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The News In Brief

Kewanna residents are asked to help clean up Toner Park on Main St. Saturday, April 24. The clean-up will start at 1 p.m. Bring your gloves, rakes, pruners and help clean up, trim and mulch. In case of rain, the clean-up will be held Monday, May 3, at 6 p.m.

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library board will meet Monday evening, April 26. The board will meet in executive session at 6 p.m. to review the interviewing process for the director's position. The board will begin interviewing applicants immediately. The board will meet in regular session at 6:30 p.m. All residents are invited to attend this regular public meeting.

The Fulton County Conservation Club has purchased 280 trees to be given away free to Fulton County residents. The trees will be given away beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 24, at Prairie Edge County Park to the first 280 persons claiming them. Prairie Edge County Park is located on West 3rd St, just west of the Fulton County 4-H Fairgrounds, Rochester.

The Fulton Improvement Committee will be selling flowers at the Fulton Feed Bag restaurant May 4-10. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. except for Sunday will sales will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A wide variety of annuals and perennials (arriving May 5) will be available in flats, baskets and pots. Proceeds will benefit the proposed community building. For more information, call Lois Gundrum at 574-857-3695.

Tea Party Loganland will host a pre-primary election rally Tuesday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. at McHale Auditorium, Logansport High School. The guest speakers will be Jack Jordan, Republican candidate for U.S. House of Representatives from District 2 and Bryan Alexander.

The final 2010 legislative breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 24, at the Manitou Banquet Hall, Rochester. Legislators will be on hand to talk about this year's General Assembly session. The event is sponsored by the Rochester and Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce.

The Caston Jr./Sr. High School bands and choirs will present their spring concert tonight (Thursday, April 22) at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

A legal notice appearing elsewhere in this issue of *The Observer* lists names and addresses of candidates that will appear on the May 4 primary ballot.

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Send In Your News

Ambulance again based in Kewanna

As of last Thursday, April 15, an ambulance is back in Kewanna full-time. It was on that date that operation of the ambulance service was transferred from Woodlawn Hospital to Fulton County.

Millie Sytsma was hired last fall to put together a comprehensive plan for ambulance service in the county. After meeting with area citizens and public officials, the plan included putting an ambulance back in the community. Sytsma has now transitioned into the director for the new Fulton County Emergency Medical Service.

Staffed with a minimum of a paramedic and emergency medical technician, the ambulance and crew reside in the old town hall meeting room on Aurora Street in Kewanna. Jay Cunningham and the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department, Town of Kewanna, and Union Township were responsible for renovating the old town hall to make brand new quarters for the EMS service. Money for the renovation came from local option income tax funds. On duty crews will rotate their 24-hour shifts at 8 a.m. each morning, working 24 hours on and 48 hours off. There are a total of 36 employees with the Fulton County EMS, who also rotate at the Akron and Rochester stations.

The crews welcome everyone to stop in and see the hard work that went into bringing an ambulance back into the community. Kewanna had a volunteer ambulance service until about four years ago when getting volunteers to cover the ambulance calls became difficult. Since that time, ambulances to the Union Township area have responded from Woodlawn Hospital, with a response time of 20-25 minutes. The change in service means a quicker response time for the entire west end of Fulton County, as the ambulance in Kewanna will respond to emergency calls in Aubeenaubee, Union and Wayne townships.

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This group of Fulton County EMS employees were on hand last Wednesday to get the new ambulance service up and running in Kewanna on Thursday.

The old town hall meeting room was renovated to house the on-duty ambulance crew. Renovations included adding a shower to the rest room facility, a kitchen area and two sleeping

rooms.

Pictured here, front row, left to right, are Scott Reese, Jenny Bays, Patrick Allen, Lindsey Hurt, Millie Sytsma, director of the new Fulton County EMS, Jennifer Mosier and Danielle Dickson; and back row, Troye Fish, Bobby Asher, Jim Saner, Mike Hoskins, Erick Cox, Bob Cole, Zach Miller, and Kent Denny.

Redbud Trail Rendezvous, April 24 & 25

Re-enactors from five states are gearing up for the Redbud Trail Rendezvous April 24-25. Every spring it is one of the first outdoor events of the season. This event is brimming with frontier history and often brings surprises for the participants and public.

The April weather varies from chilly to warm, but always the redbud trees and wild flowers in the woods are in full bloom and it is a lovely natural setting. Wild ducks and wild turkey nests are seen on the grounds of the Fulton County Historical Society where the event is held from 10 to 5 on Saturday and from 10 to 4 on Sunday. FCHS grounds are four miles north of Rochester on U.S. 31 Rain or Shine the festival will go on.

Over a hundred historic re-enactors set up camps and live outdoors for the event, demonstrating traditional crafts, frontier life ways, and pioneer skills such as cooking over wood fires, muzzle loading shooting and tomahawk throwing. The event is educational and fun, showing authentic frontier history as re-enacted by real people.

Music and dance will be performed on a stage in the woods, a different program every half hour in the afternoon. Unless otherwise stated they will happen both days. Programs include Mark Gropp with bagpipe music, Frontier with pioneer dancing by the teenage re-enactors, Liza and Mark Woolever - music and songs, and Indian dances. Kim Hoover of Hoots to Howls Wildlife Rehabilitation, Star City, will

show wild birds and animals she rescued on Saturday and Shirley Kern Needham will show a red-tailed hawk named Phoenix and a red-shouldered hawk named Keeah on Sunday. Nan Edwards and Margo Moore - travois dogs will be strolling the grounds. Marsha Glassburn, Rochester, will also be doing storytelling on the west side of the woods at the storyteller booth.

People dressed in authentic pre-1840 outfits demonstrate many traditional crafts. Crafts included are flintknapping, bow making, pottery wheel, beadwork, spinning and weaving, leather, wood carving, blacksmith, blade smith, scrimshaw, finger weaving, and much more.

Members of the Seven Years War time period will be set up in the Living History Village and will be doing training demonstrations such as marching, canon firing and horse training. They will be working on the basics of the manual of arms, and also do some programs on field fortifications and battalion exercise. They will march around the grounds applying their learning to a series of obstacles and scenarios. On Sunday they will have a competitive shoot using muskets, pistols, bayonets and swords, as well as swivel guns and mortars at the shooting range in Chippeway Village. Before you leave the festival grounds, be sure to stop and listen in on their training and see some of their demonstrations.

