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Thought for the Week: I respect faith, but doubt is what gets you an education. Wilson Mizner

LIBERTY CENTER ALUMNI

The Liberty Center High School Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, June 10 at the Southern Wells High School. Doors will open at 5 p.m. for registration. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. A short business meeting and entertainment will follow.

The classes of 1949 and 1950 will be honored.

Reservations are \$10 per person and may be made by sending a check made payable to: "Liberty Center Alumni", to Eleanor J Wood, 1100 N.W., St. Rd. 116, Markle, IN 46770 or by calling 219-543-2540.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Huntington County law firm of Bowers Brewer Garrett & Wiley has announced the winners of their 2000 educational scholarships. Casey Eckert and Carmen Glover have each received \$250.00 to be used toward their continuing education.

Casey Eckert is the daughter of Sarah and Anthony Eckert of rural Warren and plans to attend Purdue University majoring in pre-law. Casey has been active at Huntington North High School in FFA, Class Council, National Honor Society, Volleyball and Softball. She is also a member of 4-H and several horse clubs and organizations and has been employed at Frederick's Photography in Huntington.

Carmen Glover is the daughter of the late Morris Glover and the late Joyce Glover. Carmen will attend Indiana State University majoring in pre-medicine. At Huntington North, Carmen has been active in Speech Team, Campus Life, National Honor Society, Science Club, Track and Cross Country. Carmen has an extensive record of volunteer work in the Huntington area including work at the Emergency Services Department of Lutheran Hospital.

Bowers Brewer Garrett & Wiley is a general practice law firm serving the legal needs of Huntington County since 1899 with offices in Huntington and Warren.

SPRINKLER CREDITS

Town of Warren water utility customers watering their lawns, flowers, or filling swimming pools, will be entitled to a credit towards their sewer usage. The credit will

be based on 6 months active monthly usage, with the exception of high usage or vacation disconnects.

Please stop by the Clerk Treasurer's office at 132 N Wayne Street and fill out a form.

TOWN GARAGE SALE

A town wide garage sale is being planned during the Salamonie Summer Festival. Anyone interested in being involved is asking to call or stop by the Clerk Treasurer's office before June 23 to register.

Maps will then be disturbed with a listing of participants. Dates to be advertised for the sale are Friday June 30th & Saturday July 1st. When registering, each person can indicate whether their sale will be both days or just one of the days. That information will be included in the listing to be distributed.

SOFTBALL TOURNEY

BEING PLANNED

Teams are needed for the Co-Ed Softball Tourney to be held on Sunday, July 2, 2000, during the Salamonie Summer Festival. An entry fee of \$100.00 and 1 Worth Blue Dot Softball are required to play. This is a single elimination tourney and only the first 10 teams that pay the entry fee will be entered. Cash prizes will be awarded for first and second place.

This tourney will be played with the Warren Adult Co-ed Softball Rules.

If you need a set of rules or have any questions please call Treva at 219-375-2436 or leave a message, I will get back with you.

Proceeds of this event will be split between the Salamonie Summer Festival and Warren Tower Park.

SUMMER READING

The Van Buren Public Library will conduct their Summer Reading Program during June, 2000 on every Wednesday at the library at 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. The theme will be "Read With Franklin" for the month long program.

All children are encouraged to participate. Please come into the library and sign up for the fun with Franklin.

Come and listen to fun stories

about Franklin, help him plant a tree, watch him and his turtle friends have a Turtle Race, have your own turtle race, eat a turtle sundae, go "to Camp" with Franklin, have a "Turtle Hunt", watch a movie on how Franklin flies a kite and other fun things. Plus, READ READ READ all June for PRIZES!! You'll have a lot of fun while you are reading, too. Have Mom or Dad or Grandma read to you or read to your younger sister or brother or read for enjoyment for yourself and earn PRIZES! Don't forget that it will earn your right to participate in our annual party, too.

SOUDER AWARDED

INDIANAPOLIS, In.-The National FFA Organization awarded a



\$1000 scholarship to Adam Souder of the Huntington North FFA Chapter. The scholarship is sponsored by Champion Laboratories, Inc. as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Souder plans to use the funds to pursue a degree in Turfgrass Science at Purdue University. Souder's parents are Jeff & Becky Souder of Warren, IN.

The Champion Laboratories, Inc. scholarship is one of 1540 awarded through the National FFA Scholarship Program this year. Over 200 corporate sponsors generously contribute more than \$1.7 million to support this program. This is the 17th year that scholarships have been made available through the National FFA Foundation by business and industry sponsors to reward and encourage excellence and enable students to pursue their educational goals.

Scholarship recipients were selected from more than 8,000 applicants from across the country. Selections were based on the applicant's academic record, FFA and other school and community activities, supervised agricultural experience program in agricultural education, career plans and financial need.

FFA is a national organization of 451,997 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of

agriculture. The organization has 7,268 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Local, state and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

ATTN: WATER UTILITY CUSTOMERS

The Town of Warren has completed our 2000 Consumer Confidence Report for the Water Utility. We are pleased to announce that the Town's Water Utility did not have any violations on any water samples tested for this year. You can feel confident in knowing that your drinking water is safe and free of harmful contamination. A consumer confidence report will be mailed to all of the town's water customers by July 1, 2000. The results of our most recent testing will be outlined in this report. A copy of the report will be on file at the Town Hall. If you have any questions concerning the consumer confidence report or the Town's Water Utility, please contact Darrel Bice @ 219-375-3424 weekdays between 8AM and 4PM.

This process is federally regulated by the Clean Water Act.

GOLF SCRAMBLE

If you play every week or just dust your clubs off once a year this is your opportunity for a day of golf and fun. The SSF golf scramble will be at Arbor Trace Golf Club (formerly Hart's) on Sunday June 25.

Tee off time will be 7:30 AM with lunch and door prizes to follow at the course.

This will be a shot gun start so please arrive in time to check in well before tee off time. The cost will be \$40.00 per person. All profits will go to the Salamonie Summer Festival.

Get your reservation, for your foursome, in to Dave Keller at 375-3834 or Ron Neff at 375-3659.

