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## Kindergarten roundup at Caston

Caston Elementary School will host its annual kindergarten roundup Tuesday, April 14, at 7 p.m. in the Caston Elementary library. Parents may come in at 6:30 p.m. for pre-registration.

Parents of children who will enter kindergarten next school year are encouraged to attend this informational meeting. Children must be five (5) years of age by August 1, 2009 to be eligible to attend kindergarten. Parents who have children meeting the age requirement will have the opportunity to register their child in next year's kindergarten program while at the meeting. Parents must bring a legal birth certificate to verify the age of the child. Children need not attend with the parents, as there will be no screening or programs for the children that evening.

Parents are asked to bring the following three items to the meeting: their child's legal birth certificate; Social Security card; and immunization record. Immunization records will be reviewed by the school nurse that evening and parents will be informed if there is a need for any additional immunizations that the children must have prior to entering school next year.

For more information, contact Cindy Douglass, principal, at 574-857-3025 or [douglassc@caston.k12.in.us](mailto:douglassc@caston.k12.in.us).

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## Book Fair at Caston

The Caston Elementary PTO will sponsor its annual Read-It-Again Book Fair Saturday, April 4, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the cafeteria during the community health fair and from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday, April 6, through Wednesday, April 8, in the south gym lobby. The public is invited to attend.

Most of the gently used books, magazines, audio tapes, CDs, video tapes and DVDs will be priced to sell at \$.25 each. There will also be a limited selection of new items priced at \$1 each.

The PTO is accepting donations at the elementary office. Items for children as well as adult materials (cookbooks, reference, how-to, craft ideas, gardening, novels, etc.) are welcome. Children will be attending the book fair, so please be sure that all items donated are appropriate for school-age eyes.

Items may be dropped off during school hours the week of March 30. For more information, call PTO president, Michaela Slisher, at 574-727-2866.

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(574) 653-9052**

## Fish and tenderloin fry, April 4

The Fulton County 4-H Fair Association, 4-H Council and county 4-H clubs will serve a fish and tenderloin fry Saturday, April 4, at the Fulton County Fairgrounds. Serving will be from 4 to 8 p.m. and the cost will be \$7.50 for adults (in advance). Tickets at the door will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 6-12. Children 5 & under may eat free. Carryouts will be available.

Dan's Frying Service will prepare the fish and tenderloin.

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## Easter egg hunt, April 5

The Ladies Auxiliary of the James F. Talbott VFW Post. No. 1121 will host its annual Easter egg hunt Sunday, April 5. The event will take place at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station, 404 N. Toner Street, beginning at 2 p.m.

Children from infants to age 11 are welcome to participate in the event. Cookies and other refreshments will be served.

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## Chicken and noodle dinner at Pulaski

The Saint Joseph Parish Confraternity of Christian Mothers will serve a chicken noodle dinner Sunday, April 5, in the church hall. Serving will be from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a cost of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Children under the age of six may eat free. Carry outs will be available.

A bake sale on the premises will offer home made goodies, including noodles. In addition, there will be a raffle with lots of prizes. The main prize is a quilt handmade by the ladies of St. Joseph Parish. For the younger set, there will be a fishing game at \$.25 a line.

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## Holy Week services

Everyone is invited to make Holy Week services at the local Methodist Churches part of their Easter celebration.

Maudy Thursday services will be held at 7 p.m. April 9 at the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church. The Kewanna United Methodist Church will hold Good Friday services at 7 p.m. April 10. Easter sunrise services will be held at 7 a.m. April 12 at the Pleasant Hill Church, followed with a carry-in breakfast.

Regular Sunday morning worship services will be conducted at the Pleasant Hill Church at 9 a.m. Easter Sunday and at 10:30 a.m. at the Kewanna church.

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**Send In Your News**

## Youth League sign-up

The Kewanna Youth League is now accepting sign-ups for the 2009 season. Boys and girls between the ages of 4 through 12 are welcome to participate. The fee is \$15 per player with a maximum of \$40 per family. Assistance with fees is available if needed.

Sign-up forms are available at the Community State Bank, Kewanna Post Office and the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library. For more information, call Maryanne at 574-653-2605.

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## Easter VBS at Church of Christ

The Kewanna Church of Christ, 116 S. Logan Street, will host an Easter Vacation Bible School Saturday, April 4, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Children age three through the fifth grade are welcome to attend and celebrate the true meaning of Easter, Jesus' death and resurrection.

The event will feature a Bible lesson, crafts, games and lunch. For more information, call the church at 574-653-2496 or Martha Sheridan at 574-842-2202.

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## Health fair at Caston

A community health fair will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at Caston. The whole family is invited to attend and enjoy an afternoon of fun and learning featuring many health professionals and activities geared to improve the health of the community.

The health fair will include health screening (blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar) for a small fee; wellness programs; massage therapist with free massages; emergency preparedness and fire safety; drug and alcohol abuse and the therapies available; nutrition expert including food preparation; immunization information; car seat safety instructions and demonstration; vision health and a health insurance representative with applications available for HIP and Hoosier Healthwise.

There will also be a fun activity center for kids with games, a rock wall, etc.

The "Read it Again" book fair will also be set up in the cafeteria.

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## AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

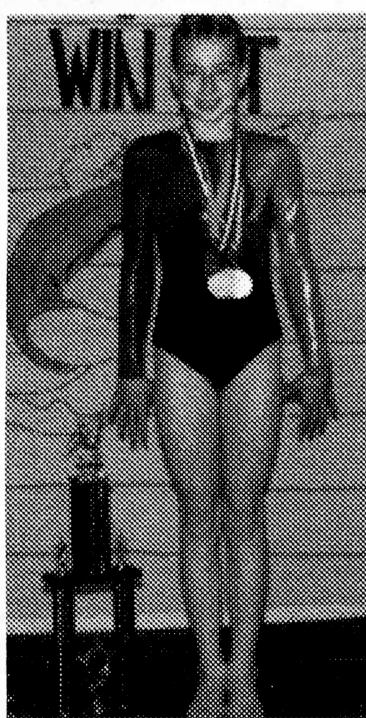
Monday, April 6 - Barbecue chicken, broccoli, corn, pudding, roll and milk

Wednesday, April 8 - Chopped steak with gravy, Key West Blend vegetables, lima beans, peach cobbler, wheat bread and milk

Friday, April 10 - site closed for Good Friday

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## Alexis Agnew places first in state competition



Alexis Agnew of Rochester rounded out her 2008-2009 gymnastics season with a state championship last weekend in Madison. Alexis trains and competes with Jana's Gymnastics of Plymouth. Not only did Alexis' team place first in the competition, but Alexis herself helped her team win that title by placing first individually in her age division. Alexis competes in the Bronze division of USA Gymnastics. Her state meet scores were 8.7 on the vault; 9.15 on the bars (5<sup>th</sup> place); 8.85 on the beam (3<sup>rd</sup> place); and 9.4 or first place with her floor exercise. Her all-around score was 36.1 giving her a first place finish.

Alexis is no stranger to the podium in the eight meets she participated in this season. Throughout her 2008-2009 season, she placed first on the vault five times; first on the bars four times, second once and third once. She placed first on the beam once, second three times third once; and fifth once. She placed first on her floor routine four times; third once and seventh once. She has received a first



Pictured here is Jana's Gymnastics team from Plymouth which on first place at a state competition in Madison last

## The Passion of Christ to be shown at Methodist Church

The movie, *The Passion of Christ*, will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 3, at the Kewanna United Methodist Church.

Everyone in the community is welcome to see the movie free of charge. It is rated "R" because of the graphic violence. Child care and Disney movies will be provided for children in the Sunday school classrooms. The "R" rating requires that children under 17 be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

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## Easter concert at McHale

Dino, America's piano showman, will present an Easter concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the McHale Performing Arts Center, Logansport. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students.

