

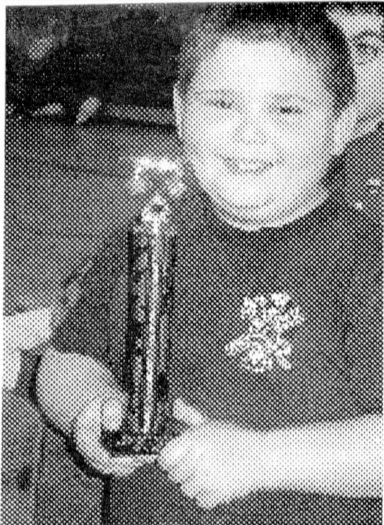


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## Brennan Fry wins Pinewood Derby

Brennan Fry won the Pinewood Derby race held by Cub Scout Pack No. 3215 Tuesday, March 18, in the Caston Elementary gymnasium. There were approximately 60 scouts, parents and other spectators in attendance for this year's event.

The evening started with the derby entries being registered and weighed to make sure all cars were within the five ounce weight limit. Race officials also checked to be sure the cars complied with the Chief Logan District Pinewood Derby regulations.

Fourteen scouts competed in this year's race. The derby cars ran in three heats on three race tracks. The times are averaged and the top six times are awarded trophies. Brennan's winning time was 4.67 seconds. Jacob Maroney finished second with a time of 4.712 seconds; Kyler Spencer, third, in a time of 4.757 seconds; Joe Cattin, fourth, in a time of 4.856 seconds; Luca Santella, fifth, in 5.047 seconds; and Jacob Taylor, sixth, in 5.198 seconds. Jacob Taylor also won the best of show trophy for his Nintendo Wii controller derby car, as determined by several of the

## Chicken and noodle dinner, April 6

The St. Joseph Parish Confraternity of Christian Mothers will serve a chicken and noodle dinner Sunday, April 6, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the church hall in Pulaski. The cost of the meal is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Children under six years of age may eat free. Carry outs will be available.

A bake sale will offer home baked goodies, including noodles. In addition, there will be a raffle with lots of prizes. The main prize is a quilt hand made by the ladies of St. Joseph Parish. There will be fishing game for the younger set.

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## Attend Church Sunday

participants voting on the most original and best looking car. All scouts who participated received a special Grand Prix Pinewood Derby ribbon.

The pack also held an outlaw derby race for the first time this year that was open to all parents, siblings and others who were not eligible to participate in the official Pinewood Derby event. Teresa Hinkle, Tiger Scout den leader, won the coveted award with an average speed of 4.524 seconds. The outlaw derby participants were not limited to the use of official scout rules, tires or axels, but had to adhere to the five ounce weight limit. Several pictures of the winners and their derby cars can be found on the pack's new website, www.Cubscoutpack3215.embarqspace.com The pack would like to thank Shepherd's Chevrolet Buick Pontiac Cadillac in Rochester for its donation to this year's Pinewood Derby.



Phillip Messer and Family

## Phillip Messer seeks Republican nomination for Senate

Phillip R. Messer of Francesville is seeking the Republican nomination for the District 18 State Senate seat. A 1986 graduate of West Central High School, Messer pursued higher education through Omega Bible Institute.

Messer is no stranger to serving others. Being an ordained minister with the Free Will Baptist, he understands the needs of people and how to best serve them. He also serves as a chaplain with the Pulaski County Sheriff's Department. On numerous occasions, Messer has been Minister of the Day at both the State Senate and the State House of Representatives.

Messer holds strong convictions toward educational freedom for parents. As the Indiana Association of Home Educators' Region 1 representative (which includes seven northwest counties) he believes that parents have an inherent right to choose the way that their children should be educated; whether that be through public, private, or home education.

Phillip and his wife of twenty years, Anita, live with their two children on a small farm outside of Francesville. They raise 4-H show cattle and show Boer goats. As a small farmer and businessman, he understands the agricultural and economic concerns facing his fellow farmers and businessmen within the district.

Messer is an avid supporter of the 4-H program. He currently serves on the Pulaski County Fair Board as well as the Beef Committee. He also enjoys working with the youth as a 4-H judge at several county fairs.

With his various public services coupled with his life experiences, Messer believes he is the most qualified candidate for the State Senate District 18 seat. Messer says, "I am very proud to be a native of our great Hoosier state. I pledge to do all I can to expand

Indiana economically, agriculturally, educationally, and morally. I look forward to serving you as your State Senator."

Tom Weatherwax currently holds the District 18 Senate Seat but has chosen to not seek reelection.

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## Fish and chicken supper at Grass Creek

The Grass Creek Lions will serve a fish and chicken supper from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, March, 29 at the Grass Creek Fire Station. The cost of the meal will be \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 6-12. Children under six may eat free.

Dan's Frying Service of Huntington will prepare the fish and chicken. Carry outs will be available.

Proceeds will benefit Lions' state and local projects.

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## Caston Elementary collecting plastic bags

Caston Elementary is collecting plastic bags. The bags need to be delivered to the school between April 10 and April 15. Kewanna area residents may also call Millie Redweik and she will pick them up.

## One Day VBS at Church of Christ

The Kewanna Church of Christ will hold a one-day Vacation Bible School from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, March 29, at the church. Lunch will be served.

All children in the community from third to fifth grades are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Mary Ann Rude at 653-2605.

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## The News In Brief

The Kewanna-Fulton Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, April 7, at the Kewanna town hall to elect officers, adopt regularly scheduled meeting times, as well as the board's Rules of Procedure.

The Fulton County Public Library board of trustees will meet at 4 p.m. Monday, March 31, in the Rochester library meeting room. The agenda will include a building project progress report, action on the capital projects plan and a discussion of financial issues.

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## Cemetery Clean-Up

Persons with grave decorations at the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery that they would like to save should remove them immediately in preparation for spring clean-up. Old decorations not taken up will be removed by volunteer workers and thrown away.

Cemetery patrons are reminded that all decorations should be placed on the stone or foundation, not in or on the ground. This is required to ease the mowing process.

