

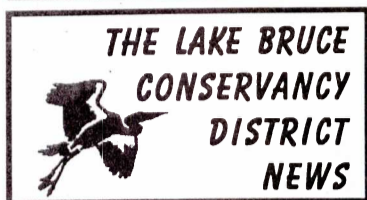


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The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its annual joint meeting with the Lake Bruce Association Saturday, July 10, at the Hoosier Hideaway.

The district's regular meeting was held following the carry-in lunch. The secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved. Regular bills were paid as well as the directors' compensation.

Director Kathy Fisher gave an update on the dredging. The conservancy will pay the property owner for another year's rent on the land where the removed sludge was put as the sludge is not dry enough to spread out. The district has received the final reimbursement from the Department of Natural Resources for the dredging project.

The district has also taken delivery of a roll-off. Director Paul Bradley has completed the needed modifications. He also painted the door on the west vac station.

Wastewater treatment plant operator, Richard Denney, reported that the plant is running great. Air Vac and Aero Mod are doing their part in keeping things going well.

Denney reported that there are still things getting to the plant that should not be there such as plastic, rocks and grease. The district can, if needed, locate where these items are coming from. The LBCD asks residents to refrain from putting items such as these down their drains or toilet. Denney also believes that there may be some sump pumps and drains hooked into the sewage collection system. These need to be disconnected. The district needs to come up with covers for the tanks to keep them from freezing in the winter due to insufficient flow.

Director Gerald Porter reported that if the weeds make a comeback later, the district has funds to do some spot treatment.

Springcreek Nursery won the bid for trees to go around the wastewater treatment plant. The trees have been ordered.

Director Bruce Glasson presented a proposal for a bounced check policy for the district. He noted the bank charges \$10 for each returned check and the billing company charges \$25. The proposal for the district is to charge \$35 per bad check to cover its cost. A first reading on the policy was held.

Director Rick Tompos gave the first reading of the proposed 2011 budget. The district is making cuts in some areas in order to increase the budget for weed control without increasing the budget overall.

The group's next meeting will be at 7 p.m. August 12 in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. Adoption of the 2011 budget will be on the agenda.

The News In Brief

The Caston High School volleyball team will hold practices August 2-6 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All girls should meet in the gym. Physical forms must be on file in the AD's office or given to the coach before athletes can participate in practices.

The Fulton Improvement Committee will serve an all-you-can-eat fish and chicken fry Saturday, August 7, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Liberty Township Park during Fulton Fun Days. All proceeds from the fish and chicken fry will go towards the future community building.

The Kewanna town council's regular August council meeting has been changed from Thursday, August 5, to Thursday, August 12, at 7 p.m. at the town hall.

The Caston girls and boys cross country team will practice at 6:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. August 2-6. Runners must have a signed physical form on file to practice.

Any Caston athlete or Charger football player can get a physical at the school on Monday, August 2, from 7 to 9 a.m. Meet outside the AD's office. The cost of the physical is \$10. You must have the front page filled out and parents' signatures before the physical will be given. Forms can be picked up at the high school office.

The Caston girl's golf team will practice from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 30; 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 31; and 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 2, 3 and 4. Golfers must have a signed physical form turned in before they can practice. Physical forms can be picked up at the high school office.

V.I.P. (Visually Impaired People) will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, August 10, at the Von Tobel Center, Winamac. Anyone with vision problems and other interested persons are welcome to attend.

Walmart has announced that it will indeed build a superstore in Rochester, across State Road 25 from the present Walmart. The Walmart Corporation first announced its plan for the new store in 2007, but placed the plans on hold in June of 2008.

Emmaus Mission Center, 805 Spencer St., Logansport, will hold an open house August 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. The public is invited to tour the facilities, meet staffers and learn about how the center serves Fulton County.

Carly Shultz was crowned Miss Fulton County for 2010 Sunday evening at the Fulton County 4-H Fair. Award winners and her court included Alexis Hamilton-

Fulton Fun Days set for August 7 & 8

The Fulton Liberty Lions Club will host its annual Fun Days Saturday and Sunday, August 7 and 8, at Fulton.

Saturday will start with a breakfast served by the Masons beginning at 6:30 a.m.

A mushball tournament will commence at 8 a.m. followed by a 5K run, funwalk and puppy trot at 8:30 a.m. and 3-on-3 basketball and a volleyball tournament at 9 a.m. Registration for the volleyball tournament is from 8:30 to 9 a.m. and the cost is \$5 per team, which goes into "the pot" and the winning team receives the cash.

The Fulton branch of the Fulton County Public Library will hold a book sale from 9 a.m. to noon.

The parade is set to kick off at 11 a.m. followed by the Cuties Crowning at 12 noon and a magic show at 12:30 p.m.

The Fulton County REMC will sponsor kids games from 1 to 4 p.m. Free pony rides, bingo and a pedal tractor pull are scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

Bingo for kids will start at 2:30 p.m. and a local teen band will perform from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The Fulton Improvement Committee will serve a fish fry from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department will present a K-9 demonstration at 5 p.m. There will be another magic show at 5:30 p.m. on the park stage followed by a youth talent show at 6:30 p.m. Also, a euchre tournament will start at 6:30 p.m. in Pavilion 2. The day's activities will close with a concert by Erik Henderson at 7:30 p.m.

The Fulton Baptist Temple will host a free picnic meal and gospel singspiration at 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Send In Your News

Miller, best interview; Makayla Stockberger, second runner-up and best formal gown; Skylar Powlen, first runner-up, Miss Congeniality and best suit; and Hannah Lee, most photogenic.

The second annual Nyona-South Mud Lakes Fun Day is Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Mike's Pizza on Nyona Lake. Activities include games for the kids, cake walks, a dunk tank, corn hole tourney, food and much more. The rain date for the event is 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the same location.

The State of Indiana collected \$957 million less in taxes than budgeted over the last 12 months. To compensate for the revenue loss, spending was slashed and the state dipped into reserve funds. The state started the fiscal year with a bank balance of \$1.3 billion and ended with an \$830 million balance.

Attention local 4-H winners: If you have pictures of your winning 4-H project, please submit them to The Observer.

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Public invited to tour new fire station

The public is invited to tour the new addition to the Wayne Township Fire Station at Grass Creek Saturday, August 14.

The fire department will serve a hog roast from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. after which a dedication ceremony will be held beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Four new bays have been added to the fire station. A new kitchen was installed and a new meeting room is housed in the original fire station. The improvements also include central air conditioning, new rest rooms, handicap accessible, and showers.

Funding for the addition and remodeling came from a \$500,000 Community Focus Fund block grant, with a local match.

The general contractor for the project was Jay Zagajewski.

The meeting room is available to the public for reunions, open houses, etc. Persons wishing to reserve the meeting room should call the township trustee, Peggy Dague, at 574-653-2877.

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Concert tickets available at bank

Tickets for the Friday night concert at the Fulton County 4-H Fair are available at the Kewanna branch of Community State Bank.

The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 23, in the Dave Clauson Amphitheater at the Fulton County 4-H fairgrounds with an appearance by the band, Nightshift, followed by American Idol singer, Amanda Overmyer at 9 p.m.

Tickets are \$10.00 each. Children age five and under will be admitted free.

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Library executive session

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library board will meet in executive session at 6 p.m. Monday, July 26, at the library. The regular monthly meeting will follow.

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Winamac Coil Spring Sponsoring a Blood Drive

Winamac Coil Spring will be partnering with Indiana Blood Center in sponsoring a blood drive in the Winamac Fire Station, located at 404 N Toner. The community is invited to visit the blood drive on Tuesday, August 3 from 12 pm to 5 pm. Each donation will help to save the lives of up to three Indiana

patients recovering from illness, injury or accident.

In order to donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. Please be sure to bring a photo ID. An individual can donate blood every 56-days.