Many trade goods and hand-made items used for frontier living will be offered for sale or barter in merchant's historic marquee tents and by blanket traders. Many of the traders

Other EMS employees include Nicholas Allen, Jon Craft, Leigh Froebe, Joshua Galloway, Antonio Galvan, Aaron Haupritch, Tyler Huffer, Michael Jernstrom, Michael Leonard, Tony McKinney, Kimberly Miller, Curt Mosier, Jennifer Newcomer, Don Schwenk, Michael Scorsone, Joe Sears, Scott Sigerfoos, Shannon Smith, Tim Smith, Bonnie Vanderaa and Michael Woods.

have Indian ancestry. Traders come from Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and other states.

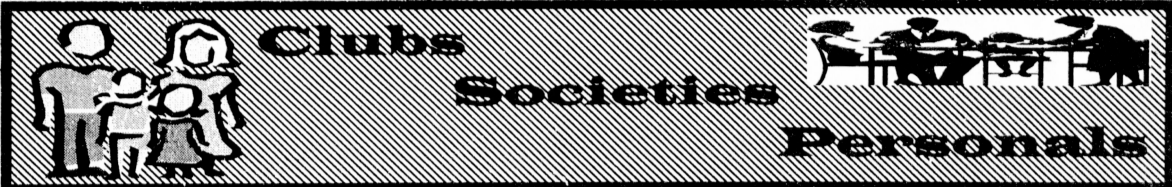
Muzzle loading shooting contests will be held. Earl Whittaker, Peru, and John Pratt, Indianapolis, are the range officers. Both are members of the Me-to-cin-yah Long-Rifles, which portrays woodsmen of the frontier with a camp by the river and conducts pioneer children's games. They will host the Chippeway Village Trading Post.

Foods cooked over wood fires will include ham and beans, vegetable stew, buffalo burgers, sassafras tea. - Fulton County Historical Society booth; carmel corn - made in big iron kettles by Dennis Thompson, Converse; apple sausage sandwiches and breakfast of biscuits and sausage gravy - Five Friends led by Eric Pontius, Akron; homemade fudge and cookies - Mark Gropp, Wolcottville. For more information, see the web page at www.fultoncountyhistory.org

Admission is \$3 for adults ages 12 and older, \$1 child (age 6-11), 5 and under free. Proceeds enable the historical society to operate the museum and preserve history.

There is no admission charge to see the Fulton County Museum and Round Barn Museum at the north end of the grounds. Volunteers can earn free admission to the Redbud Trail Rendezvous by working half a day. To volunteer, call the museum at 574-223-4436. Free parking is provided on FCHS grounds. The grounds are handicapped accessible. Plenty of free benches are available to sit and rest.

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Bessie Engle to be honored at open house

Bessie Engle of Lake Bruce will be the guest of honor at an open house to be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 25, in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township fire station. The open house will be in celebration of Bessie's 90th birthday. Friends, neighbors and acquaintances are invited to attend.

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KHS alumni banquet, May 15

The 58th annual Kewanna High School alumni banquet will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station in Kewanna. The cost is \$15 per person and reservations should be sent to Robert Clyde, Box 92, Kewanna, IN 46939. Please include your graduation year with your reservation.

The class of 1960, which graduated 50 years ago, will be honored.

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Happy 6th Birthday



Chloe Elisabeth Brown
4-23-10

Love,
Gr'ma Mick
& Gr'pa Mark

Chicken Bash, concert, Tuesday

Caston Elementary School will present its spring concert Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m.

A Hap's Chicken Bash will be served prior to the concert. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children eight years and younger. The chicken meal will be served beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Proceeds from the chicken bash will help pay for music commissioned from composer Stephen Melillo, as well as a high school music department trip to Nashville, Tennessee next fall.

To purchase tickets, call Mr. James Byrn, band director, at 574-857-3505, ext. 325 or see a music department student.

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**AREA FIVE MENU
Kewanna Fire Station**

Monday, April 26 - Barbecue pork sandwich, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, pineapple and milk

Wednesday, April 28 - Sloppy Joe sandwich, baby bakers, broccoli, fruit parfait and milk

Friday, April 30 - Cheeseburger sandwich, potato salad, cauliflower & broccoli blend, fresh fruit and milk

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**CASTON MENU
April 26 - 30
Breakfast**

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

Lunch

Monday - breadsticks with meat & cheese, seasoned mini cubes, pineapple and milk. Comet Café - chicken salad sandwich and milk

Tuesday - chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, peaches, brownie and milk. Comet Café - pork barbecue and onion rings

Wednesday - ravioli with meat sauce, lettuce salad, applesauce,

bread and butter and milk. Comet Café - tenderloin and French fries

Thursday - barbecue rib sandwich, seasoned potatoes, mixed fruit, sugar cookie and milk. Comet Café - hot dog with meat and cheese and French fries

Friday - Deli turkey and cheese sandwich, potato smiles, white cake, strawberry cup and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU
April 26 - 30**

Elementary Breakfast
Monday - Cheese breadstick, juice and milk

Tuesday - French toast, juice and milk

Wednesday - Biscuit with gravy, juice and milk

Thursday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

Friday - Omelet, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Pepperoni pizza, celery sticks, pineapple, brownie and milk

Tuesday - Cheeseburger, French fries, grapes, cookie and milk

Wednesday - Hot dog, pasta, applesauce, graham crackers and milk

Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, raspberry sherbet, cinnamon roll and milk

Friday - Taco casserole, lettuce salad, mixed fruit, corn chips and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - hot dog, potato triangles, fruit mix, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Tuesday - Breaded chicken sandwich, carrots, pineapple, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Chicken quesadillas, broccoli, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Turkey and noodles, mashed potatoes, hot roll, grape or orange juice and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Spaghetti with meat

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sauce, garlic cheese bread, peas, peaches and milk. Choice - salad bar
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West Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$10; children 10 & younger free. Contact: Louis Rosbottom (317) 780-1885.

**Indiana State Fairgrounds
Upcoming Events**

Indy Cheer & Dance 500 National Championship: April 24 in the Champions Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10; children 5 and younger free. Contact: CCE Cheer (877) 852-4337.

Country Music Expo: May 1 - 2 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: free if picked up in advance; \$20 general admission at the door; \$50 Gold Circle seats. Contact: WFMS Radio (317) 558-7227 or www.wfms.com.