A clean-up date will be announced later.

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## Send In Your News



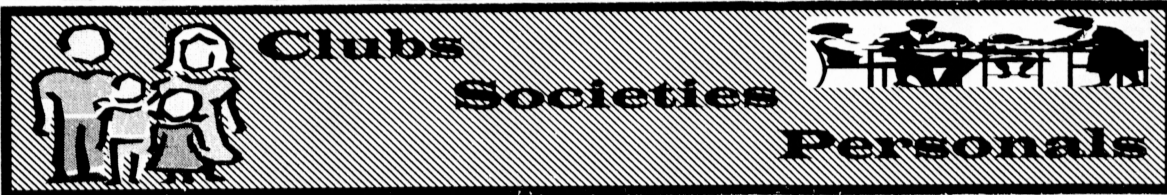
Pinewood Derby winners - Front row, left to right, Brennan Fry, first place; Jacob Maroney, second, and Kyler Spencer, third; and back row, Joe Cattin, fourth; Luca Santella, fifth; and Jacob Taylor, sixth and best of show.

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Chelsea Dague of Kewanna was among those who got to meet and greet former U.S. President Bill

Clinton when he stopped in Rochester Monday campaigning for his wife Hillary Clinton.



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### Southern Gospel concert at Paul's Chapel

Pastor Ronald Purkey and the members of Paul's Chapel Church, Winamac, invites the public to hear the Southern Gospel group, The Harpers, from Columbus in concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at the church located at 600 West and 650 South, Winamac.

The Harpers is a mixed southern/bluegrass gospel group that feel led to share the love of Christ with others through song, testimony and praise.

The Harpers play their own instruments such as keyboards, bass guitar, acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin and banjimer. They sing many original songs as well as songs of today and of course, the old standards and hymns.

The group consists of vocalists Ray Harper, Melissa Harper, Shannon Harper, Richard Harper and Dianna Harper-Hyatt and musicians Ron Froedge and Phillip Whited. All have been involved with gospel music nearly all their lives.

A free will offering will be accepted.

### 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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### Gospel concert at Akron

The Akron Church of God will host a gospel concert featuring the Triumphant Quartet, formerly known as Integrity Quartet, at 6 p.m. Sunday evening, April 13.

The members of the group include David Sutton, tenor; Clayton Inman, lead; Scott Inman, baritone; Eric Bennett, bass; and Jeff Stice, on the piano. They are based in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, and travel throughout the country presenting their gospel concerts. Several members of the group previously traveled with the Kingdom Heirs.

A free will offering will be taken.

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### Send In Your News

## "It's Party Time"

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### Jackie Pugh to be honored at open house

The family of Jackie Pugh, Lake Bruce, invites everyone to help her celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday at an open house to be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at the Mystic Hills Golf Club near Culver. Your presence is requested, but not your presents.

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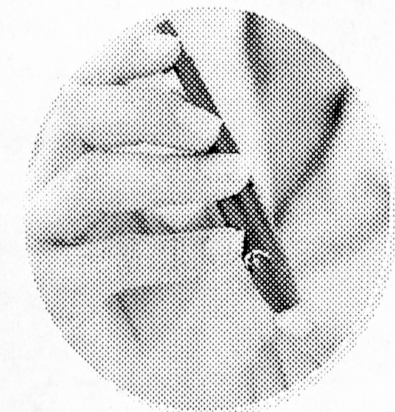
## Diabetic Education Classes

A series of group classes will be offered to anyone interested in learning more about managing Diabetes.

Class 1 — What is diabetes, monitoring, regulating blood glucose, medications, and exercise.

Class 2 — How what you eat affects diabetes, label reading, dining out, meal planning.

Class 3 — Learning to live with diabetes, personal health habits, sick-day guidelines, long-term complications, changing behavior, putting the pieces together.



Class Dates: April 9, 15, 23

Class Times: 1-3 pm or 6-8 pm

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Cost: \$10 (for series)

Instructors: Jean Herd, FNP-CS,  
Maureen Neeley, FNPC,  
& Betsy Wolfe, Dietitian

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RSVP by April 3 to Karla Meyer, RN, Coordinator of Diabetic Education at 574-224-1268.

Our diabetic support group meets every second Thursday from 1 p.m.- 2 p.m. in the Woodlawn Hospital Boardroom.

**HOSPITAL NOTES....**

**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**

March 14  
Births - Michael and Keashia Vladiff, Argos, a daughter; Justin and Nichole Tunis, Rochester, a son

March 17  
Admissions - Beverly Wagoner, Culver; Tara Trump, Argos; Randall Furnivall, Rochester

Dismissals - Glen Lockwood, Macy; Maxine Sayger, Jade Stamper and daughter, Keashia Vladiff and daughter, Nichole Tunis and son and Randall Furnivall, all of Rochester; Nancy Rush and son and Tara Trump, Argos; Seth Fincher and Brittany Harner and son, Akron; Beverly Wagoner, Culver

March 18  
Admissions - none published  
Dismissals - Deloris Feldman, Rochester

March 20  
Admissions - Mabel Miller, Warsaw; Donald Wogomon and Robert Riewoldt, Rochester; and Lewis Shambarger, Plymouth  
Dismissals - none published

March 21  
Admissions - Deane Peterson, Kewanaw

Dismissals - Donald Wogomon and Robert Riewoldt, Rochester

**PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

March 15  
Admissions - None  
Dismissals - Betty Montgomery, Culver; Arthur Dolezal, Winamac; Michelle Clapp, Medaryville

March 17  
Admissions - Eugene Holmes and Raymond Maxwell, Winamac; Jennifer Wallace, Star City; Ralph Loehmer, Monterey  
Dismissals - none

March 18  
Admissions - Ronald Tanner, Francesville; Seair Davis, Star City; Tonia Reid, Winamac  
Dismissals - Jennifer Wallace, Star City

March 19  
Admissions - Alice Doyle, Francesville; Charles Hagadon, Medaryville; Virginia Kidd, Kewanaw  
Dismissals - Raymond Maxwell, Winamac; Ronald Tanner,

