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World Day of Prayer observance, March 6

The Kewanna Church of Christ will host the community's observance of World Day of Prayer Friday, March 6, at 7 p.m. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend to lift up our churches, community, nation and the world. The mission project this year will be the local food pantry.

Living History Faire, March 7 and 8

A Living History Faire will be held Saturday and Sunday, March 7 and 8, at the Fulton County Museum. This event is similar to the Trail of Courage but will be held indoors and will depict the 1840-1890 time period. Hours will be 9 to 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$1 and food will be available.

The faire will offer attendees a chance to see what traders have at the bigger festivals, such as the Redbud Trail Rendezvous April 25 and 26 and the Trail of Courage Sept. 19 and 20, and not have to walk a mile to see everything. Traders will offer leather, furs, blacksmith items, jewelry, dream catchers, wood carvings, beads, silver, etc. Historic books and patterns will also be available.

Joe Krom, Argos, of the Eel River Traders will be present to autograph his new book, "Heart of a Warrior". Historic books by the Eel River Tribe of Indiana, George Winter, and others will also be available.

There will be no Farmers Market on that Saturday.

Kewanna HEART awarded advertising grant

Kewanna HEART has been awarded a \$500 grant by the Tourism Fulton County Commission to advertise the Kewanna Fall Festival. Other grant awards and amounts are Mental Health Antique Show, \$750; Round Barn Festival, \$4,000; Redbud Trail Rendezvous, \$1,500; Fulton County Historical Society rack cards, \$1,800; and Trail of Courage, \$3,000.

Election of officers was also held when the commission met Feb. 25. Chosen to serve were Shirley Willard, president, and Allison Heyde, treasurer. Russ Breidinger has resigned from the commission due to his employment in Indianapolis. Other commission members include Roger Gearhart and Dave Helt. The next meeting of the commission will be 10 a.m. March 25 in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce office.

RECYCLING DATES THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH & THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH

The News In Brief

All persons interested in cycling are invited to attend the next meeting of the Round Barn Cyclists to be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Wellness Center conference room. Richard Vonnegut of Indiana Trails will bring proposed signage for bike routes on public roads in Fulton County that the cyclists created maps for. The maps can be viewed on the Rochester Sentinel website at www.rochsent.com.

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program is taking orders for green carnations to be delivered or picked up on March 17. The cost is \$1.25 each. To place an order, call 574-223-3716 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The Fulton Superior Court trial of James Carr, Winamac, has been delayed once again. The trial was scheduled to start last Tuesday but has been delayed until April 27. Carr is accused of shooting Roy A. Shaffer in 2006.

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The camp is by invitation only and is open to boys and girls ages 10-19. There is also a summer camp for boys and girls ages 9 -18 of all skill levels. For a free brochure, call 704-373-0873 anytime or go www.tenstarcamp.com. **Past** participants include Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter and Grant Hill. Camps are located at Champaign, IL; Phoenix, AZ; Babson Park, FL; Gainesville, GA; Glassboro, NJ; Ithaca, NY; Marietta, OH; Lebanon, TN; Commerce, TX; and Blacksburg, VA

North American Youth Sports reports they still have several openings in their annual spring youth basketball tournament at Indiana University-Northwest April 3-5. The tournament features 12 different brackets for boys and girls in grades 5-12. The entry fee is \$125 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. The entry deadline is March 13. For more information or an entry form call 1-866-352-5915.

The Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary is offering scholarships to Fulton County residents pursuing a career in health care. For more information or to obtain an application call 574-224-1180. The deadline to submit a scholarship application is no later than April 1.

Soup's still on

Due to the long, cold winter and popular demand, the Kewanna United Methodist Church will continue its Wednesday night soup supper. However, serving time will change from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. to 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Soup and crackers will be served every Wednesday evening until further notice in the church annex and there is no charge.

Personal property returns due May 15

It is no longer the duty of the township trustee to assist with the filing of personal property returns and they will not be mailing the personal property returns as they have in the past. If you filed a business return (Form 103-L or 103-S) or a farm return (Form 102) last year, you will need to file the return this year at the Fulton County Assessor's Office located in the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Suite 026, Rochester, or your accountant can file the return for you. It is no longer required by the state for individual returns (Form 101-S) to be filed which includes campers, ATVs, snowmobiles and human powered boats. Inventory (chickens, turkeys, ducks, livestock, grain, seed supplies, etc. or tangible personal property) is no longer required to be turned in on your farm or business return. You still need to turn in any new equipment you have acquired or any equipment that you no longer use for your business can be taken off your equipment list.

Personal property forms can be picked up at the Fulton County Assessor's office, all local libraries in Fulton County, the Fulton County Museum, and the Kewanna Town Hall. Forms are also available from the State website at www.in.gov/dlgf.

