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*Thought for the Week:* Cats regard people as warm blooded furniture. Jacquelyn Mitchard



### HISTORIC WARREN NEWSPAPERS NOW ONLINE

The Warren Tribune and the Warren Weekly are now available on the Internet via the Warren Public Library's (WPL) host website.

There are nearly 37,000 searchable pages available of The Warren Tribune (1898-1985), and nearly 8,000 searchable pages available of the Warren Weekly (1986-2000).

The website allows you to search, pan, view, zoom in, zoom out, clip, fit to width, fit to height, rotate, view previous object, view previous page, advance page, and print the newspaper pages with the click of your mouse.

The website address can be found on the Warren Public Library (WPL) website @ <https://www.warren.lib.in.us/>

Pictured above is the Warren Tribune office located in front of the Warren Church of Christ in the early 1900s.

### UMPIRES NEEDED

Warren baseball is looking to hire a couple more umpires for this season...\$20 per game for plate/ \$10 per game for base umps. Contact Lisa or Rob Williams on Facebook at WarrenBaseballSoftball.

### FIREMAN'S GOLF OUTING

The Warren Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a golf outing May 29, 2021 at Dogwood Glen, Warren.

Shotgun Start at 8 a.m., \$55 per person (includes cart and meal). Be a Hole Sponsor for \$50.

Pick-up and drop-off registration forms at Dogwood Glen. Make checks payable to WVFD.

For questions, please contact Clinton Rosen 260.228.0909 or Lee Poulson 260.228.0293.

### SENIOR EXPO PROTOCOL

If you haven't heard the Huntington County Council on Aging is hosting the 16th Annual Senior Expo on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at the Merillat Complex on the campus of Huntington University.

We have placed the following Safety Protocol's for the Senior Expo.

\*Masks are required by vendors and guests.

\*Guests may only enter and exit through the main doors of the fieldhouse. The outside doors for guests will open at 8 a.m. to avoid clustering in the hallway to the fieldhouse entry.

\*Vendors needing in before 8 a.m. may only enter through the overhead door near the tennis courts.

\*Outside doors in the fieldhouse will be open to allow better airflow.

\*Chairs at the stage and in dining area will be spaced apart.

We look forward to seeing you at your Senior Expo.

### GREAT HUNTINGTON BAKE OFF!

Purdue Extension Huntington County is hosting a Virtual Great Huntington Bake Off! Participants, divided by age groups, can choose from 3 categories: cookies, cake, or pie. Participants will receive the recipe, all ingredients, and a video tutorial. Registration deadline is May 28th. Participants can pick up

supplies on June 7th. Judging will take place on June 21st.

This program is for everyone, even kids! Want to practice a recipe you'll be submitting in the Adult Open Class at the 4H Fair or maybe even practice your 4H foods project? This is the perfect opportunity. There is a fee to participate in this program. Winners from each age group will receive new baking supplies and bragging rights!

Please register by calling the Extension Office at (260) 358-4826 or emailing [cneverid@purdue.edu](mailto:cneverid@purdue.edu).

### UNEMPLOYMENT CHANGES

On May 11, Gov. Eric Holcomb reinstated work-search activities requiring that unemployment insurance claimants actively seek employment and be available for work. To be eligible for unemployment benefits, claimants must attempt to secure full-time work in each week they claim benefits. That requirement was suspended during the pandemic.

More information about the weekly work searches can be found at: [www.in.gov/dwd/indiana-unemployment/individuals/work-search/](http://www.in.gov/dwd/indiana-unemployment/individuals/work-search/).

With recent changes to the state's unemployment insurance program, the Indiana Department of Workforce Development is reminding Hoosiers of the many resources available to

assist with training and employment opportunities.

Based on the most recent data, Indiana employers have posted more than 115,000 job openings around the state.

Below are state resources to help Hoosiers gain more skills and find the career of their choice.

**Workforce Ready Grant:** Pays the tuition and fees for eligible high-value certificate programs at Ivy Tech Community College, Vincennes University, Indiana Institute of Technology, or other approved providers.

[www.in.gov/cbe/state-financial-aid/state-financial-aid-by-program/workforce-ready-grant/](http://www.in.gov/cbe/state-financial-aid/state-financial-aid-by-program/workforce-ready-grant/)

**Indiana Career Connect:** Provides workforce services and tools to help employers connect with job-ready talent.

[www.indianacareerconnect.com](http://www.indianacareerconnect.com)

**Hoosier Talent Network:** Job-matching and career-planning site powered by artificial intelligence to help Hoosiers find the right job and uncover new opportunities. [www.hoosiertalentnetwork.com](http://www.hoosiertalentnetwork.com)

**180 Skills:** Delivers high-quality, online, technical, employability, and compliance manufacturing skills training aligned with the needs of employers. [www.180skills.com](http://www.180skills.com)

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**THANK YOU!**

On behalf of the Southern Wells Post Prom Committee, we would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their generous support this year:

Clean Fuels, Smith's Garage & Trucking, Neff Realty, Dewese Softwater, Thoma-Rich Lemler, Velocity Motors, Goodwin-Cale Harnish, Raber Electric, Hoosiers for Holdman, NAPA-Bluffton, Apache Propane, Citizens Telephone, Gents Financial, Honegger-Ringger & Co, Four Star Services, Eyecare Associates, Pretzel Inc., Citizens State Bank, Boehmer UMC, First Bank of Berne, McNatt Friendship Circle, Bluffton Dental, Bluffton Indiana Lodge #796, Bluffton Family Eyecare, Emshwiller & Emshwiller, Williams Sewer & Septic, Brewer's Septic Service, Peyton's, Southern Wells Community Church, National Oil, Auto Zone, WEG, Dr. Kukehlhaun, Bluffton Pizza Hut, Parlor City, Ellie Grace, Fields of Grace, Frosty's & Montpelier Subway

A very special thank you goes out to the Indiana National Guard for providing activities and entertainment for the evening. We appreciate the opportunity to provide a safe and secure environment for our students.

Again, thank you for your support and generosity!

Southern Wells Post Prom Committee 2021



This weekend is going to be so exciting, we get to go TOPLESS (in the jeep). Its National Topless Day for all the Jeeps and when I mean topless, it is where all the Jeep tops come off for the summer, just our way of ushering in the summer months. Its supposed to be sunny with a slight chance of rain and 70 degrees. Its still a little cold but we're tuff, we can handle it. John and I have jackets we can wear that hooks into our heater on the jeep so we stay warm. They are nice especially in the mornings and late nights when the weather is cooler, but most of the time we just tuff it out. Lol

In the past few years the Mild to Wild Jeeps, headed up by Moose and Karen Jeffers from Markle, have put on this event and it has progressed from 30 jeeps to over 250. The purpose of this event is to raise money for the Disabled American Vets of Northeast Indiana, in which the first year they donated over \$700.00 and has kept climbing every year with a 2019 total donated over \$13,000.00.

This year I'm sure is gonna be much more, the Jeeps are ready to get out and have some fun. There will be a pancake breakfast along with many raffles and bid raffle items, a

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**ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**  
 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier  
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

**BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 8294S 900W 35  
 Harold Smith, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study ..... 6:00p.m.

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**  
 Steve Nevius, Pastor  
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp  
 Handicap Accessible  
 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

**HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —**  
**5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA**  
 Pastor Wayne Couch  
 260/515-2517  
 Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Daycare provided during Worship

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726  
 Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**THE NEW BEGINNING**  
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto  
 Steve Sutton, Pastor  
 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting .... 7:00 p.m.

**HERITAGE POINTE**  
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Sultz & Dick Case  
 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
 Monday thru Friday  
 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.

**WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 727 N Wayne St, Warren  
 260-375-2811  
 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net  
 Pator Rusty Strickler  
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild  
 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ..Sun 11:30  
 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm

**HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 375-2510  
 Pastor Steven Spencer  
 Bus Service 375-2510  
[www.warrennaz.org](http://www.warrennaz.org)  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**  
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN  
 375-3873  
 Paul Burris, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**  
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington  
 765.524.3390  
 Rev. Robert S Hallett, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesdays:  
 Bible Study & Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 694-6622  
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.  
 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.  
 Monthly Meetings  
 1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am  
 4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm

**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Pastor Diane Samuels  
 Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**THE CHURCH AT MCNATT**  
 375-4359  
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor  
 Lois Slusher, Supt.  
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.  
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**  
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124  
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"  
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.  
 Everyone is Welcome

**SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**  
 468-2412  
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor  
 Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-2102  
[www.warrenucc.net](http://www.warrenucc.net)  
 Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor  
 Terry Lee Miller, Youth Pastor  
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Sunday School during Worship Service  
 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

**VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 765/934-3321 Parsonage  
 Jeff Slater, Pastor  
 Jim Knight, Superintendent  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.  
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.  
 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 765-934-1431  
 Pastor Brad Hensley  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30am  
 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm  
 UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm  
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am  
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm  
[www.vanburenumc.org](http://www.vanburenumc.org)

**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-3022  
 Ethan T Stivers, Senior Minister  
 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister  
 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.  
 Tara Bower - Secretary  
[www.warrenchurchofchrist.org](http://www.warrenchurchofchrist.org)  
 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School .....11 to 11:50 a.m.  
 Youth:  
 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm  
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren  
 260-228-9084  
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Wed Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

**FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN  
 765-934-3609  
 Pastor Al Sultz  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm



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# AREA NEWS

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**InDemand Jobs:** Focuses on high-demand, high-wage jobs for today and tomorrow. The demand indicator used is based on a methodology that ranks all Indiana jobs based on future growth and wages. [www.indianacareerready.com/indemandjobs](http://www.indianacareerready.com/indemandjobs)

**Hoosiers by the Numbers:** Premier source for labor market information for Indiana. [www.hoosierdata.in.gov/](http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov/)

Also, Hoosiers can visit their local WorkOne center to learn about reemployment services. WorkOne locations can be found here: [www.in.gov/dwd/WorkOne/locations.html](http://www.in.gov/dwd/WorkOne/locations.html).

