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58th annual KHS alumni banquet held

Kewanna High School graduates, their spouses and guests gathered Saturday evening, May 15, at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station for the 58th annual alumni banquet. Steve Rude, class of 1959 and alumni association vice president, gave the invocation prior to the meal served by the Kewanna Cafe.

The master of ceremonies was Bob Clyde, class of 1970 and association president. He began his remarks by thanking all of those who helped make the evening possible, including his wife, fellow officers, Winamac Coil Spring, Inc. for the use of its postage machine, the fire department for the use of its facility and setting up the tables and chairs, The Observer for printing the placemats and Mary Ruth Ingram, Bev Baldwin and Beth Weller for keeping the mailing list updated.

Marcia Skinner Link, class of 1970, read the minutes of last year's annual gathering. Bev Browning Baldwin offered the treasurer's report. Both were approved.

Steve Rude read the list of alumni who have passed away during the past year. They include: Esther A. (Wharton) Lake, class of 1933; Margie D. (Vanata) Chizum and Dorothy (Lamb) Chizum, class of 1934; Elsie (Wharton) Master, Thelma (Brown) Hunt and Einora (Buttline) Malgrem, 1937; Marie Besse, 1938; Ralph Kreamer and Ralph Steinke, 1939; Lorene (Rans) Wood and Ruth Ann (Tomlinson) Anderson, 1940; Beatrice (Carr) Clark, 1947; Lester Kamp, 1951; Ronald Talbot and Gene Starr, 1956; Jeanne Anne (Irlin) Marble, 1961; Nedra (Hunter) Hurley, 1968; and Januce (Hogan) Graham, 1976.

A moment of silence was held in their honor.

The class of 1960 which graduated 50 years ago was given special recognition. Steve Ley served as the class spokesman offering several comments. Nine members of the class, out of the 23 who graduated, were present for the occasion. These include Donna Hunter Rude, Judy Bennett, Edie Luhnow Bennett, Susan Turner, Karen Baker Good, Devon Moore, Earl Latta, Steve Ley and Tom Zuck. Also in attendance was a former class member, Dr. Charles Heinsen. Four members of the class, Donald Ingram, Tom Livengood, Jim Cohagan and Carol Appleman Walters, are deceased.

The association president called the roll of classes and each alumnus stood to introduce his or herself and guest. The oldest alumni present were Helen Miller and Don Metzger, class of 1935, who graduated 75 years ago.

Door prizes were awarded to Daniel Bangel, Linda Bangel and Lois Harvey.

Next year's banquet will be held May 14.

The current officers were re-

Town wide clean-up day, May 22

Kewanna's annual town wide clean-up day will be held Saturday, May 22, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., unless the dumpsters are full prior to 1 p.m.

Dumpsters for getting rid of your unwanted items will be located at the south well house, 215 E. Maple Street. Town of Kewanna residents are urged to get their spring cleaning done and make use of the dumpsters provided by the town.

Items that cannot be placed in the dumpsters include leaves, stoves, appliances containing a refrigerant, whole tires, syringes, motor oil, batteries, propane tanks, automotive parts, pool chemicals, animal carcasses, flammables, 55-, 35-, or 5-gallon drums, liquid paint and varnish. Persons may contact the Fulton County Solid Waste District about disposal of these items.

In order to accommodate residents, the clean-up hours have been extended and there will be three dumpsters this year rather than two as in previous years. Persons dropping off trash will need to have a photo ID to assure this service benefits Town of Kewanna residents only.

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RECYCLING DATES
THURS., MAY 6TH
THURS., MAY 20TH

elected including Bob Clyde, president; Steve Rude, vice president; Marcia Skinner Link, secretary; and Bev Browning Baldwin, treasurer.

The evening was closed with the benediction by Larry Baldwin.

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Library receives grant

The Kewanna-Union Township Library received word last Friday that it has been awarded a \$500,000 Community Focus Fund Grant. The funds will be used to expand the present library. The library will also be seeking additional grants for the building project.

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Pancake and sausage breakfast, May 30

The Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department will serve its annual all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast Sunday, May 30, at the fire station, 404 N. Toner St.

The meal will be served from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the cost is a free will donation.

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Methodist Church selling chicken tickets

The Kewanna United Methodist Church is selling tickets for chicken halves prepared by Rochester Meat and Deli. The cost of the tickets is \$6 and they are available from Daniel Kreamer, Norm Steigely and The Observer. The chickens can be picked up at the church Saturday, June 26, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Proceeds from the chicken sales will help finance the proposed new contemporary church service.

The Crossroads and Turning Point youth groups will also hold a car wash at the church the same day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost will be a free will donation. Proceeds from the car wash will help pay church camp fees for the youth.

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Fish and chicken supper at Grass Creek

The Grass Creek Lions Club will serve a fish and chicken supper, including dessert, Saturday, June 5, at the Grass Creek Fire Station. Serving will be from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at a cost of \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 6-12. Children age five and under may eat free. Carry outs will be available.

The fish and chicken will be prepared by Dan's Frying Service of Huntington.

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Bible school, June 7 - 11

The Kewanna United Methodist Church and the Kewanna Church of Christ will conduct a Vacation Bible School June 7 - 11. A pre-registration will be held Sunday, May 23, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Church of Christ. The Bible school is open to children age three through fifth grade.

Those who pre-register Sunday will receive a treat.

The theme for this year's Bible school is "Light Force". Bible school session will be held from 8 to 8 p.m., June 7-11. For more information, call Martha at 574-842-2202 or Traci at 574-653-9959.

Send In Your News



Helen Miller and Don Metzger were recognized for being the eldest alumni present for

Saturday's annual banquet. The duo graduated in 1935, 75 years ago.

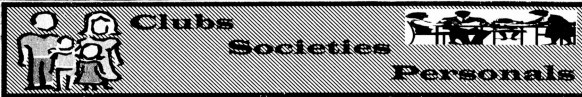


Class of 1960 - Members of the 50-year graduating class present for Saturday's alumni banquet

include, front row, left to right, Donna Hunter Rude, Judy Bennett, Edie Luhnow Bennett,

Susan Turner and Karen Baker Good; and back row, Devon Moore, Earl Latta and Steve Ley.

