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KEWANNA TOWN COUNCIL

The Kewanna town council met in regular session at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at the town hall.

Business included the monthly police report from Marshal Dennis Price. He also submitted a quote from Ultimate Computer Zone for a camera system and two computers. The council accepted the quote for the equipment. Price also noted that he and deputies, Danny Winter and Jon Sailors, would complete their state mandated training Wednesday, March 10, and Thursday, March 11, at Grissom. The monthly police report noted three traffic arrests, four traffic warnings, three criminal arrests, 32 calls answered, one vehicle check, and 1,282 miles patrolled.

Fire Captain Tony Pesaresi submitted the monthly fire report and noted that the fire department was notified February 11 that it had been awarded a FEMA grant which it had applied for. The fire department responded to four town alarms in February, all medical, and three township alarms, one fire and two medical. Training involved CPR. The county will once again be stationing an ambulance in Kewanna. This ambulance will be housed in the town garage. Local contractor John Briney is remodeling the old council meeting room to include a bathroom, kitchenette, sleeping quarters and offices to accommodate two fulltime emergency medical technicians as well as the current town employees.

The council approved a request to remove a town tree at 303 E. Main St.

Town superintendent Mike Molitor turned in a quote from Conco Spray to clean, repair and spray coat the Shaeffer cell at the sewage treatment plant to prevent deterioration. He would also like to look into getting the "muffin monster" rebuilt with a spare on hand as it has been in place since the Shaeffer cell was installed. The blades are wearing and the life of the machine is unpredictable. Funds will be reviewed and a decision made at a later date.

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AREA FIVE MENU

Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, March 15 - Barbecue pork, broccoli, corn, pudding, oatmeal bread and milk

Wednesday, March 17 - Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, roll and milk

Friday, March 19 - Baked fish, potato salad, hominy, fresh fruit, wheat bread and milk

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Recycling Days

Thurs., March 11th and

Thurs., March 25th

Christian men's breakfast Saturday

The Kewanna United Methodist Church will host its monthly breakfast for Christian men Saturday, March 13, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the church annex. There is no charge for the breakfast. As usual, the menu features Norm's biscuits and gravy. All Christian men are welcome to attend and enjoy the food and fellowship.

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Time to file 2010 personal property returns

Personal property returns are to be filed between March 1 and May 15, 2010. Failure to file a return by May 15, as required by law, will result in penalties.

It is no longer the duty of the township trustee to assist with the filing of personal property returns. If you filed a business return (Form 103-L or Form 103-S) or a farm return (Form 102) last year, you will need to file the return this year at the Fulton County Assessor's office located in the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Suite 206, Rochester.

You need to turn in any new equipment you have acquired or any equipment that you no longer use for your business can be taken off your equipment list. Personal property forms can be picked up at the Fulton County Assessor's office, all local libraries in Fulton County, the Fulton County Historical Society Museum and the Kewanna town hall. Forms are also available from the state Website at www.in.gov/dlqf. Forms will be available March 1 until May 15.

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Spaghetti supper and bake sale at Methodist Church

An all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper will be served from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, March 27, in the annex of the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation and proceeds will be used to send youth to church camp this summer. Carry outs will be available and there will also be a bake sale.

At this time, there are about 30 youth attending the Crossroads and Turning Point youth group meeting on a typical Sunday evening and about half of them have indicated a desire to attend church camp.

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James F. Talbott Post No. 1121 March Activities

Sat., March 13 - Men's meeting, 8:30 a.m.

Sun., March 14 - Open Sunday

Tues., March 16 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

Wed., March 17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day

Tues., March 23 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Sat., March 27 - Easter egg hunt at the local fire station for ages infant through 11. 2 to 4 p.m.

Sun., March 28 - Open Sunday

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The Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary is offering scholarships to Fulton County residents who are pursuing a career in healthcare. For more information or to obtain an application, call Community Relations at 574-224-1180. The deadline to submit scholarship applications is April 1, 2010.

The annual Snowball Golf Tournament at Pond View Golf Course raised a total of \$17,000. Ninety golfers played in this year's event, which was held February 28. The money raised will help several families and organizations in the Loganland area.

Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester will host an Usbourne Children's Book Fair tomorrow (Friday, March 12) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Classrooms A/B of the new addition. Proceeds will benefit Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary.

Tax collections for the State of Indiana continue to fall behind what was projected when the current two-year budget was approved in June. Collections are also missing the revised estimate compiled in December. State revenue was below estimates by \$86 million in February. If this trend continues, the state will exhaust what was a \$1.3 billion surplus by the time the current budget expires in June 2011.

Carmella Villasana was named Republican Woman of the Year during the party's Lincoln Day Dinner held Saturday in Rochester. The award was presented by Pat Hoover, president of the Fulton County Republican Women's Club. Jackie Walorski, a candidate for the 2nd Congressional District seat now held by Joe Donnelly, was the guest speaker.

The Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department was called to Lake Bruce last Wednesday afternoon to rescue two fishermen who had gone through the ice. One of the fishermen was transported to Pulaski Memorial Hospital.

The Fulton Improvement Committee is taking orders for pies, angel food cakes and noodles for Easter. Pie orders need to be in by March 20 with pick up between 11 a.m. and noon April 3 at the Fulton Community Building. To place an order, call Nellie McGrew, 574-857-3875; Lois Gundrum, 574-857-3695; or Barb Hattery, 574-857-3197.

Rich Cooper, Ports of Indiana CEO, reports that Indiana's ports handled 7.2 millions tons of cargo last year, up 7 percent from the previous year. The increase was largely due to more shipments of coal, grain, salt and steel. The Mount Vernon

Musical program at Rochester

Vocal music students from Caston, Winamac and Rochester will present a combined program tonight (Thursday, March 11) at 7:30 p.m. at Rochester High School.

Approximately 100 singers will perform in the concert, part of the "March: Music in Our Schools" month-long celebration. The students will practice for two hours in the afternoon, share pizza for dinner and then perform for the public. A free will offering will be taken at the door and the proceeds distributed among the three schools involved.

port along the Ohio River saw the largest increase, moving its highest tonnage in 15 years.

