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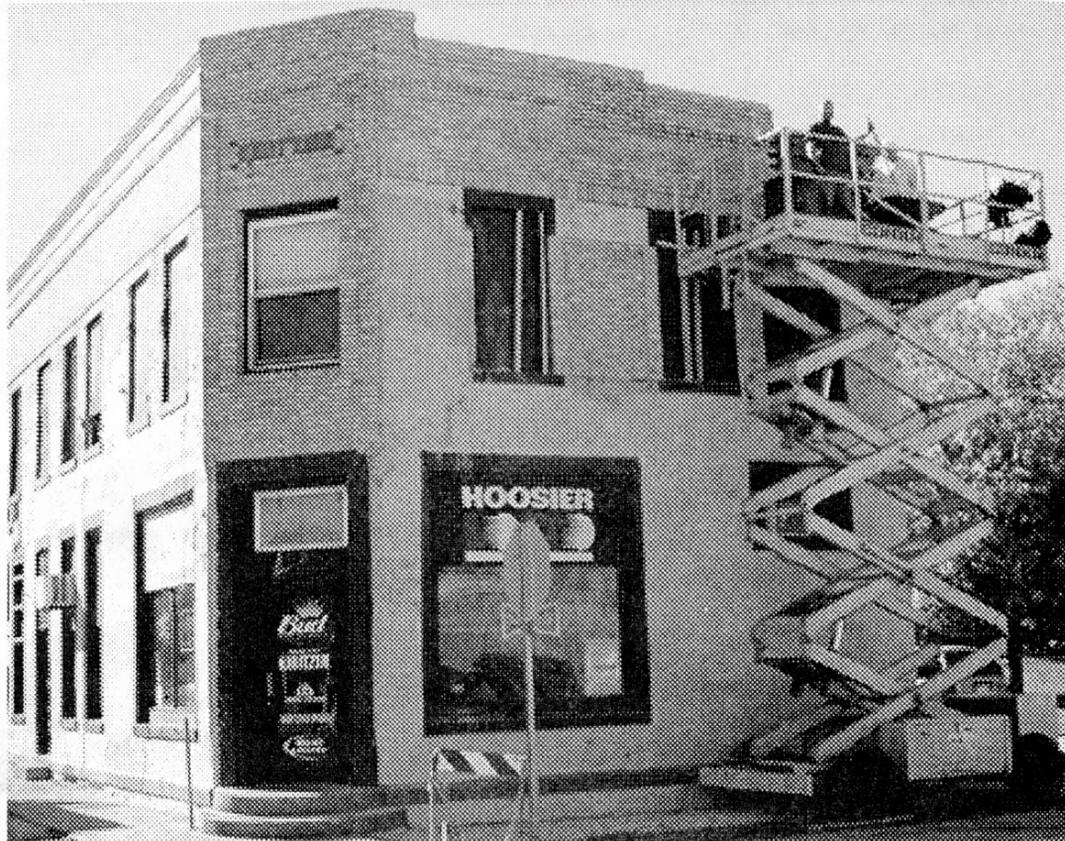
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**BRICK WORK NEARING COMPLETION** – Repairs to the façade of The Kibitzer at the corner of Main and Logan Streets in Kewanna is shown here nearing completion. Several bricks above the door and the east side of the building let loose and fell Wednesday, May 2. Bricks on the top of the entire east side and north side of the building were removed and replaced in an attractive design by William Neff and his son, Joshua Neff, of Neff's Masonry, Rochester.

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## Annual Soup and Sandwich Luncheon, November 9

The Kewanna United Methodist Women will host their annual soup and sandwich luncheon and bake sale Friday, November 9, in the church annex.

The bake sale will open at 8 a.m. Homemade cinnamon rolls, coffee and tea will be available for your morning coffee break.

Sandwiches, soup and desserts will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Everyone is urged to attend and enjoy the homemade cuisine while visiting with friends and neighbors.

Proceeds from the event will help the women meet their mission obligations.

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## Ham and Bean Supper, October 27

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church at Lake Bruce will serve a ham and bean supper Saturday, October 27, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the church. The cost of the meal is a free will donation. Proceeds will go towards church repairs. The church is handicap accessible on the east side of the building.

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## Trick or Treat Night, October 31

Trick or treat night in Kewanna will be 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 31. Residents who welcome the trick or treaters are asked to keep an outside light burning during the

trick or treat hours. Parents should caution their children to stop at those houses only. Trick or treaters should carry a light and wear reflective clothing so they will be visible to motorists.

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Send In Your News



## Town Council to Consider Zoning and Fireworks Ordinances

The Kewanna town council will hold a public hearing and begin consideration of adopting the Fulton County Comprehensive Plan, Fulton County Zoning Ordinance, Fulton County Subdivision Ordinance, Fulton County Zone Map and Fulton County Plan Commission Fee ordinance when it meets Thursday, November 1, at the Kewanna town hall, 109 E. Aurora Street.

The Fulton County Area Plan Commission approved the new planning and zoning ordinances and comprehensive plan and zoning map for the entire county when it met Monday evening. The Rochester city council, and Akron, Kewanna and Fulton town councils, as well as the Fulton county commissioners must now approve the ordinances before they take effect.

The Kewanna town council will also hold a third reading and vote on an ordinance regulating fireworks in Kewanna when it meets November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Recycling Days**  
 Fri., Nov. 2nd;  
 Nov. 16th & 30th

## Library Consolidation in the Future?

The Indiana Commission of Local Government Reform has been appointed by Governor Mitch Daniels to research and then "recommend ways to reform and restructure local government in Indiana in order to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of its operations and reduce its costs to Hoosier taxpayers." One question that the governor asked this commission to answer is: "What local units of government (including schools and libraries) might be successfully consolidated to reduce overhead and administrative expenses?" (source: <http://indianalocalgovrefor.m.in.edu>).

Consolidation refers to the combining or merging of independent libraries such as the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library into a larger existing library system, such as the county library system. If an independent library is merged with a larger library system, the residents of the independent library could lose all local control over their library. The library board, composed of trustees appointed by the local units of government, could be dissolved and the library system would cease to exist or there is a possibility the local board could be merged with the larger library board. This library board would then make all decisions about the budget, staffing, facilities, programs, collections and services for the residents of the previously independent library district and cuts would be likely in all areas.

Are there any benefits to consolidating libraries? In some cases, the residents of a very small library system might benefit from consolidating with a larger system, but this could come at the cost of losing their own local library building and might require them to travel a longer distance to receive library services. This would present a particular hardship for senior citizens and parents of preschool children and school students.

It should be noted that Indiana libraries only account for 3.33% of all the property taxes collected in Indiana. The current estimated 24% increase in property taxes for Indiana homeowners is due to the elimination of the inventory tax on businesses, the cap on state tax relief, trending and change to fair market assessing, and increases in local government tax collections.

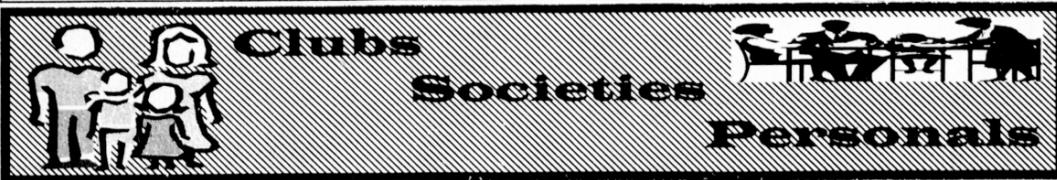
The public library tax levies (property tax collections) have been controlled by the state since 1973, allowing only small increases each year. Other state controls limit libraries' bonding ability and prevent libraries from taking advantage of large increases in assessed valuation. Still other controls exist to further limit increases in library funding.

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**DRIVE-UP OPEN** – The Community State Bank's drive-up window is now open in Kewanna. Mindy Douglass, branch bank manager, and Jesse Robinson, Community State Bank vice president, held a brief ribbon cutting ceremony Monday morning, October 22.

Karen Good, town clerk-treasurer, was the first customer through the drive-up, receiving instructions on how to use the facility.

Bank lobby and drive-up hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday; and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday.



## Couple United in Marriage

Brittany Lee Bissell and Zachary Waidner Wingerter were united in marriage August 4, 2007, in the Zionsville Fellowship Church, Zionsville. Rev. Tom Streeter officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride carried a hand-crocheted handkerchief in the double lover's knot pattern made by the groom's grandmother, Dortha Strong Waidner. The bride is a senior accounting major at Ball State University. The broom is a Bible and business double major at Taylor University, Upland. They are residing in Muncie. Their honeymoon destination was the Bahamas.

Brittany is the daughter of Gerry and Deb Bissell, Zionsville, and Zach is the son of Rob and Debbie Wingerter of Zionsville and Lake Bruce.

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## Benefit Ham and Bean Dinner, November 3

The family and friends of Angie Eastwood Blanchard will serve a benefit ham and bean dinner Saturday, November 3, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. The meal will include ham and beans, corn bread and drink and the cost will be a free will donation.

Angie has been fighting a disease that has attacked the nerves in her hands and feet. She

is currently taking treatments, but the cost is very expensive.

The benefit will also include a bake sale and a raffle featuring several pieces of handmade wood work by Chuck Baldwin. The raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

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## Benefit Breakfast, November 10

A benefit whole hog sausage and pancake breakfast will be served from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday, November 10, at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation and proceeds will go to help with medical expenses for Michele Corbett. Donations are also being accepted at the Community State Bank, Kewanna branch.

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## Halloween Party, October 27

The Ladies Auxiliary of the James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121 will host its annual Halloween party for children Saturday, October 27, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the post. Children from infants to those 11 years of age are welcome to attend. There will be costume judging with various prizes being awarded. Snacks and punch will be served.

Saturday evening, the Ladies Auxiliary will host a Halloween party for adults from 8 p.m. to midnight. Entertainment will be

provided by the local band, Hit N' Run. There will also be costume judging with various prizes awarded.

Both events are open to the public.

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## Toy Show, October 28

The Fulton County Historical Power Show will host a toy show Sunday, October 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fulton County Museum. Admission will be charged and food will be available. For more information, call 574-223-4436.

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## Don Metzger to Celebrate 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Don Metzger, Rochester, will be the guest of honor at a birthday party Saturday, November 10, in celebration of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. The event will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Rochester.

Friends, neighbors and family are invited to help him celebrate the occasion with their presence, but gifts should be omitted.

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## Hoosier Harmony Quartet in Concert

The Hoosier Harmony Quartet will present a concert of southern gospel music Sunday, November 4, at 7 p.m. at the Metea Baptist Church.

The quartet has shared its music ministry at several local churches

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and auditoriums in the Logansport, Rochester and Peru areas, as well as other areas of Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois.

There is no admission charge, but a love offering will be accepted.

Metea Baptist Church is located on State Road 25 approximately 14 miles south of Rochester, or 10 miles north of Logansport.

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## Veterans to be Honored at Balloon Release

The Ladies Auxiliary of the James F. Talbott VFW Post No. 1121, Kewanna, will host its annual balloon release honoring veterans at 4 p.m. Sunday, November 11. Food and drinks will be provided after the program.

The cost of purchasing a balloon in honor of a veteran is \$1.00 each. For more information, call the VFW Post at 574-653-2244 after 3 p.m.

