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Notice To Residents

On June 1, the Kewanna Police Department will begin issuing citations for violations of town ordinances.

Ordinances govern such things as curfew, junk vehicles, weeds and high grass and loose dogs.

Those who are found violating the ordinances will be assessed fines and fees and their cases assigned to Fulton Superior Court, said Town Marshal Dennis Price.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES AT LAKE BRUCE

Once again this summer there will be community church services at the Lake Bruce L'Abri Pavilion. Services will be held at 8:00 a.m. on May 28, July 2, July 30, and Sept. 3, 2006

This year Rob Wingerter will be presenting a series based on Mark 12:30, the great commandment to "love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength". Each of the four Sunday messages will explore one of the facets of loving God—heart, soul, mind and strength.

The Lake Bruce services are non denominational and are open to anyone. They normally last an hour or less. If you have any questions, please call the WingerTERS at 574-653-2160, or 317-769-3445, or email at wingerterb@aol.com.

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Fish and Chicken Supper at Grass Creek

The Grass Creek Lions Club will serve a fish and chicken supper Saturday, June 3, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Grass Creek Fire Station. The cost of the meal will be \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children 6-12. Children five and under may eat free of charge. Dessert will be included with the meal and carry-outs will be available.

Dan's Frying Service of Huntington will prepare the fish and chicken.

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Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, May 28

The Kewanna-Union Township Volunteer Fire Department will serve its annual all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast Sunday, May 28, at the fire station. Serving will be from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation.

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The Lake Bruce Conservancy District held its monthly meeting Thursday, May 11, in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. All five directors and six freeholders were present for the meeting.

The minutes of the April meeting and the treasurer's report were approved and correspondence reviewed. One letter was from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) informing the district that its application for a LARE grant has been approved in the amount of \$87,000. The funds will be used for dredging. The project requires 25% matching funds from the conservancy. The bidding process for the dredging work and contacting of contractors will be handled by J. F. New and Associates as part of the conservancy's contract with them. The board will select the contractors and supply the DNR with copies of contracts entered into. The grant money is received as work is performed and billed. Copies of invoices must also be sent to the DNR. At the end of the project, 15% will be withheld pending satisfactory completion of final documents. The district will be required to show payment of its 25% percent of the cost at that time also.

Norm Steigely, conservancy board chairman, went on to say that in his talk with Senator Tom Weatherwax, he was told that the exact amount of area that will be dredged on the west side of the lake still needs to be worked out with the DNR as they have the final determination. John Richardson of J. F. New and Associates sent a document showing the steps and time-line for the dredging project. The final inspection of this stage of the project will be in the spring of 2007 with work starting this fall.

Steigely reported that the other successful LARE grant of \$13,000 for weed control (\$9,000 for treatment and \$4,000 for surveys) has been difficult and very time consuming as a new system has been put in place at the DNR. It requires the conservancy to send out bids for treatment and also for three surveys that are required during the year. The bids have been sent out but only a few have been returned to date. The various lake organizations as well as the companies that do the treatment and those that do the surveys are not happy with the new DNR program. It has proven very costly and cumbersome for all to deal with. The DNR is currently looking at ways to improve the program.

It was reported that the income survey has been completed by the

Annual Rummage Rumble Set for June 17

Kewanna's annual Rummage Rumble, the community-wide garage/yard sale day, has been set for Saturday, June 17. The event will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Those wishing to participate and have their sale put on the map to be distributed may sign up at Kewanna Pro Hardware, the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library, or the Kewanna branch of the Community State Bank.

The annual event is sponsored by Kewanna H.E.A.R.T. The group would appreciate donations to help cover the cost of advertising in several area newspapers and radio stations.

For more information, call Bev Baldwin at 574-653-2622 or Sheri Cook at 574-653-9919 or 574-653-2029.

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directors. They have made contact with approximately 185 people. The information collected will now be given to the Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission for certification. The survey is required before an application can be made for federal funding for the sewer project. Application for funding of this program must be made by a city or county. Steigely and Edwin Buswell of the Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission was to meet with the Fulton County Commissioners Monday, May 15 to see if they will place the application for the district for \$500,000 to be used to help fund the sewer project.

Tom Davies gave an update on the proposed dry hydrant at Lake Bruce noting that he had talked with Dan Rosswurm at the USDA office in Rochester. Rosswurm supplied much information and a starting point for the hydrant project. He was also able to get the district in touch with Randy Moore of the Arrowhead Country Resource Conservation and Development office in Winamac who was supplied valuable information. Davies also attended the monthly meeting of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department to discuss the dry hydrant process and any source of additional funding for the project. He noted that Jay Cunningham, assistant fire chief, along with his entire staff were very helpful and will assist the district in any way they can. The dry hydrant will be used to fight fires at the lake.

In other business, the board approved the contract with Plews, Shadley, Braun for legal representation for the sewer project at a cost not to exceed \$20,000. This contract is another requirement for obtaining federal grant monies.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, June 8, at 7 p.m. in the fire station community room. The meeting is open to all freeholders and interested parties.

USDA Reminds Producers to Sign-up by June 1

Steve Brown, acting executive director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Indiana, reminds agricultural producers that they have until June 1, 2006 to sign up for the 2006 crop Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP).

"This program plays an important role in the viability of rural communities across Indiana," said Brown. "I encourage farmers and growers to sign up for DCP by June 1 by visiting a USDA Farm Service

Agency office or by using the convenient online DCP service."

USDA has issued more than \$28 billion in DCP payments to producers since the program began in October 2002.

USDA will accept late-filed DCP applications through September 30, 2006, if accompanied by an \$100 late fee. Producers will be unable to apply for 2006 DCP payments after September 30. Sign-up for the 2006 DCP began October 1, 2005.

Producers may sign-up online for DCP at www.fsa.usda.gov/egov/edcp_default.htm. Producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account to use the service. This requires filling out an online registration form at www.eauth.egov.usda.gov and visiting the local FSA office for identity verification.

The online service allows producers to choose 2006 DCP payment options, assign crop shares, as well as sign and submit their contracts from computers with Internet access. The service is easy to use. It reduces paperwork and speeds up contract processing at FSA offices saving time for producers and FSA employees.

