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KHS Alumni Gather

The 55th annual Kewanna High School alumni banquet was held Saturday evening, May 19, at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station.

George Hoover, class of 1955, and association treasurer, offered the invocation prior to the meal, which was catered by Bill Reutebuch of the Kewanna Kafe.

Association president and master of ceremonies, Bob Clyde, class of 1970, thanked all those who helped make this year's banquet possible including Winamac Coil Spring for the use of its postage machine; the fire department for the use of its facility; and Beth Weller and Bev Baldwin for keeping track of address changes and deceased graduates.

George Hoover offered the treasurer's report and Marcia Skinner Link, class of 1970, gave the secretary's report

Bob Clyde read a list of alumni who passed away since the last meeting and a moment of silence was held. This list included Ruth Huey Carr and Robert Hendrickson, class of 1931; Emma Brown Horein, class of 1935; Alice Sulek VanDuyn and Henry Moon, 1938; John (Jack) Hogan, 1940; Kenneth Swayzee, 1942; Glenn Hart, 1945; Homer Geller, 1948; Kenneth Hines, 1953; Lowell Rans, 1955; Kay Fisher Koebecke, 1961; Connie Miller Booher, 1967; and Mark Howdeshell, 1982.

The class of 1957, which graduated 50 years ago, and the class of 1982, which graduated 25 years ago, were given special recognition. The class of 1982 also as the distinction of being the last graduating class. Six members of the class of '57 were present for the occasion. Judy Miller Scott was their spokesperson. Three members of the class of 1982 were present. Jeff Markley offered comments on behalf of his classmates.

The association president called the roll of classes and each alumnus introduced his or herself and their guest.

Gifts were presented to the eldest alumnus and the youngest alumnus present. Don Metzger of the class of 1935 was honored for being the eldest. Jeff Markley was recognized for being the youngest. Ruth Masteller won the door prize.

Comments were heard from former superintendent/principal, Dr. Charles Bernhardt and former teacher, Karyn Field Gundrum.

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Howard Johnston, class of 1942, presented a \$1,500 donation from he and his wife, Pauline, to Bob Clyde to be used for the local park. The class of 1957 also announced that they had taken a collection to be donated towards the proposed addition to the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library.

The group agreed to meet at the same location next year. The 2008 alumni banquet will be held May 17.

The current officers were re-

lected to serve another year. They are Bob Clyde, president; Steve Rude, vice president; Marcia Link, secretary; and George Hoover, treasurer.

The group joined in singing the school song and "God be with You 'til We Meet Again". Larry Baldwin offered the benediction.

Alumni present for Saturday's banquet included Helen Miller and Don Metzger, class of 1935; Jeanette Mutchler Hunter, class of 1936; Elsie Master, 1937; Orlyn Master, 1938; Jack and Colleen Hickie, 1940; Ray Weller, 1941; Lt. Col. Howard Johnston, Donald Mutchler, Mary Lois Doud, Ivan Troutman, Ralph and Phyllis Hamman, Raymond Engle and Ruth Talbott, 1942; Beth Tomlinson Weller, 1943; Marilyn Moon, Charles Donathen, Betty Carr Leazenby, 1944; Robert Warfield, 1945; Phyllis Caldwell Williams, Art and Lois Bauman Morrill and Jon and Barb Carr Gast; 1946; Carol Sue Carter Hahn and Leonard Evers, 1947; Florence Partridge, 1948; Gladys

Stutzman, 1949; Lester and Carolyn Kamp, Richard and Jane Ewing and Nancy Whiteside Evers, 1951; Bill and Ruth Benjamin Masteller, Shirley Zartman, and Marjorie Kistler, 1952; Moe and Betty Welsh Whittemore, Barbara Talbott Brown and Mary Ann Bauman Barkey, 1953; Dave and Rita Foust, Fred Brown, and Roger Graham, 1954; George and Pat Hoover and Norma Reynolds, 1955; Fred Hines, Larry Mason and Kay Williamson Brown, 1956; Howard and Sara Hunter Hoffman, Janet Graham, Richard and Jane Green, Janet Burkett, Judy and John Scott, Jerry Brown and Allen and Sue Grube, 1957; Joe Good, 1959; Karen Baker Good, 1960; Bill and Nancy Luhnnow Crow, Bill Walters and Kenny and Ann Troutman, 1962; Richard Carlson, Joyce Anderson Luhnnow, and Keith and Sherry Troutman, 1963; Ann Zuck Bauman, 1965; Ken and Diane Robbins and Robert Hurley, 1966; Larry Baldwin, 1967; Nedra Hurley, 1968; Bob and Barb Clyde, Shirley Hoff, Janet Evers Yocum and Marcia Skinner Link, 1970; Bev Baldwin, 1971; Susan Overmyer Stewart, 1973; Dan Winters and Mike Gilliland, 1975; and Jeff Markley, Dale Green and Brian and Kandace Evers, 1982.

Former teachers present for the occasion included Dr. Charles Bernhardt and his wife and Karyn Field Gundrum and her husband, Richard.

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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.



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Fire Department Conducts Open House/Dedication

The Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department held an open house and dedication Sunday, May 20, with approximately 85 in attendance.

Assistant Chief Jay Cunningham opened the ceremony with prayer. Those assembled were welcomed by Chief Larry Baldwin. Assistant Chief Tony Pesaresi told about the department's latest acquisitions, a 3,500-gallon tanker, a four-wheel drive pickup and a rescue squad, as well as the new two-bay addition to the fire station.

Chief Baldwin presented a plaque to former fire chief, Larry Kimble, dedicating the new two-bay addition in memory of his late wife, Beverly Kay Kimble. Tony Farrer of District Five presented a clock from the Indiana Volunteer Fire Association to Chief Baldwin. The clock will hang in the new addition.

Members of the Kewanna town council, Union Township board, neighboring fire departments and many members of the local community were in attendance. Assistant Chief Jay Cunningham spoke on the importance of family to those who volunteer their services to the department. Each fireman presented a member of their family with a red rose.

The fire department would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the community and those who attended the event and

helped make it a very memorable day.