To purchase tickets, call McHale at 574-753-4116 or buy online at [www.casscountyarts.org](http://www.casscountyarts.org). Go to "tickets" and then to "Performing Arts Council". The tickets can then be picked up at the box office or the night of the performance at the will call desk.

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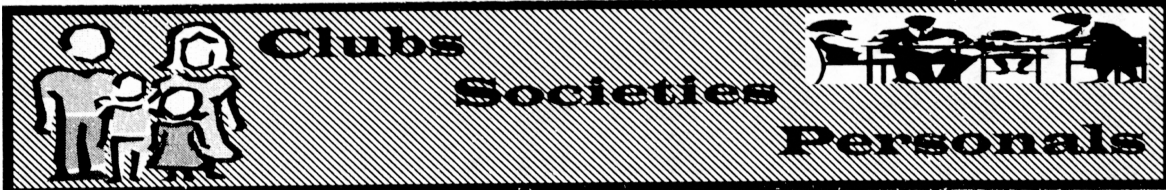
**RECYCLING DATES**  
**Thursday, April 9th and**  
**Thursday, April 23rd**

place all-around rating four times; second twice; fourth once and fifth once.

Alexis will begin next year's competitive season in September, but will spend the summer learning new skills and creating exciting routines.

Alexis is the daughter of Jarrod and Amy Agnew of Rochester. Her great-grandmother, Virginia Agnew, resides in Kewanna.

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## Bearcreek Farms kicks off season with Lulu Roman

Hee Haw star, Lulu Roman, will kick off the 2009 "Shower of Stars" concert series at Bearcreek Farms in Bryant with shows at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10. Tickets are \$15 for the show or you can enjoy a meal and a show for \$25. Tickets are now on sale by calling 260-997-6822 or you can purchase tickets online at [www.bearcreekfarms.com](http://www.bearcreekfarms.com).

People know Lulu as the most requested female cast member of the long-running television series, *Hee Haw*. Many know her as the accomplished and celebrated songwriter, and as the singer who has been successfully making records for 25 years.

Few know that Lulu was born with a thyroid dysfunction in a home for unwed mothers and quickly placed in an orphanage. It was there that her weight problems furthered her pain, preventing her adoption and making her the center of teasing by the other children. It was also during this time that Lulu learned to use her sense of humor as a defense.

That sense of humor later evolved into a highly successful career as an actress and comedienne with a lead role on *Hee Haw*. Success and wealth, however, proved poisonous to the actress who began her career in

her early twenties. Drug addiction led Lulu on a downward spiral that nearly destroyed her life and her career in 1971.

Lulu's search for happiness and acceptance, which had almost led to her personal destruction, instead, led her to God. It was her new-found faith in God that led her to begin using a talent that had been lying dormant for many years, her voice.

In 1999, Lulu was inducted into the Country Gospel Music Hall of Fame. In 2002, Lulu's 16<sup>th</sup> album, a collection of hits and favorites called *Lulu Inspired*, was nominated for Dove award. Her newest project is the highly anticipated *Orphan Girl*, which Lulu says is "the album I am most proud of in my entire career."

Lulu now tours the United States singing and sharing her testimony as well as her unpredictable sense of humor. She is an accomplished author having written her own autobiography in the late 70s and the new "Kitchen Komforts" cookbook. The cookbook includes delicious recipes, stories about her life and numerous personal photographs.

Lulu will make you laugh, cry, examine your life and she will share with you some great gospel music.

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## Special Olympics sponsoring basket bingo

Fulton County Special Olympics is sponsoring a Longaberger basket bingo Tuesday, April 14, at the St. Joseph Parish Hall in Rochester. The doors open at 6 p.m. with bingo starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained for a donation of \$20 for 20 games of bingo. They can be purchased from Ann Bauman, 574-223-7621; Manitou Center, 574-223-6963; Janet Severns, 574-223-4158; John Mollencupp, 574-653-2664; Diana Clemons, 574-223-2611; Carol Housouer, 574-223-2346; Claudia Hartzler, 574-893-4044; or Barb Garringer, 574-223-7888. This fund raiser will help pay expenses to the summer games in Terre Haute.

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## Log cabin tour, June 6 and 7

Psi Iota Xi, a philanthropic sorority, will host its annual Brown County Log Cabin Tour Saturday and Sunday, June 6 and 7, in and around Nashville, Indiana. Tickets for the event are \$15 adults and \$7 for children under 12. There is no charge for children under age two. Tickets can be ordered through the mail at Log Cabin Tour Tickets, P.O.

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Five privately owned log cabins in the hills of Brown County will be featured during this 35<sup>th</sup> annual Log Cabin Tour. Proceeds will support art, literature, music and speech and hearing needs in the Brown County community.

Tour goers will take a beautiful drive, using tour maps provided with the tickets, through the back roads and gentle, rolling hills of scenic Brown County to see unique, decorated log cabin homes both new and old. The private homes feature gardens, antiques, family heirlooms, and the work of local artists.

Tour hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, rain or shine. Tour headquarters will be at the Gazebo on the Village Green in downtown Nashville on the days of the tour only.

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## IREA scholarship

The Indiana Republican Editorial Association and its member newspapers are co-sponsoring a scholarship program which will award one \$500 scholarship to an Indiana college student majoring in the field of print journalism.

This one-year scholarship will go to an Indiana resident who is enrolled in an Indiana university or college. The fund was established in 1985 on behalf of the IREA, the oldest Republican editorial association in the nation. The scholarship will be awarded May 30. To request an application for the scholarship, email [lchandler@ripleynews.com](mailto:lchandler@ripleynews.com). All applications must be received by May 15.

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## Going away event planned for Spc. Kimble

A going away party will be held Saturday, April 18, for Spc. Dustan Kimble who will be deployed to Afghanistan. The event will start at 12 noon at the home of his sister, Tasha, 212 N. East St., Kewanna. Veterans and those currently in the military are welcome to attend in uniform. Those attending should RSVP to Tasha at 574-225-1954 or Crystal at 574-835-6679.

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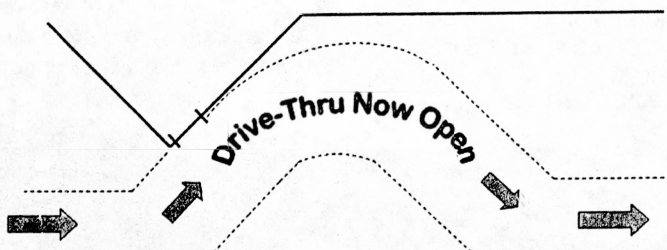
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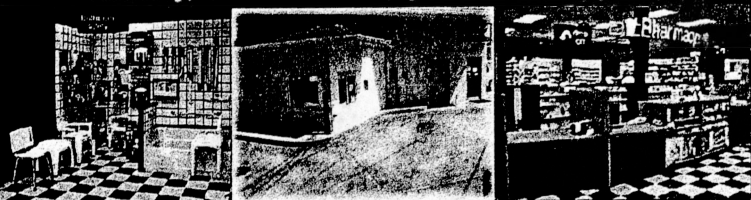
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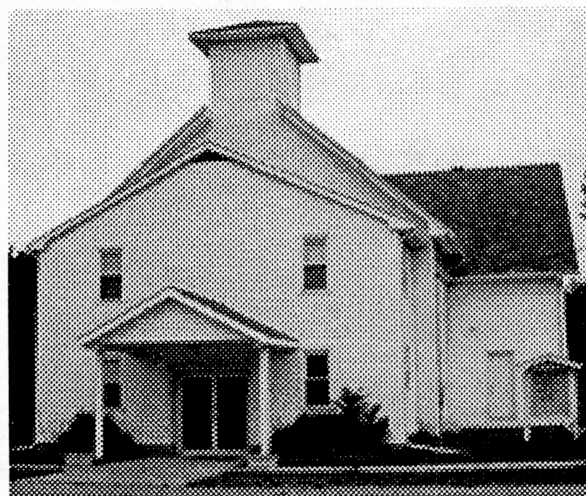
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**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**  
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 Births - Bradford and Kiley Seany, Silver Lake, a daughter  
 March 23  
 Admissions - Nancy Masten, Plymouth; Nova Russell, Grovertown; Lowell Lemler, Bourbon; Scott Dawson, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Garland Gray and Bonita Bruner, Akron; Krystyna Martin and daughter, Claypool; Stella Curtis, Tippecanoe; Kiley Seany and daughter, Silver Lake  
 March 24  
 Admissions - Ruth Howard, Tippecanoe  
 Dismissals - Nova Russell, Grovertown; Nancy Masten, Plymouth; Skyler Malott, Peru  
 March 25  
 Admissions - none published  
 Dismissals - none published  
 Births - Jayson and Peggy Migonis, Rochester, a daughter  
 March 26  
 Admissions - Mallory Thomas and Robert Schoen, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Lowell Lemler, Bourbon; Scott Dawson, Rochester; Ruth Howard, Tippecanoe  
 March 27  
 Admissions - Mary Clark, Rochester; Cleta Walker, Argos  
 Dismissals - none published.  
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**DEATHS .....**

