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Thought for the Week: *Cynicism is humor in ill health.* H.G. Wells

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Creative Elements is a full service hair salon that offers: Perms, Color, Haircuts for the whole family, Shampoo/sets, eyebrow waxing, and paraffin hand dips. We also offer Matrix Biologie products to purchase and Mary Kay cosmetics.

Creative Elements is owned and operated by Tammy Painter. Tammy is from the Liberty Center area and has been doing hair in the Bluffton and Huntington areas for 18 years. Tammy also holds an instructors license and has taught in Fort Wayne.

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Creative Elements is located at 208 N. Wayne St. in Warren. The phone # is 375-4455.

GOSPEL QUARTET

The Northmen, a gospel quartet from Fort Wayne, will be singing Sunday, August 22 at 6 p.m. at the Huntington Etta Avenue Wesleyan Church.

66TH FESTIVAL

The 66th Annual Poe Fireman's Festival is scheduled for August 27 & 28.

Friday's events will include a benefit auction from 5:30 - 10 featuring a handmade 80x80 quilt. Items are donated by area merchants and the community. If interested in donating, call 639-3992.

Saturday will feature Back yard volleyball at 9 a.m., kids games and activities from 9 to 8, Horse-shoes at 10, a Motorcycle Poker Run registration from 10:30 - 12:30. There will also be Waterball at noon with sign-up at 11, a Euchre tournament from noon til 3, Kids tractor pull at 2, New Haven Alumni Band at 4 and a raffle drawing at 10p.m. There will also be a BBQ Chicken Dinner from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There will be lots of food and refreshments, a beer tent, bingo, caramel corn, a craft tent, Moonwalk & Marine Obstacle

course, Pork & Sauerkraut, Kids Games and Free Kids Drawing every hour, throughout the festival.

OUTDOOR CONCERT

Outdoor concert series sponsored by the LaFontaine Arts Council & Myer's Ice Cream Parlor to feature local talent.....

The 2004 "Parlor Music Concerts" at Myer's Ice Cream Parlor continue on Saturday, August 21st at 6:00 P.M. with "Kellam & DeaKyne".

Performing classic songs from the 50's to today, Tom Kellam and Shelbia DeaKyne will warm your heart and bring back some good memories singing a variety of music including love songs, country, gospel and oldies. This vocal duo has a genuine passion for music that is generated in every performance.

The remaining concert this summer is Sunday, September 12th 4:00 P.M. "The Markle Barbershoppers" a male vocal group performing all-time favorite barbershop tunes.

All the concerts take place on the lawn at Myers' Ice Cream Parlor in Huntington at 2809 Theater Avenue. Questions regarding the concert should be directed to Debbie Dyer at 260/358-0055.

A freewill offering is taken after each concert with proceeds supporting scholarship and "Arts In Education Series" sponsored by the LaFontaine Arts Council.

IMPAIRED ENFORCEMENT

Huntington County law Enforcement prepares for Impaired driving enforcement campaign.

The several local Law Enforcement Agencies will participate in an upcoming nationwide impaired driving enforcement campaign, which begins August 27 and continues through the Labor Day holiday until September 12.

"This enforcement period gives us the opportunity to step up our presence in the community and send the message to drivers that impaired driving will not be tolerated," said Sergeant John Kreiger.

This is the first year the campaign, which is funded by the Na-

tional Highway Traffic Safety Administration, has coincided with Labor Day. In 2002, more than 55 percent of fatal motor vehicle crashes that occurred during the Labor Day weekend nationwide were alcohol-related.

The impaired driving enforcement campaign incorporates local law enforcement saturation patrols and sobriety checkpoints as well as a statewide media message.

More than 17,000 motorists were killed in alcohol-related crashes in the United States last year, and 269 motorists on Indiana roadways lost their lives in 2002 as a result of alcohol-related crashes.

In Indiana, the legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) limit for operation of a motor vehicle is 0.08.

"Drivers need to understand that operating a vehicle above the legal limit is a serious crime that can cost money, time or even their lives. We have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to impaired driving," Kreiger said.

The Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving, a division of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, administers impaired driving and seat belt enforcement campaigns in Indiana.

CONGRATULATES WINNERS

MarkleBank would like to congratulate Megan Siela of Fort Wayne, Jean Larkey of Warren, and Lowell Richardson of Andrews for winning the drawings held at the Huntington Co. 4-H fair. For three consecutive evenings, a winner was chosen at random to receive a fifty-dollar gift certificate to a Huntington Co. restaurant of the winner's choice. Megan, Jean, and Lowell chose Joseph Decuis, Applebee's, and Show Lounge II, respectively.

In honor of Father's Day, MarkleBank also held a drawing at each of the five full-service banking centers. Anyone who came into the lobby could enter a dad to win \$50 in cash. Dads could enter themselves, or friends and family could enter a dad. The five winners were Paul Mason at Markle, Ron Sliger at Bluffton North,



GUEST NIGHT

Christmas City Chorus brought home two awards from their recent regional competition in Covington, KY. The chorus won the Most Improved Chorus and 2nd place in the Small Chorus Division. Part of Sweet Adelines, International, members enjoy being part of the largest women's singing organization in the world. "It's a great hobby," said Danielle Ellenburg, a member from Van Buren, "with opportunities to pursue musical growth, develop leadership skills, share creative talents in music and choreography, costuming and visual performance." Ellenburg encourages women singers to visit the chorus if they like to sing and perform and are looking for an exciting creative hobby.