President Barak Obama says he will remove U.S. combat troops from Iraq by August of 2010, possibly leaving 50,000 troops for cleanup and protection operations. The pullout will free up troops and resources for the war in Afghanistan where Obama believes the threat to national security is acute.

The Darl and Merna Daily family, Kewanna, recently received the Hoosier Homestead Award for its century-long involvement in farming. Merna's great-grandfather purchased the Willoughby farm southeast of Kewanna in 1904. The Daily's son, Robert, and his family now live there.

NIPSCO has announced a decrease in gas costs for March. Residential customers will see a decrease in natural gas costs of 11.45 percent when compared to February.

Fish and chicken supper

The Grass Creek Lions Club will serve a fish and chicken supper Saturday, March 28, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Grass Creek Fire Station. Dessert will be included with the meal and carry outs will be available.

The cost of the meal is \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children, 6-12. Children age five and under may eat free.

The meal will be prepared by Dan's Frying Service of Huntington.

Farm program information meetings

Public information meetings on the 2008 farm bill have been scheduled by the office staffs of the Elkhart, Fulton, Cass and Miami county FSA offices. Items to be discussed include DCP, ACRE, AGI and Payment Limitation, SURE, and other disaster programs.

Meeting dates and locations are as follows:

March 16 - Elkhart County Fairgrounds Community Building, Goshen, 1 to 3 p.m.

March 18 – Miami County Fairgrounds north of Peru, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

March 23 – Fulton County Fairgrounds, Rochester, 1 to 3 p.m.

March 24 – Cass County Fairgrounds north of Logansport, 1 to 3 p.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact one of the local FSA offices.

Private applicators recertification program

Purdue Extension Service of Fulton County will present a pesticide private applicators recertification program Wednesday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the community building at the Fulton County Fairgrounds, 1009 W. 3rd St., Rochester.

This is a rescheduled program from the Winter Farm School series and will be on chemical storage and presented by Dr. Fred Whitford. The Purdue Pesticide Coordinator will discuss the bulk storage of pesticides including problems they have seen throughout the state. The program will count towards the private applicator recertification program. Part of the program will be on a current state pesticide topic. The cost is \$10 for those getting certified and free to others in attendance. For information, contact Mark Purdue Kepler, Extension Educator Fulton County, at 574-223-3307.

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Caston names spelling bee winners

Caston Elementary School held its annual spelling bee Tuesday, Feb. 24, in the elementary gymnasium. Fourth, fifth and sixth grade students participated in classroom spelling bees to determine contestants for the school-wide bee.

Braden Moss, a sixth grader, was declared the sixth grade champion and over-all winner. Megan Evans, a fourth grader, was the over-all runner-up and fourth grade champion. Samuel Rhymer was the fifth grade champion. Each of the champions will receive a trophy at the spring awards program. The over-all winner and runner-up received dictionaries following spelling bee on Tuesday. Braden will represent Caston Elementary at the regional spelling bee to be held in Kokomo March 17. The winner of the regional bee will be invited to participate in the national spelling bee Washington, D.C.

Fourth grade participants in the bee included Hanna Plummer, Marcus Slothour, Angel Williams, Ellei Kay, Autumn Mikesell, Walker Mateo, Megan Evans, Kaylah Gearhart and Natasha Messer.

Fifth grade spellers were Joshua Franklin, Tori Rentschler, Luke Sutton, Dakota Andrade, Nathan Callender, Ethan Coldiron, Devon Fox, Samuel Rhymer and Kyler Spencer.

Sixth grade spelling bee participants were Cheyenne Meyer, Dustin Offenberger, Kylee Sutton, Kim Cress, Sarah Holt, Jacob Kingery, Kennedy Crissinger, Braden Moss and Jenna Showley.

Caston finishes regular season

The Caston Comet basketball team fell to visiting Winamac last Tuesday (Feb. 24) 59-34. Caston finished the season 1-19 overall and 1-6 in the Midwest Conference. Wes Rigney had a double, double for the Comets with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Ethan Zartman and Sam Jones each added 10 points.

Comets win!

The Caston Comets opened sectional play Tuesday evening at West Central with a 50-47 win over South Newton. The Comets will now take on Tri-County (2-18) Friday night at 6 p.m.

AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, March 9 – Smoked sausage sandwich, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, sliced apples and milk

Wednesday, March 11 – Meat loaf, baby baker, green beans, peaches, roll and milk

Friday, March 13 – Chili soup, cole slaw, corn, pears, and milk



Societies



Easter Bunny **Express**

The Whitewater Valley Railroad has announced that tickets are now on sale for their 9th annual Easter Bunny Express family event. The event takes place Saturday, April 11. Children and their families will have the opportunity to ride the train to Bunny Patch Station where they will enjoy a visit with the Easter Bunny. At the patch, children eight and under will be able to participate in an Easter egg hunt. Participants should take a basket.

