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New Software for Caston School Corporation

Parents of students attending Caston School Corporation will notice a change with the implementation of Harmony School Management Software. Caston School Corporation has recently selected Harmony for their student management needs. In 2001, Logic Key, Inc., of Indianapolis, developed Harmony as a comprehensive data management solution for school corporations. Although many companies offer student management software, Logic Key, Inc. felt a genuine need existed for software that easily and efficiently manages all routine tasks as well as offering new technology such as parental access. Logic Key, Inc. worked closely with school personnel to develop a user friendly product that meets all of their needs. Logic Key, Inc. firmly believes that a school corporation should not have to change to accommodate student management software; this is why Harmony changes to accommodate the school. Harmony School Management Software originated in a small pilot school in Southern Indiana. In the years following, Harmony has grown to be utilized in 83 school corporations across the state of Indiana, with Caston School Corporation being one of the most recent additions.

Harmony is a robust and flexible application that allows easy access to all aspects of a student's education as well as many of the day-to-day functions of the school. The result is a comprehensive database that suits all of a school's needs: from entering student demographic information to approving leave requests. Harmony provides software solutions for managing student grades, attendance, discipline, and health records. In addition, Harmony allows school personnel to easily compile and submit the Indiana State Reports as required by the Department of Education. School staff will notice a decrease in the amount of redundant work performed, as well as time spent performing routine duties.

Harmony will enable Caston School Corporation to more efficiently communicate with their students' parents via email and a secure web site. School personnel will be able to post web messages for parents or easily compose letters or emails. Grades, attendance, discipline, and other aspects of the student's day will be available to parents in real time through Harmony's web interface. Parents will be able to log onto this web interface with a Web ID and password to access information specific to their student. The information available to parents is real time, so parents will have access to up-to-date information on their student.

Harmony greatly improves the

The News In Brief

The Fulton County Commission approved rezoning for development of the Nickel Plate Trail along former railroad property Monday despite opposition from trail neighbors. The commissioners believe the trail will help economic development efforts.

Watch for deer! Local resident, Joe Good, reports he nearly hit a deer on Smith Street near the Embarq telephone building Wednesday morning. The animal traveled on across the Marcus Kay property and then crossed Main Street onto property owned by Jon Sailors, Sr.

Fulton County treasurer, Lorie Hurst, advises Fulton County taxpayers that the 2008 payable 2009 taxes will not be due May 10. A June deadline is anticipated with the exact date to be announced later. Tax statements will be mailed once the information is available.

The Rochester Farmers Market will return to the courthouse Saturday. Market hours are 7:30 a.m. to noon Saturdays and 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays and will be located in the parking lot on the east side of the building. Anyone wishing to be a vendor can get an application at the Rochester/Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce.

State Road 14 between State Roads 25 and 19 in Fulton County will be restricted to one 12-foot lane as directed by flag persons during daylight hours through July 2009 for the purpose of resurfacing.

Hope Hospice and Woodlawn Hospital sponsor a bereavement support group for people dealing with the loss of a loved one. The group meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. in Room A of the Fulton County Public Library. The topic of discussion for May 19 is the video, "Recognizing Fear and Anger".

The Indianapolis school system is cutting 300 teaching jobs and also 40 non-teaching jobs in an effort to save \$25 million. The district closed eight schools last year and will close six more this year due to lower enrollment.

The American Lung Association

overall efficiency of a school, allowing personnel to do what they do best - provide a quality education for students. For more information on Harmony School Management Software, feel free to visit their website at <http://www.logickey.com/harmony.htm>.

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Bake sale, May 16

The Kewanna United Methodist Church will hold a bake sale Saturday, May 16, at the Community State Bank branch on Main Street. The bake sale will start at 8:30 a.m. and last until sold out. Proceeds will go towards church camp fees for the youth.

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Thank you...

The Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery board of directors would like to thank everyone who helped with the cemetery clean-up recently.

Anyone who would like to donate money towards the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery may do so by sending their contribution to Evelyn Peters, P.O. Box 402, Kewanna, IN 46939.

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reports that 60 percent of Americans live in areas with unhealthy air pollution levels.

Indiana Beach Resort at Monticello opened for the season last weekend. The resort is reinstating free general admission for the first time since 1972. Fireworks are scheduled for May 23, July 4 and Sept. 5 and every Friday and Saturday night from June 19 through August 22.

Former Kewanna resident Jim Carr was found guilty of murder last Thursday in Fulton Superior Court. Carr was convicted of shooting Roy Allen Shaffer on November 4, 2006. Sentencing will be May 20.

Mexican officials have declared that the swine flu epidemic is waning and lowered their alert level Monday, allowing universities, museums and libraries to reopen.

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Good health habits can stop flu germs

Fulton County Health Dept.

There is no vaccine available at this time for the current outbreak of swine flu virus, so it is important for people living in the affected areas to take steps to prevent spreading the virus to others. If people are ill, they should stay home and limit contact with others, except to seek medical care. Healthy residents living in these areas should take the following everyday preventive actions:

- **Avoid close contact.** Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick, too.
- **Stay home when you are sick.** Stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. Keep sick children at home. You will help prevent others from catching the illness.
- **Cover your mouth and nose.** Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- **Wash your hands often.** Washing your hands and the hands of your children often will help protect you from germs.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.** Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.
- **Practice other good health habits.** Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids and eat nutritious food.

Persons who develop an illness with fever and respiratory symptoms, such as cough and runny nose, and possibly other symptoms, such as body aches, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea,

Benefit dinner for Larry and Delores (Dee) Kuhn

A benefit dinner will be held Friday, May 22, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. in the Richland Center Memorial Hall at the Fulton County Museum for Larry and Dee Kuhn. The menu will include pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad, potato chips and dessert and the cost will be a free will donation.

Dee was recently diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor and underwent surgery. Unfortunately, the tumor was very invasive and could not be totally removed. She will be undergoing both radiation and chemotherapy in the weeks ahead. There is no health insurance to cover the medical expenses. The family needs help to cover transportation, supplies and loss of work during this difficult time.

Larry and Dee have both been very giving to others during their lives and now are in a position to need love and support in return.

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Flower sale

The Fulton Improvement Committee is hosting its annual flower sale at Mill Creek Family Restaurant in Fulton, May 5-11. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The sale is held each year to raise funds for the proposed community center, set to be built adjacent to the Liberty Township Park. In the past year and a half, the committee has raised over \$80,000 towards the building of the new community center primarily through private donations, but also through fundraisers.

The flower sale will offer perennials and annuals in flats or individually, as well as vegetables and beautiful hanging baskets. Prices are comparable to local nurseries.

