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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 Forces". Bible school session will be held from 9 to 8 p.m., June 7-11. For more information, call Martha at 574-842-2202 or Traci at 574-653-9959.

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VBS at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Lake Bruce, will host a Vacation Bible School Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 16, 17 and 18, from 9 to 8 p.m. Each week, children ages 5-12 are welcome to attend. Donations will be given to the Humane Society.

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VBS at St. Luke Lutheran, June 28 - July 2

Kathy Zellers, director of the St. Luke Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School in Winamac has announced that June 28 - July 2 are the dates for this year's VBS. The school will be in session from 9 a.m. to 12 noon each day at the church located at 721 S. Market Street.

The theme for this year's event is Planet Zoo. Students will zip, zap and zoom for Jesus and all children age three through fifth graders (completed this year) are welcome to attend.

Pastor Woodley will do the Bible studies as well as the opening and closing sessions. Amanda Kistler will be in charge of the pre-schoolers; Kathy Zellers, Bible challenge and crafts; and Louise Cudras, games. The church youth group will help out in numerous activities.

The VBS work day is June 13 after church services, around 10:30 a.m. Please call the church for further information at 574-946-3501.

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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.

Lunch and Learn series to focus on "Farming the Wind"

The Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO) in conjunction with the Rochester and Lake Manitowish Chamber of Commerce and Ivy Tech Community College will host the next Lunch and Learn seminar series, "Farming the Wind". The event will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, at the FEDCO/Chamber offices, 822 Main St., Rochester. The seminar, including lunch, is free to the general public and is the second in a series of monthly educational sessions.

Both "small wind" and "big wind" will be discussed, including the costs and benefits of a small, residential tower to the latest research about the feasibility of large wind farms, including who benefits from wind power and potential drawbacks.

The presenters will be Regan Newton of New Holland Rochester and Gloria Carvey of Ivy Tech Community College. FEDCO director Terry Lee states, "Wind is a very important part of our energy source today and one of the cleanest forms of electrical energy generation. Education is an important part of deciding if it is right for you or your business and the Farming the Wind seminar is a great first step."

Advance registration is required. Please contact Carol Bitzer at 574-223-3326.

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Summer programs at library

Several interesting reading programs are on tap for the local library this summer. The schedule includes:

June 9 - Flowers. Master Gardeners will give a talk on flowers and participants will be planting flowers at the library.

June 16 - Sonya Cowles will give a talk on munging and participants will do moids.

June 23 - Greek gods. Participants will explore the different Greek gods and will make a Father's Day craft.

June 30 - Indians. Participants will read about and discuss Indians of the area and make tie-dyed t-shirts.

July 5 - Bats. Participants will read and talk about bats.

July 13 - Surprise finish to the reading program.

Sign up sheets are available at the library for each of the summer programs. Please sign up at the library or call. The library staff would like for participants to sign up at least three days before the program. Jackie Hoskins is responsible for the summer reading program. If you have suggestions or would like to help with the programs, please let her know.

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Recycling Dates

THURS., JUNE 3RD
THURS., JUNE 17TH

The News In Brief

The Fulton County Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. Monday, June 7, in the meeting room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester. The agenda will include various reports, public hearings, additional appropriations, claims, minutes and old and new business.

The Fulton County Park and Recreation Board will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, at the Prairie Edge County Park. Those assembled will tour the other county parks. The public is invited to attend.

The Kewanna High School graduating class of 1970 will celebrate its 40th high school graduation anniversary Saturday, June 12, with a carry-in picnic at Rochester City Park from 12 noon to 4 p.m. A party will follow at 8 p.m. to midnight at the home of Janet (Evans) Yocum. Call 574-223-8387 for details.

V.P.P. (Visually Impaired People) will meet at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 8, in the Winamac Town Park for a carry-in luncheon to celebrate the group's third anniversary. The event will include entertainment, fun and games. For more information, call Johanna Gudas at 574-947-8126.

The drive way at the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery was recently graded and gravelled. Persons who would like to help with the cost of the drive way maintenance can send their donation to the treasurer, Evelyn Peters, PO Box 402, Kewanna, IN 46939.

Friday, June 4, is the deadline for entering the Round Barn Festival Parade. For more information, call the Rochester and Lake Manitowish Chamber of Commerce at 574-224-2866.

The Farmer's Market will open for the season at Fourth and Market Streets in Logansport Saturday, June 6. The market will be open every Saturday in June from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Starting Thursday, July 1, the market will be open full time adding Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 6 p.m.

Ivy Tech Community College reports it has set record enrollment figures for the current summer session. Ivy Tech enrollment has doubled in the last ten years and is currently the state's largest post-secondary institution.

A new exhibit at the Indianapolis Zoo featuring three male cheetahs and two female has opened. The \$2 million exhibit was imported from zoos in Ohio and is designed so that visitors can learn about the African cats and understand how they live in the wild.

A recount of votes cast for

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 catches 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 tournery 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, May 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 Zimplen earned the children's first prize with a 1/8-inch bluegill while Hannah Bachmann's catch was a newly hatched bluegill for the children's second prize.

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Relay for Life Father's Day Breakfast

The Crazyes for a Cure Relay for Life team will serve a Father's Day Breakfast Sunday, June 20, from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Rochester VFW. The menu will include biscuits and gravy with hash browns. Everyone is urged to attend and help support the American Cancer Society.

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AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, June 7 - BBQ pork sandwich, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, pineapple and milk

Wednesday, June 9 - Sloppy Joe sandwich, bakery bakers, broccoli, fruit parafat and milk

Friday, June 11 - Cheeseburger sandwich, potato salad, cauliflower/broccoli blend, fresh fruit and milk

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Friday - 8 to 5
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District 2 Fulton County Commissioner in the May primary will be held Friday, June 4, at 1:15 p.m. in the Fulton Circuit Courtroom. The recount was requested by Tim Wilson who lost the contest by one vote, 883-882, to incumbent Mark Rodriguez. The recount commission, appointed by Circuit Court Judge Chris Lee, includes Democrat Larry J. Carr, Republican Randall Leiminger, and Kyle Conrad, an employee of Government Business Systems.

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Special program at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church at Lake Bruce will present Skook and Gayle Wright and their "Stepping out in Faith" ministry Sunday evening, June 6, at 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. A free will offering will be taken.

