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Last fill-up – Key Discount Service Station, Kewanna's one and only gasoline station, has shut-off the pumps and locked the door. Owner Wayne McPherson cites \$10,000 in upgrades requested by IDEM as his reason for closing the door. He made some upgrades ten years ago in order to keep the pumps operating but didn't feel the cost was worth it at this time in his life. He has operated the business for 37 years – taking over in January 1973. His father, Joseph McPherson, started the business in 1935. Joe also owned and operated a movie theater in town, opening in 1950 at the present site of Kewanna Pro Hardware on Main Street.

The McPherson family has a long history of serving the residents of Kewanna in one form or another. Wayne's great-great-grandfather was a doctor and his great-grandfather and grandfather operated local drug stores.

The business is for sale, so if there is a young, energetic person out there who isn't afraid of long hours and hard work, Key Discount can be yours for \$65,000, including the upgrades. Just talk to Wayne!

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**AREA FIVE MENU
 Kewanna Fire Station**

Monday, January 19 – Meal site closed in recognition of Martin Luther King Day

Wednesday, January 21 – Salisbury steak, broccoli, carrots, strawberries, roll and milk

Friday, January 23 – Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, brownie, wheat bread and milk

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Fulton County firemen respond to Delphi fire

Eight Fulton County firemen, including three from Kewanna, were among those who recently responded to a blaze at The Andersons near Delphi. Jim Felda and Chuck Felda, Kewanna volunteers, along with Jack Clark and Chad Lewis of Rochester, were on hand for a 12-hour shift ending at 7 a.m. Saturday morning, January 3, and Kewanna Assistant Fire Chief Tony Pesaresi, Norm Benzing and Craig Smith of Rochester and Lloyd Herrell of Aubbeenaubsee township volunteered their services from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday.

The original fire report came in shortly after 5 a.m. December 27 when a fire was discovered in a 17,000-ton pile of corncobs. Fire departments from all over the area responded to the fire.

It is believed the fire started deep in the pile due to spontaneous combustion and traveled upward. Steady wind gusts fed oxygen to the fire, hampering the efforts of the firefighters. The pile of cobs was so high that even aerial trucks could not get water to the fire.

Tony Pesaresi headed up the local volunteers that helped fight the fire. They took one of Kewanna's pumpers, hooked three lines to it, and pumped water from a rock quarry into tankers shuttling water to the site of the fire.

By Saturday evening, Jan. 3, the fire was determined to be under control and firefighters were sent home. At least 46 fire departments from 13 counties responded to the blaze.

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Town council holds first session of year

The Kewanna town council met Thursday evening, January 8, at the town hall for its first session of the year.

Mike Strang gave the council an update on construction at the sewage treatment plant. Currently, the liner is in but there are some issues with some areas of it. Pieces of liner still remain in the lagoon and will need to be removed prior to filling. Also, the drain pipe was moved during sludge removal and could possibly be broken. The council agreed to hold pay request No. 6 to Thieneman Construction subject to verifying the condition of the drain pipe.

Tony Pesaresi gave the fire department report for December, noting the local department's participation in the corn cob fire at Delphi, along with Rochester and Leiters Ford. He also reported that Jay Cunningham has been elected fire chief for 2009. Tony Pesaresi and Larry Baldwin will serve as assistant chiefs, Jim Felda, captain, and Brock Hinderlider and Chuck Felda, lieutenants. The department responded to four town alarms during December, all medical, and nine township alarms, one fire and eight medical.

The council retained all officers, boards, commissioners and personnel for 2009. These appointments include Larry Baldwin, Dennis Price and Mike Molitor to the board of safety; Dan Birge, police commissioner; and Mark Smith, building commissioner. The three council members will also make up the water board and sewage board.

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The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, January 8, in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. All five directors as well as nine freeholders were present.

The minutes of the previous meetings were unanimously approved as was the treasurer's report. Vice chairman Gerald Porter covered the correspondence received during the past month.

Chairman Norm Steigely reported that since the bid for dredging from DTI was not complete, they are not the low bidder. This means that All Things Water is the low bidder with a bid of \$106,000. An additional \$2,500 will be charged if a ramp needs to be built over County Road 1100 West. The board voted to award the bid to All Things Water. They have indicated that the work will be completed during the 2009 season. A time table is not available at this time.

Director Brad Glasson was put in charge of getting a mail box with a lock placed at the sewage treatment plant site. Receiving mail at the lake will pay for the cost of the mail box in just a few months as there will be no daily mileage charge for driving to Kewanna to pick up the mail.

Gerald Porter reported on some electrical problems the district is

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**The News
 In Brief**

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Monday, January 19, in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

The Criminal Justice Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, January 21, at 7:30 a.m. in the Fulton County Office Building, Rochester.

The Fulton County Public Library board of trustees met Monday at the library. Much of the discussion concerned the new library being built in Leiters Ford. Director Linn Landis gave her report and financial reports were heard. The next meeting of the board will be at 4 p.m. Monday, February 2 in Room B of the library.

The Denver Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring an afternoon of gospel, bluegrass and ole time country music Sunday, January 18, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Denver Community Building. The Blue Grass Buddies and Friends will be performing. Donations will be accepted to help the volunteer firefighters pay for much needed equipment.

The Fulton County Board of Health will meet in regular session Tuesday, January 20, at 12:15 p.m. in the small conference room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester.

Unemployment in the U.S. hit a 16-year high of 7.2 percent in December. Reportedly, 2.6 million jobs disappeared in 2008, the most since World War II.

Revenues at Indiana's casinos fell sharply last year. Casino executives blame the recession and last year's \$4-a-gallon gasoline for the decrease.

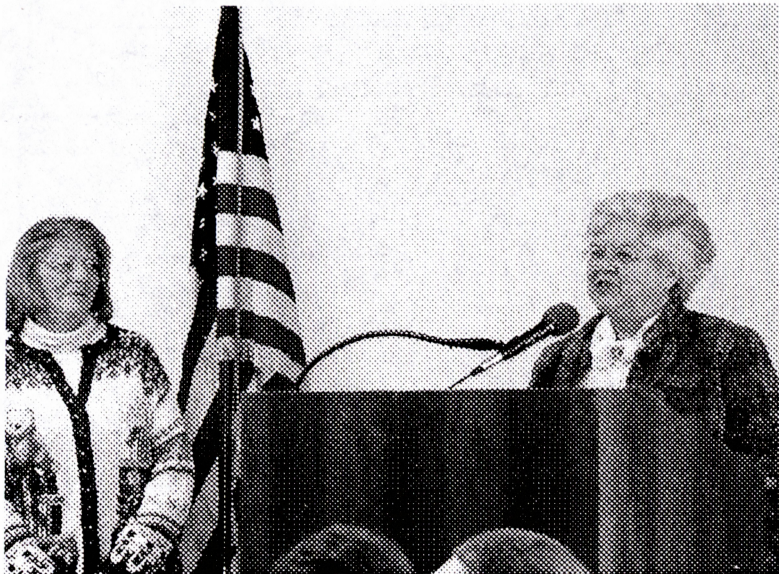
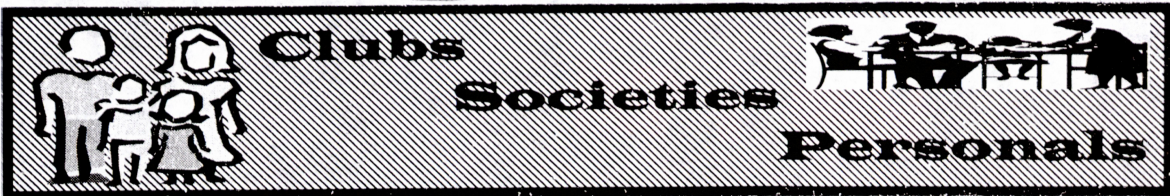
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Gutwein responds to Governor's address

State Rep. Douglas Gutwein, in responding to Gov. Daniels' State of the State address, stated the he believes Daniels demonstrated his determination to put into practice smart and solid ideas that will guide Indiana through the current economic crisis. He noted that the governor will fight for a balanced budget that won't use funds that the State will need if things get worse.