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Recycling Dates
THURSDAY, MAY 7TH
& THURSDAY MAY 21ST

should contact their health care provider. Their health care provider will determine whether influenza testing is needed.

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ALL DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS

Effective this Sunday, May 10, all disaster recovery centers (DRCs) will be closed on Sunday.

Mobile disaster recovery centers have temporary schedules and will be reported as they are opened.

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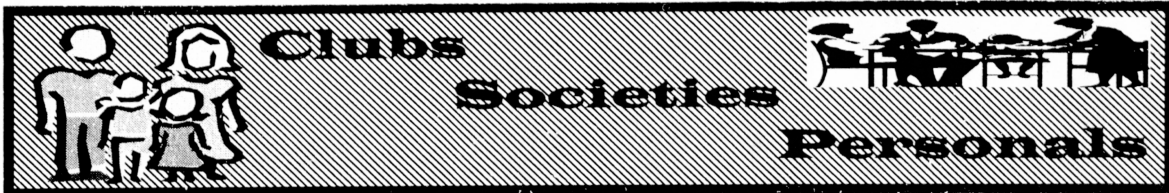
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 Winimac, Ind.

Fulton County
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 Training Room
 2006 E. State Rd. 14
 Rochester, Ind.

Applicants can meet face-to-face with disaster recovery specialists from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS), the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and other agencies who will answer questions and provide recovery information.

Residents of the 13 Indiana counties designated eligible for federal and state disaster aid can visit any of the DRCs located throughout the state. Designated counties are Allen, Carroll, DeKalb, Fulton, Jasper, Kosciusko, Lake, LaPorte, Marshall, Noble, Pulaski, White and Whitley.

FEMA leads and supports the nation in a risk-based, comprehensive emergency management system of preparedness, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation, to reduce the loss of life and property and protect the nation from all hazards including natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.



Dave Stangle to be honored at open house

Dave Stangle, Kewanna, will be the guest of honor at an open house Sunday, May 17, in celebration of his 70th birthday, which is May 28.

The open house will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. Gifts should be omitted, but your memories and photos are welcome. Also, if you choose, the family will be donating 70 cents per person to the fire station in Dave's honor.

Cards may be sent to Dave at 9546 W 75 N, Kewanna, IN 46939.

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UMW meets with Beth Weller

The Kewanna United Methodist Women met Monday evening, May 4, at the home of Beth Weller.

President, Barb Steigely, presided over the business meeting which included the secretary-treasurers report by Beth Weller.

The breakfast prepared for a district pastors meeting was discussed as was the May Day baskets that were prepared and delivered to shut-ins and nursing/retirement homes.

The group will sponsor a church-wide bake sale Saturday, May 16, at the Community State Bank in Kewanna. Proceeds from the bake sale will help pay camp fees for youth of the church.

Karen Good gave devotions. Refreshments were enjoyed with the door prize going to Evelyn Peters.

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AREA FIVE MENU
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Wednesday, May 13 - Barbecue

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Friday, May 15 - Chicken salad, potato soup, peas & carrots, applesauce, crackers and milk

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU
May 11 - 15

Elementary Breakfast
Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk

Tuesday - Biscuit with sausage link, juice and milk

Wednesday - Waffle, juice and milk

Thursday - Muffin, yogurt, juice and milk

Friday - Sausage pancake, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch
Monday - Burrito, corn, applesauce, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Nacho cheese with Tostitos, green beans, pineapple and milk

Wednesday - Ham and cheese sandwich, fries, orange wedge, muffin and milk

Thursday - Turkey and noodles, mashed potatoes, fruit ice, bread & butter and milk

Friday - French toast with syrup, sausage links, potatoes, applesauce and milk

Middle/High School Lunch
Monday - Corn dog, 8-way vegetables, pears, cake and milk.

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Choice - salad bar
Tuesday - Stuffed crust pepperoni pizza, corn on the cob, peaches, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Deli turkey and cheese sandwich, potatoes, apricots, chocolate cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Chicken nuggets, cheese breadsticks, broccoli, apple juice cup and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Hard or soft shell tacos with salsa, lettuce, cheese, apple crisp and milk. Choice - salad bar

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CASTON MENU
May 11 - 15

Breakfast
Choice each day with fruit or juice: cereal and toast; sausage/cheese bun; ham/cheese; or toaster pastry

Lunch
Monday - Ham patty sandwich, potatoes, peaches, brownie and milk. Comet Café - chicken quesadillas

Tuesday - Taco salad, corn, applesauce, bread & butter and milk. Comet Café - cheese-stuffed breadsticks

Wednesday - Chicken tenders,

potatoes, green beans, chocolate peanut butter cookie. Comet Café - roast beef and cheese sandwich with French dip

Thursday - Turkey Manhattan, whipped potatoes, peas, poke cake and milk. Comet Café - whopper and onion rings

Friday - Pizza, California blend, pineapple, sugar cookie and milk. Comet Café - baked chicken, whipped potatoes with gravy and dinner roll

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James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 - May Schedule

May 9 - Memorial Ride. Spaghetti and fettuccini dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. Three bands. Starts at 12 noon

May 12 - Veterans meeting at 6:30 p.m.

May 20 - Women's Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

May 26 - Men's Auxiliary meeting at 6:30 p.m.

May 31 - Open Sunday, noon.

Lafayette Veterans home needs men's clothing. Pant size 44 and up. Shirt size 2X to 6X

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

April 27
Admissions - Ronald Scott, Rochester

Dismissals - Dana Verhaeghe and son, Argos; Kristen Field, Kewanna; Signe Borg, Argos

April 28
Admissions - none published
Dismissals - Richard Fletcher, Rochester

Births - Jeremy and Carrie Bowers, Mentone, a son; Harley and Nettie Schwartz, Akron, a son

April 29
Admissions - none published
Dismissals - Ronald Scott, Rochester

Births - Nicholas and Stephanie Phillips, Rochester, a daughter

April 30
Admissions - Terry Swick, Akron

Dismissals - none published

May 1
Admissions - Kenda Hackworth, North Manchester; Bonnie O'Donnell, Winamac

Dismissals - Carrie Bowers and son, Mentone; Nettie Schwartz and son, Akron; Stephanie Phillips and daughter, Rochester; Matthias Jackson, Kewanna; Brayden Jackson, Kewanna
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Walk the walk for Hope Hospice

The 2nd annual Walk the Walk for Hope Hospice will be held Saturday, May 16, at 10 a.m. The walk will begin at the 9th hole big pavilion of the Mill Creek Golf Course, Rochester, and will take place on the Rochester Pathway. Parking will be available at the Faith Outreach Church. To register, call Wendy at Hope Hospice, 224-4673, or toll free at 888-737-4673. Please register today.

