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## Sen. Head Tapped by Senate Leader for Five Key Committees, Commissions

Indiana Senate President Pro Tem David Long (R-Fort Wayne) tapped State Sen. Randy Head (R-Logansport) as a member of the Commission on Courts, the Criminal Code Evaluation Commission, the Indiana Commission on Autism, the Probate Code Study Commission and the Water Resources Study Committee.

During summer and fall months when the legislature is not in session full-time, lawmakers utilize bipartisan interim study committees and commissions to conduct in-depth research into complicated, complex issues facing Hoosiers. Often their work results in solutions and legislation that might otherwise go unaccomplished during the fast pace of the winter- and springtime legislative session, Long said.

"Sen. Head brings a wealth of knowledge and insight to these important commissions and committees," said Long. "His lifetime of experience coupled with his commitment to helping solve problems facing our state makes him uniquely qualified to help lead this charge."

Head said he will closely watch developments of all study committees, review their recommendations and seek public input before the Indiana General Assembly reconvenes in January of 2010:

Interim Study Committee on Alcoholic Beverages will review whether grocery, convenience and drug stores should be permitted to sell alcoholic beverages on Sundays, which is now prohibited by law. Members will also consider whether these establishments should sell chilled beer, now limited to liquor stores.

Interim Study Committee on Driver Education will evaluate standards for Internet and classroom driver education courses and review teen-related crash statistics and the impact of effective driver training.

Interim Study Committee on Education will review gaps that exist in Indiana's adult education programs and evaluate program funding. Members will review early school start dates and academic calendar flexibility as well as after-school programming needs.

Interim Study Committee on Gaming will conduct the first comprehensive review of Indiana gaming law since 1993. Members will help generate a market analysis on gaming in Indiana to determine viability and profitability in light of gaming in Michigan and Illinois and the potential of gaming in Ohio and Kentucky. Members will also review issues dealing with admission taxes for riverboats, competition from out of state gaming entities, waivers for gaming tournaments, land-based

## Hydrant flushing, Aug. 27 – Sept. 4

Town of Kewanna employees will be flushing fire hydrants sometime between August 27 and September 4, weather and time permitting. The process will help clear the town's water supply, but could initially cause rusty water problems. Residents should be cautious about washing clothes during this time. To find out the exact days flushing will be done, call the clerk's office at 653-2112.

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## United Ministries announces new policies for Christmas baskets

In order for persons to receive Christmas baskets from United Ministries this year, they will have to fill out an application. Applications will be available at the United Ministries Food Pantry office Saturdays only from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning September 12 through November 21. The food pantry is located in the Community Resource Building, 625 Pontiac St., Rochester. Please use the north entrance only, off the parking lot.

Persons applying to receive a Christmas basket must provide a photo ID, birth certificate for each child living with them, proof of residency and a phone number where they can be reached.

Anyone who is unable to go to the food pantry office due to health reasons, etc. and are not applying for toys may call 574-223-4802 and leave a message for Cheryl.

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gaming, non-smoking accommodations and limits on free alcohol in gaming facilities.

Interim Study Committee on Medicaid Supplement will examine the effects and merits of expanding the Indiana check-up plan to cover additional childless adults through the federal Medicaid waiver or Medicaid state plan amendment.

Interim Study Committee on Professional Licensing will study all boards that regulate occupations or professions under the Indiana professional licensing agency or the Indiana Department of Health. Members will help determine whether to restructure regulating boards and require national certification or registration of licensees.

Interim Study Committee on School Funding Formula will conduct a comprehensive review of how the state distributes education dollars to rural, suburban and urban school corporations. Members will examine funding needed to address students living in poverty, having special education needs and lacking English-speaking skills.

More information about committee topics, schedules and agendas will be available online at [www.in.gov/legislative/interim](http://www.in.gov/legislative/interim).

## Depot Day, Sept. 12

The Grass Creek Lions will host its annual Depot Day Saturday, September 12, in Grass Creek.

The Wayne Township Fire Department will serve a hog roast from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in conjunction with the event. The cost will be a free will donation.

The fire department will put on a demonstration at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Other activities will include horse shoes and volleyball. Everyone is invited to attend and spend the day visiting with friends and neighbors.

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## Local resident authors new book

Local resident Alan McPherson has recently published a regional garden guidebook entitled, *Botanic Gems – Indiana Public Gardens – including Greater Chicago, Dayton, Cincinnati, & Louisville*. The 133-page book features colored photographs, maps and detailed descriptions that guide readers to the various public gardens in Indiana and neighboring cities. A copy of the book is available at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library.

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## Contestants needed for royalty contest

Union Township youth are encouraged to enter the Kewanna Fall Festival royalty contest. Youth between the ages of 7 to 18 are welcome to enter. No special talent is needed, just a desire to represent your community.

Applications are available from local merchants and should be returned to: Tom Mate, Box 96, Kewanna, IN 46939 or dropped off at Luke's Products, 413 N. East St. in Kewanna along with a \$25 sponsor fee.

For more information, contact Tom Mate at 574-653-2055 or Kandace Evers at 574-329-1844 (cell) or 574-653-2901.

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## Home food preservation workshop

The Fulton County Purdue Cooperative Extension Office is offering a two-day and full-day basic home preservation workshop.

The two-day workshop began on August 26 and will continue on September 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. The full-day workshop will be held September 3 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Fulton County Extension Office.

Penny Troutman of the Cass County Extension Office and Christa Holloway, Fulton County, both consumer and family sciences educators, will be presenting up-to-date home food preservation information based on the guidelines from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

This program is good for the "first time" home food preserver because the video series actually shows participants the "how to" of preserving food properly. Furthermore, if you already know how to preserve, this program is an excellent refresher course.

Home preserving can provide major benefits for individuals and families. First, people can save money by using their own garden produce or buying seasonally fresh food in bulk. Studies have shown that cooking at home versus eating out does save people money, so why not save even more by using your own home-preserved food. Additionally, home preserving provides a "taste of summer" during the winter and spring months when people are less likely to venture out in inclement weather.

There are many tips the Purdue Extension workshop will provide to make home preservation safe. Topics include, but are not limited to, what should and should not be pressure canned; measuring tomato products; and measuring headspace in a jar before sealing it. Information on freezing and drying food will also be discussed.

## The News In Brief

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reports that 20 plants, six snails, two insects and one fish may need federal protection under the Endangered Species Act to avoid extinction.

