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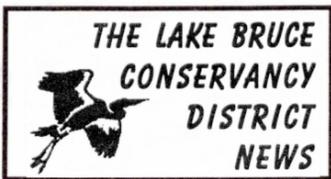
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The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its monthly meeting Thursday, May 10, in the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department's community room. All five directors were present as well as twelve freeholders of the district.

The first order of business was to appoint a director to fill the vacancy in District 4. The board received two letters from prospective replacements. Both were very qualified. Applicants were Barb Heiber and Rick Tompos. The board selected Rick Tompos because of his experience as a controller for Culver Military and a CPA. The board thought that his experience would be most valuable, especially since the conservancy's treasurer, Dave Foust, has indicated that he would not run for reelection next year. Rick was then sworn in to fill the vacancy until the next regular election in February of 2008.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as well as the treasurer's report and the allowance of bills. Correspondence received by the district during the month was reviewed. Chairman Norm Steigely reported that the conservancy's web site is up and running. He mentioned that the amount of hits the site has received was much higher than expected. He stated that there are several pages concerning all areas of the district's workings as well as a page for the Lake Bruce Association (LBA). It was also mentioned that to access the site you must type www.LBCD.info in as the district has not subscribed to any search engines. It was reported that CSX railroad is preparing closing papers for the sale of the 2.25 acre site that the district will be purchasing for a vacuum station, office and meeting room. The sale price is \$9,000 and the sale should take place in the next week or so. Tennant's Dredging has finished Phase 1 (Area A by the Dam and Area B by the public access) with the exception of reclaiming the holding area. John Richardson of JF New checked the area to see if the total of 4 acres had been completed but it was .3 acres short, or 3.7 acres. Tennant agreed to reduce his final fee by \$5,000 to compensate for the shortfall. The board reviewed revised quotes for a bond attorney from Ice-Miller and Barnes & Thornberg. Ice-Miller was the successful low bidder with a bid of \$12,000 plus up to \$600 in expenses. Norm stated that he checked with the district's financial advisor (Umbaugh, Inc.) and they stated both firms would represent the district equally well. Norm mentioned that the board is still checking on local legal

Vendors Sought for Depot Day

The Grass Creek Lions Club is seeking vendors for its 5th annual Depot Day to be held September 8. Vendors may offer crafts, flea market items, yard sale items, etc. Interested persons should contact Sandy Gates at 574-653-2359. The entry deadline for vendors is August 25, 2007.

council to represent the district. Those contacted to date have had conflicts that would keep them from representing the district. Lake Enhancement Chairman Gerald Porter reported that treatment had been completed for curly leaf and that the V3 Survey is to be done May 23-25. After that Weed Patrol will be treating the lake for Milfoil. He also stated that the preliminary report from Weed Patrol was that very little Milfoil was seen in the lake when they did their treatment on Wednesday May 9th. That was attributed to an aggressive weed treatment campaign at the end of 2006. Steve Fralish of Wightman Petrie gave a project report and update. He hopes the district can go to bid in August but the conservancy is still waiting for permits and paperwork from IDEM. He did mention that the district will need to get blanket easements on 68 properties to move forward. These are easements for the valve pits that will be placed on private property and will assure district access to pits for maintenance. Norm Steigely has applied to be a notary and as soon as the paperwork has been completed the conservancy will start contacting the property owners for their signatures. Most of these properties are along Guise Park Road and Lake Shore Drive. Bob Broda, chairman of the dry hydrant program, gave a report on the progress he has made. He has made contact with the Kewanna Fire Dept., USDA and the DNR. The next step is to survey the site so it can be given to a design engineer at USDA. This project when completed is expected to save every homeowner around the lake a few hundred dollars a year on their homeowner's insurance. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will be June 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department community room. The meetings are open to all freeholders and interested parties. It was also announced that the July meeting will once again be held in cooperation with the LBA at their annual meeting on Saturday July 21st at the Hoosier Hide-A-Way at 11:30 a.m.

GREAT NEWS

The Lake Bruce Conservancy District was notified Friday, May 11th, that it was successful in obtaining a \$500,000 CFF grant for the sewer project! This is a very competitive grant and only about one third of applicants get approved.

High Winds Hit Area

Parts of Kewanna were without power several hours Tuesday night after high winds and rain hit the area about 5 p.m. Debris from trees was strewn across the landscape but homes and businesses escaped any serious damage.

Reportedly, the Lake Bruce area was hit harder by the storm and residents there were still without power Wednesday morning. Most of the damage was apparently in the Guise Park Road area.

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Open House at Fire Station, May 20

The Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department will host an open house Sunday, May 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. to dedicate the new addition and three new trucks that have been acquired since 2004. There will also be drawings for smoke detectors and refreshments.

The fire department is proud of their community and feel lucky to have dedicated citizens and governmental officials who are willing to give of their time and abilities to help make the department all that it can be.

Fire Chief Larry Baldwin invites everyone in the community to attend and help them dedicate the new bays and equipment.

This is also a great opportunity for local residents to thank our highly trained and competent members of the volunteer fire department for their dedication and hard work.

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Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, May 27

The Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department will host its annual pancake and sausage breakfast Sunday, May 27, from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the fire station, 404 N. Toner Street, Kewanna. The cost of the meal is a free will donation. Carry outs will be available.

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Annual Town-wide Garage Sale Day, June 16

Kewanna H.E.A.R.T. will host its annual town-wide garage sale day (Rummage Rumble) Saturday, June 16. Persons who are planning to have garage/yard sales should contact Sheri Cook at 574-653-9919 during the day or Bev Baldwin at 574-653-2622, evenings.