Tom Zuck was also present, but some how missed the photo session!



Class Reunion - Several members, former members and guests of the Kewanna High School graduating class of 1960 gathered at the Kewanna Cafe for lunch Saturday prior to the annual alumni banquet. Pictured are Diane Hunter Smith, Wade Barnett, Edie Bennett, Karen Baker Good, Dora Ley, Steve Ley, Nancy Brockley Kline, Donna Hunter Rude, Steve Rude, Clare Cloud, Judy Bennett, and Susan Turner. Tom and Jane Zuck (not pictured) were also present for the occasion.

Following lunch, the group visited the local library to view KHS composite pictures and trophies. The rest of the afternoon was spent at the home

of Joe and Karen Good where they were joined by Bonnie Boocher and her guest, Mary Esther Weirick (class of 1956). Dr. Charles Heinsen, who attended Kewanna through the eighth grade, and his father, Dr. Paul Heinsen, were also afternoon guests in the Good home and attended the alumni banquet.

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Manitou DAR meets

The Manitou Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution met May 10 at the Streamliner Central in Rochester for lunch. Thirteen people were in attendance including six guests and three state DAR officers, along with Tom Migons of the Rochester VFW who gave the program.

Regent Shirley Willard announced that Revolutionary War veteran John Johnson's gravestone has been repaired. It had broken off and was leaning against a tree in the Shelton Cemetery.

Tom Migons gave a very interesting history of the VFW, including the national and local posts. The national VFW started in 1899 with 260 members. In 1996, they totaled 200,000 members. Their motto is "Honor the dead by helping the living." The Rochester post purchased the George Pollock skating rink at Lake Manitou in 1947. They built a new building in 1971. The cannons were moved there in the 1960s. There had been two Civil War cannons at the Rochester courthouse, which were donated by the county to the scrap drive to help win World War II. After the war, the United States government gave Fulton County two World War II cannons. In the 1960s, these were moved to the VFW post. One of the cannons has recently been restored and can now be pulled in parades.

Certificates were presented to Juanita Paulus and Suzanne Beattie for over 50 years of membership in the DAR. Suzanne was a member of CAR (Children of the American Revolution) beginning in 1943

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and the DAR since 1953 for a total of 67 years. Juanita joined DAR in 1947 for a total of 63 years.

Members with 25 or more years include Marguerite Copley, Marjorie Hodel and Jeannie Wells. 48 years; Kathryn Nuth, 40 years; Louise Masteller, 39 years; Marcia Taylor, 38 years, and Virginia Green, 37 years. They were not present so the certificates will be mailed or presented at the next meeting.

Miriam Carnahan and Nancy George helped prospective members with their applications. There are six or more people working on their applications and soon to be members.

Founded in 1908, the Manitou Chapter DAR celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2008. Having lost many members due to death, moving away, or too ill or infirm to attend, the chapter was considering dissolving. But, with new members, the group has been saved.

The next meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. June 21 in the Fulton County Public Library, Rochester. Suzanne Beattie will be the hostess.

CASTON MENU May 24 - 27 Breakfast

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

Lunch
 Monday - Pizza, green beans, pineapple, cookie and milk.
 Comet Cafe - cook's choice
 Tuesday - Sausage/egg/cheese sandwich, mini cubes, cinnamon roll, applesauce and milk.
 Comet Cafe - cook's choice
 Wednesday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, peaches, chocolate chip cookie and milk. Comet Cafe -

cook's choice
 Thursday - (last day of school) cook's choice. Comet Cafe - cook's choice
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EASTERN PULASKI MENU May 24 - 28

Elementary Breakfast
 Monday - Cereal, Graham cracker, juice and milk
 Tuesday - French toast, juice and milk
 Wednesday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk
 Thursday - Hot breakfast, juice and milk
 Friday - Cold breakfast, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Cook's choice pizza, peas, pears, brownie and milk
 Tuesday - Cook's choice sandwich, French fries, applesauce, cookie and milk
 Wednesday - Chicken nuggets, corn, ruxed fruit, biscuit and milk
 Thursday - Hamburger, pickle spear, fruit, cookie and milk
 Friday - Foot long hot dog, green beans, fruit, cookie and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Hamburger, potatoes, ruxed fruit, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar
 Tuesday through Friday - Cook's choice
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AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, May 24 - Chicken breast with gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, Mandarin oranges, wheat bread and milk
 Wednesday, May 26 - Baked ham, cheesy potatoes, stewed tomatoes, fruit salad, oatmeal bread and milk
 Friday, May 28 - Chicken salad, potato soup, peas & carrots, applesauce, crackers and milk
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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
 May 10
 Admissions - Weldon Alderfer, Argos
 Dismissals - Ada Babcock, Bourbon; Jolene Townsend and daughter, Logansport; Clayr Stones, Rochester; Weldon Alderfer, Argos
 Births - David and Laurine Ringer, Plymouth, a daughter
 May 11
 Admissions - Sharon Litke, Winamac; Leroy Miller, Claypool
 Births - Thomas and Jessica Fulton, Rochester, a son; Alicia Hall, Rochester, a son
 May 12
 Admissions - Virgie Gregory, Argos; Carol Music, Rochester
 Dismissals - Arthur Hickey, Lucerne; Laurine Ringer and daughter, Plymouth
 May 13
 Dismissals - Carol Lemler, Tippecanoe; Virgie Gregory, Argos; Carol Music, Rochester
 May 14
 Admissions - Donald Olmsted and Jack Overmyer, Rochester
 Dismissals - Sharon Litke, Winamac; Leroy Miller, Claypool; Jessica Fulton and son and Alicia Hall and son, Rochester

The News In Brief

Mark Rodriguez has been declared the winner of the primary election race for District 2 commissioner over Tim Wilson in the Republican primary. After the election night tally, Rodriguez had a two point lead over Wilson. However, there were seven outstanding military ballots. The deadline for receiving these ballots was at the close of work last Friday. The final vote tally was 883-882, giving Rodriguez a one point margin.

The third grade class at Caston Elementary has won the Cass County Soil and Waste Management plastic bag collection contest. As the winners, the third graders will receive a bench made of recycled plastic for the school.