The unemployment rate in 17 states dropped during July, but went higher in 26 states. Many economists expect the jobless rate to hit ten percent nationwide by the end of the year.

Landmark Adult Learning Center GED classes are underway at the Kewanna-Union Township Library. Classes are 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Call 574-753-6547 for more information.

Senator Edward Kennedy, 77, of Massachusetts passed away Tuesday night. He had been suffering from a malignant brain tumor for the past year.

Ivy Tech Community College has seen a 27 percent increase in enrollment this year over last year.

President Obama has reappointed Ben Bernanke as Fed chairman. Bernanke, 55, is credited for seeing the U.S. through the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression.

U.S. budget officials predict the deficit this year will reach a record \$1.6 trillion, way above the 2008 budget deficit of \$455 billion. The deficit over the next 10 years could reach as high as \$9 trillion, about \$2 trillion more than estimated in May.

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**Recycling Dates**  
Thursday, Aug. 13th  
and Thursday, Aug. 27th



The tractor pull track west of the local fire station was extended Tuesday to meet the requirements of the garden tractor pullers for the Kewanna Fall Festival in September. IMI donated the clay,

which was hauled by the Fulton County Highway Department for the extension. The clay was leveled by local resident, Cliff Bragdon, under the supervision of Tom Mate, right, festival

chairman. In order to accommodate the expansion, Winamac Coil Spring allowed the track to be extended onto its property. Thanks to all for their efforts.



**Clubs Societies Personals**



**Couple plans November wedding**

Verl and Beverly Kreamer and Dave and Lisa Field, all of Kewanna, announce the engagement of their children, Dana Kreamer and Jake Field.

Dana is a graduate of Winamac Community High School. She earned her bachelor's degree at Grace College and her master's at Olivet University. She is a third grade teacher at Eastern Pulaski Elementary School, Winamac.

The prospective groom is also a graduate of Winamac Community High School as well as the University of Northwestern Ohio. He is employed with Widner and Sons Excavating.

The couple will be married November 21, 2009.

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU**

Aug. 31 – Sept. 4

**Elementary Breakfast**

Monday – Cereal bar, string cheese, juice and milk

Tuesday – Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

Wednesday – Biscuit and gravy, juice and milk

Thursday – Waffle, juice and milk

Friday – Toaster pastry, juice and milk

**Elementary Lunch**

Monday – Chicken nuggets, corn, pineapple, biscuit and milk

Tuesday – Pork tenderloin, potato wedges, applesauce, cookie and milk

Wednesday – Sloppy Joe, green beans, grapes, cookie and milk

Thursday – Chicken fajita, lettuce, cheese, peach crisp and milk

Friday – Chili soup, pickle

spear, mixed fruit, peanut butter sandwich and milk

**Middle/High School Lunch**

Monday – Burrito, green beans, applesauce, cookie and milk. Choice: salad bar

Tuesday – Corn dog, potatoes, pineapple, cookie and milk. Choice: salad bar

Wednesday – Chicken pizza quesadillas, mixed vegetables, pears, cookie and milk. Choice: salad bar

Thursday – Ravioli, cheese breadsticks, peas, peaches and milk. Choice: salad bar

Friday – Cheeseburger, parsley potatoes, apricots, cookie and milk. Choice: salad bar

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**HOSPITAL NOTES....**

**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**

August 16

Births – Jason and Amber Wicker, Rochester, a daughter

August 17

Admissions – Leighton Dixon, Logansport; Julia Jimenez Martinez, Akron

Dismissals – Leighton Dixon, Logansport; Julia Jimenez Martinez, Akron

August 18

Admissions – Lois Stones, Rochester

Dismissals – Amber Wicker, Rochester

Births – Heather Miller, Rochester, a daughter

August 19

Admissions – none published

Dismissals – Enid Seidner and Aubrie Wicker, Rochester

Births – Melissa Newcomb, North Liberty, a son

August 20

Admissions – Virgie Gregory, Argos

Dismissals – Heather Miller and daughter, Rochester

August 21

Admissions – Michelle Hewitt, Peru; Beverly Geller, Rochester

Dismissals – Melissa Newcomb and son, North Liberty

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**Class offered on grieving process**

Pastor Steve McPeck of the Kewanna and Pleasant Hill United Methodist Churches will present a 5-week class on "Understanding our Grief" beginning September 1. The class will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the annex of the Kewanna United Methodist Church, 111 E. Pearl St., and is open to everyone in the community.

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**AREA FIVE MENU**

**Kewanna Fire Station**

Monday, August 31- Pork loin, zucchini blend, peas, fruit cocktail, roll and milk

Wednesday, September 2 – Ham, beans and cornbread, pickled beets, sweet potatoes, apple crisp and milk

Friday, September 4 – Baked ham, cheesy potatoes, stewed tomatoes, pears, roll and milk

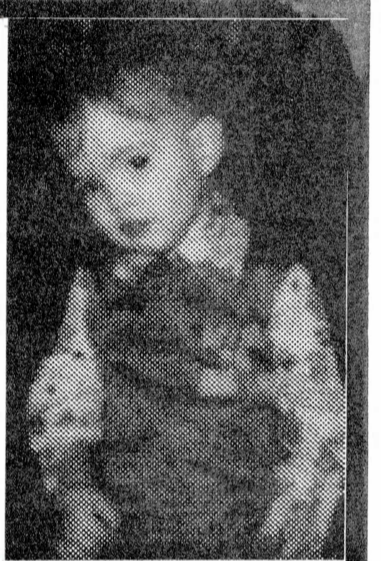
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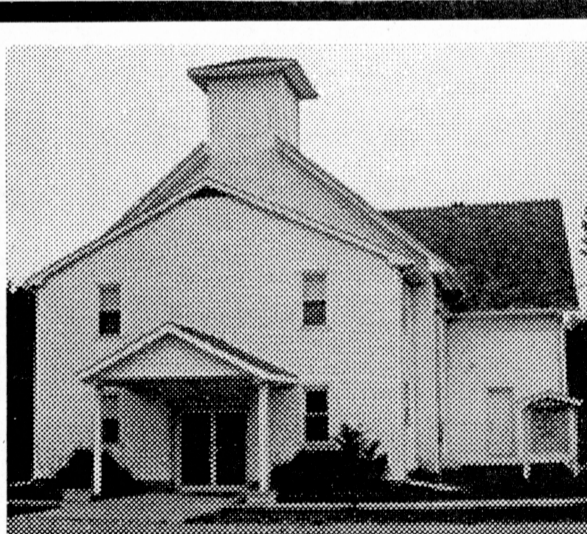
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## DEATHS .....



