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Annual art show, October 18 and 19

Diane Tesler, Kewanna, will host her 10th annual art show Saturday and Sunday, October 18 and 19, at her Works in Progress studio, 101 E. Main Street, Kewanna. Show hours will be 12 noon to 5 p.m. both days. This year's exhibition is entitled "Sweetness & Light". The festivities will also include live acoustic music.

The show will include work completed by Diane this summer as well as works by Wade Bussert, Braxton Eikenberry, Shari Herd, Lindsey Kozubik, Daniel Peterson, Steven Weinert, Sheri Cook, Cyndi Fisher, Gail Karas, Linda Leasure, Lori Roberts, Jake Webster, Billy and Li Chia Cooper, Gib Foster, Clare and John Hoinville, Susan Mahoney, Leslie Straniero, Jackie Welsh, Gretchen Coplen, Ray Guess, Mike Kenny, Leanor Papai, and Kay Westhues.

For more information call 574-653-2223 or 574-653-2101, email Diane at detesler@rtcol.com or visit* website her www.dianetesler.com.

Musical program/carry-in at **Methodist Church**

The Peabody Entertainers, which includes former Kewanna resident, Kathryn Huntington, will perform at 4 p.m. Sunday, October 12, at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The group consists of 20 persons averaging 81 years of age. They will be presenting "The Weather in Song", including an umbrella routine.

A carry-in meal will be enjoyed following the performance with the Peabody Entertainers as guests. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend and enjoy an evening of music, food and fellowship with friends and neighbors. Those attending are asked to bring a well-filled basket of food to share.

5-K run winners

This year's Chief Kewanna run/walk drew a total of 79 runners and walkers. The highlight of the event was the Papoose Pow-wow event for ages 2-7 with seven young runners covering the 20-meter dash in entertaining style.

The Little Chiefs fun run (7-12 years) had five runners with Bethany Brogdon crossing the finish line in 1:40 followed by Haley Rigney in 1:49; Micha Towne, 1:53; Haley Small, 1:54; and Christina Towne, 1:55.

Thirty-two runners and 37 walkers took to the course next with Garrett Redweik setting a new course record in 17:02. Five runners were under the age of 11 with three of them running a 5K for the first time.

The official results were: Garrett Redweik, 17:02; Brian VanSoest, 17:15; Mike Carey, 17:49; Ron Wilkinson, 18:10; Mathew Hayes, 18:28; Shanna Bonnell, 18:37 (first female); Levi Hibner, 18:58; Dave Sommers, 19:04; Terry Engle, 19:37; Daniel Baker, 20:15; Abby Schwenk, 20:24; Robert Lewark, 20:29; Zachary Smith, 21:15; Ashley Bollhoefer, 21:21; Kirk Huber, 21:29; Don Bixby, 21:58; Darin Beeker, 22:31; Kelly Denham, 23:57; Shay Kasten, 25:42; Kelly Smith, 25:50; Damek O'Dell, 26:08; Tina Pesaresi – 26:09; Hannah Towne, 26:19; Amy Sarkar, 27:01; Erika Brogdon, 27:55; Tony Pesaresi, 28:27; Garrett Pesaresi, 30:12; Charlee Schwenk, 31:27; Kathy Logan, 32:06; Mike Doty, 33:30; Mckenzie Paschen, 36:05; and Tina Paschen, 36:06.

The overall best time for the women was turned in by Shanna Bonnell. Kelly Smith led the masters division (over 40). Other winners by age group were Hannah Towne, 13 and under; Abbey Schwenk, 14-18; Ashley Bollhoefer, 19-25; Kelly Denham, 26-35; Kathy Logan, 36-45; and Charlee Schwenk, 46-

Garrett Redweik was the best overall male runner with Brian VanSoest winning the male master's title. Other male winners by age group were Zachary Smith, 13 and under; Mathew Hayes, 14-18; Levi Hibner, 19-25; Shay Kasten, 26-35; Darin Beeker, 36-45; Mike Carey, 46-55; Terry Engle, 56-65; and Mike Doty, 66 and over.

Mark Smith, run organizer would like to thank Bev and Larry Baldwin, the Kewanna-Union Township Firemen, Rich Moise, Anne Mendiola, Sally Schultz, Stan Small, Shelia Small, Kara Smith, Christen Sailors, Olivia Thompson, Zeke Kesler, Maggie Daily, Andy Hibner and Marshal Dennis Price for all their help in making this year's event go smoothly.

Thanks also to Community State Bank, First Federal Savings Bank, Luke's Products, Winamac Coil Spring, Kostas Restaurant and Mystic Hills Golf Course for providing door prizes.

Ham and bean supper at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church will serve its annual ham and bean supper Saturday, October 11, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the church basement, 11941 W. 75 N., Kewanna. The cost of the meal is a free will donation.

The basement is handicap accessible on the east side of the building. +++

Morris Mott in concert at Methodist Church

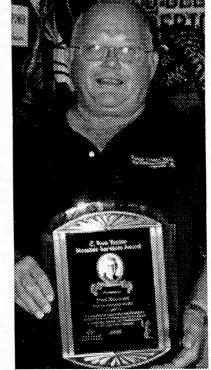
The Kewanna United Methodist Church will host Morris Mott, National Christian Country Artist, in concert during the morning worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, October 12. Mott is a Nashville recording artist and the recipient of the 2003 New Male Vocalist Award in Christian Country Music.

As an artist and songwriter, Mott's brand of "Faith Country" music receives both national and international radio airplay. His single, "Too Many Old Devils" made its chart debut at number eighteen on the Christian Country Top Twenty Five report. His radio release, "It's Never Enough" charted at number 57 on the Power Source Top 100 Christian Country chart. Mott will be performing these songs, in addition to new songs from "No Limits", his latest Nashville project.

Everyone is invited to attend this special service.

Kewanna Community Food Pantry United Methodist Church Open Thursdays by Appointment Call 574-653-2201 or 574-653-9052

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Fred Bauman honored

Fred Bauman, Rochester, was honored last Friday when he was presented with the 2008 C. Tom Taylor Members Services Award. The presentation was made during the State Member Services annual meeting held Sept. 23-26 in Southern Indiana.

The award is "in recognition for outstanding contributions to Member Services, demonstrated by excellence in leadership, attitude commitment to Electric Cooperative Principles."

Fred is employed by the Fulton County REMC as Member Services manager. He has been associated with the REMC since 1991. Prior to joining the REMC, Fred was a self-employed electrician in Kewanna for 25 +++

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Royalty winners - Winners in to right, Kara Smith, Miss prince; Kennedy Crissinger and the royalty contest held in Congeniality; Karena Newman, conjunction with this year's queen; Adam See, king; Lauren

Kewanna Fall Festival were, left Evers, princess; Hunter Doty,

Austin Kimble, 1st alternates.

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Societies



Fulton Methodist hosting 18th annual bazaar

The Fulton United Methodist Church will host its 18th annual craft and holiday bazaar Saturday, October 4, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the basement fellowship hall of the church.

The bazaar will offer a large variety of crafts along with its famous mincemeat, prepared the old fashioned way since 1959, as well as regular and cholesterolfree noodles.

A drawing will be held for an 82"x82" handmade quilt. Homemade cinnamon rolls and lunch will be served.

Gospel concert at Akron

The Kingsmen Quartet will present a gospel concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 16, at the Akron Church of God.

Members of the quartet include Ray Dean Reese, bass; Phillip Hughes, lead; Bryan Hutson, baritone; and Harold Reed, tenor.

The Kingsmen were inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 2000. They have won numerous awards in their 52 year history. Based in Ashville, North Carolina, they travel the country presenting their testimony in

A free will offering will be taken.

Vera Bradley bingo, October 14

The Pulaski County Extension Homemakers will host a Vera Bradley bingo Tuesday, October 14, at the Winamac VFW. The doors will open at 6 p.m. and



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Tickets sold at the door will be \$20. For tickets, call the extension office at 574-946-3412. There will be 20 chances to win a Vera Bradley purse.

For more information, call Marcia Link at 574-946-6010 or Julie Kasten at 219-843-5832.

Roast beef dinner at Denver

The Denver Volunteer Fire Department will serve a roast beef dinner Saturday, October 4, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Denver Community Building. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and children ages 6-12. Tickets are available from any Denver fire fighter or at Hagan's Best Mart and will also be available at the door.

Proceeds from the dinner will go towards the new fire station.

Bank collecting funds for Riley

The Community State Bank, under the auspices of the Indiana Bankers Association, is accepting "Coins for Kids" benefiting Riley Hospital for Children through November 28.

