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## A \$25K journey?

Who says you can't go home again?

Jim Ruland, the eldest son of Kewanna resident, Kate Flanagan, is well on his way with his story "Homeward Bound". And it could be worth \$25,000.

Ruland's journey began when he entered *Reader's Digest* "Your Life..." contest. Entrants were asked to tell the story of their life in 150 words or less. Ruland, who served as a sailor in the U.S. Navy, told his tale of recovery and redemption through a nautical lens.

"When I was in the Navy I drank like a sailor. When I got out of the Navy, I drank like a sailor. You could say I went overboard."

Ruland's charming story caught the eye of the contest's judges and was named an editor's pick. Now he's in the running to win a share of \$50,000 in prizes, including a grand prize of \$25,000.

Ruland, who lives in San Diego, California, is an advertising copywriter by day and a memoirist by night. He occasionally teaches classes at San Diego Writers, Ink. His favorite classes to teach are Flash Fiction and Micro Memoir: workshops that deal with short forms.

Flanagan isn't surprised that her son's work is getting so much attention. "Some of his best stories are his Navy stories," said the proud mother.

That includes one of Ruland's most recent stories, which tells how on a recent visit to San Diego they went in search of the apartment where her son was conceived. Talk about "Homeward Bound"!

If Ruland wins, he hopes to take some time off, do a little traveling and work on his Navy memoir, "Overboard".

Does that include a visit to Kewanna? "Absolutely! I'd be honored to come visit Kewanna and do a reading."

Only stories ranked in the top 100 will be considered for the prize. You can vote by "Liking" the *Reader's Digest* page on Facebook and searching for Ruland's story. Or you can access the story by visiting Ruland's website at [www.vermin.blogs.com/bl](http://www.vermin.blogs.com/bl) and click on the links to register your vote. You must vote before November 15 and you can vote more than once, but only once a day.

(Editor's note: Kate Flanagan is a fairly new resident of Kewanna who has purchased and renovated a house at the corner of Main and Toner, now commonly called "The Big Blue House.")

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## Annual chicken pie and ham loaf supper, Oct. 27

The Star City United Methodist Women will host its annual chicken pie and ham loaf supper and bazaar Thursday, October 27, at the church. The bazaar opens at 4 p.m. with homemade cookies, noodles, baked goods, stuffed peppers and crafts. The supper will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

## The News In Brief

The Fulton County Board of Health will meet Tuesday, October 25, at 12:15 p.m. in the small conference room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester.

RSVP is working with Rochester City Police and Woodlawn Hospital to properly dispose of outdated medications. Expired or unwanted medicines can be taken to the RSVP collection site, 625 Pontiac St., Rochester, on Friday, October 28, between the hours of 12:00 noon to 4 p.m.

The Haunted Woods Trail will be held again this Friday and Saturday, October 21 and 22, at the Fulton County Historical Society grounds four miles north of Rochester on U.S. 31. The haunted tours will begin at 7:30 p.m. and run until 10 p.m. or until the crowd is all transported by tractor-pulled trams to the woods, rain or moonlight. The cost is \$6 for adults, ages 12 and up; \$2 for children ages 6-11; and free for those age five and under. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Food will be available at the museum. All proceeds go to support the museum.

The Caston School Corporation invites all veterans in Fulton and Cass counties to its annual Veterans Day convocation Friday, Nov. 11. A breakfast will be served between 8:45 and 9:15 a.m. for the veterans with the ceremony commencing at 9:25 a.m. Veterans who plan to attend should RSVP by Friday, Oct. 21 by contacting the school at 574-857-3506. Veterans are asked to provide their full name,

branch and years of service and how many guests they plan to bring.

Erica Coffing of Rochester is the featured artist of the month at the Fulton County Public Library in Rochester. Erica is an Akron Area Arts League member and a graduate of Indiana University who expresses herself freely in her art work. Included in this solo show are oils, graphite, charcoal and several types of prints. Abstracts and portraits are her main subject. The show will continue through Oct. 21 during regular library hours.

The third Friday jam will be held October 21 at the Akron Community Center. Music starts at 7 p.m. Bring your own acoustic instruments and sit-in or just listen to the sounds of bluegrass, gospel and country music. Those attending should bring a snack to share. Coffee and juice will be furnished.

The Fulton County 4-H fall achievement awards program will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, November 6, in the community building at the fairgrounds, Rochester.

The 11th annual Light Up Logansport Parade will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, November 25, in downtown Logansport. The floats in the parade will be on display at the Little Turtle Waterway plaza until January 1.

A study by State Farm has revealed that vehicle/deer accidents are down 11 percent in Indiana for the year ending June 30. Indiana ranks 25th in the nation for accidents involving deer.

## Send In Your News

## Burn ban in effect

Kewanna residents are reminded that a burn ban is currently in force through December 1. Persons wishing to get rid of fallen leaves should rake them to the edge of the street where they will be picked up by town employees.

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## Trick or treat night, October 31

The Kewanna town council has set Monday, October 31, as trick or treat night in Kewanna. Trick or treat hours are 5 to 7 p.m.

Persons who welcome the annual pilgrimage of ghosts, goblins, pumpkins, pirates, etc. should leave an outside light burning during trick or treat hours. Parents of children should caution them to stop at these houses only.

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## Methodist Church to host "trunk or treat"

The Kewanna United Methodist Church will host another "trunk or treat" night the same hours as trick or treat night in Kewanna, 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, October 31.

Church members will distribute treats to children from the decorated trunks of their vehicles at the corner of Pearl and Toner Streets.

Also, the church annex will be open and serving hot dogs and drinks to the trick or treaters and their parents.

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(574) 653-9052**

## Fall taxes due November 10

Fulton county treasurer, Lorie Hurst, reminds taxpayers that fall property taxes are due November 10. If you cannot find your tax statement and own property, call her office at 574-223-2913.

Payments may be made at Community State Bank in Kewanna; First Financial Bank or Lake City Bank offices. Credit card payments can be made by calling 800-809-5849 or online at [www.fultontax.net](http://www.fultontax.net). Payments can also be made in the treasurer's office and by mail at 125 E. 9th St., Rochester.