An informational guest night will be held Monday, August 23 from 7 - 8 pm in the community room of Barry Bunker Chevrolet, State Rd 15 North in Marion. For more information call 765.934.3888 or check the website at www.christmascitychorus.org.

Charles Miller at Bluffton South, Dean Fulton at Huntington, and Jim Miller at Warren.

Congratulations to all of the winners.

MarkleBank is the bank subsidiary of MarBanc Financial Corporation, headquartered in Markle, Indiana. MarkleBank currently operates five full-service community banking centers, the main office in Markle, two offices in Bluffton, one in Warren, one in Huntington, and a Loan Production Office in Fort Wayne. A full-service banking center is currently under construction in southwest Fort Wayne.

MarkleBank owns and operates Markle Insurance Services, a full-service insurance agency. Markle Insurance is located next to the bank's main office in Markle and has satellite offices at the bank's Bluffton North, Warren and Huntington facilities. MarkleBank also offers investment services through a partnership with MarkleFinancial, with full-time Financial Advisors

available to meet with clients.

MarkleBank, Markle Insurance Services and MarkleFinancial can be reached by calling MarkleBank's Customer Service Center toll-free at (888) 758-3111.

AIDS WALK

The 8th Annual Northeast Indiana AIDS Walk will take place on Sunday, September 12th at Lawton Park. Registration and festivities begin at 12 noon and the 5K Walk will step off at 2pm. There will be live entertainment, children's activities, and displays such as the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt display. All proceeds benefit the programs of the AIDS Task Force, Inc.

The mission of the AIDS Task Force in northeast Indiana is to improve the quality of life for men, women, and children living with HIV & AIDS, reduce the incidence of HIV & STD infection, and increase public understanding of

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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 PJ'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.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

CARING FOR AN ELDERLY PARENT

The National Alliance for Caregiving (Bethesda, Md.) says about a quarter of elderly or disabled people lived with their caregivers in 2003. Some caregivers had families and jobs to handle as well. Many studies show that caregiving can be a painful source of marital stress. And it can make holding a job difficult. The usual challenges (job-family conflict, burnout, old family tensions) are multiplied by loss of the caregiver's social life, disruption of children's activities, and loss of sleep.

To keep the family whole and healthy, it's crucial to address these problems quickly when they surface. There is a common link between living with an aged relative, losing or quitting a job, and exhaustion.

Doctors at Harvard Medical School emphasize the need for caregivers to evaluate their situation early and often. They should create a plan, reassess it every few months, and make any needed changes. Harvard offers the Caregiver's Handbook (Harvard Health Publications, P.O. Box 421073, Palm Coast, FL 32142).

- Some options to consider:
- Use of a nursing home for week long breaks.
 - Use of an adult daycare center for days or half-days off.
 - Hiring a home healthcare worker for a couple of hours each day to assist with dressing, eating, and bathing.
- Sometimes it's better to reconsider caregiving entirely. First, the stress on the entire family may be too great. Second, in many cases a good nursing home provides enjoyable activities and an improved social life for the elderly or disabled person.

THINGS TO GET RID OF

- Organizational advisors writing in AARP Bulletin advise junking:
- All appliance manuals for stuff you know how to use, like the toaster.
 - Old cars that are up on blocks.
 - Old clothes that are too small. If you lose weight, you won't wear them.
 - Travel brochures. Either you have better souvenirs or you aren't going.
- To get a room ready for visitors in 10 minutes:
- Clear all horizontal surfaces.
 - Toss any clothing into the toy box and put the box in a closet.
 - Stack everything that can be stacked. Make piles but not high piles.
 - Put the piles under the sofa and push them toward the back.
 - After 30 days, throwaway the entire contents of any undisturbed stack.

THE TECHNICOLOR KITCHEN

Appliance manufacturers say consumers are stuck in appliance colors of white, black, or metal. They want to change that. Their appliances are appearing in new bold colors. Hamilton Beach's drink mixer comes in bright apple green and other colors. Its stand-alone mixer comes in 30 vibrant colors. Their surveys show that people want warmth and color.

- KitchenAid's toaster comes in tangerine, lemon, wasabi green, and others.
- May tag's Jenn-Air Attrezza blender comes in six colors.
- The Danby Art Cooler refrigerator's entire front door can be pictured with a scene by Cezanne or another artist.

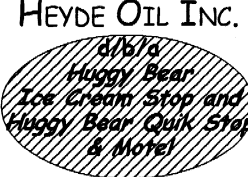
CELL PHONE FOR 12-YEAR-OLDS


Child psychiatrists say kids are often ready for a cell phone by age 12 when they are becoming more independent. Elizabeth Berger, author of Raising Children with Character (Jason Aronson), says start them on an inexpensive phone they can use to check in with you. It must have a constructive purpose and not be just another toy. Warn them not to let the phone interfere with homework.

