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Caston students return to classes, August 13

The 2008-2009 school year begins Wednesday, August 13 for all students, K-12, attending the Caston Corporation Schools. Classes for elementary students begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:17 p.m. Junior-senior high classes begin at 8:28 a.m. and end at 3:20 p.m. (Professional early release days will be Oct. 10, Nov. 5, Dec. 11, Jan. 20 and Feb. 25 and May 8. Students will be dismissed at 12:50 p.m. on these days.)

All corporation buses will run on Wednesday, August 13. Drivers plan their routes to arrive at school by 8:25 a.m.

Students enrolling in kindergarten must be five (5) years old and students enrolling in the first grade must be six (6) years old on or before August 1, 2008. Parents need to provide certification from a physician that their child has been properly immunized and also they need to present a valid birth certificate if these have not previously been provided to the school. Effective July 1, 1999, the immunization list must also include hepatitis B.

Students in grades K-6 who are new students or did not enroll by mail may do so at the Caston Elementary office beginning Monday, August 4, through Wednesday, August 6. Hours are the same as listed below for the junior-senior high school enrollment.

Students in grades seven (7) through twelve (12) will enroll at the Guidance Office on the following schedule:

Monday, August 4 – all students (including new students), 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, August 5 – all students, 12:01 to 3:30 p.m. and 5 to 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, August 6 – all students, 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m.

Seventh grade orientation will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 5, in the cafeteria.

Book rental fees will be: kindergarten, \$70; Grade 1, \$99; Grade 2, \$100; Grade 3, \$105; Grade 4, \$95; Grade 5, \$100; Grade and 6, \$92; and Grades 7 and 8, \$120. Fees for grades 9-12 vary depending on classes taken. Rental fees are to be paid prior to the first day of school.

All students are to pay fees at the Bookstore beginning Monday, August 4, through Wednesday, August 6. The hours are 9 to

11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday and 12:01 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesday.

Lunches will be served beginning Wednesday, August 13. For students in grades K-6, the cost is \$1.70 per meal; students in grades 7-12 will pay \$1.85 per meal. Adults will pay \$2.50. Breakfast is served each morning for students who choose to participate. The cost is \$1.25 per meal for students and \$1.50 for adults. Each student will establish a renewable lunch account for meal fees. Meal fees may be credited to the student account weekly, monthly, six or nine week, semi-annual or annual payments. Some students may be eligible for reduced lunch fees based on the guidelines listed below. Applications for this assistance will be available in the bookstore.

Students attending vocational education at the Century Career Center will begin Wednesday, August 13, and special education classes in Logansport will begin on Tuesday, August 12. Century Career Center students will attend classes at Caston in the morning and will then be transported to Logansport after lunch. Special education students will be picked up at their homes by the special education bus (No. 041) and will be transported directly to Logansport to arrive there at approximately 8 a.m. Century Career Center students will be transported back to Caston at approximately 3:15. The special education students will be transported directly to their homes. Fees for Century Career Center and special education students attending Logansport schools are payable to the respective schools they attend.

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 restricts the release of most information about students and restricts the availability of student records. Only directory information may be made public with parental consent. Directory information includes student names, parent's names, addresses and telephone numbers. If you do not want such information released, please request this by notifying the respective principals. By Indiana statute, Armed Forces recruiting representatives are allowed access to directory information.

Teacher orientation and in-service will be held Monday, August 11 and Tuesday, August 12. Friday, August 8, is a teacher

First Baptist Church to close doors

The First Baptist Church in Kewanna has announced that it will be closing its doors effective Sunday, August 3, citing a decline in attendance and the economy. The church has been a lighthouse in the community since before the Civil War.

Interim pastor, James Gabhart, will be preaching through the closing date and former pastors, members and friends are invited to visit one more time to share memories and fellowship. Church service starts at 9:30 a.m., followed by Sunday school at 10:45 a.m.

The First Baptist Church had its beginnings in 1849 when Elder James Babcock, who lived near Rochester, learned of several persons of the Baptist faith in the vicinity of Pleasant Grove (Kewanna) who had no place of public worship. Elder Babcock visited them and conducted services in the home of one of the members. The group later met in a school house four miles northeast of town.

In May, 1851, there was a sufficient number of members to organize a local church so they adopted a set of Articles of Faith and a covenant agreement and called the church, The Little Flock Church. Services were conducted once a month in the Carter school house.

The congregation changed its worship location from Carter school to the Davis or Jackson school in 1857. The years 1858 to 1868 were trying years for the church due to the Civil War. The present structure was built in 1878 at a cost of \$3,000.

Any questions regarding the closing can be answered by contacting Tom and Linda Garner at 574-653-2125 or e-mailing them at tlgarner@rtcol.com.

flex day.

Should the school corporation find it necessary to delay school or dismiss early, the official radio stations for notification are Rochester WROI 92.1, Logansport WSAL 102.3 or Logansport Hoosier Country 103.7.

If you have any questions or want additional information about the start of school, call Mr. Doug Olsson, high school principal, at 574-857-3505; Mrs. Lucinda Douglass, elementary principal, at 574-857-3025; or Mr. Dan Foster, superintendent at 574-857-2035.

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Town council conducts July session

The Kewanna town council met Thursday evening, July 3, in regular session.

The first item of business was the June fire department report shared by Tony Pesaresi. He noted that the department responded to two town and three township calls, all medical, and two mutual aid requests during the month of June. He also noted that it is critical to the department's ISO rating that all fire hydrants be tested and documented.

Town marshal Dennis Price submitted his monthly report which revealed six traffic warnings, six criminal arrests (four adults and two juveniles), 52 calls answered and 1,530 miles patrolled. He also had information on two properties facing court-ordered clean-up.

Resolutions pertaining to tax abatement for upgrades to equipment at Winamac Coil Spring, Inc. were approved. The company will be adding a multi axis coiler, software upgrade, tempering furnace, shot peen tumble blast machine, new racks, electric picker and upgrades to the electric at Plant No. 2. Five additional employees will be required when improvements are completed.

Pam Hageman of RCAP introduced the Good Start Project to the council, noting the positive feedback they have received. At the present, the council is focusing on the Rural Health Clinic but is interested in what the Good Start Project could do for the community.

Signage regulating the use of compression brakes within the town limits was discussed.

Applications for summer mowing help were reviewed. Interviews will be scheduled.

The town's tree ordinance is being reviewed for a possible amendment.

Guidelines in place for adjusting water and sewage bills were reviewed and re-approved.

The town superintendent's report noted that the fluoride treatment equipment at both well houses has been inspected and approved.

The town has received a letter from EPA confirming that its system has been granted a 40/30 waiver from the Initial Distribution System Evaluation Requirements under the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule. This will cut back on a few samples a year for water testing.

Two rubber mounts which holds the radiator in place were replaced on the town mower.

Three loads of dirt were hauled to the park to fill in the ruts from the tile project. The dirt will be tilled and leveled.

The street department spent several days cleaning up after a wind/rain storm, including a power outage.

Some wiring at the No. 2 lift

Lake Meeting

The Lake Bruce Conservancy District will hold a joint meeting with the Lake Bruce Association's annual meeting Saturday, July 12, at the Hoosier Hideaway. The event will start with a carry-in luncheon at 11:30 a.m. The meat will be provided.

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Concert/dinner at Fulton

The Liberty Township Park Board will sponsor a Coney dog and pork burger dinner Saturday, July 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Liberty Township Park in Fulton. Tickets for the meal are \$6 for adults, \$4.50 for children ages 6-12, and \$2.50 for children under six years of age.

A concert by Water In2 Wine will follow the meal. A free will offering will be accepted. Those attending should bring a lawn chair for seating. All proceeds will go toward future concerts and park improvements.

