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Concert at Methodist Church

The Master's Own from Fairmont will present a southern gospel concert Sunday, October 2, at 6 p.m. at the Kewanna United Methodist Church. The group, originally formed in 1982, consists of Dottie Rhoades, Chuck Rhoades, Bernie Nelson and Bob Melford. They have performed concerts in Ohio, Wisconsin, Tennessee and Canada, as well as Indiana. A love offering will be taken for the group.

Pie and ice cream will be served in the church annex following the concert. Everyone in the community is invited to enjoy the music ministry of The Master's Own and the food and fellowship with friends and neighbors.

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Chicken and Noodle Dinner, October 7

The Winamac Coil Spring Relay for Life team will serve an all-you-can-eat chicken and noodle dinner Friday, October 7, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Kewanna-Union Township Fire Station. The cost of the meal is $5.50 for adults and $3.50 for children, 7-12. Children age six and under can eat free. Proceeds will benefit Relay for Life.

Carry-outs will be available beginning at 4 p.m.

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Alumni Football Game at Caston

Caston High School will host an alumni football game Tuesday, October 11, at 6 p.m. Cheerleaders are also invited to participate.

If you graduated from Caston High School and played football or participated in cheerleading, meet around 5:15 to 5:30 p.m. at the football field entrance to register.

Admission to the event is free. Bring your family and friends to cheer you on. Concessions will be available.

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Kewanna Post Office Hours
8:30-12:30 & 2:00-4:15
Monday thru Friday
8:30 - Noon Saturday

Dinner/Entertainment at Twelve Mile

Community State Bank and the Living Christmas Pageant Committee will sponsor a Picnic-in-the-Park at Twelve Mile Saturday, October 1. The chicken/pork chop dinner will be prepared by Jack Townsend and will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Proceeds will go toward the electrical upgrade for the Living Christmas Pageant.

Entertainment featuring Captain Crunch as master of ceremony and country/gospel music will run from 5 to 8 p.m. A double elimination pumpkin ball tournament starts at 8 a.m. and door prizes will be given away throughout the evening.

Those attending should take their own lawn chairs for seating.

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October Blood Drive Dates

The American Red Cross will conduct two blood drives in Fulton County during October. The first blood collection day will be October 20 at the Akron United Methodist Church, 121 N. Mishawaka Street, from 1 to 7 p.m. The second collection day is Tuesday, October 25, at the St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1310 Main Street, 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. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800-448-3543.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Donors can help cancer patients, who often need platelets as part of their treatment, by donating blood. Platelets, one component that can be made from a whole blood donation, are fragile cells that cancer patients and others need in order to control bleeding. Platelets can survive outside the human body for as few as five days making it necessary to continually replenish the supply available to patients.

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Fish and Chicken Fry at Grass Creek

The Wayne Township Fire Department will serve its annual fish and chicken fry Saturday, October 1, in the Grass Creek Fire Station. Serving will be from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. and the cost of the meal will be $7 for adults and $3 for children 6-11. Children five and under may eat free

The fish will be prepared Jonah style by Ernie Hiatt. Carry-outs will be available.

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Ham and Bean Supper at Pleasant Hill

The Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church will serve its annual ham and bean supper Saturday, October 15, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the church. The cost of the meal is a free will donation.

The church is handicap accessible on the east side of the building.

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Annual Bazaar at Fulton

The Fulton United Methodist Church will host its 15th annual bazaar Saturday, October 1, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the basement fellowship hall.

The bazaar will feature a large variety of crafts, mincemeat, regular and cholesterol-free noodles, homemade cinnamon rolls and lunch. A handmade 88"x108" quilt, "Rings, Rare & Unique" will be raffled off.

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Ghost Tour at Rochester

Members of Haunted/Historical Investigations and Tours (H.I.T.) will conduct ghost tours of the Fulton County Historical Society grounds Saturday, October 1.

Participants will walk with a tour guide down the Village of Loyal's shadowy lanes filled with ghosts, ghouls and legends. Unearthly stories of hauntings and happenings will be told along with mysteries/memories of the historic buildings and the people who might have lived there. You may find yourself invited into the abode of the village gypsy woman to have your fortune told or visit the old apothecary building for a demonstration on the use of dowsing rods and pendulums. At the end of the ghost tour, visitors will relax in the round barn and listen to a tale told by the village storyteller.

Tickets are $8 for adults and $5 for children under 11 and are available at the Fulton County Museum. Proceeds will benefit the Fulton County Historical Society and H.I.T.

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Recycling Dates
October 7th and
October 21st

United Ministries Outreach Needs Funds

United Ministries Outreach is in need of funds. The agency provides housing, utility and medication assistance to Fulton County families on an emergency basis, but was forced to close its doors Sept. 2 due to a lack of funds. The program provides help to a family one time only per year and only two years in a row.

So far this year, the agency has provided $31,948 in assistance to Fulton County families.

Contributions to the United Ministries Outreach Program can be mailed to P.O. Box 531, Rochester, IN 46975.

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Enlistees Can Get GED

The U.S. Army will now help those individuals who desire to serve in the Regular Army or Army Reserve obtain a GED.

To be eligible for this new enlistment option, called the Education Plus Program, individuals cannot have previously served in any branch of the Armed Forces and must have been withdrawn from high school for at least six months, meet their state's minimum age requirement for GED testing, and achieve a qualifying score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT).