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St. Luke's holds rally day

Millie Redweik

The St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church of Winamac held its Sunday school rally day Saturday, September 20, at the Star City community building. Interim pastor, Mel Meyer, conducted a short opening program and several hymns were sung. The pastor asked the Sunday school staff to rededicate themselves to teaching and working with the children. This staff includes teachers, Louise Gudas, Kathy Zellers, Amanda Kistler and Amy Burgess; Shelley Graves, Sunday school program director: Marsha Olds. organist/pianist and Millie Redweik, Sunday school superintendent.

The group enjoyed a carry-in

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picnic and numerous games on the lawn with prizes and ribbons going to the winners.

Participants included Clark and Grace Gudas, Michelle and Ben Gudas, Taylor and Sydney Tripenfeldas, McKenzie and Riley Wheeler, Cole, Kyle and Samantha Olds, Ainsleigh Purtee, Kolton Graves, Clay Kistler, Alexis and Makala Nicolas, and Hadley and Delaney Herstad.

Adults in attendance included Pastor Meyer, Shelley Graves, Louise and Ken Gudas, Misty Wheeler, Rodney Podell, Nicci Purtee, Marsha Olds, Kathy Zellers, Amanda Kistler, Cindy Gudas, John and Colleen Tripenfeldas, Millie Redweik and Ben and Beth Christian.

The theme for the rally day was "Are you on God's team?". The children received goodie bags with items imprinted with the theme.

The event closed with a reminder that Sunday school would resume September 28 from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Sunday mornings at the church at 721 South Market St., Winamac. All children and adults are welcome.

The group is currently collecting food for the Pulaski County food pantry. Nonperishable items can be dropped off at the church.

Port-a-Pit chicken dinner at Caston

The Caston football team will sponsor a Nelson Port-a-Pit chicken dinner Friday, October 10, in conjunction with the Caston/Winamac football game. Serving will be from 4:30 to 6:30

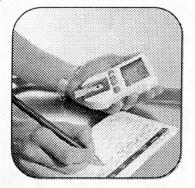
Tickets can be purchased from any Caston football player. The meal is \$7 and includes a half chicken, baked beans, chips, cookie and drink.



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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.

Woodlawn Hospital



RSVP by October 7th 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 HOSPTAL

September 19
Births – Corey and Bridget
Willyerd, Rochester, a daughter

September 21
Births – Gregg and Karen Wyatt,
Rochester, a daughter

Rochester, a daughter
September 22
Admissions – Vivian Mersch, Janet

Admissions – Vivian Mersch, Janet Williamson, Mary Jane Mitchell, Terry Howat and Dorothy Horn, Rochester; Beulah Conner and Ernistine Bruist, Macy

Dismissals – William Balmer, Ila Hughes, Shirley Scott, Bridget Willyerd and daughter and Karen Wyatt and daughter, Rochester; Priscilla Nelson and daughter, Monterey; Geraldine Rhoades, Winamac; and Kassandra Hoover and daughter, Twelve Mile

Births – Jason and Christen Ritchison, Bourbon, a son September 23

Admissions – Vonnie Sanders and Helen Foster, Rochester; Robert Denton, Kewanna

Dismissals – Stella Curtis, Tippecanoe; Betty Mollett and Mary Jane Mitchell, Rochester

Births – Tommy and Lynnanne Heck, Plymouth, a son

September 24 Admissions – James Hicks, Rochester; and Betty Hoff, Lucerne Dismissals – Janet Williamson, Vivian Mersch, Vonnie Sanders and

Vivian Mersch, Vonnie Sanders and Terry Howat, Rochester; Ernistine Bruist, Macy September 25

Admissions – Sharon Ringle, Argos Dismissals – Christen Ritchison and

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son, Bourbon; and Helen Foster. Rochester

Births – Gerald and Amy Ross, Warsaw, a daughter; Tanesha Anderson, Rochester, a daughter September 26

Admissions – none published Dismissals – Beulah Conner, Macy: Lynnanne Heck, Plymouth

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

September 19

Admissions – Robert Diezi, Clover; Tonja Kain and Elsie Short, Winamac

Dismissals – Vanessa Cavness, Francesville; Robert Diezi, Clover; and Robert Ward, Winamac September 20

Admissions – Jessica Owens, Winamac; Ruth Cogdill, Kewanna; Lorene Davis, Monterey

Dismissals – Alexandra Copil, Knox; Walter Wallace, Winamac; Tyler Hanson, Logansport; and Joyce Howard, Monterey September 21

Admissions – Doris Conley, Rochester

Dismissals – Elsie Short, Winamac September 22

Admissions – Amy Zorich, North Judson; John Matthes and David Barr, Winamac; Sierra Burtis, Medaryville

Dismissals – Jessica Owens, Winamac

September 23
Admissions – William Moreland,

Winamac; Vivian Mersch, Rochester; and Guy Benson, Star City

Dismissals – Lorene Davis, Monterey

September 24

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Dismissals – Amy Zorich, North

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DEATHS

TREVOR DYLAN INGRAM

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, October 1, 2008, at the Kewanna United Methodist Church for Trevor Dylan Ingram, 10, Monticello. Pastor Mark Pilger officiated and burial was in the Barnett Cemetery southwest of Kewanna. Trevor passed away at 2:47 p.m. Friday, September 26, in Cass Country from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.

Born January 23, 1998, in Logansport, he was the son of Richard and Janelle (Foster) Ingram, who survive.

Trevor was a fourth grader at Landis Elementary School in Logansport. He enjoyed fishing, collecting Match Box cars, drawing, reading and playing video games. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include his parents of Monticello; a brother, Dalton S. Ingram, Monticello; grandparents, Carol Ingram and Carl

Foster and Charles "Pops" Herman, Delphi; aunts and uncles, Charles and Melissia Ingram of Buffalo, Kevin and Alana Ingram of Monticello, Jacob Foster of Booneville, Arkansas, David and Angela Boswinkle of Hammond, Heather Dix, Carla Estes and Barbara Calvert, all of Winamac, Susan and Cory Ames of Francesville, Jill Foster and Thomas Luttrell of Monticello, Joscelyn and Ryan Cowles of Peru, Jolie Campbell and Donnie Bogue of Dublin and Jalene Foster of New York; and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Richard Dean Ingram, and his maternal grandfather, David Ellis Foster.

Visitation was held Tuesday at the Harrison-Metzger and Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, which was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family in care of the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to www.harrisonmetzger.com.

HERBERT G. McWHORTER
Funeral services will be held at
10:30 a.m. this morning
(Thursday) at the Hinsey-Brown

Bolen, Winamac; Barbara A. Funeral Home, New Castle, for former and Charles "Pops" Herman, Delphi; aunts and uncles, Charles and Melissia Ingram of Buffalo, Kevin and Alana Ingram of Monticello, Jacob Foster of Booneville, Arkansas, David and Angela Boswinkle of Hammond, Heather Dix, Carla Estes and Barbara

Funeral Home, New Castle, for former Kewanna educator Herbert G. McWhorter, 79, Kokomo, He passed away Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008, at the Sunrise Assisted Living Center in Fort Wayne. He was born Oct. 11, 1928, to the late Charles F. and Mary Mauzie Carr McWhorter.

McWhorter had been a teacher at Union High School in Modoc and an elementary, middle school and high school teacher at Beech Grove. He served as a school administrator in Greenfield, New Palestine, Walton, Kewanna and Knox. He retired from the Knox School System in 1992.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the Walton Christian Church, Masonic Lodge No. 389 and the Walton American Legion Post 418.

Survivors include a son, David Bruce McWhorter, Albion; a daughter, Marietta Kay McWhorter, Greentown; four grandchildren; two greatgrandchildren; and two sisters. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary E.; four brothers and two sisters.

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FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 2, 1953

John Leeds, who lives east of Kewanna, has a copy of the Ulster County Gazette (Kingston, NY) for January 4, 1800. The paper, which is enclosed in a glass case, is one of the most valuable newspapers of early America as it contains the first obituary of George Washington who died in December of 1799.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Brown of Dale, Indiana, and Bonita Springs, Florida, were the guests of honor at a 58th wedding anniversary celebration Thursday, September 24, in the home of their daughter, Mrs. David Hill.

Mrs. Frank Brown, mother of Mrs. David Hill of Grass Creek. fell in the Hill home Monday evening and broke her arm. She was taken to the Kraning Clinic in Kewanna and then to Memorial Hospital in Logansport. She was released on Thursday and was able to leave for her

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collins are the parents of a son born in Woodlawn Hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 141/2 ounces and has been named Doran Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Devon Overmyer are the parents of a daughter born recently at Woodlawn Hospital.

Pvt. Gerald Talbott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Talbott of Kewanna, completed his basic training recently at the Medical Replacement Training Center, Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Pvt. Kenneth Hinderlider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hinderlider of here, is spending a furlough with his parents after completing his basic training at Fort Pickett, Virginia. Hinderlider will report for duty October 8 at Murphy General Hospital in Boston.