NEDRA J. HURLEY

Services for Nedra J. Hurley, 59, Indianapolis, formerly of Kewanna, will be held at 10 a.m. today (Thursday, August 27) at St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna, with Father Bert Woolson officiating. Burial will be in the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery. She passed away at 1:40 p.m. Saturday, August 22, 2009 at her residence after a two year battle with ovarian cancer, the silent killer.

Born July 11, 1950 in Rochester, she was the daughter of Clurel and Jeanette (Mutchler) Hunter. She was married August 16, 1970 to Pete Hurley, who survives.

A 1968 graduate of Kewanna High School, she was a former dental assistant for Dr. Barco in Winamac. She retired in 1983 from the United States Air Force as a sergeant and was also a homemaker.

Nedra was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Indianapolis and a former member of the American Legion. She enjoyed cooking, reading and traveling.

Survivors include her husband, Pete Hurley; two sons, Robert A. Hurley IV and his wife, Andrea, and Matthew T. Hurley, all of Indianapolis; her mother, Jeanette Hunter, Rochester; a brother, Phillip Hunter and his wife, Cheryl, of Linden; four sisters, Sara Hoffman and her husband, Howard, and Donna Rude and her husband, Steve, all of Rochester; Dianne Smith and her husband, Jim, of Plymouth; and Cynthia Biggs and her husband, Larry, of Logansport; and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Clurel Hunter.

A visitation was held Wednesday evening, August 26, at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home in Kewanna. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.harrisonmetzger.com](http://www.harrisonmetzger.com).

## ALLEN F. GRUBE

A celebration of life was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 22, 2009, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Allen F. Grube, 73, Rochester. Pastor Larry Dodge officiated and interment will take place at a later date. Grube died at 12:35 p.m. Wednesday, August 19, at his residence. He had been in failing health the past two months.

He was born in Fulton County on October 19, 1935, as one of nine children, to the late Jennings B. and Bertha F. Little Grube. A lifetime resident of Fulton County, he was a graduate of Rochester High School and a member of the Central Indiana Conference football championship team in 1953. He served in the U.S. Army from 1958-1960. He retired from Chrysler Corporation, Kokomo, in 2000 where he worked as an electrician for 23 years. He was a member of the United Auto Workers #685 of Kokomo. He was also a former 19-year employee of Dean's Foods in Rochester.

He loved to take his friends and family, especially his grandchildren, for ice cream. He also enjoyed camping, fishing and car shows.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Grube, at home; two daughters, Cynthia D. Kegley, Rochester, and Jennifer L. Grube, Nyona Lake; one son, Brent L. Grube, Kokomo; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandsons; two sisters, Dorothy Etcheson, Noblesville, and Betty Dunlap and her husband, Kenny, Fort Myers, Florida; three brothers, Paul Grube and his wife, Pat, of Rochester, Eldon Grube and his wife, Linda, Kokomo, and Carl Grube and his wife, Pearl, Kewanna; two sisters-in-law, Louise Grube and Stella Grube, both of Rochester; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Walter, Rex and Max.

A visitation was held from 9 a.m. to the hour of service Saturday at the funeral home. Military rites were conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Memorials may be made to the Fulton County Cancer Society or to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [goodfamily@rtcol.com](mailto:goodfamily@rtcol.com).

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## LORI ANN GREER

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 26, at the Rochester Church of Christ for Lori Ann Greer, 46, Silver Lake. Minister Jim Dillinger officiated and burial was in the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Greer died at 9:36 p.m. Thursday, August 20, at Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital due to complications from a surgery on August 4.

She was born May 9, 1963, in Lansing, Michigan, to Lynn Vern and Patricia Ann Schofield Lawrence. She was married November 12, 1983, in Lansing to Robert D. Greer, Jr., who survives.

Lori was a Tippecanoe Valley High School lunch lady as well as a homemaker. She graduated from Everett High School in Lansing in 1981. She received her associate degree from Great Lakes Bible College in Lansing in 1983. Lori was a member of the Rochester Church of Christ where she served as a preschool board member as well as Sunday school teacher. She also volunteered for many activities including 4-H and was a member of the goat committee. She and her husband recently celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. She was a former member of the Fulton County Extension Choral Club.

Survivors include her husband; her mother, Patricia Lawrence, Lansing, Michigan; a daughter, Nikkole Lynn Greer, Silver Lake; a son, Matthew Robert Greer, Silver Lake; a brother, Mark Lynn Lawrence, and his wife, Sandy, Tuscaloosa, Alabama; four nieces, Jennifer Lawrence, Stephanie Bennett, Cassie Jones and her husband, Cam, and Angela Bennett; six nephews, Benjamin Lawrence, Keith Bennett, Tyler Bennett, Joshua Bennett, Adam Hicks and Nate Hicks; her mother-in-law, Darla Greer, Kewanna; and two sisters-in-law, Christy Bennett and her

husband, Don, Kewanna, and Jana Hicks and her husband, James, Rochester. She was preceded in death by her father, Lynn Vern Lawrence in 1987 and her father-in-law, Robert D. Greer, in 1996.

The Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, was in charge of arrangements. A visitation was held there Tuesday. Memorial contributions may be made to the Greer Children Memorial College Fund through Beacon Credit Union. Online condolences may be made at [www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com).

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## VIRGINIA R. HILDEBRANDT

Former Lake Bruce resident Virginia R. Hildebrandt, Logansport, passed away at 9:10 p.m. Saturday, August 22, 2009, at her residence.

Born April 26, 1923, in Logansport, she was the daughter of Roderick and Adelaide (Stewart) Palmer. She was married January 9, 1942, in San Antonio, Texas, to John J. Hildebrandt who preceded her in death on December 19, 2006.

Mrs. Hildebrandt was a former member of the Mental Health Board, the Orphan's Home Board and Kappa Kappa Kappa Sorority. She was a life-time member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Logansport.

Survivors include three sons, John R. Hildebrandt and his wife, Carolyn, Lake Bruce; Tim Hildebrandt and his wife, Rachel, Zionsville; and Greg Hildebrandt and his wife, Gail, Winamac; a sister, Rose Murdock, Logansport; a brother-in-law, Alan (Edie) Hildebrandt, Logansport; nine grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews. Preceding in death besides her husband were a brother, Howard Palmer and a sister, Pauline Lowe.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 5, at Trinity Episcopal Church with Father Theodore Neidlinger officiating. Burial will be private. Friends may call from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, September 5, at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church, 319 Seventh St., Logansport, IN 46947.

