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## History walks the streets at Trail of Courage, Sept. 19&20

You can step back in time to an entirely different life at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Trail of Courage Living History Festival, September 19 and 20, at Rochester. The Potawatomi Indians were marched single file down Rochester's Main Street September 5, 1938, on the forced removal known as the Trail of Death. Since 1976, this festival has honored the American Indians and shown life before the removal when this was still Potawatomi territory.

Frontier Indiana comes alive with foods cooked over wood fires, period music and dance, traditional crafts, historic camps and trading, canoe rides on the river and much more. The festival is produced by the Fulton County Historical Society. This event combines genealogy of the Potawatomi Indians and the settlers who lived in Fulton County and northern Indiana in the early 1800s with the rendezvous events, stage programs and the historic canoe landing and fur trade skit on the Tippecanoe River. The Trail of Courage will be held on the FCHS grounds four miles north of Rochester on U.S. 31. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$2 for children (6 through 11), and free for those age five and under. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

This year's honored Potawatomi family will be descendants of We-wis-wa. Eddie Joe Mitchell, Prairie Band Potawatomi, Mayetta, Kansas, and other family members will tell their story at 10:30 a.m. on the Chippewy Village stage both days.

Returning this year will be the River Valley Colonials Fife & Drum Corp, Sun Prairie, Wisconsin; a Ben Franklin portrayal by Chuck Molenda, Carpentersville, Illinois; and a Johnny Appleseed portrayal by Steve McPhail, Upland.

The public is invited to join in the Indian dances from 2 to 3 p.m., which are held in an arena encircled by teepees. The drum will be Massassagan Drum led by Mike Floyd, chief of the Eel River tribe. Head dancers will be Bonita Bent-Nelson and Doyle Bleeding of South Bend, both members of the National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture. George Godfrey, Athens, Illinois, a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, will act as emcee. He is president of the Potawatomi Trail of Death Association and has been dancing at the Trail of Courage since 1988. Godfrey had an ancestor on the 1838 Trail of Death.

The Trail of Courage includes historic encampments representing the French and Indian War, Voyageurs, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Western Fur Trade, Plains Indians teepees, and

a Woodland Indian wigwam village. A special re-creation of a Miami Village includes wigwams and life ways demonstrations, such as making cattail mats. There is also a re-creation of Chippewy, the first trading post, post office and village in Fulton County in 1832. Food purveyors and traditional craftsmen set up in wooden booths to demonstrate and sell their wares. Craftsmen also sell pre-1840 trade goods from blankets and in historic merchant tents, offering a variety of items from clothing and jewelry to knives and candles, everything needed to live in frontier days. Canoe rides, muzzle loading shooting and tomahawk throwing contests and a frontier blab school add to the frontier activities.

Two stages with frontier music and dance present programs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Since the early 1980s, FCHS has received grants from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts to help pay for musicians and dancers including the 42<sup>nd</sup> Royal Highlanders, River Valley Colonials Fife & Drum Corp, Aztec dancers, Shakin' Hammers String Band, Mark and Lisa Woolever, Steve McPhail (Johnny Appleseed), Chuck Molenda (Ben Franklin), Shirley Needham with her red-tailed and red shoulder hawks, Chief White Eagle and his Indian lore, and Indian dancers and drum. Many volunteers provide programs such as the Frontier Frolic dance called by Shirley Willard, Nan Edwards and her dogs pulling travois, Marsha Glassburn with her Indian storytelling, the Riddle School 4<sup>th</sup> grade dancers, and Mark Gropp and his bagpipes. Both Catholic and Protestant worship services are held at 9 a.m. on Sunday.

Pioneer foods are cooked over wood fires. Visitors can feast on buffalo burgers, chicken and noodles, barbecue, ham and beans, and fish and chips cooked in big iron kettles, potato brats, apple dumplings, corn on the cob, apple sausage and more, including ice cream, one of George Washington's favorite treats. Local clubs cook and serve these historic foods to fund their projects including Rotary, Kappa Delta Phi, Swingin' Dudes Square Dancers, Grass Creek Lions Club, and the Fulton County Historical Society. The Jackson family of rural Rochester offers barbecue and sweet potato pie and also exhibits a frontier African-American house. Many people attend the festival just for the delicious food.

The grounds are handicap accessible. Free tram rides are available to bring people from the museum, round barn and Living History Village at the north end of the grounds to the festival site. The museum and village are open with costumed hosts and free admission.

Volunteers can earn free

## Kiss the pig contest

Another kiss the pig contest will be held in conjunction with this year's Kewanna Fall Festival scheduled for September 25, 26 and 27.

Votes are \$1.00 each and you may vote as often or as much as you wish at various locations around Kewanna. It should be noted that this election does allow proxy voting, absentee balloting, voting for more than one candidate and stuffing of the ballot box. You may vote by U.S. mail by sending your candidate's name and \$1.00 per vote to: Kiss the Pig, c/o Kewanna H.E.A.R.T., P.O. Box 96, Kewanna, IN 46939. Votes cast by mail must be received by Sept. 21.

