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Thought for the Week: The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook. William James



### BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY MEMBERS MEET WITH SENATORS YOUNG/BRAUN AND REPRESENTATIVE BANKS

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington County sent Club representatives to the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Days of Advocacy in Washington DC.

Attending the event on behalf of the Club were Club members Brooke Swaidner, a senior at Huntington North High School, and Alexia Ramirez, a junior at Huntington North High School; Club Program Director Alison Louthan and Club Board Member Dr. Adam Drummond, Associate Partner, International Center for Leadership in Education. Additionally, over 300 Boys & Girls Club board, staff, and Club members from across the nation, attended the National Days of Advocacy.

The group traveled to Washington DC February 27th to March 2nd. While in DC they attended a fireside chat with the Surgeon General of the United States, Vivek Murthy, and met with Senators Braun, Young, and Representative Jim Banks, advocating for programs such as CACFP (The Child and Adult Care Food Program), 21st CCLC (Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers) and OJJDP (Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention) programs all of which the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington, as well as numerous Clubs throughout the country receive funding to implement.

"Being able to share the impact of our local Boys & Girls Club and the Clubs in our state with our legislators was powerful! Having roundtable discussions with them about how their role is critical in our efforts in creating great futures was amazing. Hearing Jim Banks say, 'Isn't your Boys & Girls Club one of the biggest in the state? I feel like I am always hearing good things about your Club,' put into perspective the incredible work we do. Alison Louthan, BGC Huntington County Program Director

"I am 1 of 25 high school students the Boys & Girls Club of Huntington employs. I was able to share about our Workforce program and how the Club helped me discover

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### TASTE OF WARREN 2023 WAS A SUCCESS

The Warren Area Chamber of Commerce annual fundraising event, Taste of Warren, took place on March 4, 2023. The event was held at Dogwood Glen Golf Course clubhouse. The funds raised in this event go towards helping other events and activities that happen in Warren throughout the year, they also go towards the downtown beautification with seasonal flowers, and also covers some chamber expense.

Each person, company, group and participant contributed to the success of the SOLD OUT event. The committee would like to thank the sponsors: Accent Interiors, Bippus State Bank, Bolinger's Propane Service, Citizens Telephone Corporation, East of Chicago, Mandy Surfus, Realtor/Broker, Smekens Education Solutions, T.D. Wall - Trailer Sales, Warren Health & Fitness, Warren Service & Supply. We also want to thank the vendors who supplied the great line up of food and drinks:

Dash90 Wines, East of Chicago, Esmeralda's 2, Son-Rise Bakery, Wagon Wheel Café. In addition, we'd like to thank those who were gracious enough to donate to the fun line up of raffle items: Blue Poppy Design, Bolinger's Propane Service, Rick & Rhonda Brubaker, Cor1313 Creations, DeWeese Soft Water & Appliance, Dogwood Glen Golf Course, Eleanor Violet & Co., Sold by Miranda - Hoosier Real Estate, Kelly Jones, Lil'aa Design, and Pulse Opera House. We'd like to thank Rylie Lynn

& the Acoustic Trio and Jim Barron, Magician for the enjoyable entertainment.

Finally, we'd like to thank those of you who purchased a ticket to the event.

It took everyone working together and participating to make this a HUGE success. THANK YOU! We'll see you next year!

### POTATO DINNER

A Baked Potato Dinner will be held Saturday, March 18, 2023 from 4 to 7 p.m. Dinner will be served at City Life Switchup Youth Center, 100 N 1st St, Van Buren, IN. For a free will donation you will get toppings, Drink and Dessert included with your potato. Dine or Carry Out.

All proceeds to benefit the Switchup Building Fund.

### FINAL FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

Schedules are out for the Final Friday Concert Series for 2023. You can find them on at Town of Warren, Citizens Telephone, Bippus State Bank and on the Historic Warren Facebook page.

Concerts will be held at Riverside Park, 126 E First St from 7-9 p.m. Plan to bring a chair or blanket to sit on. All concerts are Rain or Shine events. In case of rain the concert will be held in the KBC gymnasium, 132 N Nancy St. These concerts are a free event and there will be food trucks available. You can also check out the restaurants in town to see what they are doing "special" that evening.

Mark your calendars now with the following concerts.

April 28, The Haggerty Family and Kevin & Shelbia DeaKyne present - The Hubie Ashcraft Band -

Contemporary and Traditional Country

May 26, Warren Area Chamber of Commerce, Hy-Line North America, East of Chicago, Edward

Jones/Nicole Johnson and DeWeese Appliance present - 45RPM - a British Invasion Tribute.

