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## The News In Brief

The EM Advisory Council will meet Friday, November 20, at 10 a.m. in the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester.

The Fulton County Commission on Public Records will meet Tuesday, November 24, at 9 a.m. in the Fulton Circuit Court Jury Room, Rochester.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library will be closed Thursday, November 26, in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Kewanna-Union Township Library board will meet in executive session Monday, November 30, at 6 p.m. at the library. A public meeting will immediately follow.

A \$1,000 grand prize is being offered in a special poetry contest sponsored by The Celestial Arts Society. Poems of 21 lines or less on any subject and in any style will be accepted. Entries must be received by Dec. 20 and may be submitted by mail to Free Poetry Contest, 584 James St., Talent, OR 97540, or enter at [www.freecontest.com](http://www.freecontest.com). Your name and address must appear on the page with the poem.

V.I.P. (Visually Impaired People) will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the Von Tobel Center in Winamac. The meeting is open to anyone with vision problems and all interested parties.

The Better Business Bureau is warning consumers that the FBI has issued a warning to businesses and job-seekers to beware of fraudulent online money transfers being processed in their name. The FBI says the fraud is executed by infecting personal and business computers with a virus in order to steal personal information, which is later used to carry out the fraudulent money transfers. Consumers should never open an unknown attachment in an email and should be extremely wary when clicking on links in emails from unknown entities. Never under any circumstances should businesses or consumers divulge personal bank account information in an email.

There has been a recent drop in the number of people hospitalized with flu symptoms, but Indiana health officials warn that the decrease does not mean the swine flu pandemic is waning.

If you are one of those enjoying

## Fall craft show, November 21

The Fulton County Crafters will present their 30<sup>th</sup> annual fall craft show Saturday, November 21, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fulton County 4-H Fairgrounds, Rochester.

Two buildings will house vendors offering floral crafts, wood crafts, Christmas crafts, handcrafted items from doll clothes to adult clothes, quilts, afghans, rugs, stained glass, and more. There will also be baked goods available from certified kitchens.

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## Christmas trees on parade

The Aubbeenaubee Advisory Board will host "Christmas Trees on Parade" Saturday and Sunday, November 28 and 29, at the Leiters Ford Community Building. Saturday hours are 5 to 8 p.m. and Sunday hours are 1 to 4 p.m.

Everyone is invited to enjoy this family event and view many unique Christmas trees, all in one building.

A free will donation will be taken at the door, which will give you a ticket to vote for your favorite tree. The author, Clifford Green of "Alabama Zach", will be on hand for one hour each day with an exclusive on the story.

A drawing will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday. Tickets for this drawing are \$1 each or six for \$5.

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## AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, November 23 - Pork loin, peas, Key West vegetables, fruit cocktail, oatmeal bread and milk

Wednesday, November 25 - Cheeseburger sandwich, corn, green beans, apricots and milk

Friday, November 27 - meal site closed for Thanksgiving holiday

the Indianapolis Colts and their winning ways at the new Lucas Oil Stadium, you might want to watch what you eat there. Health inspectors have repeatedly cited a food contractor at the stadium for critical food safety violations, including mouse droppings and dead mice in kitchen areas.

A new federal report shows that the government paid more than \$47 billion in questionable Medicare claims including medical treatment showing little relation to a patient's condition last year. The Medicare program has been cited by government auditors as a high risk for fraud and waste for 20 years.

Thousands of people have been visiting the Jasper-Pulaski Fish and Wildlife Area near Medaryville to view the migrating sand hill cranes. More than 10,000 cranes have stopped at the area this fall on their way to winter nesting sites in Georgia and Florida.

## Rep. Gutwein Announces The Taxpayer Protection Plan:

*Growing Jobs, Helping Hoosiers*

Rep. Doug Gutwein (R-Francesville), along with his House Republican colleagues, Tuesday, unveiled a 2010 legislative agenda with a focus on three key areas: protecting taxpayers' pocketbooks, growing and protecting jobs and enacting meaningful government reform. The 2010 legislative session is set to begin Jan. 5.

"This recession has been difficult on our state, which is why this session is so critical," said Rep. Gutwein. "Hoosier families are counting on us to bring relief during this tough time. It's my hope that the General Assembly stays on task and completes its work with a focus on protecting taxpayers and creating jobs, and not wasting time on anything else."

*The Taxpayer Protection Plan: Growing Jobs, Helping*

*Hoosiers* calls for permanent property tax caps along with growing and protecting Hoosier jobs. Rep. Gutwein hopes that the plan will serve as the foundation for providing fiscal protection to every Hoosier taxpayer.

Rep. Gutwein supports three main goals that do not rely upon taxpayers as an unlimited resource for taxes and also protect their pocketbooks: (1) pass permanent property tax caps now; (2) no new tax increases; (3) live within our means.

The plan also includes four initiatives to protect and grow jobs:

- Calling upon the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to delay sending 2010 tax bills to employers.

- Supporting the delay of the Unemployment Insurance tax increase. House Republicans did not support the bill from last session because it would punish employers with one of the largest tax increases in state history during an unprecedented economic downturn.

- Supporting a review of all available job incentives so that Indiana can pool the current incentive funding to allow the Indiana Economic Development Corporation to use the incentives to increase Hoosier employment.

- Allowing new employers to phase in their income tax within three years of starting a

## Holiday pops returns to Rochester

The Fort Wayne Philharmonic will be bringing its full orchestra once again to Rochester for its beloved annual Holiday Pops concert. Sponsored by Psi Iota Xi and Tri Kappa, Holiday Pops 2009 will be Saturday, November 28, at 7:30 p.m. at Rochester High School. The doors will open at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults in advance and \$14 at the door, children 12 and under are \$6. Tickets are available at the Fulton County Library, Flirt and First Federal Savings Bank, all in Rochester.

With Philharmonic Associate Conductor Bradley Thachuk at the podium, Act I will open with "Home for the Holidays" and "Let it Snow", two longtime favorites. A rockin' Christmas medley will include "Christmas Baby, Please Come Home," "White Christmas", "Blue Christmas" and "Santa Claus is Comin' to Town". Act II will bring more nostalgia with selections such as "I'll be Home for Christmas," "Jingle Bells Forever," "Carol of the Bells," and "March of the Toys." The concert ends with the popular Christmas sing along.

Featured in this season's regional Holiday Pops performances are vocalist Dawn Ward along with Fort Wayne Philharmonic's favorite narrator, Jeffery Moore.

The concert is additionally made possible by NIPSCO and the W. Gene Marcus Trust.

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## James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 November Activities

November 8 - open Sunday, 12 noon

November 11 - Veterans Day balloon release, 6 p.m., chili supper

November 14 - Men's meeting, 9 a.m.

November 18 - Women's Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

November 28 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

November 29 - Open Sunday, free lunch

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new business. This incentive will put Indiana ahead of many states around the country.

The final portion of the *Taxpayer Protection Plan* will ensure the legislative process at all levels is open and transparent to Hoosier taxpayers. The plan provides increased lobbyist and legislator disclosures, creating an independent redistricting commission and encouraging efficiencies for local governments.

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## Sen. Head: Short Session Could Be Long On Major Issues

Indiana state lawmakers returned to the Statehouse Tuesday to organize for next year's legislative session. Because the state passes budgets in odd numbered years, 2010 is known as a "short session" and will adjourn by law no later than March 14.

However, State Sen. Randy Head (R-Logansport) says next year's short session may be long on major issues.