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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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Pearl Harbor Survivor Program

Eugene Riester, Culver, will tell about being at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed at the start of World War II Sunday, May 27, at 2 p.m. at the Fulton County Museum. Veterans of all wars are urged to attend and be recognized. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Fish and Chicken Supper, June 2

The Grass Creek Lions will serve a fish and chicken supper Saturday, June 2, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Grass Creek Fire Station. The cost of the meal will be \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 6-12. Children five years old and younger may eat free. Carry outs will be available. The meal will include dessert. Dan's Frying Service of Huntington will prepare the fish and chicken.

Proceeds from the meal will benefit Lions state and local projects.

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Bake Sale, June 2

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church will host a bake sale Saturday, June 2, beginning at 8 a.m. The event will be held at the home of Jacqueline Pugh, 1674 N 675 E, Kewanna (west side of Lake Bruce).

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Meeting Slated For Visually Impaired

Are you, or someone you know, visually impaired? If the answer is yes, did you know you are a V.I.P.? You are entitled to V.I.P. status because you are a Visually Impaired Person.

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The purpose of periodic V.I.P. gatherings will be to share ideas, experiences, coping tips and making new friends. More importantly, the time together will provide fun, laughter and encouragement.

The first such meeting will be Tuesday, June 12, at 1 p.m. in the Von Tobel Center, 115 W. Pearl St., Winamac. Your personal driver, friend or companion may also attend. For free transportation, call 574-946-6500.

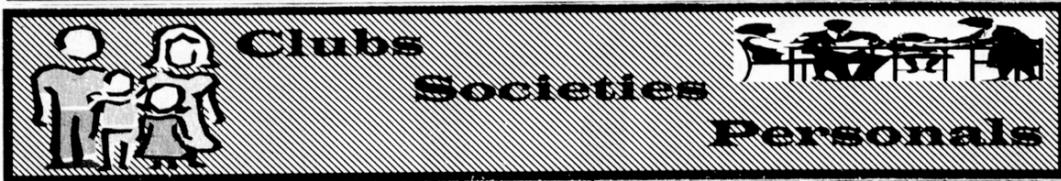
For more information, call Johanna at 574-946-6126 or Maurine at 574-946-3836.

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*Memorial Day...
Monday, May 28, 2007*

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The Sacrifices Of
The Men & Women
Who Made Us A
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Class of '57 Holds Reunion

The Kewanna High School graduating class of 1957 held a reunion Friday evening, May 18, at Alejandra's restaurant in Rochester. Eleven members of the class of 20 were in attendance. Three members, Larry Hurley, Victor Montz and Charles Woolington, are deceased.

Those present for the occasion were Don and Cathy Dekker of Bradenton, Florida; Judy and John Scott, Franklin; Jerry and Kay Brown and Jane and Richard Green, Kewanna; Janice and David Bleeke, Fort Wayne; Larry Koebecke, Valparaiso; and Harold and Pat Foust, Jim and Lynn Downhour, Janet and Jerry Burkett, Sara and Howard Hoffman, and Sue and Allan Grube, all of Rochester; as well as honorary classmates, Mary Glassford of Macy and Janet and Roger Graham of Jamestown. Six class members were unable to attend - Bob Kumler, Bill Livengood, Ruth Ann Reinholt, Joe Zellers, Steve Skersick and Bruce Rainey.

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Members of the KHS graduating class of 1957 present for a reunion Friday evening included, front row, left to right, Sue Anderson Grube, Janet Urbin Burkett, Janice Shidaker Bleeke,

Sara Hunter Hoffman, Jane Zartman Green and Judy Miller Scott; and back row, Jim Downhour, Harold Foust, Larry Koebecke, Jerry Brown and Don Dekker.

Ladies Tea at Church of Christ

The Kewanna Church of Christ ladies recently enjoyed a spring tea. Alexsondra Haschel and her daughter, India, of the Cottage Door Flowers and Gifts, Winamac, showed how to arrange fresh flowers in teapots and teacups. These were later given away as door prizes and were won by Pia Cannady and Shirley Zartman.

Darlene Fritz told how to brew tea properly. The guests tasted some exotic teas and sampled many different tea sandwiches, cakes, muffins and cookies. The tables were decorated with teapots and cups and saucers of all shapes and sizes along with lilacs and tiny nosegays.

Those in attendance included Shirley Zartman, Nancy Evers, Kandace Evers and daughters, Lauren and Amanda, Martha Sheridan, Martha Ann Clark, Joyce Harwick, Tabatha Farara, Alvena Mollencupp, Pia Cannady and daughters, Ava and Kianna, Donna Cannady, Jill Meneely and daughter, Brooklyn, Donna Fritz, Jane Green and Alex Haschel and daughter, India.

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Attend Church Sunday

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.

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NICHOLAS JOSEPH BUTLER

Jessica Teeter and Braden Butler of Ft. Wayne are the parents of a son born Thursday, May 17, at 11:45 am. He weighed 5 lbs. 6 oz. and has been named Nicholas Joseph. His maternal grandparents are Jim and Jane Teeter of Bluffton and his maternal great-grandmother is Ruth Cogdill. His paternal grandparents are Dan and Deb Butler and Patty and Scott Moore, all of Ft. Wayne. His great-aunts are Donna Koebecke and Judy Collins. Nicholas has an older brother, Jacob Mark.