Indiana State Wrestling Competition: May 1 - 2 in the

Primary Election: May 4 in the Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion and Farm Bureau Building. Hours: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Salvation Army Senior Luncheon: May 7 in the Farm Bureau Building. Registration opens at 9:30 a.m.; luncheon at 11 a.m. Admission: \$5 (by invitation only). Contact: Judith Eagle (317) 224-2002.

Ivy Tech Community College Commencement: May 8 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Ceremonies begin at 2 p.m. Contact: Jacki Davis (317) 927-4627.

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James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 April Activities

April 25 - Open Sunday, noon. Ruth Harper, refreshments.
April 27 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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To all registered voters in Caston School District:



I would like to introduce myself to those of you that might not know me and let everyone know why I have decide now is the right time for me to run for a seat on the school board.

I have been married to my husband for 17 short years. We have two terrific children (Brittney - 16 and Dustin - 13). These three people are the core of my being, without them I have nothing. My children are the reason for my decision to run for office. I want my children (and yours) to continue to receive the strong education that I know our school has to offer along with the extra-curricular activities that they so badly need to build life skills.

I am a proud Caston Alumni (1986). I have spent most of my life living in the Caston district. My family and I live on a portion of the family farm that has been a Homestead property (remaining in our family for 120+ years). It means a great deal to me to be able to continue that tradition and continue the family roots that are planted on our farm.

I feel that the experience that I have gained as a Chrysler executive will help me make sound financial decisions during difficult economic times. All business, including Caston School, will continue to be faced with these difficult decisions, and we need to be best prepared to handle them without placing our children's education or extra-curricular activities at risk.

We are the voice of the children, and we must speak loudly and often for those that cannot speak for themselves.

Thank you for your consideration as you head to the polls.

Andrea (Andi) Offenberger

Ad paid for by Andrea (Andi) Offenberger

HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
 April 9
 Births - Ashley Whitaker, Rochester, a son
 April 12
 Admissions - Michael Pope and Beverly Keene, Rochester; Melanie Imhoff, Argos; Bonnie Overlander, Akron
 Dismissals - Mary Hurt, North Judson; Sara Kruger, Akron; Amy Ferguson and son, Argos; Walter Quier, Macy; Brittany Jenkinson and daughter, Kewanna; Joy Troutman, Rochester; Melanie Imhoff, Argos; Michael Pope, Rochester
 Births - Ricky and Amber Wilburn, Rochester, a son; Alana Gonzales, Akron, a son
 April 13
 Admissions - Gary Lake and Hazel Starrett, Rochester, Francis Tarter, Akron
 Dismissals - Carolyn Williams, Peru; Beverly Keene, Rochester
 April 14
 Admissions - Dianne Sherrill, Bourbon; James Kerr and Jerry Ringle, Rochester
 Dismissals - Alana Gonzales and Francis Tarter, Akron
 Births - Audrey Hickle, Rochester, a son
 April 15
 Admissions - Elizabeth Furnivall, Rochester;
 Dismissals - Amber Wilburn, Hazel Starrett and Audrey Hickle and son, all of Rochester
 April 16
 Dismissals - Carlos Gonzales, Akron; Gary Lakey, Jerry Ringle and Linden Wilburn, all of Rochester

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DEATHS

RALPH WASHBURN STEINKE
 Ralph Washburn Steinke, 88, of Portland, Texas passed away approximately 7 p.m. Sunday, April 11, 2010.

He was born August 5, 1921 to Dora Bell Grimes Van Cleave and Charles W. Steinke. On March 7, 1944, he married Dorothy Mae Brown.

He and Dorothy were classmates throughout their school years and graduated from Kewanna High School in 1939.

Survivors include his wife; one brother-in-law, Ernest Brown of Pranger; one sister-in-law, Pauline Brown, Kewanna; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; three brothers, Jesse Van Cleave, Orval Steinke and Carl Steinke; and two sisters, Bessie Jennings and Florence Brown.

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ROBERT DALE "CHIEF" CARPENTER

A celebration of life was held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Robert Dale "Chief" Carpenter, 53, Kewanna with Pastor Thad Steward officiating. Carpenter passed away at 7:32 a.m. Thursday, April 15, 2010, at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

Born July 17, 1956, in Rochester, he was the son of Dale Ray and Delores Irene Simonin Carpenter.

He was a member of the American Cherokee Confederacy and a very active member of the local Paint Band where he loved participating in the Trail of Courage. His Indian name was

Timber Wolf. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was an avid Chicago Bear and NASCAR fan. He also enjoyed singing karaoke to Elvis Presley songs and cherished spending time with his family and friends.

Robert is survived by two sons, Joshua Carpenter Wilkins and Adam Carpenter Wilkins, both of Rochester; his mother, Delores Corl and her husband Ken of Grand Junction, Michigan; his father, Dale Ray Carpenter, Kewanna; a sister, Debbie Cloud and her husband Jeff, Rochester; two brothers, Roger E. Carpenter of Adrian, Michigan, and Vincent W. Carpenter and his wife Pam, Rochester; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant brother, William Ray Carpenter, and his grandparents, Chester Carpenter and Clarence and Irene Simonin.

A visitation was held two hours prior to services at the funeral home. Military rites were conducted by the Leroy Shelton American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Interment was in the Citizen's Cemetery, Rochester. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

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Memorial Day blood donations needed to help save lives

Public urged to jumpstart summer by giving blood

Two American Red Cross blood drives have been scheduled for this area. The first one will be held Monday, May 10, from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Caston High School library. The second one will be held Friday, May 14, from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the Talma Community Building.

To schedule an appointment to donate please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.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.

While many people mark Memorial Day by marching in parades or flying flags, more and more people are honoring U.S. service men and women by donating blood through the American Red Cross.

"Donating blood around Memorial Day is a way you can honor U.S. service men and women who gave their lives to defend our nation," said Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "Your donation will also help strengthen the blood supply during a time of year when blood can be in high demand."

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. While that need is constant, the number of people donating can vary, particularly during summer. Slumpers in blood donations are typical from May through September since donors may fill their calendars with seasonal activities and overlook giving blood.

To help increase donation activity during the summer, the Red Cross is bringing back *Red Cross Racing* for a third season.

This online donor rewards program encourages more people to give blood and asks eligible donors to give more often. The program recognizes the importance of frequent donations by offering rewards for blood donation activities. Donors can visit redcrossracing.com to schedule and report blood donations, view points, exchange points for rewards and encourage friends to donate blood. Donors can also take part in Fantasy Racing and start or join a team.

