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## The News In Brief

The American Red Cross has added another blood drive to those announced in last week's Observer. This additional blood drive will be held Saturday, May 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mike Anderson Dodge showroom at 1702 Main St., Rochester.

A MS bingo bash will be held Saturday, May 8, at the VFW Post #1728 in Winamac. The doors will open at noon. There will also be a raffle, door prizes and mystery gifts throughout the afternoon. The cost is \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. Proceeds will benefit multiple sclerosis.

Woodlawn Hospital and Life Care Center of Rochester will host a cancer support group starting May 4 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Woodlawn Hospital class room A. Call Jason see at 574-224-1267 for more information.

Area farmers are reminded that less than 20 business days remain in order to get enrolled into the 2010 DCP and ACRE programs. The last day to enroll is June 1. This is a mandatory deadline for all participants and USDA will not accept any late-filed applications. All signatures of producers receiving a share in DCP/ACRE payments are required by the deadline. Fulton County farmers need to contact the Farm Service Agency office at 574-223-3220 to schedule an appointment.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Tuesday, May 4, for Election Day.

Tuesday, May 4, is primary election day in Indiana. The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to

6 p.m. Voting in Union Township will be at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station community room.

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 when hours will be 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A wide variety of annual and perennial plants will be available in flats, baskets and pots. Proceeds will benefit the proposed community building in Fulton.

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Monday, May 3, in the commissioners' room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester. The agenda will include various reports, additional appropriations, transfers, claims and old and new business.

The Lucerne Lions Club will serve an all-you-can-eat fish fry Saturday, May 1, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the club house. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-12. Children age five and under can eat free. The meal includes fries, fish, cole slaw, bread and butter, and drinks. There is an extra charge for pie.

The Manitou VFW, Rochester, is seeking photos of current members of the U.S. armed forces in Fulton County. The post plans to display the photos on its honorary display board. The 5x7 photos can be delivered to the post or sent to Tom LaFollette, 1470 N. Lakeshore Dr., Kewanna, IN 46939.

General Motors Co. has repaid \$8.1 billion in loans it got from the U.S. and Canada. The automaker hopes to begin repaying the remaining \$45.3 billion to the U.S. government and \$8.1 billion to Canada through a public stock offering

later this year.

The Kewanna High School class of 1970 will celebrate its 40th reunion June 12. There will be a picnic at Rochester City Park from noon to 4 p.m. and an evening party from 8 p.m. to midnight. For more information, call Janet Yocum at 574-223-5387.

The Kewanna High School class of 1960 will celebrate its 50th graduation anniversary Saturday, May 15, with a luncheon at the Kewanna Kafe, an afternoon of visiting at the home of Karen and Joe Good, closing the day at the KHS alumni banquet.

Indiana budget director, Christopher Ruhl, sent a memo to state agencies last week asking them to cut their spending during the fiscal year that begins July 1 by five percent, after already chopping ten percent a few months ago.

Saturday, May 1, is townwide garage sale day in Akron. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Maps of participating households will be available at the Akron town hall, retail locations and sale locations.

Most Indiana state parks, lakes and forests will offer free admission this Sunday, May 2, as part of Welcome Back Weekend to mark the beginning of the warm weather season. All other fees will be in effect.

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### AREA FIVE MENU

#### Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, May 3 - Beef Manhattan, mashed potatoes and gravy, beets, cookie, white bread and milk

Wednesday, May 5 - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, strawberries, roll and milk

Friday, May 7 - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, brownie, roll and milk

## BMV expands hours for voters needing photo IDs

INDIANAPOLIS - Andy Miller, Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), announced that BMV license branches will extend hours of operation on Monday, May 3 and on Tuesday, May 4 to issue state ID cards and driver's licenses that may be used for identification at a polling place.

Full service license branches, normally closed on Mondays and Election Days, will be open **Monday, May 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.** Branches will be open on **Tuesday, May 4, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

To insure voters have immediate access to services, license branches will **only** process ID cards and driver's licenses and will not perform any other BMV services. Written test and driver tests will not be available.

The Indiana BMV provides free, state-issued ID cards for voting purposes to any unlicensed Hoosier, as long as he or she can provide proper documentation and is old enough to vote. The following documents are required to obtain a new state ID card or driver's license (a complete list can be found at [www.mybmv.in.gov](http://www.mybmv.in.gov).)

- Proof of Identity document, such as a birth certificate or passport.
- Proof of Social Security document, such as a Social Security card, pay stub or W-2.
- Proof of lawful status, such as a birth certificate or passport.
- Proof of residency, two documents such as a voter registration card, utility bill or bank statement.

Miller added, "The BMV has worked with the state Election Board to provide information to local election officials about the new interim driver's license and ID card documents issued by the BMV. We have also established a special Voter ID phone line on Election Day for election officials needing more information."

All license branches will resume regular business hours on Wednesday, May 5.

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## School board members on election ballot

Two Caston school board positions will be on the ballot Tuesday, May 4.

Jason Herd and Jeff Smith will be vying for the District 1 seat (Wayne and Union Townships). The seat is now held by Randall Summers.

Russell Phillips is seeking reelection to the District 5 seat, an at-large position. His opponents are Matt Hubenthal and Andrea Offenberger.

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### RECYCLING DATES

THURS., MAY 6TH

THURS., MAY 20TH

## Woodworkers hold last meeting of season

The Tippecanoe Valley Woodworkers held its last meeting of the season Saturday, April 24, in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. Eighteen people were present to hear Daniel Warner's presentation on the history of woodworking machinery.