The candidate with the most votes will be declared the winner and will win the privilege of kissing the pig on stage at the 7 p.m. Friday, September 25, during the Kewanna Fall Festival. Proceeds go to Kewanna H.E.A.R.T. to help fund the festival.

The "dirty dozen" candidates in this year's contest include Joe Pesaresi of Winamac Coil Spring; Allen Finke of Kewanna Metal Specialties; Kyle Rans of Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home; Tom Mate of Luke's Auction House; Mindy Douglass of Community State Bank; Joe Good of The Observer; Merle Cox of Shorty's Disposal; Chuck Baldwin of Baldwin Homes; Gloria Banks of The Kibitzer; Candice Evers of Union Happy Hoosiers 4-H Club; Walker Conley, Fulton County Sheriff; and Dennis Price, Kewanna Town Marshal.

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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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**& Thursday, Sept. 24th**

admission to the Trail of Courage by working half a day. To volunteer or for more information, call the museum at 574-223-4436. Free parking is provided on FCHS grounds and there are plenty of free benches available on which to sit and rest.

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## Bench press classic added to festival activities

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual Bench Press Classic has been added to this year's Kewanna Fall Festival schedule. The event will be held Saturday, September 26, at the Upright Iron Stage located at Logan and Main Streets.

Competition is open to all ages. Weigh-in will be from 9:30 to 10 a.m. with competition starting at 10 a.m.

Divisions include open, master, women and teen in the following classes:

Women - 121 & under; 122-135; 136-150; 151 & over

Men - 180 & under; 181-210; 211-250; 251 & over

Teen - 120 & under; 121-151; 152-182; 183-213; 214 & over

First and second place awards will be given in all divisions.

There is no entry fee and no admission. Alan Zimmerman will be the meet director. The bench press classic is being sponsored by Tom Mate, Alan Zimmerman and Zimmerman Law Office, P.C.

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## 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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## New faces and a face-lift

You will see some new faces at the local library. They are Hannah Greenwood and Theresa Mullins.

Ms. Greenwood is working at the library, but is actually working for the National Able Network. This program pays for seniors, who qualify, to work in their community.

Ms. Mullins is volunteering her time at the library through her employer, Wal-mart. After she completes 25 hours of volunteer service, Wal-mart will donate \$250 to the library.

The windows at the library are getting a face-lift. Scraping, priming, painting, repairing and washing will be done on all but the west side windows. This is not part of the planned renovation of the library, but needs to be done before further deterioration occurs.

The library board is still pursuing a grant for the proposed library renovation, which is geared toward preserving the original Carnegie library.

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## The News In Brief

The Community State Bank is selling pumpkins (paper) at \$1.00 each. The pumpkins will be displayed at the bank and proceeds will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The Fulton County Historical Power Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 8, at the Fulton County Museum, Rochester. Members and the public are welcome.

The Fulton County Historical Society Museum will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, for the Labor Day holiday. Normal hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The museum is closed holidays and Sundays.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, in the county office meeting room, 125 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester.

V.I.P. (Visually Impaired People) will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Von Tobel Center, 115 W. Pearl St., Winamac. Anyone with vision problems and others are welcome.

The Caston Athletic Boosters will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast Saturday, Sept. 5, from 6:30 to 9 a.m. across from the football field, right before the Caston cross country invitational. The cost of the meal is a free will donation.

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of Labor Day.

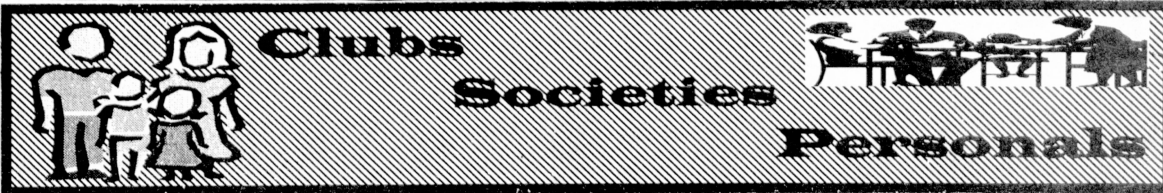
Average SAT scores for the class of 2009 in Indiana dropped slightly, remaining below the national average.

Woodlawn hospital has placed a certified registered nurse anesthetist on its staff. Richard Lyons will assume his duties this month. It is estimated that having a full time anesthetist on staff will save the hospital about \$700,000 a year.

Health officers in Indiana have been told they expect the state to receive at least 838,000 doses of swine flu vaccine by late October and perhaps more. If total production of the vaccine reaches the 195 million the government ordered by December, Indiana's share would be more than four million. This would be enough for about one-third of the state's population.

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### Family reunion held

The children of Harriet (Elston) and Foster Stoudt and Ruth (Elston) and LaPhon Overmyer recently held a family reunion at the home of Matt and Jamie Fisher, Goshen.

Following the death of Ruth (Elston) Overmyer in 1957, her children spent many good times throughout their childhood in the home of their aunt and uncle, Foster and Harriet (Elston) Stoudt. The first cousins consider themselves more like brothers and sisters rather than cousins.