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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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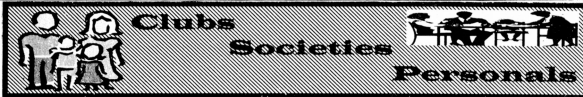
Methodist Church selling chicken tickets

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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V.I.P. celebrating third birthday

V.I.P. (Visually Impaired People) will celebrate its third birthday when it meets at 11:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, in the Winamac town park for a carry-in luncheon. Drinks and table service will be provided.

A special "entertaining surprise" will begin at 12 noon, followed by games, prizes and fun.

V.I.P. is the name of the group that meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the winter months of January and February). The group includes anyone who has limited vision, their spouses, drivers or care takers.

Anyone wishing to become a part of V.I.P. is invited to attend the picnic and the other scheduled meetings. Johanna Gudas (574-946-6126) and Maurine Wilder (574-946-3836) would be glad to answer questions from interested persons.

St. Luke's recognizes students/teachers

St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church in Winamac recently recognized its Sunday school students and teachers. Pastor Woodley presented perfect attendance pins and year bars to the following: Lacie Wheeler, McKenzie Wheeler and Riley

Wheeler, one year; Trent Fox and Dylan Fox, two years; Clay Kistler, Sydney Tripenfeldas and Taylor Tripenfeldas, three years; Kolton Graves, four years; Grace Gudas, seven years; Clark Gudas, eight years; Ben Gudas, nine years; Michelle Gudas, 12 years; and Becca Gudas, 14 years.

Teachers recognized included Will Fox, Louise Gudas, Kathy Zellers, Amanda Kistler, Amy Burgess, and Shelley Graves, the Sunday school director.

The closing activity for the Sunday school was a trip to a put-put course in Valparaiso, which was enjoyed by those attending.

The church will host its annual Vacation Bible School June 29-July 2 at the church from 9 a.m. until 12 noon each day. Call the church to register. The VBS is open to all children, age three through the fifth grade.

Caston Elementary School Fourth 9-week Grading Period - 2009-10

Honor Rolls

All "A" Honor Roll

2nd Grade

McKenzie Baldwin, Elizabeth Byrum, Rayne Craig, Aubrey Dague, Dylan Eastwood, Emily Holt, Gracie Horn, Noah Howdeshell, Curtis Hubenthal, Caitlyn Ihnen, Sophie Jellison, Sarah Kistler, Amelia Lowry, James Manesa, Sarah Mangelsdorf, Daniel Mittica, Zoe

Roark, Jasmine Rudicek, Cameron Scott, Ginger Slisher, Keagan Sloucum, and Kaylin Young

3rd Grade

Brock Buczkowski, Brianna Calfee, Noah Colvin, Isabel Newcom, and McKenzie Paschen

4th Grade

Jayda Shafer

5th Grade

Brant Buczkowski, Trenton Howard, Dalea Hubenthal, and Dakota Townsend

6th Grade

Madison Martin, Addie Sarver, Michael Smith, Tyler Spencer, and Emily Strain

"A/B" Honor Roll

Elin Aguilar, Ally Borges, Jordan Brewer, Wyatt Burnett, Caleb Conrad, Bryce Crum, Kyah Davis, Zach DeFord, Sam Duvall, Gavin Hickle, Hannah Howard, Dalton Jones, Luke Lowe, Shanteel Miranda, Josh Mounce, Jana Mullins, Jackson Music, Wyatt Pendley, Michael Rans, Aiden Sarver, Carlie Sarver, Hunter Schanlaub, Dianna VanLue, Camryn Vorhees, and Isaiah Werich

3rd Grade

Peyton Crissinger, Hunter Enmerd, Brianna Lee, Levi Lowe, Damon Malott, Vanessa Miffin, Sydney Moon, Makzinie Nies, Mitchell Rans, Destiny Ray, Zach Ruby, Adrianna Shires, Hannah Siders, Chris Smith, Cyndie Smith, Haven Vorhees, and Ally Wiese

4th Grade

Kasey Ault, Kennedy Aul, Makayla Banta, Arieon Burns, Evelynn Byrum, Tayt Cowell, Rynn Doan, Ashlyn Flora, Erin Frye, Payton Hedrick, Holley Hoff, Hannah Holt, Hanna Hoover, Brandon Kinser, Brandi McCroskey, Samuel Mittica, Maegen Pendley, Kendra Pugh, Abigail Rimpler, Noah Rushinsky, Bailey Shultz, Jacob Taylor, Miranda Thornton, Brianna Young, and Jaden Zeider

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8th Grade

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manufacturers of household cleaners still use animals to test the toxicity of their products is not only inhumane—why should innocent animals have to suffer and die so we can get our floors a little cleaner?—but also illogical, as modern lab tests not involving living creatures can discern more practical information faster and for less money. Another problem with animal testing is that its findings don't always successfully predict real-world human outcomes.

According to the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), for instance, animal tests on rats and rabbits over several decades "failed to predict the birth defect-causing properties of PCBs, industrial solvents and many drugs, while cancer tests in rats and mice failed to detect the hazards of asbestos, benzene, cigarette smoke, and many other substances." The group blames these shortcomings of animal testing for "delaying consumer and worker protection measures by decades in some cases."

While animal product testing is still allowed in the U.S. (researchers here are continuing to improve alternative testing

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EARTH TALK
Questions & Answers About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk: I am very interested in purchasing household cleaners whose ingredients and final product are not tested on animals. Where do I look? -- Debbie Reek, via e-mail
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 May 21 Births - Robert and Julie Sturgill, Rochester, a son
 May 23 Births - Danielle Jeffers, Akron, a daughter; Adam and Ashley Berry, Logansport, a daughter
 May 24 Dismissals - Francis Tarter, Akron, Vicki Dills, Mentone; Alyson Lawson and son, and Julie Sturgill and son, Rochester; Stephanie Crissinger, Kewanna
 Births - Bill and Kristin Hackworth, Tippecanoe, a son
 May 25 Admissions - Marsha Black, Peru, Shirley Wolf, Tippecanoe
 Dismissals - Rachel Tucker, Rochester; Danuelle Jeffers and daughter, Akron
 Births - Nicole Brodien, Akron, a son
 May 27 Dismissals - Ashley Berry and daughter, Logansport; Kristin Hackworth and son, Tippecanoe; Nicole Brodien and son, Akron
 Births - Ryan and Keeha Clark, Claypool, a son; Willis and Mary Miller, Macy, a daughter; Tyler and Amber Cosgray, Logansport, a daughter
 May 28 Dismissals - Shirley Wolf, Tippecanoe
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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.
Breastfeeding Class
 The next Breastfeeding Class is Thursday, June 17, from 7 to 9 pm at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The purpose of Breastfeeding Class is to inform you of the benefits of breastfeeding for you and the baby, how to get started, how to maintain your milk supply and how to solve problems that might arise.