"Hoosier jobs and the economy are on everyone's mind as we prepare for session," Head said. "With declining tax revenues, lawmakers will avoid considering bills that would add additional cost to state government. In addition, lawmakers will be on the lookout for concepts that cut costs, streamline government and deliver better service to taxpayers."

Historically, short sessions have been viewed as less active legislatively than longer budget sessions, Head said, but added lawmakers are already writing and introducing what onlookers would consider "major legislation on major issues."

Talk around the capital today focused on eight topics, Head said, but that other issues will surface as lawmakers hear more from constituents:

- Alcohol sales;
- Education;
- Ethics enhancements;
- Gaming;
- Government reform;
- Property taxes;
- Redistricting; and
- Unemployment insurance.

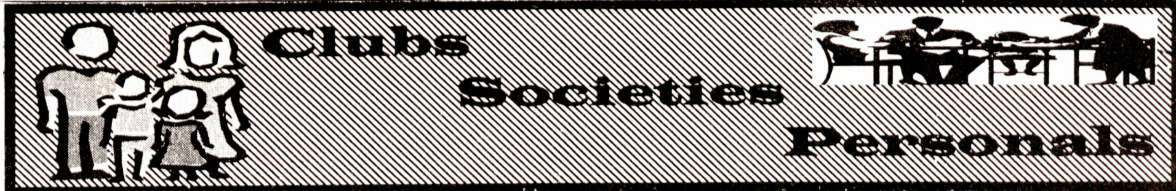
Head encouraged area citizens to stay in contact with him throughout the 2010 session which convenes Jan. 5. He may be reached via the Internet at [Senator.Head@iga.in.gov](mailto:Senator.Head@iga.in.gov), by toll-free call at 800-382-9467 or by U.S. Mail at Sen. Randy Head, Indiana State Senate, 200 West Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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### Former resident marks 101<sup>st</sup> birthday

Former Kewanna resident Florence Kruger observed her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday Sunday, November 15.

Greetings can be sent to her at 2626 George St., Apt. 402, Logansport, IN 46947.

Florence celebrated her birthday quietly in her home Sunday. Helping her celebrate the occasion were her grandsons, Mark Woolington and Mona Lopez; Mike and Deb Woolington; her great-granddaughter, Lyndsey Woolington and Fadi Abdelkader; her daughter, Dolores Woolington; and her daughter-in-law, Karen Kruger.

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### Disciples Quartet in concert at Akron

The Disciples Quartet will be in concert at the Akron Church of God at 6 p.m. Sunday, November 22. Those attending should bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. A collection will be taken for United We Stand Ministries.

The quartet consists of alto, Courtney Jenkins of Frankfort; lead, Daniel Howell, baritone, Josh Sharber and, bass, Adam Howell, all of Tipton; and pianist, Carl Stagner of Phoenix, Arizona. Most of the group attends

Anderson University in Anderson.

The quartet released its debut project in 2003 entitled "We're Gonna Rise Up". That first project produced hits such as "All Aboard" and "Enough Grace". They released their second project "It's Unbelievable" in 2005. Sporting an emphasis on expressing the joy of Christ though having fun on and off the stage, the quartet rose to new heights of success with the release of such hits as "Someone You can Count On", "Hearts of Stone", "I've Got a Right" and "Now I'm on my Way to Heaven". In 2006, "Just in Time" splashed onto the scene. Fresh excitement manifested in the hearts of each member on the spirited "Just in Time" tour. Hits included "Through the Blood", "Just in Time" and "Thank God I'm Found". The Disciples' current album is called "Heat of the Battle", which was released under the Eddie Crook label in June 2007.

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### Give-A-Tree cards available for Christmas giving

Give back to the Earth as you celebrate the holiday season with friends and loved ones with the help of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation.

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way to send holiday greetings to friends and loved ones and plant trees in America's national forests. Give-A-Tree cards are a unique line of greeting cards that help replant national forests which have been devastated by wildfires, insects and disease. Give-A-Tree holiday cards come in 21 varieties, some of which are available in boxed sets of five or ten cards.

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Give special friends a membership to the Arbor Day Foundation, and they will also receive ten free trees. A membership costs \$10, and includes many great benefits, including ten free trees that will be shipped at the right time for planting.

To purchase these holiday gifts that give back to the Earth, go to [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org).

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### Letter To The Editor

We would like to thank all of the veterans and their families for coming to the James F. Talbott VFW Post Wednesday, November 11, for the annual balloon release. A total of 125 veterans were honored.

We would like to thank John Briney for reading the names before the release. A special thank you to Tammy and Juan Sanchez for helping out with the balloons and to Scouts Janine, Michael and Christopher Smith for passing out the balloons. Last, but not least, thanks to the ladies who helped out.

Because the balloon release was at 6 p.m. on a chilly evening, we did see the balloons sail off into the sky and what a sight that was. After the release, the participants were invited back in for chili soup and some sweets.

Again, we want to thank everyone for coming out, and remembering and honoring our veterans.

Sincerely,  
Ladies Auxiliary  
James F. Talbott VFW Post 1121

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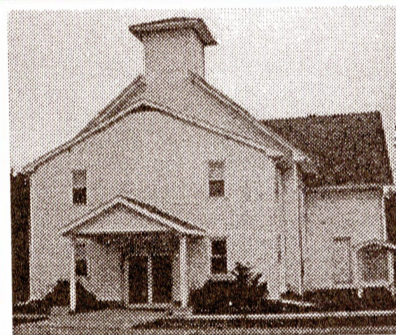
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Veterans and servicemen honored at the balloon release included Jeff Markley, Carl Hall, Paul Bauman, Sr., Raymond Weller, Rick Weller, Don Weller, Don Reason, Art Anderson, Herman McColley, Norman McColley, Bob Tomlinson, Bob Kumler, Dick Kumler, Jeanne Urbin Markle, Frank Cogdill, Mike Cogdill, Tim Cogdill, Jim Cogdill, Daniel Baker, Ryan Baker, Richard Hiatt, Mike Doty, Steve Doty, Jim Coty, Charlie Hunter, David Hunter, James F. Talbott, Simon Talbott, Bud Weller, Ralph Hamman, Kenny Hamman, Rick Newcomer, Robert Hamman, Zeke Good, John Good, Scott Hamman, Ed Lynch, Nick Selle, Charles Evans Sr., Charles Evans Jr., Dixie Evans, Raymond Engle, Arthur Engle, Gary Guyer, Jessie Engle, Bernard Engle, Lt. Col. Brian Markle, Howard Swafford, Marion McMullin, Dean Hook, Alex Mansunas, Jim Gross, Lee Sterrett, Doug Whiteman, Ray Roach, Jim Hurley, Lonnie Reynolds, Violet Troutman, Art Craig, Jim Moss, Estel Flenner, Clarence Basanda, Stan Samuelson, Al Sibert, Jerome Claver, Herb Ballenger, Herb McIntire, Don Olmstead, Rudy

