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## KEWANNA TOWN COUNCIL

The Kewanna town council met in regular session Thursday, October 1, at the town hall. Those in attendance included council members, Jeff Finke and Mark Smith; clerk-treasurer, Jenny Kay; assistant fire chief, Tony Pesaresi; deputy marshal, Jon Sailors, Jr.; superintendent, Mike Molitor; grand administrator, Bob Murphy; engineer, Don Bixby; and the town's FEDCO representative, Doran Collins.

Superintendent Mike Molitor submitted his September report in addition to re-emphasizing his interest in purchasing a used vector truck for the town. He is currently awaiting information from a company out of Chicago. Assistant Fire Chief Tony Pesaresi backed Molitor in his interest mentioning the uses that could also benefit the fire department. No decision will be made on the matter at this time. Due to the excess amount of time spent toward the current wastewater construction project, town employees have been unable to complete hydrant flushing as planned. Molitor would like to accomplish the flushing within the next week or so.

The superintendent's monthly report noted that town employee Danny Chew is almost done installing new "stop" and "yield" signs around town. He has been cutting old sign posts to make extensions so all the signs will be at the same height. Chew also located and painted all of the water valve boxes in the areas where the new storm drain lines are expected to be installed. A catch basin lid was replaced at the corner of Toner and Aurora Streets. Two sink holes on N. Smith Street were repaired. Pole and meter numbers were collected so the festival meters could be turned on by NIPSCO and "stop" and "no parking signs" were created. The town borrowed the county's street sweeper to clean up for the festival. Council member Dan Birge cleaned about 90% of the streets on his own time. Danny Chew also hand-swept dirt on Main Street. The water lab reported that the town had some bad water samples. More samples were taken and submitted to the lab in South Bend. The drive belt on the town's mower was replaced. The town superintendent had two meetings with Don Bixby, engineer for the storm drain project, during which they talked about catch basins and line locations. Molitor also met with Joe Donlon from Standard Equipment out of Chicago about some used vector trucks. He is going to send

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### Leaf burning banned

Kewanna residents are reminded that the burning of leaves during the months of October and November is unlawful. Leaves should be raked to the edge of the street where town employees will pick them up. Pick up will begin as soon as the leaves start coming down in a greater volume.

Persons violating this ordinance will receive a warning for the first offense. A second and subsequent offense will result in fines ranging from \$25 to \$ 100.

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### Sausage gravy and biscuit breakfast

The Rochester VFW will serve a sausage gravy and biscuit breakfast hash browns Sunday, October 18, from 7 a.m. to 12 noon. The cost of the meal is a free will donation with proceeds benefiting United Ministries.

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### Trick or treat night, October 31

The Kewanna town council has set Saturday, October 31, as annual trick or treat night in Kewanna. Trick or treat hours are from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Persons who welcome the annual pilgrimage of ghosts, goblin, pumpkins, pirates, etc. should leave an outside light burning during trick or treat hours. Parents of children should caution them to stop at these houses only.

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### Ham and bean supper, October 17

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce, will serve its annual ham and bean supper Saturday, October 17, from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost of the meal is a free will donation. The handicap entrance is on the east side of the building.

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### Caston football fundraiser

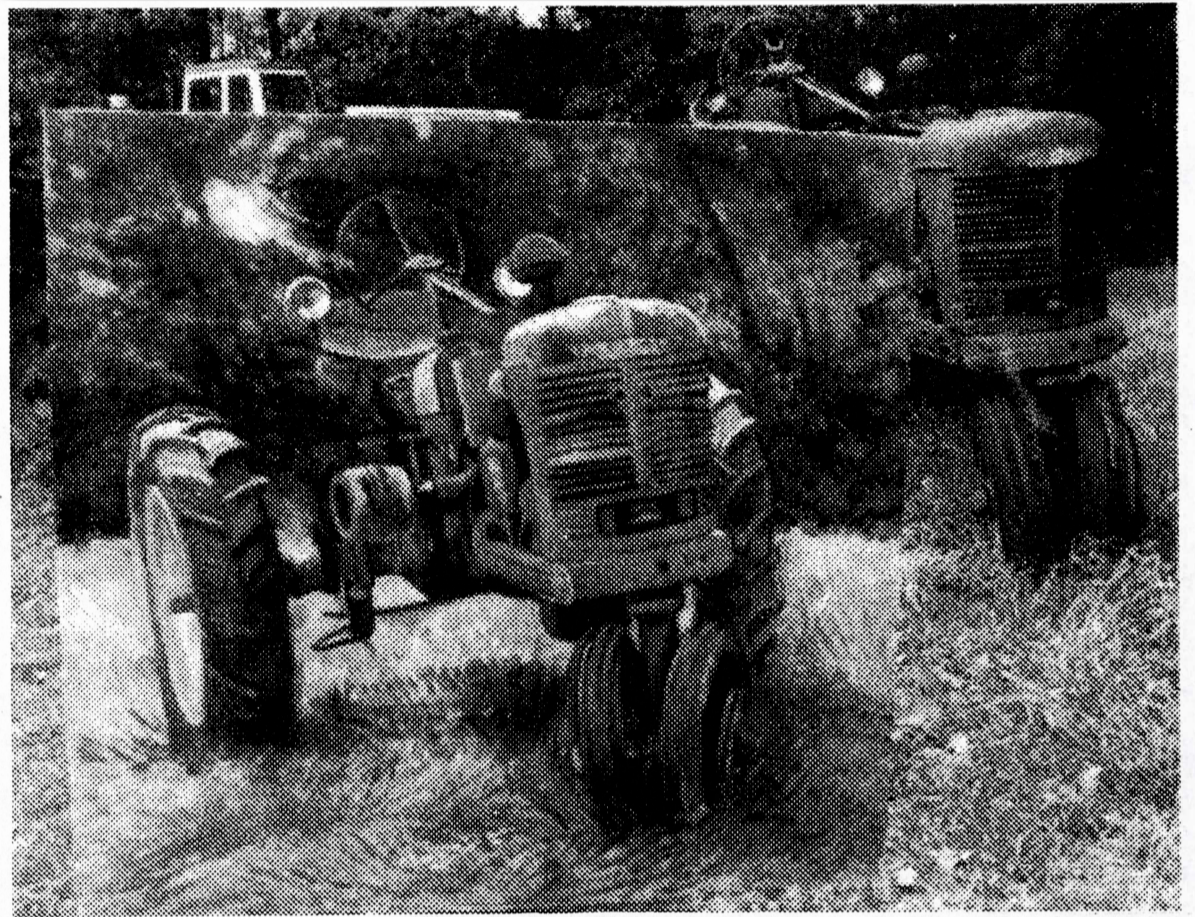
Caston's football teams will serve a Nelson's Port-a-Pit chicken or pork chop dinner Friday, October 16, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The event will include a tailgate party across from the Comet Crater football field.