Indiana Blood Center is a non-profit community service organization serving over 60 Indiana hospitals with lifesaving

blood and blood products. To reserve a donation time and sign-up to receive donor loyalty points that can be redeemed for free gifts, please visit www.donorpoint.org. Walk-ins are also welcome. For more information, please contact Indiana Blood Center at 765-446-4216.

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New knee surgery performed at Woodlawn

Dr. Jeffrey Sheedy, orthopedic surgeon on the Woodlawn Hospital medical staff, recently performed the first "custom-fit knee" replacement surgery at Woodlawn. The Zimmer Patient Specific Instrumentation (PSI) combines advancements in instrumentation technology with proven orthopedic alignment principles.

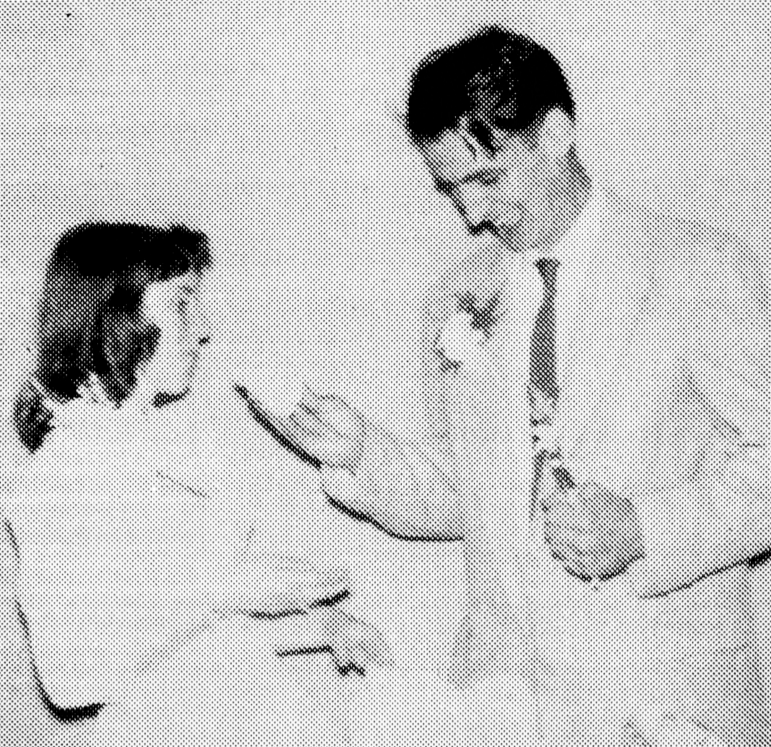
No two knees are alike. The real advantage of the PSI knee is the custom-fit for each patient's knee replacement. Research show that differences in bone shape affect the way a knee replacement fits. PSI use MRI to capture the true anatomy of the patient's knee to computer-generate a detailed surgical plan, including customized instrumentation that shows exactly how the new knee should be placed. The computer technology aligns all the cuts made in the bone, and thus perfectly aligns the knee replacement.

The patient specific instruments were developed based upon the clinically proven principles of mechanical axis alignment. For example, in total knee replacement, proper alignment is a crucial factor in the function and longevity of the replacement joint. Studies show that misalignment causes increased wear of the implant and can lead to premature failure.

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RECYCLING DATES
THURSDAY,
JULY 1ST, 15TH, 29TH

Clubs Societies Personals



Republican Women meet

The Fulton County Republican Women's Club met at 7 p.m. June 28 at Rochester City Hall.

The president, Pat Hoover, called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

The secretary's report and the treasurer's report were both approved as read.

Chad Hartzler, central committee chairman, talked about the Akron parade and encouraged people to attend and look for a major addition to this year's parade. He also noted Gold Elephant donations are still being accepted.

The president reported that the memorial book for Mary Edith McKee is in the works and should be ready soon. Cindy Goodman reported that all tickets for the quilt raffle have been disbursed and a sign up sheet is being circulated for those who can work the booth at the 4-H fair July 19 - 23.

Mrs. Hoover reported that she purchased some Republican Women's pins at the state convention and would sell them giving the proceeds to the club. She also announced that the next Republican Women's Club meeting will be the summer picnic at 6 p.m. Monday, August 23, at the home of Pat Calvert. Those attending should bring a covered dish.

The guest speaker for the evening was Jim Straeter who talked about wind power in Fulton County. He stated there are currently individuals looking at Fulton County to put in wind turbines, even though Indiana is not a great wind state. He also stated there are some regulations that must be met in order to obtain a wind turbine and that all wind turbines have some method to protect itself in high winds.

Refreshments furnished by Joan Steele and Sandra Hazel were enjoyed.

James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 July Schedule

July 20 - Open Sunday, Tammy S. cooking

July 27 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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Surprise open house planned

David and Donna Woods, 6879 W State Road 14, Rochester, will be the guests of honor at a surprise open house in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, July 24. The event will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Fulton County Community Resource Center, 625 Pontiac St., Rochester, and will be hosted by the couples children and grandchildren.

Woods and the former Donna Kay Malott were married July 16, 1960 at the Church of the Nazarene in Gary by Robert E. Ross. He is self employed and the owner of D. Woods Auto. She works at Kroger's in Rochester. Their children include Donna Ethel Newman and her husband, Kerry, Kewanna, and David Edwin Woods III, Culver. They also have three grandchildren, Karena and Kyle Newman and Heather Woods.

Remember, mum's the word as the family hopes to keep the party a surprise! Cards will be appreciated but gifts should be omitted.



Birthday open house Sunday

Florence Baldwin, Kewanna, will be the guest of honor at a birthday open house Sunday afternoon, July 25, in celebration of her 80th birthday. The event will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station.

She and her late husband, Richard, are the parents of five children, Larry, Steve and Charles Baldwin, Tami Powell and Deana Thomas. Florence also has 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Friends, neighbors and acquaintances are invited to help her celebrate the occasion, but it is requested that gifts be omitted.

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Lunch and Learn seminar centers on selling food

The Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO) in conjunction with the Rochester and Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce and Ivy Tech Community College will host the next Lunch and Learn seminar series, "Selling Food from a Home-based Business". The seminar will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 27, at the FEDCO/Chamber office, 822 Main St., Rochester.

This seminar, offered free to the general public, marks the third in a series of monthly Lunch and Learn educational events. The rules and regulations for preparing and selling food in Indiana will be discussed as well as new rules in regards to selling foods at farmers' markets and festivals.

The presenter will be Deb Gardner, director of the Fulton County Health Department. FEDCO Executive Director Terry Lee states, "With the growing push to purchase foods locally

and with more and more people producing food items, a seminar with this information is important. This is a great opportunity for food producers to stay on top of new and existing regulations."

Advance registration is required. Please contact Carol Bitzer at 574-223-3326.

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Spaghetti supper at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church will serve its annual all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper Saturday, July 31, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the church, 11941 W 75 N, Lake Bruce. The cost of the meal is a free will donation.

The church is handicap accessible on the east side of the building.

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
 July 9
 Births - Joshua and Leeann Coffing, Rochester, a daughter
 July 11
 Births - Nathan and Jenny Mevis, Lakeville, a daughter
 July 12
 Admissions - Debra Henry, Kewanna
 Dismissals - Antonio Pena, Annberly Creighbaum, Mindy Schwarte and daughter and Leeann Coffing, Rochester; Courtney Thomas and son and Debra Henry, Kewanna
 July 13
 Admissions - Stella Grube, Richard Mushinski and Richard Miller, Rochester; Isaiah Riddle and Leamon Ackerman, Kewanna
 Births - Brian and Amanda Lett, Plymouth, a son
 July 14
 Admissions - Barbara Arnold and Kathleen Horn, Rochester
 Dismissals - Jenny Mevis and daughter, Lakeville; Isaiah Riddle, Kewanna; Hadlie Coffing, Rochester
 Births - Michael and Kelsea Wiles, Royal Center, a son
 July 16
 Dismissals - Stella Grube, Richard Miller and Kathleen Horn, Rochester; Amanda Lett and son, Plymouth
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Community Calendar

Pulaski Community Hospital

Breastfeeding Class

The next Breastfeeding Class is Saturday, July 24 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.
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Rehab for your heart

Maybe you've recently had a heart attack, undergone bypass surgery, had a stent placement or have had a pacemaker implanted. Whatever the reason, your physician has recommended cardiac rehabilitation. Here are answers to some common questions about it:

What is it?

