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Wayne Township gets grant for addition to fire station



Wayne Township officials and community members were in Indianapolis Monday where they were presented with a \$500,000 Community Focus Fund grant for renovations to the Grass Creek fire station and community center building. The award was presented by Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman. The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs administers the grants, which are funded through the federal Community Development Block Grant program.

Twenty-six communities and counties received grants, totaling more than \$11 million.

Wayne Township will use the grant to increase the size of the Grass Creek fire station and community room, as well as make updates to meet current ADA standards. The existing bays will be updated to allow for more clearance for trucks, improved equipment storage, and other needed renovations. The community center will be updated to generate more use of the facility.

"These grants provide Indiana communities with funding for needed infrastructure and improve the quality of life for rural Hoosiers," said Lt. Governor Becky Skillman. "I oversee the federal CDBG program and I've seen its tremendous impact on our state. I'd like to extend my sincerest thanks to everyone involved in this project for their commitment to making their community a better place to live, work, and do business."

The Community Focus Fund grants are awarded twice annually through a competitive application process. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: community and senior centers, special needs facilities, libraries, water system improvements, storm drainage projects, and sewer system improvements.

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Recycling Dates
Thursday, July 2nd;
July 16th & 30th

Pictured are Bob Murphy, grant writer, Paul Bauman, Paul Bauman IV, Dan Walsh, Carl Sommers, Peggy Dague, Lt. Governor Becky Skillman, Paula Walsh, Macee Hinderlider, Lea Hinderlider, George Hendrickson, Marge Hendrickson, David Berry, Rob Bennett, Andy Dague, and James Dague.

Spaghetti supper at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church at Lake Bruce will serve its annual spaghetti supper Saturday, July 25, from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation.

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

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Bible School slated for July 27 - 31

The Kewanna United Methodist Church and the Kewanna Church of Christ will host a Bible School for children in the community July 27 - 31. The Treasure Hunt Bible Adventure will run from 6 to 8 p.m. each evening and is open to children ages four through the fifth grade. Those attending should bring canned goods for the mission contest. The closing program will be at 7 p.m. Friday, followed by a cookout.

For more information, call Janine at 574-817-0519 or Martha at 574-842-2202.

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Concert/pork barbecue at Fulton

The Liberty Township Park Board will serve a pork barbecue meal Saturday, July 25, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the park in Fulton. The cost of the meal is \$5.

The Praise Team from the First United Methodist Church in Logansport will present a concert beginning at 6:30 p.m. A free will donation will be collected. Those attending the event should bring their own lawn chairs.

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The News In Brief

State Road 17 north of Kewanna will be closed through late September while the Indiana Department of Transportation replaces the bridge over the Starr Ditch.

The Arbor Day Foundation will honor each new member who joins the Foundation in July through the *Replanting Our National Forests* campaign by planting 10 trees in our National Forests that have been destroyed by insects, disease and devastating fires. Membership costs \$10. To join the Foundation and help plant trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to: Replanting Our National Forests, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410.

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, July 20, in the county office meeting room, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester.

The Fulton County Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, in the county office meeting room.

The Fulton County Council and Fulton County Commissioners will meet in joint session at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 21, in the county office meeting room. Todd Samuelson of H. J. Umbaugh and Associates will present a capital improvement plan for the county.

The Fulton County Historical Society will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 19, at the Fulton County Museum. Ernie Hiatt will present a humorous monologue about building outhouses entitled "The Specialist".

Mickey Gilley will appear in concert Friday, October 23, in the Goodtimes Theatre at Bearcreek Farms, Bryant, Indiana. Tickets went on sale July 6 at 260-997-6822. Tickets for the meal and

show are \$45. Show tickets alone are \$35.

The Caston Athletic Booster Club will hold a re-organizational meeting at 7 p.m. July 28 in the high school library. Caston parents and coaches are encouraged to attend. Pat Brown will be assuming the reins as president of the group and Tonya Hartman will be the new vice president.

Former U.S. Representative Tim Roemer of South Bend is the United States' new ambassador to India. His appointment was confirmed recently by the Senate.

The country's trade deficit fell in May to the lowest level in more than nine years. Exports posted a small gain while the weak U.S. economy pushed imports down for the tenth straight month.

The U.S. Treasury Department announced Monday that the federal deficit has topped \$1 trillion for the first time in history. The imbalance is intensifying fears about higher interest rates and inflation. The deficit shot up due to the huge sum the government has spent to combat the recession and financial crisis, combined with the sharp decline in tax revenues.

Jessica Peter was crowned Miss Fulton County in opening night festivities at the 2009 Fulton County 4-H Fair Sunday evening.

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James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 July Activities

18 - all-you-can-eat biscuit and gravy breakfast, free will donation

26 - open Sunday

28 - men's auxiliary meeting

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Fulton County Courthouse Hours:
Mon. - Thurs. 8 to 4
Friday - 8 to 5
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THE LAKE BRUCE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT NEWS

The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its July meeting in conjunction with the Lake Bruce Association's annual meeting Saturday, July 11, at the Hoosier Hideaway. Following lunch, each group convened its meeting.

Director Kathy Fisher reported on the dredging project noting that the retaining pit is completed. The dredging will begin as soon as the company hired to do the work finishes its current project.

Three bids for generator maintenance were received. The bids will be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting.

Chris Pine submitted a bid for mowing the wastewater treatment plant and the two pumping stations. The board of directors accepted his proposal.

The conservancy district is still looking for someone to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Norm Steigely.

Richard Denny reported that the treatment plant is running great, but it is necessary to keep the flow moving. Property owners are encouraged to complete connections to the system.

Paul Bradley reported that there are currently 152 homes hooked up with 65 remaining. Twenty new permits have been applied for. It was reported last month that 180 homes have been hooked up, but the actual figure was 118.

The board of directors report that, unfortunately, sewer bills are likely to increase. It is working very diligently to make this increase as little as possible. Reasons for the increase include the fact that maintenance cost was grossly underestimated by the consultants; construction cost came in over the estimates (for instance the need for a second pumping station); the high price of oil increased the cost of pipe; the district has too many delinquent accounts (there are several properties that have not paid anything and this greatly impacts everyone); original usage figures were over-estimated (numbers are down due to opt outs and demolitions); and attorney costs will be increasing as the connection deadline approaches.