Kroeger Funeral Home, Logansport, is in charge of arrangements. Condolences may be placed online at [kroegerfuneralhome.com](http://kroegerfuneralhome.com).

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## PATRICIA N. STAIR

Memorial services were held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, at the Community Seventh-day Adventist Church in Monterey for Patricia N. "Patty" Stair, 57, Kewanna. Patty passed away Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at Logansport Memorial Hospital. She has donated her body to the IU Anatomical Education Program.

Patty graduated from Logansport High School, the Kokomo School of Practical Nursing and Ivy Tech State College with an associate degree in applied science. She was a dedicated employee of North Central Ear, Nose and Throat PC, recently part of Logansport Memorial Hospital, as a physician biller.

Survivors include two brothers, David M. Stair, Peru, and Donald E. Stair, Sr., Rochester; three sisters, Beverly E. Barnett, Vivian H. Bauman and Melissa M. Stair, all of Kewanna; four aunts; several nieces, nephews and cousins; as well as her canine companions. Preceding in death were her parents, Edward and Fanchion Stair.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cause for Paws, P.O. Box 1402, Logansport, IN 46947.

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# Looking Back.....

## SIXTY YEARS AGO

August 26, 1949

A group of youngsters helped Pat Kumler celebrate her birthday Monday evening when they gathered at the Kumler home for a marshmallow and wiener roast. Guests present included Karen Watkins, Doris Kreamer, June Willoughby, Shirley Byfield, Francis Hendrickson, Lowell Rans, Chuck Van Meter and Wayne Zellers.

Relatives in Kewanna received word Monday morning of the accidental death of the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Garman of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Carrow Garman of Mishawaka, former Kewanna residents, are the grandparents of the little girl.

Doris Kreamer has been invited to represent Fulton County in a talent program at the State Fair sponsored by the Farm Bureau.

Soap box derby racers built by Kewanna and Union Township youngsters will be judged Friday night at the ball park. Judges will be Lester Shidaker, Blake Plummer and Bert Gillespie.

Miss Emmagene Dawald entertained her piano and accordion students at a picnic at the Rochester City Park recently. Students present were Rita

Mohler, Howard McDougal, Beverly Eber, Charles and John Stout and Ira Baker. Other guests included Bobby Eber, Georgia Reams, Barry Conrad, James and Howard Stout, David McDougle, Mrs. Lyman Dawald and Mrs. Ira Baker.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

August 26, 1954

Harold Stafford, 58, a former principal at Kewanna and Grass Creek, died of a heart attack Saturday morning at his home in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Carl Huffman suffered face and shoulder injuries Friday when he fell 14 feet and landed on his face in crushed stone. He was helping remodel a building in Logansport at the time of the fall. He was taken to Memorial Hospital for treatment where he was kept overnight and then released.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hickman have sold their home opposite the Methodist Church to Mr. and Mrs. George Best of Idaville. The Hickman family moved to Logansport Tuesday where he is employed with the Pennsylvania Railroad. The Bests moved to Kewanna Thursday. He is also employed with the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Ardis Zellers have sold their property now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Buskirk to Mr. and Mrs.

Maurice Corbett.

A reception will be held Sunday evening by members of St. Ann's Catholic Church for their new pastor, Father James M. Fitzgerald. Father Fitzgerald comes here from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Union City.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mosher returned Friday evening from a week's vacation and sight seeing trip through Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Ohio. They toured the Great Smoky Mountains and returned by way of Washington, D.C. Enroute, they visited with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pearson, in Lexington Park, Maryland.

Thirty-nine boys from Kewanna attended the Cincinnati Reds-Chicago Cubs baseball game at Wrigley Field Tuesday. Accompanying the group were Hal Peck, Art Anderson and Fred Graffis.

Betty Jo Baldwin was in Logansport Saturday afternoon and entertained with two tap dance numbers at the RBM picnic held at the Isaac Walton club house. She was accompanied to Logansport by her mother, Mrs. Charles Baldwin, and her grandmother, Mrs. Bert Henderson.

Don St. Clair was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party Sunday evening. Helping him celebrate were Howard Kistler, Carol Coffman, Phillip Showley, Joan Kingery, Ellen Holiday, Bill Kingery, Howard Smith, Carol Champ, Richard Holiday, Don Overmyer, Shirley Champ, John Kingery, Lawrence Overmyer and Dorothy St. Clair.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO

August 27, 1959

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Lyle Leroy Williamson, 23, of near Metea was killed instantly at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday when the 1957 tractor-trailer he was driving crashed down an embankment on U.S. 41, nine miles north of Rockville. Services were held Friday at the Ditimire Funeral Home, Fulton.

A Shetland pony valued at \$700 and belonging to John Hott was killed on State Road 14 Saturday night. Lights of an oncoming car apparently blinded the pony temporarily causing it to become confused and walk into the path of a 1955 Chevrolet driven by Kirk Albright, Hemlock.

Kewanna Republicans met in convention Tuesday evening to nominate candidates for the town election this fall. Those nominated were the present town officials - trustees, Van Tuyl Gillespie, Lester Shidaker and Loyd Woolington and clerk-treasurer, Martha Ann Cook.

Local Democrats met Wednesday evening to nominate candidates for the fall election. Their candidates are Kenneth Smith, Delmar Crabill and Dick Mills for the trustee spots and Geraldine Good, clerk-treasurer.

A/3c Richard Kurz of Germany is spending a 30-day leave in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kurz, Rt. 1, Kewanna, after which he will return to duty in Germany.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

August 27, 1964

Services were held Thursday in the Harry Price Funeral Home for Hugh B. Stevens, 68, former secretary of the Bass Lake Hatchery. He was the father of Joan Smith of Kewanna.

The Kewanna United Methodist Church has made plans to observe its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary Sunday, Sept. 13. Bishop Richard C. Raines will preach during the morning worship service in honor of the occasion. A carry-in dinner will be served at noon and a program will follow.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilson and



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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith attended the Neff reunion at the Rochester City Park Sunday.

Second Lt. Fredric Blume, whose wife Sandra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, has been awarded Air Force silver pilot wings upon graduation from flight training school at Laughlin AFB. He is being assigned to Laredo AFB, Texas, as a T-37 pilot instructor.