According to Lt. Col. Val Siegfried, commander of the Army's Indiana recruiting district, recruiters will direct eligible applicants to GED programs in their area. Applicants must pass the GED test in order to complete the enlistment process and report to initial entry training.

Those who enlist in the Army under the Education Plus Program will have the same opportunity to qualify for enlistment incentives as other high school graduates. These may include cash bonuses up to $20,000 and $70,000 Army College Fund. Incentives available are based on the recruit's test scores and the Military Occupational Specialty in which he or she volunteers to serve.

More information on this new program is available from local recruiting stations or the Army's website, www.goarmy.com. Recruiting stations can be found in the U.S. Government listings in the telephone directory blue pages or by visiting the website and clicking on "Find a Recruiter".

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Kewanna Town Council Meeting / First Thursday of the Month Town Hall / 7 pm

The News In Brief

The Center for Disease Control has awarded the Kewanna Water Works with a Water Fluoridation Quality Award for 2002 and 2003 The awards were for successfully maintaining optimal fluoride levels and meeting the fluoridation monitoring requirements of the State of Indiana for all 12 months of both years.

The Caston School Board will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, October 7, to receive information regarding the current Energy Savings Project.

Key Waste Services picked up a total of 3,195 pounds of recyclables from Kewanna curbsides during August.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for Fulton County will hold an open house Thursday, Sept. 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Rochester city hall. Residents are invited to attend and learn what they can do to help children in Fulton County.

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Attention Ladies:

It's that time of year again. The Winamac Coil Spring Relay for Life team is asking for your help by supplying baked goods for the chicken and noodle dinner to be held Friday, October 7. In the past you've helped out so much and made our dinner a great success. We are hoping that this year will be as successful. Pies/cakes can be delivered to the fire station between 1-3 p.m. Friday. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Pesaresi at 653-3941.

Winamac Coil Spring
Relay for Life Team

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Adult Education Classes at Library

Landmark Adult Education classes have resumed at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library. The classes offer anyone 16 years of age or older an opportunity to improve their basic skills, earn a GED, or prepare for college. Classes are offered Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 574-653-2011.

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AREA V MENU
Kewanna Fire Station

Monday, October 3 – Pork fritter sandwich, baked beans, carrots and fresh orange

Wednesday, October 5 – Meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, vegetables, spinach salad and peaches

Friday, October 7 – Chicken/broccoli casserole, mashed potatoes and gravy, stewed tomatoes and apricot banana mold

Clubs Societies Personals

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Dan and Julie Birge Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Dan and Julie Birge, Kewanna, observed their 25th wedding anniversary September 27. The couple was married in 1980 at the Kewanna United Methodist Church by Rev. Gene Personett.

They have two daughers, Ashley, Kewanna, and Lacey, at home. Dan works as a mechanic for the Fulton County Highway Department and Julie is employed as a server in the Caston cafeteria. Dan and Julie also own and operate an auto repair business in Kewanna, JD's Service Center.

The couple plans a trip to Nashville, Tennessee, in celebration of their anniversary.

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Noah's Ark Animal Workshop, Oct. 22

Pulaski Memorial Hospice will sponsor a Noah's Ark Animal Workshop Saturday, October 22, at 1 p.m. in the PMH conference room. Participants will be able to choose an unstuffed teddy bear or other animal and handstuff it. They will then name their animal, create a customized birth certificate and personalize their new friend with an authentic outfit. Sound chips can also be added to your new animal friend. PMH Hospice believes this is a great opportunity for you and your child, grandchild or young friend.

Interested parties need to order their animal in advance. Please call the hospice office at 574-946-2140 for more information and to pick up order forms.

All proceeds will benefit Pulaski Memorial Hospice.

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St. Luke's Enjoys Rally Day

The St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church, Winamac, held its Sunday School Rally Day Sunday, September 11, at the Braun Pavilion in the Winamac town park.

Pastor William Daniel O'Connor officiated at a worship service at 10 a.m. with a meaningful sermon. The congregation then enjoyed a carry-in dinner. It was noted that the day was also Patriot Day.

Millie Redweik introduced Willard and Helen Peters, who gave a wonderful presentation on Biblical quilts. Helen shared quilt blocks along with the Bible verses and lessons.

The Tippecanoe Puppet Crew led by Cyril and Patsy Murphy Hahn shared their teens' well-planned Bible puppet show, including music, which was enjoyed by all.

The Sunday school at St. Luke's normally meets for lessons and activities each Sunday at 10 a.m., following the service. All ages are welcome to participate.

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Craft Show at Logansport

The Cass County Extension Homemakers will hold their annual Craft and Country Kitchen Saturday, October 1, form 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the 4-H fairgrounds community building, Logansport. There will be crafts of all kinds, including seasonal decorations, and lots of goodies to eat.