The Easter Bunny Express will depart Connersville's Grand Central Station at 10 a.m., 12:01 p.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets are \$9 for ages two and up. The fare includes the round trip train ride and egg hunt for children ages eight and under. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Whitewater Valley Railroad at 765-825-2054 or by visiting www.whitewatervalleyrr.org.

Send In Your News

James F. Talbott VFW Post **March Activities**

March 10 – Men's meeting, 6:30

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day March 18 – Women's Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

March 21 - Biscuit and gravy breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon. Live band, Hit 'N Run, 8 p.m. to?

March 24 – Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

March 29 - Open Sunday at

Fulton County Historical Society 2009 Events

March 7 and 8 - Living History Faire at FCHS museum

April 25 and 26 - 19th annual Redbud Trail Rendezvous on the FCHS grounds

June 11-13 – 39th annual Round Barn Festival in downtown Rochester

June 19-21 - Fulton County Historical Power Show on the FCHS grounds

Sept. 19 and 20 - 34th annual Trail of Courage Living History Festival on the FCHS grounds

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Lunch

Monday - Sloppy Joe sandwich, potatoes, peaches, brownie and milk. Comet Café - chicken salad sandwich and chips

Tuesday - Taco salad, corn, Mandarin oranges, sugar cookie and milk. Comet Café - cheese stuffed breadsticks

Wednesday Barbecue sandwich, au gratin potatoes, green beans, iced grahams and milk. Comet Café - chicken fillet sandwich and French fries

Thursday - Turkey Manhattan, whipped potatoes, peas, cherry crisp and milk. Comet Café tacos

Friday Toasted cheese sandwich, potatoes, carrots and dip, peanut butter cookie and milk. Comet Café – pizza

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU March 9-13

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk

Tuesday - Waffle, juice and

Wednesday - Biscuit with ham pattie, juice and milk

Thursday - Peanut butter toast,

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string cheese, juice and milk Friday – Sausage, pancake, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Nacho cheese with chips, corn, pineapple and milk

Tuesday - Hot dog sandwich, French fries, pears, cookie and

Wednesday - Cavatini, lettuce salad, peaches, garlic cheese bread and milk

Thursday – Hot ham and cheese sandwich, baked potato, grapes, cookie and milk

Friday - Stuffed crust cheese pizza, green beans, applesauce, cookie and milk

Middle/High School Lunch Monday - Corn dog, 8-way

vegetables, pears, cookie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Tuesday - Chicken strips, biscuit, California blend, applesauce and milk. Choice salad bar

Wednesday Hamburger sandwich, potatoes, mixed fruit, cookie and milk. Choice - salad

Thursday - Tacos with salsa, lettuce, cheese, apple crisp, and milk. Choice – salad bar

Friday - Stuffed crust cheese pizza, mixed vegetables, pineapple, cake and milk. Choice – potato bar

Kewanna Town Council Meetings First Thursday of Each Month 7 p.m. - Town Hall

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Tom and Barb LaFollette and Eli had guests Sunday. Stopping by to join them for dinner and pick up Eli were his parents, Shelby and Duva.

An unpleasant sign that spring is about to arrive, the polecats (a.k.a. skunks) have awaken from their winter hibernation. They could have stayed asleep all spring, summer, fall, winter, spring, summer, fall, winter,

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Kenny Keyser Jr. and Darla Kumler, March 8; Josh Bangel, Chris Gallagher, Karen Gudorf and Tom Hickle, March 9; Helen Bitterling, Ryonn Doan, Hanna Ehlinger, Barb Gast, Wayne Lamb, Allison McColley and Dr. Tom Troutman, March 10; Patrick Markle and Brenda Whiteman, March 11; Brandon Evers and Brannon Meagher, March 12; Renata Crissinger, Brian Markle and Jace Rentschler, March 13; and Stephanie Cohagen, Libby Good, Pat Koons and Mary Personett, March 14.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Daniel Studebaker will be celebrating their anniversary March 14.



LIVING HISTORY FAIRE March 7th - 8th, 2009 Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-3

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February 23 Admissions Chester Kewanna; Virgil Carpenter, Bahney, Akron; Rickey Willard and Lloyd Woods, Rochester; Dale Whetstone, Tippecanoe; Caylynn Burns, Macy

Dismissals - Luella Emery and Drake Heishman, Macy; Virginia McQueary, Rochester; Samantha Hoff and son and Laura VanLake and daughter, Kewanna; Jordan Stevens and daughter, Delong

Births - Michelle Hedrick, Rochester, a daughter February 24

Admissions - Ashlynn Kolesiak, Akron; Marilyn Stretch and Marjorie Wolfe, Macy

Dismissals - Virgil Bahney and Ashlynn Kolesiak, Akron; Chester Carpenter, Kewanna; Caylynn Burns, Macy February 25

Admissions – none published Dismissals Charlotte Swafford, Kewanna; Michelle Hedrick and daughter, Rochester Gentry, Births Ashley

