

### Sunday, August 8

6:00 p.m.

Community Worship Service

"The Gracemen"

### Monday, August 9

5:00-5:45 p.m. Children's Pedal Pull Registration

6:00 p.m.

Midway Opens with

6:00 p.m.

Poor Jack Amusements Art, Photography, & Tole Decorating

Exhibits in the White Building

6.00 p.m.

Children's Pedal Pull

7:00 p.m.

FarmAntiques & Super Stock Antiques ('58 & older)

7:00 p.m.

Doug Nowlin - entertainment

7:30 p.m.

**Talent Contest** 

### Tuesday, August 10

8:30-11:30 a.m. Enter Home & Family Exhibits - White Bldg. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Enter Open, FFA, 4-H Exhibits - White Bldg.

6:00 p.m.

Midway Opens - Poor Jack Amusements

6:00 p.m.

Art, Photography, Tole Decorating Home & Family Exhibits in White Bldg.

6:00 p.m.

Open, FFA & 4-H Exhibits in the

Antique Pavilion

6:00 p.m.

Antique Tractor Show behind the

Antique Pavilion

7:00 p.m.

Out-of-Field Stock Farm Tractor Pull

7:30 p.m.

**Talent Contest** 

### Wednesday, August 11

8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. **Baby Contest Registration Baby Contest Judging** 

Noon.

Midway Opens — Poor Jack Amusements

Noon

Children's Day Parade Registration

1:00 p.m.

Children's Day Parade

1:00 p.m.

Art, Photography, Tole Decorating,

Home & Family Exhibits in White Building Open, FFA & 4-H Exhibits in the

1:00 p.m.

Antique Pavilion

6:00 p.m.

Antique Tractor Show behind the Antique Pavilion

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Horse Pull

Cornfield Cloggers ice Cream Crank-off 7:00 p.m.

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## FREE FAIR, INC. 7

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# It's fair time

### Mooreland community to host thousands for annual event

This year's 60th annual Mooreland Free Fair promises to be every bit as exciting as the past 59 fairs.

The Children's Pedal Pull starts off the week with approximately 125 kids pedaling their hearts out to the finish line so they can get that prized possession, a trophy.

The many big tractor pulls throughout the week give everyone the opportunity to see their favorite. The only night that smoke and dirt won't be airborne at the track is Wednesday.

Food at the fair is everywhere, from the Fair Board's Food Building with its many selections to the Ham & Beans served by the Mooreland Friends Church. Poor Jack Amusements, who provides the rides, also provides many different types of food. And don't forget the elephant ears and walking tacos offered by the Blue River Band Boosters.

The Entertainment Building will host the Ice Cream Crank-Off, a magician, a barbershop chorus, a Gospel concert, and the always famous

### Thursday, August 12

Pork Chop Dinner in the Fair Board 5:00 p.m. Food Building Midway Opens - Poor Jack Amusements 6:00, p.m. Art, Photography, Tole Decorating. 6:00 p.m. Home & Family Exhibits in White Bldg. Open, FFA & 4-H Exhibits in the 6:00 p.m. Antique Pavilion Antique Tractor Show behind the 6:00 p.m. Antique Pavilion Magician on Fairgrounds 6:15 p.m. Raintree Promenaders & Cornfield Cloggers 7:00 p.m. Magician Marcus Lehmann 7:00 p.m. Street Stock 4-Wh. Drive Trucks/Mini Rods 7:00 p.m. Raintree Barbershop Chorus 8:00 p.m.

### Friday, August 13

5:00-8:30 p.m. Blood Drive in front of Merchants Building Midway Opens with Poor Jack Amusements 6:00 p.m. Art, Photography, Tole Decorating, 6:00 p.m. Home & Family Exhibits in White Bldg. Open, FFA & 4-H Exhibits in the 6:00 p.m. Antique Pavilion Cornfield Cloggers & Two Steppers 7:00 p.m. NTPA & HSTPA Super Stock & Modified N.A. 7:00 p.m. Tractors & Super 4x4 Trucks Gospel Concert 7:15 p.m.