More information on DCP is available at local FSA offices and in the online DCP fact sheet posted at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/dcp06.htm>. FSA's Web site is <http://fsa.usda.gov>.

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AREA FIVE MENU Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, May 22 - Charsteak with gravy, cauliflower, mashed potatoes and gravy, graham cracker, pears and wheat bread

Wednesday, May 25 - Chicken patty Italiano, scalloped corn, green beans, orange juice, cherry ambrosia and wheat bread

Friday, May 27 - Carry-in

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To Reserve the Fire Department Community Room Call Bev Baldwin at 574-653-2622 Evenings

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Round Barn Cyclists is Born

The group that has been planning bicycle routes for public roads has decided on a name: Round Barn Cyclists. They have not organized as a club as yet, but they are planning another ride. This will be June 11, not June 3 as previously announced because of too many conflicting events. Cyclists will meet Sunday, June 11, at 1 p.m. at the Fulton County Museum and ride around Germany Bridge for a short ride or on to Culver for a longer ride. More details will be announced later.

Richard Vonnegut, Indianapolis, spoke to the group recently about the Indiana Trails Fund, which he represents. They are coordinating biking and hiking routes all over Indiana and getting local groups to hook up so the routes cross several counties. Monterey is converting its old depot into a Trails Center and will be the hub for several counties. He urged the Fulton County group to plan a route that will hook up with Monterey. He recommended planning rides that have all right turns for safety.

Vonnegut also told about the American Discovery Trail, which crosses Fulton County east to west. It can be viewed at www.discoverytrail.org. Rochester is encouraged to add its historic sites to the list. Each county court house will serve as a trail beginning at the northwest corner of the court house. He suggests guided tours about architecture, history, cemeteries, canals, and other subjects.

Indiana is also working on canoe trails on the Tippecanoe and other rivers. Hoosier Rails to Trails is clearing and paving old rail beds.

Vonnegut will attend the Governor's meeting May 31 which will plan trails and choose graphics. Look for a report in the Indianapolis Star on June 1.

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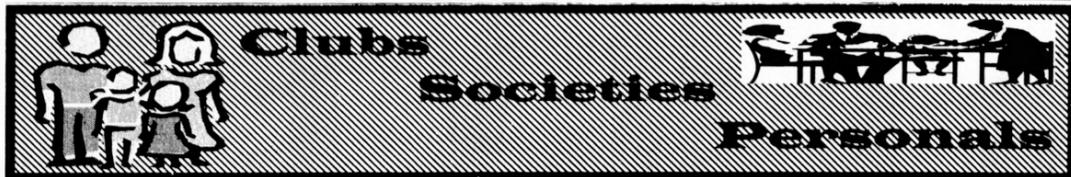
Small Business Counseling

Fulton County small business owners and entrepreneurs can learn more about operating their own business by attending confidential counseling sessions provided by the regional Small Business Development Center and SCORE.

Through an arrangement with the Fulton Economic Development Corporation (FEDCO), this service is free to Fulton County residents. A business counselor can help current and prospective business owners with business plans, marketing, arranging financing and growing a business.

A counselor is available the second Wednesday of each month at the FEDCO office, 822 Main Street, Rochester. To schedule an appointment for June 14, call 574-223-3326.

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Awards & Recognition Program at Caston

Caston Elementary will conduct its annual awards and recognition day Friday, May 26, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the high school gym. Students will be recognized for perfect attendance and many academic achievements. The sixth grade promotion will conclude the program and there will be a short reception for the sixth graders following.

Parents, grandparents and community members are welcome to attend.

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Benefit Concert at Denver

The Bluegrass Buddies and friends will present an afternoon of gospel, bluegrass and ole time country music Sunday, May 21, at the Denver Community Building. The performance will run from 2 to 5 p.m. Donations will be accepted to help the Denver Volunteer Fire Department purchase much needed equipment.

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Log Cabin Tour, June 3-4

The Brown County Log Cabin Tour is set for June 3 and 4 in picturesque southern Indiana. Five privately-owned log or country homes in the hills of Brown County will be featured during the 32nd annual Log Cabin Tour. The tour is sponsored by Psi Iota Xi philanthropic sorority and all proceeds support art, literature, music, and speech and hearing needs in the Brown County community.

Visitors to the tour take a beautiful drive, using tour maps provided with the tickets, through the back roads and gentle, rolling hills of scenic Brown County to see unique, decorated log cabin homes both new and old. The private homes feature gardens, antiques, family heirlooms and the work of local artists. Photos and information on this year's homes, as they become available, are on the tour's website at logcabintour.com.

Tour hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CST each day, rain or shine. Tickets are available by mail at P.O. Box 39, Nashville, IN 47448.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under 12. Children

under two are free. Information and tickets are also available by email

at logcabintour@hotmail.com or by calling the Brown County Convention and Visitors Bureau at 800-753-3255 or 812-597-5431. Tour headquarters will be at the Gazebo on the Village Green in downtown Nashville on the days of the tour only.

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Sonya Heinsen and Brian Kleiner of Woodland Park, Colorado are the parents of a boy. He was born May 7 at 12:46 AM, weighed 6 lbs 2 oz and has been named Siddhartha Benjamin Kleiner. Maternal grandparents are Linda and Gordon Ligocki and Dr. Charles and Deb Heinsen of Winamac. Maternal great-grandparents are Dr. Paul and Marilyn Heinsen of Punta Gorda, Florida and Ruth and the late Frank Cogdill of Kewanna. Paternal grandparents are Richard Kleiner of Florissant, Colorado

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and Barbara Kleiner of East Meadows, New York. Paternal great-grandmother is Ruth Kleiner of Merrick, New York.

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VFW May Activities

May 13 - Men's meeting, 8:30 a.m.

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

May 17 - Ladies Auxiliary card drawing, 7 p.m.

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

May 28 - Open Sunday. Free food and cards

May 29 - Memorial Day. Post open.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Boilermaker Double Header Swine Show: May 20-21 in the swine barn. Show begins at 9 a.m. both days. Admission: free

Midwest Reptile Show: May 21 in the Southwest Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5, children 8 and younger free

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Book Signing at Waldenbooks

WTHR-TV meteorologist, Chris Wright, will be at Waldenbooks in the Logansport Mall from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 20, to sign two of his latest books, *Bloodlines* and *Retribution*.