June 30, Performing after the Salamonie Summer Festival Parade, Bippus State Bank present - ATTABOY - Pop Rock

July 1, Salamonie Summer Festival, Warren Market and The Haggerty Family present - The Bulldogs - 50s and 60s Rock N Roll.

July 28, Heritage Pointe of Warren and Dogwood Glen Golf Course present - The Sweetwater All Stars - Rhythm & Blues

August 25, 6:30 - 9:30pm, Warren Family Dentistry and Star Insurance Hub Group present - WHOA Man - Iconic Women of Rock

September 29, Citizens Telephone Corp present - Cook & Belle - 60s 70s & Country

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I think we have had our fair share of the rain. Tonight I went down to mail some letters and looked at the river, and it was out of its banks. I'm sure it has went down some, but it is still deep.

Friday night we were coming home from Marion and it was so bad. The snow was coming down hard and it was a mix of sleet, snow and rain. Heading north on 9 we were having a hard time even seeing the road. The snow mix was coming at us head on. The road was very snow covered and slick. I think it would have been better to shut off our headlights cause it seemed that the lights were reflecting off the snow and making it blinding. It was simply a mess, it took us an hour to get home and that was with John driving.

We got good news from the doctor, John will be getting a new hip. He goes this week to get measured. I will be so glad when it's done. Can't stand to see him in so much pain. I try to help him as much as possible, but I can only do so much.

Saturday we went to Fort Wayne looking for my mom a new lift chair and came home with new bed mattresses. Ashley Homestore had a sale going on and we got a great deal on some Tempurpedic mattresses. It was so funny, when we were laying on the bed to see how we liked it, I could see the pain go away on John's hip. He even said he could feel the relief. I hated for him to get up from them, cause he was getting some much needed relief, but we had to pay for them and then have them delivered. So hopefully Thursday we will be in our new beds.

I love memory foam mattresses and will not go back to a coil spring set. They have me spoiled. So if you ever get the chance to check them out do so. Yes they are hard to get out of at first but you will learn to get out of them just like trying to get out of a water bed. They promised us that they would last for 35 years, which will probably last us the rest of our lives. So we will see.

Hey, how about those Boilermakers!!!! Big 10 champs. I love hoosier hysteria, it gets so exciting and basketball is in the air. My favorite part of March is the Big 10 Tourney and the NCAA tourney. I usually get my gambling on when it comes to the brackets. I try to fill out a bracket every year, honestly I have probably lost more money on the bracket then what I have won. But it is so much fun.

Well better wrap this up, I have had a long day trying to catch up on everything. Been going since 7:00 this morning and it's after 8 p.m. now and I still got a few things to do. Have a great week and root for the Boilers!!!!