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## Ladies Auxiliary to Serve Breakfast

The Ladies Auxiliary of the James F. Talbott VFW Post No.

1121, Kewanna, will serve an all-you-can-eat biscuit and gravy breakfast Saturday, November 17, at the post on Railroad Street. The breakfast will be served from 7 to 11 a.m. and the cost will be a free will donation.

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## AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, October 29 - BBQ ribette sandwich, macaroni and cheese, Capri blend vegetables, applesauce and milk

Wednesday, October 31 - Crusty baked chicken, au gratin potatoes, broccoli, fruit crisp, roll and milk

Friday, November 2 - Chili soup and crackers, baked potato, fruit cup, brownie and milk

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## James F. Talbott VFW Post October Activities

October 16 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

October 23 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

October 27 - Halloween party for children, infant to 11 years of age, 2 to 4 p.m.

October 27 - Adult Halloween party with Hit and Run band, 9 p.m. to ??

October 28 - Open Sunday at noon. Free food, euchre at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

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**Haunted Halloween Trail**  
Saturday, October 27, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

Woodlawn Hospital's Annual Haunted Halloween Trail will be held on **Saturday, October 27, 2007** from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the pond walking trail.

Children under age 12 and their families are invited to wander along the trail, where they will encounter a frightful variety of Halloween characters, creatures, and displays.

This community event is free of charge.  
Halloween costumes are optional.

**Happy Halloween**

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entire month of October

(Price is inclusive of Radiologist Interpretation Fee.)

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Prior to Age 40  
Baseline Mammo

Age 40 and Over  
Women in this age category should have a mammogram every year, and should continue to do so annually for the rest of their life.

**HOSPITAL NOTES....**

**WOODLAWN HOSPITAL**  
 October 13  
 Births - Amber Hutchens, Rochester, a son  
 October 15  
 Admissions - Blanche Tucker, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Blanche McCalla, Susan Downhour and daughter, Meagan Medina and daughter, Monique Dickover and son and Charlann Cover, all of Rochester  
 October 16  
 Admissions - Elmer Thornton, Rochester  
 Dismissals - Amber Hutchens and son, Rochester  
 Births - Derek and Melissa Keller, Leiters Ford, a son  
 October 17  
 Admissions - Teresa Slusser, Rochester  
 Dismissals - none published  
 October 18  
 Admissions - James Hooks, Akron  
 Dismissals - Melissa Keller and son, Leiters Ford  
 Births - Clay and Jayne Pugh, Peru, a daughter; Timothy and Shalon Paterson, Plymouth, a daughter  
 October 19  
 Admissions - Sheila Humble, Burket; Karissa Johnson, Claypool  
 Dismissals - Jayne Pugh and daughter, Peru; Pauline Tucker and Teresa Slusser, Rochester

**PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
 October 12  
 Dismissals - Barbara Clements, Argos; Anna Aberle, Francesville  
 October 13  
 Dismissals - Rita Mrozinski and June Kestle, Winamac  
 October 14  
 Admissions - Robert Fritz, Winamac  
 Dismissals - Galen Howard, Knox  
 October 15  
 Dismissals - Glenn Cunningham, Winamac  
 October 16  
 Admissions - Alison Housinger, Monticello; Lillian Vedok, Winamac;

Ronald Christensen, Medaryville  
 Births - Alison Rene Housinger and Kyle Andrew Evans, Monticello, a daughter, Ashelyn Nichole Evans  
 October 17  
 Admissions - Stella Baker, Winamac  
 Dismissals - Gary Scheffer, Rochester; Ronald Christensen, Medaryville  
 October 18  
 Dismissals - Alison Housinger and daughter, Monticello; Robert Fritz, Winamac

**Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar**

PMH is offering a Healthcare Provider CPR class Thursday, October 25. The class starts at 6 p.m. Eastern Time and will end at approximately 10 p.m. The cost is \$40 per person. Call 574-946-2193 to request a registration form or pick one up at the admissions desk. Class size is limited so call early to reserve your place.

The next sibling class at PMH will be held Saturday, October 27, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Students will receive education on adjusting to a new baby in the family. Parents are encouraged to enroll their children so they can participate in the class about six weeks before the birth of the new baby. To register, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Living with Grief Support Group will meet Thursday, November 1, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. in the social services office of PMH. This group is for anyone grieving over the loss of a

loved one. Before attending the group experience, please call our group counselor for information at 574-946-2147.

**Local Items**

Jackie Heidenreich and Larry Vogel were busy Saturday. Larry tackled a few chores around Jackie's home before they received a visit from Jackie's son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Brenda Vogel of Rochester, and their daughter, Cindy Oswald and her four daughters of Grissom. In the evening, Jackie and Larry were supper guests of Vickie and Mike Molitor. Also joining the Molitors for the visit and meal were their daughters and their families, Tina and Tony Pesaresi, Garrett, Cale and Curtis of Winamac and Jennifer and Marcus Kay, Ellei and Ema.

Earl and Mary Bangel had working visitors Sunday, Oct. 21. Coming up from the Indianapolis area to help with the picking were their son and grandson, Bruce Bangel and Rob, and Rob's girlfriend, Hailey Steinmeyer. Rob and Hailey returned home in the evening so they could attend school Monday. Bruce remained for a few days.

Linda Garner was among those who enjoyed attending the *Roadside Attractions* art show hosted by Diane Tesler Sunday.

Julie Brown enjoyed attending a party held in honor of Carter Field Sunday. The event was in celebration of his 4<sup>th</sup> birthday and hosted by his parents and brothers, Candy and Justin Field, Coy and Caleb.

**FULTON COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS**



**October 22nd, 2007**

CRIME / ACTIVITY: THEFT  
 CASE NUMBER: 25-323-07  
 LOCATION: 1344 Lakeview Bend  
 Rochester, IN

SUMMARY: Between 10/12/07 and 10/13/07, the suspect made forced entry to the victim's vehicle by breaking out a door window. Once inside the vehicle the suspect committed the theft of a CD/Stereo player. If you have any information on this case or any other crime call Crime Stoppers. You could earn up to \$1,000.00 reward if the information leads to an arrest or indictment. Callers do not have to reveal their names and all calls are confidential.

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Jackie Heidenreich had a very nice time attending the art show hosted by Diane Tesler Sunday. *Roadside Attractions* was held in Diane's Works in Progress Studio.

Helen Miller and Ron Miller had company Sunday. Joining them for a visit were Helen's son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Barbara Miller of Plymouth; her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and John Scott of Frankfort; and her grandson, Eric Mills of Russiaville.

Helen Whiteman enjoyed attending the art show: *Roadside Attractions*. It was hosted by Diane Tesler in her Works in Progress Studio over the weekend.

Those persons who will be celebrating their birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Jeanne Markle, Oct. 28; Nancy Carlson, Oct. 29; Jim Gregor, Ellenor Jae Hoover, Danae Kline and Nancy Warner, Oct. 30; David Field, Blake Plummer, Franciszka Stopa and Alice White, Oct. 31; Tessa Downhour, Sue Easterday and Scott Hamman, Nov. 1; Hannah Baldwin, Angie Plummer and

Lindsey Smith, Nov. 2; and Carol Holmquest, Nov. 3.

There are four couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Nub Brogdon, Oct. 28; Mr. and Mrs. James Downhour, Oct. 29; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ligocki, Oct. 30; and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, Nov. 1.

**Leaf Burning Banned**

Kewanna residents are reminded that the burning of leaves during the months of October and November is unlawful. Leaves should be raked to the edge of the street where town employees will pick them up. Pick up will begin as soon as the leaves start coming down in a greater volume.

Persons violating this ordinance will receive a warning for the first offense. A second and subsequent offense will result in fines ranging from \$25 to \$100.

**Attend Church Sunday**

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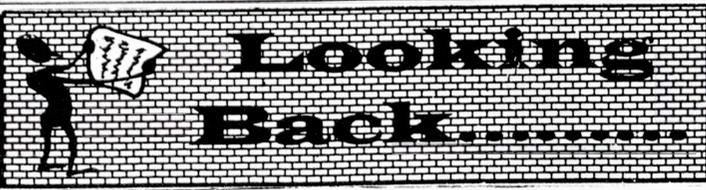
**GUN SHOW**  
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**Tire Collection Day**  
 8 a.m. - Noon  
**Sat., Nov. 3rd**  
 Limit four tires per vehicle. Tires must be removed from rims.  
 No tire size limit. Innertubes accepted - no limit.



**SIXTY YEARS AGO**  
October 30, 1947

Margaret Ware, a graduate of Grass Creek High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ware, has been initiated into the honor society at the University of California, Berkley. The association is for upper division students. Miss Ware graduated last spring from Yuba College, Marysville, California, and is now a student at UC, Berkley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nutt entertained recently in honor of their grandson, Kenneth Smith, who has returned home from Shanghai, China, where he was stationed with the Armed Forces. Attending the 6 p.m. dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Meter, Sue Ellen and Chuckie, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Smith and daughter, Annetta, Miss Bernice Hart, David Best, and the honored guest.

Leo Kubicki, a senior at Indiana University, has been elected treasurer of the English Club.

Some of the household items and weaving pieces belonging to the Elston family which settled in Kewanna when it was Pleasant Grove are now on display at the Elston Store. Dr. William Elston and his wife, Theodosia, came from Logansport to settle in Pleasant Grove in October of 1847. Among the other families settled here at that time were Zucks, Hudkins Troutmans and others which are still familiar names in Kewanna and many descendants of these families are still residents here. (This still remains true today). Dr. Elston became very good friends with Dr. Cleland who then had an office on Main Street between Smith and Toner Streets. They did much water fowl hunting together. They put their raft on the swail north of the village, just north of where John Wilson lives and from there would to Bruce Lake to enjoy their favorite sport. Dr. Elston and others became a member of the Church of the Little Flock which later became the local Baptist Church and was organized in May, 1853. In 1857, the Elstons moved to Medaryville and in 1891 moved back to what is now Kewanna and there has been a member of the Elston family residing in Kewanna ever since that time.

**Fifty-Five Years Ago**  
October 24, 1952

Shirley Ingram and Leonard McIntire were elected queen and king of the local Halloween carnival Wednesday night, October 22.

Bernard Gundrum of here has received his orders to report for duty with the U.S. Army November 17.

The local fire department was called to the Frank Shoemaker home Thursday morning where a pile of burning leaves got out of hand. The fire was quickly put out and no damage done.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cunningham had the pleasure of entertaining her great uncle, Carl Ayers, of

Oden Sunday. Mr. Ayres is 85 years old and Loren took him for a ride in his airplane. He enjoyed the ride and was overwhelmed at the beauty of the earth as you look down from the sky, especially at this time of year when the coloring of the trees is so beautiful.

Noreen Kinley is recuperating at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kinley, from the effects of food poisoning. About 120 girls became ill after dining in the women's residence hall at Indiana State Teacher's College at Terre Haute Sunday.

**Fifty Years Ago**  
October 24, 1957

Clyde Collins, Kewanna, was injured when struck by a car Tuesday evening, October 22, while he was crossing a street in Highland where he was visiting his daughter. He is a patient in a Hammond hospital suffering from a punctured bladder and a broken leg.

