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KEWANNA TOWN COUNCIL

The Kewanna town council met September 3 at the town hall for its regular monthly session with the president, Jeff Finke, presiding. Others present include council members, Dan Birge and Mark Smith; clerk-treasurer, Jenny Kay; assistant fire chief, Tony Pesaresi; town marshal, Dennis Price; town superintendent, Mike Molitor; deputy marshal, Jon Sailors, Jr.; nurse practitioner, Jean Herd; and Brian Johnson of the Community Foundation.

Supt. Mike Molitor discussed the construction progress at the wastewater treatment plant. Installation of the liner in the east lagoon is nearly done. Engineer for the project, Mike Srang, turned in an approximate estimate for extra fees via email. Bonar will be submitting their fees at the close of the project. The council agreed the additional charges are not justifiable, noting there were no change orders. Although there was a time delay due to weather, the fees for "extras" were part of the original contract, not in addition to it.

Assistant town superintendent, Danny Chew, has been installing new "stop" and "yield" signs as well as new meters. Both Molitor and Chew attended an Operator Boot Camp at Grissom Air Reserve Base in August. Chew will be attending an exam prep class to prepare for the wastewater certification exam in October. Molitor expressed his preference for a vactor truck rather than a pick-up truck for which funds have been appropriated in the 2010 budget. Molitor will be contacting the county for use of its street sweeper prior to the Kewanna Fall Festival to clean up Main Street and the town lot.

Nurse Practitioner Jean Herd, who has recently accepted a position with the VA, approached the council about using a room in the town hall where she could see patients on Saturday morning as she would like to continue her medical practice. She would be collaborating with a doctor in Winamac, but working alone, and using her own phone for making and receiving calls. She purposes charging a flat \$20 fee for office visits and will not be filing anything through insurance carriers. The council agreed this would benefit the community, but it will have to contact the town's insurance carrier to be sure there are no liability issues.

Marshal Dennis Price submitted his August report noting that Jon Sailors, Jr. has completed marshal's schooling and requested that the town begin paying him for hours worked beginning with the September schedule. This was approved by

the council. The department issued eight traffic warnings, made three criminal arrests, answered 38 calls and patrolled 1,433 miles during August. Price inquired when the streets would need to be closed for the festival parade. Councilman Mark Smith will contact businesses on Main Street to determine a time that would accommodate all concerned. The police department was made aware of lights at the local park which have been broken. Deputies will be paying extra attention to this area to try to stop the vandalism. Deputy Sailors will be conducting a bike/street safety program for area children at the fire station with the date to be determined.

Assistant fire chief, Tony Pesaresi, submitted his August report, noting five town alarms (one fire and four medical) and five township alarms (three fire and two medical). The department has one last extrication tool demo to view, giving them a better idea of what they are looking for in new extrication equipment. The fall festival will be staffed by the fire department beginning at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, through 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27.

Brian Johnson of the Fulton County Community Foundation was on hand seeking interest from the town for an endowment program currently underway. The foundation would like to make Union Township the pilot community for this program that will help raise funds for organizations and charitable causes through a matching program. The council agreed to invite Brian back to hold a meeting with local residents to share what is involved and what the benefits are of this long-term program.

The appearance of grass and weeds as well as the instability of a building on East Liberty Street were addressed. The property owner will be contacted by the police department about getting the building secured or torn down and the grass and weeds cleaned up.

Ordinances were passed by the council closing alleys adjacent to the local library and Winamac Coil Spring. These ordinances can be found elsewhere in this issue of The Observer.

A hearing was conducted on the proposed 2010 budget, as advertised. There were no comments from taxpayers.

The 2010 salary resolution was approved by the council.

Trick or treat hours were set for 6:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday, October 31.

The council approved a pay request from Thomas Excavating in the amount of \$42,000 and from R. P. Murphy and Associates for \$22,500 for the wastewater treatment project.

The council okayed the purchase of a dehumidifier for the town hall basement to control moisture in the records storage room.

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

Send In Your News

By consent of the town council, Kewanna will continue its contract previously held with Arcox Manufacturing, now B&T Recycling, LLC, for curbside recycling.

The superintendent's monthly report noted that he had met with Mike Srang and Jason Young about the irrigator tracks. Young reported that there are still problems with the style the superintendent requested (Starr Traks). You have to purchase all new tires and rims and still might tear up the gear boxes. The town switched to a Z-Trax design which is a direct bolt on unit. If a problem occurs with one of them, an old tire can be bolted on to get by. Test samples were drawn from the town's well houses, along with samples for lead and copper testing, and taken to the lab in South Bend to satisfy the water works' annual testing requirements. Danny Chew was able to get all the road cuts patched, along with more potholes. He trimmed some tree limbs that were blocking speed limit signs. He also cleaned up some limbs that NIPSCO had cut and he assisted several home owners and plumbers in locating water leaks. The wastewater department was able to irrigate every week during August, draining the east lagoon. Danny then cut a path in the sludge with a boat to help drain all the water. Thieneman Construction was then notified so they could begin work on the liner. Stone was added to the dump drive and behind the post office. A tree/bush was removed from the end of a driveway that was blocking a view of the street. Repairs were made to the turn signals and tail lights on the red pick-up. Arrow Pest Control was in town to handle four hornet nests on a two-block section of East Street. The water works pumped a total of 1,495,100 gallons of water during August.

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Kewanna United Methodist celebrating 170 years

The Kewanna United Methodist Church will celebrate 170 years of ministry to the community Sunday, September 13.

Rev. Frank Beard, district superintendent, will be the speaker for the 10:30 a.m. worship service. A carry-in dinner will follow the service.

The Methodist church in Kewanna (first known as Pinhook and later Pleasant Grove) was organized in 1839. Meetings had been held before, but it was after a camp meeting in the northwest section of Kewanna that a pastor was employed and the church organized.