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<p><b>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST</b>              8013W 1100S-90, Montpelier              Nick Miller, Pastor              Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.              Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b>              8924S 900W 35              Harold Smith, Pastor              Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.              Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST</b>              Steve Nevius, Pastor              Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.              Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.              Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.</p> <p><b>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b>              Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199              Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.              Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp              Handicap Accessible              Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099</p> <p><b>HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —</b>  <b>5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA</b>              Pastor Wayne Couch              260/515-2517              Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.              Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.              Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.              Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.              Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.              Daycare provided during Worship</p> <p><b>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN</b>              8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779              Matt Kennedy, Pastor              Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.              Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.</p> <p><b>HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST</b>              101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726              Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor              Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.              Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE NEW BEGINNING</b>              SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto              Steve Sutton, Pastor              765/728-2065 for more info              Sunday Worship ..... 10:30a.m.              Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HERITAGE POINTE</b>              Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz &amp; John Moyer              Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT</b>              Monday thru Friday              Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH</b>              727 N Wayne St, Warren              260-375-2811              office@warrenfirsbaptist.net              Pator Rusty Strickler              Youth Dir: Peter &amp; Mindy Fairchild              Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.              Sunday Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.              Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ...Sun 11:30              Eklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b>              375-2510              Pastor Steven Spencer              Bus Service 375-2510              www.warrennaz.org              Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.              Wed. Midweek Service ..... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST</b>              485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN              375-3873              John Boyanowski, Pastor              Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.              Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>LANCASTER WESLEYAN</b>              3147 W 543 S, Huntington              765.524.3390              Pastor Trevor O'Dell, Pastor              Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.              Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.              Wednesdays:              Bible Study &amp; Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH</b>              694-6622              Aaron Westfall, Pastor              Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.              Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.              Worship ..... 10:15a.m.              Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.              Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.              Monthly Meetings              1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.              3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am              4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER COMMUNITY CHURCH</b>              Pastor Diane Samuels              Fellowship Time ..... 9:00a.m.              Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.              Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE CHURCH AT MCNATT</b>              375-4359              Bill VanHaften, Pastor              Lois Slusher, Supt.              Brittney Miller, Youth &amp; Family Dir.              Coffee Fellowship ..... 8:30 a.m.              Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.              Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.              Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST</b>              260/468-2148 Sr 9 &amp; 124              Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"              Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.              Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.              Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.              Everyone is Welcome</p> <p><b>SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN</b>              468-2412              Mel Zumbrun, Pastor              Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.              Church School ..... 10:45a.m.</p>	<p><b>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b>              375-2102              www.warrenucc.net              Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor              Sunday Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.              Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.              Youth Sunday School during              Worship Service              Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.              Communion 1st Sunday of the Month</p> <p><b>VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b>              765/934-3321 Parsonage              Jeff Slater, Pastor              Jim Knight, Superintendent              Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.              Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.              Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.              Evening Praise Hour ..... 6:00p.m.              Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.</p> <p><b>VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b>              765-934-1431              Pastor Brad Hensley              Worship Service ..... 9:30 am              Sunday School ..... 10:30am              Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm              Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm              UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm              Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am              Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm              www.vanburenumc.org</p> <p><b>WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b>              375-3022              Mickey Strong, Senior Minister              Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister              Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.              Tara Bower - Secretary              www.warrenchurchofchrist.org              Fellowship ..... 9:15 a.m.              Worship &amp; Communion ..... 9:30 a.m.              Sunday School ..... 11 to 11:50 a.m.              Youth:              K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm              Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm</p> <p><b>FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH</b>              11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN              765-934-3609              Pastor Al Soultz              Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 am              Sunday School Classes ..... 9:30 am              Sunday Adult Bible Study ..... 6:00 pm              Thurs. Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm</p>
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Included in the price: 8 days/9 meals included, local pickup and return, round trip air from Baer Field, air taxes and fees/surcharges, Hotel Transfers \$2,999/ person (double). Book now and save. Trip is scheduled October 19-26, 2023. A detailed overview of the trip will be presented by Eric Scott, Collette Travel on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 2 pm.

Please note that all prices are subject to change. Call the Huntington Council on Aging, Senior Center office to reserve your spot for the informational meeting!

**FORESTRY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE TO TEACHERS**

Indiana educators are encouraged to apply for the 2023 Natural Resources Teacher Institute (NRTI), which will be held June 19-23 at the Forestry Training Center at Morgan-Monroe State Forest.

Hosted by the Indiana DNR Division of Forestry and Purdue University Forestry and Natural Resources, this week-long immersive professional development program will provide educators with the knowledge, skills, and tools to effectively teach their students about forest ecology, research, and management in Indiana. There is no cost to participants, and meals and housing are also provided.

Daily activities include visiting public and private forest sites, touring forest industry facilities, and exploring forestry research through the Hardwood Ecosystem Experiment.

Up to 18 educators will be accepted to participate. Participants must be available to attend all days of

the program and fully participate in activities.

Participants will earn 30+ Professional Growth Points, as well as receive Project Learning Tree and Leopold Education Project curriculum materials, a forestry tool kit, Indiana-specific field guides, and a stipend for developing and implementing a lesson plan.

To apply or receive more information, contact Donna Rogler, NRTI coordinator, at [treeladyin@gmail.com](mailto:treeladyin@gmail.com) or 317-402-2624.

**PRODUCTS RECALLED IN FEBRUARY**

Attorney General Todd Rokita alerted Hoosiers of important consumer protection concerns for products recalled in February. Attorney General Rokita encourages consumers to take advantage of opportunities available for those who purchased the recalled items.

"Hoosiers deserve protection from products that are faulty, especially when they can injure our most precious assets, our children," Attorney General Rokita said. "If you have one of the recalled products, stop using it immediately and pursue resolution from the manufacturer."