MERCHANTS DISPLAY

Plans are underway for the Industrial and Merchants Display at this year's Wells County 4-H Fair, July 15 - 20, 2000. This year's fair will include a weekend with Saturday, July 15th the opening day and ending on Thursday, July 20.

The inside merchants display for 2000 will be in the Quonset Building. Space available includes: 10' x 12' inside, \$55.00; and outside space (size varies), \$40.00.

Set-up for the merchants will be on Friday, July 14, 9 AM - 8 PM. Clean-up will be on Thursday, July 20, 8 - 10 PM or Friday, July 21, 8 AM - 12 Noon. The fair will officially end on Thursday evening.

The Merchants Building hours will be Saturday, July 15, 9 AM - 9 PM; Sunday, July 16, 1 - 9 PM; and Monday through Thursday, July 17 - 20, 9 AM - 9 PM. The building will be locked at other times.

Any merchant, business or group is welcome to participate in the display. Exhibitors may sell from their location during the 4-H Fair. Organizations or groups are also welcome to have a kids activity or game during the fair.

For more information and a reservation form, contact Merchants Display Chairman Rolland Myers, 4111 E. 400 N., Bluffton, IN 46714, 219-565-3217 or the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412.

MINI 4-H ROUND-UP

Mini 4-H members who have just completed first or second grade are invited to participate in the Mini 4-H Round-Up on Thursday, June 22 at the 4-H Park in Bluffton. Sign in begins at 8 AM with classes and activities from 8:30 AM - 11:45 AM.

Advance registration is required by June 12th and can be made by calling the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412. A registration fee of \$7 can be paid on the day of the event at sign-in or at the Extension Office located at the Wells County Community Center, 8 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

Activities at the Round-Up will include: recreation, scratch art, fun food, 4-H animal project demonstrations along with games

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

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

Leave news and/or advertising at 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 advertisement.

KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Youth Services Bureau, I would like to thank all of those caring individuals who have generously donated to our "Striving to Make a Difference" Community fund drive. To date, approximately \$3000 has been raised towards this year's goal of \$10,000. However, we are still in need of your SUPPORT!

The "Striving to Make a Difference" fund drive is the only community fund drive the agency does annually. Therefore, the need to reach our goal is extremely important. All of the funds raised go towards programs such as CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate), Teen Court, Project S.O.S. (Students Out of School), Safe Place/Host Homes and Drop-In services. In 1999, over 2300 lives were touched due to the community's generous support. We are estimating that the number of clients that will be served this year will far exceed the 2300.

Please make your contribution today. Help us help others!

To learn more about the Youth Services Bureau or its programs contact the office at 723 Warren Street, Huntington or phone 219-356-9681 or 1-800-298-5444.

FLAG DAY, JUNE 14, BORN IN WISCONSIN

Each year on the 14th of June, Americans pause to honor the Stars and Stripes. This is particularly true in a town just north of Milwaukee, Wisc.

Waubeka, Wisc., is the birthplace of Flag Day. It began when 19-year-old teacher Bernard Cigrand and his pupils held the first observance on June 14, 1885. He chose the day because Congress had adopted the Stars and Strips as the Flag of the U.S. on June 14, 1777.

Though Cigrand left teaching and became a dentist in Chicago, his love for the flag did not diminish. His first public proposal for a Flag Day was printed in June 1886 in the Chicago Argus. He spent 31 years crusading for a tribute to the flag. Finally, on June 14, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson rewarded his efforts by proclaiming the national observance of Flag Day.

Honor your flag and your country on June 14. Fly the flag on Flag Day.

THE CASE OF THE DISAPPEARING LEFTIES

A few years ago, a group of researchers came to the conclusion that left-handed people die young. In a large population sample, 13 percent of 20-year-olds were left-handed. But only 5 percent of 50-year-olds were, and there were no 80-year-old left-handed people at all.

Now it appears that the reason there are fewer senior southpaws is because they have actually changed their ways and have stopped being left-handed. A huge study by the Swiss shows that, over a lifetime, some people switch hands in response to societal pressure.

Others redefine themselves as ambidextrous and no longer say they are left-handed.

15 YEARS AGO - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 1985

Gregory A. Hill planned to travel with 20 other Ball State University students to the Middle East.

Mrs. Harry (Phoebe) Wiley would retire on May 31 as a fifth grade teacher at Salamonie School after 28 years.

SEND YOUR FAVORITE OUT-OF-TOWNER, COLLEGE STUDENT OR RELATIVE A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE WARREN WEEKLY. IT MAKES A TREASURED GIFT EVERY YEAR. (SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS)

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

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana

765-934-2199

Todd Lamkin, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Monday 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
 Youth Night, Thursday 7:30 p.m.

THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica

468-2160

Rev. Kelly Wiley

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 6:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST

219/468-2148

Rev. Tim Prowse - Pastor

Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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 Beall, Pastor

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

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022

Stephan Leininger, Pastor

Kurt Hippensteel, Supt.

Bible School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Meetings (Aug-May) 5:30 p.m.
 Choir (Aug-May) 7:00 p.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90, Warren

375-2779

Lynn Mefferd, Pastor

Sun - People's Prayer Closet 7:30a.m.
 1st Worship Service 8:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor

B. Morton, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

375-2330

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Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor

Wesley Welch, Supt.

Melissa Tejchma, Children's Ministry

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:15 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00p.m.
 Thursday Bible Study 7:00p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622

Pastor Jeff McNicholas

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15p.m.
 Youth Group 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Praise 6:00 p.m.
 Mon. Bible Study (women) 9:00 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN

468-2412

Mark S. Bendes, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

758-2085

Nathan Doyle, Minister

Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

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

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor

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

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

375-2510

Keith Bateman, Pastor

Curtis Allen, Supt.

Bus Service 375-2510

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 Thu) Noon
 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.

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

Wayne Wright, Pastor

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

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier

Pastor - Steve Gray

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING

SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Paneto

Steve Sutton, Pastor

765/728-2065 for more info

Sunday Worship 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Attend the Church of your choice

AREA NEWS

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planned and provided by the 4-H Jr. Leaders. Each participant will also receive a 4-H t-shirt and a wood name tag.