**CAPTAIN CASH SAYS...**

**"MONEY VOYAGE WAS A SUCCESS"**

"Captain Cash", an elementary curriculum designed by Purdue Extension, recently sailed in your community. During the voyage 117 third-graders from Sweetser Elementary enjoyed classroom activities that helped them consider the following themes: the more you learn, the more you earn; every payday save some cash away; there is an end to what you can spend; and for a safer tomorrow, be wise when you borrow. Additionally, great children's books brought this financial literacy program to life and helped students learn that reading makes "cents"!

Purdue Extension wishes to thank Sweetser Elementary School for partnering with "Captain Cash" to enable the students to sail on their educational money voyage! The students enjoyed hands-on interactive learning sessions during their island voyages while gaining a better understanding of money concepts that will serve them throughout life.

If you want to learn more about "Captain Cash" in your school, or embark on a money voyage of your own, contact Danielle Scott at [dvorhees@purdue.edu](mailto:dvorhees@purdue.edu).

Remember, good financial habits start young!

**COUNCIL MINUTES**

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, May 12, 2021 in a Regular Meeting at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne Street, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Town Council, Ethan Stivers, Carrie Miller, Steve Buzzard, Tavis Surfus: Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison. Employees, Dennis Spitler, Lee Poulson, Brian Sills: Others.

President Stivers opened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 26 were approved as submitted.

In reports and action:

\*Jessica Beal of the Huntington County Department of Community Development reported that the owners of the property at 218 W. Third Street, present at the meeting, had agreed to demolish the structure on which an order of enforcement was to be issued. Council concurred with the owners request and review of action will be done

at the Council Meeting of July 26, 2021. The agreement was signed.

\*Mike and Stacy Haggerty summarized plans to construct a car wash which would involve the purchase of an Eleventh Street property owned by the Town of Warren. Council, by consensus, gave initial approval of the sale of the property pending rezoning of the two properties involved and further submittal of plans for the area.

\*Contracts for McQuire Iron, Inc (Contractors for water tower work) and James S.Jackson Co. LLC (Contractor for Well Construction) were submitted for Council review and approval. Buzzard moved, seconded by Miller, to approve the signing of the Contracts. The motion was approved unanimously.

\*Morrison submitted a tentative construction schedule offered by the Contractors for the Water Project.

\*Morrison submitted the payment schedules and procedures in place for Water Grant/Loan for Water Project invoices noting that the process would be different than the ordinary

procedure. Morrison stated that a spreadsheet would be submitted monthly for Council review to track the payments.

\*A summary report of the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting of April 22nd from 3A Development District, the contractor developing the plan, was submitted for Council review. The next meeting is May 13th.

\*Council, by consensus, agreed to a meeting requested by IDEAL Home Builders/Huntington County School Corporation representatives to discuss tentative plans for development of a housing development. Morrison will work with those officials to schedule the session.

\*The Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$243,307.65 was approved as submitted.

\*April PR Report was submitted for Council Review.

\*Disconnect Notices/Policy as were sent to all utility customers who have been

disconnected or have been subject to disconnection in the past twelve months was submitted to Council for filing. Based on the recently adopted water rate ordinance, the reconnect fee will now be \$50 for water and \$25 for electric starting on June 1.

\*Morrison submitted information on Invoice Cloud, an online payment/billing service. A zoom information meeting is scheduled for May 11. A more detailed report will be available for Council consideration at the next meeting.

\*Marshal Spitler submitted the April activity report.

\*Fire Chief Poulson submitted the April activity report. Reported was that the local department had received recently purchased radios and pages from the county wide grant. The Town will be responsible for the match. Poulson requested permission to give the previous radios to Van Buren, six radios, and possibly to Liberty Center if needed.

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### Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

May 17 6:30p	KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
May 19 7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
May 24 6:00p	W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall
May 28 7:00p	Sweetwater All Stars Concert, Riverside Park Warren
Jun 2 Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, @ KBC
Jun 2 7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Jun 8 6:30p	SSF Committee Meeting, @KBC
Jun 12 7:00p	SoulShot Band Concert, Riverside Park Warren

**Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC**

**Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus**

**These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)**



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Council concurred pending Township approval. WVFD will have a Dan's Fish Fry fundraiser on July 10th and a Golf Fundraiser on May 29th.

\*Sills, Utility Operations Manager, updated the wastewater plant upgrade citing that replacement tanks had been installed.

Submitted was a quote in the amount of \$17,523.94 for the replacement of the Town's Electric Utility two capacitor banks with a quote of \$4,800 for installation. The Capacitor Banks are used to control the distribution of power throughout the Town.

Miller moved, seconded by Buzzard to accept. The motion was approved unanimously.

