



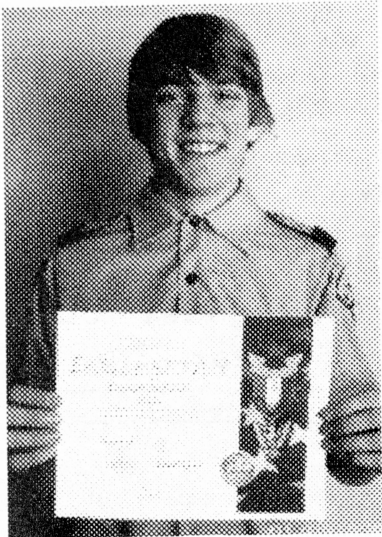
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## Garrett Redweik receives Eagle Scout award



Garrett Robert Redweik, Twelve Mile, recently received his Eagle Scout Award following the completion of his project at the Fulton County Historical Society. Garrett is the son of David Antony and Lora Dillman Redweik, Twelve Mile, and the grandson of Robert and Linda Long Dillman, Twelve Mile, and Robert and Millie Gudas Redweik, Kewanna. He is a senior at Caston Educational Center, Fulton, and belongs to Boy Scout Troop No. 215. He has one brother, Graham Antony Joseph Redweik, an eighth grader at Caston, who is also involved in scouting.

Garrett's project included preparing, planting, weeding and mulching the Mothers' Garden located at the Historical Society Museum near Rochester. He also placed a plaque at the site and refinished a bench that had been placed in the garden by Phyllis Thomas, Dorothy Young and Maxine St. Clair, all of Grass Creek, in memory of Antonia Arndt Gudas, Garrett's great-grandmother.

He planted eight bushel-basket mums, as well as 300 daffodil bulbs. Also in the garden are iris, lilies, donkey tail sedums, autumn joy sedums, coral bells and hostas.

Melinda Clinger, curator of the museum, approved the project as it progressed. Jerry Clinger furnished his truck to haul in rabbit manure and black soil. He also tilled the 30' x 50' area. Several community workers helped spread the first load of mulch and Garrett did the second load.

The total hours put into the project were 300. Garrett's share of hours totaled 100 with working

in the garden and refinishing the bench.

The object of the Eagle projects is to learn to get things completed both with doing the work yourself as well as being a leader and enlisting help from others.

This finished product was enjoyed by the 10,000 attendees to the Trail of Courage last September. It will also be enjoyed by those attending the Red Bud Festival in April and on through the years by many more people attending the festivals or touring the museum.

Garrett is a well-rounded young man and has experienced many accomplishments both in and out of school. He has been given many leadership roles such as Science Academic Team captain, Science Club president, Key Club vice president and band president. He has been his band section leader and co-captain of his wrestling team for the past two years and had the privilege of representing his school at Hoosier Boys State. Outside of school, he is very involved in the community. Garrett participates in the Key Club Christmas dinner and bingo event every year that entails serving the meal and providing gifts for state hospital patients. He has served as a poll worker in state and local elections. This will be Garrett's sixth year serving in the State House as a page. Commitment is something Garrett feels very strongly about and an example is completing his tenth year in 4-H this summer. Garrett has offered his help to low-income families in Kentucky through the World Changer Program and because of his intense work ethic, he was appointed crew chief for his roofing crew.

Garrett's scouting accomplishments are no different. Since he became involved in scouts in 1997, Garrett has completed his Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelo requirements as well as the Arrow of Light award. Since crossing over to Boy Scouts, he has been both patrol leader and assistant senior patrol leader. He realizes that he is the oldest member of the troop and has many young boys looking up to him as a role model. Garrett has continued to earn his religious awards throughout the years which include the God and Me, God and Family, and God and

## Kindergarten roundup at Caston

Caston Elementary School will host its annual kindergarten roundup Tuesday, March 18, at 7 p.m. in the Caston Elementary library. Parents may come in at 6:45 for pre-registration.

Parents of children who will enter kindergarten next school year are encouraged to attend this informational meeting. Children must be five (5) years of age by August 1 to be eligible to attend kindergarten. Parents who have children meeting the age requirement will have the opportunity to register their child in next year's kindergarten program while at the meeting. Parents must have a legal birth certificate to verify the age of the child. Children need not attend with the parents, as there will be no screening or programs for the children that evening.

Parents are asked to bring three items to the meeting: their child's (1) legal birth certificate; (2) social security card; and (3) immunization record. Immunization records will be reviewed by the school nurse that evening and parents will be informed if there is a need for any additional immunizations that the children must have prior to entering school next year.

Questions can be forwarded to Mrs. Cindy Douglass, principal, at 574-857-3025 or [douglas@caston.k12.in.us](mailto:douglas@caston.k12.in.us).

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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.

The guest speaker will be Mary Williams of the Emma Mission Center in Logansport.

Everyone of all denominations is welcome to attend this special prayer observance for the community, state, nation and world.

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Church awards. He was able to earn the gold United States Heritage Award while assisting his younger brother to earn the silver award.

Scouting is important to Garrett's family evidenced by the fact that he is a second generation Eagle Scout Award winner, following in the footsteps of his father, David Redweik, and his uncle, Robert John Redweik, Jr. of Tomball, Texas.

Garrett continues to do community projects with his fellow scouts such as helping out the elderly by cleaning debris from their yards, helping with the Cass County recycling program once a month and beautifying the Winamac City Park by planting daffodil and tulip bulbs for the visitors to enjoy in the spring.