The day was spent swimming, playing corn hole games, reminiscing childhood days, and of course, eating. It was decided to make the reunion an annual event.

Those in attendance were Bill and Martha Stoudt of Anderson, Jane (Stoudt) and Mike Arend of Wheatfield, Mary (Stoudt) and Jim Fisher of Wanatah, Tom and

The "older generation" at the Stoudt/Overmyer reunion was represented by (seated/standing, left to right) Bill and Martha Stoudt, Jane and Mike Arend,

Marjorie Overmyer, Barrington, Illinois, Dan and Diane Overmyer and Sue (Overmyer) and Darick Stewart of Valparaiso.

The younger generation was represented by the hosts, Matt and Jamie Fisher, Eva and Jaden, Goshen; Kathy (Fisher) and Jon Watson, Caleb, Kallie and Lilly, Rochester; Molly (Stoudt) and Dustin Riggs, Eli, Kate and Mia, McCordsville; Josh and Jeremy Overmyer, (sons of Dan Overmyer) and Jesse Stewart of Valparaiso; and Jamie (Stewart) Kincade, Lafayette.

The youngest family member in attendance was ten-day-old Laila Sue Kincade, daughter of Jamie and Andrew Kincade.

Family members who could not

Mary and Jim Fisher, Tom and Marjorie Overmyer, Dan and Diane Overmyer, and Sue and Darick Stewart.

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attend were Jim and Susan Overmyer and family of Minot, North Dakota; Susan Stoudt, New York City, New York; Corbin Overmyer, Estes Park, Colorado; and Shilah (Overmyer) and Daniel Marks and daughter of Naxxar, England.

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### CLARA ELSPETH TON

Ian and Liz (Gracon) Ton of Washington, D.C. are the parents of a daughter born August 31, 2009. The infant weighed 8 pounds and 12 ounces and has been named Clara Elspeth Ton. Beverly Ton, Kewanna, and the late Bryan Ton are the baby's paternal grandparents.

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### Kenny and Judy Reed to be honored

Kenny and Judy Reed, Kewanna, will be the guests of honor at a party hosted by their children from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, September 13, at the Manitou Banquet Center, 901 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester.

The event will celebrate Kenny's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday which is September 14 and his retirement, as well as the couple's 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary which is September 13.

Friends and acquaintances are invited to help the couple

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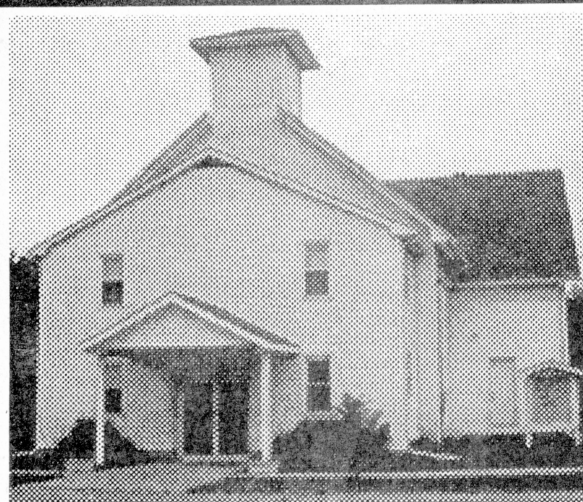
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## HOSPITAL NOTES....

### WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

August 22

Births - Merle and Miranda Pierce, Macy, a son

August 24

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - Lois Stones and Beverly Geller, Rochester; Virgie Gregory, Argos; Michelle Hewitt, Peru; Miranda Pierce and son, Macy

August 25

Admissions - John Hudkins, Rochester; Willard Ege, Macy

Dismissals - none published

Births - Jeremy and Leanne Will, Winamac, a son; Paula Galloway, Rochester, a daughter

August 26

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - none published

Births - Amanda Barnes, Akron, a son

August 27

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - John Hudkins and Paula Galloway and daughter, Rochester

August 28

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - Leanne Will and son, Winamac; Willard Ege, Macy; Amanda Barnes and son, Akron

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## DEATHS .....

### DOROTHY M. CHIZUM

Dorothy M. Chizum, 92, Rochester, passed away at 2:25 a.m. Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at Life Care Center of Rochester where she has resided for the last four years.

Dorothy was born on September 14, 1916 in Pulaski County, the daughter of the late Samuel and Icy Pearl Garst Lamb. She was married June 6, 1937 in Fulton County to H. Marion Chizum. He preceded her in death on March 7, 1997. The couple was married

for nearly six decades.