The meal includes either a half chicken or pork chop, baked beans, chips, cookie and drink for \$7.

Tickets for the dinner are pre-sale only and tickets can be purchased from any varsity, junior varsity, junior high or Charger football player.

Dinner seating will be offered or carryouts will be available.

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### Annual art show, October 24 & 25

Diane Tesler will host her annual art show Saturday and Sunday, October 24 and 25, at her Works in Progress Studio, 101 E. Main St., Kewanna. Show hours are 12 noon to 5 p.m. both days. This year's show is entitled "Local Color". The festivities will include live acoustic music.

The show will include work completed by Diane this summer as well as works by Wade Bussert, Braxton Eikenberry, Shari Herd, Lindsey Kozubik, Daniel Peterson, Steven Weinert, Diane Burrell, Richard Tripsansky, Sheri Cook, Cyndi Fisher, Gail Karas, Linda Leysure, Lori Roberts, Jake Webster, Cheryl Phelan, Leslie Straniero, Billy & Li Chia Cooper, Gib Foster, Clare and John Hoinville, Susan Mahoney, Jim Scott, Jackie Welsh, Mary Carlos Seal, Gretchen Coplen, Diane Lebo, Mike Kenny, Leanor Papai, Pearl Tesler, Kay Westhues and Jeff Skersick.

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### Chicken pie/ham loaf supper

The Star City United Methodist Church will hold its annual chicken pie and ham loaf supper and bazaar Thursday, October 22.

The Country Kitchen bazaar opens at 4 p.m. with homemade cookies, noodles, baked goods, stuffed peppers and crafts.

Supper will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

The supper and Country Kitchen bazaar are sponsored by the Star City United Methodist Women.

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**RECYCLING DATES**  
**THURS., OCT. 8TH**  
**THURS., OCT. 22ND**

### The News in Brief

Judy Evans of Evans Agency in Rochester has planned several meetings in the area to answer questions concerning changes coming up with Medicare supplements. Meetings scheduled for this next week include one at the Aubbeenaubee Community Building in Leiters Ford at 10 a.m. Monday, October 12; 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 13, at the Pulaski County Conference Center, 1135 N. U.S. 35, Winamac; 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 13, at Wynnfield Crossing in Rochester; 10 a.m. Wednesday, October 14, at the Fulton branch of the Fulton County Library; and 10 a.m. Friday, October 16, at the Argos Public Library.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Monday, October 12, in observance of Columbus Day.

Manitou Chapter Daughters of American Revolution will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, October 12, at Wynnfield Crossing in Rochester.

Judy Climie will present the program on Tri Kappa sorority. All interested persons are welcome. Juanita Paulus will be the hostess.

The Fulton County Historical Power Association will meet Tuesday, October 13, at the museum. Members and public are welcome.

Medical providers, businesses and other groups battling over a health care overhaul have spent over \$110 million so far this year on television advertising. About \$47 million has been spent for

ads favoring a health care overhaul and another \$32 million opposing a national health care plan.

Powers Energy of America has purchased 275 acres near Schneider in Lake County for a \$285 million plant that would turn trash into ethanol.

The U.S. Rural Development Agency has provided \$50,000 in loan funds for small businesses in Fulton County. FEDCO (Fulton Economic Development Corp.) is administering the loans. The loans are revolving and as they are repaid with interest, the fund grows and can be turned into new loans.

The 2016 summer Olympic games will be held in Rio de Janeiro. Chicago was thought to be one of the leading contenders for the games, but was knocked out in the first round.

The energy assistance office is now open at Mill Race Complex, 401 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Suite C, Rochester and applications for winter heating help are now being accepted. If your heating utility is already disconnected or you have a disconnect notice, call 574-223-7649 for an appointment.

New data reveals that Indiana property owners are expected to save over \$70 million more on their tax bills in the next two years than originally predicted because of caps on property taxes

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## Methodist women meet with Evelyn Peters

The Kewanna United Methodist Women met Monday evening in the home of Evelyn Peters.

Barb Steigely, the president, opened the meeting by leading the group in repeating The Purpose.

Beth Weller offered the minutes of the last meeting and the treasurer's report.

The group discussed and made plans for its annual soup and sandwich luncheon, bake sale and rummage sale, which will be November 13 in the church annex. Members of the congregation are asked to provide items for the bake sale and pies for the luncheon. A rummage sale will also be held. Rummage sale items that are not sold and not reclaimed will be donated to missions.

The group agreed to sponsor the annual collection of mittens, gloves, socks, etc., also to be donated to a mission project.

The group will not meet in November. The December meeting will be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> in the church annex and will include the annual Christmas carry-in. Gifts will be purchased for Emmaus Mission in Logansport. All women in the congregation are urged to attend and take part in this special celebration of the season.

The group voted to donate towards the Back Pack program at Caston Educational Center. The president will call the school for details.

A motion was made and passed to retain the current officers. Helen Miller gave devotions

reading Psalm 92 and 23.

Refreshments were enjoyed. Beth Weller won the door prize.

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## Concert at Mt. Hope

The Sonshine Boys quartet will appear in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, October 10, at Mt. Hope Church. The admission is free and everyone is welcome.

Mt. Hope is located at 7022 West and 700 North, one mile south of State Road 110.

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## James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 October Schedule

Saturday, Oct. 10 - men's meeting, 9 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 11 - open Sunday, 12 noon. No food.

Wednesday, Oct. 21 - Women's Auxiliary, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 25 - open Sunday. Free food. Euchre starting at 1 p.m. \$3 per person. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday, Oct. 27 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 31 - Kids' Halloween party for ages infant through 12, 2 to 4 p.m. Karaoke at 7 p.m. Halloween night.

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## Gearing up for Haunted Woods

Persons interested in volunteering to help get things ready for the Haunted Woods Trail at the Fulton County Museum are asked to come out this weekend, October 10 and 11, during museum hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. New ideas are always

welcome.

Members of the committee will be decorating the woods and getting ready for the event which will take place October 16 and 17 and October 23 and 24. Tours start at 7:30 p.m. each night and run until finished. Food will be available at the museum and there will be a storyteller in the Living History Village from 7 to 9 p.m.

Proceeds from this event will go toward operating expenses at the museum. For further information, please contact the museum office at 574-223-4436.

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## CASTON MENU October 12 - 16

### Breakfast

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

### Lunch

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Tuesday - Breadsticks with meat & cheese, seasoned mini cubes, applesauce and milk.

