



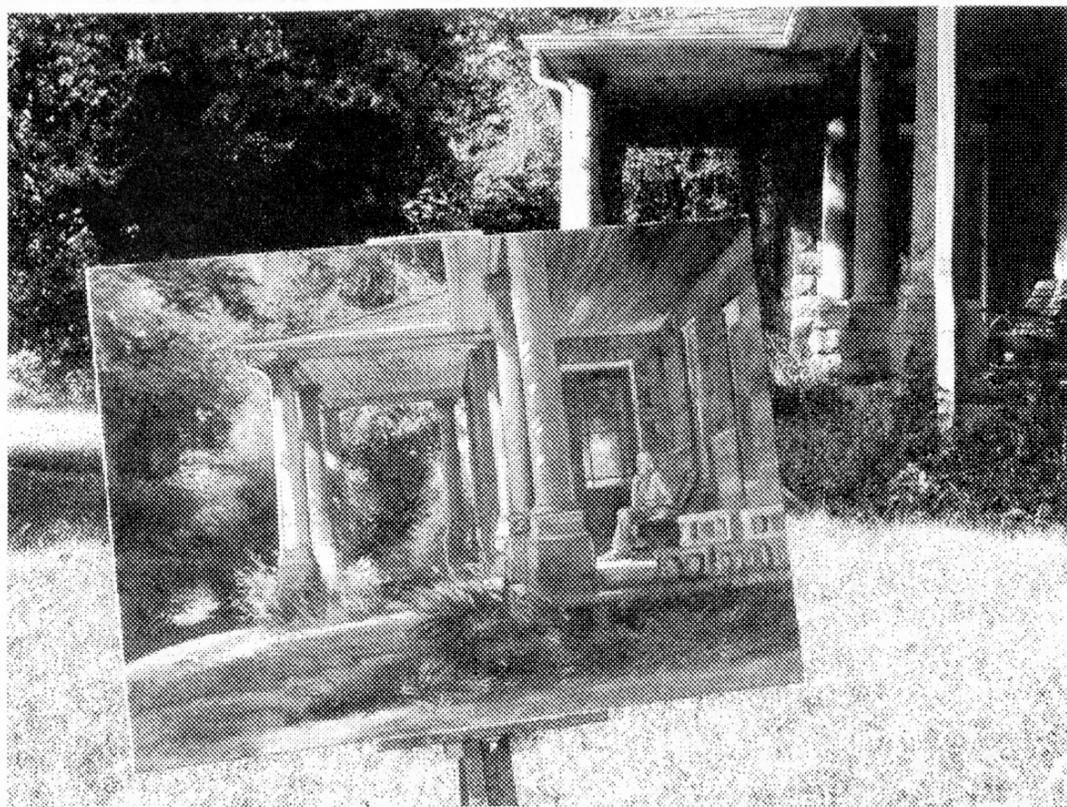
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Annual Art Show, October 21 and 22

Diane Tesler, Kewanna, will host her annual art show from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and 22 at her Works in Progress Studio, 101 E. Main St., Kewanna. The event marks her 8th annual exhibition and is entitled *On the Home Front*. The festivities will also include live acoustic music.

The show will include work completed by Diane this summer as well as Pat Atkinson, Kathy Cox, Karen Haschel, Linda Leasure, Leonor Papai, Lori Roberts, Jackie Welsh, Wade Bussert, Braxton Eikenberry, Clare and John Hoinville, Therese Lynch, Daniel Peterson, Jim Scott, Steven Weinert, Sheri Cook, Gib Foster, Mike Kenny, Susan Mahoney, Cheryl Phelan, Gretchen Coplen, Ray Guess, Lindsey Kozubik, Larry Overmyer, Loretta Puncer and Becky Wainwright.

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Haunted Woods Trail at Living History Village

The Fulton County Historical Society is adding a new Halloween event to its schedule, the Haunted Woods Trail. The event will take place the second weekend of October, Friday and Saturday, from 6 to 9 p.m. This year, it will be October 13 and 14. Storytellers will spin tales around a bonfire at Loyal, the Living History Village. Tram rides will be provided from the museum to the trail, next to the Tippecanoe River at the south end of the FCHS grounds. Visitors will walk through the woods to see haunted scenes and exciting acts. Surprises will pop up everywhere. Food will be available. Admission is \$5 for ages 12 and over and free for those age 11 and under.

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Desserts Needed for Chicken & Noodle Dinner

The Winamac Coil Spring Relay for Life Team is asking women in the community to help provide dessert for its upcoming chicken and noodle dinner Friday, October 20, at the Kewanna Fire Station. The group is in need of cakes, pies and brownies. Your baked goods can be dropped off at the fire station between 1 and 3 p.m., Oct. 20.

The team would like to thank everyone in advance for their support. If you have any questions, call Tina Pesaresi at 653-3941.

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Educator Appreciation Days at Waldenbooks

This year's fall appreciation days for educators is now a six-day event instead of three at Waldenbooks and its sister store, Borders. Educator Days, a twice-a-year event, will be held this fall from Thursday, October 12, through Tuesday, October 17.

Waldenbooks at the Logansport Mall invites area educators to come and celebrate the field of education and the art of teaching during these days. There will be special displays for teachers, book and poster giveaways, and refreshments. It's a great opportunity for educators to stock their school and personal libraries and maybe win a basket filled with books, teaching aids and personal gifts.

Those eligible for the special program are teachers from preschool to college level. Teacher aides, librarians, school administrators, school staff members are also welcome as are Sunday school teachers and home schoolers.

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Scarecrow Contest Winners

Winners of the scarecrow contest sponsored by Kewanna Pro Hardware in conjunction with the Kewanna Fall Festival were:

First place - Haley Small, Kewanna, with her entry of "Raker Roy"

Second place - Brad Harper and Jamey Purtee, Logansport, with "The Headless Horseman"

Third place (tie) - Tierney Lloyd, Kewanna, and "Cooking with Crow" and Ruth Ann Anderson, Kewanna, and "Handy Andy".

Judges were Diane Tesler, Mary Chew and Mary Hickey. The first place winner received \$50; second place paid \$25; and the third place winners received \$10.

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16th Annual Bazaar at Fulton U.M. Church

The Fulton United Methodist Church will host its 16th annual bazaar Friday, October 7, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The bazaar offers a large variety of crafts, homemade mincemeat and regular and cholesterol-free noodles. A 91" x 91" handmade quilt will be raffled off and attendees can enjoy homemade cinnamon rolls and lunch.

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Benefit for Steve & Alison Foster Family, Oct. 14

A pork tenderloin benefit dinner will be held Saturday, October 14, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. EDT in the Winamac High School cafeteria. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation. Those who wish to dine-in should enter through the south entrance. Those wanting carry-outs should pull through the front drive.

The Tippecanoe Christian Church organized the benefit for the Fosters who recently lost an infant child and are now facing medical and funeral expenses.

