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Lincoln High Newsletter

This week's topics:

1. Wis Rapids Barbers and Beauty Shops
2. Your favorite snack item when you went to the movies. Boston Baked Beans?
3. Wis Rapids doctors of the 50's and 60's. Editor went to Debus a couple of times.
4. Sense of foreboding? Drought and national/world affairs are getting a little scary.

and responses:

Tom Hornig thornig@vonbriesen.com responds:

1. Wis Rapids Barbers and Beauty Shops - Forever I had "George" cut my hair at Hafner's (SP ???) Barber Shop. Great guy. On Grand Avenue. Flat top. Short. Like Marine short. Kept that "do" through the spring of 1969 even though on the Wisconsin campus, "Believe It Or Not!" Those were the "Drum Major" days with the U.W. Marching Band style in those days much more "military" than now, for sure. Besides, my shako fit better that way! That's my story, and I'm sticking to it."
 2. Your favorite snack item when you went to the movies - Really crunchy potato chips. Got thrown out of a lot of movies !!!
 3. Wis Rapids doctors of the 50's and 60's. - Geo. Handy, M.D. Friend of my parents and an extraordinary Doctor. Nurse "Tommy." A character – wonderful person. George later became State Director of Public Health. Gave up a fabulous practice to do that. Gotta admire that.
 4. Sense of foreboding? - Drought. Yes. Decided after listening to public radio (my first mistake) to actually water the lawn after 7 weeks with no rain here. Now I have light brown straw that's damp. Hmmm – big improvement. World Affairs: Sorry for the politics – four more years ought to just about finish us off, in my view. In no way am I in love with Mitt, but the direction we are headed now cannot be right (unfortunate pun).
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1. Wis Rapids Barbers and Beauty Shops

When I was very young, Bea Tork would give me my once a year summer haircut. It was such a treat. Who would have thought I would work 12 years with her in Tork's Salon. She just retired a few years ago. She was on Grand Av. and then moved to 8th Street. She later bought a building on hwy 54 with her daughter-in-law, Peggy, who is still in business just off 8th. I will always have great memories of the Tork girls in Wisconsin Rapids.

From rainy Florida. Cooler temps than most of the nation! Who would have thought? This is my 3rd July in Fort Myers and it has always been cooler than Oklahoma.

All the best to everyone!
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Jack Sultze jsultze@response-envelope.com writes:

Doctors of the 50s and 60s:

I don't remember my parents ever taking me to the doctor though I know they must have. We certainly didn't go everytime we had a runny nose as many do now.

I remember Dr. Arndt, a big scary guy who gave shots in the basement of Two Mile school.

I remember Dr. Coon, my first dentist. His equipment had arms, belts and pulleys. Very noisy and NO pain killers. You just hung on to the arms of the chair until it was over. Later in childhood a new dentist came to town. Don't remember his name but he had novocaine.

I never went to Dr. Debus but our son did one summer when we were in Rapids for vacation. He had recurring ear infections, on-going for a couple years. Our doctor always gave him oral antibiotics. He had an episode while in the Rapids. Linda took him to Debus who gave him an injection of penicillin and brought him back the next day for another. He never had another problem with his ears for the rest of his life.

Sense of foreboding?:

Oh, you bet. America is on the same course as Europe. Our politicians are corrupt and owned by the labor unions. The regime in Washington is doing all it can to "Change" everything that has made America the greatest country on earth. More than half of our population either works for or relies on the government for their living. And, I think, there is a close to even chance that BHO will be back in the White House for four more years.

God help our grandchildren!

Ed note:

I asked Don Wylie to comment on the following:

Ongoing Heat Wave in U.S. Rivals Events of Dust Bowl Era - Dust bowl years peaked in 1935 - the same time as the peak of Solar Cycle #17 - This year is the peak year of Solar Cycle #24.

He responded:

Ken, thanks for the challenge on the Heat Wave and the Solar Cycle. I've been sorting through articles

trying to separate facts from all the hype. Here's what I came up with.

1. North America and parts of Europe are experiencing a heat wave but it's not the whole planet. The warmest European places are Spain and Austria, but Finland is having a cool summer and England is extremely wet. Expect a soggy Olympics. The southern hemisphere is cool - Australia and New Zealand are reporting cold winters and the Antarctic ice cover is larger than average. The National Climatic Data Center has a nice summary of global weather at:
<http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/sotc/service/global/extremes/201206.gif>
2. Sunspots are increasing and we're heading into a maximum in its 11 year cycle. This maxima is weaker than previous maxima and some predict that we will have very few or no sunspots in 2 years after this maxima passes. So enjoy the Northern Lights because they may be hard to find in a couple of years.
3. Sunspot maxima are correlated with warmer temperatures and the "Little Ice Age" from 1350-1820 AD had 3 stretches where sunspots were nearly absent for years. But the scientist don't attribute our warm weather to sunspots because the amount of solar energy fluctuation in the 11 year sunspot cycle is very small, <0.2%. This amounts to solar energy changes of about 2 Watts/square meter while the CO2 increase from the industrial age has added 4 W/m2.
4. The Climate Prediction Center (Nat. Oceanic and Atm. Admin.) is forecasting a "warmer than normal" winter. The correlation between summer and winters is very small and their predictions have been wrong for the last 5 years. Last year we were suppose to have a colder than normal winter.

Bottom line is "We'll weather the weather whether we like it or not."

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Neat and Strange Things in Wood County

<http://www.wisconsinosity.com/Wood/wood.htm>

Wis Rapids Police Log

At 9:39 a.m. Monday, a Wisconsin Rapids woman reported someone stole a snowblower from the 400 block of Ninth Avenue North.