In addition to his busy career as chief of the WTHR-RV Skytrack Team, Wright has written five books in the last ten years, including the two thrillers he will be signing Saturday. He has also received four Emmys from the National Television Academy for meteorology.

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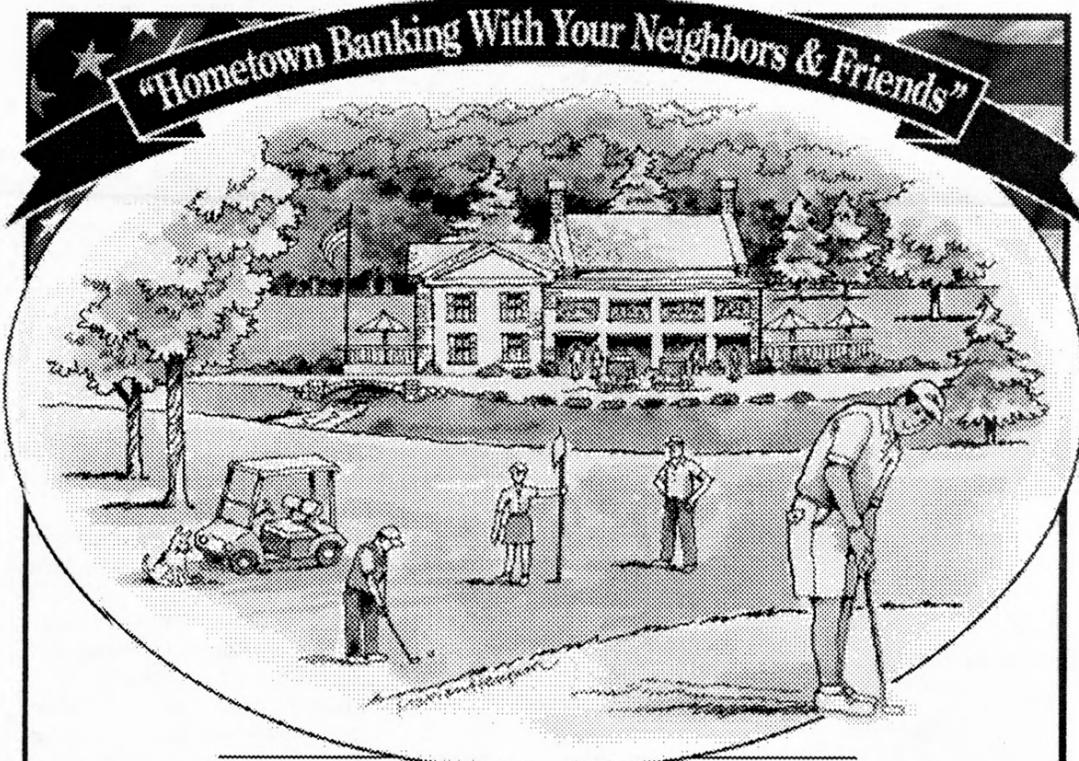
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HOSPITAL NOTES....

WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

May 8
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Dismissals - Mary Lotz, Silver Lake; Charlann Carson and Peggy Curtis, Rochester; Karen Welling, Leiters Ford

May 9
Admissions - Richard Miller, Rochester; Willard Ege, Macy
Dismissals - Matthew Crall, Rochester

May 10
Admissions - Donna Campbell, Rochester
Dismissals - Ernest McQueary, Peggy Curtis and Richard Harts, Rochester; Dorese Miller, Kewanna

May 11
Admissions - Clair Strong, Rochester
Dismissals - None published
Births - Crystal Tilton, Rochester, a daughter

May 12
Admissions - Betty Slade and Diana Harmon, Rochester
Dismissals - Richard Miller and Donna Campbell, Rochester

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

May 5
Admissions - None
Dismissals - Deidre Schleman and son, Conner Drew, Francesville

May 6
Admissions - Ronald Allen Trujillo, Royal Center
Dismissals - Billy Shidler and Elsie Felker, Winamac

May 7
Admissions - None
Dismissals - None

May 8
Admissions - Rosemary Watts and Ralph Good, Winamac
Dismissals - None
Births - Thomas Slattery Jr. and Ashlee Apple, Knox, a son, Chad Joseph Slattery

May 9
Admissions - None
Dismissals - None

May 10
Admissions - Madolynne Werner, Winamac
Dismissals - Ronald Allen Trujillo, Royal Center; Ashlee Apple and son, Chad Joseph Slattery, Knox
Births - Mickey Hunter and Tequia Kay Blankenship, Winamac, a son, Bryson Mickey Hunter

May 11
Admissions - Elnora Jordan, Winamac; Lonnie Howard, North Judson
Dismissals - None
Births - Kenneth White Jr. and Mary Elizabeth Lovely, Hamlet, a daughter, Theresa Ruth White; Steven Lee and Trina Dawn (Crist) Fulmer, Winamac, a son, Cooper Ellis Fulmer
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Food Inspection Report Available at Observer

The Fulton County Health Department has released its food inspection report for 2005 and it is available for review at the office of The Observer.

The report covers inspections of food handling locations in the county including restaurants, schools, grocery stores, etc.
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Right Plant, Right Pot, Right Spot

by Leese Metzger
Metzger Landscaping & Design

Designing plant combinations for container gardens seems a mystery for most homeowners. By following a few simple container design guidelines, you can ditch that confused, overwhelmed feeling that often overtakes us when surrounded by hundreds of brightly colored, flowering lush plants at the greenhouse. When you combine plants in a pot, consider how you would arrange cut flowers in a vase. Plan for outward, upward, and even some downward movement over the rim of the container.

Some of the rules for combining plants in the garden don't hold true for container gardening. In the limited space of a pot or window box, a riot of color, even clashing colors, can be effective. Foliage is, however, as important in a container arrangement as in a garden or a cut-flower display. Consider the shapes and colors of leaves on flowering and foliage plants.

Although you should experiment and use creativity to combine plants in containers, there are some guidelines for making pleasing plant combinations. At the center of the pot place a plant that is tall and straight such as the traditional spike "dracaena" or try something new and exciting such as annual purple fountain grass to boast height and color in the center of the container. Next arrange medium sized plants around the tall center element of your design. Plant enough of the medium sized plants so they fill in the rim of the pot. Consider



annuals such as ageratum, cosmos, fuchsia, impatiens, or petunias. Around the edge of the pot, between the other plants, insert trailers and floppy plants that will cascade over the rim and trail out and down, preventing the arrangement from looking top-heavy. Good annual choices are bacoba, certain trailing fuchsias, geranium "million-bells", and many trailing hybrid verbenas.