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Improvement Committee Selling Pies

The Fulton Improvement Committee is taking orders for Moore's pies to help take some stress out of your holiday preparations. Thirty-one varieties of pies are being offered at a cost of \$7 to \$9 per pie. The pies are frozen and ready to bake or store in your freezer for future use.

All proceeds will go to the planned Liberty Township Community Building. Orders will be taken until October 26 at Jim's Barber Shop, Country Curl, Hairplace and Mary's Stitch and Knit in Fulton. Orders will be available for pick up at the Fulton Community Building from 11 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, Nov. 11. For more information, call Nellie McGrew at 574-857-3875.

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Cook Books for Sale

The Fulton Improvement Committee is taking orders for a community cookbook. The book sells for \$16 and contains 640 tried and true recipes submitted by local residents. The cook books should arrive by December 1. Proceeds will go to the proposed Liberty Township Community Building. Orders can be placed at Mary's Stitch and Knit, The Hair Place or Country Curl; or call Lois Gundrum at 574-857-3695; Nellie McGrew, 574-857-3875; or Barb Hattery at 574-857-3197. You can also email Lois at topgun@rtcol.com or mail your order to Nellie McGrew at P.O. Box 275, Fulton, IN 46931.

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Square Dance Lessons

The Rochester Swingin' Dudes invites local residents to learn to square dance. Lessons will commence October 29 at the Fulton County Museum, Rochester, from 2 to 4 p.m. The first two dates (Oct. 29 and Nov. 1) are free. After that the fee will be \$2 per person. For more information call 574-947-4760, 574-889-3448 or 574-835-1060.

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Send In Your News

Blood Collection Days in Fulton County

The American Red Cross has scheduled two blood collection days in Fulton County. The first will be Thursday, October 19, at the Akron United Methodist Church from 1 to 7 p.m. The second collection day will be Tuesday, October 24, at the St. Joseph Parish Hall in Rochester from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. All donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800-448-3543.

Blood donations support cancer therapies. According to the American Cancer Society, there will be almost 1.4 million new cases of cancer in the U.S. this year. Cancer patients may need blood transfusions to undergo surgery, chemotherapy treatments, radiation and bone marrow transplants. Modern medicine has made these complex and life-saving operations possible, but these procedures rely on a safe and adequate blood supply to be successful. Each donor can save as many as three lives by donating blood.

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Annual Senior Citizens Dinner, Oct. 16

The Grass Creek Lions Club will serve its annual dinner for senior citizens in the community at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16, at the Grass Creek fire station.

The Fulton County Choral Group will provide the entertainment.

Lions Club members are asked to bring a covered dish and their own table service.

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Pleasant Hill Serving Ham and Bean Supper

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church at Lake Bruce will serve its annual ham and bean supper Saturday, October 21, from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost of the meal will be a free will donation. The church is handicap accessible.

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Tippecanoe Twirlers Offer Square Dance Lessons

Local residents are invited to attend square dance lessons offered by the Tippecanoe Twirlers at the Monterey School at 6:30 p.m. EST Thursdays. For more information call 574-542-2708; 574-892-9633; 574-892-6850 or 574-223-7481.

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Clubs Societies Personals



Birthday Open House for Ann Zartman

Ann Zartman, Kewanna, will be the guest of honor at an open house Sunday, October 8, in celebration of her 90th birthday. The event will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in the community room of the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station, 404 N. Toner Street, Kewanna.

Family and friends are invited to help her celebrate the occasion. Cards will be appreciated but it is requested that gifts be omitted.



Local Resident's Aunt Celebrates 104th Birthday

Robert and Millie Gudas Redweik of the Kewanna/Star City area have received word that her aunt, Elizabeth Frances Arndt Swirn, recently enjoyed celebrating her 104th birthday. A resident of Foley, Alabama, Mrs. Swirn had visited her late sister, Antonia Agatha Arndt Gudas of Kewanna, in past years. Elizabeth was born August 21, 1902 in Essen, Germany to Lithuanian emigrants, Karl Gottlieb and

Constance Barboshaite Arndt, who came to the United States in the 1900s.

Elizabeth and her siblings attended the Rosedale School District No. 80 near Foley. Rosedale was a small one-room schoolhouse. Various family members from here have visited and toured the school while in Foley.

Elizabeth married Andrew John Swirn November 15, 1921. Upon his death in 1968, he was buried at Pine Rest Cemetery near Magnolia Springs, Alabama, where Elizabeth's and Atonia's mother and stepfather, Constance and Stanley Gryvevich, as well as their sister, Anna Gertrude Mackewich, are interred.

Elizabeth lives in the home that her father built for the family in Foley.

A party in Elizabeth's honor was held at the Foley Civic Center where she spent the evening dancing with several lucky gentlemen. A special proclamation from Mayor Tim Russell declared an "Elizabeth Swirn Day".

The guest of honor received a sparkly crown to wear as well as a lovely corsage. She had nearly 100 friends and family members in attendance to help her celebrate the occasion and received dozens of roses, balloons and two large cakes.

Her good friend, Harry Crawford, made sure she had some wonderful dances as he is a dance instructor.

She was featured in the news

broadcast on TV channel 5 out of Mobile Saturday evening as well as on the 5 p.m. Monday show.

Elizabeth has two children, Dolores Swirn Kouns and her husband, Archie, of Pensacola, Florida, and Richard Swirn of Daphne, Alabama; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren as well as great-great-grandchildren and great-great-great-grandchildren.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Indiana Standardbred Horse Sale: October 14 in the Champions Pavilion. Sale begins at 10 a.m. Admission: free

Coats for Kids: October 14 in the Exposition Hall. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free

U.S. Coin Operated Game Auction: October 14 in the Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Doors open at 8 a.m.; auction runs 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: free.

Great Train Expo: October 14-15 in the Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$7 adults; free for children 12 and younger

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AREA FIVE MENU
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 Monday, Oct. 9 - Beef and noodles, European blend vegetables, corn, banana pudding, wheat bread and milk
 Wednesday, Oct. 11 - Chili, baked potato, Mandarin oranges, carrot cake, crackers and milk
 Friday, Oct. 13 - Lasagna, salad, corn, peaches, wheat bread and milk

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

September 25
 Admissions - Marilyn Hall, Shelby Olivarez, Enid Seidner and Warren Ousley, Rochester; Erik Myers, Peru; Lucas Rudicel, Twelve Mile
 Dismissals - Samantha Davis and son, Argos; Shelby Olivarez, Rochester
 September 26
 Admissions - Julia Timbers and Alberta Moore, Rochester
 Dismissals - Erik Myers, Peru; Lucas Rudicel, Twelve Mile
 Births - Brittany Kozubik, Monterey, a daughter; Seamus and Mildred Pinder, Fulton, a son
 September 27
 Admissions - none published
 Dismissals - Barbara Butcher, Rochester
 September 28
 Admissions - Beverly Wagoner, Rochester
 Dismissals - Enid Seidner, Rochester; Mildred Pinder and son, Fulton
 September 29
 Admissions - none published
 Dismissals - Warren Ousley, Rochester; Brittany Kozubik and daughter, Monterey

