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Thought for the Week: A very small degree of hope is sufficient to cause the birth of love. Stendhal



NEW FIREFIGHTERS

The Warren Volunteer Fire Department would like to welcome Adam Blinn (right) and Shannon Hartman (left) as new members. Both have recently completed their required State Mandatory training and have received their State Mandatory Firefighting Certification.

SAM Egg Hunt

The annual S.A.M. (Salamonie Active Men) Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday morning, April 7th at 9 a.m., rain or shine at the Knight Bergman Center. Age limit is 12 years old.

FISH FRY

Mt. Zion Fish Fry March 31. The Twin Bridge Conservation Club is planning an "All You Can Eat" Fish, Chicken and Tenderloin Supper on Saturday, March 31st from 4:30 to 7:30pm in Mt. Zion.

The club house is located at 6274 S. 600 W. in Wells County. Tickets purchased at the door are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.50 for children 6-12 and 5 and under eat free

Fish, Chicken and Tenderloin prepared by Dans' Fish Fry. Carryouts will be available.

FOOD DRIVE

The Van Buren Public Library is sponsoring a food drive for the Van Buren area from April 9th until April 13th. All items will be donated to the Harvest House located at First & Vine Streets. The items needed are:

Carbohydrates & Seasoning: Pasta & Sauce, Dinner Mix, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Egg Noodles, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Flour, Salt, Pepper

Fruit: Peaches, Pears, Applesauce, Fruit, Pineapple Vegetables: Green Beans, Pork & Beans, Kidney Beans, Peas, Corn, Carrots, Tomato Juice

Snacks: Crackers, Jell-o, Brownie Mix, Kool-aid

Protein: Soups, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Meat, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Ravioli, Beef Stew, Chicken & Dumplings

Baby Items: Baby Food, Diapers Other Items: Tea, Sugar, Bar Soap, Dish Soap, Shampoo, Tooth Paste, Toilet Paper

Items not listed here will also be accepted and donated to the Harvest House.

Also, on Friday, April 13th Bridget Green will be speaking about the food pantry at the library. Anyone interested should call the library for more information.

Egg HUNT

Warren Wesleyan Church Easter egg hunt at the church on March 31st at 2:00 p.m. Age groups are toddler through 8th grade.

We also are having a kids klub group meeting every Wednesday at 7:00p.m.m, this is all year round.

SIGNS & PIZZA

The Warren Volunteer Firemen are selling reflective address signs. Purchase an address sign for \$20.00 and receive a coupon for a free Medium 2 topping Pizza from East of Chicago Pizza in Warren.

TRACTOR MEETING

Warren Area Antique Tractor Club, Inc. will have their meeting at Tim Beek, 2393E - 200N, Huntington, IN 46750, Sunday, April 1, 2007, at 2:00 p.m.

Members will also be at Heirs Park on Friday, March 30, 2007, to help with Ag Day for the 3rd grade children in Huntington County.

PALM SUNDAY

The United Church of Christ of Warren will have a special Palm Sunday Worship on April 1 at 9:30 AM. The young people of the church will be showing a Power Point presentation on Holy Week and Easter, with special interviews of church members. There will be a mime clown helping the worshipers celebrate Communion and the profound meaning of the upcoming Holy Week. The service will conclude with the worshipers following a donkey (remembering Jesus' ride into Jerusalem) and waving palm branches down the street and around the block. Upon returning to the church, refreshments will be served. The church is located on the corner of Main and Second Streets (202 East Second Street).

CALLING ALL SINGERS

The Warren Community Choir will again present John Peterson's "I Love America" for the Salamonie Summer Festival.

We will begin rehearsals on Thursday evening, April 12th at 7:00P.M. at the Church of Christ on Wayne and Third Streets. The choir will again be under the direction of Betty Yoder.

We're looking forward to anothergreat performance and need all you singers to participate.

The performance will be on Sunday, July 1st at the Church of Christ.

HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Warren Library will be closed between the hours of 12:00 and 3:00 on Good Friday, April 6.

REVIVAL MEETINGS

Mt Enta and Lancaster Wesleyan Churches will be hosting revival meetings April 1 thru 4 with Rev. Charles McCullum, Assistant District Superintendent of Wesleyan churches for this area.

Mt Etna will host the Sunday (10:30 and 6 p.m.) and Monday (7 pm.) meetings and Lancaster will host the Tuesday and Wednesday meetings, both at 7 p.m.

Special music will be provided by each church.

PICTURE FOR MOM

ArtisanFest, the Warren Festival of the Arts, in conjunction with Reflexions Photography is offering a professional Mother's Day photo opportunity at a price that will make mom proud!

Reflexions Photography is offering their services at half their regular price and no sitting fee with packages starting at only \$25. All profits go to help fund ArtisanFest 2007.

Take a picture for mom Saturday, April 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Reflexions Photogra-

phy Studio downtown, Wayne Street in Warren Indiana. Call for appointment or walk right in! So give mom a picture of your smiling face or bring her with you for a lasting memory.

Call Reflexions Photography at 260-375-7061 for appointments or questions. Or email sondra-artfest@hotmail.com.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

The public is invited to the Warren Area Community Good Friday Service, to be held at the Warren Church of Christ, 3rd & Wayne Sts. in downtown Warren, April 6, at 7:00 P.M.. Area churches will be combining their leadership of this meeting to remember the day Jesus gave his life for our sin. There will be worship through singing, scripture reading, prayer, a special community choir and a message given by Pastor Kathy Kewton of the Jefferson Center United Methodist Church. A video clip from the gospel of Matthew will visualize that terrible, yet sacrificial event that took place to demonstrate God's love for each of us. We will also share the exciting united effort the WAMA churches are participating in concerning a project to translate the Bible into the language of an unreached people group in Mexico. Let's get together to worship and remember our Lord and what He did for us on the cross.