Cardiac rehabilitation is a program that helps people with heart conditions improve their

physical, mental and social functioning. The ultimate goal is to reduce the risk of heart disease or another heart event and have a higher quality of life. Who needs it?

Generally, physicians will recommend cardiac rehab for people who have had a heart attack, have undergone bypass surgery, angioplasty or stent placement, or pacemaker implantation.

What does it involve? Cardiac rehab usually involves:

Medical evaluation. At the onset of cardiac rehab, and periodically throughout your treatment, a health care team member will look at your risk factors for heart disease, and discuss with you any other conditions you may have. This will help the team design a rehab program specifically for you so that it's both safe and effective.

Physical activity. Under supervision from a health care professional, you will engage in activities such as walking, rowing and cycling to help increase your heart health. You also may lift weights or engage in other forms of strength training to increase muscular

strength. The type of exercise will depend on your abilities and limitations. You'll also learn how to appropriately warm up, stretch and cool down. Staff will help you monitor your heart rate and level of intensity. Even if you've never exercised before, you will learn how to work out at a comfortable pace.

Lifestyle education. To improve your heart health, you may need to lose weight or make dietary changes. Staff members will share ideas for healthier eating and will also support you in changing unhealthy habits, such as smoking. They will also help you manage any fatigue or pain you may be experiencing, and discuss medication issues.

Support. It takes time to adjust to serious medical conditions. Often people experience depression or anxiety, or possibly loneliness or a loss of purpose if they lose touch with friends or have to stop working temporarily. Health Care Team members can teach you healthy ways to cope with these feelings.
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To Reserve the Fire Department Community Room - Call Bev Baldwin at (574) 653-2622 Evenings
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Small Business Counseling

Fulton County small business owners and entrepreneurs can learn more about operating their own business by attending confidential counseling sessions provided by the regional Small Business Development Center. Through an arrangement with the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO), this service is free to Fulton County residents. A business counselor can help current and prospective business owners with business plans, marketing, arranging financing and growing a business.

A counselor is available every month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. To schedule an appointment for August 11 call 574-223-3326.
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Looking Back

SIXTY YEARS AGO July 21, 1950

Rosa Irene Gilsinger, Rt. 2, Kewanna, and Junior A. Nimz, Winamac, both escaped injury Sunday afternoon when their vehicles collided four miles east of Athens on State Road 14.

A miscellaneous shower and supper honoring Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Penny was held Sunday evening at the Fletchers Lake Methodist Church. The couple was recently married.

Jesse Zuck has received word of the death of his brother, John Zuck, of Phoenix, Arizona. The deceased was the son of William and Miranda Zuck and left the Kewanna vicinity 40 years ago.

Virgil Fry, 22, son of Mrs. Verna Fry of Logansport, was killed Sunday when his airplane crashed near his home in Santa Ana, California. He was born and raised in Fulton and attended school there.

Ten of the 24 members of the Kewanna High School graduating class of 1930 and their families met Sunday at Lake Bruce. Class members in attendance included Harlan Wharton, South Bend; Harold Wilson, Indianapolis; Lois Smith Dykema, Kalamazoo, Michigan; Loretta Williamson Need, Gary; Margaret Kumler Hargrove, LaPorte; Cloyd Zuck, Katherine Kopp Orr, Harriet Elston Stoudt and Foster Stoudt, Kewanna.

Ann Marie Jester and Jerry Talbott were united in marriage July 15 at the Kewanna Baptist parsonage with Rev. W. R. Sales officiating. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Kewanna High School. Mrs. Talbott is employed at Deckard's Food Store in Kewanna and the groom is working at Stewart's Bakery in Rochester. The couple resides in an apartment in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jester.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walsh, Grass Creek, are the parents of a son born July 10 at Carneal Hospital, Winamac. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 13½ ounces and has been named James Edward.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO July 21, 1955

Martha Hoffman, 16, Rt. 3, Kewanna, was injured at 11:30 Saturday night when the car in which she was riding struck a utility pole at the west edge of Royal Center.

Penny Skersick celebrated her eighth birthday Tuesday afternoon at a party. Those present were Sally Masteller, Joan Markley, Barbara and Pat Lyon, Vicki and Sherri Evans, Debbie Anderson of Kokomo, Debbie Partridge, Susan Seidel and Susan and Annie Heinsen.

Lindsey Ewen, Jr., eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Ewen, Rt. 6, Rochester, was rushed to South Bend Memorial Hospital Tuesday afternoon, July 12, for treatment of an infected eye. He was scheduled for surgery on the eye at a later date, but was rushed to the hospital when it became infected.

The Prairie Grove Home Demonstration Club met recently at the home of Mrs. Gerald Doud. The lesson, "Flower Arrangement and Corsage Making" was presented by Mrs. John Friedrich.

Miss Doris Kreamer left Sunday for Greenville, Ohio, where she is appearing this week with the Cavalcade of Stars in a twirling act. The group gave an afternoon and evening performance in Greenville Sunday and an afternoon and evening performance in Eaton, Ohio, on Monday.

Mrs. Alta Nickels, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Phila Zuck, celebrated her 94th birthday Monday. Another daughter, Mrs. Pearl Ritter, of Kalamazoo, Michigan came Sunday to help her mother celebrate the occasion and visit with her sister.

FIFTY YEARS AGO July 21, 1960

Six-year-old Gene Ley was dismissed Monday from South Bend Memorial Hospital where he had spent five days undergoing a checkup.

The class of 1937 held its annual reunion at the Kewanna picnic grounds Sunday. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie House and son, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Turner and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Herman McColley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Troutman and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Montz and family.

Mrs. Anna Marie Zartman, 73, Rochester, died at 10 a.m. Friday, July 15, at Woodlawn Hospital where she had been a patient one month. Among her survivors are a son, Adam, of Kewanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thomas, Grass Creek, are the parents of a son born July 13 in Woodlawn Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces and has been named Christopher Michael.

Debra Partridge and Pat Lyon

are spending this week at Camp Warren in Michigan. Dinah Gilliland, Dana Lyon and Mary Stoudt are at Camp Battleground.

A great deal of concern has been expressed for the safety of Rev. and Mrs. Clayton Weeks and their four children since the native uprising in the Belgian Congo. Mrs. Weeks is the former Helen Mitchell. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchell, live west of Kewanna. The family was due to leave their mission station at Wema, located on the Congo River inland from Leopoldville. They had airplane reservations for July 16 from Leopoldville to Belgium, but they have not been heard from. The Weeks family has appeared at the local Methodist and Christian churches on previous furloughs.

THIRTY YEARS AGO July 24, 1980

The Kewanna Hardware Store was struck by lightning Saturday afternoon causing a fire which gutted the workshop in the rear of the building. John Milliser, owner of the store, reports that he was standing in front of the store when the lightning struck, knocking him to his knees. When he went back into the store, he discovered the fire and cleared the store. Damage was set at over \$30,000 to the shop and its contents.

Anita Fox, Chris Hurley, Stacey Personett, Julia Johnson, Beth Hubeny and Robin Bartram, Kewanna High School cheerleaders, attended cheer-leading camp at Vincennes University last week.

Kevin Sommers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sommers, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is a youth exchange student in France for five weeks sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Grass Creek and Fulton. Kevin will be a freshman this fall at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Services for Elizabeth P. Graffis, 88, Kewanna, were held at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home in Kewanna Friday, July 18, at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Neil Milliman officiated and burial was in the Grass Creek Cemetery. Survivors include one step-son, Fred, Kewanna.