Electrical

Plumbing

Monterey, a son February 26

Admissions - David Hoagland, Rochester Dismissals - Rickey Willard and

Lloyd Woods, Rochester Births - Rusty and Shannon Hanselman, Argos, a daughter

February 27 Admissions - Kimberly Antrim, Rochester

Dismissals - Dale Whetstone, Tippecanoe; Marjorie Wolfe,

Charlotte Swafford recovering from broken leg

Kewanna resident Charlotte Swafford is recovering from a broken leg at River Crest Specialty Hospital, 1625 E. Jefferson Blvd., Mishawaka, IN 46545. She will be hospitalized for approximately three to four weeks and would appreciate cards, letters, phone calls and

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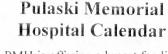
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PMH is offering a breast feeding class Thursday, March 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the conference center. The course offers information about the benefits of breast feeding for both mother and baby; how to get started breast feeding; how to develop a good milk supply; and problem solving. For more information or to register, call 574-946-2193 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a free service of PMH.

The Help for the Hurting Parent bereavement support group of PMH is open to residents of any county who have experienced the death of any aged child. Call 574-946-2180 for more information. This is a free service offered by

The Living with Grief Support Group is offered at PMH. This group is for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. For information, please call 574-946-2100, ext. 1149.

A one-day prenatal class will be held March 7 in the PMH conference center beginning at 8 a.m. and ending at approximately 5 p.m. To register, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you deliver at PMH, there is no charge for the class.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Top Notch Apprenticeship Fair: March 5 - 6 in the Farm Bureau Building. Hours: Thurs. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Fri. 8 a.m. to noon. Admission: By Invitation Only. Contact: Michelle Boyd (317) 927-0499.

Murat Shrine Circus: March 5 - 8 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Show times: Thurs. 6:30 p.m.; Fri. 7 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m., 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.; Sun. 11:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Admission: \$10, \$15 & \$18. Contact: Sherri (317) 635-2433 Ext. 167.

CFA Cat Show: March 7 -8 in the Northwest Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5; \$2.50 seniors; \$2 children age 4 - 11; family of 5 \$12. Contact: Beth Cassely (636) 532-1573 or www.CFA.org.

Chrysler Trade Show: March 7 - 8 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$10 or \$15 for both days. Contact: (317) 862-0226 or www.indyheads.com.

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Arts Festival: March 7 - 8 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: Sat. \$8 w/free Sun. pass; Sun. \$6; advance \$6 w/ Sunday pass available online. Contact: Heirloom Productions (541) 574-8000 or www.heirloomprog.com.

Indianapolis Art & Antique Show: March 12 - 15 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion & Champions Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10 at door: \$8 in advance at Marsh Supermarkets. Contact: Methodist Health Foundation (317)962-1788 or www.methodisthealthfoundation .org.

Stewart's Indiana Market: March 13 - 15 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: Contact: free. Stewart Promotions (502) 456-

www.stewartpromotions.com. Ring of Honor Wrestling: March 14 in the Farm Bureau Building. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; matches begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission: \$15, \$25, \$35 and \$50. Contact: Sydney Eick (215)781-2500 www.rohwrestling.com.

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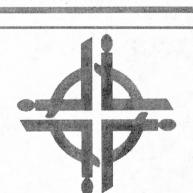
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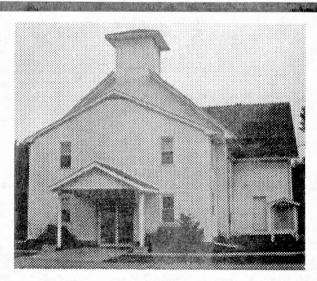
World Day of Prayer Friday, March 6, 2009 7:00 PM

Kewanna Church of Christ

Come join us for an evening focused on prayer. Area churches, as the body of Christ, come together each year to unite our hearts in praise and petition before God. Let us lift up our churches, our communities, our nation, and our world so that God will be glorified in all that we do.

The mission project this year will be the local food pantry. Today's economy has left many in need, so we thought that serving the needs of those in our communities was appropriate.

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SIXTY YEARS AGO March 3, 1949

The Kewanna Saddle Club held a farewell party recently for Mr. and Mrs. Worra Butler who are leaving to make their home in Fletcher, Oklahoma.

The Fulton Business Men met at Felder's Monday evening and elected Lyman Frick, president; Francis Carithers, vice president; and Emerson Felder, secretary-treasurer.

William B. Wharton, 71, formerly of Kewanna, died at his home in Rochester Friday morning after a serious illness. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Church of Christ and burial was in the IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Bulger and Mrs. Elsie Turner, both of here.

The 20th Century Home Economics Club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Joe Dague with Mrs. Carl Huffman assisting. The first project lesson on saving steps in the kitchen was given by Mrs. Harris Lease. A pink and blue shower was given for Mrs. Leon Crippen.

