

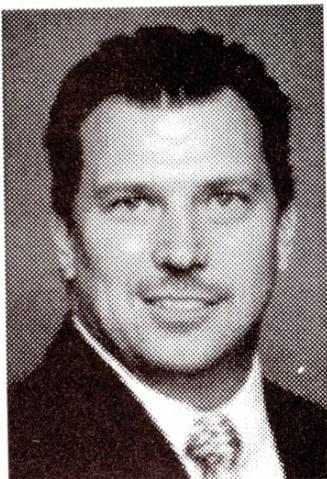


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Methodist Churches to get New Pastor

The Kewanna and Pleasant Hill United Methodist Churches will get a new pastor in June. He is Rev. Steve McPeek and he is coming to Kewanna from Linn Grove, a small town along the Wabash River in Adams County.

McPeek has been in the ministry for nine years. Before going into the printing industry as a pre-press four-color stripper and supervisor, letter press operator, and in bindery and finishing. He has an associate's degree in Printing Technology and a bachelor's degree in Graphic Arts Management, both of which are from Ball State University, and a Masters of Divinity Degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. He will be ordained as a full elder in the North Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church in June. McPeek is originally from Muncie and his wife, Annette, is from Springport. They have been married for 18 years and have two children, a son, Brock, and a daughter, Danielle.

Brock is 17 and a junior at South Adams High School. Danielle is 13 and an eighth grader at South Adams Jr. High School.

The current pastor, Mike Tatman and his family, will be relocating to Kentucky.

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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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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.

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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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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Fish and Chicken Dinner at Fulton

The Fulton Athletic League will serve its annual all-you-can-eat fish and chicken dinner Saturday, June 9, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Liberty Township Park. Tickets are \$6.50 in advance for adults and \$4.50 for children 6-12. Children age five and under may eat free. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for children.

The fish and chicken will be prepared by Ernie Hiatt.

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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.

A fun social group of V.I.P.s will gather soon for a time of getting acquainted. There will be no dues, no fees, no age limits, and no rules - just a time of socializing and sharing.

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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Recycling Dates
Fri., June 1st,
June 15th & 29th

Power Show, June 15-17

Antique tractor owners are gearing up for the Fulton County Historical Power Show to be held June 15-17 on the grounds of the Fulton County Historical Society, four miles north of Rochester on U.S. 31. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or whenever the tractor pull ends) Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, age 12 and over, and free for children, age 11 and under. Weekend passes are available for \$10 per person. Free parking and tram rides and golf cart rental are available on the grounds. The grounds are handicapped accessible.

The three-day event will host exhibitors of antique tractors, lawn tractors, hit-n-miss engines, farm equipment and antique trucks. Vendors of a variety of foods, crafts, flea market items and swap parts will also be available on the grounds. The museum, round barn and Living History Village, will be open during the festival, free of charge.

MM sounds like sweets to the candy lover, but to the antique tractor buff, it means Minneapolis Moline, those big "Prairie Gold" tractors started in 1929 when the Minneapolis Threshing, Minneapolis Steel & Machinery and Moline Plow companies combined. The show will host the Prairie Gold Rush Summer Show, with special emphasis on the MM Star series. MM club members will have a banquet Saturday at Alexandra's Family restaurant. MM and Jacobsen garden tractors will be featured in the garden tractor section. Members of the Vintage Garden Tractors Club of America and other local groups with garden tractors from a five-state region will exhibit and play tractor games during the show. A variety of tractors will be at the show including John Deere, International Harvester, Farmall, Allis Chalmers, Ford, Case, Massey Harris, Oliver, Cockshutt, McCormick Deering, etc. All equipment is welcome. Also displays of hit-n-miss engines, a strawberry planter, combine, trucks and various other farm equipment and a G-scale train diorama by Illiana Garden Railway Society, Crown Garden, will be set up inside the museum meeting room all three days of the show.

A 1915 sawmill, powered by a steam engine, will saw logs during the show. Custom orders will be taken and a fee included. Other demonstrations will include corn grinders, threshing machine, Baker fan, hay baler, burr mills, shingle mill, buzz saw, edger and many hit-n-miss engines. These activities will take place at different times during the day.

The show will be honoring Craig Welding, Mentone, for its 63 years of service to Fulton County. George Craig bought a welder in 1944 and set it up in the summer kitchen of his home. It

was his hobby but soon became a business as neighbors asked him to fix things for them. Soon he fixed up an old chicken house for his shop. In 1958 he built a 33x60 foot Quonset to house his business. Since 1992 four more additions have been built but it is all one big building. His son Don joined the business in 1964 after attending welding school in Troy, Ohio. Son John joined the business in 1971 when he graduated from high school. They have built wagons, elevators, fire truck pumpers and tankers, rescue units - basically whatever anybody wants. It is not just a welding shop, as they do layout, shearing, fitting, and bending in completing a project. George has passed away but his grandsons, Matt Craig, Jay Craig and Chris Peterson have joined the company. It is a growing business with over a dozen employees. They will have an exhibit tent in the center field of the show.

Food vendors will provide something for everyone's taste buds including hot and cold sandwiches, onion rings, kettle corn, ice cream, elephant ears, cotton candy and much more. The museum will serve a breakfast buffet starting at 7 a.m. each morning that will include biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, hash browns, ham, fruit and beverage as well as submarine sandwiches and homemade pie for lunch.

Activities during the show will include a parade of trucks and tractors each day at 11 a.m. Tractor games will take place all three days. Games will include barrel roll, blind driver race, chaining the box, slowest tractor, balancing gate, to name a few. These contests are all done while on a tractor or garden tractor. Games for kids are also being planned such as a pedal pull and money in the straw, etc. The PA system will be provided by Second Generation Jukebox, Gary and Angi Chapin, of Rochester.

An antique tractor light and heavy pull will begin at 5 p.m. Friday. A team tractor pull will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday - two tractors pulling one old-fashioned stone boat. Other contests include a John Henry contest, a tug of war between man and tractor at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. The tractor wins if it pulls the people 20 feet, but they win if they hold the tractor for 10 seconds. The 50/50 pull will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, both the driver and the tractor have to be 50 years old or older to participate.