Debbie Besse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Besse, celebrated her fourth birthday with a party Friday. Guests were Kent and Kenan Cook, Jack, Jill and Joy Urbin, Kathy Ley, Joann Markley, Barbara, Patty and Dana Lyon, Kathy Harbett, Johnny Brooks, Beth Ann Reason, Cindy Clark and Marlene Rocco.

FIFTY YEARS AGO October 2, 1958

Charles Moon, 91, Rt. 4, Rochester, died Saturday, Sept. 20, at his home. He had lived in Fulton County about 60 years and in Mishawaka 30 years. He was the father of Mrs. Donabel Hoff, Kewanna.

A surprise birthday dinner honoring Mrs. Lydia Stingley highlighted the regular meeting of the Worthwhile HD Club when it convened recently. A potluck dinner was served in the home of Mrs. Artha Kreamer with Mrs. Otto Mason and Mrs. Harry Bauman as co-hostesses.

Funeral services were held Sept. 29 in the Akron Church of God for Emerson C. McColley, father of Herman McColley of here.

Army Pvt. Larry Leasure, son of Harold Leasure of Kewanna, has completed eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Leasure is a 1958 graduate of Star City High

An application for a marriage license was issued Monday in the county clerk's office to Phillip Carr, Rt. 4, Rochester, and Kelsa Reffett, Rt. 1, Kewanna.

A record is thought to have been made in this locality Saturday evening when "Punkin" Kennedy, small son of Mrs. Mary Kennedy, whirled a hula hoop 7,000 times around his stomach without stopping in one hour, two minutes and 22 seconds. He was at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fagan, Star City. Punkin could have gone on whirling the hoop, but those doing the counting were so completely worn out, they couldn't continue!

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO October 3, 1963

Mrs. Ray Myers, Rt. 4, Rochester, announces engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Patricia Lynn Pier, to Paul Ray Grube, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings B. Grube, Rt. 1, Kewanna.

Mrs. Everett Gragg entertained 24 ladies at a party for Mrs. Harry Foutz. Mr. and Mrs. Foutz are moving to a new home in Logansport. Mrs. Foutz has lived her entire life in the Fletchers Lake community, born and raised in the same farm home she is moving from.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Brenda Purkey, RN

Woolington spent Friday, Sept. 20, in Indianapolis where they attended the commencement exercises of their son, Charles, a graduate of the Indiana College of Mortuary Science.

Joseph Lee Zellers, 24, a Culver High School teacher and coach. was killed at 7:50 a.m. Monday when his 1963 model convertible struck an engine of a C&O railroad freight train at a crossing on State Road 14. Zellers resided in Winamac.

FORTY YEARS AGO October 3, 1968

Don Smith, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was pictured with a four-pound yellow Jersey sweet potato he had grown in his garden. The sweet potato was 131/2 inches long and 111/2 inches around.

Pvt. Carl Evans stationed near Saigon and his brother, Pvt. Reynolds Evans, stationed at Ft. Eustis, Virginia, were called home this week due to the serious illness of their mother.

A son was born Sept. 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Hizer, Rt. 2, Kewanna. The baby weighed four pounds and 14 ounces and has been named Brett Michael. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dean Carr and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hizer.

Mr. Lovell Hurlburt celebrated his 67th birthday Sunday at a dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright. Helping him celebrate the occasion were Mrs. Lovell Hurlburt, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Branson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hurlburt and sons of Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Hurlburt and children of

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Prilliman flew to Memphis, Tennessee, recently to be with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Prilliman, whose son, James, was killed in a motorcycle accident.

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THIRTY YEARS AGO October 5, 1978

Funeral services were held Tuesday in Frain Mortuary, Winamac, for Harris J. Markley, 64, Kewanna, Rev. Larsen Hall officiated and burial was in the Winamac Cemetery. Mr. Markley died Sunday at Pulaski Memorial Hospital in Winamac. He had been in failing health for 10

Mrs. Delbert Good, Kewanna, won the \$50 door prize given last week during Urbin Auto's new car showing.

Ann Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Wilson, Kewanna, has been nominated for the McDonald's All-American Band. Ann is a senior at Kewanna High School and a member of the high school band and chorus.

The Welcome Neighbors club met at the home of Mrs. Leonard Evers for its September meeting. Mrs. Cloyde Earp was the cohostess for this meeting which was attended by nine members and one guest, Mrs. Artha Kreamer.

Wayne Progressive The Extension Homemakers Club met Thursday afternoon in the Rochester home of Fanny Coffman. Irene Rouch, president, opened the meeting by leading the group in the reading of the Preamble to the Constitution as this is Constitution Week.

TWENTY YEARS AGO September 29, 1988

A new lithotripsy center has been established at Humana Hospital-Greenbrier Valley, in Fairlea, West Virginia. The medical team in charge is composed of Dr. Kyle Fort and Dr. David Meriweather, both Board Certified Urologists. Dr. Fort is the son of local residents,

Ben and Madlyn Fort, Rt. 4, Rochester.

The 1978 graduating class of Kewanna High School held a reunion Saturday afternoon at the local fire station. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. Don Bennett and family of Fortville: Jon Donathen and Dawn Harding of Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bangel and son of Indianapolis Russell French and guest of Noblesville; Mr. and Mrs. and Tim Bowyer and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Hinderlider and sons. Mr. and Mrs. Eric Colvin and family Mrs. Sandy Sutton and family and Kelly Good.

The Kewanna Fire Belles held their regular meeting Thursday, Sept. 22, in the community room of the local fire station. The group made plans to prepare and serve the Election Day meals. Fire responders for the month are Julene Lewark and Ann Bauman.

TEN YEARS AGO October 1, 1998

Patti Costello, teller at the Kewanna branch of Indiana Lawrence Bank, has been promoted to the position of customer service representative at the Rochester office.

Glen Bode, Kewanna, was among the 991 August graduates at the Urbana-Champaign campus of the University of Illinois. Bode earned a mater of science degree.

Helen Norris celebrated her 92nd birthday Sunday at her home south of Kewanna. She was born in 1906 in Wheeler and grew up in Hammond where she made her home until moving to Kewanna in 1997. Her first visit to Kewanna was as a girl of 18, when she and her fiancé, M.A. Norris, came to visit his grandparents, Frank and Sarah Norris, at their home on South Logan Street.

ATTENTION

Smoke Testing & Sewer Survey TOWN OF KEWANNA

For the next few weeks, inspection crews will be conducting a physical survey of the Kewanna sanitary sewer system. This study will involve the opening and entering of manholes in the streets and easements. An important task of the survey will be the "SMOKE TESTING" of sewer lines to locate breaks and defects in the sewer system. The smoke that you see coming from the vent stacks on houses or holes in the ground is NON-TOXIC, HARMLESS, HAS NO ODOR AND CREATES NO FIRE HAZARD. The smoke should not enter your home unless you have defective plumbing or dried up drain traps. If this occurs, you should consult your licensed plumber. In any event, if the harmless smoke can enter through faulty plumbing, the potential exists for dangerous sewer gases to enter your home. Should smoke enter your home, you may contact a member of the smoke testing crew working in the area and he will be pleased to check with you as to where and why the smoke has entered your home. If you have any seldom used drains, please pour water in the drain to fill the trap, which will prevent sewer gases or odors from entering the

Some sewer lines and manholes are located on the backyard easement property lines. Whenever these lines require investigation, members of the inspection crews will need access to the easements for the sewer lines and manholes. Homeowners do not need to be home and the workmen will not need to enter your house.

Photographs are to be made of leaks occurring in the system. We anticipate the smoke testing will require approximately one (1) week in your area. Your cooperation will be appreciated. The information gained from this study will be used to improve your sewer service and may reduce the eventual cost to taxpayers.

*Beginning October 6th, 2008 Thank You...

Jetter To The Editor

My family and I recently came home to Kewanna for a weekend visit with extended family that remains in the area. We count the days between trips to Kewanna because it was at one point, and will always be, home to us. That's why with a heavy heart I feel I am forced to write this letter. There seems to be a running theme, at least in the small part of town we were in, that involves animals which are neglected. We talked about the problem all weekend long amongst ourselves and with residents of our favorite town on Earth. None of us could come up with a reason for the purpose of having a dog, or two or three, that are tied up in the back yard, never walked, never played with and never brought inside to be with the family. What is the purpose of having a dog if it's going to be isolated from you and your family? Aside from this sad aspect of the dog's existence, the majority of them are complete nuisances to the neighbors who live nearby and are forced to listen to them barking all day and all night. I write this letter on behalf of our family who remain in Kewanna and suffer through this unfortunate situation in silence. Please be a responsible citizen, respect your neighbors and more importantly, love your dogs. If you find that you can't or are unable, maybe it would be best for everyone involved to find the dog, or dogs, a new and loving home.