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AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, May 21 - Smoked sausage sandwich, mashed potatoes, scalloped cabbage, pineapple and milk

Wednesday, May 23 - Pork tenderloin, succotash, vegetable cottage cheese, peaches, oatmeal bread and milk

Friday, May 25 - carry-in

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Fish and Chicken Fry Saturday

The Fulton County Historical Society will serve an all-you-can-eat fish and chicken fry Saturday, May 19, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Advance sales tickets are available at the museum. They are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, ages 6-11. Tickets sold at the door will be \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children.

Ernie Hiatt will prepare the fish and chicken Jonah style cooked in 100% cholesterol free oil. Carry outs will include meat only. Dine-in meals will include meat, baked beans, applesauce, cole slaw and drink.

Proceeds will be used for museum operating expenses.

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Notice to Property Taxpayers

Due to the delay in reassessment, there will be only one property tax bill sent to property owners this year. However, estimated tax payments are being accepted by the Fulton County Treasurer's office.

Property owners may pay an estimated tax based on their 2006 figures. If they over or under pay, that will be reflected in the one billing that will be sent in the fall.

If the county can collect enough early payments, it can advance money to governmental units so they have funding to operate.

Summer Teaching Series at Lake Bruce

Rob and Deb Wingerter will again host a series of lake side worship services at Lake Bruce this summer. The services will be held at the L'Abri shelter house on their property on the east side of the lake, 1574 N 1125 W. This summer series is entitled "Dealing with the Difficult Questions of the Christian Faith". Topics to be covered include: Why is there suffering in the World?; Why are there so many hypocrites in the church?; Isn't salvation by faith alone too simple?; and Is Christ the only way?

The services will be held at 8 a.m. on May 27, July 1, July 29 and September 2 and will last a little less than one hour.

Rob is a CPA, attorney and senior partner in the accounting firm of Ernst & Young. He is also a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and is currently working on his graduate degree from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis.

The services are non-denominational and everyone is welcome. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Recycling Days
Fri., May 4th &
Fri., May 18th



Denise Chandler / Jan Fisher

CHANDLER ELECTED TO AIC DISTRICT OFFICE

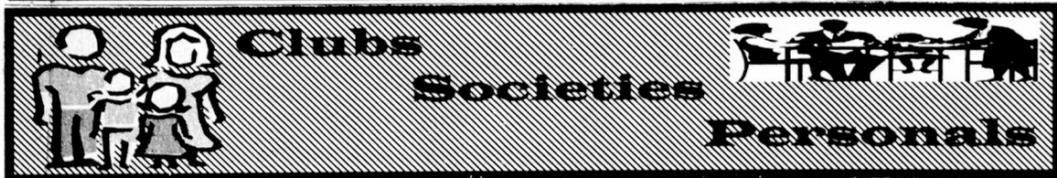
Indianapolis - Fulton County Auditor Denise Chandler was elected Vice President of the Association of Indiana Counties' (AIC) Northwest District during the annual meeting in Marshall County last week.

As District President, Chandler will represent the elected county officials in the northwest district of the state, which includes the following counties: Benton, Carroll, Cass, Fulton, Howard, Jasper, Lake, LaPorte, Marshall, Miami, Newton, Porter, Pulaski, St. Joseph, Starke and White. There are six districts in the state. Chandler will serve on the AIC's board of directors, which determines policies and

legislative goals for the Association.

"I am overwhelmed with the support that has been given me by the county elected officials from these 16 counties represented in the Northwest District. I will do my utmost best to serve them as well as the taxpayers of Fulton, my home county," said Chandler. "The AIC does a wonderful job of serving all of the counties in Indiana and I am honored to be a member of this fine organization."

Marshall County Clerk of the Circuit Court Jan Fisher was elected District President during the meeting as well. The district meeting also included a briefing by AIC Staff on recent changes in state laws that affect county government.



Fulton High School Alumni Banquet Held

The 76th annual Fulton High School alumni banquet was held April 21 at the Caston Educational Center with 174 graduates and friends in attendance.

Richard Green offered the invocation and Harry Richter welcomed those present.

Betty Gundrum and James Sutton conducted a memorial service for the 10 graduates who passed away during the last year.

The class of 1957, which graduated 50 years ago, was recognized. Seven members of the class of 11 were present. Three class members are deceased. Those present included Elsie Button Shoup, Harold Reed, Karen Bruce Roller, John Duey, Dewey Reames, Richard Green and Hazel Cook Goings. Mrs. Harold Reed made a DVD of the class, which was enjoyed by all.

Harry Richter conducted the roll call of classes. The oldest graduate present was Gale Brubaker Davis from Kokomo. She is 100 years old and graduated in 1924. A classmate, Lorene Kern Baird, was also present and she is also 100 years old. Phil McCarter of the class of 1947 was presented with a plaque for being inducted into the

Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. Rita Foust and Carolyn Cox conducted the business meeting. The benediction was given by Dewey Reames.

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Hope Hospice Endowment Challenge

The Fulton County Community Foundation (FCCF) has selected Hope Hospice of Fulton County for the 2007 matching \$25,000 endowment challenge. The foundation will match the hospice's endowment fundraising dollar-for-dollar, up to a combined \$50,000.

Donations may be sent to the Fulton County Community Foundation, P.O. Box 807, Rochester, IN 46975 or to Hope Hospice, P.O. Box 621, Rochester, IN 46975. Please write "Hope Hospice Endowment Fund" on your check. For more information, contact Scott Sayger, 574-224-3223, or email him at fulton@nicf.org.

Rev. Ronald Purkey notes, "On behalf of the board of directors, staff and volunteers of Hope Hospice of Fulton County, I would like to thank the FCCF for selecting us for the 2007 Matching Endowment challenge. Also, I would like to thank our neighbors for their support as we try to reach our goal. We are grateful for your assistance in helping us in this most important work in our community. Thank you for your trust in our endeavor."