Entertainment will include the Swingin' Dues Round and Square Dance Club on Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the upper level of the Round Barn. The caller will be Dick Burns and the cuer, Dave Talbott.

The Fulton County Historical Power Association officers and directors, as well as the other 140 members of the group, are very enthusiastic in planning the



Sen. Weatherwax Recognized for Perfect Voting Record

(STATEWAX) - Sen. Tom Weatherwax (R-Logansport) was recognized by Senate President Pro Tempore David Long (R-Fort Wayne) for achieving an outstanding voting attendance record during the 2007 legislative session.

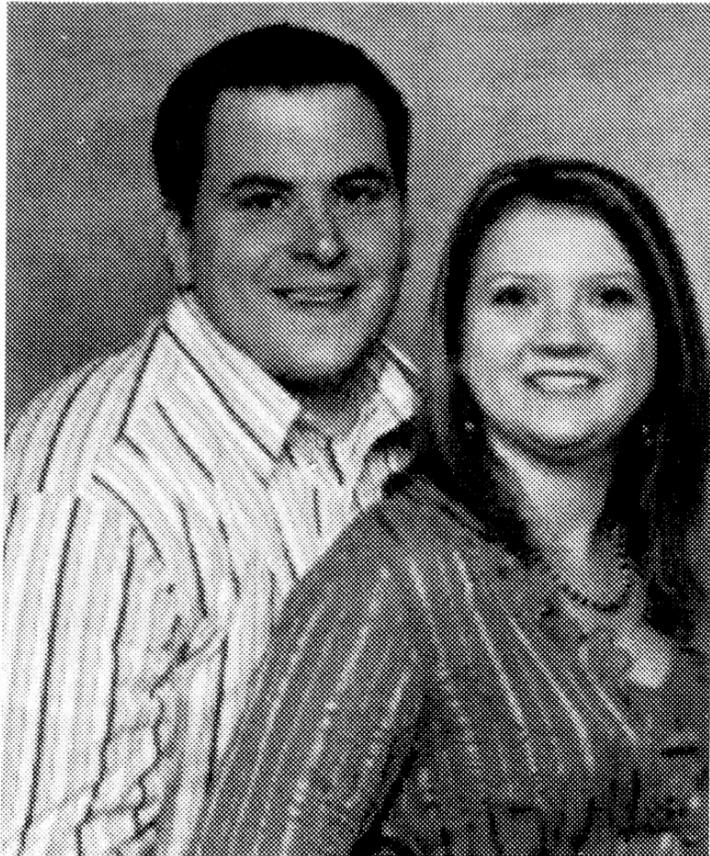
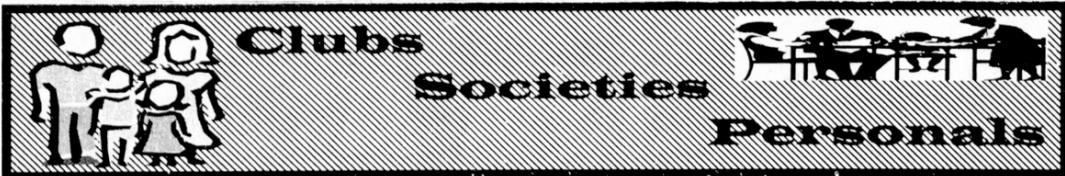
"One of the top jobs of a legislator is to voice the best interest of constituents and our state by casting vital votes," Long said. "This is often much easier said than done. There are meetings, visitors and many other activities occurring simultaneously. Sen. Weatherwax has shown his commitment to the citizens he represents by compiling another outstanding voting attendance record."

Weatherwax was eligible for 554 roll calls this year and cast 554 votes - a 100 percent record. "One of my top priorities as senator is to make sure the voices of my constituents are heard throughout the legislative process," said Weatherwax. "One of the best ways to achieve this goal is to make sure that I gather information through legislative surveys, town meetings and constituent correspondence and vote on the issues being debated on the Senate floor."

Sen. Tom Weatherwax represents District 18, which includes Cass, Fulton and Miami counties as well as parts of Pulaski, Kosciusko and Wabash counties.

power show. Members are from Fulton, Pulaski, Marshall, St. Joseph, Kosciusko, Miami and other counties. Persons interested in joining the group can do so by sending dues of \$15 to the Fulton County Historical Power Association, c/o FCHS, 37 E 375 N, Rochester, IN 46975. The power association is a branch of the Fulton County Historical Society and meets monthly on the second Tuesday at the Fulton County Museum at 7 p.m.

To exhibit at the power show, contact the power association at the above address or call Melinda Clinger at 574-223-4436 or email melinda@rtcol.com.



Couple Plans October Wedding

Ashley Mishay Allen, Delong, and Thomas Garner Jr., Kewanna, are engaged to marry October 13, 2007, at Geneva Center, Rochester.

She is the daughter of Patrick and Barbara Allen, Delong, and a 2004 graduate of Grace Baptist

Christian School. She is employed by Woodlawn Medical Professionals, Rochester.

The prospective groom is the son of Tom and Linda Garner, Kewanna. He is a 1999 graduate of Caston High School and employed as an apprentice plumber with Mike's Maintenance, Culver.



Honor Student

Samantha Ricci received her 5-Peat Honor Roll Award Thursday evening, May 17, at Columbia Elementary School in Logansport. Samantha is the only student in her class to remain on the all A honor roll all year.

Samantha has also received her trophy for Above-and-Beyond Word Club and her 6- and 5-Minute Addition Math Club. She will be getting her 50-point Accelerated Reader Certificate at the end of the year program.

Samantha is the daughter of Mark and Amy Ricci, Logansport, and the granddaughter of Martin and Sherry Van Meter, Grass Creek. +++

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Scales and Tails Fest at State Museum

From tiny lizards and furry ferrets to cockatoos, snakes and a bobcat, uncommon animals and their people will gather at the Indiana State Museum on Saturday, June 2, to show why some creatures make a great addition to the family while others don't.

