

# Hoosiers alerted of massive recall of Chinese-made toys

Comet staff report

Attorney General Steve Carter is urging parents to check their children's toys in the wake of the Fisher-Price announcement recalling 1.5 million Chinese-made toys

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worldwide. Fisher-Price and the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) recently urged consumers to remove certain toys from their homes due to potentially dangerous lead poisoning hazards.

"A recall this massive involving the safety of our children deserves focused attention," Attorney General Steve Carter said. "We are urging all parents to review the recalled list and remove any toys their children may have."

Fisher-Price issued a voluntary recall of Nickelodeon and Sesame Street painted toys manufactured between April and July 2007. The paint used on the products contains lead in excess of permissible levels. Lead ingestion can have adverse health effects and can be toxic in young children.

Consumers should immediately take the recalled toys

away from children and return the product to Fisher-Price to receive a voucher for a replacement toy. For additional information on the return process, visit the firm's website at [www.service.mattel.com](http://www.service.mattel.com) or contact Fisher-Price at (800) 916-4498.

In 2002, Carter proposed legislation that later was enacted and became law making it illegal to knowingly sell or resell a product that has been recalled. State Sen. Connie Lawson (R-Indianapolis) authored the bill.

"It's essential that parents are confident the products they give their children meet safety standards," Carter added. "Thanks to a law passed several years ago, we have the necessary tools to pursue people who knowingly put unsafe products back in the hands of consumers."

The attorney general's office links to all the recalls issued by the CPSC at [www.IndianaConsumer.com](http://www.IndianaConsumer.com) as well.

## Top honors at State Fair



The Grand Champion Mare at the 2007 Indiana State Fair was shown by Maizie Wickersham of Cutler. Maizie and her horse, Cassie, were chosen for the top honors after winning champion honors in the 11 to 15 year-old mares class. The daughter of Shawn and Windy Wickersham, she is a four-year member of the 4-H Horse & Pony Club. Her two-year-old cousin, Elle Briggs, is seen helping her hold her banner. Maizie is a seventh grader at Carroll Junior High School. Photo provided

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### 10 YEARS AGO

Bassett & Talbert's has a fresh new look. The 53-year old business has re-opened with an all-new gas station, convenience store, and Blimpie's restaurant. The restaurant has seating for 32 in addition to its carry-out service.

Bassett & Talbert's is family owned and operated.

Evening users of the walking trail have a partially lighted path in their future. The Council approved the purchase of 60 lights to be installed approximately 50 feet from each other along the walking path starting on the east side of the trail. The cost will be \$38,505.

### 25 YEARS AGO

The Robert Ayres farm of Rt. 1 Bringhurst was featured on the cover of this week's Indiana Prairie Farmer. Although the photo was taken during corn silage harvest, the article revealed the top dairy operation run by Bob and his sons, Meredith and Rick. The Ayres family milks from 120-160 cows on their 638-acre farm with the herd yielding 16,000 pounds of milk per cow.

A 20 pound cantaloupe which measures 35 inches in circumference was grown by Marivn and Vera Strain who reside 3 1/2 miles south of Delphi. Even though the Strains said they didn't do anything different with their garden this year, something went right. They have two more at home on the vine that are as big or bigger!

### 50 YEARS AGO

Despite the fact that it is now being used as a bunk house for drivers employed with the Smith Construction Company, the old school building at Bringhurst is still making felt its educational influence. The school, unaided by mere humans who would have doubted the practicality of such a thing, is conducting an experiment in Botany in the basement and has successfully produced 35 gray sponge mushrooms. We

saw the proof of this when one of the drivers living in the school, brought two healthy specimens into the Journal office. He is still amazed at finding mushrooms in July and we joined him for a short session of head-shaking before carefully placing our two mushrooms in water-just in case there is steak for dinner tonight.

### 75 YEARS AGO

A number of farmers over the county have been cutting the weeds along their place. This has greatly assisted passing motorists besides saving possible accidents. These farmers who have done this thing are to be thanked by all the people of the county for this splendid service.

### 100 YEARS AGO

Monday morning there began a busy time at the post office, for the mail must be weighed and counted. This weighing and counting will not be limited to mail matter only but will include mail pouches and all other matters with which the clerks have to do. The weighing will be done by the clerks and the county will be distributed among the carriers, each carrier keeping account of the number of pieces he carries and collects. It will continue until January 1.

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