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AREA FIVE MENU

Kewanna Fire Station
 Monday, May 28 - meal site closed for Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 30 - Creole spaghetti, green beans, salad, applesauce, Italian bread and milk

Friday, June 1 - Sloppy Joe sandwich, toss salad, corn, vanilla fluff pie and milk

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Monday - Memorial Day, no school

Tuesday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, peas, chocolate pudding, and milk. Comet Café - BBQ pork sandwich and onion rings

Wednesday - Breadsticks with meat and cheese, seasoned mini cubes, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - turkey club

Thursday - Pizza, corn, pears, Jell-O and milk. Comet Café - chicken fries and French fries

Friday - Plain or Spanish hot dog, tater tots, green beans, spice cake and milk. Comet Café - tacos

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

May 13
Births – Justin and Aimee Lunsford, Rochester, a daughter

May 14
Admissions – Brian Overholser, Argos
Dismissals – Lydia Stigall, Mary Jane Herendeen, June Holloway and Wendy Clark and son, Rochester; Shari Wiles, Royal Center; Brian Overholser and Sarah Young and son, Argos; Crystal Contero and son and Teresa Shoemaker and daughter, Akron

May 15
Admissions – none published
Dismissals – none published
Births – Michelle Hedrick, Rochester, a daughter; Tonya Kiefer, Silver Lake, a son; Phillip and Christa Whitmer, Rochester, a daughter; Jessica Young, Argos, a son

May 16
Admissions – David Holloway, Macy
Dismissals – Aimee Lunsford and daughter, Rochester

May 17
Admissions – none published
Dismissals – Barry Salts and Michelle Hedrick and daughter, Rochester; Tonya Kiefer and son, Silver Lake

May 18
Admissions – Charles Dean, Argos
Dismissals – Christa Whitmer and daughter, Rochester; Jessica Young and son, Argos

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

May 11
Admissions – Darla Binion, Monterey

May 13
Admissions – Kenneth M. Foerg, Star City; Frances Aguirre, Winamac

May 14
Admissions – James Shorter and Elizabeth B. Laubhan, Winamac

May 15
Admissions – Rosemary Watts, Winamac; Cynthia Lewis, Monterey
Dismissals – Frances Aguirre, Winamac
Births – Cynthia and Doug Lewis, Monterey, a daughter, Gyanna Beverly Lewis

May 16
Dismissals – Wayne Bortell, Winamac; Fannie Nichols, North Judson

May 17
Admissions – Sarah Schooler, Winamac
Dismissals – Cynthia Lewis and daughter and Darla Binion, Monterey; Kenneth Foerg, Star City

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DEATHS

HELEN E. HUFFMAN

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 19, 2007 at the Grass Creek United Methodist Church for Helen E. Huffman, 85, Grass Creek. Pastor Jan

Moyer officiated and burial was in the Grass Creek Cemetery.

Miss Huffman died at 11:04 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, in Woodbridge Health Campus, Logansport.

Born October 2, 1921 in Grass Creek, she was the daughter of the late Thurman and Vera (Lower) Huffman.

A 1939 graduate of Grass Creek High School, she worked as a bookkeeper for Thomas Hardware, Grass Creek, retiring after 40 years of service.

She was a member of the Grass Creek United Methodist Church and the Wayne Township Extension Homemakers. Her hobbies included jigsaw puzzles, reading and crossword puzzles.

Survivors include a brother, Carl D. Huffman and his wife, Charlotte, Camden; four nieces, Rita Ault and her husband, Carl, Rochester, Elaine Hartigan and her husband, Jack, Sparta, New Jersey, Carol Huffman, Fulton, and Judy Schock and her husband, Bill, Delphi; and two nephews, Alan Huffman and his wife, Jessica, Brownsburg, and David Huffman and his wife, Marcia, Indianapolis.

Three brothers, Joseph, Donald and Albert, preceded her in death.

Memorials may be made to the Grass Creek United Methodist Church.

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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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Lake Bruce, A Place of Refuge

By Debbie Wingertier

Mahseh Ministries, Inc., is a not for profit organization that Rob and I set up as an umbrella for a Christian retreat center at Lake Bruce. Mahseh is the Hebrew word for refuge. Lake Bruce has always been a refuge for our family. On April 17, 2007 my mother, Dortha Strong Waidner left this world and joined Jesus in heaven. She was 91 years old and had lived a long and full life. She first came to Lake Bruce in the 1930's because her grandfather John Morton Strong had a trailer on Guise Park Road. He didn't own land there but he did some work for the Guises and so they let him park his trailer there. In 1941 my grandfather Clarence Strong purchased five lots from Linc Overmeyer with the intention of building a cabin for his father. Clarence also wanted a place to come and fish and relax at the end of his work week at Studebakers in South Bend. The war came along, my uncles were drafted, and the cabin was not built until 1946. During construction John Morton Strong died. So the cabin was used by all the Strong's and their friends for resting and fishing.

In 1947 Dortha returned from living in California and in 1948 went through a heart breaking divorce. Lake Bruce became her refuge, a place of peace and

renewal. In 1953 she married my dad, Fred Waidner, and in October of 1954 I was born. Eight months later my 18 year old sister had a baby. In June my mother packed up me, my sister and her grandson Billy and my dad drove us to Lake Bruce. We stayed there all summer and early fall. My dad came on the weekends and my mother and sister had no car during the week. When groceries were needed or ice for the icebox, my sister would row the fishing boat across the lake to Johnny Dillinger's store. They had no indoor plumbing, washed the diapers by hand and hung them on the line to dry. But once again Lake Bruce was my mother's refuge, a place for healing and hope.

Bo Scott's family had a boxer named Cleo who loved children and adopted Billy and I as her children. Cleo was a great dog who would stand guard over us as we played in the shallow water. This began our family's long love for boxers and why there are always at least two in our yard.

Over the years my mother and father developed many close friendships at Lake Bruce. May Kline who lived in the house (now gone) at the corner of Lake Shore Drive and 150N was a

close friend of my mother's and my grandmother's. It was May's father Linc who had owned all the land on the east shore. Bill and Margaret Werner who lived in the old Lake Bruce Hotel next to the railroad tracks (now gone) were also good friends. Margaret knew everything that went on at Lake Bruce and anything you told her would most likely end up in the Observer where Bill worked.

Lake Bruce has always been a special place created by God for people to come to for refuge and retreat. The peace and tranquility that comes with God's presence is there for all who come and open their hearts to it. For 61 years it was my mother's refuge. Now she is where there is no need for refuge. Heaven, where there are no tears, no sorrow, no pain, is her home now. She was welcomed by my father, my sister, my grandparents, Bill and Margaret, May, and many many others. I am so thankful that God has given me and my family this refuge to keep us going in this broken world until He calls us home.

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Looking Back.....