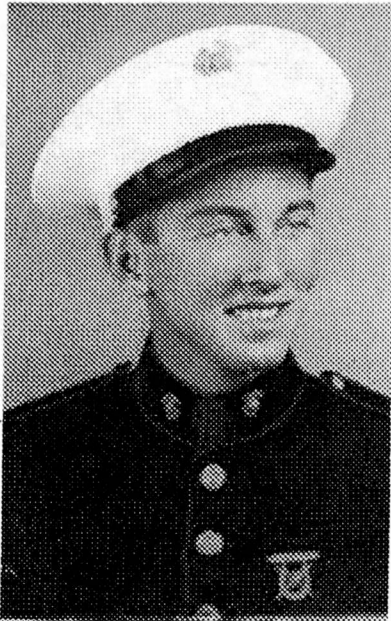
The deadline for connecting to the new sewage collection and treatment system is August 31, 2009. Everyone is urged to get hook up as soon as possible to avoid fines and connection fees.

The proposed 2010 budget for the Lake Bruce Conservancy District is scheduled for first reading at the August 13 meeting at 7 p.m. in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station.

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Send In Your News

Clubs Societies Personals



Ralph Kreamer to be honored at open house

Ralph Kreamer of Lake Bruce will be the guest of honor at an open house Saturday, July 25, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in celebration of his 90th birthday. The event will be held at the Rochester Meat and Deli banquet hall, 901 E. 9th St., Rochester. Everyone is invited to join him for some cake, punch, reminiscing and razing.

Ralph was born north of

Kewanna on the Tamarack Road and is a graduate of Kewanna High School. He joined the Marine Corp and served during World War II in the 2nd Marine Division, fighting against the Japanese in the battles of Tarawa, Saipan and Tinian.

Following military service, he returned to Kewanna where he farmed along with his father, Harry Kreamer. He married Phyllis Brown and the couple had two sons, Jerry and Verl. He also worked for the Indiana State

Highway Department in Winamac and was superintendent for the Fulton County Highway Department.

His second marriage was to Ivy Stay, gaining him two stepdaughters, Bonnie and Linda, and a stepson, Barry.

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Snite Museum exhibit depicts rural culture

The Snite Museum of Art on the campus of the University of Notre Dame is currently featuring an exhibit by Kay Westhues. The exhibit is entitled *Fourteen Places to Eat: A Narrative Photographing Rural Culture in the Midwest*. Kay is one of the artists that exhibit at Diane Tesler's fall art show in her Works in Progress studio here in Kewanna.

The exhibit includes 35 color prints from her current project of photographing rural life and times in the Midwest and includes photos from LaPorte, Bremen, Walkerton, North Judson, Medaryville, Thornhope, Knox and Kewanna, among others. The museum purchased four of the photographs including one of Kewanna's Main Street for its permanent collection.

The exhibit is on display in the O'Shaughnessy Galleries West

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through July 19.

Kay studied photography at the Rhode Island School of Design and Indiana University.

The Snite Museum of Art opened in 1980 and is one of the finest university art museums in America. It contains over 23,000 works that represent many of the principal cultures and periods of world art history.

The museum is open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. It is closed Mondays and holidays.

A group of Snite Museum of Art patrons will be in Kewanna in August for a program at the Works in Progress Studio.

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Oklahoma! on stage at Nappanee

Oklahoma! will open July 21 at the Round Barn Theatre in Nappanee. It will run in rotation with *Plain and Fancy* through August 23. Performances are at 8 p.m. Wednesdays; 2 and 8 p.m. Thursdays; 8 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are available at the box office, by phone at 800-800-4942 and online at www.AmishAcres.com. Theatre tickets can be combined with Amish Acres famous family style Threshers Dinner or a Theme Buffett served on select Friday nights at a savings. Theme Buffet seating is limited and

reservations must be made in advance at the Round Barn Theatre box office. The theater is fully wheelchair accessible. Student and child prices are available. Group ticket discounts are arranged through the group sales department.

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Amish Acres Arts & Crafts Festival, July 30 - August 2

The annual Amish Acres Arts & Crafts Festival will take place in Nappanee Thursday, July 30, through Sunday, August 2. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. The cost of admission is \$7 per person for adults and \$6 for seniors, military personnel and students ages 12-17. Children under the age of 12 are admitted free of charge.

The festival features 300 artists and crafters from around the country who apply their trade and sell their wares around the Amish Acres pond. Live entertainment occupies three stages throughout the day and includes country bands, magicians and square dancing. Festival foods are a very important part of the four-day event and includes everything from apple pie to zucchini bread.

The festival is rated one of the top 200 festivals in the nation and the 8th top traditional craft show by *Sunshine Artist Magazine*.

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
July 5
Births – Jennifer Onken, Argos, a daughter

July 6
Admissions – Wanda Webb, Kewanna; Herbert Taylor, Fulton
Dismissals – Shirley Bussert, Kewanna; Roberta Thompson, Rochester; Amber Schultz and son, Rochester

Births – James and Kayla Gunnels, Rochester, a son; Megan Hatfield, Argos, a son; Amanda Floyd Calvert, Rochester, a daughter

July 7
Admissions – Bonnie Good, Rochester; Tina Snider, Rochester; Martha Shepherd, Warsaw

Dismissals – Wanda Webb, Kewanna; Jennifer Onken and daughter, Argos

Births – Laura and Mathew Smith, Argos, a daughter; Darin and Dana Miller, Silver Lake, a son

July 8
Admissions – Beverly Osborn, Snellville; Daniel Garpow, Rochester; Betty Hatfield, Rochester

Dismissals – Herbert Taylor, Fulton

Births – Derek and Brittany Adamson, Tippecanoe, a son

July 9
Admissions – none published
Dismissals – Megan Hatfield and son, Argos; Amanda Floyd Calvert and daughter, Rochester; Kayla Gunnels, Rochester

Births – Jeremia and Britney Rhodes, Rochester, a daughter; Lisa Reeser, Akron, a daughter

July 10
Admissions – Myron Alderfer, Rochester
Dismissals – Bonnie Good, Rochester; Tina Snider, Rochester; Beverly Osborn, Snellville; Dana Miller and son, Silver Lake; Betty Hatfield, Rochester

DEATHS

BRUCE COLLEY
A celebration of life will be held from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 25, for Bruce Colley at 1362 North Lakeshore Drive, Kewanna (Lake Bruce). Everyone is invited to attend and share this time honoring Bruce Colley who passed away Thursday, April 16, 2009 at his residence on Lake Bruce.

