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Thought for the Week: *Goals only work if you do.* Joshua Bishir

TOWN HALL CLOSINGS

Warren Town Hall and the Utility Departments will be closed on Friday, April 9th for Good Friday. Warren Town Hall will be closed on Wednesday, April 14th for a computer billing software upgrade. Following installation and training on that new system, a letter size format will be used to replace the current post card system. The new system is scheduled to be in place for the June 1st billing. Sample billing forms will be available for review at Town Hall after May 1.

PRE-REGISTRATION

It's time to pre-register your child for the 2004-2005 school year. SWNS is located at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren. Children will need to have turned three or four by August 1st 2004. A reduced tuition plan is available for families with more than one child attending. The three year old class will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 am to 11:00 am, while the four year old class will meet on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 8:30 am to 11:00 am, or afternoons from 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm.

Our classes are filled on a first come first serve basis. Every effort will be made to place your child in the group you request. Please contact Lea Ann Wilburn for more information at 375-2492.

TRACTOR MEETING

Warren Area Tractor Club meeting at Gary Parker's Museum, Churubusco, Indiana, April 4, 2004.

People wanting a ride, meet in lot north of Truck Stop at 1:00 p.m. Women are welcome to go also.

SUNDAY LUNCH

Lunch will be served again this Sunday, April 4, at the Knight Bergman Center in Warren. The "Sunday Lunch at the Civic Center" program is conducted by Warren-area not-for-profit groups, and includes a meal on the first Sunday of each month.

The April 4 meal will be prepared by the Warren-area Kiwanis, and will include fried chicken, baked steak, hot and cold sides, an assortment of desserts, and a drink. The cost of the meal is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-12. No advance tickets are necessary, and carry-out is available. The meal begins at 11a.m. and ends at 1p.m.

The Kiwanis club utilizes the proceeds of its luncheon fundraiser to provide up to three scholarships to students from the Warren area.

During Sunday's meal patrons can also purchase the newly released Christmas bulb featuring the Knight Bergman Center. The Knight Bergman Center was selected by the local Kiwanis club as the first in a series of bulbs to be offered each year. Next year the Kiwanis will offer a Christmas bulb featuring a different landmark from the Warren area. The Kiwanis collector bulbs sell for \$10 each, and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

BULBS FEATURE KBC

Decorating for Christmas will take on a whole new meaning this year, thanks to the Warren-Area Kiwanis club. On Sunday, April 4, the club will launch sales of the Knight Bergman Center Christmas bulb, which features the historic Warren school on a large, 3 1/4-inch gold bulb.

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The Kiwanis collector bulbs sell for \$10 each, and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Bulbs can be purchased this Sunday, April 4, during the Kiwanis club's Spring Buffet at the Knight Bergman Center. The meal of fried chicken and baked steak is open to the public, and occurs from 11a.m. - 1p.m.

The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-12.

WARREN ALUMNI BANQUET

The alumni of Warren High School will hold their annual banquet at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center on May 8. The social hour will begin at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. The classes of 1944, 1954, and 1964 will be honored. All persons graduating 70 or more years will be recognized. Reservations are \$9.00 per person and may be made by contacting Jim Howell at 260-375-3048 or email at howellj@citiznet.com. All former students, teachers, and friends of Warren High School are welcome to attend.

ARTISTS SOUGHT

Area artists and craftsmen are invited to exhibit and sell their work as part of the Showcase art show and sale during Festival of the Arts on May 14 & 15 in downtown Warren, Ind.

The juried contest is open to artists from Huntington, Wells, Whitley, Grant and Blackford counties, or to any artist residing within a 35-mile radius of Warren. Participating artists will have a biographical sketch and photograph next to their works. Works entered may be tagged for sale during the festival.

Artwork selected for the Showcase will be displayed for festival visitors to view within the historic Eckman Buick Showroom, located near the corner of Wayne Street and SR 218. Prizes, and more than \$500 in cash awards, will be granted for Best of Show, Judge's Choice, People's Choice, First & Second place in each class and Honorable Mention.

Each entry will be juried before acceptance in the show. All painting media, drawing, hand-pulled art, photography and 3D work will be considered. For the \$20 entry fee, artists can submit up to three entries. An additional \$7 per piece fee entitles artists to submit up to six entries.

Artwork will be categorized by skill level, rather than media. The classifications include: CLASS I: Artists who have had work accepted in a juried show; have an art degree; or teach art. CLASS II:



THREE MEN AND A TENOR

Live in the Applegate Chapel on Thursday, April 8th at 2 p.m. - Three Men and a Tenor. This group's high-energy brand of vocal music make fans out of complacent audiences. They connect to all ages.