Gutwein encourages local constituents to contact him with questions or concerns through email at h16@in.gov or by calling the Statehouse toll free at 1-800-382-9841. You can also write to him at 200 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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Hospice service award

Linda Rhoads has been awarded the 2009 Hospice Service Award. The presentation was made during a noon luncheon at the Manitou Banquet Center in Rochester. Rhoads, a volunteer with Hope Hospice, was selected to receive this year's award by the other volunteers and staff of Hope Hospice. The presentation of the award was made by Sarah Purkey, RN, right.

According to Executive Director Daniel Purkey, "Linda has been a volunteer for Hope Hospice since 2007. She exudes what a volunteer truly is. Not long after becoming a volunteer, Linda was given the opportunity to begin seeing one of our patients. After several months of regular visits she had established a relationship

with not only the patient but the caregiver as well. On a routine visit Linda knew something was wrong with the caregiver. He was actively having a stroke! Linda stayed with the caregiver in the emergency room until he was transferred to another hospital. Bit it didn't stop there. Until the family could get organized, she along with our staff members, stayed with the patient 24-hours-a-day for five days. Her self sacrifice is what volunteering is all about."

For the past 11 years, the Hospice Service Award has been given to a Hope Hospice volunteer, staff member, or other individual or organization that has given help and encouragement to Hope Hospice.

The previous Hospice Service Award winners are: 1998 Alan Bailey; 1999 Sarah Purkey; 2000 Dr. Michael Brubaker; 2001 Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church; 2002 Pete Terpstra; 2003 Jan Stayton; 2004 Carol Brazo; 2005 Joe Williams; 2006 Rev. Ronald Purkey; 2007 Linda

England; and 2008 Brenda Purkey, RN, CHPH.

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**James F. Talbott VFW
Post No. 1121
January Calendar**

January 13 - Men's meeting, 6:30 p.m.

January 21 - Women's Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

January 25 - Open Sunday at the Post, 12 noon

January 27 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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**Frontier party,
January 25**

The Fulton County Museum will host a frontier party at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 25, honoring a frontier boy who lived in Fulton County in 1833, working for the Michigan Road surveying team. The lad is the subject of a book entitled "Alone - The Journey of the Boy Sims" written by Alan Garinger of Selma, Indiana.

The party will celebrate the publication of this book by the Indiana Historical Society. Refreshments will include foods of that period such as hoecakes (actually cornbread cookies with cranberries or chocolate chips), coffee soup and grape dumplings. Mr. Garinger will give a talk entitled "Three Kinds of History" and will autograph his book. Tim Eizinger of Rochester will tell about the 1833 survey.

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**Pulaski Memorial
Hospital Calendar**

Cancervive, a support group for people who have a history of cancer or those currently being treated for cancer, their families and friends, will meet Tuesday, Jan. 20, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the PMH hospice center. This is a free service of PMH and is open to residents of any county. For more information, call 574-946-2147.

PMH is open to residents of any county who have experienced the death of any aged child. Call 574-946-2180 for more information. This is a free service offered by PMH.

The Living with Grief Support Group is offered at PMH. This group is for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. For information, please call 574-946-2100, ext. 1149.

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**Kewanna Town Council
Meetings
First Thursday of Each Month
7 p.m. - Town Hall
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PMH is offering a Healthcare Provider class January 27. This class is designed for persons in the healthcare field. Class starts at 6 p.m. Eastern Time and will end at approximately 10 p.m. The cost is \$40 per person. Call 574-946-2193 to request a registration form or pick one up at the admissions desk. Class size is limited so please respond by January 24.

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

January 2
Births - John and Misty Blickenstaff, Twelve Mile, a son; Rick and Teresa Shoemaker, Akron, a son;

January 4
Births - Josh and Pauline Warren, Rochester, a daughter

January 5
Admissions - Edna Spencer, Logansport; Emmett Meek, Rochester; Sharon Hileman, Fulton

Dismissals - Maryann Imhoff and daughter, Argos; Misty Blickenstaff and son, Twelve Mile; Teresa Shoemaker and son, Akron; Edna Spencer, Logansport

Births - Jamie Meckley, Culver, a daughter

January 6
Admissions - Elyse Coleman, Michael Wilkins, Lloyd Rich and Owen Zimpleman, Rochester

Dismissals - Pauline Warren and daughter and Michael Wilkins, Rochester

January 7
Admissions - none published

Dismissals - Elyse Coleman and Emmett Meek, Rochester

Births - John and Alesia Stanton, Rochester, a son

January 8
Admissions - Rickey Willard, Rochester

Dismissals - Jamie Meckley and daughter, Culver

Births - Dale and Elisha Overmyer, Tippecanoe, a daughter

January 9
Admissions - Maycee Koch,

Rochester
Dismissals - Sharon Hileman, Fulton

DEATHS

JAMES "JIM" BERRY
James "Jim" Berry, 82, Kewanna, passed away at 11:09 p.m. Sunday, January 11, 2009 at his residence.
Born September 27, 1926, at Charleston, West Virginia, he was the son of Thomas and Elsie Nickels Berry. He was married December 29, 1953, in Plainfield to Lois E. Vogel, who survives.
A World War II Army veteran, Jim was a member of the V.F.W. Post #1728, Winamac, where he was a past commander. He owned and operated Jim Berry and Sons, Inc., Kewanna.
Family members surviving besides his wife include two daughters, Ellen King and her husband Don, Rochester, and Kathy Green and her husband Ron, Kewanna; three sons, Jim Berry and his wife Sharon, David Berry and his wife Melanie, and Pat Berry and his wife Tracy, all of Kewanna; four grandsons, Jeff King and his wife Tori, Decatur, Illinois, Matt Berry, Kewanna, Brian Clemons and his wife Veronika, Jacksonville, North Carolina, and Adam Berry, Kewanna; six granddaughters, Melinda Shultz and her husband Rich, Kewanna, Jamie Taylor and her husband Nick, Kewanna, Kellie Schmaltz and her husband Jake, Royal Center, Hali Berry, Kewanna, Chelce Berry, Kewanna, and Sidney Berry, Kewanna; five great-granddaughters, Madison and

Bailey Shultz and Jessica Taylor, Kewanna, Rileigh Schmaltz and Emilie Schmaltz, Royal Center; and two step grandsons, Aaron Green, Logansport, and Patrick Green, Florida.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, January 15, at the Gundrum Funeral Home in Logansport. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, January 16, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Shop with a Cop, c/o the Fulton County Sheriff's Dept.