Meetings continued to be held in the grove, at the homes of members and in a school house west of Kewanna until 1845-46 when the first log church was built at the west end of Main Street. It was the first church organized and the first church building in Union Township.

In 1857, the first frame church was built, very near the site of the log church. In 1891, interest in a new church took hold to meet the needs of a growing congregation and community. A new brick church was constructed at the site of the present church on the corner of Pearl and Toner Streets and was dedicated February 9, 1895.

The congregation grew and more room for Sunday school and social work was necessary, so an annex was built at a cost of \$15,000 and dedicated March 25, 1928.

On January 29, 1931, tragedy struck and the brick church burned to the ground, leaving the recently constructed annex unharmed.

Work was begun at once on a new church and the current structure was dedicated November 22, 1931. The church parsonage was built in 1910-1911. A total of 87 pastors have served during the 170 year life of the church.

Everyone is welcome to attend and help the congregation celebrate this special event.

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Permits required for soliciting door-to-door

Kewanna residents are reminded that permits are required for selling/soliciting door-to-door in Kewanna. The permits cost \$50 per person and may be obtained at the Kewanna town hall.

Residents should make sure that persons stopping at their homes to sell a product or service have obtained a permit.

Permits do not apply to schools, churches or scouting groups, but they are asked to notify the town clerk-treasurer when planning to go door-to-door in Kewanna selling a product.

The News In Brief

Fulton County will use about \$2.6 million in federal stimulus money to remove and replace 1.5 inches of pavement on six sections of county roads this fall, according to Dave Tofson, Fulton County highway superintendent.

Lisa Cumberland is teaching a watercolor class Sept. 18 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fulton County Public Library in Rochester. The cost of the class is \$25. Interested persons should register at the library.

The Winamac Town Park will be the location for the 9th annual Great Strides for Cystic Fibrosis walk Sept. 27. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the walk starts at 1 p.m. For more information, contact Penny Crissinger at 574-946-3521. You may register online at www.cff.org.

A mile section of U.S. 31 north of Rochester was dedicated to the memory of Indiana State Trooper Daniel R. Barrett Saturday. The dedication ceremony was held at the Fulton County Museum. Road signs reading "Trooper Daniel Barrett Memorial Mile" were unveiled for the Logansport native who died January 27, 2008, while attempting to catch a speeding vehicle on U.S. 31.

According to a report out of Indianapolis, Indiana tax collections for July and August, the first two months of the fiscal year, are \$88 million below what was forecast in May.

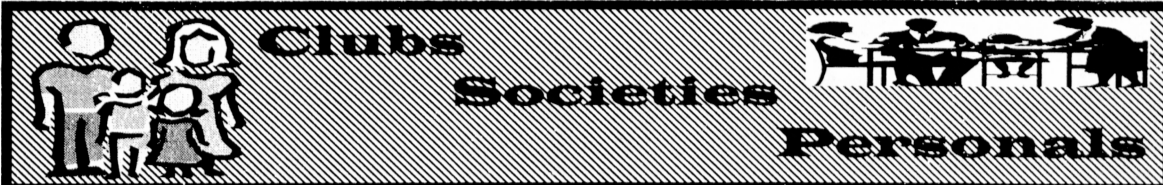
The Energy Information Agency reports that prices for wholesale electricity is expected to decline for the remainder of the year due to the largest decline in U.S. electricity demand in decades. Electricity consumption fell 1.6 percent last year and is expected to fall another 2.7 percent this year.

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library, partnered with the Town of Kewanna, intends to apply for a grant to renovate and expand the local library. A hearing on the project will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, during the Kewanna Fall Festival allowing township residents an opportunity to express their opinions on the project. (See legal advertisement elsewhere in this issue of The Observer.)

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**Kewanna-Union Township
Public Library Hours
Monday thru Friday
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday**

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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. 9th St., Rochester.

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

Friends and acquaintances are invited to help the couple celebrate and enjoy the afternoon, but they request that gifts be omitted.

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Fish/tenderloin fry at Caston

The Caston Athletic Boosters will serve a fish and hand-breaded tenderloin supper Friday, September 11, in conjunction with the Caston/Pioneer football game at Caston.

Serving will start at 4:15 p.m. in the cafeteria and end at 7 p.m. The cost of the meal is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. Carry-outs will be available. The fish and tenderloin will be prepared by Dan's Frying Service.

Tickets for the supper can be purchased from any Caston athlete or Charger football player.

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Lions selling pies, noodles, cakes

The Royal Centers Lions Club is taking orders for pies, noodles

and angel food cakes until September 15. Amish ladies in Etna Green make the cakes and noodles and the pies are from Moore's Pie Shop in Kokomo.

A one-pound bag of noodles is \$4 and the angel food cakes are \$7 each. Apple, Dutch apple, blueberry, cherry, strawberry rhubarb, pumpkin, strawberry, sugar cream and peach pies are available for \$8 and black raspberry and pecan pies sell for \$9. Dietetic pies are also available. They are \$9 and come in peach, apple or cherry.

The pies, cakes and noodles can be picked up Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Royal Center Fire Station.

The goodies can be ordered from any Royal Center Lions Club member or by calling Max Metzger at 574-721-4696; Dick Cottrell at 574-653-9914; or Brock Courtice at 574-643-9949.

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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.

AREA FIVE MENU

Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, September 14 - Chicken breast, mashed potatoes, spinach, cookie, roll and milk

Wednesday, September 16 - BBQ ribette sandwich, macaroni and cheese, zucchini blend, peaches and milk

Friday, September 18 - Chicken salad, potato soup, crackers, peas & carrots, applesauce and milk.

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JAMES F. TALBOTT VFW POST NO. 1121

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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St. Luke Lutheran to host picnic/rally day

Millie Redweik

The St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church in Winamac will host a church family picnic and rally day Sunday, September 13 at the small Star City Community Building. The theme will be "Let's leap into another year with the Lord".

