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## Holiday art tour, December 6 & 7

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Holiday Art Tour will be held Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. The free, self-guided tour offers guests the opportunity to visit with the artists about both their work and the creation of their studios. Guests can also enjoy refreshments at each studio and a relaxing day of shopping for unique gifts.

The first Holiday Art Tour became a reality in 2005. The following year, the Fulton County Fund for the Arts was established to promote arts in Fulton County throughout the year. Tour sponsorships from area businesses and individuals as well as grants from the Fulton County Tourism Board and Community Foundation have been contributed to the fund. A signed, limited edition, poster designed by one of the artists is featured this year.

The Holiday Art Tour 2008 includes:

**Downtown Artists at The Corner Market Mall** located in the office of Barb Lutterbein, 705 Main Street, Rochester, will host a multi media of art by Barb (Sky Studio), Steve and Jen Weinart, Gib Foster (Rain Creek Studio), Linda Leasure, Patsy Clark, Jim Scott and Mercedes Brugh. The Corner Market Mall is located on Main Street between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets.

**Brushstrokes Studio** is a dream fulfilled by artist Pat Thompson. A full time working studio and gallery is in the front part of her 100+ year-old home in Rochester. New works of art will be revealed along with Pat's original acrylic paintings, limited edition prints, gift items, cards, bookmarks and more. Gail Karas (Artistic Impressions) will be showing with a mixture of medias and limited edition prints. Brushstroke Studio is located at 1505 Mitchell Dr. To reach the studio, go east on 9<sup>th</sup> street, turn right (south) on Ewing Road to East 18<sup>th</sup> St./Mitchell Dr.

**Mt. Zion Art School** is the home and studio of artist and teacher Lindsey Kozubik. The 100+ year-old house is the former Mt. Zion School surrounded by a peaceful, inspiration setting. The tour will include paintings by Lindsey Kozubik and Lori Roberts, pottery by Gary Wyatt and jewelry by Michelle Nelson. The Mt. Zion Art School is located at 2579 S 500 E. To reach the school, travel east on State Road 14 (9<sup>th</sup> St.) to 500 East. Turn right (south) on 500 E. and continue south. The school is located across the road from Van Dwyne's Block and Zion Road.

**Eikenberry Glass Studio** was established in 1975 by Braxton Eikenberry and is currently in a post and beam construction mid-1800s granary relocated from his family farm. Commissioned work, restorations and fine finished stained glass are

## Medicare supplement info meeting

An insurance representative from Fort Wayne will hold an informational meeting concerning zero premium Medicare supplement insurance at 5 p.m. Monday, December 1, in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station.

For more information, contact Tami Powell at 574-653-2305.

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## Cass County basketball tourney

Lewis Cass' advancement in the state football tournament has necessitated some changes in the upcoming Cass County basketball invitational played at Logansport.

The varsity boys will now play their tournament on Saturday, December 6, rather than starting Tuesday, December 2.

The girls varsity tournament play will begin Wednesday, Dec. 3, with Caston playing Pioneer at 6:30 p.m. and Logansport vs. Lewis Cass at 8 p.m. The girls' consolation and championship games will be played at 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. The boys tournament will be played Saturday, Dec. 6, with Logansport playing Cass at 10 a.m. and Pioneer and Caston squaring off at 12 noon. The consolation and championship games will be played at 6:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday evening.

The JV girls Cass County tourney will be played Thursday, Dec. 4, at Pioneer with Caston taking on Pioneer and Logansport playing Cass at 5:30 p.m. The consolation and championship games will be played at 7 p.m.

The JV boys tourney will be played Saturday, December 27, also at Pioneer. Logansport will play Cass and Pioneer will play Caston at 9:30 a.m. The consolation and championship games will be played at 11 a.m.

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## Send In Your News

specialties of the Eikenberry Glass Studio. Stained glass windows, other glass objects, paintings, photography, jewelry and pottery will be available from the Granary Group of Braxton Eikenberry, Gretchen Coplen, Rachelle Houchin, Wade Bussert, Jeff Skersick, Mike Kenny, Larry Houchin and Joe Chomyn. The Eikenberry Glass Studio is located at 15464 N 200 W in Miami County. From U.S. 31 south of Rochester, turn east on Miami County road 1500 N, turn north on Miami County road 200 W (which turns into Fulton County road 700 E). The studio is the first house on the left. Or, from Indiana 14 east of Rochester, turn south on Fulton County 700 E (which turns into Miami County road 200 W) to the studio.

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A traditional Thanksgiving dinner will cost Hoosier families less this year, according to an informal statewide survey of grocery store prices coordinated by Indiana Farm Bureau. But, even though the total cost for the holiday dinner is down in Indiana, the state's average cost is still slightly higher than the national average for similar Thanksgiving fare.

Indiana lawmakers gathered at the Statehouse in Indianapolis Tuesday, Nov. 18, for an organizational day, which included oaths of office for State Representatives and Senators.

U.S. 35 north of Royal Center is now open to traffic as construction of a bridge over Indian Creek has been completed. The construction project began in August.

Newly elected Senator Randy Head of Logansport has launched a new website. District 18 residents, which includes Fulton County, can visit [www.in.gov/Senator.Head](http://www.in.gov/Senator.Head) to access current legislation, view live hearings, provide immediate input and receive updates.

Indiana lost approximately 5,800 jobs in October, most of them in the recreational vehicle and automotive industries.

The FBI recently arrested a man who threatened to blow up Cincinnati's football stadium, two airports, Ohio River bridges and other landmarks. The man, Frederick Purvis, 42, is from Hamilton, Ohio. According to his father, Purvis has mental problems and has been on medication. He does not believe his son actually planned to carry out his threats.

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## JAMES F. TALBOTT VFW POST #1121

### November Activities

Friday, November 7 – Fish and chicken fry, 4-8 p.m. \$7 adults; \$4.50 children 6-11; free for children age five and under

Tuesday, November 11 – balloon release in memory of veterans, \$1. Pork sandwich and chips

Sunday, November 16 – District meeting at Warsaw, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, November 19 – Ladies meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, November 25 – Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 30 – Open Sunday.

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**Recycling Dates**  
**Thurs., Dec. 4th,**  
**and Dec. 18th**

## Free art classes

Local artist Don Kegarise is offering free basic drawing classes to persons of any age. The class will not require the purchase of any materials and will be held at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. For more information, call Don at 574-653-2355.

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## Workshop for grain producers

The Pulaski County Extension Office will hold a five-week video workshop entitled "Managing Margin Risk", from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 27 through February 24.

The workshop is for farm grain elevator managers. The objective of the program is to provide producers with the tools to determine their break-even prices, marketing plans, crop insurance decisions and leasing options with the end goal of being able to lock in profitable margins.

The fee is \$40 for the course materials and advance registration is required by early January. For more information or to register, contact the extension office at 574-946-3412.