Three Men and a Tenor was formed in January of 1992 by four college students in the Men's Glee Club at Michigan State University. Today, they are one of the most popular acts in Michigan, and quickly gaining national attention. Their recent resume includes sharing the stage with Dionne Warwick, Chuck Berry, Lee Greenwood, and Gary Puckett; headlining 4 national conferences, 11 state-wide high school leadership conferences, and producing and staging the tour for their 6th CD, titled "Listen to the Music". In 2000, the group hired Paul Cooper, founding member and former lead singer of the multi-platinum selling vocal group, "The Nylons", to exclusively produce their recordings and stage their live performances. The guys are dedicated to young people, performing and offering clinics in nearly 100 schools a year, motivating kids to pursue their interests and to always seek the highest quality of life.

Three Men and a Tenor do more than just sing, they move people. They connect to all age groups and musical tastes, and leave people hungry for more!

Those who do not fit the criteria of Class I; originals only. CLASS III: Any work copied [all or part] from a published photo, print, etc.; any work completed for a class or with the assistance of a teacher. CLASS IV: Textiles, glass, sculpture, photography, pottery and other 3D arts.

Completed registration forms and a payment should be post-marked by April 15. Artists interested in exhibiting within the Local Artist Showcase can download entry forms from the festival web site located at www.warrenindiana.com or contact Kathie Jones at [260] 375-2708, or e-mail her at www.hdksjon@citiznet.com. Additional inquiries about the

Festival of Arts can be directed to Festival Chair Brady Smekens at [260] 375-3101 or via email at bradysmek@hotmail.com. Festival of the Arts is sponsored by the Warren downtown revitalization organization, Our Town.

MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT

Beginning April 1st, Medicare eligible patients will be inundated with dozens of offers for Prescription Drug Discount Cards. Not everyone needs to have one of these plans. Many patients already have Prescription Drug coverage through an existing insurance plan. Some already have a

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It is sent anywhere in the Continental United States for three (3) months for \$9.50, six (6) months for \$19 or \$38 for one year. Mail name, address, and payment to WARREN WEEKLY at: PO Box 695, Warren, IN 46792.

Deadline for news and/or advertising is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, for that week's edition. Call if you need something in but won't have it here on time.

Leave news and/or advertising at P.J.'s Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

WARREN WEEKLY will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The firm assumes no financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will gladly reprint without charge that part in which an error may occur, provided that it is reported within five days of publication.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

DAFFODIL SALE REPORT

The American Cancer Society is absolutely amazed at Warren's response to the daffodil sales each year. I am so grateful to each and every one of you that makes this possible. Did not quite reach last year's figure; however, you bought \$1,912.00 worth of those lovely blossoms. The figure is especially meaningful to me as it is also the year of my birth (1912)!! I was hoping to receive figures of sales in other counties before writing this but decided not to wait. Thank you for opening your hearts for such a worthy cause.

Lilly Nutter

SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS

As Baseball season is nearing, I would like to take this time to encourage tournament organizers to refrain from scheduling tournaments on Sundays. By scheduling tournaments on Sunday, it is keeping our children from attending church on Sunday. When our child made All-Stars last year we found out first hand how tournaments were scheduled on Sunday, keeping the kids from attending church on Sunday mornings and evenings. This is telling our children that ball is more important than worshipping our God. By keeping our children out of church, you organizers are encouraging our youth to break the 4th commandment of the Ten Commandments. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy. These games can be scheduled earlier in the week, and on Saturdays. When I was a kid, no games or tournaments were held on Sunday. My personal feeling is that China is getting all these jobs because thousands of Chinese are giving their lives to the Lord every day while this nation has turned it back on Him. God is going to bless a nation that worships him and keeps the Sabbath Day Holy and we are not doing it. Organizing events on Sundays does not teach our children to "Remember the Sabbath Day and Keep it Holy", and you organizers are partly to blame for that. We need to return back to the basics and get our families back into church, to worship our God on Sundays. As for last year, we decided that church was more important than ball and that's what we did. Parents you have a voice, "SAY NO TO SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS."

Where has our respect for our God and our priorities gone?
 P.S. I want my children to have Eternal Life, DON'T YOU! Teach your children to choose the right path, and when they get older, they will remain on it. Proverbs 22:6.

Dennis McNutt
 Fairmount, IN

(Editors Note: In defense of our local program, may I say that there are no Sunday tournaments in Warren. And a big thanks to all who help to run this program every year. They put in a lot of hard work for our kids each and every year - and it's all volunteer.)

As Handcrafters Marketplace is closed for the final time, we wish to thank all our vendors, faithful customers, and the good friends we have made over the last 11 years.