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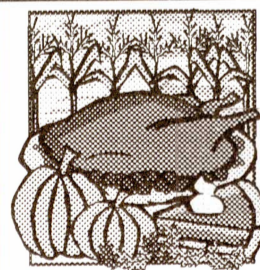
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**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**  
 November 7 -  
 Births - Jordan Kain, Logansport, a daughter  
 November 9  
 Admissions - Chester Carpenter, Kewanna; Bryce Crawn, Fulton  
 Dismissals - Janice McClain, Argos; Gilbert Stumpff, Jessica Patton and daughter and Elisha Prater and son, all of Rochester  
 November 10  
 Admissions - Ramona Myers and Jack Overmyer, Rochester; Patricia Roth, Star City  
 Dismissals - Terry Howat, Rochester; Bryce Crawn, Fulton; Jordan Kain and daughter, Logansport  
 Births - Kelsey Hedrick, Macy, a daughter  
 November 11  
 Admissions - Jean Halfast and Connie Vansteenbergh, both of Rochester; Barbara Mills, Macy  
 Dismissals - Chester Carpenter, Kewanna; Jack Overmyer, Rochester  
 November 12  
 Admissions - Sharon Cook, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Ramona Myers, Rochester  
 November 13  
 Admissions - Jack Overmyer, Charlann Cover and Melvin Swango, all of Rochester  
 Dismissals - Kelsey Hedrick

and daughter, Macy; Patricia Roth, Star City  
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**DEATHS .....**

**MATTIE L. RAINEY**  
 Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today (Thursday, November 19) at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna, for former Kewanna resident Mattie L. Rainey, 92, Plymouth. Pastor David Webb will officiate and burial will be in the Bruce Lake Cemetery. Mattie died at 4 a.m. Saturday, November 14, at Pilgrim Manor Health Care Center in Plymouth.  
 Born April 2, 1917 in Hawkins County, Tennessee, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Rosa (Manes) MacLain. She was married May 15, 1937, to Dorsie C. Rainey. He preceded her in death on July 2, 1981.  
 Mattie was a former seamstress at Hart Schaffner & Marx in Rochester and she had also been a cook at the Kewanna Schools. She was a member of the Thornhope Community Holiness Church and she enjoyed quilting and working in her flower garden.  
 Survivors include two daughters, Mary Fox, Mitchell, and Carol Johnson, Fort Wayne; one son, Bruce Rainey and his wife, Joy, of Dandridge, Tennessee; one brother, Lawrence MacLain and his wife, Mabel, Kewanna; seven sisters, Jessie Hines, Royal Center, Ruth

Hart and her husband, James, Argos, Emily Brown, Knox, Flora Conley and her husband Austin, Marilyn Zartman and Gladys Stutzman, all of Plymouth, and Merle Isaacs, Fort Myers, Florida; 13 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Paul Rainey; two brothers, Samuel "Hugh" and William Clifford MacLain; and two sisters, Roxie Fry and Blanche Culver  
 A visitation was held Wednesday evening at the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.harrisonmetzger.com](http://www.harrisonmetzger.com).  
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**ARELENE P. JOHNSON**  
 Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at St. John Lutheran Church, Rochester, for Arlene P. Johnson, 70, Lake Bruce. Rev. James Wasmuth officiated and burial was in the Oak Glen Lutheran Cemetery, Lansing, Illinois. Mrs. Johnson died at 1 p.m. Wednesday, November 11, at the University of Chicago Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois.  
 She was born May 14, 1939, in Roseland, Illinois, to Emil and Marie (Saltelli) Rossman. She married Donald Johnson December 31, 1958, in Chicago. He preceded her in death on May 6, 1988.  
 Mrs. Johnson had worked as a meat packer for Carl Buddig Co. in Chicago and was a home health care provider after her retirement. She was a member of the Lake Bruce Women's Club, Red Hat Society and had attended St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Winamac. She was an avid cleaner and she enjoyed fishing, gardening and flowers.  
 Survivors include her children, Patty Johnson, Rochester; Randy Johnson and his wife, Jane, Hammond; Myra Schwahn and her husband, Tom, Osceola; Bill Johnson and his wife, Rose,

North Carolina; Cathy Bowlas and her husband, Jim, Maryland; and Donald Robert "Butch" Johnson, Jr. and his wife, Margaret, Hayward, Michigan; her grandchildren, Nicole, Katlyn, Mike, Teresa, Billie Jo, Lynn, Angel, David, Suzie, Terry, Tera, Angela, Richard, Jenny, Felicia and Elicia; 26 great-grandchildren; a brother, Paul Rossman and his wife, Jackie, Ohio; and her sisters, Pauline Orr and her husband, Norman, Mayrester, Florida, and Rose Bratcher and her husband, John, Central City, Kentucky.

She was preceded in death by her husband; brothers, Eddie, Emil and Eugene Johnson; and a great-grandson, Christopher Johnson.  
 A visitation was held Monday evening at Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home in Rochester. Online condolences may be sent to [zimmermanbros@rtcol.com](mailto:zimmermanbros@rtcol.com).  
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miles north of Rochester at U.S. 31 and County Road 375 N. Everyone is encouraged to attend the various activities to support the museum and other groups using the facilities. For more information, call the museum office at 574-223-4436.  
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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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**Upcoming events at Historical Museum**

The following upcoming events are scheduled for the Fulton County Historical Society Museum near Rochester:  
 November 22 - Fulton County Historical Society annual meeting  
 December 12 - annual Christmas open house with "Christmas in the Country" program.  
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# Looking Back

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO November 26, 1954

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fox, Rt. 2, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter, Patricia Theresa, born November 17 at St. Joseph Hospital, Logansport.

A former local high school student and Notre Dame graduate, Herman D. Barkey, has been named project engineer for the development of a new all-weather Navy Jet attack fighter at the McDonnell Aircraft Corp. plant in St. Louis. He is a brother of Mrs. Sophia Bauman and his wife is the former Nettie Foglesong, both of here.

Rev. Robert Malanowski of Chattanooga, Tennessee, is the new pastor at the Bruce Lake Community Church. He and his wife have moved to the Loyd Overmyer property near Sharon Church recently occupied by Rev. and Mrs. Paul Reynolds. Rev. and Mrs. Reynolds have moved to the Sharon Church parsonage at Bruce Lake Station.

The Susannah Wesley WSCS group will meet at noon Wednesday, December 1, for a covered dish dinner in the home of Mrs. Warren Gillespie.

Edward Hiatt and Hale Clark, both of Wayne Township, have been ordered to report for military service.

Robert Rouch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rouch, Rt. 2, Kewanna, underwent a tonsillectomy at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO November 19, 1959

Robert Thomas of Grass Creek has been chosen vice president of the Dad's Club at Indiana Central College. Their son, Loren, is a former Grass Creek High School star athlete and now a junior at Indiana Central.

Joan Lamb, Rt. 1, Kewanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lamb, and Debby Gilliland, Kewanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilliland, celebrated birthdays Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. Joan was nine years old and Debby seven.

Francis Hendrickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hendrickson, Kewanna, and a senior at Ball State, has completed the required hours of flying time and was among the first five AROTC cadets to solo the Piper Tri-pacer in the flight instruction program. He is a cadet captain in the program.

The Ladies Aid Society of the local Church of Christ elected officers Monday evening, November 9, at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Floyd Saxton. Chosen to serve for 1960 were Mrs. Wilbur Rude, president; Gladus Wharton, vice president; Mrs. Lester Shidaker, secretary; and Mrs. Clem Good, treasurer.

Mrs. Bud Weller is in the hospital in Orleans, France, very

ill with a ruptured appendix.

Mrs. Eyda Hizer, Grass Creek, fell over the steps at the Grass Creek School Tuesday evening and broke a bone in her left arm and the thumb on her right hand. She was treated at Woodlawn Hospital.