LAST SUPPER

The Warren Church of Christ, 3rd & Wayne Sts., in downtown Warren, invites you to witness the presentation of "Leonardo da Vinci's THE LAST SUPPER", on Sunday, April 1, at 7:00 P.M. The drama is presented by the Last Supper Drama Group of Fort Wayne written by Ernest Emurian and directed by Francis Bader. Local resident Bill Cartwright is a central player and all will be pleased

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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 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. The publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any

KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

DEAR EDITOR:

It is with extreme gratitude that we share huge green and white bouquets of 4-H Clovers to those who contributed to the 4-H Fair Board Bi-Annual Benefit Auction held March 17 at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park. With donations of money, food, services, personal time and a variety of items for auction, over \$27,000 was raised in cash and pledges to support the construction costs of the new 4-H Community Building at Hier's Park.

We also appreciate the support of numerous donors who continue to contribute money, stocks, farm commodities, time and expertise to support and strengthen our county 4-H program. We are truly amazed at the generosity of Huntington County's citizens who continue to support our youth and families involved in the county 4-

It is through this generosity and personal commitment by countless individuals, families and businesses that we are able "To Make The Best Better." To this, we say "Thank YOU!"

Huntington County 4-H Fair Association, Inc.

To the Pulse Opera House Patrons:

How can the two simple words "Thank You" express what is in my heart? I am overwhelmed by the cards of thanks, filled with words of kindness. You have made those 14 years such memorable ones. Your gifts of the darling stuffed animals (and even \$ to mail them) will bring indescribable joy to the little war victims in Iraq. Again, my thanks to you for sharing your love with me; to Cynthia and Ron for accepting me as a part of THE Pulse family and to Him for touching your hearts.

Lilly, the Red Hatter at the Pulse Opera House Box Office.

CORRECTION FROM THE UPTOWN GARDENER

Last week paper I made mention of Waynes birthday and I sure made a big boo boo. He was 74 not as stated 73. Just too many people in town who knew how old he was. Wayne survived the day nicely, home alone doing as he pleased while I went shopping and lunch with my daughters. We both had a nice day. Will try to be more accurate next week.

TRENDING

State lawmakers adopted an approach called "trending", in which property assessments are updated annually based on property sales activity. The idea is helping to keep assessments current with the market. The approach began this year and will influence tax bills starting 2006 pay 2007.

All required trending date for Wells County was submitted, approved and certified. Wells County adjoins Allen County through the town of Zanesville. Huntington County also adjoins Wells County through the town of Markle. Until the adjoining Counties of Allen and Huntington are approved and certified, Wells County taxpayers can expect delayed billing.

County Treasurer Rinda Vaughn and Auditor Laura Brubaker have been in continuous communication with the DLGF "Department of Local Government and Finance" concerned about the delays and the local school and towns distribution.

State and County officials said they had expected delays this year given the new system. Since we still have not been given any "for sure" tax due date from the State, we do know it will not be May 10.

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8294S 900W 35 Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 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.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship 9:30a.m. Sunday School 10:30a.m. BUCKEYECHRISTIANCHURCH

758-2085 Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor

Sandy Keplinger, Supt. Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. **CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH** Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Pastor Anna Kroencke Youth Minister Lynne Payne Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:40 a.m. Bible Study, Wednesday.....10:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship Sun6:00 p.m.

Word of Life — Majenica Rev. Malcolm & Jackie Howell 260/356-1246

Tuesday Eve. Bible Study6:30 p.m. DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 Dick Case, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Youth Group (6th-12th).6:00p.m. Wed - Circle of Friends

(3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m. HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726

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JEFFERSONCENTER UNITED METHODIST Corner of 900S & 300W Kathy Newton, Pastor

Sunday School8:45 a.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m. **LANCASTER WESLEYAN**

468-2411 Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.

Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer Sunday School9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:55a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. LIBERTYCENTER

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Dan Helm, Pastor Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship......8:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service6:00 p.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Sunday School......9:30a.m. Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m. 2nd Worship Service10:30a.m. Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m. Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. ..11:11 a.m. Mid-Week (Wed)

THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto

Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info

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Mel Zumbrun, Pastor Worship9:30 a.m. Church School10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102 Rev. Rick Pulling, Interim 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.

VBCHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 765/934-3321 Parsonage Jeff Wass, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Adult Worship10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:30a.m. Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VBUNITED METHÓDIST CHURCH 765-934-1431

Pastor Blake J. Neff Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30a.m. Jr/Sr High UMYF (Sun)...... 6:30 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:30 p.m. UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m. www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Gerald O. Moreland, Minister Todd Winkler, Youth Minister Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt. Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

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Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast. Pastor of Family Life

Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m. WARREN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren

Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor Wesley Welch, Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship10:15 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m.

Attend the Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

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to witness each disciple sharing his part in this classic drama. The group was here at Warren Church of Christ two years ago and are returning for a repeat performance. We hope to see you there.

Easter Sunday, April 8th, the Warren Church of Christ will have a Sunrise Service at 8:00 A.M. followed with a continental breakfast. Everyone is invited to our Worship Service at 9:30 A.M. where the choir will present special songs, Gerald Moreland will share a message about the "Death, Burial and Resurrection" and a celebration of the Resurrection of Christ will be take place by all who attend.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Area clothes drive for the needy people of the Ukraine. Five area churches are combining efforts to collect clothes for the needy people of the country of Ukraine. A similar drive took place two years ago and it's time to ask you to clean out your closets of good clothes you are not using and give to help those who really need them.

Master Provisions, out of Bloomington, IN is the sponsoring agency. They collect from churches of all denominations as a Clothes Minded Cross Centered Ministry. The Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, Wabash, IN; the Church of Christ at Treaty, Wabash, IN; the LaFontaine Christian Church, LaFontaine, IN; the Markle Church of Christ, Markle, IN and the Warren Church of Christ, Warren, IN will serve as collection points for the Sundays of March 25, April 1, 8, 15, & 22, where clothes may be brought. These collection points will take the clothes to the LaFontaine church on April 22, to pack large bags at 3:00 P.M. and put them onto a large cargo container to be shipped overseas to the country of Ukraine. A supper will be provided for those who pack that afternoon.