Several local Cub Scouts

attended day camp at Camp Buffalo recently. The scouts include Jimmy Zellers, Jason Smith, Jeff Johnston, Jon Cunningham, Nickey Klinefelter, Jay Urbin, Raymond Davis, Randy Davis, Paul Bauman, Brian Weisi, Matt Cohagan, Gary Mills and Scott Westwood. The den mother is Judy Zellers. Eunice Urbin was one of the drivers.

Boat parade winners at Lake Bruce on July 4 included Jeff Marker, first; Bob Noble, second; and Sam Parsley, third. Sam was accompanied on his pontoon by Joey and Becky Hirsch, Kim Grether and Kris Parsley.

TWENTY YEARS AGO July 19, 1990

So many Fulton County residents turned out for the Fulton County Commissioners meeting Monday night that the meeting had to be moved from the commissioners' room to the parking lot on the east side of the courthouse. The large crowd was due to the controversy over county-wide zoning.

Services for Karl F. Redweik, 86, Rt. 2, North Judson, were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Mr. Redweik died at 6:26 a.m. Saturday in Starke Memorial Hospital, Knox. He was the father of Robert Redweik, Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Cravens, Bowling Green, Kentucky, announced the engagement of their daughter, Alicia Lynn Cravens, to Jeffrey Lee Bitterling, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bitterling of Bowling Green and former Kewanna residents.

Ruth Cogdill recently returned to her home here after a 21 day trip to Alaska where she visited her son and daughter-in-law, S/Sgt. Mike and Ingrid Cogdill and daughters, Jamie and Brittany. Mike is stationed at Eielson AFB, 20 miles southeast of Fairbanks.

The 1960 graduating class of North Caston High School, Grass Creek campus, held a reunion on Father's Day at the Lake Maxinkuckee cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Reid. Mrs. Reid is the former Miriam Hizer of Grass Creek. Those present for the occasion included David Huffman, Carita Rouch Brown, Judy Stamper McMillen, Lyle Siders, Alan Hizer, Susan St. Clair Walner, Phyllis St. Clair Hauser, Connie Brown Jones and Joe E. Dague. Class members unable to attend included Larry James, John Scott, Shelia Beehler Werner, Charles Birnell, Jim Scott, John Fields and Rodney Hoff.

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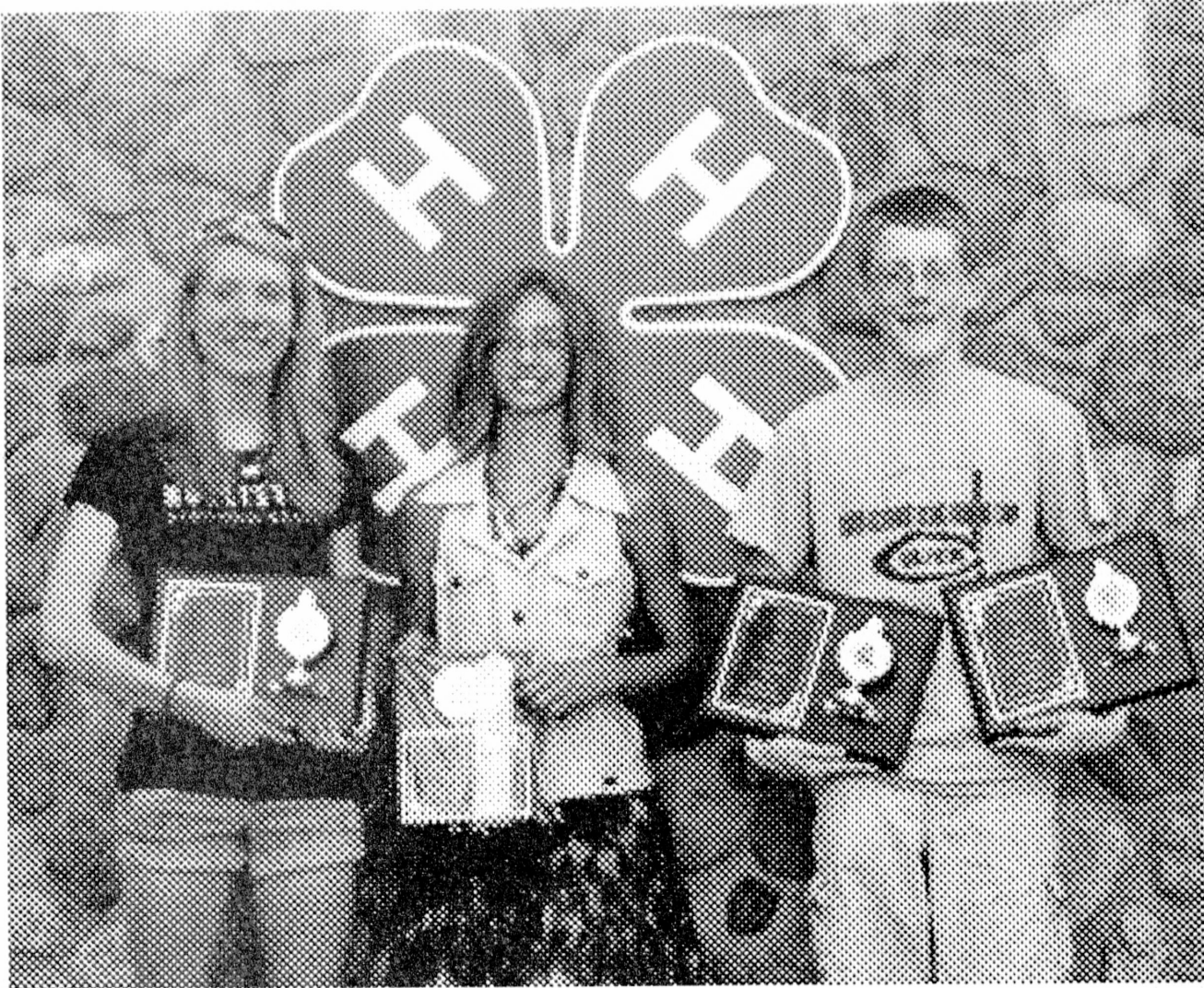
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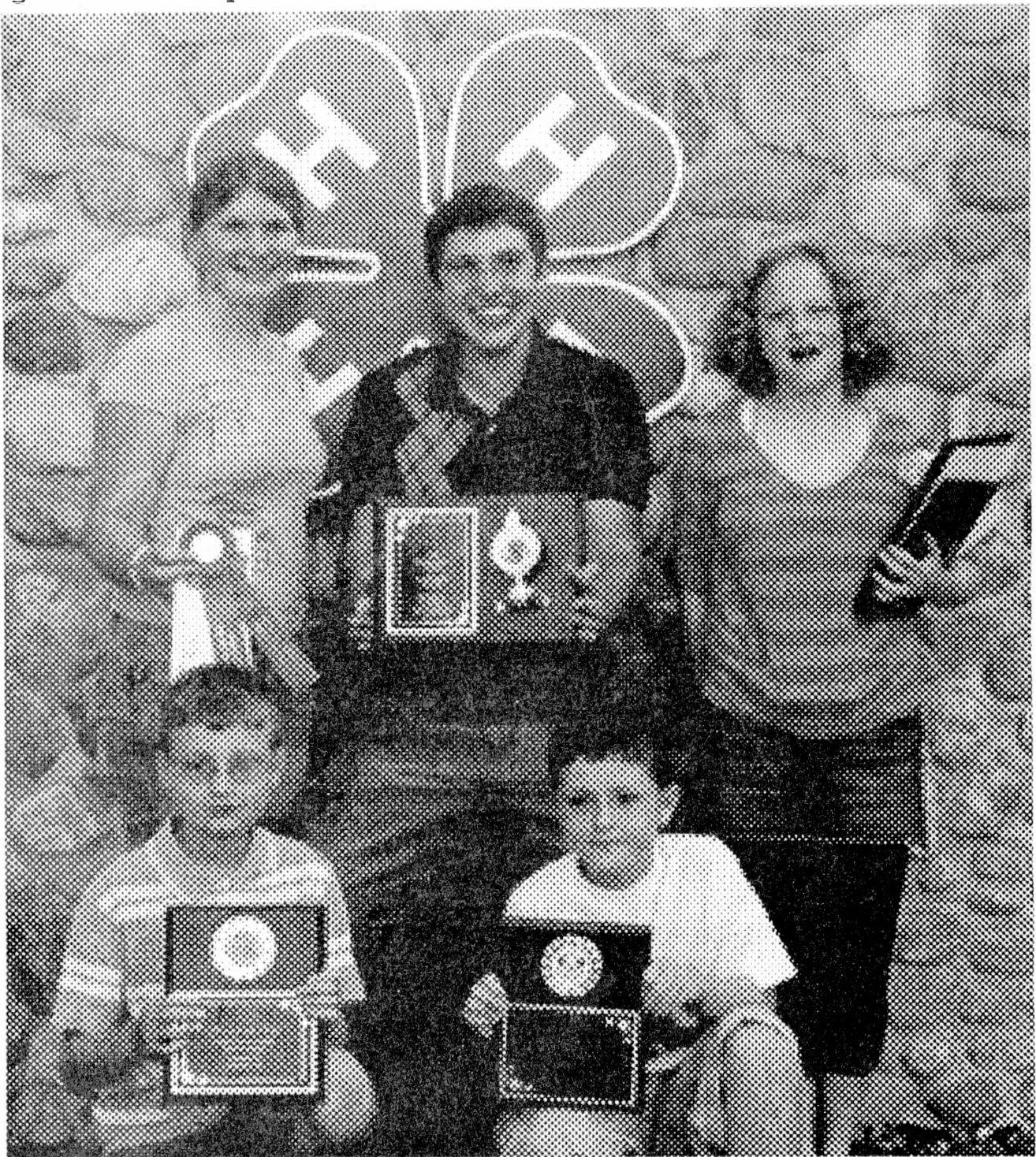
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4-H Fair Winners – Kara Smith, grand champion, consumer clothing; Ellei Kay, reserve grand champion, consumer