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 Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Hours 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Praise Hour 6:00 p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00 p.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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 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.

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 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.

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 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor
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 Mdm Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
 375-2330
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Andy Trowbridge, 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 7:00 p.m.

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

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

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 758-2085
 Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor
 Sandy Keplinger, Supt.
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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 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 6:00 p.m.

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

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 Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.
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 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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 2nd Worship 9:45 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.
 Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

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 375-2691
 Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 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.

JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST
 Corner of 900S & 300W
 Kathie Jones, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

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

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.

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 375-2779
 Lynn Mefferd, Pastor
 Sun - 1st Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30 p.m.
 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

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.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Church 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. (Qltry) Praise Hour 6:30 p.m.

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 Steve Bard, Pastor
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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 Bill Keen, Pastor
 Bus Service 375-2510
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.) 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m.

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 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 6:00 p.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING
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 Steve Sutton, Pastor
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 Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

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 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

Attend the Church of your choice

AREA NEWS

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HIV & AIDS. Please come out and support our cause by walking to end AIDS. For more information on the AIDS Walk, please contact the AIDS Task Force, Inc. at (260)744-1144 or email us at www.aidsfortwayne.org.

COWBOY CHURCH

Trinity United Methodist Church, 303 N. Walnut, Hartford City, will present its third "Cowboy Church" on Saturday, August 21, at 7pm. Country gospel music will be featured at this monthly event. Child care provided.

For more information, call the church at 348-0404.

COUNCIL NOTES

On Monday evening, Aug. 9, the Warren Town Council met in Assembly Hall. President Harold Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge to the American Flag.

In special order of business, a Public Hearing was held for the 2005 Budget.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Representing Warren Huggy Bear, Dallas Heyde presented plans to Council requesting Matilda Street access to the firm. Council approved recommendation as drawn up on a new plan for access off Matilda Street.

A number of members of the Baptist Church were in attendance to discuss a problem there. It was recommended the town purchase a grinder pump and the church be responsible for installation and maintenance.

David Scheib reported for the Park Board. Rob Williams was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board. The next Board meeting will be Sept. 13.

A report was given on the Paving Project, Phase I and II. Some streets have been paved and some were still being milled. The project is expected to be completed soon, weather permitting.

A report was given concerning recommendation by Greg Guerretaz, for sewer customer deposits, electric connections. Ordinances are being prepared for the next Council meeting.

Council voted to initiate legal steps to establish a stormwater utility.

A Road Bicycle Challenge is set for Sept. 18 and 19. This will be a 140 mile ride and the group is expected to come through Warren, Tower Park and the Knight-Bergman grounds.

Council was informed five people have not yet made the upgrade for the Wastewater project. Notifi-

cation has been made with Aug. 23rd set as the final date for connection.

A building upgrade at Assembly Hall was discussed. The Company has not yet submitted an estimate but should have it ready by next meeting.

The update Capital Improvement Plan is to be presented to Greg Guerretaz Aug. 25.

Also on Sept. 25 at 2 p.m. a meeting is set for Streetscape-Butler Fairman. Joyce Greene, architect, will be present.

Resolution 7-2004 was adopted concerning transfer within appropriations.

Resolution 8-2004 was also adopted, reduction appropriations, 2004 Budget.

Council is to consider a Nuisance Abatement policy, Town Code revision.

IDEM Water Permit annual fee was discussed. Council approved payment of \$192.92 for the remainder of the year and about \$600.00 next year.

David Scheib reported on a BZA meeting Aug. 3. The Board agreed to a Flea Market request to be revisited in one year. Council did not favor a trailer request, BZA voted in favor for a three year period. The area is to be cleaned up by January.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the July Financial report.

Curtis Day presented Council with a monthly report from the Street/Utility Departments.

The valve program was currently on hold due to work on the paving project.

Council voted to purchase a sewer vac in the amount of \$17,500.00.

Council gave their consensus to use the Performance Evaluation form submitted by the Utility Man-

ager.

The Police Department is waiting for training materials for Laser. Standard operating procedures for use of Laser were submitted to Council. Action is expected at the next meeting.

The next Council meeting will be Aug. 23.

PROJECT XL (EXCEL)

Farm Bureau Insurance will again offer college scholarships to Indiana high school students through the company's annual Project XL competition. Creative students who excel in various forms of artistic expression are invited to enter. Project XL was established by Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance in 1989. The company continues to fund and administer the program, awarding \$41,500 in scholarship prizes during last year's competition.

Imagination is the topic for the 2004-2005 competition. This topic was chosen in a survey by last year's Project XL state finalists. Students can enter their creative interpretation of Imagination in one of six categories: writing, music, two-dimensional art, three-dimensional art, video or performance. Project XL gives students an opportunity to develop talents and skills that will impact their future.

Through Project XL, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance awards six state first-place winners \$2,000 each, with \$1,500 going to six second-place contestants and \$1,000 going to six third-place entrants. An additional \$1,000 will be awarded to the student whose entry is considered "Best of Show." The Indiana high school with the highest total number of entries advancing to the state finals will be awarded a \$2,000

cash prize.

