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Thought for the Week: *The brave don't live forever, but the cautious don't live at all.* Timothy Luce

### BIBLE SCHOOL

Van Buren United Methodist Church will be hosting Bible School Sunday, July 22 through Friday, July 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. each evening. All preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade children are invited to attend. Please join us. For more information call 765/934-3531.

### QUILT WINNER

Vicki Sparks is the winner of the Quilt raffled off during the Festival by the Women's Fellowship of the United Church of Christ. Thanks to those who bought tickets.

### "NOISES OFF" GREAT FUN

"Noises Off" opened last weekend at the Pulse Opera House with doors slamming left and right. The comedy farce is action packed like nothing you've seen at the Pulse before. Centered around a fictional show, the audience gets to see it from its final rehearsal through its final run. This clever production lets you get to know the characters both on stage and back stage. It's both physically and mentally demanding for the actors. They must play two characters at the same time while timing an endless array of classic comedy slapstick routines. Perhaps equally as fun is watching the scene changes between acts. Opening weekend audiences were intrigued as they watched an incredible set transform itself from front stage to back stage. This is the must see show of the summer! For non-stop action, lots of slamming doors, and a truly fun evening, "Noises Off" is your ticket to the entertaining experience of live theatre!

Thanks to the efforts of Gordon Laymon, Steve Holmes, George DeWeese, Bob and Nancy Smyth and a few others, the lobby restrooms made their debut this past weekend as well. The lobby remains a work in progress, but audiences now

have the convenience of clean facilities located right within the Pulse. When you enter the lobby it's easy to visualize what the future holds.

If you've never been to the Pulse Opera House, now's a great time to join the legion of faithful followers. "Noises Off" continues its run on July 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28. Tickets are available at Handcrafters Marketplace, or by calling the box office at 375-7017 or on line at [www.pulseoperahouse.org](http://www.pulseoperahouse.org).

### TOOLS FOR LIFE

The Youth Services Bureau of Huntington County is once again providing school supplies to children and youth of Huntington County. "Last year, with the gracious support of the community, we were able to provide 275 children/youth the school supplies they needed," Jan Williams. Collection barrels are located throughout Huntington County at the following locations: Family Dollar, Walgreen's, K-Mart, WalMart, Dollar General, Cross Roads Pantry (Markle), First Horizon Mortgage Company and the Youth Services Bureau. "These businesses have generously allowed us to place collection barrels in their facility for your convenience. Our hope is when you are out purchasing your own child's school supplies, simply purchase a few extras and place them in the barrels for those less fortunate." Donations can also be dropped off at the Youth Services Bureau at 723 Warren Street, Huntington.

To receive assistance with school supplies or to find out more about this service, contact the Youth Services Bureau located at 723 Warren Street or phone 219/356-9681 or 800/298-5444.

### MORE PRIZES

The Warren Pharmacy is celebrating the Salomonie Summer Festival!! To show our appreciation to the community, we gave away 2 grand prizes. A video entitled "The Ride" about a Rodeo Cowboy. WINNERS of the videos are Kaylee Searles & Rosalie Walters. Winners were picked from entry forms filled out during the past 2 weeks. It pays to visit the Warren Pharmacy.

### TUITION ASSISTANCE

A conservative estimate of college costs for a full-time student runs from \$10,000-\$30,000; high cost colleges can run from \$40,000-\$100,000! Most parents and students think that scholarships are only for the students with excellent grades, low-income families, or the athletically inclined. A small example of the numerous scholarships available to students include: Handicapped Student Scholarships, Members of a Church Scholarships, Scholarships for "C" Students, Veteran Children's Scholarships, Scholarships for Minorities and much, much more.

Though the majority of scholarships are from the Federal Government and are merit and/or need based, billions of dollars are available to students from private sector scholarships. Much of private sector financial aid goes unused because the parents and students do not know how or where to apply.

There are organizations that have spent hundreds of hours in research locating scholarship sources. The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance - College Bound is such an organization and supplies the public with over 900 different private scholarships sources. The scholarship list include the scholarship names, addresses, application deadlines, summaries about the scholarships and the amount the scholarship will pay your

child.

Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; others can be applied towards tuition, living expenses, and/or other fees. Most scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4 year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools.

For information on obtaining these scholarship lists, send a self-addressed, stamped, business size, #10, envelope to: The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

### 100,000+ ON PRIVACY LIST

Indianapolis, N - In just two months of operation, more than 100,000 Hoosiers have taken the opportunity to sign-up for the telephone privacy list created and maintained by the attorney general's office.

Attorney General Steve Carter opened the call center just days after the telephone privacy law passed the Indiana General Assembly. "There are so many people who want to sign up for the telephone privacy list and getting the call center operating as quickly as possible was a priority," said Carter.