What you can Donate: Shirts, pants, blouses, skirts, dresses,



hats, gloves, coats, scarves, boots, t-shirts, clean underwear, etc. Anything a person wears. Children's items needed too.

How to Package Your Items: Place folded clothing in garbage bags or cardboard boxes. Items will be repacked before shipping. Please do not send hangers. Band or tie (not by laces) shoes in pairs (no shoe boxes).

Please donate only items that are good and that you wouldn't mind getting yourself, if you were in need.

At the Warren church collection point, you can deposit your items in under the back porch from the parking lot. If you have questions you may call at 224-4844. We hope you can help with this worthy project. This is a community effort.

LIFEGUARD TRAINING

WHAT: American Red Cross Lifeguard Training Course

WHEN: Spring 2007 as follows *(subject to change-see below): Friday April 13 4-9PM, Saturday April 14 8AM-5PM, Friday April 20 4-9PM, Saturday April 21 8AM-5PM, Friday April 27 4-9PM *Lifeguarding class times or dates will be adjusted to accommodate students. Don't let your busy schedule stop you from taking the class. Bring your sports schedule!

WHO: Any interested candidate who is at least 15 years old. Swimming skills pretest will be conducted at the beginning of the first class. (You must perform a 550-yd swim using breaststroke, sidestroke & front crawl).

WHERE: Norwell Middle School Pool—enter thru door #36

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WHY: To become certified as a Lifeguard. To provide area aquatic facilities with well-trained personnel for supervision and administration of safety for the community.

COST: *\$135.00 includes books, course materials including course and instructor fees. Certification cards will be given upon successful completion of written and skills testing.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING: Swim suit, towel, pen or pencil, paper, highlighter, snack, drink (pop and snack machines are available).

100% participation is required! CONTACT: Jon or Jody Gates at 543-2218 (or 1-888-543-2218) ext. 6190 or email jody.gates@nwcs.k12.in.us.

Pre-registration is required by April 7; Payment (to Norwell Pool) is due at the first class.

4-H DEADLINES

The Huntington County Extension Office would like to remind all 4-H members and their families of the following 4-H dead-lines:

March 30 - 4-H Award Trip Applications – There are a variety of 4-H Award Trips that 4-H youth in grades 7-12 are eligible to participate in this summer. High school aged 4-H youth are encouraged to apply for the 4-H Science workshops which are held at Purdue University June 13-15, State 4-H Junior Leader Conference in Indianapolis July 19-22 and middle school youth who have completed 7th or 8th grade may apply for 4-H Round-Up at Purdue University June 25-27. To be considered for a 4-H Award Trip, members must complete the application form summarizing their 4-H project work and experiences and submit the application form to the Purdue Extension - Huntington County office no later than Friday, March

April 1 – 4-H Club Enrollment Form – Any youth in grades 3-12 must complete a 4-H Club Enrollment Form each year for annual membership in the Huntington County 4-H program. Enrollment forms are available from local volunteer club leaders or the county Extension Office and through these club enrollment forms, youth indicate the 4-H projects they are interested in taking for the 4-H club year.

For more information about 4-H Award Trips or enrolling in the Huntington County 4-H Club program, contact Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington or call 260-358-4826 or email laldridg@purdue.edu.

GERANIUM ORDERS DUE

Huntington County 4-H is selling geraniums as a fundraiser for a number of local 4-H clubs and the county 4-H program. Each plant costs \$1.25 and orders may be place with local 4-H club members or with the Huntington County Extension Office. The geraniums come in four different colors-red, white, pink and salmon and will be delivered on Thursday, May 3. All orders for the 4-H geraniums must be placed no later than Friday, March 30. For more information, contact the Purdue Extension -**Huntington County Office.**

THINK SPRING WINNERS

The "Think Spring" drawing was held at the Warren Library on Wednesday, March 21. The winners were: Grades 6-8 Sarah Maginnis; Grades K-5 Alyssa Newsome. Congratulations. Each received and envelope of goodies.



SUNDAY BRUNCH

AT THE CIVIC CENTER

The next meal sponsored by:

Sigma Phi Gamma Sunday, April 1st

Time: 11a.m.-1p.m.

MENU: Baked Steak, Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Salads, Vegetables, Desserts & Ddrinks

\$7.00 Adults
\$3.00 Children under 12
Free for Children 5 and under
Proceeds from this meal will go
to benefit community projects



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.

Mar 30 Warren Recycle Day Mar 31 Fish Fry, Mt Zion Conservation Club, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. April 1 April Fool's Day Sunday Luncheon, at KBC 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Sigma Phi April 1 April 4 Warren Chamber of Commerce lunch, noon, Assembly Hall April 4 Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m. April 6 **GOOD FRIDAY** April 8 Warren Town Council 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall April 9 April 10 Our Town Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Assembly Hall April 13 Warren Recycle Day April 14 KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC April 16 TAXESDUE Van Buren Town Council 7 n.m. April 18 April 21 Pancake/Sausage Breakfast 6 to 10 am., Sportman's April 22 **EARTHDAY** April 28 Gebharts' Greenhouse Opening May 12 Warren Alumni Banquet - 5:30 p.m. Jim Howell

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 After School Adventure - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene Preschool Story Time - Warren Library 10:30 Fridays Walking in the Gym - at KBC 7-11a.m. Monday thru Friday

375-3048

Warren Tri Kappa Easter Eggs



Eggs are hand made from natural ingredients and have a cream center covered with milk chocolate.

Available March 31st 9:00 a.m. - Noon at: MarkleBank National City Accent Interiors (in Warren, IN)

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

NEW AT WPL

The new books and DVDs are too numerous to list, so stop by at the Warren Library to see what is available for your reading and viewing pleasure. Hours are Monday through Thursday 1:00 – 6:00; Friday 10:00 – 6:00; Saturday 10:00 – 2:00. Story time for preschoolers is Friday at 10:15.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE

MarkleFinancial Recognized for Outstanding Client Service at Investment Centers of America National Conference.