**JOSEPH THOMAS BUCINSKI**  
 A funeral Mass was held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 27, in St. Peter's Catholic Church, Winamac, for Joseph Thomas Bucinski, 55, Kewanee. Rev. Martin Sandhage officiated and burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery.  
 Mr. Bucinski died at 5:17 p.m. Sunday, March 22, 2009 in Pulaski Memorial Hospital.  
 Born October 27, 1953, in Rochester, he was the son of Leo J. and Virginia I. Hanson Bucinski. He was married July 16, 1977, in Highland to Debbie Alliss Bucinski, who survives.  
 A lifelong resident of Kewanee, he graduated from Winamac High School in 1971 and from the Purdue Winter Ag short course in 1977. He took wiring and hydraulic classes and completed Welding I and II at Ivy Tech Community College. He was certified to work on automotive air conditioners. He was a private pilot and a member of the Mentone Flying Club of Rochester. He was also a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, Winamac, the Rochester Moose Lodge and the Winamac Knights of Columbus No. 1561. He was a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight of the Rensselaer Council.  
 A farmer, he had a collection of Corvettes and enjoyed working on anything that would fit in his

shop. He loved spending time with his grandchildren. Joe and his wife enjoyed traveling to Las Vegas and taking cruises.  
 Surviving besides his wife are children, Joseph Bucinski and his wife, Laura, Kewanee; Stacy Easterling and her husband, Jason, Port Charlotte, Florida; grandchildren, Caleb Bucinski, Keira Bucinski, Ashlyn Easterling and Sean Easterling; his mother, Virginia Bucinski, Kewanee; sisters, Joan M. Scheffer, Janice K. Schultz and her husband, Rudy, and Mary F. Wegner and her husband, Joe, all of Kewanee; a brother, Dr. Thomas J. Bucinski and his wife, Brenda, of Harrisburg, Illinois; and several nieces and nephews.  
 Frain Mortuary, Winamac, was in charge of arrangements. A Scriptural wake service was held there Thursday and the rosary was recited in the evening. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Peter's Catholic Church. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.frainmortuary.com](http://www.frainmortuary.com).  
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**CASTON MENU**  
**April 6-10**  
**Breakfast**  
 Choice each day with fruit or juice and milk: cereal and toast; sausage/cheese bun; ham/cheese bun; or toaster pastry  
**Lunch**  
 Monday - Breadsticks with meat and cheese, seasoned mini cubes, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - three meat sub and

chips  
 Tuesday - Chicken tenders, whipped potatoes with gravy, peaches, M & M cookie and milk. Comet Café - double cheeseburger and onion rings  
 Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, cheese-stuffed breadstick, sherbet and milk. Comet Café - grilled chicken sandwich and seasoned wedges  
 Thursday - Corn dog, potato smiles, mixed vegetables, spice cake and milk. Comet Café - French bread pizza  
 Friday - Cheese pizza, green beans, pears, brownie and milk. Choice - taco salad  
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muffin and milk  
 Friday - Good Friday, no school  
**Middle/High School Lunch**  
 Monday - Hard or soft shell tacos with salsa, lettuce, cheese, apple crisp, and milk. Choice - salad bar  
 Tuesday - Tenderloin sandwich, peas, peaches, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar  
 Wednesday - Hot dog, seasoned fries, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar  
 Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, cinnamon roll, mixed fruit and milk. Choice - salad bar  
 Friday - Good Friday, no school  
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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU**  
**April 6 - 10**  
**Elementary Breakfast**  
 Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk  
 Tuesday - Biscuit with egg & cheese, juice and milk  
 Wednesday - Omelet, juice and milk  
 Thursday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk  
 Friday - Good Friday, no school  
**Elementary Lunch**  
 Monday - Cheese pizza, corn, pears, cookie and milk  
 Tuesday - Chicken nuggets, fries, mixed fruit, peanut butter sandwich and milk  
 Wednesday - Turkey and cheese sandwich, scalloped potatoes, banana, cake and milk  
 Thursday - Sloppy Joe sandwich, French fries, peaches,


**JAMES F. TALBOTT VFW**  
**POST NO. 1121**  
**APRIL CALENDAR**  
 April 5 - Easter egg hunt at 2 p.m. at the Kewanee-Union Township Fire Station for infants through 11 years of age  
 April 7 - Men's meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
 April 15 - Women's Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.  
 April 26 - Open Sunday at 12 noon; euchre at 1 p.m.  
 April 28 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
 The VFW is collecting clothing for the Veterans Home at Lafayette. They are in need of shirts size 2X to 6X and pants, size 44 and up.  
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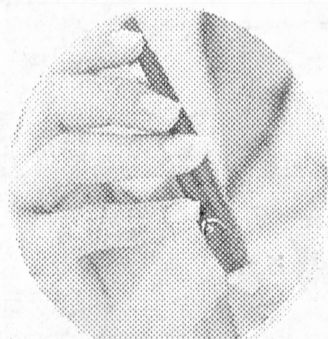
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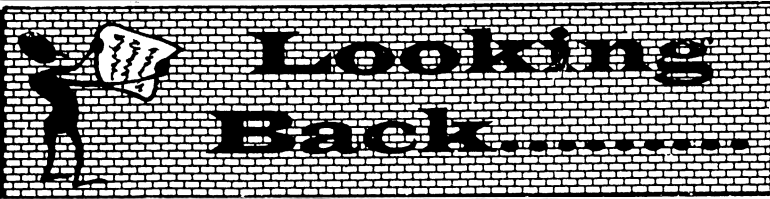
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**Class 1** - What is diabetes, monitoring, regulating blood glucose, medications, and exercise.  
**Class 2** - How what you eat affects diabetes, label reading, dining out, meal planning.  
**Class 3** - Learning to live with diabetes, personal health habits, sick-day guidelines, long-term complications, changing behavior, putting the pieces together.  
**Class Dates:** April 14, 21, 28  
**Class Times:** 1-3 p.m. or 6-8 p.m.  
**Location:** Woodlawn Hospital Ambulance Garage  
**Cost:** \$10 (for series)  
**Instructors:** Jean Herd, FNP-CS, Maureen Neeley, FNP-C, & Betsy Wolfe, Dietitian  
**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**  
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 RSVP by April 7, 2009 to Karla Meyer, RN, Coordinator of Diabetic Education at 574-224-1268.  
 Our diabetic support group meets every second Thursday from 1-2 p.m. in the Woodlawn Hospital Boardroom.



