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Thought for the Week: *The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who cannot read them.* Mark Twain

DAFFODILS ABLOOM

How promising to know after the dreary days that spring is just around the corner and the advent of daffodils await us. Warren has consistently set a record with its support of this deserving cause. The daffodils will be available all day Friday, March 18, at the United Methodist Memorial Homes post office. Or you may order in advance by calling 375-2095. The American Cancer Society is looking forward to receiving your order and thanks you in advance.

Lilly Nutter, the Daffodil Lady

ALUMNI BANQUET

The Lancaster High School (Huntington County) Alumni Banquet for all graduates, former students and teachers will be held April 16 at the Lancaster Elementary School gymnasium. Registration begins at 5 p.m. with the banquet served at 6 p.m. Cost of the banquet is \$9.50 per person, and advance reservations are required. Anyone unable to attend the dinner is encouraged to come at 7 p.m. for fellowship and entertainment. The evening's program will include recognition of the honored classes of 1925, 1935, 1945, 1955 and 1965. Reservations should be sent to Larry F. Smith, 31 W 700 S, Warren, IN 46792 by April 9. For more information call (260) 468-2431.

SUPPER & CONCERT

The Jubilees, a gospel singing quartet, will be blessing the community with song at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 at the Warren United Methodist Church.

Before the concert, the church will be having a chili supper, serving chili, chicken noodle soup, sandwiches, relishes, and assorted desserts from 4:30-7:00.

Good food. Good music. What more could you ask for?

NEW PLAYS FESTIVAL

A group of local writers met to discuss ideas for a series of new plays based on the theme "Porch Stories." The ground rules stated that plays must run a half-hour or less, take place on a porch, have 5 or less characters and be character-driven rather than relying on technical elements. The playwrights met once a month to discuss their projects.

March 11 & 12, 2005: Four plays will be produced at the Pulse Opera House. "Spartan Oracles," by Darren Turney, is a story about four members of a high school debate team who meet after their ten year class reunion, where they get into a discussion on a porch. The theme is 'At what point do you sacrifice friendship for principle, or vice versa?'

"Whose Campaign is it Anyway?," by Mark Long," is about a man who falls asleep listening to the Presidential Debate and dreams the Debate is now the game show "Whose Campaign is it Anyway?" It is a satire about politics and politicians, the double speak used, and the processes used to determine who wins.

"Discom-boob-ulated," by Denise Buhr, is about a woman who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. This work-in-progress explores how she and the people around her react to this disease and to the treatments she receives and their side effects. It will take a very personal look at the choices this woman has and how she makes the decisions that will affect the rest of her life.

"Secrets and Leis," by Melissa Rentfrow, tells the story of women who have been friends for years. They know each other intimately — their past, their successes, their fears. Even though their busy lives often prevent them from spending time together, each one is always available for the others to

address any need, indulge any neurosis, and provide support/ chocolate/wine for any crisis.

The Friday night session begins at 7:00 p.m. and includes "Secrets & Leis," "The Spartan Oracles" and "Whose Campaign is it Anyway?" The Saturday afternoon session begins at 2:00 p.m. and includes "Discom-boob-ulated" and "Secrets and Leis." The Saturday evening session begins at 7:00 p.m. and includes "Discom-boob-ulated," "The Spartan Oracles," and "Whose Campaign is it Anyway?"

Tickets for the festival are available at the door. Pulse members and season ticket holders will be admitted free. Non-member tickets are \$5.00 per show or \$10 per session. For more information call (260) 375-7017.

GOSPEL CONCERT

The Northmen are coming to the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene this Sunday, March 13th at 6:00 p.m.

The Northmen have been a full-time southern gospel quartet since 1989. They have sung in 4 foreign countries and sang on several cruises. The Northmen had two singles in the top 40 in 2004.