Miss Jessie Spangler, Kewanna, suffered a broken nose and bruises when she fell on the steps of her home recently. She and her sisters, Maud, and Mrs. Paul Lofland, had just returned home from a visit in Detroit, Michigan, when the accident happened.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Harrison Funeral Home, Kewanna, for Oliver Smith, 78, a retired farmer and lifelong resident of Union Township. Survivors include his wife, the former Ruth Barnett; a daughter, Mrs. Helen Anderson; three grandchildren and a brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williamson, Kay Williamson and Jerry Brown attended the Ice Follies in Fort Wayne Saturday evening.

A surprise birthday masquerade party was held Sunday afternoon, October 20, at the John Agnew residence for Cheryl Worl who was celebrating her 14th birthday. Guests included Kay Fisher, Jeanne Anne Urbin, Marlene Landis, Martha Hubeny, Sharon Corbett, Janet Smith, Nancy Troutman, Roberta Brown, Vivian Brown, Mrs. John Agnew and daughter Marsha, Mrs. Fred Bell and daughter Pamela, and Mrs. Helen Worl. Vivian Montz and Karen Whiteman were unable to attend.

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY**

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Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 28,856,888,446
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 1,231,785,784
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 3,101,363,444
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 166,780,222
Policy Loans	\$ 1,712,805,888
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 962,826,576
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 52,654,170
Other assets	\$ 70,713,997,054
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 106,799,101,564</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 32,183,876,877
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 99,460,330
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 78,755,956
-Accident and Health	\$ 109,040,004
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 18,584,227
All Other Liabilities	\$ 71,274,042,409
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 103,763,759,803</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 25,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 1,456,227,445
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 304,114,316
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 1,785,341,761
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 105,549,101,564</b>

Thad Schrader Signature  
C. Suzanne Womack Signature  
Thad Schrader, Assistant Vice President (Print Name) President  
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**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

311 W. Washington St., Suite 300  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2787  
LIFE - STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
On the 31st day of December, 2006

COMPANY NAME: LINCOLN BENEFIT LIFE COMPANY  
ADDRESS: 3075 SANDERS ROAD, SUITE H1A  
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: NORTHBROOK IL 60062-7127  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF NEBRASKA FEIN: 47-0221457 NAIC CODE: 65595  
CONTACT PERSON: Lynn Cirincione PHONE: 847-402-3029 EMAIL: lynn.cirincione@allstate.com

**ASSETS OF COMPANY**

	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 268,331,164.00
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 37,769.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0.00
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0.00
Policy Loans	\$ 0.00
Premium Notes	\$ 0.00
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ -58,228,921.00
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ -40,347,908.00
Other assets	\$ 3,278,839,071.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 3,448,631,175.00</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 0.00
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 0.00
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 0.00
-Accident and Health	\$ 0.00
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 4,407,033.00
All other Liabilities	\$ 3,169,812,476.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 3,174,219,509.00</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0.00
Capital Stock	\$ 2,500,000.00
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 170,752,851.00
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 101,158,813.00
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 274,411,664.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 3,448,631,175.00</b>

Signature  Signature   
Lawrence William Dahl (Print Name) President  
Michael Joseph Velotta (Print Name) Secretary  
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**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

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COMPANY NAME: GENWORTH LIFE AND ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY  
ADDRESS: 6604 West Broad Street  
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Richmond VA 23230  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Virginia FEIN: 54-0283385 NAIC CODE: 65536  
CONTACT PERSON: Leigh Nelan Levy PHONE: 804-922-5271 EMAIL: Leigh.Levy@genworth.com

**ASSETS OF COMPANY**

	(Nearest dollar)
Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 6,102,485,977
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 209,513,832
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 1,218,419,501
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 3,035,999
Policy Loans	\$ 169,986,674
Premium Notes	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ (3,060,170)
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 6,310,832
Other assets	\$ 11,022,625,534
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 18,729,318,177</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 4,525,506,361
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 16,029,446
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 55,622,299
-Accident and Health	\$ 7,914,761
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 938,227
All other Liabilities	\$ 13,535,528,747
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 18,141,539,841</b>

Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 135,651,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 206,052,447
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 246,074,888
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 587,778,335
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 18,729,318,177</b>

Pamela S. Schutz (Print Name) President  
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## Kewanee/Union Township PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS....

The next meeting of the library board will be Monday, October 29, at 6 pm in the library.

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### LIBRARY CONSOLIDATION Continued from Page 1

The public library world has changed over the past 23 years, necessitating public library expenditures for computer automation and public Internet service and for the purchase of many new materials for circulation such as (DVDs, CDs, etc.) Growing populations also have required the remodeling of older buildings, often requiring more staff as well as the opportunity to offer a wider range of services. Public libraries do not have access to all funding sources that are available to other local units of government. Libraries do not usually benefit from gambling revenues, funds generated from the lease of the toll road, and the Community Economic Development Income Tax (CEDIT). Libraries have no direct funding from the state. The public library state distribution (\$600,000 for all Indiana libraries in 2006) given to libraries in the past, was eliminated last year when the governor transferred those funds to the state library instead.

There are 238 independent library systems serving Indiana towns, cities, townships and counties. Most of these libraries are either small or mid-size libraries, with only 10 serving populations over 100,000. Libraries in these communities like our own, were established by local residents and stand as proud reflections of their histories and cultures and of the choices their library boards have made for the programs, services, and circulating collections that are needed and preferred by each community.

Indiana residents will not know how this Commission on Local Government Reform's recommendation will affect their libraries until December 2007 when the Commission's report is given to the Governor and the members of the General Assembly. Legislation generated by the recommendations is expected to be introduced in the General Assembly in January, 2008.

What can we do to stop the mandatory consolidation of our local library? Educate yourself about the issue and, before the Commission's October 31<sup>st</sup> deadline, contact the Commission on Local Government Reform at their website <http://indianalocalgovreform.iu.edu>, or by emailing them at [lgrreform@iu.edu](mailto:lgrreform@iu.edu), or by mail to Center on Urban Policy and the Environment, 334 N. Senate Ave., Suite 300, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

In November, write your local legislators to urge them to vote against library consolidation. Tell them your personal stories of how having a local independent library has affected the quality of your life.

You can reach our State Representative Eric Gutwein by writing him at the Indiana House of Representatives, 200 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204-2786. Mail for State Senator Thomas Weatherwax should be sent to Indiana Senate, 200 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46204-2786. Governor Mitch Daniels can be reached at the State House, Second Floor, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

(Source: Library Consolidation in Indiana, 2007, Fact Sheet, prepared by Westchester Public Library, Chesterton, IN and revised for publication in The Observer from article printed in The Francesville Tribune.)

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### Redweiks Visit Family in Ohio

Robert John and Millie Gudas Redweik of the Kewanee-Star City area recently returned home after spending several days in Jeffersonville, Ohio, with Mike and Susan Redweik Wood and

family. While there, they enjoyed attending several activities involving their granddaughters, Kourtnee (volleyball) and Kailee (cheerleading) Baird. Kailee also participates in volleyball. Their grandson, Michael, told about his adventures on a month-long trip to San Antonio, Texas, with his great-grandparents and other relatives. He told of working/riding the horses, etc.

Kourtnee shared her month-long adventures in the South Pacific where she spent time in New Zealand and Australia. The trip was sponsored by the People to People International Student Ambassador Program. These world leadership forums help students earn school credits while fulfilling Dwight D. Eisenhower's vision for fostering world citizenship when he founded People to People during his presidency in 1956. People to People International is run by Eisenhower's granddaughter, Mary Jean Eisenhower.

The airplane trip was a total of 20 hours long, during which time the group watched movies, talked, listened to music, etc. Kourtnee related that it was difficult to sleep on the plane. They left Cincinnati, Ohio, and landed in Auckland, New

Zealand. Auckland is called the City of Sails. The group headed to Rotorua, a spa town built around the hot mineral springs that feed its lake. They spent the night in Marae, an authentic Maori meetinghouse. The Maori people welcomed them with a traditional ceremony. They further explored the Maori culture through food, songs, stories and dances.

The ambassadors attended the Agrodome sheep show and saw nineteen sheep breeds and working dogs as well as sheep shearing and cow milking demonstrations. They fed baby lambs and watched a sheep auction.

The group rode up Mount Ngongotaha to view Lake Rotorua and Makoia Island. They experienced a luge ride. Kourtnee commented "I went down the mountain and it was completely crazy! I made several sharp turns and turned on two wheels. It was so much fun!"

"We journeyed past Tongauro National Park to Wellington, where we learned about New Zealand's government at the parliament building," Kourtnee told her grandparents.

They toured museums concerning Maori culture, natural history, modern art, science and technology.

The group saw volcanoes as well as lots of hot springs. They boarded the inter-islander jet ferry and journeyed across Cook Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound to the South Island. After arriving in Picton, they went down the Kaikoura Coastline to Christ Church. They saw the Kiwi birds in their natural habitat at the Willowbank Kiwi Reserve.

The ambassadors rappelled down a cliff in the rugged Southern Alps.

At Christ Church, the group visited the Antarctic Centre and rode a Hagglund, the Artic tracked vehicle used in Antarctica. They also got a chance to feel and see what a blizzard feels like.

They spent several evenings with their hosts and learned more of life and culture in New Zealand.

Saying goodbye to New Zealand, they landed in Sydney, Australia. They experienced Sydney's Aquarium at Cockle Bay. The group enjoyed the majestic Sydney Opera House Complex. They ate at the Hard Rock Café and climbed to the top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge for a breathtaking view of the city. During the dinner cruise on Sydney Harbour they saw the

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**Redweiks**

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city's highlights and learned its amazing history. Leaving Sydney, they flew to Cairns and cruised the magnificent Great Barrier Reef. "We had the opportunity to snorkel the pristine waters or ride a semi-submersible boat to view the thousands of varieties of coral and colorful fish without getting wet," Kourtnee reiterated.

The group did some shopping and Kourtnee purchased gifts of opals for her mother and sister, a hat for grandpa, a musical instrument (didgeridoo) for grandma and boomerangs for Mike and her brother.

"In learning about the Aboriginal culture, we found it is almost extinct," Kourtnee related. She said that they were taught how to throw boomerangs and spears, as well as learned about their music and dances.

The Ambassadors flew to Brisbane and took a ferry to their island stay where they learned

were apprehended in Australia. There were soldiers and police with weapons drawn all over the airport.

Kourtnee is a sophomore at Miami Trace High School where she is on the academic honor roll and is a member of the Beta Club (academic). She participates in soccer, volleyball, swim team, basketball, band, choir and track where she broke the school

record for their conference in the long jump with a 14.5. She has also participated in 4x4 and 300 hurdles.

Kourtnee is the daughter of Susan Redweik Wood, Jeffersonville, Ohio, and Allen Baird, Macy. Her grandparents include Bud (Larry) and Joyce Baird, Macy, and Robert and Millie Redweik, Kewanna.

Submitted by Millie Redweik

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about Australia flora and fauna during a bush walk. They saw Australian koalas, kangaroos, crocodiles and wombats at a wildlife sanctuary.