Hope Hospice will be giving prizes for the following areas: oldest walker, youngest walker, longest traveled distance, most pledges received, and a drawing. A free t-shirt will be given to walkers with pledges of \$20 or more or \$20 for a t-shirt only.

The goal of Hope Hospice is to give an awareness of their compassionate care at the end-of-life. Everyone may participate - young or old, big or small. It is hoped that the families of loved ones will be able to come and walk and remember their loved ones while raising support and awareness for hospice.

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Mon. - Thurs. 8 to 4
Friday - 8 to 5
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Letter To The Editor

REDBUD TRAIL RENDEZVOUS THANK YOU

The Fulton County Historical Society would like to thank everyone that attended and took part in the Redbud Trail Rendezvous April 25-26. The Redbud trees were beautiful and in bloom on Sunday for the people that attended the festival which was held just south of the Living History Village this year due to past months flooding. It was windy - but no rain which we are thankful.

Special thanks to all the public who attended and participants for participating in the festival to help make it a success.

Special thanks to: McDonald's, Wendy's, Pizza Hut, and others not mentioned for donation of supplies for the food booth. Fred Oden for donating use of mower for the festival, Fulton County Probation Dept. for workers, firewood from various farmers, Freddie Oden & Tony Boyd and the Metocinyah Longrifles for helping with getting ready for

the festival. Also thanks to Rochester Sentinel and advertisers for the full-page display and Mike Kenny for the excellent photos, video and coverage.

Ads were paid for in part by a grant from the Fulton County Tourism Commission. Thank you to the Shopping Guide News, The Observer, The Rochester Sentinel and WROI for placing our ads and news in your newspapers. Other papers including the South Bend Tribune and Logansport Pharos Tribune included stories as well.

Thank you to the program personnel for great programs on the stage which included: Mark Gropp with his bagpipes,

Shirley Needham with her hawks, Mark & Liza Woolever with several instruments and for providing music for the Frontier Frolic dancers, and for the Native Americans that provided us with some Indian dances.

Upcoming fundraising events for the museum include: Annual Fish & Chicken Fry by Ernie Hiatt May 2nd at the museum - proceeds to go toward operating expenses, Breakfast Buffet - all-you-can eat May 23rd, Fulton County Historical Power Show June 19-21 - featured equipment Ford, New Holland Equipment and Hit-n-miss engines and honor business will be New Holland Rochester - Jim Straetor, Hap's Chicken Bash - July 29th, NEW THIS YEAR held at the museum Cruzin For History - Car Show with Ham & Bean Supper on Saturday, Aug. 22nd, and the Trail of Courage Living History Festival Sept. 20-21. Again this year two weekends for Haunted Woods Trail Oct. 16-17th and Oct. 23-24th to be held on FCHS grounds, Christmas Open House and Christmas in the Country variety show will be Dec. 12th.

Lois Ulerick, FCHS President
Melinda Clinger, Museum Director

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Race for Rick, May 9

Mike Haschel and Jason Hague have organized a 5K race to be held in Winamac Saturday, May 9, in conjunction with the Kiwanis Spring Fest. The race will commemorate the life of Rick Haschel, a well known enthusiastic runner. Rick could often be seen running the streets of Winamac and he passed his love of long-distance running on to his son, Mike. Rick lost his life to cancer in May of 2002.

The registration fee for the race is \$15. A registration form can be downloaded from

www.rhm5k.com. Forms are also available from Mike Haschel, 574-270-0427; Jason Hague, 574-242-2237; or Pulaski Memorial Hospice, 574-946-2140. Pre-registration must be postmarked by April 15. Race day registration will be available but t-shirts may be limited.

The proceeds from the race will benefit the Pulaski Memorial Hospice program. Hospice provides care for terminally ill patients not only in Pulaski County but also in the surrounding six counties. Hospice care is designed to meet the physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs of patients and their families.

If you are interested in being a sponsor or volunteering to help with the event, please contact Mike or Jason. Tax deductible donations are also being accepted.

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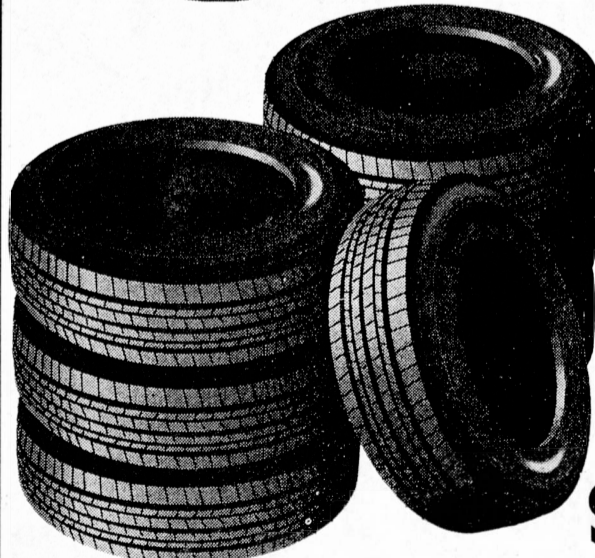
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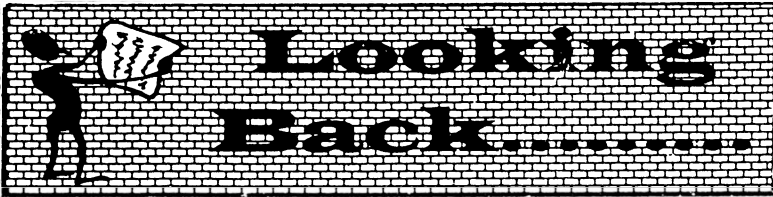


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SIXTY YEARS AGO May 5, 1949

Nancy Whiteside has been chosen Kewanna High School's candidate for Queen of the Lake Manitou Jubilee. Each high school in Fulton County may choose a candidate from their school. All candidates will have photographs taken to be sent to Hollywood where a committee of five judges will choose the winner. Nancy is a sophomore at Kewanna.

A surprise party honoring the 17th birthday of Donnabelle Van Duyne was held Sunday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Van Duyne, near Bruce Lake Station. Guests included members of the Kewanna Saddle Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crippen of Fletchers Lake are the parents of a daughter, Patsy Jean, born April 29, at Woodlawn Hospital. Mrs. Crippen is the former Bertha Wilson.

Maria Belle Ayers, 86, died Wednesday evening at her home in Kewanna. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Susan Ellen Allen of Graybull, Wyoming, and Mary Beatrice Willoughby, South

Bend.

