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**THE LAKE BRUCE
 CONSERVANCY
 DISTRICT
 NEWS**



The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its monthly meeting Thursday, January 12, in the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department's community room. Four of the five directors and five freeholders were in attendance.

On a unanimous vote, the minutes of the November meeting and the treasurer's report were approved. Chairman Norm Steigely went through correspondence received during the month and noted that the State Board of Accounts has contacted the District to let them know that it is time for its audit that occurs every three years. He also announced that applications for LARE funds for dredging and weed control have been made to the DNR and that the time deadlines were met.

A draft of the plan for sediment removal was received from J.F. New, with the completed agreements made with land owners for the sediment basins. Each board member had previously received a copy of this draft and no changes were suggested at this time.

Although not in attendance, Steve Fralish from Wighman-Petrie has made contact with the board to let it know he is looking at some new technology for sewage treatment to find which one will be most cost effective for the District. He is looking at Conventional - Extended Aeration, Oxidation Ditch (Concrete Tanks), and Membrane Bio-Protector. It looks as though one of the last two will prove to be best for Lake Bruce. Each will require different configurations as to shape that will come into play when looking at the land requirements. He plans on having the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) ready for the board to look at by the February 16th meeting.

Contact has been made with the Fulton County Surveyor about the cleaning of the two sediment traps on Baker Ditch. He stated it is only necessary that contractor let him know in advance that he would be cleaning out the traps. He also stated that the sediment traps on Overmyer ditch are on their normal maintenance program. However, we must pay for the cleaning out of the ones on Baker Ditch. This information was relayed to Ingram Excavating and they were given the go ahead on this project.

Steigely gave a report on the meeting he had with Cecil Rich and Bob Robinson of the DNR and Tony Cunningham of Weed Patrol, Inc. on December 22. The report stated that he was not encouraged about the attitude of the DNR officials concerning the lake and especially the proposed dredging project.

**Joe Rude Elected to
 FSA Committee**

Joe Rude, Kewanna, was recently elected to the Fulton County Farm Service Agency Committee by Fulton County farmers and landowners. He began his three-year term January 1. Rude and his family reside in Union Township, where he is involved with over 1100 acres in his farming operation.

Rude represents Liberty, Union and Wayne townships on the county committee. Scott Hizer of Wayne Township was elected as first alternate to the committee.

The other members of the county committee include Michael Norman, Henry Township; Lonnie Cripe, Rochester Township and County Committee Advisory person. Jane Shriver of Rochester Township represents female farmers and landowners.

Ronald Shrader of Union Township recently completed the final year of his term on the county committee where he has served a total of 28 years. Shrader's dedication and service to the farmers of Fulton County has been greatly appreciated.

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**Donkey Basketball at
 Caston**

Caston High School will host a donkey basketball tourney Friday, January 20, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Pre-sale tickets are \$5. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$7. Children age four and under will be admitted free of charge. Tickets are available in the bookstore or from any rider.

The juniors will play the seniors and community members will take on faculty members. There will also be a consolation game and championship game.

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Legislative Breakfasts

The 2006 legislative breakfasts sponsored by the Rochester/Lake Manitou Chamber of Commerce will be held January 28 and February 25 at the Manitou Banquet Center, Rochester. Both sessions will start at 8 a.m. Coffee and pastries will be served.

State-level elected officials will be on hand to discuss the activities of the Indiana General Assembly and answer questions from constituents.

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**FULTON COUNTY
 COURTHOUSE HOURS**
 Mon. thru Thurs. 8 to 4
 Friday, 8 to 5
 CLOSED Sat. and Sun.

Notice was given to those in attendance of the annual meeting and election to be held on Thursday February 16, 2006 in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Fire Station. The election will take place from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the annual meeting will start at 7 p.m.

**Reward Offered in
 Pharmacy Robbery**

RxPATROL/Crime Stoppers is offering a \$1,000 cash reward for information leading to the arrest of the suspect responsible for a robbery at the CVS Pharmacy in Culver December 26.

An unknown suspect entered the store and went straight to the rear where the pharmacy is located. The suspect pulled a semi-automatic handgun and demanded the pain medication OxyContin. Once the pharmacist gave the pills to the suspect, he fled. The suspect is described as a white male in his mid 30's, thin to medium build, about 5 feet 9 inches tall with a full light brown beard. At the time of the robbery, the suspect was wearing a camo hat with ear covers that fold down.

Anyone with information about the robbery is asked to call RxPATROL/Crime Stoppers at 1-888-4RxTips. Callers never have to give their names or appear in court and the tip line does not use any tape recording or caller ID device.

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**NAP Deadline
 Approaching**

Farmers are reminded that the sales closing date for certain spring planted crops, under the Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), is approaching. March 15 is the sales closing date for crops such as sweet corn, cucumbers, watermelons, potatoes, peppers, pumpkins, onions, cabbage, carrots, etc. A complete listing of eligible crops is available in the Farm Service Agency office, 1252 E 100 S, Rochester.

The NAP program kicks in when natural disasters result in a catastrophic loss of production or prevented planting of an eligible crop. NAP coverage is equivalent to that provided by Catastrophic Risk Protection Plan (CAT) insurance 50% loss threshold. NAP is available for commercial crops or agricultural commodities produced for food and fiber for which CAT is not available. Coverage is not available for livestock.

NAP applications and payment of the service fees may be submitted to the Fulton County FSA office.

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**AREA V MENU
 Kewanna Fire Station**

Monday, January 23 - Chicken pattie Italiano, California blend, wheat bread, cookie and grapefruit

Wednesday, January 25 - Barbecued chicken, cornbread, spinach salad, fruit cocktail and poke cake

Friday, January 27 - Broccoli soup/crackers, tuna salad sandwich, glazed fruit salad and whipped gelatin

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**Hap's Chicken Bash,
 February 15**

The Red Bird Mission Team will serve a Hap's chicken bash dinner Wednesday, February 15, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the annex of the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The menu will include baked potato, cole slaw, roll, cookie, drink and all the chicken you can eat.

Tickets for the dinner are now on sale, \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children age 8 and under. **Tickets must be purchased in advance.** They are available from Jennie Galloway, 653-3037; Bruce Baker, 653-2894; Pastor Dave Sommers, 653-2899; Karen Good (The Observer), 653-2101; Bev Baldwin, 653-2622; or Helen Peters, 946-4175.

Proceeds from the dinner will go toward this year's Red Bird Mission trip, which will be March 26-April 1. Participants will spend a week at the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky repairing or remodeling homes for the local residents or working at the mission. Anyone interested in helping with this worthwhile project is welcome to participate. The cost is \$240 per person, part of which is for food and housing. Persons interested in spending a week at the mission may contact Pastor Dave Sommers, Bruce Baker, Helen or Willard Peters or Karen Good.