Barbara Taylor became the bride of Robert Rafferty at a nuptial high mass Saturday morning at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Kewanna: Reverend Father Edward Holland, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor of Royal Center and her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rafferty of Star City.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 5, 1954

Twenty-three members of the Prairie Grove Church held a carry-in supper Tuesday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Showley at which time Rev. Lloyd Overmyer, pastor of the church, organized the group into a Sunday school class to be known as the Friendship Class.

Virgil Geier, 34, Rt. 2, Kewanna, passed away Sunday after suffering a heart attack in the lobby of the State Theatre in Logansport. Final rites were held Tuesday in the Grass Creek EUB Church and burial was in the Grass Creek Cemetery.

A two-car collision at 10:20 p.m. Tuesday on State Road 14 resulted in no injuries when a car driven by Florance Hendrickson, Kewanna, skidded into the rear of one driven by Earl Neher, Rochester. According to investigating officers, Hendrickson was attempting to pass when the accident occurred.

Mrs. David Hill entertained a group of girls at a birthday party Saturday evening in honor of her daughter, Carol Sue. Those present were Ann Gady, Elaine Hoff, Elaine Sue Huffman, Betty Showley, Judy Fred, Mrs. Thurman Huffman and Miss Helen Huffman.

Jerry Myers, son of Mrs. Kate Van Meter, Rt. 3, Kewanna, and Karl D. Ness, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ness, Rt. 2, Kewanna, have enlisted in the U.S. Army. They will go to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, for basic training. Both are 1953 graduates of Grass Creek High School.

A turkey dinner was enjoyed Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Turner honoring the birthdays of Susan Turner, Roy Wharton and H.H. Padfield.

FIFTY YEARS AGO March 5, 1959

School was closed at Kewanna for a few days this week due to a flu epidemic. One hundred and twenty students were absent on Tuesday which led to the closing by the principal, Russell Walters.

The Farm Bureau Co-op elevator at Fulton was broken into for the second time in six weeks sometime Wednesday night, but apparently nothing was stolen.

Former Kewanna High School coach Harold (Hal) Peck announced March 3 that he will resign as Goshen High School basketball coach at the end of this school year to enter private

Fifty-Five Years Ago February 26, 1954

Dollar Days have come to Kewanna and practically every Sophia Bauman, Rt. 3, Kewanna, suffered a stroke Thursday, Feb. 26, in her home and was taken to Robert Long Hospital in Indianapolis by ambulance Friday morning.

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FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 5, 1964

Suzanne Overmyer, Fulton, was one of 23 freshmen girls in Indiana Central College's nurses' training program who received their caps Sunday, Feb. 16

Rev. John Kirkpatrick, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church in Fort Wayne, was awarded the honorary doctor of divinity degree by Capitol College in Columbus, Ohio, recently. Dr. Kirkpatrick served as pastor of the Kewanna Methodist Church

merchant in town is having special discounts for this occasion. You can get clothing, groceries, dry goods, hardware and just about everything else

Lillian Montz was among the 25 residents of McNuth dorm at Indiana University honored at a dinner February 26 for having a 3.5 or better grade point average.

H. N. Blair, native of Kewanna, celebrated his 94th birthday Sunday in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ed Shadle. Mr. Blair makes his home in Culver.

Sandra Turner has been named the 1964 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow for Kewanna High School.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

March 1, 1979

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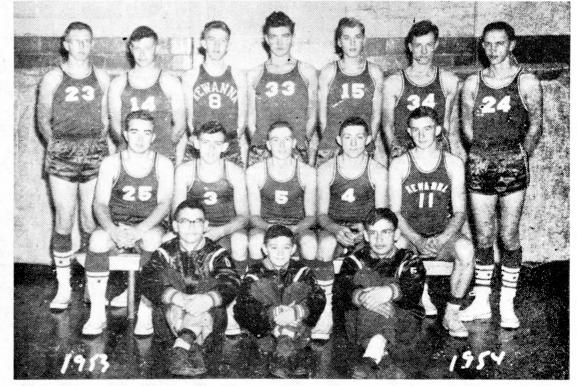
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The Kewanna Indians won the Winamac sectional by defeating Richland Center Feb. 27, 39-37. A celebration bonfire was held at the Dean Kumler residence in Kewanna.

Members of the 1953-1954 Harman; and back row, Wayne Kewanna Indians team included Zellers, Don Woolington, Larry

front row, left to right, J. Masteller, Bobbie Kumler and John Bauman, student managers; second row, George Hoover, Larry Kruger, Dave Foust, Kenneth Miller and Keith Harman; and back row, Wayne Zellers, Don Woolington, Larry

Zellers, Lowell Rans, Larry Murhling, Roger Graham and Francis Hendrickson. (Note: Keith Harman and Larry Zellers did not play on the sectional team.)