Daniel has one of the largest collections of vintage woodworking equipment in the United States and has restored much of the collection himself. Daniel has been a woodworker for 16 years and has been collecting machinery for the last seven years. He is also a lab tech at the Wood Research Lab at Purdue University and has operated his own sawmill for six years. His collection of antique machinery weighs in at a staggering 67 tons and includes 55 machines spanning from 1880 to the 1950s.

The presentation was very interesting and was almost like watching the History Channel. Many magazines and vintage catalogs from the original machinery manufacturers showed the pride these companies took in their products. It was surprising to hear how many of these old machines are still in use and what a good job they continue to do. They were made to last forever. The group would like to thank Daniel for his time and for presenting knowledge on how woodworking machinery has evolved over the years.

Monthly meetings will resume the third week of September and continue through April of 2011. The location of the next meeting is undetermined at this time, but will be published in August.

Thanks to Kewanna Pro Hardware for donating the door prize for this meeting.

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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.

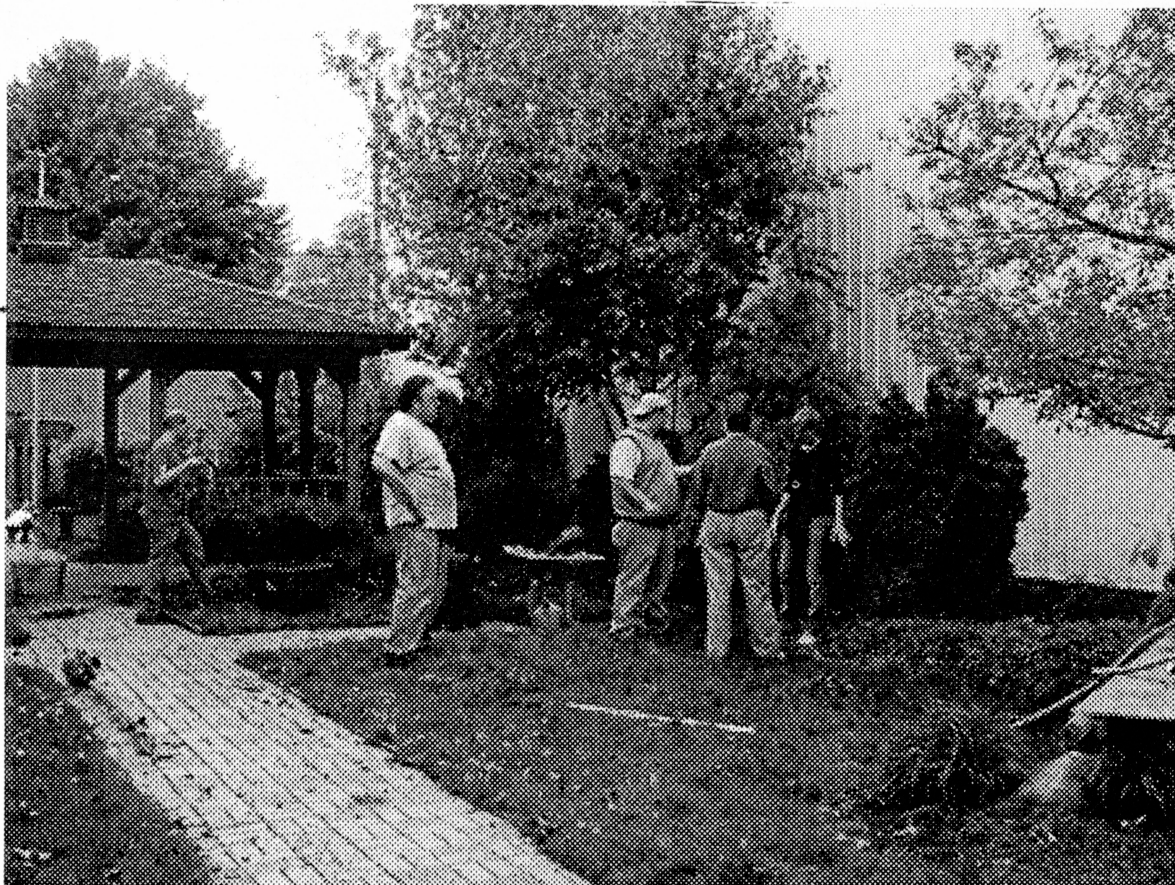
The class of 1960, which graduated 50 years ago, will be honored.

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## Park clean up

Kewanna town council members, Jeff Finke, Dan Birge

and Mark Smith and town clerk, Jenny Kay, worked Saturday afternoon raking, trimming and mulching Toner Park on Main St.

They were assisted by Marcus and Emma Kay and Joe and Karen Good.

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**Pulaski Memorial Hospital Community 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.

**Pulaski Memorial Auxiliary Bake Sale**

The Hospital Auxiliary will have a bake sale at Sanders Foods Friday, **May 7**, from 8 am until sold out.

**Prenatal Thursday Night Classes**

The next prenatal evening classes run **May 13 to June 3** from 7 to 9 pm for five weeks on Thursday night. The purpose of Prenatal Classes is to provide you with information on how to deal with the discomforts of pregnancy, understand the process of labor and delivery, breathing and relaxation techniques to manage labor, what to expect when you come to the hospital, and how to take

care of yourself and the baby after delivery. Parents are encouraged to attend classes any time after your fourth month of pregnancy.

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

Prenatal classes are offered seven times a year; four sets of Thursday evening classes and three sets of all day Saturday class.

**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 **Tuesday, May 11** at 9 am.

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**Recycled Paving Materials Save Green**

*Reclaimed Asphalt and Shingles Cut Indiana's Paving Costs, Oil Dependency*

In honor of Earth Day, The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) announces new paving specifications that allow for additional use of recycled materials. By increasing the amount of reclaimed asphalt pavement and recycled roofing shingles within asphalt mixes, INDOT anticipates it can save \$10 to \$15 million on annual paving expenses.