DAVID EUGENE FOUST

David Eugene Foust, 79, Plymouth, died of a chronic terminal illness Saturday, January 10, 2009 at the Merry Manor Nursing Home, Culver. Dave, as he was known to most, lived his life much as his life ended - with dignity, a great sense of humor, strong of character and faith, and with a quiet sense of peacefulness.

Dave was born November 21, 1936, to Norman and Alice (Disinger) Foust and lived most of his growing up years in Kewanna. He was married March 23, 1956, to Rita Kathleen Mohler, who survives.

Dave was honorably discharged from the United States Army on October 1, 1961. His patriotism was evident as an American flag was always displayed outside his home. He worked for 44 years at Dean Foods, beginning his career in Rochester, transferring to the corporate offices in Franklin Park, Illinois, and then ending his career once again in Rochester.

Dave's faith and the saving of souls for heaven were of paramount concern to both he and his wife. They were founding members of Willow Creek Community Church in the Chicago suburbs. Upon his retirement, he served as Sunday school superintendent and on the board of directors at the Winamac Church of the Nazarene. Upon moving to Plymouth, they joined the First United Methodist Church.

His survivors also include three children, Kathy Seby and her husband John of Lakewood, Colorado, Randall (Randy) Foust and his wife Lynda, Mountain, Wisconsin, and Jennifer (Jenny) Wilk and her husband Kevin,

Roselle, Illinois; 12 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and their families to whom he was known affectionately as Grandpa Dave. There is also a sister-in-law, Joyce Brooks, and numerous nieces and nephews who have considered him a surrogate father. Dave was a brother to Willard and his wife Sally Foust of Kewanna, who preceded him in death. Surviving brothers include Harold Foust and his wife Patricia of Leiters Ford and Mariona Foust of Palm Harbor, Florida.

A visitation was held Tuesday evening, January 13, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Johnson Danielson Funeral Home, Plymouth. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, January 14, at the First United Methodist Church, Plymouth, with military rites performed by the Plymouth American Legion Post No. 27 and Plymouth VFW Post No. 1162.

Memorials may be made to the family via the funeral home at www.johnsondanielson.com.

HOWARD F. HUFFMAN

Services were held Tuesday, January 6, at Sunnycrest United Methodist Church in Marion for former Grass Creek resident, Howard F. Huffman, 83, Marion. Burial was at Grant Memorial Park Cemetery with full military rites. He passed away early Thursday, January 1, 2009.

Born March 1, 1925, in Grass Creek, he was the son of Clarence W. and Ethel C. Huffman. He was married October 4, 1958, to Mildred Street, who survives.

He was a graduate of Grass Creek High School. He served with the United States Navy during World War II aboard the USS Detroit. He was an active member of the Sunnycrest United Methodist Church and sang in its choir as well as a barbershop quartet.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, his sister and brother-in-law, Pauline and Don Scales, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and three

sisters.

JAMES S. WOODS

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 12, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for James S. Woods, 63, Kewanna with Chaplain Jason See officiating. Burial was in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery with military graveside rites conducted by the LeRoy Shelton American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars of Rochester.

Mr. Woods died at 9:46 a.m. December 11, 2008, in Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester. He was born February 15, 1945 in Gary to David E. and Elizabeth D. Shaw Woods. He had lived in Fulton County for about 30 years, coming here from Gary.

A U.S. Army veteran, he served during the Vietnam era and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans and the National Rifle Association. He worked for U.S. Steel for 20 years.

Survivors include three sisters, Elizabeth Grant and her husband, Mark, and June Dyer and her husband, James, all of Chesterton, and Mary Francis Clark and her husband, USAF Captain Mark, of Fulton, Maryland; three brothers, David E. Woods, Jr., Rochester, Denton S. Woods and his wife, Margaret, Kewanna, and Thomas W. Woods and his wife, Sandra, of Cedar Lake; and nieces and nephews. His parents preceded him in death.

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SIXTY YEARS AGO January 13, 1949

Mrs. Rosetta Budd, mother of Mrs. Thomas Carter, was pleasantly surprised on her 82nd birthday Sunday when about 40 guests gathered at her home near Monterey. Mrs. Budd is the mother of 14 children, 12 of whom are living.

Mrs. Bert Gillespie entertained the Ladies Aid Society of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Roy Davis and Mrs. Albert Worl were assistant hostesses. Mrs. Dux presented the lesson on "Women of Bible Times". Mrs. Van Tuyle Gillespie and Mrs. Lester Shidaker sang a duet.

Final rites were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Harrison Funeral Home for Mrs. Lucy A. Myers, 84, who died Saturday evening at the home of her son, Ervin, Rt. 4, Rochester. Other survivors include another son, Lowell, Kewanna; a brother, Lynn Master, Metea; and a grandson, Ray Myers, Rt. 4, Rochester.

Guy Urbin of Guy Urbin Auto Co. has just returned from Detroit where he attended a dealer meeting and previews of the new 1949 Chevrolet cars.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Doud and son entertained members and families of the Prairie Grove Home Ec Club last Friday night in their home. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. John Friedrich and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCrosky, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Chizum and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Turner and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brockey and family and Mrs. Sam Landes.

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The Indiana Public Service Commission recently ordered General Telephone Company of Indiana to install dial service at Fulton on or before June 30.

Ground was broken recently in front of the First Baptist Church as the first step toward a remodeling project. The addition to the front of the church will provide three Sunday school rooms, two rest rooms and a nursery which will enable mothers to hear the sermons and attend to their babies' needs at the same time.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Nada Willy of Logansport to J. C. Herrold of Grass Creek. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Willy, Rt. 6, Logansport, and her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herrold, Grass Creek.

Clyde Mosher, prominent Kewanna merchant, has resigned his position on the township advisory board. Replacing Mosher will be Dr. R. T. Lord, Kewanna dentist, who was appointed by the two remaining board members, Ellis J. McNabb and Dr. Paul B. Heinsen.

Wayne Myers Steel Building Sales of Logansport has appointed Donald Troutman as its representative in this area.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Wolcott Methodist Church for Mrs. Emma (Amy) Fisher, 81, of Wolcott. Mrs. Fisher died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Perry Cotton, Elwood. She was the mother of Woodward Fisher of here.

You could buy three Pillsbury cake mixes at Bennett's IGA in Kewanna for 89 cents.

FIFTY YEARS AGO January 15, 1959

Galen and Meda Hoover of Kewanna were injured Friday, January 9, when the 1958 Ford he was driving missed a curve due to

icy roads, skidded 297 feet through a fence and into a cornfield, narrowly missing a huge tree. The accident occurred in Liberty Township. The couple was treated by a local doctor and they are recuperating at home.

James McKinney, Union township trustee, has been appointed to fill an unexpired term as trustee member of the Fulton County Board of Public Welfare. McKinney will succeed Vernon Cumberland of Akron whose term as Henry township trustee expired Dec. 31. McKinney's welfare board term runs until May 31, 1962.

Jennifer Garner underwent a tonsillectomy in Starke Memorial Hospital at Knox, Monday.

Willis Oberloher, stepson of Paul Weller of here, is in the Army hospital, Orleans, France, where he is being treated for a serious infection in his hand.