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## Caston winter sports banquet

The Caston High School winter sports banquet will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, March 13, in the cafeteria. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish and their own drink. The athletic department will furnish table service and Hap's broasted chicken.

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## Easter egg hunt, March 16

The Ladies Auxiliary of the James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 will host its annual Easter egg hunt Sunday, March 16, at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. Parents are invited to bring their children, infants through 11 years of age, to the event. Drinks and cookies will be available.

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## Final legislative breakfast

The final legislative breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 22, at the Manitou Banquet Hall in Rochester. The breakfast will provide local residents a chance to interact with their current state senator and representatives.

The breakfast is sponsored by the Rochester/Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce.

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## Bake Sale, March 22

St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna, will host its annual bake sale from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 22, at the Community State Bank, Kewanna branch.

## Benefit breakfast, March 8

Weekday Religious Education will serve a breakfast Saturday, March 8, from 7 to 10 a.m. at the Twelve Mile community building. The cost of the meal is a free will donation. The menu will include sausage gravy and biscuits, ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes, grits, fruit cup, coffee cake, donuts, coffee and orange juice.

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## Annual antique show, March 7 & 8

Mental Health America of Fulton County will host its 10<sup>th</sup> annual antique show Friday and Saturday, March 7 and 8, at the Fulton County Fairgrounds, Rochester. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission will be \$3 and food will be available. Early buyers can shop for quality antiques and collectibles Thursday, March 6, from 5-7 p.m. at a cost of \$5, which includes a 3-day pass.

Attendees can have their own antiques appraised Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A fee will be charged for appraisals.

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Fees are \$15.00 per player with a maximum of \$40.00 per family. If assistance is needed for fees please let us know. Forms and fees should be mailed to:  
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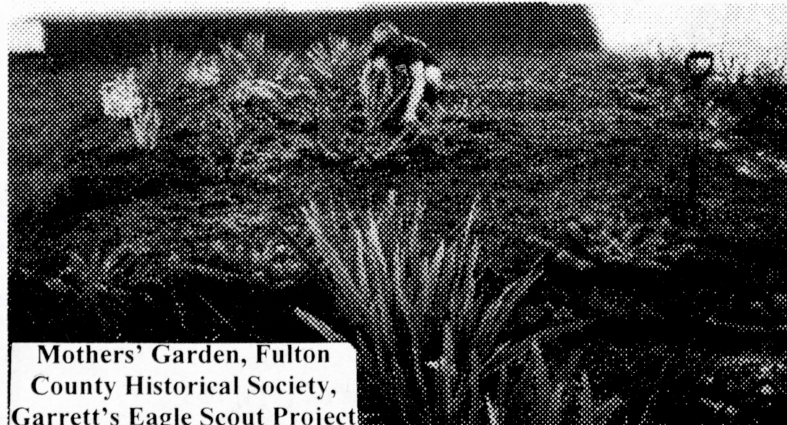
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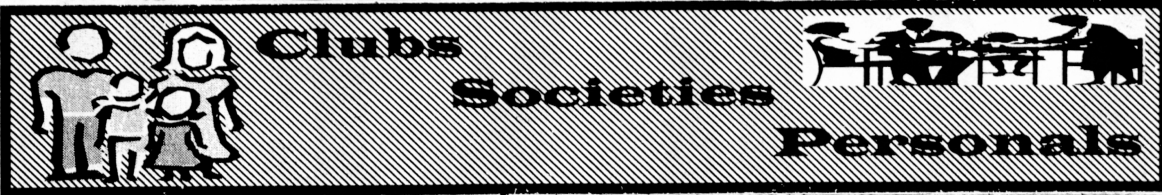
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For questions contact Tana Garver @ 653-3731 or Maryanne Rude @ 653-2605



Mothers' Garden, Fulton County Historical Society, Garrett's Eagle Scout Project



**Methodist Women meet**

The Kewanna United Methodist Women meet Monday evening, March 3, in the church annex with Beverly Ton serving as hostess.

The president, Barb Steigely, presided over the business meeting, which include the secretary/treasurer's report offered by Beth Weller.

The group was reminded of the World Day of Prayer to be held Friday evening, March 7, at the Grass Creek United Methodist Church.

Plans were made to prepare used prescription bottles for shipping on April 3 and to prepare and deliver cookie/fruit plates May 1.

It was decided to continue supplying copies of The Daily Bread and The Upper Room for members of the congregation.

The next meeting will be April 7 at the home of Karen Good.

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**Republican Women Meet**

The Fulton County Republican Women's Club met at 7 p.m. Monday, February 25, at Rochester City Hall. Carmella Villasana opened the meeting by leading the group in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance, followed

by the invocation. Cathy Ginther gave the secretary's report while Joan Steele gave the treasurer's report; both were approved. The members were reminded to wear an elephant to each meeting or face a fine.

Chad Hartzler reported from the central committee that there are currently several openings for precinct committeemen. He also announced that a son has been born to Indiana Secretary of State Todd Rokita and his wife. Joanna Smith is currently collecting for the Gold Elephant Club; these contributions can be sent to her. Hartzler also announced that Tony Bennett is running for Superintendent of Public Instruction. He and his wife, Tina, have four children and live at New Albany. He is currently the superintendent for Greater Clark County Schools. Previously, he served for over two decades in Southern Indiana as a teacher, principal, superintendent and basketball coach. Since he is a watchful steward of the taxpayers' money, Dr. Bennett embraces the challenge of bringing a clear vision of education and achievement to every classroom in Indiana and throughout the Indiana Department of Education.