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## Tax changes focus of presentation

Farmers and farm tax professionals are invited to a presentation entitled, "Income Tax Management for Farmers", from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. December 11 at the Purdue Extension Pulaski County Learning Network, 125 S. Riverside Dr., Winamac.

The video presentation will provide farmers with an update on recent income tax and self-employment tax developments, with emphasis on the implications of these changes for producers and the management alternatives available.

David Fretta, a certified public accountant with a farm-oriented practice, will hold a discussion and handout materials will be available to participants. There will be an opportunity for questions.

The presentation is free and open to the public, but advance registration is required. For more information or to register, contact the extension office at 574-946-3412.

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## AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, December 1 – Smoked sausage, black eyed peas, cole slaw, cherry cobbler, roll and milk

Wednesday, December 3 – Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, wheat bread and milk

Friday, December 5 – Cheeseburger sandwich, cauliflower & broccoli, green beans, peaches and milk

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## NOTICE TO KEWANNA RESIDENTS

The Town of Kewanna will discontinue leaf pick up for the season Friday, December 5. If you still have leaves to rake, get them out to the roadside by that date for pickup.

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## Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

The Help for the Hurting Parent bereavement support group of PMH is open to residents of any county who have experienced the death of any aged child. Call 574-946-2180 for more information. This is a free service offered by PMH.

The Living with Grief Support Group is offered at PMH. This group is for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. For information, please call 574-946-2100, ext. 1149.

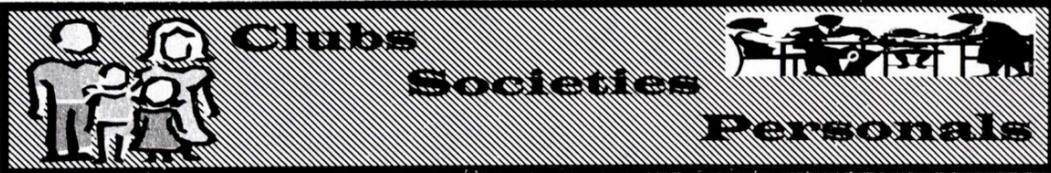
A two-day prenatal class will be held Saturday, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec. 13, from 8 a.m. until noon in the hospital conference room. Following the prenatal class on the 6<sup>th</sup>, there will be a breast feeding class from 1 to 3 p.m. For registration, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you deliver at PMH, there is no charge for the class.

Abused? Home shouldn't hurt. Call the crisis center at 1-800-933-0374, 24 hours a day. The crisis center offers emergency shelter, complete confidentiality, support groups, and crisis intervention. The staff acts on behalf of the client with service agencies, serving Jasper, Newton and Pulaski counties.

There is a walk-in immunization clinic from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Healthy Family Office on the third floor of the Pulaski County Building in Winamac. Vaccines available include DTaP, EIPV, Hib, Hep B, MMR and Td. Please bring any previous immunization records. Call 574-946-6071 for more information.

The Sweet Beginnings Prenatal Program at Healthy Families offers a walk-in clinic at the Pulaski County Building, Winamac, providing prenatal care coordination services. 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 5:00 p.m. Call 574-946-6017 for information.

Families First offers a free smoking cessation program. The trained cessation therapist will provide counseling and support to those interested in quitting. Call 574-946-6017 to schedule an appointment.



**Rachel Cogdill and Travis Scholz wed**

Family and friends of Rachel Cogdill and Travis Scholz gathered to witness their wedding at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, November 22, 2008, at the Buffalo Christian Church.

The double ring ceremony was conducted by the Pastor Jim Ketchen. Parents of the bride include Jim and Connie Cogdill, Hope Cogdill and Mark Crowder. Both Jim and Mark escorted her down the aisle. The groom's parents are Kenneth and Shirley Scholz. Grandparents of the bride include Ruth Cogdill, Mary Pratt and Vernon and Gail Pratt. Simonette Foust is the groom's grandmother. It was an especially joyous occasion for everyone to see the miraculous recovery Hope has made after being struck by a car and critically injured some months ago.

Rachel wore a white satin strapless dress with a beaded bodice and full train. The groom's party was in black tie.

The bride's sister, Mindi Cogdill, was her matron of honor. Her half-sister, Sierra Cogdill, and Travis's sister, Jessica Scholz, were the bridesmaids, all wearing strapless gowns in autumn taupe satin. The flower girl was Kennedy Watts and the ring bearer was Max Scholz. The groom's long-time friend, Chad Watts, was his best man and his

brothers, Tom Scholz and Doug Scholz, were groomsmen. The ushers were the bride's step-brothers, Bobby Polstra and Chad Polstra.

A reception for over 200 guests was held at the Brandywine Inn and Suites in Monticello following the ceremony. The three-tiered, square wedding cake was accented with fresh roses. The tables and chairs were draped in white with elegant floral centerpieces. The buffet dinner featured roast beef and roast turkey with side dishes of vegetables, salads and fresh fruit. The bridal couple was given a champagne toast as they cut the cake.

Those joining Ruth Cogdill's party for the festivities included her brother and sister, David Norris and Janel Norris of Kewanna; her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Gordon Ligoeki of Winamac; Linda's daughter, Renata Crissinger and children Doran, Lillian Helen, Roan and Olivia of Monterey; Ruth's daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Jim Teeter of Bluffton; their daughter Jessica and her sons from Fort Wayne; the Teeters' granddaughter, Sophia Shaw; Ruth's son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Deb Cogdill and their daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Derek Sheline and daughter, and Kristy Cogdill of Macy.

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**Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events**

**Budweiser Fight Night Boxing:** Nov. 25 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Doors open at 6 p.m.; bouts begin at 7 p.m. Admission: \$15, \$20, \$30 and \$35. Contact: Jeannie Raymann (317) 927-7523 or [www.indianastatefair.com](http://www.indianastatefair.com).

**Stewart's Indiana Flea Market:** Nov. 28 - 30 in the Ag/Hort Building, Northwest Pavilion and Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: Fri. noon to 6 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Stewart Promotions (502) 456-2244 or [www.stewartpromotions.com](http://www.stewartpromotions.com).

**Super Sunday Indy Automotive Swap Meet & Car Sale:** Nov. 30 in the West Pavilion. Hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: \$6; children 12 and younger free. Contact: Mid America Promotions (708) 563-4300 or [www.midamericapromotions.com](http://www.midamericapromotions.com).

**Hoosier Beef Congress:** Dec. 5 - 7 in the West Pavilion, South Pavilion and Champions Pavilion. Hours: Fri. 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sun. 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Indiana Beef Cattle Association (317) 872-2333 or [www.hoosierbeefcongress.com](http://www.hoosierbeefcongress.com).

**Gem Street USA:** Dec. 5 - 7 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 am to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7; seniors (60+) and students (12-17) \$5; children under 12 free; ticket good all three days of show. Contact:

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**Hoosier Antiques Expo:** Dec. 12 - 14 in the Toyota Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$7. Contact: Shawn Hastings Promotions (618) 635-2895 or [www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com](http://www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com).