A fire last Friday at Tyson Foods in Logansport has put 500 employees out of work temporarily. The fire broke out Friday morning in the plant's slaughter operations.

Woodlawn Hospital will be hosting a teleconference on Cancer and End-of-Life Care Wednesday, March 24, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. in the new addition Classrooms A & B. This teleconference is free and open to the public. Continuing education is available. For more information or to register call Jason See at 574-224-1267 before March 19.

Pioneer defeated West Central last Saturday evening, 35-30, to take the sectional championship at Tri-County. Pioneer will move on to the regional at Triton this coming Saturday.

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 15, in the commissioners' room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester. The agenda will include various reports, additional appropriations, museum project resolution, old and new business, as well as a time for public comment.

The Fulton County Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, at the Fulton County Office Building, Rochester. The agenda will include various reports, discussion of the 2010 budget including reductions in the county general fund and reassessment fund, additional appropriations and old and new business.

If you haven't been in the local library lately, be sure to pay it a visit. Library personnel have put the Kewanna High School athletic trophies on display. They are also in the process of hanging some of the old KHS graduation composites. Library workers were amazed to find out some of the youth in the community did not realize Kewanna used to have a school.

Daylight Savings time begins Sunday

Be sure to turn your clocks up one hour when you go to bed Saturday night, or you might be an hour late for whatever you have planned for Sunday.

Daylight Savings time will begin at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 14. Daylight Savings time will end November 7.

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Food sold at farmers' markets subject of program

"Selling the Whole Truckload", a program relative to food items sold at local farmers' markets will be held Wednesday, March 24, at 7 p.m. The program will be presented at the Fulton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 1009 W. 3rd St., Rochester.

The program features Roy Ballard, Purdue Extension Educator from Hancock County, and Deb Gardner of the Fulton County Health Department.

Those selling food items at the local farmers' market will be interested in this meeting.

Ballard will present the marketing program, "Selling the Whole Truckload". The information will cover stands and marketing techniques.

Gardner will present information on food regulations and recent changes in the Indiana laws that affect vendors.

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Wes Rigney named conference player of the year

Wes Rigney of Caston has been named basketball player of the year for the Midwest Conference. Joining him on the all-conference team for the 2009-2010 season are Lance Kruger, Taylor Fairchild and Trevor Nelson of West Central, Grant Ream and Dylan Sterrett of Frontier; Devin Lee and Tyler Miller of Pioneer; Jordan Purdy, South Newton; Andrew Malott, Winamac; Trenton Kyburz, Tri County; and Jacob Ruemler, North White.

Players receiving honorable mention include Alex Chrzan, West Central; Jon-Marc Ream and Dylan Cain, Frontier; Logan Brock, Pioneer; Kody Wilson and Kyle Katschke, South Newton; Zach Shidler, Winamac; Noah Legler, Tri County; and Chase Lowry, North White.

West Central finished the season at the top of the conference standings with a perfect 7-0 record. Frontier finished the season at 6-1; Pioneer, 5-2; South Newton, 4-3; Winamac and Tri County, 2-5; and North White and Caston, 1-6.

Bryan Heimlich of West Central was named coach of the year.

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Clubs Societies Personals



Fairview School memorabilia to be shown

Millie Gudas Redweik, Kewanna, will be at the Pulaski County Public Library in Winamac Wednesday, March 24, from 2 to 6 p.m. to share her collection of Fairview School memorabilia. Fairview was located in Harrison Township of Pulaski County.

Millie Redweik is shown with the painting she commissioned of the Fairview School building.

Millie attended the four-room Fairview School for seven years beginning in 1944. She became interested in having a good photo of the school while working on the "People of Pulaski County Indiana 1983 Volume I" book. She asked numerous people and received

several photos that showed different sections/views of the school. She took these to Sally Freeman who drew up a composite and asked Millie to verify that it was correct. Millie then commissioned Sally to paint a 20"x16" picture for her.

At that time, others got interested in the project and Millie started copying their Fairview photos also. She has collected several albums full of photos, some dating back to 1920. Bill Murphy of Culver shared his first grade photo. Carl Williams shared numerous photos as has Joe Crist and others. Millie has tracked down artifacts such as the name (in stone) of the school and also the corner stones. She has identified the names of a lot of the students with the help of Karen Williamson Kruger, Larry and Linda Markley Leasure and numerous others. She still has an interest in acquiring several more photos as Fairview was a four-room school and she needs four photos from each year. If anyone has a photo or is interested in seeing Millie's collection, be sure to attend the exhibit March 24. If you have memories you would like to share, write them down and take a copy to Millie.

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World Day of Prayer at St. Ann's

World Day of Prayer was held Friday, March 5, at St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna, with 32 in attendance.

Father Bert Woolson offered a prayer service. Bob Weaver gave a presentation on Haiti. A report on the local food pantry was given by Rev. Steve McPeck.

The secretary, Carol Bauman, read the secretary's report. A collection was taken for the local food pantry.

It was voted to change from a World Day of Prayer service in March to a National Day of Prayer service in May, due to school activities.

The 2011 host church will be Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church.

A social hour was held following the service.

St. Ann would like to thank all those who attended.

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KHS class of 1970 plans reunion

The Kewanna High School class of 1970 will hold its 40th anniversary reunion Saturday, June 12. It will be a two-fold event with a picnic at the Rochester city park and a party in the evening.

Addresses will be needed for classmates who have moved during the past five years. For more information or to supply current addresses, contact Janet Yocum, 2759 Hickory Lane, Rochester, IN 46975.

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Antique show and sale, March 12 & 13

Mental Health America of Fulton County is sponsoring its 12th annual antique show and sale Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13, at the Fulton County Historical Museum located on U.S. 31, north of Rochester. Friday hours will be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3.

An early buyers show will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11. Admission is \$5 and is good for all three days.