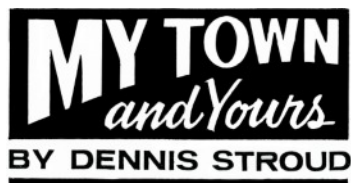
Sills submitted two quotes for generator maintenance – three year plan. EVAPAR \$6192, McAllister \$11,835. Miller moved, seconded by Buzzard to accept the quote of EVAPAR. Motion approved unanimously.

A request by Sills to move to a system of summer hours for the Utility/Street department employees was not approved although use of summer hours is allowed for High heat index days.

\*Initial discussion was held on the need for purchase of picnic tables for the pavilion to be erected. Morrison reported that catalogues were being collected for the Council to review.

\*The next Regular Meeting of Council is scheduled for May 24 at 6:00 PM. A Public Hearing for the OCRA Grant is scheduled for June 14th at 6:00.

\*General discussion was held.



**ROADS**

One of the earliest attempts in Huntington County was to secure good roads. It had its origin in and around Warren where it was realized that an improved highway by which the local farmers could haul

their grain to Huntington. It would raise the value of all farmlands in the southern part of the county. The only way the county had to get its surplus produce to the central markets was by way of the canal. A few years later by means of the Wabash Railroad. Just when the plans of the promoters began to take shape is not known, but it was several years before the Civil War, around the mid 1850's.

Gravel roads were out of the question for the land was not sufficiently drained to permit the building of such roads with any assurance that they would be much of an improvement over the dirt roads then in use. These dirt roads were bad beyond anything that today's generation can imagine. Only during the latter part of summer did they dry out so they could be used to haul heavy loads. Sometimes for several weeks in the winter, when the ground was frozen and covered with snow, it was possible to take a heavy load of grain to market. But the people wanted something better suited to their needs.

The old plank road would be a great improvement. It was determined that the cheapest, most plentiful, and the most easily secured that would answer the purpose was timber. Between Warren and Huntington there

stretched great forest of the best oaks, hickory and walnut trees. The decision was made to use oak boards about twelve feet long and two or three inches thick. The project would require something like three and a quarter million board feet of sawed timber. The cost of the project would not exceed five or six dollars a thousand feet. More next week.

**GOLF LEAGUE**

Results from the first week of Senior League at Dogwood Glen Golf Course in Warren are: Ez Harris, Dean Lemler, Clyde Smith, Max Spahr with a 32

Closest to Pin: Hole 3 - Ez Harris, Hole 6 - Clyde Smith  
Long Drive: Hole 7 - Dean Lemler

**ALPHA ZETA**

Alpha Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (DKG) met May 1st., 2021 at 9:00 a.m. for a virtual meeting and was opened by President Sue Corbin with 20 members present. The opening thought from Mary Catherine Palmer was based on the Chip Gaines book, Capital Gaines: Smart Things I Learned Doing Stupid Stuff. Karen Bandelier led us in an opening prayer.

Delta Kappa Gamma is a women's education society of key women educators.

Alpha Zeta Chapter is made up of members who work or live in the counties of Grant, Huntington, Wabash and Whitley Counties.

Grants-In-Aid were awarded to Whitney Shelton of Whitley County and Tabitha Smith of Huntington County.

Vicki Hinen gave a very interesting program on the Founders and the founding of Delta Kappa Gamma Society, May 11, 1929 in Austin, TX. These 11 ladies were a diverse group of individuals, and in light of the strict code of conduct for teachers at this time, their accomplishments are all the more remarkable. More information is available on the DKG website.

A Ceremony of Remembrance was presented by Mary Catherine Palmer and moving tributes to Alpha Zeta members Peggy Ransom and June Everitt who passed away. Members joined in a responsive reading in their memory and listened to a musical performance of the song, "We'll Remember". Members shared memories and remembrances of Peggy and June. "Good-bye My

Friend", was sung by Linda Ronstadt was played. Mary Catherine closed the ceremony with prayer.

Discussions of the business portion of our meeting:

The chapter's secretary's report was approved.

The treasurer's report was approved. Reminders were given to pay 2021-2022 dues and to make contributions to our Scholarship Fund, Grants-in-Aid Fund, Chapter Project (food drive in our 4 counties), International Project Fund and Celebration Fund.

Correspondence included a letter from a member to send best wishes to her AZ sisters and looking forward to being together in person in September; question about reserve status; 3 members sent letters of resignation, which were read. Karen Miller made the motion to accept these resignations with regret. Cards will be sent to these members to express our regrets; Natheda Mills has resigned as Alpha Zeta 2nd. Vice President. She and her family are moving to Texas. Thank You Natheda for all your hard work for Alpha Zeta Chapter.

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### HELMS

Darwin D. Helms, 57, of Palacios, TX passed away May 3, 2021.



He was born November 12, 1963 to the late Max E. Helms and Doris E. Mills Helms.

He worked as an API Inspector for Versa Integrity Group at Formosa Plastics in Point Comfort. He was an avid fisherman and also loved to BBQ, venturing into competitive competition. He enjoyed his time with all of his nieces, nephews, stepchildren and step-grandchildren, always being the life of any party. He also enjoyed golfing with his son, Cory. He made friends everywhere he went and always left a lasting impression on people.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister Debra Clutter and brother-in-law John Herrick.