Fifty-Five Years Ago

May 19, 1952

Phil McCarter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCarter of Fulton, has been appointed coach for the 1952-53 school year at Akron. Phil is a former high school and Ball State College basketball star. He will assume his new duties during the summer program at Akron.

It was reported on Friday morning, May 9, by Robert Smith that a deer was seen pasturing with a herd of milk cows on the Clyde Leavell farm one-half mile east of Fulton. Another deer was reported here about 18 months ago.

Henry Vanatta of Fulton received first, second and third degree burns Saturday while cutting up a car at the Carmen Spencer residence with an acetylene torch. He accidentally cut a small gas line which caused an explosion. The explosion threw him against a nearby truck and caught his clothes on fire. Rev. Fletcher and Bob Halpenny assisted in putting out the flames and he was taken to Woodlawn Hospital in the Ditman ambulance.

Cars owned by Bill St. Clair, Rt. 2, Kewanna, and Carl Rentschler, Rt. 1, Twelve Mile, were damaged Wednesday evening on the Fletcher's Lake road during a downpour. St. Clair was leaving the lane of the Harley Robbins farm and was struck in the rear by the Rentschler vehicle.

Billy Watlers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vachael Walters, had his tonsils removed Saturday morning in Dr. Kraning's office.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovell Hurlburt of here announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Patricia Ann, to Carl Branson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Branson of Hammond. The wedding will take place May 24 at 2 p.m. in the Kewanna Church of Christ.

Helen Shadle, Kewanna, mezzo-soprano, sang her senior recital in the Indiana University School of Music recital hall Thursday, May 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vigus and family and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook and family visited the zoo in Lafayette Monday.

Blaine Hurlburt moved from Peru to Leiters Ford Saturday.

Fifty Years Ago

May 23, 1957

The restaurant at Clark's Resort, Lake Bruce, is under new management this season. The establishment will open around Decoration Day with Mr. and Mrs. Overman of Kokomo in charge.

Phil Wills of Grass Creek has been named to the Indiana All Star basketball team. Wills, the highest scorer in state basketball history, will make Grass Creek with an enrollment of 61 the smallest school ever to field an all star.

S. Earl Rouch was re-elected for a four year term as Superintendent

of Fulton County Schools recently. This is his seventh consecutive term.

The Jeannette Dress Shop, owned and operated by Mrs. Jeannette Sanders, is in the final stage of selling out all of its merchandise in preparation of going out of business. Mr. Peter J. Dwyer has also announced that he will close his store after 26 years of operation.

Marilyn Jean Zellers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zellers of here, will receive her Bachelor of Arts degree in business and economics June 2 at Franklin College.

Mrs. John Sisinger, Mrs. Roy Nutt, Mrs. Frank Dellar, Mrs. Harlan McKinsey, Mrs. Loren Cunningham, Mrs. Theo Urbin and Mary Barger attended officers training day for the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church held at Battle Ground.

Linda Robbins, Rt. 1, Kewanna, underwent a tonsilectomy in Woodlawn Hospital Tuesday.

Miss Pauline Mosher was the honored guest at a bridal shower in the Shull home Thursday evening. Miss Sharlene Shull and Miss Barbara Talbott were the hostesses.

The Don Moore Post of the American Legion met May 9 at their hall and elected the following officers: Commander, Richard Fisher; 1st Vice Commander, Robert Troutman; 2nd Vice Commander, Gene Miller; Adjutant, Adam J. Sommers; Service Officer, Florance Hendrickson; and Chaplain, Warren Gillespie.

Forty-Five Years Ago

May 17, 1962

A2/c and Mrs. Terry Livengood of Omaha, Nebraska, are the parents of a daughter born May 9.

The baby weighed 6 pounds and 10½ ounces and has been named Caron Cae. Mrs. Livengood is the former Caryl Cay Saxton. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livengood of here.

The Teen Teepee in Kewanna opened Wednesday evening according to Dick Mills, president of the Kewanna Progressive Association.

Union Township had a very good response for the Fulton County blood collection date Tuesday, May 8. Donors included Charles A. Baldwin, Cloyd Zuck, John M. Agnew, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Smith, Floyd Nicklaus, Donald Troutman, Russell Walters, Mildred Good, Kenneth Smith and Beth Reason.

Faith Assembly, No. 114 held inspection May 7 in the Masonic Hall. Election of officers was also held. Elected were Maebelle Thomas, worthy advisor; Joyce Anderson, associate advisor; Judy Friedrich, charity; Barbara Masteller, hope; and Carol Huffman, faith. Randy Weller and Nancy Apple-

man were initiated into the Assembly.

Christy Greer, 15-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greer is a patient in Woodlawn Hospital suffering from pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leffel of here attended the Metea High School alumni banquet Saturday evening. It was the high school's 50th anniversary with Mr. Leffel being the only surviving member of the class which was the first to graduate from Metea.

Capt. James Collins left Sunday for his home in Santa Monica, California, after a brief visit in the home of his father, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collins.

Dr. Lawrence Kelsey has returned from Arizona where he spent the winter with his family.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Crust and children of North Judson spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook and family.

Mrs. Fern Kelly Davis is moving this week from her cottage at Lake Bruce to Gladwin, Michigan.

Forty Years Ago

May 18, 1967

Commencement exercises for the 1967 Kewanna High School graduating class were held Monday evening at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium. This year's valedictorian was Lora Eber and the salutatorian was Carol Clyde. The Kewanna Metal Specialties scholarship went to Beth Ann Reason.

A 1959 Ford driven by Ronald Powell, Rt. 3, Kewanna, collided with a 1967 Ford driven by Elmer Harper, Kewanna, Sunday afternoon at Main and Toner Streets. The Warfield car was headed north on Toner, made a stop, but failed to see the Harper auto approaching from the east. Estimated damage was \$200 to the Warfield car and \$750 to the Harper car. There were no personal injuries.

A car driven by John M. Agnew, Jr., 17, Kewanna, skidded out of control on wet pavement Sunday night on Indiana 17 north of Kewanna and landed in the ditch. No one was injured.

The theft of some money and merchandise has been reported by Deckard's IGA Store in Kewanna. It is believed that entry was made sometime early Saturday morning by prying open the side door.