Appraisal services will be offered from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. The cost of appraisals is the cost of admission plus \$5 for the first item and \$1 for each additional item with a limit of four items.

Food will be available from Mental Health America of Fulton County.

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Basket bingo, April 13

Fulton County Special Olympics will sponsor another Longaberger Basket Bingo Tuesday, April 13, at the St. Joseph Parish Hall in Rochester. The doors will open at 6 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained for a donation of \$20 for 20 games of bingo. Tickets can be purchased from Ann Bauman, 574-223-7621; Manitou Center, 574-223-6963; Janet Severns, 574-223-4158; John Mollencupp, 574-653-2664; Diana Clemons, 574-223-2611; Carol Housouer, 574-223-2346; Claudia Hartzler, 574-893-4044 or Barb Garringer, 574-223-7888.

This fund raiser will help pay expenses to the Summer Games in Terre Haute.

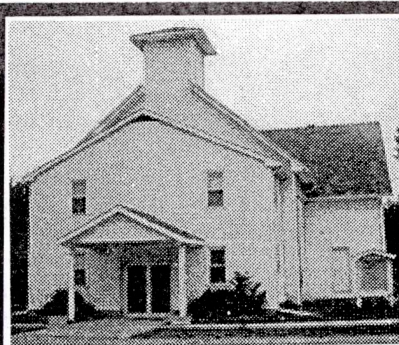
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The Fulton County Health Department Immunization Clinic is open every Wednesday from 8-11:30 a.m. & 2-5 p.m., with the 4th Wednesday of the month having extended hours until 6 p.m.

Children entering kindergarten in the school year 2010-2011 will need to be immunized before attending school. Students entering 6th through 12th grade and first year college students are required additional immunizations as well.

IMMUNIZATION UPDATES

In addition to the previously required immunizations; students entering preschool or kindergarten (4-6 year olds) must have 2 documented varicella vaccines, separated by at least 3 months, or written documentation of disease, (chicken pox).

Students entering 6th through 12th grade and first year college students must have the following vaccinations:

1 DTaP Vaccine (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis); 1 Meningitis Vaccine (MCV4); 2 Varicella Vaccines (chickenpox) or documentation of disease history.

4-6 year olds	6th-12th grade
5 doses DTap	5 doses DTap
4 doses IPV or OPV	4 doses IPV or OPV
3 doses Hepatitis B	3 doses Hepatitis B
2 doses MMR	2 doses MMR
2 doses Varicella	2 doses Varicella
	1 dose Tdap (given on or after 10 years of age)
	1 dose of Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV4)

Guidelines for immunizations can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines or call the Fulton County Health Department at 223-5152 or 223-2881.

Fulton County Health Dept.,
 125 E. 9th St., Rochester • 223-5152
 Rhonda Barnett - Public Health Nurse
 No Appointment Necessary

HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
 February 27
 Births - Cynthia Chapman, Kewanna, a daughter
 March 1
 Dismissals - Edward Edwards, Star City; Nancy Cleverly, Rita Clark, Mitchell Clark and Glen Grunden, all of Rochester
 Births - Courtney Soria, Plymouth, a son
 March 2
 Admissions - James Kerr, Rochester
 Dismissals - Cynthia Chapman and daughter, Kewanna; James Kerr, Rochester
 Births - Bradley and Megan Hoover, Denver, a daughter
 March 3
 Admissions - Lilliana Poff, Etna Green; Elizabeth Alderfer, Rochester
 Dismissals - Rosalie Lowe, Rochester
 March 4
 Admissions - Terry Walker, Frances Phillips, Kylie Coleman and Carmella Jackson, all of Rochester
 Dismissals - Courtney Soria and daughter, Plymouth
 March 5
 Admissions - Patricia Kitts, Plymouth; Reed Jacobs, Rochester
 Dismissals - Megan Hoover and daughter, Denver; Lilliana Poff, Etna Green

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DEATHS

MATTHEW R. McNEAL
 A celebration of life was held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 1, for Matthew R. McNeal, 26, Greenfield, in the Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Center, Washington Park East, Indianapolis. Burial was in the Washington Park East Cemetery. Matthew died Thursday, February 25, 2010.
 Born February 3, 1984 in Indianapolis, he was the son of

David L. and Jane M. McNeal. Mrs. McNeal is the former Jane Lord of Kewanna.
 Matthew was a member of the Palestine United Methodist Church and he loved all types of sports, especially the Colts and Pacers. In addition, he was an avid artist.
 In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Brian McNeal, and his paternal grandparents, Bruce and Barbara McNeal. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Lord of Kewanna.
 A visitation was held Sunday, February 28, at the funeral center.
 Memorial contributions may be made to No Boundaries Foundation for Muscular Dystrophy, 7220 U.S. 31 South, Indianapolis, IN 46227. Online condolences may be left at www.flannerbuchanan.com.

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Bereavement support group at Rochester

Hope Hospice and Woodlawn Hospital are offering a support program for people dealing with the loss of a loved one. The group meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A of the Fulton County Public Library in Rochester. Refreshments are provided at each meeting. Upcoming meetings and topics of discussion include: March 23 - Recognize that you are not crazy; April 6 - Avoid complicated grief; April 20 - Practice 10 self-compassionate principles; May 4 - Appreciate your transformation; and May 18 - Help a friend through grief.

For additional information or to register, call Chaplain Anne Beattie at Hope Hospice, 574-224-4673; or Chaplain Jason See at Woodlawn Hospital, 574-224-1267.

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Send In Your News

Immunizations available at Health Department

The Fulton County Health Department offers an immunization clinic every Wednesday from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 2-5 p.m. The fourth Wednesday of every month clinic hours are extended to 6 p.m. Parents are urged to beat the school rush and take their children to the clinic early to receive their school immunizations.
 Children entering kindergarten in the 2010-2011 school year will need to be immunized before attending school. Students entering the 6th through 12th grade and first year college students are required additional immunizations as well.