Survivors include his son Cory Dee Helms (Cassie) of Youngstown, OH; sisters Linda Dawson (Dave) of Palacios, TX, Karen Herrick of Ossian, IN, Pam Leyman (Larry) of Bluffton, IN, and Lori Gray of Ft. Wayne, IN; brothers Jerry Helms (Lee) of Huntington, IN, Dale Helms (Barb) of East Grand Forks, MN, Mickey Helms (Sherri) of Victoria, TX and Doug Helms of Mexico; brother-in-law Niel Clutter of Rockford, OH; step-children Kecia Ortiz (P.J.) of Gregory, TX, Chris Turner (Holly) of Oak Harbor, WA, Tori Deloy of Portland, TX and Tanner Deloy (Hannah) of Charlottesville, VA; step-grandchildren Jada, Jade & Jadin of Gregory, TX and Izyah, Xyazina, Eric, and Ameya of Portland, TX as well as numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

A celebration of his life will be announced at a later date.

### FRAVEL

Linda K. Fravel, 77, of Huntington, IN, died Friday, May 7, 2021, at 3:45 p.m., at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Fravel worked as a cook and waitress, but was mainly a homemaker.

She was born on March 2, 1944, in Andrews, to Thurman and Margaret Smith Springer.

Survivors include four daughters, Elaina (Lonnie) Bair Ailes, of Andrews, Barbara Bair Land, of Huntington, Marie Bair (Tim) Phillips, of Warren, and Deborah Bair Kincannon, of Snowhill, NC; two sons, Richard Bair, of Huntington, and Jamie (Erica) Bair, of Huntington; a sister, Alice Jean Johnson of Berne; 18 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitation or service.

Memorials may be made to the family to assist with funeral expenses, in care of Deal-Rice Funeral Home, 338 E. Washington St., Huntington, IN 46750.

### SKAROS

Judith Ann Skaros, 74, of Warren, passed away on Sunday, May 9, 2021 in Warren.



Judy was born in Lafayette, IN to Herbert and Opal May on October 30th, 1946. She married Lyle Skaros on April 28th, 1984 in Ft Wayne, IN.

She worked as a Branch Manager for Midwest America Federal Credit Union for 22 years. Judith enjoyed quilting and spending time with her family, whom she loved dearly.

Judy is preceded in death by her parents, Herbert and Opal May.

Judy is survived by her husband, Lyle Skaros of Warren, IN, son, Bill Skaros of Willoughby, OH, daughter Natasha (Frank) Berning of Fort Wayne, IN, granddaughters Olivia and Carly Berning, and Tessa and Katelyn Skaros, twin brother Bruce (Debby) May of Indianapolis, IN, brother Ronald (Susie) May of Bloomington, IN, nieces, Jenni (Chuck) Porter of Denver, IN, Christy (Josh) Snyder of Ninevah, IN, Kari

May of Bloomington, IN, nephew, Mark (Regina) May of Noblesville, IN, great-niece Jaycee Snyder, great-nephews, Jarrod and Connor Snyder, Daniel and Justin Porter, and Hayden May, and many cousins.

Friends and family may gather to visit at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N Matilda St. Warren, Indiana on Friday, May 14, 2021 from 2PM to 7PM and again on Saturday, May 15, 2021 from 10AM to 11AM. A funeral service will begin at 11AM on Saturday, May 15, 2021. Burial will follow at Gardens of Memory in Marion, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the American Lung Association by visiting lung.org, or to the American Cancer Society by visiting donate3.cancer.org.

### HANAUER

Michael J. Hanauer, 54, of Hartford City, IN, passed away at 2:45 PM on



Sunday, May 9, 2021 at his home in Jackson Township (Blackford County, IN).

He was born on Saturday, October 29, 1966, in Bluffton, IN. He married Laura (Daily) Hanauer on Saturday, October 24, 1992 at the Markle United Methodist Church, Markle, IN. Michael was a 1985 graduate of Norwell High School. He furthered his education at IWU where he received his associates degree. He was a letter carrier for the Union City post office. He was a member of the NRA. Michael was an avid outdoorsman, enjoyed landscaping, hunting, fishing, and gardening. He loved sports, especially hockey, and enjoyed watching Mallards.

He will be sadly missed by his Wife - Laura (Daily) Hanauer, Hartford City, IN, Father - Gerald Joe Hanauer, Markle, IN, Mother - Barbara Jean (Wisel) Hanauer, Markle, IN, Son - Tristen Hanauer, Hartford City, IN, Daughter -

Georgia Hanauer, Hartford City, IN, Brother - Kent (Stephanie) Hanauer, Anderson, IN, Sister - Stephanie Hanauer, Gladstone, MI, and Father & Mother In Law - Don & Marie Daily, Hartford City, IN.