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The Reopening of the First Baptist "on the Main"

This past Sunday was a wonderful day. The weather was perfect for kick-off day at First Baptist on the Main right here in Kewanna. "Praise the Lord!" At 10:00 a.m. the doors were opened to the public once again. Saturday afternoon was busy at the Fall Festival where we had the privilege of personally meeting residents, handing out around 150 bottles of water and 6 pounds of candy - compliments of First Baptist on the Main. The church was also blessed with the opportunity of giving away 100 old-fashioned covered wagon rides from Weekly's Ponderosa to parents and children of Kewanna.

The friendly hospitality of the Kewanna residents was an encouragement. Sunday morning, 17 loving and caring individuals came to show their support. It was evident that the community enthusiastically supports the ongoing ministry of the church. I would like to take a moment here to invite everyone to be part of the kick-off month! If you do not currently have a church that you call home and are looking to find a strong, loving church home where the Gospel will be preached, we encourage you to come and visit. First Baptist is a

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place where you will grow spiritually while helping others. First Baptist will also be a safe place for your children and teenagers to have fun, fellowship, and grow in the strength of the

This Sunday at 10:00 a.m., we will meet again. I will do my best to have a cup of Joe or juice accompanied by a donut with your name on it! There will be special music, and I will open God's Word for a brief message followed by fellowship. I look forward to meeting you personally. Should you need to contact us, call 1-800-698-9591 and ask for Demetrius.

Your humble servant, Demetrius Anagnostu P.S. The VFW pork loin sandwiches were GREAT! I can't wait till next year.

Home Escape Planning and Practice

Letter to the Editor

If a fire broke out in your home, do you know how much time you would have to get out? Unfortunately, no one knows for sure. While most people feel safe in their homes, the reality is that home fires are much more common than you might think. There were nearly 4,300 home fires reported in 2007 in Indiana, resulting in approximately 100 Hoosier deaths.

In a perfect world, we would be able to prevent all home fires. In reality, we can be vigilant, but there are no guarantees. Any emergency can affect one's ability to think clearly, but during a fire, smoke and other physical factors can literally inhibit your ability to

The theme for Fire Prevention Week (October 5-11, 2008) this vear is "Prevent Home Fires," and focuses on preventing the leading causes of home fires - cooking, heating and electrical equipment, and smoking materials.

While the statistics are daunting, most home fires are easily preventable when we narrow our focus and take personal steps to increase our safety. Working smoke alarms and fire escape planning and practice are integral to keeping your family safe, but another element that you may want to add to your safety system is home fire sprinklers. Because they react so quickly, fire

sprinkler systems can dramatically reduce the heat, flames and smoke produced in a fire. When sprinklers are present, the chances of dying are reduced by more than one-half and the average property loss per fire is cut by one-third to twothirds, compared to fires where sprinklers are not present.

There are also a number of simple steps that you can put into action to keep your home safe from fire:

- Cooking: 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.
- Heating: Keep all things that can burn, such as paper, bedding or furniture, at least 3 feet away from heating equipment.
- Electrical: Replace cracked and damaged electrical cords; use extension cords from temporary wiring only. Consider having additional circuits or receptacles added by a qualified electrician.
- Smoking: if you smoke, smoke outside; wherever you smoke, use deep, sturdy ashtrays.

Preparing for the unexpected is difficult, but when it comes to home fires, minutes, even seconds. can mean the difference between life and death. That's why having a well-practiced fire escape plan is vital to the safety of your family.

To get you and your family started in planning a home fire escape, follow these tips:

- · Install a smoke alarm on every level of your home and have one inside each bedroom and outside of each sleeping area. For the best protection, interconnect alarms so that when one sounds, they all sound.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.
- Replace batteries in smoke alarms at least twice a year. Plan on replacing the batteries when you change your clocks for daylight saving time.
- · Develop a fire escape plan that identifies two ways out of each room and a family meeting place outside. Once outside, never return inside the house.
- Make sure your plan allows for any specific needs in your household. If everyone knows what to do, everyone can get out quickly.
- Practice using the plan at least twice a year.
- Some children and adults may not awaken to the sound of the smoke alarm. Designate someone to wake up each person in the household.
- Remove any items that may block doors or windows in your home. Make sure when arranging furniture and other items that you're not blocking doors or windows. They could keep you from escaping in the event of a home fire.
- Be sure to remove a pile of toys or other items in front of a doorway that can block your escape route and be a threat to the safety of you and your family.

We want to encourage all Hoosiers to be prepared. Currently, only 35% of U.S. households have a well-practiced plan in place for escaping home fires. The Indiana Department of Homeland Security and the State Fire Marshal encourage families to make a fire escape plan and practice it. Fire is unpredictable, but preparation in the form of a well-practiced escape plan can help keep you and your family safe, and potentially save

Sincerely, James Greeson State Fire Marshal Indiana Department of Homeland Security

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Recycling Dates Thurs., Oct. 9th & Thurs., Oct. 23rd



Materials accepted at the Recycling Center:

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Aluminum Foil

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· Aluminum pie and dinner trays

Chipboard

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- Phone books
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- Main frames
- Fax machines Scanners
- VCRs
- DVD players
- Stereos Telephones
- TVs

Glass Jars & Bottles

- Separate into: CLEAR COLORED Labels do not have to be removed
- Remove lids put with steel
- No mirrors, light bulbs, window, ceramic, Pyrex or other glass

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 Paper grocery bags can be used to hold newspapers

Magazines & Catalogs Only magazines & catalogs made

of slick, glossy paper

Scrap Metal

 Small amounts of any type of scrap metal are accepted

· Aerosol cans - remove lids

- Miscellaneous • AAA-D, hearing aid, watch and
- rechargable batteries
- Inkjet and laser cartridges Items containing mercury
- Florescent bulbs
- Pallets wood or plastic
- · Styrofoam packing peanuts must be contained

Newspaper

- Stack in brown paper grocery bags
- · Remove glossy inserts and put with magazines

Do not pack in plastic bags

Plastic Bags and film

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- Bubble wrap
- Clean plastic film

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- be triple rinsed

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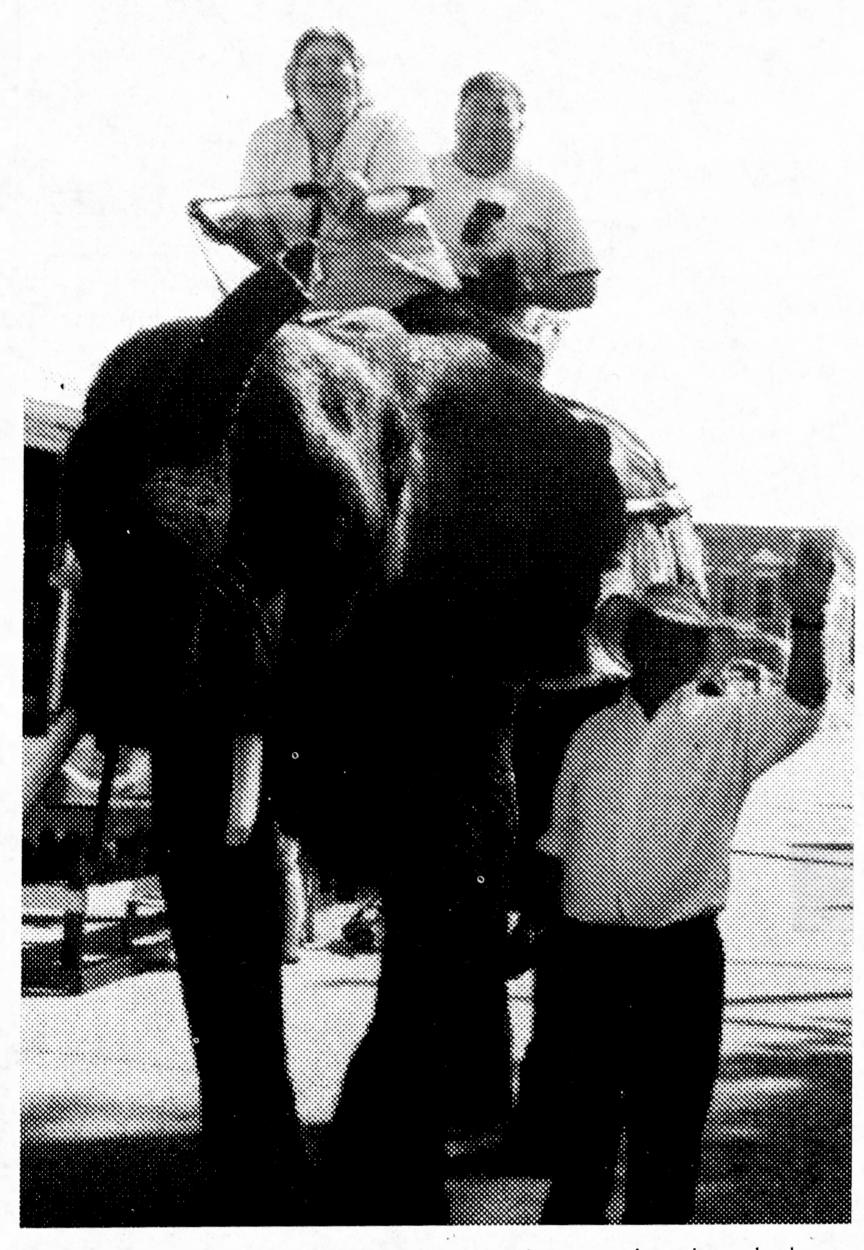
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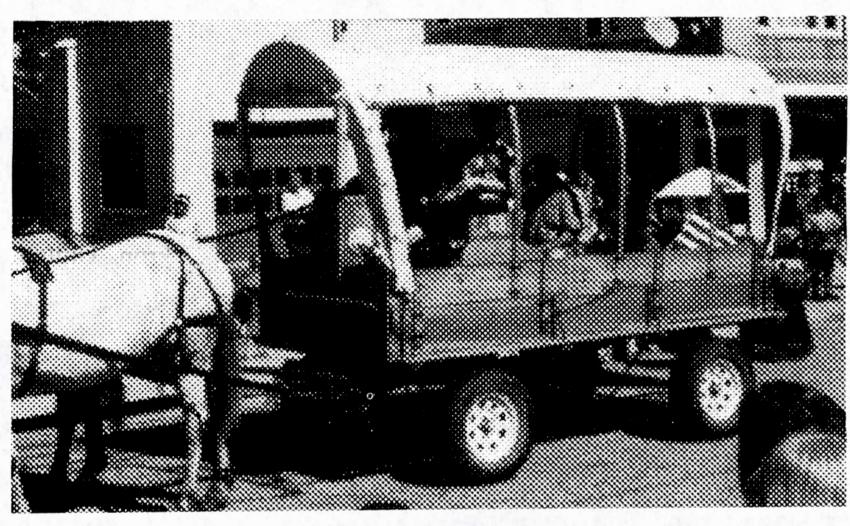
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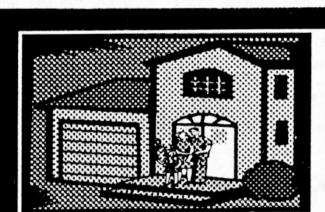