Survivors include two daughters, Margaret J. DeWitt, Kewanna, and Mary Ann Eckardt, Hingham, Massachusetts; six grandchildren, Beth Burch and her husband, Eric, and Becky Young and her husband, Lance, all of Rochester, Bryan DeWitt, Kewanna, Shuan McCarty, Columbus, Ohio, Cara Chavez and her husband, Everett, Denver, Colorado and Cosima Zehring, Framingham, Massachusetts; seven great-grandchildren, Aaron Ewing of London, UK, Amy Berkshire and her husband, Pat, Wheatfield, Alyssa Owens and her husband, Roy, St. Louis, Missouri, Annika Chavez, Denver, Colorado, and Brad Burch, Traci Burch and Sarah Burch, all of Rochester; five great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Lois Doud, Rochester; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a granddaughter, Barbara Killian; four sisters, Isabelle M. Brockey, Bernice Falconer, Mildred Brockey and Isabelle Lamb; two brothers, Frank and Marion Lamb; and a son-in-law, Bill DeWitt.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, September 4, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester. Friends may visit with the family two hours prior to the service. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in her name 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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## Send In Your News

## 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 tovs may call 574-223-4802 and leave a message for Cheryl.

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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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## Pulaski Memorial Hospital Community Calendar

### Cancervive

The Cancervive Support Group at Pulaski Memorial Hospital will meet Sept 22 from 4 to 5:30 pm in the hospital Conference Center. Kathy Deka, ACS Community Program Representative, will speak on "Financial Needs of Cancer Patients" and there will be a Q&A. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### Auxiliary Book Sale

The Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's Fall Book Sale will be Sept 30 from 11 am to 6 pm in the hospital Conference Center. This is a great time to start your Christmas gift buying.

## Grief and Life Transition Support

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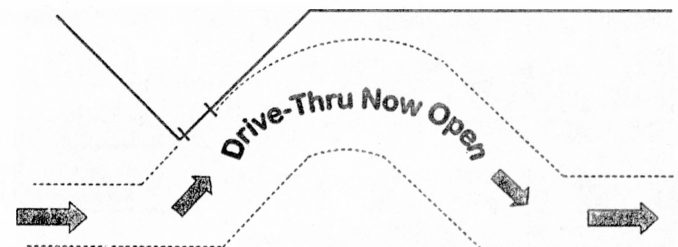
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# Looking Back.....

## SIXTY YEARS AGO September 8, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore of Lake Bruce are the parents of a daughter born recently at Woodlawn Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Rife, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rocco and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mullins spent Labor Day at the State Fair.

Elmer Beck, justice of the peace in Fulton for the last 20 years, passed away at 6:00 a.m. Wednesday morning at his home after an illness of two years. He was 86 years old.

Sunday's high winds and heavy rains put a damper on holiday activities. Fourteen telephone lines and two toll lines were reported out of use out of Kewanna. Fulton gutters were so full of water Sunday evening that the entire Main Street was under several inches of water. Labor Day saw the sun, but sweaters were a welcomed article of clothing.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO September 3, 1954

There will be an additional 20 bins for corn storage erected at Kewanna by September 13, according to Fred Graffis, county committeeman for the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Joseph W. Dague has filed his candidacy for Wayne township trustee and A. H. Kuhn, Maurice Smith and Donald Hizer have

filed for Wayne township advisory board on the Democratic ticket according to records at the county clerk's office.

Charles Nickles, 87, died as the result of an accident at 10:15 a.m. Thursday when he drove his 1936 Chevrolet on to State Road 17 and collided with a 1951 Ford driven by Harold Hickle. Mr. Nickles died enroute to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Murray entertained at a family dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Murray's sister, Mrs. Roger Lincoln, of Winamac who was celebrating a birthday. Other guests were Mr. Lincoln and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Johnson of Crawfordsville and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Sabitini of Logansport.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO September 3, 1959

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collins, Walkerton, a daughter on August 12. The baby has been named Peggy Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. David Foust, Macy, are the parents of a son, Randall Wayne, born August 31 at Woodlawn Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces.

Jane Zartman, bride-elect of Richard Green, was the honored guest at a bridal shower Wednesday evening, August 26, in the home of Mrs. Cloyd Zuck and daughter, Mary. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Helen Whiteman and daughter, Karen.

Mary Esther Henning and Luanne Adams were honored guests at a cookout Wednesday evening at the Baptist parsonage, given by the young people of the church. Mary Esther and Luanne will soon leave to attend Taylor University at Upland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown and family entertained at a family dinner Sunday honoring the first birthday of their grandson, Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brown.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO September 3, 1964

Mrs. Stella Grube, 77, Kewanna, died at 5 a.m. Tuesday in Pulaski Memorial Hospital. Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Mary Appleman, Hammond, and one sister, Mrs. Emma Carter, Dunkirk.

Don Foglesong, local barber and long time resident of Kewanna, was found dead at his home Tuesday evening. Funeral arrangements are pending at the Harrison Funeral Home.

John Newgent, Rt. 1, Kewanna, has graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, California.

The Manitou Garden Club met Wednesday, August 26, in the home of Mrs. Theo Urbin, Kewanna, with Mrs. Ted Hunt as her co-hostess. There were 24 members present.

Richard Kumler, machinist's mate second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Kumler, Kewanna, has departed for duty with units of the Atlantic Fleet now participating in exercise UNITAS V, aboard the submarine USS Odax.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO September 6, 1979

Gladys Richards, 86, Rt. 2, Kewanna, died at her residence Monday morning. Survivors include two sons, Joseph H. of Columbus, Ohio, and Robert L. of New York City. Services will be held Saturday at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna, and burial will be in the IOOF Cemetery, Kewanna.