Choosing the "right" plants for your container is simple because there are really no rules as to what kind of plants can be used for container gardens. Annuals, perennials, herbs, succulents, and even cactus can be used to fill a container. Ornamental grasses as an accent in a container will add instant texture to a container. It is

essential to keep in mind where a container will be placed and light conditions the pot will be exposed to. Take time to read plant tags while browsing the wide array of plant choices. Choose full shade plants for shady areas and full sun plants for bright, sunny spots.

Certainly do not forget the basis for any healthy plant: quality soil. Plants in containers face problems that don't occur in gardens. Because the soil in pots

is restricted, plants cannot expand their root systems and scavenge for nutrients. As a result, high-quality soil is important. Soil additives that help to retain water such as vermiculite, perlite, or polymer crystals will help retain moisture so plant roots can uptake water more slowly and when needed. Containers should also be fertilized throughout the summer to keep them looking colorful and lush with a water soluble fertilizer.

You'll hardly be able to contain yourself this summer with the perfect pots you've created, overflowing with the right plants in the right pot located in just the right spot on your deck or patio this summer.

(Leesa Metzger is the former Leesa Plummer of Kewanna. She is the owner of Metzger Landscaping & Design LLC, North Manchester.)
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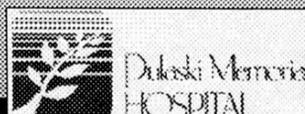
Now it's happening again; things are not normal any more. Perhaps you are experiencing perimenopause...the stage of life when hormones are again altering your body and your life.

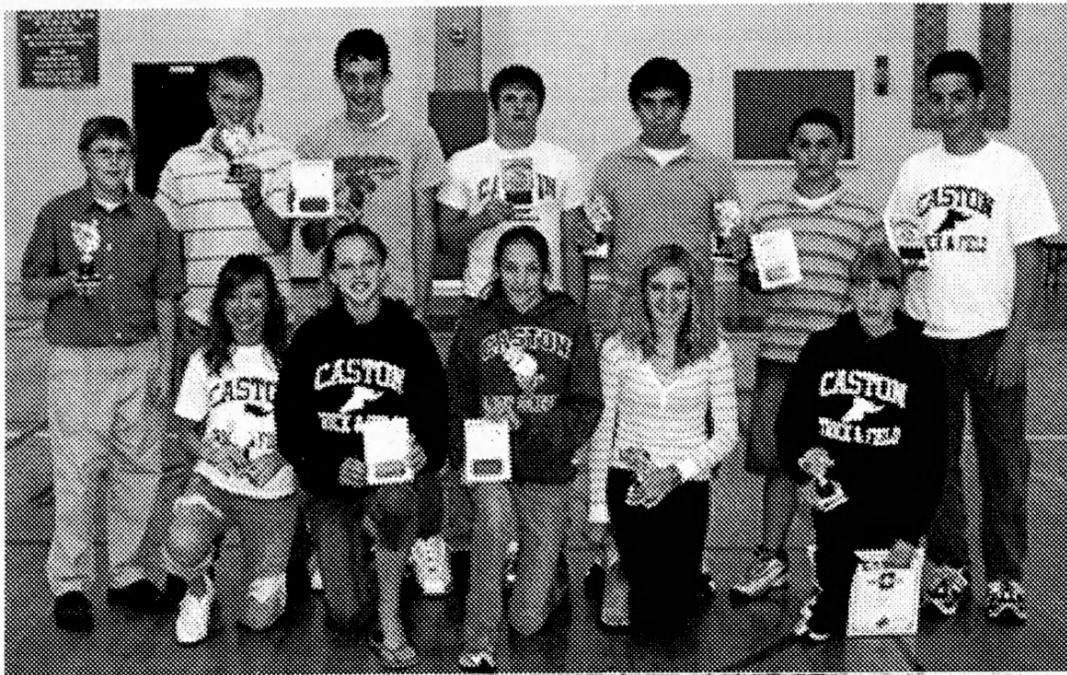
This is a time when the levels of hormones produced by the aging ovaries fluctuate. You might be experiencing irregular menstrual flow and cycle, hot flashes, night sweats, mood swings, vaginal dryness, waning sexual desire, forgetfulness, trouble sleeping and fatigue.

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Junior High Spring Sports Awards

The Caston Junior High spring sports awards program was held Monday morning during which several track and field participants and golfers were honored.

Athletes honored included, front row (left to right) - Kayley Woods, best sprinter; Britney Baldwin, most improved; Veronica Sheets, mental attitude; Chelsey Dague, best field events; and Kara Smith, best distance. Pictured in the back row are - Boston Blackman, most promising (golf); Chane Baldwin, best distance; Matt Reichart, mental attitude (golf); Kyle Moudy - most improved

(golf); Austin Ault, best sprinter and field events; Will Holloway, most improved; and Max Foreman, mental attitude.

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From The Desk Of...
State Representative
ERIC A. GUTWEIN
 District 16

(STATEHOUSE) May 12, 2006 -Daylight Saving Time (DST) was a free ticket for economic growth in Indiana. It is an essential tool that has already created positive results such as job growth, industry expansion, and increased economical output for the state. Indiana is in the

midst of restoration and we are on the right path to creating a stronger, more prosperous state.

During the 2005 session, the debate over the very controversial topic had 55 major businesses at the Statehouse testifying in favor of DST. FedEx was just one of those companies who testified in favor of the state observing DST. During their testimony they claimed an annual loss of \$1.5 million as a result of time issues. Now with Indiana observing DST, FedEx has recently announced their decision to expand its size at the Indianapolis International Airport. The expansion is projected to create 800 blue collar jobs in 2008.

Steel Dynamics, another company who testified in favor of DST, is also planning to invest

\$200 million to build a new mill in its Columbia City Operation, creating more than 150 jobs.