Investment Centers of America, Inc. (ICA) recognized the efforts of Tim Jolloff, Louanne Kaye, Susan Carey and more than 100 of their fellow representatives at the company's national conference in Tucson, Ariz. The annual event, held at the J.W. Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa from March 14-17, provided an opportunity for attendees to share strategies for developing effective solutions to help clients reach their financial goals and learn how to take their practices to the next level.

"The success of our representatives is driven by their commitment to doing what is right for their clients," said ICA President Greg Gunderson.
"MarkleFinancial's representatives have demonstrated a firm commitment to putting the needs of their clients first and dedicating substantial time and effort to each relationship. They exemplify the philosophy and values that are the foundation of ICA."

The theme of this year's conference, "Your Number - Your Life - Your Plan," was tied to ICA's new retirement planning program, "We've Got Your Number," which is designed to provide the company's representatives with a comprehensive resource to help them meet the lifetime planning needs of their Baby Boomer clients. The program focuses on a relationship development strategy that is intended to help independent advisers become the primary retirement experts in their communities.

"The primary focus for ICA's representatives in 2007 is to find new ways to meet the evolving needs of their clients as they help them prepare for retirement," said Gunderson. "There will be 60 million people turning 60 over the next 18 years, and they will depend on experienced financial professionals who can provide the comprehensive advice and support they need to ensure a secure financial future."

Representatives from many of ICA's product partners held seminars at the conference designed to educate representatives on various industry topics such as new tax laws, risk management

and portfolio diversification techniques. Several of ICA's top representatives also delivered presentations that recognized the organization's accomplishments in 2006 and outlined key initiatives and goals for the coming year.

Tim Jolloff, Louanne Kaye, and Susan Carey are located at the MarkleBank offices in Markle, Bluffton, Warren, Huntington, and Fort Wayne and can be reached at 888-758-3111.

FROZEN FOOD SALE

The annual 4-H Frozen Food Sale is underway by Wells County 4-H members and volunteers. Order forms are due April 3rd at the Wells County Extension Office located at 1240 S. 4-H Road, Bluffton.

Over 100 items are included in the selection which ranges from frozen fruit and vegetables to fish and chicken. Many of the fruit and vegetables are bulk packaged in ten, twenty, or thirty pound containers. Most of the fruit can be ordered with or without sugar and are excellent for pies and desserts.

Many of the fruit and vegetables are individually quick frozen (IQF) which means you can just pour or scoop out what items you need. Some of the most popular items ordered include: Tyson chicken breasts, skinless, boneless, and uncooked; Ocean Perch Fillets; Red Tart Cherries, quick frozen so that you can pour out what you need each time; and Raspberries, red and black. Special offerings during this sale include: twice baked potatoes, fajita vegetable mix, burritos, California blend vegetables, pizza bagel smackerz, green beans, apple spice muffins, Chicken fryz/ sticks, strawberry halves, and Berry Patch Mix which is blackberries, red raspberries, blueberries, and sliced strawberries.

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For more information and an order form, contact any 4-H family or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 260-824-6412.

COMMUNITY

CONVERSATIONS

The Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter is presenting a Community Conversations program, "Understanding Memory Loss: Alzheimer's Disease 101", at the Peabody Library, 1160 E. State Road 205, Columbia City, IN. on Wednesday April 18 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. The presenter will be Ms. Deb Guy from Heartland Home Health and Hospice. This is a free program for all those who would like to know more about Alzheimer's disease. Ms. Guy will offer practical, up to date information and there will be an opportunity for discussion and questions. For more information please call our local office at 260-420-5547.

DWD Scholarships

The Purdue University Huntington County Extension Office will be offering a Dining with Diabetes Class beginning Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at noon at the Victory Noll Ministry Center in Huntington. Dining with Diabetes is a two hour class that runs twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, for two weeks. This class is open to those with diabetes, their family members and caretakers, and anyone who would like to learn more about healthy cooking. The classes are \$40 per person and pre-registration is required. Scholarships are now available through Aging and In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana for participants who are at least 60 years of age or have a spouse who is at least 60 years of age. Please register for classes by Tuesday, April 3, 2007.

You will learn how to prepare meals that are healthy, easy to prepare and taste good. Recipes will be demonstrated, and participants will have the opportunity to taste each one. Partici-

pants will also learn up to date information on nutrition, meal planning, exercise and how to understand common diabetes related medical tests. Recipes and handouts will be given to each participant.

Diabetes is a very serious and costly disease, but research has shown that those who learn to manage their blood glucose (sugar) levels, eat a healthy diet and exercise regularly can lower their risks of complications and lead a healthier and more productive life.

Dining with Diabetes is offered statewide and is sponsored by the Purdue University Extension Service. Registration and class fee may be sent to: Huntington County Extension Office at 354 N. Jefferson St., Ste 202, Huntington, IN 46750. For further information please call the Huntington County Extension Office at 260-358-4826.

NEW FOREVER STAMP

The U.S. Postal Service's newest consumer innovation, the Forever stamp, will go on sale in the Warren Post Office April 12. The stamp features the Liberty Bell image and the word "forever," and will sell for 41 cents.

"Customers can begin using the stampwhen postage changes May 14," said Warren Postmaster Stephanie Bauman.

The stamp was previewed March 26 at the National Postal Forum. "Who said nothing lasts forever?" remarked Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer John E. Potter in unveiling the image. "The Foreverstamp is a consumer innovation guaranteed to deliver unprecedented convenience and value to our customers. It's good forever."

Potter said the Liberty Bell was selected because it resonates as one of the nation's most prominent and recognizable symbols associated with American independence.