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
 September 21
 Births - Tony and Stephanie VanVoorst, Winamac, a son, Jacob Charles VanVoorst; Amanda Vires, North Judson, a son, Blake William Vires

September 22
 Admissions - Aiden Edward Smith, Winamac
 Dismissals - Phyllis Garigan, Winamac
 September 23
 Admissions - Mary Trusty, Winamac
 Dismissals - Logan Schneider, Winamac; Stephanie VanVoorst and son, Winamac; Amanda Vires and son, North Judson
 September 24
 Admissions - Lorraine Tunis, William Larkin, Winamac; Laurel Brunsen, Francesville; Philip Isaiah Rater, Medaryville

Dismissals - Aiden Edward Smith, Winamac
 September 25
 Admissions - Charles Waak, LaPorte; Marlana Milan, Star City; Shirley Sims, Walkerton; Jacqueline Wheeler, Culver
 Dismissals - Marlana Milan, Star City
 September 26
 Admissions - Lester Hurlburt Sr., Winamac
 Dismissals - Mary Trusty and William Larkin, Winamac; Philip Isaish Rater, Medaryville
 Births - Daniel West and Jacqueline Wheeler, Culver, a son, Mason Marvin West
 September 27
 Admissions - Wayne Bortell, Knox
 Dismissals - Laurel Brunsen, Francesville; Justice Napier, LaPorte
 September 28
 Admissions - Aldene Frieden, Francesville
 Dismissals - Ernest Scott, Medaryville
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Bereavement Support Group

Anyone who has suffered the death of a loved one is invited to meet with the bereavement support group at Hope Hospice, 420 Main St., Rochester, Tuesday, October 17, at 7 p.m. The 40-minute video, "To Touch a Grieving Heart" will be shown and a discussion will follow. The one-hour meeting is free of charge and the public is welcome. Chaplain Len Martin from Hope Hospice will be the group leader. For more information, call Rev. Martin at 574-224-4673.

Advertising & News Deadline..... Noon on Tuesday!



Millie Redweik Receives Lamb Award

Mildred Ellen (Millie) Gudas Redweik of the Kewanna-Star City area was awarded the Lamb Award during ceremonies held September 17 at the St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church in Winamac. The Lamb Award is a national recognition bestowed on Lutheran adults by the National Lutheran Association of Scouting.

The purpose of this award is to acknowledge the distinguished service of Lutheran adults in fostering spiritual growth in youth through church and civic youth service agency programs, i.e. Sagamore Council Boy Scouts of America, and to increase the use and quality of the civic agency programs in Lutheran congregations as a part of their youth ministry.

Pastor Don O'Connor led the service and the bestowing of Millie's award. She was accompanied to the altar by Alvin Zellers, a member of St. Luke's and a scout leader for Troop No. 229.

Also present for the ceremony were, left to right, Cass Settlemire of Troop #224, Royal Center; Tom Shank, Troop #229, Winamac; Jeff Sedam, leader of Troop #3224, Royal Center, and his children, Caleb and Zachary, scout members; and (rear) Trey Doan, Pack #3215, Caston; Garrett Redweik and Graham Redweik, Troop #215, Caston; Clark Gudas, member of Pack #3230, Winamac; Alvin Zellers, Millie, Pastor O'Connor; Tim Fox, elder at St. Luke's; and Diann Nice Sedam of Pack #3224, Royal Center.

Other family members present for the occasion were her husband, Robert Redweik, Sr.; David and Lora Dillman Redweik of Troop #215; Bob and Linda Dillman; Larry and Anita Redweik Doan (Cub Master of Pack #3215) and daughter Ryonn; Algird and Erica Gudas, Winamac; Todd and Linda Gudas Oman and Ross, Greentown; Mary Gudas Perry, Piqua, Ohio; Johanna Gudas, Winamac; Edwina Gudas Martin, Oakbrook, Illinois; Kenneth and Louise Gudas and Grace, Winamac; Albert and Cindy Gudas, Kewanna; Michelle, Becca and Ben Gudas, Kewanna; Faye and Dave Leonard, Winamac; Eric Gudas, Kewanna; Amy Burgess, Greenwood; Susan Gudas, Ludwig and Dorene Matzat and Emma Matzat, North Judson; Ed Gudas, Star City; and most of the church congregation.

Diann Nice Sedam, a scouter and former student, read the letter recommending Millie for the award. Pastor O'Connor presented the award to Mrs. Sedam who in turn placed it around Millie's neck. Tim Fox presented Millie with three framed certificates commemorating the award. Millie thanked

everyone for their kind attendance and all were invited to a cake and punch reception in the church basement.

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Caston Volleyball

The Lady Comet volleyball team hosted Frontier Tuesday evening. The varsity team lost 25-11, 25-15, 25-8. Beth Snider was the leading scorer with four points, she also had four blocks. Keisha Brown had two assists and two digs; Kaylyn Herrold had three kills, four blocks and three serve receptions; Monica Hoover and Kylee Hall had two digs each.

The JV also lost to Frontier, 17-25, 25-21 and 9-15. Rachel Bonnell had 13 points and three assists; Meghan Myers had three assists; Brittani Binder had three kills and three blocks; Anna Douglass and Beth Snider had three kills each; and Kelsey Moss had six digs.

The Comets will travel to Wabash Monday evening.

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ASSETS OF COMPANY (Nearest dollar)

Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 603,491,859
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 560,312,799
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 36,293,093
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 9,217,532
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 147,143,522
Other assets	\$ 93,808,522
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,450,267,327

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 376,296,123
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 85,218,316
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 213,725,658
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 1,121,607
All Other Liabilities	\$ 75,624,100
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 751,985,804
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 3,000,000
Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus	\$ 259,075,568
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 436,205,955
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 698,281,523
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 1,450,267,327

Signature Peter George McPartland (Print Name) President
 Signature Anne Brouwers Smith (Print Name) Secretary

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BY THE WAY.....

I think the community owes Tom, Diane and Luke Mate a big "thank you" for spearheading last weekend's Kewanna Fall Festival. Thanks also to the sponsoring organization, Kewanna H.E.A.R.T. Putting on a festival such as this requires a lot of time and energy before, during and after the event. Thanks also to all the sponsors and all those who helped in any way to make the festival a success. It was great seeing all the kids having such a good time on the free rides provided by area businesses. I saw a lot of adults also enjoying being out and about and visiting with friends and neighbors. It's times like this that help make living in a small, close-knit community so enjoyable.