For the convenience of Fulton County taxpayers, the county treasurer's office will be open Saturday, November 5, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon in addition to regular office hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The treasurer's office is located at 125 E. 9th Street in the County Office Building, across the street from the courthouse in Rochester.

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## Alan McPherson authors another book

Local resident, Alan McPherson, recently authored a book entitled *State Geosymbols: Geological Symbols of the 50 United States*. The 196-page reference work features a brief natural and social history of over 150 official state geological symbols, the designating legislation and colored images.

The official state geological symbols for Indiana include the state stone, Salem limestone, and the state river, the Wabash.

The compilation will be available at local public libraries.

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## Annual art show October 22 and 23

Local artist Diane Tesler will host her annual art show Saturday and Sunday, October 22 and 23, at her Works in Progress Studio, 101 E. Main St., Kewanna. The show, entitled

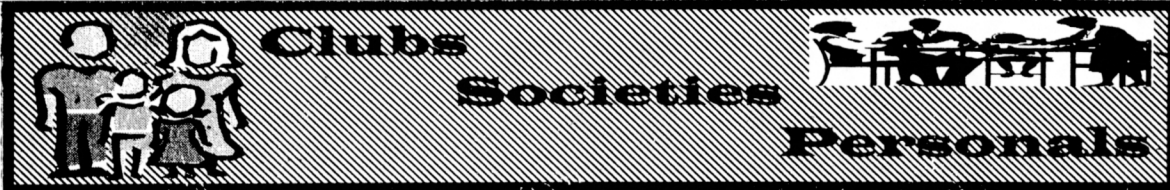
*Formations 2011*, is the 13th such event in her evolving art space. The show will be open from 12 noon to 5 p.m. both days and will include live acoustic music. A "Well Stories" video pertaining to artesian wells will be shown at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

The event showcases Diane's

latest works along with those of Wade Bussert, Braxton Eikenberry, Diane Lebo, Lindsey Kozubik, Pearl Tesler, Gail Karas, Lori Roberts, Billy and Li Cooper, Cyndi Fisher, Shari Hurd, Jeff Skersick, Jackie Welsh, Don Kegaris, Gary Wyatt, Gretchen Coplen, Gib

Foster, Clare and John Hoinville, Susan Mahoney, Kay Westhues, Nick Brown, Linda Leasure, Kate Flanagan, Mike Kenny, Leonor Papai, Helen Burroughs, Jim Scott and the late James S. Russell.

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**Lions to entertain senior citizens**

The Grass Creek Lions Club is planning a meal for senior citizens in the community as a way of thanking them for their continued support and presence in Lions activities and fund raisers. The meal will be served at 6 p.m. Monday evening, October 24, at the Grass Creek Fire Station. The Lions will supply the meal and all the trimmings. Their guests just need to bring their own table service and a good appetite.

The evening's activities will also include entertainment and fellowship.

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**LaFollettes enjoy golden anniversary trip**

Tom and Barb La Follette celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with a trip to Branson, Missouri last week. The trip started out with a stop in St. Roberts, Missouri. It is a frequent stop for the La Follettes on their way to Branson. While there, they enjoyed a meal at the "Hub," a German restaurant where Barb had rouladen, with red cabbage and spaetzel and Tom had a trio of bratwursts, with sauerkraut and German potato salad broasted with German beer. The restaurant treated them with some German chocolate cake...yummy! They were able to see two shows at the IMAX theatre, "Tornado Alley" and "Ozark's Legacy and Legend." The theatre was amazing. It was 6-stories high, 83

feet wide and has 44 speakers. It was beautiful to see. While in Branson they tried several restaurants among which were Granny's Kitchen and Shorty Small's Barbecue known for its onion loaves, ribs and pulled pork.

If you visit Branson, these are some of the shows they would highly recommend that you try to see. 1) The "Twelve Irish Tenors" are 12 guys who sing with perfect harmony and magical Irish charm. They sing and dance selections from opera to pop to Irish folk songs to jazz. 2) The group "SIX"—six voices, zero instruments, all music, plus all the instrumental sounds come from their voices, for instance one of them reproduces the drums, trumpet and harmonica. They are six of ten brothers who put on one fantastic show and voted entertainment of the year. 3) A gal called "Dalena Ditto". She comes from a performing family and has been in show business since she was three years old. She has a fabulous voice and like most of the acts the LaFollettes saw, was very oriented toward the veterans and those serving now. 4) The "Presleys' Country Jubilee" act is "Branson's Original Show on the Strip" and is a four-generation family affair of country favorites, new country, southern gospel and hilarious comedy. 5) "The Rankin Brothers"—a duo of great talent, who can impersonate all the great performers to the point that you think you are right there at that particular concert from Elvis to Frank Sinatra to the Righteous Brothers and many more.

**CASTON MENU October 24 - 28 Breakfast**

Monday - Breakfast pizza and milk

Tuesday and Thursday - Sausage & cheese or ham & cheese or cereal & toast or toaster pastry with juice and milk

Wednesday - Breakfast pizza with milk

Friday - Fall break, no school

**Lunch**

Monday - Pepperoni pasta, breadstick, side salad, pudding and milk

Tuesday - Sausage, egg and cheese sandwich, mini seasoned cubes, cinnamon roll, apple juice and milk

Wednesday - Warm ham patty sandwich, with or without cheese, chips, broccoli, dump cake, fruit and milk

Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes with gravy, dinner roll, fruit crisp and milk

Friday - Fall break, no school

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**EASTERN PULASKI SCHOOL October 24 - 28 Elementary Breakfast**

Monday - Cereal, string cheese, juice and milk

Tuesday - Donut, yogurt, juice and milk

Wednesday - Pancakes with cinnamon glaze, juice and milk

Thursday - Goldfish crackers, yellow cheese stick, juice and milk

Friday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

**Elementary Lunch**

Monday - Cheese pizza, broccoli, pineapple, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Ravioli, peas, pears, peanut butter sandwich, and milk

Wednesday - Hot dogs, potatoes, banana, cookie and milk

Thursday - Pizza burger, lettuce salad, peaches, donut and milk

Friday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, applesauce,

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October 24 - board meeting at 6 p.m.