The Mini 4-H Round-Up is organized and sponsored by the Wells County 4-H Jr. Leader Club and the Wells County 4-H Association.

ROOKIE 4-H WORKSHOP

Wells County 4-H has announced plans for this year's Rookie 4-H Workshop, Thursday, June 22 at the 4-H Park in Bluffton. Sign in will begin at 12:30 PM with workshops beginning at 1 PM and continuing until 4:30 PM.

Advance registration is required by June 12th and can be made by calling the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 219-824-6412. A registration fee of \$7 can be paid on the day of the event at sign-in or at the Extension Office located at the Wells County 4-H Park in the Community Center, 8 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

The event is designed for youth who have just finished grades 3, 4, and 5. Events and topics will include: Crafts, Fun Foods, 4-H Animal Projects, Safety, and Recreation. Participants will also receive a 4-H t-shirt and wood name tag.

The Rookie 4-H Workshop is organized and sponsored by the 4-H Jr. Leaders and the Wells County 4-H Association.

BLACKFORD PARADE

The Blackford County 4-H fairboard would like to invite the public to enter in the parade to be held July 17, 2000 with starting time 6PM. Our theme for this year is "4-H Our past, Our Present, Our Future".

All floats, marching groups, horse and miscellaneous units will be judged from the review stand at the end of the route. Cash prizes will be awarded to outstanding units.

For more information about this upcoming event, please contact the Blackford County Extension Office at (765) 348-3213.



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CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Tom Spackman, Sr., CEO of Indiana Beach Amusement Resort, announced today that the popular resort will celebrate its 75th Anniversary on Sunday, June 18. "Indiana Beach will offer 25¢ rides from 4 p.m. until 11 p.m. and 25¢ hot dogs and soft drinks from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m.," says Spackman.

Tom Spackman's father, Earl Spackman, opened what is now Indiana's largest amusement resort under the name of "Ideal Beach" on June 17, 1926. The name was changed to Indiana Beach in 1952.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The recent Huntington County Leadership Class volunteered their time at the Pulse Opera House this past weekend. The class helped tear out the old ceiling in the Laundry Mat renovation.

State Bank of Markle has two employees involved with the leadership class. Rick Gentis (Warren loan officer) and Deb Milholland (Warren office manager) were among those donating their blood, sweat and tears to the project. The Bank had previously made a donation to the Pulse Opera House in the amount of \$500 to cover some of the expenses involved in the renovation.

FREE ARTHRITIS BROCHURE

Two of the most popular alternative over-the-counter treatments for arthritis are Glucosamine and Chondroitin Sulfate. New treatments often mean more options and more confusion for arthritis sufferers. To help educate patients, the Arthritis Foundation's has published a new brochure, which specifies dosages, lists special instructions, side effects and warnings associated with Glucosamine and Chondroitin Sulfate. For a free copy of the Arthritis Foundation's Guide to Glucosamine and Chondroitin Sulfate, call the Indiana Chapter at 1-800-783-2342.

CALLING ALL FLOWER LOVERS

Just a quickie reminder that our annual Flower Show is just around the corner!

Really looking forward to your beautiful entries in appreciation. The memorable theme selected for this year, Boomtown of Yesteryears, should fill you with ideas for the Theme Arrangement. We are pleased to announce Gebhart's Greenhouse is again sponsoring the show, which will be held this year at the Methodist Church, Third & Main, next to Cady's Express. An added attraction will be the Art Show, which will be in the same area, thus each complimenting the other so we can view the beauty created in Nature and from human hands. The categories and time of entry will be forthcoming in the next week's Warren Weekly. We deeply appreciate their generosity in giving us unlimited space as their contribution to our community.

TEEN LADIES NEEDED

The Salamonie Summer Festival is just around the corner along with the annual Queen Contest. Look in this week's issue of the Warren Weekly for the entry form. The entry deadline has been moved to June 12, 2000. Girls age 13 to 19 are eligible to compete in the Queen category. The Little Miss category is for those girls age 9 to 12 and a Junior Miss category for those age 5 to 8.

To be eligible, girls must be single (never married) and live in the following townships, Salamonie, Jefferson, and Rock

Creek in Huntington County and Jackson and Liberty in Wells County.

See the entry blank for more information.

WORLD PORK EXPO

Enjoy free food, musical performances, live pig racing, informative and entertaining exhibits, cooking demonstrations and much more! When ... June 8-10 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Thursday 8 to 5, Friday 8 to 7 and Saturday 8 to 4.

Musical entertainment will include Yankee Grey, The Blends and Nelson.

Tickets are available at the gate. Adult tickets are \$8 per person/per day; children (6-11) \$2; children (5 & under) FREE. For more information, please call the Indiana State Fairgrounds at 317/927-7524.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT

Indiana United Methodist Bishop Woodie W. White has appointed the Rev. Gerald L.

Hewson superintendent of the Huntington District, comprised of 60 churches with a combined total of 9,076 members. Geographically, the district encompasses the Wabash, Wells, Huntington and Adams Counties. The appointment becomes effective June 16. The Rev. Cynthia Reynolds, who has served as superintendent of the district for the past six years will next serve as senior pastor of Good Shepherd UMC, a 1,206 member congregation in



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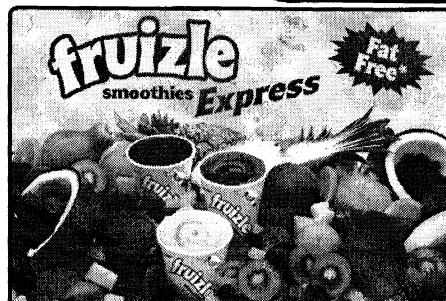
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Community Calendar

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

June 7 HHNS Baccalaureate, 7:30 p.m., HHNS Auditorium
June 7 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
June 8 SSF Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., KCC
June 12 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Firestation
June 16 Warren Recycle Day
June 17 Warren Free Clean-Up Day
June 21 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
June 26 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Firestation
June 30 Warren Recycle Day
Jun 30 - Jul 2 Salamonie Summer Festival
Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 6pm, Sat 10 - noon at KCC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KCC S.A.M. Meetings - 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m. in KCC Basement. Jr. S.A.M. - 1st & 3rd Sundays, 7 p.m., in KCC Basement. Story Time Fridays at 10 a.m.