V.I.P. (Visually Impaired People) will meet at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 8, at the Winamac townpark. The meeting will include a carry-in luncheon, entertainment and games in celebration of the group's third anniversary.

The Logansport High School singing choir performed recently at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida as part of the Disney Performing Arts Program.

The United Ministries Outreach Program is low on funds. The program helps low income residents pay utility bills, prescription costs, etc. If you would like to help out, mail a check to United Ministries Outreach, P.O. Box 531, Rochester, IN 46975 and write "outreach" in the memo line.

Logansport police have arrested a man they believe is responsible for the choking, beating and raping of a four-year-old Logansport girl. William Roy Wilson II is being held on a bond of \$800,000 cash/\$1 million surety.

A 24-year-old Michigan woman was crowned Miss USA Sunday. Rima Fakih of Dearborn won over 50 other contestants. She will represent the U.S. in the Miss Universe pageant.

The Indiana Democrat Central Committee has chosen Brad Elliott as the Democratic candidate for Indiana's U.S. Senate seat vacated by Evan Bayh. He will face former Senator Dan Coats on the fall ballot.

According to a new report, the federal health care overhaul will cost Indiana \$3.6 billion over the next ten years. This is \$1.3 billion more than earlier estimates.

Area farmers are reminded that June 1 is the last day to enroll in the 2010 DCP and ACRE programs. 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 this deadline. Fulton County farmers need to contact the Farm Service Agency office at 574-223-3220 to schedule an appointment.

Small Business Counseling

Fulton County small business owners and entrepreneurs can learn more about operating their own business by attending confidential counseling sessions provided by the regional Small Business Development Center. Through an arrangement with the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO), this service is free to Fulton County residents. A business counselor can help current and prospective business owners with business plans, marketing, arranging financing and growing a

business. A counselor is available every month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. To schedule an appointment for June 9 call 574-223-3326.

Second annual Fred Deutschman fishing tournament

The second annual Fred Deutschman Fishing Tournament will be held Sunday, June 6, at Lake Bruce. June 6 is the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Free Fishing Day, so no fishing license will be required for the tournament. If you are fishing on Lake Bruce that day, you will be automatically entered in the contest. No registration is necessary - just bring your best catch to the Hoosier Hideaway for weighing and measuring.

Prizes include, largest muskie - \$25; best bass, pan fish and "trash" fish - \$25 each. There will also be prizes for the best catching by youth under the age of 12.

The prizes will be awarded at 3 p.m. at the Hoosier Hideaway. Luanna Webb of Winamac, formerly of Lake Bruce and the widow of Fred Deutschman, will present the prizes. Judy Ash will act as the tourney photographer again.

Fred Deutschman and his friend and business partner, Alvin "Sonny" Cowles, moved to the Kewanna area following World War II. The Michigan man started a heavy equipment/earth moving business. Later, this changed to gravel processing at Collin's Gravel Pit east of Kewanna. In return for work on the Overmyer Ditch, Mayk Overmyer Kline paid the partners with two lake front lots.

Deutschman was an avid fisherman and hunter. His other hobbies included woodworking and tying flies. Last year's winners included Chuck Phillipy's 43-inch muskie while Gail Hastings brought in a 11.5-inch catfish. Bailey Zempleman earned the children's first prize with a 7 1/8-inch bluegill while Hannah Bachmann's catch was a newly

hatched bluegill for the children's second prize.

Lady Comets win one, split double header

The Caston Lady Comet softball team defeated Wabash Thursday, May 13, 10-0 in six innings. Chelsea Svits was the winning pitcher. She threw a one-hit shutout and struck out three. Kelsey Moss had a single and one RBI as did Haley Markley. Morgan Herrold recorded a single while Whitney Thomas has two singles and one RBI and Jordan Moss had two singles and one stolen base.

The Comets split a doubleheader with South Newton Saturday, May 15. The Comets took game one from their conference foe, 12-2. Kelsey Moss was the starting pitcher. She gave up three hits, walked two and had one strikeout. Svits entered the game in relief. She also gave up three hits, walked one and struck out two. Emily See had three stolen bases and scored three runs. Kelsey Moss had a single and one stolen base. Morgan Herrold had a single, a stolen base and a RBI. Haley Markley recorded three singles, four RBIs and one stolen base. Chelsea Svits had a single, a double and a triple and Jordan Moss had a single, a double and two stolen bases.

The Comes lost the second game, 19-2. Kelsey Moss pitched the first five innings. She hit two strikeouts, gave up seven hits and walked 12. Svits relieved her in the sixth inning and struck out one. Emily See had the only hit of the game for the Comets.

James F. Talbot VFW Post No. 1121 May Activities
 May 22 - Poppies distributed at Main and Logan (stop light), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 May 25 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 May 30 - Open Sunday at noon

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Looking Back

SEVENTY YEARS AGO May 19, 1950

Miss Dolores Jane Wilkinson was united in marriage to William D. Cook, Rt. 4, Elkhart, Sunday, May 14, at 2:00 in the Kewanna Church of Christ. Rev. Henry Bulger of Medaryville performed the double ring ceremony.

Walter Molinder, who has coached at Fulton for three seasons, has announced his resignation. Bob Williams, coach at Lucerne for four years, has been signed to replace Molinder.

Phillip E. McCarter has been elected president of the "B" Club, an athletic organization for men at Ball State Teachers College. A junior, Phil is a member of the Navajo fraternity. He is a graduate of Fulton High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCarter.

Robert L. (Bob) Wynkoop of Brookston has purchased the local drug store from Alvin Yerkes. Due to the housing shortage in Kewanna, Bob did not bring his wife, Pauline, nor his two children, Kay Louise and Harry Allen, but they do plan to move here as soon as suitable living space can be found.

Shirley Orr, Shirley Hathaway, Wilma Shaffer, Ted Carlson, George Wright, Bob Davis, Mrs. Mary Orr, Mrs. Ruth Brewster and Mr. Bob Shaw were Sunday guests of Miss Pat Sanders and attended the baccalaureate services here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shidaker attended the alumni banquet at Letters Ford Saturday evening.

The freshmen took a bike hike to Lake Bruce Friday and enjoyed the day swimming, boating, etc.