clothing; and Zachary Smith grand champion, books and computer.

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More Champions – Front, Josh Rude, model railroading, and Bill Rude, clowning; back, Sadie Rude, clothing dress review; Darius Rude, recycling; and Lauren Evers, scare crow and small engines.

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Local Partnership Announces Business Training Program for New and Existing Business Owners

FEDCO, in partnership with the Fulton County REMC, REAL Services and Ivy Tech Community College announces The NxLevel Business Planning and Management Course, a business training course designed to enhance entrepreneurial skills for start-up and existing businesses. The 6-week course is divided into 2 sections to assist entrepreneurs at all levels.

Section I, "What's Your Big Idea?" Four steps to test the feasibility of your business idea" will help students analyze their idea before preparing a business plan.

Section II, "NxLevel for Entrepreneurs" will include writing the business plan and basic business management principles. This course is offered for those who have a business or business idea and who want to enhance management skills and prepare a business plan.

A certified NxLevel instructor and small business owner, David Miller, will teach the course. The class will feature local guest speakers as well. NxLevel for Entrepreneurs is designed to help

small business owners, or those who plan to open their own business, learn the skills needed to create, develop, and strengthen successful business ventures. NxLevel addresses the special needs of the entrepreneur by providing a practical hands-on, and commonsense approach to developing their business. Nationally it is rated the best, most comprehensive, non-university business-training course available. This marks the first time such an extensive business planning course has been offered in Fulton County!

Section I, "What's Your Big Idea?" will be held September 7, 9 and 14, 6-8 pm. Section II, NxLevel for Entrepreneurs, will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, September 21 through October 12 at Fulton Economic Development Corporation office, 822 Main Street in Rochester. Graduates of this course are eligible to apply for reduced interest loans that range from \$1,000 to \$15,000.

This course, regularly priced at \$220 is now \$150.00 thanks to sponsor support. Partial scholarships and fee assistance is available for qualified individuals.

Persons interested in this course must register NOW to attend ONE of the FREE orientation meetings being offered, to find out more about the program, and to sign up for the class sessions. These orientation meetings will be held August 10 and 17 12:10-12:40 pm, August 12 and 19, 5:15-5:45 pm. The 30-minute orientation meetings are being held at the Fulton Economic Development Corp offices located at 822 Main

Street in Rochester.

To register for an orientation session, contact Carol Bitzer of FEDCO at 574-223-3326 or cbitzer@fultondevelopment.org. ###

NIPSCO Files Proposal Designed to Encourage Renewable Energy Generation in Northern Indiana

Programs seek to expand solar, wind and bio-mass generation projects

Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) filed a request with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) that, if approved, would expand the company's ability to acquire or purchase electricity created by its customers' renewable energy projects.

"NIPSCO filed these proposed changes with the Commission to promote further renewable generation opportunities in northern Indiana and respond to our customers' interest in such projects to power their homes and businesses," said Jimmy Staton, NIPSCO Chief Executive Officer. "It is our goal that the expansion of these programs will result in sustainable renewable electricity generation available to all NIPSCO customers in the coming years. This result is good for the environment, our customers and for the state of Indiana."

The proposal, which is consistent with Indiana's Hoosier Homegrown Energy Plan, seeks to expand NIPSCO's current Net Metering program to include all customers with solar, wind and hydro generation sources up to 100 kilowatts (kW) of nameplate capacity.

Once approved, the request also would create a pilot program known as NIPSCO's Renewable Feed-In electric rate, which will allow customers to connect solar, wind or bio-mass generation sources, up to 5 megawatts (MW) in nameplate capacity, to the NIPSCO power grid and sell the power to NIPSCO. Power purchase agreement rates for these projects are based upon the generation technology and, in the case of wind, on the capacity size of the project.

The overall program cap of the Feed-In electric rate program is proposed at 30 megawatts (MW) total, or approximately 1 percent of NIPSCO's projected summer peak demand for 2010 of about 3,000 MW. The overall program cap of the Net Metering program is proposed to expand to 6 MW, or approximately 0.2 percent of NIPSCO's 2010 projected peak summer demand.

If the program caps were reached, the total renewable generation produced annually would be enough electricity to power more than 10,000 average Indiana homes for a year.

The pilot Feed-In electrical rate program is proposed to last approximately three years, or through the end of 2013.

NIPSCO expects a Commission ruling on this request in the coming months.

For more information on these program changes, please visit www.nipSCO.com.

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EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The Fulton Liberty Lions Club will be hosting a Euchre Tournament during the Fulton Fun Days Festival. Teams may register from 6-6:30 p.m., Saturday, August 7 at/near the South Pavilion at the Liberty Twp.Park in Fulton. Entry is \$10 per team. Prizes are based on the number of entries. Players must be at least 16 years old.

Early entries: Brian Richter
855 W 850S
Rochester, IN 46975

Fulton Liberty Lions Club
Euchre Tournament

Team 1. _____ Phone _____
2. _____ Phone _____

Play starts at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, August 7 at Park Pavilion #2.

- *Double Elimination
- *Dirty Clubs
- *Standard Scoring

ENTRY FEE: \$10 PER TEAM

Fulton Fun Days Talent Show

Who: Anyone in Kindergarten through 12th grade at Caston School Corporation

When: Saturday, August 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Where: At the Fulton Ball Park

Examples of Talents: Imitations of Superstars, Singers, Instrumentalists, Comedy Acts,

Puppets, Dancing, Puppets, Skits, Cheerleading/Gymnastics, Lip Syncs,

Etc. (Must be "G" Rated!)

*Can register as an individual or group.

*Parents will be required to sign a waiver.