"Red Cross Racing is just one more way we can say thanks for helping to save lives," said Whitman. "We'd like everyone who can to jumpstart summer and join the race where everyone wins."

Come to donate May 8-21 and be entered into a region-wide drawing to win a \$250 Shopping Spree!

Bereavement support group meetings

Hope Hospice and Woodlawn Hospital are sponsoring a bereavement support group for a loved one.

The group meets the first and third Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A of the Rochester County Public Library, Rochester. Upcoming sessions include:

May 4 - Appreciate your transformation

May 18 - Help a friend through grief

For more 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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Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

ACS Look Good Feel Better Class

Pulaski Memorial Hospital will host the Spring American Cancer Society Look Good Feel Better class Monday, **May 3**, from 10 am to noon in the hospital Conference Center.

Registration is essential. Please call 574-946-2180 as soon as possible.

Look Good Feel Better is developed especially for women undergoing radiation or chemotherapy. A volunteer cosmetologist provides hands on instruction demonstrating how women can use makeup, wigs and other accessories to look like themselves again—to restore their self image, confidence and sense of control.

Safe Sitter Classes

Safe Sitter is a medically accurate, hands-on class that teaches boys and girls ages 11 to 13 how to handle emergencies when caring for children. This year's class will be **June 9 and June 10**.

Class size is limited to 16, so register soon at 574-946-2193 or 1-800-659-7644 ext 2193. There is a \$30 fee to cover the cost of materials for this two day event. Scholarships are available based on financial need.

Social Security

It has been confirmed that a representative from the Social Security office will be at Pulaski Memorial Hospital the **second Tuesday in May** at 9 am.

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Looking Back

SIXTY YEARS AGO April 21, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Overmyer, Kewanna, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Delores Wilkinson, to Bill D. Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cook, Elkhart. The ceremony will take place Sunday, May 14, in the Kewanna Church of Christ.

A Kewanna man, James R. Sparks, is included among 54 Indiana University students who have received service awards from the I.U. Memorial Union.

Patricia Sanders hosted a canasta party for members of the senior class play cast Friday evening after the play.

The Kewanna Businessmen's Association held a banquet last Thursday at the Curv-Inn Restaurant for the Kewanna High School basketball team, Principal DuBois and Coach Peck.

Commencement exercises at Kewanna High School have been set for May 11. Receiving diplomas will be Robert Anderson, William Clyde, Ann Costello, Regina Friedrich, Harold Hickie, Dick Gilsinger, Blaine Hurlburt, Wayne Hurlburt, Bob Ingram, Ann Jester, Maxine Larkin, Consuelo McNabb, Flora McLain, Thelma

Moon, Louise Pfeifer, Pat Sanders, Farrell Swafford, Jerry Talbott, Donnabelle Van Dwyne, Betty Knicker, Wilma Woods and Jim Zellers.

The Business Girls Club was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Margaret Brennan. After the business meeting, contests and bunco were enjoyed with prizes going to Mrs. Everett Murhling, Miss Ielda Crabb, Mrs. Al Yerkes, Jr. and Mrs. Lewis Woods.

The Kewanna Homemakers Home Economics Club met Monday night at the home of Mrs. George Van Meter with Mrs. Ralph Foglesong assisting. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Wilber Rude. Mrs. Hugh Wilson and Mrs. Bert Gillespie were in charge of the entertainment and conducted several contests.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 21, 1955

George Hoover, Kewanna High School senior, has been named as one of two Fulton County students who have been awarded state scholarships to Indiana State Teachers College.

Carol Sue Hiland became the bride of William C. Graham Friday evening. The wedding

took place in St. Bridget's Church rectory in Logansport with Rev. Father Francis Meehan officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hiland, Kewanna, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Brown, also of Kewanna. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubeny were their attendants.

Kewanna has a new business - a bait shop. Harold Hickie has opened a shop just south of town on State Road 17. At present he has minnows, red worms, night crawlers and crickets. He says he will have other live bait in season.

Harry E. Maroney, 72, retired Fulton County farmer, Rt. 3, Kewanna, died at 9:15 Monday night at Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient for a week. Funeral services were held Thursday morning at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Fitzgerald officiating. Burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery.

Marcia Hizer celebrated her 11th birthday Wednesday afternoon with the fifth grade class of Kewanna School as guests. Ice cream and cupcakes were enjoyed.

Paul Rans, who has enlisted in the Air Force, left from Chicago Friday evening for Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, where he will undergo basic training.

Dorothy Hubeny, who will soon become the bride of Tom Miller, was the honored guest at a bridal shower Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kreamer. Janet Rae Urbin, Alice Stingley and Doris Kreamer were the hostesses.

Mr. Joe Bucks, Rt. 3, Kewanna, underwent surgery in Memorial Hospital, Logansport, Saturday.

FIFTY YEARS AGO April 21, 1960

The alumni of Kewanna High School held their eighth annual banquet at the Kewanna High School gymnasium Saturday evening, April 16, with approximately 250 members

and guests present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Robert Troutman. Officers elected for 1961 include Robert Hendrickson, president; Bill Donathen, vice president; Barbara Weller, secretary; and Pauline Brown, secretary. Entertainment was provided by the Dixie Five composed of Bob Newgent, Dick Good, Steve Ley, Dick Kumler and Bob McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Evers, Rt. 4, Rochester, are the parents of a son born April 12. The baby weighed ten pounds and six ounces and has been named Robert Charles.

Elmer Douglass, Rt. 2, Kewanna, superintendent of the Fulton County Highway Department, escaped injury when he was involved in a traffic accident Saturday evening at Columbia and North Third Streets in Logansport. He was hit in the rear by a car driven by a Lucerne man.

Richard Graffis, Paul Grube and Charlene Moore are scheduled to attend the 28th annual Youth Conference to be held April 22-24 at Taylor University at Upland. Over 1,000 high school age young people have registered for the conference.

Larry Showley has returned to his studies at Illinois University after spending Easter here with friends and relatives.

The boy's 4-H club had a meeting last Thursday, April 14. The meeting was brought to order by the president, Tom Zuck. The 4-H pledge was led by Bob Burton and the pledge to the flag was led by Barbara Masteller. Songs were led by Donna Earp. Frank Van Dwyne gave a demonstration on how to clean a bin before filling it.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 22, 1965

The Whippoorwill Community Church will hold ground breaking ceremonies Sunday, April 25. Dr. S. Herbert Bess will be the principal speaker and pastor of the new church.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grube are

the parents of a son born April 16 at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 9 ounces and was named Jeffrey Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Redweik, Sr. are the parents of a daughter born at Pulaski Memorial Hospital.