Francesville  
March 20  
Admissions - Henry Kopka, Francesville; JD Danford, Star City  
Dismissals - Tonia Reid and daughter, Penelope Reid Wegner, Winamac

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**CASTON MENU  
March 31 - April 4  
Breakfast**

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

**Lunch**

Monday - Pork patty sandwich, macaroni and cheese, peas, chocolate chip cookie and milk.  
Comet Café - grilled chicken sandwich and chips

Tuesday - Snake belly, chicken lips, bees knees, butterfly wings and sludge (April Fool!). Comet Café - cheese-stuffed breadsticks

Wednesday - Chili soup and crackers, toasted cheese sandwich, pears and milk. Comet Café - cheeseburger and onion rings

Thursday - Turkey Manhattan, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, peaches and milk. Comet Café - roast beef sandwich with cheddar cheese and curly fries

Friday - Pizza, corn, applesauce, peanut butter cookie and milk. Comet Café - popcorn chicken salad

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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 Kewanaw-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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**BIRTHS**

**JACE ANDREW RENTSCHLER**

Jeremy and Jessica Rentschler, Rochester, are the parents of a son, Jace Andrew Rentschler, born at 2:13 a.m. Thursday, March 13, 2008 at Logansport Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 5 pounds and 8 ounces and was 19 inches long. Jace has a brother, Jackson Cole, who is two years and 10 months old.

The maternal grandparents are Jack and Jean Urbin, Kewanaw.

Roy and Tender Rentschler, Rochester, are the paternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents include Betty Bayless, Ruth Urbin, and Ed and Ruth Paxton, all of Rochester; and Jack and Colleen Barton, Logansport.

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**ALLISON RAE MCCOLLEY**  
Rush and Mendi McColley, West Lafayette, are the parents of a daughter born March 10, 2008, at Home Hospital, Lafayette. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 5

ounces, was 20 inches long, and has been named Allison Rae McColley.

Greg Allison of Crawfordsville and Karen Van Sickle are the maternal grandparents.

The paternal grandparents are Ron and Karon McColley of Frankfort.

Great-grandparents include Bill and Betty Allison, Waynetown; Dee Van Sickle, Lebanon; Minnie Michki, Frankfort, and Mildred McColley, Kewanaw.

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**Stuff-N-Fluff workshop**

Pulaski Memorial Hospice will hold a Stuff-N-Fluff workshop Saturday, April 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 106 S. Market St., Winamac. This is similar to the Build-a-Bear stores in the mall where a child (or adult) picks out a bear or other animal to stuff, dress and name. There are over 35 different animals to choose from as well as over 50 different outfits and other accessories.

Orders for the workshop are due by April 9. The actual stuffing will take place on the day of the event and the animal will go home with the child. The animal, stuffing and accessories may also be purchased and taken home and stuffed at a later date.

Call 574-946-2140 to request an order form or stop in the Pulaski Memorial Hospice office to pick one up.

Proceeds from the workshop will benefit Pulaski Memorial Hospice. These funds are used to make the life of their hospice patients a little bit easier.

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**Special Olympics  
basket bingo**

Fulton County Special Olympics is sponsoring a Longaberger basket bingo Tuesday, April 8. It will be held at the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1310 Main St., Rochester. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with bingo starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained for a donation of \$20 for 20 games of bingo. Tickets are available from Ann Bauman, 574-223-7621; Manitou Center, 574-223-6963; Janet Severns, 574-223-4158; John Mollencupp, 574-653-2664; Diana Clemons, 574-223-2611; Carol Housouer, 574-223-2346; Claudia Hartzler, 575-893-4044; or Barb Garringer, 574-223-7888.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will help pay expenses to the summer games in Terre Haute.

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**Texas Hold'em  
Tournament**

The Star City Lions Club will sponsor a Texas hold 'em tournament Sunday, April 6, at the Star City Community Building. The event will start at 2 p.m. with the doors opening at 1:30 p.m. The cost of the tournament is \$80 which includes \$50 to payout and \$30 to the fund raiser. Proceeds will be used to purchase playground equipment.

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# Looking Back.....

## SIXTY YEARS AGO March 25, 1948

George Hendricks, 67, a former Kewanna resident, died Friday at his home in Alton, Illinois, following a two-year illness. He left Kewanna about 15 years ago to live in Alton. While here, he was depot agent for the C&O Railroad at Lake Bruce.

The cantata, "Memories of Easter Morn", will be presented by the choir of the Grass Creek EUB Church Easter Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. Members of the choir include Hannah Poenix, Irene Thomas, Charlotte Myers, Mary Minthorn, Lela Wills, Marlene Moyer, Bonnie Thomas, Louise Inman, Dorothy Huffman, Corabelle Crippen, Joan Moyer, Eva Wills, Howard Huffman, Elmer Foutz, Roy Kumler, Thurman Huffman, Carl Huffman and John Chambers. Miriam Hizer is the director, Ethel Huffman the accompanist, and Mary Applegate, the narrator.

The Interest Group of the Methodist Church held its meeting last Monday night at the parsonage. The worship service was given by Pauline Mosher. Mrs. Burdon gave the lesson and an Indian version of the Twenty-third Psalm was given by Alice Felder. A business meeting followed. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served by Mrs. Burdon.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 17, 1953

The annual community Daily Vacation Bible School has been set for May 25 to June 5. The Church of Christ, the Prairie Grove EUB and the Kewanna Methodist churches are the sponsoring churches, but everyone in the community is welcome to attend.

Kewanna firemen answered a grass fire alarm about 6 p.m. Saturday at the Kerry Walsh farm south of town. The fire swept through a corn stubble field, but no other damage was done.

The Lake Bruce Rod and Gun Club elected new officers at its regular meeting Wednesday, March 25, in the library basement. The new officers are, Fred Deutschman, president; Kenneth Smith, vice president; Morris Williams, recording secretary; Walter Hunneshagan, financial secretary; and John Sowash, trustee.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kubicki entertained at a pot luck supper Tuesday evening in honor of Lee Kubicki, who will leave for California Monday to work. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Carlson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Stoult and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Overmyer, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Geisler and family.