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Improvement Committee Plans Auction

The Fulton Improvement Committee is seeking good, saleable merchandise to be auctioned Saturday, August 4, during Fulton Fun Days activities. Suggested items include handmade wooden items, craft items, good used furniture, food items, etc. Proceeds from the auction will be used for the proposed new community center at the Liberty Township Park. For more information, contact Ben and Ruth Ann Yantis at 574-737-7610 or Barb Hattery at 574-857-3197.

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CASTON MENU May 21 - 25

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Monday - Corn dog, potatoes, green beans, chocolate cake and milk. Comet Café - pizza

Tuesday - Tacos with meat and cheese, lettuce & tomato, iced graham crackers and milk. Comet Café - cheese stuffed breadsticks

Wednesday - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, Mandarin oranges, Rice Krispie treat and milk. Comet Café - Italian sausage sandwich and fries

Thursday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, pears, cheese stuffed breadstick and milk. Comet Café - tenderloin sandwich and fries

Friday - Turkey and cheese sandwich, carrots and dip, corn chips, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - popcorn chicken salad

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU May 21 - 25

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk

Tuesday - Mini pancakes, juice and milk

Wednesday - Peanut butter crackers, string cheese, juice and milk

Thursday - Danish, yogurt, juice and milk

Friday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Pizza, mixed vegetables, fruit, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Cook's choice, vegetable, fruit and milk

Wednesday - Chicken salad sandwich, fries, peaches, cookie and milk

Thursday - Turkey and noodles, mashed potatoes, fruit ice, bread and butter and milk

Friday - Egg patty, sausage, tator tots, cinnamon toast, juice and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, hot roll and

butter, fruit cocktail and milk. Choice - salad bar

Tuesday - Nachos, corn on the cob, orange juice cup, and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - BBQ chicken sandwich, tator tots, pineapple, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Cook's choice

Friday - Cook's choice

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James F. Talbott VFW Post May Activities

May 8 - Men's meeting, 7 p.m.

May 12 - District testimonial dinner at Logansport, 6 p.m.

May 15 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

May 19 - Card drawing, 7 p.m.

May 20 - District meeting at Winamac, 2 p.m.

May 22 - Men's Auxiliary meeting at 6:30 p.m.

May 27 - Open Sunday, free food, euchre, 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

May 28 - Memorial remembrance for veterans. Open at 3 p.m.

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HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

May 5
Births – Taryn Everitt, Rochester, a son
May 7
Admissions – David Alderfer, Mentone
Dismissals – Sandra Gibbons, Mary Doud, Marilyn Snider and daughter and Taryn Everitt and son, Rochester; Julie Diangikis, Bourbon; and Ronald Breitweiser, Macy
May 8
Admissions – Melbadine Frushour, June Holloway and Lydia Stigall, Rochester
Dismissals – David Alderfer, Mentone
Births – Annemarie Baker, Rochester, a son
May 9
Admissions – Helen Ho, Rochester; Dana Donley, Leiters Ford
Dismissals – Helen Ho, Rochester
Births – Ralph and Sarah Young, Argos, a son; Rafial and Crystal Cantero, Akron, a son
May 10
Admissions – Shari Wiles, Royal Center
Dismissals – None published
Births – Rick and Teresa Shoemaker, Akron, a daughter; Wendy Clark, Rochester, a son
May 11
Admissions – Barry Salts, Rochester; Mary Jane Herendeen, Rochester
Dismissals – Melbadine Frushour and Annemarie Baker, Rochester; Dana Donley, Leiters Ford

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

May 4
Dismissals – Latasha Reames, Winamac
May 5
Dismissals – infant Libby Lane Reames
Births – Kyle Robert and Kari Elizabeth Johnson, Winamac, a son, Trey Alexander Johnson
May 7
Admissions – Frank Wall and Kimberly Matthews, Medaryville; Wayne Bortell, Mary Fritz and Kari Johnson, Winamac
Dismissals – Cecil Hood, Kewanna; L B Montgomery, Culver
May 8
Births – Kimberly Jo Matthews and James Ritenour, Medaryville, a son, Tylor James Ritenour
May 9
Admissions – Marilyn Pool, Medaryville; Mary Fritz, Winamac
Dismissals – Kari Johnson and son, Winamac
May 10

Admissions – Marcella Good, Winamac
Dismissals – Kimberly Matthews and son, Medaryville
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DEATHS

MARK E. HOWDESHELL

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Mark E. Howdeshell, 43, Rochester. Dr. Mark Spencer officiated and burial was in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery. Mark passed away at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, May 12, 2007 at his home.

Born February 3, 1964 in East Chicago, Illinois, he was the son of Malcolm L. and Lona A. Henderson Howdeshell. He was married May 15, 1993, at the Burton Church to Pam Milner. A former Kewanna resident, he spent most of his life in Fulton County.

A 1982 graduate of Kewanna High School, he also earned his Bachelors of Science degree in Industrial Engineering from Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne. He was a quality engineer/manager for T. I. Automotives, Ossian. A veteran of the U.S. Army, Mark was a member of the Manitou Moose Lodge and Fraternal Order of Eagles, both of Rochester. He enjoyed golf, softball, all kinds of music and was an avid reader. He was also interested in motorcycles and classic cars.

Survivors include his wife, Pam; one daughter, Stacey Allen and her husband, Elliott, of Fishers; one son, Dr. Cory Zent, DDS and his wife, RaeAnn, Fishers; one grandson, Collin Allen, Fishers; one sister, Rosalia Harrison and her husband, Mike, Port Orange, Florida; and four brothers, James Percy and his wife, Jeanne, McHenry, Illinois, Malcolm L.

Howdeshell and his wife, Lora, Rochester; Patrick Howdeshell and his wife, Tracy, Rochester; and Matthew C. Howdeshell, Akron. His parents and a brother preceded him in death.