The Grass Creek Fire Department responded to a fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Parish Monday. Their garage caught on fire when a boy was burning trash behind it in the church yard.

Rev. W. I. Weyant, minister of the Pleasant Hill Church about eight years ago, passed away Wednesday night, May 10, at his home in Nappanee.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 19, 1955

A marriage license has been granted by the clerk of the Fulton circuit court, Ralph Johnston, to Thomas E. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Miller, Rt. 2, Kewanna, and Miss Dorothy J. Hubeny, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hubeny, Rt. 3, Kewanna. They will be married May 21.

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Seidel have announced the sale of an interest in the Kewanna Grain Co. elevator to Mr. and Mrs. Garland Masterson of Indianapolis. Mr. Masterson has resigned from his present connection with the Cleveland Grain Company there in order to assume active management of the local elevator on June 1. He will move his family here as soon as arrangements have been made.

Joe Dittme, junior at Butler University and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dittme, Fulton, has been nominated for the Blue Key, a senior honorary organization. This is the highest honor a senior can achieve.

Announcement has been made of the approaching marriage of Phyllis Jean Swafford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swafford, Kewanna, to Richard Styles of Indianapolis.

Lowell Rans returned home from Saturday's track sectional at Kokomo with a blue ribbon in pole vaulting. He will participate in the regional next Friday at Fort Wayne.

Attorney E. B. DeVault has received an invitation from the General Council of the Pennsylvania Railroad to attend a conference of the legal department of that railroad June 8 at Philadelphia, with all expenses paid. Mr. DeVault has represented the railroad in Fulton County for over 30 years.

Gary Frazier, 16-year-old brother of Kenneth Frazier, formerly of Kewanna, was wounded in the right jaw by a bullet from a 22 rifle Saturday when shooting rats at the city dump in Winamac.

Mrs. Dean Carr was the honored guest at a pink and blue shower Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Alice Foust with Mrs. Ruth Carr and Mrs. Sally Foust assisting.

Mary Martha Stout, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Stout, is ill at her home with rheumatic fever.

FIFTY YEARS AGO May 19, 1960

Beverly Ann Conran became the bride of Kenton Lee Whiteman Saturday, May 14, at 4 p.m. in the Kewanna Methodist Church. Rev. Charles W. Cook officiated at the double ring ceremony in the presence of the immediate families. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Masunas, Kewanna, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whiteman, also of Kewanna.

Mary Ann Chizum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Chizum, was recently initiated into Delta Zeta sorority at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie.

Alvin "Sonny" Cowles of Kewanna suffered a heart attack early Monday morning. He is confined to his bed at home for six weeks.

The "Future Citizens" were Penny Lynn, Jeffrey Glenn and Michael Charles Kersick, children of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kersick, Kewanna.

The Kenneth Cooks have moved into the Blanch Farr house while their home is being remodeled.

Isla Hogan was hostess to the euchre club in her home Saturday evening.

Bob Lord of Purdue University spent the weekend here with friends and relatives.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 20, 1965

Kewanna High School commencement exercises were held Tuesday night in the school gymnasium. Awards were presented to Betty Graffis, valedictorian; Sally Masteller, salutatorian; Karen Martin, DFR award; Linda Harper, BERT Crocker Award; and Curtis Menk, college music scholarship.

Kenan Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook, Kewanna, recently received her cap from the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing, Lafayette.

Alvin Cowles, 41, Kewanna, is listed in poor condition at Winamac from injuries sustained when his auto went out of control about 1 a.m. today on State Road 17, three miles south of Kewanna. Cowles was pinned in his demolished 1965 Chevrolet

station wagon for two hours. The accident was reported by Mrs. Sally Foust to town marshal Akron Ousley, who rescued Cowles.

Members of the Kewanna Civil Defense unit responded to a call from the Akron Civil Defense to assist in searching Akron High School building for a bomb. Kewanna men helping in the search were Max Fair, Frank Shoemaker, Harold Hickle and James Hubeny. An Akron girl was taken into custody after she admitted to sending a letter to the school stating that a bomb would go off in the school building.

James Carr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carr, is valedictorian of the 1965 Suburbanbauee High School graduating class. Rita Hunesneshagen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hunesneshagen, is the salutatorian.

THIRTY YEARS AGO May 15, 1980

The 28th annual Kewanna High School alumni banquet was held Saturday evening, May 10, in the local gymnasium. Bob Troutman offered the invocation after which 217 members and guests enjoyed the meal catered by the Marlo restaurant.

The local Explorer Post 2251 participated in a rifle shoot and archery contest held Friday night and Saturday at the Laak Walton League near Logansport. Those attending included Jeff Millman, Dale Green, Ryan Hall and Randy Hall, as well as their advisor, Bill Fisher. The group returned home with four plaques and two trophies.

Sergeant James L. Overmyer, son of Aurs L. Overmyer, Kewanna, has arrived for duty at K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base. Overmyer, an inventory management specialist, was previously assigned to Sembach Air Base, West Germany. Jim is a 1971 graduate of Kewanna High School.

The Honorable Otis R. Bowen, M. D., Indiana's governor, will deliver the main address at Kewanna High School's 81st commencement this Sunday, May 18, at 2 p.m. Dr. Bowen is a long time supporter of the smallest high school in the state. Scott Sopher is valedictorian of this year's graduating class and Julie Markley is the salutatorian.

Fern Master received a plaque for being the eldest alumnus present at this year's alumni banquet. Leo Hudkins was recognized for traveling the farthest to attend, coming from the People's Republic of China.

Don Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fisher, Kewanna, will graduate Saturday, May 17, from Purdue University. Don will receive a Bachelor of Science degree from the School of Agriculture, Forestry Division. A 1973 graduate of Kewanna, Don will be employed at Pokagon State Park as an interpretative naturalist.

TWENTY YEARS AGO May 17, 1990

The Kewanna High School graduating class of 1977 will serve a benefit spaghetti supper Saturday, June 9, for Donald Newgent, Kewanna. Newgent was seriously injured in an automobile wreck Friday, March 30, and has been hospitalized ever since at St. Joseph Medical Center in South Bend.

Lake Bruce Association president, Bob Miller, and vice president, Rick Metzger, attended the Second Indiana Lake Conference April 27 and 28. The conference was held at the Culver Military Academy on Lake Maxinkuckee in Culver.