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the following consumer

products were recalled in February:

- Children's Pajamas from Paper Cape
- Children's Robes from Amazon
- Lancaster Table & Seating Brand High Chairs from Clark Associates
- Ovation Protege Equestrian Helmets from English Riding Supply
- ODGER Swivel Chairs from IKEA
- Silver Lining Cloud Activity Gyms from Skip Hop
- LiftMaster myQ Garage Door Control Panels from Chamberlain
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaners from Colgate-Palmolive
- Side-By-Side Vehicles from BRP
- "My First" Disney-Character Figurines from Kids Preferred
- Outdoor Kitchens from Paradise Grills
- Electric Bicycles from Linus Bike
- Mainstays Three-Wick Candles from Star Soap Star Candle Prayer Candle

If you believe you recently purchased a recalled product, stop using it, and check its recall notice. Then follow the notice's instructions, including where to return the product or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

To view recalls visit the Consumer Protection Safety Commission website at [www.cpsc.gov/Recalls](http://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls).

**SOMETHING TO DO**

by Daris Howard  
Dean was retiring, and he was looking forward to all the free time he would have. He had worked hard all of his life, providing a good living for his family, but now it would be his time. He was going fishing, camping, traveling, and would have the best raspberry patch in the world.

He started by sleeping in a little. That was nice, but he found he didn't really sleep. When the time rolled around to when he was used to getting up, he was wide awake. He planned an extended vacation, but he and his wife, Marilyn, had only been gone three days when he was ready to head home.

He went fishing almost every week. He still enjoyed that, but it didn't seem as fun

as when it was a break from everything else. He worked on his raspberry patch, but soon he had it weedless, and there was nothing yet to pick. He flopped in his chair, and Marilyn could tell something was wrong.

"What's the matter, Dean?" she asked.

"Retirement just isn't what I thought it would be," he replied. "It's kind of like I have lost my purpose in life. When the children were home, and I went to work every day, I could see the benefits of what I was doing in their lives- as they became wonderful adults. Watching raspberries grow isn't as satisfying as seeing people grow. I realize now that being part of making life better for someone is much more fulfilling."

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Mar 13	6:00p	W - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Mar 14	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting @ KBC
Mar 15	7:00p	V - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Mar 17		ST PATRICK'S DAY
Mar 20		FIRST DAY OF SPRING!!!!
Mar 20	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
Apr 5	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
Apr 5	7:00p	V - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Apr 7		GOOD FRIDAY

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wednesdays - 2 - 4:00pm at KBC;

Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday - 9 - 4 at KBC

These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)



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"Maybe you can find someone you can help or teach like you used to with the children," Marilyn said.

Dean thought about it a lot, but he just couldn't think of anything that a retired person could do. He knew he wasn't as young and vivacious as he used to be.

Then Dean read an article in the paper saying that the mayor was retiring, and the town was looking for candidates. "As mayor, I could do all sorts of things to help people," Dean thought.

So he signed up. He did some campaigning, though it really wasn't his thing. But when the vote was counted, he had won. However, he discovered that being mayor wasn't always bright and beautiful. Probably at least half of it was dealing with complaints about the streets, the parks, the snow, or anything else someone was annoyed about.

Dean was also a man to say it like he saw it. He didn't sugarcoat things or say something just to please someone. This rubbed some people the wrong way, and some of them weren't shy about telling him.

But amid all the annoying things, there were bright spots. He was able to fund some new basketball courts for the youth, most of it with donations with few tax dollars. There were times of encouraging new business to

come to town, and ribbon cuttings when they did. He enjoyed trying to make the town a little better. That's why, when the woman in charge of the Fourth of July parade came to the city council meeting and requested the city council have an entry, he thought it was a good idea.

"What do they usually do?" Dean asked.

He had watched the parade for years but couldn't remember.

"Usually, they get a trailer and ride on it, or they just ride in a few nice cars," the woman replied.

The city council discussed some options, then Dean suddenly had a brilliant idea. "You all leave it to me," he said. "Just be there and dress in gardening clothes." They were all curious but said they would.

When the day came, Dean drove up on a tractor, pulling a manure spreader. It was used but clean. He had chairs in it for everyone to sit on. As they climbed in, they all laughed at the sign on the side.

"Spreading sunshine and helping the city grow."

(Daris Howard, award-winning, syndicated columnist, playwright, and author, can be contacted at [daris@darishoward.com](mailto:daris@darishoward.com); or visit his website at <http://www.darishoward.com>, to buy his books.)

### 5 TAX-EFFICIENT STRATEGIES TO INCLUDE IN A HOLISTIC FINANCIAL PLAN

(State Point) As consumers focus on filing taxes and spending returns, a new study reveals a need for increased awareness around tax-efficient financial strategies. Lincoln Financial Group's Consumer Sentiment Tracker reports that only 2% of Americans can correctly identify financial solutions with tax advantages, despite one in three saying they would help them pay less in taxes either now or in the future.