To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. They will want to know your doctor's name, your due date, and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at PMH. There will be a \$6 charge if you deliver at another hospital. These classes are taught by a Board Certified Lactation Consultant or Lactation Counselor on staff at PMH.
Sibling Class
 The next sibling class is scheduled for **June 26** at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. This class is offered the last Saturday of every other month, from 9 am to 10:30 am. The purpose of the class is to assist the big brothers

Parents are encouraged to schedule your child for the date closest to the expected date of delivery. An adult must accompany the child.
 To register, call Patient Services at 574-946-2193 between 8 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. Please provide your doctor's name, your due date and telephone number. There is no charge if you plan to deliver at Pulaski Memorial. There will be a \$6 charge if you plan to deliver elsewhere.
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Immunizations available at Health Department

The Fulton County Health Department offers an immunization clinic every Wednesday from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 2-5 p.m. The fourth Wednesday of every month clinic hours are extended to 6 p.m. Parents are urged to beat the school rush and take their children to the clinic early to receive their school immunizations.
 Children entering kindergarten in the 2010-2011 school year will need to be immunized before attending school. Students entering the 6th through 12th grade and first year college students are required additional immunizations as well.
 In addition to the previously required immunizations, students entering pre-school or kindergarten (4-6 years old) must have two documented varicella vaccines, separated by at least three months, or written documentation that they have had the disease (chicken pox). Students entering 6th through 12th grade and first year college students must have one DTap vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Acellular Pertussis); one meningitis vaccine (MCV4); two varicella vaccines (chicken pox) or documentation of the disease. Guidelines for immunizations can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

Pulaski Memorial Community Calendar

Safe Sitter Classes
 Safe Sitter is a medically accurate, hands-on class that teaches boys and girls ages 11 to 13 how to handle

and big sisters (ages 3 to 10 years) to adjust to the new baby in the family. They are offered a tour of the OB department to see where the baby is to be born, learn how to hold and assist in the baby's care, and explore their feelings about becoming a big brother or big sister.

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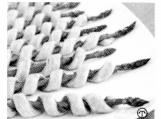
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Contact Martha at 842-2202
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ENTERTAINING IDEAS

A Crowd-Pleasing Puff Pastry Recipe

(NAPS)—Frozen puff pastry makes it easy to turn an everyday meal into something special, giving you more time to spend with friends and family.



Puff pastry offers a simple way to create a big impression without spending hours in the kitchen.

Each sheet is made up of many delicate layers—every layer essential to creating its light, airy texture. Sheets come ready to be shaped, filled and baked.

From savory appetizers to seasonal entrees and sweet, flaky desserts, puff pastry has long been a staple in creating simple yet impressive dishes.

You can use puff pastry to create a sweet treat such as a Caramel Banana Tart or Blackberry & Fresh Mint Stars. For savory appetizers, try Potato Salsa Somosas or Egg and Chorizo Tarts.

Here's a recipe for Prosciutto Asparagus Spirals that is simple to make and will impress friends and family. The recipe was created by food writer and puff pastry enthusiast Camilla Saulsbury, author of many crowd-pleasing cookbooks like "Puff Pastry Perfection."

Prosciutto Asparagus Spirals

- Ingredients:**
 1 17.3-ounce package Pepperidge Farm Puff Pastry Sheets, thawed
 6 tablespoons garlic &

herb spreadable cheese, softened
 8 slices prosciutto or thinly sliced deli ham
 30 medium asparagus spears, trimmed

Directions:

- Heat oven to 400° F. Unfold the pastry sheets on a lightly floured surface. Spread 3 tablespoons cheese on each pastry sheet. Top each with 4 slices prosciutto. Cut each into 15 strips crosswise, making 30 in all.
- Tightly wrap 1 pastry strip around each asparagus spear, prosciutto side in. Place the pastries seam side down into 2 baking sheets.
- Bake for 15 minutes or until the pastries are golden brown.

For this recipe and more, plus tips on how to work with puff pastry, visit www.puffpastry.com.

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SIXTY YEARS AGO
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The Rhythmeers, a quartet composed of David Duey, Wallace Felty and Joe Ditmore of Fulton and Robert Runkle of Akron, took second place in an amateur contest at the State Theatre in Logansport recently.

Mrs. Ferd Grube has received word of the death of her brother, Jay Slick, formerly of here. He passed away May 29 at his home in California.

The office of The Observer will be closed June 1, 2 and 3 due to good fishing conditions. The office door will be left open and paper and pencil will be on the counter.

Because the Star Route is operating on fast time, the post office has begun closing at 5:00 instead of 6:00 DST, according to the local postmaster, Luther Shoemaker. It will continue to open at the usual time, 9:00 a.m. DST.

The Grass Creek fire department was called to the Ernest Horn residence five miles east of Grass Creek early Sunday morning when his tractor caught fire. Minor damage was reported.

Walter Molinder, Fulton coach for the past four seasons, has signed as head football coach and assistant basketball and baseball coach at Westfield. Molinder acted as basketball and baseball coach at Fulton.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Kephen of Kokomo were injured early Saturday afternoon when their car collided with a milk truck four miles south of Kewanna. David Weller, Rt. 3, Rochester, driver of the truck, escaped injury. The vehicles came to a

stop on the Cecil Fields farm. The injured were treated and released at Memorial Hospital.

Violet Murling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everet Murling of here, and Oliver Clyde, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clyde, Rochester, exchanged wedding vows during a lovely ceremony performed Tuesday, May 30, in St. Ann Church. Rev. Edward Holland officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Mrs. Robert Miller hosted a birthday party Friday for her daughter, Sandra. Guests included LuAnne Adams, Jeanne Brown, Carolyn Larkin, Mary Zuck, Mary Ann Chizum, Linda Shidaker, Nedra Zellerts, Marjorie Geisler and Mary Ruth Anderson.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
June 2, 1955

Hal Peck, Kewanna's trophy-winning coach, announced his resignation Friday, May 27, when he accepted the position of coach at Goshen. Peck, who taught history as well as physical education, has been here for six years. The highlight of his coaching career thus far was reached when the Indians won the sectional tournament during the 1953-54 season.