Water In2 Wine is comprised of Aaron and Jonathan Ashlock, gifted youth with professional quality singing and anointed spirits. They will bring a rich blend of music, some original, in various styles. They have produced three albums. Their "Ahead". To learn more about Water In2 Wine, log on to their website, www.waterin2wine.com.

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Garden Tour, July 12

The Master Gardeners of Fulton County will present its 2008 Tour of Gardens Saturday, July 12, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Gardens on the tour include those of Donovan and Judy Peterson at 1210 Bittersweet Ln.; Violet Siewert, 1250 Bittersweet Ln.; Prairie Edge Park, West Third St. and U.S. 31; Dick and Helen Enyart, 2420 Country Club Dr. S.; Randy and Nancy Trier, 1275 S. 500 E.; and George and Nancy Krom, 1136 N 525 E.

Tickets are \$5 each and are available at The Bloomin' Corner in Rochester and at each garden the day of the tour. Proceeds from the tour will benefit Habitat for Humanity and other projects. Tour goers who visit all six gardens and get their tickets punched at each location will have the chance of winning a \$50 gift certificate from The Bloomin' Corner.

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Send In Your News

station was replaced.

The annual consumer confidence report was updated and made ready for distribution.

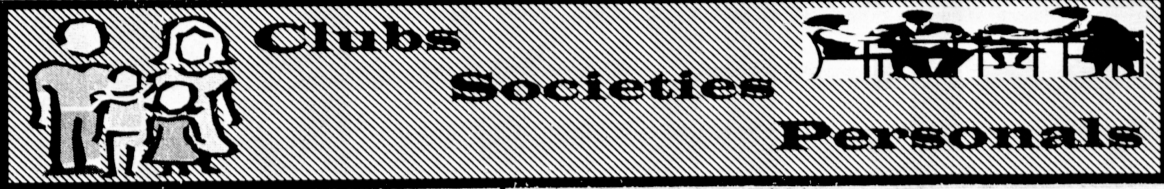
A couple of broken meter lids were replaced and a chlorine leak was fixed.

The water works pumped a total of 1,382,200 gallons of water during June.

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Income Eligibility Guidelines For School Year 7-1-2008 to 6-30-2009

Family (Household) Size	Reduced-Price Meals			Free Meals		
	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	19,240	1,604	370	13,520	1,127	260
2	25,900	2,159	499	18,200	1,517	350
3	32,560	2,714	627	22,880	1,907	440
4	39,220	3,269	755	27,560	2,297	530
5	45,880	3,824	883	32,240	2,687	620
6	52,540	4,379	1,011	36,920	3,077	710
7	59,200	4,934	1,139	41,600	3,467	800
8	65,860	5,489	1,267	46,280	3,857	890
For each additional Person:	+6,660	+555	+129	+4,680	+390	+90



Luke Puckett speaks to Republican Women

The Fulton County Republican Women's Club met Monday evening, June 23, at the Streamliner Central in Rochester. The guest speaker for the evening was Luke Puckett, Republican candidate for the 2nd District Congressional seat. His main topic of discussion was energy. Puckett believes that with American ingenuity and spirit, we can drive down the cost of gas at the pump now and become energy independent in 10 years by fighting to drill domestically for oil in an environmentally friendly way, increasing domestic oil production by building new American refineries and by encouraging new energy technologies. Luke and five other congressional leaders are going to ANWR July 14-17 on a fact-finding mission trip organized with Luke's initiative during the primary.

Luke believes that these tough economic times call for extended tax cuts to keep as much cash in the pockets of hardworking Hoosiers as possible by making the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts permanent; placing a two-year moratorium on frivolous pork barrel spending; and eliminating the death tax. He will also fight for lower taxes on small businesses that drive the economy.

He believes that the current healthcare system is broken. He will work for competitive, free

market policies to lower healthcare costs while increasing accessibility. He wants to eliminate frivolous healthcare law suits by having the loser pay the costs incurred.

Puckett's plan for national security includes working to maintain and strengthen our military to keep us safe. He believes decisions affecting our safety should be made by commanders on the ground and not bureaucrats in Washington.

Finally, Puckett will champion fiscal responsibility and fight liberal overspending that has caused taxes to climb out of control at every level of government. His approach to solving this problem is to address each issue with common sense along with the proper incentives and work ethic requirements. Luke loves the challenge of business but what truly motivates him is his love for God and serving others.

The regular business meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance led by the president, Carmella Villasana, followed by the invocation. Cathy Ginther gave the secretary's report and Joan Steele gave the treasurer's report. Both were approved as read. The members were reminded to wear an elephant to each meeting or face a fine. Joanna Smith is currently collecting for the Gold Elephant Club. This contribution can be sent to her.

Pat Calvert gave the cheer report noting that cards have been sent to Dorothy and Harry Richter and Jay Herrold.

Chad Hartzler, Republican county chair, announced plans for the upcoming Lincoln Day Dinner. It will be held Wednesday, July 23, at the Fulton

County Museum. The speaker will be Governor Mitch Daniels. Tickets are now available. This is the only Lincoln Day Dinner in the Second District at which the governor will appear. Carmella will provide all the decorations for the event. The club thanked her for her generous donation. Chad also announced that the Republican headquarters will again be located at 806 Main Street in Rochester with an opening date in July. There is currently still one opening for precinct committeeman. If interested, contact Chad.

The club will be involved in the central committee's booth at the Fulton County 4-H Fair during the week of July 14-18. Each member is currently selling quilt raffle tickets. The quilt will be awarded on Friday evening of the fair. The money for this project needs to be turned in at the booth during fair week, if not before.

The club's next meeting will be August 25 at the Streamliner Central Family Restaurant. There will be a meal at 6:30 with the meeting starting at 7 p.m.

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James F. Talbott VFW Post #1121 July Activities

- July 3 - Fire works
- July 4 - Happy 4th of July!
- July 8 - Men's meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- July 16 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m.
- July 20 - District meeting in Logansport at 2 p.m.
- July 22 - Men's Auxiliary meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- July 26 - Red, White and Blue Benefit Run.
- July 27 - Open Sunday at noon. Free food.

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Town & Country Chatter...
 by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Earl, Mary and Linda Bangel spent Tuesday and Wednesday attending the Shelby County 4-H fair. Earl and Mary's grandson, Kevin Bangel, was completing his 10th and final year of 4-H.

Jane Teeter of Bluffton picked up her mother, Ruth Cogdill, Wednesday, July 2, for a trip to Michigan City. Jane treated Ruth to an overnight stay at the Blue Chip Casino and Hotel. It was a fun way to celebrate Ruth's birthday. Jane knew how much her mom and dad liked to go to Las Vegas and the Blue Chip Casino is so convenient. There were no big winners, but the ladies sure had a good time.

Lois Wilson had company Wednesday. Stopping in for a delightful visit were her granddaughter and her fiancé, Sara Van Gundy and Garth Reese. Sara and Garth will be getting married July 26 and making their home in New York City.

Don and Pauline Scales were in Ft. Wayne Wednesday. They took

care of some business in the morning. At noontime, they were joined for a visit by their daughters and granddaughter, Barb Grandstaff of Kendallville, Ellen Heiden of Columbia City and Jaime Heiden of Ft. Wayne.

Helen Whiteman had an enjoyable day Thursday, July 3. Joining her for a visit over breakfast at the Kewanna Kaffé were her daughter, Sherri Lett and her great-granddaughters, Rylee Daugherty of Winamac, Tiffany Conner and Jaden and Ella Whiteman. In the afternoon, her granddaughter and great-grandson, Teresa Conner and Tristan stopped by for a visit and to mow her yard.