Arthur Hoffman of Winamac and Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman and son accompanied Howard Hoffman to Indianapolis Sunday where he left for Key West, Florida. He is stationed with the Navy in Key West and spent a few days here with relatives.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO January 16, 1964

Kewanna firemen were kept busy Sunday as a house in Kewanna burned down and a

small barn in Union township was destroyed by fire. The Ronnie Hamman residence, owed by Webb Jennings of Kewanna, was destroyed about 10:30 a.m. while the family was away. Sunday evening, a granary and milk house on the George Schmidt farm, four miles north of Kewanna on State Road 17, was destroyed along with a cow and two young calves.

Elmer Hickle has resigned as town marshal after 25 years of service and will devote his attention to supervising the water works system. Aron Ousley, night watchman, will assume Mr. Hickle's duties along with those he has now.

Mrs. Millie Cunningham, 78, Rt. 3, Kewanna, died at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gale Slater, Rt. 3, Kewanna, following a lingering illness. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the Harrison Funeral Home, Royal Center.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Cunningham, Kewanna, a son in Memorial Hospital, Logansport. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 14 ounces and has been named Robert John.

Twenty-year-old Barry Scales of Grass Creek died of carbon monoxide poisoning in his snow-covered car Sunday night or early

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**"LOOKING BACK"
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Monday morning after the car skidded off Indiana 16 and got stuck in the snow.

A baby shower was given in honor of Jeffrey Joe Good and his mother, Mrs. Karen Good, Friday at the home of Mrs. Lora Pinder with Mrs. Jean Smith as her co-hostess. Games were enjoyed with prizes going to Mrs. Ruth Urbin and Mrs. Good.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO
January 11, 1979**

The monthly meeting of the Kewanna Emergency Medical Technicians and ambulance drivers was held Sunday, Jan. 7, at the town hall. The main item of business was election of officers. Chosen to serve were Paul Patterson, president; Eileen Donathen, vice president; Betty Gudeman, secretary; and Brenda Johnston, public relations.

After a holiday lay-off of about three weeks, the Kewanna Indians traveled to LaCrosse Saturday where they handed their hosts a 61-47 defeat. Rodney Hall was high scorer for Kewanna with 20 points. Rick Evers and Bryan Prilliman added 15 and 12, respectively.

Debra Sommers of Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sommers, Rt. 2, Kewanna, has been promoted from marketing manager to district sales manager by Hamilton Industries. Her territory includes Southern Ohio, Southern Indiana,

Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Seidel of Rochester and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graffis of here visited recently with Dr. and Mrs. Richard Graffis and family in Indianapolis and helped Craig Graffis celebrate his third birthday.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO
January 12, 1989**

The Kewanna town board met for its first meeting of 1989 Thursday evening. Doran Collins was chosen to retain his position as president of the board. The other two board members were Mary Kathryn Harper and Carole Hamman.

Church bells throughout Fulton County will ring at noon on January 23 to mark the U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. The bells will ring 23 times, in memory of the 23 million babies that have been killed since the Roe vs. Wade decision.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller met their grandson, Ron Miller, at the Indianapolis Airport recently. Ron, a Ft. Lauderdale, Florida resident, is attending Purdue University.

Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good and Kelly were Mr. and Mrs. Brad Good and Cory of Rochester, Richard Good of Lake Cicott, Mrs. John Good, Kirk and Holly, of Winamac, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Good, Ruth Talbott and Golda

Hamman. The group celebrated the January birthdays of Delbert Good, Brad Good, and Kirk Good.

**TEN YEARS AGO
January 14, 1999**

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library is coordinating Spanish classes to be held weekly during February and March at the Kewanna United Methodist Church and taught by Tammy Wilson.

Anyone interested in attending the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame induction March 25 in Carmel was asked to call Bill Schroer, Rochester, for tickets. Phil Wills, a 1957 graduate of Grass Creek High School, is one of the inductees.

Cecil F. Stangle, 88, Kewanna, died at 4:40 p.m. Sunday, January 10, at Pulaski Health Care Center, Winamac. Funeral services will be held today at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Royal Center chapel.

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**BBB lists top 10
inquiries/complaints**

"In 2008, the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana received 395,176 inquiries compared to 197,576 in 2007. That represents a difference of almost 200,000, which translates into an increase of roughly 100% in inquiries over 2007," said Michael Coil, President/CEO of BBB of Northern Indiana. "This increase is attributed to a greater number of people searching companies on our Web site before purchasing, something we have certainly encouraged the public to do. They are really seeing the value. when we take our presentations to high schools, part of the presentation is students searching the reliability reports of several businesses. Our new letter system will give BBB the opportunity to explain to students how to read a report and how BBB arrives at the rating scale."

BBB of Northern Indiana will be introducing the ratings/letter grade system on Feb. 1. "The new ratings system, adopted by BBBs in the U.S. and Canada, is one more step in our branding strategy," said Coil. "When consumers search reports on companies, they will no longer see just 'satisfactory' or 'unsatisfactory'. It will be a letter grade, A+ through F. In addition, consumers can find out why a particular letter grade was assigned to the company."

Coil explained that the new letter grades will better define a business's trustworthiness. "This new aspect of BBB reporting will benefit not only the consumer, but the business owner. People want clear facts and that is exactly what the grading system will give them. As consumers continue to search our Web sites

as a means of 'checking before buying', the letter grade will add more value than ever," Coil said. "As technology continues to become more dominant in our society, we face new faces of crime on the Internet; links to what appear to be legitimate sites, and companies starting up and closing down Internet businesses when the heat is turned up, only to open another Internet site under a different name. Keeping up with all of this is a daunting task. It's hard to hear consumers tell us about the thousands of dollars they have lost in these types of schemes. We encourage all consumers to make it a habit to use our Web site or call us to save themselves headaches down the road. We make it our business to expose bad business."

Coil also said that with the increase in inquiries, complaints were down 5.7% in 2008 from the prior year. He cites this decrease as a reflection of more consumers checking before purchasing or donating. BBB of Northern Indiana's Top 10 inquiries also listed charities. "This is a very pleasant surprise for us. There are hundreds of thousands of charities in the U.S. alone, and there are many of those who will 'revise' the names of excellent charitable organizations to solicit money. There are many good and grateful charities out there and we want to see donations go to the ones who really work those dollars for the intended cause," he said.

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU
January 19 - 23**

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk
Tuesday - Cinnamon roll, string cheese, juice and milk
Wednesday - Breakfast pizza, juice and milk
Thursday - Half day of school, no breakfast
Friday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Cheese pizza, peas, pears, brownie and milk
Tuesday - Cheeseburger, French fries, orange juice, muffin and milk
Wednesday - Corn dog, green beans, peaches, cookie and milk
Thursday - half day of school, no lunch
Friday - Chili soup, pickle spear, mixed fruit, peanut butter sandwich and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Chicken pizza quesadillas, green beans, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar
Tuesday - Chicken nuggets, cheese breadstick, California blend, applesauce, and milk. Choice - salad bar
Wednesday - Chili soup, crackers, peanut butter sandwich, pickle spear, orange juice cup and milk. Choice - salad bar
Thursday - half day of school, no lunch

Friday - Chicken fajitas with salsa, lettuce & cheese, peach crisp and milk. Choice - potato bar

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**Indiana State
Fairgrounds
Upcoming Events**

33rd Annual Greater Indianapolis Garage Sale & Marketplace: Jan. 17 - 18 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$3.50/day or \$5/weekend; children 12 and younger free. Contact: The Promotion Company (317) 236-6515 or www.familyevents.com.