Dan Walsh has returned to his studies at Purdue after spending the Easter holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Showley of Fulton celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary April 4 with a family dinner at the Ben Hur restaurant in Logansport.

All A honor roll students at Kewanna include Karla Garner, Tom Overmyer, Tom Troutman, Betty Jean Graffis, Joan Markley, Sally Masteller and Penny Skersick.

Sandra Turner of Kewanna was among a group of students from the Patricia Stevens College in Chicago who were chosen to meet screen actor, George Maharis, at O'Hare Field in Chicago recently.

THIRTY YEARS AGO April 17, 1980

The Kewanna High School baseball team will open its season April 22 on the local diamond. Members of the team include Mark Howdeshell, Doug Whiteman, Pat Howdeshell, Randy Hall, Jeff Good, Jeff Milliman, John Sharp, Jerry Frasa, Tracy Bonnell, Malcolm Howdeshell, Rodger Vogel, Jeff Markley, and Tim Mikesell. The team is coached by Larry Cloncs.

Kewanna town marshal, William H. Rust, has submitted his resignation effective April 15 to the town board. Rust took over

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his duties as marshal December 17, 1979.

The Farmers & Merchants Bank with a branch in Kewanna set records for total assets, total deposits and net income in 1979 according to bank president, Glenn Skersick.

Kewanna Cub Scout Pack No. 3251 held its pinewood derby last Wednesday, April 9, in the basement of the local library. Winners were Jeff Johnston, first; Brian Doty, second; Jimmie Zellers, third; Jon Kegaris, fourth; Matthew Cohagen, fifth; and Jon Cunningham, best design.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
April 19, 1990

The Bowling Green High School computer team recently placed first in the state finals of the Sweet 16 Academic Showcase computer competition. Each team member received a \$1,350 college scholarship. Two of the team members are Brad and Craig Bitterling, former Kewanna residents and the grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook, Kewanna, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bitterling, Rochester.

Amy Van Meter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Van Meter, Rt. 2, Kewanna, has been inducted into the Alpha Lambda Delta Fraternity, a national academic honor society for freshmen. She is a student at Indiana State University, Terre Haute.

Winners of an Easter egg coloring contest sponsored by Colonel's Corner restaurant in Kewanna are Kevin Plantz, age 9, grand prize winner; Kristie Wallace, age 4, second place; and Lance Rupp, age 7, third place.

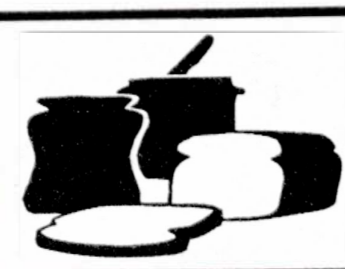
Robert Kumler of LaFontaine was a Friday overnight guest of his grandmother, Lois Kumler. Mrs. Kumler then spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kumler, Robert and Andrea. Other Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Hoover and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kumler of Rochester and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Carey of Plymouth. Lois returned to her home here Sunday evening.

ACRE/DCP enrollment deadline approaching

June 1 is the deadline for enrolling in the 2010 Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) program or the traditional Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP). This is a mandatory deadline for all participants and USDA will not accept any late-filed applications.

Over 100,000 farms were enrolled in DCP/ACRE programs during 2009. To date, approximately 50% of Indiana's farms have been enrolled for 2010. At the current rate of enrollment, it is possible that a significant number of farms eligible for 2010 will not be enrolled by the June 1 deadline. All signatures of producers receiving a share in DCP/ACRE payments are required by the June 1 deadline. It is important producers contact their local office to set up appointments well before the deadline.

For more information about the DCP/ACRE programs, visit your local FSA county office or <http://www.fas.usda.gov>.



"Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler

Never underestimate the power of a single piece of paper - especially if the paper in question is a (genuine and authentic) Certificate.

My first grader came home with such a document this week. He brings papers from school just about every day. They are crunched and bent to fit inside his backpack. His Certificate was neither creased nor folded. It was held, with great care and attentiveness, in his little hands, where he could keep it safe from the crowding and crinkling hazards lurking inside his backpack.

"It's a Certificate! I got a Certificate at school today!" he practically shouted on his way in from the bus stop.

He threw his backpack down on the floor and couldn't get his coat and shoes off fast enough. He literally ran into the kitchen and thrust the paper in front of my face so close that I had

to take a step back to read it. "What do you have here?" I asked using the interested mom voice that I've spent years perfecting.

"I dunno," he admitted with the honesty of a six-year-old. "But it's signed by the principal!" He finished with a flourish.

Certainly any paper signed by the principal has got to be important and overflowing with good news - unless it's a paper about a violation, detention, suspension, expulsion, unacceptable bus conduct or getting kicked out of the do-it-right club. Luckily, our paper was none of these things.

"It's a Certificate of Attendance," I said, smiling back at his eager face. "Good job!"

He grinned, pleased with himself, before running off, presumably to tell his brothers. I heard the phrase "Certificate of Attendance" ringing throughout the house

as he spread his good news.

At dinner, his accomplishment was the talk of the table.

"Did the principal ever give you a Certificate?" he asked his brothers.

And to his sister, "Do they give out Certificates at the high school?"

Then he turned to my husband and me. "Were Certificates invented yet when you were little kids?"

We found a place of honor for the Certificate on the bulletin board next to his bed. We positioned the pins carefully next to the paper, without piercing it, so the Certificate would stay put without being ruined by a pinhole.

Bedtime came too soon like it always does on special days that you don't want to end. I tucked him in, with the Certificate hanging on the wall beside him.

"You sure had a good day," I observed.

"Yep," he agreed with a sigh. "I got my Certificate of Attendance."

His eyes were getting heavy as sleep crept up on him. I brushed the hair on his forehead and was glad that

he had a day where he had the chance to reflect on his accomplishments. His eyes were nearly closed, but then he opened them and looked at me earnestly.

"Cept there's just one Certificate," he said.

"What's that?" I asked, adjusting his covers.

"I was wondering," he mused. "What's attendance?"