The family is establishing a Mark E. Howdeshell Memorial Scholarship Fund through the Northern Indiana Community Foundation. Envelopes for his fund are available at the funeral home. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.
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LITTLE LEAGUE GAMES

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T-Ball
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Monday, May 21
Wednesday, May 23
Wednesday, May 30
Monday, June 11 (last regular game)
Major League
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Letter To The Editor

May 14, 2007

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that the Town of Kewanna will be electing three at large town council members and a town clerk this November.

Although the Town of Kewanna does not hold a primary election to select major party candidates, party candidates (Republican and Democrat) are selected at upcoming town conventions or caucuses, or candidates may file as an independent or third party once they obtain a selected number of registered voter signatures (currently nine).

No candidates have yet to file for the positions with the Fulton County Clerk, but there is time. August 1 at noon is the filing deadline.

During these times of "Major Moves", it is important to our community that the voters' voices be heard. Hopefully, candidates will file and give voters a choice that will move Kewanna into a progressive 21st century future.

Alan McPherson
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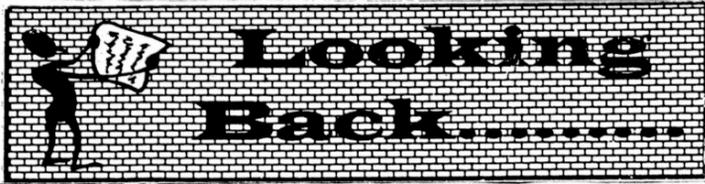
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Fifty-Five Years Ago May 9, 1952

Roy Deckard announced today that he has purchased the I.G.A. Store at Leiters Ford. The new store will be run as a branch of the Kewanna store to simplify organization, reduce overhead, and to make use of quantity discounts.

Robert Wynkoop, local drug store owner, has returned home from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, where he underwent a major ear operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Tuyle Gillespie of near here are building a new home in the south part of town. Mr. Gillespie is doing the work himself, and they plan to have it completed and ready for occupancy by the latter part of November. Their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Troutman, will take over the management of the farm.

Cars driven by Russell Shewman of Rochester and Ray Davis of Kewanna were involved in an accident late Friday night, May 2, at Flynn's Inn near the Tippecanoe River Bridge north of Rochester. Davis was pulling out of the drive when struck by the Shewman car.

A Kewanna High School Parent-Teacher Association was organized April 30. Officers elected were Elsie Turner, president; Dorothy Chizum, vice president; Delia Greer, secretary; and Margaret Werner, treasurer.

Mrs. Una Wilson returned home Monday evening after spending the winter in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

Sherry Hizer was a Thursday overnight guest of Nancy Brockey.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Talbott, Rochester, moved into an apartment belonging to Mrs. Ethel Hiatt Friday.

Ruth Murray of Grass Creek and Helen Shadle of Kewanna were honored at Indiana University's annual Founder's Day ceremonies May 7 for outstanding scholastic achievement during the last year.

A daughter weighing 7¼ pounds was born to Mr. and Mrs. Simon Talbott, Kewanna, Saturday in Logansport Memorial Hospital.

James D. Overmyer, Rt. 1, Kewanna, has been initiated into

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Alpha Zeta fraternity at Purdue University. Alpha Zeta is an organization made up of juniors & seniors in the school of agriculture who are in the upper 40 percent of the class.

Fifty Years Ago May 16, 1957

A fire of undetermined origin destroyed a large barn on the Merle Zellers farm northeast of here Thursday of last week. Estimated loss was \$10,000 to the barn and contents which included chickens, feed and tools.

The Don Moore Post of the American Legion and its auxiliary will celebrate Decoration Day Sunday afternoon, June 2. As is customary services will be held in the Grass Creek Cemetery first, followed with services in the Kewanna IOOF Cemetery. The Kewanna band, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will assist in the services.

A farewell party will be given Friday evening in the Pleasant Hill Church for Mr. and Mrs. Gene Williams who will leave soon for their new home near Chicago.

William Knicker returned to his home in Dyer Tuesday after spending last week in the Harold Hickie home.

Pvt. Marvin Wills has been transferred from Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, to Fort Hood, Texas.

Larry Mason of Ball State College spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hiatt have returned to their home at Lake

Bruce after spending the winter in Florida.

Nancy, Patricia, Charles and Betty Walters spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Duffey, at LaFontaine.

Danny Hauser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Omer Hauser of Fulton, missed the pit supplied for high jumpers at the county track meet and broke his collar bone. Danny was taken to Woodlawn Hospital for treatment. He was able to return to school this week to finish his exams.

Carita Rouch was elected president of the Grass Creek Youth Fellowship at a meeting held Sunday evening, May 5.

Thirty Years Ago May 12, 1977

Claudia Weller has been named valedictorian of the Kewanna High School class of 1977, according to Dr. Charles Bernhardt, principal at Kewanna. The salutatorian is Tami Baldwin. Claudia is the daughter of Paul and Renata Weller. Tami's parents are Richard and Florence Baldwin.

Dr. Charles Bernhardt, superintendent and principal, at Kewanna, has resigned his position effective August 1. He has held this position since 1970.

Dale Herrold has been selected to attend Indiana Boys State. The Grass Creek and Fulton Lions Clubs sponsoring him. Dale is a student at Caston High School. Chris Thomas has been named alternate.

Mrs. Arthur Crabb, Kewanna, celebrated her 94th birthday Saturday, May 7. Mrs. Crabb, who is now residing at Canterbury Manor nursing home in Rochester, was born at Leiters Ford in 1883 to William and Mary Murhling.

Twenty Years Ago May 14, 1987

Carol Ann Wentzel was among 324 individuals who successfully completed the Certified Public Accountants examination held in Indianapolis. Wentzel is the daughter of Covert and Romayne Wentzel of Kewanna and a graduate of Kewanna High School. She received her BS degree from Valparaiso University where she was graduated with distinction.