The group consists of 5 members; a male quartet with a family sound bonus. Alan Godsey is the lead singer and is manager for the group. He is from Cincinnati, Ohio and now makes his home in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Alan's wife, Cathy, plays piano and sings alto. Their son, Scott Godsey, sings high tenor and plays several instruments. Brad Luzadder sings baritone and brings a smile to many; he is from Marion, Indiana. Rick Shane sings bass with resonance and feeling and is from Bluffton, Indiana.

The Northmen are a ministry that entertains and uplifts the Christian, as well as reaches out to a lost and dying world to

let them know that Jesus still saves.

Come and enjoy an evening of song. No admission will be charged for this wonderful opportunity (a freewill offering will be taken).

NURSING HOME CARE

Families who have placed or who are contemplating placing a loved one in a nursing home, have questions about a nursing home's obligations to residents, or are dealing with nursing home problems will receive information and resources to help them at an upcoming free workshop to be held in Ft. Wayne on Saturday, March 19, 2005.

The workshop, entitled "Nursing Home Care 101: What You Need To Know," is part of a program provided by the United Senior Action Foundation and funded by the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust. The program - the Resident Quality and Family Empowerment Project - is designed to give family members the information, knowledge and support they need to ensure the best possible quality of life and quality of care for their loved ones in a nursing home.

Robyn Grant, former Indiana

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GOLDEN APPLE AWARD

Carol Winterholter, 3rd grade teacher, at Salamonie School was recently honored with The Golden Apple Award. The Golden Apple Award is given by WPTA 21 Alive, Fort Wayne, to one Teacher each month as a way to honor teachers who have a positive and lasting influence on their students.

Ten students in Mrs. Winterholter's class wrote letters nominating her for The Golden Apple. "Mrs. Winterholter's class is unique in that she has looped with them through 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade. Jennifer Blomquist of 21 Alive News presented The Golden Apple Award to Mrs. Winterholter at an all school assembly on Monday, Feb. 28.

One of the comments made about Mrs. Winterholter was: "For the past three years, we've been blessed with an incredibly loving and talented teacher. She is like a best friend — sometimes even like a mom. She is so patient, she even agreed to stay at a sleepover last month with sixty third graders. She teaches us more than what's in a textbook — she teaches lifeskills that we will use for many years to come. We want to grow up to make her proud. She's always in our hearts."

Mrs. Winterholter has taught 1st, 2nd, and now 3rd grade at Salamonie School for 22 years. Prior to that she taught at Upland Middle School. Mrs. Winterholter is married to Jay Winterholter. Her parents are Earl and Marguerite Cox of Marion. She is a graduate of Eastbrook H.S., Purdue University, and Indiana University.

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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

TIME TO COME CLEAN ABOUT MOLD

New research shows that household mold will rarely cause a serious illness.

A study of common molds found in homes in five regions of the U.S. by the University of Arizona shows that molds can worsen symptoms in asthma patients. In healthy people they may cause coughing or throat irritation. The symptoms are linked to moisture, which encourages the growth of mold.

Mold may not cause serious illness, but it's definitely ugly. To keep it from forming, check your home for damp areas such as basements. Do what you can to dry them out. In addition, building-safety experts recommend these steps.

- Wipe your feet. Get a good door mat that loosens dirt from your shoes. Dirt may hold spores which turn into mold. Stomp your feet before entering the house or leave your shoes at the door.

- Ventilate. Open windows or run fans in steamy bathrooms and hot kitchens. Get the warm humid air out of the house, or try to dry out the air with the fan.

- Check the humidifiers. They add moisture to the air and require frequent cleaning to prevent mold buildup inside the units. If you must humidify, opt for a warm-mist model which boils the water so mold can't grow in the unit. Clean it often.

- Pay special attention to the bath room. If you see mold on shower walls ceilings, sinks, or toilets, scrub it with a diluted bleach mixture or a bathroom cleanser containing bleach. That will eliminate the problem for a time.

NATURAL CORK CREATES AN ATTRACTIVE, DURABLE FLOOR

In areas of your home where you don't want carpet, but you do want something easier on your feet than hardwood, a natural cork floor is an excellent choice.