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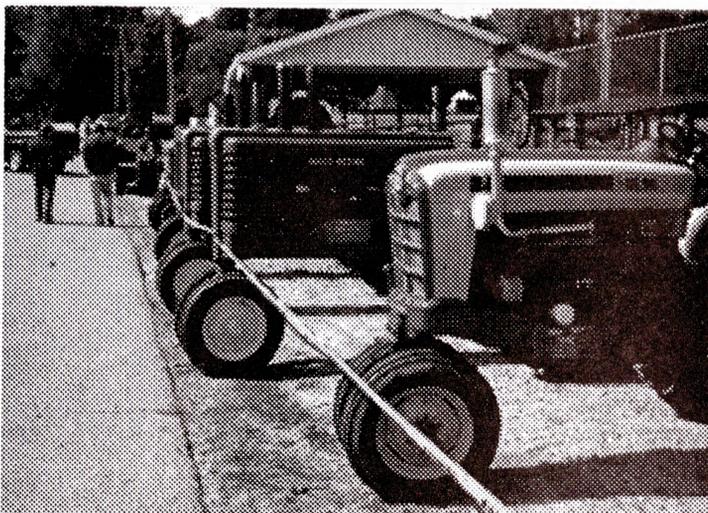
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Bonds (Schedule D)	\$ 215,844,455
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 0
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 3,673,513
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums	\$ 38,949,775
Other assets	\$ 9,605,174
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 268,072,917

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses	\$ 99,607,787
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$ 22,557,791
Reserve for Unearned Premiums	\$ 56,574,466
Reserve for Taxes	\$ 309,181
All Other Liabilities	\$ 10,106,301
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 189,155,526
Special Surplus Funds	\$ 0
Capital Stock	\$ 3,000,000
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus	\$ 650,750
Unassigned Surplus	\$ 75,266,641
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Q. Each year we dread leaf clean-up at our house. Is there something productive we can do with some of these leaves instead of always just raking them to the street? -Lisa R.

A. Falling leaves are coming soon to blanket the beautiful town of Kewanna. The job of leaf removal can seem daunting to many property owners. Every property in town has the same dreaded task of cleaning up fallen leaves. Each citizen in town has an obligation to clean up their leaves and help keep Kewanna the beautiful.

Fall is a great time to make compost from all those leaves and garden debris and also a great time to add compost to your soil. If the sight of a steaming compost bin lights up your eyes; then you are truly a serious gardener. To a serious gardener, compost invokes visions of healthy luxuriant plants, tomatoes the size of softballs and roses fit for a queen.

Compost happens. Organic matter breaks down - or decomposes eventually, except

when it gets buried in a landfill. Organic matter decomposition takes place whether we are around or not. However, as gardeners we can speed the composting process.

Composting is the controlled decomposition of organic materials (stuff that use to be alive) using aerobic bacteria (ones that need oxygen, not the smelly anaerobic kind) and fungi, but also protozoans, millipedes, beetles and worms.

Now you may be wondering if you have to go out and buy a bag of protozoans for your compost pile. Compost piles are kind of a "field of dreams" proposition.... Build it and they will come. There are no magic enzymes. All the necessary enzymes for composting are found naturally in soil. When mixing up the items to compost, just throw in a few shovels' full of soil. Garden soil or finished compost has all the necessary microbes and creatures in it. Managing a compost pile is just helping these guys to do their job by providing the food, moisture and oxygen they need.

You don't need a degree in chemistry before you can compost anything. Once you understand the basic principles, the methods and containers for composting can be as diverse as

the gardener. Composting is really no more complicated than baking a cake.

Most of the ingredients for the compost pile will be clippings and plants from the garden and landscape. Leaves and grass clippings may be the largest components. Bags of leaves can be saved to add to the pile in summer.

Some items such as meat and bones should not be put in the compost pile since they can attract rodents, raccoons and dogs. Dog and cat manure should also be left out since it can carry disease organisms. Although a well-managed pile should kill most disease organisms, you may also want to leave out obviously diseased plants.

A great mix of materials is two parts grass clippings to one part leaves. Or just remember two parts green, moist stuff with one part brown, dry stuff (straw etc.). Layer these in six to eight inch layers capped with a sprinkling of compost or soil.

Some items such as corn cobs, twigs and citrus rinds will take longer to decompose. The rate of composting depends on the surface area of the materials (the smaller the pieces the faster the decomposition), moisture, oxygen, temperature, carbon:nitrogen ratio of added materials, size of the compost pile and frequency of turning the pile. Frequent turning when the pile heats up will speed decomposition.

Finished compost is "black gold" to gardeners. Use compost instead of peat moss. Compost loosens heavy clay soils, improves water-holding capacity of sandy soils, adds all the wonderful microbes and fungi back into the soil and adds important plant nutrients. Composting is an easy and productive way to put those piles of leaves to work in your Kewanna garden this fall.

CASTON MENU

October 9 - 13

Breakfast

Choice each day with juice and milk: cereal and toast; sausage/cheese bun; ham/cheese bun; toaster pastry

Lunch

Monday - Chicken patty sandwich, whipped potatoes and gravy, peaches, cookie and milk.
 Comet Café - roast beef/cheddar sandwich and fries

Tuesday - Nachos with meat and cheese, corn, applesauce, bread and butter, and milk;
 Comet Café - turkey club

Wednesday - Spaghetti, lettuce salad, breadstick, pears and milk.
 Comet Café - hot dog and fries

Thursday - Cheeseburger, fries, pineapple and milk.
 Comet Café - chili soup (early dismissal day)

Friday - Hot ham and cheese sandwich, green beans, corn chips, mixed fruit and milk.
 Comet Café - baked potato bar and cheese stuffed breadstick

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU

October 9 - 13

Elementary Breakfast

Monday - Cereal, graham cracker, juice and milk

Tuesday - Sausage pancake wrap, juice and milk

Wednesday - Peanut butter crackers, string cheese, juice and milk

Thursday - Danish, yogurt, juice and milk

Friday - Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

(National School Lunch Week)
 Monday (chosen by first grade)

- Foot long hot dog, smiley fries fruit ice, cookie and milk

Tuesday (second grade) - Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, salad, sherbet, cookie and milk

Wednesday (third grade) - Bacon, French toast sticks, hash browns, yogurt, juice and milk

Thursday (fourth grade) - Tenderloin sandwich, broccoli with cheese, strawberries, ice cream and milk

Friday (kindergarten) - chicken leg, macaroni and cheese, corn on the cob, fruit ice and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday - Burrito, green beans, peaches, cake and milk. Choice - salad bar

Tuesday - Ravioli, garlic cheese bread, pears (high school), grapes (middle school), peas and milk. Choice - salad bar

Wednesday - Chicken strips, potato triangles, peanut butter sandwich, fruit salad and milk. Choice - salad bar

Thursday - Baked potato with meat and cheese, breadstick, orange juice cup, cookie and milk. Choice - salad bar

Friday - Chicken quesadilla, salsa, broccoli, applesauce, cokes. Choice - salad bar

Winners of the Kewanna Idol contest during last weekend's festival were Jessica Styles, first; Bill Lutz, second; Johnny Dee Darnell, third; and Joe Fisher, fourth.



