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## Council holds February session

The Kewanna town council met for its regular monthly session Thursday, February 7, at the town hall.

Casi Cramer, Area Plan Director, was on hand to answer any questions the council might have and remind council members that they need to make an appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals, which Kewanna shares with the Town of Fulton.

Don Bixby presented a wastewater treatment testing contract for 2008, which the council approved.

John Cochran touched base with the council on its thoughts on the meeting held with representatives from the Regenrief Center for Healthcare Engineering from Purdue University on rural healthcare. The board agreed to go ahead with the first step, which involves certifying that the Kewanna area is an "undeserved" area as far as health care. It must also be determined whether or not residents of the community would support a rural health clinic. According to Cochran, the cost for proceeding with this first step would be minimal.

John Rensberger requested permission to dump septic waste into the town's sewage collection/treatment system on a regular basis. The council agreed to allow such dumping on an emergency basis only, noting that he would have to call ahead to get permission.

Jay Cunningham offered the monthly fire report noting five town calls, all medical, and one township call, which was also a medical run, for the month of January. He also provided information on automatic/mutual aid in which the various county fire departments will automatically respond and provide mutual aid to each other.

Cunningham also spoke on behalf of Winamac Coil Spring noting that the company had concerns about an old wet well in their area with a lid that is easily removed. The flooding conditions the area has experienced recently has caused this to become a hazard. The town will install a more durable lid and investigate the function of the well and if possible, fill it in.

Cunningham asked the town to look into ground water problems at his residence also.

Town marshal, Dennis Price, submitted his written monthly report, which detailed two traffic warnings, two criminal arrests, 32 calls answered and 1,599 miles patrolled during January. He also introduced the town's new part time deputy, Matt Hipsher.

David Fuller was appointed to serve on the Kewanna-Fulton Board of Zoning Appeals.

Fuller reported to the council that the local VFW plans to host a poker run in July. He assured the council that the event will be a well-maintained function with security provided.

Town superintendent Mike Molitor presented his monthly report. In his report he noted problems with the telephone company getting everything switched to the new town hall site. Christmas decorations were taken down and put away for the season. Several hours were spent cleaning the basement at the new town hall and moving everything from the old location. Shelving was built to store the town's paperwork.

The pump at the No. 2 lift station went bad. H&G of South Bend removed the malfunctioning pump, put on the town's spare, and took the old pump in to be rebuilt. The No. 2 lift station again experienced problems a couple days later, which was eventually traced to bad floats. Rex Urbin was called to replace the relays at the lift station on the recommendation of H&G.

Urbin also installed a security light for the parking lot at the town hall and is working on the lighted sign in front of the town hall. The sump pumps at the new town hall failed to work during the heavy rains, flooding the basement. New pumps were installed and work was done on the water-damaged furnaces. Insulation boards were placed on the basement windows and caulking added. Leaking drain lines were repaired in the basement, but the superintendent recommended that the pipes be replaced. He also suggested that the windows eventually be sealed with cement blocks or brick. He also noted that the roof needs to be replaced. All the telephone jacks in the building were rewired.

The town is once again experiencing ground water infiltration into the sewage collection system. The belt on the west blower at the sewage treatment plant was replaced and the discharge pipe for the lift station at the plant was repaired.

The water pump and radiator on the town's red pickup was replaced.

DeSabatines were called to repair two sinkholes at the park. One was repaired but work on the other was suspended due to too much moisture. Another sinkhole seems to be developing in the alley south of Main Street between East Street and Railroad Street.

All of the town's fire extinguishers were serviced.

The superintendent and Mike Gearhart of Rochester reviewed the location of all the town's water lines, fire hydrants and sewer lines so they can be mapped out for the area fire departments.

The superintendent prepared the annual water usage report for the Department of Natural Resources. During 2007, the water department pumped a total of 18,794,000 gallons of water.

The water tower panel at the town garage was repaired, as was a unit heater in the chlorine room

## Farm Credit scholarship deadline approaching

A Feb. 29 deadline is approaching for applications for Farm Credit Services (FCS) of Mid-America scholarships. FCS, a \$13 billion agricultural lending cooperative serving farmers, agribusinesses and rural residents in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Tennessee, is expanding on its commitment to educational success by offering 18 scholarships of \$2,000 each to college students enrolled in agriculture and business programs at universities throughout the cooperative's four-state territory.

The scholarships are available to members, their dependents and spouses of the ag lending cooperative. Scholarships are awarded in May based on academic record, leadership qualities, and community involvement. To apply, go online to [www.e-farmcredit.com](http://www.e-farmcredit.com) and click on Community Support to download the application or call 1-800-444-3276 to talk to the closest office about obtaining an application.

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at the old well house. Peerless Midwest performed the annual servicing of all three of the town's wells. The company reported no problems at this time, but well No. 3 has dropped in the performance curve and they recommend that next year the pump be pulled and completely serviced.

Engineers working on the update project at the sewage treatment plant were here to get more information. They hope to be ready to advertise for bids at the end of March.

The town pumped a total of 1,200,400 gallons of water during January.

The superintendent requested permission to purchase 50 new water meters, which was approved.

He also requested that one of the council members become familiar with doing weekend checks in case he and the assistant superintendent are both gone at the same time. Councilman Mark Smith agreed to do this.

The council approved the transfer of \$25,000 from the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund to the Rainy Day Fund. The amount will be earmarked for future street improvements. The money was budgeted for 2007 for street work/equipment but was not used, as property tax funds were not received until December.