The Kewanna fire department was called to the Frank Greer farm east of Kewanna Wednesday morning when a tractor caught fire. Only the wiring was burned.

The Fulton Rainbow Assembly No. 92 will host a reception Sunday, June 5, for Dara Masteller, Grand Christian Flag Bearer.

Raymond Egbertson, agriculture teacher at Kewanna, announced this week that he has been selected as principal at New Waverly. The Egbertsons will move to Lafayette for the summer where he will attend Purdue University for further training, after which he will start his new duties in the fall.

Doris Kreamer, state champion baton twirler, left Friday for New York City where she will compete on the Ted Mack talent show. Doris won the all expenses paid trip last August at Warsaw.

Rev. Frank Briggs was reassigned as pastor of the Kewanna Methodist Church during annual conference held last week at Muncie.

Becky Anderson, Rt. 3, Kewanna, underwent a tonsillectomy in Woodlawn Hospital last week.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
June 2, 1960

Shannon K. Jones, who will graduate from Indiana Central College in June, has been hired to teach math and coach at Grass Creek High School.

Two local boys will graduate from Indiana University, Bloomington, Monday, June 6. Graduating will be Billy C. Allen, M.S. in education and Allen E. Rosenberg, B.S. in business.

The Kewanna Church of Christ was the scene of a double ring wedding Sunday, May 22, when Carly Gay Saxton and Terrill Luengwood repeated their vows. Floyd Saxton, father of the bride and pastor of the church, officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Saxton. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Luengwood.

Guy Smith of Kewanna fell

while sawing limbs from a tree at his home Saturday and injured his back.

Mike Gilliland, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilliland, Kewanna, fell in a hole where the town was digging up water mains near his home last week and broke his left arm.

Mrs. Robert Scott, assisted by Mrs. Dot Smith, entertained the Mother's Club Friday, May 27. The program was a "This is Your Lot" tribute to Lela Tomlinson, the only charter member remaining in the club. The group was organized in 1916.

Calen Hoover, Kewanna, is a patient at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis where he is undergoing extensive tests.

Several local Boy Scouts were honored at a carry-in supper held at the Pinhook Grange Hall. John Hiltficker, Scoutmaster, presented awards following the meal. The highest honor, the Eagle award, went to Hiltficker's son, George. This is the first time the award has been given to a Kewanna Scout. Life awards went to Bruce Mills, Kenny Troutman and Jack Kissinger. Jim Walters received the Star award and a Tenderfoot award went to Bill Shull.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
June 3, 1965

Mr. and Mrs. Vachel Walters will host a reception Saturday, June 5, in honor of their son, George, and his new bride, the former Carol Nicholson, of Arlington, Texas.

Rev. Leroy Wise has been appointed to serve the Kewanna Methodist Church, succeeding Rev. John Cole who has been assigned to Seelyville. Rev. Charles Cook, former pastor at Kewanna and most recently pastor at Oxford, has been assigned to Lakewood.

Fire destroyed a 60 x 60 barn on the Walter Drach farm nine

miles southeast of Winamac Friday afternoon. Loss was estimated at \$16,500.

Jim Walters is expected home this week for a three-week furlough from the Navy. Jim's ship, the USS Princeton, arrived in Long Beach, California, May 29, after a tour of duty in the western Pacific, during which they participated in the landing of Marines and helicopters in South Vietnam.

Marcia Hizer and Douglas Campbell were married Friday, April 30, in St. Mary's Rectory, Muncie, with Rev. Father Robert Hofmeyer officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Warfield, Kewanna, and Lawrence Hizer, Logansport. The groom is the son of Truman Campbell, New Castle. The bride will graduate in June from Ball State and the groom will graduate in August from Ball State. They will reside in New Castle.

Cadet Sgt. Robert Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott, Rt. 1, Kewanna, will receive his associate in arts degree from Kemper Military College, Boonville, Missouri, Saturday morning, May 29. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billerbeck of Winamac, left Wednesday evening for Missouri to attend commencement.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
June 5, 1980

Richard C. Baldwin, trustee of Union Township since January 1, 1979, has submitted his resignation due to ill health. Larry Hurley has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Nedra Hurley, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was among the students named to the spring quarter Provost's Honors List at Ball State University.

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Lynne Herrold, Rt. 2, Kewanna, was among the 3463 Purdue University students who received distinguished student rank for the spring semester of the 1979-80 school year.

A total of 4,816 students completed degree requirements at Purdue University in May. Among the graduates were Patricia Ann Emery, Dale Herrold, Lynne Herrold and Robert Redweik, all of Rt. 2, Kewanna, and Don Fisher, Rt. 1, Kewanna.

Mrs. Bessie Agnew, 92, Kewanna, died at 11:40 a.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. She had resided at the Sycamore Village Health Center in Kokomo since December, 1979.

Mrs. Claire Decker, Rt. 4, Rochester, is the new librarian at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library. Mrs. Decker retired last year as director of the library in Jackson, Missouri.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

May 31, 1990
The Kewanna High School graduating class of 1968 got together Saturday, May 19, at the home of Pat Evans for a visit prior to the KHS alumni banquet. Those attending included Cindy Hunter Biggs, Penny Skersick Terone, Joan Macey Fraher, Ann Zuck Bauman, Sherri Evans Bowyer, Mike Hogan, Mary Lou Wilson Foerg, Bill Lamb, Jane Lord McNeal, Phil Smutley, Betty Jean Graffis Brandenburger, Laura Hilticker Jones, Betty Lou Ness Smith and Vicky Harper Knickrehm.

Mathilda Lamb, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was dismissed from Woodlawn Hospital Saturday.

Two Logansport-area men were ordained into the United Methodist ministry recently at the denomination's Northern Indiana Annual Conference held at Purdue University. James E. Ferrer II, Logansport Market Street United Methodist Church, was ordained as a deacon and David J. Smutley, recommended by the Third Street United Methodist Church, Logansport, was ordained as an elder.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Kent Cook and family of here and Mr. and Mrs. John Carlisle and family of Indianapolis spent the weekend in Bowling Green, Kentucky, with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bitterling, Jeff, Mark, Craig and Brad. They

attended Craig's high school graduation. Craig was the valedictorian for his class of 208 students.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Scyles of Grass Creek attended the wedding of their grandson, Barry Scyles, to Julie Johnson in Crawfordville Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fike and new daughter, Hannah Jane, were the guests of honor at a shower held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bruce Baker, Ryan and Daniel and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good.