Both reclaimed asphalt and roofing shingles contain some of the same liquid asphalt and crushed stone content used in virgin asphalt pavement. INDOT previously allowed a limited amount of reclaimed asphalt pavement and new roofing shingles discarded at the factory to be included in hot mix asphalt. Starting this April, INDOT contractors can use an increased amount of these materials, as well as post-consumer shingles torn off existing roofs.

Recycled materials are tested to make sure the overall asphalt mix meets or exceeds standards for safety, durability and longevity set by the American Society of Testing Materials and

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the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. Because liquid asphalt is a petroleum-based product, the change also reduces Indiana's dependency upon imported crude oil.

Reclaimed asphalt pavement and post-consumer roofing shingles are on a growing list of recycled materials finding their way into Hoosier roadways. Most of the concrete and asphalt pavement removed during Indiana road resurfacing and rebuilding projects is reused for the roadway infrastructure, rather than being hauled to a landfill.

For example, old concrete can be crushed up and used to build a new road's sub-base while asphalt millings are often compacted along the pavement edge to form the soft shoulder. Waste byproducts from Indiana's steel and coal industries, known as slag, have been used within asphalt mixes for a number of years to provide structural support. These materials take the place of aggregate that would otherwise be mined out of the ground at a

nearby quarry and then trucked in to the construction site.

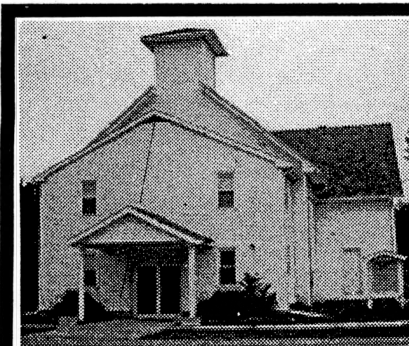
"Indiana is one of the leading states in the country in using recycled materials in its highways," said Ron Walker, manager of INDOT's Office of Materials Management. "Recycling existing concrete and asphalt pavement makes use of a valuable resource previously financed by Indiana's taxpayers."

As research in this field continues, INDOT hopes to make increasing use of recycled paving materials in the future.

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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*

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 April 17  
 Births - Lyle and Cana Lingenfelter, Rochester, a son; Nathan and Neasha Steininger, Fulton, a daughter  
 April 19  
 Admissions - Mary Borer, Rochester; Elonora Krieg, Akron  
 Dismissals - Ashley Whitaker and son, Elizabeth Furnivall and Cana Lingenfelter and son, Rochester; Dianne Sherrill, Bourbon; Neasha Steininger and daughter, Fulton  
 April 20  
 Admissions - Rachel Warner, Rochester; Bonnie Pletcher, Akron  
 April 21  
 Dismissals - James Kerr, Rochester  
 April 22  
 Admissions - Jessica Schlosser and Judith Duncan, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Bonnie Pletcher, Akron  
 April 23  
 Dismissals - Mary Borer, Rachel Warner and Jesseca Schlosser, all of Rochester; Elnora Kreig, Akron

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**DEATHS .....**



**ELSIE MASTER**

Funeral services for Elsie Master, 90, Rochester, will be held at 10 a.m. this morning (Thursday, April 29) at the Kewanna Church of Christ with pastors Scott Meneeley and Ron Prilliman officiating. Burial will be in the Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Master passed away at 7:06 p.m. Thursday, April 22, 2010 at The Villages Regional Hospital in Lady Lake, Florida.

Born August 23, 1919, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of the late William B. and Tina (Myers) Wharton. On October 28, 1939 she married Harvey E. Turner in Fulton County. He preceded her in death on December 10, 1993. She was married to Orlyn E. Master November 2, 1999, in the Garden of Gethsemane in Jerusalem by Ron Prilliman, her minister/pastor for many, many years.

Elsie graduated from Kewanna High School in 1937. She worked for several years in the office of the Fulton County treasurer and retired from Fulton County REMC. Summers were busy with

raising strawberries and a large garden for canning and freezing. She was a 4-H leader, helping the members and her daughters with prize winning 4-H projects.

Elsie was a life member of the Fulton County Historical Society since 1972 and was a member of the founding board of directors. She assisted with the planning and development of the building of the museum in 1986. For many years she was a volunteer for the annual Trail of Courage and seamstress for numerous costumes. She greatly enjoyed dancing with the Heymaker dance group which toured with highly acclaimed performances. A member of the Reiter Club, she enjoyed the monthly dinner meeting with their friends and spouses since 1948.

Her early retirement was spent traveling with her youngest daughter, Sandra May, and friends to Spain and Portugal with tours of Italy, Germany and Liechtenstein as well as within the United States. Some of her favorite places to revisit were the Botanical Gardens in Mendocino, California, and Big Thompson Canyon, Colorado. In later years, she traveled with Orlyn to 351<sup>st</sup> Bomber Squad reunions in England, Tucson, Arizona, Savannah, Georgia, San Diego, California and Branson, Missouri. With Orlyn as pilot and Elsie as navigator, they also enjoyed flying his Piper Cherokee many times.

Her membership in the Kewanna Church of Christ was the center of her faith and strength in life.