Time Limits: 3-5 Minute Presentations

The talent show will not be a judged event. We would like for students to come show off their talents to the community. Participants will receive a ribbon for their effort.

If you are interested in participating in the talent show, please take one of these registration forms. Fill out the bottom portion and place it in the decorated box. We will contact you with information regarding practice times and dates.

Registration forms must be turned in by Saturday, July 10th. We hope to be speaking with you soon!

Sincerely,

Tina Paschen (574-857-3022)

Diana Smith (574-653-2381)

(Place this portion in the decorated box.)

Name: _____ Grade Level _____ Age _____

Parent's Name: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Address: _____

Talent: _____

Thanks for signing up to participate! We appreciate your support!

FULTON FUN DAYS ALL ABOUT KIDS PARADE ENTRY FORM

DATE : AUGUST 7, 2010
LINE - UP TIME : 10:00 AM
START TIME : 11:00 AM
LINE UP BEHIND FULTON FEED BAG RESTAURANT

NAME OF ENTRY _____

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Letter To The Editor

Ivy Tech credit transfers?

I noticed that one of the editors of a local paper thinks that course transfers should be an easy process.

I wish it was as easy as everyone believes.

How do you judge a course offering?

Do you judge it by the text books or readings assigned?

Do you review the course outlines?

Do you judge a course by the content?

Do you judge a course by the qualifications of the teacher?

If all of the above were easy to evaluate it would be easy to establish course transfers.

I always tell students to get it in writing that the course will transfer from one school to another. If you know you will be transferring say to Purdue, be sure that Purdue will transfer the course.

Trust, but verify. That is always the best action to take.

Been there, and done that. My daughters took college courses in High School that they were told would transfer. I insisted that they get it in writing. They got the letters that I insisted that they get.

The letters were used when they enrolled at the university. They were told a course would not transfer. We had the letters. The courses transferred.

It is not a cut and dried deal. Deans may change, professors may change, and administrative personnel may change. They may not agree with the earlier arrangements.

It is always best to be safe

rather than sorry. Get the letter. Make sure the letter is signed!

Larry Cunningham

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I didn't know

With the news that the State Hospital lost 355 jobs, where were State Rep. Rich McClain, State Rep. Douglas Gutwein, and Senator Randy Head? All we have heard is "I didn't know." Weren't they elected to create and protect jobs in their district and to help move our economy forward? Why weren't they knocking down the door of the Governor's office trying to protect these jobs?

This is why we need a complete overhaul of Cass County's state legislators. We need someone to stand up for the jobs and economy of the rural Indiana. "I didn't know" does not cut it with the 355 families who are losing their jobs, along with the loss of revenue in Cass and other surrounding counties. It is time to ask why they "didn't know"! They were put in this position to know. What's next? Is it going to be the small schools?

State Rep. Candidate
Bill Reutebuch
District 16

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Head: National Study Will Examine Ways Indiana Can Reduce Prison Costs, Stop Repeat Offenders

Gov. Mitch Daniels was joined today by State Sen. Randy Head (R-Logansport) to announce a national research firm will help Indiana find ways to reduce prison costs and stop repeat offenders.

Head said the state will partner with the Pew Center

on the States and the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center to examine Indiana's public safety policies and practices in order to find efficiencies.

"Indiana, which had the highest prison population increase in the nation, will be part of a research study looking for ways to stop repeat offenders and cut costs," said Head, a former deputy prosecutor. "I'm supportive of fiscally sound public safety policies that hold offenders accountable and protect Hoosiers."

Since 2005, the adult offender population in Indiana has increased 19 percent, but the Department of Correction has accommodated the additional prisoners without new construction.

Head said researchers will collect and analyze criminal sentencing data and compare the state's current sentencing and corrections policies and practices with best-practice methods.

"More than 2,000 times a day, a trial judge decides someone's sentence," said the Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall Shepard. "The question is always what's the smart sentence? Who needs to go to prison? Who can be safely helped? How can we prevent another crime? Who should be trusted with a second chance? This is a great opportunity to collaborate with the other two branches of government and the Pew Center."

PEW's Director of the Public Safety Performance Project, Adam Gelb, said any recommendations by researchers will be data driven. Gelb said researchers would not have to start from ground zero, crediting state officials for their work on making sound public policy decisions.

"There is a growing recognition across the country that prisons, just like any government spending program, need to be put to the cost-benefit test to make sure taxpayer dollars are being spent wisely," Gelb said. "There is a strong commitment in Indiana to rein in prison spending, and we are confident this bipartisan collaborative effort will lead to policies that improve public safety at a lower cost."

Pew Center staff will work during the summer and fall months to develop recommendations for the state's Criminal Code Evaluation Commission. Head said lawmakers hope to address the recommendations during the 2011 legislative session beginning in January.

"I believe this study will help our state implement and use best-practice methods to ensure Hoosier taxpayer dollars are used efficiently and violent offenders are appropriately sentenced," Head said.

Head said the bulk of research will be funded by CSG and the Pew Center via their funding partners, including the U.S. Department of Justice.

Head represents Senate District 18, which includes Cass, Fulton, Kosciusko, Miami, Pulaski and Wabash Counties.

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Immunizations available at Health Department

The Fulton County Health Department offers an immunization clinic every Wednesday from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 2-5 p.m. The fourth Wednesday of every month clinic hours are extended to 6 p.m. Parents are urged to beat the school rush and take their children to the clinic early to receive their school immunizations.

Children entering kindergarten in the 2010-2011 school year will need to be immunized before attending school. Students entering the 6th through 12th grade and first year

college students are required additional immunizations as well.

In addition to the previously required immunizations, students entering pre-school or kindergarten (4-6 years old) must have two documented varicella vaccines, separated by at least three months, or written documentation that they have had the disease (chicken pox).

Students entering 6th through 12th grade and first year college students must have one DTap vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Acellular Pertussis); one meningitis vaccine (MCV4); two varicella vaccines (chicken pox) or documentation of the disease.

Guidelines for immunizations can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

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Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies BUDGET ESTIMATE / WAYNE TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Wayne Township, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper officers of said township, at the Grass Creek Fire Station will conduct a public hearing on the year 2011 budget on September 1, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the Township Board will meet at the Grass Creek Fire Station on September 15, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Special assistance is available to handicapped persons who desire to attend by calling 574-653-2877.

Net Assessed Valuation: Civil 53,950,000 Fire 53,950,000

TOWNSHIP FUNDS	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
General	19,080	6,500	6,066
Township Assistance	4,000	2,500	1,777
Fire Fighting	59,400	26,500	23,161
Cumulative Fire	30,000	15,000	14,767
TOTAL TOWNSHIP FUNDS	112,480	50,500	45,771

The estimated maximum levy limitations are: Civil 8.542 Fire 25.883
Township Assistance debt service rate is -. The property tax replacement credit for civil is 2.353.

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Date, July 15, 2010

Pub. 7/22 and 29, 2010

Peggy Dague, Trustee

Wayne Township

Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies BUDGET ESTIMATE / AUBBEEAUBBEE TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Aubbenaubee Township, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper officers of said township, at 7410 Main Street, Leiters Ford, Indiana will conduct a public hearing on the year 2011 budget on September 1, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the Township Board will meet at 7410 Main Street, Leiters Ford, Indiana on September 15, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Special assistance is available to handicapped persons who desire to attend by calling (574) 542-4505.

Net Assessed Valuation Civil 46,593,000 Fire 46,593,000

TOWNSHIP FUNDS	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
General Fund	20,045	2,300	3,240
Township Assistance	5,500	2,200	2,979
Fire Fighting Fund	50,000	41,500	34,856
Cemetery Fund	22,000	11,000	6,219
TOTAL	97,545	57,000	47,294

The estimated maximum levy limitations are: Civil 14.656 Fire 40.791.

Township assistance debt service rate is 0. The Property Tax Replacement Credit for Civil is 2.691.