"Lincoln's research shows consumers are under-educated about tax strategy and tax-efficient investments, revealing a disconnect between aspirations and actions," said David Berkowitz, president, Lincoln Financial Network, the wealth management arm of Lincoln Financial Group, which provides advice and guidance through its network of independent financial professionals. "Consulting a financial professional and learning more about products and solutions can grow one's confidence in their financial decisions."

While not intended to be legal or tax advice, Lincoln Financial Group recommends considering the following five tax-efficient strategies as part of a holistic financial plan:

1. Contribute to a workplace retirement account. Pretax contributions to an employer-sponsored retirement savings plan will reduce total taxable income and allow savings to grow tax deferred. A good rule of thumb is to save at least 10% to 15% of your pay, but if that feels out of reach, start wherever possible and increase contributions a little each year to see big changes in total savings over time. Remember to save up to the employer match, if one is offered.

2. Explore the value of lifetime income. At a time when people are living longer and face greater risks to their savings, an annuity can provide protected guaranteed monthly income that can last a lifetime. Taxes on the gains aren't paid until the money is withdrawn, so interest can be earned on the money that would have otherwise been paid in taxes. Being in a lower tax bracket during retirement means potentially paying less in taxes overall on the same

amount of money. A financial professional can help determine which type of annuity might best fit your specific needs.

3. Prepare for unexpected long-term care costs. The greatest changes to income and lifestyle may result from an unexpected long-term health care event. Different solutions can help provide a cushion, and many of these benefits are income tax-free. Understanding the various policies is the first step in helping ensure you'll receive needed care without passing a financial burden on to family or loved ones.

4. Diversify a portfolio with life insurance. Adding cash value life insurance to a larger financial plan can help protect savings and provide an income tax-free death benefit for your beneficiaries, as well as tax-deferred growth opportunities. It can also offer advantages that help meet goals at every stage of life, including funding a child's education costs; strengthening retirement savings; creating additional cash flow; and protecting wealth for future generations. Keep in mind that if loans or withdrawals are taken from the policy, it will reduce the value of the death benefit and other payouts, as well as have potential tax consequences.

5. Work with a financial professional. According to Lincoln's study, just 1 in 5 U.S. adults feels very confident about making financial decisions to minimize exposure to taxes, yet 47% say they are more concerned about the impact of taxes on their retirement savings due to the current market. A financial professional can help tailor a holistic plan to your needs, as well as provide education about various insurance and retirement solutions.

"Ongoing challenges like market volatility, inflation and changing tax laws have the potential to hit wallets hard," said Berkowitz. "That's why tax-efficient investing is an important aspect of

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### HARDESTY

Roberta "Colleen" Hardesty, 89, of Marion, went to be with the Lord at 1:58 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2023, at Marion Health.

She was born in Sweetser on Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1933, to Robert and Bertha (Pownell) Stevens.

Colleen worked at Davidson Insurance, Marion, where she was the secretary. She was a member of and a Sunday School teacher at Hillside Wesleyan Church, Marion.

Colleen also collected a variety of dolls throughout her life.

She loved her family more than anything in this world and will be missed dearly by all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her daughter, Penny Hardesty, of Marion; son, Kim (Lisa) Hardesty, of Marion; grandsons, Joshua Hueston, of Van Buren, Christopher (Aimie) Hueston, of Van Buren, and Cody Hardesty, of North Manchester; granddaughter, Angela Hardesty, of North Manchester; eight great-grandchildren.

Colleen was preceded in death by her parents, husband, James F. Hardesty, son, Robert Allen Hardesty, and sister, Jackie Reed.

The family will receive visitors from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2023, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral and Cremation Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion.

Immediately following the time of visitation, a memorial service to celebrate Colleen's life will begin at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Gary Bingham officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Hillside Wesleyan Church, 2510 S. Home Ave., Marion, IN 46953.

### CLUPPER

George Francis Clupper, age 82, of Van Buren, Indiana and Heber Springs, Arkansas, passed away Sunday,



February 26, 2023, at Baptist Health, Heber Springs, Arkansas.

George was born November 6, 1940 in Marion, Indiana the son of the late Francis Burton and Mary Catharine (Akers) Clupper. He married Donna Wright on January 7, 1962, she preceded him in 2014. On September 6, 2015 he married Janice Boller Stratton and she survives in Heber Springs, Arkansas. George was employed at Bradford Plumbing Heating and Cooling as a plumbing and heating specialist and as Pipefitter with the VA in Marion.