An awning was installed over the steps at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library Saturday to protect the steps and those who use them from rain, ice and snow.

The Kewanna town board has purchased a new 52 hp diesel utility tractor for the town to replace the 16-year-old tractor the town is presently using. The purchase also includes a front-end loader, front-end blade and rotary mower. Kewanna Implement Co. was the successful bidder on the equipment. The old tractor will be kept as a back-up.

Kewanna Metal Specialties recently added new storage and office facilities to its plant on West Main St. A 6,000 square-foot storage building was added

to the factory. The area previously used for storage will be used for production purposes. The 1,200 square-foot addition to the office includes a conference room, storage room, computer room and two offices.

Jack Urbin, Republican precinct committeeman, has announced that the following names have been filed as candidates for the town election this fall: members of the town board, Ward 1 - Don Troutman; Ward 2 - Elmer Harper; Ward 3 - John Urbin; and town clerk-treasurer - Karen Good.

The Mend and Blend Club met recently in the home of Sandy Gates with the president, Sherri Van Meter presiding. The guest speaker was Anita Redweik who showed slides and talked about her family's trip to Russia and surrounding countries.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Urbin, Rt. 4, Rochester, are the parents of a son born at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 1 ounce and has been named Joel Lee. Mrs. Urbin is the former Eunice Smitley.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO September 7, 1989

The Observer is back on track after being derailed last week due to a Sunday afternoon mishap which landed the publisher, Joe

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**"LOOKING BACK"  
Con't. From Page 4**

Good, in the hospital. He suffered a torn Achilles tendon during a volleyball game at a church picnic, which required the services of an orthopedic surgeon and three days in the hospital.

Homes, trailers and trees on the south side of Lake Bruce took a severe beating from a tornado shortly after 4 a.m. Friday morning. Much of the damage was caused by falling trees and limbs. A car was totally demolished by a falling tree and Mike Guzaldo of Hoosier Hideaway reports damage to six cottages. Six mobile homes in the park were destroyed, plus 15-20 more were damaged.

Jennifer Teeter, daughter of James and Jane (Cogdill) Teeter of Bluffton, graduated in July from Air Force Basic Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Frank and Ruth Cogdill of Kewanna and Bob and Lois Teeter of Rochester.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 26, at the Kewanna United Methodist Church for D. Arthur Wilson, 69, Rt. 1, Kewanna. Rev. Bryan Ton officiated and burial was in the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery. He was a 1937 graduate of Kewanna High School and a retired band director and teacher.

Sherald K. "Tad" Hines, 76, Rt. 3, Kewanna died at 6:10 p.m. Monday at his home. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 31, at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna. Burial was in the

Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery. He was a retired pipe fitter at Logansport State Hospital, as well as a retired farmer.

**TEN YEARS AGO  
September 2, 1999**

Phillip Kline has been nominated for the Golden Wrench Award at Lincoln Technical Institute in Indianapolis. Phil is presently working his apprenticeship at Culver Power Equipment. He is the son of Gary and Julie Kline, Kewanna.

Zion Gospel Church north of Lake Bruce held its last service Sunday with seven members in attendance. Edd Wentzel sold the land for the church in 1884 for \$70.40.

Jeffrey and Martha Masteller Burns of Tucker, Georgia, are the parents of a son born August 11. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 13 ounces and has been named Joseph Harrison Burns. Maternal grandparents are Louise Masteller and the late Robert Masteller, Kewanna.

Caroline Boos and Wilma Donelson were among those who attended the Wednesday morning meeting of the Breakfast Club at Miller's Restaurant in Winamac. Later, they checked out a couple of craft shops and had lunch in the Plymouth area.

Clara Osborn returned home Wednesday, Sept. 1, from a two-week trip to Wisconsin.

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**CASTON MENU  
September 7 - 11  
Breakfast**

Choice each day with fruit or juice and milk - cereal & toast; sausage/cheese bun; ham/cheese bun; or toaster pastry

**Lunch**

Monday - Labor Day, no school  
Tuesday - Pizza, green beans, applesauce, cookies and milk.  
Comet Café - whopper, French fries

Wednesday - Chicken tenders, whipped potatoes and gravy, broccoli, peach crisp and milk.  
Comet Café - pork barbecue sandwich and onion rings

Thursday - Corn dog, potatoes, Mandarin oranges, cookie and milk.  
Comet Café - chicken salad sandwich and chips

Friday - Turkey and cheese sandwich, corn, mixed fruit, sugar cookie and milk.  
Comet Café - taco salad

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU  
September 7 - 11  
Elementary Breakfast**

Monday - Labor Day, no school  
Tuesday - Omelet, juice and milk

Wednesday - Donut, string cheese, juice and milk

Thursday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

Friday - Sausage pancake, juice and milk

**Elementary Lunch**

Monday - Labor Day, no school  
Tuesday - Cheese breadsticks with salsa, green beans, applesauce, cookie and milk

Wednesday - Hot dog, potatoes, pears, cookie and milk

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

Friday - Omelet, hash browns, applesauce, cinnamon roll and milk

**Middle/High School Menu**

Monday - Labor Day, no school  
Tuesday - Roasted chicken pizza, California blend vegetables, applesauce, brownie, and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Nachos, corn, orange juice cup, and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Hamburger, potatoes, mixed fruit, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Chicken nuggets, broccoli, donut, pears and milk. Choice - salad bar

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The Caston Comets recorded their second football victory of the young season when they defeated West Central last Friday, 42-16. The Comets scored its 42 points before the Trojans got on the board. The 2-0 Comets will host Frontier this Friday in its home opener.