Last year, more than 6,000 students from 245 high schools (plus many home-schooled students) entered the competition. "We continue to be delighted with the statewide response we receive from educators and students," says Patty Poehler, Senior Vice President of Marketing for Farm Bureau Insurance. "It's important to Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance that we give back to our state, and the best way to do that is to support and encourage the next generation."

Information about Project XL rules and how to enter will be sent to all Indiana high schools to make available to students at the beginning of the 2004-2005 school year. Students who are interested in competing can contact their school administrative office for that information. Additional details and entry information also are available from Special Markets Coordinator Pam Walker at 800/866-1160, extension 7748. Project XL also maintains a Web site at www.infarmbureau.com. Entries may be submitted from January 24 - 28, 2005, at any local Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance office.

The Project XL State Finals will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2005, at the Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center on the University of Indianapolis campus. The State Finals are free and open to the public.

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.

"GAMEPLAN FOR LIFE"

Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, in partnership with the Indianapolis Colts, is encouraging Hoosier students in grades 6, 7, and 8 to formulate a "Gameplan for Life" by focusing on setting challenging goals for themselves. The Gameplan for Life competition, now in its third year, aims to inspire students to make wise life decisions and formulate objectives for their futures.

To enter the competition, students view the "Gameplan for Life" video from Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance and then apply the knowledge gained from the video to develop a personal Gameplan for Life in a creative format of an essay, music, scrapbook, video, web site, poster or other tool of expression. Twenty-five winners will each receive an Indianapolis Colts/Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance prize package, which includes an invitation to a special pre-game tailgate party and four tickets to the Indianapolis Colts - Tennessee Titans game on December 5, 2004. Gameplan winners will be recognized by the Colts at halftime with an award signed by players Reggie Wayne, Montae Reagor, Hunter Smith, Brandon Stokely and Mike Doss.

During last year's Gameplan for Life competition, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance received over 860 entries from over 70 schools.

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Dance Art Studios

at Knight Bergman Center - Warren
offering Ballet, Tap, Jazz & Acrobat
Registration for classes will be
August 24, 2004 from 6-7:30 pm at KBC
or call Vikki at 765/934-4085
Class begin Monday, Sept. 13, 2004
*"Let them praise His name with dancing and make music
to Him with tambourine and harp." Psalms 149:3*

45th Annual Slusher Reunion

The descendants of William C. and Daisy Mae Slusher are invited to the 45th annual family reunion on Sunday, August 29th, 2004 at the Dillman U.B. Church Fellowship Hall. The family reunion will begin at noon with a carry-in lunch starting at 12:30. Chicken will be provided. Remember to bring along items for the White Elephant Auction and family memories to share.

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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.

Aug 18 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Aug 20 Warren Recycle Day
Aug 23 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall

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 **Salamonie Valley Museum** Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC

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"We were very pleased to have such strong interest in our second year of the competition," says Patty Poehler, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Senior Vice President of Marketing. "We continue to be impressed by the creative approaches the students employ to setting life goals."

Information about Gameplan for Life rules and how to enter will be sent to Indiana schools in early September 2004. Students who are interested in competing can contact their school administrative office for that information. Additional details and entry information are also available from Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Special Markets Coordinator Pam Walker at 800-866-1160, extension 7748 or at www.infarmbureau.com by clicking on the Gameplan tab. Entries may be submitted between October 18-25, 2004. The judging of entries will be held between October 25-29, 2004.

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RECEIVES AWARD

Bluffton Regional Medical Center's OB nursing staff was recently nominated by a patient to receive a Childbirth Nursing Awards Certificate of Recognition. This certificate, given by Johnson's and the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses, recognizes the childbirth nursing team for excellence in patient care given to mothers and infants.

"We are honored to receive this award of excellence and especially pleased to be nominated by one of our patients," said Brenda Tomson, Chief Nursing Officer at Bluffton Regional. "The obstetrical team of nurses and physicians strives to provide safe, comfortable and family-centered care for our mothers, babies, fathers and other family members."

With this nomination, Bluffton Regional's Childbirth Center will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win one of four \$1,000 educational grants.

The Bluffton Regional obstetrical team includes Karen Heemsoth, RN; Carol Austin, RN; Deborah Bacon, RN; Kim Eisenhut, RN; Kristina Fuller, RN; Jessica Hill, RN; Cynthia Howard, RN; Melissa Lambert, RN; Kay Nash, RN; Jo Richardson, RN; Barbara Riker, RN; Janice Soper, RN; Pamela Sprowl, RN; Jill

Winterrowd, RN; Marcelo Gavilanez, MD, OBGYN; Jeffrey Schaffer, MD, OBGYN; Loren Wanner, MD, OBGYN; George Merkle, MD; and John Wilson, MD.

VOLUNTEER HUNTERS

Applications are now available to participate in a controlled deer herd reduction in 15 Indiana state parks and one nature preserve. The reduction will take place on Monday, Nov. 15; Tuesday, Nov. 16; Monday, Nov. 29; and Tuesday, Nov. 30.

