free of charge. Events from display ads are automatically added to the calendar.

Trivia Night for Hometown Days April 30

By Koby Keck
Editor


We all know the biggest party of the year in New Carlisle happens the last weekend of July, but the Hometown Days committee will be hosting a fun night of trivia and more on Saturday, April 30. The event, which will be held at the American Legion Post 297 in New Carlisle, is a fundraiser for the festival. Doors open at 6pm EDT, with the trivia competition beginning at 7pm EDT. The cost to enter is \$10 per person, with a maximum of ten people allowed per team. Categories range from geography to pop culture to sports and are sure to test your general knowledge



Photo by Kimber Vaundry
Trivia Night is a major source of funding for the annual Hometown Days fireworks.

and challenge you with obscure facts. an opportunity to play some traditional 50/50 chance games like A cash prize will be awarded to the top team. heads/tails and some other special Between rounds, you'll have games. HTD President Doug Vaun-

dry will surely keep you on your toes with a round of Simon Says. Even if you don't win at trivia, you won't necessarily leave empty handed. There will be plenty of opportunities to win with the piggy raffles. Hometown Days is still accepting donations for items. To donate, contact Kimber Vaundry at 574-654-3484. Food will be available for purchase, as well as a cash bar. Proceeds from the bar will go to the American Legion, so the event is an opportunity to benefit two community groups. From the spectacular fireworks to the live entertainment in the gazebo, funds raised from the trivia night will be used to make the 12th annual Hometown Days festival, to be held July 29-31, the best one yet.



TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, April 30

Doors Open 6pm ET/Trivia Starts 7pm ET

American Legion Post 297

486 E Michigan St, New Carlisle

\$10 per person • 10 players per team

Piggy Raffles • 50/50 Games • Food for purchase

21 and Over • Cash bar benefits the Legion

Reserve a table at hometowndays.net

Discover the treasures in New Carlisle

By Kathy Aurenz
For The Gazette

There's treasure to be found in our community, and it's yours to reveal on Saturday, April 16 during the Discover New Carlisle Treasure Hunt! This first-time event is a delightful opportunity to support local businesses and provide our economy with the tools it needs to thrive. To participate in this "bounty"-ful event, simply obtain a Treasure Hunt Passport available at any of the 11 participating retailers (see ad below). Have your passport validated and enter to win a door prize at each of the participating retailers that you chose to explore. If at the end of your expedi-



tion, your passport is validated by six or more of the participating retailers, you will qualify to win the grand prize gift basket! Laden with booty valued at over \$150, the grand prize gift basket will

be on display at The Village Shoppes on the day of the Treasure Hunt. Whether or not you win any of the numerous prizes offered during this event, being part of the commitment of strengthening our lo-

cal community and economy are the most valuable riches you'll gain by engaging in this Treasure Hunt!

About Discover New Carlisle

Discover New Carlisle seeks to encourage and develop economic growth by supporting and promoting businesses, events, and the historic identity of our community. Whether you are just rolling through the town or have been a resident for years, there are many things to do and get involved with. Discover New Carlisle aims for one community event per month and encourages everyone to come out and be a part. Visit the group's website at www.discovernewcarlisle.com to see the various events and browse around the site for additional information.



Fun-Filled Treasure Hunt in Historic New Carlisle

Saturday April 16

Yarn and More • The Potter's Wife Feeney's Hometown Goods • Longshots Bar & Grill Charles Mares Hardware • Harvest Tap • The Village Shoppes • Moser's Austrian Cafe • Kate O'Connor's Irish Pub • Black Cat Lanes • The Collection

To participate, pick up a passport at any of the participating retailers listed above. Your treasure hunting adventure begins at your retailer of choice.


Register to win a door prize at each of the participating retailers

If your passport is validated by at least six of the participating retailers, you qualify to be entered into the grand prize drawing for a gift basket valued at over \$150!

Don't let the treasure hunting ship set sail without you!


New Carlisle-Olive Twp. Friends of the Library

BOOK SALE



April 22 & 23

Friends of the Library is still accepting your donations of gently used books, CDs, and DVDs. You may drop off donations anytime at the front desk of the library.