The Rochester girls cross country team defeated Caston at Caston Tuesday, Aug. 25, 16-45. Kara Smith was Caston's fastest runner finishing in 5<sup>th</sup> place with a time of 25:33. Veronica Sheets of Caston came in 7<sup>th</sup> with a time of 26:58. Other runners and times were Maggie Daily, 29:34 and Taylor Smith and Megan Powell with identical times of 35:20.

The Comets boys only had two

runners and did not post a team score. David McMenamin finished in 10<sup>th</sup> place with a time of 22:35 and Graham Redweik took 11<sup>th</sup> place in 23:09.

The Caston cross country teams competed in an invitational at Carroll Saturday morning. Carroll won the boys event, followed by Wabash, Tri County, Lewis Cass, Clinton Central and Caston. Graham Redweik was Caston's fastest runner finishing 21<sup>st</sup> in 21:08. Right behind him in 22<sup>nd</sup> place was David McMenamin with a time of 21:17. Justin Collins had a time of 23:26, Zachary Smith, 25:15, and D. Roland, 26:35.

Tri County won the girls event, followed by Lewis Cass, Carroll, Wabash and Clinton Central. Caston did not have enough runners to post a team score. Comet Kara Smith posted her best ever time with a 23:52, which was good for 15<sup>th</sup> place. Other runners were Veronica Sheets (25:52) and Maggie Daily (27:14).

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**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	626,300	619,439
Transportation.....	522,131	538,057	567,289	562,987
Bus Replacement.....	105,390	85,514	128,135	175,584
Spec. Ed. Prescool.....	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	25,250	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  
James E. Ayers, Vice President  
Randall D. Sommers, Secretary  
Joyce E. Zartman, Member  
Russell B. Phillips, Jr. Member

\*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.

**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	



**Small Business Counseling**

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financing and growing a business. A counselor is available every month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. To schedule an appointment for September 9 call 574-223-3326.

**AREA FIVE MENU**  
**Kewanna Fire Station**  
 Monday, Sept. 7 – closed, Labor Day  
 Wednesday, Sept. 9 – Meat loaf, baked potato, green beans, peaches, oatmeal bread and milk  
 Friday, Sept. 11 – Sloppy Joe sandwich, toss salad, creamed corn, pears and milk

**New Potawatomi Trail of Death newsletter**

The latest issue of the Potawatomi Trail of Death Assn. has been mailed to members. It has 29 pages and sells for \$5 at the Fulton County Museum.

Contents include Chief Menominee statue 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary ceremony to be Sept.

18, Paul Quick obituary and tribute, Burnett's Creek Arch restored, 2008 Trail of Death caravan Illinois - Kansas, Citizen Potawatomi Nation report, how Wabash River got its name,

Tippecanoe County asked to OK Trail of Death signs, Prophetstown Park report, Prairie Band donated \$1,500 to erect signs in Illinois, "True West" magazine praises Trail of Death preservation work, and more.

To order the newsletter send dues of \$20 to PTDA c/o Fulton Co. Hist. Soc., 37 E 375 N, Rochester IN 46975.

**Comedy is simply a funny way of being serious.**

—Peter Ustinov

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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 hearings 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	2	3	4	5
Fund Name	Budget Estimate	Maximum Estimated Funds to be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	Excessive Levy Appeals (Included in Column 3)	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

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 Thursday, Sept. 10th  
 & Thursday, Sept. 24th



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## Letter To The Editor

For many communities, board meetings are announced before and after the meetings telling what is discussed, proposed and acted upon. In some cases minutes are posted in news media. The Union Township Public Library has held meetings and executive sessions in silence for a long time. The prevailing attitude is that if you want to know anything, come to the meetings and find out for yourself. Do you know when and where meetings are held? Do you know your board members?

I have learned that the library board purchased the old doctor's building for storage around two years ago at a price of \$40,000. That amount came from the Rainy Day Fund saved up by the library over many years. At this time the library board intends to tear down that building. The current board is convinced that the building is not repairable or useful. OUCH! Will you pay me \$40,000 for my house and tear it down, please? Did you hear about the 1<sup>st</sup> hearing that was held to agree to tear down the building and expand to that side and the rear of the present library? I didn't either, but the second and final public meeting is to be held to satisfy the requirements that the public be given a chance to respond.