The ride to the airport and their return flight was made "exciting" as that's the day the Arab terrorists (doctors from England)

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF FULTON COUNTY OF TAX RATES CHARGED**

Notice is hereby given that the Tax Duplicates for the several taxing units in Fulton County for the year 2006 payable in 2007 are now in the hands of the County Treasurer who is ready to receive the taxes charged thereon. The following table shows the levies and rates on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of net assessed valuation of taxable real estate and personal property in each taxing unit. First installment and Second installment delinquent after November 30, 2007.

Judith A. Reed, Treasurer of Fulton County

FUNDS	AUBBEE-NAUBEE	HENRY	LIBERTY	NEWCASTLE	RICHLAND	ROCHESTER	UNION CASTON	UNION ROCHESTER	UNION PULASKI	WAYNE	AKRON	FULTON	KEWANNA	ROCHESTER CITY
State Fair Board	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008
State Forestry	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016	0.0016
<b>TOTAL STATE RATE</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>	<b>0.0024</b>							
Co General	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846	0.2846
Cum Cap Dev	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315	0.0315
Health	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216	0.0216
Cum Bridge	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230	0.0230
New Reassessment	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092	0.0092
Family & Children	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888	0.1888
Welfare HCl	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244	0.0244
Assist to Wards	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023	0.0023
Co CHCSN	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027	0.0027
Child Psychiatric Res Treat	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166	0.0166
Hospital Lease Rental	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237	0.0237
<b>TOTAL CO RATE</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>	<b>0.6284</b>							
Airport Authority	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500
Airport Cum Building	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033
<b>TOTAL AVIATION RATE</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>	<b>0.0533</b>							
Township	0.0272	0.0177	0.0082	0.0141	0.0048	0.0076	0.0488	0.0488	0.0488	0.0110	0.0177	0.0082	0.0488	0.0076
Poor Relief	0.0000	0.0000	0.0035	0.0089	0.0044	0.0008	0.0049	0.0049	0.0049	0.0032	0.0000	0.0035	0.0049	0.0008
Fire Fighting	0.0737	0.0691	0.0192	0.0386	0.0218	0.0717	0.0496	0.0496	0.0496	0.0411	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Recreation	0.0000	0.0000	0.0071	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0071	0.0000	0.0000
Cemetery	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Cum Fire	0.0000	0.0000	0.0172	0.0176	0.0193	0.0000	0.0177	0.0177	0.0177	0.0275	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Fire Equipment Debt	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0133	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Community/Bldg Services	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0072	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>TOTAL TWP RATE</b>	<b>0.1009</b>	<b>0.0868</b>	<b>0.0552</b>	<b>0.0997</b>	<b>0.0503</b>	<b>0.0801</b>	<b>0.1210</b>	<b>0.1210</b>	<b>0.1210</b>	<b>0.0828</b>	<b>0.0177</b>	<b>0.0188</b>	<b>0.0537</b>	<b>0.0084</b>
Library General	0.0948	0.0993	0.0948	0.0948	0.0948	0.0948	0.1171	0.1171	0.1171	0.0948	0.0993	0.0948	0.1171	0.0948
Library Capital Projects	0.0307	0.0110	0.0307	0.0307	0.0307	0.0307	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0307	0.0110	0.0307	0.0000	0.0307
Library Debt Service	0.0074	0.1112	0.0074	0.0074	0.0074	0.0074	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0074	0.1112	0.0074	0.0000	0.0074
<b>TOTAL LIB RATE</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.2215</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.1171</b>	<b>0.1171</b>	<b>0.1171</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.2215</b>	<b>0.1329</b>	<b>0.1171</b>	<b>0.1329</b>
School General	0.3827	0.6406	0.8143	0.6406	0.6907	0.6907	0.8143	0.6907	0.7415	0.8143	0.6406	0.8143	0.8143	0.6907
School Debt Serv	0.1689	0.5653	0.1073	0.5653	0.3154	0.3154	0.1073	0.3154	0.2529	0.1073	0.5653	0.1073	0.1073	0.3154
School Pension Debt	0.0346	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0417	0.0417	0.0000	0.0417	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0417
School Cap Proj	0.0843	0.2835	0.2817	0.2835	0.3020	0.3020	0.2817	0.3020	0.2573	0.2817	0.2835	0.2817	0.2817	0.3020
School Trans	0.0769	0.1974	0.2459	0.1974	0.1076	0.1076	0.2459	0.1076	0.1968	0.2459	0.1974	0.2459	0.2459	0.1076
Bus Replacement	0.0339	0.0334	0.0391	0.0334	0.0026	0.0026	0.0391	0.0026	0.0202	0.0391	0.0334	0.0391	0.0391	0.0026
Pre Sch/Spec Ed	0.0009	0.0018	0.0021	0.0018	0.0021	0.0021	0.0021	0.0021	0.0021	0.0021	0.0018	0.0021	0.0021	0.0021
<b>TOTAL SCH RATE</b>	<b>0.7822</b>	<b>1.7220</b>	<b>1.4904</b>	<b>1.7220</b>	<b>1.4621</b>	<b>1.4621</b>	<b>1.4904</b>	<b>1.4621</b>	<b>1.4708</b>	<b>1.4904</b>	<b>1.7220</b>	<b>1.4904</b>	<b>1.4904</b>	<b>1.4621</b>
City/Town Rates:														
Corp General											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Motor Vehicle Highway											0.5416	1.0465	0.7612	0.4477
Fire Pension											0.1729	0.0000	0.3409	0.1655
Police Pension											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0200
Park & Recreation											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0070
Park Bond											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0858
Cum Cap Dev											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0291
Sewer											0.0335	0.0000	0.0000	0.0478
Sewer Bond											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0003
Cumulative CapIMP(Rate)											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0027
Bond #2											0.0000	0.0000	0.1500	0.0000
Cum Fire											0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0178
Building Authority											0.0299	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>TOTAL CORP RATE</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.7779</b>	<b>1.0465</b>	<b>1.2521</b>	<b>0.8244</b>							
Solid Waste Mgmt	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>TOTAL TAXING RATE</b>	<b>1.7001</b>	<b>2.7144</b>	<b>2.3626</b>	<b>2.6387</b>	<b>2.3294</b>	<b>2.3592</b>	<b>2.4126</b>	<b>2.3843</b>	<b>2.3930</b>	<b>2.3902</b>	<b>3.4232</b>	<b>3.3727</b>	<b>3.5974</b>	<b>3.1119</b>
Lake Bruce Conserv														

The OBSERVER, Kewanee, IN Chelsea Troyer, Anna Douglass and Haley Markley also contributed to the good team effort. Coach Shultz noted "they played as a team and gave everything they had the entire night. I am proud of the effort and attitudes in the team."

Caston Football

The Pioneer Panthers rolled over the Caston Comets in first round football sectional play Friday evening, October 19. Caston (1-9) came to life in the fourth quarter scoring two touchdowns but their hosts put 62 points on the board.

Kewanee Community Food Pantry United Methodist Church Open Thursday By Appointment Phone 574-653-2201

Caston Volleyball

The Caston varsity volleyball team ended its season Thursday, October 18, with a loss to Tri County in sectional play, 25-21, 24-26, 14-25, 19-25.

Meghan Myers was the leading scorer with 21; Rachel Bonnell had 10 assists; Vickie Snider had seven kills and five blocks; and Erika Swartzel had six digs and 17 serve receptions. Beth Snider, Kelsey Moss, Hanna Black,

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF INDIANA ) BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY )
) SS: )
COUNTY OF FULTON) BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ORDINANCE NO. 100107

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PRIVATE SEPTIC SYSTEMS LOCATED IN FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA

Whereas, an ordinance pertaining to and regulating the design, construction, maintenance and operation of on-site sewage disposal systems located in Fulton County, Indiana, providing for the issuance of permits thereof, installer certification and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County as follows:

- 1. TITLE. This Ordinance and all ordinances supplemental or amendatory hereto shall be known as the On-Site Sewage Systems Disposal Ordinance of Fulton County, and may be cited as such and will be referred to herein as "this Ordinance".
2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide minimum standards for the prevention and suppression of disease and health risks associated with the use of on-site sewage disposal systems and to otherwise promote public safety and welfare and protection of the environment.
3. AUTHORITY. The Health Officer of Fulton County, as herein after defined, and the Health Officer's agents and representatives are hereby authorized to issue permits, installer certifications, collect permit and incidental fees, perform inspections, order or otherwise compel correction of violations of this Ordinance, and are otherwise authorized to perform all actions necessary for the administration and enforcement of this Ordinance.
4. ADOPTION OF STATE REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE.
A. The regulations of the Indiana State Board of Health found in Rule 410 IAC 6-8.1 Residential Sewage Disposal Systems and 410 IAC 6-10 Commercial On-site Wastewater Disposal are hereby incorporated by reference in this Ordinance and shall include any later amendments to those regulations as the same are published in the Indiana Register of the Indiana Administrative Code with effective dates as fixed therein [H.L.].
B. Copies of 410 IAC 6-8.1 Et. Seq. and 410 IAC 6-10 Et. Seq. are available and on file in the office of the Fulton County Board of Health and the Fulton County Auditor.
5. SUPPLEMENTAL DEFINITIONS. In addition to or otherwise to supplement those definitions in 410 IAC 6-8.1 Et. Seq. and 410 IAC 6-10 Et. Seq. which is incorporated herein by reference this Ordinance shall include the following definitions:
A. BEDROOM: Means a room within a dwelling that might reasonably and regularly be used as a sleeping room or which contains a closet or shares a common hallway with or adjoins a bathroom. A "bedroom" may include but is not limited to those rooms designated as dens, studios, offices, or libraries if such rooms otherwise meet the above definition. A bedroom equivalent is any room that measures 45 square feet or more contains a closet, and has at least one operable window or exterior door for emergency exit or rescue. For the purpose of sizing a septic system, a jetted bathtub with a capacity of 125 gallons or more will be treated as an additional bedroom.
B. BOARD: Shall include and mean the Fulton County Board of Health.
C. BUSINESS BUILDING: Means that building or structure utilized primarily for a commercial establishment including, but not limited to, office buildings, apartments, condominiums, motels, mobile home parks, churches, campgrounds, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, subdivisions, restaurants, etc. at locations where such facilities may be approvable based on state requirements.
D. COMMERCIAL ON-SITE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL FACILITY: means all equipment and devices for proper conduction, collection, storage, treatment and on-site disposal of wastewater from other than one- or two-family dwellings.
E. DUPLEX: Means a dwelling as defined in 410 IAC 6-8.1-7 with two separate living quarters for two separate families.
F. HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Means the Fulton County Health Department.
G. HEALTH OFFICER: Shall include and also mean the Health Officer of Fulton County.
H. INSTALLER: For purposes of this Ordinance, installer shall mean any person engaged in the construction and installation of residential and or commercial on-site sewage disposal systems in Fulton County. Employees of a certified installer are not required to be certified as described in Section 6.
I. MINIMUM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS: For the purposes of this Ordinance, any system that is installed for a one bedroom, or a half bath addition to any structure in Fulton County (unless soils analysis limits otherwise) will require a 1000 gallon tank, and at least 750 square feet of absorption field.
J. MULTIPLE FAMILY UNITS: Means any building or place used or intended to be used as a place of seasonal or permanent human habitation or for sleeping for more than two families.
K. ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM: Means any sewage disposal facility not owned by a municipality or sanitary district or administered by the state of Indiana where the effluent is treated on the lot and shall include, but is not limited to, residential sewers, grease traps, septic tanks, dosing tanks, soil absorption systems, experimental treatment processes, perimeter drains, temporary sewage holding tanks, and sanitary vault privies. On-site systems include both residential and commercial disposal systems.
L. PERSONS: For the purposes of this Ordinance, person means any individual, partnership, co-partnership, firm, company, corporation, association, trust, estate, or any other legal entity, its or their successors or assigns or agents of the aforesaid.
M. PLANNED DEVELOPMENT: Means any land development which requires the specific zoning classification entitled "Planned Development".
N. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY: Means a system which provides piped water for human consumption to at least fifteen (15) service connections or at least twenty-five (25) people at least sixty (60) days of the year.
O. RESIDENCE: Means a dwelling, as defined in 410 IAC 6-8.1-7.
P. RESIDENTIAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM: Means all equipment and devices necessary for proper conduction, collection, storage, treatment, and on-site disposal of sewage from a one (1) or two (2) family dwelling.
6. INSTALLER CERTIFICATION. Effective March 1, 2007, no installer shall construct, install, replace, alter, or repair any part of any on-site sewage disposal system in Fulton County unless the installer is certified by the Fulton County Health Department.
A. Any installer engaged in the installation of on-site sewage disposal systems in Fulton County must file an Application for Certification with the Fulton County Board of Health. The application shall be accompanied by a certificate of liability insurance issued by a company registered in Indiana. The liability policy shall be sufficient to indemnify persons for whom faulty work may be performed.
B. Any installer who presently is in possession of an Indiana On-Site Wastewater Professional Association current Certification and can provide verifiable copy of same can receive their Installer Certification from the Fulton County Health Department upon filing an application and payment of appropriate fees.
C. Every installer engaged in the installation of on-site sewage disposal systems in Fulton County shall be knowledgeable of all laws, rules and regulations of both the State of Indiana and Fulton County, governing on-site sewage disposal systems.
(1) The applicant for certification must demonstrate knowledge of the applicable laws, rules, and regulations before becoming certified by passing a written proficiency examination conducted by the Fulton County Health Department. The examination shall consist of fifty (50) questions. The examination shall be reviewed from time to time to determine its applicability to current laws, rules, and regulations. A score of seventy (70) percent or higher will be considered passing. When taking the written examination is not feasible due to language or reading difficulties, oral examination will be allowed. If the applicant fails to pass any part of the examination, the applicant may re-apply for an Installer Certification no earlier than one (1) month following the examination date. An application fee must be paid prior to re-examination. Refer to Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A.
(2) Upon successful completion of the examination, the applicant shall be issued a certification to install all types of on-site sewage disposal