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**Hoosier Cup Gymnastics Invitational (presented by Motion Wear):** Dec. 13 - 14 in the Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission: \$10 adults; \$5

children 6 - 18; children under 6 free. Contact: Linda Barclay (317) 891-8260 or [www.hoosiercup.info](http://www.hoosiercup.info).

**McMiracle on 38th Street:** Dec. 14 in the Champions Pavilion. Contact: Reginald O. Jones 317-926-3663 or [www.mcmiracle.org](http://www.mcmiracle.org).  
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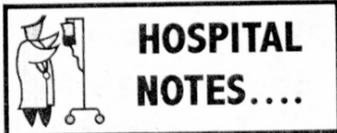
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## HOSPITAL NOTES....

### WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

November 16

Births - Jason and Ashley Mullins, Etna Green, a son; Kendra Day, Akron, a daughter

November 17

Admissions - Lavera Utter, Mentone; Ethel Ludwig, Rochester

Dismissals - Donald Hudson, Etna Green; Shannon Samuels and son, and Lillian Hughes, Rochester; Abigail Robbins, and son, Kewanna

November 18

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - Richard Fry, Macy; Kendra Day, Akron; Ethel Ludwig, Rochester

November 19

Admissions - Deborah O'Connor and Carolyn Varab, Rochester; Linda Franz, Akron

Dismissals - Lavera Utter, Mentone; Ashley Mullins and son, Etna Green

November 20

Admissions - Max Huffman and Choice Miller, Rochester

Dismissals - Linda Franz, Akron

Births - Latasha Brooks, Rochester, a daughter

November 21

Admissions - none published

Dismissals - Deborah O'Connor, Rochester

### PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

November 14

Admissions - Shannon Ross, Hamlet

Dismissals - Jesse Spurgeon and Eugene Holmes, Winamac

November 15

Admissions - Brenda Creasy and Jerry Winters, Winamac; Rachel Haselby, Royal Center

Dismissals - Ashley Bunton, Grovertown

November 16

Admissions - Susan Dorman, North Judson

Dismissals - none

November 17

Admissions - Diane Natke, Monterey; Brenda Christensen, Winamac

Dismissals - Shannon Ross, Hamlet, Rachel Haselby, Royal Center; Jerry J. Winters, Winamac

November 18

Admissions - none

Dismissals - Susan Dorman, North Judson, Leona Shidler, Star City; Brenda Creasy, Winamac

November 19

Admissions - Donald Heims, Barbara Clark and Thomas A. Hickman, Winamac

Dismissals - none

November 20

Admissions - Joan Underwood, Rhianna Ruiz and Walter D. Engel, Knox; William Hoover and Jay Kopkey, Winamac

Dismissals - none

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## DEATHS .....



MELINDA G. WORL

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, November 25, in the Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, for Melinda G. Worl 61, Fremont, with Rev. Norm

Fuller officiating. Burial was in the Covenant Cemetery, Fremont. Melinda passed away Thursday, November 20, 2008 at her home on Clear Lake, Fremont.

Born July 19, 1947, at Williamsport, she was the daughter of Richard and Betty (DeBord) Hurley. She was married August 17, 1968, at Williamsport to Barry Worl, a former Kewanna resident.

She was a former supervisor at Health Equipment Manufacturing in Fremont and also worked for the Portland newspaper at one time. She enjoyed flower gardening, reading and animals. Melinda was a Purdue and Colts fan, loved the lake and being outdoors, and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Barry Worl, Fremont; two daughters and their spouses, Kelli and Chris Baker of Fishers and Kathi and Tony Forte of Bristol; one son and his wife, Scott and Andrea Worl, Truckee, California; four grandchildren, Ryan Baker, Ian Baker, Alexa Forte and Tyler Forte; her mother, Betty Hurley; one sister and her husband, Nancy and Ted Wolfe, Attica; and one brother and his wife, Jim and Julie Hurley, Sorrento, Florida. She was preceded in death by her father, Richard Hurley, in November of 2004.

A visitation was held Monday evening at the Beams Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Steuben County Community Foundation Diabetes Fund. Online condolences may be sent to [www.beamsfuneralhome.com](http://www.beamsfuneralhome.com).

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### FLORENCE ELLEN THOMAS

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Harrison-Metzger & Rans Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, for Florence Ellen Thomas, 98, Winamac. Rev. James Wasmuth officiated and burial was in the Kewanna Citizens IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Thomas died at 11:30 p.m. Thursday, November 20, 2008, in Hickory Creek of Winamac. Born October 27, 1910, in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, she was the daughter of the late William Henry and Sevilla Agnes Rex Mitchell. She was married June 14, 1951 to George A. Thomas, who preceded her in death on December 8, 1988.

Florence grew up in the Lafayette and Mulberry areas, and also spent many years in Texarkana prior to moving to Kewanna in 1989. She was a homemaker and seamstress. She also worked at the former Kemp Brothers Company in Frankfort.

She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Rochester and enjoyed photography, arts and crafts.

Survivors include one daughter and her husband, Vicki J. and Bill Gupton, Winamac; one step-son and his wife, Edgar M. and Joanne Thomas, Kewanna; one step-daughter and her husband, Patricia J. and Euel Birge, Rochester; a daughter-in-law, Doris M. Rees, Lafayette; 15 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a son, Robert Lee Rees Sr., a step-daughter, Judith A. Heath; and a

sister, Alpha Mae Burke.

A visitation was held Tuesday evening at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.harrisonmetzger.com](http://www.harrisonmetzger.com).

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### ETHEL MARIE MATHIAS

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, November 28, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Ethel Marie Mathias, 91, Rochester. Rev. Larry Dodge and Rev. Thad Stewart will officiate and burial will be in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Mathias died at 6:15 p.m. Sunday, November 23, 2008, at Life Care Center of Rochester.

Born January 9, 1917, in Mishawaka, she was the daughter of Charles and Elgie Ipes Moon. She moved to Rochester in 1938 from Mishawaka. She was married March 9, 1938 to Floyd B. "Jim" Mathias, who passed away March 4, 1969. A homemaker, she was also a cook at the Rochester Sale Barn, the Alpha-Bit Box and the Resource Center. She was a member of the First Church of God and The Old Crossroad Baptist Church of Gilead.

Survivors include a son, James I. Mathias, Rochester; three sisters, Hattie Baldwin, Agatha Marsh and Thelma Frettinger, all of Rochester; three brothers, Charles Moon, Mishawaka, William Moon and his wife, Marilyn, Rochester, and Donald Moon and his wife, Ema, Florida; several nieces and nephews; and a canine companion, Jenny, a toy fox terrier. She was preceded in death by her parents, her

husband, and a sister, Donna Belle Hoff of Kewanna.

Friends may visit with the family from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the First Church of God and The Old Crossroad Baptist Church of Gilead. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [goodfamily@rtcol.com](mailto:goodfamily@rtcol.com).