Donna Watson and Tom Mate, festival chairman, enjoyed an elephant ride around the festival area Friday afternoon.



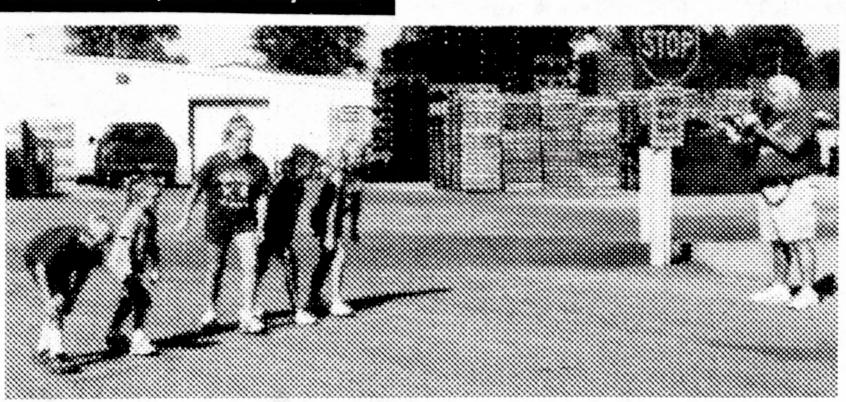
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Papoose pow-wow runners



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Branches closed on Oct. 5 and 6.

Although the deadline to register to vote in Indiana in the Nov. 4 general election is Monday, Oct. 6, the last day to register to vote at a license

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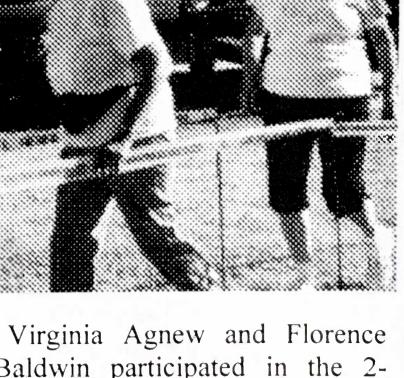
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branch is Saturday, Oct. 4.

License branches are closed on Sundays and Mondays, with hours on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Signage is in place at license branches reminding Hoosiers of the voter registration deadline and of the hours license branches will



Virginia Agnew and Florence Baldwin participated in the 2-mile fun walk again this year. Amazingly, Florence underwent out-patient back surgery Saturday morning and walked in the afternoon.

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be open.

Residents can also register to vote at their county voter registration office, county clerk's office, or any public assistance office. Voter registration forms are available at www.indianavoters.com, license branches, public libraries, local school corporations with public secondary schools or local government offices. Any mailed-in voter registration form must be postmarked by Oct. 6.

Additional information can be obtained by calling the Hoosier Voter Hotline, 1-866-IN-1-VOTE.

AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

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Monday, October 6 – Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, spinach, cookie, roll and milk

Wednesday, October 8 – Chopped steak with gravy, Keywest blend vegetables, lima beans, cake, oatmeal bread and milk

Friday, October 10 – Spaghetti, toss salad, green beans, pineapple, Italian bread and milk