Mathilda Lamb had visitors Thursday. Paying her a delightful holiday visit were Peg Lee of Edwardsburg, Michigan and Peg's granddaughter and great-grandson, Carolyn and Lincoln.

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 June 30
 Admissions - Grace Norman, Macy
 Dismissals - Summer Gonzalez and daughter, Akron
 Births - Misty Schmitt, Rochester, a daughter
 July 1
 Admissions - none published
 Dismissals - Grace Norman, Macy
 Births - Samantha Guess, Kewanna, a daughter
 July 2
 Admissions - John Oliver, Milford; Karen Gunter, Rochester
 Dismissals - Misty Schmitt, Rochester
 Births - Joshua and Brandi Wolfe, Winamac, a daughter
 July 3
 Admissions - Charles Miller, Rochester
 Dismissals - Cloey Smith, Rochester

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
 June 26
 Admission - Sarah Chrusciel, Hamlet
 June 27
 Admissions - Tiffany Griewank, Winamac
 Dismissals - Kay Clemons, Star City; Sarah Chrusciel, Hamlet
 June 28
 Admissions - Jessica Haselby, Star City
 Dismissals - Amy Trent and Cole Alan Trent, North Judson
 June 29
 Admissions - Ana Troyer, Plymouth; Dannel Clemons, North Judson
 Dismissals - Tiffany Griewank, Winamac
 June 30
 Admissions - Virginia Michels, Winamac
 Dismissals - none
 July 1
 Admissions - Silas Roberts II, North Judson
 Dismissals - Jessica Haselby and Colten Brian Haselby, Star City; Ana

Troyer and Mark Christopher Troyer, Plymouth; Silas Roberts II, North Judson
 July 2
 Admissions - none
 Dismissals - none
 July 3
 Admissions - none
 Dismissals - Virginia Michels, Winamac
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DEATHS

CHARLES F. GREER, JR.
 Kewanna native, Charles F. Greer, Jr., 74, Rochester, passed away at 7:10 p.m. Sunday at his home. Born March 25, 1934, at Kewanna, he was the son of Franklin Charles and Delia Lenora Lambert Greer, Sr. He was married September 27, 1952, in Knox to Patty S. Stingley. She survives.
 Greer worked for General Electric in Fort Wayne for more than 30 years. He also worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad and was a truck driver. He was a member of the Mentone Flying Club, special deputy for the Fulton County Sheriff's Department, Radio Emergency Associates Communication Teams, ham radio operator and private pilot. He especially enjoyed piloting helicopters in Orlando, Florida, around all the amusement parks.
 Surviving besides his wife are one son, Don Greer, Peru; one daughter, Kathy Minns and her husband, Mike, Peru; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren; two sisters, Carol Sheetz, Rochester, and Connie Killingbeck and her husband, Bruce, Remus, Michigan; and a sister-in-law, Darla Greer, Kewanna. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Bob Greer.
 A visitation was held

Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at the Zimmerman Bros. Funeral Home in Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Mr. Greer's remains will be donated to Indiana University School of Medicine. Online condolences may be sent to zimmermanbros@rtcol.com.
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Bereavement Support Group

The next bereavement support group meeting will be Thursday, July 17, at 7 p.m. in the Hope Hospice office, 420 Main St., Rochester. Steven Tibbetts' 30-minute video, "Recognizing Fear and Anger" will be shown and discussion will follow. Chaplain Ronald Purkey will be the group leader. The support group meets the third Thursday of every month. There is no charge to attend. For more information, call the hospice office at 574-224-4673 or 888-737-4673.
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AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, July 14 - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, spinach, cookie, roll and milk
 Wednesday, July 16 - Pot roast and gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, pears, oatmeal bread and milk
 Friday, July 18 - Spaghetti, toss salad, green beans, pineapple, Italian bread and milk
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LOCALS

Bea Ann Clark of Logansport was a Thursday overnight houseguest of her sister, Betty Leazenby. Joining them in the evening to watch the local fireworks display were their sister and brother-in-law, Barb and Jon Gast.

Karina and Terry Bohac and Nick of Rochester were Thursday evening guests of Karina's parents, Tom and Barb LaFollette. They enjoyed watching movies while eating pizza. Nick remained overnight.

Cindy and Art Ayers of Belpre, Ohio and their son, Christopher of Wisconsin were holiday weekend houseguests of Cindy's brother, Terry Brown.

Pauline Brown and Julie had visitors Friday, July 4. Arriving for a holiday visit were Pauline's son and his family, Jim and Deb Brown and Clayton of Fairland. Jim and Deb returned home Saturday, while Clayton remained for a few days.

Leonard and Nancy Evers had a caller Friday. Coming up for a very pleasant visit was their granddaughter, Andrea Yocum of Indianapolis.

Wilma Wilson had an enjoyable time Friday. Visiting with her in the late afternoon were her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Jack Graham of Lucerne and their son, Kurt Graham of Indianapolis. In the evening, they came into town for supper.

Jackie Heidenreich enjoyed celebrating the Fourth of July holiday as a guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Brenda Vogel at Rochester.

Mike Brown hosted his annual Fourth of July pool party for his family Friday. Joining him for supper, some swimming and watching the local fireworks display after dusk were his grandmother, Mary K. Williamson of Winamac; his aunt, Evelyn Peters; his uncle and aunt, Fred and Barbara Brown of Rochester; his brother and sister-in-law, Mark and Mick Brown; his sisters and their families, Sue

and Mike McKinney and Molly, and Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee, Kaelee, William and Aidan, all of Rochester; his cousins and their families, Cindy and Art Ayers and Christopher, Terry Brown and Becky Litke and Ted and Faith Brown and Chloe; and Mick's niece and her friend, Layla Evans and Josh of Ohio.

Linda Garner was in Rochester Saturday, July 5. She met her daughter and her family, Missy and Steve Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna of Twelve Mile, and her son and daughter-in-law, T.J. and Ashley Garner, for a visit over lunch.

Mary and Earl Bangel had visitors Saturday. Coming up for a family chat were their son and grandsons, Bruce Bangel, Rob and Kevin, of Indianapolis, and Rob's girlfriend, Jessica.

Romayne Wentzel had several visitors Saturday. Paying her a holiday call were her children and their families, Tim and Jeri Wentzel of Hicksville, Ohio and Becky and Mike Slentz and family of Butler.

Lois Wilson had working visitors Saturday. Coming up for an overnight stay and tackling several chores around the house and yard were her son and daughter-in-law, Dennis and Susan Wilson of Greensburg, and their son and grandchildren, David Wilson, Joseph and Samantha.

Greg and Jackie Agnew of Rochester hosted a belated Independence Day celebration Saturday. The group also helped Greg's brother, John, celebrate his birthday. Guests included Virginia Agnew of here, Jeff, Shayna and Kayleena Agnew, Jarrod and Amy Agnew, Zachary and Alexis, and John and Pam Agnew, all of Rochester, and Jeremy Agnew of Westfield. Boat rides and ice cream and cake added to the festivities.

Mathilda Lamb had a couple of callers Saturday. Stopping by for a short, but very nice visit, were her daughter and son-in-law, Joan and Mike Gallagher of Wilmington, Ohio.

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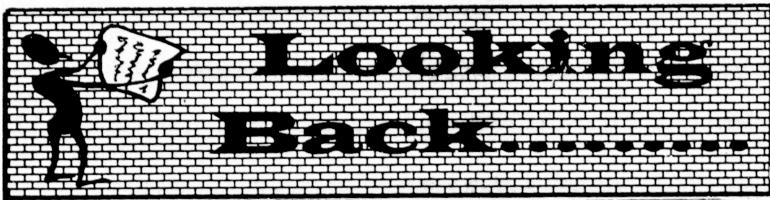
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SIXTY YEARS AGO July 8, 1948

The Past Noble Grand Club of Rochester entertained the clubs in the district at a picnic dinner at the Rochester Park recently. Those from here who attended were Miss Gladus Wharton, Mrs. Alice Rans, Mrs. Guy Urbin and granddaughter, Janet Rae Urbin, Mrs. Margaret Collins, Mrs. Ada Mae Harris and Billy, Mrs. Helen Miller and children, Sandra, Judy and Ronnie, and Mrs. Guyla Cunningham and children, Larry and Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dice have returned from a 5,000-mile motor trip in the southwest. They visited Texas, New Mexico and California, returning home through Illinois.