2016 Spring Leaf Pick Up will begin March 28, 2016 and will last approximately 3 weeks, depending on need.

For further details, contact Town Hall 654-3733 (option 1)

Edward E. Bowen
July 10, 1935 – March 26, 2016

Edward E. Bowen, 80, of New Carlisle, IN passed away Saturday, March 26, 2016 in his home. He was born July 10, 1935 in Chicago to John and Emily (Kretsch) Bowen. Edward retired as a sub-foreman from Chicago Sewers Department and previously worked at Cuneo Press, also in Chicago. On September 10, 1954 Edward married Mary Ann Boyd who preceded him in death on March 20, 2012. He also was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter, Kathleen, two sons Dan & Tim, and his brothers, Charles & John Bowen. He leaves behind two daughters, Pat (Ken) Markham of Glenview, IL, Jill (Bob) McAllister of Bloomington, IL; four sons, Ed Bowen of Chicago, Jack (Kathy) Bowen of Des Plaines, IL, Bill (Colleen) Bowen of

Chesterton, IN, Mike (Nancy) Bowen of La Porte, IN, a daughter-in-law Liz Bowen of Las Vegas, NV; 26 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; his brother Thomas of Chicago; a sister-in-law, Jean Bowen of Springfield, IL; and several nieces & nephews. Edward was a member of St. John



Kanty Catholic Church, the Holy Name Society, served on committees with the Parish, was a member of the Knights of Columbus 4th degree, volunteered at Sharing Meadows, and served on the Hudson Lake Township Board. Visitation was held 2-7 p.m. Sunday April 3, 2016 at Frank L. Keszei Funeral Home, ESSLING CHA-

PEL, 1117 Indiana Avenue, La Porte, IN. Rosary was recited at 6 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 4th at St. John Kanty Catholic Church, Rolling Prairie, IN. Family and friends gathered Monday at 9 a.m. in the funeral home. Burial took place in St. John Kanty Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Kanty Parish or the Share Foundation. To send condolences online, please visit <http://www.esslingfuneralhome.com/>

Robert J. Cuff
November 29, 1921 – March 27, 2016

Robert J. Cuff, 94, of New Carlisle, Indiana, formerly of Rolling Prairie, passed away Sunday, March 27, 2016 at Hamilton Grove in New Carlisle, IN. Robert was born November 29, 1921 to Michael and Marie (Quigley) Cuff, in LaPorte, IN. Following graduation from LaPorte High School, he left for Nebraska to find work during the Great Depression. There, he eventually enlisted to serve in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He later advanced into 1st Lieutenant of the 100th Bomb Squadron, 42nd Bomb Group (Medium) piloting a B-25 Mitchell. On October 11, 1943 Robert married Rosa Mae Boettcher in Sacramento, California. Rosa preceded him in death on July 3, 2011. He was also

preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Susan Hopkins; a brother, Richard Cuff; sisters, Theresa Pieschala, Ethel Mae Koeppen, Katherine Marquart, and Mary Jane Cuff. After the war, he began working at Bastian Morley where he became Vice President. After its closing, Robert briefly worked at Mordien until he moved on to Davis Products until retirement at 65. Robert, or Bud to his friends and family, was the type of man that would take the long way home. Being outdoors was akin to being with God. Him and Rose were as much on the road traveling in their camper to places like Texas, Yellowstone, and the Black Hills, as they were at home, sitting on the porch, sharing a beer,

and a laugh, or two, with their family. He was never adverse to hard work. Bud loved gardening, hunting and just being outdoors on adventures. He instilled this on not only his own children, but his grandchildren, who he loved being with, as much as he loved loading them up and sending them home. He had a great love for quirky and goofy knick knacks, pictures and trinkets. And, his biggest love was Rose, who he is now finally with after 5 years. Bud appreciated the harder lessons in life, they built character. He was humble enough to admit when he needed help, and said to always cherish your family. Family will always be there when you need them. Robert leaves behind two daugh-

ters, Kathleen (Thomas) Haas of Michigan City, IN and Janis (Alan) Giles of Marengo, IL; a son, Ronald (Marjorie) Cuff of Hanna, IN; a son-in-law Randall Hopkins of Detroit, MI; 17 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; and a sister, Patricia Schroeder of La Porte, IN. A memorial Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 9, 2016 at St. John Kanty Catholic Church in Rolling Prairie, IN. Burial will follow in Rolling Prairie Cemetery with Military honors. Arrangements by: Frank L. Keszei Funeral Home, ESSLING CHAPEL, 1117 Indiana Avenue, LaPorte, IN. Memorial contributions may be to the donor's choice. To send condolences online, please visit Essling Funeral Home.com.