William R. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones, Rt. 3, Kewanna, was sworn into the Air Force November 4 for a period of four years and is presently undergoing his basic training at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

A surprise birthday party was held Saturday evening, November 14, for Leroy Mullins. Helping him celebrate his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday were Linda Showley, Norma Boldry, Marie Heater, Kathy Friedrich, Teddy Van Meter, Allen Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Conner and children, Wayne Ford and Ida Mullins.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO November 9, 1964

Mrs. Bernice Renee, 59, Lake Bruce, died Saturday at the home of her daughter in Van Buren. Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. Edward Boos, Van Buren, and a son, Harvey, of Florida.

Elmer Seidel, local farm implement dealer, was elevated to the position of president of the Kewanna Progressive Association

when that group held its annual banquet Monday evening. About 80 persons were in attendance. The guest speaker was Ed Stout, field executive of the Boy Scouts for Fulton and Pulaski counties. Fulton and Pulaski counties have 24 units - serving 254 Cubs, 186 Scouts and 68 Explorers. Kewanna has 46 boys in Scouting.

Miss Margaret Brennan received notice this week that her poem, "Modern Halloween" had been selected to appear in an anthology of verse for very young children to be published by Young Publications.

Marhoefer hams were advertised at 39 cents a pound at Deckard's IGA in Kewanna and turkeys were selling for 29 cents a pound.

The Baptist Women's Union met at the home of Mrs. Charles Overmyer for an all day meeting recently. They made drapes and bed spreads for a room at the Baptist Children's Home in Kouts. "Happy Birthday" was sung to Eva Berryman. Devotions were given by Susan Bargerhuff.

Mrs. Terry Livengood and children will arrive the end of the week to spend some time in the Howard Livengood home while her husband is hospitalized at Lackland AFB hospital for a knee problem.

Mrs. Jeannette Sanders, Kewanna, has been admitted to St. Joseph Hospital in Logansport for eye surgery.

## FORTY YEARS AGO November 20, 1969

Private funeral services were conducted November 7 in Lincoln, Nebraska for John J. Sulek, 47, associate professor of agricultural engineering at the University of Nebraska. He died November 4 of leukemia. A graduate of Kewanna High School, he lived in the vicinity north of Kewanna for 20 years.

The house on the Marvin Rife farm near Marstown was completely destroyed by fire Monday. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Plummer, Rt. 4, Rochester, are the parents of a daughter born November 18 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and has been named Kathleen Marie.

Mark Wilson, a student at Vincennes University, spent the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O. Wilson.

The Women's Bible Class of the Church of Christ met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bert Gillespie.

The Gault Sisters Club met at the home of Mrs. Essie Siders near Fletchers Lake Tuesday and helped Bessie Kirk celebrate her birthday.

Among the students this quarter at Tri-State College, Angola, is Timothy Wentzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Covert Wentzel, Rt. 1, Kewanna, and a Kewanna High School graduate.

Walt and Dan Pesaresi of Winamac and Jack Keyser of Culver attended the Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech and the Bears vs. Falcons football games in Atlanta, Georgia, last weekend. A highlight of the weekend was when Walt caught a football being kicked for an extra point during the Bears and Falcons game. He was able to keep the ball as a souvenir.

Mrs. Hulda Easterday, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is in satisfactory condition at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Lafayette after undergoing surgery.

Sp/5 and Mrs. Paul Bauman, Jr. have returned home from Havre DeGrace, Maryland, where he spent four months training with the National Guard at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. Cletus Bauman is undergoing six months training with the National Guard at Fort Polk, Louisiana. Both are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bauman, Sr., Rt. 2, Kewanna.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO November 22, 1979

Mick Dinges, Kewanna marshal, has resigned his position effective last Thursday, November 15. The town board is accepting applications for the position. Interested persons should contact John Urbin, Calvin Miller or Mary Heidorn.

Four-year-old Tender Lea Rife, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rife, Rt. 2, Kewanna, died of smoke inhalation when fire struck their home near Marstown

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shortly after midnight Friday morning.

Nola Personett was crowned Kewanna High School homecoming queen last week by Lisa Harris, the 1978-79 homecoming queen. The queen's court included Anita Fox, first runner-up, and Stacey Personett, second runner-up.

Door prize winners at last Saturday's "Industry Appreciation" day were Ruth Ann Anderson, a mixer at Kewanna Metal Specialties; Beth Ann Deckard, an iron at Winamac Steel; and Mrs. Robert Lord, a crock pot at Winamac Coil Spring. The door prizes were provided by the Kewanna Progressive Association.

Anita Redweik, a sophomore at Valparaiso University, has been notified that she is one of 26 students chosen for the overseas study program to Cambridge, England. Robert Redweik, Jr., was initiated into the Chi Epsilon fraternity at a dinner banquet held at the Purdue Memorial Union recently. Both are graduates of Caston Educational Center and the children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Redweik, Sr. Rt. 2, Kewanna.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO****November 23, 1989**

Funeral services were held recently in Valparaiso for Ray L. Grostefon, 72, of Valparaiso. He was a 1935 graduate of Kewanna High School.

Ronald and Bridget Wheadon, Rt. 4, Rochester, are the parents of a daughter, Goldia Corinn, born November 12 at Woodlawn Hospital. The maternal great-grandmother is Goldia Bailey of Kewanna. Paternal grandparents are Wilbur and Joretta Wheadon of Rochester and the paternal great-grandparents are Albert and Dolly Ranz, also of Rochester.

Nellie Knicker, Kewanna, is recuperating at her home after undergoing open heart surgery recently at South Bend Memorial Hospital.

The Young Adult Sunday School class of the Kewanna United Methodist Church enjoyed a carry-in dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Newman and Kyle. Those attending were Rev. and Mrs. Bryan Ton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Kamp and daughters, Mr. Wade Bussert, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Baker and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hudkins have returned from several weeks visit in the home of their daughter and her family, S/Sgt. and Mrs. Del Carpenter and daughter, Nicole, at Beaufort, South Carolina. They also visited friends in Pennsylvania while gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Woolington were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hassenplug and family at Woodburn. They also attended a concert at North Manchester in which their grandson, Bradley Hassenplug, participated.

**TEN YEARS AGO****November 18, 1999**

Dr. Jeffrey Bitterling, Bowling Green, Kentucky, has opened a private practice in pediatrics in Bowling Green. Dr. Bitterling received his medical degree from the University of Kentucky and served his residency at U.K.'s Children's Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. He is the son of Jerry and Kenan Kimble and the grandson of Kenneth and Martha Ann Cook, all of Kewanna.

Four persons died as the result of a one-car accident early Sunday morning, just north of the Aubbeenaubee-Union township line on State Road 17. The victims were from Illinois, Mishawaka and Plymouth. Marc Greenawalt, 20, Kewanna, a passenger in the car, is a patient at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Rosetta Newgent, Kewanna, was the guest of honor at a birthday party Sunday, November 14, in celebration of her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Steve and Missy Young, Peru, are the parents of a daughter born Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces and has been named Brianna Grace Young. Maternal grandparents are Tom and Linda Garner of here.

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**Deduction filing deadline nears**

While Indiana real property owners have until the end of the year to file for property tax deductions, the Fulton County Auditor is urging individuals to file as soon as possible.

"With the holiday season and winter weather approaching, property owners should file deduction applications as soon as they are able," said Auditor Judith Reed. "We don't want anyone to miss out on a deduction because they missed the application date."

Deduction applications must be completed and dated by December 31, 2009, and filed with the Auditor's Office on or before January 5, 2010 for the taxpayer to receive the eligible deductions on the 2010 property tax bills.