A great variety of colors and patterns are available in cork flooring. It feels hard to the touch, similar to vinyl, but is actually very comfortable to walk on. You can drop a glass on it without breaking.

Cork is one of the best natural sound-absorbing materials and is also an excellent insulator, which makes it ideal for kitchens and bathrooms where you often walk on it with bare feet. Environmentally conscious homeowners like the idea that cork is a renewable product. The bark of cork oak trees is peeled off every nine years. The trees heal themselves and grow stronger. They can live to be 150 years old.

A thickness in the 3/16ths-inch range is typical for the 1-foot square tiles. The darkness of the earth tone: is controlled by how long the cork is baked. The longer it is baked, the darker it is. Natural tiles can be refinished like solid hardwood.

A cork panel floor is an easy-to-install option. Panels are 1 foot by 3 feet, and they snap together like laminate flooring does. They look similar to hardwood planks when finished.


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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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Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
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THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica
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Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
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JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST
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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

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375-3022
Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
Joe Hartley, BS Supt.
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Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30 p.m.

Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) ... 6:30-8p.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
375-4359
Bill VanHaften, Pastor
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Coffee Fellowship 8:30 a.m.
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.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.

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Worship 9:30 a.m.
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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.

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

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375-2510
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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375-2102
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Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
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THE NEW BEGINNING
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765/728-2065 for more info
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
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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.

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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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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.

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

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
Rev. Charles Dederick, 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
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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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State Long Term Care Ombudsman and current USA Long Term Care Policy Director, will present the workshop. According to Grant, "Families with a relative in a nursing home are often overwhelmed and confused by a system with which they have no experience. They may not know what to do or where to turn for assistance when problems or issues arise. The March 19th session will provide straightforward, practical information to teach family members how to be informed and effective advocates for their loved ones."

The workshop will cover the following topics:

Standards of Nursing Home Care: How It's Supposed to Work

Nursing home responsibilities and obligations

What good care looks like-debunking the "myths" of nursing home care

Promoting Good Care: How to

Help Make It Work

Information, tips, strategies to: Monitor your loved one's care Participate in the care planning process

Access and read nursing home records

Addressing Problems in the Nursing Home: What You Can Do When It's Not Working

Approaches to constructive problem solving within the nursing home

Where to turn for outside assistance.

The presentation will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne Walb Student Union Ballroom, Room 126, 2101 E. Coliseum Boulevard, Ft. Wayne. The workshop is sponsored by the Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne Vice Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Aging and the Aged. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

There is no charge to attend;

however, pre-registration is requested. For more information or to pre-register, call United Senior Action toll-free at 1-800-495-0872 or email info@usaindiana.org.

POOL TOURNEY

Needful Things held it's 1st monthly pool tourney for ages 17 & under on February 19. There were 12 players who signed up and the fun started at 2 p.m. Winning 1st place was AJ Nelson and 2nd went to Ethan Wilburn. Congratulations kids.

A great time was had by all of the kids and parents.

Next tourney date will be March 12 at 2 p.m. Come join the fun. Only \$2 entry fee. Prizes awarded for 1st and 2nd place.

Thanks a lot for making the 1st tourney fun. Brenda

ORIENTATION

Salamonie School will be having Kindergarten Orientation on Thursday, April 21st, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. with registration beginning at 6 p.m.

If you have a child who will be 5 years old on or before July 1st, 2005, please call Salamonie School (375-3434 or 356-8995)

for enrollment information.

Original birth certificate from the county of birth and immunization records must be provided at orientation.

SUPPER PLANNED

A Fish, Chicken and Tenderloin Supper (By Dan's Fry) will be held Tuesday, March 15 from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Banquo Christian Church.

Tickets are \$7.00 for adults, \$3.50 for children 6-12 and 5 and under eat free.

The menu will also include a choice of green or baked beans, and applesauce. Veggies and pickles will be on the tables and dessert (homemade pies & cakes) will be available for donations.