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**2006 Wool, Mohair,
 Unshorn Pelts LDPS**

The 2006 crop year for wool, mohair and unshorn pelts began January 1. Area producers are reminded that, in order to apply for possible Loan Deficiency Payments, the form CCC-633EZ, Page 1, must be completed and submitted to the local Farm Service Agency office before beneficial interest is lost. Producers can contact the Fulton County FSA Office at 574-223-3220 for more information.

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**Pulaski Memorial
 Hospital Calendar**

PMH is offering a Healthcare Provider CPR class January 26. Class starts at 6 p.m. and will end approximately at 10 p.m. Cost is \$30 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 and reserve your place. Classes may be rescheduled if paid participants number less than six by January 23.

When the Bough Breaks is grief support for those who have lost an infant, experienced a stillbirth, a miscarriage or SIDS. This is a free service of PMH for residents of Pulaski, Fulton, Starke, Marshall, Cass White and Jasper counties. For more information, call 574-946-2180.

**The News
 In Brief**

The Indiana Humanities Council and the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana invite nonprofit organizations and schools to apply for the 2006 Historic Preservation Grants. The grants are designed to support educational programs related to historic structures in Indiana. Grants of up to \$2,000 may be requested. The deadline for applying is March 1. For more information, contact Nancy Conner, Director of Grants, at 800-675-8897, ext. 128.

The Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will be selling South Bend Chocolate Monday, February 6, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the front lobby. Be sure to purchase some for your sweetheart and help a worthy cause at the same time.

Make sure the damper in your fireplace is tightly closed when you're not using the fireplace. Install glass doors on your fireplace - they can prevent valuable heat from being sucked up by the chimney. For these and other tips on how to use energy wisely this winter, log onto www.nipsco.com.

The Indian Creek Joint Drainage Board will meet at 4 p.m. February 16, 2006, in Room 203 of the Cass County Government Building, Logansport.

Fulton County Deputy Sheriff Jim Hubbard is seeking the Republican nomination to the office of Fulton County Sheriff in the May 2 primary election. Hubbard has been involved in law enforcement for 30 years.

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**Caston PTO Read-
 Again Book Fair**

The Caston Elementary PTO will host its annual "Read-Again" book fair in May. Anyone interested in donating gently used books, videos, tapes (music or read-along), or CD roms can leave them in the drop-off boxes outside the elementary office. Items for children as well as grown-up materials (cookbooks, how-to craft ideas, novels, gardening, etc.) are welcome. Please remember to keep donations for school age eyes.

If you have purchased from the book fair before, consider recycling your purchases. All proceeds will benefit the PTO's improvement fund. If you have any questions, call Lora Redweik at 574-664-5131.

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Recycling Dates
 Friday, Jan. 13th & 20th

Clubs Societies Personals



This meeting is very important and all parents/students are encouraged to attend.
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**CASTON MENU
January 23 - 27
Breakfast Menu**

Monday - Friday - Choice each day with juice and milk; cereal and toast; sausage/cheese bun; ham/cheese bun; or toaster pastry

Lunch

Monday - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes with gravy, green beans, bread and butter, and milk. Comet Café - cheeseburger combo

Tuesday - Breadsticks with meat & cheese; seasoned mini cubes, pineapple and milk. Comet Café - tacos

Wednesday - Pizza, corn, peaches and milk. Comet Café - foot-long hot dog combo

Thursday - Chili soup, toasted cheese sandwich, pears and milk. Comet Café - chicken fillet combo

Friday - Fish sandwich, macaroni and cheese, peas, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - taco salad and stuffed crust pizza
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**EASTERN PULASKI MENU
January 23 - 27**

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Tuesday - Egg and cheese muffin, juice and milk

Wednesday - Danish, string cheese, juice and milk

Thursday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk

Friday - Cereal, yogurt, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Hot dog sandwich, baked beans, fruit salad, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Pizza burger, mixed vegetables, applesauce, cookies and milk

Wednesday - Hamburger sandwich, fries, pineapple, cookie and milk

Thursday - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, fruit

ice, cinnamon roll and milk
Friday - Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, peaches and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Chicken quesadilla, California blend, pears, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Tuesday - Fish sandwich, seasoned fries, orange juice, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Cheeseburger, parsley potatoes, mixed fruit, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Sausage pizza, green beans, pineapple, brownie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Breaded chicken sandwich, corn, applesauce, cookie and milk. Choice - potato bar.

**James F. Talbott VFW
No. 1121 Activities**

January 14 - Men's meeting, 8:30 a.m.

January 14 - Cards have to be paid for drawing

January 17 - Women's meeting, 7:30 p.m.

January 18 - Card drawing, 7 p.m.

January 24 - Men's Auxiliary meeting, 6:30 p.m.

January 29 - Open Sunday at noon. Euchre/cards at 1 p.m. Free lunch. Everyone welcome.
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Bureau of Motor Vehicles
HOURS (Rochester Branch)
CLOSED - Monday
Tues.: 8:30am - 7pm
Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 8:30 - 5pm
Sat.: 8:30am - 12:30pm

DONATIONS - Peg Schultz, Pulaski Memorial Hospital Auxiliary president, presents Amy Bean with two checks for \$1,000 each for the Home Health Care and Hospice Departments. Amy is the director for both groups. The money for these donations was raised through the Auxiliary's "No Show Tea" fundraiser.
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Orientation at Winamac

All prospective ninth graders and their parents should attend a meeting to be held at Winamac Community High School Tuesday, January 31, at 7 p.m. to discuss scheduling of classes for next year. The meeting will be held in the socialatorium.

Mrs. March, the high school counselor, will go over graduation requirements that the students will need to complete over the next four years. She will also be discussing how to fill out the students' four-year plans for the tri-mester scheduling system.

Attend Church Sunday

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HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL
January 9
Admissions - Frances Souther, Tippecanoe; Richard Hisey, Rochester
Dismissals - Mabel Blacketer, Nora Jenkins and son and Karen Martin, Rochester
Births - Michelle Funderok, Macy, a daughter
January 10
Admissions - Ernest Gates, Twelve Mile; Mary Pingleton, North Manchester
Dismissals - None published
Births - Taryn Everett, Rochester, a son
January 11
Admissions - Heather Irwin, Macy; Roy Merrill, Rochester; Steven Duff, Bourbon
Dismissals - Richard Hisey, Rochester; Heather Irwin and Michelle Funderok and daughter, Macy
January 12
Admissions - David Alderfer, Mentone
Dismissals - Taryn Everett and son, Rochester
Births - Amanda Ganshorn, Argos, a son
January 13
Admissions - Virginia Weidner and David Alspach, Rochester; Alice Smitley, Kewanna
Dismissals - None published