- (3) systems and will pay set fees for such certification.
(3) Such certification shall be valid for a term of one year beginning January 1, and expiring December 31, of the same year and shall be renewed annually. The Certification shall bear the name and address of the certified installer and the expiration date and shall not be transferable. Any Certification which is not renewed within one year of the expiration date shall be considered void and the installer must re-apply for Certification and pass the proficiency test.
(4) The installer shall maintain in his possession a copy of the certification at all times when installing on-site soil absorption systems.
(5) A Certified installer shall be deemed responsible for the installation and planning of the on-site system. A Certified installer must supervise other construction workers as necessary to assist in the installation.
a. A Property owner wishing to install, repair, or otherwise work on the on-site sewage disposal system serving his own dwelling shall be required to demonstrate knowledge of the applicable laws, rules and regulations by either:
i. Taking the above tests, or;
ii. By providing to the Health Officer a drawing of the site layout including: elevations of all components, location of all wells in the confines, location of dwelling and property lines and properly follow all specifications listed in 410 IAC 6.8.1 sections 36-57.
7. SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS. Where a sanitary sewer is not available within 300 feet, all persons owning, leasing or otherwise occupying property shall comply with 410 IAC 6.8.1 Et. Seq. and 410 IAC 6-10 Et. Seq. and the following provisions of this Ordinance for an on-site sewage disposal system.
A. No person shall throw, run, drain, seep, or otherwise dispose of into any of the surface waters or ground waters of Fulton County, or cause, permit, or suffer to be thrown, run, drained, allowed to seep or otherwise disposed into such waters any organic or inorganic matter from an on-site sewage disposal system that would cause or contribute to a health hazard or water pollution.
B. No privy shall be permitted for a residence except on a temporary basis and then by special permit only. All such privies shall comply with Indiana State Department of Health Bulletin S.E. 11. Bulletin S.E. 11 is herein incorporated by reference as part of this section and must be filed with the Fulton County Board of Health. In case of self-contained chemical toilets, no pit will be required, but a permit will still need to be filed.
C. Connection to an existing soil absorption on-site system shall be permitted if the following conditions are met: The connection will not exceed the system design load based on the sizing requirements of 410 IAC 6-8.1 or 6-10. The existing system has not malfunctioned. The existing system has been permitted and approved by the Health Officer, and the applicant has possession of a record of the permitted and approved system which shows all systems dimensions. If the existing system shall fail, there is sufficient space for a system replacement. In the event that a system enlargement is proposed, the enlargement must bring the existing system into compliance with the minimum standard of Rule 410 IAC 6-8.1 or 410 IAC 6-10.
(1) Should an on-site sewage disposal system fail, the failure shall be corrected by the owner or occupant of the property served by such system within the time limit set by the Health Officer.
(2) Whenever a public sanitary sewage system becomes available and is within 300 feet of the property line or property upon which a building situated within Fulton County, Indiana, is located, and that building is used as a dwelling or business building and is served by an on-site sewage disposal system or privy, a direct connection of the building sewer shall be made to said sanitary sewer and any septic tanks, vaults, and similar sewage disposal and treatment facilities shall be abandoned and filled in a safe and sanitary manner following the State of Indiana guidelines. The direct connection to a sanitary sewage system shall be made within 180 days of issuance of orders of connection.
(3) Whenever a new business building or dwelling is to be constructed in an area where a sanitary sewage system is available as provided in the above paragraph, a connection shall be made to the sanitary sewer according to plans submitted for approval prior to construction of any such project.
8. PERMITS
A. Application:
(1) Before the commencement of construction, alteration or repair of an on-site sewage disposal system, the owner or his agent shall apply in writing to the Fulton County Health Department for a permit to construct, alter or repair an on-site sewage disposal system, which application shall set out the date of the intended construction, alteration or repair, topographic and soil characteristic information as well as other information required in 410 IAC 6-8.1-48 and 410 IAC 6-10-6, previously incorporated herein by reference, and expressly stating that the owner has complied and will at all times comply with the standards set out in this Ordinance. The Sewage Disposal Permit issued by the Health Department must be obtained prior to application for a Building Permit. For a Commercial On-Site Sewage Disposal Permit, the application shall include a copy of the permit issued from the Indiana State Department of Health and a copy of the project design plans. No permit will be issued if it is determined that the issuance of such a permit would violate or otherwise be inconsistent with the provisions of 410 IAC 6-8.1-1 Et. Seq., 410 IAC 6-10-1 Et. Seq., and State or Federal statutes or regulations and any ordinance of Fulton County, or would otherwise be reasonably expected to cause or contribute to an unsanitary condition, an unacceptable probability of groundwater contamination or construction of an on-site sewage disposal system with an unacceptable risk of failure.
(2) No permits will be issued for multiple family units or multiple businesses or dwellings served by an on-site sewage disposal system unless approved by the appropriate state agency.
(3) A permit for the installation of an on-site sewage disposal system, whether issued prior to or after the adoption of this Ordinance, shall lapse and be void if work has not been completed within one (1) year after its issuance and completed within sixty (60) days after it has been started. When a permit has expired or has been revoked, the work on the on-site sewage disposal system shall not commence or resume unless a new application and fee have been submitted and a new permit has been obtained.
(4) The permit shall be available to regulatory authorities at or near the dwelling or facility where the on-site sewage disposal system is under construction.
(5) No part of an on-site sewage disposal system for a residence or facility shall be located closer than 25 feet to a surface water drain tile, running stream or surface water drain. The rules and regulations of the Drainage Board will apply for any legal ditch or drain.
(6) Because of the hazards regarding potential ground water contamination of wells through the development of subdivisions, planned developments, parcels and other divisions of land for developments, the Health Officer may, at his discretion, decline to issue a permit for the on-site sewage disposal system if said system may cause or contribute to a health hazard or an unsanitary condition unless a public water supply is provided.
(7) Before replacement of any broken or failed part of an existing functioning septic system, the owner shall apply for a permit which the Health Department shall grant, if satisfied that the system is properly functioning. If, upon review of the application, the proposed repair increases or modifies the volume or the distribution capabilities of the system, the application shall be handled in accordance of paragraph 1 above.
9. FEES. Refer to Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A.
10. INSPECTIONS.
A. The board, its agents, or the Health Officer or his/her agent shall be permitted to enter upon all properties for purposes of inspection, observation, measurement, sampling and testing necessary to insure compliance with this Ordinance and to verify no on-site sewage disposal system has failed.