Marvin Rife has sold his semi-trailer to Yerkes Trucking Co. of Camden. Mr. Rife is retiring from the trucking business after 21 years. He has accepted a position with Kewanna Lumber Co.

Mrs. Wilmer McIntire and Mrs. Jake Engle entertained the Kewanna basketball team and managers and Coach Hal Peck at a steak supper Thursday evening, March 19, in the McIntire home.

Marine Private Eugene DeWitt, stationed at Camp Pendleton, California, is spending a 20-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison DeWitt.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO March 27, 1958

Every Sunday morning, four local citizens drop in at Herbie's Place to solve the world's problems and eat pancakes. They are Carl Campbell, Clyde Mosher, Marvin Engle and Carl Kreamer. Just how successful they are at eliminating the world's weighty problems has not yet been determined. One thing against them in this activity is that they start in about 6:30 or 7:30 a.m., which is not conducive to good, clear thinking. However, this newspaper has it on good authority that they are experts at consuming pancakes.

Vehicles driven by Charlene Shull and Herbert Hamman collided March 26 at the corner of Toner and South Streets in Kewanna. No one was seriously injured. Town marshal Elmer Hickie investigated.

The junior class of Grass Creek High School will present their class play, "Hessie of the Hills", with cast members Tom Waddups, Dave Gault, Ann Hizer, Darla Hizer, Shirley Cunningham, Judy Miller, Edith St. Clair, Pat Friedrich, Louis Herd, Wayne McVay, Howard Smith and Ed Showley.

The H. J. Heinz brine plant in Kewanna will not be opened this year, the company has announced. Cause of the shut-down is an extra large supply of pickles on hand from last year and a small acreage under contract this year.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 28, 1963

A group meeting at the Fulton County Library recently voted to form a Fulton County Historical Society. Within a month, officers will be elected and a constitution for the group will be drawn up.

Dave Huffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hill, Rt. 2, Kewanna, was honored at Indiana Central College's winter sports banquet March 21. He received a letter for being a member of the basketball team.

Bob Newgent, son of Mrs. Rosetta Newgent, Rt. 1, Kewanna, is serving aboard the oiler USS Kaskaskia, currently operating with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

Jeanne Urbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin, and a student at St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Lafayette, was capped Sunday in a ceremony held at the Loeb Playhouse in Lafayette.

Attending the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Urbin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook of here; Mrs. Everett Rentschler, Sue and Tom, of Fulton; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burkett and daughter of Rochester; and Rev. and Mrs. Bill Cook and family of Oxford.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO March 23, 1978

Jon Donathen received his Eagle Scout Award in ceremonies held Sunday afternoon, March 19, at the Kewanna Church of Christ. Jon is a senior at Kewanna High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Donathen, Kewanna.

Kewanna Hardware, owned by John and Linda Milliser, Dr. K.K. Kraning, and Crop Fertility Specialists recently purchased two Smith and Wesson 357 magnum handguns for Aron Ousley and Larry Baldwin, who make up the Kewanna Police Department

Seventeen local youngsters enjoyed an Easter party Sunday afternoon in the United Methodist Church. Everyone played games and enjoyed refreshments served by the hostesses Jill Leazenby, Jan Agnew and Sheri Cook. Ann Talbott played the piano as the

children joined in singing several songs. At the close of the afternoon, everyone received a special gift.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Troutman hosted a birthday party Sunday evening for their son, Adam, who celebrated his first birthday March 20.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO March 24, 1988

Mike and Eileen Guzaldo have recently taken over operations of the Hooiser Hideaway, a camping and fishing resort located on Lake Bruce. Recently relocated from Maidhead, England, where Mike was employed with GTE Directories as director of United Kingdom operations, they are looking forward to the opening of the 1988 season.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Carlson, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born March 16 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds and 11 ounces and has been named Matthew Allan. His mother is the former Nancy Frasa and he has a sister, Danielle.

Steve Zellers' picture appears in this week's issue of *People Magazine*. Steve is captain of a six-man team from Theta Tau

Fraternity which won the Rube Goldberg contest at Purdue University. Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Zellers and a senior engineering student at Purdue. He is the grandson of Artha Kreamer and Bernice Zellers of here.

## TEN YEARS AGO March 26, 1998

Funeral services will be held at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, this afternoon for Robert A. Feidner, 59, Logansport. The former Grass Creek resident died Tuesday, March 24, at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. Mr. Feidner, a retired farmer, was employed as a deliveryman for Dexter Pharmacy, Logansport.

Seven-year-old Shelby Bohac of Rochester was featured as "Tomorrow's Leader". She is the granddaughter of Tom and Barb LaFollette, Lake Bruce.

Violet Troutman was the guest of honor at a dinner Tuesday in celebration of her birthday. Helping her celebrate the occasion at Mandarino's Restaurant in Winamac were Dr. Tom and Joy Troutman of Rochester and Ruth Urbin.

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## THIRTY YEARS AGO...



Kewanna Hardware, Dr. K. K. Kraning and Crop Fertility Specialists recently purchased two Smith and Wesson 357 magnum handguns for Aron Ousley and

Larry Baldwin, who make up the Kewanna Police Department. Also donated by the group were one hundred rounds of ammunition and cellite heavy-duty flash-

lights. Shown here with the new equipment are John Milliser of Kewanna Hardware; Aron Ousley; Larry Baldwin; and Dr. K. K. Kraning.

## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO...

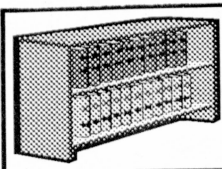


SPRING HAS SPRUNG? Our Indiana weather has lived up to its traditional changeability. On Christmas Day, Joe and Jeff played golf with only light-weight jackets, but this is the scene that

greeted us the first full day of spring! Seven inches of snow fell on Fulton County Sunday and schools who weren't beginning spring break were closed Monday. We really can't complain

though as Mother Nature has treated us to a very mild winter and this covering of white surely won't last long.

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## Kewanna/Union Township Public Library News...