Carry-out is available also in the basement with entry through the front doors.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Van Buren Town Council held a short meeting on Wednesday evening, March 3. President Tony Manry called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the Council Room at Town Hall. All in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Engineer Ken Czernikowski talked about future projects which will require permits. These

include projects at the Water Plant and the Wastewater Plant.

Officer Pat Collins presented his report to Council. He reported application has been made for a grant to purchase new guns for the Police Department.

Superintendent Jim Webb reported water bills for January and February had been estimated due to weather conditions.

Two dogs from the country had caused problems in the north end of town.

The next Council meeting will be held March 16.

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Community Calendar

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Mar 12	Ham & Bean with Chicken and Noodle Soup Supper 4:30-7pm at Warren Sportsman's Club
Mar 12	KBC Board Meeting, 8am at KBC
Mar 14	Warren Town Council, 6:30pm, Assembly Hall
Mar 15	Fish, Chicken, Tenderloin supper, Banquo Christian Church, 4:30 to 7:30 pm
Mar 16	Van Buren Town Council, 7pm
Mar 18	Warren Recycle Day
Mar 19	Poneto Fire Dept. Chili Supper
Mar 26	Mt. Zion Fish Fry, Conservation Club 4:30 to 7:30 pm
Mar 28	Warren Town Council, 6:30pm, 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 **Walking in the Gym** 7 - 11 a.m. daily

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The electric wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and can not self-propel a manual wheelchair in their home or independent living quarters and who meet the additional qualifications of the program. This service may also be available to the permanently disabled of any age.

Please call 1.800.749.8778 or visit our web site at www.jaspanmedical.com for more information on the details of this program.

The Miracle on Wheels program's main purpose and goal is to develop public awareness that there are assistance options that allow senior citizens (as well as permanently disabled) to remain independent in their own homes. Without this awareness and assistance, the family may prematurely choose a nursing home, or make an unnecessary retail purchase on power mobility equipment.

NATIONAL SAFE PLACE WEEK

The U.S. Senate has designated March 13-19, 2005 as National Safe Place Week. "National Safe Place Week will help raise awareness of the number of troubled young people in the country while letting more youth and families know that help is often right in their own neighborhood," said Sen. Larry Craig (ID). Craig and Sen. Diane Feinstein (CA) are original co-sponsors of the Senate Resolution. National Safe Place Week will recognize the 14,000 businesses and 1,500 volunteers nationally who give their time, resources and energy to make our country a safer place for children.

Project Safe Place exemplifies a way for communities to collaborate with the private sector and youth service agencies. It provides an opportunity for many segments of the community to become involved in providing immediate safety for at-risk youth. Businesses such as fast food restaurants and convenience stores and community buildings like libraries are designated as Safe Place locations.

Any young person in a crisis situation can walk in and ask an employee for help. The Safe Place Coordinator is contacted and within minutes a volunteer

(or staff person) arrives and takes the young person to the Youth Services Bureau of Huntington County. Safe Place puts distressed children and their families in touch with resources they need to keep safe and provide support and guidance for the family.

In Huntington, Safe Place is operated by the Youth Services Bureau of Huntington County. The program began in 1988 and within the past 5 years we have served over 140 youth and their families. Businesses serving as Safe Place locations include Wal-Mart, all Huntington Schools, Pizza Hut, Johnson's Junctions, Huntington Library and many more. There are 10 volunteers trained and available to respond to youth at 48 Safe Place sites throughout our community.

Forty-one states have Safe Place programs that serve over 700 communities across the country. Since 1983 Safe Place has succeeded in helping over 150,000 young people stay off the street using a network of businesses and public locations and through the outreach performed. The Safe Place goal is to have the Safe Place sign recognized nationally as a symbol of help and safety for any young people who are lost or scared, abused, threatened or in any unsafe situation. If you would like to volunteer to help by volunteering your time or by making a financial donation, please contact Patti Hunt-Mitchell at the Youth Services Bureau of Huntington County at 260-356-9681 or 1-800-2985444 or our email address is ysbprog@choicemail.com.