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Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Chuck Conner and agricultural activist Trent Loos will be among a wide array of speakers at the Indiana Farm Bureau spring conference, March 7 and 8, at the Indianapolis Marriott East in Indianapolis. Tickets are required for dinner on Friday and breakfast Saturday and must be purchased from a Farm Bureau county woman leader by Feb. 18. For more info, call 317-692-7830 or 1-800-327-6287.

All Fulton County government buildings will be closed Monday, February 18, for Presidents Day.

Winamac High School seniors are reminded that all local scholarship applications are now available to students in the guidance office and are due March 7.

Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The camp is available by invitation only. Players from 50 states and 10 foreign countries attended the 2007 camp. Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply. For a free brochure, call 704-373-0873 anytime.

According to the Indiana Farm Bureau, it takes the average American consumer 37 days to earn enough money to pay for a year's supply of food. To celebrate the affordability of the nation's food and the farmers who produce it, Farm Bureaus around the state and nation recognized Food Check-Out Week last week, Feb. 3-9.

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## Biodiesel refinery

A Delaware company is looking at a 32-acre site in Fulton County on which to build a biodiesel refinery. The site is just east of an area that has already been rezoned for a proposed ethanol plant. A rezoning request from Green Fuels LLC is scheduled to be heard Feb. 25 at a meeting of the Fulton County Plan Commission.

If built, the plant would produce 20 million gallons of biodiesel a year and employ 15-18 people.

The proposed building site is at the southwest corner of Indiana 110 and County Road 200 East, north of Rochester. Indiana Renewable Fuels has proposed the building of an ethanol plant near this site.

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## World Day of Prayer, March 7

The Grass Creek United Methodist Church will host this year's World Day of Prayer Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m. Everyone in the area is welcome to participate in this special program of prayer for the community, state, nation and world.

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## State Announces Additional Federal Funding for the Energy Assistance Program

With the winter heating season in full swing, the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCA) has announced that the State of Indiana has received more than \$13 million in additional federal heating assistance for the Energy Assistance Program (EAP). This announcement comes after receiving news from the United States Department of Health and Human Services that additional grant money has been allocated to states from the emergency contingency of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). The LIHEAP federal block grant provides funding for the Indiana Energy Assistance Program and supplements the Indiana Weatherization Assistance Program.

"These funds will provide valuable services and assistance to even more of our most vulnerable Hoosiers," said Lt. Governor Becky Skillman. "I encourage every eligible household to take advantage of the expanded programs to stay warm and safe this winter."

"This new allocation is in addition to the federal block grant of roughly \$44 million that we receive each year for the EAP and Weatherization Assistance Programs," said Sherry Seiwert, Executive Director of IHCA. "We will be able to reach more households than are currently being served through EAP, as the additional funding is dispersed to Community Action Agencies throughout the state."

The additional funding was awarded to states based on average temperature, block grant allocations and type of heating sources used throughout a state. IHCA allocates the Energy Assistance Program funding to Community Action Agencies, who then implement the programs at the local level to provide home heating assistance to low-income Hoosiers. Last year, the Energy Assistance Program served more than 150,000 households and the Weatherization Assistance Program was used for more than 1,600 homes. For more information about these programs, call IHCA at 800-872-0371.

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**Clubs Societies Personals**



**Browns to celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

Jerry and Katherine Brown, Kewanna, will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Friday, February 15. The couple was married February 15, 1958 at the St. Ann Rectory in Kewanna by Reverend Father James M. Fitzgerald. Parents of the couple are Mary Katherine Williamson and the late Edward Williamson and the late Ted and Mary Brown.

Jerry is semi-retired from farming and also sold for Pioneer Hybrids for 33 years. Katherine is a retired Winamac Coil Spring, Inc. office worker.

They are the parents of five children, Mark Brown and his wife, Mickey, Kewanna; Susan McKinney and her husband, Mike, Rochester; Michael Brown and his wife, Kathie, Kewanna; Kerry Brown and his wife, Karen, Lawrenceburg; and Angela Smith and her husband, Tom, Rochester. They also have 13

grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. One granddaughter, Abby Smith, is deceased.

They will be the guests of honor at a family party hosted by their children and spouses at the Elks Lodge in Rochester.

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**Birthday open house Sunday**

Mathilda Lamb, Kewanna, will be the guest of honor at a birthday open house Sunday, Feb. 17, in celebration of her 86<sup>th</sup> birthday. The event will be hosted by her family and will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. in the basement of St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna.

Everyone is invited to help her celebrate the occasion by sharing memories and best wishes, but no gifts please.

Mathilda "Tilly" was born February 22, 1922. She has three children, Wayne Lamb and his wife, Kathy, Peru, William Lamb and his wife, Judith, Fort Wayne, and Joan Lamb-Gallagher and her husband, Michael, Wilmington, Ohio. She also has 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Birthday greetings can be sent to her at 5940 W 300 S, Kewanna, IN 46939.

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**Couple celebrates 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

James and Mary Perry of Piqua, Ohio, observed their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary February 3.

James Allen Perry and the former Mary Margaret Gudas

were married in 1968 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Pulaski. He is the son of Lawrence and Mary Jane Perry, Kewanna, and she is the daughter of the late Joseph and Antonia Gudas.

The couple met while working at Plymouth Tube in Winamac.

Jean (Roth) Rife was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Cynthia (Gudas) Heckman, Marilyn (Perry) Galbreath and Judy Craig. The late Lawrence Perry, Jr. was the best man. The groomsmen were Arthur Kelsey, Kenneth Hughes and Michael Perry.

The couple has five children, Theresa (Richard) Whalen, Prospect, Kentucky, Wayne (Melissa) Perry, Covington, Diana (Michael Gibson) Perry, Muncie, Michelle Perry, Piqua, Ohio, and the late Mark Perry. They also have five grandchildren, Sarah Whalen, Matthew Whalen, Ryan Whalen, Elliott Perry-Gibson and Ruth Grace Perry.