It was announced that the club finished in the middle of the teams that recently took part in

the Rotary Club's Trivia Pursuit contest.

Randy Head, candidate for Indiana State Senate District 18, spoke to the group. He wants to replace Tom Weatherwax, who is not running for re-election. Head is a deputy prosecutor for Cass County. His two main interest areas are property tax relief and crime. He wants to see a reduction in all types of crime, particularly child molesters. Head feels this group needs to serve more prison time.

Pat Calvert gave the cheer report by announcing cards were being sent to Jay Herrold, Carolyn and Ernie Hiatt and Lori Hurst.

The "Meet the Candidates" meeting on April 28 was discussed. There will be an auction of items with all elected officials and candidates on the May primary ballot as special guests. A dessert bar is being planned. The committee members planning this event are Cathy Ginther, Tami Powell, Karen Good and Kathy Siders.

Carmella introduced the speaker for the evening, Assistant Chief of Police Sgt. Robert R. Daugherty II, often referred to as "Skeeter". He started in law enforcement in 1985 and came to Rochester in 1988. Skeeter's main responsibilities currently are the schooling of officers, enforcing discipline and serving as the school's resource officer. This includes searches, lock downs and bomb threats. In the past he worked as an undercover cop with the Multi-County Task Drug Force. Today, Rochester has 14 city patrol officers, but there were only seven when he started. Skeeter has worked under five different chiefs and reports he has enjoyed working with each one of them. The use of technology has increased over the

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years. He is currently working on a computer program for each officer's car and the purchase of two new squad cars.

Since Skeeter believes the young people are our future, he works hard with children, particularly troubled ones. He is a people person but dislikes all of the paperwork and often finds it hard to work with some of the troubled youth. On the bright side, he serves as a girls' coach since he has two teenage daughters; his main hobby is collecting and restoring antique tractors. One is able to find Skeeter busy on the job during

regular working hours.

Following adjournment, refreshments were served by Kathy Siders and Pat Calvert.

The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Monday, March 24, at Rochester City Hall. Mike Kenny, photographer for the Rochester Sentinel, will be the speaker. Lori Hurst and Judy Reed will supply refreshments. Everyone is invited to attend.

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**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**  
 February 25  
 Admissions - Francis Jones, William Loper, Landon Muse, Doris Plowman and Vernice Rhodes, Rochester; and Anthony Graziana, Silver Lake  
 Dismissals - Joyce Trusty, Culver; Michael Fry, Logansport; Victoria Gross and daughter, Francis Jones, Sara Fowler and daughter and William Loper, Rochester; April Baer and daughter, Logansport; and Anthony Graziani, Silver Lake  
 February 26  
 Admissions - Randall Furnivall, Rochester; Joanna Reyes, Leiters Ford  
 Dismissals - Landon Muse and Vernice Rhodes, Rochester  
 Births - Kurt and Lisa Castleman, Rochester, a son; Clarence and Tirzah McCloud Garrett, Rochester, a son  
 February 27  
 Admissions - Debra Gardner and Ivy Lyvers, Rochester  
 Dismissals - none published  
 Births - Lori Morris, Rochester, a son  
 February 28  
 Admissions - Linda Jackson, Bourbon; Glenda Mechling Smith, Argos  
 Dismissals - Ivy Lyvers, Rochester; and Glenda Mechling Smith, Argos  
 Births - Robert and Priscilla Powell, Macy, a son  
 February 29  
 Admissions - Lashawna Burnett, Rochester; Minnie Ellison, Akron

Dismissals - Doris Plowman, Tirzah McCloud Garrett and son, Charles Miller and Lori Morris and son, Rochester; and Joanna Reyes, Leiters Ford

**PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

February 22  
 Admissions - Betty Bishop, Winamac  
 Dismissals - Floyd Brown, Knox; Carole Giselbach, Ora; Richard Williams, Winamac; Leona Shidler, Star City; Lori Schultz, Medaryville  
 February 23  
 Admissions - Robert Watson, Wheatfield  
 Dismissals - Jimmy Jacobson, Monterey  
 February 24  
 Admissions - Kelly Button, Winamac; Edmond Targosz, Chicago, IL  
 Dismissals - Hilda Workman, Winamac; Jessica Waller and daughter, Terra Miakoda, Francesville  
 Admissions - William Watts, Winamac  
 Dismissals - Betty Bishop and Thomas Shank, Winamac  
 February 26  
 Admissions - Bradley White, Knox; Arthur Dolezal, Winamac; Randy Beam, Star City  
 Dismissals - Robert Watson, Wheatfield  
 February 27  
 Admissions - Samantha Froeschke, Wheatfield; Leisha Davis, Francesville; Stephanie Murray, Winamac  
 Dismissals - William Watts, Winamac  
 February 28  
 Admissions - none  
 Dismissals - Randy Beam, Star City; Leisha Davis, Francesville

**DEATHS .....**

**JANET L. LOVELESS**  
 Janet L. Loveless, 53, of rural Kewanna (Fulton area) died at 2:58 a.m. Sunday, March 2, 2008, in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born August 1, 1954, in Rochester, she was the daughter of Lloyd and Dolly E. Kingery Rife. A lifetime resident of Fulton County, she was married September 14, 1973, in Rochester to Joe Loveless. They later divorced.

Janet was a QMA and was a member of bowling leagues at Quick's Lanes, Rochester.