Deduction applications are available at the county auditor's office or may be downloaded from the Department of Local Government Finance web site at <http://www.in.gov/dlgrf/2344.htm>.

In addition to meeting all other eligibility requirements for the desired deduction(s), the applicant for the deduction must own or be buying the property under contract on the date the application is filed in order to receive the deduction.

Persons filing for deductions on annually assessed mobile homes still are required to apply for the deduction during the 12 months before March 31 of each year.

For more information, please visit the Department of Local Government Finance's Property Tax Deduction web site at <http://www.in.gov/dlgrf/2344.htm>.

Specific questions about property tax deduction eligibility should be directed to the Fulton County Auditor, 125 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 108, Rochester, telephone

574-223-2912. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

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**Blood collection dates set for Caston and Rochester**

There are two blood collection dates scheduled for this area by the American Red Cross. The first will be Tuesday, December 8, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1310 Main St., Rochester. The second is Wednesday, December 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Caston High School on State Road 25 south of Fulton.

Blood donations from volunteer donors are high on the wish list for hospital patients and their families this holiday season.

"We're inviting community members to set aside a little bit of time to give the gift of life during the holidays," said Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "Every day, people need blood products for the care and treatment of serious diseases, trauma and accidents. That need doesn't go away with the season. In fact, it sometimes increases."

More than 39,000 pints of blood are needed daily in the United States. Donations of all blood types are needed, but type O is in high demand since it can be transfused to people with other blood types. Donors who give through the Red Cross help supply blood to patients in about 3,000 hospitals and transfusion centers across the country. Those donations, Red Cross officials say, make a difference to patients within the immediate community, as well as to patients who travel outside the community for medical care.

The stability of the nation's blood supply depends on volunteer donors who give consistently year-round. Although 38 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood at any given time, a very small percent actually do.

"In the time it might take to wrap a few gifts or send out holidays cards, you could help give someone a second chance at life," said Whitman. "That's a powerful gift, and something worth making time for."

To schedule an appointment to donate please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or visit [IndianaOhioRedCross.org](http://IndianaOhioRedCross.org) for more information. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental permission in some states), meet weight and height requirements (110 pounds or more, depending on their height) and are in generally good

health may be eligible to donate blood. Please bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive ID when you come to donate.

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**Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events**

**Palmer Group Annual Truck & Equipment Show:** Nov. 19 - 20 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: Thurs. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free with donation of canned goods. Contact: Dawn Brown (317) 248-4719 or [www.palmertrucks.com/truckshow/](http://www.palmertrucks.com/truckshow/).

**International Festival:** Nov. 19 - 22 in the West Pavilion. School hours: Thurs. & Fri. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; general public: Fri. 2 to 9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. noon to 6 p.m. Admission: \$9 at door; \$8 seniors; \$6 children 6-12; \$7 advance tickets also available. Contact: The Promotion Co. (317) 236-6515 or [www.familyevents.com](http://www.familyevents.com).

**Taste of Home Cooking Demo:** Nov. 21 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: 1 to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10 - available at Clark's Appliances. Contact: Annie Coons (317) 971-6475 or [www.b1057.com](http://www.b1057.com).

**Budweiser Fight Night Boxing:** Nov. 24 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Doors open at 6 p.m.; bouts begin at 7 p.m. Admission: \$35, \$30, \$20 & \$15. Contact: Jeannie Raymann (317) 927-7523 or [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com).

**Stewart's Indiana Flea Market:** Nov. 27 - 29 in the Ag/Hort Building, Northwest Pavilion & Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. 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](http://www.stewartpromotions.com).

**Super Sunday Indy Automotive Swap Meet & Car Sale:** Nov. 29 in the West Pavilion & South Pavilion. Hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$6; children 12 and younger free. Contact: Mid America Promotions (708) 563-4300 or [www.midamericapromotions.com](http://www.midamericapromotions.com).

**Gem Street USA Show & Sale:** Dec. 4 - 6 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: Friday & Saturday 10a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7; seniors (60+) & students (12-17) \$5; Children under 12 free. Contact: Jane Strieter-Smith (216) 521-4367 or visit [www.gemstreetusa.com](http://www.gemstreetusa.com).

**Hoosier Beef Congress:** Dec. 4 - 6 in the West Pavilion, South Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sun. 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Indiana Beef Cattle Association (317) 293-2333 or visit [www.hoosierbeefcongress.com](http://www.hoosierbeefcongress.com).

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    - Styrofoam packing peanuts - must be contained
  - Newspaper**
    - Stack in brown paper grocery bags
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  - Do not pack in plastic bags**
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## EASTERN PULASKI MENU

November 16 – 27

## Elementary Breakfast

Monday – Donut, string cheese, juice and milk

Tuesday – Sausage pancake, juice and milk

Wednesday – Omelet, juice and milk

Thursday – Thanksgiving, no school

Friday – Thanksgiving break, no school

## Elementary Lunch

Monday – Pepperoni pizza, baby carrots with dip, peaches, cookie and milk

Tuesday – Turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, pumpkin pie, hot roll and milk

Wednesday – Hot dog, celery sticks with peanut butter, applesauce, cookie and milk

Thursday – Thanksgiving, no school

Friday – Thanksgiving break, no school

## Middle/High School Lunch

Monday – Twisted Stix, carrots, applesauce, cookie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Tuesday – Nacho supreme, corn, orange juice cup and milk. Choice – salad bar

Wednesday – Chicken nuggets, broccoli, donut, pears and milk. Choice – salad bar

Thursday – Thanksgiving, no school

Friday – Thanksgiving break, no school.

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## What to do when you get sick...

## H1N1 and seasonal flu

This flu season has been different and difficult because everyone, including your healthcare provider, is dealing with two different influenzas that seem pretty much alike. In many cases, only lab work can distinguish between H1N1 and seasonal flu.

Pulaski Memorial Hospital offers the following information which may help to alleviate some of the confusion.

## How do I know if I have the flu?

You may have the flu if you have some or all of these symptoms:

- Fever (not everyone with the flu will have a fever)
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Headache
- Chills
- Fatigue
- Sometimes diarrhea and vomiting

## What should I do if I get sick?

If you get sick with flu-like symptoms, you should stay home and avoid contact with other people except to get medical care. Most people with H1N1 have had mild illness and have not needed medical care or antiviral drugs and the same is true of seasonal flu.

However, some people are more likely to get flu complications. They are:

- Children younger than 5, but especially children younger than 2 years old
- People 65 and older
- Pregnant women
- People who have other serious health issues and/or weakened immune systems

## What are the emergency warning signs?

In children

- Fast breathing or trouble breathing

- Bluish skin color
- Not drinking enough fluids
- Not waking up or not interacting
- Being so irritable that the child does not want to be held
- Flu-like symptoms improve but then return with fever and worse cough

• Fever with a rash  
In adults

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Pain or pressure in the chest or abdomen
- Sudden dizziness
- Confusion
- Severe or persistent vomiting

## Do I need to go to the emergency room if I am only a little sick?

No. The emergency room should be used for people who are very sick. You should not go to the emergency room if you are only mildly ill. If you go to the emergency room and you are not sick with the flu, you may catch it from people who do have it.

If you get sick with flu symptoms and are concerned, call your health care provider for advice.

## How long should I stay home if I'm sick?

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone on its own, and not because of fever reducing medications like Tylenol. If you leave your home it should be to:

- Get medical care
- To do something very important that no one else could do for you

You should stay home from work, school, travel, shopping, social events, and public gatherings.