Help Older Parents Avoid Financial "Scams"

Provided By Edward Jones
For The Gazette

Here's a disturbing statistic: One out of every five Americans over the age of 65 has been victimized by a financial scheme, according to the Investor Protection Trust, a nonprofit organization devoted to investor education. If your parents are in this age group, should you be concerned? And can you help them avoid being "scammed" so that they maintain control over their finances? The answer to the first question is "yes" — you should be concerned. Of course, as the numbers above show, most aging Americans are not being swindled, which suggests they can take care of themselves quite well. Still, it's no secret that many fraud schemes target seniors because of their concentrated wealth and in many cases, trusting nature. And as much as you'd like to think otherwise, your parents could be susceptible to rip-off artists. Fortunately, in regard to the second question above, you can indeed take steps to help prevent your parents from being fleeced. Here are a few suggestions: Observe their behavior. If you live close to your parents, listen closely to any new friends, investment deals or

sweepstakes they mention during your normal interactions.. If you're in a different city, try to stay abreast of your parents' behavior by communicating with them frequently and by checking in with other family members or friends who have occasion to see your parents. Urge them to watch out for suspicious e-mails. You've probably seen them — the e-mails offering to "reward" you with huge amounts of money if you will only contact such-and-such from a distant country and then put up a "small" sum to initiate some ill-defined transaction. You probably "spam" these without a moment's thought — and you should urge your parents to do the same. Remind them that any offer that sounds "too good to be true" is, without question, neither "good" nor "true." Encourage them to further their financial education. Law enforcement agencies, health care professionals and reputable financial services providers all offer personal financial management programs designed specifically for seniors. Look for these types of programs in your area, encourage your parents to attend — and even consider going with them. Become familiar with their financial situation. Having a serious discussion with your parents about

their finances may not be easy — but it's important. The more you know about their investments, retirement accounts and estate plans, the better prepared you'll be to respond helpfully if they mention an action they're considering taking that, to you, just doesn't sound appropriate. Suggest professional help. If your parents are already working with a qualified financial professional, they're probably less likely to be victimized by fraud than if they were managing their finances on their own. And it's a good idea for you to know their financial advisor, and for him or her to know you, as you may well be involved in your parents' legacy planning. But if your parents don't already have a financial advisor, you may want to recom-

mend one to them, particularly if it's someone you already know and trust. It's entirely possible that your parents won't need any assistance in avoiding financial scams. But, just in case, be prepared to act on the above suggestions. Your intervention could help preserve your parent's financial independence.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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SOFTBALL, CONTINUED FROM 12

St. Joseph-3A, and Bremen - 2A).

However, New Prairie is no stranger to any of these clubs. Of the 12 conference opponents, only Elkhart Central has not appeared on the schedule in recent years.

Hull embraces the challenges of the new conference and is confident about her team’s position in the league.

“I think a lot of teams are going to be surprised by us this year,” she said.

Hull is already seeing improvement with the offensive production compared to last season.

“Last year I believe we hit four home runs as a team and already this year we have two,” she said.

Those home runs both came in the first game off the bats of sophomore Alaynna Rodriguez and freshman Kenna Young. Both youngsters are expected to make their presence known this season.



Photo by Tommy Miles
Pitcher Ashlyn Kopinski (pictured here in 2015) picked up the win against Valparaiso in the season opener on March 29.

The Cougars were scheduled tion at home on Monday against for a pair of road games over Spring South Central. First pitch is slated Break. They will be back in ac- for 4:30pm CT at Ziolkowski Field.

2016 Varsity Softball Roster

No.	Player	Yr.
1	Erica Hesters	Jr.
2	Kenna Young	Fr.
3	Mercede Cruz	Jr.
4	Abigail Werner	Jr.
5	Amanda Johnson	Jr.
9	Barbara Stanish	Jr.
11	Ashlyn Kopinski	Jr.
12	Brooke Prestin	Sr.
14	Ashton Woods	Sr.
15	Lauren White	Sr.
21	Alaynna Rodriguez	So.
23	Jordyn Bloode	So.
24	Alyssa Nelson	So.
25	Morgan Hoogeveen	So.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Slicers 11, Cougars 5

Cougars 10, Blazers 0

LAPORTE- New Prairie opened up its 2016 varsity baseball season on Tuesday, March 29, with a loss to rival LaPorte at Schreiber Field.

The Cougars were paced by Bryce Bloode, who went 2 for 4 with a pair of doubles.

La Porte led 2-0 heading into the fourth inning, when Addison Kuntz lined a single into left field, scoring Mason Workman and cutting the deficit to one.

That was as close as New Prairie would get, as the Slicers answered with eight runs in the bottom half of the frame to take a commanding 10-1 lead.