The rally day festivities will

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begin at 9 a.m. with a worship service, followed by a carry-in brunch. Puppets operated by Cyril and Patsy Hahn and company will entertain and there will be games, etc.

The entire community is invited to join the congregation at this event. Director Shelley Graves and the Sunday school teachers will be in charge.

Sunday school activities will resume Sunday, Sept. 20, at 10:30 a.m. at the church in Winamac.

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CASTON MENU

September 14-18

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Monday - Cheeseburger, potato wedges, pears and milk. Comet Café - turkey/cheese wrap and chips

Tuesday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, green beans, chocolate chip cookie and milk. Comet Café - taco bar

Wednesday - Breaded pork patty, macaroni and cheese, California blend, peaches and milk. Comet Café - pasta combo

and garlic bread
 Thursday - Breadsticks with meat and cheese, seasoned potato cubes, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - pepperoni hot pocket

Friday - Pizza, corn, pineapple, pretzels and milk. Comet Café - chicken and French fries

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LOCALS

Harold Sutton and Janet Calhoun attended a birthday party and dinner in honor of Janet's mother, Frances Calhoun, Monday.

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HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

August 29
Births – Caleb and Julie Russell, Kewanna, a daughter

August 31
Admissions – James Rans and Glen Lockwood, Rochester

Dismissals – none published

Births – Christina Calhoun, Argos, a daughter

September 1
Admissions – none published

Dismissals – Julie Russell and daughter, Kewanna

Births – Cheyenne Boyd, Rochester, a daughter; Brittany Sanders, Akron, a daughter

September 2
Admissions – Amanda Purvis, Plymouth

Dismissals – Glen Lockwood, Rochester

Births – Jeremy and Tonya Digia, Argos, a daughter

September 3
Admissions – Larry Eytcheson, Logansport

Dismissals – Christina Calhoun and daughter, Argos

Births – Jessica Nearing, North Manchester, a son; Kaila Hardel, Kewanna, a daughter

September 4
Admissions – none published

Dismissals – Cheyenne Boyd and daughter, Rochester; Brittany Sanders and daughter, Akron; Amanda Purvis, Plymouth; Larry Eytcheson, Logansport.

DEATHS

BRUCE M. FOSTER

Bruce M. Foster, 59, 926 Miner St., Plymouth, passed away Wednesday, September 2, 2009.

Born September 29, 1949, Steve was raised in Indianapolis and Lake Bruce. He graduated from Monterey High School and Indiana University, Bloomington. His humor and strength in all that he did will always be an inspiration.

Survivors include his wife and best friend, Carol Stull Foster; three children, Daniel Foster,

Tempe, Arizona, Troy Blackburn and his wife, Lisa, Clovis, New Mexico, and Libby Blackburn, Plymouth; two grandchildren, Kendall and Jackson Blackburn, Clovis, New Mexico; and two brothers, Steve Foster and Sam Foster, Rochester.

A celebration of Bruce's life will be held Saturday, September 26, at the Blissville Church of the Brethren, 6250 Spruce Trail, Plymouth, with Rev. Dester Cummins officiating. A gathering of family and friends will begin at 1 p.m. with the celebration at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to share their humorous memories of one great guy.

Bruce has requested that donations in lieu of flowers be made to the Marshall-Starke Development Center, 1901 Pidco Dr., Plymouth, IN 46563 or to the Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 120 South Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563.

Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, has been entrusted with arrangements.

Family and friends may sign the guest book and share memories with the Foster family at www.vangilderfuneralhome.com.

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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.

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Does school start too soon?

Senator Dennis Kruse, a Republican from Auburn and head of the Senate Education Committee, wants to know whether Indiana residents think public schools start their fall semesters too early.

Interested persons can go to www.IndianaEducationForum.com to take an online survey on the

matter. The site is paid for by Save Indiana Summers, a group of parents and businesses pushing for a law that would prohibit school from starting before the last week in August.

Kruse will also hear from the public at the Statehouse in Indianapolis during a Sept. 30 meeting at which a legislative study committee will consider the feedback from the web comments and survey results.

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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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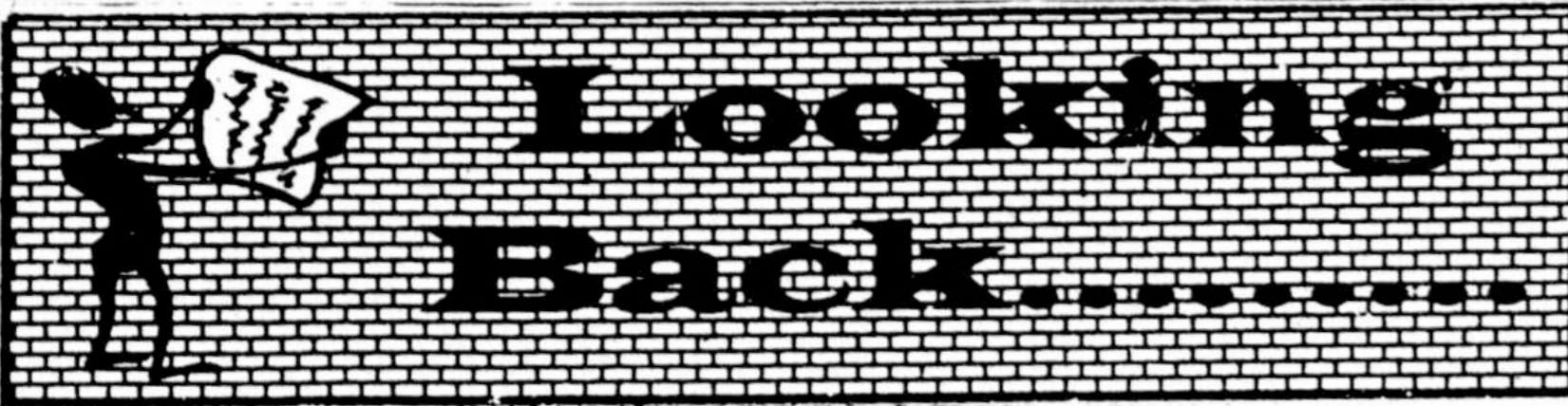
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SIXTY YEARS AGO
September 15, 1949

Henry Montz, recent purchaser of Kewanna's Pure Oil Station, announced this week that the company plans extensive remodeling work to begin soon. A new driveway will be made, new pumps installed and the front of the building will be enlarged. Loyd Woolington, local contractor, will do the work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Green of near Fulton celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary Thursday, September 15, quietly in their home.