## What should I do while I'm sick?

Stay away from others as much as possible to keep from making them sick. If you must leave home, for example to get medical care:

- Wear a mask
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Wash your hands often to keep from spreading flu to others

For more information on "Taking care of a sick person in your home" visit the CDC website at [http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1/guidance\\_homecare.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1/guidance_homecare.htm)

You can also check out the CDC YouTube video: Symptoms of Swine Flu

--Information from Centers for Disease Control

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## Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

## Auxiliary Christmas Open House

The Auxiliary Christmas Open House is **Nov 19** from 8 am to 4 pm in the hospital Conference Center. Hand made crafts, Christmas wreaths, silk arrangements along with home baked goodies will be for sale. For those that ordered Moore's pies, you may pick them up from 10 am to 1 pm ONLY. Due to influenza concerns, **please enter the hospital at the walk-in door near the emergency entrance on the west side of the hospital.**

## Cancervive

An end of the year discussion will be on "How cancer has changed the way I

look at life," **Nov 24** in the Pulaski Memorial Hospital Conference Center from 4 to 5:30 pm. There will be a carry-in of snacks to help us celebrate another year.

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

## Breast Feeding Class

The next Breast Feeding Class is **Dec 5** from 1 to 3 pm at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The purpose of Breast Feeding Class is to inform you of the benefits of breast feeding for you and the baby, how to get started, how to maintain your milk supply and how to solve problems that might arise.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. They will want to know your doctor's name, your due date, and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at PMH. There will be a \$6 charge if you deliver at another hospital.

## Sibling Class

The next sibling class is **Dec 12** at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. This class is offered the last Saturday of every other month, from 9 am to 10:30 am. The purpose of the class is to assist the big brothers and big sisters (ages 3 to 10 years) to adjust to the new baby in the family. They are offered a tour of the OB department to see where the baby is to be born, learn how to hold and assist in the baby's care, and explore their feelings about becoming a big brother or big sister. Parents are encouraged to schedule your child for the date closest to the expected date of delivery. An adult must accompany the child.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. Please provide your doctor's name, your due date and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at Pulaski Memorial. There will be a \$6 charge if you plan to deliver elsewhere.

## Prenatal Saturday Classes

The next Prenatal Saturday classes are **Dec 5 and Dec 12** from 8 am to noon. The purpose of Prenatal Classes is to provide you with information on how to deal with the discomforts of pregnancy, understand the process of labor and delivery, breathing and relaxation techniques to manage labor, what to expect when you come to the hospital, and how to take care of yourself and the baby after delivery. Parents are encouraged to attend classes any time after your fourth month of pregnancy.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. Please provide your doctor's name, your due date and telephone number. These classes are free if you plan to deliver at PMH. There is a \$30 charge if you plan to deliver at another hospital.

## Auxiliary South Bend Chocolate Sale

The Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will have a South Bend Chocolate two-day sale **Dec 21 and Dec 22** from 8 am to 5 pm in the hospital front lobby.

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## DCP/ACRE sign up in progress

Julia Wickard, executive director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Indiana, has announced that enrollment for the 2010 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) and the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) program has begun and will continue through June 1, 2020.

The FSA urges producers to make use of the eDCP automated website to sign up. The electronic service saves producers' time, reduces paperwork and speeds up contract processing at the local FSA offices.

Wickard states eDCP is available to all producers who are eligible to participate in the DCP and ACRE programs and can be accessed at [www.fsa.usda.gov/dep](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dep). To access the service, producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account, which requires filling out an online registration form at [www.eauth.egov.usda.gov](http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov) followed by a visit to the local USDA Service Center for identity verification. For those without Internet access or if they prefer, producers can also visit any USDA Service Center to complete their 2010 DCP or ACRE contract.

USDA computes DCP program payments using base acres and payment yields established for each farm. Eligible producers receive direct payments at rates established by statute regardless of market prices. For 2010, eligible producers may request to receive advance direct payments based on 22 percent of the direct payment. USDA will issue advance direct payments beginning Dec. 1, 2009. Counter-cyclical payment rates vary depending on market prices. Counter-cyclical payments are issued only when the effective price for a commodity is below its target price. The effective price is the higher of the national average market price received during the 12-month marketing year for each covered commodity and the national average loan rate for a marketing assistance loan for the covered commodity.

The optional ACRE program provides a safety net based on state revenue losses and acts in place of the price-based safety net counter-cyclical payments under DCP. A farm's payment is based on a revenue guarantee calculated using a five-year average state yield and the most recent two-year national price for each eligible commodity. For the 2010 crop, the two-year price average will be based on the 2008 and 2009 crop years.

An ACRE payment is issued

when both the state and the farm have incurred a revenue loss. The payment is based on 83.3 percent (85 percent in 2012) of the farm's planted acres times the differences between the State ACRE guarantee and the state revenue times the ratio of the farm's yield divided by the state expected yield. The total number of planted acres for which a producer may receive ACRE payments may not exceed the total base on the farm. In exchange for participating in ACRE, in addition to not receiving counter-cyclical payments, a farm's direct payment is reduced by 20 percent, and marketing assistance loan rates are reduced by 30 percent.

The decision to enroll in the ACRE program is irrevocable. The owner of the farm and all producers on the farm must agree to enroll in ACRE. Once enrolled, the farm shall be enrolled for that initial crop year and will remain in ACRE through the 2012 crop year.

The June 1, 2010 deadline is mandatory for all participants. USDA will not accept any late-filled applications.

For more information on DCP or ACRE, please visit your FSA county office.

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## DECENNIAL CENSUS FACTS

The U.S. Census counts everyone residing in the United States – all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the island areas.

Aggregate statistical information is available as soon as it is compiled from the census questionnaires. However, specific information regarding an individual survey respondent (individual household) is not made available to the public until 72 years after the completion of a census.

Over the years, the questions asked by the U.S. Census have changed as times have changed and as the population has changed. In 1810, inquiries about manufacturing and the prices of goods and services were included in the census. In 1840, fisheries were added. In 1850, the surveys included inquiries about social issues such as taxation, churches, pauperism and crime. By 1880, the census contained so many different inquiries it took most of a decade to publish the results (almost time for the next census)!

The 1890 census was the first to be compiled on a "tabulating machine", reducing the time just to tabulate the previous census results from seven years, down to two-and-a-half years. Also, the 1890 census identified that the U.S. no longer had a "western frontier" and announced that it would discontinue future tracking of westward migration in the U.S.

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**Public Notice****Bid Notice**

**FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD**  
The Fulton County Drainage Board of the County of Fulton, State of Indiana, will be receiving sealed bids for the Reconstruction of the Joseph Leasure Main Tile being a County Drain until 5:00 P.M. E.S.T., Friday, December 11, 2009 at the office of the Fulton County Drainage Board, in the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E Ninth Street-Suite 024, Rochester, Indiana. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on Monday, December 14, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. E. S.T. Any bids received after the above designated time will be returned unopened.

1. This project consists of placing twenty-seven hundred feet (2700') of twenty-four inch (24") tile and four hundred twenty feet (420') of fifteen inch (15") tile located in Wayne Township in Fulton County in Sections 24, 25 & 26, Township 29 North, Range 1 East, Fulton County Indiana. Said project, Joseph Leasure Main Tile will have a total net length of approximately three thousand one hundred and twenty (3,120) feet.