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Comet Café - chicken salad sandwich and chips

Wednesday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes & gravy, peas, cherry crisp and milk. Comet Café - pork barbecue sandwich and onion rings

Thursday - Pizza, corn, mixed fruit, Oreo cookies and milk. Comet Café - soft taco bar

Friday - Breaded pork patty sandwich, scalloped potatoes, green beans, sugar cookie and milk. Comet Café - chicken strips and French fries

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## United Ministries

### announces new policies for Christmas baskets

In order for persons to receive Christmas baskets from United

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

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

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

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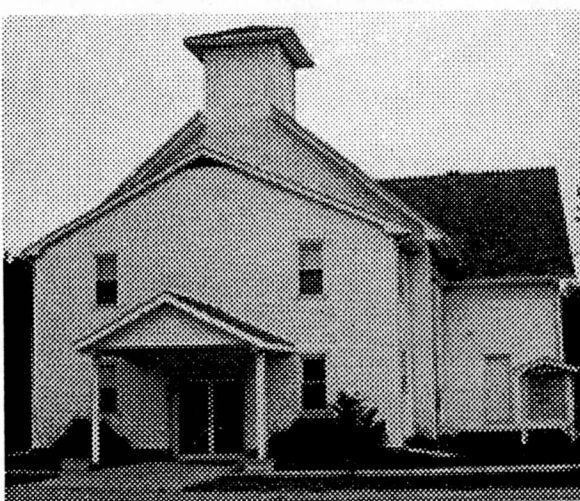
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**HOSPITAL NOTES....**

**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**

September 26  
Births - Amanda Shull, Rochester, a son; Kenda Hackworth, North Manchester, a son

September 27  
Births - Kyle and Melissa Jump, Rochester, a daughter; Taylor and Crystal Patton, Winamac, twin son and daughter; Melissa Tillman, Rochester, a daughter

September 28  
Admissions - Junior Montgomery, Rochester  
Dismissals - Carol Conrad, Twelve Mile; Timothy Day, Sharon Caddy and Beverly Raya, all of Rochester

September 29  
Admissions - David Alderfer, Mentone; Janice Norman, Macy  
Dismissals - Amanda Shull and son, Rochester

Births - Darrell and Melissa Stalbaum, Argos, a son; Samuel and Christina Swartz, Macy, a son; Roy and Trudi Atkins, Culver, a daughter

September 30  
Admissions - Richard Halfast, Rochester

Dismissals - Melissa Jump and daughter, Rochester; Kenda Hackworth and son, North Manchester; Crystal Patton, Winamac; Melissa Tillman and daughter, Rochester

October 1  
Admissions - Charles Holbrook, Etna Green; Beverly Geller and Margaret Smith, Rochester

Dismissals - David Alderfer,

Rochester  
Births - Brandon and Christine Wortley, Rochester, a son; Veronica Romero, Rochester, a son

October 2  
Admissions - none published  
Dismissals - Janice Norman, Macy; Christina Schwartz and son, Macy; Trudi Atkins and daughter, Culver.

**Ralph Stayton recognized by Red Cross**

**Red Cross Distributes Awards for Outstanding Support**

On Friday, Oct. 2, the American Red Cross Blood Services, Indiana-Ohio Region, hosted its annual meeting and recognition luncheon at the Orthopaedic Capital Center in Winona Lake. Many awards were given out, including the Outstanding Blood Donor, Growing by Leaps and Bounds, Faithful Friend and Chapter Partnership Awards.

The Outstanding Blood Donor Award recognizes the individual in each county served by the Indiana-Ohio Region who had the highest donation frequency in Fiscal Year 2009. If there was a tie for highest frequency in a county, the donor with a combination of highest donation frequency and highest lifetime donations was recognized. **Ralph Stayton** of Leiters Ford, who has donated 200 units in his lifetime and seven times in the past year, was recognized for his commitment.

The blood drive sponsors recognized with the Growing by Leaps and Bounds Award increased the units of blood donated at their blood drives by

at least 25 percent or increased the number of blood drives they hosted in the last year. **Woodlawn Hospital** was honored with this award for adding an extra drive to its schedule last year, recruiting more employees to donate blood and exceeding its collections goal for a drive during the week of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Faithful Friend Award recognizes the sponsors that have continuously shown support to the American Red Cross and blood donation. The **Talma Community Building** received this award for being willing to host drives in times of need and for increasing its collections by 46 percent last year.

The highlight of the event was the presentation of the American Red Cross Partnership Awards. The Partnership Awards recognize the invaluable work of the chapters, hospitals and sponsors that support the Indiana-Ohio Region. Their active role and faithful support in the collection of blood products helped make this year a success.

The chapters nominated for the Chapter Partnership Award offered exceptional support to Blood Services by ensuring that volunteers were present at blood drives to run registration, serve at canteen and arrange transportation. The **Marshall County Chapter** of the American Red Cross, which covers both Marshall and Fulton counties, was nominated for this award largely because of the efforts of Executive Director James Hale. Hale is a long-time supporter of blood services and was always looking for new blood drive locations and creative ways to recruit blood donors.

The Red Cross wishes to thank the communities of Fulton County for their support of blood donation.

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU**  
October 12 - 16

**Elementary Breakfast**  
Monday - Donut, string cheese, juice and milk

Tuesday - French toast, juice and milk

Wednesday - Omelet, juice and milk

Thursday - Biscuit with sausage, juice and milk

Friday - fall break, no school

**Elementary Lunch**  
Monday - Chicken strips, corn, applesauce, peanut butter sandwich and milk

Tuesday - Spaghetti, peas, pears, garlic cheese bread and milk

Wednesday - Foot-long hot dog, hash browns, mixed fruit, cookie and milk

Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, fruit bites, cinnamon roll and milk

Friday - fall break, no school

**Middle/High School Lunch**  
Monday - Chicken pizza quesadillas, mixed 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, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Pepperoni pizza, corn, mixed fruit, cake and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - fall break, no school

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**AREA FIVE MENU**

**Kewanee Fire Station**

Monday, October 12 - Pork loin, peas, Key West blend vegetables, fruit cocktail, oatmeal bread and milk

Wednesday, October 14 - Cheeseburger sandwich, corn, green beans, apricots and milk

Friday, October 16 - BBQ ribette sandwich, macaroni and cheese, cauliflower, peaches and milk

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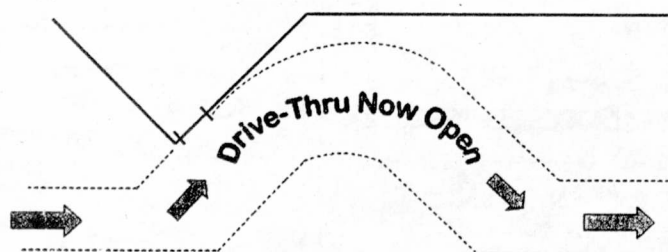