Rev. C. J. Roberts was named the new pastor at the Grass Creek Evangelical United Brethren Church at a conference held September 5-9 in Plymouth. He previously pastored for two years at Pymount. Rev. Cecil Smith, who has been the pastor at Grass Creek, has been assigned to Otterbein.

Economics Club met Thursday in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Fultz with Mrs. Cecil Fields acting as co-hostess.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
September 10, 1954

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Evers, Rt. 4, Rochester, (Union Township) are the parents of a daughter born September 2 at Woodlawn Hospital. She has been named Diane Marie and weighed 7 pounds and 11 1/2 ounces.

Elmer Douglass, Kewanna, was appointed to the Fulton County Tax Adjustment Board by the county council Tuesday.

The Kewanna fire department was called to the Herman McColley home Wednesday morning to extinguish a fire that had been caused by an overheated oil stove on which Mrs. McColley was canning. The damage was mostly caused by smoke.

bride of Harvey Clary, Jr. Saturday evening at Marion. The couple was attended by the bride's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smiley, Rochester. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Rouch, Rochester, and a graduate of Grass Creek High School. She is engaged in the insurance business in Rochester. A graduate of Rochester High School, the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Clary, Sr.

Michele Corbett suffered a fractured left wrist Sunday, September 1, when she fell out of a tree. She was taken to Memorial Hospital in Knox for treatment and returned to her home here.

Doyle Fisher met with an accident on Labor Day when he cut his foot on some glass while wading to a boat at Lake Maxinkuckee. Four stitches were required to close the wound.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
September 10, 1959

Larry Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cunningham, Kewanna, has been accepted for admission to Valparaiso University.

The Kewanna Indians won the Tri-County baseball league ending the season with seven wins and one loss. Members of the team are Keith Troutman, Richard Graffis, Paul Grube, Dick Good, Jerry Hiland, Steve Ley, Ronnie Miller, Larry Plummer, Carl Foglesong, Bruce Mills, Terry Troutman, Bob McKinney, Wayne McPherson, and Marion Foust. Managers are Bill Walters and Kenny Troutman and the coach is Maurice Tolbert.

Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Rt. 3, Kewanna, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Mae, to Dean Turnipseed, son of Mrs. Kenneth Turnipseed, Macy, and the late Mr. Turnipseed.

David Gault, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gault, Grass Creek, has enlisted in the Air Force. He left for Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas, Tuesday, September 8.

Terry Livengood stationed at Offutt Air Base in Omaha, Nebraska, spent from Saturday until Wednesday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livengood.

An application for a marriage license was issued Saturday,

September 5, in the county clerk's office to James H. James and Shirley Rae Cunningham, both of Kewanna.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
September 10, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kimble, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter born September 7 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 11 1/2 ounces and has been named RaeAnn Kimble.

Joan Bucinski has graduated from St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Lafayette. Joan is the daughter of Leo and Virginia Bucinski of west of Kewanna. She will be employed at Pulaski Memorial Hospital beginning in November.

Janice Hattery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hattery, Kewanna, is attending the Patricia Stevens School in Chicago.

Shirley Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown of Aubbeenaubee Township, sailed last Friday from New York City for a year in England. She accompanied Professor and Mrs.

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ASSETS OF COMPANY	
(Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 46,486,207
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 15,361,225
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 110,435,473
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 30,557,319
Other assets	\$ 9,168,587
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 212,008,811
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 75,934,281
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 18,549,970
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 39,460,924
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 1,258,300
All Other Liabilities	\$ 13,369,442
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 148,572,917
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 4,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 59,435,894
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 63,435,894
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 212,008,811
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CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Stamford Connecticut 06902	
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF DE	FEIN: 75-6017952 NAIC CODE: 24554
CONTACT PERSON: Michael J. Brennan	PHONE: 203-964-3436 EMAIL: Michael.Brennan@xlgroup.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY	
(Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 358,265,445
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 119,979,676
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 78,039,886
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 41,033,695
Other assets	\$ 50,368,650
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 647,687,352
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 225,145,988
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 34,127,350
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 73,597,316
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 18,156,845
All Other Liabilities	\$ 48,312,359
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 399,339,858
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 5,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 180,599,425
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 62,748,069
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 248,347,494
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 647,687,352
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ADDRESS: One General Drive	
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Sun Prairie, WI 53596	
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Wisconsin	FEIN: 39-0301590 NAIC CODE: 24414
CONTACT PERSON: Darnyl Klatt	PHONE: (608) 825-5160 EMAIL: darnyl.klatt@us.qbc.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY	
(Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 138,184,730
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 488,077,524
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 33,260,940
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 326,916,921
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 132,336,937
Other assets	\$ 89,206,721
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,207,983,773
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 329,050,743
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 80,383,739
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 170,998,479
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 5,126,439
All Other Liabilities	\$ 84,548,542
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 670,107,942
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 4,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 258,075,568
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 275,800,263
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 537,875,831
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 1,207,983,773
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ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Delaware	FEIN: 74-1280541 NAIC CODE: 24384
CONTACT PERSON: Luci Palazzolo	PHONE: 603-656-2233 EMAIL: Luci.Palazzolo@TRG.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY	
(Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 110,951,190
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 16,771,081
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 81,062,751
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 0
Other assets	\$ 9,255,732
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 218,040,754
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 43,552,686
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 20,827,161
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 0
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 1,303,195
All Other Liabilities	\$ 16,723,840
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 82,406,882
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 3,100,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 92,709,892
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 39,823,980
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 135,633,872
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 218,040,754
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Nicholas Craig Bentley	Charles Gordon Ehrlich
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W. T. Davis of Purdue University and will reside there with the Davises.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO
September 13, 1979**