The second annual Scales & Tails Fest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., is a great chance to learn why choosing a pet is a big decision and to get the detailed information you need to make a smart choice. Rescue organizations and other experts will attend, and many animals will be available for adoption into a loving home.

Kids will be fascinated by chicks hatching before their eyes, performances by Silly Safari and take-home crafts like pet rocks and cat teasers. You can unrope your inner cowboy on a giant rocking horse in the Governor Frank O'Bannon Great Hall or saddle up for \$3 pony rides around the outside of the museum. Did you know horses need dentists too? Come see the tools unique to equine dentistry, and discover other types of care that your furry, feathery, or scaly friends need to live a happy, healthy life.

The Indy Dog Disc Club will show their sport on the museum's front lawn while the Hoosier Kennel Club instructs dog owners on how to show their superstars in the ring. Be sure to visit other participating organizations that day including Dove's Mini Camelot, Exotic Feline Rescue Center, Hoosier Herpetological Society, Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Indy Parks and Recreation, Indiana Task Force One Canine Team and Utopia Wildlife Rehabilitators.

Scales and Tails Fest activities are included in regular museum admissions which are \$7 for adults, \$6.50 for seniors; and \$4 for children ages 3-12. Call 317-232-1637 for more information or visit indianamuseum.org for a complete list of collaborators.

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"Don't" List For Expectant Mothers

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Do old wives' tales have any legitimacy in 21st century medicine? If you are pregnant, you have probably heard a list of "don't do this or that".

However, here is a list of warnings worth heeding.

Don't smoke Smoking raises your risk for miscarriage, premature birth, low birth weight and many other problems.

Don't use drugs Cocaine, heroin and marijuana increase your risk of miscarriage, premature birth and birth defects. And your baby could be born addicted to the drug you've been taking.

Don't drink alcohol Drinking alcohol during pregnancy is the major cause of preventable birth defects, including mental slowness.

Don't clean your cat's litter box, or eat raw or undercooked red meat. You could get toxoplasmosis, a disease that can cause birth defects.

Don't sit in the hot tub or sauna. This raises your risk of miscarriage and birth defects.

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June 3 - Open Sunday. Open at noon.

June 12 - Men's meeting at 6:30 p.m.

June 16 - Biscuit and gravy breakfast, 7 a.m. to noon. Free will donation. Card drawing at 7 p.m.

June 19 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m.

June 24 - Open Sunday at noon. Free food. Euchre at 1 p.m.

June 26 - Men's Auxiliary meeting at 6:30 p.m.
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HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

May 17

Births - Sarah M. and Jay Joseph Schooler, Winamac, a son, Aiden Hunter Schooler

May 21

Admissions - Lily Bair, Winamac
Dismissals - Charles Dean, Argos

May 22

Admissions - none published
Dismissals - David Holloway, Macy
Births - Moises Davilla and Cara Prater, Akron, a son; David and Theresa Floyd, Denver, a son

May 23

Admissions - Harold Kirby and Bernice Gedeon, Rochester
Dismissals - none published

May 24

Admissions - Destiny Miller, Rochester
Dismissals - Cara Prater and son, Akron

May 25

Admissions - none published
Dismissals - Theresa Floyd and son, Denver; Bernice Gedeon and Destiny Miller, Rochester

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

May 18

Admissions - Raymond Abenante, Ora
Dismissals - Elizabeth Laubhan, Winamac

May 19

Dismissals - Rosemary Watts, Winamac

May 20

Admissions - Grace Waterhouse, Winamac

May 21

Admissions - Sharon O'Donnell and James Brettin, Winamac; Marjorie Jostetti, Kewanna

May 23

Dismissals - Raymond Abenante, Ora; Sharon O'Donnell, Winamac

May 24

Admissions - Stephanie Vaughan, Wanatah; Jason Werner, Winamac; Rebecca Semrau, Medaryville

May 24

Admissions - Stephani Iverson, Winamac; Angela Thompson, Ora, Karen Hough, Winamac

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AREA FIVE MENU

Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, June 4 - BBQ ribette, macaroni and cheese, tropical fruit salad, sugar cookie, wheat bread and milk

Wednesday, June 6 - Crispy chicken, au gratin potatoes, broccoli salad, apple crisp, roll and milk

Friday, June 8 - Chicken patty Italiano sandwich, baby bakers, lima beans, cake and milk

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DEATHS

LOIS "JEAN" GUNDRUM

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, 2007, in the Good Family Funeral Home, Rochester, for Lois "Jean" Gundrum, 62, Fulton. Burial was in the Bruce Lake Cemetery. Mrs. Gundrum died unexpectedly at 4:45 a.m. Friday, May 25, 2007, at her residence.

Born June 25, 1944, in Fulton, she was the daughter of Francis Marvin and Naomi Ruth Pickens Tyler. She was married November 14, 1959, in Rochester to Leelis T. Carpenter and was later married to Bernard W. Gundrum on April 9, 1999, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He preceded her in death on February 17, 2006.

She attended Rochester High School and lived most of her life in Fulton County, except for seven years she spent in Jackson, Michigan.

A homemaker, she enjoyed collectables, especially glassware, watches and jewelry. She also loved gardening. She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary and the VFW Auxiliary, all of Rochester.

Survivors include a daughter, Deborah S. Carpenter, Jackson, Michigan; two grandsons, Joshua Roark, Jackson, Michigan, and Brian Roark and his wife, Tammy, Kewanna; four great-grandchildren, Nevaeh, Zoe, Alyssa and Joey Roark, all of Kewanna; two stepsons, Richard Gundrum and his wife, Karyn, Logansport and Mark Gundrum and his wife, Brenda, Fulton; two step-grandchildren, Emma Gundrum, Logansport, and Adam Gundrum, Fulton; four sisters, Elnora Sayger and her husband, Jack, Clymenia Halterman and her husband, Willis, Judy Kuhn and her husband, Chuck, and Mona Snook and her husband, Philip, all of Rochester; three brothers, Billy Tyler and his wife, Donna, Paul Tyler and his wife, Sandy, and Jim Tyler and his companion, Betty, all of Rochester; nieces and nephews, and her beloved Schnauzer, Tuffy. Her parents, husband, and two brothers, Ralph Tyler and Melvin Tyler, preceded her in death.