The Kewanna unit of the Fulton County Emergency Medical Service as five new EMTs. They are Sharon Lerner, Linda

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Knickrehm, Andrea Hines, Charles Hendrickson and Pete Harris.

Steven Haseley, a senior at Winamac Community High School, has been awarded the Nelson Sadler Scholarship. Steven is the son of Wayne and Sandy Haseley, Rt. 2, Royal Center. The Nelson Sadler Scholarship Fund was established by the late Nelson W. Sadler's family and is intended to help students further their education in the field of agriculture.

Four students will graduate this year from the Heath and Home Christian Academy. They are Ronald Matthew Gross, valedictorian, Bryan Michael Hart, Kathy Jo Urban and Thomas Orla Bohling.

A farewell open house was held Saturday for Wilma DeWitt at the home of her parents, Gene and Wiladean DeWitt. Over 40 friends and family members stopped to wish her well. Wilma left Sunday to make her home in California where she has accepted employment.

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"Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler

The life of a lone sock

Everyone knows about lost socks. You can hardly do a load of laundry without coming out at least one sock short. At my house, one sock short is an optimistic prediction. We buy socks in pairs. We wear them in pairs. We take them off and throw them into the laundry basket in pairs. They travel from washer to dryer - presumably - in pairs.

Things don't always work this way. Somewhere during the journey from dirty to clean, socks disappear. I've got my own theories. I imagine errant, adventuresome socks hitchhiking their way to Disneyland; depressed, I-don't-want-to-be-here socks who, after much soul searching, decide to end it all; sock fights about blatant infidelity leading to sock divorce and (finally) widowed dryers coming to life at midnight in order to enjoy a late night sock snack. I could share these ideas with you, but then you'd understand how my mind really works. You'd probably glance at me cross-eyed and feel the need to avoid me in deserted parking lots. Best to keep my theories to myself.

Socks are meant to be near feet. Trouble is, feet practically always come in pairs. You don't often hear about someone losing a foot in the laundry.

So we have a quandary about the laundry: what to do with all those extra, unmatched,

(perhaps forlorn) and abandoned socks?

While practical, it isn't conventional to wear one brown sock and one pink sock. People might glance at you cross-eyed. As far as socks go, matching is imperative. It's all about appearances.

Which is why I keep my lone socks out of sight - but never out of mind.

I have a drawer reserved for widowed socks. Each time I do the laundry, and end up with a single sock, I head to The Drawer, seeking a match made in heaven. Sometimes I find one. Those are the good days.

Other times, I add Sir Sock to The Drawer. Sock by sock the drawer fills to capacity until it is so full that I have to engage in the unpleasant task of removing the most unmatchable socks to make room for the new recruits.

Socks are born to, live to and love to be worn on feet - soaking up sweat and cushioning our stride. But there are other respectable jobs for hard-working single socks. Many are conveniently located in my bathroom.

Socks losing their safe harbor in The Drawer move to the cupboard under the sink, where they sit with the Windex, scrubber brush and clinging toilet bowl gel. These socks work well for wiping up all types of bathroom messes (except that one). I am talking about wiping bathroom appliances, walls and the floor.

It's a respectable way to go out - by doing something useful. I wouldn't be Scandinavian if I didn't believe that. My socks want to leave on an up note. If that means cleaning grub from the bathtub, so be it.

When this final task is done, I hold a wet and dirty sock. I could head to the laundry, but I realize a match is not forthcoming. Besides, that's where this sock's trouble started in the first place. Logic dictates one action: I help my sock go to a higher place by lowering it into the garbage.

After that, who knows? I like to think my socks move on to a freer, friendlier frontier - one where feet aren't always in pairs and lone socks are welcomed with open arms as distinguished members of society. They spend the day hob-knobbing with penny loafers or maybe cuddling up with a manicured foot.

Oh, there I go again. Please don't look at me cross-eyed.

Jill Pertler is a syndicated columnist and award winning freelance writer working with graphic designer Nikki Willgoose to provide writing and design and other marketing services to businesses and individuals. You can check out their Web site at <http://marketing-by-design.home.mchsi.com> or e-mail Jill at perjma@west.net

CASTON SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 20 - varsity baseball at Peru, 5 p.m.; JH golf at Tippy Valley, 4:30 p.m.; JV baseball at Pioneer, 4:30 p.m.; varsity boys track sectional at Plymouth, 5:30 p.m.
 Friday, May 21 - JV baseball at Taylor, 5 p.m.; varsity softball with Winamac at Caston, 5 p.m.
 Saturday, May 22 - varsity baseball with North White (DH) at Caston, 11 a.m.; varsity golf at Wabash, 8:30 a.m.; JV baseball tourney at Cass, 9 a.m.
 Monday, May 24 - varsity baseball with Oregon-Davis at Caston, 2 p.m.; varsity softball sectional at North White, 5 p.m.
 Tuesday, May 25 - JV and varsity boys golf with West Central at Caston, 5 p.m.; varsity softball sectional at North White, 5 p.m.
 Wednesday, May 26 - varsity softball sectional at North White, 5 p.m.

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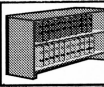
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Kewanna/Union Township Public Library News...

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library Board will hold its regular monthly meeting on May 25, 2010 due to the holiday.

Executive session will be held at 6:00 and Public meeting at 6:30. The Board will hear recommendations for the Director's position. Regular business items will be discussed.

The Library was informed Friday (May 14) that we did win a Community Focus Grant of \$500,000. "Community Focus grants are used to fund projects that improve the infrastructure, health and safety, and overall quality of life in rural Indiana.

Each of these communities is deserving of the award, and we are happy to help these small communities meet the needs of their citizens," according to Lt. Governor Skillman.

We will be seeking additional grants for the building project.

U.S. CELLULAR TO LAUNCH 3G MOBILE BROADBAND IN FULTON COUNTY BY THIS SUMMER

U.S. Cellular has announced that 3G Mobile Broadband service will be coming to Fulton County by the end of this summer. The network upgrade will deliver data to customers 10 times faster on their wireless phones - at no additional cost - through EVDO (Evolution-Data Optimized) technology, commonly referred to as 3G.