The 1944 KHS graduating class met Sunday, August 26, for a reunion at the home of Bill and Eileen Donathen near Kewanna. Those in attendance included Edith Baldwin Wolfe and husband Howard, Edward Mollencupp and wife Alvena, Annetta Smith Besse and husband David, Patsy Sixbey Evans and husband Jake, Opal Stingley Kissingner and husband Vern, Raymond Roach and wife Margaret, Betty Carr Leazenby, Forest Brown, Walter Frettinger and wife Jude and Ruth Troutman Taylor and husband Al.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Brown, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born September 9 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 3 ounces and has been named Theodore Lee.

Beulah Gillespie entertained the Susannah Wesley circle of the Kewanna United Methodist Church Wednesday afternoon. Margaret Werner opened the meeting with a reading. Devotions were given by Mildred Kreamer. Ruby Smith gave the lesson on Delilah. Alice Sisinger dismissed the group with prayer.

Ann Wilson, a freshman at Indiana University, Bloomington, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilson.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO
September 14, 1989**

The September meeting of the Fulton County Hairdressers Association was held Monday at Shirley's Beauty Shop in Kewanna. Eight members were in attendance. Helen Shadle, Kewanna, gave a history of dolls from around the world for the program. Pat Schmidt won the door prize which was furnished by Stella Grube.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graffis were in Elkhart Saturday to attend the 100th birthday celebration for her

father, Don O. Nafe.

Steve and Sue Easterday, Indianapolis, are the parents of a son born August 31 at St. Vincent's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and has been named Brian Michael Easterday. Gene and Frances Easterday of here are the baby's paternal grandparents.

Larry and Mary James, Rt. 3, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born August 30 at Woodlawn Hospital. He has been named Braden Lee. He has a brother, Garrett L. Mrs. James is the former Mary Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Birge, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter born September 8 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 7 ounces and has been named Lacey Jade. She has a sister, Ashley Nicole, five years old. The maternal grandmother is Evelyn Markley, Kewanna, and the paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Euel Birge, Rochester.

**EASTERN PULASKI MENU
September 14 - 18**

Elementary Breakfast
Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk
Tuesday - French toast, juice and milk
Wednesday - Biscuit with ham slice, juice and milk
Thursday - Ham/cheese/egg stick, juice and milk
Friday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Chicken nuggets, fries, peaches, peanut butter sandwich, and milk
Tuesday - Chicken sandwich, corn, pears, cake and milk
Wednesday - Hamburger sandwich, scalloped potatoes, applesauce, cookie and milk
Thursday - Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuit and milk
Friday - Cheese breadstick, beef vegetable soup, crackers, pears and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Taco, 8-way vegetables, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar
Tuesday - Hot dog, fries,

pineapple, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Breaded chicken sandwich, carrots, apple juice cup, cake and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - BBQ pork sandwich, green beans, fruit mix, cookie, and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Chicken fajitas with salsa, lettuce and cheese, apple juice cup, and milk. Choice - salad bar

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**Indiana State
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All American Horse Classic: Sept. 8 - 12 in the Pepsi Coliseum, West Pavilion, South Pavilion, Champions Pavilion and Outdoor Arena. Hours: Tues. 6:30 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs. 10 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Fri. 9 a.m., noon & 6:30 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Admission: free. Contact: Steve Kildow (765) 724-3578 or www.allamericanhorseclassic.com.

Oktoberfest: Sept. 11 - 12 in the Ag/Hort Building & Midway Lot. Hours: Fri. 4 to 11 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Admission: \$5 in advance; \$6 at the door; children 10 & younger free. Contact: German American Klub (317) 888-6940 or www.indianapolisgak.com.

Hoosier Antiques Expo: Sept. 11 - 13 in the Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7; children 12 and younger free. Contact: Shawn Hastings (618) 635-2895 or www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com

Indiana Rabbit Breeders Show: Sept. 12 - 13 in the Northwest Pavilion. Hours: Sat. judging 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Sun. judging 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Judy Todd (765) 482-3921.

28th Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts Fall 4-Wheel Jamboree Nationals presented by TOYO Tires: Sept. 18 - 20 throughout the fairgrounds. Hours: Fri. 10

a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: advance tickets available online - \$15 adults; \$5 for children 3 - 12; gate admission is \$19 adults; \$11 children 3 - 12. Contact: The Promotion Co. (317) 236-6515 or www.familyevents.com.

Stewart's Flea Market: Sept. 25 - 27 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Stewart Promotions (502) 456-2244 or www.stewartpromotions.com.

Life Center Walk for Life (formerly Central Indiana Crisis Pregnancy Center): Sept. 26 in the 4-H Exhibit Hall (1st Floor), Celebration Park and the outside of Track of Champions. Hours: registration at 8 a.m.; 5K Run begins at 8:30 a.m.; walk begins at 9 a.m. Admission: free (donations accepted). Contact: Julie Rupprecht (317) 280-2635.