The Wayne Wide Awake 4-H Club met at the home of Orville Thomas Friday, June 28. After a short business meeting, a hayride and wiener roast was enjoyed. Janece Rouch, Bonnie Thomas, Joan Wise and Dorothy Douglass were appointed to a committee to plan entertainment for the fair.

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO July 10, 1953

While fishing on King's Lake south of DeLong Saturday, George Van Meter landed a 3 1/4 pound crappie.

J. L. (Bummer) Wilson suffered a heart attack Saturday at his cottage on Lake Bruce. He was moved to his home Sunday and is reported better.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnston and daughter, Sharyn, entertained at a family dinner Wednesday evening, July 1, in honor of Harold Johnston who left Friday, July 3, for San Francisco. He will leave July 15 from San Francisco for Korea.

Mrs. Clara Hahne and daughter Janet of Chicago spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Koebecke.

Sgt. Paul Weller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Weller of here, who is stationed with the Army in Japan, expects to sail home about August 1.

While walking along the street in front of the old Toner Hotel Saturday night, Bromley Smith caught his foot on an elevation in the sidewalk and fell. The fall resulted in a gash above his right eye that required four stitches to close, and an injured knee cap.

FIFTY YEARS AGO July 10, 1958

Jack Vigus expects to leave Sunday for Louisville, Kentucky, where he has enrolled in the Kentucky College of Barbering for a six-month course.

The MYF of the Kewanna Methodist Church will hold a picnic and swimming party Sunday, July 13, at Culver. Chaperones will be Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Herman McColley, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Urbin.

Joe Zellers, Kewanna, left July 2 for Lackland Air Force Base. Joe has enlisted in the Air Force for four years.

Diane and Donna Hunter of here and Shelby Hartzler of Fulton, members of the Fulton Rainbow Assembly, attended the 18th annual Grand Assembly at Indiana University in Bloomington recently.

Mary Zuck of here tied for first place in the District 4-H judging at LaPorte July 8 in food preparation. She will compete in state competition during the State Fair in August.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO July 11, 1963

A 54-year-old Kokomo truck driver was electrocuted shortly before 6 a.m. Sunday as he attempted to water his lawn at his cottage at Nyona Lake. Carr Edwards died instantly when his leg touched a woven wire fence that was in contact with an electric motor pumping water from the lake onto his lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Crabill of Rt. 4, Rochester, near Kewanna celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, June 30, in their home.

Final rites were held Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Harrison Chapel,

Kewanna, for Louise Whybrew, wife of Roy Whybrew. Mrs. Whybrew died Saturday at the Bluffton Clinic.

Agatha Dwyer, 73, Logansport, died at 11:25 p.m. Thursday in St. Joseph Hospital, Logansport. Mr. and Mrs. Dwyer formerly owned and operated the general store in Kewanna.

Father Robert Sorg, recently appointed pastor at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Kewanna, was installed during ceremonies held Sunday evening, July 7. A dinner for the pastor and other clergy present was served before the installation service by ladies of the church.

THIRTY YEARS AGO July 13, 1978

Ted Waggoner, 24, a 1978 graduate of the Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington, has joined the law firm of Peterson and Morton in Rochester. Mr. Waggoner was recently admitted to practice before the Indiana Supreme Court.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the local Church of Christ for Mrs. Caroline Weller, 80, Kewanna. Ron Prilliman officiated and burial was in the IOOF Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Artist of Rochester and Mrs. Emagene Troutman of Kewanna recently attended the semi-annual National Central Committee meeting of the American party held in Topeka, Kansas.

John Dague, Rt. 1, Lucerne, remains in critical condition in the burn unit of Wishard Memorial Hospital in Indianapolis. Dague was injured early Friday when his Piper Pawnee airplane crashed west of Logansport. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dague of here.

TWENTY YEARS AGO July 14, 1988

The southwest wall in a vacant portion of the building which houses the Kewanna branch of the Farmers and Merchants Bank crumbled and fell Monday morning. Verlin Klinefelter, Sr. and Verlin Klinefelter, Jr. were working on the bank's air conditioner at the time of the collapse but were not injured. Bank employees were also present when the incident occurred about 9 a.m., but were not injured.

Jeff MacLain has been accepted to attend the Mid-America College of Funeral Service in Jeffersonville. The two-year course, which begins September 6, will afford him an associate

degree in embalming and funeral directing. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence MacLain of Kewanna and a 1988 graduate of Kewanna High School.

The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. Samuel Overmyer will be celebrated with an open house Sunday, July 17, at their home, two miles north and 1/2 mile east of the intersection of Sates Roads 14 and 17.

Jay Burkett of Rochester, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin of here, recently returned home after bicycling 2,100 miles across the U.S.

TEN YEARS AGO July 9, 1998

Mary Esther Weirick was recently honored at the First Baptist Church in Kewanna for her faithful service to the congregation as organist-pianist for many years, a position she still holds. She received a bronze plaque from the pastor, Dr. Doug Blanc, on behalf of an appreciative church family.

Eileen and Bill Donathen spent a couple of days in Franklin where they were houseguests of their son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Joyce Donathen. They helped them welcome home their daughter, Amanda, who spent the past semester studying at the Essec Universite in Paris, France. Amanda will return to Georgetown University in Washington D.C. this fall for her senior year.

Charlene Vote of Evansville spent Sunday evening with

Wilma Thomas. Monday morning they attended a memorial service for their aunt, Helen Dobler, at Flora.

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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 July 9. To schedule an appointment call 574-223-3326.

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Caston golf outing, August 23

The 11th annual Caston Comet Golf Scramble sponsored by the Caston Athletic Department and Booster Club will be held Saturday, August 23, at the Logansport Golf Club.

The entry fee is \$60 per person and includes a round of golf, cart, golf towel donated by The Winning Edge in Rochester, door prizes, and a buffet supper following the golf.

To register for the event, fill out the form below and send it to the address indicated.

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Kewanaw/Union Township Public Library News...

The July 5 story hour was about bugs. The older children read the books *The Bug Guy* and *Wander Worm* by Bob Reese, *Fly Paper* by Tracy Kempelien, *Ladybugs* by Susan Ashley and *Monarch Butterfly* and *Caterpillars* by Helen Frost. The children played hide-and-seek and made bug pencil toppers.

New books at the library:

ADULTS:

Unabridged Christian Audio-books— *The Bishop's Daughter* written by Wanda E. Brunstetter, read by Christina Moore, on 8 cassettes and 9.5 hours in length; *Fancy Pants* written by Cathy Marie Hake, read by Barbara Caruso, on 10 cassettes and 11.5 hours in length; and *Talk of The Town* written by Lisa Wingate, read by Johanna Parker, on 10 cassettes and 11.75 hours in length.

JUVENILES:

Picture Books Fiction— *Dora Helps Diego* (from the Dora the Explorer series) by Laura Driscoll and *What Columbus Found* by Jane Kurtz.

Youth Christian Fiction— *Pay Back* (#4 of The Secret Life of Samantha McGregor series) and *Project: Raising Faith* and *Project: Run Away* (#5 and #6 of the Girls of 622 Harbor View series) by Melody Carlson.