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CASTON MENU
October 3-7

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Monday – Pizza, green beans, pears, cookie and milk. Comet Café – chicken fillet combo

Tuesday – Nachos with meat and cheese, corn, sherbet, bread and butter, and milk. Comet Café – whopper combo

Wednesday – sausage/egg cheese bun, tater tots, orange juice, Rice Krispie treat and milk. Comet Café – chicken quesadillas

Thursday – Turkey and noodles, whipped potatoes, broccoli, peach crisp and milk. Comet Café – walking taco

Friday – Barbecue rib sandwich, seasoned potatoes, applesauce, ice grahams and milk. Comet Café – baked potato bar and deep dish cheese pizza

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EASTERN PULASKI MENU
October 3-7

Elementary Breakfast

Monday – Toaster pastry, juice and milk

Tuesday – Breakfast pizza, juice and milk

Wednesday – Donut, yogurt, juice and milk

Thursday – Half day of school, no breakfast

Friday – Cereal, cinnamon toast, juice and milk

Elementary Lunch

Monday – Pepperoni pizza, green beans, frosted graham cracker, applesauce and milk

Tuesday – Chicken nuggets, corn, pears, bread & butter and milk

Wednesday – Cheeseburger, fries, fruit salad, cookie and milk

Thursday – Half day of school, no lunch

Friday – Chili soup w/crackers, peanut butter sandwich, orange and milk

Middle/High School Lunch

Monday – Cook's choice, California blend, pears, cookie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Tuesday – Nachos, cauliflower, applesauce, cookie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Wednesday – Burrito, peas, peaches, brownie and milk. Choice – salad bar

Thursday – Half day of school, no lunch

Friday – Chicken fajitas, lettuce & cheese, apple crisp, and milk. Choice – salad bar

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WOODLAWN HOSPITAL

September 19
Admissions – Howard Summers, Rochester
Dismissals – Jack Adams, Mentone; Karen Chaney, Delong; and Leta Corbitt, Warsaw
September 20
Admissions – None published
Dismissals – Kenneth Kaminski, Argos
Births – Rebecca Buskirk, Rochester
September 21
Admissions – None published
Dismissals – None published
September 23
Admissions – None published
Dismissals – Vera Brewster and Rebecca Buskirk and son, Rochester

PULASKI MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

September 16
Admissions – Laura Poor, Star City
Dismissals – Infant Nicole Lynn Schatte, San Pierre
Births – James and Laura Poor, Star City, a daughter, Bethany Rose Poor
September 17
Admissions – Jack Kellenburger, Star City
Dismissals – None
September 18
Admissions – Paul Weaver, Monterey
Dismissals – Betty Jensen, Monterey; Jamie Clingler and son, Delong
September 19
Admissions – Omer Joseph, Buffalo; Lucille Podell and Vernice Redlin, Winamac; Mike Fox, Portage
Dismissals – Nancy Freeman and Ruth Conley, Winamac; Rebecca Shepherd, Knox
September 20
Admissions – Phillip Wilson, Warsaw
Dismissals – None
September 21
Admissions – Bonnie Ricks, Francesville
Dismissals – None
September 22
Admissions – Sylvan Wenger, Francesville; Ann Prange, Winamac
Dismissals – Omer Joseph, Buffalo; Paul Weaver, Monterey; Jack Kellenburger, Star City; Mark Witherspoon, Francesville

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DEATHS.....

JOAN L. CARR

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, September 26, 2005, at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Kewanna Chapel, for Joan L. Carr, 75, Kewanna. Father Joseph Jacob officiated and burial was in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Rochester. Mrs. Carr died at 11:06 p.m. Thursday, September 22, at St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo.

Born November 19, 1929, in Chicago, Illinois, she was the daughter of Eugene J. and Edna M. St. John Milord. She was married April 24, 1973, at St. Ann Catholic Church, Kewanna, to Russell Dean Carr, who survives.

Joan earned her Master's Degree from Purdue University. A retired teacher, she taught in Chicago parochial schools, Kewanna and Monterey for 26 years and also did substitute teaching at Caston. She and her husband formerly owned and operated The Kibitzer in Kewanna. She was also an assistant librarian at the Kewanna-Union Township Public Library and served on the library board of trustees. She enjoyed crafts, quilting and camping.

Others survivors include one stepson, Larry Carr, Rochester; three stepdaughters, Karen Boldry, Macy, Jan Futrell and Lorena Crissinger, Rochester; one brother, Jerry Milord, Socorro, New Mexico; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one stepdaughter, Cheryl Hizer, and one brother, Eugene Milord.

The Rosary was recited at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions can be made to the Kidney Foundation or the American Cancer Society.

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ROBERT L. LOWER

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. today (Thursday, September 29, 2005) at the Harrison-Metzger Funeral Home, Royal Center Chapel, for Robert L. Lower, 69, Monterey. Pastor Carl Lendermon will officiate and burial will be in the Kistler Cemetery, Royal Center. Mr. Lower died at 1:50 p.m. Sunday, September 25, at his residence.

Born July 14, 1936, at Royal Center, he was the son of Alfred T. and Cora M. Allen Lower. He was married July 1, 1994 at Las Vegas, Nevada, to Linda Hensley, who survives.

A 1955 graduate of Royal Center High School, Mr. Lower was a retired maintenance manager for Red Gold Co. in Elwood and an avid hunter. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, Lafayette, Ducks Unlimited, Calvary Baptist Church, Winamac, PGA Golf Tours, Tippecanoe River Drummers, and National Wild Turkey Federation (founder of Winamac chapter). He was a former member and fire chief of the Royal Center Fire Department, past president of the Royal Center Youth League and past chancellor of the Royal Center K of P Lodge #462.