He was a member of Cleburne County Baptist Church of Heber Springs and Hanfield Global Methodist Church in Marion. George enjoyed being part of the Van Buren Lions Club, Eastbrook Band boosters, and Boy Scouts of America for many years. He enjoyed antique tractors and looked forward to going to tractor shows in Warren and Tipton Indiana. George was an experienced woodworker and well known for his beautiful woodworking pieces. He made several pieces of furniture for his family and friends.

George is survived by his wife Janice, his children Scott (Stacy) Clupper of Van Buren IN, Michael (Monique) Clupper of Valdez AK, Randy Stratton of Fishers IN, Debbie (Kevin) Kuhn of Tipton IN, Christine (Darryl) Brane of Van Buren IN, and Robin (Michael) Krogman of Bacliff TX. George is also survived by Grandchildren; Jacob Clupper, Jaren Clupper, Danielle (Jordan) Hooker, Dylan Sorenson, Darby (Alek) Martens, Ethan Clupper, Evan Clupper, Weston Clupper, Kurtis (Laura) Kuhn, David (Emily) Kuhn, Trevor (Breanna) Brane, Seth Brane, Tyler Stratton, Lily Stratton, Madison Stratton, Mathew Krogman and 4 great-grandchildren with 2 on the way.

Friends and family may call from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2023, at

Raven Choate Robinson Funeral Home, 1202 W. Kem Road, Marion, Indiana. Visitation will also take place from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at the funeral home prior to funeral services.

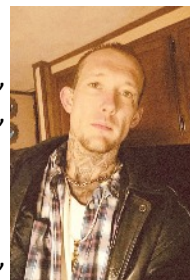
Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Curtis Banker officiating.

Burial will take place at Van Buren Masonic Cemetery, Van Buren, Indiana immediately following funeral services.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to a scholarship fund the family will establish for an Eastbrook High School Senior that will study a vocational trade. Memorials can be sent to Raven Choate Robinson Funeral Home or envelopes will be available at the viewing.

### HIATT

Jack Roy Hiatt, 32 of Marion, Indiana, passed away in Marion, on February 28, 2023.



Jack was born on August 02, 1990 in Cincinnati, Ohio to David Hiatt and Samantha Foreman. He was a great artist. He loved to draw and was a self-taught, very talented, tattoo artist. Jack's greatest joy and the loves of his life were his children. He always wanted the best for them.

Jack will be deeply missed by his father, David (Cindy) Hiatt of Warren, IN, his mother, Samantha Foreman of Marion, IN, his 3 sons, including his youngest son, Jacoby Mettert & 2 daughters, his brother who loved him with all his heart, David (Shayla) Hiatt, brother, Tyler Powell, sisters, Arianna Hiatt, Alyssa Hiatt, and Courtney Hiatt, maternal grandfather, Rex Foreman, and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, located at 203 N. Matilda

Street, Warren on Monday, March 6, 2023, from 4-8 pm and again on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at the funeral home from 12-1 pm. A service to celebrate Jack's life will begin at 1 pm. Burial will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren, Indiana.

### SEXTON

Dennis Eugene "Denny" Sexton, 70 of Van Buren, Indiana, passed away on Friday, March 3, 2023, at his home.



Denny was born on November 3, 1952, in Marion, Indiana, to Ambrose and Evelyn (Benson) Sexton. He graduated from Marion High School in 1971 and married Michelle (Masters) Sexton on January 5, 1985, in Marion, Indiana. Denny has worn many hats over the years primarily in finance with CNB & a car salesman at Fincannon Ford in Harford City.

He was a former President of Marion Jaycee's and a member of American Legion Post #10 in Marion. While the kids were growing up, he never missed a ball game/concert or meet. He coached both baseball and softball. He was a car enthusiast and sports fanatic, especially the Colts and Eastbrook Youth Sports, where his grandkids would play. Denny was a loving husband, a strong father, and a beloved papaw.

Denny was preceded in death by his parents, Ambrose and Evelyn Sexton, and brothers, Robert and Ronald Sexton.