Open house was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin following commencement exercises Monday night for their son and daughter, Jack and Jill Urbin.

Mrs. Violet Miller, Kewanna, announces the engagement of her daughter, Constance Kay, to Daniel Eugene Boochee, Kewanna, son of the late Al Boochee. The bride-elect is a 1967 graduate of Kewanna High School. Her fiancé has served in the U.S. Navy and is now employed at Sealed Power in Rochester. A September wedding is being planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whiteman entertained Sunday afternoon at a graduation party for their daughter Sherri. Sherri graduated Monday

night from Kewanna High School.

Thirty-Five Years Ago

May 18, 1972

Commencement exercises will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 21, in the local gymnasium. Ronald Prilliman will address the graduates along with Terri Hamman, valedictorian, and Jon Masteller, salutatorian.

Mr. and Mrs. David Powell, Rt. 1, Twelve Mile, announce the engagement of their daughter, Debra Lynn, to David Brent Hassenplug, son of Mrs. Doris Woolington, Kewanna. The bride-elect is a graduate of Caston High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Kewanna High School and is now attending Purdue University where he will receive a B.S. degree in electrical engineering technology. The couple plans to be married August 6 in Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Agnew Sr. will celebrate their 25th anniversary at an open house in their home Sunday, May 28. The couple was married May 31, 1947, in Wakarusa.

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Art Shows

The annual Caston spring art show was held recently in conjunction with the spring musical. Mrs. Kathy Zentz, art teacher, had the students' work displayed in her classroom Friday, Monday and Tuesday for all of the elementary, junior high and high school students and parents to view. There were over



First place winners in Caston's recent art show were Lindsey Herrold, Vikki Jones, Kristy Cogdill, Michelle Centers, Sarah Peterson, Ericka Zartman, Do

Yeon Kim, Lynndy Dilley, Josh Harrison and Dana Miller. Winners not pictured include Kayla Fry and Brandon Conner.



Sixteen Caston students participated in the Area Cass County Art Show held April 11 to May 9 at Logansport. The county show receives similar entries from Pioneer, Lewis Cass and Logansport. There are seven major awards given during the show with Caston students receiving five of them. These winners included Chelce Snider, sophomore award winner; Vikki

Jones, freshman award winner; Lynndy Dilley, Judges Mention award winner; Corey Anders, Judges Mention award winner and Peoples Choice award winner.

The Caston students are to be commended for their outstanding participation and efforts under the direction of art teacher, Mrs. Kathy Zentz.

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The News In Brief

The Fulton County Board of Health will meet in special session Wednesday, May 30, at 12 p.m. for the continuation of an appeal of a health order. The meeting will be held in the commissioners' room of the Fulton County Office Building, 125 E. Ninth Street, Rochester.

Key Waste picked up a total of 2,265 pounds of recyclables from Kewanna curb sides in April.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day.

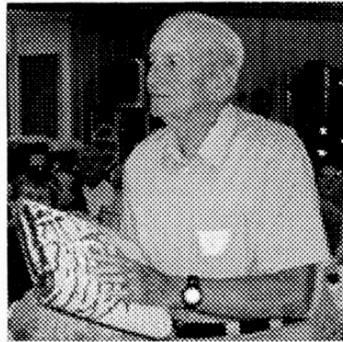
All branches of the Community State Bank will be closed Saturday, May 26, and Monday, May 28, in observance of Memorial Day.

The Kewanna Kafe will be closed Sunday and Monday, May 27 and 28, in observance of Memorial Day.

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Members of the class of 1957 present for Saturday's alumni banquet included, left to right, Scott, Sue Anderson Grube, Jerry Brown, Sarah Hunter Hoffman and Janet Urbin Burkett. Jane Zartman Green, Judy Miller



Don Metzger, class of 1935, was one of the eldest alumni present for this year's alumni banquet.

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Three members of the class of 1982, the last graduating class from KHS. were present for this year's banquet. They were, left to right, Brian Evers, Jeff Markley and Dale Green.



Jeff Markley, class of 1982, received a KHS afghan from association president, Bob Clyde, for being the youngest alumnus present.

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Lt. Col. Howard Johnston, right, presented a donation to association president, Bob Clyde, left, to be used for the local park. Johnston, class of 1942, also hosted a luncheon reunion for his class Saturday at Alejandra's in Rochester.

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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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May 28 - 31
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Tuesday-Thursday - Cook's choice, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Memorial Day, no school
Tuesday - Hot dog, potato salad, apple, cookie and milk
Wednesday - Turkey and cheese, pickle, potato chips, orange and milk
Thursday - Sack lunch including peanut butter and jelly sandwich, baby carrots, fruit bites, graham crackers and milk

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New books at the library:

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General Fiction— *The Good Husband of Zebra Drive* (#8 of The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series) by Alexander McCall-Smith.

Mystery Fiction— *The First Shall Be Last* (a Sharyn Howard mystery) by Joyce Lavene and *Encounter by Deadline* by Mel Taylor.

Nonfiction— *The Applause of Heaven, God Came Near* and *On The Anvil* by Max Lucado and *Country Bazaar Crafts* and *Christmas Cross-Stitch* from Better Homes and Gardens.

JUVENILES:

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Verne.

Youth Nonfiction— (from the Look and Find series) *Cars* by Caleb Burroughs; *Princess and Worlds of Wonder* from Disney Enterprises; *Surf's Up* by Sandra D. Lawrence; and *Elmo* by Catherine McCafferty.

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LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE

May 24 -6 pm major league
May 25 -6 pm major league

May 29-6 pm major league
May 30-5:30 pm T-ball

6 pm minor league
May 31- 6 pm major league

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Caston Seniors Receive Awards

The following Caston High School seniors were honored during awards night held May 14.

Michelle Centers: Academic Honors.

Alison Chandler: Robert & Laura Huffman Fine Arts Scholarship, \$265.

Miranda Greer: Fulton Co. Farm Bureau Inc., Scholarship, \$300.