41st Annual Central Indiana RV & Camper Show: Jan. 17 - 25 in the West Pavilion. Hours: Mon. - Fri. 1 to 9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7 adults; \$6 seniors (60+); children 16 and younger free with adult admission. Contact: Mark Bowersox (317) 247-6258 or www.centralindianarvshow.com.

Stewart's Indiana Flea Market: Jan. 23 - 25 in the Ag/Hort Building. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Stewart Promotions (502) 456-2244 or www.stewartpromotions.com.

Brewers of Indiana Guild Winterfest: Jan. 24 in the Champions Pavilion. Hours: 4 to 7 p.m. Admission: \$20 advance tickets available at Brewer pubs; \$25 at the door. Contact: Penn Jensen (812) 822-2006 or www.brewersofindianaguild.com.


Indiana Judges Cup Gymnastics: Jan. 24 - 25 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission: \$5 adults; \$3 children grades 1 - 12. Contact: Judy Kemp (812) 265-3586 or www.in-nawgj.org.

Indianapolis Woodworking Show: Jan. 30 - Feb. 1 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$6 for one-day pass; \$9 for 3-day pass. Contact: Joe Strong (401) 253-1330 or www.thewoodworkingshows.com.

86th Annual Indianapolis Home Show: Jan. 30 - Feb. 8 in the Toyota Exposition Hall, West Pavilion and South Pavilion. Hours: Fridays 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Sundays 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Admission: \$12 at door; \$9 online; children 6-12 \$5; children 5 and younger free. Contact: 800-395-1350.

Indy Circle Track Expo 9: Jan. 31 in the Champions Pavilion and Grand Hall. Hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. with auction in the Grand Hall at 2:30 p.m. Admission: \$10; children 12 and younger free. Contact: Craig Dori (317) 381-9931 or www.shoestringracing.com.

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Rank	Business Category	Inquiries	Rank	Business Category	Complaints
1	Catalog Showrooms	13,934	1	Cellular Telephone Service	143
2	Roofing Contractors	13,703	2	Auto Dealers - New	142
3	Contractors-General	10,660	3	Magazines Door-to-Door	139
4	Construction/Remodeling	9,746	4	Auto Dealers - Used	127
5	Heating & Air Conditioning	8,848	5	Furniture - Retail	90
6	Home Builders	8,431	6	Construction/Remodeling	85
7	Windows - Installation/Services	7,761	7	Auto Repair & Service	76
8	Auto Dealers - Used	6,557	8	Roofing Contractors	69
9	Work-at-Home Co.	6,048	9	Landscape Contractors	65
10	Charity Soliciting Locally	5,780	10	Manufacturers & Producers	65

Town Council Continued from Page 1

Mike Molitor will remain as town superintendent; Dennis Price, marshal; Ed Haines, Chris Sailors, Danny Winter, Sr. and Matt Hipsher, deputies; and Jon Sailors, deputy reserve.

Marshal Dennis Price gave his monthly report noting three traffic warnings; one accident report; 28 calls answered; one vehicle checked; and 1,240 miles patrolled. Marshal Price talked and ate lunch with the senior citizens in the community room December 29.

Dick Gardner requested that his contract with the town for the disposal of septic wastes be renewed. The request was okayed.

Casi Cramer of the Area Plan Commission handed out her end-of-the-year report. A total of 402 permits were issued during the year in Fulton County including 25 in Union Township (one dwelling, five garages, four pole barns and 16 others) and eight in Kewanna (one garage, one pole barn and six others). Cramer also asked the council to consider building codes in addition to the required building permits. Jack Urbin was re-appointed to a four-year term on the board.

Doran Collins was re-appointed to the FEDCO board. Collins asked the council if it wanted him to move forward with matters concerning the CSX property, knowing costs could be incurred. The council okayed the action.

The council discussed two ordinances dealing with water disconnection policies for non-payment and the responsibilities of rental owners. These ordinances will be strictly enforced.

The council agreed to seek quotes for new radios for the street, water and sewage department as the present radios are not functioning.

An executive session was set for Thursday, January 15, at 5 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

The town superintendent reported that Christmas decorations were put up the first week of December. The superintendent attended a three-day seminar in Columbus the first of December to obtain his continuing education credits. The leaf pick-up equipment was put away for the year and the sander and spreader were installed on the dump truck to get ready for the winter months. The assistant superintendent has been working in the town garage cleaning, moving file cabinets, tables and the locating maps to the office being prepared for the superintendent. Town employees dealt with an ice storm that took out power and hundreds of tree limbs. The town generator was serviced ahead of time to get it ready for the incoming storm, but problems were still encountered. Jenkinson Tree Service was called in the cut broken limbs that were still hanging from the trees and clean up some of the debris. Several sewage construction problems were also dealt with during the month. The water works pumped a total of 1,146,000 gallons of water during the last month of 2008.

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Lake Bruce Conservancy

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having with the vacuum stations. Four hundred amp fuses have been blown at both stations due to power surges. Porter feels that these fuses should not be the first line of defense against these surges and is working with the engineers and contractors to get the problem resolved. He also indicated that the district had a problem with the east side generator not coming on. The problem was due to a frozen gas meter. NIPSCO has replaced the meter. Gerald also indicated that additional gravel is needed in the drives to the west side vacuum station and treatment plant. Theineman Construction will be coming out to look at the problem and determine what needs to be done. It has not been determined who will have to pay for the additional gravel at this time. If the district must cover the cost, Gerald will look into getting the work done.

Gerald also reported that he has met with fencing contractors to get a price on fencing the west side vacuum station as the district has been having problems with people driving across the old railroad right-of-way and damaging district property. It was suggested that the work be done in two stages. Stage one would cost around \$2,100.

The treatment plant operator, Richard Denny, reported that there were a few problems at the treatment plant but the contractor is in the process of correcting these. He also said the plant is now receiving about 4,000 gallons of waste a day. The inspector, Paul Bradley, said that there are now 24 connections made to the system. Work has slowed down the past month due to the weather.

The change in wording to the sewer connection ordinance that was approved at the last meeting was read. The changes were that a preliminary connection drawing must be submitted at the time of applying for a permit and that the permit fee allows for only two on-site inspections. If additional on-site inspections are needed, there will be a fee of \$50 for each additional inspection. The subject of lift pumps was discussed as the district has been getting questions about them. A lift pump guideline has been put together and is currently under advisement as some additional information must be checked out.

Rick Tompos, treasurer, reported that new coupon books have been mailed and everyone should have received them. If you did not receive one yet, please contact the district.

Norman Steigely submitted his resignation as director effective at the annual meeting in February. Anyone interested in filling this vacancy should send a letter addressed to the Board of Directors, Lake Bruce Conservancy District, P.O. Box 97, Kewanna, IN 46939. This letter should explain how your knowledge and experience will be helpful to the operation of the conservancy district. Letters must be mailed first class and received by February 19, 2009. The applicant must be a freeholder

and own property within the conservancy district's boundaries.