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### DONNA JANE ROCK CRISPEN

Donna Jane Rock Crispin, 51, Rochester died Sunday, November 23, 2008, of injuries received in a motor vehicle accident.

Born October 6, 1957, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of Alta Hittle and Donald Rock.

She was married September 22, 2006, to Steven D. Crispin in the Rochester City Hall by Mayor Phil Thompson.

A lifetime resident of Fulton County, she was a 1976 graduate of Caston High School. She was a plant supervisor at Custom Magnetics at North Manchester and had worked for Marshall Electric. She collected tigers, loved to fish, hunt and horse back ride. Her grandchildren were the pride of her life.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Stacy Jane Manns and her companion, James Dice, of Akron, Jacqueline M. Manns and her fiancé, Daniel Peters, Jr. of North Manchester, and Courtney Altalee Kirby and her companion, Jeremy Shock, of Macy; one son, Joshua D. Kirby, Rochester; two step-daughters, Amanda M. Barnes, Akron, and Katherine R. Mullins and her fiancé, Jay Schlosser, Tiosa; nine grandchildren; her mother, Alta Madlem, Macy; three brothers, Darl Wayne Rock and his wife,

Janet, Rochester, Richard E. Rock and his wife, Jeannie, Kewanna, and John W. Rock and his wife, Linda, Twelve Mile. She was preceded in death by her father, Donald Rock, in 1990 and her stepfather, John Madlem, in 2003.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, November 29, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, with Pastor Thad Stewart officiating. Burial will be in the Richland Center IOOF Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. Friday, November 28, at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service. Memorials may be made to The Old Crossroad Baptist Church of Gilead. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [goodfamily@rtcol.com](mailto:goodfamily@rtcol.com).

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Mrs. Ralph Showley, Rt. 1, Kewanna, entertained yesterday afternoon at a party in celebration of the 5<sup>th</sup> birthday of her daughter, Linda. Twelve guests enjoyed the games, contests and refreshments.

The Kewanna Saddle Club members were guests of the Manitou Saddle Club at their meeting and dance Thursday, November 18, at the K of P Hall in Rochester. Members attending from here included Mr. and Mrs. Elston Sayers, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kreamer, Kenneth Hood, Doris Barker, Wiladean Van Duyne, Donnabelle Van Duyne, Roy Todd, Barbara Evans, Henry Evans, Carl Warmbrod and Kenneth Warmbrod.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Showley of LaPorte, former Lake Bruce residents, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Saturday, November 27, at the Bruce Lake Community Church.

Thirty-two members of the Wayne Friendly Club enjoyed a covered dish dinner in the home of Mrs. Cecil Fields Thursday with Mrs. Earl Hizer and Mrs. Fultz assisting the hostess.

## FIFTY-FIVE YEARS GO November 27, 1953

George R. Burch, reserve Navy pilot and jeweler in Union City, was forced down in his plane Sunday evening near the Howard Gilliland home east of Kewanna due to weather conditions. He was returning home from a naval base north of Chicago where he had been taking special training. He remained overnight in the Joe Dague home and took off for Union City Monday morning.

Private Walter Roy Miller of Fort Knox, Kentucky, spent the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Miller.

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family of Patterson Field in Dayton, Ohio, are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gidley and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collins.

Betty Jo Baldwin and Betty Craig were in Rochester Saturday evening where they performed a number of dance routines at the Thanksgiving benefit sponsored by the Eagles Lodge.

Mrs. Luther Bussert entertained family members Tuesday evening, November 17, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Lee Ingram, who was celebrating her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Troutman and son left Saturday for Phoenix, Arizona, where they will spend the next three weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Van Tuyl Gillespie are staying on the farm during their absence.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO November 27, 1958

Miss Leona Geisler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Geisler, Rt. 3, Kewanna, became the bride of Ronald Talbott at a ceremony performed Friday, November 21, at the Geisler home. Rev. Saxton, minister of the Church of Christ, performed the double-ring ceremony.

Carl H. Reynolds, 67, father of Mrs. Lee Evans of here, died Monday night at St. Joseph's Hospital in Logansport.

John Hilficker, Scoutmaster of Troop 51, Kewanna, was honored for his contribution to scouting at the annual recognition dinner of the Three Rivers Council. The dinner was held Wednesday evening at the Memorial Home in Logansport.

John Merit Gault, 75, Fletchers Lake, a retired farmer, died at 10 a.m. Friday, November 21, in Woodlawn Hospital. He had been ill for three months.

Fred Brown of West Virginia is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown.

The Susannah Wesley Circle will hold its Christmas party and meeting December 3 in the home of Mrs. Warren Gillespie with Ethel Smith assisting. Mary Cox will continue the study of the Ten Commandments and Beatrice Urbin will supply the entertainment.

## FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO November 28, 1963

Alice Montz, Kewanna, bowling with the Winamac Coil Spring team in the Pin Toppers League at Quick Lanes in Rochester came up with a rare triple

Aubrey O. Zellers, 52, Kewanna, died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in Memorial Hospital. Mr. Zellers was owner and operator of the Curve-Inn Restaurant in Kewanna.

Wilfred Ley, 74-year-old twin brother of the late Alfred Ley, died suddenly in a hospital in Marion Friday, November 22.

A/1c Terry Livengood and daughter, Caron, of Omaha, Nebraska, are spending a few days in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livengood.

Joyce Anderson of South Bend spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson.

Rod Sommers was a Tuesday evening supper guest in the Eugene Thomas home and helped Curtis Thomas celebrate his 6<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Fourteen Kewanna residents are attending Ball State in Muncie this fall. They are Elizabeth Bayless, Bill Stoudt and Jackie Vigus freshmen; Sheila Beehler,

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senior; Norma Boldry and Judith Showley, juniors; Vivian Brown, Marcia Hizer, Mary Nell Masteller, Bruce Mills, Larry Plummer, Mike Shuler and Nancy Troutman, sophomores; and Doris Hill, graduate student.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO**  
**November 23, 1978**

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Cole Funeral Home, Winamac, for former Kewanna resident, D. Roy Rans, Jr., 52, Winamac. A salesman, he was a veteran of the Korean conflict and a member of the Rochester Moose Lodge.

Gary Schnapf, 19, Royal Center, was one of two 4-H youths from this area to receive all expense paid trips to the 57<sup>th</sup> National 4-H Congress to be held in Chicago, November 26-30. He won his trip as Indiana's top 4-H member in the dairy program. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schnapf.

The Worthwhile Club met in the home of Artha Kreamer recently for its Thanksgiving carry-in and meeting during which new officers were installed. New officers include Madlyn Fort, president; Florence Hines, vice president; Lorena Johnson, secretary; and Lulu Spear, treasurer.