Mrs. Hattie Corsaut is recuperating from a heart attack which she suffered a few days ago. She is staying in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harper.

Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Gilmore of Lanark, Illinois, were Saturday and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bucks. Rev. Gilmore was guest speaker at the Lake Bruce homecoming Sunday.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO

August 23, 1979

State Senator Robert E. Peterson of Rochester, a Democrat, has announced his candidacy for the office of Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hamman have purchased the McCambridge home from Mrs. Ruth McCambridge of Lake Bruce. She has moved to an apartment in Winamac.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waidner of Mishawaka spent the past week at their Lake Bruce cottage. Mrs. Allison Wingerter of Crawfordsville and Mrs. Debbie Wingerter of Zionsville visited them the first of the week.

Helping Traci Powell celebrate her first birthday last Wednesday were her parents, Tami and Richard Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Warfield, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baldwin, Mary Stepp, Helen Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Zellers, Bev Baldwin, Stephanie and Laurie and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Baldwin and Christopher. Everyone enjoyed cake and ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good and family attended the Indiana State Fair Friday and saw the Kenny Rogers/Oakridge Boys show. Others among the thousands present were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Urbin, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Leazenby, Mrs. Joy Troutman and Mr. and Mrs. John Unger.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

August 24, 1989

Vicki Knickrehm has taken over the operation of the beauty shop located on the north end of the Kenmar Suds Station in Kewanna. Her shop will be called

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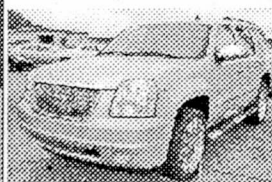
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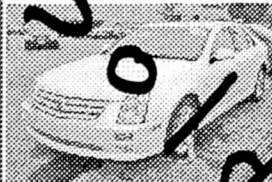


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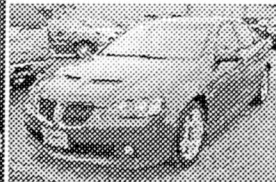


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The Hair Designer. Vicki is a former Kewanna resident and the daughter of Mary Kathryn Harper of here and the late Elmer Harper.

Adam Smith of the Wayne Trophy Finders 4-H Club won the Area Junior Tractor Operator's contest at the Grant County Fairgrounds Saturday, August 12. This win made him eligible to participate in the state contest at the Indiana State Fair.

Deanna Rene Showley, Rt. 1, Kewanna, has been named to the Dean's List for the second semester of the 1988-89 school year at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Wilma and Cloyd Zuck of Kewanna were the guests of honor when the local senior citizens group met for its monthly carry-in Friday in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. The Zucks celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Saturday with an open house, also at the fire station. Mrs. Zuck was the first president of the senior citizens group when it organized in March of 1976.

The Kewanna High School class of 1944 met to celebrate its 45<sup>th</sup> graduation anniversary Sunday, August 20, at the home of Bill and Marilyn Moon. Bill and Eileen Donathen co-hosted the event. Others attending were David Besse, Emerson Bixler, Forrest Brown, Pat Sixby Evans, Howard and Jerri Jackson, Ed and Alveena Mollencupp, Raymond and Margaret Roach, Bennett and

Peggy Nafe Stadmiller, Ruth Troutman Taylor and Howard and Edith Baldwin Wolf.

Jeff Hott was the guest of honor at a birthday party Sunday hosted by his uncle, Bob Clyde. Helping him celebrate the occasion were his parents and siblings, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hott, Christie and Teresa, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Murhling, Ed Murhling, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Murhling, Bill and Amy, of Rochester, and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Luketich, Ian and Sarah, of Highland.

**TEN YEARS AGO  
August 26, 1999**

Keven L. Jennings joined Indiana Lawrence Bank in July as vice president and manager of the Rochester office. Raised in Monticello, Jennings is a graduate of Twin Lakes High School. He and his family recently moved to Rochester in the Shafer Shores addition.

The Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department had a busy weekend. Besides taking part in the farm rescue/extrication session put on by Purdue Extension Service and the Fulton County Young Farmers, the department responded to three wrecks, took part in a training session involving the burning of a house, and played a game of mshball at the local park as part of their physical fitness training.

Members and former members of the KHS graduating class of 1974 enjoyed a reunion Saturday, August 14, in the community room of the local fire station. Those attending included David Woods, Deana Baldwin Thomas, Julie Brown, Steve MacLain, Lori

Ingram Kamp, Jackie Downhour Burkett, David Whiteman, Judy DeWitt Kupke and Mike Cogdill. Also present was their school principal, Dr. Charles Bernhardt and his wife.

Doug and Amy Smith, Winamac, are the parents of a daughter born August 19. The baby weighed 5 pounds and 13 ounces and has been named Andriana Eileen Eva Smith. The maternal grandparents are Ken and Sue Hamman of Winamac. Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Eileen Donathen of Kewanna and Ralph and Phyllis Hamman of Monterey.

**USDA implements  
farm storage facility  
loan program**

Changes to the Farm Storage Facility Loan (FSFL) program have been implemented in accordance with the 2008 Farm Bill. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) administers FSFL on behalf of the USDA Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC).

The FSFL Program provides low-interest financing for producers of eligible commodities to build or upgrade farm storage and handling facilities. The maximum principal amount of a loan through FSFL is \$500,000. Participants are required to provide a down payment of 15 percent, with CCC providing a loan for the remaining 85 percent of the net cost of the eligible storage facility and permanent drying and handling equipment. Loan terms of seven, 10 or 12 years are available depending on the amount of the loan. Interest rates

for each term rate may be different and are based on the rate which the CCC borrows from the Treasury Department.

Payments are available in the form of a partial disbursement and the remaining final disbursement. The partial disbursement will be available after a portion of the construction has been completed. The final fund disbursement will be made when all construction is completed. The maximum amount of the partial disbursement will be 50 percent of the projected and approved total loan amount.

Applications for FSFL must be submitted to the FSA county office that maintains the farm's records. An FSFL must be approved before any site preparation or construction can begin.

The following commodities are eligible for farm storage facility loans:

- corn, grain sorghum, wheat, oats or barley harvested as other-than-whole grain
- pulse crops - lentils, small chickpeas and dry peas
- hay

- renewable biomass
- fruits (including nuts) and vegetables - cold storage facilities

For more information about FSFL or other FSA price support programs, please visit your FSA county office or [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

**Applications accepted  
for biomass crop  
assistance program**

Biomass conversion facilities can begin signing up to participate in the Biomass Assistance Program, which will help increase production of renewable energy. The program, authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill, provides financial assistance to producers who deliver eligible material to biomass conversion facilities. FSA will provide financial assistance to collect, harvest, store and transport eligible materials.