Mr. Perry has two brothers, Michael Perry of Winamac and Albert (Joyce) Perry, Evansville; and four sisters, Rosemary (Steve) Perry-Hessong, West Lafayette, Marilyn (Duane) Galbreath, Vonore, Tennessee, Jane (Ron) Becker, Zionsville, and Kathy (James) Weidner, Salem, Illinois.

Mrs. Perry has three sisters, Johanna Gudas, Winamac, Edwina Martin, Oakbrook, Illinois, and Mildred (Robert

Redweik, Kewanna; and three brothers, Al (Erica) Gudas, Winamac, Joe (Joan) Gudas, North Webster, and Ed (Patti) Gudas, Kewanna.

He is manager of strategic procurement projects at Emerson Climate Technologies, Inc. in Sidney, Ohio. He enjoys collecting and restoring antique tractors and is a member of the Shelby County Antique Power Association. She is a kindergarten teacher at Lowell Elementary School in Sidney and enjoys gardening and scrapbooking. Both are members of Holy Angels Catholic Church and enjoy spending time with their grandchildren.

The couple celebrated the event privately with their family. Cards may be sent to them at 12421 E. Miami-Shelby Road, Piqua, Ohio 45356

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## HOSPITAL NOTES....

### WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

February 4

Admissions - Tabatha Harger, Beulah Cox and Sherri Brandenburg, all of Rochester

Dismissals - Carol Burton, Logansport; Hollis Babb, Lucerne; and LuAnn Jackson and Tabatha Harger, Rochester

February 5

Admissions - Dorothy Brubaker and Sherri Brandenburg, Rochester;

Dismissals - Jeanine Brower, Rochester

Births - Melinda Kirk, Rochester, a son; Matthew and Ami Arent, Rochester, a daughter

February 6

Admissions - Sidney Krider, Silver Lake

Dismissals - Sidney Krider, Silver Lake

February 7

Admissions - Paula Fruitt, Rochester

Dismissals - Jeanine Brower and Ami Arent and daughter, Rochester

February 8

Admissions - None published

Dismissals - Melinda Kirk and son, Rochester

### PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

February 1

Dismissals - Alice Brown, Winamac

February 3

Dismissals - Richard Sambrooks, Winamac

February 4

Admissions - Norman Thompson, Winamac

Dismissals - James Mathews and William R. Williamson, Winamac

February 5

Dismissals - Theodore Dresbaugh, Winamac

February 6

Admissions - Robert Komer, Winamac; John Raybould, Knox

February 7

Admissions - David Rowlands and Helen Spence, Winamac

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## DEATHS .....

### MARY ALICE WATROUS

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. this morning (Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008) at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Mary Alice Watrous, 89, Rochester. Rev. Chris Dodson will officiate and burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Watrous died at 6:20 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at Life Care

Center, Rochester.

Born January 30, 1919, in Elkhart, she was the daughter of the late Arthur and Alta Edington Barker. She was married July 26, 1941, in Lima, Ohio, to James Daylin Watrous, who passed away August 19, 1996. She moved to Rochester in 1957 from Union City, Pennsylvania. She also lived in Belleview, Florida, for 23 years prior to returning to Rochester in 1995.

Mrs. Watrous was co-owner of the former Watrous Paint Store in Rochester and retired in 1980 from Sears in West Palm Beach, Florida. She was a graduate of Scott High School in Toledo, Ohio, and a member of the First Christian Church, Rochester.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol Shrader and her husband, Ron, Kewanna, and Kay Harris and her husband, Butch, Huntington; one son, Emory Watrous and his wife, Betty, Belleview, Florida; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, one grandchild, two brothers and a son-in-law.

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### Bereavement support group to meet

The next meeting of the Hope Hospice bereavement support group will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 21, at the hospice office, 420 Main St., Rochester. The 30-minute bereavement video, *Healing Your Grief Wounds (Part 2)*, will be shown and a discussion will follow.

This video offers practical guidance and wise counsel from a variety of people who know the pain of grief personally. Dr. Howard Clinebell, an expert in pastoral psychology, leads a grief group who share their struggle and learning in the recovery process.

Dr. Clinebell and the grief group offer insights and suggestions for three special tasks of grieving after the first three months. This video is aimed at helping people deal with the emotions and feelings associated with a recent loss and people who have been struggling for months with their grief.

Chaplain Ronald Purkey of Hope Hospice will be the group leader. Anyone who has lost a

loved one is invited to attend. There is no charge to participate.

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### Healthcare Scholarships Available

The Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary will be awarding scholarships to Fulton County residents who are pursuing a career in healthcare. Graduating seniors may obtain applications from their high school guidance counselors. At-large applications may be obtained from Community Relations at Woodlawn Hospital, 1400 E. Ninth St., Rochester.

For more information, call Becky Rude, at Woodlawn Hospital, 574-224-1180. The deadline for submitting applications is April 1, 2008.

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### Basic EMT class at Woodlawn

Woodlawn Hospital and Fulton County Emergency Medical Services will offer an Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT-B) class starting February 18. The class will meet every Monday and Thursday evening, February 18 to September 11, from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Woodlawn Hospital ambulance garage. The cost for the class, including books, is \$500. Payment plans are available and class size is limited. For more information or to receive a registration packet, call 574-224-1131.

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### Republican Women meet

The Fulton County Republican Women's Club met Monday, January 28, at Rochester City Hall. Carmella Villasana opened the meeting with the pledge to the American flag and prayer.