AND THEN THERE'S BEA
You know her from Mame to Maude to The Golden Girls. The irrepressible Bea Arthur is com-

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Tickets for Bea Arthur with Billy Goldenberg are on sale now and are available at the Scottish Rite Center box office, located at 417 W. Berry St., online at www.scenter.org or over the phone at 260/423-2593 ext. 1. Bea Arthur with Billy Goldenberg, And Then There's Bea, coming to the Scottish Rite Center on Sunday, April 17th. A Scottish Rite Center 80th celebration event!

HOCKEY NIGHT & MS

Fort Wayne, Ind. – The National Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society, Indiana State Chapter presents "Komet Hockey Night," with special program, "MS & Family Relationships," on Friday, April 1, 2005, for families living with MS. Tickets are limited with four free tickets available per household. Registration starts at 6 p.m. at the Fort Wayne Memorial Coliseum located at the corner of Coliseum Blvd. (HWY 930) and Parnell Ave. There will be a \$3.00 parking fee.

During "MS & Family Relationships," Ted Ramsey, LCSW and Bluffton Regional Medical Center counselor, explains how MS can affect an entire family. Learning to balance MS in relationships with family, children, dating partners, and caregivers

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GENEALOGY REPORT

EDWARDS

Linda Irene Edwards, 61, of Warren, died at her residence at 4:02 p.m. Monday, March 7, 2005.

Born Feb. 9, 1944, in Pennsylvania to Edward and Harriett Alice (Creviston) Soderquist Hoskins, she married Robert Eugene Edwards Nov. 24, 1963 in Huntington County. He survives.

A 1963 graduate of Warren High School, she was employed at C.A.P. in Gas City. She was a supporter of many organizations in the Warren community.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Brett E. Edwards of Wells County; two brothers, James E. Hoskins of Rockford and Erick O. Soderquist III of Fort Wayne; and two grandchildren.

Services at 10 a.m. Friday, March 11, 2005 will be held at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel under the direction of Rev. Dewey Zent. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

Calling hours are 2-8 p.m. Thursday, March 10 at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, Warren.

HANEY

A 1929 graduate of Bluffton High School, L. Maxine Haney, 93, of Sturgis, Mich., died at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at Sturgis Hospital.

A legal secretary for one of the largest law firms in San Diego, she retired in 1965. She also worked in a defense plant in Cincinnati during World War II testing airplane engines. Mrs. Haney lived in the Warren area for many years before moving to Michigan.

Born on May 14, 1911, in Grant County to Clyde and Florence Edith Lugar Clanin, she was married on Dec. 24, 1964, in

Yuma, Ariz., to Ralph W. Haney, who preceded her in death in 2001.

Survivors include a son, Jack (Clanin) Brooks of Sturgis, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown and Son Chapel in Warren with the Rev. John Wallace officiating. Burial was at Thrailkill Cemetery in Swayzee.

PIGNATELLI

A resident of Wells County since 2003, Eva M. Pignatelli, 81, of rural Liberty Center, died at 2:50 p.m. Thursday, March 3, 2005 at St. Joseph Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Born May 22, 1923, in Mechanicsburg, Ohio, to Roy Winston and Alice Stover Violet. Her first marriage was to Robert C. Fisher who died on Sept. 26, 1971. Her second marriage was to Jerry Pignatelli, who also preceded her in death March 12, 1991.

Mrs. Pignatelli was a homemaker and lived in Columbus, Ohio, most of her life.

Survivors include four daughters, Betty Siders of Liberty Center; Mrs. John (Sandy) Fuleky of Valrico, Fla.; Bobbi Sheridan of Columbus, Ohio; and Eva Vaught of Warren; and a son, Roy Fisher of Columbus, Ohio; 27 grandchildren and 49 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Dawn Clarkson and Melody McDono and several brothers and sisters.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown and Son Chapel in Warren. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Columbus, Ohio.