Potawatomi Trail of Death highway signs to be dedicated June 5

A ceremony to dedicate the Potawatomi Trail of Death Regional Historic Trail highway signs will be held June 5 at 1:30 p.m. at the sign at the north edge of Tippecanoe County. To reach this sign from Americus on State Road 25, turn north on Grant Road and go 2.25 miles north to the intersection of CR 990 N. The public is invited. After the dedication, a caravan will drive to the other PTD signs across Tippecanoe County. Those interested may meet and eat lunch with the Potawatomi at 11:30 at TC's restaurant located at 103 N. Railroad Street in Battle Ground.

The signs were sponsored by donations from the following: Most Rev. William L. Higi in memory of Father Benjamin M. Petit, Catholic priest who traveled with the Potawatomi; Kansas; Janice Harris, Marsha Selmer, John and Carolyn Shippee, Tracy and Erin Locke, Indiana Veterans Home, Friends of Tippecanoe County Public Library - all of Lafayette; John and Nancy Mayhail, West Lafayette; Kitty Dye, Naperville, Ill.; Mary and Scott Brady, Logansport. Thanks to Indiana Highway Dept., Battle Ground Street Dept. and Tippecanoe County Highway Dept. for erecting the signs and providing the posts.

The installation of these historic highway signs completes the marking of the Potawatomi Trail of Death (PTD) in Indiana. Other counties on the Trail of Death are Marshall, Fulton, Cass, Carroll, and Warren. The signs in Tippecanoe County are a different color from the other counties because federal regulations now designate black and white as highway information. Tourist and historic signs are now required to be brown and white. All the signs have a picture of a Potawatomi family walking (father and

mother with a baby on her back) led by an eagle. This drawing was created by Potawatomi artist David Anderson, Seattle, Washington.

The project was spearheaded by the Potawatomi Trail of Death Association headed by Dr. George Godfrey, Athens, Ill., member of Citizen Potawatomi Nation and descendant of the Trail of Death; and Shirley Willard, Fulton County Historical Society, Rochester. See the PTDA website at www.potawatomi-tda.org. For more information contact Shirley Willard at 674-223-2382 or willardr@rcfco.com.

The purpose of this organization is to publicize the Trail of Death Regional Historic Trail, research and teach about the Removal Period, promote public and scholarly education about it, and maintain a web page with news and history. They publish two newsletters a year but operate and communicate mostly via email. Dues are \$20 a year and should be mailed to PTDA, Fulton County Historical Society, 37 E 35 N, Rochester IN 46975. The PTDA contacted all 25

counties and has gotten historical markers erected at each campsite every 15 to 20 miles from north central Indiana to eastern Kansas, a distance of 680 miles. Over 30 of the historical markers were erected by Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. The PTDA is accepting donations to install historic highway signs to mark the trail so that motorists, bikers and hikers can follow the route taken by the Potawatomi in 1838 when they were forcibly removed at gunpoint from their Indiana homeland. Kansas and Indiana now have the highway signs completed. A grant from the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Shawnee, Ok. helped with signs in Missouri and Kansas. A new grant from the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Mayetta, Kansas, is funding signs in eastern Illinois. +++

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"Slices of Life"

By: Jill Pertler

The Club

It's official. I'm in the Club. There's no secret Club handshake or T-shirt with the Club logo. I don't pay dues or attend quarterly meetings. The Club is just there – like my eyebrows, gravity, lilac blooms in the springtime. The Club just is.

Membership wasn't something I applied for or even aspired to, but once you're in, there's no getting out. Not any way I can see. The Club is forever – or at least until your actions remove you from the Club and bring others in.

I guess that would be one way to describe it.

Memorial Day. The holiday weekend to do another picnic weekend for me. It meant an extra (happy) day off to nicker in the park or read a book in the backyard. Memorial Day didn't arrive with any connotations – before I learned the realities of losing someone close to me.

In life BC (before Club) I lacked insight regarding a Club member's perspective. In fact, just being around a Club member made me uncomfortable. I wasn't sure what to do – or say. Now I am full of perspective.

As a non-Clubber, you might be afraid to bring up certain subjects because they may trigger "sad thoughts." Not to worry. Anything and everything can produce that result. Thoughts surrounding the Club hover around the fringes of my brain 24-7. They are like little bits of sand creeping in to find a spot wherever they can. Even if my mind is consumed with large and important ideas, those little bits of sand filter their way through.

Don't be afraid of saying the wrong thing (or the right thing) or reminding those in The Club they are members. They already know.

Certain days – Memorial Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, birthdays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays – can be more difficult than others. When alone, in the quiet, we find our thoughts drifting, when in a leagu and boisterous crowd we find our thoughts drifting. Sometimes I feel heaviness behind my eyes and tightness in my throat. I've learned to talk through it most of the time, but I've seen others wince when I do; then I know they are in the know. Blinking fast and swallowing hard to work something. So does a deep breath.

Club members like me may not even be aware our reaction to the normal things and people around us is off by a degree or two. The change in us is slight, but can be unsettling – for you and for me – apologize. It's all part of The Club – the Club we never signed up for but joined nonetheless.

Sadness is a funny thing. (How's that for an oxymoron of a sentence?) Loss can be indescribable. It can also result in moments of clarity. For me, membership in The Club has brought a newfound connection with those around me – I am more vividly aware of life because I've dealt so closely with death. I enter each day with gratitude for family and friends.

This year, Memorial Day arrives like a heavy sigh brought on by love and loss. These two

words – in essence – define The Club. To love someone means risking loss, which leads directly to a lifetime membership and the pain that accompanies it.

To never take the risk means something much worse.

I'm in The Club. I guess I'm okay with that.

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A woman who tells you where to go

My husband has a new lady friend. He shares her with our three sons, who are also sweet on the most recent family acquaintance. They are, in a word, enamored.

Under normal circumstances, I might feel threatened – what with my four guys throwing their rapt attention toward another woman's voice – but these aren't normal circumstances.

That's because the woman in question, we call her "Carmen," isn't a female in the true sense of the word. She has no arms or legs. Her body, if you can call it that, appears nondescript and rectangular, anchored by a round, rubber, suction-cupped base.

She possesses an admirable brain and her full-color touch screen is a little intimidating. But, Carmen's main claim to fame is her voice. It is distinctive, feminine and authoritative.