Kaylyn Herrold: Fulton Co. Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship \$34,000; Sentinel Scholar; Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship, \$250; Fulton Co. 4-H Livestock Sale Committee Scholarship, \$200; Indiana Elks Association, Inc. Scholarship, \$1000; HH Gregg-Carl Asaro 9/11 Scholarship, \$5000 and a laptop computer; Purdue University Valedictorian Scholarship, \$2,250; Hoosier Scholar Award, \$500; Academic Honors; Caston Key Club Scholarship, \$100.

Kassie Hoagland: Steven Bruce Mattice Memorial Scholarship, \$500; Caston High School Scholarship, \$400; Academic Honors.

Monica Hoover: Sentinel Scholar; Faye Riddleberger Scholarship, \$2,500; Purdue Club of Cass Co., \$1000; Rochester Kiwanis Club Scholarship, \$500; Cass Co. Pork Producers Agricultural Scholarship, \$500; Brad Scott Memorial Scholarship, \$1000; Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #71 Scholarship, \$500; Academic Honors.

Mandy Howell: Sentinel Scholar.

Kristen Osbon: Sentinel Scholar; Roy Haggerty Memorial Scholarship, \$2,350; American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 36 Scholarship, \$500; Indiana University Kokomo Star Scholarship, \$1000; Logansport Memorial Hospital Foundation Scholarship, \$1000; Leo Crowe Scholarship, \$200; Paul & Dorothy Arvin Memorial Scholarship, \$715; Woodlawn Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship, \$500; Academic Honors.

Benjamin Reason: Sentinel Scholar, Fulton Co. Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship \$123,200; Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias Award, \$1000; Fulton Co. FOP Lodge #143 Scholarship, \$500; Sam

Walton Community Scholarship, \$1000; HH Gregg-Carl Asaro 9/11 Scholarship, Laptop Computer; Fulton Co. 4-H Livestock Sale Committee Scholarship, \$200; Academic Honors.

Cody Scott: Cass Co. Extension Homemakers Scholarship, \$300; Cass Co. Memorial 4-H Scholarship, \$200; William & Valerie Frushour Scholarship, \$1000.

Emily Smith: Sentinel Scholar; Gangloff Industries Music Scholarship, \$1000, IUPUI Academic Excellence Scholarship, \$2,500; Academic Honors.

Cara Staller: Sentinel Scholar; Academic Honors.

Austin Tam: Sentinel Scholar; Fulton Co. Community Foundation Scholarship, \$1000, Caston High School Scholarship, \$400; Harold & Neva Funk Mikesell Scholarship, \$500 per year for 4 years; Hoosier Scholar Award, \$500; Academic Honors.

Kegan Townsend: Academic Honors

Grant White: Sentinel Scholar, Fulton Co. REMC Scholarship, \$500; Tri Kappa/Sarah Tolbert Scholarship, \$ 1000; Grass Creek Lions Club Scholarship, \$250; Harold & Neva Funk Mikesell Scholarship, \$500 per year for 4 years; Paul & Dorothy Arvin Memorial Scholarship, \$1000; Academic Honors.

Silas Zartman: Sentinel Scholar; Valparaiso University Achievement Scholarship, \$6,500 per year for 4 years; Academic Honors.

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Letter To The Editor...

Fish Fry Thank You

The Fulton County Historical Society would like to thank everyone who supported and

came to the fish and chicken fry at the Museum on May 19. The proceeds will be used for general operating expenses.

Thanks to the following businesses for donations of supplies for the event: Dean's Food Co. for milk; Farm Credit Services for napkins; Fulton County Co-op for water tanks for thawing the fish and chicken; Wilson's Corn Products for flour and salt; and McDonald's, Burger King and Wendy's for cups.

Thanks to the Rochester Sentinel, Shopping Guide News and The Observer for publicity.

Special thanks to Ernie Hiatt and Dave Roe for cooking the fish and chicken. Thanks to each member of the Historical Society for the excellent job in selling pre-sale tickets. Thank you to all members who sold tickets, helped bread fish and chicken, set up tables, serve and clean up. Thank you to the Probation Department for helpers. Your help is very much appreciated.

Tour the Living History Village with a guided tour by Meredith "Merry" Horn, our summer intern, Monday thru Saturday most weeks starting this week thru August 15. Tours are free but donations are appreciated. Money raised from the breakfast buffet fundraiser helps to fund the \$2,500 scholarship for the summer intern again this year. Thanks to everyone who supported the breakfast buffet fundraiser, also.

Other upcoming events at the museum include the veterans program on Sunday, May 27; Fulton County Historical Power Show, June 15-17, 2007 where the museum will serve a breakfast buffet from 7 to 11 a.m. each morning; the Trail of Courage Living History Festival, Sept. 15 & 16, 2007; the Haunted Woods Trail, Oct. 12 & 13 and Oct. 19 & 20; and the Indoor Rendezvous, Nov. 4 & 5, 2007. Melinda Clinger, Museum Director Ruby Reed FCHS President

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Red Friday

Article Submitted

Last week I was in Atlanta, Georgia attending a conference. While I was in the airport, returning home, I heard several people behind me beginning to clap and cheer. I was immediately turned around and witnessed one of the greatest acts of patriotism I have ever seen.

Moving thru the terminal was a group of soldiers in their camos. As they began heading to their gate, everyone (well almost everyone) was abruptly to their feet with their hands waving and cheering.

When I saw the soldiers, probably 30-40 of them, being applauded and cheered for, it hit me. I'm not alone. I'm not the only red-blooded American who still loves this country and supports our troops and their families.

Of course I immediately stopped and began clapping for these young unsung heroes who are putting their lives on the line everyday for us so we can go to school, work and home without fear or reprisal.

Just when I thought I could not be more proud of my country or of our service men and women, a young girl, not more than 6 or 7 years old, ran up to one of the male soldiers. He knelt down and said "hi." The little girl then asked him if he would give something to her daddy for her.

The young soldier, who didn't look any older than maybe 22 himself, said he would try and what did she want to give to her daddy. Then suddenly the little girl grabbed the neck of this soldier, gave him the biggest hug she could muster and then kissed him on the cheek.