Mr. Colley was born September 8, 1943, in Chicago. He was married October 18, 1980, to Renee C. Verboon, who survives.

Bruce retired from Arrow Plastic Manufacturing in Elk Grove, Illinois, after 25 years of service. He was a champion marksman during his years in the U.S. Army and enjoyed cooking.



AIDEN JAMES BAUMAN
John and Jaki Bauman, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born June 26, 2009 at Memorial Hospital in Logansport. He weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces and has been named Aiden James. He has three siblings, Daven, Max and Ruger. Maternal grandparents are Rich

and Martha Andrus of Arkansas and the paternal grandparents are Jim and Carol Bauman, Kewanna.

Free physicals

Caston athletes can get free physicals at the following locations and dates:

- July 28 – Akron medical office from 1 to 4 p.m. Please call 574-893-4585 to schedule an appointment.

Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

Cancervive
Dr Laurence Bates will be speaking on the topic "Long Term Effects of Chemotherapy in Cancer Survivorship" at the Cancervive support group **July 21** in the Pulaski Memorial Hospital Conference Center from 4 to 5:30 pm.

Cancervive is a support group for people who have a history of cancer or those currently being treated for cancer, their families and friends. For more information call 574-946-2147.

Prenatal Class
The next Prenatal evening classes run **July 30 to August 27** from 7 to 9 pm for five weeks on Thursday night. The purpose of Prenatal Classes is to provide you with information on how to deal with the discomforts of pregnancy, understand the

process of labor and delivery, breathing and relaxation techniques to manage labor, what to expect when you come to the hospital, and how to take care of yourself and the baby after delivery. Parents are encouraged to attend classes any time after your fourth month of pregnancy.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm

Monday through Friday. Please provide your doctor's name, your due date and telephone number. These classes are free if you plan to deliver at PMH. There is a \$30 charge if you plan to deliver at another hospital.

Prenatal classes are offered seven times a year; four sets of Thursday evening classes and three sets of all day Saturday class.


World Breastfeeding Week
The Family Birth Center of Pulaski Memorial Hospital and The Heartland Breastfeeding Coalition are celebrating World Breastfeeding Week (Aug.1-8) with a "Walk in the Park" on **Sunday Aug 2** from 3

to 5 pm at the Winamac Town Park. We invite parents, grandparents, babies and children to bring their strollers and join us. There will be drawings for some wonderful prizes, free water, and education.

Help for the Hurting Parent
Help for the Hurting Parent bereavement support is for anyone who has experienced the death of any aged child. Please call 574-946-2180 for more information.

When the Bough Breaks
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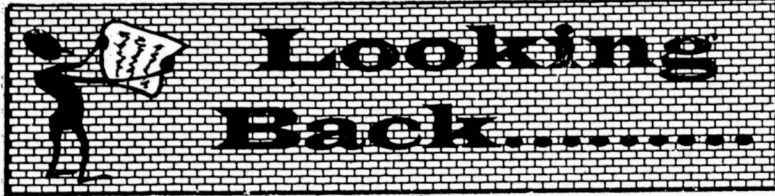


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SIXTY YEARS AGO July 21, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis V. Barker, Rt. 3, Kewanna, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Doris, to Kenneth Hood. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hood, also of Rt. 3, Kewanna. The wedding will take place Sunday, August 7.

Eight members of the Kewanna High School class of 1937 and their families enjoyed a basket dinner at the Culver beach Sunday afternoon. The eight class members present were Elsie Turner, Mildred McColley, Alice Montz, Lucille Burton, Rosetta Newgent and Alice House of here; Dorothy Kaley of South Bend; and Bernice Simhauser of Winamac.

The Happy Hoosiers Boys 4-H Club enjoyed a picnic dinner at Lake Bruce July 12. Eighteen members enjoyed the outing as well as Mr. and Mrs. Welsh and children. Mr. Welsh is the new agriculture teacher at Kewanna.

Mrs. Albert Walsh was the guest of honor at a bridal shower Friday evening in the home of Mrs. Paul Leavell near Macy.

The Kewanna Saddle Club was represented at the Culver horse show Sunday by Velma and Kenneth Warmbrod and Barbara Evans. Barbara, riding Buddy, placed second in a class of 18 in the ladies pleasure class. Barbara also placed fourth in the sack race with Don Finton of Logansport as her teammate. The same team placed second in the diaper race.

Mrs. Arthur Smith, assisted by Mrs. Carl Smith, and Mrs. Elery Hogan entertained the Social Club Thursday afternoon at the Smith cottage on Lake Bruce. The club will be entertained Thursday, August 25, by Mrs. Florence Harbett at her cottage on Lake Bruce.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO July 16, 1954

Peter J. Dwyer, who has owned and operated the Friendly Store in Kewanna for the past 23 years, announced this week that he will

sell his establishment within the next year. The Dwyers came to Kewanna in 1931 when they purchased the store from A. E. Eddingfield. Prior to that, Mr. Dwyer had operated Dependable Dry Goods Store in Logansport from 1916 to 1926. He is still a director of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank in Logansport.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hiland will be honored at an open house in their home Sunday, July 18, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple has three children, Mrs. Rex Day of Flora, Kenneth of Kewanna, and Francis of South Bend.

The teaching staff for the Fulton schools for the year of 1954-55 was announced last week by the trustee, Robert Leavell. Russell Walters will again head the school as principal.