Survivors include one son, Aaron J. Loveless, Marion; one granddaughter, Skyler Elizabeth Stephens, Rochester; her mother, Dolly Rife, Fulton; a sister, Carol Rife, Fulton; two brothers, Bud Rife and his wife, Ellen, Mitchell, and Jerry Rife, Fulton; and nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at a later date. Good Family Funeral Home, Fulton is in charge of arrangements.

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**James F. Talbott VFW Post March Activities**

March 9 - District meeting at Syracuse, 2 p.m.  
 March 11 - Men's meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
 March 16 - Easter egg hunt at fire station for infants through age 11, 2 p.m.  
 March 23 - Happy Easter  
 March 25 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
 March 30 - Open Sunday at noon. Free food and euchre, 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

**Volunteer drivers needed**

Volunteer drivers are being sought to help with the Road to Recovery Program. The volunteers will drive cancer patients from their homes to their cancer related treatments and tests. This transportation could involve a round trip to Logansport for radiation therapy. The Road to Recovery volunteer would need to provide his/her own vehicle and gas for the trip.

However, American Cancer Society representatives hope that "in the very near future, we will be providing gas cards for use with this program."

If interested in becoming a Road to Recovery volunteer driver, call Shelby Peck at the Mishawaka American Cancer Society office at 866-522-3115 or Joan Lauder at 574-946-2180.

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**AREA FIVE MENU**  
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Monday, March 10 - Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, oatmeal bread and milk

Wednesday, March 12 - Pork loin, lima beans, cottage cheese, pineapple, oatmeal bread and milk

Friday, March 14 - Ham, beans and cornbread, pickled beets, sweet potato patty, Mandarin orange salad and milk

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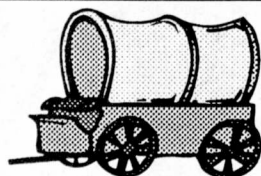
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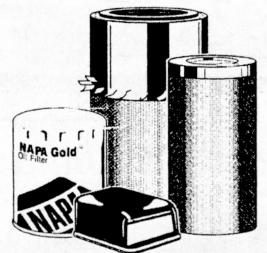
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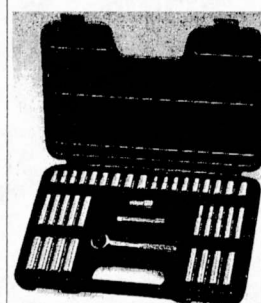
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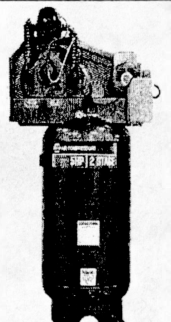
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# Looking Back.....

## Sixty Years Ago March 4, 1948

Mrs. Charles Corsaut assisted by Mrs. Kenneth Watkins and Mrs. James McKinney was hostess to the Kewanna Mothers Club Friday afternoon. The lesson on Child Behavior was given by Mrs. Watkins. Mrs. McKinney conducted two contests. The door prize was won by Donna Miller.

The Charles Lowe Roofing Company of Logansport has just completed laying a new Armstrong tile floor in the Don Foglesong Barber Shop.

The Charles VanMeter Company has received several bushels of oranges the past few days. The oranges have been shared with all customers and visitors to the store. The fruit was sent to Kewanna by Charles VanMeter who, with his family, has been spending the winter in Venice, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Anderson entertained at a birthday dinner in their home Wednesday evening in honor of their granddaughter, Mary Ruth Anderson. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Anderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson and family and Mr. and Mrs. James McKinney and family.

Little Lillian Montz is quite sick at her home.

## Fifty-Five Years Ago March 6, 1953

Blake Plummer, Kewanna, is recovering from a blood clot in his leg.

Donald Cowles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cowles, had a tonsilect-

omy at Woodlawn Hospital Thursday. He is home and doing fine.

The Grass Creek basketball team enjoyed a steak supper Wednesday evening, March 4, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson. Other guests included Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brummet, Mr. and Mrs. George Grosskopf and Mr. and Mrs. Art Williams.

Seventeen young people and six counselors from the Kewanna Methodist Church attended a district meeting in Fowler Sunday afternoon. Bishop Richard C. Raines was the guest speaker. Pat Kumler of here was elected as a district officer for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Laphon Overmyer are the parents of a son born February 27 in Logansport Memorial Hospital. The baby has been named James Lee. Mrs. Overmyer is the former Ruth Elston.

Carol Sue Huffman celebrated her birthday Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Hill. Helping her celebrate the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Huffman and daughter, Helen, Elaine Huffman, and Ann Gady.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jester entertained at a family dinner Sunday in celebration of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson's 25th wedding anniversary.

Wayne S. Miller, Kewanna, has been accepted at the Indiana University School of Medicine. He will begin his medical training in September.

## Fifty Years Ago March 6, 1958

Dick Baldwin returned home Tuesday afternoon after almost three months in Lafayette and Indianapolis hospitals. He was injured in an automobile accident December 10 near Lafayette. Raymond Weller, Kewanna, was also injured in the accident. He was dismissed from the hospital the latter part of December.

Mrs. Susan Mannies, 82, Peru, died Wednesday morning. She was the mother of Oscar Mannies of Fulton. Funeral services were conducted at the Drake-Flowers Funeral Home in Peru and burial was in the Chili Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sommers, Rt. 2, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born February 25 in Carneal Hospital, Winamac.