Martha Ann Cook, Kewanna, fell in her home Monday, breaking her arm. She was treated at Woodlawn Hospital and in Warsaw and returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Eastwood, Kewanna, are the parents of a son born May 7 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 2¼ ounces and has been named Aaron Scott.

Ten Years Ago May 15, 1997

Mallory Cook, granddaughter of Paul and Florence Bauman and Kenny and Martha Ann Cook of here, competed in the USS State Swimming Championships at the IUPUI Natatorium in Indianapolis recently. Competing in the age 10 and under division, she returned home with a first place finish in the 200 meter, second in the 100 meter and third in the 50 meter freestyle events; and fifth in the 100 meter backstroke and the 100 meter breaststroke events.

Ian J. Ton graduated magna cum laude with University Honors in

Literature from American University in Washington DC Sunday, May 11. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Bryan Ton, Kewanna, and a graduate of Rochester High School.

Hugh Wilson, Kewanna, hosted a reunion of the 338th Engineers, Company D, at the Comfort Inn in Rochester May 1, 2 and 3. The group served three years in Northern Africa and Italy during World War II. Ten members of the group were in attendance.

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LOCALS

Jerry and Kay Brown, Karen and Kerry Brown and Mark Brown enjoyed dining at Pappa's restaurant in Culver Saturday evening.

Helen Miller left Saturday evening for an overnight holiday visit as a houseguest of her son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Barbara Miller at Plymouth. The next morning, the family attended church together where Kenneth and Barbara's granddaughter, Olivia Hilliard, sang the offertory solo during services.

Bob and Carol Broda had houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Saturday evening for an overnight visit were their daughter and her family, Michele and Michael Kane and Alex of Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Kay and Jerry Brown and Karen and Kerry Brown had a busy day Sunday, May 13. In the morning they were joined for a visit by Kay and Jerry's sons, Mark and Mike. In the afternoon, they were joined for dinner at Alejandra's restaurant in Rochester by their daughters and granddaughters, Sue McKinney and Molly and Angie Smith and Leighnee, and great grandsons, William and Aidan Smith.

Ann Zartman enjoyed

celebrating Mother's Day with her daughters and son-in-law, Jane and Rich Green and Shirley Zartman. Throughout the day, several members of the family called with their best wishes for the holiday.

Maryellyn and Hugh Tennent were in Kokomo Sunday. They had an enjoyable time as Mother's Day guests of their niece and her husband, Judie and Dick DeWitt.

Barb and Jon Gast had several holiday visitors Sunday. Helping Barb celebrate Mother's Day with the dinner buffet at the Kewanna Café were their daughters and sons-in-law, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans, and their great-grandson, Brendan Sutton. After the meal, everyone returned to Barb and Jon's where Randi and Cora Lynn planted Barb's Mother's Day gifts of flowers. Stopping by later for a holiday visit were Cora Lynn's son and his family, Doug and Kara Sutton, Owen and Ethan, of Goshen.

Nancy and Leonard Evers had holiday visits from four of their sons Sunday. Arriving late in the morning and bringing along some KFC for lunch, was Robert. Later in the day, Dave and Brian stopped in with cards and flowers. In the evening, Gary of Michigan City arrived for a visit. Also during the day, Bill called from New York and John called from Indianapolis to wish their mother a happy Mother's Day.

Romayne Wentzel joined her

daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Chris Holmquest of Munster, and Kathy Graham for dinner Sunday in honor of Mother's Day.

Mathilda Lamb had a few visitors Sunday. Stopping by early were her sons, Bill Lamb of Ft. Wayne and Wayne Lamb of Peru. The guys then headed for Monon and the railroad museum. Arriving in the afternoon for a working visit was her daughter-in-law, Judy Lamb of Ft. Wayne. Bill and Wayne returned in the evening to join Mathilda and Judy for supper.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle had Mother's Day guests. Joining them for a cookout were Barb's daughter and grandsons, Sue Janes and Tom and Joey Wilk, of LaPorte.

Ellen Walsh and Kerry, Beth, Alex and Andy Walsh had Mother's Day visitors. Stopping by throughout the day for family chats were Phyllis Hudec of St. John's; Ellen's son, Mike Walsh of Highland; her son and daughter-in-law, Dan and Paula Walsh; and Ted Jones.

Helen Whiteman had several visitors Mother's Day. Arriving early for a few days of visiting was her daughter, Karen Rice of Indianapolis. Coming over in the afternoon for a working visit were Kevin and Monica Whiteman and their granddaughters, Jaden and Ella Whiteman, who were spending the weekend with them. Also joining the family was Kevin's son, Rod Whiteman of Indianapolis. Kevin and Rod spent the afternoon building a new ramp to Helen's garden shed with "help and suggestions" from Jaden and Ella.

Barb and Tom LaFollette and Nick had company Sunday. Joining them for a Mother's Day celebration were Nick's parents and sister, Karina and Terry Bohac and Shelby, and Barb and Tom's son and grandson, Chris LaFollette and Michael of LaPorte. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful visit over dinner of homemade lasagna (compliments of Chris) and cake and salads (compliments of Karina). The guys took advantage of the perfect weather to put out the LaFollette pier.

Mary and Earl Bangel, Linda and Rob had company Sunday.

Joining them for a holiday visit were Rob's parents, Darel and Nancy Bangel of West Lafayette.

Traci and Scott Hilliard, Olivia and Clay, of Plymouth hosted their family's celebration of the Mother's Day holiday.

Jackie Heidenreich and John Lincoln were Sunday holiday dinner guests of Jackie's daughter and grandchildren, Jaime Short, Chelsea and Zack, in Indianapolis.