The next meeting of the library board will be Monday, March 31 at 6 PM in the library.

New books at the library:

### ADULTS:

**General Fiction**— *The Pillars of The Earth* (an Oprah's Book Club selection) by Ken Follette; *Love in The Time of Cholera* (an Oprah's Book Club selection) by Gabriel Garcia Marques; *The Appeal* by John Grisham; *Hiding from Hemingway* and *'60 to Life* by Jacques Lamarche; *7th Heaven* (from the Women's Murder Club) by James Patterson; and *Ice Station* by Matthew Reilly.

**Western Fiction**— *Dorm of The Mountains* by Zane Grey.

**Nonfiction**— *Seabiscuit* by Laura Hillenbrand and *Test Kitchen Favorites* edited by Jan Miller.

### JUVENILES:

**Ages 10 and Under Fiction**— *Tudley Didn't Know* by John Himmelman; *Snow Day* by Lester L. Laminack; *Mom and Dad Don't Live Together Anymore* by Kathy Stinson; *A Day at The Beach* by Mircea Vasiliu; and *The Night Before Summer Camp* and *The Night Before Thanksgiving* by Natasha Wing.

**Teenage Fiction**— *Aloha-ha-ha!* (from the Junie B. Jones series) by Barbara Park and *The Castaways* by Iain Lawrence.

**Ages 10 and Under Nonfiction**— *Animals Under Our Feet* (from the We Both Read series) by Sindy McKay and *The Nightingale* (a bilingual book) by Luz Orihuela.

**Youth Biographies**— *Susan B. Anthony* by Deborah Hopkinson;

*One Giant Leap* (Neil Armstrong) by Don Brown; *The Life of Anne Frank* by Nicholas Saunders; and *Escape North!* (Harriet Tubman) by Monica Kulling.

### Log Cabin Tour, June 7-8

Five privately-owned log or country homes in the hills of Brown County, Indiana, will be featured during the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Log Cabin Tour sponsored by Psi Iota Xi philanthropic sorority. All proceeds support art, literature, music, and speech and hearing needs in the Brown County community.

Visitors to the tour take a beautiful drive, using tour maps provided with the tickets, through the back roads and gentle, rolling hills of scenic Brown County to see unique, decorated log cabin homes, both new and old. The private homes feature gardens, antiques, family heirlooms, and the work of local artists. Photos and information on this year's homes, as they become available, can be accessed on the website at [logcabintour.com](http://logcabintour.com).

Tour hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, rain or shine. Tickets are available by mail at P.O. Box 39, Nashville, IN 47448.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under 12. Children two and under will be admitted free. Information and tickets are also available by email at [logcabintour@hotmail.com](mailto:logcabintour@hotmail.com) or by calling the Brown County

Convention and Visitors Bureau at 800-753-3255 or 812-597-5431. Tour headquarters will be at the gazebo on the Village Green in downtown Nashville on the days of the tour only.

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### Small Business Counseling

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

A counselor is available the second Wednesday of each month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. The next regularly scheduled date is April 9. **To schedule an appointment call 574-223-3326.**

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### 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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## LOCALS

Pauline, Julie, Jim, Deb and Clayton Brown traveled to Granger Sunday afternoon. They had a wonderful time visiting with Pauline's sister-in-law, Thelma Hunt of Arizona; her brother-in-law, Ernest Brown of Granger; and her nieces, Cynthia Kimes of Elkhart and Lila Gray of Mesa, Arizona, over dinner at The Old Country Buffet restaurant.

Barb LaFollette was an Easter dinner guest of her daughter and family, Karina and Terry Bohac, Shelby and Nick, at Rochester.

Jane and Rich Green had guests for Easter dinner. Joining them for a visit were their grandson, Heath Harding of Rochester, and Jane's mother and sister, Ann Zartman and Shirley. In the evening, they were joined for a visit by their son and grandsons, Dale Green, Joshua and Jacob, and Dale's friend, Wendy.

Barb and Jon Gast had visitors Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat were their son and daughter-in-law Rick

and Belinda Weller; their daughter and son-in-law, Randi and Steve Neidig; their grandson and his family, Chad and Deb Weller, Tyler and Cody; and their granddaughter, Shelby Wagoner.

Joyce Luhnnow hosted her family's Easter get-together Sunday evening. Her guests for supper were her son and grandchildren, Doug Luhnnow, Amber and Adam; her daughter and family, Chris and Hank Riffle, Kyle and Brittany, of Akron; her daughter, Angie Luhnnow; her grandson and his wife, Brad and Krystle Luhnnow; and her mother, Ruth Ann Anderson.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Dave Bowyer, Mar. 30; Ashley Rigney and Doug Whiteman, Mar. 31; Paul Bauman III, Carita Brown, Dale Herrold and Stacey Kozar, Apr. 1; Taylor Carpenter, Al Haimbaugh, Sharlene Haimbaugh and Mark Wilson, Apr. 3; JoAnn Cohagen, J.C. Herrold, Samantha Kutz, Jeremiah Miller, Patrick Mills, Jeremy Mollencupp, Bob Plantz and Beth Thomas, Apr. 4; and Chris Riffle, Apr. 5.

There are three couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gupton, Apr. 3 and Mr. and Mrs. Al Haimbaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Brad Hassenplug, Apr. 5.

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**Renewable energy loans and grants**

Agriculture Secretary Ed Schafer announced during an international renewable energy conference that the USDA will accept \$220.9 million in loan and grant applications within USDA's Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements Program.

"As demand for energy rises, these renewable energy loans and grants help farms and rural small businesses increase their investment in renewable energy initiatives," said Schafer. "Energy efficiency wisely applies our resources and energizes wealth-creation opportunities with more jobs throughout rural America."

Loan guarantees and grants are available to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to purchase and install renewable energy systems or to make energy efficiency improvements.

Eligible applicants may seek loan guarantees to cover up to 50 percent of a project's cost, not to exceed \$10 million. Grants are available for up to 25 percent of a project's cost, not to exceed \$250,000 for energy efficiency improvements and \$500,000 for renewable energy systems. USDA Rural Development has invested \$674 million in more than 1,763 renewable energy and energy efficiency projects since 2001. These investments include ethanol, biodiesel, wind, solar, geothermal, methane gas recovery systems and biomass.