Did you know that over 300 signatures were collected at the

firemen's annual pancake and sausage breakfast to show that the public was aware of the proposed expansion and subsequent changes? As I recall, you did not have to be from here, agree, or disagree with the expansion. You just had to sign that you were

AWARE of the plans. Many signatures were from out-of-towners. Now, at least 300 people are AWARE of this project, even if it is not those of us that use the library and live here.

Did you know that the position of public library board member is a non paid position of a non profit organization? Which means, that you re not supposed to profit from you position? Why is a voting member of this board also a paid employee/contractor to the library? Is that a conflict of interest, or common business practice in a small town? Can I hire myself, too?

Did you know that the grant to do all this has not been approved, in fact the application has not been presented yet? Where will all the books and equipment be stored while you knock down two sides of the building and expand. How long will it take to complete the project? What temporary measures will be available to library patrons? Is it possible to repair and use the "old building" while expanding? Then sell the property later? Perhaps such a plan could recoup funds the library needs to move into the future?

How much more staff will be required to run the expansion? How will this impact our local

taxes? How much will be paid from taxes, grants, bonds, or indebtedness? If we expand using a grant, can we afford to operate the facility? I knew a person who had a Corvette once. They could afford the payments, but could not afford the insurance or plates to drive that Corvette. We are a very small community with many old buildings already gone.

Now, I have done my duty as a concerned citizen asking that the public library patrons give their input on their library and how it is to be run. Please, it takes all of us being heard to see the best changes for all as we get more involved in the business of Kewanna. That's what community is about.

Sincerely,  
Concerned Citizen  
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### Sen. Randy Head says Indiana one of the few states not cutting funding for corrections

Indiana is fortunate not to be among states faced with releasing convicts early, closing prisons or reducing guards, says Sen. Randy Head (R-Logansport), a member of the Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal and Civil Matters.

Indiana is one of the few states maintaining funding for corrections this year, according to a recent survey by the Vera Institute of Justice.

Head said analysis showed a least 23 states slashed funding for corrections to help balance their books. Indiana was among 10 states that had not cut corrections funding.

"Hoosiers are very fortunate that they do not have to worry about early-released prisoners roaming our streets," Head said. "I'm thankful our state leaders are able to maintain funds for

our prisons and avoid the type decisions made elsewhere that I believe may well put public safety at risk."

Because of the lingering national recession, Head said many states have taken drastic measures in their battles with budgets:

In California, a judge has ordered early release of 40,000 inmates - about 27 percent of the state's prison population - within the next two years to ease dangerous overcrowding. Illinois is reportedly considering the same strategy;

Seven states - Colorado, Kansas, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina and Washington - have decided to close prisons;

Illinois officials announced recently a \$1 billion cost-cutting plan means layoffs for more than 1,000 state prison workers;

Oregon lawmakers delayed a voter-approved plan to hand down longer prison sentences for property crimes, because the state couldn't afford it;

Kansas eliminated 85 percent of slots in its substance-abuse treatment program for inmates, citing budget constraints; and

Six states cut funding for corrections by more than 10 percent: Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska and Washington.

Head supported a new two-year Indiana budget in part, because it maintained funding levels for corrections, was balanced and included no tax increases.

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Sept. 8 - Men's meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 13 - Open Sunday at noon  
Sept. 14 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

Sept. 25, 26 & 27 - VFW will serve pork loin and hot dog sandwiches during Kewanna Fall Festival from booth at JD's Service Center

Sept. 24 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 27 - Open Sunday. No euchre as fall festival will be in progress.

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## Public Notice

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Judith A. Reed  
Fulton County Auditor

Pub. 9-3-09

### Notice To Taxpayers

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Fulton County, Indiana, that a meeting of the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, will be held at the County Office Building in Rochester, Indiana on the 15th day of September, 2009, at 6:00 P.M. for the following additional appropriations:

ADULT PROBATION:  
Fringe Health/Dental...\$17,250.00  
Total Adult Probation...\$17,250.00  
COUNTY GENERAL:  
Public Defender, Conflc  
Attorney Fees.....\$15,000.00  
Public Defender, Invest  
Expert Witness Trasc\$10,000.00  
Total County General.\$25,000.00  
PRETRIAL:

Social Security.....\$2,200.00  
Perf. ....\$1,100.00  
Total Pretrial.....\$3,300.00

ALCOHOL & DRUG:  
Social Security.....\$3,800.00  
Fringe Health/Dental.....\$6,000.00  
Perf.....\$2,600.00  
Total Alcohol & Drug...\$12,400.00

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

ATTEST:  
Judith A. Reed  
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Pub. 9/3/09

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### Notice To Taxpayers of Budget Estimates & Tax Levies Budget Estimate/ Kewanna-Union Twp. Public Library

In the matter of determining tax rates for certain purposes by the (Library Board of Kewanna-Union Township Public Library, Fulton County, Indiana. Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Kewanna-Union Twp. Public Library, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper officers of said Library, will conduct a public hearing at Kewanna Library, Fulton County, Indiana, on the year 2010 budget on September 14, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. 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 hearing, the Library Board will meet at the Kewanna-Union Twp. Public library, Fulton County on September 28, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. to adopt the following budget.