Surviving besides his wife are one daughter, Casandra Kay Barrett and her husband, Kenny, Grand Rapids, Michigan; two sons, Gregory Robert Lower and his wife, Rhonda, Star City, and Randy Lyn Lower and his wife, Christi, Lafayette; two step-sons, Kevin Creamer and his wife, Shannon and Troy Creamer, all of Elwood; seven grandchildren; and one brother-in-law, Harold Merrill and his wife, Mamie Ann, Las Vegas, Nevada. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Melanie Sue; one son, Rodney Lee; one brother, Junior; and one sister, Betty Jean.

Memorial contributions may be made to the CareHouse – Goshen Cancer Center and or the American Cancer Society.

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#1 Beatles Tribute Band to Appear in Lafayette

"1964...The Tribute", the #1 Beatles tribute band, will appear in concert Sunday, October 9, at 6 p.m. at the historical Long Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Lafayette.

Twenty years of research and performing have made "1964" masters of their craft. They have been featured on Entertainment Tonight, PM Magazine, CNN, the USA Network and the Nashville Network. The group performed to a sold out crowd at Carnegie Hall in January of 2003, a dream come true for both themselves and their fans that came to New York from all over the country.

The Long Center is a wonderful venue for "1964...The Tribute", recalling memories of the Beatles first performance on American television in the Ed Sullivan Theater. That first appearance on February 9, 1964, is considered a turning point in American pop-culture and the start of the British invasion in music itself.

Tickets for the October 9 invasion of "1964...The Tribute" are available through the box office at the Long Center, 111 N. 6th St., Lafayette. Tickets are also available online at www.longcentertheater.com.

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Looking Back.....

FIFTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
September 29, 1950

Mrs. Jeanette Sanders, Kewanna, announced the engagement of her daughter, Patricia Lorraine, to Virgil R. Zellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zellers, also of Kewanna. Both Pat and Virgil are Kewanna High School graduates. At the present time, Virgil is emplolyed in South Bend. No date has been set for the wedding.

Members of the Grass Creek EUB Church have received word of the death of the Rev. Eiler of Graigville. Rev. Eiler was pastor of the church in Grass Creek during World War I and was very active in defense work in the county.

Mrs. Darl Dailey, the former Merna Willoughby, was the guest of honor at a bridal shower given Saturday, September 23, by Miss Pat Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Carr were the guests of honor at a surprise party in their home Tuesday evening, September 26, in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Helping them celebrate were Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Zuck and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Heiden and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kreamer and daughter and Mrs. Ervin Myers.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
September 29, 1955

The Coffee Shop, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ginn and leased by Mrs. Harrison DeWitt, will have a new leasee Friday. The new manager will be Mrs. Helen Fagan who has a restaurant in Lucerne. She plans to close down for a few days the first of the week for remodeling.

The Kewanna Merchants, who started to organized some form of civic-business club last spring, will continue with their plans at a meeting at Herbie's Place Wednesday, Oct. 5. The club plans to form a group that will meet periodically for lunch. The purpose of the club is to promote Kewanna and to help with civic improvements.

Doris Kreamer, a student at Ball State Teachers College, appeared with the Cavalcade of Stars in a twirling act Friday evening in Selmar. Others appearing on the program were Homer and Jethro and the Skating Coles.

Debbie and Claudia Besse were featured as the ''Future Citizens''.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Foust entertained Saturday evening at their country home with a weiner roast and birthday party for their son, Marion, on his tenth birthday.

The high school Sunday school class at the Church of Christ enjoyed a chili supper Tuesday evening at the home of their teacher, Clem Good. During the business meeting, election of officers was held. Chosen to serve were Clarence Robbins, president; Charles Woolington, vice president and Charlotte Warfield, secretary.

Mrs. Aliff Carr, 91, mother of Wilbur Carr, Kewanna, with whom she resides, fell Thursday breaking her hip. She was taken to the Carneal Hospital in Winamac where sand vags were packed around the hip.

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
September 29, 1960

Through the cooperation of the Kewanna town board, Union township trustee, Mrs. Ruth Partridge, and various other area citizens who donated labor, there is now a new tennis court at the park. This is a full, regulation court with a sturdy wire net.

The Church of Christ parsonage was the scene of a 7:30 p.m. wedding Friday uniting Miss Renate Oberloher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weller, and Victor Alan Montz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Monttz, all of Kewanna.

Donald Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ingram, Kewanna, is now in the Marines stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Rife of here received word from their daughter, Mrs. Wayne Davis of Peru, Tuesday night that her husband had been injured in an auto accident when the station wagon he was driving collided with a semi-trailer ner Montpelier, Ohio. Wayne received an injury to his chin and jaw which required eight stitches.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Green, Kewanna, are the parents of a daughter.

Mrs. Floyd Nicklaus, Kewanna, was honored at a pink and blue shower Monday evening, Sept. 26, at the Bruce Lake Community Church.

Funeral services were held Sept. 19, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Francesville for Stanuslaus Federer, 72, of Francesville. Federer died in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, of injuries received in an automobile accident Sept. 1. He was the father of John Federer, Rt. 1, Kewanna.

Steven and Cynthia Hinderlider, children of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hinderlider, Kewanna, were featured as the ''Future Citizens''.

FORTY YEARS AGO
September 30, 1965

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burkett, Rt. 4, Rochester, a son in Memorial Hospital, Logansport. The mother is the former Janet Rae Urbin. Mr. and Mrs. John Urbin, Kewanna, are the maternal grandparents.

Ralph Johnston, Rochester, general manager of the Fulton County Farm Bureau Cooperative since June 1, 1954, has resigned that postion effective October 15.