October 29 - children's program starting at 12 noon

October 29 - game day starting at 12 noon

November 15 - Friends meeting at 4:30 p.m.

November 24 - Thanksgiving Day, library closed

November 26 - children's program starting at 12 noon

November 28 - board meeting at 6 p.m.

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**Middle/High School Lunch**  
Monday - Pepperoni pizza, green beans, peaches, brownie and milk. Choice - salad bar  
Tuesday - Ravioli, cheese breadstick, carrots, applesauce and milk. Choice - salad bar  
Wednesday - Hamburger sandwich, lettuce salad, pineapple chunks, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar  
Thursday - Chips and salsa, peas, peaches, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar  
Friday - Corn dogs, pickle spear, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

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**Kewanna-Union Township Public Library Hours**

Mon., Tues. Wed. and Fri.

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Sat. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 3,103,575
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 60,859,398
Other assets	\$ 183,509,761
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 926,536,476</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 367,839,187
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 85,270,804
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 104,995,688
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 4,794,082
All Other Liabilities	\$ 128,388,991
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 691,268,752</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 6,052,573
Capital Stock	\$ 4,200,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 80,200,080
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 144,815,071
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 235,287,725
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 926,536,476</b>

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(Print Name)  
President

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Signature

Wendy C. Skjerven  
(Print Name)  
Secretary

## Hospital Notes

### WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

October 7  
Births - Brad and Jane Hargrave, Tippecanoe, a daughter; Matthew and Rebecca Clark, Peru, a son

October 10  
Admissions - Randall Pike, Winamac  
Dismissals - Keashia Doty and daughter, Argos; Carole Feltis, Lori Craft and Samantha Seabolt, Rochester; Rebecca Clark and son, Peru

October 11  
Admissions - George Hendrickson, Kewanna  
Dismissals - Jane Hargrave and daughter, Tippecanoe; Randall Pike, Winamac  
Births - Brandon and Natalie Hall, Macy, a daughter

October 12  
Dismissals - George Hendrickson, Kewanna  
Births - Alyson Heinzman, Rochester, a daughter

October 13  
Admissions - Norma Braden, Rochester  
Dismissals - Natalie Hall and daughter, Macy  
Births - Joshua and Brittany Master, Culver, a daughter

October 14  
Dismissals - Alyson Heinzman and daughter, Rochester  
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## DEATHS .....

### RONALD PRILLIMAN

Former Kewanna resident Ronald Prilliman, 77, passed away Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at his home near Mooresville. The son of Claude L. and Grace Alberta Carson Prilliman, he graduated in 1956 from

Midwestern School of Evangelism in Ottumwa, Iowa. During his ministry at the Kewanna Church of Christ, he furthered his education at Marion College and Purdue University studying art, theater and education.

He was married May 7, 1955, to Barbara Gee, who survives. Also surviving are three children, Sandi, Bryan and Melodie, and their mates; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by a still-born son and his oldest son, Chris, who died at the age of 47.

Ron was an accomplished artist and was director of the Drama Ministry at Mount Gilead Church near Mooresville.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, October 14, at Mount Gilead Church and burial was in White Lick Cemetery, Mooresville.

A visitation was held Thursday evening, October 13, at the church. The Carlisle-Branson Funeral Home, Mooresville, was in charge of arrangements.  
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### GEORGIA M. NICKELS

Georgia M. Nickels, 87, Kewanna, passed away at 3:40 a.m. Friday, October 14, 2011, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Born May 5, 1924, in Morristown, she was the daughter of Frank and Helen (Thomas) Hite. She was married August 13, 1941, in Logansport to Albert "Dee-Dee" Nickels who preceded her in death on January 26, 1992.

Mrs. Nickels had worked as a nurses' aid for many years having worked at Life Care Center in Rochester, nursing homes in Phoenix, Arizona, and Kissimmee, Florida, as well as the South Bend Osteopathic Hospital. In her spare time she liked to crochet, knit, and tend her flower garden.

Survivors include her children, Carole Nickels and Barbara Andrews, both of Kewanna, George "Butch" Nickels, Fulton, and David Nickels, Marstown; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; sisters, Helen F. Calhoun, Leiters Ford, and JoAnne Walters, Osceola; and one brother, Victor Hite, South Whitley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and sisters, Betty Frink and Dorothy J. Hite.

No services were held. Arrangements were handled by Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home, Rochester. Online condolences can be sent to [zimmermanbros@rtcol.com](mailto:zimmermanbros@rtcol.com).  
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### BETTY R. LEY

Betty R. Ley, 87, Melbourne, Florida, passed away Sunday morning, October 9, 2011.

Born May 21, 1924, in Chicago, she was the daughter of John S. Capper and Romaine Tiffany Capper.

She was married to Francis Ley of Kewanna for 56 years prior to his passing in 2002. She was a manager for Burdines Department Store in Melbourne for many years. She was also a die-hard Chicago Cubs fan, having gone to the last two World Series that the Cubs participated in in the late 30s and early 40s.

Survivors include four children, Phillip, Elizabeth, Kitty and Kent; seven grandchildren; three

great-grandchildren; one sister, Virginia Gady Kinsel, Rochester; and one brother, Tom Capper, Star City.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one sister, Marilyn Heinsen, and one brother, Jack Capper.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 14, at Ascension Catholic Church, Melbourne, Florida, and burial was in Florida Memorial Gardens.  
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## The News In Brief

Output from factories in the United States was up again in September for the third month in a row. Other good news on the economic front included a hiring increase in September as well as a growth in retail sales. Some economists believe the events signal a rebound in the U.S. economy.

Indiana conservation officers are investigating a hunting accident that occurred Sunday, October 16, on Lake Maxinkuckee. The incident involved three men who were waterfowl hunting. Jason Steiner of Knox lost part of his left index finger in the mishap.

Hoosiers are not totally out of the woods when it comes to the national listeriosis outbreak. Indiana Health Commissioner Dr. Gregory Larkin says they could have eaten infected

cantaloupe a month ago and not yet be showing symptoms.