She is survived by her husband, Orlyn; two daughters, Susan E. Turner, Logansport, and Sandra May Stevens, Lady Lake, Florida; three grandsons, Brian E. Van Duyne and his wife Lori, Shane E. Van Duyne and Michael G. Paschen and his wife Tina; six great-grandchildren, Shayla Van Duyne, Skylar Van Duyne, Chase Van Duyne, Noah Van Duyne, McKenzie Paschen and Jacob Paschen; four step-children, Greg Master and his wife Dee, Houston, Texas, Geoffrey Master and his wife, Catherine, Bethesda, Maryland, Dr. Gynette Master and Karl Siebert, Houston, Texas and Gizelle Master, Irving, Texas; five step-grandchildren, Stuart Master, Sarah Rothan and her husband Pete, and John, David and Elizabeth Master.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Marion Wharton, Ruth Madsen, Harlan Wharton

and Esther Lake and one great-grandson, Samuel Paschen.

A visitation was held Wednesday evening at the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kewanna Church of Christ and the Fulton County Museum. Online condolences and tributes may be made to [www.harrison-metzger.com](http://www.harrison-metzger.com).

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**RYAN JAMES EVANS**

Ryan James Evans, 35, Junction City, Kansas, passed away April 25, 2010 at Geary Community Hospital after a long illness. No services are planned at this time. Cremation will take place with the assistance of Penwell-Gabel Johnson Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the Geary Community Health Care Foundation, P.O. Box 3015, Junction City, Kansas 66441.

Ryan was born January 31, 1975 at Winamac the son of Charles R. and Linda K. (Talbot) Evans, Jr. He attended Fort Riley and Junction City Schools from sixth through eleventh grades and graduated in 1993 from American High School in Frankfort, Germany.

Ryan was a visual merchandiser for the Army-Air Force Exchange Services at Fort Riley, Kansas, and had also worked as a cook for Cracker Barrel and Sam's Pub in Junction City, Kansas, and also at Olive Garden in Olympia, Washington.

He enjoyed sports and was an avid Indianapolis Colts fan. He will be missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his parents, Charles and Linda Evans; a sister, Stacy Evans; a nephew, Gavin Evans, all of Junction City, Kansas; his grandmothers, Ruth Talbot, Kewanna, and Dorothy Crawford, Bellevue, Nebraska; several aunts, uncles and cousins; and his special friends, Larkin, Teresa and Kelvin Turner.

Ryan was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Simon Talbot and Charles Evans, Sr. and his uncles, Jim Talbot and Tommy Talbot, all of Kewanna.

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**RALPH C. KREAMER**  
 Ralph C. Kreamer, 90, Lake Bruce, passed away Monday, April 26, 2010, at 10:40 p.m. at Pulaski Memorial Hospital in Winamac.

Ralph was born July 16, 1919, in Kewanna to Harry and Artha (Baker) Kreamer. He was a retired farmer and also retired from the Fulton County Highway Department as superintendent. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp during World War II. He was in the South Pacific on the islands of Tarawa, Saipan, Tinian and Marianas. Ralph married Ivy Wathan January 1, 1973. She survives.

He was a member of Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Plymouth, the James F. Talbot VFW Post #1121 in Kewanna, the American Legion Post #36 in Rochester, the Masonic Lodge #79 in Rochester and the Moose Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Ivy Kreamer; his children Jerry Lee Kreamer and his wife Rufina, Monrovia, Verl Ray Kreamer and his wife Beverly, Kewanna; Bonita Stay, Plymouth, Linda Wright, Hartselle, Alabama, and Barry Stay, Plymouth; a sister, Doris Zellers, Sun City, Florida; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 1, in Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, 400 North Center St., Plymouth. Rev. Father John Schramm will officiate and burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Lake Bruce. A visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at the church prior to the service.

The Van Gilder Funeral Home, Plymouth, is in charge of arrangements. Memories may be shared at [www.vangilderfuneralhome.com](http://www.vangilderfuneralhome.com)

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# Looking Back.....

## SIXTY YEARS AGO April 28, 1950

Graduation will be held at Grass Creek High School May 10 at 8 p.m. Graduates include James Cunningham, Martha Feidner, Jeanne Hizer, Mary Lou Horn, Jean Miller, Gene Horn, John Parish, Marjorie Rouch, Carl Sommers, William St. Clair, Bonnie Thomas, Robert Webb and Wayne Wills.

The eighth grade class at Kewanna enjoyed a field trip to Chicago April 21. They visited the Planetarium, Field Museum, and the Museum of Science and Industry. The 30 students were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Welsh, chaperons, and Lincoln Burton, bus driver.

Kenneth Oliver, Akron, is the new mathematics and physics teacher at Fulton High School. He replaces Paul Smith, who resigned Monday.

Local winners in the Americanism essay contest sponsored by the Kewanna unit of the American Legion Auxiliary were Gene Horn of Grass Creek and Mary Ann Bauman of Kewanna.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at the McCloskey-Hamilton Funeral Home in Logansport for William Young, 39, of Logansport. He was a brother of Mrs. Katherine Van Meter, Rt. 2, Kewanna. Young was found dead Wednesday in a chicken house across the road from his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McColley spent the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson McColley, at Akron.

Mr. and Mrs. George Van Meter entertained at a birthday party Thursday evening, April 20, in honor of Mrs. Nita Gillespie. Others attending were her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Vause Polen, Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Rude and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Woolington.

Trudie Joy Greer, a fourth grader, received a blue ribbon in the annual Cass County spelling meet. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greer, Lucerne, formerly of Kewanna. Trudie will appear in a dance revue Friday, April 28, at Logansport High School.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 18, 1955

Kewanna won both the junior and senior high track meets at Rochester Wednesday afternoon. The varsity team has been defeated only once this year.

Larry Kruger won a trophy at Wednesday's track meet for setting a new record in the broad jump event at 19' 11". The Kewanna group also broke three other records.