Fifty-three relatives of Mrs. C. O. Troutman gathered at her home Sunday evening to help her celebrate her birthday.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 6, 1954

Nolen Kimble, 78, retired farmer, died early Tuesday morning at his home near here. He was married to Elnora M. Bixler in Kewanna in 1901. Survivors include his wife; a son, Ermal of South Bend; a sister, Mrs. Mollie Rouch of Fulton; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

An instructor pilot out of Baer Field in Fort Wayne made a forced landing last week on the Michael Hines farm south of Kewanna due to engine trouble. Mr. Hines took the pilot to Rochester where he boarded a bus for Fort Wayne and returned later in the week for the airplane.

Mario Lombardo has resigned as band director at Grass Creek and Richland Center schools. He took over those positions last August and resided in Grass Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Brown, Rt.

2. Kewanna, recently purchased and moved into the Owen Fitsch property in Kewanna. Mr. and Mrs. Fitsch have moved to Logansport.

Kent Cook and Pat McLochlin are the proud possessors of colorful parakeets and cages to house them, offered last week as prizes by a Rochester shoe store.

Jennifer Garner was honored on her 4th birthday with a birthday dinner in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Garner. Guests included Karla Garner, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie House and Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Garner and Tommy.

FIFTY YEARS AGO May 7, 1959

Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 9, at the Methodist Church for Jesse Urbin, Kewanna. Rev. Charles Cook will officiate and burial will be in the local IOOF Cemetery. Survivors include two daughters, Clara Jane Kumler and Martha Ann Cook; a son, John Urbin; and 11 grandchildren.

Doris Kreamer, a senior at Ball State, is student teaching at Boyerton High School near Muncie. She is teaching home economics and physical education on the secondary level.

Clem Good, Rt. 1, Kewanna, underwent an emergency appendectomy at South Bend Osteopathic Hospital last week.

Mrs. Ida Mullins was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Poenix. Others present were Mrs. Ralph Mullins and children of Fulton; Mrs. Verna Smith and children of South Bend; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bixler and children of Niles, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Connors and children of Macy;

and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collins and daughter of Walkerton.

Lonnie Showley, Rt. 2, Kewanna, was pleasantly surprised Sunday when the boys of the freshman class at Grass Creek High School came to help him celebrate his 15th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson were honored guests at a wedding shower recently in the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson. Hostesses were Mrs. Oren Anderson, Mrs. John Moore, Mrs. Charles Henning and Mrs. Harry Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Anderson entertained the Sunday Evening Supper Club at a steak and mushroom supper. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shidaker and family; Mr. and Mrs. Don Metzger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Talbott and family, Mr. and Mrs. Art Anderson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Herman McColley and family.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 7, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. James Downhour, Rt. 1, Kewanna, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Wednesday, April 29. They were entertained at Harvey's Restaurant in Argos by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Downhour, Jr.

Mrs. Claude Weller and Mrs. Henry Montz were at Indiana University Tuesday evening where they attended the spring musical. Lillian Montz is a member of the women's chorus. Wednesday they attended the Founders Day program and reception for honor students. Lillian was one of the honor students.

Born to Lt. and Mrs. Francis Hendrickson, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, a son April 18 at the base hospital. Mrs. Hendrickson is the former Barbara Crist.

Suzanne Mills of Monticello is spending this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller.

Six Fulton County students were honored at Indiana University's annual Founders Day program. They were Lillian Montz and Nancy Walters of Kewanna and Susan Coplen, Jack Daulton, Robert Eastburg and Roberta Wilson, all of Rochester.

The Wayne Township Trophy Finders 4-H Club elected officers recently. They are, Fred Bauman, president; Gerald Rouch, vice president; Dan Walsh, secretary; Jim Bauman, treasurer; Robert Funk, devotional leader; Cletus Bauman, health and safety leader; Jim Dague, also health and safety; and Jim Walsh, reporter. The adult leaders are Merlin Funk and Don Schnapf.

THIRTY YEARS AGO May 3, 1979

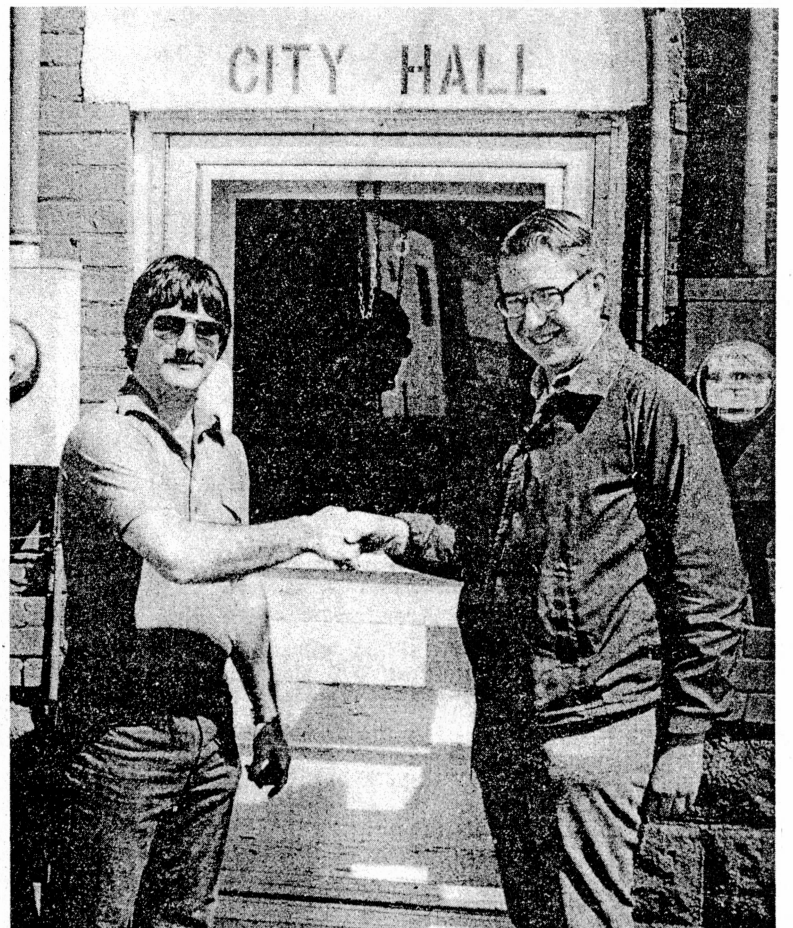
Al Crabb has been appointed Kewanna town clerk-treasurer by

Jack Urbin, Republican precinct committeeman. Crabb was sworn in last Wednesday at Rochester by Howard DuBois, county chairman of the Republican Party and Martha Ann Cook, vice precinct committeeman. He replaces Katrina Carlisle who recently submitted her resignation.

The Kewanna town board has hired Dominick "Mick" Dinges

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THIRTY YEARS AGO...