In addition to the previously required immunizations, students entering pre-school or kindergarten (4-6 years old) must have two documented varicella vaccines, separated by at least three months, or written documentation that they have had the disease (chicken pox).
 Students entering 6th through 12th grade and first year college students must have one DTap vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Acellular Pertussis); one meningitis vaccine (MCV4); two varicella vaccines (chicken pox) or documentation of the disease.
 Guidelines for immunizations can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

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Blood collection day, March 30

Another American Red Cross blood collection day will be held Tuesday, March 30, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1310 Main St., Rochester. Donors at the blood drive will receive a coupon for free Dunkin' Donuts.
 To schedule an appointment to donate, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org for more information. Individuals who are 17 years of age, meet weight and height requirements and are generally in good health may be

eligible to donate blood. Please bring your Red Cross donor card or other form of ID.
 Through "Donut fell good to donate?", Dunkin' Donuts joins the Red Cross in celebrating March is Red Cross Month, and in encouraging more people to give blood. Collecting blood during the winter months can be challenging since cold weather can sometimes prevent donors from making and keeping appointments. In early February, for instance, eight American Red Cross blood drives were canceled due to bad weather, representing nearly 500 blood donations in the Indiana-Ohio region.

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Pulaski Memorial Hospital

COMMUNITY CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS
Cardio Pulmonary
 Pulaski Memorial Hospital's Cardiopulmonary Department will be hosting an Open House to help celebrate Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week Wednesday, March 17, from 2 to 4 pm.
 If you or someone you love suffers with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or other lung diseases that may compromise your ability to perform daily living activities or hampers your quality of life, now is the time to stop by Wednesday, March 17 and get more information about our Pulmonary Rehab Program. You

will receive educational information about our Pulmonary Rehab program as well as receive free screenings, door prizes and refreshments.
Auxiliary South Bend Chocolates
 Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary invites you to their spring South Bend Chocolate Sale, Monday and Tuesday, March 22 and 23 from 8 am to 5 pm in the hospital lobby just in time for Easter candy.
Cancerive - Melanoma
 Dr Brian Johnson will be speaking on "How skin cancer screening may save your life" at the next Cancerive Support Group March 30 from 4 to 5:30 pm in the Conference Center.
Social Security
 A representative from the Social Security office will be at Pulaski Memorial Hospital the second Tuesday of each month at 9 am.

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Music at Denver

The Denver Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring an afternoon of gospel, bluegrass and ole time country music Sunday, March 14, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Denver Community Building. The Blue Grass Buddies and Friends will be performing. Donations will be accepted to help pay for needed equipment.

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Looking Back.....

SIXTY YEARS AGO March 10, 1950

Jeannette Sanders announced earlier this week that her new dress shop, to be called "The Jeannette Dress Shop", will open its doors to the public Saturday, March 18. The shop is the first such enterprise operated exclusively for the ladies that has been in Kewanna in the memory of local residents.

Leila Tomlinson, 51, of here suffered a fractured left ankle when she fell through a hole in the floor where pipes were being removed. She was taken to Memorial Hospital in Logansport and her leg was placed in a cast that reaches almost to her hip.

A fire at the Gerald Neff farm five miles north of Fulton Monday morning completely destroyed a brooder house and 300 10-day-old chicks. The fire apparently started from an oil stove in the building.

Cora Felder, 77, widow of Anthony Felder, died Saturday night at the Rochester Nursing Home as a result of cancer. Survivors include a son, Grant; a grandson, Carroll; and a granddaughter, Alice, all of Kewanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Stingley, Kewanna, observed their 51st wedding anniversary March 2 at their home. The couple has three children, Fred Stingley of here; Mrs. Esther Overmyer, also of Kewanna; and Mrs. Chola Washburn, South Bend.

Mrs. Marion Chizum hosted a birthday party last Friday evening in honor of her daughter, Margaret. Guests included Mary Esther Henning,

Linda Lewis, Janet Heiden, Jane Warfield and Dara Masteller.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 10, 1955

Staff Sergeant James R. Zellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey O. Zellers, Kewanna, has reenlisted in the U.S. Air Force for four years. He is presently stationed at Nellis Air Force Base.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rhoades plan to open their new restaurant, Herbie's Place, on St. Patrick's Day. The restaurant is located at the corner of Main and Logan Streets and has been redecorated in two shades of blue with red and gray furnishings.

The Kewanna High School poultry judging team captured the Fulton County title Thursday and earned the right to compete in the district judging. Members of the team are J Masteller, Gene Starr and Bill Werner with John Brown as the alternate.

Marianne Woolsey, a junior home economics major from Grass Creek, and Bill Masteller, a sophomore electrical engineering student from Rt. 1, Kewanna, were among those recognized as distinguished students at Purdue University for the first semester of the 1954-55 school year.

Over 200 persons gathered for a carry-in dinner in the Grass Creek gymnasium to honor retiring mail carrier, Harlan McKinsey. McKinsey has retired after 44½ years of service to the Kewanna Post Office.

Mr. and Mrs. David Besse, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born at Woodlawn Hospital.

The baby weighed 10 pounds and 10 ounces and has been named David Dwight.

FIFTY YEARS AGO March 10, 1960

David Besse turned in his resignation as night marshal when the Kewanna town board met March 2. Besse plans to go to work for Winamac Coil Spring April 1. Besse has been night marshal since Willard Clark left the job to take over his duties as Fulton County sheriff January 1, 1959.

Final rites were held March 9 at the Ditmire Funeral Home, Fulton, for Samuel M. Dague, 77, of near Fulton. He was married on Christmas Day 1909, to Trella Nickels, who survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Rome Tatman, Richmond, and two sons, Ivan, Rt. 1, Kewanna, and Joe, Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Final rites were held Tuesday, March 8, in the Star City Christian Church for Henry A. DePoy, 80, Rt. 2, Kewanna. Survivors include eight sons and three daughters, John and Burlen, both of Star City; Foster, South Bend; Ernest and Earl, Logansport; Donald, Royal Center; Ralph, Rochester, Robert, Kewanna; Mrs. Ethel Gerlach, Star City; Mrs. Ruth DeWitt, Ehrenburg, Arizona; and Mary Jane Foley, Rochester.