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Fort Wayne – also effective June 16.

Hewson, 57, said he was surprised by a telephone call on a Saturday morning from Bishop Woodie W. White, informing him of his new appointment. Hewson believes the role of superintendent involves "being with the pastors in a way that will be helpful to them (while) helping churches and pastors fulfill their vision and mission."

Having attended his first Cabinet meeting on March 27, Hewson expressed joy at the warm reception he is getting from his colleagues, adding he already knows most of them. The Cabinet includes the superintendents of the nine districts of North Indiana. They advise the bishop regarding the deployment of pastors to local churches.

Hewson has pastored churches of various membership sizes in a ministry spanning 35 years. He has served as pastor at Asbury UMC in Portland, a 546-member church, since 1991.

Gerald Hewson has also served at Blue River/Charter Oak UMCs (1965-67), Point Isabel/Rigdon UMCs (1967-69) Liberty Center UMC (1971-77), Wolcottville/Rome City UMCs (1977-1986), and Huntington Evangelical UMC (1986-91).

He received a Bachelor's degree from Indiana Wesleyan University (1965) and a Masters of Divinity from Anderson School of Theology (1971).

Hewson and his wife, Jane, have three sons, Kyle, 31, an architectural draftsman in Fort Wayne; James 28, an accountant in Columbia City; and Ryan, 24, an architectural draftsman in Waterloo.

TRACTOR MEETING

The Warren Area Antique Tractor Club meeting will be June 11, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. at Richard Brubaker's shop. Richard is located at 7426S 300E, Warren. Please plan to attend. Final plans for the Salamonie Summer Festival will be made.

RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIP

Kettering University, formerly GMI Institute, in Flint, Michigan has informed Jason Conwell that he has received the Wocholeski Scholarship for the 2000-2001

academic year. Jason is studying to be a Mechanical Engineer. He is the son of Dewaine and Karen Conwell of Van Buren.

DEAN'S LIST HONORS

Michelle Walter has received recognition on the National Dean's List for the Spring Semester of the 1999-2000 academic year. To be named on this list, a student must obtain a 3.500 grade point average on a 4.000 scale and carry at least 12.0 credit hours for the semester.

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Michelle is a 1997 graduate of HNHS and the daughter of Gary and Rosalie Walter, Warren.

HONORED BY WILLARD

Ethel Baker of the United Methodist Memorial Home was honored May 30 on the Today Show by Willard Scott for her 100th birthday.

HONOR ROLL

Honor roll students for the six week and 2nd semester at Community Christian are:

1st Grade: Six week Honor: Jake Dillon, Logan Nusbaumer, Alex Springer. 6 week High Honor – Heidi Compton, Deah Lloyd, Jake McEvoy, Sarah Ringenberg, Leah Tullis.

2nd Grade: 6 week Honor – Robert Lawrence, Cameron Konich. 6 week High Honor – Sasha Banter, Emily Miller. Semester honor: Abby Hinshaw, Robert Lawrence. Semester High Honor – Sasha Banter, Emily Miller, Cameron Konich.

3rd grade: 6 week Honor – Seth Compton, Janelle Lambert, Jessica Nusbaumer, Sarah Tullis. 6 week High Honor – Beth Wilson. Semester Honor: Seth Compton,

Jessica Nusbaumer, Sarah Tullis. Semester High Honor: Janelle Lambert, Beth Wilson.

4th grade: 6 week Honor – Brooke Gregg. 6 week High Honor – Sarah Swanson, Thomas Weiss. Semester Honor – Brooke Gregg. Semester High Honor – Sarah Swanson, Thomas Weiss.

5th grade: 6 week Honor – Kelsey Compton, Saretta Lambert, Joy Miller, Jen Westfall. 6 week High Honor – John DeWeese, Jon Ringenberg, Saretta Lambert. Semester Honor – Kelsey Compton, Joy Miller, Jen Westfall. Semester High Honor – John DeWeese, Jon Ringenberg, Saretta Lambert.

6th grade: 6 week Honor – Becky Tullis, Alicia Steffen. Semester Honor – Becky Tullis, Alicia Steffen

7th grade: 6 week Honor – Brandon Harnish, Andrew Todd, Jordan Wall, Daniel Wilson, Aaron Johnson. 6 week High Honor: Jaye Bell, Danica Lloyd, Daniel Weiss. Semester Honor – Brandon Harnish, Rachel Starkey, Andrew Todd, Jordan Wall, Daniel Wilson, Aaron Johnson. Semester High Honor – Jaye Bell, Danice Lloyd, Daniel Weiss.

8th grade: 6 week honor – Amanda Gregg, Kyle Hinshaw, Ryne Schaden, Eric Tumbleston. 6 week High Honor – Lydia Dailey, Brian Steffen. Semester Honor – Amanda Gregg, Philip LePage, Ryne Schaden, Brian Steffen. Semester High Honor – Lydia Dailey.

9th grade: 6 week honor – Amanda Clark, Bethany Richhart, Tera Robbins. 6 week high honor – Austin Dettling, Ryan McAfee, Brooke Neuenschwander. Semester honor – Amanda Clark, Bethany Richhart, Tera Robbins, Rachel Weiss. Semester high honor – Austin Dettling, Ryan McAfee, Brooke Neuenschwander.

10th grade: 6 week honor – Kelly Grossman. 6 week High honor – Sheena Milholland, David Richhart, Phillip Steffen, Michelle Wolf, Eric Zimmerman. Semester Honor – Kelly Grossman, David Richhart, Michelle Wolf, Eric

Zimmerman. Semester High Honor – Sheena Milholland, Phillip Steffen.

11th grade: 6 week honor – Stephanie Pierce, Shawn Yergler. Semester honor – Stephanie Pierce, Shawn Yergler.