You can buy just about anything online now but when that purchase is a brand new puppy, how much do you really know about where or how that young dog came to be? Thousands of dogs are bred and sold by large-scale commercial breeders often referred to as "puppy mills". These dogs can come with diseases that ring up huge vet bills for the unwitting buyer, according to Melanie Kahn, who is senior director of the Puppy Mills Campaign at The Humane Society of the United States. In 2009, Indiana passed legislation regulating dog breeders, but there are no federal regulations for breeders who sell dogs directly to the public.

Indiana has an excess of unwanted horses. Horse rescue facilities are "maxed out" as people say they can't afford to feed them and the animals grow old or become ill. Dr. Tim Bartlett, director of equine programs for the Indiana Board of Animal Health, says several equine organizations in the state are in the early stages of planning to create a receiving facility in Central Indiana that would take in unwanted horses and evaluate them.  
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**RECYCLING DATES**  
THURS., OCT. 6TH  
THURS., OCT. 20TH

## PUBLIC AUCTION

### Real Estate

### Seller: David Talbott Estate

The following Real Estate will be offered at public auction at 301 N. Toner Street, Kewanna, IN 46939

Directions: Downtown Kewanna - Main Street to Toner Street. Go north on Toner 3 blocks and watch for Manitou Realty & Auction signs.

Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. (on site)

REAL ESTATE:



### Property Description:

This home is located on a spacious corner lot (82x132). The home is 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with kitchen, dining and living room with 985 sq. ft. There is an 8x 21 covered front porch, detached 24x24 garage, full basement and plenty of yard. The home has most of the original woodwork. The home also needs TLC and is sold in "as is" condition. Note: The sellers are motivated to sell. Come and take a look and bid your price.

**Terms & Conditions:** A \$500 non-refundable earnest money deposit, in cash or check with proper I.D., is required upon acceptance of the highest bid, which is subject to seller's confirmation. The balance will be due at closing, which is estimated to be in approximately 30 days. Seller will provide title insurance to insure merchantable title to the Real Estate. Bids cannot be conditional upon financing, so be sure to pre-arrange financing if needed and/or are able to pay cash at closing. Taxes are approximately \$197.04 for 2011 and will be pro-rated to day of final closing. Possession will be day of final closing. Showings by appointment, call Manitou Realty & Auction at 574-223-2010 or 575-835-2326.

Statements made at auction take precedence over printed material.

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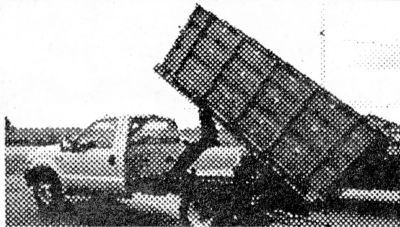
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# Looking Back.....

## SIXTY YEARS AGO October 26, 1951

Pat Lebo and Lowell Rans were crowned queen and king at the KHS Halloween carnival Wednesday night. The main event of the evening was the costume parade with 65 entrants. Eighteen received cash prizes. First place winners in the clown division were Kenneth Cook and Johnnie Good and second place was Gene Starr and Doyle Fisher. Butch Knicker's costume was judged most unusual with Doyle Fisher placing second. Other winners were Laura Hilficker, Kay Fisher, Glenn Hilficker, Charles Heinsen, Bobby Burton, Richard Graffis, Nancy and Jim McIntire, Lois Harvey, Donna Herd, Sherry Evans, Vicki Evans, Marilyn Appleman, Bo Scott, Dennis Smith and Walter Talbott.

Harold Gunter and Carl Reason who reside near Grass Creek and are employed at the Armour Creamery in Rochester received cuts and bruises when their car overturned while they were on their way to work Thursday morning, October 18. The auto skidded in soft gravel and overturned, badly damaging the car.

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed a large I-shaped barn on the Adam Sommers, Sr. farm, two miles southwest of Grass Creek Sunday night. Loss was estimated at \$45,000. A neighbor, Ward James, discovered the fire and notified the Grass Creek fire department.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Adams of Kewanna quietly observed their 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Saturday, October 20, in their home in Kewanna. Their only child, a son, O.B. Adams, of

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, visited them on their anniversary and they received several cards and gifts.

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the community of Fulton will be celebrated Saturday, October 27, with a big Halloween party at 7 p.m.

Clifford Crabb, 56, of Indianapolis, died Friday afternoon in the Veterans Hospital shortly after admission. Born in Fulton County, he moved to Indianapolis from Logansport in 1934. He is survived by his father, Arthur Crabb; a half-sister, Ielda Crabb; and a half-brother, Ray Crabb, all of Kewanna.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 25, 1956

Don Hizer of Grass Creek was elected president of the Fulton County REMC board of directors Wednesday night, October 17. He succeeds Raymond Burkett who has resigned.

Bruce Baker, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Baker, was recently bitten by a dog and is improving.

An accident occurred at about 10 a.m. Saturday on South Logan Street when a car driven by Father Fitzgerald of here was hit in the rear by an auto driven by Mrs. Paul Reichard, Rt. 1, Kewanna. Fitzgerald had stopped to pick up a passenger when the accident occurred. The accident was investigated by night watch, Aubrey Zellers.

Jerry Hiland, Don Ingram and Tom Livengood left Wednesday, October 24, for Camp Buffalo where they will undergo leadership training.

Twenty-seven young people from the Church of Christ attended a youth rally at

Sommerset Sunday afternoon. Accompanying the group were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richardson of Winamac, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Warmbrod, Mrs. Henry Montz, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Lucky, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hines and Mrs. Frank Greer.

Joann Smith became the bride of John Hoffman Saturday, October 20, in a double ring ceremony before immediate family and friends. Rev. H. F. Bulger officiated at the ceremony in the Bulger home. Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Rt. 1, Kewanna, are the parents of the bride and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoffman, Winamac, are the parents of the groom.

A wiener roast was enjoyed Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and daughters, Martha and Janet. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rans and son Mike of Logansport; Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, Linda Ingram, Helen Worl and daughter Cheryl, and Vivian Brown.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO October 26, 1961

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collins and daughters of Walkerton were weekend visitors in the Charles Mullins home. Mrs. Byron Conner of Macy and Mrs. Bob Collins were in Indianapolis recently where they took their children to Riley Hospital for examinations.