Billy Ingram broke his right ankle at the track meet while competing in the pole vault event. He was taken to Woodlawn Hospital where his leg was put in a cast. He

The Navy Department announced this week that George William Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Rt. 2, Kewanna, and a senior at Grass Creek High School, has been awarded a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corp scholarship. It is uncertain yet as to the university he will be assigned but he will probably go to Purdue University, Chicago Institute of Technology, or the University of Michigan.

John Bauman, Kewanna High School student, is one of 1,037 Indiana high school students entered in the finals of the annual state high school contest at Indiana University April 30. The participants are winners of the regional contests held March 26 throughout the state. John will be competing in math.

Laura Jean Eber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Eber, had as her guests Tuesday afternoon Luella Burton and Peggy Nickles to help her celebrate her sixth birthday.

The Birthday Club celebrated the birthday of Helen Shadle with a dinner at Herbie's Place Saturday evening. Miss Gladus Wharton was the hostess. After dinner, the group retired to Helen's home for euchre with Jessie Urbin, Ethel Smith, Ida Hogan and Maggie Gillespie winning prizes.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO April 28, 1960

Mr. and Mrs. Harding Overmyer will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary May 1 with an open house in their home northeast of Lake Bruce near the Zion Methodist Church. They are the parents of two sons,

Bud, who lives near the Overmyers and Theodore who is deceased.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the Titus Funeral Home in Warsaw for Merl Scott, 77, who died Saturday in Warsaw. He was the father of Mrs. Bea Harris, Kewanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, Marietta, Ohio, are the parents of a daughter born April 22. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown, Kewanna, are the paternal grandparents.

Mrs. Carrie Catherine Clyde, 56, Rt. 4, Rochester, died Friday, April 22, at the Miller Nursing home, Rochester. Survivors include two daughters, Carol, at home and Mrs. Shirley Mahkovec of Joliet; four sons, Earl, at home, Robert, Joliet, Donald, Macomb, Illinois, and William Plymouth; 18 grandchildren; four sisters; and three brothers.

Mrs. Tad Enyeart and daughter, Nancy Elizabeth, of St. Paul, Minnesota, are spending a few days in the Oscar Enyeart home while Tad is in Baltimore, Maryland, on business.

Ruth Urbin and daughters, Jill and Joy, and Brenda and Susan Farris were in Fulton Friday night to attend the school play.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO April 29, 1965

The sheriff's office reported Monday morning that someone broke into a 275 gallon gas tank at the Deutschman and Cowles gravel pit near Kewanna and stole an undetermined amount of gasoline.

The Wayne Wide Awake 4-H Club met Thursday, April 15, after school at the Grass Creek

Fire Station. The group enjoyed refreshments served by Charlene and Charlotte Thomas. The president, Shirley Crippen, presided at the business meeting.

The Worthwhile Home Economics Club met at the home of Mrs. Bert Smith with Mrs. Newton Rude as her co-hostess. Mrs. Sherald Hines opened the meeting with the pledge to the flags and the club creed. Mrs. Charles Miller read the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of Mark for devotions.

The Fulton Alumni Association held its 35<sup>th</sup> annual banquet Saturday evening, April 17, in the North Caston gymnasium. The buffet supper was enjoyed by 148 persons. Officers elected for next year include Mark Williams, president; Joe Leavell, vice president; Susie Williams, secretary-treasurer; and Judy Rouch, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gillespie returned home from New Briton, Connecticut, after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. John Huntington and Mark.

Naomi Mills was hostess to the Social Club Wednesday afternoon. Ruby Woolington was her co-hostess.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO April 24, 1980

An early Monday morning fire destroyed the Kewanna Implement Company on Kewanna's east Main Street. The International Harvester dealership, one of Kewanna's oldest businesses, has been at its present location for the past 40 years. The implement company is owned by Elmer Seidel, Rt. 7, Rochester, a former Kewanna resident.

The New Idea Club held its April meeting in the home of Kenan Bitterling. There were 10 members and three guests present. Karen Good showed the members how to make a cloth book entitled "My Quiet Book".

The Kewanna Lions Club recently elected officers who will assume their duties July 1. Chosen to serve were Danny Winter, president; Walter Koebecke, first vice president; Mike Doty, second vice

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president; Doug Capper, third vice president; Roger Didelot, secretary; Lary Eber, treasurer; Joe Rude, Lion tamer; Jerry Brown, tail-twister; Carl "Jake" Evans, one year director; Elmer "Sonny" Peters and Calvin Miller, two year directors.

Seventeen Cub Scouts attended the Scout show held at Grissom AFB Saturday, April 19. Brian Doty, Jeff Johnston and Jimmy Zellers competed in the district pinewood derby. Jeff won first place for the second district. He later raced in the district championship council, placing fourth. There were seven districts participating in the race.

The Kewanna High School junior/senior prom was held Saturday evening aboard the Madame Carroll at Monticello. Prom royalty included Bob Sutton, king; Julie Markley, queen; Mary Bennett, princess; and John Sharp, prince.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO**  
**April 26, 1990**

Chad Woolington of Logansport finished as the national runner-up in the 12-13 division of the Elks Hoop Shoot contest Saturday in Market Square Arena, Indianapolis. Chad is the son of Mark and Diane Woolington, Logansport. He is

the grandson of Don and Doris Woolington and the great-grandson of Florence Kruger, all of here.