The \$20,000 remodeling of Kewanna elementary school is coming along rapidly, although the place is all torn up at the moment. Plastering is already well along on the four rooms that are being enlarged and the equipment for the new lavatories is being set in place. The remodeling is being done by Woolington Construction and should be finished within the prescribed time according to Coach Hal Peck, who is working on the project.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Walters are the parents of a daughter, Betty Jean, born at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester Wednesday morning. Mr. Walters is the principal at Fulton schools.

Buford Cherry, Sr., Kewanna, injured three fingers on his right hand Friday afternoon. Cherry's fingers became caught in a V-belt on his combine. He finally managed to free himself by cutting the belt with a pocket knife. He was taken to Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester and then rushed to a bone specialist in Kokomo. He returned home Saturday evening.

Five persons were injured

Sunday when a gasoline camp stove exploded as they fried chicken during a holiday outing on Lake Bruce. All were from Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Boardman, who returned recently from Germany where he served with the Army of Occupation, were among the Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mace Kahler. The Boardmans showed the Kahler family pictures of George Kahler's grave in Margraten, Holland. George lost his life in combat duty in 1945 when a sniper shot him. The Boardmans were stationed in Munich, Germany, which is only a short distance from the gravesite.

FIFTY YEARS AGO July 16, 1959

Mary Zuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyde Zuck, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was one of three Fulton County 4-Hers to qualify for state judging competition at the district contest held July 7 in Hamlet. Mary won the food preparation judging contest to advance to the state level.

Sandra Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, Rt. 3, Kewanna, recently spent two days on the Ball State Teachers College campus, Muncie, participating in the placement testing program and making other arrangements for entrance to college this fall.

Mrs. Minnie Dell Cannon, 90, of Kewanna died Sunday, July 12, at 12:40 p.m. in the Miller Nursing Home, Rochester.

A wheat stubble field burned on the farm operated by Fred Hines southwest of Kewanna Tuesday afternoon, July 14. The fire was believed to have been caused by the sparks from a diesel train.

Bob Showley, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Showley, Rt. 3, Kewanna, had the misfortune of falling from his bicycle Friday evening at the ball park in Grass Creek and received a minor cut above his eye, which required eight stitches. He also suffered a concussion. Saturday, Lindsey Ewen of the Reiter neighborhood took some 4-Hers to Rochester to help clean up the fairgrounds. While there Jim Showley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Showley, burned his

shoulder and hand in a trash fire and required medical treatment. Returning from the fairgrounds Saturday evening, Cheryl Carr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Carr, was hit on the head with an empty can they were bringing home. She also required medical treatment and a tetanus shot. The three children are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Showley, Rt. 1, Kewanna.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO July 16, 1964

The Grass Creek Fire Department voted to discontinue its annual tractor and horse pulling events.

Mrs. Nellie Lisey, 72, Rt. 1, Kewanna, died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Pontius Nursing Home, Rochester. Funeral services were held Tuesday from the Harrison Funeral Home with Rev. John Cole officiating and burial was in the IOOF Cemetery.

The Welcome Neighbors Home Demonstration Club went to Warsaw recently to see "My Fair Lady" at the Wagon Wheel Theatre.

Lloyd Woolington, president of the Kewanna town board, and James McKinney, president of the Progressive Association, have proclaimed July 30 as Circus Day in Kewanna. The Cole Circus will be in Kewanna that day for two performances.

Members of the North Caston High School Future Farmers of America chapter received several honors during the Indiana FFA convention held at Purdue University. Danny Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walsh, Rt. 2, Kewanna, was elected District 2 director. Art King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman King, received the District Star Farmer award. Walsh, King and Gerald Rouch, son of Mrs. Irene Rouch, won Hoosier Farmer degrees. Fred Bauman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bauman, received second place in the state electrification contest and the North Caston chapter won the national chapter award.

Hugh A. Hudkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Hudkins of Lake Bruce, was recently awarded the State Department's meritorious honor award at a ceremony held at the American Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq. Mr. Hudkins, who is communications supervisor at the Embassy, received the award

along with his unit in recognition of their meritorious work during the two recent coups in Baghdad.

THIRTY YEARS AGO July 12, 1979

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Rentschler will host an open house Sunday, July 15, in honor of Mrs. Dessie Rentschler, who will be 86 years old July 12.

The Fulton County Republican Women's Club met recently at the Grass Creek Fire Station. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Nada Herrold. Hostesses were Nada Herrold, Lula Fields, Trelia Feidner, Doveda Showley and Ersa Sommers.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McColley and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Kumler spent Sunday afternoon at the Tippecanoe River State Park north of Winamac.

Kelly Good is spending this week in Tallahassee, Florida, where she is serving as a counselor at Florida State University's basketball camp for girls ages 10-18.

Mrs. Calvin Miller is in Asheville, North Carolina, helping their daughter, Sandra Roesner, whose eight-year-old son was accidentally shot with a 22-caliber rifle last week. He is still in intensive care, but is expected to make a full recovery.

TWENTY YEARS AGO July 13, 1989

Wilbur Rude, Kewanna, recently participated in the bowling competition during the White River Park state games in Indianapolis. He captured second place in his age group, rolling a 548. He was presented with a silver medal for his efforts. His wife, Esther, and his son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Donna Rude, accompanied him to Indianapolis.

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"LOOKING BACK" Con't. From Page 4

The Kewanna unit of the Fulton County Emergency Medical Service was called to Fletchers Lake Monday afternoon when witnesses reported a drowning. Larry Pickett, 29, who recently moved from Peru to Logansport, reportedly went underwater at about 3:15 p.m. while trying to swim to an inner tube which the wind had blown away from him. His body was found by divers at 8:49 p.m. in 26 feet of water.

John Arnett was hired as junior-senior high school principal at Caston when the school board met Tuesday evening. He replaced Todd Rudnick who resigned to be become principal at Southridge High School in Huntingburg.

Lisa Shrader, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Shrader, Rt. 1, Kewanna, graduated recently from Ball State University, Muncie, with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting. She is a graduate of Rochester High School.