Judy Friedrich was the guest of Linda Showley at Ball State College in Muncie over the weekend.

Mrs. Luther Bussert and son Wade of Medford, Wisconsin, visited from Friday through Monday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whiteman of here and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burkett of Rochester were in Indianapolis Sunday where they

attended parents' day at the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing where Jeanne Urbin and Karen Whiteman are students.

Wesley Sutton, 43, Rt. 2, Kewanna, an employee of the Charlie Lowe Roofing Co., fell about 25 feet Wednesday morning while painting the roof at the Stuber Saw Mill west of Twelve Mile. He was taken to St. Joseph Hospital in Logansport where he is reported in fair condition.

Millie Cunningham, Rt. 3, Kewanna, is slowly improving from a recent heart attack. She is bedfast in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fultz.

Don Van Duyne, Rt. 1, Kewanna, is confined to his home with a blood clot in his leg.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 27, 1966

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fisher, Rt. 3, Kewanna, will celebrate their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary November 2.

Kewanna Metal Specialties has recently entered into a contract to purchase a building four blocks west of Kewanna from Johnson-Stuart Company. The company expects to move its factory operations there in the coming month, but the main office will remain in the heart of Kewanna. The firm now has 25 employees and a sales force of six covering Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hickel recently celebrated their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary while visiting their son, Jack, and his family in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Myrna Agnew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Agnew of Kokomo, continues to improve from the severe burns she received a few weeks ago while vacationing at Yellow Stone Park. She will have to undergo more skin grafting.

Six students top the honor roll at Kewanna with all As. They are Rae Anne Carswell, seventh grader; Barbara Byfield, eighth grade; Deborah Cessna, sophomore; Tom Overmyer, junior; and Carol Clyde and Lora Eber, seniors.

Jack-o-lanterns, skeletons and candles decorated the doorway of the home of Mrs. Henry Montz when the Kewanna Homemakers Club met Monday evening. Mrs. Ted Hunt was the co-hostess. Mrs. Violet Clyde conducted the business meeting. Devotions were given by Mrs. Marion Chizum. Mrs. Bill DeWitt gave the secretary's report and Mrs. Henry Montz, the treasurer's report.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook, owners of the new Kenmar Mobile Home Court, have announced that the court is completed and ready for occupancy.

Joan Markley of Purdue and Michele Corbett of Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in South Bend spent the weekend in the homes of their parents.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO October 22, 1981

Roger Vogel graduated from Air Force basic training in Texas October 13. He is presently undergoing training as a medical materials specialist at Shepherd AFB in Texas.

The local second grade class toured the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department as a part of fire prevention week activities. The second graders were pictured in front of a fire truck with their teachers, Jean Urbin, and one of the firemen, Jack Urbin.

Richard Baldwin is a patient at University Hospital in Indianapolis where he is undergoing tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pine, **Con't. To Page Five**

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**"Looking Back"**

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Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter, Heather Renee, born October 12 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital in Winamac.

Mary Harris was featured in the Senior Who's Who of the KHS Tepee Talk.

Kewanna has announced the names of students included in the first grading period honor roll. Carol Wentzel, a senior, received distinguished recognition; high honors went to Jeff Bitterling, seventh grade; Julie Whiteman, eighth grade; Doug Johnston, freshman; Chris Barnett, Adam Graham and Janie Stangle, sophomores; James Brown, junior; and Jeff Good, senior; Brian Evers, Mark Howdeshell and Jeff Markley, seniors, received honorable mention.

Rhonda Hoff and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoff, are preparing for a visit from a Venezuelan friend whom Rhonda met while on a Caribbean cruise this past summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Murhling, Ed Murhling, Violet Clyde, Bob Clyde, Herb McIntire, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hott and Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Sadler and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sadler were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Murhling, Bill and Amy, and helped Amy celebrate her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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Tuesday, November 5. Candidates on the ballot include Carole Hamman, Mary Kathryn Harper and Doran Collins, all Republicans, for town council; and write-in candidates, Dan Birge and Mike Frushour. Karen Good is running unopposed for clerk-treasurer.

Monticello attorney Stephen E. Buyer has announced his candidacy for U.S. Representative from the 5<sup>th</sup> district. The Republican is hoping to unseat Democrat Jim Jontz.

Thomas D. Brummett, 67, Dale, Indiana, died Tuesday at St. Mary's Medical Center in Evansville. Mr. Brummett was principal at Grass Creek and Caston prior to going to North Spencer School Corporation where he served as superintendent from 1965 until his retirement in 1990.

Gale and Susan Field, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter born at Woodlawn Hospital.

The Kewanna Girls Scouts have been busy then month, including an overnight camp out at the Tippecanoe River State Park north of Winamac. Scouts and their mothers enjoying the fall outing include Candy Douglass, Lyndy Pearl, Brandi Thomas, Wendy Smith, Faith Hines, Sandy Simonin, Mandy Briney, Misty Utter, Taureen Whiteman, Ashley Birge, Mandy Simonin, Teresa Hott, Trisha Powell, Camile Douglass, Celinda Briney, Andrea Lutz, Jamie Smith, Billie Hurley, Annie Hurley, Tami Powell, Ashley French, Rita Simonin, Jan French, Deana Thomas, Stacey Pearl, Nola Hines and Angie Douglass.

Ronald Miller of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, was a Thursday night and Friday morning visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller. He spent the weekend at Purdue University attending a 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary band reunion and football game.

Recent visitors of Ida Mullins at the Pulaski Health Care Center were Jean Caldwell and Janet Maki of Deer River, Minnesota, Mary Collins of Marstownton, Bessie Bain of Beardstown and Ted Van Meter of Grass Creek.

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**Pulaski Memorial Hospital Community Calendar**

**Auxiliary Garage Sale**

The Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will host a community wide garage sale, Oct 21 from 8 am to 4 pm under the hospital front canopy. If you wish to donate items for the Auxiliary sale please call 574-946-2100 to make arrangements (no clothing please). All proceeds from this sale will go towards the purchase of new furniture for patient rooms.