Cathy Ginther presented the secretary's report while Joan Steele gave the treasurer's report. Both were approved. The members were reminded to wear an elephant pin to each meeting or face a fine. Chad Hartzler, central committee chair, reported that several candidates have filed for election. Rick Brown has filed for circuit court judge; Roger Rose for county commissioner; Lorie Hurst for county treasurer; and Judy Reed for county auditor. Filings still open include one commissioner's seat, three county council seats, seven delegates to state convention, several precinct committeemen and the coroner's

office. February 19 is the deadline for filing. The central committee is planning a fund raiser during the coming year. Joanna Smith is now collecting money for the Gold Elephant Club.

Under new business, the Rotary's Trivia Pursuit Project scheduled for Feb. 20 was discussed. Carmella Villasana, Judy Reed, Lorie Hurst, Rick Brown and Leslie (Frog) Walters agreed to represent the club. The next recycle date for the group is Saturday, February 9.

Pat Calvert gave the cheer report noting that she had sent cards to Shirley Tobey, LeeAnn Eizinger and Everett Smith.

Carmella introduced the speaker for the evening, Rochester Mayor Mark Smiley. He noted he has always wanted to be Rochester mayor and is looking forward to the new challenges of the office. He reminded the group that the government is the business of the people. He has attended the Mayors' School, Barnes & Thornburg Economic Development Conference, Boot Camp for Elected Officials, Mayors' Legislative Day and plans to attend other upcoming seminars.

Mark disclosed that both the morale and communication have improved in the police and fire departments. Each now has a uniform dress code with the new chiefs working a regular daytime shift. The Department of Works weekly department head's meeting is now being held on Thursday at 9 a.m. This includes heads from the water department, sewer department, street and park department, fire department, police department, the golf pro, and the building inspector.

Mark informed the club that the city worked well together during the recent flood crisis. The sand inventory was used up but now has been replaced. The biggest concern Mayor Smiley has is learning to manage his time. In addition, he is also responsible for performing marriage ceremonies whenever requested.

The president served refreshments following adjournment. The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 25, at Rochester City Hall. Sgt. Robert "Skeeter" Daugherty, Assistant Police Chief, will be the speaker. Refreshments will be served by Pat Calvert and Kathy Siders.

**Recycling Dates**  
Thurs., Feb. 14th  
and Feb. 28th

### Meal site at local fire station

The Area Five Agency on Aging operates a meal site in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station serving lunch every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Area residents who are 60 years of age or older are welcome to take part in the program.

For more information on the meal site, call Alvena Mollencupp at 653-2318.

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### AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, Feb. 18 - Smoked sausage sandwich, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, spiced apple rings, and milk

Wednesday, Feb. 20 - Meat loaf, potatoes, green beans, cookie, wheat bread, and milk

Friday, Feb. 22 - Sloppy Joe sandwich, toss salad, corn, Mandarin oranges and milk

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### Legislative Breakfasts

The next legislative breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, February 23, at the Manitou Banquet Hall in Rochester. The breakfasts provided local residents a chance to interact with State Representatives Eric Gutwein and Bill Friend and State Senator Tom Weatherwax. The breakfasts are sponsored by the Rochester and Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce. A third and final breakfast will be held March 22 at the same time and location.

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### James F. Talbott VFW February Activities

Feb. 12 - Men's meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 14 - Happy Valentine's Day

Feb. 19 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

Feb. 24 - Open Sunday, noon. Free food and euchre at 1 p.m.

Feb. 26 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Reminder to all Auxiliary VFW members - dues are past due. Please get your 2008 card now.

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# Looking Back.....

## Sixty Years Ago February 12, 1948

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crabb were entertained at a dinner Sunday in the home of their son, Ray Crabb, and family in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary. Other guests were Ielda Crabb, Kewanna; Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Crabb, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Crabb and daughter and Mrs. Myrtle Crabb, Culver.

Mrs. Ethel Smith entertained the Birthday Club Saturday evening at a 6 p.m. dinner in honor of Mrs. Jessie Urbin. Euchre was played with prizes going to Mrs. Emma Foglesong, Mrs. Ethel Carter, Mrs. Edna Buchanan, and Mrs. Pha Metzger.

The Foglesong brothers will open their new paint store in Kewanna Saturday, February 14. They will carry everything in the wallpaper and paint line as well as a full line of Armstrong Quaker rugs.

Michael Hines who is attending Notre Dame University has been elected treasurer of his senior law class. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hines of Kewanna.

Mrs. P. J. Dwyer was hostess to the Afternoon Bridge Club in her

home Tuesday. Prizes were won by Mrs. Rex Murray and Mrs. Roy Whybrew. Guests included Mrs. Whybrew, Mrs. Lawrence Kelsey and Mrs. Etta Struck. Dainty refreshments were served.

Group 4 of the WSCS of the Kewanna Methodist Church was entertained in the home of Mrs. Don Metzger Friday evening.

## Fifty-Five Years Ago February 13, 1953

George H. McDonough, 62, a Wayne township farmer, passed away Sunday at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kokomo. He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church. Services were held Wednesday at the church with Father Charles Remaklus officiating. Burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery.

Oscar Master has received word of the death of his brother, Chester, in Los Angeles, California. Chester was formerly of here.

There was a small roof fire at the Arthur Crabb residence Tuesday evening. Only slight damage was done. It was thought that sparks from the chimney ignited the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. William White are the parents of a son born February 7 at St. Joseph Hospital, Logans-

port. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Theodore White.

Judge Kline Reed recently appointed James McKinney to the Kewanna-Union Township Library Board. He replaces Richard Fisher whose term had expired. The town board appointed Mrs. Hugh Cook to succeed Mrs. Carl Smith whose term had also expired. New officers of the board are McKinney, president; Mrs. Kenneth Hilland; vice president; and Mrs. Hugh Wilson, secretary/treasurer.