Carmen is our new GPS navigation device, in other words, a computerized gadget that works like an old-fashioned map – only better. Carmen connects with satellites in outer space, downloads information and gets us from Point A to Point B using state-of-the-art voice commands that let us most men wanting just one thing more.

After an unscientific quiz of my friends, I've found that the majority of families name their GPS devices. It seems that something with a female voice – even something as small as a 4 by 2 inch touch screen – warrants attention worthy of a name. I'm not sure how we settled on Carmen, but it fits.

Carmen can tell us how to get where we are going, how fast we are going and exactly when we will get there. If we have a hankering for a certain type of fast food – say chicken originating from the state known for horses and chickens – Carmen can tell us the location of the closest restaurant.

She would never consider stopping to ask for directions. As I said, my boys are enamored.

Why wouldn't they be? With Carmen, we have a woman (if you can call her that) who meets the definition of directional flexibility. If and when we do make a wrong turn, it thwarts Carmen not. She doesn't pass blame or judgment. She doesn't shake her head or roll her eyes. (She wouldn't, even if she had them.) She just fixes our mess with a distinctive, one-word directive:

"Recalculating."

My husband explained his respect for Carmen in this regard. "She's always updating," he said. "I like a calculating woman."

He's telling the truth. And I think there's even more to it than that. Despite what they may claim otherwise, my boys like a woman who tells them where to go and what to do. It frees them to think about more important things, like arriving at their destination.

Arriving provides the purpose for Carmen's existence, and she seems to know this. Upon arrival, Carmen's vocal charm rises to a new level. Whereas Carmen has, up until this point, been the voice of authority, arriving brings about a rare display of emotion. When you make your final turn and approach your desired site, Carmen announces with an uplifted "hi," "Arriving at your destination."

The arc and tenor in her voice when reciting the word "destination" alludes to a feeling of computerized joy. Even if you were arriving at the dentist for a much-dreaded root canal, Carmen would be delighted to go to work there. That means something. Carmen is a woman with a purpose. You've got to admire that.

After a recent family vacation, my second grader expressed his appreciation of our GPS device.

"I love Carmen," he said. "Not love, love like I'm glad she came with us to Florida and told us how to get there." He paused and then added, "And, her voice sounds nice."

You've got to hand it to Carmen; she is directionally smart and has information coming from very high places. Plus, she's got my four boys wrapped around her little finger. Well, she would – if she had fingers.

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NIPSCO Announces New On-line Feature that Provides Estimated Restoration Times

Why did my power go out? And when will it be back on? Those two questions are among the most frequently asked in the event of a storm or the least frequent electric outage. But, just in time for storm season, Northern Indiana Public Service Company is helping customers find answers to those exact questions by announcing today the expansion of its on-line outage map to now include a cause and an estimated restoration time for power outages.

"We know that interruptions of any kind to service presents an inconvenience to our customers, which is why we proactively do everything can before a storm hits, such as investing more than \$50 million over the last five years in maintaining trees along power lines, to ensure that power is there when you need it," said Tim Dehring, senior vice president of energy delivery for NIPSCO. "If an outage occurs, we want to be sure our customers know what to do, how to stay safe and where

to find information about when their power will be restored."

NIPSCO launched the on-line outage map at NIPSCO.com last year as a way to provide customers with real-time updates on current electric outages, while providing helpful information to stay safe and informed when a storm hits or an outage occurs.

Now, for the first time, the outage map offers an explanation for the cause of an outage as well as when the power is expected to be back on. Estimated restoration times are calculated by taking everything into consideration such as historical data, time of day, available resources, weather conditions, the severity of an outage and more.

"This new addition is another step forward as we continue to modernize our company and its infrastructure," added Dehring. "We're investigating the next phase of this project, which will eventually offer more options to customers who may be interested in signing up to receive a detailed outage communication via text, e-mail or phone, as opposed to logging onto the outage map."

If customers are unable to access the outage map due to a power outage, NIPSCO suggests using a mobile device, laptop computer or reaching out to any family and friends who might have access to the internet to check the status of an outage.

The enhanced outage map may be found by visiting www.NIPSCO.com/StormCenter

Outage Restoration Process

NIPSCO's Customer Contact Center stands ready to field calls in the event of electric outages. It's important for customers to contact NIPSCO directly to report an outage. This will improve the utility's ability to restore power as quickly as possible.

During major outages, NIPSCO works to restore power to critical facilities such as hospitals, lift stations, nursing homes, as well as police and fire stations. At the same time, NIPSCO crews are assessing damage and restoring power to areas where the greatest number of residential customers can be brought online as quickly and safely as possible.

Storm Safety Information

One of the most important safety tips NIPSCO recommends is for customers to monitor the weather and know what type of weather is forecast for the area. Below is a general overview of what NIPSCO does – and what customers should do – before, during and after storms.

Before the Storm

NIPSCO monitors the weather 24/7 using state-of-the-art mapping technology and forecasting information. When a major storm is forecast, NIPSCO crews are put on alert and prepared to respond. Customers can also prepare for storms by following the customer safety tips below:

- Compile a storm preparedness kit, which should include essential medicines, non-perishable food items and water, flashlights, portable radios, and a manual can opener.

- Know the location of your emergency supply kit.
- Review your evacuation plan. Have the phone numbers of evacuation destinations with you as well as a road map. You may need to take alternate routes if major roads are closed or clogged.

- Check to see if shrubs or trees need trimming or if you have any weak limbs. Be particularly careful when working near power lines. Also, remove items near the home that could possibly become airborne (toys, trash cans, etc.).

During the Storm

NIPSCO closely monitors the storm and its electric infrastructure. Crews and equipment are mobilized to restore power. Personnel at NIPSCO's call center are answering phones to collect outage reports. Customers should:

- Listen to local radio or TV stations for up-to-date storm information, including knowing what a tornado WATCH and WARNING means.
- Pick a place where family members can gather if a tornado is headed your way. It could be your basement or, if there is no basement, a center hallway, bathroom, or closet on the lowest floor. Keep away from windows.
- Fill your gas tank before a storm arrives, as gas pumps do not work if electricity is out. Automatic teller machines will also be shut off if the power goes, so have cash on hand.

