

Gehrets celebrate 50 years

Urban and Irene Gehret of Versailles will celebrate their 50th anniversary in May. On Wednesday, May 6, 1959, Irene Albers married Urban Gehret in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Egypt, with Father Martin Rosen-garten as the pastor.

Witnesses were Sister Martha Bertke, Lillian (Jutte) Albers, Wilma (Holdheide) Albers, Joseph Gehret, Jr., Ed Gehret, Wilferd Albers and Tony Albers. The couple has six children: Pat and Virginia (Fullenkamp) Gehret of Ft. Recovery, Kathy and Brian Pinchot, Judy and Steve Cordonnier of Versailles, Theresa and Mark Lefeld, Jan and Jim Broering of St. Henry and Sharon and Dave Holdheide of Ft. Loramie. They also have 19 grandchildren.

Siblings of Irene include Norbert and the late Lillian (Jutte) Albers and Jeanette (McElvoy) Albers of Carthagena, Wilferd and Wilma (Holdheide) Albers of Celina, Sister Regina Albers of Chickasaw and Tony and Martha (Bohman) of Minster. One sister-in-law, Lillian (Jutte) Albers, is deceased.

Siblings of Urban include Mildred and Virgil Bensman, the late Vernon Gehret and Mary Ann (Broering) and Louis Grieshop, the late Joseph and Eva (Piekenbrock) Gehret Jr., Ed and Mary Lee (Abels) Gehret, Tony and Madonna (Thobe) Gehret, and Cyril and Marjorie (Fiely) Gehret all of Versailles, Lawrence and Fran (Lange) of Ft. Loramie, Alfred and Rose (Albers) Gehret of McCartyville, Paul and Bernice (Fullenkamp) Gehret of North Star, Emma Rita and Dennis Heitkamp of New Bremen, and May Ann and John Kuether of Minster. Two brothers, Vernon and Joseph Jr. are deceased.

Urban is a retired farmer and school bus driver for the Versailles school district. Irene is a homemaker



and retired seamstress from Duraseam. Urban enjoys woodworking. Irene enjoys quilting. Together they enjoy spending time with family and friends, fishing, and traveling. They are members of Holy Family Catholic Church in Frenchtown.

They will celebrate their anniversary with an 11 a.m. Mass on May 3 at St. Denis Catholic Church, hosted by their children and grandchildren. An open house will be held at the K of C hall in Versailles from 2 to 4 p.m.