Clem Good, Rt. 1, Kewanna, was elected Friday as chairman of the Fulton County Agricultural Stablilization and Conservation Service Committee.

Airman First Class Kenneth R. Watts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard C. Watts, Rt. 2, Kewanna, is now on duty with the Air Force in Thailand.

Jane Lord, Kewanna, has enrolled in the South Bend College of Commerce, Dr. and Mrs. R.T. Lord spent Sunday with her.



We wish you a happy "25th" Anniversary and lots of happiness for years to come.

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Science Fiction— *Red Thunder* by John Varley.

Mystery Fiction— *Decked* (Regan Reilly mystery) by Carol Higgins Clark; *Stone Fish* by Olivia Ferrell; and *Final Note* by Dorothy O'Neill.

JUVENILES:

Youth Fiction— *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt; *Hope was Here* by Joan Bauer; and *Lara and The Gray Mare*, *Lara and The Moon-Colored Filly*, *Lara at Athenry Castle* and *Lara and The Silent Place* from the Hoofbeats: Lara series by Kathleen Duey.

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Kewanna Locals

Jessica Brown was the guest of honor at a family gathering Sunday. The evening event was hosted by her parents, Mike and Kathie Brown, and was held in recognition of her birthday.

Mathilda Lamb recently returned home from a week's visit with her granddaughter, Brenna Rose, in Aurora, Colorado, near Denver. The trip was made in the company of her daughter and son-in-law, Joan and Mike Gallagher, of Wilmington, Ohio. While in Colorado, they went to the top of Mount Evans, which boasts the highest paved road than any other mountain. In the heights of Rocky Mountain National Park they saw numerous wildlife including mountain goats, long horn sheep, elk, buffalo, etc. and lots of rock formations. Mike's sister, Pat Gallagher, joined them for a visit along with Brian, Dawn and Mark Melsalther and his children of Colorado Springs. Mathilda spent some time with Mike and Joan Gallagher after they returned to Wilmington.

A group of friends gathered recently at The Pit Stop restaurant in Winamac to celebrate the birthdays of Carol Hyatt Hickle of Kewanna and Dorothy Long Young of Grass Creek. Helping them celebrate were Phyllis Frazier Thomas and Maxine Geier Long St. Clair of Grass Creek and Millie Gudas Redweik of rural Kewanna. The ladies enjoyed the variety of foods on the buffet and the conversation.

Those persons who will be having birthdays next week (so please remember to give them you best regards) are: Greg Agnew, Evelyn Peters and Christopher Williamson, Oct. 2; Sheri Cook, Stacy Evans, Donovan Evers, Bill Graham and Rex Urbin, Oct. 3; Kailee Baird, Amanda Donathen, Carole Hamman, Stacy Horn, Doug Luhnow, Alissa Troutman and Kaylyn Young, Oct. 4; Alexa Eastwood, Mary Hinderlider, Jill Leazenby, Sarah Metzger, Linda Milliser, Jodie Smith, Jack Urbin and Scott Wilson, Oct. 5; Candy Field, Karen Good, Lyndy Pearl and Kristin Welker, Oct. 6; Nicki McCray and Belinda Weller, Oct. 7; and Linda Bangel, Tim Graham, Aaron Herrell, Ivy Powell and Matthew Webb, Oct. 8.

There are four couples who will be celebrating their wedding anniversaries next week: Mr. and Mrs. Steve Baldwin, Oct. 4; Mr. and Mrs. Trent Powell, Oct. 6; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hines, Oct. 7; and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hickle, Oct. 8.

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Caston Volleyball

The Caston 7th grade "A" volleyball team lost to North Miami Tuesday, Sept. 20, in two games, 20-25 and 13-25. Sierra Frye had 5 points, Chelsea Sivitis and Chelsey Dague, 4 points and Brittany Baldwin, 3 points.

The "B" team also lost to North Miami. Sierra Frye had 10 points, Sara Martin, 2 points; and Misty Gearhart and Dana Miller each had 1 point.

The 8th grade team lost to North Miami, 3-25 and 12-25. Erica Byers had 3 points and Courtney Porterfied, Emily Sailors and Lauren Tam each had 1.

The Caston 7th grade volleyball team hosted Triton Wednesday, Sept. 21, losing 20-25 and 20-25. Mariah Moss had 4 points and Jada Powlen, Sierre Frye and Misty Gearhart each added 3 points.

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Caston Cross Country

Caston hosted the boys and girls county cross country meet Monday, Sept. 19. The boys' event was won by Lewis Cass, followed by Logansport, Pioneer and Caston.

Runners for the Caston boys team were Heath Gearhart, 20:26; Shawn Righter, 21:31; Payton Daily, 21:59; Shawn Wetzel, 22:41; Robby Lewark, 24:15; and Heath Sommers, 24:20.

Logansport won the girls event, followed by Pioneer, Lewis Cass and Caston.

Participating for the girls were Emily Smith, 19:49; Kassie Hoagland, 21:20; Alison Chandler, 21:53; Kristi Rentschler, 22:43; and Brittany Scales, 35:28.

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Indiana State Fairgrounds Upcoming Events

Indianapolis Fall Boat & RV Show: September 29 – October 2 in the West Pavilion. Hours: Thurs. and Fri. 4 to 9 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: $6, $4 seniors (60 and older), and children 12 and younger free.

Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show: September 30 – October 2 in the Northwest Pavilion. Hours: Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m and Sun. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: $4 for all three days, children 16 and younger free.

Hoosier Kennel Fall Dog Show: October 1 & 2 in the Exposition Hall. Show begins Saturday at 9 a.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. Admission: $5.

Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk 2005: October 2 in the 4-H Exhibit Hall and Farm Bureau Insurance Celebration Park. Registration at 12:30 p.m. Walk begins at 1:30 p.m. Admission: free.

Roadworthy Guitar Show: October 1 and 2 in Pioneer Our Land Pavilion. Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: $7 for single day, $12 for two days.

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Pulaski Memorial Hospital Calendar

The Help for the Hurting Parent bereavement support group of PMH will meet Wednesday, October 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the PMH conference center. The group is open to residents of any county who have experienced the death of any aged child. For more information, call 574-946-2180.

The Living with Grief support group will meet Thursday, October 6, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. in the PMH board room. This group is for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Before attending the group experience, it is highly suggested that you meet with a grief counselor alone to assess your individual needs. Call 574-946-2180.

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group will meet October 8 at 10 a.m. at PMH. This group will focus on sharing experiences and positive solutions for dealing with MS. Patients, families and caregivers are all welcome. For more information, call Lori Semrau at 574-946-2157 Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

Prenatal classes will be held on consecutive Thursdays, October 6 through November 3, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the PMH conference center. There will be a breastfeeding class Thursday, November 10, from 7 to 9 p.m. To register, call 574-946-2193 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you deliver at PMH, there is no charge for the classes.

Books for Hurricane Victims

Waldenbooks at the Logansport Mall, along with over 50 other stores throughout the Midwest, is collecting books for Hurricane Katrina victims. Customers simply buy a book, drop it in the collection box and Waldenbooks will ship the books to the disaster area. Most of the books will be donated to schools and libraries, but Waldenbooks is looking for a way to get some books to children in the emergency shelters as soon as possible.

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Notice is hereby given that the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission will conduct a public Prehearing Conference and Preliminary Hearing in the above-captioned Cause in ROOM IGCS E-306 of the Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana commencing at 9:30 AM, EST, on Wednesday, October 19, 2005. This hearing is open to the public.

If the Prehearing Conference does not result in agreement among the parties acceptable to the Commission concerning all procedural and other preliminary issues which may appropriately be resolved prior to a hearing on the merits of the above-captioned proceeding, evidence may be heard on the above date on all such disputed issues. These procedural and preliminary issues may include but shall not be limited to, the jurisdiction of the Commission over the parties and subject of the proceedings; a representative test year for consideration of the valuation of utility property, operating expenses, and revenues from existing rates; accounting methods, standards and principles to be applicable to these proceedings; need for and time of prefiling testimony; dates and places for hearings on the merits of this proceedings; and issues related to prehearing discovery.

Any party who has an interest in or who may be affected by the procedural and other preliminary issues which may be determined in the Prehearing Conference and Preliminary Hearing should participate. All parties will be bound by the procedural and other preliminary finds and determinations made pursuant to agreements or evidence received at the Prehearing Conference and/or Preliminary Hearing held pursuant to this notice.

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The Alcoholic Beverage Board of Fulton County, Indiana, will hold a public hearing at 1:00 PM on October 19, 2005, at the Conference Room, County Annex, Fulton County Office Bldg., in the city of Rochester in said county, to investigate the propriety of holding an alcoholic beverage permit by the applicants listed herein to wit:

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BY THE WAY.....

Another Nashville Weekend

Last weekend was our annual get-away to Brown County. It's amazing how fast that time rolls around. The years just seem to get shorter and shorter.

As we are no longer printing the Francesville Tribune on Wednesday, we were able to get a head start on printing, folding and mailing The Observer. That made it possible to sleep in (6 a.m.) Thursday morning, pack and head south as soon as we dropped the grandkids at the bus stop. We swung by Ron and Carole Hamman's on our way out of town as they were to follow in their car.

Our first travel break was in Logansport for breakfast. As you may recall, it was raining Thursday morning, but we drove out of it before we reached Indianapolis. We traveled Interstate 65 through Indy (which was very busy and slow) to Exit 80 at Edinburgh where Carole and I left Joe and Ron at Timberlake Golf Course. We drove on to the antique/outlet mall where we spent the afternoon, at least until check-in time at the Hampton Inn. The antique mall features 600 booths and lighted cases with over 350 merchants. We probably saw only half of them before heading to the outlet stores, which, by the way are expanding by about half. We gave up on the shopping early enough to relax a little before the guys got there.

The area around the outlet mall has changed a lot since we were there last. We by-passed the Cracker Barrel – our normal stop – and opted for Montana Mike's Steakhouse for dinner. It was really pretty good and the prices were reasonable. If you haven't had the opportunity to eat at Montana Mike's, there is also one at Vincennes and several in Kansas and Texas, a couple in Oklahoma and one in Arkansas and Illinois. You can order a 44-ounce sirloin "perfect for two" for $26.99. Seems to me that should serve about four persons!

Our motel was adjacent to a filling station so the guys topped off the gas tanks thinking Hurricane Rita would drive gasoline prices up 20 cents or more by morning. But, that didn't happen – surprise, surprise! I can't believe they (who ever "they" are) missed an excuse to jack-up gasoline prices some more!