Special thanks to Tom Wilbur, George DeWeese and crew for helping us disassemble our shop. We enjoyed sharing our shop while learning the news of the area. There certainly are a lot of budding decorators. The Warren community is a great place to have a business. We know you will welcome Lana Shafer who will be opening "Sunshine Fabrics". The fabric store, which features quilting materials, sundry items, sewing machines, and classes, will occupy the former Handcrafters storefront in April. We look forward to seeing everyone around town while we walk Russell (our friendly greyhound.)


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 Youth Hours 6:00p.m.
 Evening Praise Hour 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
 375-2330
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Bill Bartow, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sue Brown, Youth Worker
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00p.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship
 Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life
 Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana
 765-934-2199
 Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622
 Pastor Dan Sommer
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

WB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
 Pastor Blake J. Neff
 Youth Pastor Adam Pierce
 Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.
 UMYF 6: 7:30 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:30 p.m.

THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica
 Rev. Gus Hacker
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

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

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
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 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor
 Sunday
 Trad. Worship 8:30 a.m.
 Mdm Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 758-2085
 Nathan Doyle, Minister
 Sandy Kepingler, Supt.
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship 8:20 a.m.
 2nd Worship 9:45 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.

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 Kathie Jones, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Gary Riley, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
 Thurs. Kings Kids 6:30 p.m.
 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun) .. 6:00 p.m.
 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) 6:00 p.m.
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour. 6:30 p.m.

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
 Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Steve Bard, Pastor
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022
 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
 Joe Hartley, BS Supt.
 Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Bill Keen, Pastor
 Aylssa Lugbill, Assoc. Pastor
 Bus Service 375-2510
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
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 Wed. Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.

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 Mon - Women's Bible Study 9a & 6:30p
 Tue - In Home Small Groups - 7 pm - (call office to get directions)
 Wed - Morning Bible Study 9:00a.m.
 "Circle of Friends" (3yr-5th grade) 6:30-8p.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer Mtg. 6:30 pm
McNATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
 Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor
 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
 Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m.
THE NEW BEGINNING
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 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info
 Sunday Worship 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
 Wayne Wright, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.
ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
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 Student Pastor - Eric Dubach
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

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AREA NEWS

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discount card through another source. Extreme caution must be used in choosing a plan, if you want one. Some Pharmacies may be excluded from some plans. The Federal government has laid down only a few guidelines about how each plan must operate. The annual fee for a plan may not exceed \$30. If a Drug manufacturer gives a rebate or a discount on a drug, some of that amount must be passed on to the patient (this is where one card may differ greatly from another, depending upon how much money they give back to you). Many of the discounts will be funded directly by your Pharmacy. The Federal Government will subsidize low income seniors with up to a \$600 annual allowance. Each card will have at least an annual commitment, so if you choose the wrong card for you, you may have to wait until the next enrollment period. Your local Pharmacy may be willing to help you evaluate various plans. You can call 1-800-MEDICARE (633-4227) to get help evaluating cards or visit www.medicare.gov for more information.

Taste of Warren program, and the Downtown Mural Project.

Under the canopy of a canvas tent on the streets of downtown, visitors will be able to participate in the Taste of Warren from 5-7p.m.

Individuals can purchase sampler plates, filling-up on the unique cuisine supplied by downtown restaurant establishments and local caterers. Some of the specialties will include barbecue ribs, chicken kabobs, buffalo chicken wings, and specialty pizzas, sides, salads, and desserts. Flavored coffees and other beverages will be available.

Throughout Friday evening, visitors can listen to the rhythmic sounds of the New Millennium Jazz Orchestra. While eating and listening, visitors will be able to watch as four expert artists turn sheets of primed plywood into individual masterpieces during the Downtown Mural Project. Finished murals will be on display and for sale during the festivities scheduled for Saturday.

The additional Friday night components are a prelude to the second-annual Festival of the Arts, held Saturday, May 15 from 10a.m.-7p.m. For Saturday's nine-hour event, more than 50 artists from across the Midwest have been selected to sell their fine

arts & fine crafts in the Artist Market. Additional features include three stages of entertainment, unique food options, numerous kid-friendly activities, the Festival of Lamps, and a local artist show and sale.

There is no admission charge for the Friday Night event or Saturday festival. For more information, check out the festival website at www.warrenindiana.com.

CIRCLE OF HOPE

Margaret Redding will be modeling her bicentennial frock that is symbolic of the Civil War era at the Circle of Hope Reflection of the Past, Hope for the Future Breast Cancer Awareness Program to be held on Thursday, April 15 at the Wells County Com-

munity Center at the 4-H Park, Bluffton, at 6:30 P.M.

Margaret's memorable dress is "extra-special" to her because she won the "grand prize" at the Indiana State Fair with her sewing creation in 1976, nearly 30 years. Her charming black and white

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KINDERGARTEN?