With 3G speeds, browsing the Web on a wireless phone will be similar to the experience on a home computer, with Web pages opening faster and the added capability to send and receive large e-mail attachments. Average download speeds will be approximately 800 kbps.

In addition to faster Internet access on the phone, customers can visit their U.S. Cellular retail store to purchase wireless modems that bring 3G speed to their laptops, ensuring they have options to stay connected while traveling around the U.S. or just across town.

"Our customers are used to high-speed connections at home and now we are bringing that experience to

them on the go," said Dan Tracey, director of sales for U.S. Cellular in Indiana. "3G Mobile Broadband helps our customers stay connected to the information that's important to them."

Along with faster access to the latest news, weather and sports, U.S. Cellular customers will have new applications for their phones, such as mobile e-mail, an advanced mobile Web browser, 3D games and MobiTV, with channels that include ABC News, ESPN and TLC.

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IURC RENEWS NIPSCO'S ALTERNATIVE GAS PROGRAMS

NIPSCO only Indiana utility that offers all customers supplier options

Northern Indiana Public Service Company announced that the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) approved a settlement agreement between the utility, the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCCC) and natural gas marketers to renew the offering of alternative natural gas programs that provide residential, commercial and industrial customers with options for purchasing natural gas.

The renewal will extend the company's alternative regulatory plan, or ARP, until March 31, 2012.

Initially approved by the IURC in 1997, NIPSCO's ARP allows the utility's natural gas customers the option of purchasing natural gas through NIPSCO's Choice, Dependability or Price Protection Service Programs (PPS).

The NIPSCO Choice Program gives customers an opportunity to choose an alternative natural gas supplier. Suppliers offer a variety of fixed, capped and variable pricing options that provide customers flexibility to purchase gas using price options that best meet their needs. Today, there are 12 approved suppliers offering a variety of product options to NIPSCO customers. NIPSCO remains responsible for safely delivering the gas through its existing pipeline system to customers who have chosen to purchase their gas from alternative suppliers.

Customers who receive their gas supply from NIPSCO have an opportunity to choose service under the Dependability Program, which provides a fixed monthly bill with no annual reconciliation, or the PPS Program, which allows customers to fix or cap their per-unit cost of natural gas - similar to options offered by alternative suppliers as well.

Nearly 165,000 - or 93 percent - of NIPSCO's total residential and commercial customers have selected one of these alternative services to purchase their natural gas.

NIPSCO is currently the only utility in the state offering such alternative supplier options to all its customers.

"Providing customers with a choice in selecting their energy provider was a goal of the ARP when it was first proposed," said Guy Anusam, Senior Vice President of Customer Engagement for NIPSCO. "Regardless of the gas supplier chosen by our customers, NIPSCO will continue to provide for the safe and reliable delivery of that natural gas to their homes or businesses."

As part of the agreement, NIPSCO and the alternative suppliers will be discussing standardized contract language and improvements to NIPSCO's bill format.

Customers will receive information regarding program changes with their May billing statements.

Additional information about these programs may be found at NIPSCO.com by visiting the

"Our Services" section. NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the nine energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With over 712,000 natural gas customers and 487,000 electric customers across the northern third of Indiana, NIPSCO is the largest natural gas distribution company, and the second largest electric distribution company, in the state. NiSource distribution companies serve 3.8 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in seven states. More information about NIPSCO is available at www.nipSCO.com.

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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library will hold a public meeting on June 1, 2010 at 4:00 pm, at the Library, located at 210 East Main Street, Kewanna, Indiana.

The purpose of the public meeting is to discuss the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library applying to the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development for financial assistance for the renovation of the existing library. The public is welcome.

ADDENDUM TO THE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR STAND AND THE BUILDING

PUBLISHED ON APRIL 24, 2010 IN THE ROCHESTER SENTINEL AND THE KEWANNA OBSERVER. Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Fulton, Indiana, will receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of Fulton County, Eastern County Office Building, 125 East Ninth Street, Rochester, Indiana, until the hour of 8:30 a.m. EST, on June 7th, 2010, to furnish the following items, as requisitioned by the Fulton County Highway Department Supervisor, for the period of when such bids are awarded, to December 31, 2010.

Said bids will be opened and read at 9:30 a.m. EST, June 7th, 2010 in the Commissioner's Room, at the Fulton County Office Building, 125 East Ninth Street, Rochester, Indiana. Each bid shall be in a SEPARATE 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 bond of the bidder in the amount of the total bid. All bidders shall use separate STATE OF INDIANA BID FORMS. Blank State of Indiana Bid Forms may be located, and printed, off the internet. EACH BID ITEM TO BE MADE IN DUPLICATE.

The Fulton County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids. All bids must be quoted amounts or less. The Fulton County Commissioners reserve the right to more than one bid due to service of specific geographic area of the county. All purchases are to be made as needed and subject to appropriation by the Fulton County Council. Bidder may reserve the right to allocate it's product to it's customers in a fair and equitable manner, if necessary, due to the reduction of the allocation from the source for mandatory allocation issued by the appropriate agency of the Federal Government. Bid shall be considered to be firm until completed.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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Fulton County Board of Commissioners is seeking bids for the construction of a stand alone building, to be erected at the Fulton County Highway property. The construction is approved, but is not limited to. The following specifications need to be met or exceeded.