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ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF IL	FEIN: 93-0928517 NAIC CODE: 24376
CONTACT PERSON: Carol Maliff	PHONE: (732) 922-7443 EMAIL: carol_maliff@aigag.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY (Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 3,991,871
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 2,922,805
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 0
Other assets	\$ 2,963,531
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 9,878,207
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 71,000
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 676,992
All Other Liabilities	\$ 1,840,443
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 2,588,435
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 3,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 4,228,999
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 60,773
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 7,289,772
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 9,878,207
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ADDRESS: Post Office Box 2300	
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Winston-Salem, NC 27102-2300	
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF NC	FEIN: 56-1570971 NAIC CODE: 24350
CONTACT PERSON: Randall Keith Shields	PHONE: 336-723-1282-1155 EMAIL: rshields@tgc.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY (Nearest dollar)	
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 833,086,871
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 12,688,627
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 712,945
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 71,400,608
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 20,056,087
Other assets	\$ 109,094,453
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,047,039,591
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 856,913,387
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 12,797,066
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 15,283,488
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 1,385,547
All Other Liabilities	\$ 72,632,674
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 959,012,162
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 25,000,000
Capital Stock	\$ 3,500,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 105,215,928
Unassigned Surplus	\$ -45,688,499
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 88,027,429
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 1,047,039,591
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Letter To The Editor

609 North Troutman St.
Kewanna, IN 46939
September 6, 2009

Letter to the Editor:

I would like to reply to the letter printed in the September 3, 2009 edition of The Observer by "Concerned Citizen". I appreciate the concerns of this citizen. I felt that there were many valid questions presented.

I do take offense, however, to the accusatory attitude expressed in the letter. The letter demonstrates that the "Concerned Citizen" does not fully understand the whole situation. We must remember, indeed, that Kewanna is a small town and just everyday homemakers (like myself) and farmers and businessmen, etc. are giving voluntary time and energy to the very best of their ability to manage the Kewanna Public Library. I have been on the Library Board for less than a year. But in that time I have consistently observed that the Board members are not evil or greedy people trying to only benefit themselves. We are not perfect by any means. We do not have all the knowledge, perhaps, that we need for accomplishing all that needs to be done for the Library. We are, however, in every meeting and decision trying to do the best that we can for the benefit of the community.

In the time that I have served on the Library Board, I have been overwhelmed with all that has been involved in properly managing the Library and trying to get funds to build an addition to the Library. I know that every

Board member has put in time, money and energy which they did not have to spare to try to do a good job for the community.

I cannot speak for what has occurred or not occurred in the past, but I for one am offended that as a current Board member my "reputation" has now been slandered in the newspaper. I am very willing to give up my position on the Board so others have the opportunity to serve. I would gladly go back to just being a wife and mother.

I would suggest that the concerns of this citizen should have been brought to the Board during a monthly meeting before speaking openly to the community without offering all of the facts or considering all sides of the situation. One citizen did attend the most recent Board meeting and offered suggestions. The Board is taking action on those suggestions.

I am writing this letter as a citizen of Kewanna. This is not an official letter from the Library Board.

Sincerely,
Joyce Miller

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

Taxes, government reorganization major issues for Farm Bureau

Among the major issues for Indiana Farm Bureau in the coming months will be property taxes, local government reorganization and a public relations effort to explain modern agriculture to the non-farming public.

At its annual policy-setting session held August 29 in Indianapolis, nearly 300 delegates representing every county in the state gathered for an all-day discussion on issues of importance to agriculture and to set the policy that will guide IFB through the coming year.

Other topics discussed by the delegates include wind and other forms of renewable energy, livestock agriculture and agricultural labor.

"After much debate, the delegates approved language supporting the present system of county commissioners and county councils," said IFB President Don Villwock. The newly approved policy also includes language in opposition to the "idea of a single person as county executive" while supporting the "balanced reorganization of county government, other local government units and local

government services" so long as it doesn't diminish rural representation.

A new section on wind energy was added by delegates that supports the concept of the development of wind energy in Indiana.

Delegates also reaffirmed Farm Bureau's support for livestock agriculture - and agriculture in general - for farms of all size. Added this year was language in opposition to regulating agriculture production "as it pertains to greenhouse gas, dust and noise" as well as language in opposition to the "imposition of livestock moratoria by local officials of the state."

The delegates also indicated their support for a statewide public relations campaign to communicate to the public the "importance of current agricultural practices."

"Twenty-six of the 92 county Farm Bureaus sent in resolutions in support of the PR effort, and 79 have pledged money in support of this campaign," Villwock said, adding that the goal is for all 92

counties to contribute.

The issue of ag labor was discussed in depth during the 2008 session, with the end result being the creation of a farm labor task force. That task force met several times and crafted language that was approved by the delegate body. The new language, Villwock said, addressed the need for "stable, accessible, legal labor force" that is needed not only seasonally but year round, and emphasizes that the issue needs to be solved on a national level.

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NIPSCO ANNOUNCES GAS COST ADJUSTMENT FOR SEPTEMBER

Northern Indiana Public Service Company announced that due to the change in price of natural gas on the wholesale market, the price for September 2009 is 38.15 cents per therm, which is up 15.1 percent from the August gas price.

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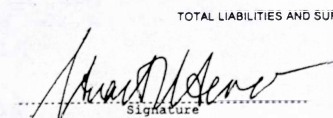
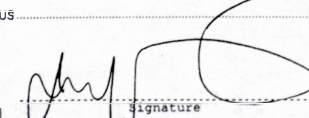
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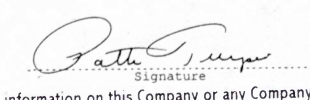


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ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Minnesota	FEIN: 91-6027948 NAIC CODE: 24465
CONTACT PERSON: Christine J. Galkin	PHONE: 952-921-9274 EMAIL: christine.galkin@wni-ns.com
ASSETS OF COMPANY	
	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 28,030,485
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 0
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 410,327
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 9,908,670
Other assets	\$ 986,671
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 39,336,153
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 11,576,998
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 3,025,324
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 6,735,728
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 19,094
All Other Liabilities	\$ 1,857,302
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 23,214,446
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 3,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 0
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 13,121,707
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 16,121,707
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 39,336,153
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COMPANY NAME: Cumberland Casualty & Surety Company	
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ASSETS OF COMPANY	
	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 249,654
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 0
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 5,472,057
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 0
Other assets	\$ 17,060
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,738,771
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 5,116,266
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 839,489
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 0
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 0
All Other Liabilities	\$ 3,440,884
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 9,396,639
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 2,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 3,048,734
Unassigned Surplus	\$ (8,706,602)
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ (3,657,868)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 5,738,771
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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 surring 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; Chuck Baldwin of Baldwin Homes; Gloria Banks of The Kibitzer; Kandace Evers of Union Happy Hoosiers 4-H Club; Walker Conley, Fulton County Sheriff; and Dennis Price, Kewanna Town Marshal.