The board approved the placing of legal notices to announce the annual meeting and for replacing a director.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

The annual meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 19. All freeholders of the district and interested parties are welcome to attend.

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Letter To The Editor

Excellent value in a tough economy

Whether you're watching network news, reading a hometown newspaper or visiting with a colleague at the proverbial water cooler, one topic trumps all others these days - THE ECONOMY. And more times than not, the tone skews toward the negative.

Here's a positive twist to "the topic of the day." It's not going to save our automakers or reverse the direction of the NYSE. But it is a practical way for you and your family to enjoy an evening of entertainment at a price most families can afford, even in today's coupon-clipping world.

This Friday or Saturday night, take your family to a boys' or girls' high school basketball game. Tickets at most Indiana high schools are only \$5.00 each. Parking is free. And the hot, freshly popped popcorn costs about a dollar a bag.

So a family of four can enjoy an entertaining night out for less than \$30.00, depending on the choices you make at the concession stand.

There are other positives, too. In most cases you'll be able to sit in unreserved, floor level seats on a first-come, first-served basis. The kind of front row seats that usually sell for hundreds of dollars at most professional sports venues. There's nothing as much fun or engaging as being close to the action, especially if you have children in your family.

You won't have to wonder if you are attending a G, PG, or NC17-rated event. High school basketball in Indiana is pure, unadulterated, wholesome family entertainment.

And for most of us, the high school in our community is located just minutes from home. So it won't take much time or cost much money to get there.

In reality, the modest sum of money your family spends to attend a high school sporting event is more than an investment than an expense. That's because high school ticket revenue is used to pay for team uniforms, upgrade equipment and help support sports like cross country, swimming and diving, tennis and track & field; sports that do not typically generate enough revenue to be self-sustaining.

It's also an investment in the young men and women who are learning that being a representative of their school means they also are representatives of their community. By supporting them now, we are affirming the importance of citizenship,

sportsmanship and community service in years to come.

Most importantly, attending a high school sporting event is an investment in the children in your own family. They will see firsthand how attributes such as dedication, hard work, persistence and teamwork have their just reward. And their role models are likely to become the high school players they watch perform; young men and women who are physically fit and mentally prepared.

These are tough times for many of us living in Indiana. But as it's been said, with adversity comes opportunity. And the opportunity to introduce your family to Indiana high school basketball (or any other high school sport) not only will be welcome from an entertainment standpoint, it also will prove to be a wise investment in your family, your high school and your community.

In short, buying a ticket to an Indiana high school basketball game is the best \$5.00 you could possibly spend.

Blake Ress,
Commissioner
IHSAA

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Elementary honor roll

Caston Elementary has announced the names of its honor roll students for the second nine-week grading period.

Students named to the all "A" honor roll include:

Second grade - Brianna Calfree, Noah Colvin, Hailey Hurtt, Isabel Newcom, Makinzie Nies, McKenzie Paschen, Chris Smith, Damon Malott, Brianna Lee, Brock Buczkowski, Alley Wiese, Tray Mikesell and Zach Ruby

Third grade - Jordyn Campbell, Brandi McCroskey, MaKayla Banta, Abby Rimpler, Erin Frye, Ryonn Doan, Kennedy Ault, Holley Hoff, Hanna Hoover, Jayda Shafer and Jacob Taylor

Fourth grade - Adrianna Dague, Ellei Kay and Brant Buczkowski

Fifth grade - Tori Rentschler, Michael Smith, Madison Martin, Jonny Miller, Samuel Rhymer, Tyler Spencer and Emily Strain

Sixth grade - none

Students named to the "A/B" honor roll are:

Second grade - Alysa Goff, Katelyna Heiny, Garrett Hook, Hannah Siders, Mark Smith, Haven Vorhees, Destiny Ray, Levi Lowe, Kenzi McClory, Peyton Crissinger, Noah Hinkle, Cyndie Smith, Lexi McClory, Tyanna Cox and Elizabeth Bailey

Third grade - Tayt Cowell, Caleigh Frye, Zander Henderson, Hannah Holt, Nicole Houk, Kady Loper, Samuel Mittica, Kendra Pugh, Noah Rushinsky, Jamie Taylor, Brianna Young, Kasy Ault, Arieon Burns, Zack Conrad, Jaly Nouthain, Maegan Pendley, Bailey Shultz, Jaden Zeider, Sidney Berry, Evelyn Byrum, Dustin Goforth, Kyle Hedrick, Payton Hedrick, Riley Rigney, Taylor Teel and Miranda Thornton

Fourth grade - Mackenzie Anderson, Megan Evans, Kaylah Gearhart, Trenton Howard, Emily Rowe, Dakota Townsend, Berkle Blackman, Eli Douglass, Alyssa Hubenthal, Jeremy Jakes, Matthew Rans, Carrie Sailors, Carson Gates, Braxton Early, Isaiah Conrad, Matthew Holliman, Dalea Hubenthal, Taryn Seng, Marcus Slothour, Cassandra Smith, Angel Williams and Jon Sailors

Fifth grade - Joe Cattin, Alyssa

Fagner, Melanie Hollar, Rachel Strawn, Luke Sutton, Trey Young, Dakota Andrade, Ethan Coldiron, Emilee Thomson, Garrett Brouyette, Jaycee Denton, Jacob Kistler, Kylie Pugh, Terry Scott, Santiago Henderson, Kyle Wilson and Shane Richardson

Sixth grade - Natasha Calisto, Kim Cress, Sarah Holt, Jacob Kingery, Madeline Moeller, Sheyenne Scheffer, Haley Small, Andrew Smith, Dakota Southerton, Hayley Anders, Kennedy Crissinger, Payton Gates, Karah Hizer, Alex Howdeshell, Nicolas Richter, Jenna Showley, Madison Taylor, Erin Connolly, Derek Klimes, Brayton MacLain, Cheyenne Meyer, Dustin Offenberger, Jacqueline Rans, Haley Rigney, Tucker Shriver, Bryana Slisher, Kylee Sutton and Winston Weller

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CASTON MENU

January 19 - 12

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Monday - Pizza, green beans, pears, spice cake and milk. Comet Café - Polish sausage/cheese and French fries

Tuesday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, corn, chocolate pudding and milk. Comet Café - Comet whopper and onion rings (early dismissal day)

Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, Jello with fruit, dinner roll and milk. Comet Café - homemade pizza

Thursday - Plain or Spanish hot dog, potatoes, Mandarin oranges, chocolate chip cookie and milk. Comet Café - cheese stuffed breadsticks

Friday - Warm ham and cheese sandwich, potatoes, mixed fruit, snickerdoodle cookie and milk. Comet Café - cooks' choice

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Varsity Basketball

The Caston varsity boys' basketball team dropped to 0-9 on the season and 0-2 in conference play with its loss to West Central last Friday. The Trojans defeated the Comets 45-31. Caston will travel to South Newton Saturday evening.

Wrestling

The Comet varsity wrestling team was defeated by Carroll last Thursday, 54-21. The wrestlers competed at Frontier Tuesday evening and will compete in a super dual at Rochester Saturday.