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Date, July 14, 2010

Pub. 7/22, 7/29, 2010

Carol Chileen, Trustee

Aubbenaubee Township

Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies BUDGET ESTIMATE / KEWANNA CIVIL TOWN

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of Kewanna Civil Town, Fulton County, Indiana that the Town Council, at the Kewanna Town Hall, 308 S. Logan, Kewanna will conduct a public hearing on the year 2011 budget on September 2, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned meeting, the Fiscal Body will meet at 308 S. Logan, Kewanna on October 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen at the County Auditor, City Controller, Clerk Treasurer's or Fire Protection District Offices.

Net Assessed Valuation: \$9,527,000.

FUNDS	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
Casino/Riverboat	5,000		
General Fund	182,610	122,000	119,992
MVH Fund	83,950	46,500	42,922
CCI	3,000		
CCI (Rate)	16,600	16,000	15,878
L R & S	5,000		
Public Safety	16,200		
TOTAL	312,360	184,500	178,792

The 2011 estimated maximum levy limitation for this unit is 181.629.

The Property Tax Replacement Credit used to reduce the rate for this unit is 7.976.

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Date, July 15, 2010

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Jenny Kay

Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Kewanna

Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies BUDGET ESTIMATE / UNION TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Union Township, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper officers of said township, at the Kewanna Fire Station, will conduct a public hearing on the year 2011 budget on August 11, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the Township Board will meet at Kewanna Fire Station on September 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Special assistance is available to handicapped persons who desire to attend by calling 574-653-9088.

Net Assessed Valuation, Civil 62,808,000 / Fire 53,281,000

TOWNSHIP FUNDS	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
General Fund	56,640	32,500	29,170
Township Assistance	10,550	5,000	4,885
Fire Fighting Fund	56,500	29,000	24,213
Cum Fire (Twp)	15,000	9,300	9,117
Total Township Funds	138,690	75,800	67,385

The estimated maximum levy limitations are: Civil, 36.926 Fire, 27.819.

Township Assistance debt service is N/A. The property tax replacement credit for civil is 3.614.

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

July 14, 2010

Pub. 7/22, and 7/29, 2010

Arthur Gudas, Trustee, Union Township

Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies Budget Estimate/ Fulton County Public Library

In the matter of determining tax rates for certain purposes by the Library Board of Fulton County Public Library, Fulton County, Indiana. Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Fulton County Public Library, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper officers of said Library, will conduct a public hearing at 320 West 7th St., Rochester, IN on the 2011 budget on September 13, 2010, at 4:00 p.m. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the Library Board will meet at 320 West 7th St., Rochester, IN on September 27, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Net Assessed Valuation 5705,312,000.

FUND NAME	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
Rainy Day	10,000	0	0
General	1,432,610	882,000	853,427
Debt Service	253,449	268,214	190,434
LIRF	10,000	0	0
TOTAL	1,706,059	1,150,214	1,043,861

The year 2011 estimated maximum levy limitation for this unit is 880.818.

The Property Tax Replacement Credit used to reduce the rate for this unit is 50.190.

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Leslie M. Walker, President of Library Board

Rosa Metzger, Secretary of Library Board

Robert D. Ulrich, Treasurer of Library Board

Date, July 16, 2010

Pub. 7/22, and 29, 2010

"Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler



From the observation deck - kid wisdom

Every once in awhile, my youngest tadpole swims up to the plate and writes this column. He doesn't actually type the words, but he provides the material - one tidbit at a time. I started writing down his gems because I didn't want to forget these little nuggets of youthful wisdom.

Someday they may work well as blackmail material. Until then, they are good for a smile. Some of his latest observations on life: When his pants didn't fit:

I think I'm taller. I must have had a growing sprout.

When talking about the backboard of our basketball hoop:

We shouldn't use it in the winter. In the winter the flexiglass will be frozen and it could shatter.

When caught red-handed eating candy right before lunch:

I figured Skittles didn't qualify as real food.

On eating dinner:

It works best for me if my food isn't mixed together before it hits my tummy. My tummy likes to do the mixing.

More on eating:

Do popsicles have a food group?

When seeing me use a tweezer on my eyebrows:

You pluck your hair out? Isn't that worse than biting your nails? Upon finding out his dad had Lyme disease:

Can someone check me for deer ticks?

After learning how to make paper airplanes:

For my whole life I thought you

needed a remote control for a toy airplane. Now I realize it just takes a piece of paper, and that's even better 'cause with paper there's no room for the batteries.

After visiting his grandma's resting spot at a military cemetery:

When I'm a grown up and my mom dies, I'm gonna get her a really big grave.

Sci fi thoughts:
If zombies took over the world would we just get into our car and drive far, far away or would we need to get a spaceship? Scientifically speaking:

Was the first person they sent into space a dog?

On geography:

If we lived in China, would we be upside-down?

On history:

When were shoes invented? Because I'd like to go back in time and live before that.

On religion:

If you turned invisible, would God be able to see you?

On family:

You have a mom and dad to protect you and keep you safe, and, if you are lucky, you are the big brother because then you can say things like, "Get out of my room."

On dreams:

The only way you can remember what you dream about is if you wake up right in the middle of it. If you wake up at the end, you are brainwashed and can't remember anything. Except if you have a nightmare. Nightmares don't brainwash. They stick with you.

I suppose there will come a day when I no longer keep a running list of commentary from the kids. They will grow older and wiser

and will be less likely to see the world through youthful eyes. They will understand that China isn't upside down, zombies aren't real and popsicles most definitely belong to the fruit group.

That day could come. But I sure hope not.

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HOOSIERS REMINDED TO STAY SAFE WHILE ENJOYING WATER ACTIVITIES

While Hoosiers are cooling off at municipal pools, rivers, lakes, and reservoirs this summer, the Indiana State Department of Health, Indiana Department of Homeland Security and Indiana Department of Natural Resources remind caregivers to help children stay safe.

"Fatal drowning remains the second-leading cause of unintentional injury-related death for children ages 1 to 14 years," says Indiana Department of Homeland Security Chief of Staff Mike Garvey, an Emergency Medical Service professional with 33 years of experience. "It's important to make sure children are always supervised around water to help avoid these tragedies."

Between 2005 and 2007, there were 207 deaths due to drowning in the state, 27 percent of which occurred in natural bodies of water such as lakes and rivers. Sixty-five deaths were children and adolescents under the age of 20. While the majority of drownings in natural bodies of water involve individuals over 15 years of age, 25 of these deaths were children 2 to 4 years of age, and 14 deaths were children 5 to 13 years old.

"It's important to remember that not all drowning incidents result in death," said Dr. Duwve. "Non-fatal drowning incidents can cause brain damage resulting in long-term disabilities such as memory problems, learning difficulties, and permanent loss of ability to perform basic daily functions."

Drowning is the leading cause of injury and death for young children ages 1 to 4, with most occurring in residential swimming pools. Most young children who drowned in pools

had been out of sight of a caregiver for fewer than five minutes. Children under age 1 most often drown in bathtubs, buckets, or toilets. Between 2005 and 2007 there were nine fatal bathtub drownings in Indiana.

Alcohol use is involved in about 25-50 percent of adolescent deaths associated with water recreation.

Among those who drowned in boating accidents, 87 percent were not wearing life jackets.

Drowning is the most common cause of unintentional injury and death for persons with seizure disorders.

"Drowning happens quickly and silently, unlike it is shown in the movies," said Joan Duwve, M.D., Medical Director for the Injury Prevention Program at the Indiana State Department of Health. "The good news is that drowning is almost always preventable."

Parents are urged to teach young children about water safety, including the importance of wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket when around open bodies of water, and to make sure children are appropriately supervised at all times while they are around water.

Safety tips to remember:

Never leave a child alone near water, even for a few seconds. Supervise young children at all times around bathtubs, swimming pools, and natural bodies of water. Adults watching children near water should avoid distracting activities like playing cards, reading books, or talking on the phone. At family gatherings, adults can take turns as the "designated watcher" whose sole responsibility is to watch children during their shift.