**Sibling Class**

The next sibling class is scheduled for Oct 22 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, from 9 am to 10:30 am. The purpose of the class is to assist the big brothers and big sisters (ages 3 to 10 years) to adjust to the new baby in the family. They are offered a tour of the OB department to see where the baby is to be born, learn how to hold and assist in the baby's care, and explore their feelings about becoming a big brother or big sister. Parents are encouraged to schedule your child for the date

closest to the expected date of delivery. An adult must accompany the child.

**Cancervive**

"Advances in the Diagnosis and Management of Lung Cancer" will be presented by Laurence Bates, MD, Medical Oncologist at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, in the Board Room Nov 15 from 6 to 7:30 pm.

An evening meal will be provided at no cost to participants. If you plan to attend, please RSVP before Nov 7 to 574-946-2151.

Cancervive is a free meeting for people with a history of cancer, those currently being treated for cancer, their families and friends and anyone interested in learning more about the topic. For more information, call 574-946-2180. Residents of any county are invited to attend.

**Breastfeeding Class**

The next Breastfeeding Class is Nov 19 from 1 to 3 pm at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The purpose of Breastfeeding Class is to inform you of the benefits of breastfeeding for you and the baby, how to get started, how to maintain your milk supply and how to solve problems that

might arise.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. They will want to know your doctor's name, your due date, and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at PMH. There will be a \$6 charge if you deliver at another hospital. These classes are taught by a Board Certified Lactation Consultant or Lactation Counselor on staff at PMH. To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. Please provide your doctor's name, your due date and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at Pulaski Memorial. There will be \$6 charge if you plan to deliver elsewhere.


**Auxiliary Christmas Open House**

The Auxiliary Christmas open house is Nov. 17 from 8 a.m. to 4 pm at the hospital Board Room. Hand made crafts, Christmas wreaths, silk arrangements

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Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 14,096,281
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 239,603,928
Other assets	\$ 316,232,253
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 3,605,229,676</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 1,448,185,775
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 335,711,828
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 413,368,849
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 18,874,339
All Other Liabilities	\$ 188,001,269
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 2,404,142,060</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 24,013,569
Capital Stock	\$ 10,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 126,369,748
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 1,040,704,299
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 1,201,087,616
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 3,605,229,676</b>

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# "Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler



## Rules of the universe – according to the cat

Meow. It's me again. The cat. From time to time I take a crack at this column stuff. If you are reading this, today is your lucky day.

The female adult human who usually sits at the computer must have a cramp in her opposable thumbs, because she is not typing. Never fear, I am here! Leave it to me to catapult in and come to the rescue (as usual).

Did I mention I am privy to the rules of the universe? It isn't surprising. Most cats are. Look at the life we live and tell me it's not an omnipotent display of clever, well-planned politics (or at the very least clever, well-planned napping). Since the days of the pyramids, we have been in charge, without you, dear humans, ever suspecting the truth. What about that isn't brilliant?

There's no arguing the fact that cats are the supreme life form. Still, I find humans somewhat endearing. Their furless bodies and bipedal stance makes them vulnerable and perhaps even charming (in an unattractive sort of way) – and I'm not only saying this because they can reach the high cupboard and open the bag of catnip. There's a soft spot in my heart (albeit a tiny one) for my humans. I'd allow them to continue living in my house even if they didn't pay the mortgage, but don't tell them I said so. I

wouldn't want them to get too comfortable with our situation.

I have a few fine nips of feline insight to bestow upon you today. (You can thank me later.) For now, sit tight, and prepare for a glimpse into the highly evolved brain of yours truly. You'll find my rules of the universe keen and clever – if you are paying attention. (Which by the way, most cats are not.)

As an example, consider rule number one: Paying attention is optional – unless you are taking a nap. Then it is not an option.

And rule number two: A nap trumps just about anything else in your day.

My list goes on:

If you see opportunity, pounce.

If you see any sort of movement, under a blanket or other fabric covering, pounce.

When in doubt, pounce – unless you are taking a nap.

Crinkled paper, rolled into a ball is better than any store-bought toy – especially at 2:00 a.m. in any bed where a human is sleeping.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness.

Do not let them watch you eat.

If a human calls your name, walk in the opposite direction. Unless they are in possession of catnip.

Apathy. Apathy. Apathy.

God did not make the sunshine on warm windowsills by accident. The same goes for mice.

God loves cats.

Confidence. Above all else, confidence. Walk with your head high, your tail up and your attitude intact.

If you must purr, do so loudly.

Humans may pay the rent, but cats own the house. Never let them humiliate you with a bell or a bath.

Dogs are not to be trusted, until you find one you can trust.

When jumping, aim for high places.

Always land with your feet on the ground.

You've only got nine lives; live them well.

When you get to the end of a list, take a nap. Or pounce. Either way, you're a cat and that makes you a winner. I know I am.

It is on that condescending note I will sign off. Until next time, I remain...

Apathetically yours,

The Cat

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## Pulaski Memorial CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

along with home baked goodies will be for sale. All money earned from this event will go towards the purchase of new furniture for patient rooms.

### Auxiliary Gold Sale

Do you need extra Christmas shopping money? The Auxiliary is hosting a two day gold sale Dec 1 and Dec 2 from 10 am to 7 pm in the emergency room lobby. You are encouraged to come with your unwanted gold and silver jewelry (even dental gold) and leave with cash in your hand. All money earned from this event will go towards the purchase of new furniture for patient rooms.

### Guest Speakers to Community

Pulaski Memorial Hospital has launched its new speaker's bureau, complete with Power Point presentations. This is a free service to any civic, club, school or church organization. Available topics include: **New addition Radiology** contact Jim Pingle at 574-946-2138;

**Emergency** contact Deb McDonald at 574-946-2141; **Home Health** contact Amy Bean at 574-946-2145; **Hospice** contact Karen Utes at 574-946-2140; **Oncology** contact Joan Lauder at 574-946-2180; **Maternity** contact Sharon Berry at 574-946-2113; **Rehab Services** contact Will Fox at 574-946-2156; and the **Winamac Specialists' Clinic** contact Carol Sparks at 574-946-2106.