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Caston Sports Schedule

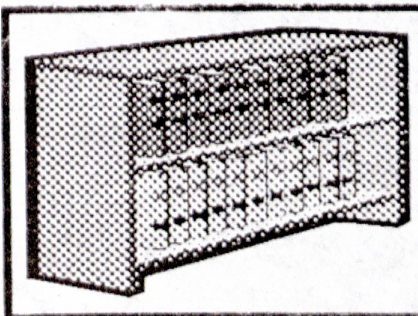
Friday, Jan. 16 - Girls' JV and varsity basketball at South Newton, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17 - varsity wrestling super dual at Rochester, 9 a.m.; girls' JV and varsity basketball vs. Carroll at Caston, 6 p.m.; boys' JV and varsity basketball at South Newton, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 19 - boys freshmen basketball at Carroll, 6 p.m.; boys JH basketball at Winamac, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 20 - boys freshmen basketball vs. Rochester at Caston, 5 p.m.; boys JV and varsity basketball vs. Rochester at Caston, 6 p.m.

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Kewanna/Union Township Public Library News...

New books at the library.

ADULTS:

General Fiction— *Prey* by Michael Crichton; *Mystic Horseman* by Kathleen Eagle; *Full of Grace* by Dorothea Benton Frank; *Wild Orchids* by Jude Deveraux; *Flesh and Blood* by Jonathan Kellerman; *A New Beginning* by Debby Mayne; *Eclipse* (#3 of the Twilight series) by Stephenie Meyer; *Rise and Shine* by Anna Quindlen; *Julie and Romeo Get Lucky* by Jeanne Ray; *The True and Outstanding Adventures of The Hunt Sisters* by Elisabeth Robinson; *Off Season* by Anne Rivers Siddons; and *Fallen Angel* by Don J. Snyder.

Mystery Fiction— *Flashback* by Nevada Barr; *Plutonium Murders* (an Alex Seacourt thriller) by Robert Davis; *One for the Money* (a Stephanie Plum novel) by Janet Evanovich; *A Killing in the Valley* by J.F. Freedman; *The Color of Death* by Elizabeth Lowell; *Superstition* by Karen Robards; *Trial by Fire* by Nancy Taylor Rosenberg; and *If Looks Could Kill* (A Bailey Weggins mystery) by Kate White.

JUVENILES:

Teenage Christian Fiction— *Power Play* (#5 of the Time Flyz series) by Ben Avery, *Treachery at The River Canyon* and *Revenge on Eagle Island* (#3 and #4 of The Lewis and Clark Squad series) by Stephen Bly; *Sophie and The Scoundrels* and *Sophie's Irish Showdown* (#3 and #4 of the Faithgirlz: Sophie series) by Nancy Rue.

Youth Nonfiction— *Secret Missions* by Alex Brown; *Mind Tricks* and *Sleight of Hand* by Joe Fullman; and *Dachshunds, Maltese and Mutts* (from the Eye to Eye with Dogs series) by Lynn M. Stone.

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EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers
About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk: My husband and I are expecting a child and we're concerned about the environmental impacts of disposable diapers. I remember the old cloth diapers with pins that my mom used. Are there any new developments in the cloth diapering field? --Stephanie, via e-mail

A growing number of green-minded parents are starting to recognize the health and ecological benefits of reusable cloth diapers over disposables. Most brands of disposables are made from petroleum-derived plastic and wood fiber—some 250,000 trees fall each year to feed America's disposable diaper addiction.

According to *The Green Guide*, 95 percent of U.S. families now use disposable diapers—to the tune of as many as 8,000 per child. As a result, 3.5 million tons of them clog landfills each year. Accompanying these diapers, of course, is untreated fecal matter and urine that can easily contaminate the groundwater surrounding landfills. Pathogens in this waste can be spread far

and wide by insects and animals.

Furthermore, the process of bleaching disposable diapers to make sure they are as white as possible before they get to consumers leads to the generation of the chemical dioxin, which besides being potentially harmful to factory workers and the environment surrounding manufacturing facilities, can show up in trace amounts in the diapers themselves, potentially exposing babies' skin to a dangerous carcinogen.

Despite such drawbacks, the convenience factor still wins out for most of us. Old memories of hard-to-fasten stinky cloth diapers collecting in a pail are enough to drive anyone to abandon their best intentions when it comes to diaper-change time. But heightened eco-awareness in recent years has led to a profusion of reusable diaper choices, and enlightened consumers owe it to themselves to take another look.

Today reusable cloth diapers come in many different styles, but the common elements are an absorbent liner, ideally made out of organic cotton or hemp fleece, and a waterproof cover. In some cases these two elements can be separated and washed separately; in others they are combined into one washable unit. Most varieties come with Velcro-style closures that obviate the need for the safety pins of days gone by.

And diaper laundering services do still exist—see if there's one near you at www.diaper.net/locate.htm—but parents interested in minimizing their environmental impact on the cheap will wash their reusables at home (without bleach) and dry them on the line. According to *Mothering Magazine*, some of the best brands are Under the Nile, FuzBaby, Oskri, LizsCloth, Cloud9Softies and PeacefulMoon.

For those who just can't give up the convenience of disposables, several brands offer a kinder, gentler alternative to Pampers and Huggies. Disposables from Nature Boy and Girl, Seventh Generation, Tushies and TenderCare get high marks for their use of absorbent, chlorine-free materials and, in some cases, biodegradability. And gDiapers offers reusable, washable cotton diaper covers over flushable liners.

Some local health food stores will carry these brands, or look online for e-commerce vendors such as Evo, Leslie's Boutique, Cotton Babies, Green Mountain Diapers and Nikki's Diapers, among many others.

CONTACTS: www.evo.com; www.lesliesboutique.com; www.cottonbabies.com; www.greenmountaindiapers.com; www.nikkisdiapers.com.

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Healthy Ideas

(NAPS)—According to a recent study, adding one to two handfuls of pistachios per day to a low-fat diet can reduce LDL "bad" cholesterol levels 9 to 12 percent. To learn more about the heart-healthy benefits of pistachios, visit www.PistachioHealth.com and www.WonderfulPistachios.com.

Chronic dry eye can cause discomfort and interfere with daily life. Left untreated, it can lead to impaired vision or infection. Take a quiz at dryeye.com that can help you start a conversation with your eye doctor about chronic dry eye and available treatment options.

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JUDITH A. REED
FULTON COUNTY
AUDITOR

RESOLUTION # 010509

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON, INDIANA ESTABLISHING MEETING TIMES FOR 2009

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners have established that they will meet on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., and the third Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M., E.S.T., unless that Monday falls on a County observed Holiday, then the meeting will be held on the first Tuesday at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., or the third Tuesday at 6:00 P.M., E.S.T., of that month in the Assembly Room in the new Fulton County Office Building.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Fulton County have established meeting times as set out under Indiana Code 36-2-2-6.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Fulton County Commissioners that:

1. The Fulton County Board of Commissioners have established that they will meet on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., and the third Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M., E.S.T., unless that Monday falls on a County observed Holiday, then the meeting will be held on the first Tuesday at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., or the third Tuesday at 6:00 P.M., E.S.T., of that month in the Assembly Room in the new Fulton County Office Building.