Harrison DeWitt was honored on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday by a family surprise party. Arriving in a group and bringing refreshments were Bud, Agnes and Matt Forgey, Gene, Wiladean and Judy DeWitt, Kelsa and Skip McCray, Bill, Margaret, Beth, Becky and Bryan DeWitt, Barb and Mike Ewing, Saraetta, Milo, Darrell and Debbie Shriver and Gene, Carolyn and Wesley Shelpman.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO**  
**November 24, 1988**

Jane Budd was the guest of honor at a birthday dinner Sunday in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen Whiteman, in celebration of her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Reid Carlisle of Indianapolis is visiting this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bauman and Freddie were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Milliser and daughters, Amy and Andrea, and Mrs. Shutte of Louisville, Kentucky, who is visiting in the Milliser home.

**TEN YEARS AGO**  
**November 26, 1998**

The 20<sup>th</sup> Century Extension Homemakers Club met Thursday evening, November 12, at the

home of Nancy Douglass with the president, Wilma Thomas, presiding. Janece Herrold won the door prize.

Karina and Terry Bohac, Rochester, are the parents of a son, Nicholas Alexander Bohac, born November 17 at Logansport Memorial Hospital. Barb and Tom LaFollette of Lake Bruce are the baby's maternal grandparents.

The Kewanna Mothers Club met Friday, November 20, in the home of Ruth Ann Anderson. The program was presented by Beth Weller who described spending Christmas in France in 1988 as guests of her son and family, Don and Chantel Reason, Don III and Michael.

**ONE YEAR AGO**  
**November 22, 2007**

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 17, in Union, Kentucky, for Joseph H. Richards, 84, Florence, Kentucky. A memorial service was held November 24 at the Fletchers Lake United Methodist Church and burial followed in the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery.

Karrie Chantel Johnson of Kewanna and Justin Wayne Goelz of Fort Wayne announce their engagement and wedding plans. The couple will be married December 22 at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The

bride is the daughter of Tom and Jane Johnson, Kewanna, and the groom is the son of Wayne and Julie Goelz, Fort Wayne.

Lillix Cook, Kewanna, celebrated her second birthday Saturday, November 17, at a party held at Chuck E. Cheese, Kokomo.

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**Nonfiction**— *Scream Free Parenting* by Hal Edward Runkel

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Diane Mate was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday gathering Sunday, November 23, in celebration of her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. The party was hosted by her daughter, Elizabeth, at the Lutheran Church in Schererville and attended by approximately 100 friends and family members, including Diane's husband, Tom, and their son, Luke.

Helen Whiteman had a caller Sunday. Coming over late in the day to take care of some chores and beat her at a game of Phase 10 was her son, Kevin Whiteman of Pulaski.

Beth Weller was chauffeured home early Monday, Nov. 24, by Beth Ann Deckard.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so

please remember to give them your best regards) are: Hali Berry, Megan Easterday and Rich Powell, Nov. 30; Don Bennett, Sharon Carlson, Jeff Good and Kathy Patty, Dec. 1; Cindy Eisbrenner, Matthew Moss and Shirley Zartman, Dec. 2; Jamie Short, Dec. 3; Mark Hall, Neal Haimbaugh, Austin Kimble and Chuck Kumler, Dec. 4; Mindi Cogdill, Torrie Crissinger, Amanda Hammond and Juan Sanchez, Dec. 5; and Ryan Baker, Ann Bauman, Cindy Eastwood, Angela Gudeman, Kami Newton and Zack Short, Dec. 6.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Eric Mills, Nov. 30; Mr. and Mrs. Robin Michael, Dec. 4; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Peters, Dec. 5; and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bucks, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hamman, Dec. 6.

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## EASTERN PULASKI MENU

December 1 - 5

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Wednesday - Biscuit and gravy, juice and milk

Thursday - Cinnamon toast, ham slice, juice and milk

Friday - Sausage pancake, juice and milk

### Elementary Lunch

Monday - Stuffed crust pepperoni pizza, corn, pineapple, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Chicken strips, potatoes, pears, peanut butter sandwich and milk

Wednesday - Sloppy Joe, hash browns, orange, chips and milk

Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, fruit ice, cinnamon roll and milk

Friday - Cheese quesadillas, tomato soup, peaches, crackers and milk

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Bonds (Schedule D)	\$	2,267,145,050
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$	2,294,682,686
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$	
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$	43,823,341
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$	131,211,842
Agents balances or uncollected premiums	\$	374,534,898
Other assets	\$	413,951,764
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$	<b>5,525,349,582</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS		
Reserve for Losses	\$	1,299,728,036
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$	303,159,607
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$	453,516,915
Reserve for Taxes	\$	3,485,202
All Other Liabilities	\$	450,344,360
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$	<b>2,510,234,120</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$	6,534,229
Capital Stock	\$	
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$	
Unassigned Surplus	\$	3,008,581,233
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$	3,015,115,462
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	\$	<b>5,525,349,582</b>

Signature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Signature	<input type="checkbox"/>
William J. Lohr		William M. O'Reilly	
(Print Name)		(Print Name)	
Senior Vice President & Treasurer		Secretary	

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CITY, STATE ZIP CODE:	Columbus, OH 43215
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF OH	
FEIN:	31-4316080
NAIC CODE:	25135
CONTACT PERSON:	Tina M Stillabower
PHONE:	(800) 777-7324
EMAIL:	tina.stillabower@stateau

ASSETS OF COMPANY		(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$	287,729,093.00
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$	891,882,740.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$	0.00
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$	32,170,881.00
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$	84,118,026.00
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$	367,199,847.00
Other assets	\$	182,051,239.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$	<b>1,845,151,826.00</b>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS		
Reserve for Losses	\$	167,686,162.00
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$	35,856,570.00
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$	144,553,225.00
Reserve for Taxes	\$	13,736,467.00
All Other Liabilities	\$	289,555,888.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$	<b>651,388,312.00</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$	0.00
Capital Stock	\$	0.00
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$	0.00
Unassigned Surplus	\$	1,193,763,514.00
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$	1,193,763,514.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	\$	<b>1,845,151,826.00</b>

Signature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Signature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Robert P. Restrepo, Jr.		James A. Yano	
(Print Name)		(Print Name)	
President		Secretary	

# Letter To The Editor

While at the post office recently, I overheard a conversation between two local patrons complaining about the "home-penetrating, pulsating noise" emitting from the elevator tower of the North Central Co-op (a.k.a. Indiana Farm Bureau). "I have to wear ear plugs to sleep", said one person. The other shot back about the "wave after wave" of grain trucks that travel the residential street, "constantly shifting through the gears" and "why don't they use the Tamarack Road?" This writer agrees with both concerns.

When the NCC/IFB facility was established in the early 1960s, it was located long the former C&O railroad where products were delivered by rail; just beyond the town of Kewanna corporate limits. Over the past 40 plus years, the facility has grown considerably. Despite the fact that the facility receives town water, police patrol and utilizes the town's streets, it remains outside the corporate limits by a few feet.

This writer urges the Kewanna town board to annex the North Central facility into the corporate limits so they may pay their fair share of taxes as do the residents and other businesses in Kewanna and to conform to the local ordinances regarding noise, etc.