### Volunteer Openings

The Pulaski Memorial Auxiliary has openings for both men and women. Areas of service include Reception Desk, Gift Shop, Hostess Program and Patient Services. For more information call 574-946-2100.

### Social Security

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Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 164,901,801
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 10,829,395
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$
Other assets	\$ 4,595,298
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 215,175,095</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 18,552,450
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 6,229,241
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$
Reserve for Taxes	\$
All Other Liabilities	\$ 2,319,809
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 27,101,501</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 3,808,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 117,984,620
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 66,280,974
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 188,073,594
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 215,175,095</b>

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Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 4,309,992
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 588,224
Other assets	\$ 3,372,625
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 68,993,531</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 199,678
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 8,737
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 1,493,304
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 2,478,864
All Other Liabilities	\$ 3,046,145
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 7,226,728</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 4,200,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 49,242,333
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 8,324,469
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 61,766,803
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 68,993,531</b>

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
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 President Secretary

## Letter To The Editor

### Thinking about 2012

Can't believe I am saying 2012. It seems like yesterday it was 1957!

An election is near. We know this because of all the debates. I have watched some of them and I am not sure I have learned anything new. Maybe I will in the next one.

It is hard to believe the nation is in such a sad state. The President inherited a nation with a budget surplus, a nation at peace, and everyone employed and happy.

How could "he" do such a bad job in such a short time? He had such a great starting line. His re-election should be a cake walk.

He has a Congress that is more than cooperative and with the nation's hopes and dreams guiding all of its actions.

What could have happened? I

wonder.

If I lived anywhere near New York City I would be with the next generation on Wall Street. Hope they can recover the "American Dream".

Larry Cunningham  
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## Sports Shorts

Seth Cousins placed 56<sup>th</sup> with a time of 18:59 in the regional cross country meet held Saturday at Culver Military Academy.

The Caston varsity football team won its homecoming match Friday night when it defeated visited Tri-County, 35-21. The Comets will travel to Carroll Friday for first-round sectional action. The game is set for 7 p.m.

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### Caston Athletic Schedule

Friday, Oct. 21 - Caston football at Carroll, 7 p.m. (sectional)

Saturday, Oct. 22 - Volleyball sectional at Pioneer, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 25 - Volleyball regional, 7 p.m.

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### NIPSCO PROJECTS LOWER NATURAL GAS PRICES THIS WINTER

Strong domestic supply, shale production and storage levels account for low costs

NIPSCO provides welcome news to its customers as market projections indicate that this winter natural gas prices will remain among the lowest in more than 10 years.

Assuming normal winter temperatures, NIPSCO customers are expected to experience a decrease of 7.7 percent in their overall home heating bills this upcoming

heating season compared to last winter.

Over the course of the five-month winter heating season - Nov. 1 to March 31 - NIPSCO's average residential customer using a total of 623 therms could expect to pay approximately \$461. This compares to \$499 for a customer using the same amount of gas during last winter.

"As household budgets remain strapped, we are glad to share favorable news about expected natural gas prices this winter," said NIPSCO CEO Jimmy Staton. "Market prices for natural gas have stabilized because of increased domestic production, onshore shale gas discoveries, and increased storage and transportation capabilities. This stable market outlook will provide a much-needed benefit to homes and businesses across northern Indiana."

Actual bills may vary by customer depending on the home's age and size, number in the household, number and age of gas appliances, thermostat settings and insulation levels.

The cost of natural gas represents the largest portion of customer bills - on average, three-fourths of an overall bill. NIPSCO has no mark-up and makes no profit on the cost of natural gas billed to its customers. Before billing, natural gas commodity costs must be reviewed by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC).

With a history of securing the

most reliable supply of natural gas at the lowest cost for customers, NIPSCO's purchasing strategy consists of buying gas in the market from a variety of sources at different times throughout the year, while utilizing gas storage to offset market price volatility.

NIPSCO's gas distribution system provides access to seven interstate pipelines, three on-system storage facilities and eight major North American supply basins.

While NIPSCO cannot control market conditions affecting the price of natural gas, the utility does negotiate the best possible price for the natural gas it purchases for its customers.

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### ASSETS OF COMPANY

	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D) .....	\$ 16,356,209
Stocks (Schedule D) .....	\$ 295,325
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B) .....	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A) .....	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E) .....	\$ 5,602,933
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums .....	\$ 395,803
Other assets .....	\$ 527,337
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$ 23,177,607</b>

### LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses .....	\$ 1,982,490
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses .....	\$ 762,501
Reserve for Unearned Premiums .....	\$ 2,604,142
Reserve for Taxes .....	\$ 313,467
All Other Liabilities .....	\$ 1,067,080
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>\$ 6,729,680</b>
Special Surplus Funds .....	\$
Capital Stock .....	\$ 1,200,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus .....	\$ 2,451,009
Unassigned Surplus .....	\$ 12,796,918
Surplus as regards Policyholders .....	\$ 16,447,927
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS .....</b>	<b>\$ 23,177,607</b>

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### ASSETS OF COMPANY

	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D) .....	\$ 539,208,343
Stocks (Schedule D) .....	\$ 1,606,516,121
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B) .....	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A) .....	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E) .....	\$ 255,626,779
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums .....	\$
Other assets .....	\$ 76,912,171
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,478,263,414</b>

### LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses .....	\$ 1,028,856,040
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses .....	\$ 158,813,277
Reserve for Unearned Premiums .....	\$
Reserve for Taxes .....	\$ 2,055,312
All Other Liabilities .....	\$ 346,357,496
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,536,082,125</b>
Special Surplus Funds .....	\$
Capital Stock .....	\$ 4,329,920
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus .....	\$ 584,894,234
Unassigned Surplus .....	\$ 352,956,135
Surplus as regards Policyholders .....	\$ 942,180,289
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,478,263,414</b>

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## Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown Ph.: (574) 653-2451

On Saturday, September 17, Elaine Rans along with her son, Larry David, and his wife, Barbara, rode 25 miles in the "2 Rivers on 2 Wheels" bike ride in Logansport. The ride traveled along the Eel and Wabash Rivers. It took the trio approximately 2½ hours to complete the ride. Elaine said it was a lot of fun and she is ready for another long group ride.