2. Other meeting changes will be scheduled and a public notice will be given.

Adopted this 5th day of January 2009.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mark J. Rodriguez, President
Roger D. Rose
Sherry Fulton

ATTEST: Judith A. Reed
Fulton County Auditor
Pub. 1/15/09

RESOLUTION # 010609

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING MEETING TIMES FOR 2009

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Council has established that they will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M., E.S.T., in the Assembly Room in the new Fulton County Office Building.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Council have established times as set out under Indiana Code 36-2-2-6 et. Seq.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Fulton County Council that:

1. The Fulton County Council has established that they will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M., E.S.T., except as listed below or other special circumstances, in the Assembly Room in the new Fulton County Office Building.

2. Replacement dates for the third Tuesday of the following months are as follows:

a. January 21, 2009
b. February 18, 2009

c. December 8, 2009

3. If other meetings are scheduled, public notice will be given.

Adopted this 6th day of January, 2009.

FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL

James Widman President

Earl Gaerte

David J. Heit

Christopher D. Saviors

Gary Shriver

Kathy Sidors

ATTEST: Judith A. Reed
Fulton County Auditor
Publish 1/15/09

PUBLIC NOTICE

Replacement of Board Member Lake Bruce Conservancy District

Due to the resignation of Director Norman Steigley of District 1, the Board of Directors of the Lake Bruce Conservancy District will be appointing a Director to fill this vacancy at the next election to be held in February of 2010 as stated in IC 14-33-5-12.

Anyone interested in filling this vacancy should send a letter addressed to the Board of Directors, Lake Bruce Conservancy District, P. O. Box 97, Kewanna, IN 46939. This letter should explain how their knowledge and experience would be helpful to the operation of the Conservancy District. Letters must be mailed first class and received by February 11, 2009. The applicant must be a Freeholder and own property within the Conservancy District's boundaries.

Once the Board has finished its search for a replacement, the appointment will be made and the new Director will be sworn in at its next regular meeting.

Notice To Taxpayers

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Fulton County, Indiana, that a meeting of the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, will be held at the County Office Building in Rochester, Indiana on the 21st day of January, 2009, at 6:30 P.M. for the following additional appropriations:

SPECIAL CAGIT:
Professional Fees.....\$39,500.00
Total for Special Cagit.....\$39,500.00
DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES:
Care of Wards in Foste Homes.....\$ 15,000.00
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Child Welfare.....\$ 75,000.00
Preservation Services.....\$ 10,000.00
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Preservation Services-Probation. \$ 5,000.00
Total Department of Child Services.....\$125,000.00

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within (15) days of receipt of a certified copy of the action taken.

ATTEST:
Judith A. Reed
Fulton County Auditor
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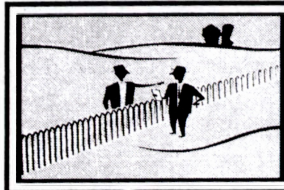
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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Don and Pauline Scales had guests New Year's Day. Joining them for a family visit and bringing along Mexican food to welcome the new year were their daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Vic Heiden of Columbia City.

Julie Brown visited with the Steve Sutton family New Year's Day.

Abigail, Ivy and Mitchell Powell, McKenzie Baldwin, and Hannah, Evan and Naomi Baldwin helped bring in the New Year as overnight guests of Traci Powell. The seven children spent two nights with Traci. They enjoyed playing games, making a tent in her living rooms, and hopping across tables in their under clothes. Brittney Baldwin also stopped by to wrestle with the seven and Avery Baldwin was also a visitor for a couple of hours.

Pauline and Don Scales had company Saturday, Jan. 3. Coming over for a visit and bringing along beef vegetable soup for dinner were their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Cindy Wiese and Ally.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle had company Sunday, Jan. 4. Coming down for a belated New Year's celebration were Barb's daughter and her family, Sue and Ed Janes and Tom and Joe Wilk of LaPorte.

Don and Pauline Scales had a guest Monday, Jan. 5. Stopping by for a visit and joining them for lunch was their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester.

Joe Wilk arrived Monday for a three-day working visit with Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle. He tackled several outdoor and indoor chores. Joe and Barb also did some in-depth research into something they had heard on television, and decided it was not something in which they could believe.

Linda Garner accompanied her brother and sister-in-law, Bruce and Rosemary Scales, to Marion Monday. They were attending the funeral viewing of Linda and Bruce's uncle, Howard F. Huffman.

Ruth Ann Anderson returned to Indiana mid-week following a five-day trip to Disney World in Florida. She accompanied her daughter, Becky Lincoln of South Bend, and Becky's daughters and their families, Leslie and Dr. Dennis Halterman and Lauren of Madison, Wisconsin and Sara Edwards and Kahlan of South Bend, for the trip. The family had a wonderful time on the rides, attending several shows and

meeting the Disney princesses. While at the park, they stayed at the Wilderness Lodge.

Sandra Blume of Fallbrook, California arrived Wednesday, Jan. 7, for a month-long visit with her mother, Helen Miller.

Helen Whiteman had callers Thursday morning, Jan. 8. Coming for a visit and joining her for breakfast at Dumplings restaurant were her daughter, Sherri Lett and Sherri's granddaughter, Tiffany Troutman of Indiana State University.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Friday, Jan. 9. She met Barbara Brown and Sharlene Haimbaugh at the Paradise Family truck stop restaurant for a visit over lunch.

Jacob Green was a weekend houseguest of his great-grandmother, Ann Zartman, and great-aunt, Shirley Zartman.

Ruth Ann Anderson returned home Friday after spending a few days as a houseguest of Becky Lincoln.

Helen Whiteman had company Friday. Joining her for a visit was her granddaughter, Teresa Conner.

Jerry and Kay Brown left Saturday, Jan. 10, for an overnight stay in the Indianapolis area. Their first stop was Brownsburg where they picked

up Kay's sister, Karen Kruger. Then it was on to Lawrenceburg and the high school boys' Riverton Classic basketball tourney. Jerry and Kay's son, Kerry, is coach at Lawrenceburg which won the Saturday events.

Abigail, Ivy and Mitchell Powell spent Saturday night with Mimi and Papaw Powell. Papaw took the trio sledding with Mimi joining them on Sunday. They enjoyed hot cocoa following each sledding adventure.

Ellen Walsh had guests Saturday. Paying her a visit in the afternoon were her grandson and his family, Jeremy and Brooke Walsh and Parker of Flora, and her daughter-in-law, Paula Walsh.

Wilma Wilson had company Sunday, Jan 11. Joining her in the evening for a visit and pizza party were: her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Lou and Bill Foerg of Royal Center; her grandson and his family, Scott and Darla Foerg and Allison of Logansport; and her grandson and his friend, Eric Foerg and Scitin Biar.

The winter storm we were hit with at mid-week was said to come from Alaska. Michael, you could have kept the cold weather in Alaska.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them

your best regards) are: Devin Good, Jan. 18; Kevin Easterday, Becky Lincoln, John Stacey and Brenda Warner, Jan. 19; Brian Doty, Jan. 20; Christie Shelv, Brittney Markley and Shelby Wagoner, Jan. 21; Amelia Hawkey, Sarah Miller, Aaron Scantlen, Eunice Urbin, Pastor David Webb, Janice Wentzel and Wileta Wilson, Jan. 22; Karrie Johnson Goelz, Elijah Stevens and Harold Sutton, Jan. 23; and Jean Bangel, Randall Basham, Donna Dugan, Joe Hott, Juanita Johnson, Susan McClellan, Jan Thomas and Terry Young, Jan. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Doty will be celebrating their wedding anniversary Jan. 21.

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