- B. No construction of the on-site sewage disposal system may take place if the on-site sewage disposal system site is disturbed or altered after the on-site evaluation by the addition of fill material (other than construction necessary for the on-site sewage disposal system itself) or by cutting, grading, compacting or the removal of soil, until a new evaluation has been conducted and a modified permit has been issued. In the event the on-site inspection indicates site limitations, either arising from topography or soil characteristics, the site owner or his agent is responsible for designing a residential or an on-site sewage disposal system which address the demands of the site in accordance with rules established in 410 IAC 6-8.1 or 6-10-1 and this Ordinance.
C. Abandoned tanks, both septic and drywell shall be pumped by a licensed septic cleaner and removed from the ground, or shall be opened and filled with an inert material approved by the Health Department.
11. PETITION FOR REVIEW
A. The Fulton County Board of Health shall hear appeals incidental to the issuance and revocation of permits if, within 15 days following the date of receipt of an issued permit, permit modification, notice of permit denial or notice of permit revocation, any person aggrieved by such action files a petition for review concerning such action with the Board.
B. A petition for review shall state the following:
(1) The name, address and telephone number (if applicable) of the person making the request
(2) Identify the interests of the petitioner which is affected by the permit action
(3) Identify any person the petitioner represents
(4) State with particularity the issues proposed to be considered
(5) State with particularity the reasons for the request
(6) Include proposed terms or conditions which, in the judgment of the petitioner, would be appropriate to carry out the requirements of the law and 410 IAC 6-8.1 or 6-10-1 governing such permits.
(7) The procedures established in I.C. 4-21.5, the Administrative Procedure and Orders Act, shall apply to the conduct of the hearing.
12. ENFORCEMENT.
A. Any person found to be in violation of any provision of this Ordinance or the applicable rules and regulations of the Indiana State Department of Health shall be served with a written order either in person or by certified or registered mail by the County Board of Health or the Health Officer. This order shall state the nature of the violation, and provide a reasonable time limit, unless the Health Officer deems an emergency exists, not to exceed 30 days, for the correction of any violation of this Ordinance.
B. Any installer, as defined in this ordinance, and certified under Section 6, found to be in violation of any provision of this Ordinance or the applicable rules of the Indiana State Department of Health shall receive notice as specified above. The installer shall have up to fourteen (14) days to correct the violation or as otherwise determined by the Health Officer.
C. If the violation is not corrected within the designated time, the Health Officer may suspend or revoke the Certification. If the Certification is suspended, the Certification can be reinstated by the Health Officer upon correction of all violations and fulfillment of other stipulations as required by the Health Officer. If the certification is revoked, the requirements for becoming certified including testing and the payment of the Certification fee shall apply prior to re-Certification. Re-certification shall not occur until all outstanding violations and stipulations are corrected to the satisfaction of the Health Officer.
D. Any installer constructing, installing, replacing, altering, or repairing any on-site sewage disposal system that is not Certified in Fulton County shall be deemed to be in violation of this Ordinance. An installer who is in violation of this ordinance shall be fined for the first offense, as well as any subsequent offenses. Each violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate violation. Refer to Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A.
E. Any person or installer who shall continue any violation of this Ordinance beyond the time limit provided for correction of any violations of this Ordinance or who performs any act prohibited herein or shall fail to perform any duty lawfully enjoined or who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to obey any lawful order given by the Health Officer shall be punished by a fine. Each day a violation of this Ordinance continues shall constitute a separate offense for which a separate fine may be levied. Refer to Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A.
F. Application of this Ordinance or any part of this Ordinance is intended to be consistent with 410 IAC 6-8.1 and 410 6-10-1 Et. Seq. Any inconsistency in the direct application of this ordinance with said regulations shall be resolved in favor of enforceability of those regulations.
G. To the extent the provisions of 410 IAC 6-8.1 and 410 6-10-1 are inconsistent with each other then that interpretation provided by 410 IAC 6-10-1 shall apply for private on-site sewage disposal systems serving commercial buildings and that interpretation provided by 410 IAC 6-8.1 shall apply for private on-site sewage disposal systems serving residences.
13. REMEDIES. The Health Officer may, in the name of the Commissioners of Fulton County, bring actions in the Courts of Fulton County for mandatory and injunctive relief for the enforcement of and to secure compliance with any order or orders made by the Health Officer, or to otherwise provide for the enforcement of this Ordinance. Any such action for mandatory or injunctive relief may be joined with an action to recover the penalties, costs and expenses provided in this Ordinance. In the event any legal action is necessary to enforce this Ordinance, the Health Officer may seek to recover costs and expenses reasonably incurred to enforce the provisions of the Ordinance including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees.
14. SEVERABILITY. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of said Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.
15. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall apply to all of Fulton County, Indiana as of the date from and after its adoption and approval by the Commissioners as stated herein and any publication as required by law.
16. REPEALER. The provisions of Ordinance 101992, Ordinance 112006A and all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed by this Ordinance.
APPENDIX A: FEE SCHEDULE
I. A fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be submitted for all septic permits (new, replacement or repair).
II. A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be submitted prior to the issuance or renewal of a septic contractor's Installer Certification.
A. A reapplication fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be submitted prior to the re-examination of the Installer Certification Test.
III. Any Installer who is not certified within Fulton County that constructs, installs, replaces, alters or repairs any on-site sewage disposal system will be fined not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) in correlation to the first offense. A fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) will be issued for each subsequent offense.
IV. Any person or installer who continues to violate any section of this Ordinance beyond the time limit provided for corrective action to have been taken, who performs any act prohibited herein, who fails to perform any duty lawfully enjoined, or who fails, neglects or refuses to obey any lawful order given by the Health Officer will be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Each day a violation of this Ordinance continues constitutes a separate offense for which a separate fine may be levied.
Dated this 1st day of October, 2007.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Richard Powell
Roger Rose
Mark J. Rodriguez
ATTEST Denise Chandler
Auditor of Fulton County
Dated this 16th day of October, 2007
FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL
James Widman
Judith DeVries
Christopher Sailors
Earl Gaerte
Gary Striver
Michael Gearhart
I affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law.
Pub 10/25/07 Denise J. Chandler

**The News  
In Brief**

The Fulton County Communications Board will hold a special meeting Thursday, November 1, at 9 a.m. in the Fulton County office building. Rob Bryant from WTH Engineering will demonstrate a new enhancement for the GIS software program used by the dispatch center.

All Fulton County government offices will be closed Tuesday, November 6, for Election Day.

A Red Cross blood collection day will be held Tuesday, November 6, from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at the Talma Community Building, Talma. Call 574-223-3532 to schedule your blood donation appointment.

The Fulton County Council recently introduced and read for the first time ordinances that would enact a total of five new

taxes for Fulton County residents. Under consideration is three income taxes and a wheel and vehicle excise surtax package on vehicles.

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**FEDCO Rep Needed**

The Kewanna town council is looking for a local resident interested in serving as an ex-officio member of the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO) board of directors. This person must be a resident of the town and will be expected to attend monthly FEDCO meetings. He/ she should have experience in, or an understanding of, how jobs are created and be supportive of public and non-profit efforts to stimulate private investment.

Interested persons should contact the town council president, Don Woolington, at 653-2436, or the clerk-treasurer at 653-2112.

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**Send In Your News**



**BY THE WAY.....**

Another "Diane Tesler" art show has come and gone and by all accounts it was one of the most successful. I was there for the duration as usual and I'm just amazed at the astounding numbers that Kewanna draws to this annual event. We have been to opening night receptions for several of Diane's shows from Goshen and Elkhart to Frankfort, Kentucky, and Evansville, Indiana, and none of them draw the crowd that Kewanna does.

As I was clearing things up Sunday evening I just kept thinking how amazing the weekend had been! It's not just the quality or quantity of the art - although it is stupendous on both counts - it's Diane herself. She is a true professional and as such she expects a good return financially for her hard work. But, the show is not about money, it's about sharing her love of art and her love of her adopted home town - Kewanna. We should all have the passion for Kewanna that Diane has. She saw an old, falling down building and envisioned a studio where she and others could work and share that work with others.

It was also gratifying to see the young people who attended the show. They seemed to be enjoying the event as much as the adults. I even saw some with sketch books, busily filling the pages. I noticed several of the artists looking over their work and encouraging them. Perhaps in a few years, their work will be on display.

The successful art show on the heels of a successful Kewanna Fall Festival has to give one reasons to hope. Other good

things for the town have come to fruition this week as Community State Bank opened its drive-up and the Kibitzer's has taken on a new look. Also, work is still progressing on what is being billed as the Kewanna General Store. In a few weeks we should know whether or not the town was successful in securing a grant to do some much needed work at the sewage treatment plant. This will be a big plus for the town and will ensure that the plant can continue to operate within the guidelines of its permit issued by the State of Indiana. The local library board has completed a planning grant and hopes to eventually construct an addition to the library. A cloud on the horizon, however, is the state's contemplation of consolidating the smaller libraries with larger, county libraries. (See article on front page of this issue of The Observer). Everyone needs to contact their state representatives and senators to head this off. Losing our library would be a big blow to the town.

You will notice also elsewhere in this issue of The Observer that two benefit meals are slated for the first part of November as the town continues to live up to its motto, "The Little Town with a Big Heart".

Some would have you believe that Kewanna is a dying town, but it isn't. There are a lot of good things going on. We just need to follow the example set by Diane - when you see a need, fill it. And, don't be afraid to dream dreams and work to make them come true.

KJG

This year's art show at the Works in Progress Studio on Kewanna's Main Street drew another huge crowd. Nearly 30 artists took place in this year's event.

**Recycling Days  
Fri., Nov. 2nd;  
Nov. 16th & 30th**



This year's art show drew new participants including Billy and Li Chia Cooper of Royal Center who exhibited their pottery. Their young son was also a big hit as he

joined the musicians on his harmonica. He is shown here with Cyndi Fisher, one of the exhibitors/musicians.

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**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**  
311 W. Washington St., Suite 300  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2787  
LIFE - STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
On the 31st day of December, 2006

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COMPANY NAME: National Guardian Life Insurance Company  
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1191  
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Madison WI 53701-1191  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Wisconsin FEIN: 39-0493780 NAIC CODE: 66583  
CONTACT PERSON: Diane Marie Fraley PHONE: 608-443-5148-5148 EMAIL: dmfraley@nglic.com

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 1,042,572,527.00
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 136,041,870.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 89,383,918.00
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 6,591,547.00
Policy Loans	\$ 31,129,291.00
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 31,699,362.00
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 13,564,149.00
Other assets	\$ 42,720,900.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,393,703,564.00</b>

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**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 1,109,719,458.00
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 27,525,338.00
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 6,665,007.00
—Accident and Health	\$ 1,149,357.00
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 1,987,386.00
All other Liabilities	\$ 89,252,464.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 1,236,299,010.00</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 43,000,000.00
Capital Stock	\$ 0.00
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 0.00
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 114,404,554.00
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 157,404,554.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 1,393,703,564.00</b>

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Signature  Signature   
 John David Larson (Print Name) President Sherri Ann Klicozak (Print Name) Secretary  
State Form 3887 (R/10-07)

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COMPANY NAME: SHELTER LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
ADDRESS: 1817 WEST BROADWAY  
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: COLUMBIA MO 65218-0001  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF MISSOURI FEIN: 43-0740882 NAIC CODE: 65757  
CONTACT PERSON: CHRISTINA WORKMAN PHONE: 573-214-4574 EMAIL: christina@shelterlife.com

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**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 752028727
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 62863540
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 5539000
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Policy Loans	\$
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 18095156
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$
Other assets	\$
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 838526423</b>

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**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 563566572
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 13630122
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 4046149
—Accident and Health	\$ 4397995
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 2411130
All other Liabilities	\$
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 588051968</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 12000000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 0
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 150076785
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 588051968</b>

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Signature  Signature   
 John David Moore (Print Name) President Randa Cheryl Rawlins (Print Name) Secretary  
State Form 3887 (R/10-07)

# Public Notice

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COUNTY SUPPLIES FOR YEAR 2008

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Indiana that it will receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of Fulton County, Fulton County Office Building, 125 East 9th St., Rochester, Indiana, until the hour of 10:00 a.m. EST, November 16, 2007, to furnish the following items as requisitioned by the Fulton County Highway Department Supervisor and items as listed to be furnished other departments of County Government for the period of January 1, 2008, to December 31, 2008. Said bids will be opened and read aloud at 10:00 a.m. EST November 16, 2007, in the Fulton County Commissioners Room, Fulton County Office Building, 125 East 9th St., Rochester, IN 46975. Each bid item shall be in a SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE

All Bidders will be required to attach with all said bids either a certified check payable to the Fulton County Auditor, or a bidders bond equal to 10 percent (10%) of the total bid. All bidders shall use separate FULTON COUNTY BID FORM for each item bid. Each bid is to be made in DUPLICATE

### FULTON COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT COUNTY SUPPLIES

**ITEM #1 - GASOLINE FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**  
25,000 gallons or less, unleaded gasoline, minimum octane of 87, as needed delivered to the Fulton County Highway Garage. Bid to be less all taxes and inspection fees, tank truck delivery with ticket readout from delivery to Fulton County Highway Garage.

**ITEM #2 - GASOLINE FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**  
30,000 gallons or less as needed delivered to Fulton County Jail. Quote prices on 90 Octane no-lead gasoline less tax, tank truck delivery.