### Saturday, August 14

7:30-8:30 a.m. Run Registration Mile Fun Run 8:30 a.m. 5K Run 9:00 a.m. 9:30-11:00 a.m. Mooreland Free Fair Car Show Registration Run Awards 10:00 a.m. Midway Opens - Poor Jack Amusements Noon Mooreland Free Fair Car Show Awards 2:00 p.m. 2:00-5:30 p.m. Blood Drive in front of Merchants Building Fair Parade 3:00 p.m. 4:00-5:30 p.m. Pickup Home & Family Exhibits 4:00-6:00 p.m. Pickup Art, Photography & Tole Decorating Exhibits 5:00-6:00 p.m. Pickup Open, FFA & 4-H Exhibits NTPA & HSTPA Super Stock, Pro Stock & 7:00 p.m. **Modified Tractors** Queen & Princess Coronation 7:30 p.m. Merchandise Drawings & Parade Results 8:30 p.m.

tractors. The Horse Pull is probably one of the oldest events at the fair, and one of the most popular. You had better get there early to get a good seat.

two evenings.

Whatever you are looking for, we're sure you'll find it at the Mooreland Free Fair. Just come. You're sure to enjoy.

# Board pays tribute

Since the 1998 Fair, the Mooreland Fair Board has lost three of its members to death. All three were currently active and were, in fact, vital to the operation of the fair just last year.

They are Jane Houser, Faye Koontz, and Denise Ankrom.

These women will be missed and are continually on the minds of other board members as they try to carry on without them this year.

Jane Bales Houser's main job on the Fair in recent years – a very big job – was coordinating the Parade in the field.

Everybody says the same thing about Jane: "She was organized to a T." She knew where each stake went, she knew when to put it in, and when to take it out. . . . If you were going to be a judge, "What kind of pop would you like?" All details were always taken care of; what she said she would do, she would always do. And she was so family-oriented — she included all her family in the work in the Parade field — they drove in and flew in to help.

Jane was creative, also, in helping to build floats, and there too, included her family, having nieces and nephews ride on them. She used her artistic ability on behalf of the Fair on many occasions, but came on the Fair Board many years ago in a very practical capacity. She was probably the main person responsible for the set-up of the food building and most of the equipment purchases. She always knew where you could find something, whether it was a grill to buy or bleachers to

rent. Jane co-chaired the Food Building with Betty Linville for a long time, and continued to work on the Parade with Betty until the time of her death, even giving some advance help for this year, when she knew she wouldn't be here.

Faye Koontz made many contributions to the Fair, as she did to every aspect of our community. Her main job on the Fair Board was to work on the Home and Family Arts committee. She could generally be seen at the Fair helping to supervise exhibits in "the white building." Her specific responsibility was flower exhibits, being there when they were brought in and seeing that they were properly judged and cared for.

Faye was involved with the Fair in many other ways, too. As an active member of Young Moderns Home Ec. Club, she participated in all their efforts for the Fair, such as selling tickets on Thursday night and working on their floats. If her church had a float, she worked on it too. She worked hard in the Food Building and took day chairmanships, enlisting her friends, family, church, and fellow club members to help. She took on many jobs in her life, as many people do, but was unusual in the devotion she gave to each one. Many people who knew Faye well in different capacities all say basically the same thing about her: She always thought twice before she took a job and never said she could do it unless she could. Then she planned and practiced or did whatever it took to do it well.

Denise Ankrom was one of the newer members of the Fair Board but did an important

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### Board tribute

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job for the Fair, one of the hardest jobs
we have, and did it very well. At the
time of her death, Denise was cochairman of the Food Building. This
job includes getting daily chairman,
ordering food, and opening and closing
each day.

Denise began by "just" working in the building on Wednesday nights. She was known as that very unusual person, "a willing worker — If you asked her to be there at noon, she would be there at 11." If you had a job that no one else wanted to do, Denise would do it, and always had a smile! If other people complained, she didn't — she kept too busy working to complain.