We enjoyed the motel's continental breakfast Friday morning – along with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McKinley of Winamac – before heading on south. The McKinleys were returning from a trip to Asheville, North Carolina, where they toured the Biltmore Mansion, home to the Vanderbilt family. They really enjoyed the tour of the home. We've been there and it is definitely something to see. I'd love to see it decorated for the Christmas season.

We pulled in at the Salt Creek Golf Course near Nashville so the guys could check it out. They were told at Timbergate that it wasn't fit to play as the fairways had been over-watered and the grass killed. But, they had re-seeded and the green fees had been reduced so they decided to opt for the bargain and play. I guess they enjoyed their round of golf even thought it required a lot of walking as the golf carts had to stay on the cart path to protect the newly seeded fairways. Guess they should have hit their golf balls closer to the cart path! Of course, walking is good; it lowers your cholesterol! (Right, Joe?)

Carole and I stopped at the Brown County Antique Mall before going on into Nashville. Remember our "state" dinner reported in last week's Observer and how Diane purchased the last glass "Wyoming" through eBay to complete her set of 48? Well, guess what I found at the Brown County Antique Mall? That's right – Wyoming! I really expect to run on to it a few more times, now that we don't need it. After browsing through the mall we headed into Nashville and jump-started our Christmas shopping. The shops didn't seem as busy as usual. Maybe it was just my imagination or gasoline prices are keeping people home.

The guys came in off the golf course about mid-afternoon. We stopped at the ticket office of the Brown County Playhouse to purchase tickets for the evening performance of "Greater Tuna". We have been going to Nashville for years, but have never been to the playhouse.

We then checked into our Nashville abode, Cornerstone Inn. We've been staying there since 1994 (it opened in 1993) and we really enjoy it. If you are interested, call me for their phone number. It sets right in the center of town, is completely non-smoking, and the rooms are all furnished with antiques. A breakfast buffet is served in the morning, snacks are put out at check-in time, and then again about 9 p.m. as shoppers and show-goers are returning.

We relaxed until about 6 p.m. so we could eat and make it to our 8 p.m. show. There did not seem to be as many people in town, but they must have all decided to eat at the same time. Our 25-minute wait turned into an hour and we began to think we should have started a little sooner. However, we made it in time to find our seats before the show started. The show, "Greater Tuna", featured two actors, each playing ten roles depicting a day in the life of Tuna, the third smallest town in Texas. It actually pretty much described a small town anywhere. Apparently, the two actors were also quick-change artists.

A Nashville businessman and an Indiana University professor started the Brown County Playhouse in 1949. It began as a rustic theater with a barn for a stage and a tent to shelter an audience of 300. In 1965 the theater was enhanced with the addition of new restrooms and an extension to the roof, which expanded the seating capacity. In 1977, a new theater was rebuilt on the original site. The new building featured air-conditioning, a thrust stage, an orchestra pit and a new lighting and sound system. The theater operates from June through October, presenting four productions each summer. Members of the Brown County Playhouse company, many of them IU students, rehearse one production in Bloomington while performing another at night in Nashville.

Charlie and Deb Heinsen arrived shortly after we returned from the playhouse so we spent some time visiting before turning in for the night. The Ohio ladies who are always there the same time we are showed up on schedule. They are a lively bunch and definitely enjoy their get away. We also enjoy chatting with them but we've never exchanged names, we just refer to them as the "Ohio bunch". I wonder what they call us? Next year, we really need to get better acquainted.

Saturday morning we had another surprise as we discovered some Monterey residents among the guests.

The guys were hoping to play the Indiana University golf course Saturday, but they had a ladies event scheduled. Tameka Woods at Trafalgar, where they normally spend a day, had two outings planned so they finally secured a tee time at Martinsville. But, when they got there, their tee time was delayed because of an outing that they weren't told about. They were once again confined to the cart path as rainfall the night before left the fairways quite soggy.

While Carole, Deb and I were out and about, we purchased tickets for "Fighting Spirit – USO through the Years" put on by the Good Time Gals and Guys at the Pine Box Theatre. We also made dinner reservations back at the Artist Colony Inn so we could make the 8 p.m. show without rushing. We were dismayed to see the theater is for sale. Hopefully, even though the building sells, the Good Time Gals and Guys will still be performing somewhere in Nashville.

"Fighting Spirit – USO through the Years" was a musical review on the history of the USO, formed in 1940, featuring songs from the Civil War to Enduring Freedom. The finale was the service hymns from the Army, Air Force, Marines, Navy and Coast Guard along with their rendition of several other patriotic songs. It was really great! We had front row seats so we had no trouble seeing or hearing! The group is accompanied by a very accomplished drummer and pianist.

We enjoyed a very leisurely breakfast Sunday morning as we waited to see what the weather was going to do. Ron and Carole left about 10 a.m. as they had tickets for the Colts game. Charlie and Joe decided the rain was a little too heavy for golfing so they did a little shopping with Deb and I before the Heinsens headed home and Joe and I made our way to the south side of Indianapolis to see our son, Jeff, and his family. Our granddaughter, Allie, was celebrating her 10th birthday and we got in on the tail end of a slumber party involving her and seven friends. (Tonya, what were you thinking?) Fortunately, Tonya had the aid of her niece, Jordan, so they survived the rather wakefui night.