# Looking Back

## SIXTY YEARS AGO April 7, 1949

Mrs. Violet Smith has been hired by Al Yerkes of the Yerkes Store. Mrs. Smith, a registered nurse, was at one time employed by Dr. K. K. Kraning who at that time had his office where the Yerkes Store is now located. Formerly of Kewanna, Mrs. Smith moved to South Bend five years ago but returned to make her home in Kewanna last fall.

Robert Wilhelm of Logansport took over the Cities Service Station on State Road 17 at the south end of town recently. Bob was previously employed with an auto dealer in Logansport. He and his wife are looking for a place in Kewanna to reside.

Ernest Myers, 60, died suddenly of a heart attack Sunday at his home in Detroit. He was a nephew of Ray Smith of Kewanna and Mrs. Don O. Nafe, formerly of her and now living in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

A birthday dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reed Friday, April 1, in honor of Dwight Reed. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Reed and son, Kenny, of Logansport, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reed and James Reed.

Charles Mullins of Kewanna received word Sunday of the death of his only brother, William Mullins, 92, of Buffalo. William

was formerly of Marhsstown.

A new business is coming to Fulton. The Palmer Auto Sales and Service Co. of Logansport, distributor of Hudson Motor cars, has leased the property formerly occupied by Ralph Newton, just north of the Berry Feed Store, and will establish a sub-dealership for Hudson there.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 2, 1954

A C&O west-bound freight train hit a pickup truck at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday at Lake Bruce, instantly killing 42-year-old Theodore Overmyer, Rt. 1, Kewanna. Services will be held Saturday at the Zion Church with his uncle, Loyd Overmyer, officiating. Burial will be in the IOOF Cemetery at Leiters Ford. Survivors include his wife, the former Elizabeth Stoudt, and a daughter, Martha Lee.

Memorial services were held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, South Bend, for Cpl. Dean R. Crabb. During the service his wife, Dolores, received the Purple Heart and his mother, Mrs. Ruby Crabb of here, was made a Gold Star Mother.

Paul Guise, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Guise of Kewanna, was one of 21 students in his freshman class at Manchester College to rank in the upper 10 percent with winter term final grades. Guise is majoring in pre-

medicine.

Cpl. Elmer G. Peters arrived home last week after serving some time with the Armed Forces in Italy.

The Kewanna Fire Department was called to the Fred Graffis home west of town Monday morning to extinguish a chimney fire. Little damage was done.

Army Private Herbert McIntire, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oval McIntire, Rt. 2, Kewanna, arrived in Germany recently for duty with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO April 2, 1959

Harlan "Sandy" Talbott died of a heart attack Tuesday, March 31, at his home in Plymouth. He was a brother to Albert and Simon Talbott of here.

David and Daniel Sommers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sommers, Rt. 3, Kewanna, were featured as the "Future Citizens".

Arthur William Roach, 46, Logansport, died at 4:20 a.m. Tuesday in Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis, after undergoing a five-hour heart operation. He was a brother of Mrs. Louise Fisher of here.

The Grass Creek EUB Youth Fellowship sponsored an Easter egg hunt Saturday afternoon on the lawn of the church. Prize egg awards went to Sally Brummet, who received a colored chick; Danny Brummet, a duck; Jimmy Thomas, Frances Brown and Eddy Crippen, each a balloon rabbit; and Sammy Minthorn, a duck. Refreshments were served to 31 children.

Kathleen Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burns, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is a candidate for junior prom queen at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie. The winning candidate will reign over the junior prom Friday, April 10.

The Ralph Kreamer home was the scene of a bridal shower March 30 honoring Darla Sayers, bride-elect of Robert Greer. Hostesses for the event were Phyllis Kreamer, Artha Kreamer, Wilma Van Duyn, Golda Carter, Wiladean DeWitt and Donabelle Fisher.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 2, 1964

Thomas S. Carter, 59, Kewanna, died at 8:30 a.m. Friday morning at his home of a heart attack. Services were held Monday in the Harrison Funeral Home, Kewanna, with Lonnie Bennett, pastor of the Church of Christ, officiating. He was married to the former Golda Budd, who survives.

Supervising principal for the combined program of the Caston School Corporation next fall will be Lewis Cameron, who has been principal at Fulton and North Caston High School the past eight years. He will divide his time between North Caston and South Caston. Tentative plans call for a vice principal or guidance counselor at each school.

Richard Graffis, a member of the Taylor University track team, is spending his Easter vacation on a tour of southern states. Track meets will be held at the Universities of Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama and Florida. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graffis, Kewanna.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual reunion of the Kewanna High School Alumni Association was held Saturday evening, March 28, in the gymnasium. Prayer was offered by Van Tuyl Gillespie. Two hundred and sixteen members and guests enjoyed the swiss steak dinner prepared by Seidel Catering Service of Star City. Officers for the coming year are Walter Koebecke, president; Robert McKinney, vice president; Mrs. Robert McKinney, secretary; and Mrs. Robert Pinder, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Talbott, Rochester, have adopted a five-week old baby girl who they have named Barbara Ann. Mrs. Talbott is the former Ann Jester of here.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO March 29, 1979

Don St. Clair has been elected president of the student body at Manchester College. Don is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe St. Clair, Rt. 2, Kewanna. He is a communications and speech major and a 1976 graduate of Caston High School. He plans to graduate from Manchester in the spring of 1981.

Mr. and Mrs. Aron Ousley and Diane attended a silver wedding anniversary open house at Topeka

Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reffett.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Adams of here and Eva and Treva Leap of Culver spent a few days last week in Fairborn, Ohio, with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Phillips and son, Brent. While there they helped Brent celebrate this third birthday.

Pulaski Memorial Hospital Candy Strippers were recognized for their work at the Hospital Auxiliary's annual meeting March 19. Those receiving caps for their first 30 hours worked included Karen Woolington and Stacey Personett of here.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO March 30, 1989

Hickle Body Shop has reopened in Kewanna. The shop is located on East Main Street in the former Powell Implement building. In past years, Tom has operated a shop at his home on Rt. 1, Kewanna, and in Winamac. Most recently, he was body shop manager for Rudd-Hutcheson Olds-Cadillac in Logansport.

The Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department was called to the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Kewanna Friday morning when employees discovered the building full of smoke upon reporting for work. It was determined that a fire of suspicious origin in the adjacent building owned by Art Nulf was the cause of the smoke.

The fire department was also called out Thursday afternoon to a house owned by Edward Druzbecki on State Road 17 south of Kewanna where a trash fire ignited the grass and a nearby garage. Loss to the garage was estimated at \$5,000.

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**"LOOKING BACK"  
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been named Pride of the Month by the Tribal Trails Girl Scout Council. Mrs. Young is the former Cindy Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fisher, Kewanna. Cindy is currently serving the council as Pulaski Association chairman. She is the Troop Leader of Junior Girl Scout Troop #702.

**TEN YEARS AGO  
March 25, 1999**

Marie Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Mitchell, Kewanna, has earned a Silver A, the Culver Academies' second highest academic honor reserved for those students earning a minimum semester grade point average of 3.2. A senior and fourth-year student at Culver, this is Marie's first Silver A.

Amanda Van Scoy of Caston High School and Dan Sirken of Rochester High School have been selected as Lilly Scholars by the Fulton County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee. As such, they will receive full tuition and fees, plus a \$700 a year stipend for required books and equipment.

Kennedy Crissinger, 15-month-old daughter of Keith and Stephanie Crissinger, Star City, was featured as "Tomorrow's Leader".