Pvt. John J. Enyeart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Enyeart, is now at Camp Custer, Michigan, awaiting discharge and is expected home Sunday or Monday. He has been stationed at Salzburg, Austria. Thomas Enyeart, also a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Enyeart, went to Indianapolis Tuesday to take his physical.

## Fifty Years Ago February 13, 1958

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williamson announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathrine, to Jerry Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown. The couple will be married February 15 at St. Ann's rectory with Father Fitzgerald officiating.

Shirley Kae Hoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hoff, Rt. 3, Kewanna, was featured as the "Future Citizen".

Mrs. Ella Hines was hostess to the St. Ann Social Club Thursday afternoon, February 6, in her home. Enid Barnett and Louise Wood were guests. Mrs. Irene Hendrickson, president, presided over the business meeting after which euchre and bingo were enjoyed. Prizes were won by Detta Sadler, Dessie Ringler, Anna Shanley, and Edna Henriott.

Mrs. Theo Urbin returned home Saturday from Detroit where she spent two weeks with relatives and friends. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dellar, accompanied her home for a visit.

Garland Masterson spent Tuesday in Chicago on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Perry, Rt. 3, Kewanna, surprised their daughter Rose Mary Thursday evening with a party celebrating her 12th birthday.

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New books at the library:

**ADULTS:**  
**General Fiction Unabridged Audiobooks:** — *Red Lily* written by Nora Roberts, read by Joyce Bean, 6 hours in length on 4 cassettes; *A Redbird Christmas* written and read by Fannie Flagg, 5.5 hours in length on 4 cassettes; *The Regime* written by Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins, read by Richard Ferrone, 9.75 hours in length on 6 cassettes; *Ride The Dark Trail* written by Louis L'Amour, read by Terrence Mann, 6 hours in length on 4 cassettes; *The Rider of Ruby Hills* written and read by Louis L'Amour, 4.5 hours in length on 4 cassettes; *S is for Silence* written by Sue Grafton, read by Judy Kaye, 12 hours in length on 7 cassettes; *Sam's Letters to Jennifer* written by James Patterson, multi-voiced presentation, 4.5 hours in length on 3 cassettes; and *Shadows of Yesterday* written by Sandra Brown, read by Joyce Bean, 6

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**Large Print General Fiction—**  
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**Picture Books Nonfiction—**  
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**Ages 10 and Under General Fiction—** (from the Curious George series) *Snowy Day* and *Takes A Trip* by Rotem Moscovich, *Roller Coaster* by Monica Perez, *Curious George at The Aquarium* by Margret and H.A. Rey, *Tadpole Trouble* by Mark L. Williams and *Plants A Seed* by Erica Zappy.

**CASTON MENU**  
**February 18 – 22**  
**Breakfast**

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

**Lunch**

Monday – No school. Great Americans Day  
 Tuesday – Pork patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, pineapple, cookie and milk.  
 Comet Café – tacos and mozzarella sticks

Wednesday – Chili soup and crackers, raw vegetables and dip, sherbet and milk. Comet Café – cheeseburger and fries

Thursday – Ham/potato/cheese casserole, green beans, applesauce, dinner roll and milk.  
 Comet Café – cook's choice  
 Friday – Fish sandwich, potatoes, Mandarin oranges, cookie and milk. Comet Café – chicken wrap and chips

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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU**

**February 18 – 22**

**Elementary Breakfast**

Monday – Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk  
 Tuesday – Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

Wednesday – Donut, string cheese, juice and milk

Thursday – Yogurt, graham cracker, juice and milk

Friday – Half day of school, no breakfast. Reports/record day.

**Elementary Lunch**

Monday – Pizza, green beans, peaches, cookie and milk

Tuesday – Chicken fajitas, lettuce and cheese, apple crisp and milk

Wednesday – Mini corn dog, fries, pineapple, brownie and

milk

Thursday – Ham and cheese, salad, orange, muffin and milk

Friday – Half day of school. No lunch. Records/reports day.

**Middle/High School Lunch**

Monday – Burrito, broccoli, peaches, brownie and milk.  
 Choice – salad bar

Tuesday – Hard or soft shell tacos, lettuce and cheese, cherry crisp, and milk. Choice – salad bar

Wednesday – Sub sandwich, potatoes, orange juice cup, cookie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Thursday – Ravioli, cheese breadstick, peas, pears, and milk.  
 Choice – salad bar

Friday – Half day of school. No lunch.

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"What sales associates are doing is a matter of deceptive sales practices and taking advantage of consumers trying to lower their heating costs. Consumers are told they will not be subject to any of the upcoming price increases. What price increases and how do they substantiate this claim?" said Michael Coil, president and CEO of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana. "To date, 258 complaints have been filed against this Chicago, Illinois company.

Several consumers in the Northern Indiana service area have contacted the BBB saying that they have recently been approached by company salespeople. "All that the BBB is asking of consumers is they call us or go online for a full report on this company before signing any agreement," said Coil. "It takes a minimal amount of time that can save you a lot of headaches and phone calls down the road."

In the BBB report on this company, it states, "Complaints allege they were subject to misleading sales practices, such as unauthorized enrollment in the program offered, and/or misrepresentation of contract length, and/or savings, and/or ability to cancel the contract after the initial three-day period. Additional complaints allege that consumers who did not speak and/or understand English were likewise solicited and their signatures were obtained, enrolling them into US Energy's five-year contract, despite these individuals' failure to fully understand what they were signing."