Carol and Bob Broda and Michele, Michael and Alex Kane had company Sunday. Joining them for the holiday were the Brodas' daughter and her family, Carri and George Sennis, Loukas, Landon, Logan and Lawson, of Carmel. Everyone enjoyed visiting over dinner, fishing and boating. The guys did some golfing in the morning while the ladies did some shopping after church.

Recent house guests of Luther and Shirley Bussert were Camille and Quincy Ingram of Swansboro, North Carolina. Joining them for Saturday evening supper were Kirk Ingram, Mary Ruth Ingram, Lynda Guard, Andy and Lori Kamp and Andrea, and Wade Bussert. Sunday evening supper guests included Wade Bussert, Kirk and Allan Ingram and Mary Williams.

Mother's Day callers in the home of Luther and Shirley Bussert were Lori Kamp, Lynda Guard and Andrea and Ashley Kamp.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Kelsa Enyart, May 20; Jim Hines Jr., Melissa Keyser and Damon Leazenby, May 21; Jon Bauman, George Hoover, Morgan Kuptz and Cale Pesaresi, May 22; Charlotte Robson, May 23; Ryan Bussert and Bob Clyde, May 25; and Ashley Birge and Jackson Rentschler, May 26.

There are three couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. William Shafer and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence MacLain, May 20 and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kumler, May 22.

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Former Kewanna Resident Profiled in Book on Veterans

Former Kewanna resident, **Jeanne Anne Urbin Markle**, is among the Vietnam veterans profiled in Inconvenient Stories: Vietnam War Veterans written by Jeffery Wolin and released in March. Wolin is a distinguished photographer who has been awarded two NEA Fellowships and a Guggenheim Fellowship, among other awards. His works are in the collections of the Art Institute of Chicago, the Museum of Modern Art, Cleveland Museum of Art Institute, Bibliotheque Nationale, International Center of Photography, Whitney Museum of American Art, and others. His book, Written in Memory: Portraits of the Holocaust (1997), accompanied an exhibition that opened at ICP and traveled to museums in the U.S. and Europe. Wolin is the Ruth N. Halls Professor of Photography at Indiana University. His newest book includes an essay by Rod Slemmons, director of the Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, and an afterword by Senator Richard G. Lugar, United States Senior Senator for Indiana. Jeanne, daughter of Ruth Urbin

and the late John Urbin of Kewanna, is the only female Vietnam veteran among the 50 veteran profiles.

After graduating from Kewanna High School in 1961, Jeanne attended St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Lafayette. Before her senior year, she joined the U.S. Army's Student Nurse Program. Following basic training at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, she was assigned to the Army Hospital at Ft. Carson, Colorado, where she met and married her husband, Brian Markle. She states that not many girls spent their honeymoon going to war in Vietnam, but that is where her story begins.

In 2002, Jeanne read in the Indianapolis Star of the U.S. Congress's call for the 50 Senior State U.S. Senators to set up a program in their respective states to retrieve local veterans' oral histories. This program was in response to the true story that became the movie "Saving Private Ryan". With many WW II veterans dying each day, the U.S. Congress wanted to document as many personal stories as possible. After contacting Senator Lugar's office, Brian and Jeanne met one of his aids at the library in Frankfort, Indiana, and recorded their memories. At the time, Jeanne was sure that the manila

envelope containing the tapes would leave the library that day, continue on to Washington, D.C. to be stored somewhere in the dark recesses of the Library of Congress, much like the wooden box at the end of the movie "Indiana Jones and Raiders of the Lost Ark". Jeanne knew that it would always be there as a living legacy for her children, grandchildren and future generations to learn of their experiences if they so desired.

A year later, in September 2003, Jeanne received a call from Jackie Webb, a program director at the Library of Congress American Folklife Center. Jackie informed Jeanne that the center had received 900 veterans' oral histories and that 80% of them were from the State of Indiana where Senator Lugar was doing a great job promoting their program. Jackie stated that the American Folklife Center was planning a one-hour radio broadcast of selected oral histories to be called "Coming Home". This broadcast would take place on Public Radio International and be released to go around the world at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, November 11, 2003. They had chosen Brian and Jeanne's tape as one of the oral histories they wanted to record. Jackie gave Jeanne a few days to think it over and several days later, Jeanne called back with her answer, which was "no". Jeanne tried to explain that when she and Brian recorded the tapes, it brought back old, painful memories for the first time in 30 years. The recording session was very emotional and often filled with sadness and tears. Jeanne didn't feel that someone interviewing her over the telephone for ten minutes could do justice to anything she said, nor could she "be in the moment with those sad memories" on cue.

Jackie's response was, "don't worry, I'll know the questions to ask you." Later that month, Brian and Jeanne went to the Public Radio station at Purdue University Hall of Music to record their story. Sitting in a glass booth with big ear phones and a big mike, Jeanne and Brian waited for the count down to connect them with Jackie Webb in the radio station at the Library of Congress. Jeanne states she was nervous until she heard Jackie's calming voice coming across the miles.

Excited, they told their family and friends about the recording session - then reason took over and they told them they would probably be cut so not to expect too much coverage on the broadcast.

On Saturday, November 8, Jeanne and Brian received their CD of the interview in the mail and with much trepidation they got in their car and drove into the countryside to listen, quietly and with reverence, to the tape that would soon circle the globe. Needless to say, Jeanne states they were overcome with the beauty and yet the sadness of the voices on the tape that touched the depth of their hearts.

As Jeanne puts it, her five minutes of fame started Tuesday morning when telephone calls for interviews from the Associated Press on both coasts came to her. She had to call her oldest son, Patrick, in North Carolina, as she knew he would be most impressed that she was on the morning Bob and Tom Show.