The 15 state parks are Chain O'Lakes, Charlestown, Clifty Fall, Fort Harrison, Harmonie, Indiana Dunes, Lincoln, Ouabache, Pokagon, Potato Creek, Shades, Summit Lake, Tippecanoe River, Turkey Run, and Whitewater Memorial.

Twin Swamps Nature Preserve also is included in the herd reduction.

"Without population controls, the size of a deer herd in a state park can double in only two years," said DNR Director John Goss. "Too many deer can strip the park of important vegetation, leaving deer and other animals with poor habitat and not enough food."

The Indiana DNR first began to reduce the size of the deer herds occupying Indiana's state parks in 1993 with a one-day reduction at Brown County State Park. An obvious browse line had developed with deer feeding on vegetation from the ground to as high as they could reach.

In 1994, the Indiana General Assembly passed legislation mandating the director of the DNR to order a hunt in a state park when a species of a wild animal would damage the ecosystem of that park.

Deer herd reductions have been conducted as needed at 20 of Indiana's 22 state parks since 1995.

Working with Dr. George Parker, a Purdue University forest ecologist, the DNR developed a scientific measure of the damage to the parks and a formula to determine a schedule for the deer herd reductions. Data collected by DNR biologists and naturalists in the state parks, is now used each year to determine the need for a reduction in each park. As a result, five parks that had reductions last year will not be included this year.

"Our scientific approach to the damage in the parks provides us with a successful method to target specific properties each year based solely on need," Goss said. "The rebirth in the state park forests has been remarkable. Shrubs, tree saplings and wildflowers that were missing in many for more than a decade are back. This is the proof of our success."

Additional information about the state park deer herd reductions is available on the DNR Web site at: <http://www.in.gov/dnr/public/>

evaluation/index.html.

Each year the DNR asks for qualified volunteer hunters in Indiana to participate in the herd reduction. To be eligible, applicants must be Indiana residents, at least 18 years old on Oct. 1, and hold a valid resident hunting license to take deer. DNR staff will choose the participants by a random drawing from the pool of applicants.

Hunters who have completed the Indiana Hunter Education Course will be given preference to participate in the firearm hunts. Firearm hunts are limited to shotguns, muzzleloaders and pistols.

Archers who have completed the International Bowhunter Education Program will be given preference at the Clifty Fall and Ft. Harrison deer herd reduction.

All facilities with a hunt will be closed to the public on the days of the reduction.

Applications for the herd reduction are currently available at all state parks, state reservoirs and on the DNR Web site. A mail-in request for an application is available in the hunting and trapping guide currently available in stores and at DNR properties.

Completed applications must be received in the Indianapolis office of the DNR's Division of State Parks and Reservoirs by 4 p.m. (EST), Oct. 1, 2004. Hunters with questions about the application for the herd reduction should call

the division at (317) 232-4124.

The locations and number of hunters for each two-day session are: Chain O'Lakes State Park 110, Charlestown State Park 80, Clifty Falls State Park 130 (limited to archers), Ft. Harrison State Park 200 (limited to archers), Harmonie State Park 170, Indiana Dunes State Park 95, Lincoln State Park 80, Ouabache State Park 50, Pokagon State Park 60, Potato Creek State Park 160, Shades State Park 155, Summit Lake State Park 80, Tippecanoe River State Park 130, Turkey Run State Park 100, Whitewater Memorial State Park 85, Twin Swamps Nature Preserve 30.

BBB CONSUMER & BUSINESS TIPS

Indy Park and Sell, an Indianapolis company, is advertising in movie theaters and selling vehicles online. Consumers have bought plane or bus tickets to come to Indianapolis, and paid thousands of dollars for vehicles that allegedly did not work or were not available.

Internet Escrow Scams are going after people that are buying and selling expensive things on Internet auctions. By "expensive" we're talking about cars, plasma TVs, jewelry, digital cameras, laptops and motorcycles. A legitimate escrow service acts as a

middleman for person-to-person transactions, holding on to the money until the goods are delivered, but in this case the escrow scammer keeps the money and may steal your identity. For more information visit www.EscrowFraud.com.


United Air Comfort is headquartered in Florida but operates 23 locations in 9 states, one of them being Indiana. Complaints filed through the Bureau allege dissatisfaction with repairs and misleading advertising practices.

Inside Sun, a Greenwood company, sells fans and lights for indoor plants. Consumers have complained about paying for orders up-front and then receiving incorrect items, not receiving orders at all and not being able to get refunds.

American War Veterans, also known as Regular American Veterans, is contacting consumers by mail, asking for donations to assist hospitalized and homeless veterans. The state of Massachusetts imposed a civil penalty of \$50,000 and permanently enjoined the company from further charitable activity in Massachusetts. Pennsylvania has also ordered the organization to cease solicitations in that state. The organization does not meet the "BBB


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FREESTONE

A resident of the Warren United Methodist Memorial Home, Virginia Ardella Freestone, 89, died at the home at 5:40 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2004.