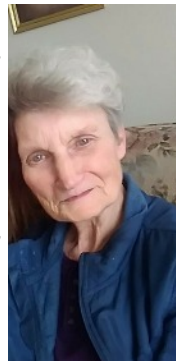
Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier on Thursday, May 13, 2021 from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Michael's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 14, 2021. Interment will follow in the Haverstock Cemetery, Zanesville, IN.

Preferred memorials: Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, 5705 Grant Creek Rd., Missoula, MT 59806 or to the Family.

### SLUSHER

Janet M. Slusher, 82, of Warren Indiana, passed away on May 10, 2021 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.



Janet was born March 23, 1939, in Warren, Indiana, to Oscar Robert Long and Nellie Madaline Knight. She attended Warren High School and married Don E. Slusher on May 12, 1962 in Warren. She was a homemaker and worked in dietary for the United Methodist Memorial Home for 20 years.

Janet was a woman full of love. She was known for her love of shopping, especially with her daughter Sheryl, her love of going out to eat and her love of spending time with her children, grandchildren, and family. Janet enjoyed fishing at the lake with Don every summer. Together, they would take the family to the cottage. She loved golf cart rides, adored her church family, and loved her town. Janet was a proud fan of Indiana Hoosier Basketball. She and husband Don ran the Trading Post

General Store and Auction House for many years in Warren. Janet was known to always smile and genuinely loved people.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Nellie Long, her husband Don E. Slusher, and her daughter Sheryl S. Slusher.

Loving survivors include her daughter Brenda J. Whitaker (husband Scott Whitaker, now deceased) of Warren, IN, son Donald (Ralph) Slusher II of Warren, IN, grandchildren, Noah Slusher of Warren, IN, Adam Slusher of Van Buren, IN, Kyler (Madison) Slusher of Fort Wayne, IN, Klynn Slusher of Warren, IN, Jeremy Bowers of Warren, IN, Angelica (Tim Holley) Bowers of Lafontaine, IN, step-grandchildren Shane (Nycole) Whitaker of Wabash, IN, Chad (Wednesday) Whitaker of Wabash, IN and Ben (Megan) Whitaker of Wabash, IN, and great-grandchildren Carter Bowers, Myles Holley, Jayden Cole Slusher, and McKenna McDonald, brothers Jerry Long of Marion, IN, and James Long of Warren, IN, sisters Joyce Buck of Warren, IN, Joan (David) Tilden of Huntington, IN, Jacqueline Zinn of Marion, IN, and Judy Long of Warren, IN.

Friends and family may gather to visit at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren, Indiana on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 from 2PM to 8PM and again on Thursday, May 13, 2021 from 11AM to 12PM. A funeral service will begin at 12PM Thursday, with Rev. Dewey Zent officiating and Pastor Steven Spencer assisting. Burial will follow at Jones cemetery in rural Wells county.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made out to the American Heart Association at P.O. Box 840692 Dallas, TX 75284, or by visiting their website at www.heart.org.

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Six members talked about the celebrations and brags in their lives:

Samantha Sutorius completed her doctoral studies. CONGRATULATIONS DR. SUTORIUS!

Personal Growth and Development Committee Chair Karen Kinney reported 45 responses to the Stay Connected question; she also shared the delightful book I'm a Frog.

The chapter held an installation of officers: Ann Ambler as President for the rest of the biennium and Karen Miller as 2nd. Vice President.

June 12, 2021 is the DKG Indiana State Conference.

International Conference, Portland, Oregon July 7-10

International Conference, San Antonio, Texas July 21-24

Fall Arts Retreat (FAR), Noblesville, IN November 13, 2021

Thank You to the Hostess Committee: Karen Bandlier, Mary Lou Fries and Mary Catherine Palmer.

Closing thought by Mary Catherine Palmer who read inspiring quotes by Louisa May Alcott.

The meeting was adjourned with the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song at 11:50 a.m.

Our next Alpha Zeta meeting will be September 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The Hostess Committee is Brenda Landis, Nancy Kolb and Ann Ambler. Location to be announced later.

Those members attending from Huntington County were Karen Kinney, Ruth Moreland, Dr. Samantha Sutorius, Ann Ambler, Jadean Barnes, Barb Buroker and Carol Herzog.

**A TRIP TO EUROPE DAY 16**

We were treated to an outdoor breakfast at our host's home. Two Philippine friends of the cook came to visit and check on us; I guess.

Never did figure out if they were government agents. Had suspicions though.

After we passed inspection

by these new acquaintances, Carl Jr. drove us to the Madrid Barajas Airport. It was located 12 kilometers northeast of the city center in the Barajas District.

Caroline and her mother were waiting there to say their goodbyes. We visited until it was time to go through customs. Our time in Spain was thoroughly enjoyable as well as educational. After our final farewells, we boarded the flight for a return trip to London.

British Airways Flight # 459 left on schedule. The non-stop carrier landed at Heathrow Airport two hours later. The trip was a bit "bumpy!" Luckily the airport security did not recognize me as the out-of-contact-with-world-events tourist who was "snapping" photographs eight days earlier in the terminal. Whew!