"Be careful before signing," said Coil. "The 'deal' will still be there tomorrow, so check the report first or call us. Today, more than ever, consumers need to tread very carefully when approached by phone, door-to-door, or in a letter to sign a contract or spend money."

## Sen. Tom Weatherwax's bill reducing waiting period for reemployment of retired teachers passes House Committee

(STATEHOUSE) — Sen. Tom Weatherwax's bill that could allow retired teachers back in the classroom sooner to help address a growing teacher shortage was unanimously passed by the House Labor and Employment Committee last Wednesday afternoon.

Senate Bill 51 reduces the waiting period from 90 to 30 days after which a retired teacher could be reemployed and continue to receive a retirement benefit.

"I think it's the best of both worlds for the teacher," said Weatherwax (R-Logansport). "Our most experienced teachers can have their pension and return to work. It will also be a very important tool in helping Indiana schools cope with serious teacher shortages."

Those presenting testimony included Ralph Ayres, executive director of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association, who said the current 90-day waiting period prevented good, experienced teachers from considering filling an unexpected vacancy that often occurs shortly after they retire.

Weatherwax was praised by legislators and teaching officials alike for his diligence in crafting the legislation. It marks the second consecutive legislative session in which he's authored legislation to address that problem. Last year, Weatherwax authored legislation allowing school corporations to rehire retired teachers without either the teacher or the school district having to make further contributions to Indiana's Teacher Retirement Fund (TRF).

"It's a bill that doesn't cost the taxpayers any extra money but could become a very important tool for school systems down the road," Weatherwax said. "I think we could be looking at a real crisis in five or six years, because of the number of Indiana teachers approaching retirement age."

According to Weatherwax, more than half of Indiana's approximate 60,000 teachers are age 50 or older.

Weatherwax's bill now moves on for consideration by the full House of Representatives.

*Weatherwax represents Senate District 18, which includes Cass, Fulton, Kosciusko, Miami, Pulaski and Wabash Counties.*

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## EARTH TALK

### Questions & Answers About Our Environment

**Dear EarthTalk:** What is the impact of all the littering that individuals do, largely from their cars and on highways? What can I do to help clean it up? How can we strengthen laws to prevent it?

-- Won't litter in Norwalk, CT

Environmentalists consider litter a nasty side effect of our convenience-oriented disposable culture. Just to highlight the scope of the problem, California alone spends \$28 million a year cleaning up and removing litter along its roadways. And once trash gets free, wind and weather move it from streets and highways to parks and waterways. One study found that 18 percent of litter ends up in rivers, streams and oceans.

Cigarette butts, snack wrappers and take-out food and beverage containers are the most commonly littered items. Cigarettes are one of the most insidious forms of litter: Each discarded butt takes 12 years to break down, all the while leaching toxic elements such as cadmium, lead and arsenic into soil and waterways.

The burden of litter cleanup usually falls to local governments or community groups. Some U.S. states, including Alabama, California, Florida, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas and Virginia, are taking strong measures to prevent litter through public education campaigns, and are spending millions of dollars yearly to clean up. British Columbia, Nova Scotia and

Newfoundland also have strong anti-litter campaigns.

Keep America Beautiful (KAB), the group known for its "crying Indian" anti-litter TV ads of bygone days, has been organizing litter clean-ups across the U.S. since 1953. KAB has a strong track record of success in litter prevention, though it has been accused of doing the bidding of its industry founders and supporters (which include tobacco and beverage companies) by opposing many mandatory bottle and can recycling initiatives over the years and downplaying the issue of litter from cigarettes. Nonetheless, 2.8 million KAB volunteers picked up 200 million pounds of litter in KAB's annual Great American Clean-up last year.

A more grassroots-oriented litter prevention group is Auntie Litter, which started in 1990 in Alabama to help educate students there about the importance of a healthy and clean environment. Today the group works internationally to help students, teachers and parents eliminate litter in their communities.

In Canada, the nonprofit Pitch-In Canada (PIC), founded in the late-1960s by some hippies in British Columbia, has since evolved into a professionally run national organization with a tough anti-litter agenda. Last year 3.5 million Canadians volunteered in PIC's annual nationwide Cleanup Week.

Doing your part to keep litter to a minimum is easy, but it takes vigilance. For starters, never let trash escape from your car, and make sure household garbage bins are sealed tightly so animals can't get at the contents. Always remember to take your garbage with you upon leaving a park or other public space. And if you're still smoking, isn't saving the environment a compelling enough reason to finally quit? Also, if that stretch of roadway you drive everyday to work is a haven for litter, offer to clean it up and keep it clean. Many cities and towns welcome "Adopt-A-Mile" sponsors for particularly litter-prone streets and highways, and your employer might even want to get in on the act by paying you for your volunteer time.

**CONTACTS:** Keep America Beautiful, [www.kab.org](http://www.kab.org); Auntie Litter, [www.auntielitter.org](http://www.auntielitter.org); Pitch-In Canada, [www.pitch-in.ca](http://www.pitch-in.ca).

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**Dear EarthTalk:** How much of an effect, if any, does the carbon dioxide in carbonated beverages have on global warming? -- Michael Holmes, Shenandoah, VA

A typical 12-ounce can of soda contains up to six grams (.013 pounds) of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) gas, which either escapes into the atmosphere from the liquid upon opening, or from your body after you consume the contents. So

yes, drinking carbonated beverages does contribute to your "carbon footprint," but only ever so slightly.

To provide some context, every time you burn a gallon of gas driving from point A to B in your car, about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide wafts skyward (if you find this hard to believe, visit the U.S. Department of Energy's fuel economy website at: [www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/co2.shtml](http://www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/co2.shtml)). So, extrapolating out, a typical car commute to work produces upwards of 700 times the greenhouse gases as drinking that can of Coke.