Jill Pertler is a syndicated columnist and award winning freelance writer. She appreciates your comments and can be reached at pertmln@qwest.net, or you can check out her website at <http://marketing-by-design.home.mchsi.com/>.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF FULTON COUNTY OF TAX RATES CHARGED

Notice is hereby given that the Tax Dupicates for the several taxing units in Fulton County for the year 2009 payable in 2010 are now in the hands of the County Treasurer who is ready to receive the taxes charged thereon. The following table shows the levies and rates on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of net assessed valuation of taxable real estate and personal property in each taxing unit. First installment delinquent after May 10, 2010. Second installment delinquent after November 10, 2010.

Lorie Hurst, Treasurer of Fulton County

FUNDS	AUBBEE-NAUBBEE	HENRY	LIBERTY	NEWCASTLE	RICHLAND	ROCHESTER	UNION CASTON	UNION ROCHESTER	UNION PULASKI	WAYNE	AKRON	FULTON	KEWANNA	ROCHESTER CITY
Co General	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819	0.2819
Cum Cap Dev	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275	0.0275
Health	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223	0.0223
Cum Bridge	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230
Reassessment	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094
Hospital Lease Rental	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196	0.0196
TOTAL CO RATE	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837	0.3837
Airport Authority	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333	0.0333
Airport Cum Building	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033
TOTAL AVIATION RATE	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366	0.0366
Township	0.0062	0.0181	0.0076	0.0175	0.0086	0.0055	0.0418	0.0418	0.0418	0.0099	0.0181	0.0076	0.0418	0.0055
Township Assistance	0.0057		0.0064	0.0058	0.0014	0.0026	0.0070	0.0070	0.0070	0.0029		0.0064	0.0070	0.0026
Fire Fighting	0.0667	0.0709	0.0196	0.0384	0.0257	0.0798	0.0409	0.0409	0.0409	0.0378				
Recreation			0.0056									0.0056		
Fire Bldg. Debt				0.0134										
Cum Fire			0.0154	0.0131	0.0182		0.0154	0.0154	0.0154	0.0241				
Community/Bldg. Services				0.0039										
Cemetery	0.0119													
TOTAL TWP RATE	0.0905	0.0890	0.0546	0.0921	0.0539	0.0879	0.1051	0.1051	0.1051	0.0747	0.0181	0.0196	0.0488	0.0081
Library General	0.1089	0.1121	0.1089	0.1089	0.1089	0.1089	0.1092	0.1092	0.1092	0.1089	0.1121	0.1089	0.1092	0.1089
Library Capital Projects														0.0000
Library Debt Service	0.0243	0.1067	0.0243	0.0243	0.0243	0.0243				0.0243	0.1067	0.0243		0.0243
TOTAL LIB RATE	0.1332	0.2188	0.1332	0.1332	0.1332	0.1332	0.1092	0.1092	0.1092	0.1332	0.2188	0.1332	0.1092	0.1332
School General														
School Debt Serv	0.1544	0.5642	0.0998	0.5642	0.2721	0.2721	0.0998	0.2721	0.1079	0.0998	0.5642	0.0998	0.0998	0.2721
School Pension Debt	0.0345	0.0000							0.0000			0.0000		0.0000
School Cap Proj	0.1013	0.2932	0.2557	0.2932	0.2605	0.2605	0.2557	0.2605	0.2210	0.2557	0.2932	0.2557	0.2557	0.2605
School Trans	0.0860	0.2200	0.2487	0.2200	0.1082	0.1082	0.2487	0.1082	0.2000	0.2487	0.2200	0.2487	0.2487	0.1082
Bus Replacement	0.0300	0.0434	0.0832	0.0434	0.0355	0.0355	0.0832	0.0355	0.0817	0.0832	0.0434	0.0832	0.0832	0.0355
Pre Sch/Spec Ed														
TOTAL SCH RATE	0.4062	1.1208	0.6874	1.1208	0.6763	0.6763	0.6874	0.6763	0.6106	0.6874	1.1208	0.6874	0.6874	0.6763
City/Town Rates:														
Corp General											0.7911	1.4173	1.1336	0.5206
Motor Vehicle Highway											0.1188		0.4055	0.1267
Fire Pension														0.0000
Police Pension														0.0000
Park & Recreation														0.0426
Park Bond														0.0000
Cum Cap Dev											0.0308			0.0388
Sewer														0.0000
Sewer Bond														0.0020
Cumulative Cap/IMP(Rate)													0.1500	
Bond #2														0.0151
Cum Fire											0.0100			
TOTAL CORP RATE	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.9507	1.4173	1.6891	0.7458
Solid Waste Mgmt	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
TOTAL TAXING RATE	1.0502	1.8489	1.2955	1.7664	1.2837	1.3177	1.3220	1.3109	1.2452	1.3156	2.7287	2.6778	2.9548	1.9837
Lake Bruce Conservancy							0.3105	0.3105	0.3105					
Mill Creek Conservancy			0.0367				0.0367	0.0367	0.0367	0.0367				
% OF SPTRC	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000

STATE OF INDIANA SS:
COUNTY OF FULTON:

I, Judith A. Reed, Auditor of Fulton County, Indiana hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of all levies and rates for taxes collectible in the year 2010.
JUDITH A. REED, FULTON COUNTY AUDITOR.

APRIL 8, APRIL 15, AND APRIL 22 2010



Ryan and Daniel Baker are shown here overlooking Khowst City, Khowst Province, Afghanistan holding a copy of *The Observer*. The issue they are holding is the one that pictured them last June at the departure ceremony held for their Logansport Indiana National Guard unit. The unit, known as the Yellow Jackets, is the oldest guard unit in Indiana, dating back to the early 1800s and the Battle of Tippecanoe.

The Baker boys are the sons of Bruce and Denise Baker, Kewanna, and graduates of Caston High School.

Their tour of duty in Afghanistan is winding down. Their mission during their

deployment to Afghanistan is working with the Afghan National Police (ANP). The mission is reportedly going well, but there is still a lot of work to be done.

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Tax statements mailed

The Fulton County tax statements have been mailed. If you have not received a statement a copy can be obtained by calling 574-223-2913 or checking online at www.fultontax.net.

Please update your address so that the U.S. Postal Service can deliver your statement. Many

statements have been returned because of a missing box number (especially in the Akron area).

Spring installments are due by May 10, 2010. The burden is upon the taxpayer to pay the tax due, even if you have not received a statement. Payments can be made online or with your statement at Community State Bank, First Financial Bank, Lake City Bank, or the Fulton County treasurer's office at 125 E. 9th St., Rochester.