A family buffet-reception was held Friday, July 7, at the Holiday Inn in Plymouth in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Fred and Edith Banks. They are the parents of Randy Banks of here.

Mrs. L. E. Kelsey of Phoenix, Arizona, was a Saturday overnight guest of Mrs. Bernice Zellers. Mrs. Kelsey was called here due to the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Kelsey of Monterey.

TEN YEARS AGO July 15, 1999

James O. and Wilma Wilson were in Rochester Sunday to attend the Wilson family reunion at the city park. Over 39 Wilsons were able to enjoy the day filled with visiting and good food.

Lowell and Sandy Rans of Sparks, Nevada, spent the weekend with his sister and brother-in-law, Virginia and John Agnew. Sunday they attended the 43rd annual D. R. Rans reunion.

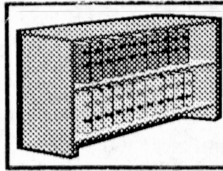
Bunny Brogdon was the guest of honor at a gathering held in the home of Hugh and Maryelvn Tennent Sunday morning. The occasion was a breakfast in celebration of Bunny's birthday and was attended by many of her friends from around Lake Bruce.

Leonard and Nancy Evers returned home recently from a vacation trip to North Carolina. They spent a week as guests of their daughter, Diane Kremer and Lindsay, on Fripp Island. During their visit, they attended a U.S. Army band concert in Beaufort and watched an Independence Day fireworks display.

Former Fulton County Sheriff Bruce Baker, Kewanna, and Tim Hays, Rochester, manager of the Scotts Food Store, are the recipients of the Carnegie Medal for their efforts in rescuing State Trooper Randy Shaver from his burning car in April of 1998.

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New books at the library:

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Western Fiction— *Rio Chama* by Johnny D. Boggs; *The Treasure of St. Woody* by I.J. Parnham; and *The Hidden Truth* by Michael Senuta.

JUVENILES:

Picture Books— *Sergio Saves The Game* by Edel Rodriguez.

Ages 10 and Under Fiction— *The Case of the Sticky Sticks* (from the Winnie the Pooh series) by Bonnie Brooke; *Circus Family Dog* by Andrew Clements; *I Love You, My Bunnies* and *Thumper Finds An Egg* (from the Disney Bunnies series) by Laura Driscoll; *Calling All Piglets* (from the Winnie the Pooh series) by Lisa Marsoli; and *A Pocket Can Have A Treasure In It* by Kathy Stinson.

Teenage Fiction— *Slob* by Ellen Potter.

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Einsteins, *Marvel Heroes*, *Space Chimps* and *Up* by Caleb Burroughs; *Bolt* by Disney Enterprises; *G-Force* by Julia Lobo; and *Disney: Villians, High School Musical* and *Igor* by Melanie Zanoza.

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Donations needed for fireworks

Local residents who enjoyed Friday evening's fireworks are asked to help pay the cost. The fireworks committee reports that donations fell about \$1,000 short this year. Donations may be left at the Kewanna branch of the Community State Bank or mailed to Bob Clyde, Box 92, Kewanna, IN 46939.

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Festival royalty contest open to 7-18 year olds

Kewanna Fall Festival organizers are looking for youth in the area to represent Kewanna during the September festival. Children ages 7-10, 11-14, and 15-18 are asked to pick up applications from local merchants and return them by August 1.

Kandace Evers will be contacting applicants on August 2 to set up a meeting. Grades must accompany the application as well as a \$25 sponsor fee. For more information, call Tom Mate at 574-653-2055 or Kandace Evers at 574-329-1844.

Recycling Dates Thursday, July 2nd; July 16th & 30th



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- Aluminum pie and dinner trays

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- Inkjet and laser cartridges
- Items containing mercury
- Fluorescent 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

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Caston students return to classes, August 13

The 2009-2010 school year begins Wednesday, August 13 for all students, K-12, attending the Caston Corporation Schools. Classes for elementary students begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:17 p.m. Junior-senior high classes begin at 8:28 a.m. and end at 3:20 p.m.

All corporation buses will run on Thursday, August 13. Drivers plan their routes to arrive at school by 8:25 a.m.

Students enrolling in kindergarten must be five (5) years old and students enrolling in the first grade must be six (6) years old on or before August 1, 2009. Parents need to provide certification from a physician that their child has been properly immunized and also they need to present a valid birth certificate if these have not previously been provided to the school. Effective July 1, 1999, the immunization list must also include hepatitis B.

Students in grades K-6 who are new students or did not enroll by mail may do so at the Caston Elementary office beginning Monday, August 3, through Wednesday, August 5. Hours are the same as listed below for the junior-senior high school enrollment.

Students in grades seven (7) through twelve (12) will enroll at the Guidance Office on the following schedule:

Monday, August 3 – all students (including new students), 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, August 4 – all students, 12:01 to 3:30 p.m. and 5 to 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, August 5 – all students, 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Seventh grade orientation will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 4, in the cafeteria.

Book rental fees will be: kindergarten, \$70; Grade 1, \$99; Grade 2, \$100; Grade 3, \$105; Grade 4,

\$95; Grade 5, \$100; Grade 6, \$92; and Grades 7 and 8, \$120. Fees for grades 9-12 vary depending on classes taken. Rental fees are to be paid prior to the first day of school.

All students are to pay fees at the Bookstore beginning Monday, August 3, through Wednesday, August 5. The hours are 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday and 12:01 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesday.

Lunches will be served beginning Thursday, August 13. For students in grades K-6, the cost is \$1.70 per meal; students in grades 7-12 will pay \$1.85 per meal. Adults will pay \$2.50. Breakfast is served each morning for students who choose to participate. The cost is \$1.25 per meal for students and \$1.50 for adults. Each student will establish a renewable lunch account for meal fees. Meal fees may be credited to the student account weekly, monthly, six or nine week, semi-annual or annual payments. Some students may be eligible for reduced lunch fees based on the guidelines listed below. Applications for this assistance will be available in the bookstore.