12th grade: 6 week high honor – Kristi Felger, Matt Schwartz, Valarie Springer, Aaron Stinson. Semester Honor – Brian Mounsey, Brandon Nusbaumer, Val Springer, Aaron Stinson. Semester high honor – Kristi Felger, Matt Schwartz

PSI IOTA XI SCHOLARSHIPS

Psi Iota Xi Sorority, Phi Chapter, has awarded nine scholarships, totaling \$4,000, for the 2000-2001 school year.

Locally, Sabra Campbell, who will be a freshman at University of Indianapolis, majoring in accounting, received a \$250 scholarship. Campbell has been involved in DECA, National Honor Society, and 4-H. She has received the All-American Scholar award and will be receiving an Academic Honors Diploma. She is the daughter of Lynn and Penny Campbell, Warren.

MADE DEAN'S LIST

Huntington College has announced its Dean's List for the spring term 2000. The honor recognizes students for outstanding academic achievement during the previous semester. Honorees must be classified as regular students, be enrolled full time with a load of 12 or more hours in graded courses, and must achieve a semester grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4-point scale.

Local students on the Dean's List are Leslie Ann Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joh Alan Smith, Warren. A graduate of Huntington North High School, she is working toward a bachelor of science degree in elementary education.

Jill Elaine Wesco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip D. Campbell,

Warren. A graduate of Huntington North High School, she is working toward a bachelor of science degree in elementary education.

DEAN'S LIST AT ANDERSON

LaTishia Horrell, Warren, has been named to the second semester Dean's List at Anderson University. The Dean's List includes all Anderson University students who achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester.

Horrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger J. Horrell. She will be a senior next fall, majoring in psychology, and is a two-year member of Phi Chi, the national honor society for psychology majors.

DUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Sabra Campbell, a senior at Huntington North, is the recipient of two scholarships: the Dean's Scholarship from the University of Indianapolis, where she plans to attend to study business accounting; and the FA Fink Memorial Scholarship, from Our Sunday Visitor and the Catholic Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

The \$750 Fink scholarship is in memory of F.A. Fink and will be given up to four years.

She is the daughter of Lynn and Penny Campbell, Warren. Campbell has participated in DECA, serving as a voting delegate at the state DECA conference. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is an All-American Scholar, a member of the U.S. Achievement Academy, and the recipient of an Academic Honors Diploma and an academic letter. She is active in her church and a 10-year 4-H member.

She recently also earned a scholarship from the Warren Tri-Kappa.



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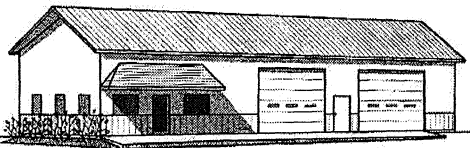
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GENEALOGY REPORT

GUY

Wayne A. Guy, Sr., 65, Marion, died at 6:51 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2000 in his home.

Mr. Guy was born, April 19, 1935, in Washington, KY, to the late Henry A. and Goldie B. (Hamilton) Guy and had lived in Marion since 1950. He and his wife, Phyllis L., were married March 28, 1953. He owned Wayne Auto Sales for 48 years. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene, the Moose Lodge and the FOP.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Wayne A. Jr. (Jolleen), Marion; two daughters, Mike (Mrs. Andrew) Cantor and Glendora, both of Kona, Hawaii; a brother, Ernie L. (Jane), Van Buren; two sisters, Betty L. Jones and Laura K. Charles, both of Marion; six grandchildren, Tiffany L., Wayne A. III, and Megan N., all of Marion, and Christopher A.K. Cantor, Jaynell N.K. Cantor and Chauntelle K., all of Kona; and adopted family, Mike, Cindy, Lyanne Adada and Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Asada, all of Captain Cook, Hawaii.

Services were held in Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, Marion Chapel, with Dr. Mike Taylor and the Rev. Don Davis officiating. Burial was in Grant Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Marion General Hospital Hospice or the First Church of the Nazarene, 700 Kem Road, Marion.

SAMONS

Helen L. Samons, Marion, 58, died at 11:47 p.m., June 4, 2000 at Marion General Hospital.

Mrs. Samons was born August 15, 1941 in Wabash to William E. Campbell and Amelia (Midge) Brown. She had spent all of her life in the Marion area. In 1962 she married Henry Samons, he passed away in 1986. Mrs. Samons was an active member of the Marion Eagles Lodge. The Eagles Lodge held a memorial service at the Ferguson Funeral Home in Van Buren.

Survivors include two sons, William (Jeanne) Samons of Gas City

and Willard (Melody) Samons of Van Buren; two step-daughters, Amy Evans of Ashland, KY and Molly Pruitt of Worthington, KY; a sister Sis (George) Banks of LaFontaine; two brothers Harry (Laura) Campbell of Fort Wayne and Billy (June) Campbell of Flatwood, KY; an uncle Art (Edna) Campbell of Wabash and an aunt Nellie Burnham of Marion; 15 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a sister, Waniita Nordman.

Services were held at Ferguson Funeral Home in Van Buren with Rev. Tom Mansbarger officiating. Burial was in Estates of Serenity Cemetery, Marion.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. DeWayne (Kelly Jackson) Jones of Warren are the parents of a daughter, Sarah Jane, born at 6:55 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2000 at Wells Community Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. She joins a sister, Suzette Marie Sprowl, age 18.

Grandparents are Guy and Carlene Jackson of Warren, Dallas and Elizabeth Theobald of Andrews and Jim and Marge Jones of Warren.

Rodney Lynn and Rachel Anne Brockhaus, are the parents of a son, Cooper James Brockhaus, born at 5:53 a.m. May 22, 2000 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces at birth.

Grandparents are Rita and Larry Steele, Warren; Mary Helen Brockhaus, Huntington; and Bud and Judy Cole, Fairmount. Great-grandparents are William and Jeannie Draper Marion.

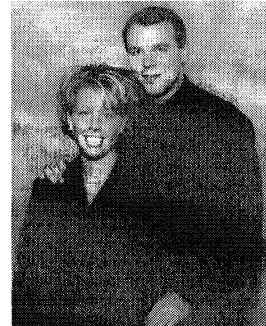
David J. O'Connor and Julie L. Atkinson O'Connor, Huntington, are the parents of a daughter, Melissa Ann O'Connor born at 2:54 p.m., May 19, 2000 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces at birth and joins a brother, Nathaniel James.

