



# The Capon Weekly

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## Front Porch Chatter...

The Webster family noticed that in an earlier edition of the Capon Weekly, one family was featured for having a Capon connection that extended back five generations. After checking their own genealogy, they realized they too went back that far. Tim Webster's grandfather Vic Knop was a regular guest in the 1950s and Vic's father came regularly in the 1940s. That means Tim's children are continuing the family tradition of Capon visits into the 5th generation as well.

Parke & Karen Brown's family has its own



place in the Capon record books. With their 40-year streak of coming in June, they have celebrated son Andy

Brown's birthday every year here. That means Andy has feasted on more Capon cakes than just about any Capon guest in history!

Several third generation families gathered to celebrate major family events. Thirty five years after their first visit, Jim & Marion Johnston were joined by their family to honor their 60th wedding anniversary. Meanwhile, matriarch Margaret Allen feasted on a sheet cake Friday night to mark her 85th birthday. Over 50 members of the extended Allen/Hagen clan made it for the trip to Capon.

On Friday night, the Blue and Gray Chorus was forced inside the auditorium when



thunderstorms threatened with loud booms and heavy drops. After the main performance, their barbershop quartet entertained guests in the Main House living room with silly versions of show tunes and gospel favorites.

## Founder's Thoughts

"I believe that in joining with the Creative Power in constant conscious breathing, we are helped to breathe out self, breathe in God. It enables me to do things I could never do on my own."



*Capon co-founder, Lou Austin; from "LLA Anthology", pg 213.*



## Fish Food

Jamie Haney used "Little Red", their family's 15-year-

old kid's fishing rod, to pull in one of the biggest basses ever from Capon's Main fish pond on Tuesday. When the mighty creature ignored her worm, she went after a smaller fingerling that greedily gulped it up. Then Jamie used the small fry as bait, which was just the trick to pull in "bubba". The giant bass swallowed the smaller fish and the hook. All Jamie had to do was patiently tow it to shore with her 4 pound line. Her husband Johnny then scooped it out of the water.

## End of summer deal:

Since you have already made at LEAST one visit this year, just return anytime between **Sunday, August 23 and Friday, September 4** when 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!





## Road race

Twenty seven jogging enthusiasts showed up in the heat of the day Tuesday

afternoon for the annual one mile jaunt. Connor Robick sprinted out to the early lead. Yet, just like he did last year, Luke Yanike patiently waited and worked the hills to take the lead. His 6:20 win was 6 seconds faster than last year. Meanwhile, pre-teen sensation Kayla Bartel repeated as the overall female winner, improving her time by 23 seconds to finish with 7:09. Malcolm Mehr, Connor Robick, Erick Butler, Earl Underhill, Pooja Mehr, Jenna Dages, Suzanne Martin and Barb Reddy won age group honors. Caroline Butler, the youngest finisher, won the "Best Effort" award.

## Basketball:



Almost two dozen people participated in this week's free-throw contest with some of the best shooting seen in 2009. "Hot hands" came from Kiernan Whitworth, David Johnston and Alex Velesa. However, after all the throws were completed, it was Matt Bubak and Kate Hagen who surpassed them all. Matt finished first with 8 out of 10 through the hoop, while Kate took second with 7 out of 10.

## GOLF DIGEST

The first Best Ball Golf Tourney of the season took off on Friday morning with eleven teams hitting the links. A birdie 3 on the last hole (#9) provided the margin of victory. Their bogey free round, with four birdies was good for a 4 under par score of 30. Winning team included Pat Oliver, Ed Edmiston, Paul Wallace and Ryan Hagen. Ron Martin, Willis Davis, Matt Bubak and Kate Hagen settled for the runners up spot.



## Guest Celebrations



### BIRTHDAYS

- 6/22 Lee Royer, Erica Putman
- 6/23 Susan Baldrige, Carolyn Butler
- 6/24 David Holland
- 6/25 Andy Brown, Katie Bellingham
- 6/27 Ryan Hagen, Nicole Arthur
- Aidan Cuddihy

### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

- 6/23 Jack & Carolyn Bradley
- 6/27 Jim & Marion Johnston-60th
- 6/28 Ron & Es Martin
- 6/28 Jerry & Laura Bartel

## Shuffle showdown

Seven randomly paired teams squared off for Thursday's kids' puck fest. William Sheldon and Jacob Dages quickly became a dominant team by beating the Samantha Dages/Michael Oliver and Ali Flannery/Olivia Sedlak duos to make it to the finals. Waiting for them were Kayla Bartel and Robin Steuteville. Kayla was on the winning team last year, and Robin's team was runners up, so, it was bound to be a good match-up. Kayla and Robin went out strong with a 21-point lead by the end of the second round. William and Jacob tried to fight back, but Kayla and Robin were too much for them.



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## Table

## Tennis



John Cummings continued his finals streak by ponging his way to the top in Thursday's muggy all-comers tourney. In the semis, he had to give all he had to best another past champion Matt Bubak. Meanwhile, John Kneisley spun past Kiernan Whitworth to advance to the championship. In the battle of the "Johns", Cummings maintained his strong play to take the title once more.