Al Crabb Appointed Clerk-Treasurer

Jack Urbin, left, Republican precinct committeeman, is pictured here with Al Crabb, right, whom he recently appointed town clerk-treasurer. Crabb was sworn in to this office last Wednesday, April 25, at Rochester in the presence of Howard DuBois, county chairman of the Republican party, and Martha Ann Cook, vice precinct committeeman.

Crabb replaces Katrina Carlisle who recently submitted her resignation to the Kewanna town board.

Crabb requests that you pay your water bills by placing your check and stub in the slot at the town hall. If you prefer to pay him in person he will be at the town hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and at the library Wednesday through noon Saturday, the first through the tenth of each month.



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as chief of police. Dinges took over his duties May 1, replacing Bill Walters who resigned to take a similar position at Argos.

Mr. and Mrs. Aron Ousley, Kewanna, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary at an open house May 13 at the local VFW Post. Ousley and the former Lula James were married May 15, 1954.

Jean Urbin was the guest of honor at a baby shower Sunday afternoon in the home of Ruth Urbin. The hostesses were Jill Leazenby, Kewanna, and Jane Unger, Muncie.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO
May 4, 1989**

Andrea and Jim Hines and son, Jimmy, recently purchased Ma and Pa's Videos in Kewanna from Jim and Sandy Roark. The video store, which is located at the corner of Main and Toner Streets, is now called A & J's Corner Video.

Murhling's Barber Shop in Kewanna will be closed this Saturday, May 6, so that he can attend the graduation of his son, Bill, from Indiana University.

John Evers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Evers, Rt. 4, Rochester, will graduate Saturday, May 6, from Ball State University, Muncie. During special ROTC ceremonies, he will be

commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. John will start his active duty June 19 with 12 weeks of officers training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Officers and directors of the Lake Bruce Association met recent at the Fern Kidd residence. Those present were Mary K. Hughes, Scrubby Tennent, Bob Hughes, Fern Kidd, Donna Grether, Carol Metzger, AND Caroline Whybrew, directors; and Robert Miller, president; Rick Metzger, vice president; and Bette Miller, secretary-treasurer.

The Gay Gleaners Circle of the Kewanna United Methodist Church met Monday evening at the home of Beverly Ton with Lois Kumler, circle leader, presiding. Harriet Stoudt, Lera McKinney, Lois Kumler and Helen Miller reported on the annual district UMW meeting which they attended in Rochester.

Fulton County Historical Society 2009 Events

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

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

Small Business Counseling

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

A counselor is available the second Wednesday of each month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. To schedule an appointment for May 13 call 574-223-3326.

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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. 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.

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Recycling Dates
THURSDAY, MAY 7TH
& THURSDAY MAY 21ST



Materials accepted at the Recycling Center:

- Aluminum Cans**
 - Beverage cans
 - Pop tab pet food cans
- Aluminum Foil**
 - Foil wrap
 - Aluminum pie and dinner trays
- Chipboard**
 - Cereal box type paper
 - Office paper - all types
 - Paperback books
 - Junk mail
 - Phone books
 - Hardback books - covers need to be removed
- No tissue or foil paper**
- No carbon, carbonless forms or other treated paper**
- No wax paper**
- Corrugated Cardboard**
 - viewed from the edge, corrugated cardboard looks like this:
 - Remove packing materials
- Electronics**
 - Computers (including mice, keyboards, monitors and printers)
 - Main frames
 - Fax machines
 - Scanners
 - VCRs
 - DVD players
 - Stereos
 - Telephones
 - TVs

- Glass Jars & Bottles**
 - Separate into: CLEAR COLORED
 - Labels do not have to be removed
 - Remove lids - put with steel
- No mirrors, light bulbs, window, ceramic, Pyrex or other glass**

- Grocery Bags**
 - Paper grocery bags can be used to hold newspapers

- Magazines & Catalogs**
 - Only magazines & catalogs made of slick, glossy paper
 - Slick newspaper insert

- Scrap Metal**
 - Small amounts of any type of scrap metal are accepted
 - Aerosol cans - remove lids

- Miscellaneous**
 - AAA-D, hearing aid, watch and rechargeable batteries
 - Inkjet and laser cartridges
 - Items containing mercury
 - Florescent bulbs
 - Motor oil
 - Pallets - wood or plastic
 - Styrofoam packing peanuts - must be contained

- Newspaper**
 - Stack in brown paper grocery bags
 - Remove glossy inserts and put with magazines
- Do not pack in plastic bags**

- Plastic Bags and film**
 - Plastic grocery bags (make sure they are empty)
 - Bubble wrap
 - Clean plastic film

- Plastic Bottles #1-#7**
 - All plastic bottles - look for the chasing arrows
 - Farm chemical containers - MUST be triple rinsed

- Refrigerated Units**
 - Refrigerators
 - Freezers
 - Air conditioners
 - Dehumidifiers
 - (Any item containing Freon)

- Steel Food Cans**
 - Include metal lids from glass jars
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FCS celebrates beef month in May

Hamburgers or Filets? It's a question that many are asking as the weather warms and people begin firing up their grills. Perfect timing because May is National Beef Month! This unique celebration, which began more than 40 years ago, honors the cattle producers and food marketers who produce and bring to the marketplace high quality and nutritious beef.

According to the latest agriculture census numbers, Indiana has more than 14,300 beef-cow farms with more than 676,000 head of cattle. Receipts from the sale of cattle and calves topped \$223 million in 2007. "Clearly, the beef cattle industry is important to Indiana," said Craig Douglass and Brian Ritenour with Farm Credit Services of Mid-America in Rochester. Douglass went on to say that over 14 percent of the Farm Credit's total enterprise concentration - or roughly 15,000 customers - is in beef-cattle. "In Indiana alone, we serve over 1,100 customers whose primary occupation is cattle farming."

It seems fitting that during this month, Farm Credit is celebrating National Beef Month by inviting customers to stop by the closest office to register for a barbecue grill set. Also, visitors may go online to the organization's website - www.e-farmcredit.com - starting in May to register for a chance to win in the "Apron a Day in May" contest. (Add additional information about what you are doing in your office locally).

Ritenour added that there's no better way to let our local cattle producers know they are appreciated than by enjoying delicious beef products this spring. "Join this great American tradition and help us celebrate beef month!"

About Farm Credit Services of Mid-America

Farm Credit Services of Mid-America is a \$15.4 billion financial services cooperative serving over 85,000 farmers, agribusinesses and rural residents in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Tennessee. The association provides loans for all farm and rural living purposes including real estate, operating equipment and housing and related services such as crop and life insurance, and vehicle, equipment and building leases. For more information about Farm Credit, call 1-800-444-FARM or visit them on the web at www.e-farmcredit.com.