Grandparents are Robert and Jose Ann Atkinson, Huntington and Jake and Joyce O'Connor, Golden Cilly, Mo. Great-grandparents are Anna Vanice Atkinson, Huntington, and Wilodean Couch Berkey, Warren.

Robert L. Stepler and Leaha A. Whaley Stepler, Huntington, are the parents of a daughter Hailey Jo Stepler, born at 3:08 p.m. May 27, 2000 at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 6

pounds, 8 ounces at birth and joins siblings Gage, 5, and Chase, 20 months.

Grandparents are Wade and Katie Babbitt, Huntington, Jackie and Jo Bowers, Huntington, David Whaley, Fort Wayne and Lowell and Penny Stepler, Marion. Great-grandparents are Helen Boyd, North Carolina, Fred and Barb Dutt, Warren, and Richard and Mary Whaley, Huntington.



STEWART - BANTER

Kristi Dawn Stewart of Tipton and Will Byron Banter of Warren are engaged to be married July 22, 2000 at Kemp United Methodist in Tipton.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Dennis and Beth Stewart of Tipton. She is a 1997 graduate of Tipton High School and graduated from Rudae's Beauty College in 1999. She is employed as a groomer at Art In Motion.

The prospective groom is the son of Bill and Dianna Banter of Warren. He is a 1992 graduate of Southern Wells High School and a 1996 graduate of Purdue University with a degree in Agriculture Economics. He was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho while in college. He is employed at Specialty Hybrids as a District Sales Manager.

KRIEGER-LAHR

Angela Nicole Krieger and Ryan Wayne Lahr are engaged to be married July 1 at Pilcher's Chapel United Methodist Church, 2039S-900W.

The bride-elect will graduate from Huntington North High School this month and will attend Ravenscroft Beauty College in Fort Wayne where she plans to graduate in April 2001. She is employed at the Family Table Restaurant. Her parents are Kenny and Melissa Krieger, 10590S-400W, Warren.

Her fiancé graduated from Huntington North High School in 1999.

He is employed by Johnson's Controls, Ossian. His parents are Roger Newsome Jr. and Lori Newsome, 1353 Drover St., Huntington and the late Galen Lahr.

ELIOT - CHRISMAN

Tonia Eliot and Scott Chrisman were married May 6, 2000 at the Aldersgate Methodist Church in Fort Wayne. John Newburg officiated the ceremony.

Robin Funk, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Leist, Kriston Hosler, Tarni Brown and Jody Tackett, sisters of the bride, and Elizabeth Marquart, sister of the groom. Haley Tackett, niece of the bride, was the flower girl. Heather Tackett, niece of the bride, was the program attendant and Karri Feighner was the guest book attendant.

JJ McCoy served as best man. Groomsmen were Mike McBride, James Yoquelet, Matt Zehring,

Kevin Mason and Sam Nolan. Tristan Funk, nephew of the bride, was the ringbearer. Dan Funk, brother-in-law of the bride, and Jake Marquart, brother-in-law of the groom, were ushers.

A reception at Lester's Banquet Hall in Fort Wayne followed the wedding.

The couple chose a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico.

The bride graduated from Huntington North High School in 1993. She is a secretary for the Huntington County Surveyor's Office. Her parents are Brian and Cynthia Eliot, 6652S-500W, Warren.

The groom graduated from Harding High School, Fort Wayne, in 1990. He is a plumber with Merz Plumbing and Heating, Fort Wayne. His parents are Linda Chrisman, New Haven and Edward Chrisman, Decatur.

The couple resides in Fort Wayne.

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

OPTIMISTS HONORS

The Huntington Optimist Club has honored four area students with Youth Appreciation Awards. Students honored in May are Danielle Haines Buff, Cole Campbell, Joseph Keller, and Mary G. "Molly" Pfister.

The awards are given out monthly to youth who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and service to the community and its citizens over the past year.

Buff is the daughter of Dale and Cynthia Buff, 5012W-12005-35, Van Buren. She is an eighth-grader at Salamonie School and was nominated by Chuck Grable, principal at Salamonie, and the school's eighth grade teachers.

Buff is active in volleyball, track, the school musical, Student Council, choir, band, 4-H and youth group. She tutors kindergarten students.

"She is a leader among her peers," Grable said. "Danielle always goes way above and beyond the call of duty."

Campbell is the son of Lynn and Penny Campbell, 1607W-1100S, Warren. He is also an eighth-grader at Salamonie, and was nominated by Grable and the eighth grade teachers.

Campbell is involved in basketball, JV Youth for Christ, and 4-H. "Cole is an extremely hard working student," Grable said. "He goes out of his way to help and work with his teachers and peers."

Keller is the son of David and Renee Keller, 490 German St., Huntington. He is a seventh-grader at Huntington Catholic School and was nominated by Michelle Bailey.

Keller is involved in Student Council, basketball, cross country, and Scouts.

"He is an excellent role model to his peers," Bailey said. In sports, "he is not only an asset because of his athletic ability but also due to his sportsmanship and team spirit."

Pfister is the daughter of James and Margaret Pfister. She is an eighth-grader at Huntington Catholic School and was nominated by Susan Lewis. Pfister is active in Student Council, cross

country, basketball, soccer, piano and neighborhood art club.

Molly has always proven to be trustworthy and very respectful, in school and out," Lewis said. "Molly is a well rounded, responsible and helpful student."

BAY VIEW READING CLUB

The Bay View Reading Club met on May 16 for their annual spring party. A lovely catered luncheon was served in the Fults recreation room of the United Methodist Memorial Home. The committee for the party consisted of Mary Wiley, Emily Sapp, Katherine Weingart, Marian Dadd, Karlene Henry, Reba Heine, and Helen Strassner, with Virginia Record serving as chairman.

After the luncheon we had a program given by Helen Strassner. She gave a monologue on "Pool Etiquette". Helen and Marian Dawson did a dialogue on "Who Is That Lady In The Mirror" followed by another monologue. There were all very humorous and we enjoyed them very much.

Following the program there was a short business meeting.

With regret we read a letter from Millie Hodson resigning from the club. We will miss her.