Everyone is welcome to attend a special meeting on **Thursday, April 1st** at the Warren Civic Center. We will discuss the possibility of starting a new kindergarten program in Warren (or other grades) in conjunction with **Community Christian School** in Bluffton. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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NEW LOGO DEPICTS JAZZ NIGHT

With the addition of a Friday night jazz concert to Warren's Festival of the Arts comes a fresh logo, and the opportunity to taste a sampling of what local restaurants and caterers have to offer.

Graphic designer and Warren-resident Bart Willard was asked by the festival committee to tweak the logo he had created for the 2003 event to include a symbol of the jazz emphasis that would occur on Friday night of this year's festival.

With more than 3000 visitors attending last spring's inaugural festival in Warren, the committee made some alterations and many additions to the event slated for May 14 & 15, 2004. The biggest of those additions is the inclusion of a Friday night jazz concert, the

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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 cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

- Apr 10 Liberty Center Fire Dept Chicken Supper, 4:30 - 7p.m.
- Apr 10 Jackson Twp Alumni Banquet at Southern Wells H.S.
- Apr 16 Port-a-Pit Chicken Dinner, Markle Church of the Brethren, 4-7
- Apr 17 United Church of Christ Spaghetti Supper at UCofC
- Apr 24 Soup Supper 4p.m. - ??, Free Will Donation @ Sportsman's Club
- Apr 24-25 Gebhart's Spring Opening
- May 8 Warren Alumni Banquet - Contact Jim Howell 375-3048 or howellj@citznet.com

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Depression Support Group 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 Salomonie Valley Museum Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC Storytime at Warren Public Library 10 a.m. Fridays, Walking in the Gym 7a.m. to Noon at Knight Bergman Center

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special guests.

dotted Swiss creation is accentuated with white lace trim and a black velvet choker.

The Breast Cancer Awareness Program is in its fourth year of existence and has become a forum to educate women about breast cancer. One of the highlights of the evening will be a Fashion Revue of fashions from the past that symbolize special times in the lives of women. There will be a large variety of fashions to be viewed such as wedding gowns, prom dresses, dance costumes, special occasions, etc. to be modeled by both adults and children. It will be a fun evening to reflect and to remember the "days that were" in fashion.

Women will be encouraged to get mammograms and to actively schedule preventive screenings, plus learn the latest cancer findings for Indiana. The educational evening will be informative and inspiring. The event will be a celebration of life.

Call today at 260-824-6412 to make your reservations and reserve a table for six. Invite five of your friends to join you for the evening. Being a table hostess will provide you an opportunity to win some fabulous gifts. It will be a grand evening, one you will not want to miss. When calling with your reservations, you will also need to provide the names of your

NEW HOSPITALITY-HOUSE

The public is invited to Children's Hope Hospitality House on Sunday, May 23, 2004, 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. for an Open House. Get to know Children's Hope Hospitality House - a nonprofit facility dedicated to providing lodging and supportive services to families of children receiving critical care treatment away from home. The new pediatric hospital hospitality house is located on the campus of Lutheran Hospital. Ongoing tours, refreshments, and special activities will be a part of the afternoon.

More than a close and convenient shelter, Children's Hope Hospitality House is a quiet respite for those trying to manage the serious illness of their child in a strange and foreign hospital environment. Children's Hope offers six private sleep-rooms with baths, a fully equipped kitchen, a stocked pantry, TV lounge, playroom, reading room with computers, and meditation room for when quiet moments are needed. The fee charged to house guests is minimal - and no one is turned away because of inability to pay.

For additional information, please call (260) 459-8550 or email childrenshopefw@comcast.net.

PROGRAM AT VBPL

There will be a special program at the VanBuren Public Library on Saturday, April 24, 10:30-11:30. Robert Turner will present information about Astronomy including signs of the zodiac. There will be coloring contests and stories about the constellations. Mark your calendar now to make sure you remember April 24, 10:30 at the Van Buren Library to learn about astronomy.

HABITAT'S 2004 BIG SWING

On April 28, 2004, Huntington County Habitat for Humanity will be hosting a golf outing at Norwood Golf Club. Our program is scheduled to begin at 11:30 a.m. with lunch, followed at 12:30 p.m. with 18 holes of golf.

The Big Swing is the first of its kind organized by Huntington County Habitat for Humanity. With an entry fee of \$50 (which includes 18 holes of golf, cart per player, and lunch), each participant will have a unique opportunity to partner with us. We will provide them with an enjoyable lunch, followed by an entertaining day of golf, and they will provide us with some needed funds to continue building simple, decent, and affordable houses here in Huntington County.