Funeral services were held Monday, March 22, in the

Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, for Ruby Baldwin, 82, Life Care Center, Rochester. The former Kewanna resident died Thursday, March 18. Rev. Todd Wilson officiated and burial was in the Bruce Lake Cemetery.

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**ISMA seeks nominations for physician award**

If you know a physician who is an active volunteer in your community, consider nominating him or her for the 2009 Indiana State Medical Association's (ISMA) Physician Community Service Award. The annual award honors an Indiana physician for outstanding volunteer activities based on civic, cultural, social or economic contributions to the community. The award will be presented during the ISMA's annual convention in September at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Indianapolis.

To be eligible, a physician must:

- Be licensed within the State of Indiana
- Be living
- Not have received the award previously
- Have an outstanding record of community service, which apart from his or her specific identification as a physician, reflects well on the profession.

Physicians who have been nominated previously but have

not received the award may be re-nominated.

All nominations will be reviewed by an ISMA physician committee. The recipient and the group or individual who nominated the recipient will be notified of the date and time the award will be presented.

The deadline for nominations is June 12. Find a nomination form at

[www.ismanet.org/news/convention/index.htm](http://www.ismanet.org/news/convention/index.htm) or call ISMA at 800-257-4762 or 317-261-2060.

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**The News  
In Brief**

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Monday, April 6, in the meeting room of the county office building, 125 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester. The agenda will include a sex offender registration ordinance; a request from Michael Bennett to vacate an alley in Disco; payment of claims; and old and new business. Letty McKee and Susan Carr are also scheduled to appear at the meeting.

Russell J. Bushawn, a 21-year veteran of the Logansport Police Department, has been charged with shoplifting at the Target store in Kokomo.

Bishop John D'Arcy of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend says he will boycott

President Barack Obama's commencement speech at Notre Dame because of his policies on stem cell research and abortion. The policies run counter to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels signed a bill into law last week allowing the state's finance authority to negotiate long-term contracts to buy and sell synthetic natural gas from a planned coal-gasification plant to be built in southern Indiana. According to the governor, the law will save Indiana's natural gas users billions of dollars by ensuring a steady supply of synthetic natural gas free from price fluctuations of natural gas.

Indiana lawmakers are looking for ways to bail out the Indianapolis Capital Improvement Board in its operation of Lucas Oil Stadium, Conseco Fieldhouse, Victory Field and the Indiana Convention Center. The board is already \$20 million short this year and it could get worse as the Indiana Pacers say they can no longer afford to pay the \$15 million to run Conseco Fieldhouse.

The Rochester varsity boys' basketball team lost its bid for a state championship Saturday evening when it was defeated by Princeton, 81-79 in double overtime. Rochester player Brody Schoen was the recipient of the coveted Arthur L. Trester Mental Attitude Award. The award was presented by Debb Stevens, Caston athletic director and IHSAA official.

to \$1.01 Wednesday. The major cigarette makers also raised prices a couple of weeks ago hoping to offset any drop in profits once the new tax is added. Cigarette taxes were raised to finance a major expansion of health insurance for children.

The State Bank of Burnettsville was robbed Monday afternoon. Police have taken a person of interest into custody.

A daily pill that combines aspirin, blood pressure medicines and cholesterol medicines has passed its first big test in a major study. The "polypill", if finally marketed, will offer a cheap, simple way to prevent both heart disease and stroke.

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**Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar**

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

The next sibling class at PMH will be Saturday, April 25, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Students will receive education on adjusting to a new baby in the family. Parents are encouraged to enroll their children so they can participate in the class about six weeks before the birth of the new baby. To register for the class, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a free service of PMH.

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**Health Bites** from the heart of the staff of Woodlawn Hospital

**A Woman's Guide to High Blood Pressure**

High blood pressure, or hypertension, puts added strain against artery walls, making blood flow difficult, and causing the heart to work harder than usual. Consequences of high blood pressure are severe and include heart attack, stroke, or heart failure.

Blood pressure tends to increase with age. Studies show that more than half of all post-menopausal women over age 60 have high blood pressure. In addition, even women who have never had high blood pressure may develop it during pregnancy, especially in the last three months. If you tend to run an elevated blood pressure, it is important to have it checked regularly.

American Heart Association Recommended Blood Pressure Levels

Blood Pressure Category	Systolic (mm Hg)	Diastolic (mm Hg)
Normal	less than 120	less than 80
Prehypertension	120-139	80-89
High		
Stage 1	140-159	90-99
Stage 2	160 or higher	100 or higher

All women can and should take steps to control their high blood pressure. Some of the ways to help control your blood pressure include: achieving and maintaining a healthy weight; increasing physical activity; choosing healthy foods, lower in sodium; avoiding smoking; and limiting alcohol intake.

For some, lifestyle changes are enough to lower high blood pressure. For others, especially those with heart disease, medication may also be needed. If you have high blood pressure, your physician can help determine the best treatment.

**Need a wellness check?**

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**Notice To Taxpayers**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Fulton County, Indiana, that a meeting of the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, will be held at the County Office Building in Rochester, Indiana on the 21st day of April, 2009, at 6:30 P.M. for the following additional appropriations:

**FULTON COUNTY HIGHWAY**  
 Bituminous .....\$210,002.71  
 Repair Trucks & Tractor ..... \$ 11,945.81  
 TOTAL HIGHWAY .....\$221,948.52  
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 TOTAL CUM BRIDGE .....\$ 50,000.00

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within (15) days of receipt of a certified copy of the action taken.

ATTEST:  
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Pub. 4/2/09

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The Better Business Bureau has received calls from several area business owners regarding US Energy Savings Corp. A representative from US Energy Savings Corp. stopped by a business and wanted to see their NIPSCO bill. He implied he was

authorized by NIPSCO to make sure that the business owner had the price per therm on his bill and that he (the representative) would make sure the business owner could lock that price in for five years. The business owner said the representative was very persistent.

US Energy Savings Corp. has an unsatisfactory record due to a pattern of complaints.

Complainants allege they were subject to misleading sales practices, such as unauthorized enrollment in the program offered, and/or misrepresentation of contract length, and/or guarantees of savings, and/or ability to cancel the contract after the initial three-day period. Other complaints allege that upon signing up with the company on the promise of savings on gas, consumers' bills did not decrease, but instead increased