We returned to our previously reserved room at the Fountain House Hotel in Hayes, Middlesex and stayed overnight. The taxi driver did not gouge us this time. Of course we were better educated now. There is nothing like experience!

After a more-accustomed dinner of lasagna at the hotel's dining room, we made our way to the in-house pub to let our meals settle. As suspected, the locals were in attendance for an evening of music and conversation, mostly theirs. I still had trouble deciphering their accented words or trying to mimic them. I really didn't try. It could have been taken as inappropriate and may have started another Revolutionary War.

We spent the rest of the evening planning an itinerary for the next two days of sight-seeing in London.

More tomorrow.

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Is homeownership a goal of yours? It does offer some benefits, in addition to meeting your basic need for shelter. The equity you build

in your home can be a valuable financial asset, and you may get to deduct your interest payments on your taxes. But if you're a first-time homebuyer, what steps should you take?

First, make sure the time is right for you in terms of your personal and financial situations. For example, are you fairly confident that your employment is stable and that your earnings won't decline? Of course, external events can also play a role in your decision. A recent study by Morning Consult and Edward Jones found that 12% of respondents postponed purchasing a house during the COVID-19 pandemic.

But if you're ready and eager for homeownership, consider the following moves:

- \* Save for a down payment. The more money you put down for a home, the lower your monthly payments, although there's also a point at which overly large down payments can be financially unwise. However, if you can make a down payment of more than 20% of the purchase price, you can generally avoid having to pay for private mortgage insurance on top of your monthly payments. Also, as a first-time homebuyer, you might qualify for down payment assistance from your local or state housing authority or a nonprofit group.
- \* Check your credit score. A higher credit score gives you a better chance for a lower interest rate. You can request a credit report from [annualcreditreport.com](http://annualcreditreport.com), and you might be able to get a credit score for free from your bank. If you need to improve your score, you may want to delay your home purchase.

\* Learn how much you can get a mortgage of a qualify for – and how much you should spend. Once you think you're ready to begin the home-purchasing process, you may want to contact a few lenders to determine the size of the mortgage for which you qualify. Be aware, though, that just because you

certain amount, does not necessarily mean that you should. You don't want to become "house poor" – that is, you don't want to spend so much on your house payments that you are cash strapped and can't afford to

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**SWAIDNER HONORED**

The Huntington Optimist Club honored two students, Brodee Swaidner and Annika Carpenter from Riverview MS with the 2021 Youth Appreciation Awards. Pictured above are Nick Stanley Optimist Club President, Swaidner, Carpenter and James Bragg Principal Riverview MS.

Swaidner is the son of David and Bridget Swaidner of Warren.

His extra curricular activities include: Baseball with the Ft Wayne Diamondbacks travel team, Basketball: school team 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade and also on the Junior Vikings travel team Football: school team 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. He has also volunteered at the local food pantry in Warren and attends the First Baptist Church of Warren.

Brodee was considered for this award for being a very hard worker. He has a positive attitude and always give 100% in everything he does. He is always trying to get better in school and sports. He is a great teammate and is always trying to help his team get better. He is respectful to his teachers and coaches. He is able to accept constructive criticism in order to better himself.

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\* Prepare for unexpected costs. You can plan for your mortgage, utilities, taxes and insurance – but when you own a home, you'll always encounter unexpected costs. You may need to get a new furnace, repair your roof or face any number of other maintenance issues. To help prepare for these costs, try to build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. Without such a fund, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments or take on added debt to pay for these unanticipated expenses.

Homeownership can be a rewarding experience – and the rewards will be even greater when you've "done the numbers" and prepared yourself financially.

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### 5 WAYS TO USE YOUR SPRING BREAK WISELY

(StatePoint) With certain travel options difficult to execute this year, you may find yourself staying put for spring break. But you don't need to idle away the time. Here are five ways to use the vacation wisely:

1. Volunteer. From delivering food to the homebound to organizing a park clean-up, there are many socially-distanced community service project ideas perfect for spring break. You can even volunteer from the safety of home, as many organizations around the globe are making it possible to lend a hand virtually.

2. Keep math skills sharp. Whether you are preparing for AP Testing or simply want to hone your skills for the last few months of the academic year, use great tools like the fx9750GII Graphing Calculator from Casio. Beyond standard graphing calculator functionality, it allows you to take your

learning to the next level with its advanced statistics functions, such as test, interval and distribution, and financial calculation functions. Pair your studies with the webinars available on Casio's YouTube channel.

3. Read a book for fun. Demanding academic schedules can keep students occupied 24/7. Now is the time to finally crack open that novel on your bedside table.

4. Learn a musical instrument. If you've ever wanted to learn an instrument, the downtime of spring break is a great time to give it a go. One way to fast-track your progress is with a

keyboard designed to help novices get started, like the line of Casiotone keyboards, which feature built-in learning systems. And because they are portable, you can even enjoy spring weather and take the learning outdoors.

