



The Capon Weekly

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CAPON SPRINGS, WV

Front Porch Chatter...

Among the three generational family gatherings this week are the Allan, Anderson, Athey, Beckler, Bellingham, Brauner, Butler, Carmick, Church, Fifer, Finagin, Marsh, Mecredy, Messersmith, Miles, Miller, Mizell, Montgomery, Morrison, Papa, Phillips, Riddle, Rudd, Ryan, Schafer, Turner, Webb & Wolfgang families. The Riddle and Sachs clans each have **4** generations.

Jo Turner has Capon connections that go both back and forward two generations. Her parents



brought her maternal grandparents here in the 1940s. Jo is here now with her three kids. Their family tradition continues with daughter Mary Kadera's son Ian representing the fifth generation of her family's Capon visits.

Meanwhile, when it came time to celebrate her 90th birthday, June Sachs had only one place in mind: Capon. On Wednesday, 22 of her family members watched a historical family DVD movie put together by son Carl. June had an extra birthday surprise running into an old school mate Don Brauner, who joined his family to celebrate his 90th birthday Friday.

Founder's Thoughts



"The expectant father expresses his thanks to his Maker and promises that his child will be different; he will teach the child the truth of its nature— that the Creator who formed the baby's frame remains with him as the child's Creator-Partner. " *Capon co-founder, Lou Austin; from "LLA Anthology," pg 60.*

End of summer deal:



Since you have made at LEAST one visit this year already, just return anytime between **Sunday, August 23 and Friday, September 4** and all rooms with private bath are just **\$99** per person per night. Prefer the Main Building? Then rates are only **\$79** per person. You are welcome to include any of your family and friends when you make the reservations for them to join you!

Happy B'day West Virginia



On Saturday, June 20th, the state of West Virginia celebrates its 146th birthday. West Virginia broke off from the state of Virginia just months after President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation. Voters elected Arthur Boreman, the candidate of the Constitutional Union political party, as the first governor of "The Mountain State" in 1863.

Guests celebrated with a new Mountaineer trivia true and false quiz. For example: Hampshire County is the oldest county in West Virginia. T or F?

FABULOUS FATHERS!

Don't forget your dad on Sunday! To help you put together that last minute gift, come up to the Meeting House at 10:00a.m. Sunday for a craft-making session!



Guest Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS

6/18 Emily Mecredy

6/19 Donald Brauner

6/19 Solomon Beckler

6/19 George Pinkerton

6/20 Craig Messersmith



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

6/20 Howard & Anne Moore
Burgin– 50th

6/20 Ernie & Dorothy Kociban

6/21 Doug & Etta Wallace

6/21 Henry & Annette Rider

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Ping Pong It was all Becklers when it came to

table tennis advancement during Thursday afternoon's all comers tourney. The result: seven of the eight quarterfinalists and all of the semi-finalists were part of the extended Beckler family reunion. While Wes Webb battled his sister-in-law Judy Dempsey to reach the championship, Judy's husband Will outlasted Judy's brother Bill to have a shot at the title. In the finals, Wes jumped out to an early lead 8-2, before Will stormed back 7-8. The lead changed many times until finally reaching a locked score 20-20 to force an overtime battle. Wes scored the first two points and took top honors!



Kids Shuffleboard Ten very talented kids

competed for the title of first shuffleboard champion of the year. There were many long but very even matches. Every person put forth their best effort, but it came down to Johnny Alexandre and Brooke Miller. Johnny started off with a big lead of 10 to zero, but in the second round Brooke came back strong by knocking one of Johnny's disks into the 10-off section and scoring 14 points of her own. Johnny calmly fought back and by the end of the fifth round he was up 24 to 21. The sixth round determined the winner: Brooke scored eight points for a total of 29, but Johnny got the win by scoring eight points as well to win by three.

Basketball:



The Friday afternoon Free Throw contest started off with 11 people. Of those 11 people, five continued to a tie breaker round by sinking three out of ten shots. The first tie-breaker round eliminated two competitors. Then the next tie-breaking round knocked out Antonio O'Ferral, leaving only Ryan Mecredy and Erik Butler to duke it out. Although Erik tried to keep up, he could not compete with Ryan's 60 percent in all the tie-breaking rounds.

Capon One Mile

The first Capon mile of the 2009 season had some speedy older and younger runners. Mark Stafford took off like a shot and led start to finish cruising to a 56-second victory with a time of 5:52. Second place finisher was nine-year-old Graham Marsh with 6:46. Meanwhile another youngster, 11-year-old Brooke Miller led all females placing third overall place with 6:53. Age group winners included Adam Buchanan, John Shields, Alex Hoyt and Diane Stafford. The oldest competitor, Page Allen, took home jam for the best effort award. Katie Bellingham, just shy of her 6th birthday, was the youngest finisher in her first Capon mile.