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Redweik, Jr., a junior at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, was named to the Dean's List for his outstanding achievement. He has also completed a course in free-fall parachuting was awarded his wings in a special ceremony. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Redweik, Sr., Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Anita Meta Jo Redweik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Redweik, Sr., Rt. 2, Kewanna, has been named to the Dean's List at Valparaiso University. She is enrolled in the honors program at Christ College along with 55 other students. She is a freshman majoring in political science.

The Kewanna junior high girls' basketball team defeated Pioneer Monday night at Kewanna, 17-16. Carol MacLain had 16 of Kewanna's 17 points.

The St. Joseph College women's basketball team lost its district championship game to Notre Dame Saturday afternoon by one point in overtime. The final score was 70-69. High Scorer for the St. Joe Pumas was Jennifer Voreis with 21. Kelly Good, a freshman from Kewanna, added 18 points. The team received an at-large bid to compete in the IAIAW state tourney at Terre Haute. St. Joe will play Indiana State-Evansville Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Plantz, Rt. 2, Kewanna, announce the

engagement of their daughter, Karen K., to Mark Alan Field. The bride-elect is a graduate of Kewanna High School and is employed at Hart Schafner and Marx, Rochester. The prospective bridegroom, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Garold Field, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is also a graduate of Kewanna High School. He is employed at Kewanna Feed Mill and is also engaged in farming. The couple will be married March 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Cook, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter born Feb. 28 at Memorial Hospital in Logansport. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 12 ounces and has been named Hannah Lee Cook.

TWENTY YEARS AGO March 2, 1989

The Pizza Plus on State Road 17 has new owners, Deanne and Lynn Palm. Elly Lenoard is the cook. The new owners are offering an expanded menu and extended hours.

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that John Kegarise has been named a United States National Award winner in English. John, a senior at Caston, was nominated for this award by his English teacher, Mrs. Janie Cox. He is the son of Don and Kathy Kegarise, Kewanna.

Ivin Flint of Kewanna won the youth division and John Mollencupp won a playoff for the adult division to become the first Fulton County chess champions in the Rotary sponsored tournament Saturday.

The local fire department was called to Kewanna Metal Specialties at 12:50 a.m.

Thursday to extinguish a truck fire. A short circuit in the starter was blamed for the fire which totaled the ½-ton pickup owned by Mike Doty of Kewanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim French, nation-wide Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter born Feb. 21 in Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby has been named Chelsa Ann.

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Freddie Bauman was the guest of honor at a birthday party Thursday evening in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bauman. Helping him celebrate the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewark, Sally, John and Scott; Mrs. Jim Bauman, Cathy, Linda, Jimmy, Johnny and Bobby; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hott, Jeff, Christy and Teresa; and Mrs. Joan Smith.

TEN YEARS AGO March 4, 1999

Friends and co-workers of Rita Williamson of Winamac will sponsor a dinner/music benefit for her March 27 at the Winamac VFW Post. Rita was injured in an accident Dec. 19, 1998 which left her with severe head injuries and a long rehab process.

Teresa Mollencupp, Kewanna, was among the 332 students named to the Dean's List at Bethel College in Mishawaka for the 1998 fall semester.

Kaylee Wilson, daughter of Tim and Deb Wilson, Kewanna, participated in the Rochester Optimist Tri-Star basketball contest in January in which she took first place in the 8-year-old division.

March is Red Cross Month

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The American Red Cross is reminding communities across the nation that March is Red Cross Month, and encouraging individuals to get involved through the 127-year-old organization.

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- 1) Give blood.
- 2) Get prepared
- 3) Volunteer.

4) Donate money.

You may have the opportunity to join the Red Cross in ensuring enough blood is available to meet the needs of hospital patients. More than 500 blood donations are needed daily in our community. And while approximately 38 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood, only a fraction of those eligible actually do.

Get prepared for an emergency during Red Cross Month by getting a kit, making a plan and being informed. To learn more, visit redcross.org/BeRedCrossReady or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. In less than 20 minutes, you'll learn how you can become Red Cross Ready.

More than 700,000 people proudly call themselves American Red Cross volunteers. Volunteers donate blood, reconnect families separated by conflicts and disasters around

the world, teach health and safety classes, respond to disasters and more.

The Red Cross also accepts financial gifts from individuals and organizations to help empower various emergency and disaster relief services delivered by volunteers.

"The American Red Cross is where people join together to help their neighbors—be they down the street, across the country, or around the world," says Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "Chances are, wherever you go, you'll meet someone whose life has been touched by services made possible through the Red Cross."

If you share how a Red Cross experience changed your life or someone else's life in 75 words or less you could win two tickets to see Keith Urban in concert on his Escape Together World Tour in Washington, DC on August 20. The package includes backstage passes, hotel accommodations and a tour of the National Cross American Red Disaster headquarters' Operations Center. The second place winner will receive a 52" Philips HD LCD flat screen television, DVD player and a library of Red Cross preparedness, health and safety DVDs for the whole family. Don't delay, the contest runs now through March 16, 2009 and the winner will be announced March 31, 2009. Go to redcross.org to enter and find out all the details.