New Prairie put up three runs in the top of the fifth, as one of Bloode’s doubles drove in a run.

Justin Cromey took the loss on the mound for the Cougars. Cromey allowed six runs over 3 1/3 innings work.

It was the first game for the Cougars under new coach Mark Schellinger, who was facing his alma mater.

NEW CARLISLE - New Prairie (1-1) bounced back from an Opening Day loss with a 10-0 victory over Michigan City Marquette on Wednesday, March 30, in the home opener at Harry “Bear” Tolmen Field.

The game was called due to weather in the bottom half of the fourth.

Kadin Abegg tossed four innings of one-hit baseball, striking out five to pick up the victory for the Cougars.

After a scoreless first inning for both clubs, New Prairie took control of the ballgame with six runs in the second. The rally was keyed by a three-run double off the bat of Dylan Kegley.

Kegley also doubled in the fourth inning, eventually leading to the tenth New Prairie run, as courtesy runner Connor VanOverbergh on an Evan Knowlton double just before the game was called.

On the basepaths, Zack Ketterer swiped four bases, giving him six steals in the first two games.

NEW PRAIRIE					LAPORTE					
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi	
Abegg	3	1	0	0	Rettinger	2	2	1	1	
Bloode	4	1	2	1	Lorenz	1	0	1	1	
Kegley	3	0	1	0	Fadke	4	1	1	0	
Workman	0	1	0	0	Riehle	1	0	1	0	
Cromey	2	0	0	0	Brogan	4	1	3	2	
Mayfield	1	0	0	0	Pope	1	0	0	0	
Ruiz	1	0	0	0	Upp	2	1	1	1	
Kuntz	4	0	1	1	Williams	4	1	2	1	
Ketterer	2	1	1	0	Hill	3	2	0	0	
Knowlton	3	0	0	0	Samuelsn	2	3	1	2	
Curl	1	0	0	0	Waterson	1	0	1	0	
Lambert	1	1	1	0	Malekovch	1	0	0	0	
Vn/Ovrbrgh	2	0	0	0	Max	5	0	1	1	
Totals	27	5	6	2	Totals	31	11	13	9	
@ Schreiber Field										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
NP	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	5	6	2
LP	2	0	0	8	0	1	X	11	13	1

E— Knowlton, VanOverbergh, Brogan. LOB — New Prairie 6, LaPorte 10. 2B — Bloode 2, Brogan, Williams, Watterson. 3B — Brogan, Samuelson. SB — Ketterer 2, Workman, Rettinger, Upp, Hill 2, Samuelson 2

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
NEW PRAIRIE						
Cromey (L)	3.1	7	6	6	4	0
Mayfield	2.2	6	5	1	2	2
LAPORTE						
Watterson (W)	5	5	4	2	2	6
Jageman	1	1	1	1	1	1
Willoughby	1	0	0	0	1	2

MARQUETTE					NEW PRAIRIE					
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi	
Pawlak	2	0	0	0	Abegg	2	1	1	2	
Gotsch	2	0	1	0	Mayfield	0	0	0	0	
Moldnhauer	2	0	0	0	Bloode	2	1	0	1	
Freels	2	0	0	0	Kegley	3	0	2	3	
Dietz	1	0	0	0	VanOvrbrgh	0	1	0	0	
Shinn	1	0	0	0	Kuntz	3	0	0	0	
Malave	1	0	0	0	Ketterer	1	2	0	0	
Cannon	1	0	0	0	Knowlton	2	1	1	2	
Donaldson	1	0	0	0	Curl	2	0	0	0	
					Workman	2	2	1	0	
					Lambert	1	2	1	1	
Totals					Totals					
12 0 1 0					18 10 6 9					
@ Harry "Bear" Tolmen Field										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
MARQ	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0	1	2
NP	0	6	0	1	-	-	-	10	6	0

E— Donaldson, Shinn. LOB — Marquette 2, New Prairie 2. 2B — Knowlton, Abegg, Kegley 2. SB — Lambert, Ketterer 4, Knowlton 2, Workman.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
MARQUETTE						
Freels (L)	3.2	5	10	3	5	3
NEW PRAIRIE						
Abegg (W)	4	1	0	0	1	5