Preferred memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

DAVIS

A rural Montpelier resident in Chester Township of Wells County, Dorothy Ann Davis, 87, died at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 5, 2005, at the Warren United Methodist Memorial Home.

She was a homemaker and a member of the 5 Points Club. She formerly attended the Keystone United Methodist Church.

Born Sept. 5, 1917 in Alpine, Ark., to Samuel Gideon and Carrie Elizabeth Howell Golden, she was married there on May 5, 1934, to Yates Franklin Davis, who died on March 5, 1970.

Surviving are five sons, Charles and William, both of Hot Springs, Ark., Jack of Fort Wayne and John and Jim of Montpelier; one daughter, Mrs. Lanny (Janice) Ray of Warren; 15 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Roy and Faye Golden, and one sister, Ruby Thompson.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel, Montpelier, with Rev. Dick Case officiating. Burial was in Brookside Memorial Park at Montpelier.

OSBORN

A lifelong resident of rural Poneto before moving to Meadowvale Health & Rehabilitation Center in Bluffton, Ellen J. Osborn, 87, died at 12:41 a.m. Sunday, March 6, 2005, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

She was a 1935 graduate of Liberty Center High School, a homemaker, a member of the Keystone United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women.

Born December 30, 1917, in Wells County, she was a daughter of Ben and Linnie Welch Holsinger. Her marriage was on

Oct. 31, 1936 in Wells County to J. Paul Osborn, who died Sept. 2, 1992.

Surviving are one son, Lynn Osborn of Montpelier; two brothers, Howard Holsinger of Columbus, Ohio, and Richard Holsinger of Bluffton; one sister, Mrs. Marion (Iris) Hunt of Bluffton; seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Preceding her in death were a daughter, Ruth Ann Wolfenberger, a son, J. P. Osborn, and a brother, Broox Holsinger.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel at Montpelier, with Pastor Steve Criffeld officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery at Warren.

Memorials to Southern Wells Community Church.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Paul and Nancy Bonham celebrated 50 years of marriage, with an open house held at the Warren Church of Christ on Sunday, February 20.

Paul and Nancy (Howard) were married February 20, 1955 at the home of the bride's father in Hammond, Indiana. Standing up with the couple were Judy (Howard) McCarty and Richard Bonham. They have lived on the same farm in Wells County for their whole married life. Paul is currently a County Commissioner, and Nancy is a retired school teacher.

The celebration was hosted by their children: Viv (John) Blakeslee, Milford; Laurie (Randy) Lockdall, Bloomington; and Bill (Lori Knowles), Warren. Another daughter, Julie, died of leukemia in 1966.



CELEBRATES 50

Mr and Mrs James Blinn were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner at the Plantation Restaurant in Arcadia, FL. The couples' children Mr and Mrs Ted (Lori) Fiock and Michael Blinn of Warren arranged for the celebration. Friends of the couple surprised them when they entered the restaurant with a large table decorated with candles, flowers and a beautiful cake.

Jim Blinn and Jacqueline Smith were married at the Lancaster United Brethren Church in Lancaster (Huntington Co.) by the Rev. Conrad Snavely on February 20, 1955.

Mr Blinn served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict and retired from Dana Corp in Marion. They also farm in Jackson Township (Wells Co.).

The couple has six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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DECA REPORT

Twenty-two students from Huntington North attended the annual Indiana DECA State Career Development conference on February 27 – May 1. Over 1200 students participated at this conference.

Sarah Hoch earned a third place in Apparel & Accessories Marketing Concepts.

The following three students qualified to compete at the International DECA Conference in Anaheim, California, April 26 – May 1.

The team of Adam Bischoff and Kevin Lacey were a top ten finalist in Financial Analysis Management Team and earned a third place to qualify.

Ashley Hines received a second place in Retail Merchandising.

Also, attending the International Conference will be two newly elected State Officers. Jimmy Faroh will serve as the District 6 President and Andrew Williams will serve as the Vice President of Public Relations.