Memorials may be made to Hope Hospice of Fulton County. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at goodfamily@rtcol.com.

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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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Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

The Help for the Hurting Parent bereavement support group of PMH will meet Wednesday, June 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the PMH conference center. The group is open to residents of any county who have experienced the death of any aged child. Call 574-946-2180 for more information.

The Living with Grief Support Group will meet Thursday, June 7, from 12 to 1:30 p.m. in the PMH board room. This group is for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Before attending the group experience, it is highly suggested that you meet with the grief counselor alone to assess your individual needs. Call 574-946-2180.

PMH will hold a two-day safer-sitter class Monday and Tuesday, June 11 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The class is designed to prepare your adolescent, age 11 to 13, to care for younger children. Class size is limited. For more information, call 574-946-2193 or 1-800-659-7644, ext. 2193. The registration fee is \$30. Scholarships for those needing financial assistance is available.

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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Dental Services Offered to Low Income Children

SEAL INDIANA, Indiana University School of Dentistry's statewide mobile dental program, will be able to double the number of low-income children it serves with a \$75,000 grant from Delta Dental Foundation. This grant will allow children in Indiana to receive dental care that they would not normally have received.

SEAL INDIANA was launched in 2003 in collaboration with the Indiana State Department of Health to provide preventive oral health services for children who do not have access to dental care. Through a mobile dental clinic, SEAL provides dental sealants, x-rays, fluoride varnish and dental examinations. These services are performed by fourth-year dental students and second year dental hygiene students who are supervised by a faculty dentist from Indiana University School of Dentistry.

SEAL INDIANA operates year-round traveling across the state to schools and community centers. In 2006, the SEAL INDIANA team visited 146 sites, examined

3,044 children and provided 4,422 dental sealants on the teeth of 1,301 children.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Indianapolis Charity Horse Show: May 30 - June 2 in the Pepsi Coliseum & West Pavilion. Showtimes: Wed. 7 p.m.; Thurs. - Sat. 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 7 p.m. Admission: \$4 for evening sessions. Contact: Phyllis Harris (317) 336-7569.

Indy 1500 Gun & Knife Show: June 1 - 3 in the Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. 2 to 8 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact: Dan Masters (405) 340-1333 or www.indy1500.com.

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Indiana Motor Truck Association Truck Rodeo: June 9 in the Midway Lot. Hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: free. Contact: Kevin Roberts (317) 383-6673.

Super Game Auction: June 9 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. The auction begins at 10 a.m. Admission: free. Contact: Rob Stormont (714) 329-1373 or www.superauctions.com.

Indiana State Fair Young Hoosier Pianist Competition: June 9 - 10 in the Old National Bank Grand Hall. Contact: State Fair Board office (317)927-7535 or www.indianastatefair.com.

IN TWO WEEKS

L.E. Barnes & Bailey Brothers Circus: June 16 - 17 in the Exposition Hall Lot. Shows at 1:30, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Admission: \$20 adults; \$10 children. Contact: Carol King (940) 665-113.

Midwest Reptile Show: June 17 in the Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5, children 8 & younger free. Contact: Brian Hahn (317) 861-5550 or www.midwestreptile.com.

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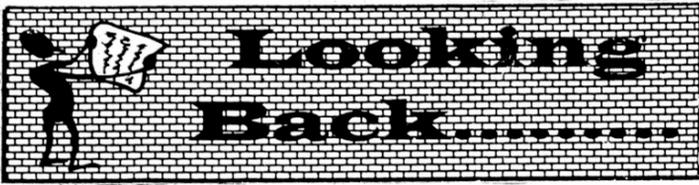
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Fifty-Five Years Ago May 23, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Norris of Kankakee, Illinois, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary here May 25 with an open house in the home of their granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cogdill.

The James Caldwell house was entered May 18 and a small amount of money taken. Mrs. Caldwell stated that when she left the house at noon she made sure the door was latched, but that on her return at 4 p.m. the door was unlocked and the money missing.

Mary Zuck, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Zuck of here, is a patient at the Northern Indiana Children's Hospital in South Bend where she is being treated for polio.

A daughter was born May 14 at Woodlawn Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mullins, Fulton.

A son was born May 14 in Carneal Hospital, Winamac to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heiden, Kewanua.

The Kewanua Methodist Church launched its farming project Wednesday, May 14, at the Evans farm three miles northeast of here. The 50-acre plot was plowed in three and a quarter hours by a 16-tractor crew. Tractor operators were Kenneth Hood, Kenneth Watkins, Loren Cunningham, Warren Miller, Foster Stoudt, Arthur Anderson, Phillip Anderson, Ralph Kreamer, Warren Gillespie, Clauden Loudon, Ellis McNabb, Kenneth Miller, Gene Wilson, Herbert Rhoades and Howard Gilliland. Arrangements for work through the harvest are under the direction of Warren Miller, Louis Walsh, Ralph Johnston, Rex Murray, Hugh Cook and the pastor, Rev. Forest Howell.

Mrs. Lewis Woods resigned her position as clerk in Clark's 5 and 10 recently and was replaced by Pat Lebo who was a waitress at the Coffee Shop until recently.

Fifty Years Ago May 30, 1957

Manford Kistler has been named to the vacant coaching position at Grass Creek High School. He replaces Rollin "Bud" Jump who resigned to enter military service. Kistler has been assistant coach at Kewanua the past two years. He was formerly head coach at Fulton and Cutler.

Harold Hickie of Kewanua has designed and built a boat made of two airplane wing tanks welded together. It is powered by a 10-horse motor mounted between the two cockpits and can be operated from either side.

The Key Theatre in Kewanua will reopen Friday, May 31, according to the owner, Joe McPherson. The movie house was closed last fall when the combination of high fuel bills and low ticket sales made the operation unprofitable. The first show will be "Between Heaven and Hell", a

war story starring Robert Wagner and Terry Moore. The movie for Sunday will be Elvis Presley in "Love Me Tender".