"We think customers will prefer the Forever stamp for the convenience it offers by easing the transition for mailing letters when prices change," said Bauman. "When postage changes in the future, it will reduce the need to buy one-and two-cent stamps."

Beginning April, 12, the Forever stamp will be available at ATMs in sheets of 18, in booklets of 20 through www.usps.com, by calling 1-800-STAMP-24, through Post Office vending machines, at Automated Postal Centers and in Post Office lobbies nationwide.

Once prices change May 14, the Forever stamp will remain on sale at the 41-cent First-Class one-ounce letter price until the next price change. The Forever stamp will then be available at the new price.

CORRECTION

The April 5th "Careers in Agriculture" program will be held at the Blackford Co. High School library, not the fairgrounds as originally reported. Please RSVP by April 3 to the Extension Office at 348-3213.









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GENEALOGY REPORT

THANK YOU

The family of Georgia Poulson would like to express our gratitude for all your prayers, visits, cards, food and flowers during our mothers sickness.

Thanks to the entire staff of Heritage Pointe, you were great. A special thanks to Jill Huston and 1A nurses. You were all so caring and comforting. To the caregivers of Hospice, thanks for all you did. You are all very special people.

Thank you to Sigma Phi Beta Delta sorority for the beautiful memorial service and the food that was brought in. To the women of the United Church of Christ for the lunch after the service. We appreciated it.

To Pastor Rick Pulling for the service and being there for us for support.

Thanks to everyone when we needed you. God Bless you all. The family of Georgia Poulson Harold Poulson Larry and Roselyn Poulson and family Conchita and Dwight Wesco and family Jerry and Marjorie Poulson and family Sherri Decker and family

LEE

A son of Irene Lee Newman of Bluffton, Robert E. Lee, 62, of Montpelier, died at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24, 2007 at his residence.

He was a truck driver for 18 years with Phelps Dodge of Fort Wayne and was a member of the Brown-Doyle American Legion Post in Van Buren. He was a 1962 graduate of Montpelier High School and a veteran of the U.S. Navy and had lived in the Warren area for many years until moving back to Montpelier in 2004.

Born Aug. 14, 1944 in Muncie to Ervin Lee and Irene Lee Newman, his marriage on July

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28, 1969 in New Haven was to the former Jane Hull, who survives in Montpelier.

Also surviving in addition to the mother and wife are a son, Brian Lee of Fort Wayne, a daughter, Michelle (Scott) Hecht of Fort Wayne, two sisters, Janet (Don) Routledge of Lexington, Tenn., and Linda (Bill) Riggs of Greenfield; two brothers, Jim (Julia) Lee and Walt Lee, both of Montpelier, and one grandchild. He was preceded in death by a brother, Rex Lee.

Calling will be Wednesday from 5 to 9 p.m. at Glancy Funeral Homes - Walker Chapel in Montpelier. Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Shellie Jordan and Rev. Mike Smith officiating. Burial will be in Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier. Preferred memorials are to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

BLACK



Jerry L Black, 71. of Marion died at 9:15 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2007 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Mr. Black was born February 15, 1936 to Ross F. and Virginia Adeline (Bloomer) Black in Marion. He married Audra A. Trout on December 11. 1955 in Grant County. He worked at Delta Electric in Marion for 17 years and then at Fisher-Body in Marion for 30 years, retiring in 1997. He was a member of the Sympathy Club CPC in Marion and also the Local UAW 977 in Marion. He worked at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Safety Patrol for 9 years. He enjoyed the outdoors, helping people, NASCAR, and spending time with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Central Christian Church in Van Buren and attended Marion High School.

Survivors include his wife; son David J (Melissa) Black of Gas City; daughter, Pamela A Black of Marion; four brothers, Paul (Anita) Black of Avon Park, Glen Black of Marion, Jim (Jeannine) Black of Marion and Charles Black of Marion; three sisters, Grace (Richard) Stratton of Beebe AR, Doris (Gene) Jay of Marion and Margaret (Jonas) Brown of Marion; one grandson Justin L Black of Gas City and two granddaughters, Brianna R and Kayla L Black of Gas City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a daughter Debra S Black, brothers Lawrence and Robert and a sister, Donna Jean Black.

Services were held at Central Christian Church Van Buren with Pastor Anna Korencke and Pastor Joe Haney officiating. Burial was in Van Buren Cemetery. Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BLAIR

Viola M. Blair, 91, Warren, died at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24. 2007 at Heritage Pointe in War-

Born March 9, 1916 in Grant County to Alpheus and Lizzie Bradford Green, she married Paul E. Blair on Jan. 25, 1936 in Warren; he died Jan. 4, 1997.

A 1934 graduate of Van Buren High School, she was a homemaker and helped her husband farm. She was a member of the United Church of Christ in Warren and the Rural Friendship Home Economics Club.

Survivors include two sons, Ronald D. Blair of Markle and Darrell G. (Margaret) Blair of Warren; a daughter, Jean (Dan) Dunphy of Colorado Springs, Colo.; nine grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth Green.

Services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren with Rev. Rick Pulling officiating. Burial was in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren. Preferred memorials are to the church or the Warren Volunteer Fire Department.

BAKER

Cleo Williamson Baker, 98, of Van Buren, died March 12, 2007 at the home of her granddaughter in Wilmington NC.

Mrs. Baker was born September 25, 1908 to Milton C and Edna A (Tinsley) Williamson in Grant County. She married Earl Bakerwho preceded her in death.

She attended Van Buren High School and was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church. She was a nurses aid for many years at Marion General Hospital.

Survivors include a grandson, Joseph T Frazier of Grant County and a granddaughter, Susan Long of Wilmington NC.

She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Monte Williamson, Opal Achor, Iva Mae Zent and LaVelle Schweikhardt. Private graveside services were conducted on March 21, 2007 at Van Buren Cemetery with Pastor Frank Brown officiating.

Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SHAW



Dwight K Shaw, 73, McCordsville, passed away February 24, 2007 at his home.