Fence your pool on all four sides with a barrier. Move lawn chairs, tables and other potential climbing aids away from the fence to help keep children out.

Drain off any water that accumulates on top of a pool cover.

Check swimming pools for new anti-entrapment grates on drain suction outlets.

Keep reaching and throwing aids, such as poles and life preservers on both sides of the pool.

Children should wear life vests when they are near water, especially near rivers and streams, and when boating.

Learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and get recertified every two years. CPR can help a child stay alive and reduce brain damage.

For more safety, go to <http://www.boat-ed.com/in/handbook/> and www.in.gov/dhs/getprepared.
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Mickey Gilley at Bearcreek Farms

Mickey Gilley will perform at Bearcreek Farms, Bryant, Friday, November 19, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets will go on sale Tuesday, June 29.

Mickey Gilley was scheduled to appear in 2009, but was injured in an accident that left him in intensive care, paralyzed from the neck down after he fell helping a friend move a piece of furniture.

The entertainer returned to his own theater in Branson, Missouri, April 12, where he is doing five shows a week. He is excited about going back to work after being down for 7 1/2 months. Call 260-997-6822 for tickets.

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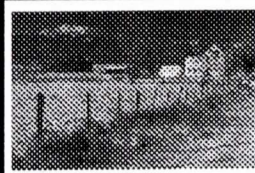
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Town & Country CHATTER...

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Jane Teeter of Bluffton and her daughter and grandson, Jessica Teeter and Nick, drove to Sikeston, Missouri July 2 to meet Jane's daughter and her children, Jenni Watson, Tori, Aryn, Tyler, Ryan and Regan, of Benton, Louisiana. Tori and Aryn accompanied the Teeters home and will be spending time with their grandparents, Jane and Jim Teeter, and their aunts and their families, Jessica Teeter and Jaclyn Shaw, until early August.

Helen Whiteman had a couple of visitors Monday, July 12. Her son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Monica Whiteman of Pulaski, brought supper in the evening for everyone to enjoy during their chat.

Ruth Cogdill had a most enjoyable day Tuesday, July 13. Her daughter, Jane Teeter, arrived early in the afternoon and brought along lunch from a Bob Evans restaurant. Accompanying Jane were her granddaughters, Tori and Aryn McClane. Everyone had a wonderful day catching up on all the family news.

Barb and Tom LaFollette were in Logansport Tuesday. They worked in the Tea Party of Loganland booth at the Cass County 4-H fair in the evening.

Mathilda Lamb has returned from a week-long stay with her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb at Peru. Tim Cogdill of Macy spent Wednesday morning, July 14, making his weekly visit to see his mother, Ruth Cogdill. He took care of some chores while they caught up on family news.

Don and Pauline Scales had working visitors Wednesday, July 14. Joining them for the day were their daughters, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester, Barbara Grandstaff of Kendallville and Linda Garner, and their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Cindy Wiese and Ally. The ladies were able to tackle several chores despite the heat. The family enjoyed visiting during lunch (that the girls had brought) and their frequent breaks from the heat.

JoAnn Tsoodle and Barb Hieber traveled to St. John Wednesday. They enjoyed a visit during their luncheon with the Railroad Business Women's Association at Dick's Restaurant. Afterward, JoAnn and Barb did some shopping for foodstuffs that are difficult to purchase in

this area.

Tom LaFollette was in Rochester Thursday, July 15. He helped Beth Larsen prepare and serve pizzas at the VFW post in the evening.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle had a houseguest over the weekend. Arriving Friday, July 16, for a three-day visit was Barb's grandson, Joey Wilk of LaPorte.

Angela Gast attended the Power of the Past show in Winamac Friday evening.

Beth and Ray Weller had company over the weekend. Coming for a delightful visit were their daughters, Beth Ann Deckard and Linda Tufts of Lebanon, Ohio, and their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Kirsten Kaufman and Kate.

Renee Colley had company over the weekend. Coming over for a working visit was her son, Eric Colley of Bartlett, Illinois.

Barb and Tom LaFollette and their great-grandson, Eli Lopez, traveled to LaPorte Saturday, July 17. They were guests of the LaFollettes' son and his family, Chris and Nita LaFollette, Michele, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Thomas. The family had a wonderful time helping Thomas celebrate his birthday with cake, ice cream, presents and lots of good food.

Pauline Brown and Julie traveled to Kokomo Saturday afternoon. They met Pauline's

son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Deb Brown and Clayton of Fairland, at the Wendy's restaurant for a belated birthday dinner. Afterward, Clayton accompanied Pauline and Julie home for a four-day visit.

Angela Gast spent the weekend as a houseguest of her sister and brother-in-law, Randy and Steve Neidig at Bourbon. Saturday afternoon, the threesome attended the Power of the Past show in Winamac. In the evening, they attended the Kosciusko County 4-H fair where a member of the family was singing.

Kay and Jerry Brown had visitors Saturday. Stopping by in the evening after church were Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac; her sister, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg; and Karen's daughter and grandchildren, Lisa Kiesel, Karl and Kate, of Dayton, Ohio.

Sunday, July 18, was a wonderful day in the home of Ruth Cogdill. Visiting her were her son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Deb Cogdill; her daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Jim Teeter; her granddaughter, Jessica Teeter of Ft. Wayne; her granddaughter and great-grandchildren, Jaclyn Shaw, Sophia and Sam; and great-granddaughters, Tori and Aryn McClane. (Jessica's sons are in Florida visiting their paternal grandmother.) Arriving around four in the afternoon was Ruth's brother, David Norris. The highlight of the day was when Ruth's son, Mike Cogdill of Eagle River, Alaska, called and talked with the family. Everyone had a delightful day outside until

the storm sent everyone into the house.

Pauline, Julie and Clayton Brown and Luke Sutton traveled to Monticello Sunday afternoon. They had a fun time at the Indiana Beach resort. (A good portion of Kewanna had the same idea and spent the day at Indiana Beach!)

Vivian and Bob Hathaway of Warsaw hosted a family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of a visit by their daughter and grandchildren, Lisa Bunda, Hailey and William, of Little Rock, Arkansas. Joining them for a wonderful day with lots of good food and visiting were Kirk and Valerie McKenzie and Erica; Jerry and Cindy Kreger, Shelby, Kelsey and Shelby's fiancé, Matt; Fred and Barbara Brown; Jerry and Kay Brown; Evelyn Peters; Mark and Mick Brown; Mike Brown and Lynn; Sue and Mike McKinney, Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee, Kaelee, William and Aidan; and Kerry and Karen Brown.

Helen Whiteman had a few visitors Sunday. Coming over for a pleasant afternoon chat were her daughter, Sherri Lett and her granddaughter and great-granddaughters, Andrea Hook, Whitney and Rylee, of Winamac.

Luke and Tanner Sutton and Clayton Brown enjoyed playing at Manitou Mountain in Rochester Monday afternoon, July 19.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Rodger Davis, Steve MacLain, Holly Short and Linda Wilson, July 25;

Faith Brown, July 26; Florence Baldwin, Rodney Hall, Sonya Kleiner, Janet Long, Anthony Sparks and Deana Thomas, July 27; Larry Baldwin, Kenny Cowens, and Mary Hudkins, July 28; Jim DeWitt, Hannah Johnston, Bo Klinefelter and Michele LaFollette, July 29; Carol Basham, Taylor Grounds and Michael Nimitz, July 30; and Bo Hines, Larry Kimble, Andrea Wallace and Ryan Whalen, July 31.

There are nine couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Brad Bitterling, July 25; Mr. and Mrs. Rick Nikolich, July 27; Mr. and Mrs. Justin Field, July 28; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sanders, July 29; Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Rosenbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Young and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Zimpleman, July 30; and Dr. and Mrs. Tom Troutman, July 31.

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