Mrs. Albert Smith, Rt. 1, Kewanna, slipped on the ice in front of the Donut Shop, Kewanna, Monday afternoon and suffered severe bruises to her hip and leg. She was taken to Winamac for x-rays to be sure there were no broken bones.

Kenneth Kraning, Jr. was among the 721 students to receive mid-year degrees at Purdue University. He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree.

Mary Ann Chizum, a student at Ball State Teachers College, has been pledged to Delta Zeta sorority.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 11, 1965

Mr. and Mrs. Elston Sayers

were the honored guests at a wedding anniversary dinner Sunday in the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sayers. The couple was celebrating their 27th wedding anniversary.

Rosie Fox, four-year-old-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fox, Rt. 2, Kewanna, fell Friday in her home, cutting her forehead. The wound required seven stitches.

Kenan Cook, a student at St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook.

Dan Walsh has returned to his studies at Purdue University after a weekend spent here with relatives and friends.

Barbara Masteller of Purdue University and Mary Nell Masteller of Ball State spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Masteller.

Mr. H. N. Blair, father of Mrs. Helen Shadle and a native of Kewanna, celebrated his 95th birthday Sunday in the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. C. W. Frick at Lakeville.

FORTY YEARS AGO March 12, 1970

Final rites were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Zion Gospel Chapel for Mae Kline, 80, Rt. 1, Kewanna. Rev. Leon Hofer officiated and burial was in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Survivors include two sons, Louis J. Kline, Rochester, and Marion Kline, Monterey.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Urban, Lunenburg, Massachusetts, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathy Louise, to Sp/4 Robert Hoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hoff, Kewanna. Miss Urban is a graduate of Lunenburg High School and is employed by CVS. Her fiancé, a graduate of Kewanna High School and Purdue University, is serving with the U.S. Army in Asmara, Ethiopia.

Miss Martha Shaffer became the bride of William Stoudt Saturday, February 28, in St. Michael's Catholic Church at

Plymouth. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Shaffer of Mishawaka and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Stoudt, Rt. 3, Kewanna.

A 1965 Ford Mustang driven by Lynette K. Good, Kewanna, skidded on Indiana 14 northeast of Kewanna Tuesday morning, went off the south side of the road, hit a tree and then a telephone pole.

THIRTY YEARS AGO March 13, 1980

James Brown of Kewanna is among the students and their science teachers from 30 Indiana and Illinois high schools who will be attending the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium at Indiana State University March 20-22.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kurz, Lake Bruce, are the parents of a daughter, Janie Marie, born Saturday, March 8, at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds and 6 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hubeny of Kewanna are the maternal grandparents and Mr. William Kurz of Lake Bruce is the paternal grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Zuck of Swartz Creek, Michigan, Jerry Zuck of Lake Village and Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Zuck attended the wedding of their son and brother, Eric, to Patricia Horn in Morgan City, Louisiana, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bain of Winamac, their daughter, Laurie of Minnesota, and Mrs. Ida Mullins visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Evans in Bridgman, Michigan, Thursday.

Ground chuck was selling for \$1.39 a pound at Houser Supermarket in Kewanna.

TWENTY YEARS AGO March 8, 1990

David Sommers, Rt. 2, Kewanna, attended Seedex Inc.'s Winter Corn Conference January 29 and 30, at The Hilton on the Circle in downtown Indianapolis. Sommers, a

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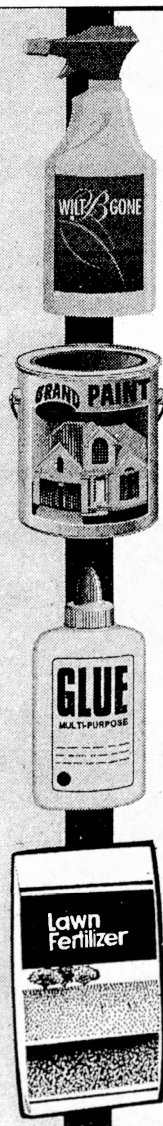
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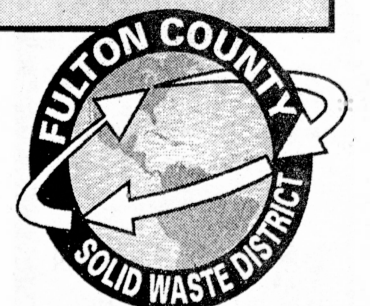
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Bryan Hoff, sophomore zoology major at Butler University in Indianapolis, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester. The Caston High School graduate is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hoff, Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Rev. Bryan Ton and Wade Bussert attended the spring concert presented by the Notre Dame orchestra at Washington Hall on the campus of the University of Notre Dame Tuesday evening.

Katherine Orr and Helena White were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walsh at Culver. Other guests were Alice Myers of South Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Myers of Mishawaka.

Dee and David Jones, Mt. Washington, Kentucky, took first place with their 1987 Monte Carlo SS at the Carl Casper Auto Show held Feb. 24 and 25 in Freedom Hall, Louisville, Kentucky. Dee is the former Delores MacLain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence MacLain, Kewanna.

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CASTON MENU

March 15 - 19

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Monday - Breadsticks with meat and cheese, seasoned mini cubes, pineapple, and milk. Comet Café - three-meat sub and chips

Tuesday - Pasta with meat sauce and pepperoni, lettuce salad, cheese stuffed breadstick, mixed fruit and milk. Comet Café - turkey wrap and chips

Wednesday - French toast strips, sausage patty, potato smiles, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - hot ham and cheese sub and chips

Thursday - Soft tacos with meat and cheese, lettuce and tomato, fruit juice bar, cookie and milk

Friday - Cheese pizza, green beans, peaches, chocolate chip cookie and milk. Comet Café - hamburger and fries.

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Libraries contribute to democracy. Become a better informed citizen. Always check out the facts before developing an opinion.