Students attending special education and vocational education (Century Career Center) will begin Monday, August 17. (Caston Career Center students are reminded they should attend school on Thursday and Friday, August 13 and 14, at Caston). Beginning Monday, August 17, special education students will be picked up at and returned to their homes by the special education bus. They will be transported directly to Logansport to arrive there at approximately 8 a.m. Century Career Center students will attend classes at Caston in the morning and will then be transported to

Logansport after lunch. They will be transported back to Caston at approximately 3:15. Special Ed pre-school students will begin school at North Miami on Tuesday, August 18. Students attend-

ing school at North Miami will be picked up and returned to their homes by the special education pre-school bus. Fees for Century Career Center and special education students attending Logansport schools and special education pre-school students attending North Miami are payable to the respective schools they attend.

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 restricts the release of most information about students and restricts the availability of student records. Only directory information may be made public with parental consent. Directory information includes student names, parent's names, addresses and telephone numbers. If you do not want such information released, please request this by notifying the respective principals. By Indiana statute, Armed Forces recruiting representatives are allowed access to directory information.

Teacher orientation and in-service will be held Tuesday, August 11 and Wednesday, August 12.

Should the school corporation find it necessary to delay school or dismiss early, the official radio stations for notification are Rochester WROI 92.1, Logansport WSAL 102.3 or Logansport Hoosier Country 103.7.

If you have any questions or want additional information about the start of school, call Mr. Doug Olsson, high school principal, at 574-857-3505; Mrs. Lucinda Douglass, elementary principal, at 574-857-3025; or Mr. Dan Foster, superintendent at 574-857-2035.

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Caston fall sports practices

The Caston Athletic Department has announced the dates for fall sports practices. All athletes must have a completed physical on file in the athletic office to begin practice. Forms can be picked up in the high school office.

Practice dates include:

High school volleyball – August 3-7 from 8 to 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

High school football – August 3-7 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Junior high soccer – August 3-7, 6 to 8 p.m.

High school soccer – August 3-7, 6 to 9 p.m.

Junior high football – August 3-7, 6 to 8 p.m.

Junior high volleyball – August

20, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

6th grade volleyball – August 22, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Junior high cross country – August 16, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Girls varsity golf – July 31, August 3 and 4, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Meet by the football

concession stand, bring clubs, etc. Players will be going to Pondview.

Boys and girls varsity cross country – August 3. Group will leave for Brown County practices. Call 574-817-0101 for more information.



Family attends space camp

The Doan family of Twelve Mile departed for Huntsville, Alabama, following the close of school at Caston Educational Center to participate in the family space camp. Taking part in the adventure were Larry and Anita Redweik Doan and their children, Ryonn Parker Doan and Donald Larry Doan III (aka Trey). Ryonn is a fourth grader at Caston and Trey is a seventh grader.

After their space camp experience, the family headed for Florida for a mini-vacation of rest and relaxation.

Trey and Ryonn each wrote of their experience.

SPACE CAMP

Trey Doann When we arrived at the Rocket and Space Center in Huntsville, we were assigned a team. We were "Team Mercury" and did all camp activities with our team. Mercury was the name given to the first space missions.

I really enjoyed all the simulations. They were fun. We did a simulation where we were astronauts on the International Space Station. I was the Station Commander. I had to type in codes to complete the power source activation and do an experiment on "slime" and how it reacted to zero gravity.

We each made our own model rockets and then were able to shoot them off at the space center's launch area. We also experienced what 4 Gs did to our bodies, four times the normal gravitational force felt here on earth.

We got to learn lots of information about space history. The first missions were Mercury, Gemini and Apollo. The newest series is called Orion. There was

also a real shuttle on site as well as the Saturn V. We were able to meet and speak with retired astronaut Robert Springer. It was a great way to start the summer.

SPACE CAMP

Ryonn Doan

My favorite part of space camp was the simulator that spun us around and around. I also liked the shuttle missions that we had. I like being the commander with my dad as the pilot. We had to push lots of different buttons on the ship.

In building things, I liked the rocket. We got to shoot it off in the air. My rocket went very high and when the parachute came out it floated down to the ground slowly. We also got to do a "secret" project for our Mars base. We made a Mars base out of Legos. We made generators, satellites, a central building, escape pods, a house to store food and water, and a drill.

I learned a lot about the Apollo mission during a scavenger hunt in the museum. I learned that there were seven guys who went to the moon. Ham was a monkey who went into space in a small capsule with three levers. The middle lever was supposed to be the one he pulled for food and to make the capsule move. But they accidentally wired it so that he was shocked every time he pulled the lever. He was not a happy monkey when he landed back on earth.

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Federal Income Chart For School Year 7-1-2009 to 6-30-2010

Family (Household) Size	Yearly	Monthly	BiWeekly	Weekly
1	\$20,036	\$1,670	\$ 771	\$ 386
2	26,955	2,247	1,037	519
3	33,874	2,823	1,303	652
4	40,793	3,400	1,569	785
5	47,712	3,976	1,836	918
6	54,631	4,553	2,102	1,051
7	61,550	5,130	2,368	1,184
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BMV TO IMPROVE SECURITY OF DRIVER'S LICENCES AND ID CARDS

New document requirements and mail delivery procedure coming in 2010

The SecureID initiative to combat identity theft and enhance the security of driver's licenses and ID cards was announced by Andy Miller, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). These major new actions are the result of the 9/11 Commission recommendations and related Federal laws.

Miller emphasized, "The BMV will comply fully with the spirit and letter of the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission and related Federal laws and regulations. The 9/11 Commission noted that 'sources of identification are the last opportunity to ensure that people are who they say they are,' and we know that our BMV-issued credentials are the most frequently used source of identification for Hoosiers."

"Identity theft and fraud is the fastest growing crime in the United States, and government-issued documents like our driver's licenses and ID cards are targets for people who commit these crimes. In fact, the BMV today has over 500 active cases of identity theft or fraud."