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ASSETS OF COMPANY

Bonds (Schedule D)	(Nearest dollar) \$ 2,989,208
Stocks (Schedule D)	\$ 0
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B)	\$ 0
Real Estate (Schedule A)	\$ 0
Policy Loans	\$ 0
Premium Notes	\$ 13,547,997
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E)	\$ 0
Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	\$ 0
Other assets	\$ 273,906
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 16,811,111

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Aggregate Reserve for Life Policies and Contracts	\$ 15,204,701
Aggregate Reserve for Accident and Health Policies	\$ 1,545,386
Policy and Contract Claims--Life	\$ 0
-Accident and Health	\$ 0
Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued	\$ 0
All other Liabilities	\$ 3,809,975
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 20,560,062

Special Surplus Funds	\$ 2,000,000
Capital Stock	\$ 3,048,734
Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus	\$ (8,797,685)
Unassigned Surplus	\$ (3,748,951)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	\$ 16,811,111

Signature: _____ Signature: _____

MICHAEL SVALDI (Print Name) SPECIAL DEPUTY RECEIVER _____ (Print Name) Secretary

State Form 3887 (R/10-87)



Kewanna/Union Township PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS....

New books at the library:

ADULTS:

Christmas Fiction—*The Christmas Candle* by Max Lucado.

General Fiction—*Night Train to Lisbon* by Emily Grayson and *311 Pelican Court* (from the Cedar Cove series) by Debbie Macomber.

Large Print Fiction—*Dollar Daze* by Karin Gillespie and *The Hot Flash Club: Chills Out* (from The Hot Flash Club series) by Nancy Thayer.

JUVENILES:

Ages 7-10 Fiction—*The Mixed-Up Rooster* by Pamela Duncan Edwards.

Ages 7-10 Nonfiction—(from the Word Fun series) *If You Were An Adverb, If You Were An Adjective, If You Were A Noun and If You Were A Verb* by Michael Dahl and *If You Were A Conjunction, If You Were An Interjection, If You Were A Preposition and If You Were A Pronoun* by Nancy Loewin.

Preschoolers Nonfiction—(from the Mighty Machines series) *Backhoes, Concrete Mixers and Dump Trucks* by Ray McClellan and *Bulldozers, Cranes and Earth Movers* by M.T. Martin.

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September Pack Meetings

Cub Scout Pack #3215 of Caston Educational Center met September 7 to organize. Cub Master Anita Doan opened the meeting with the Webelos leading the pledge to the American flag and the Scout pledge. She and her assistant, Julie Spencer, explained that the Tigers were first graders, Wolves, second graders; Bears, third graders; and Webelos are fourth and fifth graders. They also noted that Webelos stands for "We be loyal scouts".

Kyler Spencer and his mom told about Scout day camp activities this past summer. The awards and uniforms were discussed and explained.

It was also noted that Tiger

Cubs need to have one parent per child attend the den meetings. The meeting adjourned after the drawings for frisbees and two derby cars.

The pack met again on September 25 at Caston at which time everyone enjoyed popcorn and candy. The scouts had the opportunity to play several "popcorn" board games.

The Webelos led the group in the pledge to the American flag and the Scout pledge. All new scouts received a pencil box and a miniature Nascar as well as a folder.

Cub Master Anita Doan explained that the popcorn sales is the only fundraiser the group participates in. A certain amount of the money is returned to the scouts and their pack to support their projects. The scouts can earn various awards by selling popcorn. Money needs to be collected at the time of sale. The scouts were cautioned to sell in pairs or with parents. The theme for this year's popcorn sales is "Racing to Scouting".

Sales began September 29 with weekly drawings on Friday. Sales will end October 25 and money and orders should be turned in to the leaders immediately and to the Scout Master by Oct. 26. Scouts can pick up their popcorn for delivery November 8.

Den leaders are: Julie Shaffer, Tigers; Julie Spencer, assistant Cub Master and Bears; Debbie Holliman, Wolves; and Michelle Harvey, Webelos.

Ryonn Doan helped with the ticket drawing and the following were winners - Brennan Fry, Samuel Mittica, Brett Milburn, and Payton Hedrick, bumper sticker; Derek Berkshire, Billy Rude, Shawn Brown, and Ronnie Gerdon, wrist band; Trey Doan, John Williams, Brett Cummins, Jarod Rustman and Kyler Spencer, popcorn.

The meeting end with a "Do your best!"

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Colorectal Cancer: What Women Should Know

Pat Smith
Pulaski Memorial Hospital

No one knows exactly what causes colon or rectal cancer in women or men, but persons who smoke cigarettes, have diabetes, are obese, are physically inactive, or eat foods high in animal fats, and low in calcium, folate and fiber may be at increased risk.

For women, a personal history of ovarian or uterine cancer, chronic inflammatory bowel disease (Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis) and certain genetic alterations also increases your risk. So do colorectal polyps; while typically these growths are benign, they sometimes can become cancerous.

Family history is another risk factor, especially if the relative had colorectal cancer at any early age. But while colorectal cancer sometimes strikes younger persons, more than 90 percent of people are diagnosed after the age of 50. For this reason, doctors often recommend that persons 50 and older have regular screenings, which can detect polyps or cancer early. (Persons at increased risk may need screenings at an earlier age.)

To screen, healthcare providers may perform several different procedures:

- digital rectal exam
- fecal occult blood test to look for tiny amounts of blood in the stool
- barium enema, a series of X-rays of the colon
- flexible sigmoidoscopy to detect abnormalities

in the rectum and sigmoid (lower) colon

- colonoscopy to view the lining of the entire colon

If the healthcare provider detects polyps through a sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy, the polyps can remove them during the procedure. While all of these screening procedures are helpful, the colonoscopy is by far the gold standard for detecting polyps.

Other preventive measures are regular exercise, a diet high in fruits, vegetables, and whole grain foods and low in animal fats, and possibly certain vitamins, such as folic acid, vitamin D, calcium and vitamin B.

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Michelle Centers Wins Winamac Invitational

The Caston cross country teams ran in the Winamac invitational Saturday, Sept. 30. All Caston runners had their season best times. Michelle Centers won her first ever invitational in a very fast 15:52. Veronica Sheets was 14th in 17:40; Alison Chandler was 24th in 18:30; Aurora Borg was 27th in 18:46; Kassie Hoagland was 29th in 18:59; Shyanne Oberg was 31st in 19:11; McKenna Harmon was 33rd in 19:20. The Lady Comets finished in fourth place.

For the boys, Heath Gearhart ran in 18:10 and a 14th place finish to pace the Comets. Payton Daily out-distanced his cousin from Winamac to finish 22nd in 18:55. Next was Albert Collins in 35th at 20:06 and Garrett Redweik in 40th at 20:42 with Robbie Lewark right on his heels at 20:44.