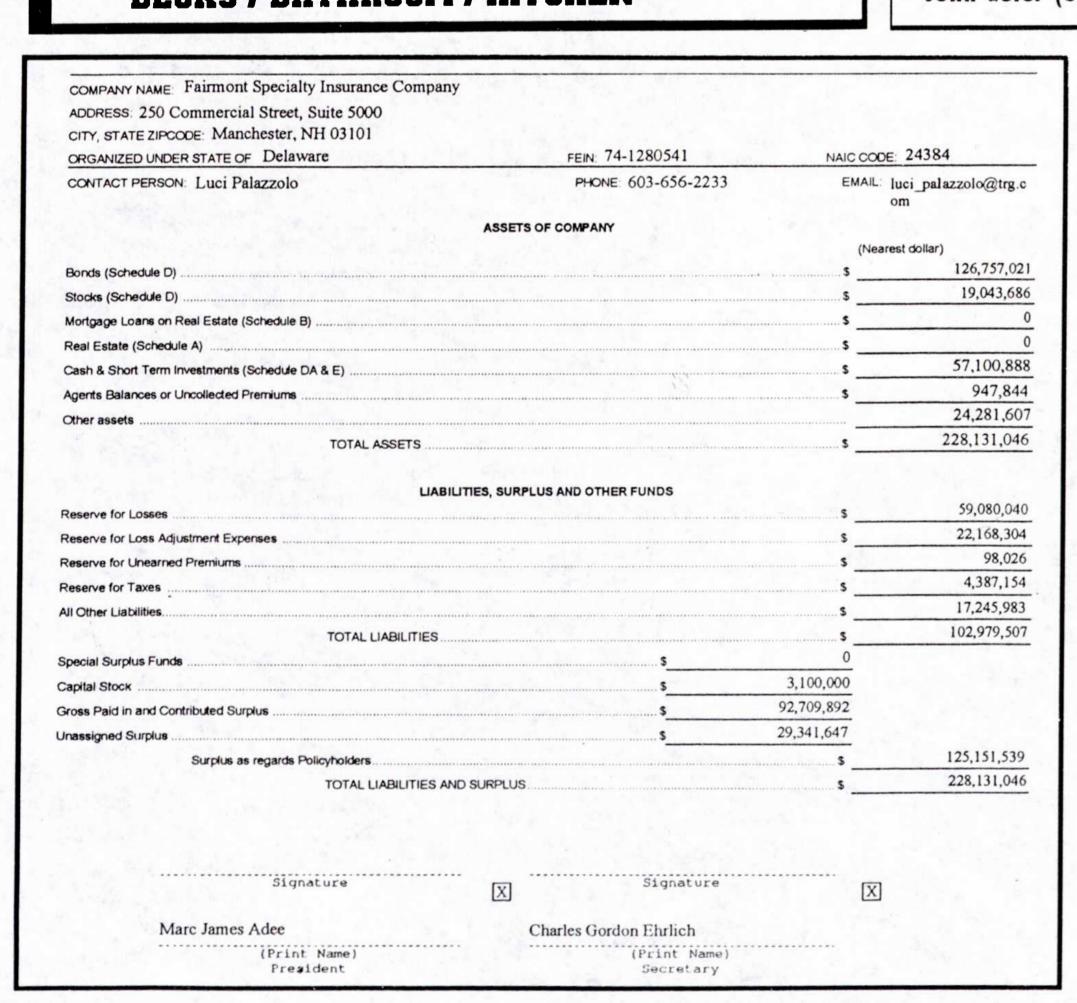


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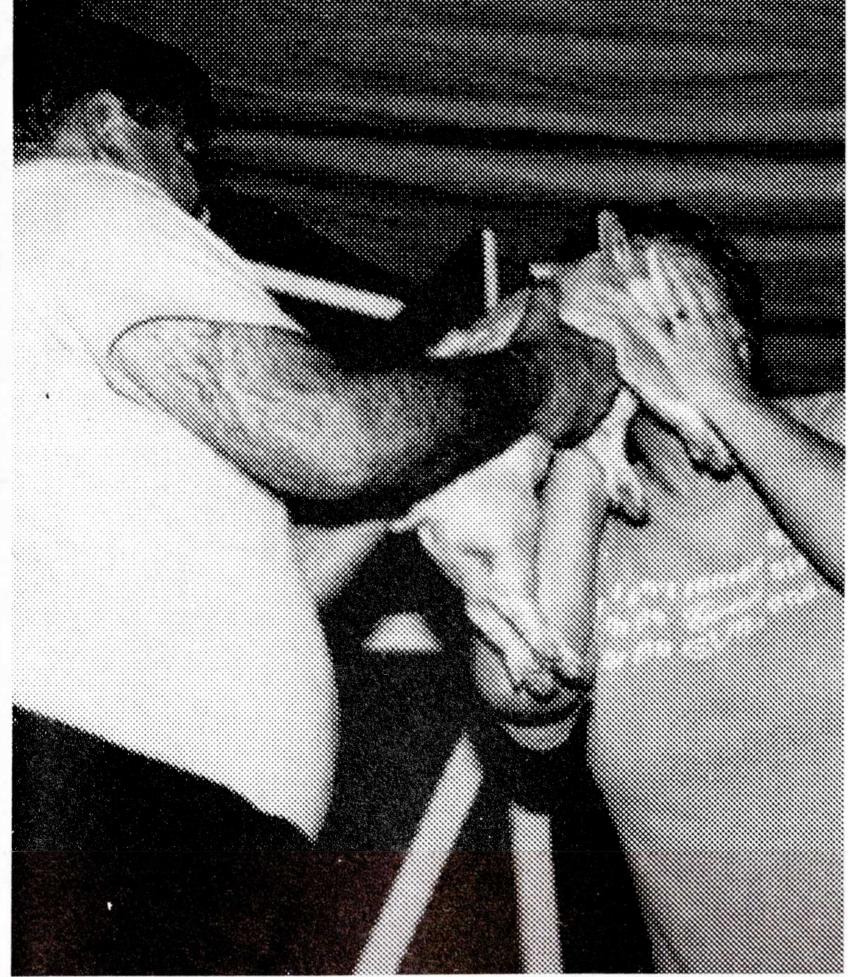
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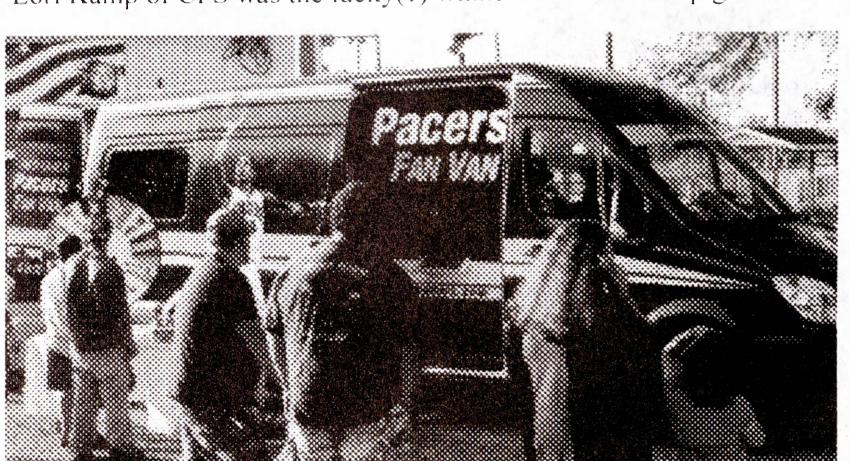
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Lori Kamp of CFS was the lucky(?) winner in the kiss the pig contest





Pictured here are the 5-K winners, left to right, Shanna Bonnell, overall female winner; Garrett Redweik, overall male winner; Kelly Smith, female masters winner; and Brian VanSoest, male masters winner.

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Northern Indiana Pullers garden tractor pull contest

DONATE BLOOD IN FULTON COUNTY

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the American Red Cross is asking all eligible donors to assist in the fight against all cancers by donating blood. Cancer treatment often involves aggressive use of potent drugs, which kill both healthy and cancerous cells. Blood transfusions can replenish healthy



5-K runners leave the starting line

cells that were lost during treatments such as chemotherapy and radiation.

"Many people are affected by the devastation breast cancer causes the cancer patient and their family and friends," said

Sharyn Whitman, CEO of the Indiana-Ohio Region. "By donating blood, you can help ensure that those with cancer will have the blood products they need to continue fighting the disease."

Breast cancer is the most common type of non-skin cancer in women. In 2008, an estimated 182,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the United States. It is also estimated that 12 percent of women born today will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some point in their lives. The Red Cross needs the assistance of

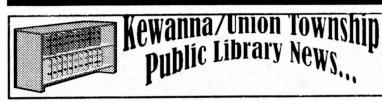
dedicated blood donors to help supply the blood products necessary for all cancer treatments.

You can donate blood on Thursday, Oct. 9, from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Akron United Methodist Church, located at 121 N. Mishawaka St. in Akron.

For more information about Breast National Cancer Awareness month, visit www.nbcam.org. If you are at least 17 years of age, (or 16 with written, parental consent) weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543).

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New books at the library: **ADULTS:**

Fiction-Christian General Broken Angel by Sigmund Brouwer; Now and Always by Lori Copeland; Deep in The Heart of Trouble by Deeanne Gist; An Uncertain Dream (#3 of the Postcards from Pullman series) by Judith Miller; Washington's Lady by Nancy Moser; By Reason of Insanity by Randy Singer; and The Shack by William P. Young.

Large Print General Fiction— Smoke Screen by Sandra Brown and Moscow Rules by Daniel Silva.

Large Print Mystery Fiction— Rough Justice by Jack Higgins. Western Fiction— Posse Guns by Peter Dawson.

Nonfiction— Miles from The Sidelines by Maura Weis.

Unabridged General Fiction Audiobooks— Wizard's

Audiobooks— Wizard's Daughter written by Catherine Coulter, read by Anne Flosnik, on 10 cassettes and 12 hours in length; Far from The Tree written by Virginia DeBerry, read by Fran L. Washington, on 8 cassettes and 12 hours in length; Pawley's Island written and read by Dorothea Benton Frank, on 8 cassettes and 12 hours in length; Distant Shores written by Kristin Hannah, read by Bernadette Quigley, on 7 cassettes and 10

hours in length; Reap The Wind written by Iris Johansen; and Where Angels Go written by Debbie Macomber, read by Sandra Burr, on 4 cassettes and 6 hours in length.

JUVENILES:

Picture Books General Fiction— The House in The Night by Susan Marie Swanson.

Teenage Christian Fiction— Tunnel Twist-Up (#4 of the Time Flyz series) by Ben Avery; Chaos (#4 of The Lost Books series) by Ted Dekker; The Argon Deception (#4 of the Tomo series) by Jim Krueger; The Raiders of Joppa #4 of the Son of Samson series) by Gary Martin; and Prima Volta and Empty Mansions (#1 and #2 of the Couplers: A Space Opera) by Jack Skillingstead.

Holiday mailing

While the first signs of autumn may yet to appear, it's not too early to start thinking about holiday cards, letters and packages destined for service members and their families stationed in faraway lands. According to the Kewanna post office, the first deadline for the 2008 holiday season is about 60 days away.

Thursday, November 13, is the deadline for sending holiday packages to troops stationed

overseas using parcel post to all Air/Army Post Office (APO) or Fleet Post Office (FPO) ZIP codes.

"The U.S. Postal Service is encouraging early deadlines," said Kewanna officer-in-charge Karen Troxell, "to ensure packages reach their destination in time for the holidays."

All military mail, regardless of destination, is sent by domestic mail rate. International rates do not apply to military mail delivery.

One way Hoosiers can confirm delivery is by using Delivery Confirmation, available for almost all military destinations outside the U.S. Delivery Confirmation provides customers with the date, ZIP code and time the package was delivered. This information can be accessed online at www.usps.com.