Mrs. Ferd (Stella) Grube is building a nice little five room home on East Pearl Street. She expects to move there in about three weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Heinsen were honored at a farewell party Sunday evening by the Sunday Night Bridge Club in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Lord. The Heinsens will move to their new home in Winamac Saturday.

Charles Richard Thomas, Jr., five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Thomas of Grass Creek, fell over a limb in the yard while playing at his home and broke a bone in his left arm. The arm was placed in a cast.

Larry Joe Donathen, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donathen, Rt. 3, Kewanua, underwent a tonsilectomy in Carneal Hospital, Winamac, Friday.

Forty-Five Years Ago May 24, 1962

Marlene Skinner, senior student at Kewanua High school, has been awarded the Crisco trophy for outstanding work in home economics. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skinner, Kewanua.

The 63rd annual commencement exercises were held Tuesday evening, May 22, in the Kewanua High School gym. The valedictorian address was given by Marcia Hizer and the salutatorian addresses were given by Nancy Walters and Robert Burton. Other members of the class were Maurice Cohagan, Danny Corbett, William Downhour, Eric Johnston, Barbara Lamborn, Nancy Luhnnow, Bernard Martin, Mary Nell Masteller, Marilyn McColley, Ronald Miller, Bruce Mills, Thomas Ness, Sharon Shoemaker, Marlene Skinner, Dennis Smith, Trudy Troutman, Jacquelyn Vigus, William Walters and Alberta Wiperman.

Mr. and Mrs. Don O. Nafe of Ypsilanti, Michigan, former Kewanua residents, will observe their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, May 27, with an open house in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graffis.

The Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service sponsored a mother and daughter banquet in the church annex Thursday evening. Approximately 90 mothers and daughters were in attendance. Musical selections were provided by Mrs. Eli Partridge, Debbie Partridge, Nancy Walters and Jill and Joy Urbin. Mrs. Cloyd Earp, Inez Kestle and Florence Hines read poems.

Howard Livengood, our local United Telephone representative, has installed his company's newest electronic miracle, a speakerphone, in the office of the John M. Agnew Insurance Agency.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Zuck spent Sunday afternoon with their son, Tom, a student at Purdue.

Larry Lee Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cunningham, Rt. 1, Kewanua, will join the staff of DePauw University in September as an assistant reference librarian.

Sandra Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, Rt. 3, Kewanua, is among 34 young women completing the two-year secretarial course at Ball State College. She will receive a certificate at a special recognition ceremony at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 27.

Forty Years Ago May 25, 1967

Richard Graffis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graffis, Kewanua, graduated May 21 from Taylor University. A chemistry major, he plans to study medicine.

Max and JoAnn Metzger have purchased the Harrison Funeral Homes in Royal Center and Kewanua. The firm has been incorporated and will be known as Harrison Funeral Homes, Inc. with Paul Harrison retaining an interest and assisting when necessary. The Metzgers moved to Royal Center in 1960. He is a graduate of Bunker Hill High School and she of Flora High School. Both are graduates of International Business College in Fort Wayne. Mr. Metzger is also a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science. They have two sons, Michael, age 8, and Kyle, age 3.

Ed Sayers left Friday for Indianapolis where he was inducted into the Air Force. He will be stationed at Lackland AFB, Texas.

1/Lt. Brian and 1/Lt. Jeanne Anne Markle called her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin, from Hong Kong Friday.

Mrs. Mark (Carrie) Sixbey, Kewanua, has been dismissed from Dukes Memorial Hospital in Peru and is convalescing in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Leavell.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baldwin held open house Monday evening in their home in honor of their son, Larry, who was a member of the Kewanua High School graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Stair, Logansport, announce the engagement of their daughter, Vivian, to Paul E. Bauman Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Bauman Sr., Rt. 2, Kewanua. Miss Stair is a 1965 graduate of Pioneer High School and attended Purdue University majoring in sociology. She is presently employed as a teacher's assistant at the State Hospital. Her fiancé is a 1962 graduate of Caston High School and attended Purdue University's agricultural short course. He is presently employed with Case Power and Equipment, Logansport. A August wedding is being planned.

Thirty Years Ago May 26, 1977

Christy Wentzel is one of 13 Goshen College students taking art classes in Florence, Italy, May 19 to July 1. Christy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Covert Wentzel, Kewanua, and a 1976 Kewanua High School graduate.

Norma Heidorn graduated Sunday, May 22, from Manchester College majoring in secretarial science. Norma is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Leland Heidorn, Kewanua.

Doug Johnson of Kewanua recently won the District Pinewood Derby at Winamac. It was the first time anyone from here has won the event.

Mrs. Nina Ogden, Kewanua, announces the engagement of her daughter, Celinda, to David Briney. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Briney, Kewanua. The bride-elect is a 1977 graduate of Kewanua High School and is employed at the Village Market. Her fiancée is also a Kewanua graduate and is employed at Switches, Inc., Leiters Ford. The couple is planning a July 15 wedding.

Twenty Years Ago May 28, 1987

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Cook and family of here and Mr. and Mrs. John Carlisle and family of Indianapolis spent the weekend in Bowling Green, Kentucky, where they attended the graduation of Jeff Bitterling from Bowling Green High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Benson have returned to their summer home at the lake after spending the winter in Bradenton, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Urbin of Kewanua entertained several relatives Sunday evening in honor of the birthdays of Rev. Keith Smitley, Rev. David Smitley and Jason Urbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Mollencupp, Kewanua, are the parents of a son, Kyle Edward, born May 20 at Pulaski Memorial Hospital, Winamac.

Ten Years Ago May 29, 1997

Jessica Urbin and Jillian Grinage have been named students of the month for May at Caston. Jessica, a senior, is the high school student of the month. Jillian is the junior high student of the month.

Recent visitors of John and Virginia Agnew were Lois and Fred Bell of Naples, Florida, and Lorene and George Wood and Ethel and Raymond Stipp of Valparaiso. In the evening, all attended the Kewanua High School alumni banquet.

Helen Whiteman was in Winamac Tuesday to attend the Winamac High School music, band and choir awards ceremony. Her grandson, Rodney Whiteman, was recognized for being an outstanding band member for his four years of high school.