**ITEM #3 - ULTRA LOW SULFUR DIESEL FUEL**  
80,000 gallons or less of low sulfur diesel fuel to be 15 PPM Sulfur by weight per clean air act, as needed to Fulton County Highway Garage, by tank truck delivery, with ticket readout from meter delivery. Cetane rating shall be a minimum of 50.

**ITEM #4 - FURNACE OIL**  
5,000 gallons or less of fuel oil as needed delivered to Fulton County Highway Garage, by tank truck delivery with ticket readout from meter delivery.

**ITEM #5 - OFF HIGHWAY DIESEL FUEL**  
20,000 gallons or less of off highway diesel fuel, by tank truck delivery to Fulton County Highway Garage with ticket readout from meter delivery. Off highway diesel fuel to contain in excess of 0.05% weight of sulfur minimum of 51 cetane.

**ITEM #6 - WASHED STONE & GRAVEL**  
50,000 tons or less of washed gravel, stone, or screened gravel as needed by the Fulton County Highway Department. Sized 1-73.

**ITEM #7 - CULVERT PIPE**  
50,000 feet or less corrugated steel culvert pipe to be manufactured from aluminum steel type II to meet AASHTO M-274 or galvanized steel to meet AASHTO M-218. Quote plain and bituminous coated. Galvanized steel shall be 2 gauges heavier than aluminum steel pipe to produce equivalent service life. Quote prices per lineal foot on sizes to include 6 inch to 144 inch span by 11 inch rise up to 115 inch span by 71-inch rise. Drainage items shall be fabricated from copper bearing steel or aluminum steel, the lapped longitudinal seams shall be factory riveted or rolled seamed pipe, structural plate pipe, pipe arches and arches. Quote unit prices per lineal foot on copper bearing steel, galvanized, ungalvanized and delivered as designated within said county. Pipe arch size to include 6'1" span x 4'7" rise up to 20'7" span x 13'2" rise. Structural plate pipe size to include 60" diameter up to 216" in diameter. Above prices to be quoted firm and net for the year. Quote net unit prices only. Delivery time and availability of material to be listed and considered as part of the bid. All material must meet all Federal and Indiana State Highway Specifications

**OTHER CULVERT AND BRIDGE MATERIAL**  
All bridges or bridge components or alternatives to the above to be designed in accordance with current HS 20-44 loading. The design and construction drawings and specifications shall be subject to the approval of the Fulton County Highway Department Supervisor and be provided by the manufacturer. All material and construction shall meet or exceed current AASHTO standards and the 1999 Indiana State Highway Specifications. Bidder shall submit unit prices F.O.B. as designated in Fulton County. Specifications are available from the Fulton County Highway Supervisor. Materials to be included in this line or class are: Treated Bridge Planking, Timber box Culverts, Panel-Laminated Decks Creosote Pressure-treated Bridge and Salt Storage building Package Components, Longitudinal Creosote Pressure-treated Super Structure Deck Replacement Components, Galvanized Hardware for above.

**ITEM #8 - COLDMIX PATCHING MATERIAL**  
A. 15,000 tons or less of All Weather Patching Material to meet INDOT Specifications to be furnished at Vendors plant and picked up by County Trucks.  
A. Plant Rental Quote  
The Vendor will furnish plant with operator and loader personnel and County Highway will stockpile aggregate at site and furnish Liquid Asphalt, into vendor's tanks. Quote price per ton to charge plant.  
C. 500 ton or less of QPR 2000 or equivalent #11 - #12 patch material  
\*\*Note: Sealing Asphalt, Dust Control Products, Hot Asphaltic Concrete Mixes, and Pug Mill Mix will be bid in the spring to get a more current market.

**ITEM #9 - TIRES AND TUBES**  
Tires and tubes as needed for Highway Equipment

- A. Quote all prices to include mounting
  - B. Quote prices for tubes for all sizes except tubeless
  - C. Must state brand name of tires, state bias or radial, and tread depth.
  - D. Where bias and radial tires are bid on the same size, they must have a separate price for each, and state brand name of each.
1. P 205/75-R 15 ALL SEASON STANDARD LOAD
  2. LT 235/85-R 16 MUD AND SNOW LOAD RANGE - E
  3. LT 235/85-R 16 HIGHWAY TREAD LOAD RANGE - E
  4. LT 225/75-R 16 MUD AND SNOW LOAD RANGE - D
  5. 5.50-16 4-PLY TRI-RIB
  6. 6.50-16 4-PLY TRI-RIB
  7. 6.70-15 4-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
  8. 7.00 15 LT 8-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
  9. 7.50-15 12-PLY COMPACTOR
  10. 9.00-15 TR 12-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
  11. 7.50-16 8-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
  12. 7.50-16 8-PLY MUD AND SNOW
  13. 9.50-16.5 HIGHWAY TREAD LOAD RANGE - E

14. 9.50-16.5 HIGHWAY TREAD LOAD RANGE - D
15. 9.50-16.5 MUD AND SNOW LOAD RANGE - D
16. 10.00-20 12-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
17. 10.00-20 12 PLY MUD AND SNOW
18. 11R/22.5 TUBELESS HIGHWAY TREAD LOAD RANGE - C
19. 11R/22.5 TUBELESS MUD AND SNOW LOAD RANGE - C
20. 9.50/16.5 LT MUD AND SNOW NYLON WIDE BASE LOAD RANGE D
21. 385/65R22.5
22. 10.00-24 4-PLY TRACTOR
23. 11.00-20 12-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
24. 13.6-28 6-PLY TRACTOR
25. 18.4-16.1 4-PLY TURF TREAD
26. 14.00-24 12-PLY GRADER TIRE
27. 17.5-25 12-PLY LOADER TIRE
28. 23.5 R 25 LOADER TYPE-4
29. 26.5 25 14-PLY LANDER (L-2)
30. 12-16.5 8-LY TRAC-LOADER
31. 16.9-28 8-PLY INDUSTRIAL TRACTOR
32. 18.4-34 8-PLY INDUSTRIAL TRACTOR
33. 4.80-8 4-PLY HIGHWAY TREAD
34. 4.10/3.50-4 2-PLY
35. 18.4-R34 TRACTOR
36. 13.6-24 6-PLY TRACTOR
37. LT 215/85 R 16 MS HIGHWAY TREAD
38. LT 215/85R 16 MS
39. BRIDGESTONE RADIAL LOAD RANGE H R184 215/75R/17.5 LOW PROFILE GOODYEAR WRANGLER A.T. 225/75 R16 MUD & SNOW LOAD RANGE D
40. GENERAL LOADER GRADER II 12 PLY RATING TUBELESS NYLON 17.5-25 L-2/G2
1. MICHLIN X TUBELESS RADIAL STEEL CORD TYPE A 23.5R-25 X R
2. GOODYEAR 11R22.5 LOAD RANGE G RADIAL TUBELESS G 132
44. GOODYEAR 11R22.5 LOAD RANGE G RADIAL TUBELESS G357
45. GOODYEAR RADIAL LT235/85 MUD & SNOW FRONT & REAR LOAD RANGE E
45. GOODYEAR 11R 22.5 LOAD RANGE G RADIAL TUBELESS G124
46. MULTI RIB IMPLEMENT NYLON 6.50/16 6 PLY
47. GOODYEAR 13.6-28 ALL WEATHER 6 PLY RATING
48. GENERAL SUPER SAND FLOTATION 1400-20 DT NYLON 10 PLY RATING
49. 14/17.5 BACKHOE TIRE
50. 16.9/28 BACKHOE TIRE
51. MICHLIN RADIAL 20.5R25 LOADER TIRE
52. 950R/16.5 HIGHWAY TREAD
53. 315/80R 22.5
54. LT 245/75R16 Dunlop R.V.
55. 11 L 15 Implement
56. 11 L 15-16 Tube
57. 385/65R 22.5 Yokahama R4 253

**\*\*MUST HAVE SERVICE ON CALL 24-HOUR, 7 DAYS A WEEK BASIS, INCLUDING HOLIDAYS. INCLUDE IN THE BID THE CHARGE PER MILE FOR SERVICE CALLS.\*\***

The Board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. All bids must cover quoted amounts or less. The Fulton County Commissioners may award more than one bid for asphalt, gravel and aggregate, due to specific service of geographic areas of the county. All purchases to be made as needed and subject to appropriations by the Fulton County Council. Bidders shall have the right to increase the contract unit price in an amount equal to the bidder's increase in costs of materials and supplies occurring subsequent to the date on which such bid is submitted (hereinafter referred to as "Base date") to the Board having authority to award contracts. Any increase (or decrease) in the bidder's cost of materials and supplies after the base date shall be determined monthly, and shall be verified by proper documents furnished to the responsible awarding board which shall include proof of price to the bidder from the bidder's source of supply. Bidder may reserve the right to allocate its product to its customers in a fair and equitable manner, if necessary, due to the reduction of the allocation from the source for mandatory allocation issued by the appropriate agency of the Federal Government. Bidder must state on his bid, if said bid is subject to the escalator clause or said bid shall be considered to be firm for the year 2008.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Richard A. Powell  
Roger D. Rose  
Mark J. Rodriguez

ATTEST:  
Denise J. Chandler  
Auditor, Fulton County  
Advertise: October 25 & November 1, 2007

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Bids shall be accompanied by a bond or certified check equal to 10 percent (10%) of the total price. Said bids will be opened at such time and contract awarded as extensions are made and the lowest and best bidders are determined. The contract will be awarded to the lowest or more responsible bidder. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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### RESOLUTION # 101507

Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for a grant under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended.  
WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support capital, operating and feasibility study assistance projects for nonurbanized public transportation systems under Section 5311 of the FTA Act of 1964, as amended;  
WHEREAS, the Public Transit Section, Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has been designated by the Governor to make Section 5311 grants for public transportation projects;  
WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs;  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Fulton County Commissioners:

1. That Fulton County Council on Aging, is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Fulton County Commissioners, with the INDOT to aid in the financing of transit assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended.

2. That Fulton County Council on Aging, is authorized to furnish such additional information as INDOT may require in connection with the application.

3. That Fulton County Council on Aging, is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Fulton County Commissioners.

### CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting President, of the Fulton County Commissioners certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Fulton County Commissioners held on October 15th, 2007.

Richard A. Powell  
Commissioner President  
ATTEST: Denise J. Chandler  
Auditor, Fulton County Pub. 10/25/07

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### Notice to Voters

A Kewanna town election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2007, to elect three members of the Kewanna town council and a town clerk-treasurer. This election will be held from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station, 404 N. Toner Street. To be eligible to vote, you must be a registered voter, live in the Town of Kewanna and provide photo identification.

Candidates for the town council positions include Republicans Dan Birge, Jeffrey Finke and Mark A. Smith and Democrat Alan McPherson. The candidate for town clerk-treasurer is Republican Jennifer Kay.  
Kewanna Town Election Board  
Karen J. Good, secretary  
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## Letter To The Editor...

Letter to the Editor:

Trail of Courage Thank You.

The 32nd Annual Trail of Courage Living History Festival was attended by 11,500 persons.

Special thanks to all the participants, volunteers, probation workers, and public for attending making this year's event a huge success. This includes all volunteers that helped by hosting the buildings in the Living history Village and museum, splitting firewood, hauling supplies, mowing, building booths & tables, working in the food booths and other jobs during the event - we could not have done this without you.