Loving survivors include his wife of 38 years, Michelle Sexton, children, Chad (Tessa) Sexton, Shawn (Alyssa) Sexton, Selena (Wolgan) Ramos, Scott Showen, and Staci (Jerod) Hyden, grandchildren, Jarrod, Samantha, Liam, Lyria, Addi, Avah, Carson, and Elias, great-granddaughter, Teagan, and his sister, Patty Brown, several nieces & nephews.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Van Buren Church of the Vine

Fellowship Hall located at 105 S 2nd St. Van Buren, IN 46991, on Thursday, March 9, 2023, from 4pm to 8pm and again on Friday, March 10, from 10am to 11am. A funeral service will begin at 11am Friday with Pastor Brad Hensley officiating. Burial will follow at Grant Memorial Park in Marion, Indiana.

### BORNE

Ruth Ann Borne, 75, passed away Sunday evening, March 5, 2023, at the Bluffton Regional Medical Center in Bluffton. Her death followed a short illness.

Ruth was born July 12, 1947, in Waterloo, Ind., to Oliver F. and Violet V. Brinneman Blumenhorst. Both parents preceded her in death. She married George E. Borne on June 29, 1968, in Plum Tree, Ind. He survives in Bluffton.

Ruth was a homemaker and enjoyed taking care of her family. Ruth graduated from Salamonie Township High School with the class of 1966. She was involved with Camp Mack, helped with Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts, and was a member of Home Economics Clubs in Adams and Wells counties. She was also a member of the Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren in Decatur.

In addition to her husband, Ruth is survived by two children, Veora Borne of Bluffton and Fred Borne-Dumont of Las Vegas, Nev.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, at the Goodwin - Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel in Bluffton, followed immediately by a funeral service at 1 p.m. Pastor Jay Carter will officiate at the service. Burial will follow at the Pleasant Dale Cemetery.

Memorials can be made in Ruth's memory to Heart to Heart Hospice or to the building fund at the Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren.



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financial planning that can help you build wealth and achieve your financial goals.”

## HOW TO SHOP FOR SPRING HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS WITH EASE

(StatePoint) Whatever your spring plans include cleaning your living spaces top to bottom or taking up an outdoor fitness routine, you'll likely need some household supplies to fuel your seasonal endeavors.

With so many new products being introduced all the time on both store shelves and online, you may be wondering which items have already passed muster with other consumers. Fortunately, resources exist to help you quickly hone in on the best of the bunch. Product of the Year USA, the largest consumer-voted awards program centered around product innovation, recently announced the winners of the 2023 Product of the Year Awards. Determined through a national study of 40,000 American shoppers in partnership with Kantar, a global leader in consumer research, each winner's packaging boasts a red seal of approval.

“Today's savvy consumers expect products that are smart, efficient and easy to use. At the same time, the amount of access they have to different merchandise is unprecedented,” says Mike Nolan, global CEO of Product of the Year Management. “We're proud to be providing shoppers and their families with trusted guidance and information as they sort through their many options.”

Demonstrating the ever-evolving trends seen in the U.S. market, the year's winners are a round-up of the top products for function, design, packing or ingredients. As you stock up on spring essentials, consider the following 16 winners in household and personal care categories:

- Auto Dish Care | Cascade Platinum Plus – Procter & Gamble
- Body Cleanser | Dial Body Wash – Henkel
- Car Care | Rain-X Truck & SUV Wiper Blade – ITW Global Brands/Rain-X
- CBD | CBD Sleep Gummies – Sky Wellness
- Children's Health | Children's ZYRTEC Allergy Chewables – Johnson & Johnson Consumer Health
- Digestive Health | Dulcolax Chewy Fruit Bites – Sanofi Consumer Healthcare
- Hair Growth | Nature's Bounty Optimal Solutions Hair Growth – Nestlé Health Science
- Home Cleaning | FamilyGuard Brand Disinfectants – S.C. Johnson & Son
- Home Essentials | Ziploc Endurables – S.C. Johnson & Son
- Immediate Relief | Carmex Weather Guard Lip Balm – Carma Laboratories
- Mattress | Nectar Premier Mattress – Resident Home LLC

- Topical Pain Relief | Icy Hot Pro – Sanofi Consumer Healthcare
- Weight Management | Nature's Bounty Optimal Solutions Metabolism Booster – Nestlé Health Science

- Wellness Device | Aspercreme Flexi-Motion – Sanofi Consumer Healthcare
- Wellness Supplement | Nature Made Wellblends – Pharmavite LLC
- Women's Daily Supplement | Nature's Bounty Optimal Solutions Advanced Hair Skin & Nails – Nestlé Health Science

For additional information about this year's winners, visit [productoftheyearusa.com](http://productoftheyearusa.com).