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Members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the Foundation's monthly publication, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE DOGWOOD TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by March 31, 2010. Or join www.arborday.org/March.

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CASTON SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, March 12 - 7th grade girls basketball MWC tourney at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; 8th grade girls basketball MWC tourney at Winamac, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 13 - boys varsity basketball regional at Triton, 10 a.m.; JH boys wrestling invitational at Logansport, 9 a.m.

Tuesday, March 16 - JH boys wrestling vs. Triton at Caston, 6 p.m.

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Kara's Comments

Kara Smith

Now I do realize this article is very late, but I hope you enjoy the tale of my excursion to Kokomo High School for ISSMA district instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest.

On Feb. 6th, five brave Caston band members endured the harsh weather to Kokomo High School to participate in the annual ISSMA district instrumental Solo and Ensemble. This was my fifth year to go to contest.

We were all running behind because of old man winter paid a visit during the night. It was a very chilly ride on that Saturday morning; my judging time was 10:14 A.M. To prepare myself for this year's contest Mr. Byrn, my band director, and Mr. Gardner, a band director from Huntington University and at Huntington North High School, set up private clarinet lessons through skype on the computer. By having these lessons through webcam I was able to learn more about playing the clarinet and received much needed help on my solo.

As I arrived at Kokomo High School, the halls were bare, not many students were able to make it because of the weather. I finally found my

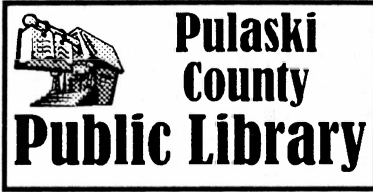
warm-up room, where I would practice for awhile before being judged. Inside was many saxophone ensembles and very few clarinet players. After about a half hour it was time for me to head down to the judging room. There were only three other people ahead of me as I waited for Mrs. Byrn to come, she accompanied me for the contest. It was finally my turn; I walked in the small room to find a piano and a music stand by the door. Across the room was a few chairs where Mr. Byrn sat to listen to me play. On the far end of the room was a judge sitting in a big chair waiting for me to give him my music. I first tuned with the piano and then I was ready to play. The first movement went very well, and that was a relief. The second movement did not go as well, I was just trying to get up with the piano. After I was done I waited out in the hall with my parents and Mr. and Mrs. Byrn for my results.

The results are as followed; Max Loper, a six grade trumpet player received a gold medal, Luke Sutton, a six grade percussionist received a silver medal, Bryanna Slisher, a seventh grade flautist, received a

silver, Kara Smith, a sophomore clarinetist received a silver medal, and Christen Sailors, a sophomore flautist received a gold medal.

This year was a success to all of our soloists. Their hard work paid off in the end and I hope everyone had fun. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Byrn for all their help and time they put in to helping us become better musicians. A special thanks to Mr. Gardner, who really helped me out this year and I hope to continue lessons with him to become a better clarinetist.

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The PCPL in Winamac and Medaryville will be having Teen Tech Week, March 7th through the 13th. Activities include a digital photography contest, create yourself as a superhero, and a tech gaming day. For More information, call 946-3432.

Design your own travel mug! The PCPL in Winamac will have a Design Your Own Travel Mug workshop at 2:00 on March 12th. The workshop is free, but space is limited. For more information, call 946-3432.

On March 17th at 2:00 the PCPL in Winamac will be hosting World Heritage expert, Andrea Nichols, for "Erin Go Bragh! An Ireland Presentation." For more

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On March 19th from 10:00 to 12:00 the PCPL in Winamac will be having an Email 101 class. The class is free, but space is limited. For more information, call 946-3432.

Pysansky Craft: How to make Ukrainian Easter Eggs. Mrs. Julia Binkley will be at the PCPL in Winamac on March 19th at 4:30 to give a demonstration on the history of the traditional Eastern European craft. For more information, call 946-3432.

A Fairview School Homecoming will be held March 24, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. Come and share your memories of this country school! For more information, call 946-3432.

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU March 15 - 19

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Monday - Donut, string cheese, juice and milk

Tuesday - Omelet, juice and milk

Wednesday - Biscuit and gravy, juice and milk

Thursday - Cinnamon toast with egg pattie, juice and milk

Friday - Sausage pancake, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Chicken nuggets, corn, peaches, bread and butter and milk

Tuesday - Corn dog fries, peas, cookie and milk

Wednesday - Taco, lettuce, cheese, peach crisp and milk

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

Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, pasta, applesauce, oyster crackers and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Ravioli, cheese breadstick, peas, peaches and milk. Choice - salad bar

Tuesday - Meatball sandwich, potatoes, mixed fruit, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Breaded chicken sandwich, broccoli, pineapple, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Nacho supreme, Tostitos, corn, apple juice cup and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Twisted Stix, carrots, applesauce, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

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"Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler

He ain't heavy, he's my brother

I've been listening to them play all morning - well, in between the bouts of fighting. The banter, wrestling, balls lobbed across the living room and Legos covering the floor of the rest of the house all make me realize something. (Besides the fact that the place is a mess.) One of the very the best things I ever gave my brother is a brother.

That's because a brother is more than someone to play catch with or tell scary stories to after the lights are out. He's more than a regular guy. He's a brother. And that's a difficult concept to define.

A brother is someone who borrows your socks, deodorant and best jeans, but never your girlfriend.

Brothers have the same bunk bed and the same last name, but rarely the same opinion regarding who's gonna win the Stanley Cup.

A brother is the guy who will still toss the ball around - even after it's dark out and everyone else has gone home.

A brother sticks up for you behind your back - even though you can't hear him doing it.

A brother is someone who lives at your house - even on the days when you wish he didn't.

A brother scoops the ice cream for you, because you are still too little and the ice cream is too hard.

A brother says nothing when he gets blamed for the broken window - even though he knows he had nothing to do with the baseball that shattered it.

A brother will let you take the blame for him - but only

because he can't afford to get in trouble on account of it's the day he's going to the movies with the cute girl from biology class.