Miller explained that effective January 1, 2010, all Hoosiers will need to complete three simple steps when renewing, amending or applying for a new driver's

license or ID card: 1. Assemble appropriate documents proving their identity, 2. Present those documents at a local license branch, and 3. Receive their driver's license or ID in the mail after security checks are complete. He emphasized that drivers needing to renew their licenses in later years will follow these procedures on their normal renewal dates.

Step 1: All Hoosiers planning to renew, amend or apply for a new driver's license or ID card will be required to present documents verifying their identities, Indiana addresses, Social Security numbers and legal status. The most common documents to meet the four requirements include:

Identity - Birth certificate, U.S. Passport, marriage certificate for name change

Social Security number - Social Security card, W-2 form

Lawful status - Birth certificate, U.S. Passport

Address - Bank statement, utility bill

The complete list of acceptable documents is on the BMV Web site at myBMV.IN.gov. There is also a link to Vital Records offices in other states where certified birth certificates may be obtained. **Customers are advised that it may take several months to receive a birth certificate from some states.**

Step 2: Starting January 2010, all customers renewing, amending or securing a new driver's license or ID card will

need to visit a local license branch and present all of the required documents. These documents will only need to be presented **one time**, meaning that future renewals will be handled as they are today. The BMV will continue the current requirement for documentation with a name or address change.

Step 3: To enhance security even further, after January 1, 2010, driver's licenses, ID cards and permits will be mailed to customers and no longer produced at the license branches. Customers will be issued an interim document at the branch and will receive the permanent document in the mail within 10 business days.

This central issuance process is being used by 20 other states. During this process all of the driver's application documents are sent to a government-run secured print shop where their validity is checked against national databases and then the driver's licenses, ID cards and permits are printed. They are mailed from the print shop to the customers using the same secure mailing procedures used by the U.S. Passport Service, credit card companies, banks, and other states currently issuing myBMV.IN.gov Web site will allow a BMV customer to track the processing, mailing and delivery dates of the license, permit or ID card.

Central issuance allows for a complete review of all documents. Attempts at identity theft and fraud can be detected before the permanent card is issued. This step can help virtually eliminate situations like the David Grice case where he successfully acquired six ID cards under six different names or Claudia Andrade who was recently convicted for a bank theft in Indiana and had 11 different identity documents issued by the BMV.

Miller added that BMV will extensively publicize the new document requirements using direct mail, email, and advertising. Letters will be mailed to all customers with a driver's license renewal date in 2010 early this fall. A second reminder letter will be mailed 30-45 days before their renewal date. An insert will also be included in all registration renewal notices.

He concluded, "After January 1, we are asking Hoosiers to help us protect them and others from identity theft and fraud. These new document requirements and mail delivery procedures will allow us time to more carefully check the identity verification documents and ensure applicants are who they say they are."

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FSA programs open to all

Don Hunton, Acting Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Indiana, says FSA is reaching out to women, ethnic and minority farmers in the state in an effort to get more of them involved in its programs.

"FSA programs are available to all producers but we would like to increase participation by traditionally underrepresented groups in all program areas," said Hunton.

FSA defines a socially disadvantaged (SDA) farmer, rancher, or agricultural producer as one of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of his or her identity as a member of the group without regard to his or her individual qualities. SDA groups are women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

According to Hunton, FSA also reserves a portion of its direct and guaranteed loan funds each year for SDA loans for eligible participants. These loan programs are designed to help farmers purchase and operate family farms.

"With these loan programs, FSA hopes to help reverse the declining number of farmers and ranchers across the U.S. and especially here in Indiana," Hunton said.

Applicants must meet the eligibility requirements for a given program before FSA can extend program benefits. For more information on these programs and other programs available through FSA, contact the Farm Service Agency at the county USDA Service Center.

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Farm reporting deadlines extended

County Farm Service Agency offices were recently notified that the deadlines for farmers to report their 2009 planted crop acreages and for filing for prevented planting claims have been extended to August 14. The previous deadline was July 15. After August 14, late-filing fees will apply. Producers need to call their FSA office to schedule an appointment.

August 14 is also the last day for farmers to enroll into the 2009 DCP and ACRE programs. All necessary signatures must be submitted by that date. Late-filed applications for DCP and ACRE will not be permitted.

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Summer dances

The Fulton County Public Library and the Rochester Dance Club are sponsoring summer dances at the St. Joseph Parish Hall in Rochester.

The dances will be from 7 to 10 p.m. June 27, July 25 and August 22 and will feature a live band. The June theme is "Patriotic"; the July theme is "Hot Time in the Town Tonight"; and the August theme is "Summer Time and the Livin' is Easy".

Refreshments will be served. There will be a suggested donation of \$5 per person.

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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF FULTON

BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ROCHESTER, INDIANA

ORDINANCE VACATING PUBLIC WAYS

(Part of Platted Foreman Avenue,
Plat of Shaffer's Subdivision of Lot 41
In Shaffer's Lakeside Addition, Nyona Lake.)
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA
ORDINANCE NO. 070609

WHEREAS, Brian Roller, has petitioned for the vacation of various Public ways, in Liberty Township, Fulton County, Indiana, Owner of real land within the original and subsequent plats of Shaffer's Subdivision of Lot 41 in Shaffer's Lakeside Addition, Nyona Lake, more particularly described as follows:

Part of 20 foot Private Roadway (Known as Foreman Avenue) as shown on the recorded Plat of Shaffer's Subdivision of Lot 41 in Shaffer's Lakeside Addition, Plat Book 2, Page 354, said portion lying easterly and adjacent to Lots numbered 55, 56, 57 and westerly and adjacent to Lot numbered 62, running from the south line of Lot numbered 57 northerly to the north line of Lot number 55.

WHEREAS, a public notice of a public hearing was published in the Rochester Sentinel on the 5th day of June, 2009 per state law;

And a public hearing was held on the 5th day of July, 2009 to allow interested parties to make their comments and concerns known;

And, WHEREAS, the County Commissioners duly considered the Petition and proposed Ordinance and determined that the ordinance should be adopted.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED: That the Private Roadway (known as Foreman Avenue) said portion lying easterly and adjacent to Lots numbered 55, 56, 57 and westerly and adjacent to Lot numbered 62, running from the south line of Lot number 57 northerly to the north line of lot number 55. In Shaffer's Lakeside Addition, Nyona Lake, Liberty Township.

