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Lincoln High Newsletter

Ken Boyles (61) ksboyles@charter.net writes

Kent,

(how the heck did a street get that name?) Well, that large building just east of the little pink was first Consoweld (CPI).

Produced plastic laminate (countertops). They later sold it to another co. & their (same) product was called Durabeauty. When I worked in the WR Div. instrument shop (early 70's), I used to go there 1 day a week & do maintenance on their controls. Now, Stora again owns that building and it is used to house their eng. stores (resale of salvage/building matls) facility.

Hi Kent, thanks for an outstanding job on the news letter. Regarding Dura Beauty Lane by the Little Pink Restuarant, it is named after the counter top material (like Formica) that Consoweld (division of Consolidated) used to produce. The street name before that was Hooker St.!!! Now wonder about that! Thanks, **Jean Jackan (64)**.

Linda (Meier) Tavener adnillee@charter.net writes:

FYI Dura Beauty Lane's street name, came from the fact that "Consoweld" one of the divisions of Consolidated, used to be almost across the street from the Little Pink Restaurant. Consoweld, as you have probably guessed, made the material for kitchen and bathroom counter tops. One of their very popular patterns was "Dura Beauty" coming in many colors. Consoweld has been torn down and has not functioned as part of Consolidated, (now Stora Enso), so many years. I worked there for a while during the late 60's in the office part of scheduling, which patterns would be produced out in the plant and for how long according to the orders we had from customers. The Little Pink Restaurant closed their doors for a while, but they must have missed it so much, that they did some remodeling and I think actually had to move the building, because of the expressway, and then reopened again. We would order take out from them, as did the mill workers. I could barely get through 1/2 order of their hot beef sandwiches. Excellent food there! Must go visit again soon.....

Kent,

I was born on a farm in the town of Cary. When I was two, my dad got sick and without health insurance, needed to sell the farm to pay the medical bills. I retained forty acres mostly for sentimental reasons. I believe my grandfather, Fred Fritz, bought the farm in the 1920's from the logging company that cleared the virgin land in the 1890's. There used to be lots of large stumps and it must have been pretty impressive as a forest once. Over the years several people who have hunted there have offered to buy it and I've decided to sell. So does anyone have any idea of the going price for hunting / recreational land and are there any lawyers out there that could use some work? (Really dumb question huh?) Not sure what is all involved, but would imagine a title search and transfer, etc. (It's the "etc." that I'm most worried about)

On another front, my Mom who is now 80, is moving out of our house on Russell Street and into an

apartment. It's really amazing how much "stuff" we collect over time. The trash man has been really getting a workout lately. I expect to be back in Rapids sometime around 1 July and will be checking out some of the eating establishments like the Little Pink Restaurant.

Thanks for the newsletter,

Roger Fritz fritzcat@thecia.net

P.S. (a few days later - responding to a query from the Editor)

The forty is in section 17 in the town of Cary. That's two sections off the western boundary line of Wood County. Going west on Hwy 73, Hwy "V" heads north. You go two miles and turn west on Baltus road. The forty is 1/2 mile on the left...the third of what would be four forty acre parcels. i.e.. from 50% to 75% of the distance between Hwy "V" and Lindsey Road. Just to toy with you a bit more, it's the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of section 17...town 23 north, range 2 east

I think I have a buyer. He is the son of a boyhood friend of my mother's. My Mom was raised on a farm just one mile north of the forty we are selling. When I was about five I remember seeing my first movie with my grandfather in the town of Lindsey. It was summer and they were projecting some cowboy movie on the side of the towns only two story building.

Ed note: Want to listen to the "golden oldies" of the 50's & 60's!

http://www.realoldies1690.com/listen_live.html

Click on the "[click here!](#)" at the top of the URL. Suggested only for "high speed" cable/dsl internet connections. Dial-up will have some "pauses"! They take requests! Great fun listening to the station!

Will take you back on a "time trip!"

MICROSOFT Bids to Acquire Catholic Church!

By Hank Vorjes

VATICAN CITY (AP) -- In a joint press conference in St. Peter's Square this morning, MICROSOFT Corp. and the Vatican announced that the Redmond software giant will acquire the Roman Catholic Church in exchange for an unspecified number of shares of MICROSOFT common stock. If the deal goes through, it will be the first time a computer software company has acquired a major world religion.

With the acquisition, Pope John Paul II will become the senior vice-president of the combined company's new Religious Software Division, while MICROSOFT senior vice-presidents Michael Maples and Steven Ballmer will be invested in the College of Cardinals, said MICROSOFT Chairman Bill Gates.

"We expect a lot of growth in the religious market in the next five to ten years," said Gates. "The combined resources of MICROSOFT and the Catholic Church will allow us to make religion easier and more fun for a broader range of people."

Through the MICROSOFT Network, the company's new on-line service, "we will make the sacraments available on-line for the first time" and revive the popular pre-Counter-Reformation practice of selling indulgences, said Gates. "You can get Communion, confess your sins, receive absolution -- even reduce your time in Purgatory -- all without leaving your home."

A new software application, MICROSOFT Church, will include a macro language which you can program to download heavenly graces automatically while you are away from your computer.

An estimated 17,000 people attended the announcement in St Peter's Square, watching on a 60-foot screen as comedian Don Novello -- in character as Father Guido Sarducci -- hosted the event, which was broadcast by satellite to 700 sites worldwide.

Pope John Paul II said little during the announcement. When Novello chided Gates, "Now I guess you get to wear one of these pointy hats," the crowd roared, but the pontiff's smile seemed strained.

The deal grants MICROSOFT exclusive electronic rights to the Bible and the Vatican's prized art collection, which includes works by such masters as Michelangelo and Da Vinci. But critics say MICROSOFT will face stiff challenges if it attempts to limit competitors' access to these key intellectual properties.

"The Jewish people invented the look and feel of the holy scriptures," said Rabbi David Gottschalk of [Philadelphia](#). "You take the parting of the Red Sea -- we had that thousands of years before the Catholics came on the scene."

But others argue that the Catholic and Jewish faiths both draw on a common Abrahamic heritage. "The Catholic Church has just been more successful in marketing it to a larger audience," notes Notre Dame theologian Father Kenneth Madigan. Over the last 2,000 years, the Catholic Church's market share has increased dramatically, while Judaism, which was the first to offer many of the concepts now touted by Christianity, lags behind.

Historically, the Church has a reputation as an aggressive competitor, leading crusades to pressure people to upgrade to Catholicism, and entering into exclusive licensing arrangements in various kingdoms whereby all subjects were instilled with Catholicism, whether or not they planned to use it. Today Christianity is available from several denominations, but the Catholic version is still the most widely used. The Church's mission is to reach "the four corners of the earth," echoing MICROSOFT's vision of "a computer on every desktop and in every home".

Gates described MICROSOFT's long-term strategy to develop a scalable religious architecture that will support all religions through emulation. A single core religion will be offered with a choice of interfaces according to the religion desired -- "One religion, a couple of different implementations," said Gates.

The MICROSOFT move could spark a wave of mergers and acquisitions, according to Herb Peters, a spokesman for the U.S. Southern Baptist Conference, as other churches scramble to strengthen their position in the increasingly competitive religious market.

April Fool!

**Spring "flood" on the Wisconsin River.
Pics taken between 2nd Street and "Mead Island" earlier today.**