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
January 6
Admissions - Rita Mrozinski and Gerald Weaver, Winamac; Frances Nelson, Monterey
Dismissals - Stan Zaley, Helen Beyer, Richard Sambrooks and Leslie Link, Winamac; Linda Hornbeck, Rochester; and Shannon Mitchell, North Judson
Births - Richard Jake McVicker and Leeann Lynette Wallace, Knox, a daughter, Cailyn Jade McVicker
January 7
Admissions - Shaylee Davis, Lafayette; Mary Mathews, Winamac
Dismissals - Rodney Miller, Lafayette
January 8
Admissions - Purden Lausten, Winamac
Dismissals - Leeann Wallace and

daughter, Cailyn Jade McVicker, Knox; infant Jenna Dean Mitchell, North Judson
January 9
Admissions - Angela Wilson, Star City
Dismissals - Gerald Weaver, Winamac
January 10
Admissions - None
Dismissals - Mary Mathews, Lloyd Kline, infant Olivia Sue Link, infant Piper Ann Link, Winamac; Shaylee Davis, Lafayette and Frances Nelson, Monterey
January 11
Admissions - Mary Poston and Alice Howat, Kewanna; Ardith Leska, Winamac
Dismissals - None
January 12
Admissions - Catherine Wheeler, Kewanna
Dismissals - Mary Poston, Kewanna; Rita Mrozinski, Winamac

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**Indiana State Fairgrounds
Upcoming Events**
Expo Source Construction
Expo: Jan. 25-26 in the Marsh Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: Wed. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Thurs. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: free
Winter Jam Rally: Jan. 27 in the Pepsi Coliseum. Show begins at 7 p.m. Admission: \$10 plus offering.
84th Annual Indianapolis Home Show: Jan. 27 - Feb. 5 in the West Pavilion, South Pavilion and Exposition Hall. Hours: Fri. (1/27) 5 to 9:30 p.m.; Sats. 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Suns. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Mon.-Thurs. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Fri. (2/3) 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission: \$9 adults, children 7-12 \$4 and children six and under, free.
Indiana Judges Cup Gymnastics: Jan. 28-29 in the Marsh Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$5 adults, children \$3.

Send In Your News

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT Township: ROCHESTER County: FULTON
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, CASH BALANCES, AND INVESTMENT BALANCES**

FUNDS	Cash Balance At January 1 2005	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash Balance At December 31 2005	Total Cash and Investments at Dec. 31, 2005
Township	109,729.57	54,945.86	13,853.58	150,821.58	150,821.58
Township Assistance	15,687.64	5,010.98	9,478.59	16,220.98	16,220.98
Fire Fighting	58,742.20	207,856.70	170,804.00	95,494.90	95,494.90
Dog	505.50	760.00	888.00	377.50	377.50
Levy Excess		3,742.00		3,742.00	3,742.00
Rainy Day	67,925.98	38,252.71	11,399.00	94,777.69	94,777.69
SUBTOTAL ALL FUNDS	252,288.89	310,568.20	201,422.44	361,434.65	361,434.65
TRANSFERS IN		6,278.00			
TRANSFERS OUT			6,278.00		
NET RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS		304,290.20	195,144.44		

RECEIPTS

FUNDS	Township Fund	Township Assistance Fund	Fire Fighting Fund	Dog Fund	Rainy Day Fund	Levy Excess Fund
General Property Taxes	37,954.22	4,170.03	142,309.72			
Financial Institution Tax	126.00	14.00				
Auto & Aircraft Excise Tax	5,495.53	605.08	26,324.98			
Certified Shares (CAGIT)			25,649.00			
Property Tax Replacement Credit (CAGIT)	2,388.00		2,388.00			
Commercial Vehicle Excise Tax (CVET)	2,024.18	221.82	1,194.00			
Interest Earned	4,421.93					
Dog Tax				760.00		
Transfer of Funds	2,536.00					3,742.00
Miscellaneous Receipts					38,252.71	
Total Receipts	54,945.86	5,010.93	207,856.70	760.00	38,252.71	3,742.00

DISBURSEMENTS

To Whom Paid	Gross Amount	To Whom Paid	Gross Amount	To Whom Paid	Gross Amount
TWP. FUND					
Fulton Co. Treas.	15.50	Jeff Good	300.00	FIRE FUND	
Rochester Telephone Co.	475.01	Jim Briney	300.00	Transfer of Funds	5804.00
Wells Fargo Bank	860.09	Maggie Doran	300.00	Rochester Water Dept.	3500.00
Rochester Sentinel	199.69	Goble Forms	146.00	Rochester City	161500.00
The Observer	208.36	Transfer of Funds	294.00	TOTAL	\$170,804.00
I. R. S.	6605.20	TOTAL	\$13,853.85	RAINEY DAY / COMM IMPR	
IND Dept of Revenue	500.00	DOG FUND			
Roger Bond	1350.00	Tom Bearss	240.00	Hoosier Fire Equip.	10,399.00
Smith Sawyer Smith Ins.	100.00	Jim Dimitrois	500.00	Rochester Fire Dept.	1,000.00
Rochester Sale Barn	1200.00	Transfer of Funds	148.00	TOTAL	\$11,399.00
Judy Showley	1000.00	TOTAL	\$888.00		

State of Indiana SS: Fulton County
I, James A. Showley, Trustee of Rochester Township, Fulton County, Indiana, do solemnly affirm under the penalty of perjury that the preceding report is complete, true and correct; that the sum with which I am charged in this report are all of the sums received by me; and that the various items of expenditures credited have been fully paid in the sums stated; that such payments were made without express or implied agreement that any portion thereof shall be retained by or repaid to me or to any other person. I further affirm that a complete and detailed annual report, together with all accompanying vouchers showing the names of persons having been paid money by the township, have been filed as required by law in the office of the County Auditor, and that copies of such annual report are in custody of the Township Board and the State Board of Accounts. Said report is subject to inspection by any taxpayer of the township.
James A. Showley, Rochester Township Trustee; Telephone (574) 223-3258; Date this report was published 1-19-06.
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, the Chairman of the Township Board of Rochester Township at its annual meeting, this 12th day of January, 2006. Jim Briney, Rochester Township Board Chairman.
This report was received, accepted, and approved by the Township Board at its annual meeting, this 12th day of January, 2006. Rochester Township Board.