"Mail is one of the greatest morale boosters we can give our soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen and coast guardsmen during the holidays," said Troxell. "When they see packages or letters waiting for them it brings them that much closer to family and the comforts of home."

The U.S. Postal Service also has a Military Care Kit to make it easier for military families and friends to send packages to servicemen and women and their families stationed overseas. Each free kit contains three flat rate boxes, two cube boxes, nine address labels, and 16 customs forms. The kit may be ordered by calling the USPS Expedited Package Supply Center at 1-800-610-8734.

"Another good deal," said Troxell, "is the Priority Mail Large Flat-Rate Box introduced earlier this year. It offers a \$2 discount to APO/FPO destinations and ships for \$10.95. Go online, used Click-n-Ship and the price drops to \$10.50."

The U.S. Postal Service has also made celebrating the holidays more personal by making it as fun and easy as baking holiday cookies.

"With a little creativity, customers can create their own holiday cards and customized postage on first-class mail, Priority Mail and Express Mail," the Kewanna officer-in-charge added. "It's all available at www.usps.com."

All packages and mail must be addressed to individual service members, as required by U.S. Department of Defense regulations. "We cannot accept any mail addressed to 'any service member' "Troxell added.

The U.S. Postal Service places APO/FPO mail on special charter flights, commercial airlines and military service aircraft to reach armed services members overseas as quickly as possible.

The News In Brief

An accident involving a mo-ped, two dump trucks and a school bus on U.S. 24 west of Logansport Friday afternoon took the lives of all four students on board the bus. Dead are Trevor Ingram, Tyler Geiger, Kale Seabolt and Lauren Melin. The bus driver was Lifelined to a Fort Wayne hospital. An obituary for Trevor Ingram can be found elsewhere in this issue of The Observer.

A regional transit board voted Friday in favor of a \$160 million plan to establish a 19-mile commuter rail line between downtown Indianapolis and the northern suburb of Noblesville.

Automakers gained \$25 billion in taxpayer-subsidized loans and oil companies won elimination of a long-standing ban on drilling off the Atlantic and Pacific coasts when the Senate passed a huge spending bill 78-12 Saturday. The \$634 billion measure was sent to President Bush who was expected to sign it.

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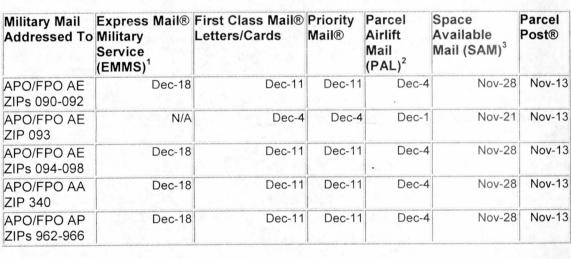
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Sports Shorts

Caston's JV football team defeated North White Saturday, Sept. 27, 36-12. Blain Hizer had 142 yards and a touchdown, a fumble recovery and three 2-point conversions. Trevor Hoover had 46 years and a touchdown. Garret Gates had 85 yards and a touchdown. Graham Redweik had nine yards and a touchdown. Eric Goller added 60 yards. Bryant Liming led in tackles.

The Caston varsity football team took a beating at North White Friday night, 57-0. North White's quarterback had 256 yards passing and six touchdowns. The Comets are now 2-4 on the season and 1-3 in conference play. They will host South Newton this Friday.

West Central defeated the varsity Caston volleyball team Thursday, Sept. 25, in four games, 20-25; 16-25; 28-26; and 14-25. Haley Markley was the leading scorer with 15. She also had 10 serve receptions. Hanna Black had 21 assists; Kelsey Moss had seven kills, 10 digs and 10 serve receptions; Brittney Baldwin had nine blocks.

According to Coach Shultz, the Comets started out game one with the momentum but let it drop

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towards the end. If the Comets could have kept it up. Coach believes they could have won. At the end of the fourth game, Caston played its best volleyball yet. Misty Gearhart went back to serve with the Comets down 18-23. The Comets played tough defense and fought their way back into the game. According to the coach, they need to play like that every game.

The JV volleyball team also lost to West Central in two games, 15-25 and 11-25. Brittney Offenberger was the leading scorer with six. She also had two assists and one dig. Morgan Herrold had two kills and Lexie Olinger and four serve receptions.

Saturday, Sept. 27, the Caston varsity cross country teams ran in Culver Academies invitational. The girls were led by Veronica Sheets with a season best 24:48 and Kara Smith, also with a season best, ran the course in 25:54. Maria Reifenrath had her personal best running score in 26:59. Kayley Kellenburger ran one of her best races of the year finishing in 27:57 and Maggie Daily rounded out the team by finishing 29:42.

The guys didn't have a full team, but ran well with Payton Daily running the course in 19:38. Tim Huff turned in a good performance finishing in 20:16, while Dave McMenamin was one second from his personal best with a 21:33 and CJ Roland got

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The Caston girls cross country team competed in the Logansport invitational Tuesday evening, Sept. 30, with all five girls running their season's best times. Veronica Sheets led the way with a 24:26. Kara Smith finished in 25:21. Maggie Daily and Maria Reifenrath ran excellent races finishing in 26:26 and 26:32, respectively. Kayley Kellenburger was close behind finishing at 27:28.

The guys ran near or at their best times of the year as well with Payton Daily leading the group with a finishing time of 19:00. Tim Huff ran within three seconds of his season best finishing in 19:53. Graham and Chris Redweik Brown finished close together pushing until the 22:00 mark by crossing the line in 21:50 and 21:57, respectively. CJ Roland blew through the 30-minutes mark for the first time this year by finishing in 28:23.

Congratulations to both teams for their continued improvement and good luck against North White on Thursday.

Coach Sommers

Caston FCCLA raising funds for breast cancer research

Sarah McManus **FCCLA Reporter**

As most people would think, October 3 is just as any other day; at Caston School Corporation, it is a day to raise money in a "denim" way.

Many women know October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. An estimated 40,460 women and 450 men will die from breast cancer this year.

Caston FCCLA is assisting the fight against breast cancer with a fundraiser called National Denim Day, which has already raised \$70 million for breast cancer research.

Employees will be able to wear jeans on October 3 in exchange for a \$5 donation. The proceeds will go to the Women's Cancer Programs of the Entertainment Industry Foundation. This money is used for breast cancer research.

If you would like to donate money for this cause, please drop your donation off at the high school office, or send it to Vicki Wagoner, FCCLA Sponsor, P.O. Box 128, Fulton, IN 46931.

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Debra, 76.56; Garver Motors Inc., 502.12; Gearhart Mike, 176.00; General Parts LLC. 1,663.99; Glo Germ Company, 41.95; Good Family Funeral Home, 600.00; Good Oil Co Inc., 4,437.40; Gordon Food Service Inc., 2,751.67; HP Products Inc., 117.42; Harter Beverly, 2,262.00; Health Professionals LTD, 2,870.70; Heishman Travis, 21.16; Herrman & Goetz Inc., 153.46; Hess Bruce, 29.48; IKON Office Solutions Inc., 594.76; Indiana Paging Network Inc., 93.66; IN Dept of Workforce, 134.09; Irving Materials Inc., 1,617.94; J & B Electrical Service, 1,017.45; Jolley Larry, 18.05; Key Waste Indiana Partnership, 98.20; Koorsen Protection Service Inc., 11,900.00; LBH Chemical & Industrial, 423.39; Lee A Christopher, 305.38; Lexisnexis Matthew Bender, 454.00; Lundmark Missy, 50.00; Madlem Gary, 154.44; McKee Letty, 12.28; NAPA Rochester Inc., 9.89; NIPSCO, 543.61; New Holland Rochester Inc., 127.31; North Central Co-Op Inc., 13,631.32; O'Herron Inc., Ray, 552.98; Observer, 137.41; Office Depot, 108.52; P C Source LLC, 110.00; Persinger Craig, 2,004.00; PTS of America LLC, 1,376.00; Peterson & waggoner, 465.00; Phend & Brown Inc., 724.03; Pitney Bowes, 630.00; Plumlee Maintenance, 1,440.00; Poole Foods Inc., 87.70; Positive Promotions Inc., 203.95; Praire Marsh Inc., 8,665.22; Public Agency Training Council, 275.00; Purdue CES Education Fund, 13.73; Purdue University, 1,756.00; Quality Auto Repair, LLC, 31.45; Quill Corp., 1,147.96; Rude Jesse, 540.00; Reed, Judith, 35.48; Reliable Office Supplies Inc., 531.48; Robert J Kinsey Youth Center, 5,330.00; Rochester Sentinel Corp., 572.43; SYSCO Food Service of,911.53; Sanofi Pasteur Inc., 527.51; Saylor J H Inc., 52.83; Semmaterials L P, 2,451.36; Shepherds Chev Olds Pont Buick, 32.61; Shorter-Pifer-Holli, 362.95; Smith Farm Store-Rochester, 18.13; Smith Sawyer Smith Inc., 2,168.00; SmithKline Beecham Corp., 274.00; Staples Business Advantage, 472.60; Steele Wayne, 23.00; Stello Products Inc., 1,455.00; The Tire Store, 161.45; United States Postal Service, 4,000.00; United States Post Office, 1,822.00; Valley Sanitation, 70.00; Van Ausall & Farrar Inc., 57.98; Vigar Deb, 45.32; Vomac Truck Sales & Service Inc., 252.00; Walsh Electric Inc., 28.51; Webbs Electronics/Radio Shack, 51.48; Wells Law Office, 463.62; Wildman First Aid Direct, 162.86; Wildman Inc., 366.44; Wilson Grant T, 155.00; U S Postal Service, 391.50; U S Postal Service, 5,369.50; Winterrowd Electric Inc., 125.28; Woodlawn Hospital, 33.42; Xerox Corp., 111.30; Zolman Tire Inc., 239.00.