CASTON ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB CALENDAR

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.

Public Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

On or about October 2, 2009, the Town of Kewanna intends to apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for a grant from the Office of Community and Rural Affairs' Community Focus Fund of the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. This program is funded by Title I of the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. These funds are to be used for a community development project that will include the following activities: renovation and addition to the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library. The total amount of CDBG funds to be requested is \$500,000. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income persons is \$300,000. The Applicant also proposes to expend an estimated \$550,000 in non-CDBG funds on the project. These non-CDBG funds will be derived from the following sources: the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library Bonds.

The Town of Kewanna will hold a public hearing on September 26, 2009, from 2 PM-6 PM at the Kewanna Fall Festival at Logan & Aurora Streets adjacent to the Information Booth to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on

the proposed federally funded CDBG project. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact Linda Hawkey, Librarian at the Kewanna Public Library, 574-653-2011 not later than 9-25-09. Every effort will be made to make reasonable accommodations for these persons.

Information related to this project will be available for review prior to the public hearing as of 9-25-09 at the Library located at 210 East Main, Kewanna, IN between the hours of 10 AM- 6 PM. Interested citizens are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted to Linda Hawkey, 210 East Main no later than 9-25-09 in order to ensure placement of such comments in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. A plan to minimize displacement and provide assistance to those displaced has been prepared by the Town of Kewanna and is also available to the public. This project will result in no displacement of any persons or businesses. For additional information concerning the proposed project, please contact Linda Hawkey 574-653-2011 Monday-Friday, 10 AM-6 PM or write Linda Hawkey, 210 East Main, Box 365, Kewanna, IN 46939. 9/10/2009

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Ordinance No. 0903091

An ordinance vacating the platted but improved:

The public north/south alley between lots 71 and 72, north of Main St. and up to but not including the east/west alley between Toner and Smith St.

Whereas, there was filed with the Clerk/Treasurer's Office of Kewanna a petition from Winamac Coil Spring, Inc. for the vacation of a certain street/alley herein described, and;

Whereas, a notice of the filing of said petition and the hearing thereon before the Town Council of Kewanna was duly published in the Kewanna Observer and Rochester Sentinel on August 20, 2009;

Whereas, the hearing on said petition was set for this date and the Town Council of Kewanna has conducted an appropriate hearing thereon.

Now therefore it is ordained by the Town Council of Kewanna, as follows: SECTION 1. That portion of That portion of

The north/south alley between lots 71 and 72, north of Main St. and up to but not including the east/west alley between Toner and Smith St.

Be vacated as requested. SECTION 2. That any utility/utility easement which may currently be in existence over said tract shall not be affected by this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, as provided by law, and the filing thereof in the Office of the Fulton County Recorder, the Fulton County Auditor, and the Clerk/Treasurer of the Town of Kewanna.

Passed by the Town Council of Kewanna, Indiana this September 3, 2009.

Jeff Finke
Dan Birge
Mark Smith

Attest: Jenny C. Kay
Clerk-Treasurer

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Ordinance No. 090309

An ordinance vacating the platted but unimproved:

The right-of-way of Liberty Street along the north side of lots 224 and 225

Alleyway running east/west between lots 222, 223, 224, 225 to the north and lots 242, 243, 244, 245 to the south.

The area of Toner Street north and west of the northwest corner of Lot 222. That small square at the 45 degree angle.

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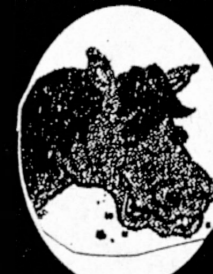
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The Caston School Corporation is in need of a school bus driver. Information and applications may be picked up at the Administrative Building located at 9815 South State Road 25 in Fulton.

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 Tom Mate Luke's Auction House	 Mindy Douglass Community State Bank	 Joe Good Observer
 Merle Cox Shorty's Disposal	 Chuck Baldwin Baldwin Homes Inc.	 Gloria Banks Kibitzer
 Walker Conley Sheriff Department	 Dennis Price Kewanna Town Marshal	

KEWANNA FALL FESTIVAL
Winner to be Announced
Friday, Sept. 25, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.
Proceeds go to Kewanna H.E.A.R.T.



Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown

Ph.: (574) 653-2451

In the "better late than never" category, 35 members of the Weller-Baldwin-Reason clan enjoyed their annual trip to Indiana Dunes State Park the first weekend of August.

Don Weller of Kathleen, Georgia was a recent houseguest of his parents, Barb and Jon Gast.

Don and Pauline Scales had working visitors throughout the week. Helping them complete several outdoor chores and enjoying visits with them were their children and their spouses, Barb Grandstaff of Kendallville, Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City, Phyllis and Gene Koontz of Rochester and Linda Garner.

Helen Whiteman enjoyed a visit with her son, Kenny Whiteman, over breakfast at the Kewanna Kafé one morning last week.

Darlene Masunas had a houseguest last week. Staying with her for several days was her sister, Janice Sterrett of Logansport.

Helen Whiteman had a caller Thursday evening, Sept. 3. Coming over to join her for dinner and a visit was her son, Kevin Whiteman of Pulaski.

Pauline Brown and Julie were in the Peru area Friday, Sept. 4. They did some Christmas shopping and dined at the Long John Silvers restaurant.

Mildred McColley had company Friday. Stopping by in the evening for a chat and to join her for supper were her grandson and his family, Rush and Mendi McColley and Allison of Frankfort. Afterward, Rush and his family attended the Caston vs. Frontier high school football game. (Rush is on the staff at Frontier High School.)