Born in Bangor, Mich., Oct. 11, 1914 to William Nicholas and Mary Alice Sheridan Pifer, she married Rexferd D. Freestone Aug. 19, 1936 in Bangor. He survives.

She and her husband moved to Warren from Muncie in 2002. They had previously resided in Bangor and Niles, Mich.

Survivors include two sons, Richard of Bangor and Robert of Muncie; two daughters, Mrs. Don (Kathleen) Gugliotta of Sparks, Nev., and Mrs. David (Alyse) Keyworth, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

A memorial service is planned for 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, in Bangor (located about 20 miles west of Kalamazoo) at the Simpson United Methodist Church. Rev. James McNary will be officiating.

Local arrangements are in charge of Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren.

ARIVETT

Oscar Ray Arivett, 70, 1204 Guilford St, Huntington, died at 2:50 a.m. Thursday, August 12, 2004 at Miller's Merry Manor.

Mr. Arivett owned Arivett Grocery Store in Warren for 14 ears and was know for his trademark phrase, "Hi, neighbor." He also worked at Kmart in Huntington and was a member of Amity Lodge 483 F&M in Huntington and the US Air Force.

Mr. Arivett was born June 13, 1934, in Muse, OK, to Lancy L and Lessie L Brown Arivett. He married Carol Ann Lee on December 24, 1953, in Huntington. His wife survives and lives in Andrews.

Other survivors include four sons, Ricky Arivett of Huntington, Steven Arivett of Warren, Craig Arivett of Fort Wayne and Zachery Arivett of Andrews; five daughters, Mrs Rob (Susan) Cocklin of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Paris (Jean) Seibold

of Huntington, Tina Hill of Fort Wayne and Candyse Arivetts and Crystine Arivett, both of Andrews; three brothers, Wayne Arivett of Elkhart, William Arivett of Huntington, and Darrell Arivett of Fort Wayne, five sisters, Ruth Thomson of Huntington, Patsy Brown of Fort Wayne, Nelda Rogers of Hartford city, Kathie Frederick of Huntington and Donna Robbins of Huntington, nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Carole "Candy" Arivett, and a sister, Rosie Vaught.

The family held private calling hours. Services were held at the Gardens of Memory cemetery, with Rev. Joe Sumwalt officiating.

Burial was at Gardens of Memory.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Condolences may be e-mailed to drvfuneral@skynet.net.

BIRTHS

Ryan and Rachel (Pinkerton) Kline of Warren are the proud parents of a daughter, Kendall Leah Kline, born at 6:03 p.m. July 22, 2004 at Parkview Huntington Hopsital. The baby weighed 8 pounds 9.5 ounces and measures 20.3 inches. She joins sisters, Katlyn, age 8 and Sara, age 3, at home.

Grandparents are Barbara Pinkerton and Ruth Kline, both of Warren.



WALTERS - HAMLIN

John and Linda Walters of Marion, IN, announce the engagement of their daughter Shari Lynn to Jason Matthew Hamlin.

Jason is the son of Richard Hamlin of Sparks, NV and Cathy Hamlin of Anderson, CA.

Miss Walters, the granddaughter of Gail and Devonna Leas of Warren, is a graduate of Ball State University, Muncie, with a Master degree. She is employed as a Project Manager at Intel Corporation in Folsom, CA.

Her fiancé graduate with a Bachelors degree from Sacramento State University in Sacramento, CA. He is employed as an auditor for OLSI of Lafayette, CA.

The wedding is scheduled for September 4, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Sacramento, CA.



LOEHR - GOODIN

Ernest and Vicki Loehr of Churubusco announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly A. Loehr to Bradley Goodin of Fort Wayne.

Miss Loehr is a graduate of Churubusco High School and is employed at Saint Anne's Home & Retirement Community, Fort Wayne. Her grandparents are James and Marjorie Loehr of Fort Wayne, Gladys Pinkerton of rural Montpelier and the late John Pinkerton.

Her fiancé graduated from Columbia City High School and is the son of Patricia Goodin and the late Michael Goodin of Columbia City. He is employed at Dick's Sporting Goods in Fort Wayne. His grandparents are Garrett and Marilyn Lloyd of Fort Wayne.

The wedding is scheduled for October 23, 2004 at Sprng Street Wesleyan Church in Fort Wayne.

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Standards for Charitable Solicitations."

Veterans of Foreign Wars is soliciting in Indiana. The local chapter has not responded to the Bureau's request for information and the national organization does not meet the "BBB Standards for Charitable Solicitations."

Berkeley Nutraceuticals, Lifekey Healthcare, and Enzyte are all names used by one Cincinnati company that advertises health products on radio and TV. Consumers have complained about contract disputes, warranty issues, and unauthorized credit card debits. Specifically, customers have complained that they have signed up for a free trial offer (\$4.50 for shipping), but didn't realize they were signing up to automatically receive products every 60 days for \$69.95 every sixty days. Over 1,000 complaints have been filed. GJ Survey (Indianapolis), Nationwide Marketing (Indianapolis), Typesystems/TypePro (Newport, CA) are all work-at-home schemes and they are all hitting Indiana right now with promises of making money in the home; AND they all have the Bureau's lowest rating.