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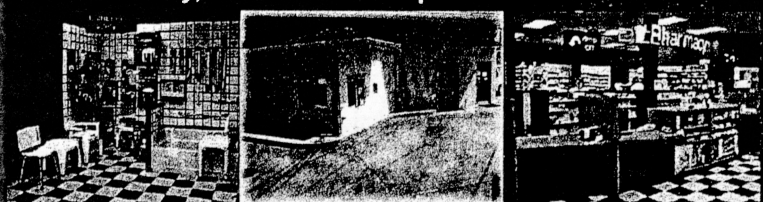
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- Chicken/Seafood Alfredo
- Chicken/Seafood Cajun

**Additional Items**

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- Assorted Beverages

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# Looking Back

## SIXTY YEARS AGO October 13, 1949

Cars driven by Paul Reffet, 15, Rt. 1, Kewanna, and Donald E. Gerrick, Rochester, collided last week about 10 miles southeast of Rochester. No one was injured but a total of \$1,000 worth of damage was done to the cars.

The Grass Creek charge gave a public reception for their new pastor and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Charles J. Roberts, Thursday.

### The Weather

This week's weather will be either clear or cloudy, dry or wet (it might snow), windy or calm. There will be either fog, hail, sleet or there will not be. This report is unofficial and uncalled for.

Everett "Duke" Gray has been appointed justice of the peace for Fulton, to fill the unexpired term of the late Elmer Beck.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 15, 1954

Janet Smith, Linda Shidaker and Doris Kreamer all came home from the Northern Indiana Baton Twirling contest at Valparaiso Saturday with first place medals from their respective classes.

David P. Keeney, 79, died Sunday at his residence in Kewanna following a lingering illness. Survivors include his wife, three daughters, Geraldine Anderson and Pearl Jester of Kewanna and Corlista Smith, Michigan City, and son, Clyde, Fort Wayne.

Before an altar banked with yellow and white chrysanthemums, Carol Jo Brooks became the bride of Harold J. Hickle at 7 p.m. Friday evening

in the Methodist Church. Rev. Frank R. Briggs performed the double ring ceremony.

Sally Masteller, 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Masteller, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was the guest of honor at a birthday party after school Thursday. Helping her celebrate the occasion were members of her second grade class.

Colleen Koebecke, Rt. 1, Kewanna, is confined to her home with a virus infection.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO October 8, 1959

Walter R. Morris, Sr. of Fulton was appointed by the board of county commissioners as justice of the peace for Liberty Township Monday, October 5. He replaces the late Everett "Duke" Gray.

Three persons were injured in a two-car crash at new Indiana 114 and Marstown road Thursday evening, October 1. Robert Powlen, 30, Rt. 6, Rochester, suffered left arm and facial cuts and possible head injuries. Mrs. Mary Horn, 51, Rt. 1, Kewanna, suffered facial cuts and possible head injuries and her grandson, Dale Horn, Rt. 1, Kewanna, suffered cuts and possible head injuries.

The Kewanna High School senior class will present its play "House for Sale - Haunted" Friday, October 9. Members of the cast are Donna Hunter, Jerry Hiland, Tom Livengood, Karen Baker, Donna Earp, Tom Zuck, Judy Reinholt, Caryl Saxton, Jim Cohagen, Frank Van Dwyne, Steve Ley, Bob Newgent, Diane Hunter and Edith Luhnnow.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 8, 1964

Jeanne Anne Urbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin, Kewanna, was accepted today by the U.S. Army for participation in the Army Student Nurse Program. Now a senior at St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Lafayette, she will draw regular Army pay and allowances and will report for duty at an Army hospital upon graduation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Luhnnow, Rt. 3, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born in Woodlawn Hospital.

Barbara Troutman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Troutman, Rt. 1, Kewanna, graduated recently from Elkhart University as a medical secretary.

Pauline Scales has been appointed temporary post master at Grass Creek, effective October 1.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO October 11, 1979

Elmer Hickle and Chuck Evans were pictured with the new tractor which the town board recently purchased. Along with the tractor, the board purchased a snow blade, mower and front end loader. The cost of the new equipment was approximately \$18,000. Ten thousand dollars of this came from the revenue sharing fund and the remainder from the water works fund. Elmer, who started working for the town October 27, 1930, does not recall having very many new tractors to work with.

Elmer Weller was the guest of honor at a birthday dinner Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bailey, Kewanna. Mr. Weller was celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. He is a retired civil service employee who worked out of Rantoul, Illinois. Other guests helping him celebrate the occasion were his wife, Nina

Weller, Mrs. Sylvia James and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Budd.

Felicia Hudkins was pictured with KHS personnel as she enrolled for her senior year. Felicia, whose parents Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hudkins are serving with the U.S. Embassy in Peking, China, elected to return to Kewanna for her final year of school.

Kewanna's cross country team finished its season Tuesday at White's Institute. The team finished the season with a 2-9 record. Team members include Pat Howdeshell, manager; Doug Whiteman, Jeff Markley, Randy Hall, Ryan Hall, Jeff Good, Lyle Scheeley, assistant coach, Malcolm Howdeshell, Rodney Hall, Tracy Bonnell, Brian Evers, John Sharp and Larry Cloncs, coach.

Air Force Reserve Technical Sergeant Robert A. Hurley III of the 931<sup>st</sup> Air Refueling Group at Grissom AFB, has returned to his unit after serving two weeks active duty at RAF Mildenhall, England. Hurley is a 1966 graduate of Kewanna High School. He is married to the former Nedra Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clurel Hunter, Kewanna.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO October 12, 1989

The Kewanna Church of Christ opens its doors every Thursday afternoon to the young people in the community for a program known as Daniel's Den. The program begins at 4 p.m. with an after school snack and various activities lasting until approximately 5:30 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack #3251 appears off to a good start with 15 boys showing an interest in the early stages of reorganization.


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## RECYCLING DATES THURS., OCT. 8TH THURS., OCT. 22ND



### Materials accepted at the Recycling Center:

- Aluminum Cans**
  - Beverage cans
  - Pop tab pet food cans
- Aluminum Foil**
  - Foil wrap
  - Aluminum pie and dinner trays
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  - Cereal box type paper
  - Office paper - all types
  - Paperback books
  - Junk mail
  - Phone books
  - Hardback books - covers need to be removed
- No tissue or foil paper**
- No carbon, carbonless forms or other treated paper**
- No wax paper**

- Corrugated Cardboard**
  - Viewed from the edge, corrugated cardboard looks like this: 
  - Remove packing materials

- Electronics**
  - Computers (including mice, keyboards, monitors and printers)
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  - Fax machines
  - Scanners
  - VCRs
  - DVD players
  - Stereos
  - Telephones
  - TVs

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

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

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

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

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

- Newspaper**
  - Stack in brown paper grocery bags
  - Remove glossy inserts and put with magazines

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

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

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  - Refrigerators
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Committee members include Michele Corbett, Jenny Rohrbacher and Tim Rohrbacher. The new Cub Master is Clem Good. Den leaders include Terry Amor and Mike Guzaldo.