Marge Witte was introduced as a new member.

Lilly Nutter, president, thanked all the officers who worked with her during the year and helped her, as well as the members.

The next meeting will be in September.

IDLE HOUR CLUB

Margaret Knight was hostess for the Idle Hour Club at the Activities Room at the United Methodist Memorial Home on Monday noon, June 5th. Marjorie Rupright offered prayer before the meal prepared in the Home kitchen was served.

Georgia Poulson read the thought for the month "If you can't

have the best of everything, make the best of everything you have."

Naming a wedding present you still have was answer to roll call. Minutes of May meeting were read and treasurer report given.

Margaret Knight and Edna Alfeld were low and high scores in playing Kings on the Corner.

The annual all club Birthday Party will be in July. The date will be told later. Prepare to bring a \$5 gift for your Secret Pal but do not reveal your name.

Those enjoying the day were Edna Alfeld, Wilodean Berkey, Barbara Falk, Mildred Gilbert, Jane Haley, Freda Finley, Maxine Jones, Margaret Knight, Devonna Leas, Clara Mossburg, Georgia Poulson, Marjorie Rupright, Marie Wood and Violet Yoars.

RURAL FRIENDSHIP

The Rural Friendship Extension Homemakers Club met in May at Morrisons. Vera Spahr was hostess to the ten members attending.

The afternoon meeting was in charge of President Maxine Helms. The pledge to the Flag was given and the club creed repeated in unison. Vera gave the devotions by reading from Isaiah and closing with prayer. Roll call was answered by sharing something your mother had taught you.

The lesson "The Greatest of Life's Gifts - To Give Our Family" was given by Barbara Falk. Maxine reported that the showing of the movie "Patch Adams" was very successful. Sponsored by all county clubs it made \$762.10 for the councils share.

Those attending other than already mentioned were Viola Blair, Olive Dalrymple, Joan Huffman, Georgia Poulson, Nova Roseen Preston, Avis Ruble and Marie Wood.

NATIONAL DEAN'S LIST

Emily Dye has received recognition on the National Dean's List for the Spring Semester of the 1999-2000 academic year. To be named on this list, a student must obtain a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and carry at least 12.0 credit hours for the semester.

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Emily is the daughter of Charly and Eileen Dye of Warren.

POULSON FAMILY HOG ROAST

The descendents of Grover and Edna Poulson had their first family reunion of the year, a hog roast, organized by Dan Poulson and held at the Ruth Brooks farm on May 28.

Once the rain stopped on Sunday, roast pork, ham and beans (cooked in a large black kettle over an open fire by Bob Rice) and other food were served to 173 family and friends in attendance.

The afternoon was spent taking pictures of each of Grover and Edna's twelve children's families. Their children include Margaret, Harold, Freda, James, Mildred, William, Robert, Hazel and Daniel.

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SHERIFF'S SCHOLARSHIP

Scott Sunderman, pictured above with Sheriff Rod Jackson is the recipient of a \$500 scholarship from the Indiana Sheriff's Association for his studies to become an attorney.

Sunderman graduated from Ball State University on May 6, 2000 after finishing a four month intern at the Indiana Attorney General's office. He received a bachelor of science degree with a double-major in Criminal Justice and Criminology, and Political Science, with a minor in pre-law. He has been hired full-time at the Attorney General's Office and is currently working in Indianapolis in the Tort Claims Investigation Division. He has been accepted and will be attending the IU School of Law in August.

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Judging will be held at 7:00 p.m. on June 26, 2000 at the United Methodist Memorial Home. Interviews will take place during the day and winners will be announced after the parade on Friday, June 30, 2000.

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Everett, Ralph and Lois are deceased. All living children were in attendance.

Certificates were given to: Margaret Knight, 83, for being the oldest in attendance; Joshua Ross Poulson, an 11 month old great-grandson, for being the youngest in attendance; Richard Poulson, a grandson from Macon, GA, for coming the farthest distance; and Freda Finley, who had the most family members (35) attending.

Old food ration books were found by Margaret's family and were given to those who were still living at home in 1941.

There was also a table set up which featured a memorial page, listing the 28 family deaths, and pictures from the past.

The children and adults were entertained by a Clown Moon Walk, as well as table tennis and a large teeter-totter.

The next reunion is planned for August at the Sportsman's Club-house in Warren.

WHY SENIORS COULD GET HIGHER SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

(NAPSA)-Seniors shouldn't shiver in the dark or go without medications because their annual Social Security Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) doesn't keep up with rapidly rising costs. Gasoline prices are up about 60 percent in the last year and spending on prescription drugs is up about 16 percent. On the other hand, Social Security COLAs only increased 2.4 percent this year.

Seniors would be able to keep up with these cost increases if their COLAs were accurate. Currently COLAs are tied to a Consumer Price Index (CPI) which excludes the "market basket" of most retirees. New legislation before Congress would create a fair, more accurate COLA which would mean higher Social Security benefits.

"The average retiree now receives a monthly benefit of \$804. If retirees received COLAs based on the Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers (CPI-E) over the last 16 years, their average monthly benefit would be about \$888. That's a difference of more than \$900 a year," says Michael Zabko, Executive Director of TSCL.

For more information about the legislation and organization, send a self-addressed business-size envelope and \$1.00 for shipping and handling to TREA Senior Citizens League, Dept. N931, 909

North Washington Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314.

CAN CLEANING BE GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH?

(NAPSA)-Vacuum cleaning may seem like a routine activity, but according to researchers, it could play a key role in helping to control conditions that may aggravate health problems of growing numbers of Americans, particularly in children, suffering from allergies.

Studies are underway to determine whether thorough, regular vacuuming to control dust mites and dirt in the home may help lessen the severity of allergy symptoms and even reduce the number of doctor visits.

One study, currently being conducted in Seattle, includes 170 lower-income households, with children, 4 to 12 years of age, who suffer from asthma. The study is designed to evaluate whether regular vacuum cleaning, as part of a comprehensive cleaning effort, will translate into a healthier home environment.