Youth Nonfiction— *Castles Under Siege* and *Knights and Castles* by Richard Dargie, *How Castles were Built* by Peter Hicks and *Castle Life* by Struan Reid (from The Age of Castles series); *The Biggest NASCAR Races* by Holly Cefrey, *Great Moments in NASCAR Racing* by Sally Ganchy, *The Greatest NASCAR Tracks* by Matthew Robinson and *The Most Victorious Cars of NASCAR Racing* by Jeffrey Spaulding (from the Highlights of NASCAR Racing series); and *Cave and Underground Homes*, *City and Country Homes*, *Mud, Grass, and Ice Homes*, *Palaces, Mansions, and Castles*, *Portable Homes* and *River and Sea Homes* (from the Homes Around The World series) by Debbie Gallagher.

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Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group will meet Saturday, July 12, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the PMH board room. This group will focus on sharing experiences and positive solutions for dealing with MS. Patients, families and caregivers are welcome. For more information, call Lori Semrau at 579-946-2157 Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

The Sweet Beginnings Prenatal Program at Healthy Families offers a clinic at the county building in Winamac providing prenatal care coordination services. These services include free urine pregnancy testing, risk assessment and referral to other community services including medical provider and financial coverage. Services are offered during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call ahead for an appointment or information at 574-946-6017.

LOCALS

Pat and Virgil Zellers, Betty Hickle, Donnabelle Fisher and Merna Daily of Kewanaw; Louise Decker, Attica; Maxine Bardsley, Silver Lake, and Wilma Allred of Rochester met Connie Fraiser of Sequim, Washington in Rochester for lunch recently. They were all high school classmates.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan arrived Monday, June 30, for an extended visit with her parents, Earl and Mary Bangel.

Dan and Paula Walsh had several visitors Monday. Joining them for a visit were their daughter and granddaughter, Leah Hinderlinder and Macee; Dan's mother, Ellen Walsh; Florence Miller and Shirley Newel of Wesley Manor in Frankfort; Sonya Weiss of New York City; and Nedra Carlson of Setauket, New York.

Jaden and Ella Whiteman of Indianapolis were week-long houseguests of their cousin, Andrea Hook of Winamac.

Jackie Heidenreich had company Tuesday, July 1. Coming up for a visit were her daughter, Jaime Short of Indianapolis and Jaime's friend's daughters, Carmen and Camille.

Barb LaFollette was in Kokomo Tuesday. She picked up her mother, Pauline Eikenberry, for a day of shopping. They also enjoyed lunch at the Country Catfish restaurant and dessert at Scoops ice cream shop.

Barb and Tom LaFollette had company Saturday. Arriving for a three-day visit was their granddaughter and great-grandson, Shelby Bohac and Eli.

Sunday, July 6, was a busy day for Ruth Cogdill. Her son, Tim Cogdill of Macy, spent the morning with her. He set up her police scanner—which had been out of order for years. Ruth's daughter, Linda Ligocki of Winamac, arrived just after Tim left. This was a belated birthday visit by Linda. She put up new curtains in Ruth's bedroom, hung two beautiful pictures of Ruth's favorite birds that were painted by her husband, Gordon Ligocki, and put up the wind chimes in the backyard that Gordon had made with old spoons. It was a wonderful day for visiting.

Julie Brown and Clayton were among those who enjoyed attending the cookout held in honor of Coy Field Sunday afternoon. The event was in recognition of his 6th birthday and hosted by his parents and brothers, Candy and Justin Field, Carter and Caleb.

Helen Miller had visitors Sunday. Coming up for a holiday chat were her granddaughter and her family, Suzanne and Michael Crump, Katie and Tyler, of Muncie.

Lois, Dennis, Susan, David, Joseph and Samantha Wilson were among those who enjoyed attending the Neff family reunion at Lake Maxinkuckee Sunday.

Pauline and Don Scales had several callers Sunday afternoon. Stopping by throughout the day

to visit and tackle some chores around the house and yard were their daughters, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester and Linda Garner; their grandson, T.J. Garner; and their granddaughter and her family, Cindy and Greg Wiese and Ally.

Pauline, Julie and Clayton Brown and Luke Sutton were in Rochester Sunday evening. The boys had a fun time playing at Manitou Mountain and eating carry-outs from McDonald's.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Candice Evers, July 13; Summer Garver, Ken Hamman, Ray Weller and Caleb Wilson, July 14; Coral Montine and Jeff Nies Jr., July 15; Gary Kline, July 16; Cale DeWees, Buddy LaFollette, Thomas R. LaFollette, Zek

Kesler, Hayley Nimitz, Dan Pesaresi, Ralph Shotts and Nicholas Wentzel, July 17; Holt Harding, Susan Van Lake and Jennifer Watson, July 18; and Zachary Agnew, Doran Heinsen, Andrea High, Joshua Rude and William Rude, July 19.

There are ten couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson, July 13; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Smitley, July 14; Mr. and Mrs. David Briney, July 15; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weller, July 16; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Rans and Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Springfield, July 17; Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Fisher, July 18; and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Stegemoller, July 19.

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Attend Church Sunday

Pictorial postmark contest

Children under the age of 18 are invited to enter a pictorial postmark contest for the Kewanaw Fall Festival. Judging of the contest will be at the August 4 Kewanaw town council meeting and the winner will receive \$50.

Entry blanks, rules and instructions for the contest are available at several local businesses, including The Observer.

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Star City alums gather

The Star City High School Alumni Association met Saturday, June 28, at the community building with the president, Bob Moss, giving the welcome and opening prayer. The group of 127 alumni and friends enjoyed the meal catered by Moss Creek Catering. Mary K. Wiesjahn Williamson entertained with several piano selections.

The president recognized and thanked the officers by presenting certificates to Della Perry McWherter, 1st vice president; Mildred Gudas Redweik, 2nd vice president; Kay Sheets Foerg, secretary/treasurer; and Mary K. Wiesjahn Williamson, historian.

Members of the 50-year honor class were recognized including Karen Barker Salyer, Roy Brown, Lee DePoy, Edwina Gudas Martin, Mary Jones Roach, Ruth Ann Kiser Wentz, Terry Lehman, David Stangle, Robert White, Ray Brown, Larry Day, Larry Good, Carol Haselby Danruther, Donald Wentz, Larry Leasure, Marlene Roe Smith, Betty Sutton Hinkle, and Judy Bonnell Planck. Their table was adorned with the class flower, the yellow rose, and the class colors, blue and white. Each classmate shared a bit of their life. Three members of the class, Daniel Canady, Donald Markley and Carl Kenneth Seward are deceased.

Della McWherter conducted a memorial service by reading a

poem written by Ruth Anne Hinshaw Nunamaker of the class of 1956. She also lighted a candle in memory of the following deceased members: Opal Kesling Bishop, class of 1926; Mildred Bonnell Roth, 1934; Johnnie Haselby, Sr., 1937; James Korner, 1942; Eleanor Dawson Marquis, 1943; Donna Liming Stoughton, 1944; Lester Burgess, 1945; Cecil Hood, 1946; Roger Grady, 1961; Ralph Good, 1963; Carol Knebel Preiser, 1966; George Schultz and James Johnson, 1948; Vivian DePoy Henry and Larry Thompson, 1951; Art Sutton, 1956; Charles Johnson and James Shidler, 1957; Carl Seward, 1958; George Johnson, 1961; Steve Compton, 1965; Rex Crist, 1967; and home economics teacher, Merna Barnes Rinker.

Also recognized was the person who traveled the farthest to attend, which was Argel Bonnell from Arizona. The oldest alumnus present was Dorothy Hiatt Gast of Logansport. The youngest alums present were Steve Siminski, Marlene Freeman Girton and Pam Carpenter Westphal from the class of 1968 with Marlene actually being the youngest. Ed and Olive Fisher of Star City were honored for living the closest.