Name Withheld  
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## CASTON ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 29 - Boys JV & varsity basketball at North Miami, 6 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 1 - boys 6 AB basketball at Pioneer, 5:30 p.m.; boys 7 AB basketball vs. North Miami at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; boys

freshmen basketball vs. Northfield at Caston, 6 p.m.; boys 8 AB basketball at North Miami, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 2 - boys varsity wrestling at Triton, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 3 - girls JV and varsity basketball Cass County tourney at Logansport, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 4 - boys 5 AB basketball at Argos, 5:30 p.m.; boys 6 AB basketball vs. Argos at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; boys freshmen basketball at Argos, 6 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 5 - girls Cass County tourney consolation/championship games, 6:30 and 8 p.m.

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## WRESTLING

The Caston varsity wrestling team defeated White's at Caston Monday evening, Nov. 24, 45-18. Results for Caston include: Cole Nilson (103 lb.) win by forfeit; Kyle Harvey (112) win by FF; Graham Redweik (125) win by pin; Blain Hizer (130) win by FF; Wil Holloway (135) win by tech fall; Evan Pulliam (145) win by pin; David McMenamin (152) win by pin; and Austin Ault (215), win by major decision.

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## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF THE ACTION OF THE FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD CHARLES TOWN OPEN CAUSE NO. 3-2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:  
The Increase Watershed by 72 Acres more or less and establish a Maintenance Rate Report of the Fulton County Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Fulton County Surveyor, and a hearing will be held before the Drainage Board on the Schedule of Assessments at 9:30 A.M. E.S.T. on Monday, December 8, 2008 in the Commissioners/Council Room at the Fulton County Office Building, 125 East Ninth Street, Rochester, Indiana.

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### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:  
By: Rochester Library Board  
For: A new Aubbee Township Library Building  
At: Rochester Library on December 22, 2008 until 3:00 p.m. (EST). Bids received after that time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted in duplicate on Form 96 in a sealed envelope clearly marked Aubbee Township Library Bid Opening. The sealed Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at immediately thereafter.

All work for the complete construction of the project will be under one prime contract with the Owner and may be examined by prospective bidders at the following locations on or after **November 12, 2008**

1. Office of the Allegra Printing, 201 Center Street, Warsaw, Indiana  
Prime contract bidders may obtain bidding documents from Allegra Printing for a deposit of \$50, (\$25 of the deposit is refundable), for each complete set. Deposits shall be made payable to **Allegra Printing**. Prime bidders may have up to three sets on a partial refundable basis if:

A. A responsible bid is received and the documents are returned to the Architect/Engineer within thirty days of receipt of bids, or

B. The prospective bidder notifies the Architect/Engineer of his intention to not bid and returns his documents at least ten days prior to receipt of bids.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at the site: at **November 26, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. EST**. Site location is **7400 Main Street, Leiter's Ford, Indiana**

The project will be bid using a common construction wage scale. Bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid must accompany each bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Bid security shall be a certified check or bid bond. All bid

bonds shall be made payable to **Rochester Library**

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any bid and to waive any irregularities in bidding, and is not obligated to accept the lowest bid.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of (60) sixty days after the date set for the receipt thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish Contract Performance and Maintenance Bonds for 100% of his contract amount prior to execution of contracts. Bonds shall be in full force and effect for a period of at least twelve (12) months after the date of final completion and acceptance of the longest guarantee provided under the contractor's contract. Should the contractor's bonding company default, the contractor will be responsible for securing a new bond within fourteen (14) calendar days.

Each bid proposal shall be accompanied by a non-collusion affidavit as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. **Bidders must attach their company financial statement to form 96.**

By: Seacore Rudisel Architects, Inc., 120 South Buffalo, Warsaw, Indiana 46580, telephone, 574-269-1596; www.srchitects.com  
Pub. 11-20 & 27, 2008

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## Fulton County ADVERTISING CLAIMS for DEC. 1st, 2008

AT&T, 251.35; Alfred Nickles Bakery Inc., 405.57; American Wire Rope & Sling Cor., 1,408.01; Amsterdam Printing & Litho, 204.88; Anco Inc., 315.00; Arrow Pest Control Inc., 45.65; BI Incorporated, 3,336.77; Banning Engineering, P.C., 4,040.00; Bohm Fred, 180.40; Bonne-Odom Funeral Home Inc., 100.00; Boyce Forms/Systems Inc., 15.00; Brateman's Inc., 349.00; Brown Richard, 53.45; Burke & Heller, 1,439.66; CDW Government Inc., 190.39; CSI-Computer Systems Inc., 2,473.50; Cardinal Office Products, 794.00; Centennial Wireless, 174.98; Charm-Tex Inc., 2,533.86; Citicard, 109.03; Clerk Treas City of Rochester, 1,326.78; Collier Melassa S., 11.35; Cramer Casi, 16.01; DYNA Systems Corp., 185.59; Decisions Counseling Ctr., PC, 748.65; Dolgencorp-Dollar General, 30.00; Duke Engineering, 3,734.23; E&B Paving Inc., 6,156.33; Earl-Grossman Funeral Home, 200.00; Engineering Aggregates Inc., 11,525.80; Enid Tate Shepherd, 997.67; Enyarts True Value Hardware Inc., 112.81; Fine Things, 127.77; First Financial Bank, 438.41; Four County Consulting Center, 150.00; Fulton County EMS, 49,211.00; GBS Inc., 18,948.38; Gall's Inc., 174.98; Gearhart Mike, 142.12; Good Oil Co Inc., 1,593.14; Gordon Food Service Inc., 2,782.22; HP Products Inc., 61.51; Hardesty Printing Inc., 27.50; Harter Beverly, 2,193.00; Hartzler Funeral Home, 200.00; Hello Direct Inc., 209.97; Herrman & Goetz Inc., 1,158.73; Holt Equipment Co LLC, 1,993.18; IN Assoc of Co Commissioners, 145.00; Indiana Office of Technology, 338.81; Irving Materials Inc., 9,201.82; Koorsen Protection Service Inc., 162.00; Lawson Products Inc., 518.85; Lee A Christopher, 328.93; Lexisnexis Matthew Bender, 454.00; Marrs Michael T., 5.32; NIPSCO, 2,171.27; National Academies Of, 45.00; National Sheriffs Association, 315.00; Neals Truck Part Inc., 2,996.48; New Holland Rochester Inc., 124.48; North Central Co-Op Inc., 5,525.44; Observer, 437.55; Overmyer Excavating LLC, 1,275.00; Porter Janice & Whittier Amand, 121.86; Phend & brown Inc., 473.62; Plumlee Maintenance, 960.00; Preudart Inc., 60.01; Provost Harriet, 100.00; Purdue CES Education Fund, 669.49; Purdue University, 3,512.84; Purdue University, 25.00; Quality Auto Repair LLC, 28.70; Quill Corp., 573.60; Rude Jesse, 500.00; Reichert & Knepp Inc., 422.50; Reliable Office Supplies Inc., 345.54; Rochester Sentinel Corp., 178.13; Rochester