Is hereby declared vacated, subject to the rights of all public utilities currently existing within said Roadway.

Adopted by a vote of 3 aye, 0 nay this 6th day of July, 2009.

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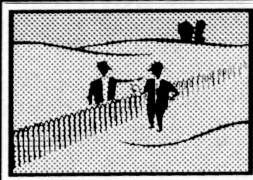
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Town & Country CHATTER...

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Barb and Tom LaFollette were in Kokomo Wednesday, July 8. They had a wonderful time visiting with Barb's brothers and sisters-in-law, Bob and Carolyn Eikenberry of Arizona and Dick and Judy Eikenberry of Kokomo, and their mother, Pauline Eikenberry. The family met at the Golden Corral restaurant for dinner and a lot of catching up.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan spent a few days last week visiting her parents, Earl and Mary Bangel.

Helen Whiteman had several visitors Thursday, July 9. Coming for a chat were her daughter, Sherri Lett; her great-granddaughters, Rylee Daugherty of Winamac, Jaden and Ella Whiteman of Indianapolis and Tiffany Troutman; and her great-grandson, Ian Connors.

Tom and Barb LaFollette helped Beth Larson serve pizza at the Rochester V.F.W. post Thursday evening.

Pauline Brown and Julie had a busy day Friday, July 10. Stopping by in the morning to help solve a big problem was Steve Sutton. In the afternoon, Wendy Sutton, Luke and Tanner, arrived for a visit and brought along a birthday cake, a birthday pie, flowers and candy to help Pauline and Julie celebrate their birthdays. In the evening, Angie Douglass, her daughter, Anna, and grandson, Caleb Field, stopped by for a birthday chat and to deliver a cake. (Guess who has been on sugar highs lately.)

Friday luncheon guests of Virginia Agnew were her nephews, Eric and Michelle Rans and Sophia of Costa Mesa, California and Max and Donna

Rans, Monique, David and Rachael of Boston, Massachusetts and her son and daughter-in-law, John and Pam Agnew of Rochester. The group enjoyed touring Kewanna and reminiscing.

Leonard and Nancy Evers had company for a few days recently. Staying with them were their son, Bill Evers and his companion and her daughter, Veronica Hardy and Courtney, of Henrietta, New York.

Pauline Scales enjoyed visiting with several members of her family Friday. Gathering for a visit over lunch at the Boat House restaurant in Warsaw were her daughters, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester, Barbara Grandstaff of Kendallville and Linda Garner; her daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City; and her grandchildren and their families, Tim Minear, Jordan and Regan, of Winona Lake and Jaime Heiden and Winston with Cody and Ty of Ft. Wayne.

Beth and Ray Weller had houseguests over the weekend. Staying with them for a few days were their daughters, Beth Ann Deckard and Linda Tufts of Lebanon, Ohio, and their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Kirsten Kaufman and Kate.

Barb and Tom LaFollette enjoyed attending the wedding of their great-niece, Vanessa Eikenberry, and Blake Zook, Friday. The ceremony was held at the Jerome Christian Church in Greentown with a reception

following in Marion.

The Evers family enjoyed a large gathering in Rochester Saturday, July 12. They had a wonderful time visiting and catching up on each others' news during the picnic at Manitou Mountain. Later in the day, the group celebrated Phoenix Ritter's 1st birthday. That party was hosted by his parents, Stacy and Rob Ritter.

Virginia Agnew attended a birthday party Saturday evening in honor of her son, John Agnew, who was celebrating his 60th birthday.

Beth and Ray Weller, Beth Ann Deckard, Linda Tufts and Kirsten Kaufman and Kate were busy Saturday. In the afternoon, they attended the surprise party held in honor of Tami Powell and her 50th birthday. In the evening, the ladies attended a party held in honor of Shirley Reason.

Mathilda Lamb had a couple of callers Sunday, July 12. Stopping by in the early afternoon for a visit and to join her for lunch was her son, Wayne Lamb of Peru. Later in the day, her son, Bill Lamb of Ft. Wayne, came over for a chat.

Helen Whiteman was in Pulaski Sunday. She had a nice time visiting as a guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Monica Whiteman. Also visiting

were Kevin and Monica's daughter and granddaughters, Angie Whiteman. Jaden and Ella. (Jaden and Ella are spending the week as houseguests of their grandparents.)

The 53rd annual D. R. Rans reunion was held Sunday at the Rochester park. There were 82 family members and guests present, coming from Massachusetts, California, Florida, Arkansas, and many from this area. Everyone had a wonderful time reminiscing of their growing up days at their home north of Kewanna.

Nancy and Leonard Evers were in Rochester Sunday. Joining them for a visit over brunch at Ugaldi's restaurant were their daughter and son-in-law, Janet and C.J. Yocum of Rochester; their daughter, Diane Evers of Indianapolis; their son and daughter-in-law, Dave and Maria Evers; and Bill Evers, Veronica and Courtney.

Ray Weller was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday afternoon. The occasion was in celebration of his 86th birthday and held in the community room of the local fire station.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them

your best regards) are: Zachary Agnew, Doran Heinsen, Andrea High, Joshua Rude and William Rude, July 19; Dan McPherson, Sylvia McPherson and Tami Powell, July 20; Darin Chew, Becky DeWitt, Brian DeWitt, Kellie Swango and Andrea Yocum, July 21; Steve Easterday and Leighnee Smith, July 22; Amber Merrill, July 23; Quinton Doty, Daniel Estes, Sarah Wood and Sophia Wood, July 24; and Rodger Davis, Steve MacLain, Holly Short and Linda Wilson, July 25.

There are five couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Dr. Brian Stegemoller, July 19; Mr. and Mrs. Ron McCole, July 21; Mr. and Mrs. David Arrowood, July 23; and Mr. and Mrs. Brad Bitterling and Mr. and Mrs. Steve MacLain, July 25.

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