**FULTON COUNTY ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008 YEAR**

FUNDS	1-Jan-08	31-Dec-08	CASH BALANCE	INVESTMENTS	CASH & INVESTMENTS
<b>SPECIAL FUND</b>	<b>\$1,534,807.56</b>	<b>\$5,811,294.84</b>	<b>\$5,784,425.35</b>	<b>\$1,561,677.05</b>	<b>\$1,561,677.05</b>
GENERAL FUND	\$11,960.09	\$4,339.00	\$16,299.09	\$0.00	\$16,299.09
ACCIDENT REPORT	\$9,064.02	\$17,055.00	\$25,814.17	\$304.85	\$304.85
ADULT PROBATION	\$52,096.19	\$47,476.40	\$49,460.36	\$50,112.23	\$50,112.23
ALCOHOL & DRUG	\$519,671.99	\$1,296,891.21	\$1,308,033.07	\$508,530.13	\$508,530.13
CAGIT SPECIAL	\$0.00	\$138,314.44	\$138,314.44	\$0.00	\$0.00
CEDIT SPECIAL	\$225.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$325.00	\$325.00
CHILD ADVOCACY	\$0.00	\$27,279.88	\$16,871.33	\$10,308.75	\$10,308.75
CHILDREN W/SPEC NEE	\$165,039.35	\$213,064.31	\$213,064.31	\$341,268.24	\$341,268.24
CHILDREN PSY	\$0.00	\$246.36	\$156.06	\$90.30	\$90.30
COLLECTION AGENCY	\$162.75	\$2,145.50	\$2,145.50	\$92.75	\$92.75
CORONER CONT ED FE	\$14,349.91	\$14,049.66	\$14,000.00	\$14,399.57	\$14,399.57
COUNTY CORRECTION	\$0.00	\$30.80	\$30.80	\$0.00	\$0.00
DEL DOG TAX	\$1,656,399.29	\$4,441,685.03	\$4,441,685.03	\$1,630,146.52	\$1,630,146.52
DRAIN MAINT	\$20,774.19	\$17,802.00	\$17,802.00	\$30,317.54	\$30,317.54
DRUG FREE COMM	\$11,789.23	\$4,956.51	\$3,551.68	\$13,394.08	\$13,394.08
EMG PLANNING	\$327,836.00	\$991,701.88	\$995,936.60	\$353,601.28	\$353,601.28
EB11	\$1,666.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,666.11	\$1,666.11
EXTRADITION	\$1,141,697.10	\$1,434,278.81	\$2,169,522.03	\$406,453.88	\$406,453.88
FAMILY & CHILDREN	\$98.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$98.26	\$98.26
FEDERAL GRANT #3	\$879.85	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$1,129.85	\$1,129.85
FEDERAL GRANT #5	\$2,162.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,162.00	\$2,162.00
FEDERAL GRANT #6	\$23,733.72	\$8,738.00	\$0.00	\$32,471.72	\$32,471.72
FIREARMS TRAINING/HAI	\$6,812.80	\$5,138.30	\$9,094.44	\$2,656.66	\$2,656.66
GUARDIAN AD LITEM/CO	\$93,833.17	\$271,995.18	\$261,995.18	\$103,945.44	\$103,945.44
HEALTH	\$130,672.35	\$31,075.25	\$22,946.38	\$138,601.22	\$138,601.22
HEALTH MAINTENANCE	\$256,120.11	\$3,132,915.59	\$2,533,743.27	\$854,692.43	\$854,692.43
HIGHWAY	\$175,976.95	\$552,736.58	\$575,976.91	\$152,736.62	\$152,736.62
HOST AGREEMENT	\$8,211.22	\$1,030.11	\$0.00	\$9,241.33	\$9,241.33
INMATE MEDICAL	\$2,564.00	\$6,025.28	\$0.00	\$8,589.28	\$8,589.28
JURY PAY	\$14,280.81	\$4,996.00	\$3,318.12	\$15,958.69	\$15,958.69
JUV PROBATION	\$1,785.00	\$988.00	\$0.00	\$2,883.00	\$2,883.00
JUV SERVICE CTR	\$977,475.25	\$1,943,813.49	\$1,969,259.49	\$652,129.25	\$652,129.25
LANDFILL	\$8,264.21	\$1,396.00	\$1,219.82	\$8,440.29	\$8,440.29
LAW ENFORCE CONT E	\$281.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$281.39	\$281.39
LOCAL GOVT GRANT #1	\$17,488.58	\$211,457.67	\$183,970.47	\$44,975.78	\$44,975.78
LOCAL ROADS & STREE	\$1,930,657.88	\$3,128,161.11	\$3,128,161.11	\$1,877,360.99	\$1,877,360.99
NONREVERTING (SPEC)	\$64,067.47	\$10,004.00	\$0.00	\$68,874.67	\$68,874.67
PARK & RECREATION	\$51,221.02	\$6,815.00	\$27,309.69	\$30,526.33	\$30,526.33
PLAT BOOK	\$80,817.56	\$62,220.00	\$36,522.02	\$104,315.54	\$104,315.54
PRETRIAL DIV	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
PROBATION	\$206,552.13	\$162,473.71	\$168,585.91	\$180,439.93	\$180,439.93
PROBATION USER	\$289,185.10	\$763,711.21	\$800,946.47	\$251,949.64	\$251,949.64
REASSESSMENT	\$2,630.37	\$13,258.00	\$13,258.00	\$35,863.18	\$35,863.18
TITLE IV-D	\$284,884.11	\$1,503,290.48	\$1,300,396.43	\$467,808.14	\$467,808.14
RAINY DAY FUND	\$50,489.89	\$92,839.87	\$93,727.02	\$49,602.74	\$49,602.74
RECORDERS PERP	\$186.59	\$2,471.90	\$2,482.57	\$175.92	\$175.92
REIMBURSEMENT	\$0.00	\$128,666.77	\$128,666.77	\$0.00	\$0.00
RIVERBOAT	\$380.00	\$14,115.00	\$3,675.00	\$10,820.00	\$10,820.00
SALES DISCLOSURE	\$37,440.94	\$9,377.03	\$4,601.00	\$42,216.97	\$42,216.97
SHERIFF CONT ED	\$12,708.10	\$6,796.00	\$2,302.70	\$17,201.40	\$17,201.40
SPECIAL REVENUE-OTH	\$24.86	\$2,520.00	\$2,520.00	\$54.80	\$54.80
STATE GRANT	\$0.00	\$183,215.00	\$183,215.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
STATE GRANT #3	\$12,494.10	\$6,283.10	\$0.00	\$18,777.20	\$18,777.20
STATE GRANT #4	\$106,958.99	\$39,750.00	\$40,558.72	\$106,150.27	\$106,150.27
STATE GRANT #5	\$19,526.82	\$1,000.00	\$2,458.30	\$68.32	\$68.32
STATE GRANT #6	\$2,606.47	\$38,735.41	\$35,147.97	\$6,193.91	\$6,193.91
STATE GRANT #8	\$0.00	\$16,140.85	\$16,140.85	\$0.00	\$0.00
STATE GRANT #11	\$0.00	\$7,776.00	\$7,776.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
STATE GRANT #13	\$0.00	\$7,270.00	\$7,270.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SWETA	\$12,163.08	\$12,795.75	\$5,291.60	\$19,667.23	\$19,667.23
SUPP PUB DEF	\$44,471.92	\$4,810.00	\$600.00	\$48,481.92	\$48,481.92
SURVEYORS COR PERF	\$42,643.38	\$32,148.66	\$29,338.12	\$45,453.92	\$45,453.92
TAX SALE FEES	\$44,550.07	\$16,944.40	\$0.00	\$69,494.47	\$69,494.47
TOBACCO SETTLEMENT	\$0.00	\$129,916.33	\$117,202.93	\$12,714.00	\$12,714.00
USER FEES	\$0.00	\$248,655.44	\$248,655.44	\$93,189.97	\$93,189.97
WELFARE HCI	\$0.00	\$22,733.22	\$14,144.28	\$8,589.94	\$8,589.94
WELFARE MAW	\$0.00	\$7,727.52	\$0.00	\$7,727.52	\$7,727.52
WIRELESS EMERG TEL	\$8,658,301.48	\$21,603,276.98	\$21,182,580.03	\$8,978,989.43	\$8,978,989.43
TOTALS:	\$132,840.22	\$419,556.18	\$396,840.22	\$155,556.18	\$155,556.18
EBT SERVICE:	\$969,008.00	\$1,680,267.85	\$1,680,267.85	\$933,391.58	\$933,391.58
EXPENDABLE TRUSTS:	\$1,101,849.12	\$2,108,824.03	\$2,252,728.47	\$958,947.68	\$958,947.68
DEBT SERVICE:					
CAPITAL PROJECTS:					
CREDIT TAX	\$997,035.50	\$2,212,883.89	\$2,381,311.35	\$628,608.04	\$628,608.04
CUM BRIDGE	\$738,072.60	\$516,021.33	\$516,021.33	\$688,610.46	\$688,610.46
CUM CAP DEVELOPMEN	\$207,004.12	\$316,717.18	\$221,594.59	\$302,126.71	\$302,126.71
DRAIN CON/RECON #1	\$519.13	\$0.00	\$519.13	\$0.00	\$0.00
DRAIN CON/RECON #3	\$544.25	\$0.00	\$544.25	\$0.00	\$0.00
GENERAL DRAIN IMPRO	\$819,197.87	\$1,783,409.83	\$1,688,281.91	\$914,345.79	\$914,345.79
NONREVERT CAP PRO	\$117,903.00	\$239,050.09	\$237,003.99	\$119,948.40	\$119,948.40
PARK & RECREATION C/	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
TOTAL CAP PROJECTS:	\$2,880,376.77	\$5,068,082.32	\$5,114,718.69	\$2,833,740.40	\$2,833,740.40
NON EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CONGRESS SCHOOL PF	\$0.00	\$65,769.69	\$65,769.69	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL NONEXPENDABI	\$0.00	\$65,769.69	\$65,769.69	\$0.00	\$0.00
EXPENDABLE TRUSTS:					
INVESTMENT TRUST:	\$5,624.00	\$0.00	\$790.00	\$4,834.00	\$4,834.00
TOTAL EXPENDABLE TR	\$5,624.00	\$0.00	\$790.00	\$4,834.00	\$4,834.00
AGENCY FUNDS:					
CAGIT	\$0.00	\$3,168,544.00	\$3,168,544.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CREDIT TAX	\$102,931.73	\$791,387.06	\$784,495.61	\$109,823.18	\$109,823.18
CITY/TOWN CT COSTS	\$114,088.69	\$12,382.88	\$0.00	\$126,481.67	\$126,481.67
CLERK TRUST	\$16,981.00	\$9,249.00	\$3,123.26	\$23,108.94	\$23,108.94
CONGRESS SCHOOL IN'	\$0.00	\$166,400.39	\$166,400.39	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOURISM	\$36,726.60	\$38,463.31	\$37,084.00	\$38,105.91	\$38,105.91
DOC FEES	\$33,644.76	\$10,932.00	\$0.00	\$44,576.76	\$44,576.76
EDUCATION PLATES	\$0.00	\$1,887.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FIT	\$0.00	\$100,276.00	\$100,276.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HOMESTEAD CR REBATI	\$622,719.34	\$1,135.85	\$623,827.44	\$27.75	\$27.75
INFRACT JUDGEMENT:	\$5,422.00	\$84,230.50	\$84,012.00	\$5,640.50	\$5,640.50
INHERITANCE TAX	\$82,921.40	\$521,983.45	\$503,098.77	\$101,806.08	\$101,806.08
MTG FEES	\$405.00	\$2,225.00	\$2,342.50	\$287.50	\$287.50
PAYROLL	\$130,243.45	\$1,210,978.91	\$1,195,133.26	\$146,089.10	\$146,089.10
STATE FAIR BOARD	\$0.00	\$5,093.31	\$9,993.31	\$0.00	\$0.00
FINES & FORFEITURES	\$8,488.00	\$23,333.46	\$28,219.46	\$3,605.00	\$3,605.00
STATE FORESTRY	\$0.00	\$18,186.57	\$18,186.57	\$	