Jeff Hott and Bobby Bauman were present for last story hour at the local library. The program was entitled "Harvest". The next story hour is October 19 and is entitled "Halloween". Those attending should come in costume.

**TEN YEARS AGO  
October 14, 1999**

Diane Tesler, an artist who resides in Alexandria, Virginia, and works at her studio here in the summer, will host her third annual art show Sunday, Oct. 24,

The Kewanna community after school program, Kids Extreme Club, is up and running at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The program is a cooperative effort of the Methodist Church, Church of Christ, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Fulton County.

Elsie Turner recently celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with four generations of her family attending church with her. Those present included her daughter, Susan; her grandson, Brian Van Duyne, and his family of Logansport; great-grand-

daughters, Shayla and Skylar Van Duyne of Fort Wayne; Tina Paschen of Rochester, Esther and Lothaire Lake of North Judson; and Oryln Master of New Mexico. A birthday dinner was held at Pinders in Culver, followed with ice cream and cake in Elsie's home.

Norm and Barb Steigely hosted their annual breakfast Sunday morning, October 10, for several of their friends and neighbors.

**TOWN COUNCIL  
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information on a truck he thinks would work well for the town. The truck would be used to clean the lift stations, the contact tank at the sewage treatment plant and all of the catch basins in town.

The superintendent reported ongoing and constant problems with the workmanship at the sewage construction site. The new liner was installed in the east lagoon, but some of the vents were too low. Danny Chew measured all of the vents and marked all of the low ones. A meeting was held concerning the repairs needed on the west lagoon. Molitor asked Don Woolington to survey the top of the liner and ground around the west lagoon to check the accuracy of the contractor's survey. The contractor agreed to come back and repair the north, west and south ends of the lagoon. The people who installed the liners came back and moved all of the vents up in the east lagoon and made a repair to the

liner on the transfer pipe. They added pieces to the west lagoon to get it up to the right elevation and moved those vents up where the repairs were made. Molitor talked to the contractor about repairing the sidewalk around the contact tank. They had to pour five new pieces and agreed to pin those pieces, but only one section was pinned. Molitor took pictures of the completed work. Work was done on the No. 2 lift station, but it still has a hump and a low spot and is a little rough inside the fence. Thomas Excavating installed the new tracks on the irrigator with positive results.

The town pumped a total of 1,175,100 gallons of water during September.

In discussing the wastewater treatment project, Bob Murphy brought to the council's attention that the cost has exceeded the grant funds available due to numerous change orders throughout the project. The town will need to seek another loan to pay for the project in full. Pay request No. 9 to Thieneman Construction in the amount of \$49,180.55 was approved for payment. A proposed change order from Thieneman Construction was tabled. Pay application No. 2 from Thomas Excavating in the amount of \$8,503.26 was also approved.

Tony Pesaresi submitted the September fire report. He expressed his appreciation to the town for its help and cooperation during the fall festival. Council member Mark Smith also thanked the fire department for its help during the run/walk, as well as coverage during the entire festival. The department responded to two town alarms during September, one fire and one medical, and five township alarms, all medical. It also

provided one mutual aid. Training consisted of hose testing and a county-wide disaster drill.

The police department's monthly report noted seven traffic warnings, seven criminal arrests, two accident reports, 52 calls answered and 1,347 miles patrolled. Marshal Dennis Price and Deputy Danny Winter attended training concerning Alzheimer sufferers at Grissom on September 16.

Engineer Don Bixby presented the contract for the storm drain project, which was approved and signed.

FEDCO member Doran Collins briefly explained the Indiana Main Street Initiative program currently underway and is looking to Kewanna for interest in the program. Council member Jeff Finke will speak with Shane Blair about details.

The council reviewed a quote from Keystone for a computerized budget program. The quote was tabled for the present time.

In reference to a request received from Nurse Practitioner Jean Herd at the September meeting to use a room in the town hall to see patients on Saturday morning, there has been a change as she was unable to secure a collaborator. She would like to be kept in mind, however, for future healthcare needs.

The 2010 budget was adopted by the council. Claims against the town, water and sewage works were okayed for payment.

**Sports  
Shorts**

**Cross Country**

The Caston girls' and boys' cross country runners competed in the Winamac invitational Saturday, October 3, although

neither fielded a full team.

Rochester won the girls' meet, followed by Winamac. Stacy Gudas paced the Warriors with a third place finish in 21:32.

Kara Smith led Caston with a 14<sup>th</sup> place finish in 23:26, Veronica Sheets was 17<sup>th</sup> in a time of 23:58, and Maggie Daily finished 30<sup>th</sup> in 26:03.

Zach Smith paced the Caston boy's cross country team with a time of 21:16, followed by Kevin Stapinski, 21:22, Patrick Stapinski, 21:29; and James Laing, 23:10.

**Volleyball**

The Caston varsity volleyball team took second place in its volleyball tourney Saturday, Oct. 3. The Comets reached the final game with a win over Oregon-Davis, 25-22, 25-18. Haley Markley led with eight kills. Kelsey Moss had 14 assists. Caston lost to West Central in the championship game, 13-25, 10-25. The win/loss makes the Comets 6-14 on the season.

**CASTON SPORTS  
SCHEDULE**

Friday, Oct. 9 - Varsity football at Winamac, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 10 - Varsity soccer sectional at Caston, 10 a.m.; JH girls volleyball MWC tourney at West Central, 10 a.m.; Varsity volleyball at LaVille, 10 a.m.; varsity soccer sectional at Caston, 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 12 - JH volleyball vs. North White at Caston, 5:30 p.m. varsity volley vs. Wabash at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; JV football vs. Winamac at Caston, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 13 - Cross country sectional at CMA, 5 p.m.; varsity volleyball vs. Pioneer at Caston, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday - Varsity volleyball at Whitko, 5:30 p.m.; JH volleyball vs. Lewis Cass at Caston, 5:30 p.m.