Rodney Clemans was 47th in 21:19 and Heath Sommers came in 53rd at 22:38. Junior varsity runners Brittany Scales and Kaley Kellenberger also had personal best times at 23:59 and 20:39, respectively.

The runners will compete in the Midwest Conference meet at West Central Thursday, Oct. 5, and the sectional at Logansport Oct. 10.

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CASTON ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Fri., Oct. 6 - varsity football with Winamac at Caston (homecoming, 7:30 p.m.)

Sat., Oct. 7 - JH girls volleyball MWC tourney at South Newton, 10 a.m.; JH boys football at South Newton, 11 a.m.; boys varsity soccer sectional at Caston 7 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 9 - JV boys football at Winamac, 6 p.m.; JH girls volleyball at North White, 6 p.m.; varsity and JV volleyball at Wabash, 6 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 10 - cross country sectional at Logansport, 5 p.m.; varsity and JV volleyball at Pioneer, 6 p.m.

Fri., Oct. 13 - varsity boys football at Tri-County, 7:30 p.m.

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The Fulton County Commissioners will meet in special session Monday, October 9, at 11 a.m. in the meeting room of the county office building, Rochester. Discussion will include the Emergency Medical Service.

The Kewanna-Union Township Public Library will be closed Monday, October 9, in observance of Columbus Day.

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Public Notice

Notice To Taxpayers

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Fulton County, Indiana, that a meeting of the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, will be held at the County Office Building in Rochester, Indiana on the 25th day of October, 2006, at 6:00 P.M. for the following additional appropriations:

COUNTY GENERAL:

Animal Control.....	\$ 8,000.00
Equipment Repair/Maint.....	\$ 2,000.00
Consulting Fee/Job Functions.....	\$10,000.00
Prosecutor Seminar Fees.....	500.00
Courthouse Maint.....	\$ 9,000.00
Capital Case Expenses.....	\$ 9,483.00
Veterans Markers.....	\$ 1,200.00
Surveyor Photo & Blueprinting.....	500.00
Total County General.....	\$40,683.00

E-911:

Sprint Contract.....	\$ 1,100.00
Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$ 2,500.00
Total for E-911.....	\$ 3,600.00

ADULT PROBATION USER FEE FUND:

Intern.....	\$ 2,000.00
Total for Adult Probation.....	\$ 2,000.00

TOURISM:

Research & Grants.....	\$ 5,000.00
Total for Tourism.....	\$ 5,000.00

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within (15) days of receipt of a certified copy of the action taken.

ATTEST:
Denise J. Chandler
Fulton County Auditor

Pub. 10/05/2006

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF FULTON

IN THE FULTON CIRCUIT COURT
ANNUAL TERM, 2006
CASE NO. 25C01-0311-ES-00090

IN THE MATTER OF THE
SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
OF THE ESTATE OF

KENNETH A. HINDERLIDER, DECEASED
Notice on Final Account, Petition to Settle and Allow Account, and Petition for Authority to Distribute Remaining Assets and Close Estate to All Persons Interested in the Estate of KENNETH A. HINDERLIDER, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Betty L. Hinderlinder, as personal representative of the above-named estate, has filed a report of final accounting together with petition to make distribution of remaining assets to the parties believed entitled thereto. The same will come up for action by the Circuit Court of Fulton County, Indiana, on the 31st day of October, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time unless persons interested in said estate appear on or before said date and show cause, if any there be, why such accounting

should not be approved or unless such person makes proof of heirship and claim any part of such estate now shown by such report.

Karen Miller, Clerk of the
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**RESOLUTION NO. 092806
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY
FOR CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND
PAGERS/BEEPERS**

I. PURPOSE
Establishes guidelines for use of cellular telephones and pagers/beepers by County employees and pagers/beepers by County employees for compliance with IRS Guidelines. This policy shall be included in the current and all future Fulton County Personnel Policy Manual(s).

II. POLICY
A. Business use is not included in the employee wages as a working condition fringe benefit.

B. Personal use is included in the wages of the employee as a working condition fringe benefit unless the substantiation requirements are met.

C. The County will not be included in the wages of the employee as a working condition fringe benefit if the employee reimburses the County the cost of personal use after the substantiation requirements are met.

D. If the substantiation requirements are not met, all use is included in the wages of the employee as a working condition fringe benefit.

E. The County shall reimburse the employee the cost of business use on personal cellular telephones and pagers/beepers pursuant to a properly submitted claim by the employee.

III. PROCEDURE
A. Department Heads may issue cellular telephones and pagers/beepers to employees to conduct County business after approval by the County Commissioners and County Council.

B. Employees are responsible for loss or damage to the equipment due to the employee's negligence.

C. Employees shall not make excessive use of the equipment for personal purposes or allow such personal use to interfere with the performance of their assigned duties.

D. Substantiation Requirement: Records for business and personal use must be kept by the employee in order to determine whether the value of any of the use is included in the employee's wages.

1. The employee shall highlight personal calls on the monthly bill.

2. The County shall include the direct charges for personal use and a pro rate share of monthly fees and service in the wages of the employee as a working condition fringe benefit.

3. The employee may reimburse the County the direct charges for personal use and the pro rata share of monthly fees and service. If reimbursed, these charges shall not be included in the employee's wages as a working condition fringe benefit.

4. The business use is not taxable to employee.

5. If the substantiation requirements are not met, all use is included in the wages of the employee as a working condition fringe benefit.

E. Cellular telephones shall not be used while the vehicle is in motion unless in the case of emergency. If a cellular telephone is answered while the vehicle is in motion, the employee shall safely remove the vehicle off the road as soon as possible to continue the conversation.

F. Upon termination of employment the employee shall be required to return all cellular telephones and pagers/beepers to the Department Head.

ALL OF WHICH IS HEREBY RESOLVED THIS 28TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006.

Richard A. Powell
Roger D. Rose
Leslie R. Walters

ATTEST: Denise J. Chandler
County Auditor 10/05/06

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HOST FEE:

Equipment (3 Copiers).....	\$12,000.00
Total Host Fee.....	\$12,000.00

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COUNTY GENERAL:

Annex Bldg. Supplies.....	\$ 1,000.00
Janitor Supplies.....	\$ 1,000.00
Building & Repairs.....	500.00
Total County General.....	\$2,500.00

HOST FEE FUND:

Employee Longevity.....	\$17,000.00
Total Host Fee Fund.....	\$17,000.00

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ATTEST:
Denise J. Chandler
Fulton County Auditor

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**RESOLUTION NO. 092806-A
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY
FOR WORK CLOTHES AND UNIFORMS**

I. PURPOSE
Establishes guidelines for work clothes and uniforms worn by County employees for compliance with IRS Guidelines. This policy shall be included in the current and all future County Personnel Policy Manual(s).

II. POLICY
Work clothes and uniforms are excluded from wages of an employee, if the clothing or uniforms are:

A. Specifically required as a condition of employment, and are
B. Not worn or adaptable to general usage as ordinary clothing.