Besides being willing to work,
Denise was willing to accept
responsibility. A few years ago, she
became co-chairman of the Food
Building, along with her sister, Diana
Moore. Diana's duties as chairman will
be especially difficult this year, in that
everything reminds her of Denise.
Diana says, "We opened it together
every morning and closed it together
every night. . . . She was my sister and
my best friend."

Jane E. Houser, 56, of 7762 E CR 600 N, Mooreland, died Thursday morning, January 21, 1999 at her home following a brief illness. She was born August 10, 1942 in Stoney Creek Township, Indiana, a daughter of the late George E. and Pauline M. (Garringer) Bales.

A 1960 graduate of Mooreland High School, she graduated from San Bernadino Junior College in San Bernadino, Calif. with an Art Degree. She retired from American Electric Power in Muncie after 34 years of service as a secretary. She attended Buck Creek Church of the Brethren, and was co-chairman of the Mooreland Fair Parade for over 20 years.

Survivors include her husband: Donnie R. Houser of Mooreland: one sister: Bonnie L. (husband: Michael) Golliher of New Castle; two brothers: Harold E. (wife: Virginia) Bales of Ruston, LA, and Rex L. (wife: Nila) Bales of Knightstown; one step-sister: Anita (husband: Bill) Cable of New Castle; one step-brother: Joe (wife: Anna) Greiner of Losantville; four nieces: Stacey Bales of Ruston, LA, Brenda K. (husband: Mike) Delaney of Indianapolis, Vicki E. (husband: Jeff) Davis of Anderson. and Sandy Cable of Yorktown; five nephews: Scott (wife: Yolanda) Bales of Tustin, CA, Jerry (wife: Tauna) Golliher of Okeechobee, FL, Randy (wife: Veronica) Golliher of Stoutland, MO, Bruce (wife: Diane) Cable of Los Angeles, CA, and Jeff







Fay Koontz



Denise Ankrom

(wife: Holly) Cable of Georgia; several great-nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

B. Faye Koontz, 52, of Mooreland, died Thursday evening, April 22, 1999 in Ball Memorial Hospital following an extended illness.

She was a kindergarten teacher at Blue River Valley Elementary School and a member of Mooreland South Christian Church where she served as organist. She was a member of Young Moderns Home Ec Club and the Blue River Valley Dollars for Scholars. She served on the Mooreland Fair Board and as director of Blue River Media Fair. She was a 1965 graduate of Blue River Valley High School and graduated from Purdue University in 1969. She received her master's degree in education from Ball State University. She was born in New Castle, November 22, 1946, a daughter of Robert and Maxine (Ramey) Irvin.

She is survived by three sons, Scott (wife: Emily) Koontz of New Castle, Terry (wife: Angi) Koontz and Brian (wife: Nikki) Koontz both of Mooreland; three grandchildren, Travis, Brenna and Madysen Koontz; her parents, Robert and Maxine Irvin of New Castle; a brother, Keith (wife: Lana) Irvin of Columbus, Ohio; several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Alayna Koontz.

Denise Ankrom, 42, of Mooreland, died Wednesday, October 14, 1998 at her home.

Mrs. Ankrom was born October 17, 1955 in Henry County and graduated from Union High School, Modoc. She was a 1990 graduated of Ivy Tech School of Nursing, where she was on the Dean's List and was student of the year. She was a member of the Mooreland Fair Board and the Thursday Nite Ladies Merchant's Bowling League. She was also involved in the Blue River Optimist League program for many years.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandy Ankrom of New Castle and Amanda Ankrom at home; three sisters, Debbie (husband: Mark) Riggs of Rockville, Indiana, Diana Moore of New Castle and Marcia (husband: John) Riggs of Zambia, Africa; two brothers, Montie Hale (wife: Patty) of Greenfield and Rev. Mark Hale (wife: Mary) of Blountsville; mother Ruth Ann Houser of New Castle; a stepdaughter, Bobetta Adkins of New Castle; a stepson, Joe Ankrom of Mooreland; five grandchildren; one great-grandson; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alfred L. Hale; a brother, Michael Hale and her grandparents, Charles and Gladys O'Brien and Gus and Ruth Hale.



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