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Do Your Homework

Steve Carter
Attorney General

Warm weather has arrived in Indiana and many people may use this time of year to engage in home improvement projects. While most home improvement contractors are honest and skilled workers, deceitful people are lurking, waiting for an opportunity to prey upon people like senior citizens. It's important to ask friends and family for recommendations of reputable contractors and to never feel pressured to make on the spot decisions as a result of a solicitation.

Below are some consumer tips on finding a reputable contractor.

- Take your time and don't let a contractor rush your decision.
- Do research, know how much you can afford, and what needs to be done.
- Talk to your friends and family about contractors they recommend.
- Opt for local, well-established contractors, and don't assume that an ad makes a contractor reliable.
- Be skeptical if a bid is too low or too high.
- Get bids in writing.
- Check with your city or county building department to determine the licensing requirements for your area, and if the contractor you are considering is properly licensed, bonded and insured.

Indiana law requires home improvement contracts exceeding \$150 to be in writing. (IC 35-43-6-4). Before signing the contract, make sure it includes the price of the job, a payment schedule, a detailed description of the work, an estimated start and completion date, the contractor's name and address, and a name and telephone number of the person to contact if a problem arises as well as the contractor's signature. Never pay for the entire project before the work begins. Do not pay more than one-third of the total cost as a down payment. Remaining payments should be tied to completion of specified amounts of work.

Don't make the final payment to the contractor until you know that all subcontractors and/or suppliers have been paid. Get written proof of payment because subcontractors and suppliers may file a mechanics lien against your home if they haven't been paid. Be sure to get a copy of warranties and keep all records related to your project. This includes the contract, change orders, warranties and correspondence. These records are important particularly if you have a problem.

In 2006, the attorney general pursued legal action against 31 home improvement contractors.

Consumers who believe they may have been a victim of home improvement fraud may file a complaint with the attorney general's office by calling 1-800-382-5516 or by filing a complaint at <http://www.IndianaConsumer.com>.

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Filing Deadline August 1

Kewanua residents wishing to run for a town council seat or the clerk-treasurer's office have until noon August 1 to file at the county clerk's office.



Thank You - Once again we cannot say THANK-YOU enough for the continued support from our families, friends, neighbors, neighboring fire departments and our community. The success of our Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast comes from the support of all of you, serving 666 this year, and we cannot wait until 2008. With our community behind us, we will continue to help our families and friends whenever we are called upon.

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STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS OFFER FOOD SAFETY TIPS FOR A SAFER SUMMER

INDIANAPOLIS—During the summer months, many Hoosiers will be celebrating with family and friends by sharing meals. As a result, state health officials are offering some timely food safety tips.

"The single best way to prepare and consume food safely is to wash your hands before cooking, serving, or eating," said Scott Gilliam, of the Indiana State Department of Health's Food Protection Program. "Make sure to wash your hands thoroughly after touching raw meat, like ground beef or poultry."

"Food temperature is also important," Gilliam said. "If a food is intended to be served hot, make sure to cook it fully before serving it. On the other hand, if a food is intended to be served cold, keep it cold. Never let cold food sit out for an extended period of time. If you're serving cold pasta salad, store it in a refrigerator or a cooler and put it on the picnic table right before the food is served."

According to Gilliam, another

effective technique to avoid food-borne illness is to buy a good meat thermometer and use it to make sure that meat is cooked to its appropriate temperature.

"Ground beef should be cooked to an internal temperature of 155 degrees for at least 15 seconds, pork should be cooked to an internal temperature of 145 degrees for at least three minutes, and poultry should be cooked to an internal temperature of 165 degrees for at least 15 seconds," Gilliam said.

If you don't have a meat thermometer, cook meats until the juices run clear. Ground beef should be brown or at least brownish pink in the center before it is served.

Gilliam also warned people who are experiencing nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or sore throat with fever or jaundice not to handle food or utensils.

"Try to minimize the direct handling of ready-to-eat foods with bare hands as much as possible," Gilliam said. "Use utensils whenever possible when handling salads, sandwiches, etc." Health officials also recommend the following food safety tips:

· Food safety begins with hand-washing even in outdoor settings. And it can be as simple as using a water

jug, some soap and paper towels.

· Keep all utensils and platters clean when preparing food.

· When grocery shopping during hot weather, make perishables your last pick-up in the store. Never leave them in the car while you run other errands—it doesn't take long for bacteria to grow. Get perishables home and into the refrigerator immediately.

· Thaw meat or poultry safely by leaving it overnight in the refrigerator. Don't leave meat or poultry out on the counter for an extended period of time before you prepare it.

· Don't use the same platter and utensils that previously held raw meat

or seafood to serve cooked meats and seafood.

· Marinate foods in the refrigerator, not on the counter or

outdoors.

If some of the marinade is to be used as a sauce on the cooked food, reserve a portion separately before adding the raw meat, poultry, or seafood. Don't reuse marinade.

· When it's time to cook the food, cook it thoroughly. Use a food thermometer to be sure. For additional information on proper food temperatures, visit the Indiana State Department of Health Web site at: www.in.gov/isdh/pdfs/fda_tips.pdf.

· Cook chicken and seafood until the flesh is solid.

· Don't leave leftovers on the picnic table or allow foods to cool on the kitchen counter. Put foods directly into the refrigerator within two hours of serving. If you divide large quantities of

leftovers into smaller portions, they will chill more quickly to temperatures that inhibit the growth of bacteria.

· Make sure to cook eggs until both the white and the yolk are firm.

· Keep cold food cold. Place cold food in a cooler with ice or frozen gel packs. Cold food should be held at or below 40 F.

· Rinse fresh fruits and vegetables under running tap water, including

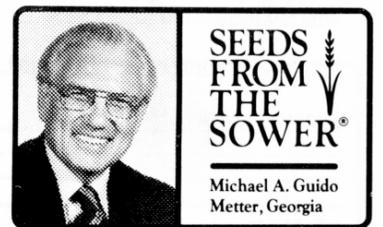
those with skins and rinds that are not eaten. Packaged fruits and vegetables labeled "ready-to-eat," "washed," or "triple washed" need not be washed.