**Rep. Gutwein Supports Expansion of Tuition Exemption for Purple Heart Recipients**

All Indiana Purple Heart recipients would be eligible for tuition and fee exemptions at state educational institutions if a bill passed unanimously today by the Indiana House of Representatives gains final approval by Gov. Mitch Daniels.

Rep. Doug Gutwein (R-Francesville) co-sponsored the bill in the House of Representatives.

Last year, the Indiana General Assembly created a law allowing Purple Heart recipients who served on active duty after Sept. 10, 2001, to apply for the tuition and fee exemption. Senate Bill 39 will expand those eligible for the exemption to include all veterans who have received a Purple Heart. The exemption has been available to the children of these veterans for many years, and they will retain eligibility under Senate Bill 39.

"It's a privilege to support legislation that helps our veterans," said Rep. Gutwein. "As a veteran that had the privilege of serving alongside many Purple Heart recipients, I know full well how great the sacrifice they've made for our country really is. This is the least we can do to show our gratitude."

If Gov. Daniels signs the bill into law, it will become effective July 1, 2009.

Those interested in tracking this and other bills that have survived the journey to the governor's desk can visit <http://www.in.gov/gov/billwatch.htm>.

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**Caston Jr/Sr High School**

3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks Honor Roll  
**High Honor Roll**

**Seventh Grade**

Derek Berkshire, Anna Brown, Katie Henry, and Haley Hoover

**Eighth Grade**

Katelyn Miller and Zachary Smith

**Freshmen**

Kent Burton, Kyle Harvey, Rachel Laing, Brittney Offenberger, and Graham Redweik

**Sophomores**

Brenda Artero-Rios, Morgan Herrold, Jada Powlen, Erika Reffitt, and Faye Scott

**Juniors**

Emily See

**Seniors**

Seth Cowell, Amy Hathaway, Austin Moss, Skylar Powlen, Erica Zartman, and Ethan Zartman

**Regular Honor Roll**

**Seventh Grade**

Michael Beall, Hunter Doty, Quentin Douglass, Britny Frye, Trenton Goff, Victoria Hopkins, Hayley Johnson, Braxton Lee, Conner Martin, Emilee Parsons, Mickayla Rans, Tierney Rentschler, Anthony Strain, and Robin Swango

**Eighth Grade**

Jordan Hollar, Abby Holt, Jordan Moss, and Katarina Williamson

**Freshmen**

Cody Clupper, Zachary Cowell, Alishia Davis, Emily Douglass, Trevor Hoover, Madison Jones, Zachery Kesler, Jacob Miller, Christen Sailors, Jessica Showley, Kara Smith, Olivia Thomson, and Jasimine Westbrook

**Sophomores**

Savannah Frye, Logan Goff, Brantley Hartman, John Herd, and Danielle McPeck

**Juniors**

Austin Ault, Phillip Burman, Patrick Burns, Levi James, James Laing, David McMenamin, Kory Moudy, Megan Powell, Matthew Reichart, Maria Reifennath, Veronica Sheets, Caleb Siders, and Chelsea Troyer

**Seniors**

Hanna Black, Jonathan Burns, Krystal Campbell, Payton Daily, Miranda DePoy, Anna Douglass, Eli Fred, Frost Fry, Hank Gamble, Preston Howard, Samuel Jones, Kaley Kellenburger, Shelby Loeffler, Nick Roe, and Lee Waltz

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**CASTON SPORTS SCHEDULE**

April 2 - JV boys' baseball at Lakeland Christian Academy, 5 p.m.

April 6 - Varsity co-ed track and field vs. Rochester at Caston, 5 p.m.

April 7 - Varsity boys baseball vs. Rochester at Caston, 5 p.m.

April 9 - Varsity boys baseball vs. Culver at Caston, 5 p.m.;

Varsity girls softball at Frankfort, 5 p.m.

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**RECYCLING DATES**

Thursday, April 9th and Thursday, April 23rd

**Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events**

**31st Annual Hoosier Horse Fair & Expo:** April 3 - 5 throughout the Fairgrounds. Hours: Fri. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$15 adults; \$6 children 7-12; children 6 and younger free; advance tickets are \$12 and \$4. Contact: Dave Caudill (317) 692-7141 or [www.indianahorsecouncil.org](http://www.indianahorsecouncil.org).

**Naptown Roller Derby: Tornado Sirens vs. the Green Country Roller Girls from Tulsa, OK** - April 11 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Doors open 6:30 p.m.; bouts begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission: \$16 at the door; \$11 in advance. Contact: (317) 522-1958 or [www.naptownrollergirls.com](http://www.naptownrollergirls.com).

**Eastside Reunion:** April 11 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Event begins at 7 p.m. Admission: \$10 at the door; \$15 in advance. Contact: Velmon N. Davidson (317) 545-3578.