Whether you tend to shop for household essentials online or in brick-and-mortar stores, it's smart to rely on resources that can help you make better choices.

## DOES YOUR BUSINESS QUALIFY FOR THE ERC FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM?

(StatePoint) The strength of the country relies on its estimated 33.2 million small businesses, which comprise 99.9 percent of all American businesses. COVID threatened, and in some cases forced, the closure of many small enterprises and tens of thousands are still reeling from the aftermath of the full pandemic.

In an effort to offer some relief, the federal

government created the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) Program under the IRS that has already helped thousands of qualifying businesses receive up to \$26,000 per employee. Unfortunately, not enough small business owners are aware of the program. Others don't think they will qualify, leaving billions of dollars on the table that could help them recover and continue to move forward.

Companies such as ERC Helpdesk, [www.erchelpdesk.com](http://www.erchelpdesk.com), have been created

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Mail Check/Money Order to: WBSL, PO Box 719, Warren IN 46792 or you may send the money to the First Practice in an envelope with your kid's name on it. (You may write 1 check for all kids but must have individual sign-up slips.)

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to help small businesses determine their qualifications and navigate the ERC program. Now is the perfect time for business owners around the country to see if they make the cut.

A small business can receive an ERC even if it received PPP. The program is flexible enough that most businesses will likely be eligible. The average claim is \$150,000, but there is no cap on the amount.

"I was the owner of a marketing business that assisted dozens of small business owners so I witnessed firsthand the challenges and sweat equity involved in taking such a big risk," said ERC Helpdesk chief marketing officer, Greg Ross-Smith. "Our founder was and remains a small business owner himself who was initially told his businesses would not qualify for an ERC and there was nobody he could find to make sense of the program. When he finally learned about the program details and what the actual qualifications are, not only did he apply and receive funds, he decided to create a way to assist other small business owners in taking advantage of the funding available for their businesses."

Here are the basics to see if you qualify:

- Your business is based in the United States.
- You retained and paid W2 employees during 2020 and 2021.
- Your business was impacted by COVID restrictions in one or more of the following ways:
  1. Loss of revenue
  2. Supply chain disruptions
  3. Full or partial shutdown of your business

Now a growing industry, ERC companies are popping up all over so be wary about who you work with. Ideally, try to work with a company you know, or at least one that understands the needs and inner workings of a small business. Often, it helps to work with a smaller sized ERC business that's accessible and that will work with your submission on a one-on-one basis. Bigger isn't always better in this industry. Of course, partnering with a company that maintains a high approval rate for its clients is a critical point of measurement as many companies can waste your time and get your hopes up by simply submitting anything knowing the chances of success are slim. Finally, to the degree you can determine it, try to work with a company that will process your application as quickly as possible while focusing on reducing errors that can delay the process.

"So many small businesses are built organically with the

participation, support and hard work of family and friends. As a result, we understand the investment of time, resources and relationships that go into every business we work with," said Ross-Smith. "In the ERC business, integrity, trust and customer service rule and that's what I'd urge all applicants to consider in navigating their eligibility for the program. Our only goal is to help them qualify and then maximize their efforts and amount of compensation they receive."

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the career path I want to take, attending Grace College to study Elementary and Special Education to become a teacher. Telling my story and the story of other Club members to our legislators made me feel like I really have a voice." Brooke Swaidner, 9 year Club member

"I shared about the Club's Academic Success programs and how grants like 21st Century Community Learning Centers help the Club provide extra

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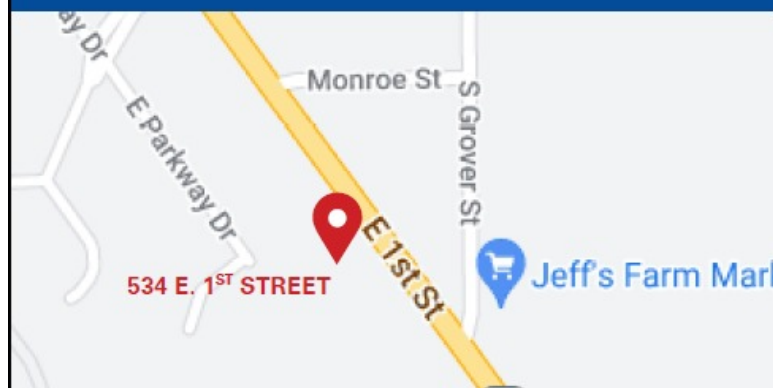
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