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Sports Shorts

The Caston Comet baseball team defeated LaVille Friday 9-8 in their last game of the regular season. The Comets (11-17) were scheduled to play Pioneer Tuesday in the Class A Tri-County sectional. The Comets beat Pioneer twice during the regular season.

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A native of Africa said, "Years ago when one in my village died, the witch doctor put into his hand as he left this world a dead man's bone."

But he added, "Now that I'm a Christian, I'm holding the hand of my living Lord, for the Bible says, 'Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me.'"

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Large Print Mystery Fiction— *I Heard That Song Before* by Mary Higgins Clark and *The Woods* by Harlan Coben.

Western Fiction— *Luke*

Dawson: Wells Fargo Gun by Denny Andrews; *Atascocita Gold* by Kent Conwell; and *The English Horses* by William A. Luckey.

Nonfiction— *The Final Week of Jesus* and *Six Hours One Friday* by Max Lucado; *The Complete Family Guide to Living with High Blood Pressure* by Michael Rees, M.D.; and *Quick and Easy Woodcrafts* from Better Homes

Winamac Community High School

2007 Scholarship Recipients

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American Legion Post #71	Jordan Gilman
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Galbreath Educational Trust	Sarah Miller
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Northern Indiana Power from the Past	Jess Daily
PSI IOFA XI	Sarah Miller
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Eastern Pulaski Teachers Assoc.	Brandi Briney, Ashley Reinhold
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Winamac Community High School Athletic Boosters Club	Kristen Alexander, Bryan Shank
Winamac Kiwanis Club	Justine Linback
Winamac Knights of Columbus #1561	Sarah Miller, Joel Webb
Winamac Lions Club	Carrie Gudas, David Weida
Loyal Order of the Moose Winamac Lodge #2513	Katie Sutton
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and Gardens.

JUVENILES:

Youth Nonfiction— *Blood and DNA Evidence* (from the Forensic Science Projects series) by Kenneth G. Rainis and (from the Look and Find series) *Happy Feet, Ice Age 2: The Meltdown* and *Open Season* illustrated by Art Mawhinney; *Scavenger Hunt* illustrated by Bob Roper; and *Strawberry Shortcake* by Joanna Spathis.

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LITTLE LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE

May 31 at 6 pm major league
June 5 at 6 pm major league
June 6 at 5:30 pm T-ball
June 7 at 6 pm major league

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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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Small Business Counseling

Fulton County small business owners and entrepreneurs can learn more about operating their own business by attending confidential counseling sessions provided by the regional Small Business Development Center and SCORE. Through an arrangement with the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO), this service is free to Fulton County residents. A business counselor can help current and prospective business owners with business plans, marketing, arranging financing and growing a business.

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- Slick newspaper insert

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—Juvenal

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—Helen Keller

Happiness is the natural flower of duty.

—Phillips Brooks

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A ZONE MAP AMENDMENT BY THE FULTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that the Fulton County commissioners of Fulton County, Indiana will hold a Public Hearing at the Fulton County Office Building in the Commissioner's Room, 125 East 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana on June 4th, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. on the petition of ACRES, Inc. for the approval of a zone map amendment request, which would allow the below stated plot to be amended from an Agricultural District to a Park District.

Legal Description:
IRREG MID D S 1/2, 121.5 Acres
N DIV MID DIV SW, 31.602 Acres
Richland Township, Approximately 153 Acres Total.

A copy of this Petition, and all information pertaining thereto are on file and available for examination prior to the Public Hearing at the Fulton County Plan Commission Office at 125 East 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana by appointment only by calling (574) 223-7667. No appointments on Holidays. Written comments in support of or in opposition of the Petition may be filed with or mailed to the Fulton County Commissioners (125 East 9th Street, Rochester, IN 46975) prior to the Public Hearing, or filed with the Auditor's Office at the Public Hearing.

Said Public Hearing will be open to the public and any comments for or against the Petition will be heard at this meeting. For special accommodations needed for disabled individuals planning to attend, phone (574) 223-2912 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

Denise J. Chandler
Fulton County Auditor

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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Alcoholic Beverage Board of Fulton County, Indiana, will hold a public hearing at 1:00 PM on June 20, 2007, at the Commissioners Room, County Annex, Fulton County Office Bldg., in the city of Rochester in said county, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein to wit:

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DL2523211 Dealer - Beer and Wine, New; Good Oil Company Inc., 400 N Main St., Rochester; D/B/A Good To Go #34; Don A Good, 5325 N Co Rd 400 E, Monterey, Pres., Dean K Good, 11499 W Co Rd 675 N, Monterey, Sec'y.

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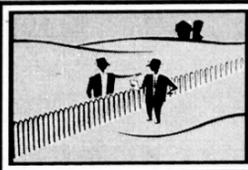
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CHATTER...**

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Doris Woolington recently spent a day in Ft. Wayne. She accompanied her granddaughter, Kayci Cunningham, on a trip to the IUPUI Ft. Wayne campus. While Kayci was taking an exam, Doris spent time visiting with her granddaughter, Laurie DePoy, Hayden and Carson. At noon, they met Christie and Jorydn Fahlsing and Deb Kipper for lunch and a shopping trip to Toys 'R Us®.

Kay and Jerry Brown were in Rochester Monday evening, May 21. They had an exciting time attending a baseball game in which their granddaughter, Kaelee Smith, was playing.

Wilma Wilson had an enjoyable day Tuesday, May 22. She was joined by her daughters, Mary Lou Foerg of Royal Center and Judy Graham of Lucerne, for a daylong ladies-only outing.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were in Rochester Tuesday where they helped prepare pizzas for the evening meal at the Moose Lodge.

Romayne Wentzel was in Rochester one day last week. She was visiting her sister-in-law and her husband, Betty and Gilbert Weller.

Jerry Brown was in Rochester Tuesday evening. He had a nice time attending the baseball game in which Kaelee Smith was participating.