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development reported that there were 89,000 more Hoosiers employed in February 2006 than in February 2005. They also reported that Indiana has 20,000 more jobs in March 2006 than in March 2005. The states unemployment rates have dropped from 5.5% in March 2005 to 4.9% in March 2006. In the month of April alone, an estimated total of 11,625 jobs are expected to be created within the next five years.

Indiana has also moved from 18th in the nation to sixth for top business climate as well as being ranked ninth best climate for small businesses by the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Council.

These statistics may not be a direct result of Indiana's observance of DST. However, since we have started observing DST, Indiana's economy has certainly progressed and companies like FedEx and Steel Dynamics are showing their loyalty to the state by increasing their business.

I truly believe DST is bringing

forth positive results for the state's economy. We must continue to make the best decisions to strengthen our state's economical value so businesses will want to stay and new businesses will develop. The future of Indiana is in the hands of our children. It is our duty to create a positive environment where they can become the successful leaders of our state.

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Ages 7-10 Fiction— *Calling All Engines and Track Stars* (from the Thomas the Tank Engine series) by Rev. W. Awdry; *The Berenstain Bears and Too Much Car Trip* (from the Berenstain Bears series) by Stan and Jan Berenstain; *Last Day Blues* by Julie Danneberg; *Can I Bring My Pierodactyl to School, Ms. Johnson?* by Lois G. Grambling; and *If You'll Be My Valentine* by Cynthia Rylant.

Youth Nonfiction— *My Little Book of Painted Turtles*, *My Little Book of River Otters*, *My Little Book of Timber Wolves* and *My Little Book of Whitetails* (from the My Little Book series) by Hope Irvin Marston; *Fantastic Farm Machines* by Cris Peterson;

and *Kingfisher First Encyclopedia of Animals* edited by Camilla Reid

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CASTON MENU May 22 - 30

Breakfast

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 and gravy, green beans, special treat and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Tuesday - Cheeseburger, French fries, peaches and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Wednesday - Pizza, corn, applesauce and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Thursday - Soft tacos with meat and cheese, lettuce & tomato, pineapple and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Friday - Hot dog (plain or with sauce), tator tots, Mandarin oranges and milk. Comet Café - cook's choice

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day, no school

Tuesday, May 30 - (last day of school) Corn dog, seasoned mini cubes, mixed fruit and milk.

Comet Café - cook's choice
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EASTERN PULASKI MENU May 22 - 26

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Tuesday - Egg and cheese sandwich, juice and milk

Wednesday - Cook's choice, juice and milk

Thursday - Cook's choice, juice and milk

Friday - No school, summer vacation begins

Elementary Lunch

Monday - Hamburger sandwich, fries, raisins, cookie and milk

Tuesday - Taco salad, apple, rice krispie treat and milk

Wednesday - Bologna and cheese, pickle spear, potato chips, orange and milk

Thursday - Sack lunch, peanut butter and jelly, baby carrots, fruit roll-up, Cheetos and milk

Friday - No school, summer vacation begins

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Cook's choice. No

salad bar

Tuesday - Cook's choice. No salad bar

Wednesday - Cook's choice. No salad bar

Thursday - Cook's choice. No salad bar

Friday - No school, summer vacation begins
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Filing Deadline

According to Fulton County Auditor Denise Bonnell June 12 is the deadline for filing for the following tax deductions:

- mortgage deduction
- age 65 deduction
- blind or disabled deduction
- all veteran's deductions
- geothermal energy/heating/cooling device deduction
- hydroelectric power device deduction

Persons filing for the deductions must have owned their real estate as of March 1, 2005. There are also other restrictions. For more information, call the auditor's office at 574-223-2912.
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May 23 Next Do-Not-Call Deadline

Tuesday, May 23, is the next deadline to register for the state's Do-Not-Call list according to Indiana Attorney General Steve

Carter. Phone numbers placed on the list by midnight Tuesday will begin receiving benefits of the law starting July 1, 2006. There are currently more than 1.6 million phone numbers registered on the Do-Not-Call list.

Other registration deadlines and effective dates for 2006 are August 22 (effective October 1) and November 21 (effective January 1, 2007).

The attorney general's office has entered into agreements with 185 companies for alleged violations of the law. To date, more than \$670,000 has been assessed in penalties, violations and a court judgment.

The attorney general's office reminds people that registration is free and the state will not ask for any personal financial information. Registration is available 24-hours a day, 7-days a week at www.attorneygeneral.IN.gov or by calling 1-888-834-9969.
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Gerry Burkett of Rochester found this huge mushroom in a bed of tiger lilies at his home. The morel measured 13 inches high and the stem was five inches in diameter. Gerry is the son-in-law of Lynn Downhour, owner of Lynn's Coffee Shop in Kewanna.
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Looking Back.....

Eighty-five Years Ago

Warren G. Harding, Republican, was serving as president of the U.S. Calvin Coolidge was his vice president.

A loaf of bread was selling for ten cents; a gallon of milk was \$.58; a pound of butter, \$.52; a new Ford was \$420; and a gallon of gas was \$.11. The average price of a new home was \$7,019 and the average annual income was \$2,134.

In 1921, an ounce of gold was worth \$20.67 and an ounce of silver was worth \$1.09.

FIFTY YEARS AGO May 17, 1956

The Patterson Feed Mill in Fulton, operated by C.E. Patterson for many years, has been purchased by Robert Leavell of Lucerne. The mill began operation under the new ownership May 10. Leavell is a former township trustee. He will discontinue his farming near Fletchers Lake and move his family to Fulton soon.

At an organizational meeting of the Fulton County Republican Central Committee, Kenneth Cook of Kewanna was elected treasurer. Cook is bookkeeper at Urbin Auto

Co., clerk-treasurer for the Town of Kewanna, precinct committeeman for Union township precinct two, and also a radio repairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Master-son recently purchased the remaining interest of Kewanna Grain Inc. from Elmer Seidel and George VanMeter.

Jack Vigus was pictured with two mushrooms which he found, each about ten inches long and three inches across.

First Lt. Howard Johnston of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnston of Kewanna, was injured in a plane crash Thursday, May 10. Johnston suffered a fractured leg and flesh wounds.

A large barn on the W.C. Hollis farm, Rt. 3, Kewanna, burned Monday night at about 11:30 p.m. The fire was discovered by neighbors.