Chain letters - Yep, they're at it again. An Indiana consumer received a letter instructing her to send \$1 to each of the six people at the end of the letter, and in three months she will receive \$800,000. "Guaranteed." Yeah, right! The bottom line - chain letters are illegal! Just throw it in the trash can.

Bogus sweepstakes are being mailed to consumers and some of them look very authentic. They are often from another country. BEWARE! They are disguised in many different ways that sometimes look very official.

Fraud on the Internet continues to plague users. Never give any personal information and never believe that they need to update your account information - all they want is your account numbers.

Preparing your Business in the Event of Catastrophe

With the nation on heightened terrorist alert, prudent business owners in many areas are reviewing their emergency plans. Even if your business is not located in a city that is the likely target of a natural or manmade disaster, it can prove helpful to plan for the unexpected. Contact your local emergency agency to find out what you need to do.

Phone Scammers are Notorious Impersonators

The national "Do Not Call" registry may have halted the flow of unwelcome telemarketing calls into many homes. It has not, however, stopped the influx of callers pretending to be affiliated with the government, the Better Business Bureau, financial institutions or other trusted source in order to steal information and money.

Recent BBB scam warnings highlight the ingenuity of these

scam artists:

Callers claiming to be with the Department of Revenue have contacted people to commend them for paying their taxes on time. The caller requests the person's bank account number in order to deposit a "grant" as a reward. The taxpayer is assured that the \$8,000 grant will be deposited into their account after a \$240 "processing fee" is paid.

In Indiana, a caller contacted a resident stating that she was a distant family member and they had inherited money from a mutual relative. The caller offered to wire the inheritance and asked for the woman's bank account number.

Businesses are not immune from these tricksters, who may claim to be "updating" files.

The Detroit BBB received a phone call from someone allegedly with Experian credit reporting agency. After the caller requested specific information about the Bureau, the BBB staff member asked where call originated and was told "Manila, Philippines." When asked to verify that she was with Experian, the caller hung up. Your Northeastern BBB issued a press release last week, but as a reminder, callers posing as BBB employees have contacted businesses in several states, supposedly to discuss a complaint or to "update" Bureau files. They attempt to solicit information not normally required to conduct business with the BBB and sometimes use threatening language. When asked, the callers give 1.800.CALL.BBB as their phone number, which is not owned by the BBB, and is constantly busy.

The BBB advises caution whenever you receive an unexpected phone call requesting financial or personal information, no matter how great the promised "reward" or whatever the threat. BBBs urge that you not divulge any information; ask for the telephone number and address of the business or agency making the call; hang up the phone; and, contact your local BBB immediately (www.bbb.org).

Giftng Clubs are Pyramid Schemes!

BBBs are detecting a rise in giftng clubs, groups that manage to convince newcomers that they will receive thousands of dollars if they make a "gift" to participate in a private, invitation-only network. Participants are asked to contribute \$500-\$5,000 and put their money into a pool. They must find new contributors to keep the pool growing. Recruits add cash and go out to find more folks. There are typically "levels" of participation that you can rise to as you and your recruits bring in more players. Players who get in early, walk away "winners." However, experience shows that such pyramids always collapse and latecomers lose their entire investments.

The club organizers advise recruits that the operation is legal; it

is not. Almost every state has laws prohibiting pyramid schemes and/or assessing penalties on those who participate. If you are approached to join such a club, the BBB advises you to ask yourself three questions:

Do I have to make an "investment" or give money to get the right to recruit others into the program?

When I recruit another person into the program, will I receive what the law calls "consideration" (that usually means money) as a result?

Will the person I recruit have to make an "investment" or give money to get the right to recruit and receive "consideration" for getting other people to join? If the answers are "yes," steer clear of the scheme. Never buckle under to high-pressure sales pitches, even when they come from the mouth of a trusted friend, co-worker, neighbor or church member.

DOING FOR A FRIEND

Do you remember someone who changed the direction of your life? Would you like to positively influence families in your community? The Faith Based Mentoring Program in Huntington County is having a new mentor orientation on Monday, August 23rd at 6pm. Orientation will last approximately 3 hours and will take place at the Family Centered Services office at 302 Lake Street in Huntington. The program is currently seeking mentors to meet families in the program who have requested a mentor. Our families are reaching out to the community for support and friendship and we need you to volunteer! Mentors are asked to spend one hour per week with their family and attend monthly informational meetings. There are many Huntington County residents who don't have friends to talk to and you could fill that void for them.

Faith Based Mentoring is currently supported by Huntington County United Way, Lutheran Foundation, Resource Sharing Program of Victory Noll and from donations from local churches and

residents. Please call Karen Hinshaw at Family Centered Services at 358-1859 for more information and to register for orientation.