But cans and bottles of carbonated (or non-carbonated) drinks are still no friends of the environment. The production and distribution of single-serving beverages of all kinds generates untold millions of tons of greenhouse gases and other pollutants every year, while also wasting billions of gallons of fresh water. And once the drinks have been consumed, all those cans and plastic bottles have to go somewhere.

Some communities are diligent enough to capture more than half of all such containers for recycling—an activity which itself generates significant amounts of greenhouse gases—but that still means that more than 40 billion cans are ending up in landfills each year, or even worse, as litter, according to data compiled by the non-profit Container Recycling Institute (CRI).

Each un-recycled can or bottle then must be replaced by an equivalent one made from virgin materials. CRI reports that just the manufacture of these replacement aluminum cans each year generates about 3.5 million tons of greenhouse gas emissions, while also causing other environmental damage from the extraction of the bauxite from which aluminum is made. Even a larger amount of resources are used (petroleum-based in this case) and greenhouse gases emitted from the significant number of plastic single-serving drink bottles that are thrown away and not recycled each year.

Consumers can take a bite out of all this resource waste and pollution by remembering that, first and foremost, water is the least costly and healthiest beverage of all (on virtually all personal and ecological counts). And water drawn from the kitchen faucet requires no disposable packaging or shipping to get there, thanks to the highly efficient water-delivery systems that have been in place in developed countries in the vast majority of communities for a very long time.

For those who cannot get by without their soft drinks—carbonated or otherwise—the best way to lower that carbon footprint is to buy them in large containers and parse out servings in cups or glasses. A typical two-liter (67.6 ounce) plastic soda bottle holds five and a half times the liquid of a 12-ounce container and over four times that of a 16-ounce container, so it is easy to imagine the resource savings over time.

**CONTACTS:** Container Recycling Institute, [www.container-recycling.org](http://www.container-recycling.org); fueleconomy.gov, [www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/co2.shtml](http://www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/co2.shtml).

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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, February 26, 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 offering a Health Care Provider CPR class Tuesday, February 26. Class starts at 6 p.m. and will end approximately 10 p.m. The cost is \$40 per person. Please register by calling 574-946-2193 to have a registration form sent to you or pick one up at the admissions desk. Class size is limited so call early to reserve your space.

The next sibling class at PMH will be Saturday, February 23, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Students will receive education on adjusting to a new baby in the family. Parents are encouraged to enroll their children so they can participate in the class about six weeks before the birth of the new baby. To register for the class, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a free service of PMH.

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Ford 54th annual Indianapolis Boat, Sport & Travel Show: Feb. 15 - 24 in the Pepsi Coliseum, West Pavilion, South Pavilion, Champions Pavilion and Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: Fridays 3 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Sundays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Mon. noon to 9 p.m.; Tues. - Thurs. 3 to 9 p.m. Admission: \$10; seniors (60+) \$9; children 6-12 \$7; children 5 and younger free. Advance tickets are available at Marsh and Village Pantry. Contact: Kevin Renfro (765) 641-7712 or [www.renfroproductions.com](http://www.renfroproductions.com).

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Elite Fighting: Feb. 16 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: 6 to 11 p.m. Admission: \$20, \$35 and \$50. Contact: Phil Walsh (317)

418 2614 or [www.elitecagefighting.com](http://www.elitecagefighting.com).  
Indiana Motocycle Expo: Feb. 21 - 24 in the Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Thurs. 3 to 9 p.m.; Fri. 3 to 9:30 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10; seniors (60+) \$9; children 6-12 \$7; children 5 and younger free.

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Food, Farm & Energy Gathering: Feb. 23 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$10/person; \$25/family. Contact: Sustainable Earth (765) 463 9366.

Midwest Reptile Show: Feb. 24 in the Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5; children 8 and younger free. Contact: Brian Hahn (317) 861-5550.

Budweiser Championship Fight Night: Feb. 26 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Doors open at 6 p.m.; bouts begin at 7 p.m. Admission: \$15, \$20, \$30 and \$35. Contact: Jeannie Raymann (317) 927-7524.

Murat Shrine Circus: Feb. 28 - March 2 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Shows: Thurs. & Fri. 7 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sun. 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Admission: Thurs. \$7; Fri. - Sun. \$7, \$13, \$15, \$18 and \$20. Free admission for school groups Thurs. & Fri. at 10 a.m. Information: (317) 635-2433.

Putting for Partners - Indoor 18-Hole Putt Put Golf Fundraising Event: Feb. 29 in the Farm Bureau Building. Hours: 5 to 7 p.m. Admission: any household item or non-perishable food item for donation to Partners & Housing residents. Contact: Sharon Geiselman (317) 439-0141.

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**Fish and chicken fry,  
March 1**

The Fulton County Historical Power Association will serve its annual fish and chicken fry from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Fulton County 4-H Fairgrounds. The fish and chicken will be prepared Jonah Club style and cooked in cholesterol free oil. Carry-outs will be available.

Proceeds from the fish and chicken fry will help finance the Power Show, June 20-22, at the

Fulton County Historical Society grounds.

Tickets are available from Power Association members or the museum office at a cost of \$7 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-11. Children age five and under may eat free. Tickets purchased at the door will be fifty cents higher.

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## Town & Country Chatter...

by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

As usual for this winter-without-end, there is not much news this week. If only we had stock in sump pump, canoe, snow shovel and snow blower manufacturing companies we could have reaped nice dividends this winter.