Thanks to the following businesses and individuals for donating services and prizes. Ford New Holland - Jim Straeter, Leroy Eshelman, Pro-Tree Service - Randy Overmyer, Bill O'Brien, Subway, McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Enyard's True Value, Tic Toc Trophy, Rochester Sentinel, Collins Country Charm, Smith Farm Store, Bailey's Hardware, Jonne Grunden, Webb's Family Pharmacy, Dollar General,

Whetstone Woodenware; and the Winning Edge.

Thank you to the following local Indian dancers: David Morningstar for organizing the Indian dance arena, and those who participated in the intertribal dances. Roy & Joan McClellan and American Cherokee Confederacy.

Thanks to the Rochester Sentinel and Mike Kenny for the news and photos. Thanks to the advertisers who make the special preview possible by buying ads. Thanks to all other newspapers that printed our news about the festivals, including the Shopping Guide News and the Observer. Thanks WROI, B100 - South Bend and others for all the great publicity.

Local groups participating in the festivals were Fulton County Girl Scouts - candle dipping. Food booths included the Rochester Rotary, Kappa Delta Phi, Five Friends, Harvey Jackson family, Knights of Columbus, Roy Swartz, American Cherokee Confederacy, Swingin' Dudes and the Fulton County Historical Society. Thank you all.

Festival dates for next year are Redbud Trail Rendezvous April 26-27, 2008, Fulton County Historical Power Show June 20-22, 2008, and Trail of Courage Sept. 20-21, 2008.

Upcoming events at the museum will be Haunted Woods Trail Oct. 12-13<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 19-20 different groups will be haunting the woods during tours from 7:30-10:00 p.m.; Indoor

Rendezvous at the museum Nov. 3-4 from 9-5 p.m. Sat. and 9-3 p.m. Sun. (new this year); Fish & Chicken Fry by Ernie Hiatt on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> from 4 -7:30 p.m. and Christmas Open House on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will start decorating Christmas trees (approximately 50) starting November 17<sup>th</sup> at the museum and the display will start up until January. During the Christmas Open House local pianist come out and play the Baby Grand Piano from the Colonial Hotel. Interested parties are asked to call the museum to schedule a time at 574-223-4436.

MelindaClinger, Museum Director  
Ruby Reed, FCHS president  
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### Caston Sports Calendar

Tuesday, Oct. 30 - Boys 6 A/B basketball at North White, 5 p.m.; girls 6 A/B basketball at North White, 5 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 1 - 6 A/B boys basketball vs. Frontier at home, 5:30 p.m.; 6 A/B girls basketball vs. Frontier at Caston, 5:30 p.m.; girls varsity/JV basketball scrimmage at Manchester, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 3 - boys 6 A/B basketball at South Newton, 11 a.m.; girls 6 A/B basketball at South Newton, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 6 - boys 6 A/B basketball vs. West Central at Caston, 6 p.m.; girls 6 A/B basketball vs. West Central at Caston, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 8 - girls 6 A/B basketball at Pioneer, 4:30 p.m.; boys 7 A/B basketball vs. Culver at home, 5:30 p.m.; boys 8 A/B basketball at Culver, 6 p.m.

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## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE - New shipment of pecans. \$6.50 for a 1-pound bag. Available at The Observer, Kewanna, or by calling Beth Weller, 653-2173, or Karen Good, 653-2777.**  
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## Thank You...

Many thanks to all of those who came to our art show, "Roadside Attractions" this past weekend - it was a wonderful turnout. Special thanks to Bev Baldwin, Kewanna Metal Specialties, Joe and Karen Good and The Observer, Don Woolington, Shirley Bussert, Sari Bussert, David Lloyd and the Kewanna Pro Hardware for all their help and support. We have attended many an art show through the years, and can tell you that you will not find a better crowd anywhere.

Diane Tesler  
Wade Bussert  
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**Town & Country  
CHATTER...**

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

I need to make a correction to last week's news first thing. It was Ellen Walsh, Mary Margaret Wagoner of Metea and Ruth Erdman of Monticello (not Ruth Urbin) who traveled to Munster Saturday, Oct. 13. They had a nice time visiting with Ellen's daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Ken Ritz. Sorry about the mistake.

Jerry and Kay Brown had a caller Sunday, Oct. 14. Stopping by in the afternoon to check up on Jerry was their nephew, Terry Brown.

Angela Gast of Wake Forest, North Carolina returned home Monday, Oct. 15, following a weekend visit with her parents, Jon and Barb Gast.

Helen Miller had a houseguest arrive early in the week. Coming up from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to stay with her for a couple of weeks was her son, Ron Miller.

Tom and Linda Garner traveled to Twelve Mile Wednesday evening, Oct. 17. They had a fun time visiting with their daughter and her family, Missy and Steve Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna.

Kerry Brown arrived Friday, Oct. 19, for a weekend visit with his parents, Kay and Jerry Brown.

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

Larry Vogel of Grafton, Wisconsin arrived Friday for a weekend visit with family. In the evening he joined his mother, Jackie Heidenreich, and his sister and brother-in-law, Vickie and Mike Molitor, for dinner at the former Indian Head restaurant in Winamac.

Barb Hieber accompanied her daughter and grandson, Sue Janes and Joey Wilk of LaPorte, to West Lafayette Saturday, Oct. 20. They were guests of Sue's son, Tom Wilk, for a day on the Purdue University campus. The group toured the campus, attended the Purdue vs. Iowa football game, and dined at Logan's restaurant.

Ruth Cogdill had a very busy day Saturday. She enjoyed a weekend visit from her daughter, Jane Teeter of Bluffton, who arrived Saturday, for an overnight stay. Joining them for a visit were Jane's daughter and grandson, Jessica and Nicholas of Ft. Wayne. (Jessica's older son, Jacob Mark was spending the day with his father, Braden Butler in Ft. Wayne.) Arriving later in the afternoon to join the group after attending Diane Tesler's art show

were Ruth's daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Gordon Ligocki of Winamac. Everyone enjoyed the delicious Pizza Hut pizzas that Jane had picked up in Rochester on her way to Kewanna. Just as Jessica and Nicholas were leaving, Ruth received a phone call from her son, Mike Cogdill of Eagle River, Alaska. Mike was able to talk to Jane and Jessica and therefore enjoyed three phone visits for one. (P.S. thank you Gordon and Linda for raking the "pods" in the backyard.)

Hugh and Maryelvn Tennent were in Kokomo Saturday. They had a nice time visiting with Hugh's brother and sister-in-law, Nat and Jennie Tennent.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of callers Saturday. Stopping by for a visit were their daughter, Phyllis Koontz of Rochester, and her granddaughter, Ally. (Ally was going home with Phyllis for an overnight visit.)

Mary K. Williamson of Winamac and Jerry Brown were the guests of honor at a family gathering Saturday evening. The event was in honor of their 89th and 69th birthdays, respectively and hosted by Mary K.'s daughter, and Jerry's wife, Kay Brown. Helping them mark the occasion with supper, cake and ice cream were Mary K.'s daughters, Karen Kruger of Brownsburg and Carol Fernandez of Kennesaw, Georgia; the Browns' sons and their families, Mark and Mick Brown, Mike and Kathie Brown and Kerry Brown; their daughters and their families, Sue and Mike McKinney, Kyle and Molly, and Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee, William and Aidan, all of Rochester; their grandsons and their families, Steve and Brenda Fox, Connor, Megan and Griffin and Ted and Faith Brown and Chloe; their grandchildren, Jessica and Lindsay Brown; and Lindsay's friend, Adam.

Don and Doris Woolington were in Mishawaka Saturday evening where they were joined by the Hamiltons of Plymouth, the Caudills of Mishawaka and the Riddles of Peru. Everyone had a nice visit over a dinner of Japanese cuisine and some ice cream at Culver's restaurant.

**Recycling Days**  
**Fri., Nov. 2nd;**  
**Nov. 16th & 30th**

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**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**  
311 W. Washington St., Suite 300  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2787  
LIFE - STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
On the 31st day of December, 2006

COMPANY NAME: National Farmers Union Life Insurance Company  
ADDRESS: 300 West 11th Street  
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: Kansas City MO 64105-1680  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Texas FEIN: 84-6024157 NAIC CODE: 66540  
CONTACT PERSON: Darren Cook PHONE: 816-391-2000 x2384 EMAIL: Darren.Cook@americo.com

**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 176,468,039
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 8,999,286
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 32,573,902
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$
Policy Loans	\$ 21,067,185
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 3,277,017
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 14,822
Other assets	\$ 38,697,315
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 281,097,566</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 216,988,831
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 7,273
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 3,678,784
-Accident and Health	\$ 20,000
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 262,597
All Other Liabilities	\$ 19,575,194
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 240,520,679</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 211,098
Capital Stock	\$ 2,750,000
Gross Paid in an Contributed Surplus	\$ 15,494,430
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 22,121,359
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 40,576,887
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 281,097,566</b>

William T. Marden (Signature) John L. Fortini (Signature)  
President Secretary  
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COMPANY NAME: Life Insurance Company of the Southwest  
ADDRESS: 1300 West Mockingbird Lane  
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Dallas, TX 75247-4921  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Texas FEIN: 75-0953004 NAIC CODE: 65528  
CONTACT PERSON: Michele Hollifield PHONE: 214-638-9335 EMAIL: mhollifield@nationalife.com

**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 4,035,846,295
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 31,323,093
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 739,164,077
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 2,489,582
Policy Loans	\$ 127,602,761
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 93,230,417
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 5,301,248
Other assets	\$ 317,868,571
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 5,352,826,044</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 4,888,470,312
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 846,675
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 5,020,960
-Accident and Health	\$ 34,300
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 977,108
All other Liabilities	\$ 164,573,070
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 5,059,922,425</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$ 3,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 66,024,375
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 193,879,243
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 262,903,618
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 5,322,826,043</b>

Wade H Mayo (Signature) Jacque L Benton (Signature)  
President Secretary  
State Form 3887 (R/10-87)

**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE RECEIVED**  
311 W. Washington St., Suite 300  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2787  
LIFE - STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
On the 31st day of December, 2006

COMPANY NAME: CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Company  
ADDRESS: 2000 Heritage Way  
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: Waverly IA 50677  
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Iowa FEIN: 42-0388260 NAIC CODE: 65749  
CONTACT PERSON: Christopher Mangan PHONE: 608-238-5851-7423 EMAIL: chris.mangan@cunamutual.com

**ASSETS OF COMPANY** (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 2,472,098,782
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 215,224,876
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 241,687,849
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 40,851,979
Policy Loans	\$ 90,079,585
Premium Notes	\$
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 69,480,790
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 54,143,730
Other assets	\$ 5,002,740,506
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 8,186,308,097</b>

**LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS**

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 2,505,978,758
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 44,520,290
Policy and Contract Claims—Life	\$ 11,787,869
-Accident and Health	\$ 9,580,073
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 3,301,565
All Other Liabilities	\$ 5,329,082,425
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 7,904,230,980</b>
Special Surplus Funds	\$
Capital Stock	\$
Gross Paid in an Contributed Surplus	\$
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 282,077,117
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 282,077,117
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 8,186,308,097</b>

Steve Kuhn (Signature) Debra Roe (Signature)  
Vice President Assistant Treasurer  
President Secretary  
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