The Bush administration's Farm Bill proposal recommends a \$1.6 billion increase in renewable energy funding. Were Congress to agree, cellulosic ethanol development proposals would receive a \$2.1 billion loan guarantee program, while \$500 million would be available for bioenergy and bioproducts research programs, as well as another \$500 million for renewable energy development and energy efficiency grants. Details are available at [www.usda.gov/farmbill](http://www.usda.gov/farmbill).

USDA will issue one grant solicitation for two separate competitions in FY2008. For the first competitive window, grant-only applications must be submitted no later than April 15. For the second competitive window, grant-only applications must be submitted no earlier than April 16 and no later than June

16. Applications for loan guarantees, as well as those for loan/grant combinations must be completed and submitted to the appropriate USDA Rural Development State Office no later than June 16.

Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural residents. Rural Development has invested nearly \$91 billion since 2001 for equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development and critical community and technology infrastructure. More than 1.7 million jobs have been created or saved through these investments.

**NFPA report identifies cooking as leading cause of home fires**

*Attention to safety can prevent nearly all cooking fires*

Cooking was involved in an estimated 146,400 home structure fires in the United States in 2005, according to a National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) report released today. Cooking fires accounted for 40 percent of the home structure fires in 2005, and these cooking fires resulted in 480 deaths, 4,690 injuries, and \$876 million in direct property damage.

According to *Home Fires Involving Cooking Equipment* report, cooking equipment left unattended was a factor in ignition in 38 percent of home structure fires for 2002-2005. Unattended cooking was the leading contributing factor in home cooking fires, followed by combustibles too close to a heat source, and equipment being unintentionally turned on or not turned off.

Cooking was also the leading cause of home fire injuries, accounting for 36 percent of home structure fire injuries in 2005. These injuries were especially likely to occur during attempts to fight the fire. In home structure fires involving cooking equipment for 2002-2005, 59 percent of injuries occurred while fighting the fire, compared to 35 percent of injuries in all other types of home structure fires.

"Cooking results in more home fires and fire injuries in the United States each year than anything else and nearly all of these fires can be prevented with a little extra care," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA's vice president of communications. "Simply paying attention when you

are cooking will keep your dinner and everything else from getting burned."

Home cooking fires peak between 5 and 7 p.m. Extra cooking, as on major U.S. holidays, often means extra home cooking fires. Typically, more cooking fires occur on Thanksgiving than on any other day of the year.

NFPA offers the following safety tips.

- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, roasting, or boiling food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you're cooking.
- To prevent cooking fires, you have to be alert. You won't be if you are sleepy, have been drinking alcohol, or have taken medicine that makes you drowsy.
- Keep anything that can catch fire - potholders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, boxes, food packaging, towels or curtains - away from your stovetop.
- Keep the stovetop, burners and oven clean.
- Keep pets off cooking surfaces and nearby countertops to prevent them from knocking things onto the burner.
- Wear short, close fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking. Loose clothing can dangle onto stove burners and can catch fire if it comes in contact with a gas flame or electric burner.

For more information and a complete list of safety tips, visit <http://www.nfpa.org>.

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# EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers  
About Our Environment

*Dear EarthTalk: How or where can I recycle clothes that are too old or worn out for Goodwill?*

-- Tim Cheplick, Perrineville, NJ

Just because that old shirt you used to love is too threadbare to wear anymore doesn't mean it has to end up in a landfill. "Consumers don't understand that there's a place for their old clothing even if something is missing a button or torn," says Jana Hawley, a professor of textile and apparel management at the University of Missouri-Columbia. "Ninety-nine percent of used textiles are recyclable."

Non-profits like Goodwill and the Salvation Army play a crucial role in keeping old clothes out of the waste stream. When they get donations of clothes that are too threadbare to re-sell in one of their shops, they send them to "rag sorters" that specialize in recycling pieces of fabric large and small. Says Hawley, these textile recyclers sell about half the clothing they get back overseas in developing countries, while unusable garments, especially cotton t-shirts, are turned into wiping and polishing clothes used by a variety of industries and sold to consumers. She adds that other textiles are shredded into fibers used to make new products, such as sound-deadening materials for the automotive industry, archival-quality paper, blankets and even plastic fencing.

Outdoor clothing and gear maker Patagonia, which plies a strong environmental mandate in key aspects of its operations (from sourcing of raw materials to managing waste to making grants to environmental nonprofits), in 2005 launched its innovative Common Threads Garment Recycling program. The program was originally begun so customers could return their worn out Capilene long undies for recycling, but has expanded to taking back Patagonia fleece and cotton t-shirts as well as Polartec fleece from other manufacturers. Consumers wanting to unload items that meet the program's criteria can do so at any Patagonia retail store or by mailing them into the company's Reno, Nevada service center.

Of course, do-it-yourselfers handy with needle-and-thread or sewing machines can turn their old clothes into new creations such as quilts, handbags and smaller items. The website Expert Village, which claims to have the largest online collection of "how-to" videos, offers a free series called "How to Recycle Old Clothes into New Fashions." Short step-by-step videos in the series cover such topics as transforming old garments into works of art; sewing patches, buttons and beads onto old clothes; deconstructing a wedding dress; ironing graphics onto old garments, and much more. Another good use for threadbare clothes (as well as sheets and towels) is pet bedding, whether in your own home or donated to a

local animal shelter.

According to the non-profit Institute for Local Self-Reliance, textiles make up about four percent of the weight and eight percent of the volume of all municipal solid waste in the U.S. The commercial recycling company U'SAgain—which runs private for-profit recycling services in Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Minneapolis, Seattle, St. Louis and elsewhere—finds that some 85 percent of the 70 pounds of textiles the average American purchases each year ends up landfilled. That means the typical U.S. city with 50,000 residents has to pay (with local tax dollars) for the handling and disposal of some 3,000 tons of textiles every year. The shame of such waste is that textiles are so easy to recycle or otherwise find new uses for.