Correspondence shared was from former principal, Paul E. Newell, who now lives in Arizona. He noted, "I'm sorry -

I'd love to come but I can't. Maybe one of these years I'll be living close enough so that I can come." He says "hello" to all and that he will be 93 years old on September 10. He also commented that he is in fairly good health. Persons wishing to contact him or write to him can do so at Westchester Villa, 6150 S. Rural Road, Apt. 1361, Tempe, AZ 85283.

Bill Murphy of Culver also wrote to say hello to all and sorry he wouldn't be able to attend as he had fallen and broken a hip. He is a 1932 graduate and hopes to be home again by the first of July.

Millie Redweik, member of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers for 2009. As there were no nominations from the floor, a motion was made to elect the slate presented. The slate of officers includes Bob Moss, president; Mary Jane Bonnell Koons, 1st vice president; Millie Gudas Redweik, 2nd vice president; Kay Sheets Foerg, secretary/treasurer; and Mary K. Wiesjahn Williamson, historian.

Alumni from the 30's were recognized. They include Arbutus Hatfield Crist, class of 1930, the oldest surviving graduate; Dorothy Hiatt Gast, 1931; Fred Gast and William Murphy, 1932; Neil Hiatt and Garnett McFarland, 1934; Helen Weeks (Mitchell), 1935; Mary Crane

Guise, Marjorie David Comegys, Jeannetta Day Shafer and Argel Bonnell, 1936; Marietta Hiatt Ruby, Woodrow Skillen, Annabelle Davis Hamilton, Mary K. Wiesjahn Williamson, Mildred Strong Fenile and Mary Thompson Powers, 1937; John Huff, Tom Davis, Marjorie Conn Brown, Maryanne Wank Rogers, Elmer Colby and Grace Harper Colburn, 1938; Dale Mitchell, Olive Fahler King, Betty Sutton Fellers, Mabel Bucks Rockey and Everett Knebel (honorary), class of 1939.

Lois Bishop Heater presented a framed photo of her father's (Ralph Bishop) graduating class of 1914 to hang in the community building. Kathi Thompson also presented a framed photo of the last Star City graduating class, the class of 1968, to be hung in the building.

A request was made for alumni to begin copying graduate pictures from 1904 to 1920's for the building. These photos were "lost" during the consolidation period.

Millie Redweik read excerpts of a history of Star City written by Mary K. Williamson. Copies of the complete history were handed out to the alumni present. Mary K. made mention of people and places from the early 1920's until recent times in her history. She mentioned early recycling - catalogues - enjoyed by all for the merchandise and later used in the outhouse! Also mentioned were the "Cheer, Cheer" lyrics by

Dorothy Hiatt Gast; the songs, "School Days", "I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover", "When You Wore a Tulip," and "Till We Meet Again". She also praised the Star City Lions Club for their work on the building as well as their new project of updating the playground equipment. Betty Wegner Parcel accepted donations from alumni toward the equipment.

An ode to Ralph Good, a 1963 graduate who passed away this year, was read.

Booklets previously written and printed were available for purchase. Also, Linda Knebel Pruden's book, "Reflections on a Changing Family - A Recipe Book of Life" was available for viewing as well as an article from Farm and Ranch magazine about Everett Knebel.

Alumni in attendance included:

Honorary alumni, Betty Parcel and Norman Felker; Dorothy Hiatt Gast, class of 1931; Fred Gast, 1932; Argel Bonnell, 1936; Mary K. Wiesjahn Williamson, Mary Thompson Powers, Mildred Strong Fenile and Marietta Hiatt Roe Ruby, 1937; Tom Davis, 1938; Tom Densborn, Robert Korner and Ivan Haselby, 1940; Howard Bonnell, 1943; Pearl Allen Spillman, 1944; Donald Fisher, Veneda Galbreath David, Wayne Graffis and Darl Daily, 1945; Arthur Allen, 1946; James Hauser, Elaine Perry Gerlach, Ellen Peters Horn and Margaret Bonnell Bechdol, 1948; Don White and Dolores McCrosky Bolder, 1949; Merle Kiser, Wayne Bonnell, Don Grostefon and Les Miller, 1950; Madaline Fisher Sommers, Richard Sommers, Edythe Seward Carlson, and Delores Brown Galbreath, 1951; Dean Kistler, Mary Ann Hauser Webb, Sandra Warner Grostefon and Barbara Moon Kellough, 1952; Maryann Brown Warner and Dolly Kiser Miller, 1954; Bobbie Moss and Sandra Hoover Knebel, 1955; Gerald Bonnell, Mildred Redweik Gudas, Larry Miller, Gena Roe Smith and former classmate, Elinor Newell Barber, 1956; Della Perry McWherter and Otto Ruff, 1957; Larry Day, Edwina Gudas Martin, Ray Brown, Terry Lehman, Larry Good, Donald Wentz; Ruth Ann Kiser Wentz, Marlene Roe Smith and David Stangle, 1958; Larry Hoover, Mary Jane Woodke Stangle and Tom Capper, 1959; Carol Jump Channess, Carolyn Lehman Brown, and Donna White Ruff, 1960; Mary Jane Bonnell Koons, Kay Sheets Foerg, Dean Good and John Fagan, 1961; Mary Gudas Perry, 1962; Linda Peter Good and Larry Peters, 1963; Nancy Kiser Bechtel, Harold Rife and Lester Good, 1964; and Steve Siminski, Marlene Freeman Girton and Pam Carpenter Westphal, 1968.

Everyone is asked help keep the association updated as to deceased members and address changes. These items can be reported to any officer. Kay Sheets Foerg announced that next year's meeting will be June 27 at the Star City community building.

Submitted by Millie Gudas Redweik
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Star City class of 1958 enjoys reunion

The 1958 graduating class of Star City High School met for a 50th anniversary class reunion at

the home of Larry and Linda Leasure near Kewanna Saturday evening, June 28. Fifteen of the 18 living members of the class were in attendance, one from as far away as Washington State and

two from Georgia.

Class members enjoying the occasion include, front row, left to right, Marlene (Roe) Smith, Edwina (Gudas) Martin, Karen (Barker) Salyer, Betty (Sutton)

Hinkle, Ruth Ann (Kiser) Wentz and Mary (Jones) Roach; and back row, Larry Leasure, Larry Good, Larry Day, Roy Brown, Ray Brown, Dick Wentz, Lee DePoy, Terry Lehman and David Stangle.