Jim Briney
Maggie Doran
Jeff Good
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**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT / TOWNSHIP: WAYNE / COUNTY: FULTON
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, CASH BALANCES AND INVESTMENT BALANCES**

FUNDS	Cash Balance At January 31, 2005	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash Balance At December 31, 2005	Total Cash and Investments at Dec. 31, 2005
Township	30117.32	9825.10	9900.85	30041.57	30041.57
Township Assistance	6131.35	2559.81	973.74	7717.42	7717.42
Fire Fighting	118654.28	39760.39	115596.16	42818.51	42818.51
Cumulative Fire	54537.12	21941.63	12400.00	64078.75	64078.75
Dog	504.50	212.00	493.75	222.75	222.75
Rainy Day	1382.00	0	0	1382.00	1382.00
Grant Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Host Fees	35553.07	31877.26	5523.72	61906.61	61906.61
Subtotal All Funds	246879.64	106176.19	144888.22	208167.61	208167.61

RECEIPTS

FUNDS	Township Fund	Township Assistance Fund	Fire Fighting Fund	Cumulative Fire Fund	Dog Fund	Rainy Day Fund	Host Fee Fund	Grant Fund
General Property Taxes	6794.65	2475.53	27151.16	21365.82				
Auto and Aircraft Excise Tax	180.88	49.84	684.77	535.27				
Certified Shares (CAGIT)			10833.00					
Property Tax Replacement Credit (CAGIT)	1452.00							
Commercial Vehicle Excise Tax (CVET)	89.56	34.44	51.46	40.54				
Interest Earned	1276.01							
Dog Tax	32.00				212.00			
Refunds			15.00					
Miscellaneous Receipts			1025.00				31877.26	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9825.10	2559.81	39760.39	21941.63	212.00	0	31877.26	0

DISBURSEMENTS

TO WHOM PAID:	GROSS AMOUNT:	TO WHOM PAID:	GROSS AMOUNT:	TO WHOM PAID:	GROSS AMOUNT:
TOWNSHIP GENERAL					
Peggy Dague	2200.00	Defco, Inc.	35.00	Jim Berry & Son's	150.32
Jim Dague	400.00	Fletchers Lake UM Church	100.00	E-T Fire Extinguisher	210.00
John Geier	250.00	Fulton Co Treasurer	10.00	Total Supplies	1015.32
David Berry	250.00	Total Other Serv & Chg	5510.29	NIPSCO	2641.54
Dan Sailors	250.00	Total Twp General	9900.85	Defco, Inc.	94.76
Mick Herrold	100.00	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE:		Jason Weldon Const.	209.72
Mindy Douglass	100.00	NIPSCO	380.00	Bureau of Motor Vehicles	51.00
Don Schnapf	100.00	Hoosier Propane	136.45	Smith Sawyer Smith Ins	522.00
Angie Douglass	100.00	Fulton Co REMC	155.40	Nationwide Ins Co	1407.00
United States Treasury	168.28	Tom's LP Gas Service	301.89	ERS Wireless Comm	102.00
Total Personal Services	3918.28	Total Twp Assist/Direct	973.74	St. Paul Travelers - AMD	754.00
Post Master	72.15	DOG FUND:		Jim Berry & Son's	438.59
Boyce Forms	23.72	Fulton Co Auditor	240.00	E-T Fire Extinguisher	195.00
Rural King	43.27	Steve Powlen	253.75	Ind Dept of Natural Res	75.00
David Berry	21.17	Total Dog Fund	493.75	Wayne Twp VFD	1622.63
Dye Lumber Co	236.04	CUM FIRE FUND:		Total Other serv & Chgs	12813.24
1st Ayd Corp	75.93	R.P. Murphy & Associates	12400.00	Wayne Twp VFD	39652.00
Total Supplies	472.28	Total Cum Fire/Capital Out	12400.00	S & S Fire Equipment	56632.00
Smith Sawyer Smith Ins	1332.00	FIRE FUND:		ERS Wireless Comm	1733.60
Home Depot	84.97	Wayne Twp VFD	3750.00	Total Capital Outlay	98017.60
Peggy Dague/Office Rent	1380.00	Total Personal Services	3750.00	Total Fire Fighting Fund	115596.16
Paul Bauman Jr	1750.00	Wal-Mart	18.92	HOST FUND	
Sprint	300.00	Discover Card	10.86	Rural King	615.72
The Observer	218.32	Rural King	39.47	Nowak Supply Co	1908.00
Indiana Township Assoc	300.00	Town of Kewanna	292.88	Benni Shore	1000.00
		Union Township	292.87	Grass Creek Lions Park	2000.00

State of Indiana SS: Fulton County
I, Peggy L. Dague, Trustee of Wayne Township, Fulton County, Indiana, do solemnly affirm under the penalty of perjury that the preceding report is complete, true and correct; that the sum with which I am charged in this report are all of the sums received by me; and that the various items of expenditures credited have been fully paid in the sums stated; that such payments were made without express or implied agreement that any portion thereof shall be retained by or repaid to me or to any other person. I further affirm that a complete and detailed annual report, together with all accompanying vouchers showing the names of persons having been paid money by the township, have been filed as required by law in the office of the County Auditor, and that copies of such annual report are in custody of the Township Board and the State Board of Accounts. Said report is subject to inspection by any taxpayer of the township.
Peggy L. Dague, Wayne Township Trustee; Telephone (574) 653-2877; Date this report was published 1-19-06.
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me, the Chairman of the Township Board of Wayne Township at its annual meeting, this 12th day of January, 2006. David S. Berry, Wayne Township Board Chairman.
This report was received, accepted, and approved by the Township Board at its annual meeting, this 12th day of January, 2006. Wayne Township Board.

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ALICE GARNER HOUSE

Former Kewanna resident Alice Garner House, 86, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died at 2:25 p.m. Monday, January 16, 2006, at Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs.

Born July 26, 1919, at Leiters Ford, she was the daughter of Clyde and Grace Garner. She was a 1937 graduate of Kewanna High School. After graduation, she married Leslie C. House November 23, 1941. He died October 3, 1984. During the war years, she worked various positions in South Bend. She later worked at Mosher's Grocery, Houser's Supermarket and finally the MarLo Restaurant, all in Kewanna. Alice was a great railroad mom, always getting up at any hour for uncles, cousins, or her son to fix meals, drink coffee and visit. After a heart attack in 1984, she was a homemaker and

worked in Fulton County as a volunteer with the Senior Citizens group. In 1999 she was recognized as Fulton County's Area 5 "Volunteer of the Year". She attended the First Baptist Church in Kewanna.

Alice was diagnosed with Alzheimer's in late 2001 and relocated to Council Bluffs, Iowa, to reside with her son, Gary. She continued to enjoy walking,

gardening and yard work until last summer 2004. After several hospital visits and a broken hip in October 2005, she became a resident of Midlands Living Center, Council Bluffs, until her last illness.

She is survived by her son, Gary, Council Bluffs, Iowa; nieces, Karla DePue, Winamac, Jenny Craig, Logansport and Vicky Scantlen, Warsaw;

nephews, Tom Garner, Kewanna, Alan Garner, Kansas City, Missouri, their spouses, children and extended family. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers, Dick, Chester Dale, Leonard and

Burdette Garner, aunts, uncles and several cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, January 21, 2006, at the First Baptist Church, Kewanna. Pastor John W.

Cochran will officiate. Final disposition will be in the Kewanna Citizens-IOOF Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, and one hour before the time of service at the church. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Heart Association.