2. Lump Sum bids will be received on said project as provided in the instructions to bidders. All bids shall be in full accordance with the bidding documents consisting of this Notice, Instructions for Bidders, Plans, Profiles, and Specifications, including any amendments, additions and/or deletions for which notice is given. All of the above will be filed in the office of the County Surveyor, Fulton County Office Building. Copies are available to contractors at no charge.

3. All proposals or bids shall be addressed to the Fulton County Drainage Board, Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. Ninth Street, Suite 024, Rochester, Indiana, in a sealed envelope

marked "Joseph Leasure Main Tile". Bids of \$75,000.00 or more shall be properly and completely executed on the State Board of Accounts Form 96 furnished with the bidding documents with the Non Collusion Affidavit thereon properly executed as required by the State of Indiana. Also the bidder shall furnish a financial statement as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts when the aggregate bid is \$75,000.00 or more.

4. When the aggregate bid is \$75,000.00 or more, the bidder shall deposit with his proposal a **Certified Check** made payable to the Fulton County Drainage Board, or a **Bidders Bond** payable to said Board in the sum of five percent (5%) of the total aggregate bid. Said bidder shall execute a contract in accordance with his bid if accepted by the Board and failure to do so shall result in the forfeiture of said five percent (5%) **Certified Check** or **Bidders Bond** and also if the successful bidders aggregate bid is \$75,000.00 or more he shall be required to furnish a **Performance Bond**, within ten (10) days of notification of acceptance of said bid, in the amount of the aggregate bid payable to said Drainage Board. Said bond shall be provided by a corporate surety licensed to do business in the State of Indiana. Final release from said bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and payment of all expenses and damages, ensuring there from including payment to all subcontractors, labor and material.

5. No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of the bids for a period of fifteen (15) days after the date set for the opening of said bids.

6. The Fulton County Drainage Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bidding.

Fulton County Drainage Board of the County of Fulton, State of Indiana by:

Roger D. Rose, Chairman  
Sherry S. Fulton, Vice Chairman  
Stanley Musgrave, Member  
Donald Towne, Fulton County Surveyor  
Pub. 11/19 and 12/3, 2009  
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**NOTICE TO FREEHOLDERS OF MILL CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

You are hereby notified that the term of office of the Director representing Area Two presently represented by Larry Friedrich, will expire on the date of ensuing Annual Meeting of the District in January, 2010.

Nominations to fill the vacancy on the Board, resulting from such expiring term, are hereby invited. The person serving Area Two shall be elected for a term of four years.

Each nomination must be submitted to the office of the District at 1252 E. 100 S., Rochester, IN 46975, in writing, prior to the first day of December, 2009 and must be signed by at least five freeholders from the area proposed to be represented by such nominee. Such nominations may be considered as having been submitted prior to said date if properly addressed and have attached sufficient postage and being postmarked prior to said date.

Each nominee must be a resident freeholder, or an office or nominee of a corporate freeholder of the area for which he is nominated and must have knowledge and experience in the matters pertaining to the development of the District.

Board of Supervisors  
Mill Creek Conservancy District  
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Pub. 11/19/09

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**Subscribe To The OBSERVER****CASTON MENU November 23-27****Breakfast**

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

**Lunch**

Monday - Corn dog, potato smiles, peaches, Oreo cookie and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Tuesday - Chicken and noodles, pumpkin potatoes, green beans, pumpkin roll and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Wednesday - Pizza, broccoli, goldfish crackers, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Thursday - Thanksgiving Day, no school

Friday - Thanksgiving vacation, no school

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**Sports Shorts**

The Lady Comet basketball team lost to North Miami Jada Powlen had a career high 18 points. Haley Markley added 14. The Comets cut a 15-point deficit to five on two occasions in the fourth quarter, but couldn't get any closer. The Lady Comets are now 0-2, having lost their season opener to Wabash Friday night, 53-19.

The Caston 7<sup>th</sup> grade A team defeated Culver last Thursday, 41-22. Caston was led in scoring by Wyatt Kelley with 17 points. Alex Howdeshell had 12 and Dustin Offenberger added eight points. Andrew Smith was the leading rebounder.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade B team was defeated by Culver, 18-13. Nicholas Richter and Jacob Kingery had four points each. Dalton Daily and Winston Weller each added three points.

The Caston 7<sup>th</sup> grade A team lost to Rochester Monday night in overtime, 33-31. Caston was led in scoring by Wyatt Kelley with 11 points. Dustin Offenberger had eight, Andrew Smith added seven, Seth Cousins and Alex Howdeshell had two points each, and Jacob Kingery added one. Seth Cousins was the leading rebounder.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade B team defeated Rochester, 30-21. Alex Howdeshell was the leading scorer with eight points. Dalton Daily had five, Grant Boldry had four and Jacob Kingery and Nicholas Richter each added two points. Dalton Daily was also the leading rebounder.

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**CASTON ATHLETIC SCHEDULE**

Friday, Nov. 20 - JV/varsity girls basketball at Frontier, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 21 - Boys JH basketball Earlybird tourney at Caston, 9 a.m.; JV/varsity girls basketball vs. Rochester at Caston, 6 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 23 - boys 5 AB basketball at North Miami, 5 p.m.; JH boys basketball vs. North White at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; freshman boys basketball at North White, 6 p.m.; varsity wrestling at Whites, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 24 - JV/varsity boys basketball vs. Maconaquah at Caston, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 25 - JV/varsity girls basketball vs. Pioneer at Caston, 6 p.m.

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**Kewanna Town Council Meetings**  
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**Thank You...**

The unexpected happened on October 24th 2009, we lost the love of our life, but as fate had it, God has provided a long list of caring and loving people. I've been so thankful and overwhelmed with that outpouring. We are thankful for the Grass Creek Fire Department first responders as well as the Fulton County EMTs after a call to 911.

A Godsend was our children living closest by—David Antony (Lora Dillman) Redweik and Antia Meta Jo (Redweik) (Larry) Doan, both of Twelve Mile, as well as their families. Robert John Jr. (Alisa Dubuisson) Redweik of Tomball, Texas and Susan Jane Redweik (Michael) Woods of Jeffersonville, Ohio, and their families arrived in good time.

Big thanks to Duneland Dialysis Center and Dr. Hasbargen of Knox and all the special people who have cared for Robert these past two years. He really cared a lot about all of you and your lives. He shared your stories and lives with me. Although he still drove himself there and back home, he needed all of you and your loving hands and hearts to survive.

The outpouring of the Grass Creek United Methodist Church ladies with their gifts of food brought that evening was much appreciated. Their offers of doing anything I needed were wonderful.

Kindness and help offered by Dan, Sam and Jon Frain and Carlton Buck, with a touch of humor by Dan, was much appreciated in helping us plan and carry out a meaningful and beautiful religious memorial service.

Thanks to the 650+ people for their loving patience at the visitation—they had waited in line for an hour and a half.

A special thank you to the North Judson High School Class of 1952. Robert so enjoyed seeing you all in August and I appreciated the visitation, cards, phone calls and floral tributes from you all.

Pastor Mel Meyer, interim minister, was kind and prayerfully attentive at helping plan the services and approving my choices of hymns. Hugs to Pastor Carl Fitchett, friend and minister to the family since 1962. His meaningful sermon and addition of a fifth child was appreciated! Franklin Furr offered his expertise at the organ with numerous hymns.