- 1. Floor size: 30' X 60'
- 2. ADA standard eave and rake with vented soffit @1/2 pitch - 30' wide 24"OC - 50' R roof load.
- 3. 2" X 10" floor joist with 1 1/8" floor joist spacing.
- All exterior walls sheathed with 7/16 sheathing
- 8" sidewall height
- 2" x 4" exterior stud walls and 2" X 6" exterior stud walls
- 1/3 efficiency gas furnace with duct work installed.
- 60 central air unit installed.
- All hallways 36" minimum width; measured drywall to drywall
- 4. 40 gallon electric water heater installed
- 5. ADA Compliant Restroom -pedestal sink preferred - all fixtures, medicine cabinet, and plumbing installed
- All plumbing, with shut-off valves, tied into owners plumbing

- Strip light over medicine cabinet, installed
- Light vent combo, installed
- 6. 200 amp service panel 40/40
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- 7. House wrap, icd eave damers, R19 walls, R38 roof
- 4" vinyl siding, aluminum fascia, vented soffits
- 30 year roof shingles
- single hung vinyl windows with tip out sash and low E glass
- Insulated exterior doors with dead bolts
- 8. Interior doors oak embossed finish
- 3 1/4" base trim with 2 1/4" casing.
- Door and window jambos to match doors.
- Lever action door knobs.
- 9. Floor covering - commercial grade vinyl tile customer locate. Commercial grade carpet; customer locate.
- 10. "P" drywall all walls, 5/8" drywall ceiling
- Painted white, ceiling finished stipple

11. Foundation will be poured footers with crawl space. The contractor shall and will provide pay for all state and local permits, labor, and materials to complete construction. Said project shall be constructed in accordance with building specs. The proposed project located on real estate in Fulton County, state of Indiana. Contractor will do all work in a professional and in accordance with rules and requirement of Fulton County, and the state of Indiana. The contractor shall provide a dumpster and keep the premises free from accumulation of waste material and rubbish. The contractor will give 100% warranty of all craftsmanship for at least 1 year, and normal manufacture warranty on materials.

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Questions & Answers About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk: Wouldn't a return to installing bidets in bathrooms at home go a long way toward cutting disposable tissue use and saving forests? -- Peter K. Albany, GA

Besides being more sanitary than toilet tissue, bidets—those squatty accessories so popular in Europe, Japan and elsewhere that clean your underside using a jet of water—are also much less stressful on the environment than using paper.

Justin Thomas, editor of the website metaefficient.com, considers bidets to be "a key green technology" because they eliminate the use of toilet paper. According to his analysis, Americans use 36.6 billion rolls of toilet paper every year, representing the pulping of some 15 million trees. Says Thomas: "This also involves 473,587,500,000 gallons of water to produce the paper and 283,000 tons of chlorine for bleaching." He adds that manufacturing requires about 1.3 terawatts of electricity annually and that significant amounts of energy and materials are used in packaging and in transportation to retail outlets. To those who say that bidets waste water, advocates counter that the amount is trivial compared to how much water we use to produce toilet paper in the first place. Biolife

Technologies, manufacturer of the high-end line of Cocco bidets, says the amount of water used by a typical bidet is about 1/8th of a gallon, with the average toilet using about four gallons per flush. Lloyd Alter of the website treehugger.com reports that making a single roll of toilet paper requires 37 gallons of water, 1.3 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of electricity and some 1.5 pounds of wood. Thomas points out that toilet paper is also a public nuisance in that it clogs pipes and adds a significant load onto city sewer systems and water treatment plants.

"Basically, the huge industry of producing toilet paper could be eliminated through the use of bidets," offers Thomas, who has been testing different toilet-seat mounted units for the past two years. He would like to someday pair a bidet with a composting sawdust toilet for the ultimate green bathroom experience. One reserved for Europeans, bidets are now popular all over the world—except in North America. Thomas reports that 60 percent of Japanese households today have high-tech bidets made by Toto called Washlets, which have some 90 percent of Venezuelan homes have bidets. Most people use a small amount of paper to dry their posteriors after the bidet has done its job, but more expensive air-drying models dispense with the need for paper altogether. Thomas adds that bidets provide important health benefits such as increased cleanliness and "the therapeutic effect of water on damaged skin (think rashes or hemorrhoids)."

On the public health front, bidet maker Biolife reports that almost 80 percent of all infectious diseases are passed on by human contact and that only about half of us actually wash our hands after using the facilities—making hands-free bidets a nice alternative all around. "If you don't have to use your hands at all then there is less chance of passing or coming in contact with a virus," claims the company. Biolife's full featured BidetSpa sells for \$949, but Lloyd Alter reports that consumers willing to go without heated water and air-drying mechanisms can get a perfectly adequate one they can install themselves for less than \$100, such as the Blue Bidet, which retails for just \$69.

Dear EarthTalk: I heard that Walmart is having a bigger positive impact on the environment than any other institution. What are they doing along these lines? -- R. Schlanser, Beaverton, OR

Walmart has indeed been working to clean up its image in recent years, and many environmentalists are pleased with the company's commitment to reduce its massive carbon footprint. Many, however, view the company's initiatives with skepticism, especially considering its overall impact on communities.

What's noteworthy on the environmental front is not so much the significant energy and emissions the company is reducing at its stores and distribution centers and in its vehicles, but the ripple effect that its new carbon-cutting policies are having on the entire

supply chain. This March, Walmart CEO Mike Duke announced a new goal of eliminating 20 million metric tons of greenhouse gases from its global supply chain—the equivalent of taking more than 3.8 million cars off the road for a year—by the end of 2015.

"To find these reductions, Walmart will be asking its estimated 100,000 suppliers to cut the amount of carbon they emit when they produce, package and ship their products," reports Dominique Browning of Environmental Defense Fund, which has been a key advisor to Walmart on green issues. Browning cites Walmart's elimination of large laundry detergent bottles—since so much of them are water and energy-intensive to ship—in favor of concentrates sold in smaller bottles. As a result, concentrated laundry detergent is now the top seller at not only Walmart but at other stores, too. Walmart also convinced CD, DVD and video game makers to make their cases lighter to reduce transport carbon emissions, and they helped encourage energy efficient compact fluorescent light bulb sales by spurring makers to refine their designs.

Many environmental and community advocates, however, consider Walmart's pro-green efforts as too little too late or insignificant in relation to the company's larger impact. Walmart Watch, a nonprofit group run by the Center for Community and Corporate Ethics, says the company has paid numerous fines over the last decade for violating air and water pollution rules, and that's its green initiatives will easily be erased by its sheer growth which will mean more energy usage, more delivery truck trips and even more miles driven by consumers to get to Walmart stores that displaced smaller, more local ones.

Wake-Up Walmart, a project of the United Food and Commercial Workers

International Union, says the company—which employs two million people in its 7,000+ stores—is also no friend to employees. Its average wage, for example, is as much as 18 percent more than jobs below the Federal poverty level for a family of four and its move into urban areas, aside from destroying small businesses, often depresses other nearby wages where similar jobs otherwise pay as much as 18 percent more than Walmart. Further, says Wake-Up Walmart, the company pays \$5,000 less yearly to full-time female employees than male ones, and its health plan is so poor that it forces new employees to rely on publicly assisted healthcare, at taxpayer expense.