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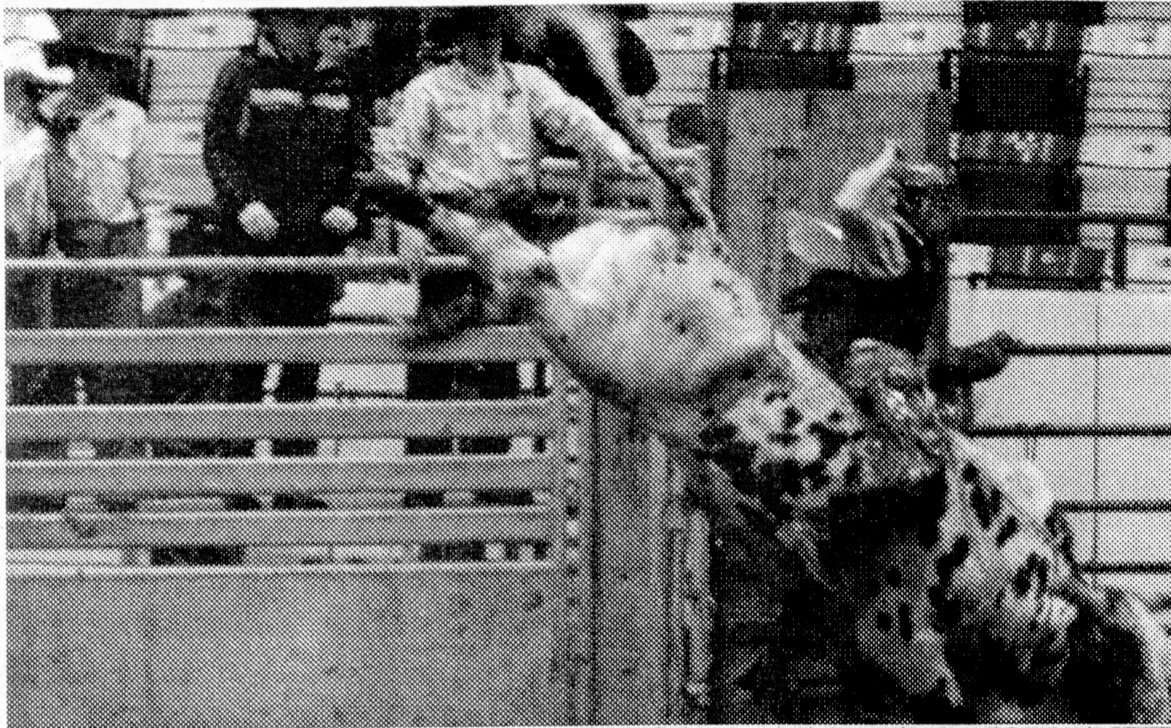


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Ride 'em cowboy

Cole Rude, an 8th grade student at Manchester Junior High, has earned a position on the Indiana Wrangler Junior High rodeo team and traveled with fellow teammates June 30 – July 5 to Gallup, New Mexico, to compete in the 4th annual Wrangler Junior High Finals Rodeo (WJHFR) in bull riding, chute dogging and goat tying competitions.

Featuring more than 1,000 contestants from 47 states, Canadian provinces and Australia, the WJHFR is the world's largest junior high rodeo. In addition to competing for more than \$75,000 in prizes, WJHFR contestants also vie for more than \$50,000 in college scholarships and the chance to be named the Wrangler Junior High Finals

Rodeo national champion. To earn this title, contestants must finish in the top 15 after two go-rounds of intense competition before advancing to the final championship performance. This championship performance, held July 5, will be televised nationally as a part of the "20X Rodeo High" telecast series.

Cole is the son of Tom and Kathy Rude, Silver Lake. His grandparents include Allan and Wanda Anders of Pierceton and Steve and Donna Rude of Rochester. His great-grandparents are Jeanette Hunter, Kewanna, and Esther Rude, Winamac. Cole's sponsors are Kerlin's Western Store, Horse Shoe Hill Leather, Metzger Trucking and Whetstone Wooden Ware.

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The News In Brief

Francesville's annual "Spirit Day" town-wide garage sale day will be Saturday, July 12. Food, drinks and maps with locations and sale items are available at the fire station.

Hope Hospice and Woodlawn Hospital have formed a partnership to bring hospice care to Woodlawn for patients who qualify for hospice in-patient benefits. For more information about the new partnership, call Dan Purkey in the Hope Hospice office at 574-224-4673.

Tom Mate, head of the Kewanna Fall Festival committee, has announced a king/queen and prince/princess contest for the event. Contestants must have sponsors. Watch The Observer for details.

The Fulton County Highway Department is switching to a four-day workweek for the summer in an effort to save money and increase efficiency.

The government reported recently that farmers will harvest nearly nine percent fewer acres of corn this year than last, in part because of Midwest flooding that has damaged a portion of the crop.

Harry Webb, Rochester, has opened a Radio Shack store in the Logansport Mall. Webb also has

a Radio Shack franchise store in Rochester as well as Webb's Pharmacy.

Randy Troyer won the modified division of the Twelve Mile 500 lawn mower race Friday for the eighth time.

The state is allowing uninsured Hoosiers to buy into its Healthy Indiana Plan – an insurance option previously available only to low-income residents. For more information visit the Web site at www.in.gov/fssa/hip/ or call 877-438-4479.

The Town of Akron has received a \$500,000 Community Focus Fund grant to construct a community center in Pike Memorial park.

Larry Isaacs of Logansport won \$1 million in the multi-state Powerball game. He purchased his winning ticket at the Marsh Supermarket on 14th Street in Logansport.

Dan Foster, principal at Caston, has been named superintendent of Caston Schools. Doug Olsson replaces Foster as principal of the junior-senior high school.

Advertising & News Deadline..... Noon on Tuesday!

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Public Notice

STATE OF INDIANA
 COUNTY OF PULASKI
 IN THE FULTON CIRCUIT COURT
 ANNUAL TERM, 2008
 CAUSE NO. 25C01-0706-ES-00045
 IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD M. SCHNAPF, ALSO KNOWN AS GARY M. SCHNAPF, DECEASED
 Notice on Final Account, Petition to Settle and Allow Account, and Petition for Authority to Distribute Remaining Assets and Close Estate to All Persons Interested in the Estate of Gerald M. Schnapf, Also known as Gary M. Schnapf, Deceased.
 Notice is hereby given that Charlotte M. Schnapf, as personal representative of the above-named estate, has filed a report of final accounting together with petition to make distribution of remaining assets to the parties believed entitled thereto. The same will come up for action by the Circuit Court of Fulton County, Indiana, on the 7th day of August, 2008, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time unless persons interested in said estate appear on or before said date and show cause, if any there be, why such accounting should not be approved or unless such person makes proof of heirship and claim any part of such estate now shown by such report.

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 Winamac, IN 46996
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Thank You

The family of Dorese Miller would like to thank everyone who sent cards, flowers, called or remembered us in any way. We especially want to thank the nurses at Woodlawn Hospital and Chaplain Jason See who was with us at the hospital and saw us through our difficult time; Rev. Steve McPeek who came to the hospital and house and helped with the funeral service; Kyle Rans and Mary Chew of the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home who were both a huge comfort to us; and the ladies of the Kewanna United Methodist Church for the wonderful meal they prepared. Words cannot express our appreciation.

Larry Kimble and Family
 Jerry and Kenan Kimble
 Doran and JoAnn Collins, Brittany and Mark

Thank You.....

The Lake Bruce fireworks were so magnificent this year and we would like to thank those individuals whose hard work and generous spirit made the awesome show possible. It was more than splendid!
 Your Lake Bruce neighbors

FOR SALE - New shipment of PECANS. \$6.50 for a 1-pound bag. Available at The Observer, Kewanna, or by calling Beth Weller, (574) 653-2173; or Karen Good, (574) 653-2777.
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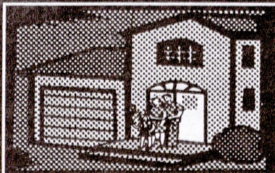
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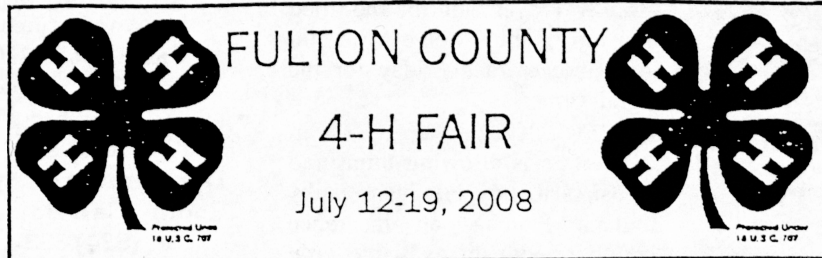


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4-H Community Building Hours:

Sunday, July 13 4:00 P.M. 9:00 P.M.
Monday through Friday, July 14-July 18 5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.