**Indy Home & Remodeling Show:** April 17 - 19 in the Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. noon to 9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: \$7 adults; \$3 children 6 - 12; children 5 and younger free. Contact: Kim Huber (317) 863-0415 or [www.indyhomeandremodelingshow.com](http://www.indyhomeandremodelingshow.com).

**Hoosier Antique Expo:** April 17 - 19 in the West Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7. Contact: Shawn Hastings Promotions (618) 635-2895 or [www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com](http://www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com).

**2009 hhgregg WFMS Country Music Expo:** April 18 - 19 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Doors open at 10 am; shows are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: 2-Day

Gold Circle Seats \$50; free tickets are available at various ticket stops; visit [www.wfms.com](http://www.wfms.com) for more information; tickets are also available at all Ticketmaster Outlets, [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or Charge-by-phone at (317) 239-5151. Contact: WFMS radio (317) 842-9550 or [www.wfms.com](http://www.wfms.com).

**Women's & Food Expo:** April 18 - 19 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$7; grandparents \$3.50; children 5 and younger free. Contact: Dean Taylor (440) 625-6161 or [www.womensexpo.org](http://www.womensexpo.org).

**Midwest Reptile Show:** April 19 in the Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5; children 8 and younger free.

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**FULTON COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS**



**March 30, 2009**

CRIME / BURGLARY  
CASE NUMBER: 25-501-08  
LOCATION: 1829 South 650 East  
Rochester, Indiana

SUMMARY: Between 11-19-08 and 11-20-08 the suspect(s) made forced entry to the victims residence at the above location and committed the theft of a cordless drill, a large amount of copper tubing, as well as copper wire. If you have any information on this case or any other crime call Crime Stoppers. You could earn up to \$1,000.00 reward if the information leads to an arrest or indictment. Callers do not have to reveal their names and all calls are confidential.

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Contact: Brian Hahn (317) 899-1599 or [www.midwestreptile.com](http://www.midwestreptile.com).  
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**Fulton County Historical Society 2009 Events**  
March 7 and 8 - Living History Faire at FCHS museum  
April 25 and 26 - 19<sup>th</sup> annual Redbud Trail Rendezvous on the FCHS grounds  
June 11-13 - 39<sup>th</sup> annual Round Barn Festival in downtown

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

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

Oct. 16-17 and 23-24 - 4<sup>th</sup> annual Haunted Woods Trail on the FCHS grounds

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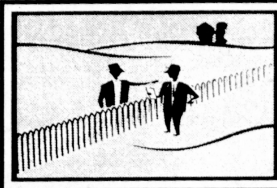
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**Town & Country  
CHATTER...**

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Helen Whiteman had company Monday, March 23. Stopping by late in the day for a visit were her daughter, Sherri Lett and her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Andrea Hook and Rylee of Winamac.

Lori Leach was busy last week. She critter-sat for Scott and Jill Meneeley and their family while they were enjoying spring break.

Ann Zartman and Shirley had houseguests for a couple of days last week. Staying with them were Ann's granddaughter and great-grandson, Dawn Nikolich and Luke of Chrisney.

Jerry and Kay Brown had a houseguest during the middle of the week. Arriving Tuesday, March 24, for a three-day visit was their son, Kerry Brown of Lawrenceburg. In the evening, they traveled to Winamac for a visit with Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson.

Julie Brown had a fun time Tuesday. She spent the day with two of her "munchkins," Luke and Tanner Sutton.

Leonard and Nancy Evers had visitors Wednesday, March 25. Coming for a spring-break visit were their granddaughter, Kristin Evers, and her friend, Peggy.

Ellen Walsh had company over the weekend. Staying with her for a couple of days were her son and his family, Kerry and Beth Walsh and Andy of Clinton.

Jacob Green spent three days as a houseguest of his great-

grandmother and great-aunt, Ann and Shirley Zartman.

Lori Leach had company Saturday, March 28. Staying with her and helping to make a birthday cake was her granddaughter, Amanda Evers. Later in the day, Lori and Amanda delivered the cake to Amanda's mother, Kandi Evers.

Ellen Walsh and Kerry and Beth Walsh and Andy traveled to Goshen Saturday. They had an enjoyable time watching the track meet at Goshen College. Kerry and Beth's son, Alex Walsh, is a member of the Bethel College team that was participating in the competition.

Brandon Sutton was the guest of honor at a large gathering Sunday, March 29. The occasion was in celebration of his 9<sup>th</sup> birthday and held in the community room of the local fire station. Hosting the event were his grandparents, Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans. Among the many friends and family in attendance were Brandon's great-grandparents, Ray and Beth Weller and Barb and Jon Gast; and his great-great-aunt, Betty Leazenby. Everyone had a fun time even though Mother Nature did not make the outside grilling easy for the host.

Florence Hogan had working visitors Sunday. Coming up to repair a broken window at the farm were her daughter and son-

in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette. After the work was done, the trio enjoyed lunch and watching a basketball game together.

Amanda Evers was a Monday, March 30, houseguest of Lori Leach.

Joyce Luhnow and her granddaughter, Amber Luhnow, returned early this week from a trip to the Cayman Islands. They had a wonderful time in the Caribbean sun. Amber also had the opportunity to swim with a pod of porpoises.

Bob Plummer and sons, Jerry, Gary and Blake, Jacob Miller, and Bill and Hanna Plummer, all of Kewanna, were spring break guests of Bill and Nancy Crow at their winter home in Estero, Florida. Jerry, Gary, Blake, Jacob and Hanna enjoyed going to the beach several days, going for an airboat ride in the Everglades and seeing lots of alligators at the Babcock Ranch. Bob celebrated his birthday Wednesday evening at the Crow residence. Attending the fish fry supper were Rochester spring breakers, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Lahman, Brice and Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Smith, Ciera, Travis and Olivia; as well as Estero winter residents, Dale and Millie Smith, Dee and Susie Williams and their grandson Tucker Shriver of Fulton, and Carol Lahman of North Fort Myers Beach and Rochester. It was a house full, but lots of fun. Dale fried the fish that he and Bill had caught on one of their fishing trips.

Virginia Agnew enjoyed a two-day visit with her daughter,

Marsha Tomerlin, recently. Monday they took supper and enjoyed a visit with Greg and Jackie Agnew. Tuesday afternoon, they visited with Jarrod and Amy Agnew, Zachary and Alexis, after which they went to visit Jeff and Tina Agnew, Shayna and Kayleena. They would have visited with John and Pam Agnew, but they were vacationing. Everyone enjoyed the visits and the reminiscing that went with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Birge, Lacey, Ashley and Lillix, Calvin Holloway and Evelyn Markley, all of here, and Judy Markley and Jerry Walton of Winamac were in Fishers Saturday where they helped Caitlin Behny celebrate her second birthday at a party hosted by her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Behny and Finn.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Chris Riffle, April 5; Vivian Bauman, Matt Fisher, Lisa Patterson, Nick Sommers, Jenni Van Scoy and Stevanna Young, April 6; Samantha Ricci, Ed Tomerlin and Tom Wilson, April 7; Brenton Basham, Angie Douglass, Craig Eastwood, Judy Graham, Diane Ousley, Andy Rude and Jesse Rude, April 8; Elizabeth Pugh, April 9; Casey Brown, Kasey Kottkamp and Mabel MacLain, April 10; and Larry James, Don Nellans and Ned Urbin, April 11.

There are seven couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Al Haimbaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Brad Hassenplug, April 5; Mr. and Mrs. Wes Hickle and Mr.

and Mrs. Chuck Scheeringa, April 7; Mr. and Mrs. H. Mark Lott, April 8; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson, April 9; and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Druzbecki, April 11.

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**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. 9<sup>th</sup> 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/dlgr](http://www.in.gov/dlgr).

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