How to Donate Blood

Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) to schedule your blood donation appointment or visit IndianaOhioRedCross.org for more information. If you are at least 17* years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification.

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INDIANAPOLIS - The Indiana State Department of Health activated a toll-free number (1-877-499-0017) Monday. on February 16, for Hoosiers without Internet access who need help identifying items on expanded Corporation of America (PCA) recall. With more than 2,000 calls received in one week, it has proven to be very successful.

State health officials say many of the callers do have recalled items in their homes. The Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) recall list contains more than peanut-containing products, including peanuts (dry and oil roasted), granulated peanuts, peanut meal, peanut butter and peanut paste.

National brand jars of peanut butter found at grocery stores are not part of the recall.

Nationally, 666 persons in 45 states have been infected with the current outbreak strain of Typhimurium, Salmonella including 10 cases in Indiana.

The recall list is available at www.fda.gov by clicking on "Search Recalled Peanut Products." This list will be updated on a regular basis as additional recalls occur and information is received by FDA from the industry. For those without Internet access. information on the recall list is available by calling the Indiana State Department of Health at 1-877-499-0017, Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. EST.

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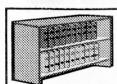
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Jetter To The Editor

Feb. 22, 2009

Dear Editor:

Change and generalities: The dire warnings of Henry Paulson, Harry Reid and Nancy Polosi resulted in hundreds of billions of dollars to bail out Wall Street from the calamitous results of their own greed in leveraging up debt through derivatives to over 60 to 1 in order to make extraordinary earnings in upmarkets to justify the collective multi-billion dollar bonuses they voted to themselves from what should have been shareholder earnings. When the excessive upmarket adjusted, as always happens, the risk side of gambling with excessive leverage in this 680 trillion dollar worldwide derivatives market brought most of Wall Street to virtual bankruptcy, as Warren Buffet foretold several years ago when he said the immense derivative market was a walking time bomb. However, not to Treasury Secretary Paulson created a wall of fear to get taxpayer money to bail out his Wall Street buddies. The almost 90% disapproval of this bailout by our people was considered by many congressmen to be based on ignorance, but it appears that it was the approving congressman who were ignorant. The proper means for resolving these problems was Chapter 11 proceedings, bankruptcy overseen by the court, rather than throwing taxpayer money at the problem, and with no oversight.

Unfortunately, Obama, too, appears to be relying on the fear factor to sell his immense \$800 billion program, presumably to



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Obama should consider that what he is buying into as "change" appears to be no change at all, and the youth who gave him a large majority of their vote find little change in job opportunity resulting from this spending program.

D. William Hilton Lawrenceburg, IN

Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Indiana Flower & Patio Show: March 14 - 22 in the West Pavilion. Hours: Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: \$12; children 12 and younger free; \$8 for seniors (65+) on March 16; \$8 each for groups of 20 or more; discount tickets available online or at Marsh Supermarkets. Contact: HIS Show Productions (317)576-9933 www.hsishows.com.

Indy 1500 Gun & Knife Show: March 20 -22 in the South Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 2 to 8 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact: Dan Masters (405)340-1333 www.indy1500.com.

Naptown Roller Derby: Tornado Sirens vs. Roller Girls from St. Louis, MO: March 21 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Doors open 6:30 p.m.; Match begins at 7:30 p.m. Admission: \$16 at the door; \$11 in advance. Contact: (317) 522-1958 or www.naptownrollergirls.com.

Indianapolis Antique Advertising Show: March 21 -22 in the Champions Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$7; children 12 and younger free. Contact: A & M Promotions (317) 694-0253 or www.indyadsshow.com.

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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Mathilda Lamb was in Peru the last weekend of February. She was a houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb, Feb. 21 and 22.

Jackie Heidenreich had a nice time recently helping her greatgrandson, Curtis Pesaresi, celebrate his birthday.

Kay and Jerry Brown traveled to Brownsburg early Tuesday, Feb. 24, for an appointment.

Pauline Scales and her daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester, traveled to Warsaw Tuesday. They met Pauline's daughter, Barbara Grandstaff of Kendallville, and Barbara's daughter, Amy Allison of Columbia City, for a visit over lunch. Afterward, Amy—who works for Biomet—took the group on a tour of the company's orthopedic division.

Jerry Brown accompanied his brother and sister- in- law, Fred and Barbara Brown of Rochester, to South Bend Tuesday evening. They were among the many to attend the Notre Dame women's basketball game.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Wednesday, Feb. 25. She met Sharlene Haimbaugh of Rochester, Carol Sue and Bill Graham of Brownsburg and Barbara Brown at the Paradise Family truck stop near Rochester for an afternoon of visiting.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were

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in Crawfordsville the middle of the week. They spent Wednesday and Thursday in the city attending the funeral viewing and services for Tom's cousin, Brandon McMurtrey.