**CONTACTS:** Goodwill, www.goodwill.org; Salvation Army, www.salvationarmy.org; Patagonia, www.patagonia.com; Expert Village, www.expertvillage.com; U'SAgain, www.usagain.com.

*Dear EarthTalk: I know there's a big debate now as to why we need bottled water at all, but is anyone addressing the incredible waste of plastic bottles by this industry?* -- Bert B., Dubuque, Iowa

The plastic waste spawned by the recent astronomical growth in the bottled water business is significant. Environmentalists especially decry it because the water from our taps is usually as good as if not better quality than what's inside the bottle (and indeed sometimes bottled water is just tap water). Further, water bottles are not subject to the bottle bill laws that have kept billions of soda containers—made from the exact same petroleum-derived PET plastic packaging—out of our bursting landfills.

According to the Container Recycling Institute (CRI), a Washington, DC-based non-profit committed to increasing the recycling of beverage containers of all kinds, sales of non-alcohol non-carbonated drinks—bottled water as well as energy and sports drinks—will likely surpass soda sales in the U.S. by 2010. More than seven times as much non-carbonated bottled water is sold annually in the U.S. than just a decade ago.

The fact that more Americans are switching over from unhealthy soda to water is a positive health trend, but reliance on bottled rather than tap water means that the environment is taking a big hit. CRI's analysis shows that Americans have never recycled as much PET as in recent years. However, the sheer increase in bottled water sales means that even more of the material is going un-recycled than ever before. CRI says that if bottled water were covered under just the 11 state bottle bills currently granting five- to 10-cent refunds on returned soda bottles, the PET wasting rate could drop threefold or more nationally.

Besides being less wasteful, cutting back on the need to manufacture more plastic bottles from non-recycled (virgin) materials would also have a noticeable impact on America's carbon footprint. CRI estimates that some 18 million barrels of crude oil equivalent were consumed in 2005 to replace the two million tons of PET bottles

that were wasted instead of recycled. Some other negative environmental impacts of making more and more PET from virgin petroleum sources include damage to wildlife and marine life, air and water pollution, and greater burdens on already stressed landfills and incinerators.

CRI and others are working to get policymakers at both state and federal levels to mandate increased recycling for water bottles. Oregon is the first state to update its bottle bill—the first in the nation when it was enacted back in 1971—to include a five-cent refund on PET water bottles beginning in January 2009.

And just this past November, Massachusetts Congressman Ed Markey introduced a bill on Capitol Hill calling for the creation of a federal bottle bill mandating a five-cent refund on all beverage containers—including water bottles. Entitled The Bottle Recycling Climate Protection Act, the bill is now with the House Committee on Energy and Commerce for review, and may come up for a vote this year.

Environmentalists are not optimistic, however, that such a bill can pass, given how influential the beverage industry is in protecting its interests, which include keeping the base price of its products like bottled water as low as possible, regardless of the availability of an after-purchase refund.

**CONTACTS:** Container Recycling Institute, www.container-recycling.org; The Bottle Recycling Climate Protection Act, http://www.fedcenter.gov/Articles/index.cfm?id=8608&pge\_id=1854.

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## Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

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## Sports Shorts

The Caston junior high wrestlers competed at Rochester March 11 in a meet that also included Triton and Bremen. The Comets defeated Rochester, 33-31 and Triton, 63-12, but lost to Bremen 6-32.

Results for the Comets were:

Kyle Harvey, one pin and two decisions; Cane Nilson, one pin; Cole Nilson, two pins and one decision; Brock Hartman, one pin and one decision; Graham Redweik, one pin; Braxton Lee, one pin; Trevor Hoover, one pin and two decisions; Blain Hizer, two pins and one decision; Luke Schroder, one decision; Jeremy Gonzalez, one pin and one decision; and Taylor Gronds, one pin.

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WHEREAS, the failure of the County Fiscal Body to pass a resolution approving the distribution will result in the Solid Waste Management district being omitted from the calculations performed by the State Board of Tax Commissioners in determining the governmental units eligible for the distribution of CAGIT; and  
WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution would result in CAGIT funds being paid to the Fulton County Solid Waste Management district, at the expense of all other units of local government receiving CAGIT funding.  
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: that the Fulton County Council, by this resolution, approves the distribution of County Adjusted Gross Income Tax (CAGIT) funds to the Fulton County Solid Waste Management District.  
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## Town & Country Chatter...

by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Monday, March 17, Mike Cogdill and his mother, Ruth Cogdill, drove to Indianapolis to visit with Mike's niece, Rachel Cogdill. (Rachel was a patient at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana until March 21, when she was discharged to go home.) Rachel will return to the hospital in four weeks for more therapy. Ruth and Mike were able to spend quality time with her for two days. The hospital encourages families to participate in a patient's occupational and physical therapy sessions. Visiting hours are very flexible and the area is so convenient with several hotels and restaurants nearby. Ruth and Mike were thrilled to see Rachel's progress since her accident.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Indianapolis Monday. They spent the day visiting with their friend, Tom Miller of Sharpsville. Tom underwent bypass surgery and the LaFollettes were "keeping a close watch on him".

Julie Brown enjoyed visiting with Camile Zimpleman and Addison in Fulton Tuesday, March 18.

Rachel Cogdill had several visitors Tuesday evening. While Ruth and Mike Cogdill were talking with her, her parents and sisters, Jim and Connie Cogdill and Sierra of Lebanon and Mindi of Brookston, joined them.

Wednesday, March 19, while on their return trip to Kewanna, Mike and Ruth Cogdill stopped in Lebanon to visit with Mike's brother, Jim Cogdill. Jim is the laboratory supervisor at Witham Memorial Hospital in Lebanon. Jim showed them around this beautiful new hospital and introduced them to many of his staff.

Wilma Wilson had company over the holiday weekend. Paying her a visit for a few days was her sister, Vera Ambrose of Byron Center, Michigan.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of visitors Friday, March 21. Joining them for a chat and lunch were their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Amy Allison and Shelby of Columbia City.