Huntington County Habitat for Humanity is a unique home ownership program that works in partnership with those in Huntington County whose incomes are between 20% - 50% of the area median income. Habitat is able to offer homeownership by constructing homes at low cost and

selling to partner families at no profit with a non-interest mortgage. Since 1989, we have completed 14 homes in Huntington County through the financial support and volunteer efforts of local corporations, businesses, organizations, faith community, and individuals.

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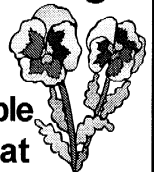
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Our special thanks to friends and family and church family, Markle United Methodist and Pastor Kay Patton for your love, prayers, visitations, cards, telephone calls and words of encouragement during Glenn's illness.

We are grateful for the excellent care he received while at the United Methodist Memorial Home and to the Markle Medical Center doctors.

Even tho he was with "Hospice" a short time, he was truly cared for.

We appreciated Rev. John Bellante, our friend, assisting with the service.

Enid E. Graham and families

VENDRICK

A native and former longtime resident of Rock Creek Township in Huntington County, Helen Inez Vendrick, 100, died at 4:45 p.m. Sunday, March 21, 2004, at the Shell Point Nursing Pavilion in Fort Myers, Florida.

Born Sept. 9, 1903, to John F. and Anna Philabaum Early in Rock Creek Township, Huntington County, she resided in the home place until 1984 when she and her husband moved to the Christian Missionary Alliance retirement village in Fort Myers.

Her marriage was on Dec. 7, 1924, at Kimmel, Indiana, to Benjamin Vendrick. They had been married more than 72 years when he died on May 26, 1997. She was a member of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church.

Surviving are a son, Howard D. Vendrick, of Wesley Chapel, Fla.; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to the husband, she was preceded in death by a son, John I. Vendrick, a sister, Blanche Gurtner, and an infant brother.

Services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, with Pastor James Robbins and Pastor Gus Hacker presiding. Burial will be in Lancaster Cemetery of Huntington County.

Memorials to the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church Mission Fund, 4037S 010W, Huntington, Indiana 46750.

FRANKLIN

A native of Leicestershire, England, Clifford S. Franklin, 97, died Sunday, March 28, 2004 at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren.

Born July 12, 1906 in England to Horace and Rosetta Turner Franklin, he moved with his family to Canada in 1912. He graduated from Tri-State College in Angola in 1942 and was a former civil engineer for the city of Fort Wayne. His career also moved him to Michigan and Oregon. He had resided at the Warren home since 1996.

His marriage on July 3, 1940 in

Angola was to Marjorie Killinger, who survives in Warren. Other survivors are a son, Lloyd Franklin of Cave Junction, Oreg.; a brother, Tony Franklin in British Columbia and sisters in Canada, Dolce Schell of Ontario and Freida Billingshurst of Toronto.

There were no services or visitation. Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren was in charge of arrangements.

WHITMORE

Margaret Ann Whitmore, 85, died at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, March 28, 2004 in United Methodist Memorial Home.

She was born July 29, 1919 in Oak Park, Ill., to the late Samuel and Henrietta (Mill) Whitmore and was a long time Grant County resident. Miss Whitmore was an assistant professor of nursing at Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, from 1977-1986, the director of child evangelism, Danville, Ill., from 1975-1977, and a consultant for the State of Illinois Department of Public Health from 1961-1975.

She received her nursing certificate from West Suburban College of Nursing, Oak Park, Ill., in 1942. She attended Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago, and received a bachelor of religious education in 1953. In 1957, she received her bachelor of science in nursing from the University of Colorado. She received her master of public health from the University of Michigan in 1970.

Miss Whitmore served her country from 1943 to 1946 in the Army Nurse Corps in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre during World War II. Her rank was First Lieutenant. She was active in Child Evangelism Fellowship, the American Nurses Association, the American Cancer Society, Literacy Council and the Right to Life organizations.

Miss Whitmore was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church in Marion.

A memorial service was held in the prayer chapel at College Wesleyan Church, 4001 S. Selby St.

Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., handled the arrangements.

WOOD

Cleo Pauline Wood, 86, Frankfort died March 27, 2004 at the Clinton House in Frankfort. She had lived there for the past five years. She formerly lived on Lohsl Lane in Frankfort.

Mrs. Wood was born March 6, 1918 in Tipton County to Thomas and Sara Elizabeth (Puckett) Redman. She married Delbert Clair Wood on August 31, 1935.

She had worked for 20 years as a nurses aid at the Methodist Home in Warren, retiring in 1981. She attended school in Tipton County. She had lived in Frankfort, Thorntown, Tipton County and Warren.

Survivors include: three sons, Delbert Don (Marylyn) Wood of Frankfort, Richard C (Becky) Wood of Akron, OH and Jerry W (Marjorie) Wood of Washington DC; a sister Vailta Purcifull of North Manchester; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by fourteen brothers and sisters.