III. PROCEDURE
A. Department Heads shall determine whether work clothes/uniforms are specifically required as a condition of employment after approval by the County Commissioners and County Council.

B. Work clothes/uniforms shall be clearly marked with appropriate insignia designating the appropriate county department.

C. Work clothes/uniforms shall only be worn while commuting to and from work and in the course of the employee's employment. Work clothes/uniforms shall not be worn as ordinary clothing outside the employee's course of employment.

D. Upon termination of employment the employee shall be required to return all work clothes/uniforms to the Department Head.

ALL OF WHICH IS HEREBY RESOLVED THIS 28TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006.

Richard A. Powell
Roger D. Rose
Leslie R. Walters

ATTEST: Denise Chandler,
County Auditor 10/5/06

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**In Loving Memory Of
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Life goes on and years go by,
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No longer here, our lives to share,
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Wiletta
Ann and Robin
Tom and Linda
Grandsons - Shaun,
Mark and Scott

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Thank You...

The Kewanna-Union Township Fire Department and Fire Belles would like to send a big thanks out to the community for its support. Our safety day at the festival was a huge success. We had over 185 people go through our safety stations and sign up for the drawings. The winners are:

- Ages 2-4 - Corbin Prince, Rochester
- Ages 5-12 - Damen Conley, Rochester
- Ages 13-17 - Melinda Hattery, Kewanna
- Adult - Scott Meneely, Kewanna

Once again, thank you for making our safety day a great success. And, to Tom Mate and his family, a BIG thank you for all your hard work to make all of this possible.

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I would like to thank everyone who provided military uniforms for the Tribute to America program during the Kewanna Fall Festival. Unfortunately, that segment was cancelled due to rain. I plan to reschedule the tribute for next year's festival.

Deb Horn

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Non-LIFE - STATEMENT OF CONDITION
On the 31st day of December, 2005

COMPANY NAME: Midwest Family Mutual Insurance Company
ADDRESS: 10601 Wayzata Blvd
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE: Minnetonka, MN 55305
ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OF Minnesota
CONTACT PERSON: Sabrina M Nelsen

FERN: 41-0417260
PHONE: 952-417-7032
NAIC CODE: 25374
EMAIL: sabrina.nelsen@midwestfamily.com

ASSETS OF COMPANY

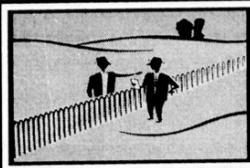
Bonds (Schedule D).....	\$ 52,223,309
Stocks (Schedule D).....	\$ 3,884,754
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Schedule B).....	\$
Real Estate (Schedule A).....	\$ 401,914
Cash & Short Term Investments (Schedule DA & E).....	\$ 697,439
Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums.....	\$ 8,873,918
Other assets.....	\$ 3,970,017
TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$ 70,051,351

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses.....	\$ 17,401,487
Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses.....	\$ 3,683,084
Reserve for Unearned Premiums.....	\$ 22,596,707
Reserve for Taxes.....	\$ 231,496
All Other Liabilities.....	\$ 3,711,586
TOTAL LIABILITIES.....	\$ 47,624,359
Special Surplus Funds.....	\$ 1,000,000
Capital Stock.....	\$ 0
Gross Paid in and Contributed Surplus.....	\$ 0
Unassigned Surplus.....	\$ 21,426,992
Surplus as regards Policyholders.....	\$ 22,426,992
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS.....	\$ 70,051,351

Ronald G. Boyd
Signature
Ronald G. Boyd
President

Richard J. Habsbrit
Signature
Richard J. Habsbrit
Secretary



**Town & Country
CHATTER...**

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Mathilda Lamb spent the last full weekend of September in Ohio. She was accompanied to Wilmington by her daughter-in-law, Judy Lamb of Ft. Wayne. They had a wonderful time visiting as guests of Mathilda's daughter and son-in-law, Joan and Mike Gallagher. The ladies did quite a bit of shopping during the four days.

Don and Pauline Scales had a caller Monday, Sept. 25. Joining them in the evening for a visit was Martin Van Meter.

Jane Teeter of Bluffton arrived Tuesday morning, Sept. 27, at the home of her mother, Ruth Cogdill. Jane had just walked through the door when the telephone rang. It was her brother, Mike Cogdill, of Alaska. Jane and Ruth were able to say hi and talk to Mike for a few minutes before he had to return to work. (Mike works as a HVAC mechanic at Ft. Richardson army base on the outskirts of Anchorage.) Jane had brought all the fixings for taco salads. It was a wonderful lunch and they had the chance to catch up on all the family news.

Tom and Barb LaFollette helped prepare and serve pizzas at the Rochester Moose lodge's supper Tuesday evening.

Mary K. Williamson of Winamac and Kay Brown were in Rochester Tuesday evening. They had an exciting time attending a volleyball game. Kay's granddaughter, Molly McKinney, is a player for Rochester.

Pauline Brown and Julie had a visitor Wednesday, Sept. 27. Stopping by in the afternoon for a short chat was Mike Kenny of Rochester.

Ruth Cogdill was in Winamac Wednesday. She was a luncheon guest of Vicky and Bill Gupton. It was Ruth's first visit to see the Guptons' new home. She is so happy for Vicky, Bill and Cody. Bill enjoys every room because there are lots of windows. It was a wonderful afternoon catching up on each other's news. Ruth shared vacation pictures of her trip out west.

Romayne Wentzel had a nice visit with her sister-in-law and her husband, Betty and Gilbert Weller of Rochester, one day last week.

Pauline Brown and Julie had company Thursday afternoon, Sept. 28. Stopping by for a late day visit was Pauline's brother-in-law, Ernest Brown of Granger.

Kevin Whiteman of Pulaski was a Thursday evening working visitor of his mother, Helen Whiteman. They enjoyed a chat over supper after he had mowed her yard.

Kay Brown was in Rochester Thursday. She enjoyed attending a volleyball game in which her granddaughter, Leighnee Smith, was participating.

Leonard and Nancy Evers were Thursday evening dinner guests of their son and his family, Brian and Kandi Evers, Lauren and Amanda.

Barb and Tom LaFollette traveled to Columbia City Friday, Sept. 29. They drove around the city before stopping for a bite to eat.

Patricia Evans had company recently. Staying as her houseguests for several days were her sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Paul Leavell of Sunrise Beach, Missouri.

Helen Whiteman had company recently. Arriving Friday for a weekend visit was her daughter, Karen Rice of Indianapolis.

John Lincoln and Jackie Heidenreich enjoyed dining at the Ponderosa restaurant in Logansport Friday.

Bea Ann Clark of Logansport was an overnight houseguest of her sister, Betty Leazenby, Friday. The ladies enjoyed attending the circus and festival Saturday.

Ruth Ann Anderson had company for the early part of the weekend. Arriving early Saturday, Sept. 30, for an overnight visit were her daughter, Becky Lincoln, and her granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Sara Edwards and Kahlan, all of South Bend. The ladies had a wonderful time attending the fall festival. Kahlan especially enjoyed the rides and the circus.