Lois Wilson had a couple of working visitors early in the weekend. Coming up Friday for an overnight stay were her son and daughter-in-law, Dennis and Susan Wilson of Greensburg. During the day, they tackled several chores around the house and yard. In the evening, they

looked at slides from trips taken when Dennis was younger.

Kayci Cunningham of the University of Southern Indiana at Evansville spent some time over the Easter holiday weekend visiting with family in the area.

Mike and Ruth Cogdill were busy Friday. In the afternoon, they had surprise visitors. Stopping by for a quick hello were Dr. Charles Heinsen, his parents, Paul and Marilyn Heinsen, and his sister and brother-in-law, Annie and Bob Munson of California. The group had come to town to dine at the Kewanna Kafé. In the evening, Mike and Ruth drove to Winamac to visit with Mike's sister and brother-in-law, Linda and Gordon Ligocki. Mike treated everyone to some Pizza King pizza. Joining them for supper were the Ligockis' daughter and grandchildren, Renata with Doran, Lillie and Roan, and family friend, Dale Fleming.

Joe and Karen Good and Evelyn Markley visited with Dr. Charles Heinsen, Dr. Paul and Marilyn Heinsen, and Annie and Bob Munson while they ate lunch at the Kewanna Kafé Friday.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan was a weekend houseguest of her parents, Earl and Mary Bangel.

Tom and Linda Garner had company Saturday, March 22. Arriving in the afternoon for an overnight visit were their daughter and grandchildren, Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie, of Valparaiso.

Pauline and Don Scales traveled to Columbia City

Saturday. They had very nice time celebrating Easter with their daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Vic Heiden, and their children and their families Jaime Heiden, Winston and Cody, and Amy and Scott Allison and Shelby, all of Columbia City; Matt and Angie Heiden, Austin and Audrey, of Plainfield, Illinois; and Ryan and Kerry Heiden and McKinley of Atlanta, Georgia.

Mike Cogdill returned to Eagle River, Alaska early Saturday, following a weeklong visit with his mother, Ruth Cogdill.

Romayne Wentzel was in Winamac Saturday. She had a nice time as a holiday dinner guest of Kathy Graham. Also joining them for the meal and a delightful visit were Kathy's brother and Romayne's daughter, Chris and Carol Holmquest of Munster.

Pauline Brown and Julie had holiday visitors over the weekend. Arriving Saturday afternoon for an overnight visit were Pauline's son and his family, Jim and Deb Brown and Clayton of Fairland.

Leonard and Nancy Evers and their family enjoyed their annual Easter get-together Saturday afternoon. Forty members of the family gathered in the community room of the local fire station for a lovely day that included a carry-in dinner, Easter egg hunt (in the snow) and several games.

Judy Scott of Frankfort arrived Saturday for an overnight visit with her mother, Helen Miller.

Mathilda Lamb had a few holiday guests Saturday. Joining her for a visit and lunch were her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb, and their daughter, Tillie Lamb of DelRio.

Jackie Heidenreich had an enjoyable weekend. Coming over Saturday to pick her up for an

overnight visit were her son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Brenda Vogel of Rochester. In the afternoon, the trio dined at the Main Street Café.

Helen Whiteman had company Easter Sunday, March 23. Escorting her to the sunrise service at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church was her great-granddaughter, Tiffany Troutman of Indiana State University in Terre Haute.

Easter Sunday brunch guests of Larry and Elaine Rans included Bob Rans, Mary Watters, Larry and Barb Rans of Culver, Cody and Kati Rans, Julie and Ava Robertson of Mishawaka, Susan Crawford and Kent Bonnell of Winamac, Josh Sollars, Carrie and Michael Scott of Camden, Tom Moore, Shawn, Carol, Connor and Cadence Profit of Monticello.

Mary K. Williamson and Rita of Winamac and Kay and Jerry Brown traveled to Brownsburg Easter Sunday. They had a delightful time visiting Mary K.'s daughter, Karen Kruger. In the afternoon, the group continued their visit over dinner at Gray's Cafeteria in Mooresville.

Hugh and Maryelyn Tennent had a caller Sunday. Stopping by for a visit was Barb LaFollette.

Sunday, Ruth Ann Anderson accompanied her daughter, Joyce Luhnnow, to services at the Faith Outreach Church in Rochester. Joyce's granddaughter, Amber Luhnnow, was one of the participants in the dance performance during the service.

Linda and Tom Garner had a wonderful time celebrating the Easter holiday with their children and their families Missy and Steve Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna of Twelve Mile; Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie (Don had to work); and T.J. and Ashley Garner.

Ray and Beth Weller hosted their family's Easter gathering Sunday. Their guests for an afternoon of visiting and dinner were their children and their spouses, Rick and Belinda Weller of LaPorte, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon; Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans of here; their grandchildren and their families, Chad and Deb Weller, Tyler and Cody, of Rolling Prairie, Brent Wagoner of Warsaw and Shelby of Etna Green, and Kim Sutton, Riley and Katelyn, and Justin Jenkins. In the afternoon, the little ones enjoyed an egg hunt.

Louis Bangel was the guest of honor at a small gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of his birthday and hosted by his wife and daughter, Jean and Joyce. Helping them marks the event were Louis' parents, Mary and Earl Bangel; his sister, Linda Bangel; Jean's mother, Elsie Scheffer of Pulaski; and Jean's siblings, Chuck and Cheryl.

Bill and Mary Lou Foerg of Royal Center hosted their family's Easter get-together Sunday. Over 30 members of their family were able to attend including Mary Lou's mother, Wilma Wilson.

Helen Miller and Judy Scott had a couple of Easter visitors Sunday. Joining them in the afternoon for a family chat were Helen's son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Barbara Miller of Plymouth.

Roger and Brenda Vogel hosted their family's Easter gathering Sunday. Their guests for dinner included their daughters and their families, Mandy and Bill Holden, Chastity and William, of Kokomo and Cindy and Adam Oswald, Madesyn and Elizabeth, of Grissom; Jackie Heidenreich; and some of their church family.

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