Volunteer Fire Dept., 120.00; Rockfest, 500.00; SYSCO Food Service of, 601.47; Saylor J H Inc., 507.24; Schaeffer MFG Co Inc., 970.56; Security Plumbing Suppliers Inc., 148.94; Sheraton Keystone at crossing, 762.00; Shorter-Pifer-Holli, 404.99; Shriver Bethany, 93.75; Siegel Display Products Inc., 311.76; Signs & Designs, 75.00; Smith Office Plus Inc., 1,728.27; Smuth Sawyer Smuth Inc., 1,457.00; Stello Products Inc., 373.73; The Tire Store, 89.53; Times-Union, 105.60; Treasurer Fulton County, 110,086.00; United States Post Office, 1,512.00; Van Ahsall & Farrar Inc., 56.89; Vigar Deb, 23.76; Villalon Rafael, 105.00; Vomac Truck Sales & Service Inc., 370.39; Waggoner Irwin-Scheele, 1,291.34; Wells Law Office, 15.55; Wildman First Aid Direct, 170.45; Wildman Inc., 444.50; Wilson Auto Body Shop, 122.33; Wilson Grant T., 155.00; Winterrowd Electric Inc., 263.04; Woodlawn Hospital, 199.26; Zolman Tire Inc., 831.61; Bussert Shirley, 65.00; Doty Betty, 65.00; Downhour Lynn, 90.00; Garner Linda K, 65.00; Kewanna Fire Dept., 10.00; Smuth Melana, 85.00; Wegner Mary, 65.00; Bauman Vivian Helen, 65.00; Dague Janet, 65.00; Grass Creek Fire Station, 10.00; Grass Creek Ladies Aid, 90.00; Redwick Millie, 65.00; Rock Jean Ellen, 65.00; Sommers David Lee, 85.00; Busenburg David L, 65.00; Bilby Stephanie, 65.00; Craft Fonscene, 65.00; Newcastle Community Bldg., 10.00; Peterson Jerilyn, 65.00; Smith Ellen, 85.00; Talma Methodist Church, 90.00; Cannedy Robert S, 65.00; Fulton County Historical Soc., 100.00; Gelbaugh Ruth, 65.00; Hiatt Carolyn, 65.00; Hiatt Ernest, 85.00; Kirby Marianne, 65.00; Bickel Bonnie, 65.00; Bickel Shirley, 85.00; Cumberland Sandra, 65.00; Devries Judy, 90.00; Gray Shirley, 65.00; Teel Virgie, 65.00; Brown Shirley, 65.00; Fulton Baptist Temple, 90.00; Fulton Community Building, 10.00; Gibson Lon A, 55.00; Graham Elsie, 65.00; Hartman Connie L, 85.00; Williams Barbara-Hattery, 65.00; Burdge Priscilla A, 85.00; DeVries Judy, 90.00; Drone Don, 55.00; Hackworth Janet, 65.00; Hartzler Beverly, 65.00; Overlander Bonnie Louise, 65.00; Akron Fire Dept/Town Hall, 10.00; Burns Norma Jean, 65.00; DeVries Judy, 90.00; Denning Geraldine, 55.00; Heltzel Karen, 85.00; Puckett Sharnie, 65.00; Wood Janet, 65.00; Aubbeenaubee Community Building, 10.00; ChleenaCarol, 85.00; Day Fred, 65.00; Fellowship Guild of First, 90.00; Kline Agnes, 65.00; Metzger Rosa J, 65.00; Randolph Barbara, 55.00; Brown Cheryl, 85.00; Fellowship Guild of First, 90.00; Fry Jacob, 65.00; Lahman Carol, 65.00; Lee Jerry, 65.00; Miller Vince, 65.00; Brown Carita, 75.00; Furnival Steven, 65.00; Fellowship Guild of First, 90.00; Ginn Janice L, 65.00; Hazel Sandra, 65.00; Vanduyne Dorcas, 65.00; Berlasty Jennifer, 65.00; Burns Evelyn, 65.00; Fellowship Guild of First, 90.00; Fulton Co Fairgrounds, 10.00; Nicklaus Marie, 65.00; Tyler Mary, 65.00; Wells James O Jr, 85.00; Butler Thomas, 65.00; Bearrs Maxine, 85.00; Bohs Ruth, 65.00; Ewen Karen, 65.00; Hayes Mitchell E, 65.00; Wynfield Crossing, 90.00; Absi Pierre, 55.00; Doud Mary "Lois", 65.00; Edwards Marquita, 85.00; Edwards Ted Joe, 65.00; Norman Roy, 65.00; Wynfield Crossing, 92.00; First Christian Church, 90.00; Grube Stella, 65.00; Rosswurm Christine, 65.00; Schaller John, 85.00; Villasana Carmella, 65.00; Villasana Armondo, 65.00; Doubt Tina, 55.00; First Christian Church, 90.00; Kuehl Ron, 85.00; Musgrave Stanley L, 55.00; Smith Joyce, 65.00; Urschel Kevinlyn, 55.00; Faith Outreach Church, 100.00; First Christian Church, 90.00; Hoover Pat, 65.00; Miller Peggy, 65.00; Miller Thomas, 65.00; Ryeanson Nancy, 65.00; Sawyer Cynthia Rae, 85.00; Andrews Linda, 40.00; Davis Scott, 35.00; Figlio Kourtney, 35.00; First Christian Church, 108.00; Simonin Chad, 35.00; Vigar Deb, 124.00.

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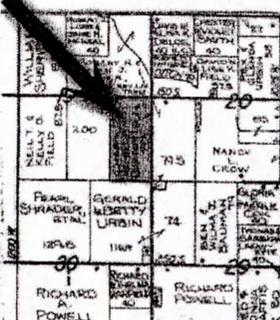
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**Town & Country Chatter...**

by: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Mary St. Clair was honored at her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday by her children Monday, Oct. 27. They enjoyed pizza, breadsticks and a Dairy Queen ice cream birthday cake that was beautifully decorated. Helping her celebrate the occasion were her son and daughter in law, Joe and Judy St. Clair of Grass Creek; her daughters and sons-in-law, Phyllis and Dan Hauser of Fulton and Caroline and Dave Hardebeck of Tipton; and her granddaughter and family, Mary Sue and Nat Culp and Megan of Logansport.

Tom and Barb LaFollette recently spent a few days in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. They enjoyed breakfast at Carver's Apple House and dinner at No Way Jose's Cantina. They took the evening trolley's tour of lights ride. (Each year two old designs from the display are replaced with two new ones.) The LaFollettes also visited Cherokee, North Carolina where they checked out several of the shops and the casino. They also took the time to drive through Smoky Mountain National Park. (They advise not coming down the mountain while it is snowing!)

Jackie Heidenreich had company recently. Coming for a weekend visit were her daughter, Lola Pruess and Lola's son and his family, Randy and Amy Kuptz, Morgan and Taylor, all of Jefferson, Wisconsin.