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Send In Your News



Kara's Comments

Kara Smith

For the past few months I have been taking private clarinet lessons with Mr. John Gardner. He is a director at Huntington North. So how do we have a lesson once a week? We have the lessons through webcam and use Skype to communicate. This has really helped me a lot this year in music. I have learned more notes and skills to become a better clarinetist. Through the webcam we can talk and play. He can even see my music and my fingerings when I play a wrong note. This makes it easier for me to learn the more advanced exercises I am learning in the Brubanks volume one book. In this book I am learning some chromatic scales and duets I can play with Mr. Gardner through the webcam, even though there is a slight delay with the internet.

The Caston Jr./ Sr. High School will be hosting its annual spring concert. Both the bands and the choirs will be performing that night. One of the pieces being performed by the Comet band is "One Moment to Eternity", composed by Stephen Millio. If you want to come and listen to some great music and singing, it would be greatly appreciated by the Caston Music Department students. The concert will be held at 7:30 PM, April 22, in the high school gym.

The Caston Music Department is also selling Hap's Chicken Bash tickets for the chicken bash to be held on April 27, 2010, 4:30 to 7:00 PM. It will be before the

elementary spring concert in the cafeteria. This chicken bash will help the music department raise money to commission Stephen Melillo and also help raise money for a trip we will be taking next fall to Nashville, Tennessee. You can dine in or carry out. There are limited tickets at the door. The chicken bash will be held in the cafeteria. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids eight years and under, if you would like tickets or more information call 1-574-857-3505 ex. 325.

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PRECINCTS
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Rochester, Precincts 5, 7, 8; Fulton Co. Fairgrounds Comm. Bldg., 1009 W. 3rd St., Rochester, IN.
Aubbeenaubee, Precinct 9; Aubbeenaubee Township Building, Leiters Ford, IN.
Henry I, II, III, Precincts 10, 11, 12; Akron Fire Station, 206 W. Rochester St., Akron, IN.
Liberty, Precinct 13; Fulton Community Building, St. Rd. 25 South, Fulton, IN.
NewCastle, Precinct 14; Newcastle Community Bldg., St. Rd. 25 N., Rochester, IN.
Richland, Precinct 15; Fulton County Historical Museum, 37 E. 375 N., Rochester, IN.
Union, Precinct 16; Kewanna Fire Station, Community Room, Kewanna, IN.
Wayne, Precinct 17; Grass Creek Fire Station, Grass Creek, IN.
The Fulton County Election Board requests the approval of the above mentioned polling places for 2010. Primary Election to be held on May 4, 2010. General Election to be held on November 2, 2010.

Fulton County Election Board
Fred Bohm
Robert Miller Letty McKee
Approved this 1st day of March, 2010
Roger Rose
Mark Rodriguez

Attest: Judith A. Reed
Fulton County Auditor

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Letter To The Editor

Letter to the Editor:

Today marks the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, a day that inspires an awareness and appreciation for the Earth and its natural resources that sustain all life. Earth Day's founder, former Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson (1916-2005) was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his role in the modern-day environmental movement.

Earth Day 2010 is an opportunity for all to join together to create a "re-greening" of the planet, and to move away from the outdated practices that destroy the life forces that sustain us. More than one billion people in 190 countries are taking action on Earth Day, but what are our elected public servants doing to

celebrate Earth Day and create a healthy environment in our community?

Here are some suggestions:

1. Ban barrel burning - Burn barrels produce more pollution than large scale incinerators and eventually end up in the food chain.

2. Create an open space policy - An established green zone around our community would provide many benefits such as protecting groundwater, recreation, and maintaining the town's rural character.

3. Improve the appearance of what remains on Main Street - Painting the old storefronts and establishing pocket parks, restoring sidewalks and curbs; anything that would help to stop the decay and decline of our once vibrant Main Street.

4. Regulate truck traffic on residential streets - Except for local deliveries and pickup, truck traffic should be banned from residential streets. Phillips and Logan Streets have a large volume of truck traffic that have destroyed the street surface and imposes a safety hazard for motorists at the local Kewanna-Union Township Park.

5. Establish a new town park - The quality of life in any community is measured by its public parks and open spaces.

6. Hire a town manager - A town manager looks after our community on a daily basis, and seeks grants and other financially available means to improve the quality of life.

The public servants and the citizens of Kewanna need a greater vision of a greener, healthier 21st century community and strive to revitalize!

Everyday should be Earth Day!

Name Withheld

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VARSITY SOFTBALL

The Caston varsity softball team defeated Northfield Monday evening, 7-5, and North Judson Tuesday evening, 12-7.

Kelsey Moss was the winning pitcher in Monday's nine-inning contest with three strikeouts and giving up six hits. Chelsea Sivits came in in the sixth inning and recorded three strikeouts while giving up three hits. Haley Markley had a single and an RBI; Megan Powell, a single and a RBI; Chelsi Robbins, a triple; and Jordan Moss, a homerun, a single and a RBI. Morgan Herrold scored two runs and had the game-winning squeeze bunt.

Kelsey Moss was the winning pitcher again Tuesday evening, giving up five hits while striking out three. Chelsea Sivits relieved her in the sixth and seventh innings and recorded three strikeouts. Morgan Herrold, Chelsea Sivits, Megan Powell and Jordan Moss each had a single; Haley Markley had three singles and three RBIs; and Kelsey Moss had three singles and four RBIs.

The Lady Comets are now 4-6 for the season.

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Caston Athletic Schedule

Friday, April 23 - Boys varsity baseball at Rossville, 5 p.m.; girls varsity softball at Southwood, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 24 - Boys varsity baseball at West Central (DH), 10 a.m.; girls varsity softball at Taylor, 10 a.m.

Monday, April 26 - boys JV

baseball at CMA, 5 p.m.; girls varsity softball with West Central at Caston, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 27 - Boys varsity baseball with Southwood at Caston, 5 p.m.; girls varsity softball with Rochester at Caston, 5 p.m.; girls co-ed track and field at CMA, 5 p.m.

Thursday, April 29 - co-ed JH golf with Cass at Caston, 4:30 p.m.; boys varsity baseball at Northfield, 5 p.m.; co-ed JH track and field at Culver, 5 p.m.; co-ed varsity track and field with Tippy Valley at Caston, 5 p.m.; girls varsity softball with John Glenn at Caston, 5:15 p.m.

Friday, April 30 - boys JV baseball with Winamac at Caston, 5 p.m.; boys varsity and JV golf at North Miami, 5 p.m.; girls varsity softball with North Miami at Caston, 5 p.m.