Don and Pauline Scales had a caller Tuesday, Oct. 11. Coming over for a chat was their son, Bruce Scales of Fulton.

Tim Cogdill of Macy and Jane and Jim Teeter of Bluffton visited with Tim and Jane's mother, Ruth Cogdill, Wednesday, Oct. 12. Tim arrived early in the morning and left around noon. Jane and Jim arrived shortly after Tim and remained throughout the afternoon. The Teeters treated Ruth to carry-outs from the Kibitzer for lunch. Everyone had a wonderful day and enjoyed the family get-together.

Pauline and Don Scales had several visitors Thursday, Oct. 13. Joining them for a pleasant chat were their daughters and sons-in-law, Phyllis and Gene Koontz of Rochester and Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City.

Billie Scott and Bo had recent callers. Surprising them with a very nice visit were Rick and Carolyn Metzger of Bainesberry, Tennessee. They had fun catching up on all the happenings in their families and

around Lake Bruce. The Metzgers are former residents of Lake Bruce.

Jim Sutton of Fulton enjoyed a visit with Don and Pauline Scales Friday, Oct. 14.

Janet and C.J. Yocum of Rochester had a luncheon guest Saturday, Oct. 15. Joining them for the meal and a visit was Janet's mother, Nancy Evers.

Don and Pauline Scales and their houseguest, Patty Tarver, had a couple of callers Saturday. Stopping by for a wonderful family visit were the Scaleses' daughter, Linda Garner of here, and Patty's son, Darrell Tarver of South Carolina. Darrell was on his way home from a cross-country delivery to Chicago, Illinois. The group enjoyed lunch together and a nice ride through the autumn countryside.

Jon and Barb Gast hosted their annual pizza party Saturday for family. Joining them were their children and their spouses, Rick and Belinda Weller of LaPorte, Randy and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans of Lake Bruce; their grandchildren and their families, Doug and Kara Sutton, Ethan and Owen, of Goshen, Brent Wagoner of Warsaw and Shelby of Etna Green and Kim Jenkins, Brendan, Riley and Katelyn of Leiters Ford; Barb's siblings, Don Carr and Betty Leazenby; Betty's grandson and his family, David and Erica Leazenby, Zack and Ava; and Shelby's friend, Jessica. Everyone had a wonderful time

visiting and helping Belinda and Cora Lynn celebrate their birthdays.

Janel Norris, her brother David Norris, and her daughter Myfanwy Schuller, hosted a surprise birthday party last Saturday for their dear friend, Patty Trinca, of South Bend. Tony Trinca had convinced his wife they would be attending a pipefitters union retirement lunch, so her surprised face upon seeing her old friends instead was a real sight. The venue was the charming Corner Cup Café in Walkerton, which offered several items suitable for the vegetarians in the group as well as the best cup of coffee for miles. The delightful morning ended with a round of fresh-from-the-oven apple dumplings and affectionate best wishes for the birthday girl. On the return trip to Kewanna, Janel and David dropped in to see their sister, Ruth Cogdill. They had a great visit with lots of family news to catch up on, including the latest on their niece, Linda Ligocki, who phoned from her new job in North Dakota. A few minutes later came a phone call from their nephew, Mike Cogdill, in Alaska who used to work with one of Linda's new co-workers in North Dakota. Truly a small world.

Don Carr of Florida left Sunday, Oct. 16, for New York State. He had been in Kewanna for several weeks staying with his sister, Betty Leazenby, and visiting with relatives and friends. He is planning on being in New York visiting with his children and their families until winter.

Pauline Scales was the guest of honor at a family gathering

Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and held in her home. Over forty members of her family and friends were able to stop by and wish her a very Happy Birthday.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Cora Lynn Clemans, Ashley Garner and Carissa-Ann Westphal, Oct. 23; Janet Calhoun, Ellei Kay, Kathy Masunas and Melanie Masunas, Oct. 24; Madisyn Douglass, Helen Hogan and Donna K. Woods, Oct. 25; Shayna Agnew, Heidi Eisbrenner, Amanda Evers, Connie Tomerlin and Dustin Troutman, Oct. 26; Aryn Freels, Jaclyn Shaw and Angela Thomas, Oct. 27; and Nancy Carlson, Oct. 29.

There are four couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Doty, Oct. 23; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Konshak, Oct. 25; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whalen III, Oct. 26; and Mr. and Mrs. Nub Brogdon, Oct. 25.

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**Latino American Consular Workshop Fair:** Oct. 29 in the Farm Bureau Building. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: [www.sre.gob.ms/Indianapolis](http://www.sre.gob.ms/Indianapolis).

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'07 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD Classic 4x4, gray, STK#R14638B	\$24,985
'06 Cadillac DTS, black, STK#R14592B	\$19,985
'06 Ca <b>SOLD</b> TS, STK#RP14618B	\$14,985
'06 Chevrolet Malibu, silver, STK#RP14593A	\$13,985
'06 Ford Mustang, blue, STK#R14335B	\$13,985
'05 Chevrolet Impala, sport red metallic, STK#R14259A	\$10,985
'05 Pontiac Montana SV6, sedona beige metallic, STK#R14099D	\$10,985
'05 Cadillac Escalade, red, STK#R14431A	\$21,985
'05 Bu <b>SOLD</b> rosse, red jewel, STK#R14519A	\$13,985
'05 Ford F-150 Super Cab 4x4, blue, STK#RP14641B	\$17,985
'04 Chevrolet Tahoe, white, STK#R14680A	\$17,985
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'02 Ch <b>SOLD</b> Silverado, STK#R14676B	\$14,985
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'01 Chevrolet Silverado 1500, green, STK#R14440C	\$9,985
'01 Oldsmobile Aurora, blue, STK#RP14614B	\$6,985
'01 Nissan Quest, silver, STK#R14594A	\$6,985
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