COUGAR SPORTS SCHEDULE
APRIL 8-21

BASEBALL

Fri. 4/8	Varsity vs. Michigan City	JV @ Michigan City	4:00pm
Sat. 4/9	Varsity @ Goshen	JV vs. Goshen	10:00am
Mon. 4/11	Varsity @ La Crosse		4:30pm
Tue. 4/12	Varsity vs. Westville		4:30pm
Wed. 4/13	Varsity @ SB St. Joseph	JV vs. SB St. Joseph	4:00pm
Fri. 4/15	Varsity @ Valparaiso		4:30pm
Sat. 4/16	Junior Varsity vs. Valparaiso		10:00am
Mon. 4/18	Varsity vs. SB Riley	JV @ SB Riley	4:00pm
Wed. 4/20	Varsity @ Bremen	JV vs. Bremen	4:00pm

BOYS GOLF

Sat. 4/9	Triton @ Rozella Ford Invite	7:00am
Sat. 4/16	MC Marquette @ Municipal	12:00pm
Wed. 4/20	@ La Porte	4:00pm
Thu. 4/21	Jimtown/Penn @ McCormick Creek	3:30pm

GIRLS TENNIS

Wed. 4/13	@ Mishawaka	4:30pm
Thu. 4/14	@ SB Clay	4:00pm
Sat. 4/16	4-Way vs. Knox/LaVille/NorthWood	8:30am
Tue. 4/19	vs. SB Riley	4:00pm
Wed. 4/20	vs. La Porte	4:00pm
Thu. 4/21	@ Bremen	4:00pm

SOFTBALL

Fri. 4/8	Junior Varsity @ Penn Tournament		12:00pm
Mon. 4/11	Varsity vs. South Central		4:30pm
Wed. 4/13	Junior Varsity @ South Central		4:30pm
Thu. 4/14	Varsity vs. Mishawaka	JV @ Mishawaka	4:00pm
Fri. 4/15	Varsity vs. SB St. Joseph	JV @ SB St. Joseph	4:00pm
Sat. 4/16	Varsity vs. La Porte		9:30am
Sat. 4/16	Junior Varsity vs. La Porte		11:30am
Mon. 4/18	Varsity @ SB Riley		4:00pm
Mon. 4/18	Junior Varsity @ MC Marquette		5:00pm
Wed. 4/20	Varsity vs. Bremen	JV @ Bremen	4:00pm

TRACK & FIELD

Tue. 4/12	vs. Mishawaka Marian	4:00pm
Thu. 4/14	vs. La Porte	4:00pm
Sat. 4/16	@ Wheeler Invitational	10:00am
Tue. 4/19	vs. Riley/Mishawaka	4:00pm

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CENTRAL TIME (SCHOOL TIME)
Cougar Sports Schedule is accurate as of press time on Monday, April 4. All event times and locations are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, visit New Prairie Athletics page on Schedule Star at <http://schedules.schedulestar.com/New-Prairie-High-School-New-Carlisle-IN/>

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SPORTS

Softball starts season with pair of wins

By Koby Keck
Editor

Despite having a game snowed out on Saturday, the New Prairie softball team is off to a hot start after the first week of the season.

The Cougars (2-0) have opened the season with wins over non-conference opponents Valparaiso and Michigan City Marquette.

At Valpo, New Prairie started their 2016 campaign with an offensive explosion, pounding out 16 hits en route to a 10-8 victory over the Vikings.

"That game was a back and forth battle," New Prairie coach Jessica Hull said. "My girls never gave up, though they did give me anxiety."

In the home opener against Marquette, the Cougars took a rain-shortened 5-3 decision.

Hull is in her second year at the helm of the program. She guides a relatively new squad after graduating



Photo by Tommy Miles

New Prairie's Ashton Woods bats in last season's game against Valparaiso.

five seniors from last season's team, both have seen significant varsity action since their freshmen year in 2013. Woods was selected first team all-conference catcher in the NSC all three years.

The program returns two seniors, Brooke Prestin and Ashton Woods, Prestin was a first-team infield-

er as a sophomore in 2014 and received honorable mention last year.

The team also welcomes a senior transfer, Lauren White from southern Indiana.

Hull expects White to be a key contributor, and her impact has already been felt at the plate. White went 3 for 5 in the season opener.

Like the rest of New Prairie's athletic programs, the softball team is competing in their first season in the Northern Indiana Conference (NIC).

The Cougars will open up the conference slate on Thursday, April 14 with a home matchup against Mishawaka.

The 13-team league will feature a round robin schedule. There will still be a North and South division, along with an overall champion.

The NIC will provide the Cougars with top-notch competition as three of the conference's teams are ranked number one in the state in their respective classes (Penn-4A,

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