Loey Frank Thomas, 77, for many years a resident of Grass Creek vicinity, died Monday in Parkview Hospital, Plymouth. Fun-

eral services were held Wednesday at the Grass Creek EUB Church and burial was in the Grass Creek Cemetery.

Doris Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Brown, was the guest of honor at a surprise party in celebration of her 16th birthday. Guests included Mrs. Clifton Kline and daughter, Nancy, Monterey; Edith St. Clair, Grass Creek; Betty Cohagan, Joan Graf-fis; Carolyn DeWitt, Sharon Johnston, JoAnn Engle, Pat Larkin and Mary Henning.

Marsha and Johnny Agnew, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Agnew, Kewanna, underwent tonsilectomies at Woodlawn Hospital Wednesday morning.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 18, 1961

Jack Vigus has announced that he will open a barber shop in the Violet Ray Coin Laundry building. He is nearing the end of placing equipment and furniture in the building and will open as soon as the inspector gives his approval.

Leo Marshall announced this week his resignation as principal of the Kewanna schools. He came here two years ago to replace Russell Walters when the latter was made county superintendent.

Van Tuyl Gillespie, who has taught school in Union township for 38 years, will retire at the end of the present school year.

Cheryl Worl has been named valedictorian of the 1961 graduat-

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ing class at Kewanna High School.

Olive Herrold of Grass Creek was installed as Grand District Deputy of the Indiana Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star when they met in Grand session in Indianapolis April 28. Mrs. Herrold is a member of the Kewanna chapter, No. 322.

The Kewanna Methodist Church will begin an early worship service Sunday morning, May 21, at 8 a.m. The purpose of the early service is to accommodate the area residents who would like to worship earlier during the summer months. If enough interest is shown in the first three or four Sundays, the early worship service will continue for the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Bill Graham was hostess at a stork shower in honor of Mrs. Dick Brown recently in the home of Mrs. Kenneth Hiland. Present besides the honored guest were Mrs. Betty Weller, Rochester; Mrs. Bonnie Pearson and Mrs. Bill Jesserig of South Bend; Mrs. Marvin Engle, Mrs. Clyde Mosher, Mrs. Joe Ingram, Mrs. Delbert Good, Mrs. Les House and Mrs. Kenneth Hiland. Those unable to attend but sending gifts were Mrs. John Enyeart, Miss Sharlene Shull, Mrs. Dick Baldwin and Mrs. Florence Brown.

FORTY YEARS AGO May 19, 1966

Mrs. Mabel Wills was honored at a faculty dinner May 3 in honor of her retirement after 40 years of teaching. She taught for 19 years in East Gary, four years at Grass Creek, four years at Winamac and 13 years at Kewanna. The dinner was prepared and served by sophomore girls, Nancy Corbett, Joan Lamb, Becky Fields, Donna Ortman, Randy Weller, Jenny Garner, Susan Farris, Kathleen Plantz, Dinah Gilliland and Nedra

Hunter.

Two students from Kewanna have been singled out for scholastic achievement by being named to the Dean's List at Indiana University for one or both of the last two semesters. They are Lillian Kolezar, Rt. 3, and Richard Williams, Rt. 1.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Walters, a daughter, at Pulaski Memorial Hospital.

The Bruce Lake Community Circle will meet in the home of Mrs. Ellis McNabb Thursday, May 26. Mrs. Frank Hudkins will be the co-hostess.

Mrs. Ned Miller, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is recovering from surgery performed in Memorial Hospital, South Bend.

Linda White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert White, Kewanna, has been named valedictorian at Caston High School. Kenneth Hoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoff, Rt. 1, Lucerne, has been named saluatorian.

Blade cut chuck roast was selling at Deckard's Supermarket for \$.39 per pound.

The Kewanna High School Sunshine Society elected officers for 1966-67. They are, president - Beth Reason; vice president - Susan Farris; corresponding secretary - Jenny Garner; secretary - Karla Garner; and reporter - Wendy Hogan.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO May 20, 1971

Kewanna High School enjoyed its annual prom night Saturday night. Reigning royalty included Jack Graham, king; Becky Wentzel, queen; Roy Briney, prince; and Diane Evers, princess.

A motorcycle driven by Keith Beck, Rt. 5, Logansport, and a tractor driven by Wendell Burton, Rt. 1, Kewanna, collided Friday afternoon on State Road 17, north of Kewanna. Beck was taken to Pulaski Memorial Hospital where he was treated for injuries. Burton was not injured in the mishap.

Baccalaureate services for the class of 1971 will be held May 23 at Kewanna High School. Graduation is scheduled for May 24 in the school gymnasium. Speakers will include class president and saluatorian, Gary Evers; Beverly Browning, class representative; and Becky Wentzel, valedictorian. Katrina Cook will give the invocation and Mike Heidorn, the benediction.

Several Wayne township men gathered Monday to plant the township's Friendship Farm which benefits the annual CROP walk. J.C. Herrold did the plowing; Don Douglass the discing; Al Powlen planted the acreage and Harold Showley did the spraying. The men were assisted by Fred Hizer, Jim White and Rev. Raleigh Walker who handled the corn and fertilizer. Nelson Sadler and Bus Miller each furnished a half ton of fertilizer.

Final rites were conducted Friday in the Akron United Methodist Church for William Fred Kinley, 71, Rt. 1, Silver Lake. He was the father of Mrs. Howard Gilliland of Kewanna.

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Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pugh and Kyle were Mrs. Georgia March of Winamac; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bailey of Francesville; Mrs. Jackye Pugh, Lake Bruce; Mr. and Mrs. Josh Pugh and Steven, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker, Clar and Allie and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Snyder, all of Culver; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Pugh and Lizzie, Rochester; and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shedrow, Levi and Madison, Monterey. The group celebrated Steve's birthday and Mother's Day.

Beth and Ray Weller spent Mother's Day weekend in Lebanon, Ohio visiting their daughters, Beth Deckard and Linda Tufts and families. Sunday, Beth enjoyed a call and email from her son, Don Reason, of Trevaux, France wishing her a "Happy Mother's Day". The family spent a day in Columbus, Ohio at the convention center where Lauren Tufts was participating in a volleyball tournament.