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Town & Country CHATTER...

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

Ruth Cogdill returned home Monday, April 12. She had spent the previous four months as a houseguest of her daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Jim Teeter at Bluffton. She underwent eye surgery in January and March and is so grateful to Jane and Jim for their excellent care. (While she was away, her son, Tim Cogdill made frequent trips to the home place to check on things, water her plants and made sure his mom was worry-free.) During her stay at the Teeters', she was able to spend many wonderful days with her granddaughters, Jessica Teeter and Jaclyn Shaw, and their families, including their Christmas and Easter holidays. Ruth's daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Gordon Ligocki of Winamac, stopped in several times to visit with Ruth while she was in Bluffton. She is happy to be home and looking forward to a visit by her son, Mike Cogdill of Eagle River, Alaska.

Barb Hieber had working visitors Monday. Coming in the late morning for a day of tackling yard work were her daughter, Sue Janes, and grandson, Tom Wilk, of LaPorte. They were able to accomplish a lot of springtime planting during the day. Tom remained overnight as Barb's houseguest. Helen Whiteman enjoyed visiting with her son and daughter-in-law, Kenny and Bev Whiteman, Monday afternoon.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were busy Thursday, April 15. During the early part of the day they were in Kokomo to attend the funeral viewing of a high school friend, Ed Hostetler. In the evening, they helped serve pizzas at the Rochester VFW post.

Eric Colley of Bartlett, Illinois arrived Thursday for a four-day working visit with his mother, Renee Colley. His longest job of the weekend was to install a shower enclosure above the garage.

Pauline Scales met her daughter, Linda Garner, in Fulton Friday, April 16. The ladies picked up lunch and headed back to the Scales' home so Linda could visit with her mother and father, Don, during the afternoon.

The weekend was a busy one in the home of Ruth Cogdill. Mike Cogdill arrived Friday afternoon for an extended visit. Tim Cogdill, Mike's brother, was there when he arrived to welcome Mike home.

Renee Colley and Eric honored the first anniversary of Renee's husband's, Bruce Colley, passing Friday by spreading his ashes.

Karen Rice and Barry Worl of Indianapolis arrived early Saturday, April 17, for a weekend visit with Karen's mother, Helen Whiteman.

Virginia Agnew attended a bridal shower in Valparaiso Saturday for her niece, Brianne

Rudd. Enroute to the event, she stopped in Hebron to visit with Marsha and Ed Tomerlin, Eric Tomerlin, and Erin and Ashlyn Tomerlin and Jason. Marsha then accompanied her mother to the bridal shower. The duo also stopped to visit with Virginia's brother-in-law, George Wood.

Millie Gudas Redweik was pleasantly surprised recently when Robert's nieces and their children, Jaimee Redweik Brooks of Rock Hill, South Carolina, and children Bailee Marie and Caden Riley, called to set a time for a visit. They all met at Kosta's for lunch Saturday along with Karla Redweik Kreamer and son, Noah, of the Kewanna area and Roland Redweik of North Judson. Roland is the late Robert Redweik's brother and the father of Jaimee and Michelle. After a fun-filled visit and lunch they met with Michelle Redweik Conrad and daughter, Jaden, of LaPorte to continue the surprise for their Aunt Millie. Karla picked up her son, Ryker Redweik, after school for more sharing. Millie brought along numerous albums pertaining to the lives of the girls during their growing-up years. She shared many of the photos with the girls when they were young and promised more family photos as well as experiences of the family's history in Lithuania, Germany and the U.S.A. The visiting continued well into the evening when parting was finally necessary for all to return home for the day.

Ruth Cogdill and Mike entertained many members of their family Saturday. Visiting were Ruth's son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Deb Cogdill of Macy; Gordon Ligocki; her granddaughters and their families, Jessica Teeter, Jacob and Nick and Jaclyn and Chad Shaw, Sophia and Sam of Ft. Wayne and Gennifer Baker, Alexandria and Londyn and Traci Droll and Jordan of Kokomo; her granddaughters, Michelle Sheline of Kokomo, Kristy Cogdill and Candice Cogdill; and her brother, David Norris. It was a little cool, but everyone had a wonderful day and the smaller cousins played

hard with grandma's little red wagon.

Joshua Green was the guest of honor at a small family gathering Saturday. The occasion was in celebration of his 16th birthday and held at Logan's Roadhouse in South Bend. Joining him for supper were his father, brother, and his father's friend, Dale Green, Jacob and Wendy; his grandparents, Rich and Jane Green; and friend, Lindsay.

Helen Whiteman, Karen Rice and Barry Worl accompanied Helen's daughter, Sherri Lett, to the Winamac High School's drama department play about the Civil War Saturday evening. Sherri's grandson, Tristan Connor, performed one of the major parts.

Kay and Jerry Brown had company early Sunday, April 18. Stopping by in the morning for a family chat was Kay's sister, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg.

Wilma Wilson and Mathilda Lamb had an enjoyable day Sunday. They were treated to dinner by Wilma's daughter and Mathilda's nephew, Mary Lou and Bill Foerg of Royal Center.

Ruth Cogdill and Mike had a couple of visitors Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat were Ruth's granddaughter and her husband, Rachel and Travis Scholz of Lizton.

Helen Whiteman had a busy day Sunday. In the morning, she

was accompanied to church by Sherri Lett, Karen Rice and Barry Worl. In the afternoon, a large portion of her family joined her in celebrating her 96th birthday.

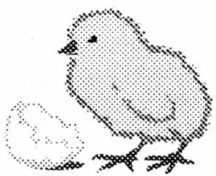
Ann Zartman and Shirley had company Sunday. Several members of their family joined them in celebrating Joshua Green's (Ann's great-grandson) birthday with cake and ice cream.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Karina Bohac, Linda Ligocki and Kaleb Meek, April 25; Nancy Bangel and Sarah Smith, April 26; Regan Watson, April 27; Danny Chew and Jim Cogdill, April 28; Jim Fisher, Pat Smith and Roger Vogel, April 29; Jim Hines, L.O. Robinson, Jayson Swafford, Sandi Westphal and Addison Zimpleman, April 30; and Chuck Baldwin, May 1.

There are eight couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Brazier, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dutchess and Mr. and Mrs. Chad Warner, April 25; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Sutton, April 26; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clyde, April 27; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Baldwin, April 28; Mr. and Mrs. Chris LaFollette, April 29; and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Leininger, May 1.

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