WALKAMERICA

Since 1973, thousands of volunteers have hit the streets each spring to raise money to help the March of Dimes save babies' lives by taking part in WalkAmerica. In 2005, 45 communities in Indiana will mobilize to fight premature birth, birth defects and infant mortality.

"WalkAmerica is the prototype for all walking events not only because the March of Dimes held the first event of its kind in 1973," says Janie Sue Dubbs, State Director of Corporate Development and WalkAmerica. "WalkAmerica is the standard because the funds raised by participants has successfully made an impact on the health and lives of babies through the years. The development of surfactant therapy, nitric oxide

therapy, a regionalized system of neonatal intensive care and other medical advances that save babies lives everyday were supported with March of Dimes funding raised by WalkAmerica. The March of Dimes continues to successfully save babies' lives because these dedicated, wonderful volunteers are successful in their support of the March of Dimes."

Annually, more than 15,000 individuals volunteer and participate in WalkAmerica in Indiana. Many of the participants take part as members of one of 1200 WalkAmerica teams formed at work.

WalkAmerica events in Indiana this spring, by date:

Saturday, April 16th-Bluffton, Frankfort, Monticello, Rochester, Wabash

Sunday, April 17th-Bedford, Greenfield

Saturday, April 23rd-Crawfordsville, Lebanon, Muncie, Plymouth, Richmond, Seymour, St. Joseph County (South Bend).

Sunday, April 24th-Auburn,

Columbus, Plainfield, Vincennes, Warsaw.

Saturday, April 30th-Anderson, Connersville, Greenwood, Elkhart, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Huntington, Kokomo, LaPorte, Lafayette, Terre Haute, Washington.

Sunday, May 1st-Angola, Adams County, Batesville/Greensburg, Bloomington, Indianapolis, Lake County, Michigan City, New Castle, Noblesville, Porter County, Princeton, Shelbyville.

Saturday, May 7th-Marion
Saturday, May 14th-Jasper/Newton Counties

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Joan Huffman. Doris Simpson had the most lones, Mary Ann Monce won High and Marjorie Michaud won Low. Others enjoying the evening were Joyce Willman, Rose Mary Helm, Jo Banter, Sharon Gebhart, Jane Lieurance, Marge Jones, Doris Tyler and Mary Jo Zoda. In April we will meet at Mary Jo Zoda's home.

WARREN BASEBALL LEAGUE SIGN-UP

Boys & Girls Baseball & Softball

Warren Baseball is about to kick-off another great year! Every boy and girl, **ages 5 thru 17 on June 1st** will have the chance to play in every game.

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* Note: Only 13-16 yr. old boys will pitch in Pony League

* **Note: The birthdate has been changed from August 1 to June 1**

A fee of \$10.00 per player will be assessed for T-Ball and Coach's Pitch. We will also have a sales program to help defray the costs of running the league.

LITTLE LEAGUE, JUNIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL, SENIOR GIRLS SOFTBALL, AND PONY LEAGUE WILL PAY \$20.00 AND NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SALES PROGRAM!

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4-H BOARD MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Board will meet Tuesday, March 15, 7 p.m. in Heritage Hall at Hier's Park. The board will continue plans towards the 75th anniversary of the Huntington County 4-H Fair at Hier's Park.

JR LEADERS TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will be meeting on Thursday, March 27, 6:30-7:30 pm at Norwood Nursing Center. The youth will be playing bingo with the residents and will provide a variety of small prizes to each of the participants during their time together.

The Junior Leader organization is open to any 4-H member in grade 7 or older. For more information, contact the Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office at 354 N Jefferson St, Huntington or call the office at 358-4826.

4-H FAMILY TREES

The 4-H Genealogy Project gets youth grades 3 and above involved in tracing their family tree.

Have you ever wondered about your ancestors? Who they were or where they lived? Were some of your relatives Irish, German or Indiana? These are just some of the things you may discover in the 4-H Genealogy Project.

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Religion - Some religious organizations collect their genealogy.

Legal - Settling estates in many instances can only be accomplished by determining relationship.