Following the Storm:

NIPSCO crews will work around-the-clock to restore power. During severe storms, it may take several hours after the storm subsides before damage reports can be analyzed and restoration efforts are prioritized. Following storm activity, customers should:

- Immediately report a power outage or any power line hazards by calling NIPSCO at 1-800-4-NIPSCO (1-800-464-7726). Do not touch downed or hanging power lines or anything touching them.
- Monitor the status of power restoration activities on local radio stations, or at www.NIPSCO.com/StormCenter.
- Avoid opening the refrigerator or freezer. Food will stay frozen in a fully loaded freezer for 36 to 48 hours if the doors remain closed. If the freezer is half full, the food will generally keep 24 hours.

- Keep candies away from furniture, draperies and other flammable materials. Also, keep children and pets away from open flames.
- Disconnect or turn off appliances that were on when the power outage occurred. Leave a light on so you will know when power is restored.

- If you leave your home while the power is out, double-check that all heat producing appliances, such as stoves, irons and curling irons are unplugged before you leave.
- If there is severe damage and it appears that the outage will last an extended period of time, consider moving to an alternate location.

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Barb and Tom LaFollette hosted their annual Idle 500 party Sunday. Their guests for a lot of visiting and good food were their daughter and her family, Karina and Terry Bohac and Nick of Rochester; their son and his family, Chris and Nita LaFollette, Michele, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Thomas of LaPorte; friends, Tom and Sheryl Miller of Sharpsville, Bud Landis of Greentown, Kathy Barlow of Kokomo, Bill and Rita Barber of Wapavecong, Erschel and Micky Carlisle of Rochester and Corinne and Mike Chittum of Peru; their neighbors and their families, Renee Colley with Eric and Nathan Colley, Carol Broda with Carrie and George Sinnis, Loukas, Landon, Logan and Lawson and Gail and Chuck Scheeringa with Gail's mother, Erma Kankowski; and Michele's friend, Jordan. Stopping by for a few minutes in the morning was the LaFollettes' granddaughter, Shelby Bohac.

Mathilda Lamb and Cathy Leslie had a nice time attending the pancake and sausage meal at the local fire station Sunday.

Jerry and Kay Brown were among those who attended the high school graduation open house in honor of Josh Field Sunday afternoon.

Mathilda Lamb had a couple of callers Sunday. Stopping in for a short visit were her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb of Peru. Wayne and Cathy were on their way home from Benton Harbor, Michigan.

Memorial Day guests of Joe and Karen Good were Mark and Kelly Smith, Lindsey, Kara and Zachary; Lindsey's friend, Brent Ropp, and Kara's friend, Payton Daly.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Hannah Miller, Harry Richter, Seth Scantlen and Junior Sutton, June 6; Jon Gast, Don Kegarise, June 7; Mike Rude, Brent Studebaker and Courtney Thomas, June 7; Jeff Markley, June 8; Brian Estes, Eric Ousley and Maddison Smith, June 9; Mindy Douglass, Jennifer Hamman and Kyle Rans, June 10; Trinity Hanson and Kyle Podell, June 11; Kayleena Agnew, Matt Cochran, Garrett Ewyer, Amy Newton and Wes Rigney, June 12.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Tim Coggill, June 6; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Jarrod Hickle, Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Smara, June 7; Mr. and Mrs. Juan Sanchez, June 8; and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Markle, June 10.

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STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS OFFER TIPS TO PREVENT RECREATIONAL WATER ILLNESSES

"Water safety is the big concern during National Recreational Water Illness Prevention Week (May 24-30, 2010). The goal of this observance is to raise awareness about healthy swimming behaviors, including the prevention of recreational water illnesses and injuries.

Recreational water illnesses are spread by swallowing, breathing in vapors of, or contact with contaminated water in

swimming pools, water parks, spas, interactive fountains, lakes, or rivers.

State health officials say the best way to prevent recreational water illnesses from pools is to keep germs out. Jennifer House, D.V.M., Director of Zoonotic and Environmental Epidemiology at the Indiana State Department of Health, says everyone can help create healthy swimming experiences this summer by following these six healthy swimming steps:

- don't swim when you have diarrhea
- don't swallow pool water
- practice good hygiene. Shower with soap before swimming and wash your hands after using the toilet or changing diapers
- take your kids on bathroom breaks or change diapers often
- change diapers in a bathroom or a diaper-changing area and not at poolside
- wash children thoroughly (especially the rear end) with soap and water before they swim

The Indiana State Department of Health also cautions Hoosiers of the possible presence of blue-green algae, also known as Cyanobacteria, at many of Indiana's reservoirs, lakes, ponds, and slow-moving streams where the water is warm and enriched with nutrients like phosphorus or nitrogen from fertilizers.

"We recommend people use caution when swimming, skinning, or participating in other recreational water activities," said Dr. House. "Avoid coming into direct contact with the algae and try to avoid swallowing water if at all possible."

Even though it may not be visible, algae may still be present and anyone who recreates in Indiana's waters should take common sense precautions, including:

- Avoid coming in contact with visible algae while swimming, jet skiing or tubing
- Avoid swallowing any water while swimming
- Don't let your pet drink or swim in contaminated water
- If your pet does swim, be sure to properly bathe your pet afterwards and

Always supervise children playing in or around water, as they are more likely to swallow water.

Dr. House says it is always a good idea to take a bath or shower with warm, soapy water after coming in contact with untreated water in ponds and lakes, especially before preparing or consuming food. She also recommends people never drink, cook, or shower with untreated water from lakes, ponds, or streams. Pets and livestock should not be allowed to swim in or drink untreated water from these sources.

Anyone who may be experiencing symptoms related to exposure to recreational waters, including stomach cramps, diarrhea, vomiting, headache, fever, muscle weakness, or difficulty breathing, should contact their health care provider.

For more information on recreational water illnesses, visit the Indiana State Department of Health's Web site on healthy swimming at www.pools.indh.in.gov. For more information on blue-green algae, visit Indiana's Blue-Green Algae Web site at www.algae.IN.gov.

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methods that can potentially replace the use of live animals in the lab), Europe is leading the charge toward a future where highly trained lab technicians with computers and robots will replace sacrificial animals in assessing the toxicity of various substances. A ban on animal testing in cosmetics and household products will go into effect across the European Union in 2013.

American animal advocates would like to see similar legislation on the books in the U.S., but at this juncture it appears unlikely to happen for some time. Nonetheless, many are hopeful that Europe's action on the issue will help move the cosmetics and household products industries in the U.S. and elsewhere away from harming animals for consumers' sake.

In the meantime, if you're looking to avoid household cleaners that subject critics to poisons, you've never had so many choices. Back in 1996, the national animal protection groups banded together to form the Coalition for Consumer Information on Cosmetics (CCIC) in order to unify behind one standard for so-called "cruselly-free" cosmetics and household products.