Biomass conversion facilities and material owners or producers should contact their FSA state office or visit [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov) for more information.

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF TAX LEVIES**

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Caston School Corporation, Fulton & Cass County, Indiana that the proper legal officers of said School Corporation at the School Administration Building on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. will conduct a public hearing on the budget. Following the meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate or tax levy by filing an objecting petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objecting petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy the taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a written finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the School Board will meet at the School Administration Building on October 6, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

**BUDGET ESTIMATE**

Complete details of budget estimates by fund may be seen at the School Administration Offices.

School Funds	Budget Estimate	Maximum Estimated Funds to be raised (including appeals)	Current Tax Levy
General.....	\$6,871,991		
Debt Service.....	297,708	\$291,077.00	\$233,492.00
Capital Projects.....	1,017,754	1,008,654.00	619,439.00
School Transportation.....	997,695	989,495.00	562,987.00
School Bus Replacement.....	208,000	290,644.00	175,584.00
Rainy Day.....	50,000		
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$9,443,148</b>	<b>\$2,579,870.00</b>	<b>\$1,591,502.00</b>

Net Assessed Valuation of taxable property for the year 2009 payable 2010: \$181,978,166.00.

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

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED AND TO BE COLLECTED:** (Property tax to be collected in current year and actual collections for the previous three (3) years)

FUND NAME	Collected 2006	Collected 2007	Collected 2008	Collected 2009
General.....	1,717,147	1,780,911	1,886,470	
Debt Service.....	176,573	234,786	265,094	233,492
Capital Projects.....	647,431	616,442	626,800	619,439
Transportation.....	522,131	538,057	567,289	562,987
Bus Replacement.....	105,390	85,514	128,135	175,584
Spec. Ed. Preschool.....	4,814	4,585	4,658	
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>3,173,486</b>	<b>3,260,295</b>	<b>3,478,446</b>	<b>1,591,502</b>

**NOTICE**

In addition to the annual budget the proper officers of Caston School Corporation, will meet at the School Administration Building, September 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the establishment of a Capital Projects Plan.

The following is a general outline of the plan:

CURRENT EXPENDITURES:	2010	2011	2012
Professional Services.....	420	441	463
Building Acquisition, Construction, Improvement.....	545,834	573,126	601,782
Purchase of Mobile or Fixed Equipment.....	239,401	251,371	263,940
Emergency Allocation.....	25,000	26,250	27,563
Maintenance of Equipment.....	48,864	51,307	53,873
Instruction - Related Technology.....	158,235	166,147	174,454
<b>SUBTOTAL CURRENT EXPENDITURES.....</b>	<b>1,017,754</b>	<b>1,068,642</b>	<b>1,122,075</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND ALLOCATIONS.....</b>	<b>1,017,754</b>	<b>1,068,642</b>	<b>1,122,075</b>
<b>SOURCES AND ESTIMATES OF REVENUE</b>			
Less Encumbrances Carried Forward from Previous Year.....	-183,907	0	0
Estimated Cash Balance Available for Plan.....	183,907	0	0
Property Tax Revenue.....	776,747	1,011,542	1,064,975
Auto Excise, CVET and FIT receipts.....	57,100	57,100	57,100
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN.....</b>	<b>1,017,754</b>	<b>1,068,642</b>	<b>1,122,075</b>
<b>ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX RATE TO FUND PLAN.....</b>	<b>0.4268</b>	<b>0.4404</b>	<b>0.4624</b>
<b>BASED UPON AN ASSESSED VALUATION OF.....</b>	<b>242,637,555</b>	<b>242,637,555</b>	<b>242,637,555</b>

Taxpayers are invited to attend the meeting for a more detailed explanation of the plan and to be heard on the proposed plan.

If the proposal is adopted by resolution, such proposal will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance for approval.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2009.

Bruce E. Cress, President  
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**Notice To Taxpayers Of School Bus Replacement Plan For The Years 2010-2021**

In addition to the annual budget the proper officers of the Caston School Corporation, will meet at the School Administration Building, September 15, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. to consider the School Bus/Vehicle Replacement Plan as summarized below for the twelve (12) year period between 2010 and 2021. The levy required to fund this plan will be raised as indicated in the Notice to Taxpayers of Budgets and Levies to be collected in 2010. Detail of the proposed plan is on file in the office of the Superintendent for inspection from the date of this notice. Taxpayers shall have the right to be heard on the plan summary as listed below at the public hearing.

**SUMMARY OF PLANNED REPLACEMENTS AND ACCUMULATION FOR FUTURE YEARS**

No. of buses Owned	No. of buses To be Required	Year	Total of Replacement Cost	*Amount to be Accumulated in 2010 for future purchases
21	2	2010	\$208,000	98453
21	2	2011	230,000	
21	2	2012	254,000	
21	1	2013	140,000	
21	4	2014	541,000	
21	0	2015	0	
21	2	2016	374,000	
21	0	2017	0	
21	2	2018	355,000	
21	1	2019	250,000	
21	2	2020	435,000	
21	1	2021	302,500	

\*The above only reflects allocations to be raised in 2010. Such amount will be added to Accumulation raised from prior years. Total Accumulations are reflected on line 11 of the Budget Form 4B, available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent.



## Letter To The Editor

On behalf of the Caston Athletic Department, I would like to thank the following for supporting our golf scramble on Aug. 22, 2009: Golf Hole Sponsors – Dave's Dairy Service, Moss Fertilizer, Crop Production Services, Kewanee Metal Specialties, Patriot Insurance, Community State Bank, Brodbeck Seeds, Steve Moore

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Dan & Katie Williams, Heather Schuller, Anne Towne, Karla Van Winkle, John Mullins, Shelly Johnson, Maribeth Brash, Paige Bowditch, and Veleta Ulerick who ran registration and the pop and cookie cart with me a big thanks for making everything go so smooth. Also, thanks to all the golfers who participated and supported all the games at the holes. Congratulations to Dave Packard, Tom Packard, Tac Welsh, and Mike Hickman who won the scramble for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row and donated all their prize money back to the athletic

department for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row as did the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team of Curt Kline, Chad Pugh, Scott Leffert, and Ron Herd and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place team of Chip Woodhouse, Dallis Bowditch, Scott Boldry, and Andy Firth. Also, thanks to Pond View for hosting the outing. Again, a big thanks to all. Next years scramble is on Aug. 21, 2010 @ 1:30.