A surprise supper was held Tuesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. John Scheetz by the membership committee of the Wayne Township Farm Bureau and their wives. Attending the supper were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gregg, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Florance Hendrickson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ringle, Mr. and Mrs. William White and son, Mrs. Ernest Horn and John Henry Scheetz.

Mrs. Van Tuyle Gillespie was hostess and Mrs. Esther Rude,

co-hostess, to the Kewanna Homemakers Club when it met February 25. Mrs. Theo Urbin gave devotions from the 14th chapter of John and closed with prayer. There were ten members and one guest, Violet Clyde, present.

Ira Nickels, Kewanna, was recently proclaimed corn growing champion of Fulton County at a banquet held in Indianapolis. His yield of 135.69 bushels per acre was the top yield in the county in the 1957 five-acre DeKalb corn growing contest. Lyman Hill, also of Kewanna, was the runner-up in the contest and Dan Cook, father of Kenneth Cook of here, was the third place winner with a yield of 116.31 bushel per acre.

## Forty Five Years Ago March 7, 1963

Ralph Kreamer underwent surgery at Community Hospital in Indianapolis last Monday.

Lon Showley, star of North Caston High School's undefeated basketball team last season, has won his freshman numerals with the Butler University basketball squad. Lon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Showley, Rt. 2, Kewanna.

Mrs. Catherine Deutschman of Hart, Michigan, mother of Fred Deutschman of Lake Bruce, died early Thursday at her home after an illness of several months.

The Homebuilders Class enjoyed a carry-in dinner Sunday at the Baptist Church. The afternoon program included a trombone solo by Shirley Hoff; saxophone solo by Tom Garner; two selections by the group of Shirley Hoff, Tom Garner, Karla Garner (clarinet), and Jon

Rans (drums); and a solo by Jon Rans on the drum. The program was arranged by Mary Esther Henning

Members of the Pinhook Grange met February 23 with the master, Robert Troutman, presiding. Surprise gifts were received by Mr. and Mrs. Newton Rude. A cherry pie baking contest was held with Mrs. Dale Hoff placing first and Mrs. Marion Lamb, second. A social hour followed with cherry pie and ice cream being served for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Huffman spent Friday and Saturday in Fort Wayne with their daughter, Elaine, who is a student at International Business College. Elaine slipped and fell recently and has been confined to St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne with a fractured knee.

Steve Ley of Purdue spent the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ley.

Mrs. Robert Masteller and daughters, Emma Lynn and Martha, left last Tuesday for a two-week visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson, in Delray Beach, Florida.

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### Grass Creek School History

The following article was written by Thomas Brummett, principal of the Grass Creek schools, for inclusion in the 1956 annual, The Majestic. While the Observer did not print the annual, it did set the type and supply the reproduction proofs. After using the type for the annual, it was saved and published in the May 3, 1956 issue of The Observer.

#### FORWARD

During the 1954-55 school year, Carl M. Herrold, Wayne Township trustee, suggested to Thomas Brummett, school principal, that some consideration be given the fact that the Class of 1956 would mark the 50<sup>th</sup> graduation class of high school students in Wayne Township. Because of this, it was felt that the "Golden Jubilee" of education in Wayne Township should be presented in the annual. This idea was presented to the senior class and enthusiastically accepted by it.

The first task was to secure information concerning early education in Wayne Township. Since all of the old school records perished in the fire in 1936, most of the information written came from memories of the alumni and people of the community. Questionnaires were prepared and sent to alumni. Personal interviews with many informed

alumni and former school officials were held. Eighty percent of the questionnaires were returned with many important facts concerning early education.

Special acknowledgment for information was given to Roy Kumler, Clarence Huffman, Elmer Douglas, Carl M. Herrold and county superintendent of schools, Earl Rouch.

#### PRE-HIGH SCHOOL DAYS THE PLANTING

To trace common education back to its source in Wayne Township was a task. One had to go back to the Ordinance of 1785 which provided that the Territory of Indiana be surveyed and divided into townships of six miles square and that plats of the townships shall be marked by subdivisions into lots of one mile square, numbered from 1 to 36. Lot No. 16 of every township was reserved for the maintenance of public schools. One also needed to study the Ordinance of 1787, the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of State of Indiana, and many laws passed by the Indiana Legislature.

No record was found of the first elementary school of Wayne Township. There is evidence of elementary schools in Wayne Township around Civil War days. How many or where they were located has been lost with the passing of the years. Around the

turn of the century, there were the following elementary schools, called common schools.

- Shady Dell School - located in the northwest part of the township, Ellis Barker corner
- Feidner's School - west center of the township, part of the Harold Sommers farm in 1956
- Liberty School - the best constructed of the township schools being made of brick. It was located on Lawrence Funk's farm in the southwest part of the township
- Center School - north center part of the township located at Bugby's Corner on Cecil Fields farm
- Bowman School - east central part of township across from Bowman Cemetery
- Pugh School - south central part of township on Dick Wills farm
- Dewey School - northeast corner of township on Irene Rouch's farm
- Smalley School - east central part of township located 1/2 mile south of Marstown
- Lake School - southeast part of township on Ernest Gregg farm
- Wayne School - central part of township on Henry Lease farm. (The frame of the Wayne School was used as framework for the barn on

the D. K. Crippen farm.)

- Grass Creek School - stood at the site of the Everett Cunningham residence. Much of the lower part of the Cunningham residence was part of the Grass Creek School
- Marstown School - A school was built in Marstown and Smalley School pupils attended in Marstown.