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Soybean producer request for referendum

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of USDA has announced that a Request for Referendum will be held May 4 through May 29 in regards to the Soybean Checkoff Program. Participation is voluntary, and only individuals who desire a referendum should participate.

If at least 10 percent of the nation's 589,182 soybean producers request a referendum, then it would be held within one year. If results of the Request for Referendum indicate that a referendum is not supported, it will not be conducted. Not more than one-fifth of the producers

who support having a referendum can be from any one state.

Eligible participants in the Request for Referendum are those producers who were engaged in soybean production and paid an assessment on soybeans during the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008.

The Request for Referendum will be conducted at the USDA County Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices where the producer's administrative records are maintained. The form LS-51-1 may be obtained either in person, by mail or by facsimile, by telephone and also on-line at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/LSMarketingPrograms>. In order to vote, Form LS-51-1 and supporting documentation, such as sales receipt or remittance form, showing that they paid an assessment on soybeans January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008, must be returned to the FSA office by fax or in person by close of business May 29, 2009; or if returned by mail, must be postmarked by midnight May 29, 2009, and received by county FSA office by close of business June 5, 2009.

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2009 COC election information

One of the Farm Service Agency's responsibilities is to conduct County Committee elections in an open manner that ensures accountability. County FSA offices will provide local organizations representing socially disadvantaged farmers, as well as beginning farmers and ranchers, with detailed information about the COC election process. FSA is reaching out to agricultural communities to get equitable representation on their county committees.

Groups representing socially disadvantaged and beginning farmers and ranchers will be actively solicited for COC election candidates, and encouraged to fill out a nomination form (FSA-669A). Under-represented farmers and ranchers are encouraged to step up and participate in their county's COC election process. COC election fact sheets can be found online at <http://www.fas.usda.gov/FSA> under the News & Events tab on the FSA homepage.

In Fulton County, the 2009 COC election will be held in Local Administration Area No. 2, which is comprised of the townships of Henry, Newcastle and Richland. The current member of the COC from this LAA, Michael Norman, is completing his final year of his term and a new COC member will be elected to fill this position. Nominating forms may be obtained at the FSA office, 1252 E 100 S, Rochester, IN 46975. The deadline for filing nominations is August 3, 2009.

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ACRE program enrollment opens April 27

Don Hunton, Acting State Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Indiana, announced recently that producers can elect and enroll in the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) Program

beginning April 27. ACRE is a provision of the 2008 Farm Bill.

"The Average Crop Revenue Election program is an innovative alternative to the traditional farm safety," Hunton said. "This new option presents an opportunity for producers to review both programs and decide which one will work best for their operation."

Producers have until August 14, 2009, to make their decision for the 2009 crop. USDA will not accept any late-filled applications.

Producers who elect the ACRE program for a farm agree to:

- forgo counter-cyclical payments;
- accept a 20 percent reduction of the direct payments; and
- accept a 30 percent reduction in loan rates for all commodities produced on the farm.

Commodities eligible for ACRE payments are wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, upland cotton, long grain rice, medium and short grain rice, peanuts, soybeans, sunflower seed, canola, flaxseed, safflower, mustard seed, rapeseed, sesame seed, crambe, dry peas, lentils, small chickpeas and large chickpeas.

The ACRE program was created in the 2008 Farm Bill to give producers an option in lieu of traditional counter-cyclical payments. Producers may elect and enroll in ACRE for the 2009 crop year even if they have already accepted advance direct payments under the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program.

To elect ACRE for a farm, producers must complete Form CCC-509 ACRE, which irrevocably elects ACRE for the farm through crop year 2012. Form CCC-509, the contract to participate in ACRE, must then be completed each year the producer intends to participate and receive benefits.

For more information about the ACRE program, please visit your Farm Service Agency county office or visit their website, <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

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CLARIFYING DISASTER QUESTIONS

In the first few weeks following a disaster, residents may be misled by half-truths and rumors about how to get help and the various assistance programs that are available. When residents suffer losses, the last thing they need is misinformation.

Disaster officials stress that notifying state, county, local officials or registering with voluntary agencies such as the American Red Cross is NOT the same as registering with FEMA. To register for federal assistance, applicants must call FEMA's toll-free number, 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585 for the speech- or hearing-impaired, available from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. (EDT), seven days a week until further notice. Multilingual operators are available to answer calls. Residents with Internet access can register on the agency's Web site at www.disasterassistance.gov, where valuable recovery information also is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The deadline to apply for assistance is June 22.

Answers to some common questions about disaster assistance: I got help from the American Red Cross; can I still apply to FEMA if I need assistance?

Yes. FEMA coordinates a number of programs to help disaster victims. These programs are different from the emergency food, clothing and shelter initially provided by the American Red Cross, Salvation Army and other voluntary agencies.

I don't really want a loan; do I still need to fill out the SBA application when I receive it? Yes. If you do not qualify for a loan, you may be considered for other forms of assistance. You may qualify for the "Other Needs Assistance" program that is designed to help meet serious, disaster-related needs. However, you must complete and return the SBA loan application. If the loan application is not returned, you may not be considered for further FEMA assistance.

I have insurance. Is there other help available to me? Yes. Insurance is your main source for money to put your life back in order after a disaster, but there are things that insurance does not cover. This is where federal disaster programs may be able to help. You may find that you are "underinsured" and disaster assistance may help make up the difference.

I have flood damage to my vacation home. Can I get help with repairs to a damaged secondary residence? No. FEMA only provides assistance for your primary residence. Do I have to wait for my insurance adjuster before I apply for disaster assistance?

No. You do not have to wait for an agent or adjuster's inspection before applying for assistance or beginning repairs needed to make your house safe, sanitary and functional. However, if you have insurance, you should find out what your policy covers. Be sure to keep papers and receipts for any repair work. If you still have unmet disaster-related needs, call FEMA to apply. Initially, you may not be eligible for assistance until you are able to provide additional insurance settlement information. This is a necessary step to avoid a duplication of benefits.

I already repaired my home. Is it too late to apply? No. You could qualify for reimbursement of expenses not covered by your insurance.

Do I need to make an appointment at the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) to register for assistance? No. But you should register for assistance prior to visiting the DRC. There are two ways to register for assistance. After you have registered by phone or on-line you are encouraged to visit a Disaster Recovery Center for additional information or assistance. No appointment is necessary, and you may visit any DRC even if it is not located in your town or county. U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) officials are also available to assist with low-interest disaster loan applications for homeowners, renters and businesses of all sizes. In addition, information is available about ways to reduce damage in future weather events.

Are only low-income residences qualified for disaster assistance? No. Federal disaster assistance programs may be available to those who suffered damage, regardless of income. The programs are available to any eligible applicant and are not income based. The kinds of help provided depend on the applicant's circumstances and unmet disaster-related needs.