"People in the lower-income bracket often don't have vacuums, and can't afford the tools and supplies to control asthma triggers," said Dr. Jim Krieger, director of Healthy Homes Project (HHP), based in Seattle. "We feel that by giving them these tools, we can empower them to take charge of their home environments."

Dr. Krieger said that young children are at the center of the study because asthma seems to be more common among them than older children or adults.

Statistics show that in the U.S., seven percent, or one out of every 13 children, suffers from asthma-more than twice as many as 15 years ago. Even more children suffer from allergies-as many as 10 percent of the population. The most common allergens in the home are carried by microscopic bugs called dust mites.

"Even the cleanest house has dust mites," said Dr. Krieger. "Proper vacuuming is one of many tools to control mites in the house. With a good vacuum, you might be able to get the dust mite allergens out of the carpet."

Another study, being conducted

in Cleveland, called the Lead + Asthma Project, also is examining how thorough vacuuming in lower-income households can help improve health conditions in the home. It focuses on 120 low-income families in which a child resides who has suffered lead poisoning or has asthma.

"There's a lot of concern that carpets and rugs can become contaminated with all kinds of hazardous materials," said Stuart Greenberg, executive Environmental Health Watch director. "Vacuuming is an important part of home maintenance."

Greenberg also lauded the performance of The Dirt Finder technology developed by Hoover. Based on research, he said, it appears to the Environmental Health Watch "that The Dirt Finder and low-emissions technology developed by The Hoover Company are important tools parents can use to reduce lead-and allergen-contaminated dust in the home."

He added that it's important to remember that carpeting can be dangerous to children-it can expose kids to toxic materials that get tracked onto it. Vacuum cleaning, he emphasized, "is not just a cosmetic activity. It's a health maintenance activity. It's not what you see, it's what you don't see that can be dangerous."

GRILLING SAFETY TIPS FOR FUN IN THE SUN

(NAPSA)-Each year more than 80 million Americans suffer from foodborne illnesses. In summer, warm temperatures and outside activities such as barbecuing increase the risk of food contamination. When grilling outdoors, use paper products such as Sparkle® and Coronet® paper towels and napkins, which enable you to wipe up and throw away the germs. Follow these grilling tips from the Georgia-Pacific Health Smart Institute and help keep your family safe:

✴ Always marinate meat in the refrigerator. Defrost frozen meat in the refrigerator, microwave or under cold running water. Never marinate or defrost at room temperature which creates an ideal environment for bacterial growth.

✴ Use separate plates and cutting boards for raw and cooked

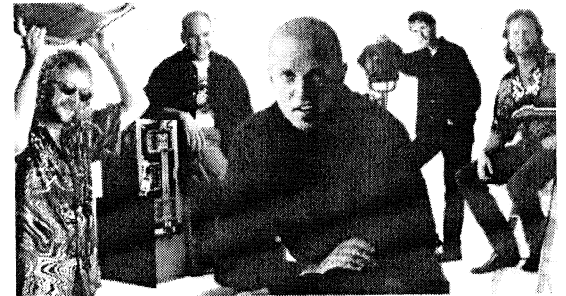
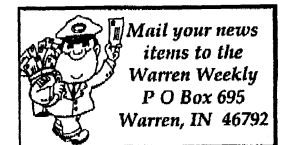
meats. People often make the mistake of placing cooked meat back on the plate where the raw meat has been.

✴ Wash hands frequently when handling raw meat. Use soap and water, and dry hands completely with paper towels to help prevent the spread of germs.

✴ Before opening canned food and sodas, wash off tops and wipe with paper towels or napkins to help remove germs.

For more information on how to avoid foodborne illness and other

Health Smart topics, please call 1-877-GP-CLEAN, visit www.gphealthsmart.com or write the Georgia-Pacific Health Smart Institute, P.O. Box 2411, Palatka, FL 32178-2411.



COUNTRY CONCERT '00



Ft. Loramie, Ohio - Country Concert at Hickory Hill Lakes is getting ready for their 20th annual event, July 6, 7, 8, & 9, 2000. This year's celebrity lineup includes: Dwight Yoakam, Sawyer Brown (above), Jeff Foxworthy, REO Speedwagon (below), Styx, Lorrie Morgan, Neal McCoy, Sammy Kershaw, Toby Keith, Lila McCann, Tracy Lawrence, Chris LeDoux, Terri Clark, 38 Special, Andy Griggs, Diamond Rio, Montgomery Gentry, Kentucky Headhunters, and Confederate Railroad. "It's a great show, says Promoter Mike Barhorst, "and it's also a real entertainment value. Children under 12 are free and you can see all the performances for less than \$5 an artist."

There are lots of extras planned for this year, including, a real bull-riding rodeo featuring 35-50 live bulls and up to 100 riders (local riders welcome). NASCAR show cars, VVVVA big time wrestling, mechanical bull-riding, rock climbing, and karaoke contests. Country Music Television will be hosting a line dance competition in the Country Club Saloon on Saturday with a 1st place \$1000 cash prize. Jamie Davis will be giving the dance instructions on Friday and hosting the contest on Saturday. Jamie is the current UCWDC (United Country Western Dance Council) World Line Dance Champion. The USA Talent Roundup, which features local bands competing for cash prizes, will take place on the main stage Friday afternoon. "We have lots of fun, excitement, and a couple surprises planned for this 20th anniversary event," says Barhorst. As always, more great food and beverages will be on hand. Campers may begin arriving as early as July 4th. Hotel lists are on the www.countryconcert.com web site.

Hickory Hill Lakes is a 500 acre camping and concert facility in Shelby County, Ohio. "It's very comfortable here and our audience has a small town charm about them," says Barhorst. "People from many different communities come together for Country Concert. They may not see each other all year long, but they camp and spend time together at Country Concert. We've made a lot of improvements to the facility over the years, so our campgrounds and our show areas are spacious and comfortable. Charitable and non-profit groups have also been involved with Country Concert for 20 years. The groups provide hard workers, make money for their organizations, and have fun in the process," says Barhorst.

Tickets, camping permits, reserved seats, and stage front seats are all on sale now at "Early Bird", discounted prices thru July 1st. You can order tickets by phone at 937-295-3000 or you can order on line at www.countryconcert.com.




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