Wilma Wilson had company Saturday. Stopping by for a chat and to accompany her into town were her son and his family, Tim and Deb Wilson, Taylor and Kaylee. They enjoyed lunch and

seeing all the rides and concessions at the festival.

Julie and Pauline Brown had guests Saturday evening. Stopping by for a short visit were Wendy Sutton, Luke and Tanner.

Jerry Brown was the guest of honor at a family gathering Saturday. The occasion was in celebration of his birthday and hosted by his wife, Kay. Helping them mark the event with supper, cake and ice cream were their sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Mick Brown and Mike and Kathie Brown; their daughters and their families of Rochester, Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly, and Angie and Tom Smith, Kaelee, Aidan and William; and their grandson, Michael Christopher Brown.

Joyce Luhnnow had guests Sunday morning, Oct. 1. Stopping by for a chat were her sister and her family, Becky Lincoln and Sara Edwards and Kahlan.

Pauline and Don Scales had a couple of visitors Sunday. Stopping in for a visit were their grandson, Eric Koontz, and his friend, Nicole, both of Muncie.

Tom and Barb LaFollette enjoyed attending the fall festival Sunday, especially the circus. They appreciate the great effort that was put forth by all those involved in arranging and setting up the festival.

Helen Whiteman and Karen Rice enjoyed attending the Whiteman family reunion Sunday. The event was held in

the Winamac city park.

Ellen Walsh traveled to Michigantown Sunday. She had a very nice time attending a 95th birthday party held in honor of Shirley Newell.

Pauline and Julie Brown had several visitors Sunday. Stopping by throughout the afternoon were Bill and Carol Sue Graham of Brownsburg, Wendy Sutton, Angie Douglass of Grass Creek, Camile Zimpleman and Addison of Fulton, Gilbert and Betty Weller and Mike and Tonya Kenny. The entire group enjoyed watching the festival parade.

Earl and Mary Bangel were in town Sunday. They were among those who enjoyed watching the festival parade.

Ruth Ann Anderson was in Rochester Sunday afternoon. She enjoyed attending a football game in which her great-grandson, Adam, Luhnnow, was participating.

Hugh and Maryellyn Tennent traveled to Kokomo Sunday. They had a delightful time visiting with Hugh's brother and sister-in-law, Nat and Jennie Tennent, and with Maryellyn's niece and her husband, Pam and Russ Dance.

Diane Tesler and Joe and Karen Good spent Sunday in Chicago. They enjoyed lunch at the Weber Grill and attended a production of *Shear Madness* at the Chicago Theatre.

Romayne Wentzel was in Rochester Sunday. She had a very nice time attending a reunion of the Fulton County Rural Youth Group. The event was held at the

Chicken Coop restaurant.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them your best regards) are: Linda Bangel, Tim Graham, Aaron Herrell, Ivy Powell and Matthew Webb, Oct. 8; Andrew Bangel, Oct. 9; Jeff Hunter, Harold Johnston, Martha Stoudt and Ann Zartman, Oct. 10; Cindy Bowyer and Denise Robson, Oct. 11; Hunter Doty, Elijah Rans and Rob Troutman, Oct. 12; Christi Doty and Allison Foerg, Oct. 13; and Joshua Miller, Kenneth Troutman and Eric Zuck, Oct. 14.

There are seven couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hickie, Oct. 8; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Thomas, Oct. 9; Mr. and Mrs. Eric Baker, Oct. 10; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Easterday, Oct. 11; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Chew, Oct. 12; and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Ton, Oct. 13.

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**JAMES F. TALBOTT VFW
POST NO. 1122 ACTIVITIES**
Sat., Oct. 14 - Men's meeting, 8:30 a.m.

Tues., Oct. 17 - Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 21 - Card drawing, 7 p.m.

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

Sat., Oct. 28 - Halloween party, 2-4 p.m.

Sun. Oct. 29 - Open Sunday beginning at noon. Free food and euchre at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

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'05 Chrysler T&C Touring	Sto-N-Go, Butane Blue, 17,000 mi.	\$18,995
'05 Chrysler 300 C	Loaded, Magnesium, 18,000 mi.	\$26,995
'05 Chrysler T&C Touring	Moonroof, DVD, Leather, Linen Gold, 42,000 mi.	\$20,995
'04 Chevy Tahoe LS	Cloth, Slate, 46,000 mi.	\$24,995
'04 Dodge Ram 2500 SLT Quad Cab	5.9 D. 4x4, Blue, 20,000 mi.	\$28,995
'04 Chrysler PT Cruiser Touring	PW, PLKS, Silver, 6,000 mi.	\$14,995
'04 GMC Sierra SLE XT Cab 4x4	PW, PLKS, Taupe, 60,000 mi.	\$19,495
'04 Dodge Stratus	Sedan, PW, PLKS, Dark Blue, 62,000 mi.	\$10,995
'04 Dodge Ram 1500	Reg Cab, Auto, White, 18,000 mi.	\$14,695
'04 Dodge Durango SLT	PW, PLKS, Leather, Maroon, 56,000 mi.	\$19,495
'04 Dodge Durango LTD	Roof, Leather, Black, 35,000 mi.	\$21,995
'04 Chrysler Pacifica	AWD, PW, PLKS, White, 37,000 mi.	\$18,995
'03 Chrysler T&C LTD	Leather, Moonroof, Light Blue, 69,000 mi.	\$17,995
'03 Chevy 1500	Reg. Cab, Auto, V8, A/C, Silver, 13,000 mi.	\$13,995
'03 Chrysler PT Cruiser LTD	Roof, PW, PLKS, Blue, 28,000 mi.	\$13,495
'03 Dodge Ram 1500 QC 4x4 SLT	Remaining 7/70, Maroon, 40,000 mi.	\$19,995
'03 GMC Envoy	PW, PLKS, White, 67,000 mi.	\$16,495
'03 Dodge Neon	PW, PLKS, Red, 53,000 mi.	\$8,495
'02 Olds Silhouette	PW, PLKS, Cloth, FWD, White, 47,000 mi.	\$12,495
'02 Dodge Grand Caravan Sport	Quad Seats, Rear A/C, Inf. Red, 82,000 mi.	\$10,995
'02 GMC Yukon	Leather, PW, PLKS, Gold, 69,000 mi.	\$18,995
'02 Chrysler T&C LX	PW, PLKS, Rear A/C, White, 80,000 mi.	\$8,495
'01 Chrysler T&C LX	Quad Seats, Pwr Dr., Champagne, 109,000 mi.	\$7,995
'01 Chrysler PT Cruiser LTD	Leather, Roof, PW, PLKS, Silver, 50,000 mi.	\$11,495
'01 Dodge Grand Caravan Sport	PW, PLKS, Green, 83,000 mi.	\$8,995

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