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2004-05 School Corporation Annual Performance Report

General Explanations

This is a report on the performance of schools and school corporations (districts) in your area. The goal is to give you information to tell you what progress schools are making to help students learn more.

There are additional indicators that are available to you on the Indiana Department of Education's Web site (www.asap.state.in.us), including data broken out by different student subgroups, such as race, gender, income level and special education.

The data in this report have been supplied by the Indiana Department of Education and local school corporations. The report provides the most recent data available.

Indiana educators and citizens have developed higher academic standards for all students. These standards are necessary to prepare Indiana students to be successful in life, whether they go directly to higher education or to the workplace. The scores for ISTEP+ are listed under each school to reflect student progress toward those standards. For high schools, you also will see graduation rates and the percentage of graduates who plan to go on to college.

Other important information is provided, such as average attendance rates and indicators of school safety, including expulsions and suspensions.

Also included is information about your school corporation, such as how much is spent, on average, for each student; how much teachers are paid; and the percentage of corporation students who are in special education classes or gifted and talented classes.

If you have any questions about this information, you should contact your local school corporation or contact the Department of Education at 317-232-6611 or by e-mail at apr@doe.state.in.us

SAMPLE CHART I - School Corporation (District) Data

INDICATOR	Corporation Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
1 Student Enrollment	2,339	2,304	2,286	2,231	1,032,467
2 Total Expenditure Per Pupil Three-Year Average	\$8,800	\$9,300	\$10,600		\$9,600
3 Teacher Salary Range, Minimum	\$28,083	\$28,505	\$28,933		\$27,059
4 Teacher Salary Range, Maximum	\$51,935	\$52,734	\$56,418		\$72,333
5 Percent of Students in Special Education	15.0	15.5	15.7		17.7
6 Percent of Students in Gifted and Talented Education	18	19	17		9
7 Percent of Instruction Delivered through Vocational Education	7.2	8.0	9.9		4.1
8 Percent of Students Receiving Free Lunches/Textbooks	24	24	24		37
9 Percent Limited English Proficiency Students	3	3	2.2		3
10 Total ISTEP+ Remediation Funding	\$61,755	\$60,682	\$55,185		

SAMPLE CHART II - School Data

INDICATOR	School Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
1 Student Enrollment	3204	3248	3332	3402	
2 Grade 9 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	77	77	77	66	70
3 Grade 9 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	78	78	69	69	67
4 Grade 10 Percent Passing GQE Math Standard	76	72	68	70	64
5 Grade 10 Percent Passing GQE Language Arts Standard	79	77	76	78	68
6 Grade 10 Percent Passing Both GQE Standards	71	67	63	65	57
7 Percent of graduates who have passed Indiana's GQE	97	94	99		94
8 Percent of graduates granted waivers for the GQE	3	6	1		6
9 Percent of 11th and 12th Graders Taking Adv Placement Tests	24	37	41		12
10 Percent of AP Tests with Score of 3, 4, or 5	68	71	74		48
11 SAT Average Score	1052	1058	1068		1012
12 Percent of 12th Graders Taking SAT	69	73	77		55
13 Percent Academic Honors Diplomas	36	44	47		31
14 Percent Core 40 Diplomas	75	83	88		67
15 Percent of Graduates Pursuing College Education	94	79	85		72
16 Graduation Rate	95	89	92		90
17 Attendance Rate	96.4	95.5	95.6		95.8
18 Number of Students with More Than 10 Unexcused Days Absent	29	29	36		
19 Number of Suspensions	914	1036	1413		
20 Number of Expulsions	72	106	102		
21 Number of Expulsions and Suspensions Involving Drugs, Weapons, or Alcohol	29	23	27		

Indiana Middle School, 0002

INDICATOR	School Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
1 Student Enrollment	301	290	264	254	
2 Grade 6 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	67	78	85	89	78
3 Grade 6 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	74	84	76	85	71
4 Grade 7 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			87	93	76
5 Grade 7 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			78	75	68
6 Grade 8 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	96	77	83	85	72
7 Grade 8 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	71	65	68	78	68
8 Percent of 8th Graders Enrolled in Algebra I	48	41.9	51.5		18.9
9 Attendance Rate	97.3	97.4	97.7		95.8
10 Number of Students with More Than 10 Unexcused Days Absent	1	0	0		
11 Number of Suspensions	21	0	9		
12 Number of Expulsions	0	1	0		
13 Number of Expulsions and Suspensions Involving Drugs, Weapons, or Alcohol	0	0	0		

Indiana Elementary School, 0003

INDICATOR	School Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
1 Student Enrollment	625	602	601	599	
2 Grade 3 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	51	50	54	70	73
3 Grade 3 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	73	70	81	84	75
4 Grade 4 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			82	64	75
5 Grade 4 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			70	79	73
6 Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			64	65	76
7 Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			72	74	73
8 Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Science Standard			58	66	64
9 Average Class Size	20	20	20		21
10 Attendance Rate	96.7	96.7	97.0		95.8
11 Number of Students with More Than 10 Unexcused Days Absent	1	0	2		
12 Number of Suspensions	4	3	3		
13 Number of Expulsions	0	0	0		
14 Number of Expulsions and Suspensions Involving Drugs, Weapons, or Alcohol	1	0	0		

Explanation of School Corporation (District) Data (see chart I)

The following indicators show you the performance of your school corporation. Where possible, you will see three years of data so you can see the trends — not just this year's results. For many indicators, you can see how your school corporation's data compare to the state average.

- A Number of students enrolled in the corporation or school.
- B How much the school corporation is spending, on average, for each student.
- C Beginning salary for teachers in the corporation. (Bachelors - no experience)
- D Maximum salary for teachers in the corporation. (Masters +30 - maximum experience)
- E The percentage of students in the school corporation who are receiving special education services.
- F The percentage of students in the school corporation who are enrolled in gifted and talented education.
- G Percentage of total instructional hours delivered through vocational education classes.
- H The percentage of students who receive free or reduced-price lunches or free textbooks because of their family income level.
- I Students whose inability to speak and understand English prevents them from participating fully in a standard educational program.
- J The number of dollars the school corporation receives for remedial programs through a state ISTEP+ formula.

Explanation of School Data (see chart II)

The following indicators show you the performance, particularly the academic performance, of the individual schools in each school corporation in your area. Many of the indicators came from the ISTEP+. Where possible, you will see three years of data so you can see the trends — not just this year's results. For many indicators, you can see how a school's data compare to the state average.