Commercial Building Hours

Monday through Friday, July 14-July 18 5:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.

Parking \$2.00 after 4:00 p.m.

2008 SCHEDULE OF 4-H EVENTS at the FULTON COUNTY 4-H FAIR

SATURDAY – JUNE 28 - 9:00 a.m. – 4-H Tractor Operator's Contest
TUESDAY – JULY 2 – 7:30 p.m. MICRO MINI TRACTOR PULL-4-H Activity Center
THURSDAY - JULY 10
6:00 p.m. - Dog Agility Competition – Jud Hudkins Arena
6:30 p.m. - Fashion Revue Judging – 4-H Everett Smith Building
FRIDAY - JULY 11
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Our American Heritage Project Judging
6:00 p.m. - Cat Show and Exploring 4-H Cat Show, Everett Smith Building Set Up in Bldg.
SATURDAY - JULY 12
8:00 a.m. - Dog Obedience Show & Showmanship -Jud Hudkins Arena
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - CHECK IN and JUDGING: Aerospace, Bottle Rockets, Garden, and Floriculture, Crops, Scarecrow and Exploring 4-H Projects
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon – CHECK IN ONLY: Lab Animals and Aquatic Science
5:00 p.m. - 4-H & Exploring 4-H Bicycle Contest-west of Everett Smith Building
4-H/Community Building Hours: Sunday, 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.: Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
SUNDAY - JULY 13
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. - Dairy and Beef Check-In
1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Horse and Pony Check-In
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Sheep Check-In
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - Dairy, Boer and Pygmy Goats check in
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Market goats check-in
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Poultry Check-In
4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 4-H/Community Building Open to Public
5:30 p.m. – Vesper Service – Jud Hudkins Arena
7:00 p.m. - Miss Fulton County 4-H Fair Queen Contest
4-H Jr. Leader Ambassadors Announced
4-H Activity Center-Free
Entertainment by Jessicka Rensberger and Rodney Ervin
MONDAY – JULY 14
6:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. - Swine Check-in
7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Rabbit Check-in
8:30 a.m. - Horse & Pony Showmanship, and Trail Class
9:00 a.m. - 4-H Pigeon Show – Equestrian Center Indoor Arena
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 4-H Community Building-Open to Public
10:30 a.m. – 4-H Poultry & Pigeon Showmanship, Equestrian Center Indoor Arena
12:30 p.m. – Sheep Show and Exploring 4-H Lamb Show
1:00 p.m. - Poultry Show and Exploring 4-H Poultry-Equestrian Center Indoor Arena
5:00 p.m. – 4-H Goat Show – Boer and Market Goat Classes – Equestrian Center Indoor Arena
5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Commercial Exhibits Open to Public

6:30 p.m. - Sand Volleyball 6 on 6 Open
6:30 p.m. - Horse and Pony Equitation Classes
7:00 p.m. - Cheerleading Competition-Dave Clauson Amphitheater
Sponsored By: Touchstone Energy/Fulton County R.E.M.C.
Admission \$5.00, Children 5 & Under Free
7:00 p.m. - 4-H Fashion Revue – Jud Hudkins Arena
8:00 p.m. - Tenure Member and Community Building Awards – 4-H Activity Center
TUESDAY – JULY 15 Sponsor of the Day: Winamac Coil Spring
8:00 a.m. - Exploring 4-H Rabbit Check-in and Show - Rabbit Barn
8:30 a.m. - Rabbit Show – Rabbit Barn
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 4-H/Community Building Open to Public
11:00 a.m. – 4-H Beef Show (Includes Dairy Beef, Feeder Calves and Exploring 4-H)
4:00 p.m. - Horse and Pony Classes - State Fair Performance (Horsemanship)
5:00 p.m. - 9:30 pm-Commercial Exhibits open to Public
5:30 p.m. - Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull-Sponsored by: Farm Bureau, Inc, Smoke Free Fulton Co. & Young Farmers
5:30 p.m. - Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull-Registration at 4-H/ Activity Center
6:00 p.m. - Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull-4-H/Activity Center
6:30 p.m. - Fireman's Water Ball Competition - east of Livestock Barns
7:00 p.m. – Garden Tractor Pull - Dave Clauson Amphitheater Admission Free
WEDNESDAY – JULY 16 Sponsor of the Day: First Federal Savings Bank
8:00 a.m. - Swine Show and Exploring 4-H Swine Show
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 4-H/Community Building Open to Public
3:00 p.m. – 4-H Action Demonstration Competition - East of Beef Barn
5:00 p.m. - Exploring 4-H Horse and Pony Show - check-in beginning at 4:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. – Commercial Exhibits open to public
6:00 p.m. - Horse and Pony Fun Show - Pleasure Classes
7:00 p.m. -Truck & Tractor Pull - Economy Modified, Hot Farm, Farm Altered Classes Dave Clauson Amphitheater
Admission \$7.00 Children 5 & under free
7:00 p.m. - Touchstone Energy /Fulton County R.E.M.C, Demonstration

THURSDAY – JULY 17

LADIES DAY PRESENTATIONS-Thursday July 17th 2008
Fair Office, Everett Smith Building - Sponsored by: Fulton Co. Extension Homemakers Clubs

11:00 a.m. **COOKIE BAKING CONTEST**—\$2.00 per entry
Enter Cookies: 11:00 am
Open Judging: 12:00 Noon
Cash Prizes for Best Cookies!

1:30 p.m. **"Beads & More"**
Learn simple beading techniques
Presented by: Sandra Hofferth

3:00 p.m. **"Garden Art"**
Easy Projects to add flair to your garden
Presented by Sara Fowler & Cindy DePypier

THURSDAY-July 17

10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. 4-H Community Building open to public
10:00 a.m. - Dairy Show & Exploring 4-H Dairy Show
10:00 a.m. - 4-H Goat Show – Dairy and Pygmy Classes & Exploring 4-H Goat Show – Equestrian Indoor Arena
1:30 p.m. – 4-H Round Robin Contest – Jud Hudkins Arena
4:30 p.m. - Truck & Tractor Pull
Fulton Co. 4-H Members, 8,000 lb. 4 WD Pickup, 12,000 lb. Farm Stock, Street Legal Semi-Class
Dave Clauson Amphitheater
Admission \$5.00 Adults, Children 5 & under Free
5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. –Commercial Exhibits Open to Public
5:30 p.m. – Clowning Around – 4-H Clown Skits in the 4-H Activity Center
7:00 p.m.-Touchstone Energy/Fulton Co. R.E.M.C. Demonstration
10:00 p.m. - Release 4-H Livestock Exhibits not in sale (except Horse and Pony)
FRIDAY – JULY 18 Sponsor of the Day: Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home
6:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - Release Horse & Pony exhibits
10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. – 4-H/Community Building Open to Public
10:00 a.m. - Aerospace & Bottle Rocket Launch
4:00 p.m. - Livestock Auction - Jud Hudkins Arena
SALE ORDER: Swine, Poultry, Milk, Beef, Rabbits, Sheep, Goats
6:00 p.m. - Grand Champions Spotlight Sale - Jud Hudkins Arena
8:00 p.m. - Bull Riding – M & M Rodeo Company
Dave Clauson Amphitheatre
Admission \$7.00
SATURDAY – JULY 19 –
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - **RELEASE 4-H PROJECTS** - 4-H/Community Building
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - **OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS-RELEASED FROM 4-H/Community Building**
6:00 p.m. - Swine Carcass Show - Jud Hudkins Arena
7:00 p.m. - Demolition Derby - Sponsor: Rochester Iron & Metals
Dave Clauson Amphitheater
Admission \$7.00 Children 5 & under Free