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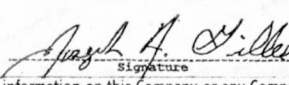

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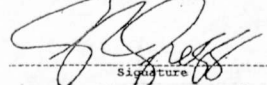

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ASSETS OF COMPANY	
Bonds (Schedule D)	(Nearest dollar) \$ 153,934,483
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 7,019,221
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ -
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ -
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 15,733,331
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 26,737,249
Other assets	\$ 13,021,881
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 216,446,165</b>
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 77,545,504
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 18,076,766
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 40,403,696
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 1,462,893
All Other Liabilities	\$ 21,790,035
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 159,278,894</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ -
Capital Stock	\$ 2,500,000
Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus	\$ 21,000,000
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 33,667,271
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 57,167,271
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 216,446,165</b>
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ASSETS OF COMPANY	
Bonds (Schedule D)	(Nearest dollar) \$ 2,367,265,747
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 281,831,749
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ -
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ -
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 267,363,750
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 557,216,809
Other assets	\$ 478,555,153
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 3,952,233,208</b>
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Reserve for Losses	\$ 1,279,500,807
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 298,266,655
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 666,660,985
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 16,320,234
All Other Liabilities	\$ 921,659,090
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 3,182,407,771</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 3,399,995
Capital Stock	\$ 5,000,000
Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus	\$ 346,118,108
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 415,307,334
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 769,825,437
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 3,952,233,208</b>
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**NIPSCO HEATING BILLS PROJECTED TO DROP THIS WINTER**

Northern Indiana Public Service Company announced that, assuming normal winter temperatures, customers should experience a decrease of more than 35 percent in their overall home heating bills this upcoming heating season.

Over the course of the winter heating season - Nov. 1 to March 31 - NIPSCO's average residential customer using 698 therms could expect to pay approximately \$509. This compares to \$833 for a customer using the same amount of gas during the last winter heating season.

The cost of natural gas represents the largest portion of customer bills, typically making up three-fourths of an overall bill. NIPSCO has no mark-up and makes no profit on the cost of natural gas billed to its customers. Before being billed to customers, natural gas commodity costs are filed with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission for review on a monthly basis.

Commodity prices in the market are mainly determined by such factors as supply and demand,

weather and storage levels, but lower gas costs this year can also be attributed to the cooler-than-normal temperatures we experienced during the summer, the decline in industrial demand for energy as a result of the recession, gas production levels across the country and record-high inventories of natural gas.

In a commitment to secure the most reliable supply of natural gas at the lowest cost for customers, NIPSCO's purchasing strategy consists of buying gas in the market from a variety of sources at different times throughout the year, combined with contracting future purchases and utilizing gas storage to offset market price volatility.

"As we've seen since the end of last year, natural gas prices on the wholesale market have dropped considerably and we're looking at a much different picture heading into this winter heating season compared to what we faced last year at this time," said Eileen O'Neill Odum, CEO of NIPSCO. "This is welcome news to our customers planning their household budgets. However, we're anticipating a great need for energy assistance for many of our customers, some of which for the first time, as a direct result of

the current economic conditions across the state."

NIPSCO offers a number of solutions to help customers use energy wisely, make smart energy decisions and manage their monthly bill, including:

- **Energy Assistance Program:** Customers falling within 150 percent of federal poverty guidelines may be eligible to receive state and federal utility assistance dollars by visiting their local community action agency.
- **Energy Harvest:** Offers rebates to all NIPSCO residential customers who purchase new, energy-efficient natural gas furnaces, water heaters, or boilers.
- **BudgetPlan:** Free service to all NIPSCO customers to help manage their monthly energy bills by spreading out gas costs over an entire year.
- **DependaBill and Price Protection Service:** DependaBill provides a fixed monthly bill with no annual reconciliation, while the PPS option allows customers to fix or cap their per-unit cost of natural gas.
- **NIPSCO Choice Program:** Gives customers an

opportunity to choose an alternative natural gas supplier for their home.

- **Gift of Warmth:** Individuals wanting to provide assistance to those in need with their energy bills may make donations to the Gift of Warmth. NIPSCO will match those donations dollar-for-dollar up to \$500,000. Donations are tax deductible and may be sent to any local energy assistant agency.
- **Energy Tips:** Additional low-cost tips and improvements to help use energy more efficiently may be found by visiting [www.nipSCO.com](http://www.nipSCO.com).

The winter bill figures provided by NIPSCO are only projections. If temperatures are colder-than-normal this winter, the cost to heat a home will likely be higher as customers will be using more gas and wholesale natural gas prices could rise in response to the increased demand.

As always, customers experiencing bill-payment trouble, regardless of income, are reminded to call NIPSCO at 1-800-4-NIPSCO in order to provide an opportunity to work together to get customers available assistance.

**NIPSCO ANNOUNCES DECREASE IN GAS COST FOR OCTOBER**

Northern Indiana Public Service Company announced recently that due to the change in the price of natural gas on the wholesale market, the price NIPSCO expects to pay for October 2009 is 33.87 cents per therm, down 11.2 percent from the September gas price.

Natural gas costs reflected on residential gas bills change each month dependent upon the gas prices in the wholesale market. NIPSCO does not mark up this cost.

By way of example, customers using a monthly total of 100 therms of natural gas should expect their October bill to total \$41.62, an 8.20 percent decrease from a September bill with the same usage.

Additionally, NIPSCO announced that it provided its residential gas customers the lowest gas costs in the state for

September. This is the sixth consecutive month that NIPSCO was the lowest cost gas provider in Indiana. This information can be found on the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission's website at [www.in.gov/iurc](http://www.in.gov/iurc).

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 255,537,529
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ -0-
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ -0-
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ -0-
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 79,747,080
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 33,626,406
Other assets	\$ 55,920,497
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 424,831,512</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Reserve for Losses	\$ 161,219,708
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 11,158,026
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 34,070,275
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 6,114,679
All Other Liabilities	\$ 77,163,242
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 289,725,930</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 7,500,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 82,225,000
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 45,380,582
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 135,105,582
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 424,831,512</b>

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 11,578,281,236
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 3,103,870,582
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 55,920,293
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 738,209,937
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 829,128,325
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 1,288,020,128
Other assets	\$ 1,568,731,281
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 19,182,959,782</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Reserve for Losses	\$ 7,887,043,541
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 1,826,620,788
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 2,098,724,313
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 134,938,293
All Other Liabilities	\$ 889,126,349
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 12,796,453,285</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 47,738,719
Capital Stock	\$ 20,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 3,275,206,528
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 3,023,563,232
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 6,386,506,477
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 19,182,959,782</b>

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 49,703,329
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 0
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 37,197,158
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 33,549,206
Other assets	\$ 77,105,564
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 197,555,257</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Reserve for Losses	\$ 0
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 0
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 0
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 0
All Other Liabilities	\$ 107,435,905
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 107,435,905</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 3,375,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 74,591,382
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 12,152,970
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 90,119,352
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 197,555,257</b>