Mathilda Lamb traveled to Peru Monday, Nov. 17. She had a pleasant time as an overnight houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Cathy Lamb. The following morning, she attended a board meeting of the Healthy Families of the Area Five Agency

association.

Barb and Tom LaFollette traveled to LaPorte Tuesday, Nov. 18, for an overnight visit with their son and his family, Chris and Nita LaFollette, Michele, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Thomas. They made the trip to attend the viewing and funeral service for Nita's mother, Laura Wichlinski of Crown Point.

Pauline Brown was in Rochester Wednesday, Nov. 19. She had a nice time visiting with Sharlene Haimbaugh and Barbara Brown over lunch at the Paradise Family truck stop restaurant.

Amanda Evers was an overnight houseguest of her grandmother, Lori Leach, Thursday, Nov. 20.

Earl and Mary Bangel had visitors over the weekend. Arriving Friday, Nov. 21, to do some hunting were their grandson, Rob Bangel of Indianapolis, and his friend, Keith Wiksun.

Beth and Ray Weller had company Friday. Arriving for an overnight visit was their daughter, Beth Ann Deckard, of Lebanon, Ohio.

Jerry and Kay Brown were in

Rochester Saturday, Nov. 22. They had an exciting time attending the Rochester vs. Caston high school girls' basketball game. Their granddaughters, Leighnee Smith and Molly McKinney, are players for Rochester.

Saturday, Beth Weller accompanied Beth Ann Deckard back to Ohio for the weekend. While there, she had a wonderful time visiting with family. She was able to tour the new home of her granddaughter, Leah Tufts, in Cincinnati. She visited with her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Steve Tufts, and their daughter, Lauren, who is home from Rhode Island for the holiday. She was also able to attend the baby shower held in honor of her granddaughter, Kirsten Kaufman.

Tom and Barb LaFollette and Carol Broda were in Rochester Saturday evening. They met Tom and Shirley Miller and the Millers' son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Sharon Miller of Russiaville, at the VFW Post for a "surf and turf" dinner.

Florence Hogan had a visitor Sunday, Nov. 23. Joining her for a visit and lunch was her daughter, Wendy Kelly.

Amanda Evers had a fun time spending the day with Lori Leach Sunday.

The Pugh family Thanksgiving dinner was held Sunday at the

Mystic Hills Golf Course, Culver. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pugh and Kyle of Kewanna; Mrs. Jackye Pugh, Lake Bruce; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Pugh, Ashley and Lizzie, Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Josh Pugh and Steven, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker, Allie and Clar, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Snyder of Culver; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pugh, Harly and Lucy, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Pugh, Kole and Luke, Emily Larkin and Mike Haschel, Cal and Will, and Christine Turpin and Graham, all of Winamac; Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shedrow, Levi and Madison, of Monterey; and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Peters, Chase Brandt and Casey and Mr. Tim Peters and Brock of Plymouth.

Vickie and Mike Molitor hosted their family's Thanksgiving gathering Sunday. Among their guests was Vickie's mother, Jackie Heidenreich.

Mary and Earl Bangel hosted their family's Thanksgiving get-together Sunday. Joining them for a wonderful visit were their daughter, Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan; their sons and their families, Darel and Nancy Bangel and Sara of Ft. Wayne, Louis and Jean Bangel and Joyce of Winamac and Bruce and Theresa Bangel and Kevin of Indianapolis; and their grandson, Josh Bangel of Lafayette.

Romayne Wentzel was in Winamac Sunday. She joined Theresa and Don Ortman and

their family for an early Thanksgiving celebration.

Julie Brown had a fun time attending a party held in honor of one of her munchkins, Luke Sutton, Sunday, Nov. 23. The occasion was in celebration of his 11<sup>th</sup> birthday and hosted by his parents, Wendy and Steve Sutton.

Janice Graham had company Sunday. Joining her for a visit were her mother, Florence Hogan; her sister, Wendy Kelly of Lafayette; and her daughters and granddaughter, Stephanie Malchow of Rochester and Wendy Smith and Haley.

Emily Graham of Lucerne enjoyed having pizza with her grandmother, Wilma Wilson, Sunday evening. Also joining them for supper were Emily's parents, Judy and Jack Graham. Family times are special times and the family has much to be thankful for this year.

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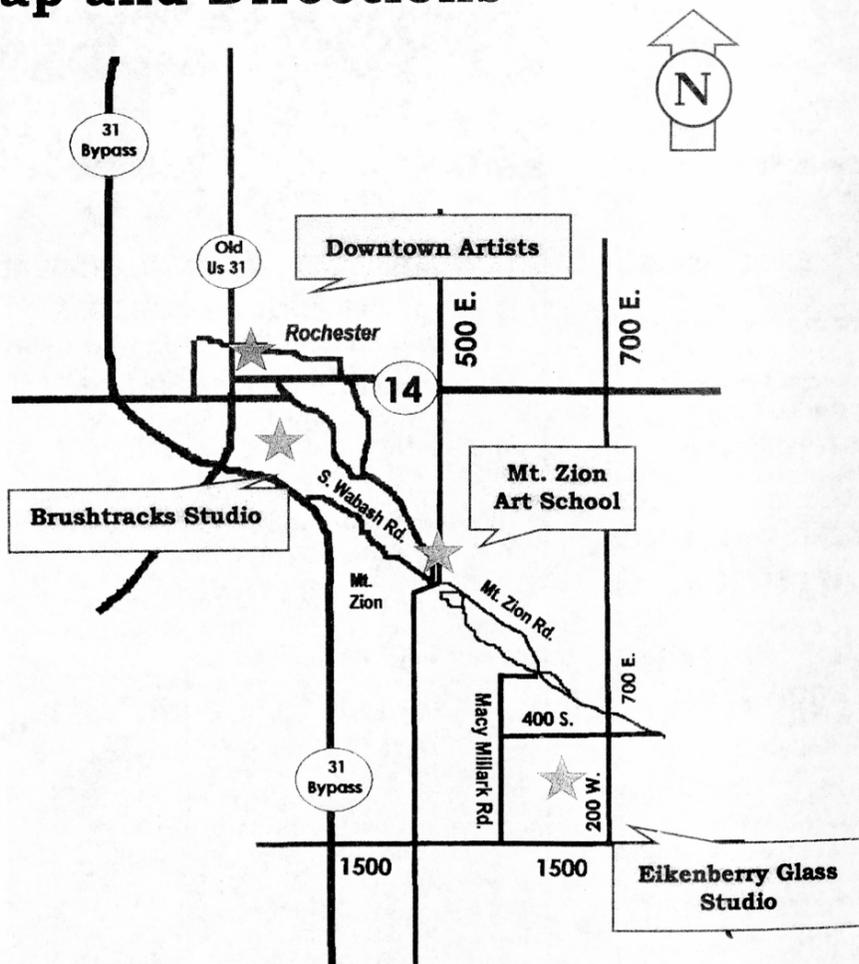
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