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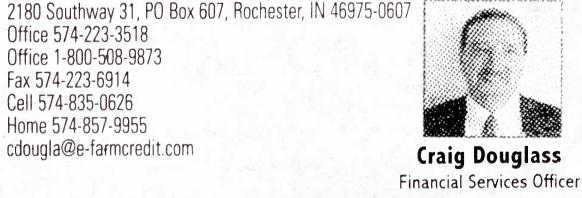
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Town & Country Chatter...

by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Barb LaFollette and her greatgrandson, Eli, traveled to Kokomo Tuesday, Sept. 23. They picked up Barb's mother, Pauline Eikenberry, for an outing that included shopping, dinner at the Bob Evans restaurant and ice cream at Scoops.

Helen Whiteman had a working visitor Tuesday. Coming over in the evening to mow her yard and join her for supper was her son, Kevin Whiteman of Pulaski.

Betty Leazenby Staying houseguests recently. with her for a few days were her brother and sister- in- law, Don and Mary Lou Carr of Lakeville, Pennsylvania. During their stay, several members of their family stopped by to chat and do some catch-up.

Don and Pauline Scales had several visitors throughout the day Wednesday, Sept. 14. The first to arrive in the morning was their son, Bruce Scales of Fulton. Later in the morning, their granddaughter, Cindy Wiese, joined them for a visit over lunch. In the afternoon, their great- nephews, Gary and Kevin Beck of Florida, stopped by for a chat.

Kenny Whiteman was a Wednesday evening visitor of his mother, Helen Whiteman.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle had a caller Thursday, Sept. 25. Coming down for a visit was Barb's grandson, Joey Wilk of Purdue University. While here, he helped with several chores.

Tom and Barb LaFollette and Carol Broda spent Thursday morning picking red raspberries. In the afternoon, they enjoyed lunch in Leiters Ford.

Kerry Brown of Lawrenceburg was a Thursday overnight houseguest of his parents, Kay and Jerry Brown.

Angela Gast of Wake Forest, North Carolina recently spent some time visiting her parents, Jon and Barb Gast.

Florence Hogan had a working visitor one evening last week. Coming for a visit and to mow her yard was her son, Mike Hogan.

Beth and Ray Weller had company over the weekend. Arriving Friday, Sept. 26, for a three-day visit were their daughters, Beth Ann Deckard and Linda Tufts of Lebanon, Ohio. Everyone enjoyed a nice visit and going to the Fall Festival.

Linda Garner was in Plymouth Friday. She had a nice time meeting her daughter and grandchildren of Valparaiso, Amanda Wassermann, Zach and Mackenzie, for a visit.

Tristan Conner of Fulton was a Friday evening visitor of his great-grandmother, Helen Whiteman.

Leonard and Nancy Evers had several visits from family members over the weekend.

Dawn and Rick Nikolich and Luke of Chrisney were Saturday houseguests of Dawn's parents, Jane and Rich Green.

Florence Hogan had working visitors Saturday. Joining her for a family chat and planting four new mum plants in her yard were her daughter and son- in- law, Wendy and Dan Kelly of Lafayette. Also visiting with her over the weekend were her daughter, Janice Graham, and Janice's granddaughter, Haley Smith.

Pauline Brown and Julie had over the weekend. guests Arriving Saturday morning for an overnight visit were Pauline's son and his family, Jim and Deb Brown and Clayton of Fairland. Everyone had a fun time attending the Fall Festival and watching the parade. Clayton and his buddy, Luke Sutton, tried out many of the rides and games, several times.

Barb and Jon Gast and Angela were among the many that enjoyed attending the free circus

during the Fall Festival Saturday. Wilma Wilson had a visitor over the weekend. Coming for a family chat was her daughter, Judy Graham of Lucerne. (Shame on you, Jack! You're falling down on the job.)

Bea Ann Clark of Logansport enjoyed visiting with her siblings and their families, Betty Leazenby, Barb and Jon Gast and Don and Mary Lou Carr, Saturday.

Nancy and Leonard Evers were among those who enjoyed watching the Fall Festival's parade Saturday afternoon.

Barb and Tom LaFollette were busy Saturday. They attended two auctions early in the day. Later, they entered their 1957 Chevy Bel-Air in a contest at the Moose lodge in Warsaw. (They tied for first place.) In the evening, they attended the Fall Festival.

Jackie Heidenreich accompanied her daughter, Vickie Molitor, to the Fall Festival parade Saturday afternoon.

Helen Whiteman had houseguest recently. Staying with her for a couple of days was her daughter, Karen Rice Indianapolis.

Tanisha and Heath Harding and their daughter, Makhia Teresa, had guests Saturday. Stopping by for a visit were Heath's greatgrandmother. Ann Zartman: his grandparents, Rich and Jane Green; his mother and her family, Dawn and Rick Nikolich and Luke; and his great- aunt, Shirley Zartman. This was the first time most of the family had seen Makhia. She was born Thursday morning and weighed 6 lbs 10 1/2 oz. While everyone was present, a five- generation picture was taken of Ann, Jane, Dawn, Heath and Makhia.

Jon and Barb Gast and Angela had visitors Sunday, Sept. 28. Stopping by early in the day and joining them for church services were their daughter and son- inlaw, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon; their greatgranddaughter, Shelby Wagoner of Etna Green; and Steve's grandson, Aniston.

Earl and Mary Bangel had working visitors Sunday. Coming up from Indianapolis to help with the harvest were their son and grandsons, Bruce Bangel, Kevin and Rob.

Pauline and Don Scales had a couple of callers Sunday. Coming over in the afternoon for a visit were their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester, and Phyllis' granddaughter, Ally Wiese.

Barb and Jon Gast and Angela were in Rochester Sunday afternoon. They had a fun time watching their great- grandson, Brendan Sutton, play football.

Jerry Brown was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday. The occasion was in celebration of his 70th birthday and hosted by his wife, Kay. Helping them mark the event with dinner, cake and homemade ice cream were their children and their families, Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly Rochester, Mark and Mick Brown and Mike and Kathie Brown; their grandsons and their families, Jason and Britni Brown of Hawaii and Ted and Faith Brown and Chloe; their nephew, Terry Brown; and Kay's mother and sister, Mary K. Williamson and Rita of Winamac.

Hugh and Maryellyn Tennent traveled to Kokomo Sunday.

They had a nice time visiting with Hugh's brother and sister- inlaw, Nat and Jennie Tennent.

Sue Janes of LaPorte was a Monday, Sept. 29, visitor of her mother, Barb Hieber.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Alexa Eastwood, Mary Hinderlider, Jill Leazenby, Sarah Metzger, Linda Milliser, Micah Rans, Jodie Smith, Jack Urbin and Scott Wilson, Oct. 5; Kristin Horn, Candy Field, Karen Good and Lyndy Szmara, Oct. 6; Nicki McCray and Belinda Weller, Oct. 7: Linda Bangel, Tim Graham, Aaron Herrell, Ivy Powell and Matthew Webb, Oct. 8. Andrew Bangel, Oct. 9; Jeff Hunter, Harold Johnston, Martha Stoudt and Ann Zartman, Oct. 10; and Cindy Bowyer and Denise Robson, Oct. 11.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Trent Powell, Oct. 6; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hines, Oct. 7; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Thomas, Oct. 9; Mr. and Mrs. Eric Baker, Oct. 10; and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Easterday, Oct. 11.

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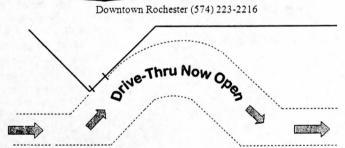
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