Dorese Miller, Larry and Bev Kimble, RaeAnn Snider, JoAnn Duca, Brittany and Mark, Mark's friend, Mandy, and Doran Collins celebrated Mother's Day Sunday, May 7 at the Golden Corral in Kokomo. Mark and Mandy then spent the week here before returning to Muncie.

Helping Dorese Miller celebrate her birthday Wednesday, May 10, with dinner and cake were her sons, Jerry Kimble of Bowling

Green, Kentucky and Larry and Bev Kimble; her daughter, JoAnn Duca and Doran Collins; her grandchildren, Mark Kimble of Ball State, RaeAnn Snider and Brittany Duca; her great-grandchildren, Vicky and Bethany Snider; and Mark's friend, Mandy of Ball State.

Nancy and Leonard Evers had company Sunday for Mother's Day. Joining them for dinner and a visit were their sons, Gary Evers of Michigan City and Brian Evers and their daughter and son-in-law, Janet and C.J. Yocum of Rochester. Nancy also received phone calls from: her sons, Bill of New York, Robert of Arizona and John of Indianapolis; and from her daughter, Diane Evers, and son and daughter-in-law, Dave and Maria Evers, who are vacationing out west.

Ryan Baker of West Lafayette, Forrest and Elnora Baker, Bruce and Denise Baker, Daniel Baker and Joe and Karen Good enjoyed Mother's Day breakfast at the Oak Grove restaurant in Star City.

Matilda Lamb had a few holiday visitors Sunday. Stopping by to wish her a Happy Grandmother's Day were her grandson and his family, Brian and Pam Gallagher, Drew, A.J. and Jake of Ft. Wayne.

Donnabelle and Bill Fisher hosted a small family gathering in honor of Mother's Day Sunday. Joining them for dinner and a visit were their daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Terry Young of Winamac, and Bill's sister and brother-in-law, Beverly and

John Lampkins of Plymouth.

Barb and Jon Gast and their family celebrated Mother's Day with dinner at Lynn's Coffee Shop. Joining them Sunday for the meal and a visit were their daughters and sons-in-law, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Cora Lynn and Howard Clemons; their great-grandson, Riley Sutton of Leiters Ford; and Barb's sister, Betty Leazenby.

Kay and Jerry Brown were Sunday afternoon visitors of Kay's mother and sister, Mary K. Williamson and Rita at Winamac.

Pauline and Don Scales had several callers Sunday. Stopping by in the afternoon to wish Pauline a Happy Mother's day were their daughter and son-in-law, Phyllis and Gene Koontz of Rochester, and their son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Rosemary Scales of Fulton. In the evening, they were joined by their grandson and his family, Barry and Julie Scales, Brittney, Daniel and Isabel of Fulton for a holiday visit. Accompanying Barry and Julie were their former foreign exchange student, Elizabeth, and her brother. Pauline received phone calls from her daughters who were not able to visit during the weekend.

Helen Whiteman spent the early part of Mother's Day as a houseguest of Drs. Cindy and David Parker. In the evening, she was joined by her son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Monica Whiteman of Pulaski.

Joyce Luhnnow hosted her family's Mother's Day celebration Sunday evening. Her guests for dinner and lots of visiting were her son and his family, Doug and Beth Luhnnow, Brad, Amber and Adam; her daughter and her family, Chris and Hank Riffle, Kyle and Brittany; her daughter, Angie Luhnnow; and her mother, Ruth Ann Anderson.

Wilma Wilson had Mother's day visitors. Stopping by in the afternoon for a Sunday visit and to help with some chores were her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Lou and Bill Foerg.

Barb and Tom LaFollette had guests for Mother's Day. Joining them for dinner and bringing along a Dairy Queen ice cream cake were their daughter and her family, Karina and Terry Bohac, Shelby and Nick of Rochester. Barb also received phone calls Sunday from her sons, Chris of LaPorte and Buddy of Delaware.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Jim Hines Jr., Melissa Keyser and Damon Leazenby, May 21; Jon Bauman, George Hoover, Morgan Kuptz and Cale Pesaresi, May 22; Charlotte Robson, May 23; Ryan Bussert and Bob Clyde, May 25; Ashley Birge and Jackson Rentschler, May 26; and Larry Anderson, Dick Good, Nicole Hines and Susan McKinney, May 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kumler will be celebrating their wedding anniversary May 22.

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May 15th, 2006

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On or about September 22, 2006, the Town of Kewanna intends to apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for a grant from the Community Focus Fund of the Department's Small Cities Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. These funds are to be used for community development projects. The purpose of this application shall be for Sewer Utility Improvements. The amount of Community Focus Fund funds requested is \$500,000. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will meet the national objective of benefit to low and moderate income persons is \$258,500. The applicant also proposes to expend \$100,000 in non-CDBG funds on the project. These non-CDBG funds will come from a bond issue.

The Kewanna Town Council will hold a public hearing on June 1, 2006, at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall located at 109 E. Aurora Street to provide citizens an opportunity to express their views on community development and housing needs, past community development and housing activities and the proposed purchase of a fire truck.

Citizen participation is encouraged particularly by low and moderate income persons who reside in the Town of Kewanna. Technical assistance will be provided to groups representing low and moderate income persons that request assistance in developing funding proposals.

In previous years The Town of Kewanna received Community Development Block Grant funds for water facility improvements, a community center, and sewer improvements through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Records regarding the accounting of these beneficiaries and funds are available from the address listed above. Interested citizens are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. A plan to minimize displacement and provide assistance to those displaced has been prepared and is available to the public. There will be no displacement.

Handicapped and/or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend hearings should contact Karen Good, Clerk-Treasurer, at the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, or by calling (574) 653-2101 at least 7 days prior to the meeting in order that reasonable accommodations may be made for such persons.

The Community Focus Fund application will be available for review and comment on September 22, 2006. Information concerning the proposed project may be obtained from Karen Good, Town Clerk-Treasurer, by calling (574) 653-2101 Monday through Friday.

Jeff Finke, President
Kewanna Town Board

Pub. 5/18/06

Request for Sealed Bids
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Notice is hereby given that Caston School Corporation shall receive Sealed Bids for Asphalt Paving Work Contract 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2006 at the office of Administration, 9815 SR 25 S. Fulton, IN 46931-0008. Bids will be in accordance with IC 36-1-12-4-7. For more information, contact Robert Huffman, Superintendent at (574)-857-2035 or Mark Mattox at 765-564-4528. The Asphalt Paving Work Specifications will be available to qualified providers on May 12, 2006 at the Office of Administration, Caston School Corporation.