Mr. and Mrs. Manson Leap, Rt. 4, Rochester, will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Sunday, May 6, at an open house to be held at the First Baptist Church in Kewanna. Leap and the former Gladys Shidaker were married March 4, 1940, at the home of the bride with Rev. Claude Eaton officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Daniel Sailors, Rt. 2, Kewanna, will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Sunday, April 29, with an open house at the Grass Creek United Methodist Church where they were married April 18, 1965, by Rev. John Reddix. Mrs. Sailors is the former Lavonne Sue Lease, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Lease, Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Ida Mullins, Kewanna, celebrated her 84<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Lyndsey Hines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines, celebrated her 8<sup>th</sup> birthday Friday by entertaining 50 classmates and friends at a roller skating party in Logansport.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller have returned home after spending 10 days in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Miller. While there, they visited Epcot Center and the Kennedy Space Center.

**Bereavement support group meetings**

Hope Hospice and Woodlawn Hospital are sponsoring a bereavement support group for people dealing with the loss of a loved one.

The group meets the first and third Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A of the Fulton 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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**RECYCLING DATES**  
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This year, I voted to send a constitutional amendment to permanently cap property taxes to the voters for their approval. I'm pleased that Hoosiers will have the final say on this critical issue and ensure that Indiana does not face another property tax crisis like the many we've faced over the last several decades.

I voted to save Hoosier farmers nearly \$20 million on their 2011 tax bills by improving the system for assessing farmland.

I supported legislation that authorizes the use of public-private partnerships for the construction of the Illiana Expressway in Northwest Indiana and the Ohio River Bridges project in Southern Indiana at no cost to taxpayers. These projects have the ability to create over 10,000 new jobs.

I serve on the Labor Committee, one of the most challenging posts in the House. There, I voted to delay a \$350 million tax increase that would have gone into effect this year on more than 80,000 Hoosier employers. This tax increase could have had a crippling effect on job creation and our economy. I hope to pursue solutions next year to repeal this tax increase outright.

I am pro-life and pro-family so it has been a privilege to serve on the Family, Children and Human Affairs Committee. I will continue to be an advocate for children and their families by creating legislation to protect the most vulnerable of Hoosiers.

I have received endorsements from Indiana Right to life, Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Indiana Trucking Association, REMC, Indiana Medical Association and the NRA among others. I also hold a 100% voting record.

I am asking for your support so I can continue to be a strong, dedicated voice for District 16 in the Indiana House of Representatives.

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**Grass Creek grads reunite**

The Grass Creek Alumni and Friends met for their annual reunion banquet

Saturday, April 24, at the Caston School.

The class of 1940, pictured here, was celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> graduation anniversary. Class members present

include, left to right, Dorothy Hershey Lease, Harris Lease, Charlotte Hill Huffman and June Waddups Campbell.



Six members of the class of 1950, which graduated 60 years ago from Grass Creek, were present for Saturday's

alumni banquet at Caston. They are, front row, left to right, Jean Miller St. Clair, Doris Hood and Jeanne Hizer

Miller; and back row, Bill St. Clair, Carl Sommers and Gene Horn.

**Local Officials urge homeowners to complete form:**

**Pink form helps taxpayers save green**

When taxpayers in Fulton County receive their property tax bills in the mail in the coming days, they will want to pay close attention to the pink piece of paper that accompanies the bill.

The pink or rose-colored form is the "homestead verification form," and it must be completed if homeowners want to continue receiving the benefit of the homestead deduction - the most commonly used property tax deduction in Indiana.

"Completing the form confirms that the individual is using the property as his or her permanent home, an eligibility requirement of the deduction," County Auditor Judy Reed said.

Individuals or married couples claiming the homestead deduction must provide the last five digits of their driver's license and social security numbers. This information will be placed in a secure database that will enable all county auditors in Indiana to cross-check names, identifying those who may be claiming a homestead deduction in more than one county.

"The homestead deduction gives a qualifying individual or couple a substantial property tax benefit by lowering their property tax obligation," County Auditor Judy Reed said. "When individuals who do not qualify

receive this benefit, it costs other taxpayers more."

The homestead deduction allows homeowners who use a property as a primary residence to qualify for a reduction of up to 60 percent of the initial gross assessed value, plus up to an additional 35 percent of the remaining assessed value. Finally, it is through the homestead deduction that county assessors and auditors identify which taxpayers receive the benefit of the one percent property tax cap.

Specific questions about property tax deduction eligibility or the homestead verification form should be directed to the County Auditor, 125 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Rochester, IN 46975. Office hours are Monday thru Thursday 8 am to 4 pm and Friday 8 am to 5 pm. Additional information is available on the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance's Web site

at <http://www.in.gov/dlgr/8455.htm>.

Tax bills will be mailed April 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>, according to County Treasurer Lorie Hurst and County Auditor Judy Reed. Tax bills will have a due date of May 10, 2010, and November 10, 2010. Payments can be made at Community State Bank, Kewanna; branches of First Financial Bank; and branches of Lake City Bank; or online at [www.fultontax.net](http://www.fultontax.net).

"The treasurer's office hours are from 8 am to 4 pm Monday thru Thursday, Friday 8 am to 5 pm. Extended hours will be on Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup> 8 am to Noon to accommodate the public," County Treasurer Lorie Hurst said.

Contact: Judy Reed, Fulton County Auditor 574-223-2912 [fcaudit@rtcol.com](mailto:fcaudit@rtcol.com) or Lorie Hurst, Fulton County Treasurer 574-223-2913 [ftreasurer@rtcol.com](mailto:ftreasurer@rtcol.com).

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Members of the Grass Creek High School class of 1945 present for last Saturday's alumni banquet were, front row, Fred Peter

and Richard Newport, and back row, Verna Mullins Huegel and John Shanley. The group graduated from Grass Creek 65 years ago.

**Households Not Receiving Census Forms Asked to Contact U.S. Census Bureau**

To date, 71 percent of all Hoosier households have mailed in their census forms in contrast to 65 percent nationwide. This participation rate ranks Indiana fourth among the 50 states, along with South Dakota, Michigan and Nebraska. Only Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota have higher response rates.