He was born in Huntington County on August 14, 1933, to the late Glen and Nora (Love) Shaw.

Dwight was the head of the social studies department at Manual High School, where he taught history and economics and retired in 1995. He was a 1951 graduate of Jefferson High School. He received a master's degree from Butler University. He was a US Army veteran of the Korean conflict, a member of the Fortville Christian Church, Indiana Teachers Retirement Association, AARP and the US Trotters Association.

Dwight is survived by his wife, Shirley (Moss) Shaw, whom he married May 15, 1953 in Marion; daughters, Vicki Shaw and Karen Tuttle, both of McCordsville; grandchildren, Jeremiah Tuttle,

Katrina Tuttle, Joshua Tuttle; sisters, Naomi Miller of Urbana, Glenora Shook of Swayzee and Martha Harrold of Fort Wayne.

He was preceded in death by son, Michael Shaw; sisters Rosadene Moore, Wilma J Gruver, and brothers, Lewis and Jacob.

A celebration of Dwight's life was held at the Fortville Christian Church in Fortville.

In lieu of flowers the family requested memorial contributions to the Fortville Christian Church of the charity of the donor's choice.

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ALUMNI BANQUET

The Lancaster High School (Huntington County) Alumni Banquet for all graduates, former students (of years between 1898 and 1966), and teachers will be held on April 21,2007 at the Lancaster Elementary School gymnasium, 2932W-300S.

Registration begins at 5 p.m. with the banquet served at 6 p.m. Cost of the banquet is \$12.50 per person, and advanced reservations are required.

Anyone unable to attend the dinner is encouraged to come at 7 p.m. for fellowship and entertainment, or send us some news of your life and send address, phone number, and e-mail.

The evening's program will include recognition of the honored classes of 1927,1937,1947, and 1957. In addition, Barry Jamison, Ron and Carol Burns will reminisce with singing oldies and a medley of Elvis songs.

Reservations should be sent to MaryAnn Eller, P.O. Box 411, Huntington, IN 46750-0411 by April 6.

For more information please call 260 356-0869



BY DENNIS STROUD

After the subject of holding regular fairs began to be discussed and so many people were in favor of this that a public meeting was held on the 13th of October, 1883. After several meetings, on the 29th of May, they elected officers. John A. Helm was elected president, Isaac F. Beard secretary, S. L. Good treasurer and L.S. Jones superintendent. I.F. Beard, J.C. Christman and Dr. Jonas Good were elected as the executive committee. Adam Foust, S.A. Pulse, H.C. Creviston, J. Whitelock, N.P. Wiley, S.C. Roush, D.L. Elliot and Lewis Morrison were elected directors.

The officers started to look for land immediately and after looking at several tracts of land they decided to take David Finkle's woods and enough ground on Silas Jones' and S.L. Good's farms that adjoined for the fair grounds. The grove consisted of eight acres, covered with large beech and sugar trees, which provided good shade. Twenty two acres of cleared ground was used for a track and the buildings needed. The ground laid forty rod from the depot and was an easy walk from any part of town. One gate, to the grounds, was at the north end of Nancy Street where Eight Street meets and the main gate was at the east end of Ninth The improvements of the grounds did not start until the first of August but the planning was so good that everything was in a perfect state of readiness when the fair opened on September 23, 1884. The buildings were built to hold the livestock with 125 stalls for horses, 80 for cattle and hogs and 40 for sheep. On the first day of the fair it was found that there were not enough stalls for horses and 24 more were ordered to be built immediately.

Floral Hall was a building 30 by 80 feet with trap windows on the sides so that they could be raised to permit a view from the outside as well as the inside. Shelves were built along each side and platforms through the center which gave the exhibiters ample room to display their products. Vegetable Hall was 24 by 50 feet and built on the same plan as Floral Hall but stood 40 feet away. Both of the halls were later enlarged for it was found that they were not large enough. The other "necessary buildings" were conveniently located and well suited to the wants of the public.

The race track was a long half mile and was built with the latest and most approved plans. Although new, it was in splendid condition for the first fair. Opposite the judges stand was the amphitheater with a seating capacity of nearly one thousand. The seats were arranged so people could sit easily and comfortably. The position of the amphitheater was such that, from any seat in it, the horse could be seen the whole distance around the track. The grounds were fenced in, mostly with boards and the rest with rows of stalls on the outside. There were four good wells on the grounds which supplied all the water that was needed.

BAYVIEW READING

Bayview Reading Club met at 2 P.M. in the Calico Lounge at Heritage Pointe with seven members in attendance. A quest of Margaret Bell was welcomed -Bonnie Halvorson, of Heritage Pointe. President Lilly Nutter called the meeting to order and led the group in the Club Collect. Lilly saluted the season with a poem which affirmed the sure move of our weather in March from winter to spring. Minutes of the February meeting and the treasury report were given and accepted. A short review of the Bavview Reading Club's history was offered by secretary Margaret Bell, from past records. The Warren Club was organized in 1894, with 8 charter members, four of whom went to Bayview, Michigan, where the national headquarters were located, for education about the Club's history and purpose. The Club in 1903 supported the establishment of a Public Library in Warren; some time following, our Carnegie Library became a reality. The 90th anniversary was celebrated in 1984; at that time Lilly Nutter was an active member. Margaret also reviewed briefly some of Lilly's numerous current activities of service to people in several areas of our community.

A study of a man, painter Victorio Rivera, was the program topic of Lilly at the March meeting. Mr. Rivera's famous painting, a copy currently on a wall at Heritage Pointe, was displayed. It is a very moving picture of Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane; the original, painted on velvet, hangs in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. The history of this painter is remarkable. As a boy in the Philippines he was educated by missionaries and became a Christian. During World War II he encountered a prisoner of war named Paul, whose conditions of life in the prison camp were very severe. Victorio brought Paul food and other needs, and a deep friendship developed. On his release and return to the United States, Paul sent for Victorio to come to the United States, where he helped the young boy develop his interest and outstanding talent in art. This has matured with one of his works displayed in Washington, D.C., as noted, and Mr. Rivera's being selected as State Artist for the state of Oregon.