Graduation from high school during this period was quite a fete. A few attended Kewanna High School before Majesty High School was built. Kewanna High School's first graduation class was in 1900.

#### MAJESTY HIGH SCHOOL

Education had become a seriously talked of matter by 1903. Upon the urging of many patrons of Wayne Township, newly elected township trustee, E. "Jude" Buchanan, and his advisory board, which consisted of E. J. Urbin, Peter Snyder and Samuel Rouch, decided now was the time for a high school for the students of Wayne Township.

The site was decided upon after much deliberation, as there was a move by many of the patrons to locate the high school in Marstown. Early in 1903 an architect, A. D. Mohler, was hired and soon after the James I. Barnes Construction Co. of Logansport started building Majesty High School of brick and Bedford limestone.

In the fall of 1903, Majesty High School was not completed so the first high school class of 14 students was enrolled and commenced their studies in the Grass Creek Common School. At that time, Willard Nickels, a man who was to lead Majesty High School through its early years,

was hired. His title was superintendent. He was the only teacher. Around Christmas in 1903, Majesty High School was completed and the proud students moved into their new halls and rooms.

The next year, Miss G. H. Kuehne was also hired. She was given the title of principal. The curriculum of the early years was strictly academic. While Mr. Nickels recited half of the high school in the assembly, Miss Kuehne recited the other half in the "recitation" room. Miss Ethel Roberts replaced Miss Kuehne as principal in 1908.

The first commencement was held in the high school room on April 26, 1907. Of the 14 students who had started as freshmen in 1903, only five survived. They were Floyd Ward, Roy Kumler, Charles K. Walsh, John W. Herrold and Frederick D. Harsh. The high school owes much to this class, as it was this class that chose as their class colors, black and gold. This choice of colors was so popular with the other students that black and gold has always been considered as the official school colors of both Majesty and Grass Creek High Schools.

If we could go back to that memorable night of April 26, 1907, we would not only have heard the first commencement address entitled, "The Star Performer" and given by Dr. R. L. Kelly, President of Earlham College, but we would have also witnessed the birth of the alumni association. Prior to their graduation, the Class of '07 was led to the assembly by Mr. Nickels and told that they were soon to be the first alumni of Majesty High School. He recommended that they form an alumni association, which they did. Roy Kumler was elected the first president of that association.

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COUNTY SUPPLIES SPRING 2008**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Fulton, Indiana, that it will receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of Fulton County, County Office Building, 125 East Ninth St, Rochester, Indiana, until the hour of 10:00 a.m. EST, on March 21, 2008, to furnish the following items as requisitioned by the Fulton County Highway Department Supervisor, for the period of when such bids are awarded to December 31, 2008.

Said bids will be opened and read at 10:00 a.m. EST, March 21, 2008, at the Commissioner's Room, County Office Building, 125 East Ninth St, Rochester, Indiana. Each bid shall be in a SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE.

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

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. All bids must cover quoted amounts or less. The Fulton County Commissioners may award more than one bid due to service of specific geographic areas of the county. All purchases are to be made as needed and subject to appropriation, by the Fulton County Council. Bidder may reserve the right to allocate it's product to it's customers in an fair and equitable manner, if necessary, due to the reduction of the allocation from the source for mandatory allocation issued by the appropriate agency of the Federal Government. Bidder must state on his bid, if said bid is subject to the escalator clause or said bid shall be considered to be firm for the year 2008.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Richard A. Powell  
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Mark Rodriguez

ATTEST: Denise J. Chandler  
Auditor, Fulton County  
Publish: Feb. 27, 2008 and March 5, 2008  
ITEM #1 EMULSION LIQUID ASPHALT  
800,000 gallons or less of the following grades of asphalt:  
AE-T  
AE-P  
AE-PL  
AE-90  
AE-90S  
AE-150

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All materials must be delivered by transport to County Road sites and made available off of transport, or at County Highway garage in County tanks, or picked up by County, or at a designated site into tanks. All material must meet INDOT specifications except AE-150 must be at a minimum penetration of 100. AE-90, and AE-90S must be delivered at a minimum temperature of 155 degrees.

ITEM #2 CUTBACK LIQUID ASPHALT  
800,000 gallons or less of the following grades of asphalt:  
MC-3000  
Sealing Asphalt  
MC-250  
SC-250  
CM-90  
CM-150  
PG 64-22  
PG 58-28

All materials must be delivered by transport to County Road sites and made available off of transport, or at County Highway garage in County tanks, or picked up by County, or at a designated site into tanks. All materials must meet INDOT specifications.

ITEM #3 15,000 TONS OR LESS OF HOT ASPHALTIC CONCRETE

A. Quote prices of Base, Binder, and Surface F.O.B.

B. Quote prices per ton for contractor to lay HAC (Hot Asphaltic Concrete) with paver, roller, and laborer to finish mat. Quote price per ton.

C. Plant Rental Quote

The vendor will furnish plant with operator and loader personnel and county will stockpile aggregate at site and furnish liquid asphalt into vendor tanks.

Quote price per ton to charge plant.

Note: Item 3A shall be in accordance to type A section 402 of INDOT specifications. Item 3B shall be done in accordance with section 401.10 to 402.20 of INDOT specifications.

BID ITEM #4 PUG MILL MIXING - 15,000 Tons or less

Vendor shall furnish twin shaft portable Pug Mill Mixer plant with operators, liquid asphalt tanks and loader, liquid asphalt and aggregate to be supplied by the county. The County will designate the site. Quote price per gallon to mix Pug Mill Mix.