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Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 16,619,039
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 0
Other assets	\$ 1,013,509
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 27,171,211</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Reserve for Losses	\$ 0
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 0
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 0
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 72,029
All Other Liabilities	\$ 3,216,004
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 3,288,033</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 3,290,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 12,610,825
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 7,982,353
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 23,883,178
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 27,171,211</b>

Nicholas Craig Bentley (Print Name) President  
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## Letter To The Editor

### Kewanna Fall Festival the best

This year's Kewanna Fall Festival was a huge success! Thanks to Kewanna H.E.A.R.T.; the support of the Fulton County Community Foundation and REMC Operation Roundup Trust; the circus sponsors Community State Bank, Kewanna Metal Specialties and Winamac Coil Spring; Mark Smith, chairman of the Run, Walk and Fun Runs; Kandace Evers, chairperson of the royalty contest; Donna Watson who helps all year donating hundreds of hours; the Kewanna Fire Department for supporting the festival and being there if someone needed help; the police who provided security around the clock; the entertainment and ride sponsors plus the hundreds of contributors who provided the financial support; Shorty's Disposal who kept the festival midway clean all weekend, I'm sure Shorty would be proud of his family and their tribute to him. Thank you to the vendors and entertainers who worked very hard to please everyone, all the parade participants - 104 units, my wife Diane and son Luke who worked endlessly and proudly to make Kewanna proud of their festival. Thanks to the thousands of people who came to our festival, I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

Thanks to all,  
Tom Mate, Chairman  
Kewanna Fall Festival 2009  
The Little Town with a VERY  
BIG Heart

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Hello fellow Kewanna/Union  
Township Resident

I'm writing today about the 2010 United States Census, which is often misunderstood, but very important to our local and national communities.

The Census is conducted by the Bureau of Census, as a part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and in addition to providing valuable statistics, also affects federal and state funding of public works projects, public health, education, transportation, and many more areas.

The Census also affects your

voice in Congress. Mandated by the Constitution of the United States, and first performed in 1790, the census is used to apportion seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, and to redistrict state legislatures, establish school assignment areas and other important functions of government.

The Census is used like a snapshot to help define "who" we are as a nation. It provides important statistical data to all levels of government, which will affect planning decisions, such as where to provide services for the elderly, where to locate roads and schools, or even where to locate job training centers.

The Census is a confidential survey, and all Census Bureau employees (both administrative and field employees) take an oath to protect that confidentiality, and are subject to jail and fines for the disclosure of any information that might identify a respondent or household. The focus of the Census is to gather an accurate count of all people living in the United States and their housing arrangements.

The 2010 Census is different from those in the past. In previous censuses, most households received a short-form questionnaire, and one household in six would receive a long-form survey for additional information. The 2010 Census will be an ALL short-form ONLY census.

You will be asked to provide your name, sex, date of birth, race, ethnicity, your relationship, and housing tenure. That's it! The short-form survey is estimated to take less than 10 minutes to complete, and can easily be returned through the mail.

The Census Bureau will mail or deliver the 2010 Census questionnaire to your house in March 2010. They will mail a second form to households that do not respond to the initial questionnaire. Households that do not respond will be called or visited by a Census worker (you can identify a Census worker by their Census badge and bag).

I hope you can see the importance of the U.S. decennial census (and why the 2010 Census will be more easily completed than ever before). In the coming months, you'll see reminders, not just from me, but also from the Bureau of Census itself. There is a big push on the part of the Bureau to make this the most

accurate and comprehensive survey to date. I hope you'll do your part.

Thanks!  
Jeff Finke  
Kewanna Town Council  
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### Trail of Courage thank you

The 34th Annual Trail of Courage Living History Festival was attended by approximately 13,000 persons.

Special thanks to all the participants, volunteers, probation workers, and public for attending making this year's event a huge success. This includes all volunteers that helped by hosting the buildings in the Living history Village and museum, splitting firewood, hauling supplies, mowing, building booths & tables, working in the food booths and other jobs during the event - we could not have done this without you.

Thanks to the following businesses and individuals for donating services and prizes. New Holland Rochester and Logansport - Jim Straeter, Richard Belcher & WROI, Fulton County Tourism Commission, Fulton County Probation Dept., Fulton County Historical Power Assn., Pro-Tree Service - Randy Overmyer, both Fred Oden's, Tony Boyd, Larry Bibler, Tom Diehl, Bill O'Blenis, Lawrence Carrico Family, McDonald's, Wendy's, Pizza Hut, Burger King, Casey's, Farm Bureau Insurance, Phyllis Whitmore, Flirt Girly Boutique, The Winning Edge, Enyart's True Value, Tic Toc Trophy, Rochester Sentinel, Dollar General, Smith Farm Store, Jonne Grunden, and the Winning Edge.

Thank you to the following local Indian dancers: David Morningstar for organizing the Indian dance arena, and those who participated in the intertribal dances. Roy & Joan McClellan and American Cherokee Confederacy.

Thanks to the Rochester Sentinel and Mike Kenny for the news and photos. Thanks to the advertisers who make the special preview possible by buying ads. Thanks to all other newspapers that printed our news about the festivals, including the Shopping Guide News and the Observer. Thanks WROI, B100 - South Bend, WSBT - South Bend, WWKI - Kokomo, and others for all the great publicity.

Local groups participating in the festivals were Fulton County Girl Scouts - candle dipping. Food booths included the Rochester Rotary, Kappa Delta Phi, Five Friends, Beverly Jackson family, Knights of Columbus, Roy Swartz, American Cherokee Confederacy, Swingin' Dudes, Grass Creek Lions and the Fulton County Historical Society. Thank you all.

Festival dates for next year are Redbud Trail Rendezvous April 24-25, 2010, Fulton County Historical Power Show June 18-20, 2010, and Trail of Courage Sept. 18-19, 2010.

Melinda Clinger, Museum  
Director

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A special thanks to all the teams and their sponsors (Winamac Coil Spring, Kewanna Metal Specialties, Kewanna Fire Department, Baldwin Homes and the Little League parents) who participated in the benefit mushball tournament during the Kewanna Fall Festival. Thanks also to Kewanna Metal Specialties (Allen, Jim and Jeff Finke) for donating the certificates and trophies for the winning teams. Baldwin Homes won the tournament. The team was made up of Caston baseball and softball players. The Kewanna Fire Department placed second.

Thanks again,  
Chris and Angie Blanchard  
Chuck Baldwin

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I would like to thank Mick and Mark Brown for sponsoring me during the Kewanna Fall Festival pageant. I had a lot of fun.