Do I have to be turned down by my bank before I can apply for a disaster loan?

No. The SBA, which handles low-interest disaster loans, has its own criteria for determining each loan applicant's eligibility. The SBA will decide whether or not you are able to repay a loan. If you are not qualified for a loan, you may be eligible for other assistance. FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an

SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must complete and return them to the SBA to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.

Can I apply for a loan from the SBA even if I'm not a business owner? Yes. Renters and homeowners may be eligible for low-interest disaster loans based on the type and extent of "uninsured" or "underinsured" disaster-related losses. In a presidential declaration, SBA is the primary source of long-term financial assistance. The SBA offers disaster loans up to \$200,000 to repair or replace disaster-damaged primary residences. Homeowners and renters may be eligible for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged personal property such as furniture, automobiles and clothing. Loans to businesses of all sizes and nonprofit organizations up to \$2 million are available to repair or replace damaged real estate, inventory, supplies, machinery and equipment. The SBA also offers loans for economic injury to small businesses and non-profit organizations. For information on SBA low-interest loans, residents and business owners in the eligible counties should call 1-800-659-2955 or visit the SBA Web site at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance.

I rent an apartment. Can I get help to replace my damaged property? Yes. A renter also may qualify for an SBA low-interest disaster loan or a grant from other sources to replace personal property. One type of grant may cover temporary housing needs if a renter has to move to another dwelling. Another type of grant may be available to eligible individuals or families with serious disaster-related needs and expenses not covered by insurance or other disaster-assistance programs.

If I am an undocumented immigrant, am I eligible for any assistance?

You may be eligible under many different programs run by state and local agencies and voluntary agencies for various types of cash assistance. You will not be eligible personally for FEMA cash assistance programs (Individuals and Households Program Assistance). You may, however, apply on behalf of your U.S. citizen child, or another adult household member may qualify the household for assistance.

Even if you or your family do not qualify for FEMA cash assistance (Individuals and Households Program Assistance), please call FEMA at 1-800-621-3362 or TTY 1-800-462-7585 for hearing- or speech-impaired for information and to be referred to other programs that can assist you regardless of your immigration status.

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DECREASE IN GAS COST FOR MAY

Northern Indiana Public Service Company announced that the Gas Cost Adjustment for May 2009 decreased compared to last month. This month's decrease is primarily attributed to an expected decrease in wholesale natural gas prices as compared to the previous month.

NIPSCO residential customers will see a decrease in natural gas costs of 18.13 percent when compared to April 2009. The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission approved the adjustment subject to refund.

A typical NIPSCO residential customer using 50 therms of natural gas should expect a decrease of approximately \$6.16 from last month's statement in their May billing, although total bill amounts will vary as a result of actual

Kewanna/Union Township Public Library News...

New books at the library:

ADULTS:
Christian Unabridged Audio-books— *The Hope Chest* written by Wanda E. Brunstetter, read by Christina Moore, on 6 cassettes and 7 hours in length; *The Bell Messenger* written by Robert Cornuke et. al., read by Henry Strozier, on 9 cassettes and 10.25 hours in length; *The Apothecary's Daughter* written by Julie Klassen, read by Davina Porter, on 12 cassettes and 14 hours in length; *An Unexpected Love* written by Tracie Peterson, read by Linda Stephens on 11 cassettes and 13 hours in length; *A Promise of Spring* written by Kim Vogel Sawyer, read by Barbara Caruso, on 9 cassettes and 10 hours in length; and *The Returning* written by Ann Tatlock, read by Scott Sowers, on 8 cassettes and 9 hours in length.

JUVENILES:
Picture Books General Fiction— *Ponies on Ice* (from the My Little Pony series) by Ruth Benjamin; *Meet The Mammoth* by Vivian French; *Freddie and Flossie* and *Freddie and Flossie and The Leaf Monster* (from The Bobbsey Twins series) by Laura Lee Hope; *The Counting Race* (from the Robin Hill School series) by Margaret McNamara; *Who will Guide My Sleigh Tonight?* by Jerry Pallotta; and *Say Please* by Tony Ross.

Ages 10 and Under General Fiction— *Mountain Mudslide* by J. Brewster; *How do You Feel?*

(from the Care Bears series) by Samantha Brooke; *Babar's USA* by Laurent de Brunhoff; *First Graders from Mars: Episode 3* by Shana Corey; *The Blunder of The Rogues* by Tim Egan; *Snow Surprise* by Lisa Campbell Ernst; and *I want to be President* (from the Sesame Street series) by Michaela Muntean.

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller alerts Hoosiers about Illegal Phone Calls from Telemarketers

Consumers receiving calls are encouraged to file a complaint with the attorney general's office

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller issued a warning to consumers about the dangers of calls coming from auto-dialers, also known as "robo calls," offering extended auto warranties. The Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General is investigating calls that violate state telephone privacy laws and also provided recommendations on the actions consumers can take to protect themselves.

"These calls are clearly violating our state and federal telephone privacy laws and we plan to take action against the companies who are invading Hoosiers' privacy," Zoeller said. "Consumers can aid in the investigation by reporting the details of the calls and the phone numbers when possible."

Hoosiers across the state have recently complained of receiving intrusive, automated calls on their cell phones from a company offering extended warranties for a vehicle the consumer owns. The telemarketers lead the consumer to believe they are affiliated with a car

manufacturer, when in fact no relationship actually exists. It is not recommended that consumers purchase auto warranties from companies soliciting in this manner.

"We are responding to consumer complaints relating to calls that violate the state's telephone privacy laws," said Abby Kuzma, Deputy Attorney General and Director of the Consumer Protection Division. "We have received over 100 recent complaints and are aggressively investigating the source of these calls."

The Office of the Attorney General recommends Hoosiers register their phone numbers on both the Indiana "Telephone Privacy List" as well as the National "Do Not Call" registry so people are protected on multiple fronts.

The Indiana Telephone Privacy List prohibits all telemarketers from calling Indiana phone numbers on the list with the exception of licensed insurance agents, licensed real estate agents, charitable organizations and newspapers. The list is updated quarterly and five numbers can be registered at one time.

The National Do Not Call registry is updated daily and provides telemarketers up to 31 days to revise their lists. The Federal Communication Commission strictly prohibits telemarketers from using automated dialers to call cell phone numbers.

For a complete list of frequently asked questions and to register on the state's Telephone Privacy list, please visit the website www.IndianaConsumer.com or call 1-888-834-9969. For information and to register on the National Do Not Call registry, visit www.donotcall.gov. To report a complaint, visit www.IndianaConsumer.com or call the consumer protection hotline at 1-800-382-5516

The Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General enforces Indiana's Autodialer, Do Not Call and Do Not Fax laws. These laws were enacted to protect Hoosiers from illegal and costly invasions of privacy. The Autodialer law prohibits telemarketers from using pre-recorded messages to call anyone in the state and does not require registration on the state's Do Not Call list.