Walmart Watch says the company has also been fiercely anti-union: "labor law violations range from illegally firing workers who attempt to organize to unlawful surveillance, threats and intimidation of associates who dare to speak out." Meanwhile, Walmart made a \$14.3 billion profit in 2009, and its CEO earned \$1.2 million in 2008, 987 times the annual income of an average full-time Walmart associate.

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Tim Cogdill of Macy spent Wednesday morning, May 12, with his mother, Ruth Cogdill. Tim helped with some household chores, took some recyclables to the town bins and delivered a bag of things to Goodwill. It was a nice morning to visit for Tim and Ruth.

Leonard and Nancy Evers were in Indianapolis Wednesday. Their son John Evers accompanied them to an appointment and joined them for a visit over lunch afterward.

Renee Colley had a working visitor Wednesday. Coming over in the evening to paint a room in the house was her son, Eric Colley of Bartlett, Illinois.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Thursday, May 13. Coming over for a delightful family chat was their daughter, Phyllis Koonz of Rochester.

Tom and Barb LaFollette held Beth Larson serve pizzas at the Rochester VFW post Thursday evening.

Jon and Barb Gast had luncheon guests Friday, May 14. Coming over for a visit were Jon's parents, Stuart and Rachel Gast of Winamac. Everyone enjoyed a nice visit over the meal of catfish and perch that Stuart and Rachel brought.

JoAnn Teodile and Barb Hieber were in South Bend

Friday. After taking care of some business, they enjoyed dining at J.W. Chen's restaurant.

Tom and Linda Garner had weekend houseguests. Joining them for a three-day visit were their grandchildren, Brianna and Kaylin Young of Twelve Mike and Mackenzie and Zachary Wassermann of Valparaiso.

Helen Whiteman had a couple of houseguests over the weekend. Staying with her for a few days were her daughter, Karen Rice of Indianapolis, and Barry Worl.

Both and Ray Weller had company over the weekend. Coming for a visit and to attend the Kewanna High School alumni banquet were their daughters, Beth Ann Deckard and Linda Tufts of Lebanon, Ohio.

Judy Scott of Frankfort arrived early Saturday, May 15, for an overnight visit with her mother, Helen Miller. In the afternoon, they attended an open house in honor of Judy's grandson, Travis Mann, a recent graduate of Ball State University. In the evening, the ladies attended the Kewanna High School alumni banquet held at the local fire station.

Barb and Tom LaFollette had visitors Saturday. Coming down for a family chat were their son and grandchildren, Chris LaFollette, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Thomas of LaPorte. The younger ones got to spend time with grandpa and grandma while Chris tackled some inside chores.

Ruth Cogdill had a surprise visitor Saturday afternoon when Florence Baldwin stopped in to see her. Both ladies recalled wonderful memories of their children growing up in

Kewanna. Ruth and Florence's friendship goes back to the 1950s, when they were neighbors.

Pauline Brown and Julie had company Saturday. Stopping by late in the day were Carol Sue and Bill Graham of Brownsburg. The Gramahs were here to attend the Kewanna High School alumni banquet in the evening.

Florence Hogan and her granddaughter, Wendy Shock, traveled to Lafayette Sunday, May 16. They met Florence's daughter, Kathy Dees of Visalia, California, at the airport. On their way back to Kewanna, the ladies enjoyed a delicious breakfast at a Bob Evans restaurant. Kathy will be here for a couple of weeks.

Kenny and Bev Whiteman were the guests of honor at a surprise gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and hosted by their children and grandchildren. Over 100 family and friends joined them at the Kewanna VFW post for an afternoon of laughter and reminiscing.

Linda and Tom Garner, Brianna, Kaylin, Mackenzie and Zachary had visitors Sunday. Joining them for dinner and a belated Mother's Day celebration were Amanda and Don Wassermann of Valparaiso, Missy and Steve Young, Trey and Stevanna of Twelve Mile and T.J. and Ashley Garner. In the evening, the younger ones accompanied their parents back home.

Barb Hieber and her daughter, Sue Janes of LaPorte, traveled to Ft. Wayne Sunday. They had a pleasant time attending a baby shower held in honor of one of Sue's stopdaughters. Afterward, Barb and Sue enjoyed dinner at Biaggi's restaurant and sweets at DeBrand's candy shop.

Renee Colley accompanied Jerry and Judy Ash and Eldon

and Bonnie Tinkle and their granddaughter, Jeannie, to a special celebration Sunday. They had a wonderful time helping Jerry's mother, Kate Ash, celebrate her 93rd birthday.

Tom and Barb LaFollette and their grandson, Nick Bohac of Rochester, took advantage of the nice weather Sunday. They spent the afternoon doing chores around their farm.

Mary K. Williamson of Winamac had several visitors Sunday evening. Coming for a small family celebration were her children, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg and John and Rita Williamson; her daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Jerry Brown; her grandsons and their families, Mark and Mick Brown and Johnny Joe and Jane Williamson and Miles; and her grandsons, Mike Brown and Christopher Williamson.

Mathilda Lamb and Wilma Wilson enjoyed dining out Sunday evening. They were guests of Mathilda's nephew and Wilma's daughter, Bill and Mary Lou Foerg of Royal Center, for dinner at the Oak Grove restaurant in Star City.

Recent visitors of Shirley Bussert were Wiladean DeWitt,

Carol Jo Hickle, Evelyn Peters and Fred and Bev Hines. Shirley Bussert called on Elaine Ingram in North Judson Friday afternoon.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Charlotte Robson, May 23; Ryan Bussert and Bob Clyde, May 25; Ashley Birge and Jackson Rentschler, May 26; Larry Anderson, Dick Good, Nicole Hines and Susan McKinney, May 27; Pam Agnew and Brandi Thomas, May 28; and Jim French, Justin Gregor, Brenda Rice, David Talbott and Jonathan Wilson, May 29. Mr. and Mrs. John Scott will be celebrating their wedding anniversary May 27. +++

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