A brother is someone who says he bounced the ball 712 times in a row, but only because he knows your score was 711.

A brother is the one whom, when you ask, "Are you sleeping yet?" always answers, "Nope."

A brother pesters you with the same questions over and over. He listens to your stories and says, "Tell me about it again!"

A brother hangs out with you - all day - even though you are fighting, because it is a Saturday and you can't go to school on Saturdays.

A brother is someone who picks on you when your mom isn't looking, but steps in to protect you when the eighth grade bully tries to take your seat on the bus.

A brother notices that your eyes are wet and glistening after losing the big game, but he doesn't say anything about it.

A brother hugs you when no one's looking and punches you when they are.

A brother unselfishly shares secrets, jokes and germs. He lends advice and his last dollar.

He provides an ear and a shoulder to lean on. He takes your bike when you aren't looking and a piece of gum from your secret stash whenever he can. He'll give you the shirt off his back and a ride to hockey practice, but never the combination of his bedroom safe.

Brothers can't be bought or bargained for, planned or premeditated. They just are. And that's beyond any definition

in the dictionary. It sure is.

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Letter To The Editor

PONDERING: HEALTH CARE

The more I think about it the more I like the idea of a "national health-care system."

It would be nice to believe that America is a leader rather than a follower Why are we so far behind the industrialized world?

I know some people believe it leads to socialism if we have a national system. But Social Security, Medicare and the VA are national systems for seniors and veterans and they seem to be working ok. We can save Social Security and Medicare by taxing all income rather than a small portion of our incomes. Taxing only middle class income doesn't make sense to me.

What would be the major advantages of a national health care system?

I believe it would unleash new business formation and the growth of small businesses. I know when I was in small business the biggest hurdle was providing health care coverage for the family that I could afford as a start-up. If that issue is resolved more people would take the risk of starting a new business - the growth engines of our economy.

People who are now part of the bigger corporate America are often afraid to leave for a new job or start their own business. Will they be able to find private health care insurance? If they have a pre-condition, however that is defined, most likely they will not be able to get coverage or afford the high risk insurance. A national system would reduce these concerns and allow for the adventure into small business.

A national system makes more sense to me. It increases the size of the "risk pool" which would reduce the cost to everyone. Everyone would have to be in the system and pay their fair share. We are required to have automobile insurance. I would think our health is more important than our cars. Maybe if we had emergency rooms for

automobiles we would not require insurance?

Must this be provided or run by the government? Not necessarily. Government could define the playing field and the playing rules. Corporate America could respond with appropriate insurance vehicles to do the job. If they don't then government may have to take up the mantel. The insurance companies have not shown any interest so far. There interest is in how to reduce the risk, increase the cost to the customer and provide bigger profits for the companies. They must take care of all the bonuses for the top few.

I have always felt that health insurance should be provided by non-profits. Why should there be profits on the sickness of America? If there was a system designed to make a profit on the health of America maybe that would be a different story and I would feel differently about it.

The opportunity is now to respond. President Truman proposed a national catastrophe health insurance in 1948. We are still studying the issue and still believe we can not and should not provide minimal health insurance for everyone.

We need basic insurance package for everyone. If I wanted something more I could pay for a supplement like I do with Medicare.

It would seem that our Christian faith should inform us on such matters.

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it to me." (Matt.25:40). Perhaps that should be our guide in providing health care to everyone.

Larry L. Cunningham, M.A.L.S.

Save those plastic sacks

The third grade class at Caston Elementary School is again collecting plastic shopping sacks hoping to win a contest sponsored by the Cass County Soil and Waste Management District. The school in the district that collects the most plastic stacks will win a bench made from recycled plastic bags.

Interested persons can save their plastic shopping bags and send them to school with a student or deliver them to the school. The bags are delivered to the recycling center in Logansport the second Friday of every month and weighed. It takes about 1,000 bags to weigh 15.6 pounds. Last year, Caston students collected about 2,000 pounds of plastic shopping bags, which gave them a second place finish in the contest for the third year in a row.

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 Reliable Office Supplies Inc., 95.46;
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 Grand Total.....\$8,697.55
 WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FULTON CO., INDIANA ON MARCH 8, 2010.

JUDITH A. REED
 FULTON CO. AUDITOR

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Thank You . . .

We would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, flowers, memorials, and expressions of sympathy during the loss of our loved one, Florence Kruger.

Thank you to the Church of Christ members for providing food at the visitation and for serving the delicious lunch after the funeral.

Also, our thanks to Pastor Scott Meneely for his words of comfort in conducting the services. A special thank you to Kyle rans and Max Metzger of Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home for their help & kindness.

We were blessed to have our beloved mother and grandmother with us for over 101 years!

Sincerely,
 The family of Florence Kruger

"Friendship isn't a big thing - it's a million little things."

We wish to give thanks to the community for the benefit supper and bake sale for Janice Graham.

Our heartfelt thanks go out to: Tammy and Andy Rude, Jo Ann Chatman, Barb Boyd, Florence Baldwin, Virginia Agnew and the women of UMC, Vera Bowyer, Izzy and Annie, Dave Fuller, Carol Colvin, Joe Hott, and Melvin Smith.

We also want to thank the businesses and organizations for their generous donations: Rochester Meats and Deli, Kroger, Wendy's, McDonald's, Burger King, Kibitzer, Alejandras restaurant, Kewanna United Methodist Church, Kewanna Church of Christ, and the Observer. And to the employees of Winamac Coil Spring and the many friends who attended the benefit.

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 Janice (Hogan) Graham and family

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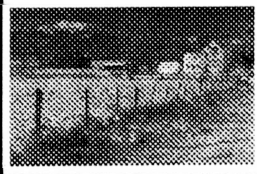
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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown Ph.: (574) 653-2451

Helen Whiteman had a nice time Monday, March 1, visiting with her son and daughter-in-law, Kenny and Bev Whiteman.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle were in LaPorte one day last week taking care of some business. While there, they enjoyed visiting with Barb's daughter, Sue Janes, over a quick lunch.