Several months later, Jeanne was notified that the Library of Congress was writing a book containing stories from the Veterans Oral History project and that her story had been chosen to appear in Voices of War. It would contain stories of service from the home front and the front lines, starting with World War II. The book was edited by Tom

Weiner and introduced by Mac Clealand, with an afterword by Senator Chuck Hagel. The book is promoted as a verbal and visual mosaic of America's military history told in the words of those who were there and was published by the National Geographic Society. Jeanne and Brian were invited to the Library of Congress for the dedication of the book in November, 2004. Following a private reception in the librarian's office behind the beautiful Jefferson Hall at the Library of Congress, the party moved to the mezzanine where veterans were able to give and receive autographs from all who made the book possible. Jeanne states that though they had lived just north of Washington DC in the 1970s and had visited several times in the past years, it was a much changed Washington with armed guards, guard dogs and cement barricades. No one without an invitation was able to drive through the barricade at the Library of Congress. It was a somber reminder of how the world has changed since September 11, 2001.

Jeanne and Brian then traveled to New York City where they were guests of the Library of Congress for the theater production of the book The Things I Carried written by Vietnam veteran, Tim O'Brien. Brian and Jeanne's second son, Jeremy, then living in Cooperstown, New York, just happened to have business in the city and joined his parents for a wonderful evening at the theater. They were especially grateful to talk with Tim who autographed their books. Last spring, Brian and Jeanne were invited by Tom

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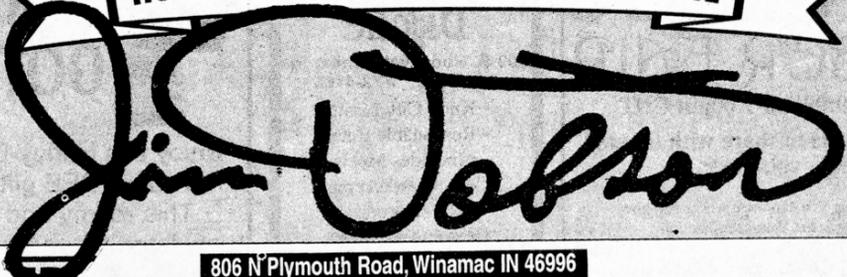
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Weiner to join him in Northern Florida for the release of the second book of oral histories from the Library of Congress. They enjoyed seeing their friends and were touched by sitting next to and visiting with one of the last remaining Tuskegee Airmen. Jeanne stated it was like history jumped out of a book and hit her in the heart. It's a memory and honor she will never forget.

In the summer of 2003, Jeanne was contacted by Professor Jeff Wolin, who was looking for Vietnam veterans for his third book, and was given Jeanne's name by Senator Lugar's office. Jeff was at that time involved in the book, Portraits of the Holocaust but was also concurrently working on the Vietnam book. Jeanne was able to meet with Jeff for her portrait setting at a friend's house, as she and Brian had packed their household items in preparation for a move to Naples, Florida, following his retirement as LTC and Director of Materials Management at Arnett Clinic in Lafayette. Jeff notified Jeanne several months later to say he had put the Vietnam book on hold as he was losing his Holocaust survivors before he could interview them.

In the fall of 2005, Brian and Jeanne traveled to the Museum of Modern Photography at Columbia University in Chicago for the opening of the show containing some of the portraits and video to be contained in Jeff's book. The show was quite successful with positive reviews and excellent attendance. Now that the book has been released, the portrait and video exhibit will be traveling to museums in the U.S. and around the world.

The first show will open June 15 and run through August 31 at Indiana University in Bloomington where Jeff is the Dean of the School of Photography. Jeanne and Brian will be returning for the opening

reception for the veterans and their families and friends the evening of June 14. If possible, they would also like to attend the closing reception, which will include a panel discussion and a visit by Senator Lugar, if his schedule permits.

Jeanne has given several talks to schools and other groups and she and Brian are now involved in taking oral histories from Florida veterans for the Library of Congress. If any veteran or a family member would like to give an oral history, please contact the Observer, telephone 574-653-2101, and Jeanne will make every effort to take time to tape them on one of their visits to Indiana this summer.

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Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

Cancervive, a support group for people who have a history of cancer or those currently being treated for cancer, meet Tuesday, May 29, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the PMH hospice center. Rhonda Kletz RN BSN, Education Manager, will be the guest speaker. This is a free service of PMH and is open to residents of any county. For more information, call 574-946-2147.

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, 7 a.m. to 5:30 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.

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Pulaski Memorial Hospital encourages you to get regular annual glaucoma screenings if you are at high risk. For those on Medicare, PMH provides the following information regarding Medicare coverage:

- Medicare Coverage**
Medicare provides coverage of an annual glaucoma screening for beneficiaries in at least one of the following high risk groups:
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 - Individuals with a family history of glaucoma;
 - African-Americans age 50 and older; and
 - Hispanic-Americans age 65 and older.

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FULTON CO., INDIANA ON MAY 14th, 2007.

DENISE J. CHANDLER
FULTON COUNTY AUDITOR
Pub. 5/17/07

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The Fulton County Council, Fulton County, Indiana will hold a public hearing on the 31st day of May 2007, at 8:00 a.m. at the Fulton County Office Building, Commissioners Meeting Room, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana, for the purpose of approving the Library Capital Projects Fund Plan for the years 2008-2010, for the Fulton County Public Library.

Denise J. Chandler
Fulton County Auditor
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Robert Clyde,
Union Township Park

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Public Notice

Combined Notice

Notice to Public of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Notice to Public of Request for Release of Funds

Fulton County Commissioners, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, IN 46975

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about June 4, 2007, the above named Fulton County Commissioners will request the State of Indiana to release federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for the following project:

Lake Bruce Wastewater Infrastructure Project

The project will consist of the construction of a new sanitary wastewater system for the unsewered Lake Bruce Conservancy District.