- 1 The percentage of 9th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 2 The percentage of 9th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 3 The percentage of 10th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the GQE on the first attempt.
- 4 The percentage of 10th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the GQE on the first attempt.
- 5 The percentage of 10th graders who passed both portions of the GQE on the first attempt.
- 6 The percent of graduates who have passed Indiana's GQE are students granted diplomas who completed all of their courses and passed the GQE test. The percent of graduates granted waivers are students granted diplomas who completed all of their courses and were granted a waiver by their school.
- 7 The percentage of 11th and 12th graders who took the Advanced Placement examinations.
- 8 The percentage of Advanced Placement examinations with a score of at least 3 (on a 5 point scale).
- 9 The average score high school seniors received on the SAT. The highest possible score is 1600.
- 10 The percentage of high school seniors who took the SAT.
- 11 The percentage of high school seniors who received Academic Honors Diplomas when they graduated.
- 12 The percentage of high school seniors who received diplomas indicating they had completed Core 40 requirements, but did not complete academic honors.
- 13 The percentage of high school graduates who say they plan to pursue a college education.
- 14 The graduation rate is based on the completion rate of grades 9-12.
- 15 The average attendance rate for students in the school.
- 16 Number of students with more than 10 unexcused days absent.
- 17 The number of out-of-school suspensions made during the school year.
- 18 The number of expulsions made during the school year.
- 19 The number of out-of-school expulsions and suspensions made for offenses that involved drugs, weapons, or alcohol.
- 20 The percentage of 6th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 21 The percentage of 6th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 22 The percentage of 7th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 23 The percentage of 7th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 24 The percentage of 8th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 25 The percentage of 8th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 26 The percentage of 8th graders taking Algebra 1.
- 27 The percentage of 3rd graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 28 The percentage of 3rd graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 29 The percentage of 4th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 30 The percentage of 4th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 31 The percentage of 5th graders who passed the mathematics portion of the ISTEP+.
- 32 The percentage of 5th graders who passed the English/language arts portion of the ISTEP+.
- 33 The percentage of 5th graders who passed the science portion of the ISTEP+.
- 34 The average class size—number of students per teacher—at this elementary school.

Teacher salary information is based on actual salaries reported to the Department of Education on the Certified Employee Report. Current salary ranges were not available to the Department of Education for use in this report.

This data and additional information is available on the Indiana Department of Education's Web site (www.asap.state.in.us).

Caston School Corporation

CASTON SCHOOL CORPORATION, FULTON 2650

INDICATOR	Corporation Results				
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
Student Enrollment	812	821	839	833	1,032,814
Total Expenditure Per Pupil Three-Year Average	\$7,400	\$7,700	\$7,700		\$9,600
Teacher Salary Range, Minimum	\$28,585	\$29,319	\$28,747*		\$27,059
Teacher Salary Range, Maximum	\$47,839	\$48,558	\$48,436*		\$72,333
Percent of Students in Special Education	14.5	15.1	17.2		17.7
Percent of Students in Gifted and Talented Education	9	9	5		9
Percent of Instruction Delivered Through Vocational Education	5.4	6.9	7.1		4.1
Percent of Students Receiving Free Lunches/Textbooks	23	27	29		37
Percent Limited English Proficiency Students	0		.1		3
Total ISTEP+ Remediation Funding	\$16,943	\$17,470	\$16,338		

* Salary Schedule Not Available, Data is from DOE-CECP report.

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Letter To The Editor

Annual School Performance Reports

January 2006

Letter to the Editor:

On every level, education is an essential investment for the future. Individuals' level of educational attainment will set the course for their lives. Collectively, a community and a state offer opportunities for jobs, progress, and growth, based in part on the educational attainment of citizens. As any smart investor will attest, using the latest and most accurate information available to regularly monitor

progress is the best way to make informed decisions and receive the best return on that investment.

With that in mind, the Indiana Department of Education, local schools, and newspapers across the state work together each year to publish report cards on the performance of our school corporations and schools of Indiana between January 15 and 30. The reports include the most recent data available on test scores, attendance rates, school safety, teacher salaries, the average amount of money spent on each student, and more. To measure progress over time, four years of school data are provided for comparison.

The Annual Performance Reports are one part of a continuing effort to encourage

Hoosiers to become more knowledgeable about their schools and for schools to become more accountable to the public they serve. To provide an even clearer picture about Indiana's schools, our Department makes even more detailed information available year-round on our Accountability System for Academic Progress (or ASAP) Web site at www.asap.state.in.us. ASAP provides information beyond what is possible on the printed page, allowing anyone to access a multitude of data, graphically display the results, and even compare schools based on a variety of characteristics.

I encourage every Hoosier to review the performance report for the schools in your community, and then take the time to visit

your local school to find out what you can do to help make a difference. We have set high expectations in Indiana, and despite less than ideal economic circumstances, our schools are producing results. Indiana's students are achieving more than ever before, but they cannot do it without the support of their families and communities and neither can our schools.

Dr. Suellen Reed
Supt. of Public Instruction
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Caston Jr-Sr High Sch, Fulton 2159

INDICATOR	School Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
Student Enrollment	376	392	396	381	
Grade 7 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			74	78	76
Grade 7 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			66	63	68
Grade 8 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	51	58	73	72	72
Grade 8 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	60	47	70	61	68
Percent of 8th Graders Enrolled in Algebra I	0	17.5	31.2		20.2
Grade 9 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			51	79	70
Grade 9 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			46	72	67
Grade 10 Percent Passing GQE Math Standard	69	70	55	38	64
Grade 10 Percent Passing GQE Language Arts Standard	73	67	75	60	68
Grade 10 Percent Passing Both GQE Standards	63	61	50	33	57
Percent of graduates who have passed Indiana's GQE	93	95	93		94
Percent of graduates granted waivers for the GQE	7	5	7		6
Percent of 11th and 12th Graders Taking Adv Placement Tests		27	10		12
Percent of AP Tests with Score of 3, 4, or 5		13	10		48
SAT Average Score	940	949	903		1012
Percent of 12th Graders Taking SAT	44	61	47		55
Percent Academic Honors Diplomas	11	28	22		31
Percent Core 40 Diplomas	33	75	67		67
Percent of Graduates Pursuing College Education	62	72	58		72
Graduation Rate	93	92	78		90
Attendance Rate	99.4	93.5	93.3		95.8
Number of Students with More Than 10 Unexcused Days Absent		21	15		
Number of Suspensions	138	157	99		
Number of Expulsions	5	5	6		
Number of Expulsions and Suspensions Involving Drugs, Weapons, or Alcohol	5	12	12		

Caston Elementary School, Fulton 2157

INDICATOR	School Results				State Results
	'02-03	'03-04	'04-05	'05-06	
Student Enrollment	436	429	443	452	
Grade 3 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	84	75	76	76	73
Grade 3 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	88	78	89	86	75
Grade 4 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			58	78	75
Grade 4 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			73	86	73
Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard			88	82	76
Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard			81	65	73
Grade 5 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Science Standard		81	83	71	64
Grade 6 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Math Standard	75	86	94	88	78
Grade 6 Percent Passing ISTEP+ Language Arts Standard	75	76	71	83	71
Average Class Size	21	19	20		21
Attendance Rate	95.7	95.8	96.0		95.8
Number of Students with More Than 10 Unexcused Days Absent		0	0		
Number of Suspensions	3	1	5		
Number of Expulsions	1	0	0		
Number of Expulsions and Suspensions Involving Drugs, Weapons, or Alcohol	1	0	0		

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12-Step Retreat at Lindenwood

Registrations are now being taken for a 12-Step Compulsive Eating and Eating Disorders Retreat to be held at Lindenwood Retreat & Conference Center, Donaldson. The program is scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday, February 3, to 1 p.m. Sunday, February 5. The program fee is \$160 for a single room, \$130 per person for a double occupancy room, and \$80 for commuter.