5. Get some sun: Go on a run. Pack a picnic and enjoy it on the lawn. Take a short day trip to a state park. You don't need to travel to spend your spring break under the sun.

Your spring break may not look like it did during previous years. However, there are plenty of ways to make the most of the time.

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show and shine contest and much more. This event will be held at Hiers Park 4-H Fairgrounds in Huntington and there is no cost to come and check out all of the guys and gals rigs that they built up, some are remarkable. Most of the Jeeps will be out on a fun run from 11:00 to 2:00 so for the best time come before they leave or after they return. You can also buy tickets for the raffles and get in on the bid raffles.

There is some neat stuff they are giving away and a lot of it is for the non Jeepers too. So come on out and check us out. Bring your lawn chair and stay to listen to the band, the Rain Kings Saturday evening. This is an all day event so Jeeps will come and go all day, so if you come early, come back later for some different Jeeps that arrive late.

Not to sure what we are doing yet, the Jeep is looking a little ruff after the winter, so unless a miracle happens over night she wont be show'n or shinin' but we will give her a bath and see what happens next. Never know what Johns got up his sleeve when it comes to the Jeep.

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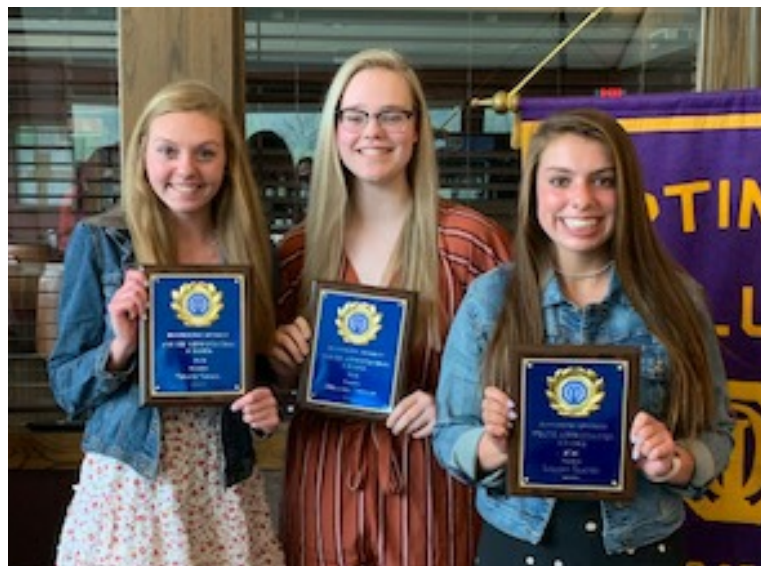
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### SPITLER HONORED

Miranda Spitler of Warren, was one of three seniors receiving the 2021 Huntington Optimist Club Youth Appreciation Award.

The motto of Optimist International is "Friend of Youth". In keeping with this motto, the Huntington Optimist Club has designated its Optimist Youth Appreciation Award to recognize a few of the outstanding young people in our community. Nominations are being accepted for the 2021 Youth Appreciation Awards from your school. The Youth Appreciation Award is awarded to two (2) students from each of the Huntington County Middle Schools and three (3) students from Huntington North High School who demonstrate outstanding dedication and service to their school, the community and its citizens. The Youth Appreciation Award winners will be announced and presented at a Huntington Optimist Club Meeting.

She is the daughter of Dennis and Debra Spitler and was nominated by Elaine Willour.

Her extra curricular activities included being a Member of National Honor Society where she holds the office of Secretary and Historian. She also helped with tutoring high school students with the National Honor Society. Freshmen Mentor for 3 years, Helped with Riley Dance Marathon for 2 yrs. Participated in Softball league in Warren for 5 years and a Junior Softball league in Warren for 5 years. She has been a member of Class Council for 3 yrs. and has been Treasurer for 2 years. She has been a Peer Tutor where she works with Special Needs students in our school. She has volunteered at the Knight Bergman Center where she volunteered to help clean up after basketball games. She has been in the Top 25 for 2 years and Top 40 this year and she has been a Scholar Athlete for 3 years. She intends to pursue her degree in Nursing at Ball State University to become a Registered Nurse and her goal someday is to be employed as a Travel Nurse.

Her nominator had the following to say. Miranda is a very good student, she is ranked 32 in a class of 316. She is on an Academic and Technical Honors diploma track. She was certified as a CNA last year as a junior through HNHS CNA program. She is currently using that certification in her current job as a CNA at Millers Merry Manor. Miranda loves her job and loves working with her residents. She always has a smile on her face and strives to always look on the bright side of things. I am sure her residents love her as she lights up the room whenever she enters the room. She has not only been working as a CNA but she has also been involved in a variety of activities throughout her high school career.

Other award winners were Grace Gross, daughter of Tom and Jenny Gross of Roanoke and Lillian Clanin, daughter of Adam and Kelly Clanin of Markle.

Pictured L-R: Gross, Spitler, Clanin