The mother of the little girl, who said her daughter's name is Courtney, told the young soldier that her husband was a Marine and had been in Iraq for 11 months now. As the mom was explaining how much her daughter missed her father, the young soldier began to tear up.

When this temporarily single mom was done explaining her situation, all of the soldiers huddled together for a brief second. Then one of the other servicemen pulled out a military-looking walkie-talkie. They started playing with the device and talking back and forth on it.

After about 10-15 seconds of this, the young soldier walked back over to Courtney, bent down and said this to her, "I spoke to your daddy and he told me to give this to you." He then hugged this little girl that he had just met and gave her a kiss on the cheek. He finished by saying, "Your daddy told me to tell you that he loves you more than anything and he is coming home very soon."

The mom at this point was crying almost uncontrollably and as the young soldier stood to his feet, he saluted Courtney and her mom.

As the soldiers began to leave, heading towards their gate, people resumed their applause. As I stood there applauding and looked around, there were very few dry eyes, including my own. That young soldier in one last act of selflessness, turned around and

blew a kiss to Courtney with a tear rolling down his cheek.

We need to remember everyday all of our soldiers and their families and thank God for them and their sacrifices. At the end of the day, it's good to be an American.

Red Fridays - Very soon, you will see a great many people wearing Red every Friday. The reason? Americans who support our troops used to be called the "silent majority." We are no longer silent, and are voicing our love for God, country and home in breaking numbers. Continuing every Friday until the troops all come home, Red Fridays are a message of solidarity and support of our troops. Let's get the word out and lead with class and dignity, by example; and wear something red every Friday.

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EARTH TALK

Questions & Answers
About Our Environment

Dear EarthTalk: What kinds of cat litters are kinder to the environment: traditional clay litters (so-called clumping litters) or other varieties? What about some of the new alternatives, such as those made out of wheat and corn?-- Stef Gandolfi, Oakland, CA

Traditional clay-based clumping cat litters are the most common and widely sold in supermarkets and pet supply stores. Clay litters do not biodegrade and instead pile up in landfills, producing chemicals that can potentially harm human health. According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer, clay litters also produce dusts that contain silicon particles, which are known human carcinogens. In addition, the clay used for litter is obtained through strip-mining, a practice that causing adverse environmental effects on surrounding soil, water and air.

Some pet owners have reported respiratory and other health problems in their cats due to both the inhalation and ingestion of clumping clay litters. Once inside the lungs or digestive tracts, the litter can expand from moisture and cause irritation and blockages. In the lungs this can lead to infection, and in the intestines dehydration and a decrease in nutrient absorption can result. Scientific studies and documented cases of such incidents seem to be in short supply, however, and such claims seem to only be anecdotal.

To be safe, however, there are a number of environmentally friendly alternatives that are deemed safer for people and cats alike. Recycled newspaper, for one, can be used to create cat litter in pellet form. It is biodegradable, flushable, burnable and 99 percent dust-free. It also has the advantage of not getting tracked around the house, unlike clay litters. Fibre Cycle, a company with the primary mission of finding innovative and environmentally friendly uses for recycled paper, sells such paper-based cat litter and claims it to be highly absorbent, biodegradable, long lasting, lightweight and virtually

dust-free.

Plant-based litters are made from materials such as corn, corncobs, cornhusks, wheat by-products, wheat grass and beet pulp. According to Worldwide, a leading manufacturer of environmentally responsible pet products, plain ground corncobs are a good choice because they are made of natural, flushable biodegradable materials, have no odor, are very absorbent and don't produce the same kind or volume of dust as clay litters.

Litters made from pine and cedar saw dusts offer yet another clay-based alternative. As with the plant-based offerings, they are made from natural scrap materials that biodegrade. They also eliminate odor naturally—due to the innate ability of both pine and cedar to absorb and neutralize ammonia—rather than cover up odors with chemicals and perfumes. Feline Pine, from Florida-based Nature's Earth Products, is a wood litter made from 100 percent natural pine that has been heated and pressurized to remove any harmful wood oils. When ready for changing, the biodegradable litter—available in both clumping and pellet varieties—can be simply emptied into the backyard compost or mulching pile. One caution about pine, though: Some cats have a sensitivity to pine aroma and as a result could shun the litter box altogether.

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF THE ACTION OF THE FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD BELWOOD ARM TO MINNOW CREEK CAUSE NO. 1-2007
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
The Reconstruction Rate Report 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 7:00 P.M. E.D.T.; Tuesday, June 5th, 2007, in the Fulton County Commissioners/Council Room in the Fulton County Office Building, 125 East Ninth Street, Rochester, Indiana
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PUBLIC NOTICE

On or about September 14, 2007, the Town of Kewanna intends to apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for a grant from the Community Focus Fund of the Department's Small Cities Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. These funds are to be used for community development projects. The purpose of this application shall be for Sewer Utility Improvements. The amount of Community Focus Fund funds requested is \$466,900. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will meet the national objective of benefit to low and moderate income persons is \$242,321. The applicant also proposes to expend \$123,100 in non-CDBG funds on the project. These non-CDBG funds will come from funds on hand, and a loan.

The Kewanna Town Council will hold a public hearing on June 7, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall located at 109 E. Aurora Street to provide parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded CDBG project. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact Karen Good, Clerk-Treasurer, at the Clerk-

Treasurer's office, or by calling (574) 653-2101 at least 7 days prior to the meeting in order that reasonable accommodations may be made for such persons.

Information related to the project will be available for review prior to the public hearing as of June 7, 2007, at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer during regular office hours at the above address. Interested citizens are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted to Karen Good, 109 E. Aurora Street, P.O. Box 5, no later than June 3 in order to ensure placement of such comments in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. A plan to minimize displacement and provide assistance to those displaced has been prepared and is available to the public. There will be no displacement.

Information concerning the proposed project may be obtained from Karen Good, Town Clerk-Treasurer, by calling (574) 653-2101 Monday through Friday.

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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Guests of Doran and JoAnn Collins and Brittany Thursday, May 10, to help Dorese Miller celebrate her birthday were Larry Kimble, RaeAnn Snider, Bethany, Vicky and Lyanna (the newest member of the family) and Bethany's friend, Derek. Arriving later in the evening to surprise his grandmother was Mark Kimble of Muncie.