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Weird School series) by Dan Gutman.

Youth Nonfiction— *Follow that Fin* by Amy Samuels; *Houses and Sharp and Sticky Stuff* by Lynn M. Stone; and *Arctic Investigations* by Karen Romano Young.



The Caston Lady Comets fell to their host, Argos, Tuesday evening, January 10, 59-30. Kaylyn Herrold was the leading scorer for Caston with 10. Samantha Loeffler added nine, Jessica Kantzer, 5; Courtney Thomas, 4; and Kristen Osborn, 2. Visiting South Newton defeated the Comets Friday, January 13, 46-39. Jessica Kantzer led the Comets with 18 points. Other scorers included Courtney Thomas, 6; Kaylyn Herrold, 5; Shelby Loeffler, 4; Samantha Loeffler and Kristen Osborn, 3 each.

Texas Holdem

Tourney at Star City

The Star City Fire Department will hold a Texas Holdem tournament Sunday, January 29, at 1 p.m. at the Star City Community Building. The entry fee is \$50 plus \$15 for food. The competition will include a three-game series.

**State Representative Gutwein's
Comments on Governor's State
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COUNTY WAGES REPORT FOR FULTON COUNTY AUDITOR PROVIDED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON 12/31/05

Table with columns: EMPLOYEE NAME, GROSS WAGES 2005. Lists names and wages for various employees.

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Notice To Bidders

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Fulton, Indiana will be, until the 31st day of January 2006, at 4:00 P.M. EST, will receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of said county for the following items in accordance with specifications available at the office of the Auditor, County Annex Building, 125 E. 9th Street, Rochester, Indiana, 46975.

- 2006 Police Vehicle Interceptor and 2006 Sport Utility Vehicle. All bids to exclude State and Federal Taxes. Each bidder is to state time of delivery. Bid with trade and without trade. Trade will be subject to delivery of new vehicles. The Board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. Each bid item shall be separated and sealed and be submitted in DUPLICATE ON FORM 95.

Board of Commissioners Richard A. Powell Roger D. Rose Leslie R. Walters

ATTEST: Denise J. Bonnell Fulton County Auditor Pub. 1/12, 19, 2006

NOTICE TO THE FREEHOLDERS OF THE BURCE LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of freeholders of the Lake Bruce Conservancy District of Fulton and Pulaski Counties, Indiana will be held on the February 16, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. at the Kewanna Fire Department Community Room. The purpose of the Annual Meeting on February 16, 2006 is to elect a Director to fill vacancies due to expiration of term, to elect officers and to transact any business that may come before the board.

The following persons have been nominated to fill vacancies. Three (3) to be elected to four (4) year term: District One- Nominated: Norman Steigley District Two- Nominated: Gerald Porter District Four- Nominated: Tom Davies The Kewanna Fire Station Community Room will be open from 1 P.M. to 6 P.M. (EST) on February 16, 2006. Only freeholders of the District are eligible to vote. Absentee ballots for freeholders who will be absent the day of the election are now available when appearing in person at the residence of the Chairman of the District at 1516 N Lake Shore Dr., (Lake Bruce) or by calling (219) 653-2824. Freeholders who are non residents or shut-ins who requesting a ballot by mail. All Absentee ballots should be mailed to Lake Bruce Conservancy District, P.O. Box 97 Kewanna, IN 46939. All Absentee ballots are valid only if delivered with proper postage before February 16, 2006. Ballots not properly completed are invalid.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS LAKE BURCE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT Norman Steigley, Chairman & Secretary Karherine Fisher, Vice Chairman David Foust, Treasurer Gerald Porter, Director Tom Davies, Director

January 12, 2006 Pub. 1/19/2006

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Fulton, Indiana, will be on the 6th day of February, 2006, up to the hour of 9:00 a.m. EST, receive sealed bids at the office of the Auditor of said County for the following item in accordance with specifications available at the office of the Auditor, Courthouse, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester, In. 46975.

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Bids will be opened and read aloud on Monday, February 6, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. EST, at the

Fulton County Board of Commissioners Room, 125 E. 9th St., Rochester, In. 46975. All bids to exclude state and federal taxes. Each bidder is to state time of delivery. The Board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. All bids shall be submitted on FULTON COUNTY BID FORM obtainable at the Fulton County Auditor's office and each bidder shall accompany his/her bid with a bond or certified check made payable to the Auditor of Fulton County in an amount to equal ten percent (10%) of the total bid. Certified check or bond of successful bidder to be held until delivery or until completion of contract.

Board of Commissioners Richard A. Powell Roger D. Rose Leslie R. Walters ATTEST: Denise J. Bonnell Auditor of Fulton County Pub. 1/19 & 26, 2006

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Kewanna-Union Township Public Library, Fulton County, Indiana that the proper legal officers of the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library at their regular meeting place at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library, at 6:00 P.M., on the 30th day of January, 2006, will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year.

Table with columns: Operating Fund, Major Budget Classification 0400, Amount. Lists funding amounts for various categories.

Linda E. Hawkey Library Director Mark A. Smith President, Library Board Richard L. Hoff, Treasurer Library Board Pub. 1/19/2006

RESOLUTION 010906DB A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD, OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING MEETING TIMES FOR 2006.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Drainage Board has established that they will meet on the second (2nd) Monday of each month at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., unless that Monday falls on a County observed Holiday, then the meeting will be held on the second (2nd) Tuesday at 9:00 A.M.E.S.T., in the Conference Room at the Fulton County Office Building.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Drainage Board has established meeting times as set out under Indiana Code 36-2-2-6 et. Seq.; NOW THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Fulton County Drainage Board that: 1. The Fulton County Drainage Board will meet on the second (2nd) Monday of each month at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., unless that Monday falls on a County observed Holiday, then the meeting will be held on the second (2nd) Tuesday at 9:00 A.M.E.S.T., in the Conference Room at the Fulton County Office Building. 2. Other meetings will be scheduled and a public notice will be given. Adopted this 9th day of January, 2006.

FULTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD Roger D. Rose, Chairman Richard A. Powell, Vice Chairman Leslie R. Walters ATTEST: Jean E. Cloud Drainage Board Secretary Pub. 1/19/2006

RESOLUTION 011106 A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD, OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING MEETING TIMES FOR 2006.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Communications Board has established that they will meet on the second (2nd) Wednesday, the first month of each quarter (January, April, July and October) at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T. in the Conference Room at the Fulton County Office Building.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Communications Board has established meeting times as set out under Indiana Code 36-2-2-6 et. Seq.; NOW THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Fulton County Communications Board that: 1. The Fulton County Communications Board will meet on the second (2nd) Wednesday, the first month of each quarter (January, April, July and October) at 9:00 A.M., E.S.T. in the Conference Room at the Fulton County Office Building. 2. Other meetings will be scheduled and a public notice will be given. Adopted this 11th day of January, 2006.

FULTON COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD Ronald D. Riggie, Chairman J. W. Day, Vice Chairman Cheryl Musselman Susan Griffith Leslie R. Walters W. Earl Gaerte ATTEST: Jean E. Cloud Communications Board Secretary Pub. 1/19/2006

Local Items

John and Virginia Agnew had callers Saturday. Stopping by were their daughter and son-in-law, Marsha and Ed Tomerlin, of Hebron. After lunch, they enjoyed cake and ice cream in celebration of Marsha's birthday (a couple of days early).

Bill Yoder and Sandy Best of Monticello, Bruce and Denise Baker, Elnora Baker and Joe and Karen Good visited with their aunt, Josephine Weaver, at Kendallville Saturday afternoon. Enroute to Kendallville, the group met friends, Russell and Sue McDonald, for lunch at Nappanee.

Cody Weller of Rolling Prairie was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday, Jan. 15. The occasion was in celebration of his 6th birthday and hosted by his grandparents, Belinda and Rick Weller of LaPorte. Helping them mark the special day with dinner and lots of birthday trimmings were Cody's parents and brother, Debra and Chad Weller and Tyler; his great-grandparents, Ray and Beth Weller and Barb and Jon Gast; his great-great-aunt, Betty Leazenby; his great-aunts and uncles, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Cora Lynn and Howard Clemans; and his cousins, Shelby Wagoner of Etna Green and Brendan and Riley Sutton of Leiters Ford.

Helen Miller of here and her daughter, Judy Mills of Kokomo, visited with Kathryn Huntington in North Manchester Sunday afternoon.

Hugh and Maryellyn Tennent were in Kokomo Sunday visiting family. They spent the early part of the afternoon with their niece and her husband, Pam and Russ Dance. Later, they stopped in to chat with Hugh's brother and sister-in-law, Nat and Jennie

Tennent. Doris Woolington and her sister, Connie Hartman of Fulton, were in Argos Sunday. They had a delightful time visiting and dining with their brother and sister-in-law, Don and Sharon Walls.

Helen Whiteman was an afternoon houseguest of her daughter and son-in-law, Drs. Cindy and David Parker of Winamac. The family enjoyed dining together and watching the football game.

Linda Bangel of Schoolcraft, Michigan was a weekend houseguest of her parents, Earl and Mary Bangel.

Jerry Brown was among those who attended the Rochester high school girls' basketball game Saturday evening. He was there to cheer on Molly McKinney and her teammates.

Florence Baldwin and Virginia Agnew spent Monday afternoon with Marsha Tomerlin at Hebron.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Amelia Hawkey, Sarah Miller, Aaron Scantlen, Eunice Urbin, David Webb, Janice Wentzel and Wiletta Wilson, Jan. 22; Karrie Johnson, Elijah Stevens and Harold Sutton, Jan. 23; Jean Bangel, Randall Basham, Donna Dugan, Joe Hott, Juanita Johnson, Susan McClellan, Jan Thomas and Terry Young, Jan. 24; Dana Kreamer and Tom Rude, Jan. 25; Kevin Bangel and Mitchell Powell, Jan. 26; Kylee Fenstermaker, Leo Hudkins, Sarah Miller, Don Weller and Bev Whiteman, Jan. 27; and George Hendrickson, Florence Hogan and Elisha Smith, Jan. 28. Gene and Phyllis Thomas will celebrate their wedding anniversary January 27.

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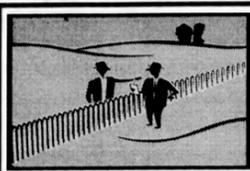
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By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Kay and Jerry Brown were in Rochester Monday evening, Jan. 9. They enjoyed attending the high school freshmen girls' basketball game. Their granddaughter, Molly McKinney, plays for Rochester.

Fred and Barbara Brown of Rochester and Fred's brother and sister-in-law, Jerry and Kay Brown, traveled to South Bend Tuesday, Jan. 10. They had an exciting time attending the Notre Dame vs. Marquette ladies' basketball game.

Tom and Barb LaFollette traveled to Greentown Wednesday, Jan. 11. They attended the funeral viewing of their friend, Robert Smith. They also intended to visit with family friends, Bud and Ingrid Landis. Upon arrival, they learned that Bud had been admitted to the hospital following a heart attack. (After undergoing a couple of surgical procedures, Bud was on the way to recovery and wanting to return home.)

John Lincoln was the guest of honor at a small get-together Thursday, Jan. 12. The occasion was in recognition of his birthday and hosted by Jackie Heidenreich. Joining them for dinner were John's daughter and

son-in-law, Sandy and Jon Silsby of Vicksburg, Michigan, and Jackie's son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Brenda Vogel of Rochester.

Mathilda Lamb had company over the weekend. Arriving Friday, Jan. 13, for a three-day visit were her daughter and son-in-law, Joan and Mike Gallagher of Wilmington, Ohio, and their dog, Patrick.

Jane Teeter of Bluffton arrived Friday evening for an overnight visit with her mother, Ruth Cogdill. The ladies had a wonderful time catching up on all the family news concerning Jane's daughters and grandchildren. Ruth also appreciated Jane doing some household chores and putting Ruth's Christmas decorations away in the attic until next year rolls around.

Don and Doris Woolington were in Rochester Saturday, Jan. 14. They had a fun time helping their great-granddaughter, Melanie Holler, celebrate her birthday. Melanie is the daughter of Brad and Becky Hassenplug.

Mathilda Lamb and Joan and Mike Gallagher traveled to Peru Saturday. They enjoyed a pleasant visit with Mathilda's son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and

Cathy Lamb.

Wilma Wilson accompanied her son and his family, Tim and Deb Wilson and Taylor to Rochester Saturday evening. They had an exciting time attending the high school girls' basketball game. Tim and Deb's daughter, Kaylee, is a player for Rochester.

Helen Whiteman was in Knox Saturday. She enjoyed a visit as a dinner guest of her granddaughter, Dr. Cathy Parker.

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