Lilly's keen sense of humor concluded her program as she read a huge listing of items of our Indiana speech, entitled "You'll know you're from Indiana when" Space permits recalling only a few: "You can say and pronounce Terre Haute; school may be cancelled for either cold or heat; you gotta know sports at all 3 levels - high school, college, and professional; Indiana is the 'layering' capitol of the world!," etc.

A roll call of members present affirmed the members' enjoyment of the program, and even a few more "Indiana speech specialties" were added. Next month's program will be "something good" which has been read by each member, with discussion invited.

Preschool Story-time

Thirty-Four children from the Little Panther Preschool attended the Van Buren Public Library on Wed. March 14, 2007.

Karen read books entitled "St. Patrick' Day" by Gail Gibbons. This book told how St. Patrick's Day came to be. "The Luckiest Leprechaun" by Justine Korman was also read. This book is about friendship. These children's

books can be found in the Children's Department of the library.

This year's preschoolers are: Aidan, Allyssah, Amazza, Braxton, Chad, Colton, Gracie, Jackia, Justin, Keswick, Raenah, Alex, Alexus, Allison, Ashley, Colin, Dalton, Delani, Ethan, Gabrielle, Glen, Hunter, Jadelyn, Klayton, Kreigh, Madyson, Micah, Parker, Peyton, Seth, Seth, Skyla, Tala, & Wyatt.

The next preschool visit will be on Wednesday April 11th, 2007.

NATIONAL ANTHEM DAY

Eight children help to celebrate our National Anthem Day at the Van Buren Public Library after School story time Friday March 9th, 2007.

The children signed in and received a picture of an American Flag to color for our people in the military.

When everyone arrived, Alie Gray led the children to say the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and sing our National Anthem. Good job Ali! It was a good feeling to honor our flag with the pledge and sing our National Anthem.

Amy Smith read the book "The Star Spangled Banner" by Peter Spier and read how the National Anthem was first a poem then made into a song. The book can be found in the children's department of the library.

Letters were written to our military people and games were played. Prizes were presented and Jarren Griffith won the patriotic bear. Everyone had a good time being an American.

Those attending were: Alie Gray, Jacob Clupper, Catherine Anderson, Nixon Smith, Jade Griffith, Jarren Griffith, Hannah Hutchinson and Bethany Bridenthal.

The library appreciates our volunteers at story time Amy Smith and Mrs. Nancy Cook. Thank-You.

Next story time will be March 23rd with Special Guest Andrea McCoy. Who will share information about children with special needs.

IDLE **H**OUR

The Idle Hour Club met in the Fahl dining room of Heritage Pointe for lunch on Monday, March 5, 2007, with Helen Trout as hostess.

The afternoon meeting, held in the Calico Lounge, was opened by President Edna Alfeld giving the thought for the day, Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. Roll call was given by telling how many schools you attended. The secretary and treasurer report was given.

Due to ill health, Georgia

Poulson resigned as secretary and treasurer and Marjorie Lieurance assumed the office. The next meeting hostess will be Jane Haley.

7-Up was played with Ruth Brooks high and Jean Boxell low. Those attending were Edna Alfeld, Jean Boxell, Ruth Brooks, Freda Finley, Jane Haley, Marjorie Lieurance, Helen Trout and Clara Mossburg.

CHAUTAUQUA

The Chautauqua Club met March 2, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe.

President, Jane Ruble opened the meeting with everyone repeating the collect. Roll call was answered by 23 members telling how many years they have been a member of Chautauqua.

Secretary report was read. Treasurer reported a balance of \$180.50.

Sue Blair introduced Tony Garton and his friend Riley (his dog). Tony gave a very inspirational talk about Value and Worth. Sometimes we fail to let each other know that we each have value and worth. Those that are closest to us are the ones we fail to acknowledge the most. When God sent his Son to die for us -He said you are worth full value. Lovely refreshments were served by Lou Ann Shafer to Barbara Baer, Janet Beavans, Lucille Beavans, Sue Blair, Sharon Gebhart, Phyliss Hubbart, Joan Huffman, Karen Hunnicutt, Georgina Laymon, Ann Miles, Lu Ellyn Pond, Jane Ruble, Roberta St John, Peggy Schweikhardt, Ann Spahr, Carolyn Sparks, Alice Whitmore, Oma Zent, Mary Brown, Ruth Alice Christner, Mary Emma Huffman, Bertha Turner. The next meeting will be April 6, 2007 at 1:30 at Heritage Pointe.



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LADIES MET

Huntington County Church Women United met on Friday, March 2 at the Trinity United Methodist Church. Associate president, Norma Kitt gave opening devotions, "In March," "My Neighbor Next Door," and "My Neighbor Friend." President, Johanna Lange assembled a Worship Center which included beautiful lace doilies. The program was the 2007 World Day of Prayer and the theme was United under God's Tent. Johanna Lange led the program with readers Betty Schoeff. Thelma Lewis. Linda Hollenbaugh, Nancy Thrasher, Norma Kitt, Jean Ross, Carolyn Bitzer, Carolyn Winters, Joann Dolby, and Myrna Neff assisting. The treasurer's report was given by Joann Dolby.

Roll call was answered by 20 present from area churches. The traveling banner, which is given to the church with the largest number present, was presented to Bethel United Methodist Church. Norma Kitt closed the meeting by reading "Responsive Heart" and "I'm Gonna live so God can use me."

The next meeting will be May 4 at the Bethel United Methodist Church in Huntington. This will be their May Friendship Day with the theme being, "Friends under God's wing."

SPRING THEME

Joan Boyer was guest story teller at the Warren Public Library on March 23. Spring was the theme as she read "The Wind Blew" "Mouse's First Spring" "My Spring Robin" and "Where's Peter Rabbit?"