Graveside services were held on March 30 in the Tetersburg Cemetery, Tipton County. Rev. Lee Mangold officiated.

Memorials may be made to the Diabetes Association.

Goodwin Funeral Home, Frankfort, handled the arrangements.

HORN BROOK

Mildred C Hornbrook, 93, Marion, died March 29, 2004 at Wesleyan Health Care Center, Marion.

Mrs. Hornbrook was born August 29, 1910 in Petersburg, IN, Pike County to Lincoln and Sally (Able) Carter. She was a 1931 graduate of Petersburg High School, Petersburg, IN. Mildred was married to George Hornbrook who preceded her in death, April 8, 1991. She was a legal secretary working with her husband in the Hornbrook Law Offices in Petersburg. She was a member of the Petersburg Order of Eastern Star, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Psi Iota Xi Sorority of Petersburg. Mrs. Hornbrook was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Ellen (Duaine) Ashcraft of Van Buren; a grandson, Cregg Ashcraft of Columbus OH; a granddaughter Christina (Robert) Livingston of Holland OH; and two great-grandchildren, Cameron O'Neill Livingston and Landen Scott Livingston, both of Holland OH.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three sisters, Mable Paul, Bernice Murray and Dorene Franklin; five brothers Lester, John, Ted, Pete, and Harold and a friend Francis Lewis.

Graveside services will be held at Walnut Hills Cemetery in Petersburg on April 1, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Marla Weller will officiate.

Ferguson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

SHARON

A. Burr Sharon, 80, Van Buren, died Thursday, March 18, 2004 at home.

He was born April 15, 1923 in Pleasant Township to the late Thomas Sharon and Zelda May Sine and had lived in Van Buren for 10 years. He previously lived in Texas for several years, West Virginia for a time and Hartford City. He was a World War II veteran.

Mr. Sharon was a retired machinist.

Surviving are a son, Donnie G. Sharon, San Antonio; daughters, Gale L. Sharon and Vivian E. Cothren, both of Houston, Texas; ex-wife, Roberta Slevers Sharon, Houston; sisters, Audrey Emery (Lloyd) Brane, Hartford City, and Thelma (John) Mattison, Springfield, W.Va.; brother, Wayne (Elsie Neal) Sharon, Marshall, Va.; a grandson, Darrell L. Cothren, Houston; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held in Marion National Cemetery, with Chaplain Preston Theall officiating.

Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., handled arrangements.

BIRTHS

Jeffrey and Stephanie Lhamon, of Warren, are the parents of a son, Devin Alexander, born March 24, 2004, at 3:48 a.m., at Bluffton Regional Medical Center, in Fort Wayne. Devin Alexander weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces, and measured 19 inches long. Devin joins a sister, Brynn Ashlinn, 23 months.

Dale and Debra Lindhorst, of Warren, IN, are the maternal grandparents. Robert and Patricia Lhamon, of Wapakoneta, OH, are the paternal grandparents. Vir-

ginia Lindhorst and the late Ralph Lindhorst, and Kenneth and Doris Schanuel, I, all of Duplo, IL are the maternal great-grandparents, and Chrystal Neeley, of Wapakoneta, OH, and Goldie Lhamon, of Lima, OH, are the paternal great-grandparents.

Devin will be undergoing heart surgery this week, and the families would welcome and appreciate your prayers.

Todd and Karen (Detamore) Hinshaw of Van Buren, are the parents of a daughter, Vivian Ileana Hinshaw, born March 15, 2004 at 8:10 a.m. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. and measured 18" in length. She joins a big sister Victoria.

Grandparents are George, Jr. and Diana Detamore, Van Buren, and Michael and Vickie Hinshaw, Summitville. Great Grandparents are George, Sr. and Sharon Detamore, Warren, and Reva Heiney, Warren.

Jason and Dawn (Leininger) Schweikhardt, Van Buren, are the parents of a son, Joseph Michael Schweikhardt, born at 5:36 p.m. March 14, 2004 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. The infant weighed 6 pounds 9 ounces and measured 19 inches.

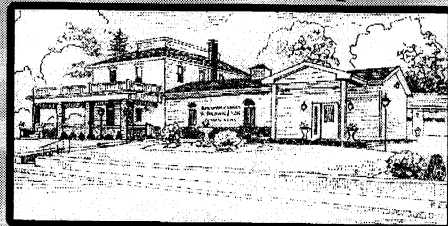
Grandparents are Steve Leininger of Angola, Donna Gilbert of Montpelier and Gary and Janie Schweikhardt of Warren. Great-grandparents are Bobbie Butler of Churubusco, Virginia Yount of Warren and Evelyn Schweikhardt of Warren.