RETIREES FROM ARMY

Major Nancy Makowski, 47, daughter of Gene and Pat Souder, Warren, and Frederick J. Leist, rural Warren, retires from the U. S. Army in December 2004 after 20 years of service. Makowski is currently assigned to the Network Technology Command at Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

Makowski attended Warren Elementary School and was graduated from Huntington North High School in 1975. She was graduated from Ball State University in 1979 with a degree in commercial art. She began her Army career by enlisting in the Indiana National Guard in 1983 as a private first class. After transferring from the National Guard to the active-duty force, she completed Officers Candidate School, Fort Benning, Ga., in 1986 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant. She earned her "jump wings" by completing Airborne School shortly after commissioning. Specializing in nuclear, biological and chemical weapons defense, she served in assignments in Frankfurt, Germany, Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Polk, La.

In 1995, the Army sent her to the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, where she earned a fully-funded Masters degree in Public Administration in 1997. She utilized this degree as an associate professor at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., teaching political science to

some 500 cadets and serving as Officer-In-Charge of the cadet equestrian team for three years.

Her next assignment was as Public Affairs Officer for the 25th Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. She served as Army spokeswoman following a fatal Blackhawk helicopter accident in 2001, appearing on CNN and other local and national media. She also served an 8-month rotation in Bosnia as public affairs officer for the NATO-led Stabilization Force, Multinational Division North.

Makowski said, "I've developed the deepest appreciation for the dangerous, important work that our soldiers perform every day. I'm deeply in awe of the quality of our people. We have the best soldiers in the world. Their professionalism and discipline is inspiring and humbling. I'm honored that I've had the opportunity to serve with them, and be a part of this organization."

Her greatest achievement? "Since I've been in the Army, I've grown as a person in so many ways. I've learned about my strengths and weaknesses. The challenges have taught me that I was capable of more than I ever thought possible." "My service in the Army will be a source of pride for the rest of my life," she said.

Following her retirement, Makowski and her husband of 18 years, David, will move to their 170-acre ranch in Rociada, N. M., in the mountains north of Santa Fe. She plans to pursue a lifelong dream of breeding and training horses. Dave is a professional hunting guide and real estate agent.

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RETIRES

Well-known throughout Franklin Electric and the community, Claire McMillan, retired after 44 years of employment.

Hired on as an apprentice June 6, 1960, McMillan performed numerous duties with the plant over the years. He wrapped up his career with product development of the new hydroduty motor, designed and built at the Bluffton plant.

One of the motors was made into a lamp for McMillan's retirement. McMillan and wife Sharon plan to travel. He also plans to continue working on the farm but has no real definite plans.

"I'll miss the people," McMillan said as he looked out over the numerous people who filtered in and out of the break area Friday to congratulate him. Many hugged him or shook his hand and stood for a long time talking with him, reminiscing about the good years past.

In addition to his service with Franklin Electric, McMillan has had long service to the community, still serving on the Wells County Health Board, and as a former county council member and Southern Wells School Board president and member.

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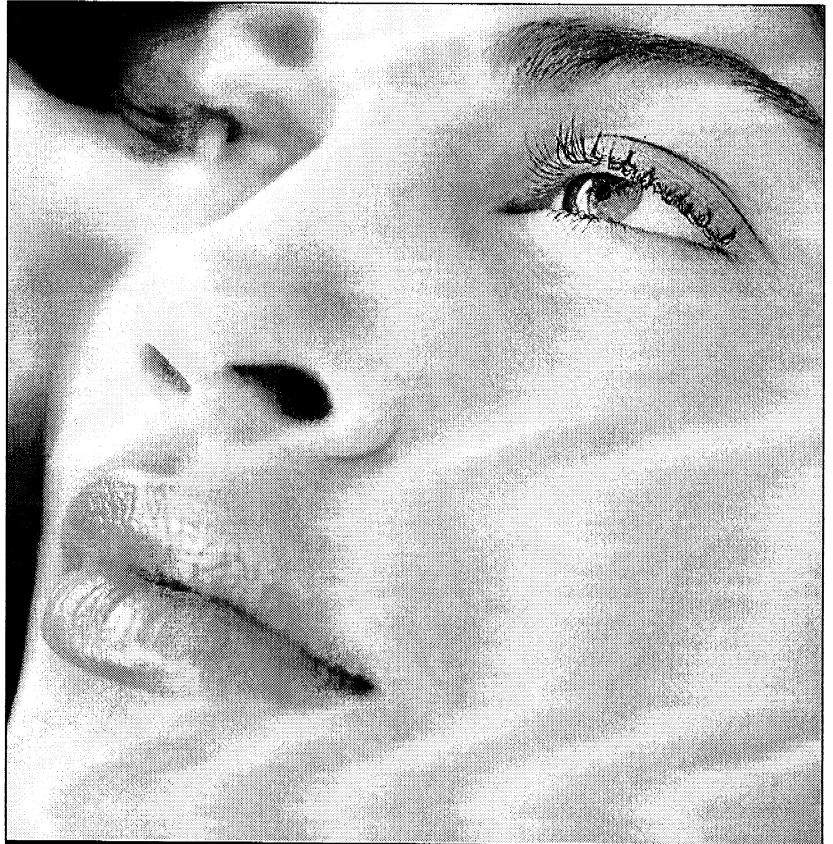
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