Joyce Luhn and her sister, Becky Lincoln of South Bend, have returned safely from a 7-day trip to the Grand Cayman Islands. They had a wonderful time enjoying the sun, sandy beaches and warm weather of the Caribbean Sea.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Rochester Saturday morning, Feb. 9. They assisted Beth Larson in preparing the VFW Post's monthly breakfast. (The post has been hosting its monthly breakfast on the second Saturday of the month.) Stopping in to enjoy the breakfast cuisine were Bob and Carol Broda and their daughter and grandsons, Carri Sennis, Lawson and Logan, of Carmel.

Rachel Cogdill and her fiancé, Travis Sholtz of Indianapolis, spent Saturday afternoon with Rachel's grandmother, Ruth Cogdill. They had a wonderful time catching up on all the family news and talking over all the good times spent with family over the holidays. Rachel helped her grandma with some household chores, which Ruth always appreciates. When they left Ruth's, Rachel and Travis were headed for Medaryville to spend the night with Travis' parents before returning to Indianapolis Sunday.

Don and Pauline Scales had a caller Saturday. Joining them in the afternoon for a visit was their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester.

Beth and Ray Weller had company over the weekend. Staying with them for a few days was their daughter, Linda Tufts of Lebanon, Ohio. Linda was in the area to attend the funeral of her aunt, Fern Smith of Logansport.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan, was a recent guest of her parents, Mary and Earl Bangel.

Kay and Jerry Brown had a couple of visitors Sunday morning, Feb. 10. Stopping by for a family chat were Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac, and her sister, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg.

Helen Whiteman enjoyed a visit over breakfast with her daughter, Sheri Lett, Sunday morning. The ladies had a nice time catching up on the family news while dining at the Kewanna Kafé.

Janet and C.J. Yocum of Rochester hosted a small family gathering Sunday. Their guests for a lot of visiting and pizza were Janet's parents, Leonard and Nancy Evers; her sister, Diane Evers of Indianapolis; her brother, Robert Evers; and her brother and sister-in-law, Dave and Maria Evers.

Mildred McColley was in Kokomo Sunday. She had a wonderful time attending a double baby shower held in the home of Sharon and Mike

O'Hare. The guests of honor were her grandchildren and their spouses, Rush and Mendi McColley and Ginger and Chris Batta of West Lafayette. Mildred was chauffeured to the event by her son and the grandfather-to-be, Ron McColley of Frankfort.

Linda Garner and her son and daughter-in-law, T.J. and Ashley Garner, traveled to Valparaiso Sunday. They were guests of Linda's daughter and her family, Amanda and Don Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie. Everyone had a wonderful time helping Amanda celebrate her birthday.

Ruth Ann Anderson returned home Sunday following a 10-day stay in South Bend in the home of her daughter, Becky Lincoln.

Earl and Mary Bangel had working visitors during the week. Staying with them on-and-off all week were their son and grandsons, Bruce Bangel, Kevin and Rob, of Indianapolis. The guys are expected to do the same this week.

Harold Sutton celebrated his birthday January 19 at the Streamliner in Rochester. Helping him celebrate the occasion were his wife, Phyllis, Lisa Calhoun, Chuck, Deloris and Patrick Schuttrow, Janet Calhoun, Jessica Smith, Don Boyd and Sam Parks. He was also the guest of honor at a family gathering January 26 at Dexter's Steakhouse in Winamac. Joining him besides his wife, Phyllis, were Bob and Sandy Sutton and Jr. and Krista Sutton. His grandson, Doug Sutton, and

Doug's wife, Kara, took Harold and Phyllis to the Streamliner in Rochester Feb. 2. They had a good visit and enjoyed themselves once again!

Brandi Hall visited with Harold and Phyllis Sutton Sunday, Feb. 10, and made plans to go shopping at the University Park Mall Feb. 20. Brandi often checks in on Phyllis.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: A.J. Gallagher, Drew Gallagher, Jake Gallagher, Garrison Hickle, Grant Hickle, Ron Lockhart, Ian Ton and Regen Ton, Feb. 17; Delaney Drew, Feb. 18; Casey Carlson, Feb. 19; Steve Fox, Bob Hines and Keisha Mikesell, Feb. 20; Katelyn Miller, Feb. 21; Shawna Baldwin, Nicole Beach, Blaine Corbett, Brenda Johnston, Kirsten O'Hern and Mandy Van Scoy, Feb. 22; and Freddie Bauman, Ava Green and Braydon Jenkins, Feb. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Davis will be celebrating their wedding anniversary Feb. 20 and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sutton will be celebrating theirs Feb. 21.

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## Sports Shorts

The Caston Lady Comets defeated host North White, 34-30, in first round action of the Class 1A basketball sectional Tuesday, February 5. Shelby Loeffler led the Comets with 10 points. Chelsea Sivits added eight points, Emily See had seven and Brittany

Baldwin had six. Pioneer defeated South Newton 31-27, in the second game Tuesday, setting up a match between Caston and Pioneer in second round action.

The Lady Comets came away with a 35-30 win over Pioneer Friday night to advance to the championship game with West Central in the North White sectional. Caston was led by Caitlin Frey with 10 points.

The Comets' luck ran out Saturday evening as they fell to West Central in the sectional championship game, 38-29. Shelby Loeffler led the Lady Comets with nine points.

The Caston boys' basketball team lost to visiting Northfield Thursday, 48-28, in their last

home game of the season. The 3-13 Comets were led by Bryant Brown with 11 points while Wes Rigney added eight.

The Caston varsity boys traveled to Lewis Cass Saturday evening, falling 50-29. Bryant Brown was again the high scorer for Caston with eight points. Aaron Benedict added seven.

The varsity boys played in a make-up game at Argos Monday evening, losing to the Dragons. The Comets will travel to Tri-County Friday night and Knox Saturday night.

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