Aaron and Laura (Brindle) Westfall, Bluffton, are the parents of a daughter, Krista Jaylyn Westfall, born February 10, 2004 at 3:18 a.m. The infant weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. She joins siblings, Will, age 6 and Elizabeth, age 4.

Grandparents are Bill and Sandy Brindle of Huntington, Roger Westfall of Warren and Joyce and Pt Kleber. Great-grandparents are Helen Brindle of Yoder, Mary Palmer of Ft Wayne and Bob and Edith Westfall of Bluffton.

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Huntington County Habitat for Humanity is also currently looking for corporate sponsors and hole sponsors for the golf outing. If you are unable at this time to sponsor a hole, we are also accepting gifts, which will be distributed to participating players during the golf outing.

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COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met on Monday evening, March 22 in the Town Hall Annex. President Harold Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

The financial report was presented by Greg Guerretteq. He discussed the electric utility tracker and water utilities. He proposed a slight increase in rates in the water utility.

Ordinance 2004-3 was adopted, pertaining to water utility rate increase. The last rate increase was in 1944. Council voted to finalize reports and move on with the project.

Lee Poulson and Darrel Bice are scheduled to attend a seminar in Anderson on sewer related issues for continuing education credits.

In the electric project, a schedule is set up for town employees to proceed with pole replacement as soon as the poles are delivered.

Peerless had repaired the number three well, which included motor replacement.

Tree replacement for the Electric-Wastewater projects dis-

cussed. It was decided to purchase 30 trees, including 26 Aristocratic Pear, two Norway Spruce and two Colorado Spruce. One of the Colorado Spruce is to be purchased from donations in the name of Jackie Huffman.

Rebids for sanitation is set for April 12. Four bid packages have been requested.

It was suggested the gas pump be cleaned up and repaired at the utility garage.

The State Board of Accounts went well as reported by President Jones. There were no major findings.

Larry Poulson is expected to attend an Indiana Municipal Electric Association meeting in Jasper.

Council agreed that two employees would be certified to spray mosquitoes and attend mosquito spray training in Gas City on April 13. They are to attend class and purchase two sets of material.

Council agreed to allow street closings for the Arts Festival in May. Also, INDOT will be contacted for highway closings.

A utility easement variance was allowed at the Andrews residence on Parkway Drive. They asked

permission to pour a concrete pad to extend five feet into a 15 foot area.

Huntington County Home School has purchased the Sigma Phi Gamma Concession stand at the Tower Park. Council approved a contract.

Council agreed to help share cost of Huntington Police Department radio upgrade which provides service to the Warren system. The cost is \$100.

Resolution 2-2004 was adopted and honors Citizens Telephone Company for 100 years of service.

HCUED will meet April 13 in Assembly Hall for their monthly meeting.

On March 25 Butler-Furman will be here at 10 a.m. to discuss Grant application for a downtown upgrade.

The Fire Department announced plans to visit various businesses to study safety steps in the event of a fire.

Plans are to hold a CPR Class on April 17, free to the public and open to adults and children.

Announcements included: W.H.A.R.M.M. meeting, April 15; Council meetings, April 12 and 26.

BUNNY AT QUAYLE CENTER

The world famous rabbit will be making his annual appearance at The Dan Quayle Center on Friday, April 2nd from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Admission is free and each child will receive an egg from the bunny.

"We're going to have something special hidden among the eggs we'll be giving away when the children meet the Easter Bunny. Hidden in one egg will be a coupon for a free night's stay at AmeriHost Inn," said Executive Director, Daniel Johns, "AmeriHost has been very supportive of the Museum, and our programs "We'd just like to say thank you!"


AmeriHost Inn of Huntington, as a part of an Easter stay promotion for its overnight guests on April 2nd, will hold an underwater Easter Egg hunt in its swimming pool. In addition, guests will receive a gift, as well as a photo with the world famous bunny. AmeriHost Inn will then donate a portion of each room sold under the promotion to the educational programs of The Dan Quayle Center.

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Optional photos with the bunny will be available for purchase from the Museum for \$5.00. For more information, please contact the Museum at 356-6356. For more information about the Easter promotion at AmeriHost Inn, please call 359-9000.

ENROLLMENT FORMS DUE

Thursday, April 1st is the deadline for youth in grades 3-12 to enroll in the Huntington County 4-H program. All youth must complete the official Huntington County 4-H Club Enrollment Form and mark the projects they wish to take for the current year. Member and parent signatures are necessary on the enrollment form.

For more information about the Huntington County 4-H program, contact the County Extension Office at 358-4826 or email Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth at laldrigd@purdue.edu.

APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 15

4-H youth who wish to apply for membership with either the State 4-H Band or Chorus must make written application no later than April 15 to the State 4-H Office. Delegates are selected based upon the application and the recommendation of their music director.