"Hoosiers have mailed in their forms because they understand what is at stake," said Mark W. Everson, Indiana Department of Administration commissioner who is directing outreach efforts for the State of Indiana. "Our representation in Congress is based on census population counts, but so is billions of dollars in federal funding we receive each year."

"Some households have not received a questionnaire. If you haven't received a form, contact the Census Bureau," Everson added. The Bureau is requesting that households that did not receive a census form to call a toll free number: 866-872-6868, so that a census form can be sent to them. Also, individuals can visit [www.census.indiana.edu](http://www.census.indiana.edu) to find a local "Be Counted" assistance center where census forms are available.

Over the rest of April, the mail

in phase will draw to a close. On May 1, the U.S. Census will begin canvassing neighborhoods and visiting addresses that have not submitted their census form.

Hoosiers can track the daily progress of the census count by visiting [www.census.indiana.edu](http://www.census.indiana.edu)

**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](http://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. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester.

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## "Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler

### The call of the open road

I've got a case of wanderlust. My family just returned from vacation. We drove across the country in order to ride roller coasters and wear silly mouse ears. We traversed eight states in three days and spent about 24 hours in the vehicle to get to our destination. Then we repeated the whole sequence in reverse a week later.

Before you quit reading because you are convinced I must be crazy to spend so much "quality" time with my family, let me tell you a secret: We had fun. Plus we learned a lot.

There's no substitute for seeing our vast country up close and personal. I think this lesson goes double for kids. As we drove from Minnesota into Wisconsin, on to Illinois and Indiana, through Tennessee and Kentucky, all the way to Georgia and Florida, we learned about time zones and toll ways, mile markers and exit numbers.

We learned about states and we learned about cities. You can read in a book that Chicago is bigger than Atlanta, but until you experience traffic jams in both (while having at least one child in the car who needs to "go really bad,") you don't fully appreciate this fact.

We learned that, along with traffic jams, there are two things you'll see in every state: truckers, and dead deer. Our travels taught us you should respect truckers, and try not to create any dead deer - if you hope to maintain your time schedule and arrive in Macon by nightfall.

We learned every state is unique. In Tennessee you get biscuits and gravy for breakfast; in Wisconsin they offer complimentary cheese sticks. No kidding.

We learned that just about everyone wants to take credit for Abraham Lincoln. Kentucky is the "birthplace of Lincoln."

Indiana is the "boyhood home of Lincoln." Finally, Illinois stakes its claim to fame as the "land of Lincoln." Good old Abe is one popular guy. They should probably think about putting him on a coin or something.

It's easy enough to laugh and have a good time - running from roller coaster to roller coaster - while wearing shorts and a tank top at some theme park in a distant warm-weathered state. Many people call that a "vacation." I say the proof is in the driving. After a few days in the vehicle together you will definitely know if you like the members of your family - or not.

One sure way to get to know people you live with is to engage them in a game of 20-questions. You haven't experienced life on the road until you've tried to explain the concept of "animal, vegetable, mineral" to a second grader who is intent on picking "black matter" when it is his turn to be "it."

When you are confined to the interior of a vehicle for hours on end, you actually have time to talk to your spouse. Talk - as in participate in a discussion that doesn't focus on report cards, dropping off kids or the water bill. I am happy to report I still enjoy my husband's company. Plus, he's a whiz at 20-questions.

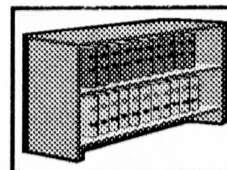
As I traversed through the plains of Indiana, the hills of Kentucky and the palm tree-lined roadways of Florida, I learned about our beautiful nation. I learned about my family. And, I learned about myself.

When you are moving along the freeway you have a lot of time to contemplate...everything and nothing. And nothing can be something - at least when experienced at 60 miles per hour. Sounds silly, but I traveled across the country and wound up finding a new piece of myself.

The whole driving experience gave me a fresh perspective. I

guess you could say that seeing new things makes you see things in new ways. Insight is appealing.

We traveled through eight states in three days, and it made me want to do one thing: see more. Next time, I think we'll head west. I hear the Grand Canyon is quite a sight.



## Kewanna/Union Township Public Library News...

Put on your calendar -- Library Craft Day, Friday, May 14 at 2:00 PM. Make a craft and take it home. We will be making a pincushion. Everyone can use at the library be a pin up for a day.

The library levels the playing field for patrons. For those who do not have computers they can use the library computers to research or connect with various private and governmental services. Often times it is the only way to connect with these services.

By having access to the library's technology, materials and programs patrons have the opportunity to level the playing field outside the library by learning, gaining employment, or starting a business.

I have always told people that they do not need to search any longer for the fountain of youth. It is at the library. Keep the brain engaged and the rest of you will follow. Stay current with the major issues of the day. We are making adjustments and changes to make sure the library responds to the needs of the community.

If you have not been in the library the last month do make a point of visiting and seeing what has changed. I think you will be surprised and impressed. We must be successful with what we are doing now to hopefully be rewarded with better facilities later.

The library staff is doing an excellent job in making the library friendly and open. Do stop in. Check us out. Check out something new. We are the center of the community. This is your library. Be a part of the progress and improvements.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

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Fulton County Auditor

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR STAND ALONE BUILDING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Fulton, Indiana, that it will receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of Fulton County, County Office Building, 125 East Ninth St., Rochester, Indiana, until the hour of 10:00 a.m. EST, on May 17, 2010, to furnish the following items as requisitioned by the Fulton County Highway Department Supervisor, for the period when such bids are awarded to December 31, 2010.