The resulting Leaping Bunny certification logo is now proudly displayed on the packaging of more than 300 cosmetics and household cleaning products for sale across the U.S. The shopping guide on the coalition's LeapingBunny.org website points consumers to various household cleaning and other types of products that don't contain any ingredients subject to new animal testing.

Some of the top household cleaning products that meet Leaping Bunny criteria and are practical for a wide range of domestic tasks come from companies such as Seventh Generation, Earth Friendly Products, Earth Alive, Citra Solv, Natural Clean and Avon. Soapworks, among many others. You can order these products online via websites like Planet Natural and Green Feet, and many are sold in natural food stores.

CONTACTS: HSUS, www.hsus.org; LeapingBunny.org, www.leapingbunny.org; Planet Natural, www.planetnatural.com; Green Feet, www.greenfeet.com.

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Mary K. Williamson of Winamac had several visitors Sunday evening, May 16. Coming for a small family celebration were her children, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg and John Williamson, 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. The family had a fun time helping John celebrate his 60th birthday.

Angela Gast of Wake Forest, North Carolina was chauffeured home Monday, May 24, by her sisters and brother-in-law, Randy and Steve Neidig and Cora Lynn Clemons. She will be spending the summer with her parents, Jon and Barb Gast, before leaving on a year-long church mission trip.

Barb Hieber had a couple of visitors Monday. Coming down to spend a little time together were her daughter and grandson, Sue James and Joey Wilk of LaPorte.

Siblings Tim Cogdill of Macy and Jane Teeter of Bluffton spent Tuesday, May 25, with their mother, Ruth Cogdill. They enjoyed the beautiful morning sitting in the backyard and doing a lot of relaxing. Later, they made a trip to the IOOF cemetery to visit family gravesites. When they returned to Ruth's home, Tim and Jane planted flowers for their mom. The three enjoyed a late lunch at the Kibitzer and enjoyed visiting with Ace Bonnell and Eddie Murling. It was a wonderful day recalling lots of family memories.

Mathilda Lamb was in Rochester Tuesday. She enjoyed a visit with several friends over lunch.

Jerry Brown traveled to

Lakeville Tuesday evening. He was attending the high school girls' softball sectional game at Newton Center. Jerry's granddaughter, Leighnee Smith of Rochester, was one of the players participating.

Don and Pauline Scales had a visitor Thursday, May 27. Coming over in the afternoon for a chat was their son, Bruce Scales of Fulton.

Kathy Dees spent Thursday afternoon planting a few tomato and pepper plants for her mother, Florence Hogan.

Tom LaFollette helped Beth Larson serve pizzas at the Rochester VFW post Thursday evening.

Kay and Jerry Brown were at Newton Center near Lakeville Thursday evening. They were attending the high school girls' softball sectional game in which Leighnee Smith was playing.

Pauline and Don Scales had a caller one evening last week. Coming over to let them know that school was out and she would be able to visit more often was their great-granddaughter, Ally Wiest.

Pauline Brown had callers Friday, May 28. Coming over in the afternoon for a visit were Sharlene Hammbaugh and Barbara Brown of Rochester.

Florence Hogan and Kathy Dees had a busy day Friday. In the afternoon, they were joined by Florence's daughter and son-in-law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette, and her son, Mike Hogan, for a visit. In the evening, Florence and Kathy enjoyed dining at the Chi-Am restaurant in Rochester.

Ruth Cogdill and her daughter, Linda Ligocki of Winamac, had a wonderful day Friday. Linda made beautiful arrangements for the family gravesites. Linda and Ruth spent time at the IOOF cemetery

decorating graves and also spent over an hour at the old Shaffer cemetery. Linda was looking for the gravestones of Ruth's great-grandmother's four siblings who died in the 1800s. The ladies thought it was so wonderful to see the old cemetery mowed and well-maintained. Ruth and Linda spent the afternoon looking up records of the four children buried in the Shaffer cemetery (Ruth's great-grandmother's two oldest siblings are buried in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. They were born there in 1848 and 1861.) Ruth and Linda had a wonderful time looking at family pictures dated to the early 1900s.

Renee Colley had holiday visitors. Arriving Friday evening for a three-day visit were her son and grandson, Eric Colley and Nathan of Bartlett, Illinois.

Tom and Linda Garner had a houseguest Friday. Staying with them until Saturday evening was their grandson, Trey Young.

Leonard and Nancy Evers had holiday houseguests. Staying with them for a few days were their son, Bill Evers of Henrietta, New York, and his friend and her daughter, Veronica Parady and Courtney.

Wendy and Dan Kelly arrived early Saturday morning, May 29, to escort Florence Hogan and

Kathy Dees to Lafayette. The foursome drove around the city for part of the day. Around noontime, they dined at the Nine Irish Brothers restaurant and looked around the adjoining Five Irish Sisters bar. Later, they took Kathy to meet her limousine ride to the Indianapolis airport for her trip home to Visalia, California.

Carol Fernandez of Kennesaw, Georgia was a Memorial Day holiday weekend houseguest of her mother, Mary K. Williamson at Winamac.

Don and Mary Lou Carr of Lakeville, Pennsylvania are spending the week visiting with Don's sisters, Barb Gast and Betty Leazenby, and their families. Saturday morning the family attended the memorial service for Don, Barb and Betty's sister, Bea Ann Clark, which was held at the Kawanna United Methodist Church.

Helen Miller had weekend houseguests. Staying with her for the Memorial Day holiday were her granddaughter and her family, Suzanne and Mike Crump and Katie of Murcise.

The Leonard Evers family enjoyed a family picnic Saturday. The gathering was held at the local park and attended by 21 family members.

Helen Whiteman had a visitor Saturday, arriving in the evening for a chat was her son, Kevin Whiteman of Pulasht.

Renee, Eric and Nathan Colley and friend, Dick Fedorchak, enjoyed attending the pancake and sausage breakfast Sunday morning, May 30. The annual meal was prepared by members of the Kawanna Fire Department.

Florence Hogan, Kathy Dees and Florence's sister-in-law, Connie Shaw of LaPorte, enjoyed a visit Sunday morning. They were among those who attended the pancake and sausage breakfast prepared by members of the Kawanna Fire Department. Connie also enjoyed visiting with her former classmate and her husband, Beth and Ray Weller.

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