Jackie Heidenreich and John Lincoln were in Rochester Wednesday, May 23. They enjoyed dining out at Wendy's and doing a little shopping.

Mary K. Williamson of Winamac had holiday houseguests. Arriving early in the weekend for a long visit were her daughters, Carol Fernandez of Kennesaw, Georgia and Karen Kruger of Brownsburg.

John Lincoln and Jackie Heidenreich enjoyed dining out Friday in Rochester.

Don and Pauline Scales had a surprise visitor Friday, May 25. Arriving late in the morning for a family chat was their daughter, Barb Grandstaff of Kendallville. Pauline and Barb spent the afternoon running errands

between lunch at the Mill Creek Restaurant in Fulton and dessert at Char-Betts in Logansport.

Romayne Wentzel spent the weekend as a houseguest of her son and his family, Tim and Jeri Wentzel and Danny of Hicksville.

Mildred McColley had working visitors Saturday, May 26. Coming up for a day of chores and a visit were her son, Ron McColley of Frankfort, and her granddaughter and her husband, Ginger and Chris Batta of West Lafayette.

Barb and Tom LaFollette received some welcomed assistance on their farm Saturday. Helping them throughout the day were Nub Brogdon, Chris and Michael LaFollette, and Terry and Karina Bohac and Nick.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan, arrived Saturday morning for an overnight visit with her parents, Earl and Mary Bangel. In the afternoon, Earl, Mary and Linda were accompanied by the Bangels' son and his family, Louis and Jean Bangel and Joyce of Winamac, on a trip to West Lafayette where they attended the graduation of Earl and Mary's grandson, Andrew Bangel, from Harrison High School. Andrew is the son of Darel and Nancy Bangel.

Helen Miller had working visitors Saturday. Coming up for a visit and to take care of some yard work were her granddaughter and her family, Suzanne and Mike Crump, Katie and Tyler, of Muncie.

Kay and Jerry Brown spent the early afternoon Saturday in Kokomo. In the evening, they traveled to Winamac to visit with Kay's mother, Mary K. Williamson, and her siblings, Carol Fernandez, Karen Kruger and John Williamson.

Romayne, Tim, Jeri and Danny Wentzel attended graduation at Hamilton High School, Hamilton, Saturday. Romayne's grandson, Matthew Slentz, was among the graduates being honored. During the ceremony, Matthew was awarded a Dekalb County Scholarship. Matthew is the son of Becky and Mike Slentz of Butler.

Bea Ann Clark of Logansport was a Saturday overnight houseguest of her sister, Betty Leazenby.

Helen Whiteman had a busy day Sunday, May 27. She began by attending the pancake and sausage breakfast held at the local fire station in the morning. In the early afternoon, she was joined for a delightful visit by her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Andrea Hook and Rylee of Winamac, and their houseguests, Helen's great-granddaughters, Jaden and Ella Whiteman of Indianapolis. In the evening, Helen traveled to the home of her grandson and his wife, Doug and Robin Whiteman at Winamac. Doug and Robin were hosting a belated birthday celebration in honor of Doug's father, Kenny Whiteman, and a belated anniversary celebration in honor of his parents, Kenny and Bev Whiteman.

Jackie Heidenreich had a caller Sunday. Stopping by for a visit and bringing along carry-outs from the pancake and sausage breakfast at the local fire station was her daughter, Vickie Molitor.

Hugh and Maryellen Tennent were among those who attended the potluck dinner hosted by Tom and Barb LaFollette Sunday.

Mike Brown had several visitors Sunday. Stopping in for a holiday visit were his daughter, Jessica Brown of Winamac; his parents, Jerry and Kay Brown; and his sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Mike McKinney.

Tom and Barb LaFollette hosted their annual 500 Race Day party Sunday. Their guests for a day involving lots of good food, visiting and watching the frequently rain-interrupted Indy 500 were their daughter and her family, Karina and Terry Bohac, Shelby and Nick, of Rochester; their son and grandchildren, Chris LaFollette, Michael, Rebecca and Elizabeth of LaPorte; Tom and Shirley Miller of Sharpsville; Kathy Barlow, Kokomo; Hugh and Maryellen Tennent, Nub and Bunny Brogdon, Gail Schwringa, Carolyn Enyart, and Bob and Carol Broda and their grandsons, Lawson and Logan Sennis.

Barb and Jon Gast had a visitor Sunday. Stopping by for a chat was Barb's sister, Bea Ann Clark.

Pauline and Don Scales had company Sunday. Joining them for a pleasant visit were their niece and her husband, Kay and Ken Putt of New Haven.

Brian and Kandi Evers, Lauren and Amanda, had dinner guests Sunday. Coming over in the evening to join them for the meal and a visit were Brian's parents, Leonard and Nancy Evers.

Barb Hieber and JoAnn Tsoodle had holiday visitors Monday, May 28. Joining them for a cookout in honor of Memorial Day were Barb's daughter and her family, Sue and Ed Janes and Tom and Joey Wilk of LaPorte. The family also had fun helping Tom celebrate his birthday.

Monday afternoon guests of Forrest and Elnora Baker were Ryan Baker and Leslie Bedrock

of Avon; Bruce and Denise Baker, Daniel Baker, Andrea Gunter, Joe and Karen Good, and Mark and Kelly Smith, Kara and Zachary. The group enjoyed homemade ice cream and cake in celebration of Forrest's 89th birthday, which was May 30.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Mike Brown, June 3; Lori Kamp, June 4; Alexandria Baker, Frances Easterday and Chad Weller, June 5; Hannah Miller, Harry Richter, Seth Scantlen and Junior Sutton, June 6; Jon Gast, Pauline Eikenberry, Don Kegarise, Judy Kupke, Mike Rude, Brent Studebaker and Courtney Thomas, June 7; Jeff Markley, June 8; and Brian Estes, Eric Ousley and Maddison Smith, June 9.

There are six couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bauman, June 3; Mr. and Mrs. Ron Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Zellers, June 5; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Cogdill, June 6; Mr. and Mrs. Jarrod Hickie, June 7; and Mr. and Mrs. Juan Sanchez, June 8.

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