Debb Stevens CAA  
Caston Athletic Director  
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**Kewanee Town Council Meetings**  
**First Thursday of Each Month**  
**7 p.m. – Town Hall**  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE.....

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Fulton County, Indiana, that the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, at the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana, on September 15, 2009 beginning at 8:00 a.m. will conduct a public hearing on the budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objecting petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objecting petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned meeting the fiscal body will meet at the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana, on October 20, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

### BUDGET ESTIMATE

835,464,316

Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen at the office of the Fulton County Auditor.

1 Fund Name	2 Budget Estimate	3 Maximum Estimated Funds to be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	4 Excessive Levy Appeals (Included in Column 3)	5 Current Tax Levy
County General Fund	\$ 6,860,004.00	5,755,663		2,747,749
Cum Bridge Fund	\$ 425,000.00	208,866		213,508
Health Fund	\$ 269,058.00	225,025		160,595
Cum Cap Development Fund	\$ 420,000.00	250,639		255,281
Re-Assessment Fund	\$ 275,338.00	120,573		86,331
Hospital Lease Rental	\$ 263,000.00	320,946		182,874
Corner Perpet'n/Surveyor	\$ 30,600.00			
Recorders Perpet'n	\$ 33,475.00			
Transfer/Plat Book	\$ 10,800.00			
Courthouse/Annex Lease Payment	\$ 450,000.00			
Tobacco Grant	\$ 104,264.00			
Co. Highway Dept. Fund	\$ 1,869,378.00			
Local Roads & Streets	\$ 204,441.00			
Co. Correctional Level III Fund	\$ 14,000.00			
Emergency Planning fund	\$ 8,405.00			
Adult Probation User Fee Fund	\$ 273,762.00			
Adult Administration Fee	\$ 22,061.00			
Juvenile Probation User Fee Fund	\$ 5,300.00			
E-911 Emergency Telephone	\$ 252,564.00			
Hazardous Substance Fund	\$ 79,700.00			
Health Maintenance Fund	\$ 43,101.00			
Cagit Special	\$ 62,100.00			
County Drug Free Fund	\$ 20,000.00			
CEDIT Fund	\$ 172,660.00			
Accident Report Fund	\$ 2,000.00			
Handgun Application Fund	\$ 5,000.00			
Continuing Education	\$ 5,000.00			
Alcohol & Drug Fund	\$ 69,823.00			
Pre-Trial Fund	\$ 56,441.00			
Co. Convention, Visitor & Tourism	\$ 45,030.00			
Park & Recreation	\$ 39,600.00			
Jury Pay Fund	\$ 20,000.00			
Fulton County Host				
Wireless 911	\$ 59,221.00			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 12,471,126.00</b>	<b>6,881,712</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,646,338</b>

The 2010 estimated maximum levy limitations for this unit is

\$ 3,636,662

Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Pursuant to IC 6-1-1.17-13, after the tax levies have been determined, fixed by the appropriate governing body, and the tax rates published by the County Auditor, ten or more taxpayers objecting to the levies may appeal to the Department of Local Government Finance by filing a petition with the County Auditor. The petition must be filed on or before the tenth day after publication of the proposed tax rates charged. The County Auditor will then forward the objection petition to the Department of Local Government Finance for consideration. However, a group of ten or more taxpayers may not initiate an appeal against the notice of tax rates published by the County Auditor if less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the objecting taxpayers were not objecting taxpayers on the objection petition filed upon publication of the notice to taxpayers of budget estimates and tax levies published by the unit.

Date: AUGUST 24, 2009

Publish: August 27 & September 3, 2009

JUDITH A. REED

Fulton County Auditor

## Recycling Dates

Thursday, Aug. 13th  
and Thursday, Aug. 27th



### Materials accepted at the Recycling Center:

- Aluminum Cans**
  - Beverage cans
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- Aluminum Foil**
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- 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
  - 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

- Do not pack in plastic bags**
- Plastic Bags and film**
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  - Bubble wrap
  - Clean plastic film

- Plastic Bottles #1-#7**
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The Caston boys cross country team opened its season Saturday, August 22, at the North White invitational. Caston only had three eligible runners and was led by Graham Redweik who finished in 65<sup>th</sup> place in 21:17. James Laing came in 94<sup>th</sup> and Zachary Smith finished in 97<sup>th</sup> place.

The Comet girls cross country team opened their season Saturday morning, August 22, at the North White invitational. The girls were led by Kara Smith who placed 37<sup>th</sup> with a time of 24:09. Veronica Sheets followed in 56<sup>th</sup> place with a time of 25:32. Maggie Daily placed 65<sup>th</sup> with a 26:38 time. Taylor Smith ran a 30:51 placing 79<sup>th</sup>. Megan Powell followed with a time of 31:33, placing 81<sup>st</sup>.

The Caston soccer team opened its season with a 4-3 loss to visiting Peru.

The varsity soccer game with Delphi has been changed from August 22 to August 29. The match is now scheduled for Caston instead of Delphi. Game time is 1 p.m.

## Nature's Classroom workshop, Sept. 30

Arrow Head Country Resource Conservation and Development Area (RC&D) will host a Nature's Classroom workshop September 30 at Camp Buffalo. The workshop will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided and sessions will conclude at 2:30 p.m. Early bird registration is \$20 if paid by Sept. 21. After that date, registration will be \$25. Registration forms are available at the Cass County Soil and Water Conservation office, 906 W. Broadway, Logansport.

The theme for this year's

workshop is "No Child Left Inside". The keynote speaker will be Paul Steury, education coordinator for Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center at Goshen College. His topic will be "Get them out in it!" Research shows that a child going outdoors has a positive impact on testing, attention span and self-esteem.