Beth and Ray Weller had houseguests over the weekend. Staying with them for a few days were their daughter, Beth Ann Deckard, and their granddaughter and her family, Kirsten and Rob

Kaufman and Kate of Lebanon, Ohio. One evening, Beth, Ray and Beth Ann had the "difficult" job of spoiling Kate while Kirsten and Rob spent the night in Chicago, Illinois.

Friday evening guests of Dick and Linda Mitchell at Lake Bruce for a carry-in/cookout were Norm and Barb Steigely, Jerry and Judy Ash, Joe and Gwen Hott, Steve McPeck and Danielle, and Joe and Karen Good. The men enjoyed a golf outing earlier in the day.

Harold Sutton, Janet Calhoun, and Janet's granddaughter, Samantha Parks, had a good time touring the Fair Oaks Dairy Friday. Following the tour they enjoyed a Pizza Hut meal.

Helen Miller had company over the weekend. Staying with her for a few days were her daughter, Judy Scott of Frankfort, and Judy's granddaughter, Hayley Mills of Kokomo. The ladies were here to attend the Blueberry Festival in Plymouth.

Diane Evers of Indianapolis was a weekend houseguest of her parents, Leonard and Nancy Evers, and her brother and sister-in-law, Dave and Maria Evers.

Florence Hogan had working visitors Saturday, Sept. 5. Coming up to tackle some outside chores, join her for dinner and a visit were her daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette.

Renee Colley had company over the weekend. Coming for a visit and to dog-sit were her son and his family, Eric and Julie Colley, Nathan and Meghan of Bartlett, Illinois.

Helen Whiteman had houseguests over the weekend. Coming up for a family visit from Indianapolis were her daughter, Karen Rice; her granddaughter, Robin Fivecoat; and Robin's friend, Kurt Harley.

Linda Garner and her children and their families, Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie of Valparaiso and T.J.

and Ashley Garner were in Winamac Saturday. They had an exciting time watching Linda's grandson, Trey Young, play in the Winamac vs. Caston elementary football game.

The Leonard and Nancy Evers family enjoyed their annual Labor Day picnic Saturday. This year's event was held in the Rochester City Park with 30 members of the family in attendance.

Helen Miller, Judy Scott and Hayley Mills were guests of Helen's son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Barbara Miller, and their family over the weekend. Also coming from quite a distance for a visit were Randy and Pam Miller and Ali of Lenexa, Kansas.

Renee Colley was in Kenosha, Wisconsin Saturday to attend a wedding.

Tim and Terry Troutman held their annual fish fry Saturday evening. They prepared and served over 1100 fish fillets during the meal.

Linda Garner was the guest of honor at a family gathering Saturday evening. The occasion was in honor of her birthday. Helping her mark the event with dinner were her husband, Tom; their daughter and her family, Missy and Steve Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna of Twelve Mile, Amanda, Zach and Mackenzie Wassermann and T.J. and Ashley Garner.

Janice Sterrett and Darlene Masunas were among those who

enjoyed the fish fry hosted by Tim and Terry Troutman Saturday evening.

Harold Sutton, Janet Calhoun and Craig Boyd attended Brendan Sutton's football game Saturday at Rochester and then ate at the Streamliner.

Helen Whiteman, Karen Rice, Robin Fivecoat and her friend, Curt, and Sherri Lett attended the annual Labor Day weekend fish fry put on by Tim and Terry Troutman at Tim's home near Leiters Ford Saturday.

Earl and Mary Bangel had working visitors Sunday, Sept. 6. Joining them for a chat and tackling several odd jobs were their son, Bruce Bangel of Indianapolis, and their grandson and his friend, Kevin Bangel and Rachel Bernatt.

Helen Whiteman enjoyed breakfast at Cruisers restaurant in Winamac Sunday morning with several members of her family. Joining her for a visit over the meal were her daughter, Sherri Lett; her grandson and his family, Doug and Robin Whiteman and Zack of Winamac; Karen Rice; Robin Fivecoat; and Kurt Harley.

Kay and Jerry Brown had a visitor Sunday morning. Stopping by after church for a chat was Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac.

Mildred McColley had visitors Sunday. Coming for a visit and bringing along Kentucky Fried Chicken for dinner were her sons, Ron McColley of Frankfort and Steve McColley of Muncie, and

her grandson, Matt McColley of Indiana State University.

Mike and Kathie Brown had a few visitors Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat were their daughter, Jessica Brown of Star City; Mike's parents, Jerry and Kay Brown; and Mike's aunt, Rita Williamson of Winamac.

Mathilda Lamb had working visitors Monday, Sept. 7. Coming over to take care of several chores were her grandson and his family, Brian and Pam Gallagher, Drew, A.J. and Austin of Ft. Wayne.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Cody Brown, Jamie Brown, Katrina Carlisle and Caleb Hunter, Sept. 13; Eric Colvin, Ashlin Grube, Kenneth Reed and Paul Stacey, Sept. 14; David Besse and Leni Shedrow, Sept. 15; Jim Bauman Sr., Kevin Hinderlinder and Kirsten Redweik, Sept. 16; Joyce Bangel, Jacob Butler, Mary Jane Evers, Nicole Hickle and Avery Hines, Sept. 17; Raymond Davis and Heath Harding, Sept. 18; and Celinda Briney, Bryce R. Carlisle and Ramona Johnson, Sept. 19.

There are eight couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reed, Sept. 13; Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pesaresi, Sept. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kimble, Sept. 16; Mr. and Mrs. Derek Sheline, Sept. 17; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collins and Mr. and Mrs. John Evers, Sept. 18; and Mr. and Mrs. Rich Green, Sept. 19.

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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
 Pub. 9/3, and 10, 2009

Beverly A. Ton, President of Library Board
 Joyce Miller, Secretary of Library Board
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