Net Assessed Valuation \$49,150,000

FUND NAME	BUDGET ESTIMATE	Maximum Estimated Funds To Be Raised (Including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations)	CURRENT TAX LEVY
Library Operating Fund.....	\$129,485.00	\$80,100.00	\$76,335.00
TOTAL.....	\$129,485.00	\$80,100.00	\$76,335.00

The year 2010 estimated maximum levy limitation for this unit is \$80,100.00.  
The Property Tax Replacement Credit used to reduce the rate for this unit is \$2,800.00.  
Taxpayers appearing at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Date, 9 / 1, 2009  
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## Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown

Ph.: (574) 653-2451

Mathilda Lamb spent most of last week in Peru. She was a houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb, for several days.

Helen Whiteman was in Winamac Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 25, for a sports double-header. The first game was a soccer match in which her great-grandson, Tristan Connor, was playing. The second game was a volleyball match in which her great-granddaughter, Whitney Hook, was participating.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in LaPorte Wednesday, Aug. 26. They were guests of their son and his family, Chris and Nita LaFollette, Michele, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Thomas. Everyone had a fun time helping Elizabeth celebrate her birthday with cake, ice cream and presents.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Wednesday. She enjoyed visiting with Sharlene Haimbaugh and Barbara Brown at the Paradise Family truck stop

restaurant.

Don and Pauline Scales had working visitors last week. Coming over to help prepare the Scales' deck for winter were their daughters and son-in-law, Barb Grandstaff of Kendallville and Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City.

Barb Hieber had a caller one day last week. Coming down for a pleasant mother-daughter chat was Barb's daughter, Sue Janes of LaPorte.

Barb and Tom LaFollette helped Beth Larson with the V.F.W. pizza supper Thursday.

Helen Whiteman was in Winamac again Thursday evening. She enjoyed attending Tristan Connor's soccer game.

Tom and Barb LaFollette and their great-grandson, Eli, traveled to Michigan Friday, Aug. 28. They had a fun time picking peaches to bring home and preserve for the upcoming winter.

Harold Sutton and Janet Calhoun attended a fish fry supper at Plymouth Friday evening. Saturday evening, they enjoyed dinner at Alejandra's and then did some shopping. Sunday they attended a birthday party for Kim Sutton Jenkins in the community room of the local fire station.

Jon and Barb Gast had company Saturday, Aug. 29. Coming over for a visit and bringing along lunch were Jon's parents, Stuart and Rachel Gast of Winamac. Stuart and Rachel had been to the Kiwanis' sandwich sale and purchased a variety of sandwiches and other goodies for their meal.

Tom Miller of Sharpesville was a Saturday visitor of Barb and Tom LaFollette.

Tom and Linda Garner and their son, T.J. Garner, were among those who attended the wedding reception held in honor of Steve and Amanda Metzger Saturday evening.

Kim Jenkins was the guest of honor at a large family gathering Sunday, Aug. 30. The occasion was in celebration of her 30<sup>th</sup> birthday and held in the community room of the local fire station. Among those helping her mark the event with dinner were her husband, Justin Jenkins, and their four children; her parents, Cora Lynn Clemans and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Sutton; her grandparents, Ray and Beth Weller, Barb and Jon Gast and Harold Sutton; her great-aunt, Betty Leazenby; Tami Powell, Florence Baldwin and Harold's friend.

Florence Hogan had guests Sunday. Coming for a pleasant visit were her daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette. The threesome enjoyed lunch at the Kibitzer restaurant before tackling several chores around the house.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Brittany Duca, Sally Masteller, Beanca Newgent, Sadie Rude, Rae Ann Snider and Bev Ton, Sept. 7; Lacey Birge, Barbara Brown, Jon Cunningham, Mary Lou Foerg and Gary Wentzel, Sept. 8; Ted Brown, Joseph Cummins, Carrie Hickle, Justin Jones and Andrea

Kumler, Sept. 9; Mark Bitterling, Blake Hamman and Charla Sparks, Sept. 10; Neil Douglass, Kirsta Greer, Dr. Jeff Hoover, Jacob Tomerlin and Ryli Van Scoy, Sept. 11; and Shawn Grounds, Sue Hamman, Brenda Vogel and Camile Zimpleman, Sept. 12.

There are three couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bauman, Sept. 7; Mr. and Mrs. Rich Powell, Sept. 9; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim James, Sept. 11.

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### CASTON ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB CALENDAR

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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### Homework hotline

A new school year has begun and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology's Homework Hotline toll-free tutoring service is available to help area middle school and high school students in understanding their math and science homework.

Starting Sunday, Sept. 6, thirty Rose-Hulman student tutors will be available Sundays through Thursdays from 7 to 10 p.m. for students in grades 6-12. The toll-free telephone number is 1-877-275-7673. Students can also submit questions and access a variety of math and science resource materials on the Homework Hotline's website at [www.AskRose.org](http://www.AskRose.org).

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