Each child present planted a marigold seed to take home.

Story time is Friday mornings at 10:15, however there will be no story time during Spring Break, April 6.

Wins Scholarship



Jackson Johnson is the winner of the 2006 National Junior Swine Association (NJSA) Junior Scholarship. Johnson,

11, is the son of Mike and Karen Johnson of Poneto.

The scholarships were scored on a combination of youth leadership activities, NJSA leadership and associated affiliate leadership, scholastic excellence and interet in swine industry. Ages were considered as of January 1, 2006. A total of five scholarships were given away to youth in the following divisions: one novice (8 and under), one junior (9-12), one intermediate (13-16), and two seniors (17-21). Johnson will

receive \$200.

Johnson attends Southern Wells Elementary. He has been a member of NJSA for six years and has shown at the NJSS, WPX, NBS® Jr. Barrow Classic (NBS) and is a protege in MVP.

He has received many great awards in NJSA including the title of third place junior sweep-stakes winner at the 2006 NJSS and champion showmanship exhibitor in 2004 and 2005 at the NBS. He was featured as the Youth Spotlight in January 2003 and won the NJSA Novice Scholarship in 2004.

Johnson is a great volunteer in NJSA - he works in the NJSA Booth at the shows and sells raffle tickets to help raise money for NJSA shows and activities, in 2004, he was named the Top Salesman.

He is a member of the Huntington County, Ind., 4-H program and helps with set-up and takedown at his county fair. He also works hard to keep the swine and goat barns looking good during the fair.

In school, he enjoys playing basketball and running cross-country. He also plays baseball on a local team in his hometown. He serves as the student leader of the Service Learning Committee at his school. This committee applies for grants and decides how to spend grant money.

He says, "My goal is to continue to raise high quality purebred Duroc and Hampshire pigs with my family. I would also like to run for the NJSA Board so that I could encourage others to join the NJSA where they can gain great friends and have a really good time, too!"

The National Junior Swine Association is the fastest growing youth organization in animal agriculture and is a division of the National Swine Registry located in West Lafayette, hid. For more information, contact jennifer@nationalswine.com or (765) 463-3594.

FEAR OF DECORATING

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley
Did you ever glance at those well lit
pictures in a magazine and wish for
a room that looked as inviting as the
images in their pages. We want the
feel of those pictures but we have no
clue where to start to accomplish it.
Don't feel bad because I can helpyou
get started on your dream home and
it can be done in babysteps.

Our biggest problem is that we don't know where to start! We see the beautifully put together rooms and we get overwhelmed. Then we put the magazine down and give up before we ever get started.

I was scared to death to remodel our home. When Robert and I married ten years ago; I had a houseful of clutter and so did he. We put our clutter together and then went to estate auctions to buy more. We called ourselves upgrading the fumiture that we already had. Oh we got some great deals but it is so hard to see what you have when your home is filled with clutter.

It was only when we started to get rid of our clutter that we could selectively know what we needed to purchase. It took us about nine months to slowly eliminate our clutter. I like to think of it as giving birth to a new me. As the clutter disappeared I could see in my mind's eye what I wanted for our home and not the piles of stuff that clouded my vision. I began to feel the peace that I had always searched for and it was hiding underneath my hot spots.

Slowly our home became clutter free and peaceful. It still was not decorated as those pictures in the magazines, but it hugged us when wewalked in the door. Even with the green shag carpet from the seventies our home was inviting and my routines were helping meto keep our home company ready just for us. This was a blessing but it also created another level of fear in me.

With the clutter gone we could see that our home needed updating. Every room in our home needed help. We could actually see the forest for the first time. We looked closely at each room. I took a note pad and put on a different set of eyes to examine our home. Just imagine that you are a real estate agent and

you are going to help your client get their home ready to sell. Grab a clipboard and your pen. I am going to walk you though your home.

We started with our one butt kitchen and our coppertone appliances. I began to jot down everything that I felt made our home outdated. Then we looked at the outside of our home, our bathrooms, living room, bedrooms and back deck. We examined our heating unit and our side porch.

Then we went to dinner to discuss what to do first. This was so frightening to me. I was afraid of allowing the clutter and CHAOS to invade our home again. Once I realized that I could do this by taking babysteps and by taking care of me during this process; I was willing to take the next step.

You can do this too with your routines in place to guide you and by flinging your clutter so that you have a clean palette to start with. You will be surprised at how much better your home will feel when you love yourself enough to take babysteps. I will be telling you more about this in the future. Many people have this same problem and we want to help you all have the confidence to make your home feel comfortable.

The best compliment I have ever received is that our home looks just like us. This is because we only have things in our home that make us smile. Are you ready to FLY into building your dream home one babystep at a time?

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

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We wanted to keep the taxpayers, schools, towns and other entities informed on this. As we know more from the State, we will continued putting updates in the paper. For any taxpayers wishing to pay their taxes now before a due date, they may pay the amount of last years spring tax amount. It will then be applied to their taxes for this year. Also, any businesses that may want to pay now may do so. This will greatly help the schools, towns and other entities to get their advance draws on tax money collected. The hours are 8:00 to 4:30, Monday thru Friday.

> Sincerely, Rinda S Vaughn, Wells County Treasurer Laura A Brubaker, Wells County Auditor

More Former Businesses

A few more former businesses have been forwarded to the Warren Weekly for publication. They include: H Brown & Son Furniture Store; Needler Furniture; Mac's Café; Ben Franklin; Miriam Thompson Dress Shop; Bonifield's Gift Shop; Polings Restaurant; Marie's Style Shop; Kellers Egg & Milk Store; Mitters Bakery; Herschel Rubles Propane; Stucky Hatchery; Kriegbaum Hardware; Beaver Machine Shop; Sohigro/Helena; Baker Implements; IPT; Farm Bureau Co-Op; Heinhold Hog Market; Pearl Batholomew Millinery; Gibbs Jewelry.

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