The pallbearers—Kevin Redweik, Robert's godchild; Karl Robert Redweik, nephew; Garrett Robert Redweik, grandson; Graham Redweik, grandson; John Matzat, nephew; Albert Gudas, fellow church member and nephew; Kenneth Gudas, fellow church member and nephew and the honorary bearers, Michael Patrick Wood II, grandson; and D. L. "Trey" Doan III, grandson, were very distinguished and helpful.

Thanks to Melita Knebel for a quick trip to Victor Chapel Cemetery to show me where Robert would be buried.

We thank the neighbors and friends who carried in "foods of all sorts" to all of our homes. Thanks to Rex and Deanna Gregory for the lovely trays of food brought to the funeral home. We also thank the ladies of the St. Luke Lutheran Church, Winamac, for bringing in the cakes, pies, breads, deserts, cookies, etc. for the funeral dinner. Deb Girton and helper are much appreciated for the lovely hot meal prepared and served.

Thanks for all the monetary donations to the donor's choice memorials to numerous charities. Everyone was more than generous! Many in the world benefited from your generosity.

Camelot Flowers—Joni Frain and Company—you outdid yourselves with all the floral tributes sent to the funeral home and to our home. Each and everyone of the bouquets and planters were unique. The flowers are still fresh looking at the gravesite. Thanks to all the donors.

Hugs to all who have made phone calls, sent cards and e-mails (not to my computer—but to Frains!!); also for the hugs as I go into the community and take care of business.

A thanks to the American Legion and VFW for the military service, which was very heart warming. Those taking their time and making an effort to honor their fellow soldier are as follows—Art Fox, John Lincoln, Don Fox, Ed Von Tobel, Larry Juniper, Ken McFarland, Tom Murray, Tom Stanley, Jim Hauser and Dolores Grizzell. Chuck Webb presented a reading and flag. Then taps as well as the gun salute closed the service.

A special thanks to our extended families for their steadfast and constant support. Their love is needed and appreciated. The outpouring of love from family and friends at the funeral and beyond is wonderful.

Lovingly, Millie Gudas Redweik  
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## Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown

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Monday morning, Nov. 9, Janel Norris stopped in to see her sister, Ruth Cogdill. (Janel was on her way home from Rochester after running some errands.) Ruth had lunch fixed when Janel arrived, and the two sisters enjoyed visiting over the meal and the dessert that Janel had brought.

Mathilda Lamb traveled to Peru Monday. She enjoyed a very nice visit as an overnight houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Kathy Lamb.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle were in the South Bend/Mishawaka area early last week. They had a delightful time dining at the Carrabas restaurant which features Italian cuisine.

Tim Cogdill of Macy stopped in to see his mother, Ruth Cogdill, Wednesday, Nov. 11. The visit was short as he was going to his yearly reunion with Bo Klinefelter, John Vigus and Jim Weller. This year they met in Bo's home.

The Birthday Club met Wednesday at the Feedbag restaurant in Fulton. Gathering for a lot of catching up were Barb Gast, Virginia Agnew, Florence Baldwin, Martha Ann Cook, Betty Leazenby, Wileta Wilson, Ruth Talbott, and Doris Woolington.

Nancy Evers and her daughter, Janet Yocum, enjoyed spending Thursday, Nov. 12 together. They had lunch and did some shopping in Rochester.

Jon and Barb Gast were in Winamac Thursday. They enjoyed visiting with Jon's parents, Stuart and Rachel Gast.

Dave and Maria Evers had dinner guests Thursday. Joining them in the evening for a small get-together in honor of Dave's birthday were his parents, Leonard and Nancy Evers.

Jane and Jim Teeter of Bluffton were Friday, Nov. 13, visitors of Jane's mother, Ruth Cogdill. They treated Ruth to a delicious lunch of broasted chicken, three-bean salad and fresh croissants. It was a wonderful afternoon visit filled with a lot of catching up on all the family news.

Barb and Jon Gast were among those who attended the annual bazaar Friday hosted by the

women of the Kewanee United Methodist Church.

Tom and Linda Garner had company Friday. Staying with them overnight were their granddaughters, Kaylyn and Stevanna Young of Twelve Mile.

Helen Whiteman was in Winamac Friday. She had an exciting time attending the girls' basketball game. Her great-granddaughter, Whitney Hook, plays for Winamac.

Earl and Mary Bangel had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Friday evening for a three-day visit were their grandson, Kevin Bangel of Indianapolis, and his friends, Andrew and Craig Summitt. The "boys" were here for some deer hunting.

Helen Miller had company over the weekend. Arriving Friday for a pleasant overnight visit was her daughter, Judy Scott of Frankfort.

Florence Hogan had visitors Saturday, Nov. 14. Coming up to help tackle some outdoor chores and join her for lunch were her daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette. Stopping by later in the day was Florence's son, Mike Hogan.

Helen Whiteman has had a houseguest recently. Staying with her for a few days was her

nephew, David Whiteman of Elkhart. He is in the area for deer hunting season.

Linda and Tom Garner, Kaylyn and Stevanna had a caller Saturday. Stopping in for a short visit and to pick up the girls was their mother, Missy Young.

Saturday evening, Linda and Gordon Ligocki of Winamac stopped in to see Linda's mother, Ruth Cogdill. The Ligockis were on their way to the Rochester V.F.W. post to attend Linda's company Christmas party.

Jerry and Kay Brown had company Sunday, Nov. 15. Coming over for a visit were their daughter, Angie Smith of Rochester; her daughters, Kaelee and Leighnee; and her grandsons, William and Aidan. After a short visit, the boys went into the fields with Jerry and their great-uncle, Mike.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Sunday. Coming down for a wonderful afternoon chat was their daughter, Linda Garner.

Jon and Barb Gast enjoyed dining at Kosta's restaurant in Winamac Sunday.

Ruth Cogdill had surprise visitors Sunday afternoon. Janel Norris and her daughter, Myf Schuller of Koontz Lake, stopped in to see her. They had a wonderful afternoon visit. It had been years since Ruth had seen Myf.

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

your best regards) are: Don Reason III and Trey Young, Nov. 22; Tina Agnew, Pat Birge, Brad Bitterling, Brittney Cogdill, Lillix Cook and Howard Swafford, Nov. 23; Kip Cook, Taylor Corbett, Josh McCray, Sophia Shaw, Paige Simpson, Alexander Wentzel and Don Wentzel, Nov. 24; Krystal Smith, Nov. 25; Tamara Eisan, Nov. 26; Breanna Fairchild, Joe Good and Angela Thomas, Nov. 27; and Tia Allor, Andrew Buswell, Bill Evers and Raeann Hunter, Nov. 28.

There are two couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Travis Scholz, Nov. 22; and Mr. and Mrs. Kent Cook, Nov. 25.

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### Meal site at local fire station

The Area Five Agency on Aging operates a meal site in the community room of the Kewanee-Union Township Fire Station serving lunch every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Area residents who are 60 years of age or older are welcome to take part in the program.

For more information on the meal site, call Alvena Mollencupp at 653-2318.

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### Panel discussion on property tax caps at Caston

Caston School Corporation will host a constitutional property tax caps discussion panel at 7 p.m. December 3 in the school cafeteria. Appearing on the panel will be State Senator Randy Head and State Rep. Doug Gutwein.

Watchdog Indiana is sponsoring the event and the moderator will be Aaron Smith, founder of the organization. The purpose of the discussion panel is to educate Hoosiers regarding the constitutional property tax caps in Senate Joint Resolution 1.

The panel will offer opening and closing comments by the panel members with 45 minutes of audience questions in between. Local government officials are specifically invited to attend.

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