Mother's Day guests of Doran and JoAnn Collins, Brittany and Mark, were Lome Lou Collins, Dorese Miller, Jerry Kimble, Larry Kimble, RaeAnn Snider, Bethany, Vicky and Lyanna.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Kokomo Tuesday, May 15. They enjoyed dining out and doing a little shopping.

Dennis and Susan Wilson of Greensburg arrived early Tuesday for a three-day visit with Dennis' mother, Lois Wilson. Shortly after their arrival, the threesome headed for Rensselaer to help Lois' sister, Jean Babcock, celebrate her birthday. Everyone enjoyed a visit over cake and ice cream. Dennis and Susan took the opportunity to take care of some chores and shopping that Jean needed done.

Ruth Cogdill had a surprise visitor Wednesday, May 16. Vickie Gupton of Winamac dropped in to say hello. They had a nice afternoon catching up on all the news. It was a wonderful day for two former neighbors to reminisce and remember good times in Kewanna.

Barb and Tom LaFollette traveled to LaPorte Wednesday where they picked up their grandson, Michael, for a three-day visit. Michael had a great time helping his grandparents do some work around the farm.

Lois, Dennis and Susan Wilson spent some time in Rochester Wednesday. They had a nice time dining out, doing a little shopping and taking care of a few errands. When they arrived back at Lois', they tackled several indoor and outdoor chores.

Karen Rice returned home to Indianapolis Thursday, May 17. She had spent several days visiting with her mother, Helen Whiteman.

Ruth Cogdill was in Winamac Thursday. She enjoyed having lunch with her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Gordon Ligocki. In the early afternoon, they drove to the Monterey Elementary School where they enjoyed watching the performance of the students in their spring musical pageant "The Celebration of Positive Character". Ruth's great-granddaughter, Lillian Linch, was one of the participants in the dance ensemble. It was a wonderful afternoon for Great-grandma Ruth, Grandma Linda, Grandpa Gordon and mom, Renata.

Mary K. Williamson of Winamac had several houseguests over the weekend. Arriving Friday for a few days of visiting and to help with her annual garage sale were her daughter, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg, and her granddaughter and family, Lisa

and Kurt Kiesel, Karl and Katie, of Dayton, Ohio. Also coming down just for the day were her granddaughter and great-grandchildren, Lori Harding, Annabelle and Graham, of Mishawaka.

Jackie Heidenreich and John Lincoln enjoyed dining at Kosta's restaurant in Winamac Friday.

Helen Whiteman had company Friday. Coming over in the afternoon to do some yard work was her son, Kevin Whiteman of Pulaski.

Tom and Barb LaFollette had company Friday. Coming over in the evening and bringing along pizza were their daughter and her family, Karina and Terry Bohac, Shelby and Nick. Shelby remained overnight with her grandparents.

Jerry and Kay Brown were among those who attended the 50th reunion of the Kewanna High School class of 1957 Friday evening. The event was held at Alejandro's in Rochester.

Florence Kruger had visitors Saturday, May 19. Coming for a delightful visit were her daughter-in-law, Karen Kruger, and her granddaughter and family, Lisa and Kurt Kiesel, Karl and Katie.

Barb and Jon Gast had several callers Saturday. Stopping by in the afternoon were Barb's former classmates, Lois Morrill and her husband, Art, Phyllis Williams and Virginia Agnew. In the

evening, most of the group attended the Kewanna High School alumni banquet held at the local fire station.

Nancy Evers was among those who attended the Mother/Daughter Tea hosted by the Kewanna Church of Christ Saturday. Accompanying her for the special afternoon event were her daughter-in-law and granddaughters, Kandi Evers, Lauren and Amanda.

Mary K. Williamson and her houseguests had company Saturday. Stopping by in the afternoon for a family chat were her granddaughter and great-grandson, Sue McKinney and Aidan.

Carole Hahn of Mishawaka made some visits while in the area Saturday. Her first stop was to visit with Mary and Earl Bangel. Later in the afternoon, she joined Barb and Jon Gast for a chat before attending the Kewanna High School alumni banquet.

Mathilda Lamb had a working visitor Saturday. Helping with several chores around the house was her son, Bill Lamb of Ft. Wayne.

Jerry and Kay Brown were among those who attended the Kewanna High School alumni banquet Saturday evening. This year's gathering was held in the local fire station.

Bill and Mary Lou Foerg of Royal Center; Bill's aunt, Mathilda Lamb; and Mary Lou's mother, Wilma Wilson, enjoyed an evening out Saturday. They had a wonderful time catching up on all the family news during

supper at the Mill Creek Restaurant in Fulton.

Leonard and Nancy Evers were among those who enjoyed attending the Kewanna High School alumni banquet Saturday evening.

Don and Pauline Scales had visitors Sunday, May 20. Joining them in the afternoon for a family chat was their son, Bruce Scales of Fulton. Stopping by a little later in the afternoon were their granddaughter and her family, Cindy and Greg Wiese and Ally.

John Lincoln and Jackie Heidenreich were in Winamac Sunday. They attended the district meeting for the VFW and Ladies' Auxiliary.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Steve Sutton, May 21; Larry Anderson, Dick Good, Nicole Hines and Susan McKinney, May 27; Pam Agnew and Brandi Thomas, May 28; Jim French, Justin Gregor, Brenda Rice, David Talbott and Jonathon Wilson, May 29; Forrest Baker, Nicole Blume, Tim Carlson, Brian Evers and Megan Ingram, May 30; Wade Bussert, Grace Buswell, Angie Garbison, Alex Howdeshell, Samantha Nickolich and Graham Redweik, May 31; Hannah Gowens, Trudy Haney, Dominick Ricks and Mable Wolfe, June 1; and Kim Boyer, Biel Davies, Ken Haimbaugh, Linda Hawkey and Earl Hizer, June 2.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, May 27; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Good and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tomerlin, June 1; and Mr. and

Mrs. Mike Molitor, Mr. and Mrs. Don Nellans and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Urbin, June 2.

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James F. Talbott VFW Post May Activities

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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