All Bids must include a proposal with the content and in the format described within the RFP. A mandatory grounds walk through will be conducted on Wednesday, May 17, 2006 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

The Board reserves the right to terminate this project prior to bids being received, to reject any and all bids and to be the sole judge of the value and merit of the bids offered.

Pub. 5-11, 18, 2006

NOTICE OF THE ACTION OF THE
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The Fulton County Drainage Board at its meeting on May 8, 2006 hereby notifies you that the Findings and Order to increase the maintenance rate on said drain has been filed and is available for inspection in the office of the Fulton County Surveyor.

If a Judicial review of the Findings and Order of this Board is not requested within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this notice, the order shall become conclusive.

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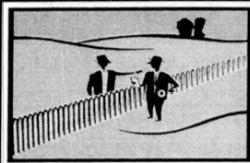
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Town & Country CHATTER...

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A quick note. As most of you know, I have been going through quite an ordeal lately which is damaging my vocal cords. As a result, I will be taking the next couple of weeks off to rest my voice and hopefully give my vocal cords a chance to recover.

Don and Pauline Scales had company Thursday, May 4. Stopping by for a chat were their daughter and son-in-law, Barb and Doug Grandstaff of Kendallville.

Karen Rice of Indianapolis spent several days early in the week as a houseguest of her mother, Helen Whiteman.

Tom and Barb LaFollette traveled to Rochester Tuesday evening, May 9. They were joined by friends Bob and Carol Broda, Nub and Bunny Brogdon, Bob and Marilyn Ferguson, Chuck and Gail Scheeringa and Hugh and Maryellyn Tennent for wings at the Moose lodge.

Helen Whiteman accompanied her daughter, Dr. Cindy Parker, to Elkhart Thursday, May 11, on business.

Barb and Tom LaFollette were in Kokomo Thursday. They enjoyed celebrating an early Mother's Day with Barb's mother, Pauline Eikenberry. They treated her to dinner at the Sycamore Grill. Then the trio went shopping for flowers. The day was concluded with a stop at Scoops ice cream shop.

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

Ruth Ann Anderson traveled to Holland, Michigan Friday, May 12. She enjoyed listening to the Oak Ridge Boys and an organ recital. Because of the rainy, rainy weather, several planned activities had to be canceled. Her trip was arranged by American Dream Tours of Plymouth.

Forrest and Elnora Baker, Bruce and Denise Baker and Joe and Karen Good enjoyed a visit and a meal with Elnora's brother and niece, Bill Yoder and Sandy Best, at the Anglers restaurant in Monticello Friday evening.

Nadine Moberly had holiday houseguests over the weekend. Joining her for a visit were her daughter and son-in-law, Janet and Daryl Eaton of Cincinnati, Ohio; her son and daughter-in-law, Gene and Carolyn Newton of Kokomo; and her grandson and his wife, Chris and Nancy Eaton of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Arriving Saturday, May 13, for an overnight visit with Rich and

Jane Green were their daughter and her family, Dawn and Rick Nikolich and Luke of Charlotte, Michigan.

Wilma Wilson had several callers Saturday. Early in the day, she was joined by her son and his family, Tim and Deb Wilson, Taylor and Kaylee, for an early Mother's Day. Tim and his family helped plant Wilma's spring flowers between rain showers. In the evening, Wilma's daughter and her family, Judy and Jack Graham and Kurt of Lucerne joined her for dinner.

Helen Whiteman was treated to lunch at Lynn's Coffee Shop Saturday by Drs. Cindy and David Parker.

Tom and Barb LaFollette were among those who attended the Customer Appreciation Day hosted by the First Stage nursery Saturday.

Linda and Tom Garner hosted their family's Mother's Day celebration Saturday evening. Their guests for supper and a visit were their daughters and their families, Missy and Steve Young, Trey, Brianna, Kaylyn and Stevanna of Twelve Mile and Amanda and Don Wassermann and Zach of Valparaiso; their son,

T.J. Garner; and T.J.'s friend, Ashley Allen.

Kay and Jerry Brown celebrated Mother's Day with their family at Pappa's restaurant in Culver Saturday evening. Joining them for the meal and a visit were their sons and their families, Mark and Mick Brown with grandchildren, Megan and Griffin, and Mike and Kathie Brown, and their daughters and their families, Sue and Mike McKinney, Kyle and Molly and Angie and Tom Smith, Leighnee and Kaelee and grandsons, William and Aidan. After the meal, everyone traveled to Sue and Mike's for some cake and ice cream.

Mildred McColley traveled to Frankfort Sunday, May 14. She was a Mother's Day guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Ron and Karon McColley. Also joining them for the holiday were Karon's mother, Minnie Michki of Frankfort; Ron and Karon's children and their spouses, Rush and Mendi McColley and Ginger and Chris Batta of West Lafayette; and Ron's brother and his family, Steve and Ruth Ann McColley and Matt of Muncie.

Jane and Rich Green hosted their family's Mother's Day gathering Sunday. Joining them

for dinner and an afternoon of visiting were their son and grandsons, Dale Green, Joshua and Jacob; their grandson, Holt Harding of Rochester; Dawn and Rick Nikolich and Luke; and Jane's mother and sister, Ann Zartman and Shirley.

Patsy Evans was treated to a special trip to Indianapolis Sunday in honor of Mother's Day. Her hosts for the day were her daughter and granddaughter, Sherri Bowyer of Columbia City and Michelle Bowyer of Muncie. The ladies enjoyed touring the Decorators' Showhouse.

Doris and Don Woolington celebrated Mother's Day with Doris' family. Joining them for a visit over lunch were Doris' brother and sister-in-law, Don and Sharon Walls of Argos, and Doris' sister, Connie Hartman of Fulton.

Elsie Scheffer, Cheryl and Chuck of Pulaski had company Sunday. Paying them a Mother's Day visit were Elsie's daughter and her family, Jean and Louis Bangel and Joyce. Also joining in the visit were Mary and Earl Bangel and Linda.

Maryellyn and Hugh Tennent were Sunday dinner guests of their niece and her husband, Judie and Dick Dewitt at Kokomo.

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