Brittney Baldwin  
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Jean E. Cloud  
Drainage Board Secretary  
Pub. 10-8-09

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF  
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS  
Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Liberty Township, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper legal officers will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year at their regular meeting place at Trustee's Office, at 6:00 P.M., on the 20th day of October, 2009.

FUND NAME	AMOUNT
1190 Capital Outlays.....	\$65,033.00
TOTAL for 1190.....	\$65,033.00
0840 Other Services & Charges.....	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL for 0840.....	\$ 1,000.00
1312 Capital Outlays.....	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL for 1312.....	\$ 1,000.00
GRAND TOTAL.....	\$67,033.00

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). The DLGF will make written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action taken. Dated 10/5/09  
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Pub. 10/08/09

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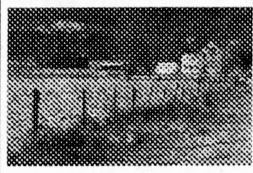
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## Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown

Ph.: (574) 653-2451

Helen Whiteman was in Winamac Monday evening, Sept. 28. She attended the boys' high school soccer game. Her great-grandson, Tristan Connor, is a player for Winamac and one of the seniors who were recognized.

Barb Hieber had company Tuesday, Sept. 29. Coming for a day of visiting was her daughter, Sue Janes of LaPorte.

Barb and Tom LaFollette and their granddaughter and great-grandson, Shelby and Eli, enjoyed dining out Tuesday. They had a nice time visiting over Chinese food in Winamac.

Ruth Cogdill's granddaughter, Renata Crissinger, stopped by Tuesday evening to visit Ruth and her son, Mike Cogdill. Renata had just gotten off work at the Kibitzer, so her visit was short, but very sweet.

Tom LaFollette helped Beth Larsen serve pizzas at the Rochester V.F.W. post Thursday evening, Oct. 1.

Lori Leach was busy over the weekend. She had a fun time taking care of her granddaughters, Lauren and Amanda Evers.

Jane and Jim Teeter of Bluffton spent Friday morning, Oct. 2, with Jane's mother and brother, Ruth Cogdill and Mike. They enjoyed a visit and carry-outs from the Kibitzer. The family spent a lot of time laughing over the years spent in Kewanna and remembering the good old days.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Friday. Stopping by for a chat was their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester.

Earl and Mary Bangel had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Friday evening to spend a few days bow- and- arrow hunting were their grandson, Rob Bangel, and his friend, Keith.

Steve and Missy Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna of Twelve Mile had company Saturday, Oct. 3. Coming for a visit and to help Steve and Kaylyn celebrate their birthdays were Missy's mother, Linda Garner; her sister and children, Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie; and her brother and sister-in-law, T.J. and Ashley Garner.

Donovan Ritter of Rochester was the guest of honor at a large gathering Saturday. The occasion was in celebration of his 6<sup>th</sup> birthday and hosted by his parents, Stacy and Rob Ritter. Among those attending the masquerade-themed party were Donovan's great-grandparents, Leonard and Nancy Evers.

The ladies of the Kewanna Church of Christ enjoyed "a dinner and a movie" night Saturday. They watched "Fried Green Tomatoes" and dined on some fried green tomatoes prepared by Jill Meneeley and Martha Sheridan.

Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie, of Valparaiso were Saturday overnight houseguests of Amanda's parents, Tom and Linda Garner.

Virginia Agnew spent Saturday in Hebron visiting with her daughter and her family, Marsha and Ed Tomerlin, Eric Tomerlin,

Megan and Jacob, and Erin Tomerlin and Ashlyn. In the afternoon, they went to a street fair to celebrate the re-opening and ribbon cutting of Main Street, which had been closed for almost two years. The celebration opened with a parade led by the Hebron High School band. Virginia's great-granddaughter, Ashlyn, plays clarinet with the band.

Virginia Agnew and her daughter, Marsha Tomerlin, visited with George Wood. He is recovering from surgery and the loss of his wife, Lorene, and is doing much better. Lorene was Virginia's sister.

Mary and Earl Bangel had visitors Sunday, Oct. 4. Coming over for a chat were their son and daughter-in-law, Darel and Nancy Bangel of Ft. Wayne.

Helen Whiteman and her family enjoyed their annual family reunion Sunday. This year's gathering was held at the Winamac city park.

Ellen Walsh was among those who had a nice time attending the Rural Youth reunion in Rochester Sunday afternoon.

Pauline and Don Scales had a couple of callers Sunday. Coming over for a visit were their son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Rosemary Scales of Fulton.

The Rochester V.F.W. post held its annual soup cook-off Sunday. All entry fees and cash winnings were donated to the Avon Breast Cancer Fund. There were 27 entries this year with first place going to a corn and tortilla soup. Barb LaFollette won second place for her portabella mushroom soup.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Cindy Bowyer and Denise Robson, Oct.

11; Hunter Doty, Elijah Rans and Rob Troutman, Oct. 12; Christi Doty and Allison Foerg, Oct. 13; Joshua Miller, Kenneth Troutman and Eric Zuck, Oct. 14; Susan Downhour, Chris LaFollette and C.J. Yocum, Oct. 15; Finian Behny, David McPherson and Coleman Rude, Oct. 16; and Kayla Metzger, Kelsea Metzger, Marie Mitchell, Pauline Scales and Gary Troutman, Oct. 17.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Easterday, Oct. 11; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Chew, Oct. 12; Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Garner, Oct. 13; and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Evers and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mollencupp, Oct. 16.

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### Rochester License Branch Opens at New Location

Branch moves to retail center on South Main Street

Andy Miller, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), officially opened the new Rochester License Branch at 2070 S. Main Street. The new branch is located in a Wal-Mart retail center and features a larger customer lobby, more convenient parking and a public restroom.

Before cutting the ribbon with the assistance of branch employees, Miller commented, "Over the last few years, the BMV has significantly improved the level of customer service. New and renovated branches like Rochester allow us to provide



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high quality service in a professional and customer friendly office environment."

"Rochester is an outstanding branch. So far this year the staff has achieved an average visit time of just five minutes. We are confident that the new branch will help them maintain that level of service in the years to come."

Miller also noted that the BMV has implemented a number of new ways for customers to do business with the BMV without visiting a license branch. The Customer Choices program includes improved online services and partnerships with auto dealers, the AAA Hoosier Motor Club and Old National Bank. Nearly 1.3 million Hoosiers renewed their registrations online 2008, and more than 129,000 have completed BMV business at a Customer Choices partner location.

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### Small Business

#### Counseling

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Business Development Center. Through an arrangement with the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO), this service is free to Fulton County residents. A business counselor can help current and prospective business owners with business plans, marketing, arranging financing and growing a business.

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