Members selected must attend an intensive workshop prior to performances at the annual 4-H Youth Round-Up, held at Purdue University in late June.

Applications for the State 4-H Band and Chorus may be secured through the Purdue Extension

Service – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington, Indiana.

NEW AGENT

Scott Mayo has joined Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance as an agent based in the Huntington County office in Huntington at 2815 N. Jefferson Street.

Scott worked in agricultural and insurance sales prior to joining Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance. He is a graduate of Purdue University.

Scott lives in Huntington with his wife, Gabriela, and their children, Jessica and John.

Farm Bureau Insurance, organized by Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc. in 1934, offers and services a complete line of auto, home, farm/crop, annuity, and life insurance products to Hoosiers through its network of over 450 agents and 1200 employees living and working throughout the state. With a home office in downtown Indianapolis, Farm Bureau Insurance is the largest writer of farm insurance and the second largest writer of property/casualty insurance in Indiana.

EASTER BUNNY RIDE

Here comes the Easter Bunny! Join the Easter Bunny as he travels down the Whitewater Valley Railroad for an exciting Easter Egg hunt at the Bunny Patch! Find the Easter Bunny's Golden Egg and win a special prize from the Whitewater Valley Railroad's Railroad store!

The Easter Bunny Express will be making three departures to the

Bunny Patch on April 10, 2004. Departures will be at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm. All departures are from Grand Central Station in downtown Connersville, Indiana. Tickets are \$4, adults, and \$3 for children. The tickets include round trip train fare, and the Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Bunny hides lots of eggs-so don't forget your Easter Basket! To ensure as fair a division of eggs as possible, the hunt is divided into three age groups and limited to ages eight and under.

The Whitewater Valley Railroad is a not-for-profit operating rail-

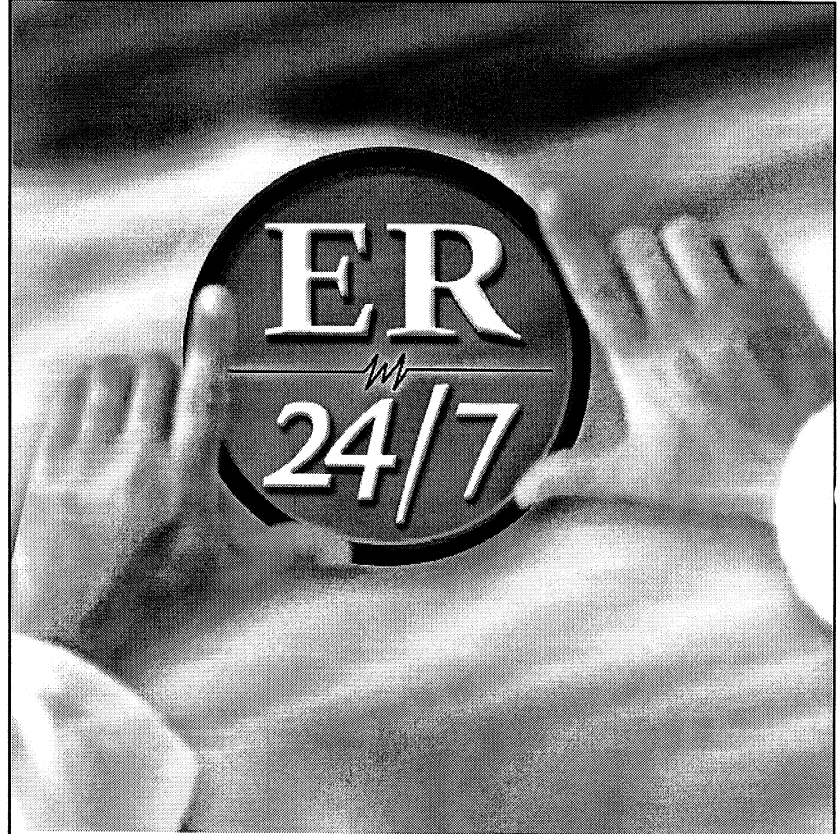
road museum located in Connersville, Indiana. The railroad hosts many special events throughout the year such as The Santa Claus Express, Wild West Trains, The Pumpkin Train, Canal Days Express, and the ever popular Day Out With Thomas.

For more information log onto www.whitewatervalleyrr.org or call the Whitewater Valley Railroad at 765-825-2054.

Tickets are on sale now!

TREE CARE

Learn to identify common Indiana trees by their visual characteristics. Select trees based on several factors including growth rate and shape. Learn how to properly plant a tree, and why too much mulch can be a bad thing. Sponsored by the Purdue Blackford County Extension Service. Program begins at 6:30 pm at the Blackford County Courthouse Annex. Cost for the program is \$3.00, reservations requested by April 5, 2004 at (765)348-3213.



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