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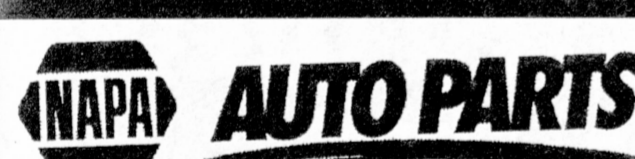
Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of the Fulton County, Indiana, that the Board of Directors of the Fulton County Solid Waste Management District at the Solid Waste District office at 1452 Wentzel Street in Rochester on September 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. will conduct a public hearing on the budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision within seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy that taxpayers object to. If a petition is filed, the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections filed and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned meeting, the fiscal body will meet at the Solid Waste District office located at 1425 Wentzel Street in Rochester, Indiana on September 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

FUNDS	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
Operating Fund.....	\$609,075	0	0
TOTAL.....	\$609,075	0	0

BUDGET ESTIMATE Net Assessed Valuation \$835,464,316

Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen at the District Office.

The 2010 estimated maximum levy limitation for this unit is 0.  
The Property Tax Replacement Credit used to reduce the rate for this unit is 0.  
Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.  
Date, August 18, 2009  
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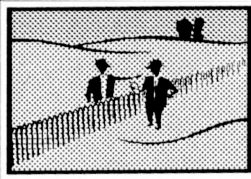
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## Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown

Ph.: (574) 653-2451

Monday, Aug. 17—finally, finally RAIN!

Pauline Brown and Julie had a caller Tuesday, Aug. 18. Stopping by in the afternoon for a visit was Pauline's brother-in-law, Ernie Brown of Granger.

Renee Colley had a houseguest during the week. Arriving Tuesday for a three-day visit was her friend, Elaine Lesner of Watertown, South Dakota. During the visit, the ladies enjoyed shopping in Rochester and dining at the City Tavern in Culver.

Barb and Tom LaFollette had company Wednesday, Aug. 19. Helping them celebrate Barb's birthday were their daughter and grandson, Karina Bohac and Nick of Rochester, and their granddaughter and her family, Shelby, Duva and Eli. Everyone had a real good time enjoying the Mexican feast that Duva prepared

and reading all of the cards that Barb had received from family and friends.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Wednesday. Coming over for a chat was their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester.

Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly of Rochester had several visitors Thursday, Aug. 20. Stopping in to say good-bye to Molly were her grandparents, Jerry and Kay Brown, and her aunt and family, Angie Smith, Leighnee, Kaelee, Will and Aidan. Molly was scheduled to leave the following day for Ball State University in Muncie where she will be a freshman this year.

Carol Broda and Tom and Barb LaFollette helped prepare and serve pizzas at the Rochester V.F.W. post Thursday evening.

Mathilda Lamb had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Friday, Aug. 21, for a short stay were her granddaughter and her husband, Breanna and Darin Rose and their dog, Jezebel, of Maryland. Breanna, a graduate of Maconaquah High School, was here to attend her 20<sup>th</sup> class reunion.

Renee Colley had company over the weekend. Arriving Friday for a visit was her friend, Carol Kirkland of Aurora, Illinois. The ladies enjoyed one day in Kokomo where they did some shopping and dined at the Red Lobster restaurant.

Tom and Linda Garner had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Saturday, Aug. 22, for

an overnight visit were their daughter and her family, Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie of Valparaiso.

Earl and Mary Bangel had a visitor Sunday, Aug. 23. Coming over for a belated birthday visit was their son, Darel Bangel of Ft. Wayne.

Florence Hogan had guests Sunday. Joining her for a wonderful day of visiting and dinner were her children and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette, Mike Hogan and Janice Graham.

Helen Whiteman had a caller Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a family chat was her daughter, Sheri Lett.

Tyler Weller of Rolling Prairie was the guest of honor at a large family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday and hosted by his parents and brother, Deb and Chad Weller and Cody. Among the 40-50 in attendance for the pizza party (cold weather nixed the pool party) were his great-grandparents, Ray and Beth Weller and Barb and Jon Gast; his grandparents, Rick and Belinda Weller; his great-great-aunt Betty Leazenby; his great-aunt and -uncle, Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans; and his cousins, Riley and Brendan.

Renee Colley was in Bartlett, Illinois Sunday. She was a guest of her son and his family, Eric and Julie Colley, Nathan and Meghan. Everyone had a wonderful time helping Meghan celebrate her birthday.

Tom and Linda Garner and Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie, were at Caston Schools Sunday afternoon. They had an exciting time watching the

Garner's grandson, Trey Young, play football for the Caston Chargers.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Mark Brown, Felicia Carpenter and Michele Corbett, Aug. 30; Nancy Bowyer, Brian Easterday, Linda Garner, Elizabeth Weaver, David Wegner and Denise Wegner, Aug. 31; Mick Brown, Paige Kiefaber, Hayley Mills, Sister Mary Shawn, Joel Urbin, Joseph Wilson and Samantha Wilson, Sept. 1; Diane Evers, Carl Miller, Norma Robbins, Dr. Dana Smith and Lois Wilson, Sept. 2; Trayten Mikesell and Lori Leach, Sept. 3; Shelby Bohac, Lisa Cummins, Betty Hickle and Mary Wegner, Sept. 4; and Tim Bowyer, Lauren Halterman, Mary Ingram, Meredith Schauer, Mark Smith and Bill Stoudt, Sept. 5.

There are seven couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Norm Steigely and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hilton, Aug. 30; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Basham, Aug. 31; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Lowe, Sept. 2; Mr. and Mrs. Darl Daily, Sept. 3; and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bangel and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Burkett, Sept. 5.

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## CASTON ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB CALENDAR

August 26 – Athletic Booster meeting, 7 p.m. in the high school library. Everyone welcome.

September 4 – Athletic Boosters will work concession stand at football game. Those willing to work should call Erin Kline at 857-3505, Ext. 387. Dunk tank will feature Coach Andy Firth in the tank. Group will start selling raffle tickets for Ohio State/Purdue football game on October 17.

Sept. 5 – Athletic Booster pancake and sausage breakfast from 6:30 to 9:00 a.m. before the Caston cross country invitational. Cost will be a free will donation.

Sept. 11 – Athletic Booster fish and tenderloin supper from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Adults, \$8; children, 6-12, \$5; children under six, free. Fish/tenderloin will be prepared by Dan's Frying Service. All athletes will be selling tickets.

Sept. 25 – Athletic Boosters will be working the football concession stand. Workers needed. Call 857-3505, Ext. 387.

The Athletic Booster Club is looking for new members. Dues are \$25 per person. All money will go to help Caston athletics.

Persons can join by paying their membership dues to Erin Kline or Debb Stevens, athletic director. You can also sign up at the Booster Club stand at all home games. Current officers include Pat Brown, president; Tonya Hartman, vice president; Erin Kline, secretary; and Don King, treasurer.

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