Kewanna, Fulton County, Indiana

Finding of No Significant Impact

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above named Fulton County Commissioners have decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such statement are as follows:

All preliminary environmental reviews by state and county agencies indicated that the proposed project would not endanger the environment under any capacity.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the proposed project has been made by the above named Fulton County Commissioners which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request at the Fulton County Commissioners, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, IN 46975 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of funds.

Public Comments of Findings

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the Fulton County Commissioners to the Fulton County Commissioners, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, IN 46975. Such written comments should be received by June 4, 2007. All such comments so received will be considered and the Fulton County Commissioners will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the proposed project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentences.

Release of Funds

The Fulton County Commissioners will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant funds from the State of Indiana under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The Fulton County Commissioners are certifying to the State that Fulton County and Richard Powell, in his official capacity as President of the Fulton County Commissioners, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval Fulton County may use the Block Grant funds and the State will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Objections to State Release of Funds

The State will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer or other officer of applicant approved by the State, or (b) that the applicant's environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to the State of Indiana, Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, Environmental Officer, One North Capitol, Suite 600, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 - 2288.

Objections to the release of funds on basis other than those stated above will not be considered by the State. No objections received after June 19, 2007, will be considered by the State.

Richard Powell

President

Fulton County Commissioners

Pub. 5/17/2007

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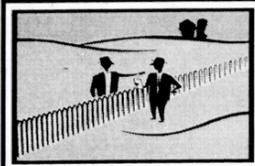
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**Town & Country
CHATTER...**

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan arrived early in the week for an extended visit with her parents, Mary and Earl Bangel.

Pauline Scales was in Fulton Tuesday, May 8. She had a pleasant visit with Bud and Betty Urbin.

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.

Doris Woolington had an enjoyable day Wednesday, May 9, with some of the ladies in her family. Joining her for an afternoon of visiting, looking at family photographs and dinner were her daughter, Karen Shanks of Winamac; her sister-in-law, Sharon Walls of Argos; and her niece, Patty Grossman of Akron.

Ruth Ann Anderson left Wednesday for a five-day visit with her daughter, Becky Lincoln in South Bend.

Barb and Tom LaFollette traveled to Kokomo Thursday, May 10. They picked up Barb's mother, Pauline Eikenberry, for an early Mother's Day visit. While in Kokomo, Barb treated Pauline to some clothes shopping for an upcoming trip. On their way back to Lake Bruce, the trio stopped in Winamac at the Pit

Stop restaurant for lunch and took a long drive around the springtime countryside.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of callers Thursday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a chat was their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester. In the evening, their daughter, Linda Garner, stopped by for a visit.

John Lincoln and Jackie Heidenreich were in Rochester Friday, May 12. They enjoyed dining at the Wendy's restaurant.

Karen Kruger of Brownsburg was a holiday weekend houseguest of her mother, Mary K. Williamson near Winamac.

Earl, Mary and Linda Bangel traveled to Toledo, Ohio, Friday. They had a delightful time attending the graduation of Earl and Mary's grandson, Rob Bangel, from Owens College. After the evening ceremony, Rob accompanied them home for a working weekend visit.

Ruth Ann Anderson and Becky Lincoln left early Saturday morning, May 12, for Madison, Wisconsin. They enjoyed staying overnight as houseguests of Becky's daughter and her family, Leslie and Dr. Dennis Halterman and Lauren. In the evening, the family attended the ballet and tap dancing recital hosted by the Premiere Dance Academy, LLC

of Madison. The performers range in age from 3 years up to high schoolers. Lauren was among those who performed ensemble ballet and tap dances during the evening.

Tim Cogdill of Macy spent an early Mother's Day with Ruth Cogdill Saturday morning. He brought Ruth some beautiful purple petunias to hang in the backyard. They enjoyed a wonderful morning by sitting on the front porch and catching up on all the family news. A bit of exciting news was that Tim and Deb's daughters, Gennifer, Michelle and Candice, and granddaughter, Alexandria, left for Hommosassa, Florida Friday evening to visit with their maternal grandparents, Karl and Claudia Kearns. The family is also looking forward to daughter, Kristy's, graduation from Caston High School June 3. Ruth's Mother's Day included cards, phone calls and flowers from her children.

Ellen Walsh had weekend houseguests. Spending a few days helping her celebrate the holiday were her son and his family, Kerry and Beth Walsh, Alex and Andy, of Clinton.

Helen Whiteman had a few early Mother's Day visitors Saturday. Stopping by in the morning for a chat was her grandson, Dave Whiteman. In the afternoon, her son and daughter-in-law, Kenny and Bev Whiteman, came with gifts in honor of the holiday.

Tom and Barb LaFollette prepared breakfast for the Fulton County 4-H Horse and Pony Club Saturday morning. The club was hosting its annual Fun Show Saturday. Afterward, the LaFollettes' grandson, Nick Bohac, accompanied them home for an overnight visit.

Kerry and Karen Brown of Shelbyville were weekend houseguests of Kerry's parents, Kay and Jerry Brown.

Pauline and Don Scales had early Mother's Day visitors Saturday. Joining them in the afternoon for a visit were Phyllis and Gene Koontz and the Koontz's daughter and her family, Cindy and Greg Wiese

and Ally. In the evening, the Scales' son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Rosemary Scales of Fulton came over for a holiday visit.

Karen Kruger and her brother, John Williamson of Winamac, traveled to Mishawaka Saturday. They had a delightful time visiting with Karen's daughter and her family, Lori and Gene Harding, Graham and Annabelle.

Don and Doris Woolington had company Saturday evening. Joining them for supper and several rounds of dominoes were their daughter and her family, Karen and Jim Shanks and Kayci and Tracey Cunningham.

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