ITEM #5 50,000 gallons or less Calcium Chloride Solution

A. Liquid Calcium (42%) furnished and applied at any point in Fulton County as designated by Fulton County Highway Supervisor.

B. Liquid Calcium (38%) furnished and applied at any point in Fulton County as designated by Fulton County Highway Supervisor.

NOTE: Vendor may split bid to furnish calcium chloride solution or to apply only or both.

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**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 11th day of December, 2007, at 6:30 P.M. for the following additional appropriations.

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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:  
Denise J. Chandler  
Fulton County Auditor

Pub 3/6/2008

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A ZONE MAP AMENDMENT BY THE FULTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Notice is hereby given that the Fulton County Commissioners of Fulton County, Indiana will hold a Public Hearing at the Fulton County Office Building in the Commissioner's Room, 125 East 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana on March 17th, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. on the petition of Green Fuels, LLC, 7960 N 200 E., Rochester, for a zone map amendment to allow the below stated plot to be amended from Agricultural District to an Industrial Park/Manufacturing District for the purpose of a proposed Bio Diesel Refinery Facility.

The property involved is located at the SW Corner of SR 110 & Fulton County Road 200 East, Rochester, Indiana.

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Said Public Hearing will be open to the public and any comments for or against the Petition will be heard at this meeting.

For special accommodations needed for disabled individuals planning to attend, phone (574) 223-7667 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

Denise J. Chandler  
Fulton County Auditor

Pub. 3/6/08

**Tiffany Byers wins Caston spelling bee Hunter Doty is runner-up**

Caston Elementary School held its annual spelling bee Thursday, February 28, in the elementary gymnasium. Fourth, fifth and six grade students participated in classroom spelling bees to determine contestants in the school-wide event.

Tiffany Byers, a sixth grader, was declared the sixth grade champion and over-all winner. Hunter Doty, also a sixth grader, was the over-all runner-up. Kylee Sutton was the fifth grade champion with Kyler Spencer taking the honor for the fourth grade.

Each of the champions will receive a trophy at the spring awards program. Tiffany Byers and Hunter Doty were presented with dictionaries. Tiffany will represent Caston Elementary at the regional spelling bee in Kokomo on March 11. The winner of the Kokomo event will be invited to participate in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

Fourth graders participating in the event included Michael Duncan, Hayden Tomlinson, Ethan Coldiron, Samuel Rhiner, Luke Sutton, Dakota Andrade, Madison Martin, Jacob Kistler and Kyler Spencer. Fifth grade participants were Braden Vorhees, Natasha Calisto, Matthew Moss, Kennedy Cressinger, Braden Moss, Dustin Offenberger, Justin Shelton, Jenna Showley, and Kylee Sutton. Sixth grade spellers were

John Martin, Derek Berkshire, James Fuller, Ethan Koch, Morgan Clupper, Shad Jakes, Quentin Douglass, Hunter Doty and Tiffany Byers.

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Tuesday - Plain or Spanish hot dog, potato wedges, green beans, yellow cake and milk; Comet Café - turkey wrap and chips

Wednesday - Taco salad, corn, applesauce, cheese-stuffed breadstick and milk. Choice - meatball sub and chips

Thursday - Beef ravioli, vegetables and dip, pears, garlic toast and milk. Comet Café - hamburger and fries

Friday - Fish sandwich, potatoes, fresh orange, vanilla wafers and milk. Comet Café - French bread pizza, pepperjack cheese bread sticks

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**Blood Collection Day, March 10**

The American Red Cross will hold a blood collection day Monday, March 10, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1310 Main St., Rochester. If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule a blood donation appointment, call 1-800-448-3543.

March is Red Cross and Women's History Month. Esther Richards of San Francisco was the first American Red Cross woman killed on the European continent in World War II.

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**NIPSCO ANNOUNCES GAS COST ADJUSTMENT FOR MARCH**

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## Town & Country Chatter...

by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Schwan's update: Charlie will be back sometime. The company is re-working his route and there is a substitute running it for now. The best way of making sure that the substitute comes to your home, is to place a pre-order with the main office and let them know if he has not been stopping.

Don and Pauline Scales had a little caller Tuesday, Feb. 26. Running across the yard through the latest heavy snowfall to visit them on her day off from school was their great-granddaughter, Ally Wiese.

Bob and Carol Broda and Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Pulaski Wednesday, Feb. 27. They enjoyed dining at Bill and Babe's restaurant.

Helen Whiteman was in Culver Wednesday evening. She had a fun time accompanying her granddaughter, Julie Nies, to the high school boys' basketball sectional game. They returned for the Friday night game.

Ruth Cogdill had a special visitor Friday afternoon, Feb. 29. Her brother, David Norris, stopped in to see her. They had a wonderful time catching up on all the family news. His first concern was about Ruth's granddaughter, Rachel Cogdill. (Rachel is now in a rehabilitation hospital in Indianapolis after going through left leg surgery at Methodist Hospital. She is scheduled for surgery on her right knee March 10 and will recuperate in the home of her father, Jim Cogdill at Lebanon, for six weeks. Rachel will then return to the rehabilitation hospital for further therapy.) David is making plans and getting ready to return to Hong Kong for his yearly visit. He is always anxious to check on his apartment and reunite with longtime friends.

Don and Doris Woolington had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Friday evening, for an overnight visit were their granddaughter and her children, Christie Halsing, David and Jorydn of New Haven, and

Christie's nephews, Carson and Hayden DePoy of Ft. Wayne.