About 5 p.m., Joe and I headed for home, amazed still that another year and another Nashville weekend had come and gone.

But, before we all left Nashville, we made reservations for 2006. God willing, all will go well and we will be able to enjoy another get away to Brown County. And, next year I definitely want to learn more about the Ohio gang!

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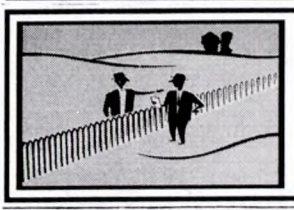
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Town & Country CHATTER...

By: Julie Brown (574) 653-2451

Jackie Heidenreich had company the weekend of Sept. 17 and 18. Staying with her for a couple of days were her daughter and grandchildren, Jaime Short, Chelsea and Zachary, of Indianapolis. Sunday, they attended the Trail of Courage activities at the Fulton County Historical Society Museum.

David and Rita Foust had company recently. Visiting with them for a couple of days were their daughter and son- in- law, Kathy and John Sebby of Savannah, Georgia. The Sebbys were in the process of moving to Portland, Oregon and took the opportunity to stop by for a visit.

Ruth Cogdill spent Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 20 and 21, in Winamac at the home of her daughter and son- in- law, Linda and Gordon Ligocki. Tuesday was a special day of celebrating great- granddaughter, Lillian Helen's 8th birthday. She had requested homemade pizza for dinner which Grandma Linda made, as well as a big birthday cake.

Pauline and Don Scales had a couple of callers Tuesday. Joining them for a day- long visit was their daughter, Barbara Grandstaff of Kendallville. Stopping by later for a visit and to join them for lunch was their daughter, Linda Garner. The family enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of catch- up and celebrating Pauline and Don's 63rd wedding anniversary.

Thursday, Sept. 22, was a busy day for Ruth Cogdill. She drove to Rochester to do some shopping. From there, she traveled south to Macy to visit with her son and daughter- in- law, Tim and Deb Cogdill. Also visiting with Tim and Deb were Deb's parents, Karl and Claudia Kearns of Homosassa Springs, Florida. (The Kearns returned to Florida Saturday.) After the visit, Ruth stopped in to see her brother, David Norris, and sister, Janel Norris. They had a great visit and caught- up on all the family news.

John Lincoln and Jackie Heidenreich were in Logansport Friday, Sept. 23. They had a nice time dining at the China Lane restaurant. Afterward, they took care of some shopping.

Don and Pauline Scales had a couple of visitors Friday. Stopping by for an afternoon chat were Don's sister, Patty Tarver of Lake Placid, Florida, and their niece, Dailene Snow of Cumming, Georgia. Patty and Dailene had spent the summer in the area visiting with friends and family and were preparing to head back south.

Ruth Ann Anderson was among those who enjoyed attending the concert hosted by the Kewanna First Baptist Church Friday evening. Composing and performing the evening's musical selections was Nathan Shipley Pierpont, pastor at the Northeastern Baptist Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Kerry Brown of Rushville was a weekend houseguest of his parents, Jerry and Kay Brown.

Barb and Jon Gast and their daughter and her family, Randi and Steve Neidig of Bourbon and Shelby Wagoner of Etna Green, traveled to Triton High School Friday evening. They had a delightful time attending the firemen's fundraiser meal and religious songfest.

Pauline and Julie Brown left early Saturday, Sept. 24, for an overnight trip to Fairland. They had a wonderful time visiting with Pauline's son and his family, Jim and Deb Brown and Clayton. Clayton, Pauline and Julie enjoyed playing outside and inside while Clayton's parents took care of some chores around the house and yard. Sunday morning, the family enjoyed the breakfast buffet at the Golden Corral restaurant.

Bill and Donnabelle Fisher were in Knox Saturday afternoon. They had a nice time attending a birthday party held in honor of Bill's sister- in- law, Donna Fisher.

Rachel Cogdill of Monticello spent Saturday afternoon with her grandmother, Ruth Cogdill. Rachel helped her grandma do some chores around the house. They enjoyed supper together and played a game of 500 Rummy to end the day.

Hank and Chris Riffle, Kyle and Brittany, of Akron hosted a cookout Saturday evening. The meal was in appreciation to those who helped them with a building raising recently. Over 40 of their friends, neighbors and family joined them for the evening of food, visiting and games. Among those in attendance were Chris' grandmother, Ruth Ann Anderson; mother, Joyce Luhnow; and brother and family, Doug and Beth Luhnow, Amber and Adam. The group also had a good time celebrating Beth's birthday.

Kay, Jerry and Kerry Brown enjoyed dining at the Edgewater Café in Culver Saturday evening. Afterward, they traveled to Rochester to visit with Kay and Jerry's daughter and her family, Angie and Tom Smith, Kaelee, Leighnee, William and Aidan. Also visiting with the Smiths, were Angie's sister and her family, Sue and Mike McKinney and Molly.

Ruth Ann Anderson was in Rochester Sunday afternoon, Sept. 25. She enjoyed attending a football game in which her great-grandson, Adam Luhnow, was participating. Adam's team won the game, 18- 0.

Donnabelle and Bill Fisher hosted a small family gathering Sunday evening. The occasion was in honor of their grandson, Brian Young's, birthday. Helping them celebrate the event with supper were Brian's parents, Cindy and Terry Young; his grandparents, Don and Wilma Young of Winamac; and his friend, Christine DePoy.

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