Jerry and Kay Brown and their sons, Mark and Mike Brown, attended the Newcastle vs. Connersville high school boys' basketball sectional game Wednesday evening, March 3. Jerry and Kay's son, Kerry Brown, is the coach for the winning team—Connersville.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Thursday, March 4. She met Sharlene Haimbaugh and Barbara Brown at the truck stop for a long visit over lunch.

Angela Gast of Wake Forest, North Carolina, arrived Thursday for a weeklong visit with her parents, Jon and Barb Gast.

Tom and Barb LaFollette helped serve pizzas at the Rochester VFW post Thursday evening.

Helen Whiteman had a caller Thursday. Stopping by in the evening for a chat was her great-grandson, Brandon Connor.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of visitors Friday evening, March 5. Stopping by for a family chat were their daughter and son-in-law, Phyllis and Gene Koontz of Rochester. (The Koontzes had been celebrating Phyllis' birthday with their daughter and her family, Cindy and Greg Wiese and Ally, earlier in the evening.)

Kay, Jerry, Mark and Mike Brown attended the Connersville vs. Muncie Central high school boys' basketball sectional game Friday evening. Muncie Central won the match.

Helen Whiteman and her daughter, Sherri Lett, enjoyed

watching Sherri's granddaughter, Rylee Daugherty, participate in one of her many sport activities Saturday, March 6.

Romayne Wentzel had a busy weekend. Helping her celebrate her birthday were 25 members of her family.

Jerry and Kay Brown spent Saturday in Rochester. In the morning, they watched their great-granddaughter, Chloe Brown, play basketball at Columbia Elementary School. In the afternoon, they watched their great-grandson, William Smith, play in a basketball game.

Florence Hogan had a couple of visitors Sunday, March 7. Coming up for a family chat and taking her to dinner at Los Compadres in Rochester were her daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette.

Barb Gast was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of her birthday and hosted by her husband, Jon, and their daughter, Angela. Helping them mark the event with dinner were Barb's sister, Betty Leazenby; the Gasts' children and their spouses, Rick and Belinda Weller of LaPorte, Randy and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans; their grandsons and their families, Chad and Deb Weller and Cody of Rolling Prairie and Doug and Kara Sutton, Ethan and Owen, of Goshen; their grandson, Brent Wagoner of Warsaw; their great-granddaughter, Shelby Wagoner, with her Little Brother, Trevor, and friend, Jessica; Larry and Bev Baldwin; and Laurie Paulik and Carson.

Julie Brown had a fun time Sunday afternoon. She attended the fourth birthday party held in honor of one of her munchkins, Tanner Sutton. The event was

hosted by his parents and brothers, Steve and Wendy Sutton, Jake and Luke.

Helen Whiteman enjoyed pizza Sunday with her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Andrea Hook and Rylee of Winamac.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Stephanie Cohagen, Libby Good, Pat Koons and Mary Personett, March 14; Scott Hall, Michael Ingram, Pearl McPherson, Chandler Patterson, Trisha Powell and Charlie Rude, March 15; Matt Carlson, Kris French and T.J. Garner, March 16; Mike Bartram, Adam Berry, Lynette Good, Haley Harding, Theresa Hott, Terry Newton, Rob Lewark, Devon Overmyer and Pat Zellers, March 17; Beth Ann Deckard and Lorena Kline, March 18; Jeremy Agnew, Haley Markley and Chase Simpson, March 19; and Bill Gupton, Louise Masteller, Darlene Masunas, Gary L. Plummer, Jerry J. Plummer and Adam Troutman, March 20.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Daniel Studebaker will be celebrating their wedding anniversary March 14 and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Good will be celebrating theirs March 15.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Indianapolis Art & Antiques Show: March 12 - 14 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10; \$8 advance tickets available at Marsh.

Contact: Methodist Health Foundation (317) 962-1777 or www.methodisthealthfoundation.org.

Stewart's Indiana Flea Market: March 12 - 14 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Stewart Promotions (502) 456-2244 or www.stewartpromotions.com.

Indiana State High School Hockey Championships: March 13 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Game times are 8 a.m. (1A), 10:15 a.m. (2A), 12:30 p.m. (3A) and 2:45 p.m. (4A). Contact: Indiana State Fairgrounds (317) 927-7500.

Indiana Flower & Patio Show: March 13 - 21 in the West Pavilion and Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Mon-Sat. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$12; children 12 and younger free. Discount tickets and coupons available online or at Marsh. Contact: HSI Show Productions (317) 576-9933 or www.hsishows.com.

Indy 1500 Gun & Knife Show: March 19 - 21 in the South Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 2 to 8 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact: Dan Masters (405) 340-1333 or www.indy1500.com.

Midwest Reptile Show: March 20 in the Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5; children 8 and younger free. Contact: Brian Hahn (317) 899-1599 or www.midwestreptile.com.

Midwest Coin Shows & Auction: March 20 - 21 in the Grand Hall. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Auction coin viewing 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; auction at 1 p.m. Admission: \$5; children 12 and younger free; \$2 discount coupon at www.flyergroup.coupon-

city.com. Contact: Midwest Coin Shows (317) 539-2895 or www.midwestcoinshowsandauction.com.

Indianapolis Antique Advertising Show: March 20 - 21 in the Champions Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$8; children 12 and younger free. Contact: A & M Promotions (317) 694-0253 or www.indyadshow.com.

Indy Antique Toy Show: March 21 in the Champions Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$8; children 12 and younger free. Contact: A & M Promotions (317) 694-0253 or www.indyadshow.com.

12th Annual Spring Indianapolis Bead, Gem, Mineral Show & Jewelry Show: March 26 - 28 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$5 (good all 3 days); 16 and younger free with adult. Contact Van Wimmer (540) 384-6047.

Green Fest Indy 2010: March 26 - 28 in the Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$8; children under 12 free; \$2 discount for carpooling with 3 adults, riding a bike or taking the bus. Contact Green Fest Expos, Inc. (317) 641-1919 or www.greenfestindy.com.

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