Dawn and Rick Nikolich and Luke of Chrisney arrived Friday evening for an overnight visit with Dawn's parents, Rich and Jane Green. The group joined Dawn's grandmother and aunt, Ann Zartman and Shirley, for cake in the evening in celebration of Luke's upcoming birthday. The following day, Luke's brother, Holt Harding of Rochester, joined the group for a short visit.

Jerry and Kay Brown and Mark Brown were in Greensburg Friday evening. They enjoyed dining at the Chili's restaurant before attending the high school boys' basketball sectional. They had an exciting time watching the South Dearborn vs. Batesville match.

Linda Garner had company Saturday, March 1. Joining her for an afternoon visit were her grandchildren, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna Young of Twelve Mile.

Ellen Walsh had houseguests over the weekend. Staying with her for a couple of days were her son and his family, Kerry and Beth Walsh, Andy and Alex, of Clinton.

Helen Whiteman had houseguests over the weekend. Staying with her for a few days were her daughter, Karen Rice, and granddaughter, Robin Fivecoat, of Indianapolis.

Helen Miller celebrated her birthday last week with family and 20 worldwide telephone calls. Her grandchildren, Scott Mills of Bluffton, Nancy Mann and her friend Ed Gibson of Kokomo, Eric Mills and Patrick of Russiaville, Rod Miller and Traci and Scott Hilliard, Olivia and Clay, all of Plymouth enjoyed a carry-in of pizza, chips and cake in celebration of the occasion. Randy Miller of Mooresville, NC, came from Indianapolis and spent Saturday and Sunday with Helen. They joined his brother, Rod Miller and

family, and his sister, Traci Hilliard and her family, for supper at the Edgewater in Culver Saturday to visit and celebrate Randy's birthday.

Kay and Jerry Brown and Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac, traveled to Brownsburg Saturday. They were guests of Kay's sister, Karen Kruger, for a double family celebration. Joining the group and serving as hostesses for the day were Karen's daughters and their families, Lori and Gene Harding, Annabelle and Graham, of South Bend and Lisa and Kurt Kiesel, Karl and Katherine, of Dayton, Ohio. Everyone had a wonderful time helping Kay and Karen celebrate their birthdays with dinner at the Boulder Creek restaurant.

Doug Whiteman of Winamac was the guest of honor at a large gathering Saturday evening. Hosting the event were his sister and brother-in-law, Julie and Jeff Nies. The occasion was a send-off for him as he leaves next week for a second tour of duty with his National Guard unit in Afghanistan.

Mathilda Lamb returned home Sunday, March 2, following a lengthy stay with her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb of Peru. She had a very enjoyable time visiting and doing a little shopping.

Leonard and Nancy Evers were in Rochester Sunday. They paid a visit to and brought along lunch for their son, Robert Evers, and

his daughter and her family, Stacy and Rob Ritter, Donovan and Lincoln. Rob is recuperating from a recent accident.

Jon and Barb Gast were in Rochester Sunday afternoon. They had a fun time watching a boys' basketball game. Their great-grandson, Riley Sutton of Leiters Ford, was one the participants—and he scored 12 points.

Hugh and Maryellyn Tennent were Sunday afternoon visitors of Tom and Barb LaFollette.

Tom and Linda Garner traveled to Valparaiso Sunday afternoon. They had a nice time visiting with their daughter and her family, Amanda and Don Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie.

Kay Brown was the guest of honor at a small family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of her birthday and hosted by her daughter and family, Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly. Helping them mark the event with dinner were: Kay's husband, Jerry; Kay and Jerry's son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Mick Brown; their daughter and her family, Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee, William and Aidan; and their grandsons and their families Steve Fox and Griffin and Ted and Faith Brown and Chloe.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Josh Bangel, Chris Gallagher, Karen Gudorf and Tom Hickle, Mar. 9; Helen Bitterling, Ryonn Doan, Hanna Ehlinger, Barb Gast,

Wayne Lamb and Dr. Tom Troutman, Mar. 10; Patrick Markle and Brenda Whiteman, Mar. 11; Brandon Evers and Brannon Meagher, Mar. 12; Renata Crissinger and Brian Markle, Mar. 13; Stephanie Cohagen, Libby Good, Patricia Koons and Mary Personett, Mar. 14; and Scott Hall, Michael Ingram, Pearl McPherson, Chandler Patterson, Trisha Powell and Charlie Rude, Mar. 15.

There are two couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. J. Daniel Studebaker, Mar. 14; and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Good, Mar. 15.

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### Meal site at local fire station

The Area Five Agency on Aging operates a meal site in the community room of the Kewanee-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.

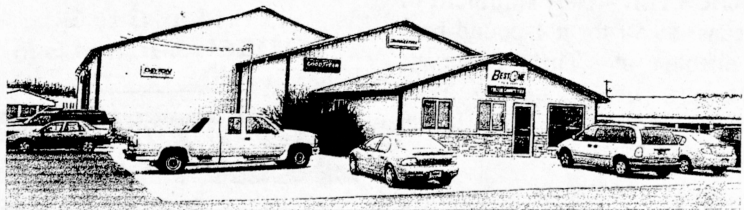
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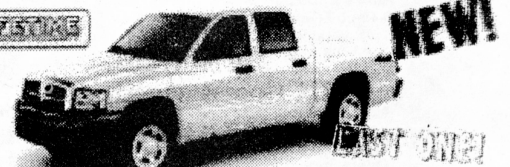
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