Lineage and Hereditary Societies - Some societies require proof of ancestry as a requirement for membership.

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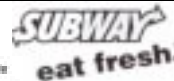
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For more information about 4-H, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412. The office is located in the Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

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Youth in grades 5 – 8 learn to plant trees, identify the different seed pod types and learn about wood and its many uses.

Youth can also learn about various shrubs along with some less common trees found in the Midwest.

Members in grades 9 – 12 can do an advance collection of leaves or one of the following: Timber Inventory, a tree planting of at least 100 trees, a timberstand improvement or a mock timber sale. Youth can also choose an independent study project on a variety of topics.

Youth may become 4-H members when they enter third grade or become ten years of age sometime during the calendar year (January 1 – December 31) and may continue their membership for a maximum of ten (10) years or through the calendar year they become nineteen (19), whichever comes first.

4-H enrollment forms are due April 1.

For more information about 4-H, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412. The office is located in the Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

4-H DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB

The Wells County 4-H Dog Obedience club will meet Tuesday, March 15, 7 – 8 PM at the Wells County 4-H Park (Quonset Building), located in Bluffton. Enrollment forms will be distributed along with dog health forms and meeting schedules.

On March 29, 7 – 8 PM, members will meet to fit their dog collars and to show their dog health papers.

Obedience Training will begin Tuesday, April 5, 7 – 8 PM and continue each Tuesday. Meetings will be held in the 4-H Livestock Show Arena located at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

The 4-H Fair will be held July 16 – 21. The club will host a "Meet Our Dogs Night" on Tuesday, July 19th, 6:30 – 8:30 PM and the 4-H Dog Show will be held Wednesday, July 20th.

Members may bring their family dog or their own dog. It can be a young or an older dog. The club has had a wide variety of breeds that range from beagles to German Shepherds to mixed breeds.

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For more information about the 4-H Dog Obedience Club, contact leaders Steve & Sandy Arnold, 824-4401; Emilee Schwartz, 824-3821 or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412. The office is located in the Community Center at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

EAGLES TO OKLAHOMA

The Huntington Eagles will travel to Oklahoma City for the 14th Annual National Christian Homeschool Basketball Championships!

The Eagles Varsity Boys & the Jr. High Eagles postseason will continue, as they prepare to travel during the week of March 13-20, to Oklahoma City for the 14th Annual National Christian Homeschool Basketball Championships. This is an Invitational Tournament for Home School teams to end their season with.

The Varsity will play 6 games in a field of 64 Boys Varsity teams! The Jr. High will play 4 games through a 36 team bracket.

See the details about the National Tournament at: <http://www.homeschoolbasketball.com/>

The Eagles website is: <http://www.huntingtoneagles.com/>

If you would like to make a tax exempt donation to support the Huntington Eagles as they make this annual trip, this can be done by writing your check to: "U.S.S.F.A." (the United States Sports and Fitness Association) for any amount, and mailing it

to: Huntington Eagles, P.O. Box 345, Warren, IN 46792-0345. The Huntington Eagles are members of this association and are allowed to benefit from their 501c.3 status.

STORY TIME

Twenty Seven children attended the VanBuren Public Library after school Story time, March 4th, 2005 for, Lets Draw with Mr. J. R. McGinnis. As the children signed in they received a picture of a dog to color, some of these pictures will be sent to our military people.

Karen introduced our Special Guest Mr. J. R. McGinnis. He showed us a picture he had painted. All of the children were impressed. Mr. McGinnis took a pencil and a poster board and started drawing. The children started drawing on their sheets of paper. They tried to copy the lines after the artist had drawn his. The children did really well. We might have a Leonardo growing up in Van Buren.

Mr. McGinnis completed his drawing and the children ask for his autograph. He was kind to sign his autograph on everyone's paper. Zachary Handshoe drew a number from a container and Emily Webb won Mr. McGinnis picture he had drawn and signed. She was really happy.

The library staff wants to thank Mr. McGinnis for coming and sharing with the children.



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