Said bids will be opened and read at 6:30 p.m. EST, May 17, 2010, at the Commissioner's Room, County Office Building, 125 East Ninth St., Rochester, Indiana. Each bid shall be in a SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE.

All bidders will be required to attach with all said bids either a certified check, made payable to the Auditor of Fulton County, or a Bidder's Bond equal to 10% of the total bid. All bidders shall use separate FULTON COUNTY BID FORM.

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## Town & Country CHATTER...

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

Ruth Cogdill and Mike had a wonderfully busy week with family. Tuesday afternoon, April 20, Ruth's daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Jim Teeter of Bluffton, came for a visit.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Wednesday, April 21. She met Sharlene Haimbaugh and Barbara Brown at the truck stop for an afternoon of visiting. Also joining the group was Barbara's sister-in-law, Mary Jo Eneyeart of Sterling Heights, Michigan.

Ruth Cogdill and Mike had company Thursday, April 22. Bringing all the fixings, as well as the maker, for homemade quesadillas were Jane and Jim Teeter. Joining the foursome for lunch were Ruth's siblings, Janel and David Norris. Just minutes after Jane, Jim, Janel and David left, Ruth's daughter, Linda Ligocki of Winamac arrived for an evening of visiting.

Helen Whiteman had a visitor Thursday. Arriving with a beautiful floral bouquet for Helen's 96<sup>th</sup> birthday was her daughter-in-law, Monica Whiteman of Pulaski.

Tom and Linda Garner had houseguests over the weekend. Joining them Friday, April 23, for an overnight visit were their granddaughters, Brianna and Kaylyn Young of Twelve Mile. The girls returned home Saturday evening with their mother, Missy Young.

Dr. Cindy Parker of Marion, Virginia arrived Friday for a few days of visiting with her mother, Helen Whiteman.

Surprise visitor Saturday, April 24, in the home of Ruth Cogdill, was Terry Troutman. He had stopped in to see Ruth and Mike, but Mike had just left to visit his brother, Tim Cogdill at Macy. Terry and Ruth spent a wonderful afternoon reminiscing about the good old days.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Saturday. Coming over in the afternoon for a chat was their

daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester.

Helen Whiteman and Dr. Cindy Parker had a busy day Saturday. Arriving for a weekend visit and to help Helen celebrate her birthday were her granddaughter and her family, Dr. Cathy and Tim Schauer, Jonathan and Meredith of Kalamazoo, Michigan. The group enjoyed supper at the Kewanna Kafé late in the day.

Wilma Wilson had an enjoyable day Saturday. She enjoyed dining and shopping with her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Jack Graham of Lucerne.

Mathilda Lamb accompanied her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Judy Graham of Ft. Wayne, to Indianapolis Sunday, April 25. They were attending the first communion service for Mathilda's great-granddaughter, Jessica Bontempo. Afterward, the family enjoyed celebrating and visiting over dinner together.

Helen Whiteman and Dr. Cindy Parker enjoyed breakfast at the Kewanna Kafé Sunday morning.

Leonard and Nancy Evers were among those who enjoyed attending the open house for

Bessie Engel. The event was in honor of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and held in the community room of the local fire station.

Jon and Barb Gast had company Sunday. Stopping in were their daughter and son-in-law, Randy and Steve Neidig of Bourbon. The Neidigs had just attended the Redbud Trail Rendezvous near Rochester.

Helen Whiteman and her houseguests, Dr. Cindy Parker and Dr. Cathy and Tim Schauer, Jonathan and Meredith, had visitors Sunday. Joining them in a second week of family celebrations in honor of Helen's birthday were Helen's son a daughter-in-law, Kevin and Monica Whiteman of Pulaski; her daughter, Sherri Lett; her grandchildren and their families, Andrea Hook, Whitney and

Rylee, and Doug and Robin Whiteman, Dougie and Zack, all of Winamac; her granddaughter, Teresa Connor; and her great-grandson, Tristan Conner. In the evening, Helen's great-grandson, Nick Oliver (who is stationed in Washington State with the air force) called with his best wishes.

Wilma Wilson had a nice time spending Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Lou and Bill Foerg of Royal Center. They traveled to Rochester for supper and a delightful visit with Wilma's nephew and his wife, Harold and Mary Dittman.

Sunday evening, Ruth and Mike Cogdill welcomed Linda Ligocki. The threesome enjoyed a visit and celebrated Linda's birthday with cake and a lot of good conversation.

Helen Miller had a visitor at the beginning of the week. Arriving Sunday for an overnight visit was her daughter, Judy Scott of Frankfort.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Abigail Powell, May 2; Trina Doty, Linda Evans, Agnes Kline and Brycen Metzger, May 3; Chelsea Short, Jacob Swafford and Kenny Swafford, May 4; Clayton Brown, Mary Collins, Aaron Eastwood, Matt Evers, Steve McColley and Erin Tomerlin, May 5; Dave Bowyer and Jay Cunningham, May 6; Sid Kleiner and Amber McPeck, May 7; and Phyllis Cohagen, Mike Mahalik, Emma Masteller, D.J. Pesaresi, Kaelee Smith and Zachary Smith, May 8.

There are four couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith, May 2; Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kirby and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Prilliman, May 7; and Mr. and Mrs. Gene DeWitt, May 8.

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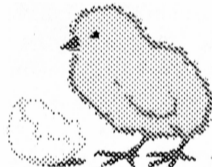
Personal property returns are to be filed between March 1 and May 15, 2010. Failure to file a return by May 15, as required by law, will result in penalties.

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. 9<sup>th</sup> 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/dlgf](http://www.in.gov/dlgf). Forms will be available March 1 until May 15.

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