Jon and Barb Gast were in Winamac Thursday, Feb. 26. They had a nice time visiting with Jon's parents, Stuart and Rachel Gast. In the evening, Barb was visited by her daughter, Cora Lynn Clemans.

Don and Pauline Scales enjoyed a wonderful surprise Friday, Feb. 27. While enjoying lunch in Star City, their niece, Carol Beckley and her family of Logansport, walked into the restaurant. The family had a delightful time getting caught up with all of the family news.

Barb and Jon Gast had company Friday. Stopping by for a chat were their daughter, Randi Neidig of Bourbon, and her "little charges," Sadie and Allison.

Earl and Mary Bangel were joined for supper Friday evening by their son and his family, Louis and Jean Bangel and Joyce. They had a pleasant time helping Earl and Mary celebrate their wedding anniversary.

Jerry Brown, Mark Brown and Mike Brown attended the Brookville/South Dearborn basketball game Friday. Jerry's son, Kerry, coaches the South Dearborn team which recorded a victory.



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Hours : Mon - Fri 9-5; Sat. 9-1 Nancy Mann of Kokomo was a weekend houseguest of her

grandmother, Helen Miller.

Beth and Ray Weller, their daughter, Cora Lynn Clemans, and their great- niece, Tami Powell, spent a wonderful weekend in Lebanon, Ohio. They were houseguests of Beth and Ray's granddaughter and her family, Kirsten and Rob Kaufman and four- week old, Kate. Cora

Ray's granddaughter and her family, Kirsten and Rob Kaufman and four- week old, Kate. Cora Lynn and Tami spent their time shopping throughout historic Lebanon while Beth spent her time getting her "grandma fix" with Kate.

Ron Miller returned home to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida Saturday following an extended stay with his mother, Helen Miller.

Kay and Jerry Brown enjoyed attending a 7th grade girls' basketball tourney in Rochester Saturday. Their granddaughter, Kaelee Smith, was a player for Rochester.

Joe and Karen Good met Denise (Davault) Gilbert and her daughter Kayla in Bremen Saturday morning for breakfast. Denise is a former pastor at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The Goods then traveled on to Mishawaka to attend a gymnastics meet at Gymnastics Michiana in which Alexis Agnew was participating. Alexis had several friends and family members present to watch her perform, including her greatgrandmother, Virginia Agnew, of Kewanna. Her team, which trains with Jana's Gymnastics in Plymouth, placed first in the event. The team will travel to Madison in mid-March to compete.

Barb and Tom LaFollette had a houseguest Saturday. Staying with them overnight and keeping them well occupied and entertained was their greatgrandson, Eli.

Rylee Daugherty of Winamac was an overnight houseguest of her grandmother, Sherri Lett, Saturday.

Helen Whiteman was accompanied to church services Sunday morning, March 1, by her daughter, Sherri Lett, and greatgranddaughter, Rylee Daugherty. Afterward, they were joined for lunch at Dumplings restaurant by Rylee's mother, Andrea Hook.

Brian Evers was the guest of honor at a large gathering Sunday. The event was hosted by his wife and daughters, Kandi Evers, Lauren and Amanda, and was in recognition of his return from military duty overseas.

Helen Miller was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in honor of her birthday. Helping her mark the event with a lot of visiting and pizza were her grandchildren and their families, Suzanne and Mike Crump, Katie and Tyler of Muncie, Nancy Mann of Kokomo and her son, Travis of Muncie, Scott and Karen Mills, Amber and Alex of Bluffton and Eric Mills and children of Kokomo.

Florence Hogan had visitors Sunday. Stopping in for a chat and joining her for lunch were her daughters, Wendy Kelly of Lafayette and Janice Graham. Also stopping in for a few minutes was her son, Mike Hogan.

Kay Brown was the guest of honor at a large family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of her birthday and hosted by her daughter and her family, Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly of Rochester. Among those helping them mark the event with dinner and an afternoon of visiting were Kay's husband, Jerry; their son and daughter- in- law, Mark and Mick Brown; their daughter and her family, Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee, Kaelee, William and Aidan of Rochester; their grandson, Kyle McKinney of Muncie; their nephew and his friend, Terry Brown and Becky Leitke; their niece and her family, Lori and Gene Harding, Annabelle and Graham of South Bend; Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac; her sisters, Carol Jo Fernandez of Kennesaw, Georgia, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg and Rita Williamson of Winamac; and Molly's friend, Brandon. Upon the arrival of Mike and Kathie Brown, the party expanded to include Kathie's birthday. During the day, Kay received a call from birthday granddaughter, Jessica Brown.



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