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Caston Sports Schedule
 Saturday, May 9 – JH co-ed golf vs. Urey MS at Swan Lake, 10 a.m.; varsity baseball at Wabash, 2 p.m.
 Monday, May 11 – JV baseball vs. Pioneer at Caston, 4:30 p.m.; Varsity and JV golf vs. North White at Caston, 5 p.m.; softball vs. Carroll at Caston, 5 p.m.; JH co-ed track and field vs. Frontier/West Central at Caston, 5 p.m.
 Tuesday, May 12 – Varsity co-ed track and field vs. Pioneer/Winamac at Winamac, 4:30 p.m.; JV baseball at Triton, 5 p.m.; varsity and JV golf vs.

Northfield/Wabash at Wabash, 5 p.m.; softball at Winamac, 5 p.m.
 Wednesday, May 13 – JH co-ed Cass County meet at Caston, 5 p.m.
 Thursday, May 14 – JH co-ed golf vs. Maconaquah at Caston, 4:30 p.m.; softball vs. Wabash at Caston, 5 p.m.
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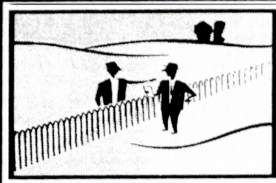
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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Lori Leach was busy last week. She spent several days taking care of her grandchildren, Amanda and Lauren Evers and Zain and Ethan Williams.

Pauline Brown and Julie had a visitor Tuesday, April 28. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat was Pauline's brother-in-law, Ernie Brown of Granger.

Helen Whiteman had company Tuesday. Coming over in the evening for a chat were her granddaughter and great-granddaughters, Andrea Hook, Whitney and Rylee of Winamac.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of callers Wednesday, April 29. Arriving in the afternoon for a visit were their daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City.

Mary and Earl Bangel and their children and families, Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan and Louis and Jean Bangel and Joyce of Winamac, traveled to Kouts Wednesday evening. They attended the funeral viewing for Mary's aunt, June Phegley.

Barb Hieber had a working visitor one day last week. Helping her with some landscape work and joining her for a visit and lunch was her daughter, Sue Janes of LaPorte.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Rochester Thursday evening. They helped Beth Larson prepare pizzas for the VFW post's pizza night dinner. While they were there, their granddaughter and her family, Shelby, Duva and Eli, came in for a visit and to enjoy a pizza.

Becky Lincoln of South Bend and her sister, Joyce Luhnaw, traveled to Madison, Wisconsin over the weekend. They were houseguests of Becky's daughter and her family, Leslie and Dr. Dennis Halterman and Lauren. The family had a wonderful time shopping and dining out together. The highlights of the weekend were their attendances at Lauren's piano recital and dress rehearsal for her dance recital.

Helen Miller had company over the weekend. Staying as her houseguest for a few days was

her granddaughter, Nancy Mann of Kokomo.

Clayton Brown of Fairland was the guest of honor at a family gathering Saturday, May 2. The occasion was in celebration of his 9th birthday and held at Lake Mississinewa. Helping him mark the occasion with a picnic and a lot of fishing were his parents, Jim and Deb Brown; his grandparents, Pauline Brown and Dave and Sallie Caum of LaPorte; and his uncle and his family, Rusty and Brenda Caum, Caitlin and Courtney of LaPorte.

Pauline and Don Scales had several visitors Saturday. Coming over early in the day to take care of some chores was their great-granddaughter, Ally Wiese. At noon, the trio was joined for lunch by the Scales' daughter, Linda Garner. In the afternoon, Linda took Pauline into town to pick out some flowers for Mother's Day at the greenhouse. Later in the day, Ally's mother, Cindy Wiese, stopped by for a chat.

Saturday, Ruth Cogdill enjoyed

an afternoon visit with her brother, David Norris. They caught up on all the family news and so enjoyed their visit. David told Ruth he was sure happy to have her back in Kewanna again.

Jerry and Kay Brown were in Culver Saturday evening. They enjoyed dining at Papa's restaurant.

Kewanna served as one of the ABATE clubs check points Sunday, May 3. Over 200 members of the club passed through downtown during their ride.

Weekend guests of Shirley Bussert were Ryan and Sari Bussert of Springfield, Ohio. They did a lot of "mommy" chores. Sunday evening dinner guests also included Bob Rans, Donna Dugan and Wade Bussert. Bev Tom was a Sunday afternoon caller and Darin Chew was a Sunday morning visitor.

Elizabeth LaFollette of LaPorte was the guest of honor at a large family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of her first communion the day before and hosted by her parents, Nita and Chris LaFollette. Among those helping Elizabeth celebrate the special event were: her siblings, Michele, Michael, Rebecca and Thomas; her grandparents, Barb and Tom

LaFollette; her aunt and family, Karina and Terry Bohac and Nick of Rochester; her cousin and family, Shelby, Duva and Eli; and several members of her mother's family.

Florence Hogan had working visitors Sunday. Coming for an early Mother's Day celebration were her daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette. Dan mowed the yards at the house and farm. Meanwhile, Wendy helped plant the marigolds the Kellys had gotten Florence for Mother's Day. In the afternoon, Wendy and Dan visited with Wendy's sister, Janice Graham, and her daughter, Stephanie Malchow.

Helen Whiteman had visitors Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat were her son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Monica Whiteman of Pulaski.

Kay and Jerry Brown were Sunday afternoon visitors of Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson near Winamac. Also visiting with Mary K. were her children: Carol Fernandez of Kennesaw, Georgia; Karen Kruger of Brownsburg; and John Williamson of Winamac.

Tom and Barb LaFollette and Eli helped John Larson prepare

hot wings at the Rochester VFW post Sunday evening.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: John Evers, Emily Graham, Spencer Lewis, Vivian Pesaresi, Scott Straub, Ruth Urbin, Ali Van Scoy and Rick Weller, May 10; J.J. Good and Kim Hunter, May 11; Bobby Evers, May 12; Logan Drew, Bob Herrold, Macee Hinderlider, Ken Keyser, Keatin Shroder, Glenda Urbin and Kenny Whiteman, May 13; Jarrod Agnew, John Anderson, Becky Baldwin and Mackenzie Carter, May 14; Robin Fivecoat and Bev Humes, May 15; and Nola Hines and Jeremy Markle, May 16.

There are four couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Foerg and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Malchow, May 10; Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Whiteman, May 14; and Mr. and Mrs. Art Low Jr., May 16.

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