The law requires telemarketing companies wanting to do business with Indiana residents to acquire the telephone privacy list and not call those phone numbers. The list will be updated quarterly to accommodate people who move into the state throughout the year or whose phone numbers change.

Allen County leads the state in the number of residents who have called the toll-free phone number. More than 11,350 people from Allen County in northeast Indiana have signed-up for the telephone privacy list. Marion County is second with more than 10,900 people signed up.

"We will continue efforts to spread the word about the telephone privacy law and get

people signed-up over the next few months before enforcement of the law begins in January" said Carter.

The toll-free number is 1-888-834-9969. The call center is open 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

### AIDS WALK

AIDS Walk & Festival 2001 Organizational Kick-Off Meeting: August 1, 2001, 6:30 p.m. at Foster Park, Pavilion 2, 3900 Old Mill Rd. in Fort Wayne.

Individual and team walker registration, distribution of pledge materials and information. Free food, live music by saxophonist Ben Peverly of Waterloo. Find out more about the upcoming 2001 AIDS Walk on Sunday, September 9 and how you can make a difference! For more information, call 219-744-1144.

### WILDCAT FESTIVAL

August 24, 25, 26  
This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> year for the Markle Wildcat Festival. At the April 20, 1977 Markle Business Association meeting, the idea for a local celebration was born. 1978 brought the first crowning of a Princess Wildcat and in 1981 our famous "4 Grouches" tradition began. Being named a "Grouch" is really an honor, since you are voted in by friends and co-workers during the contest. To nominate someone to be a grouch this year, please contact Emma Jean Fox at 758-2247 before August 8, and then the voting will begin around local Markle businesses.

The 2001 committee hopes to make this year's festival extra special to commemorate 25 years. To help support the festival you can buy commemorative T-shirts (\$8.00) and Buttons (\$1.00) at the State Bank of Markle, Tender Gardens Flowers & Gifts, and Markle Old Picket Fence.

Don't forget to participate in

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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 Flowers and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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**KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS**

**JULY IS PRIME TIME FOR HEALTHY OUTDOOR FUN**  
 Say the word "exercise" and a lot of people look the other way. They know it's good for the body and mind, but it sure sounds like work.

So forget that word. Summer is the time to play, relax on long walks, and enjoy your favorite sport. It's time to put some outdoor fun into your life. But if you get a little healthier in the process, that's just a nice side benefit. You don't even have to admit that what's pleasant is good for you.

Dig in the garden, go to the street dance, or carry your picnic basket into the woods. Plan a variety of activities and have more fun. You can pick your own pastime. But remember that the great weather won't last forever, so take advantage of it now.

Take a walk and breathe that fresh air. If you start by walking a short distance every day, and then walk a little farther next week, you'll soon be hooked on walking, because it makes you feel so good.

Get back into the sport you like. Dig out your tennis racket even if you haven't played for a long time. You'll have fun getting back into your game. You don't have to be "good" to have fun.

Get some old pals together for a little pickup basketball, or dust off the golf clubs and start hitting a few at the driving range. Remember, you don't have to be a star, because the name of this game is fun.

This is the best time to turn off the television and get outside. Even if you think you're tired after a day's work, you'll find you feel much better when you're out there. Getting your partner or a pal involved makes it even better. Soon you'll be taking a longer hike and loving the scenery.

Walk, dance, or play, but get moving and see how much better you feel.

**SUNSCREEN DOESN'T PROTECT AGAINST CANCER**

Recently doctors at Harvard asked, "Is sunscreen an enabler?" That is, do people think they can spend long hours in the sun because sunscreen will protect them from skin cancer?

Sunscreens may be giving people a false sense of security. Sunburn protection is not the same as cancer protection.

The doctors say melanoma seems to be associated with the intense, intermittent exposure to sunlight that happens on vacations, rather than the chronic, day-in, day-out sun exposure experienced by outdoor workers.

Some researchers say one explanation for the rising number of U.S. melanoma cases is that more people go on winter vacations in warm, sunny places. They theorize that intermittent sun exposure does just enough damage to the DNA of pigment-producing cells, from which melanoma grows, to mutate them, but not kill them off.

An article published in the Archives of Dermatology listed 11 studies of sunscreen use and melanoma that showed a link between the two. The only apparent explanation is people are spending more time in the sun thinking they are completely protected.


But also keep in mind that these studies concerned only melanoma, the most serious but least common of sun-associated skin cancer. For every case of melanoma, there are at least 20 cases of basal cell or squamous cell carcinoma.

If you are going to be in the sun, wear sunscreen. When you go to the beach, slather on a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15. But remember that it's best to stay out of the sun at midday or at least limit your time under old sol.

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 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 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**

Corner of 900S & 300W  
 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.  
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**

375-3022  
 Stephan Leininger, Pastor  
 Becky Hartley, SS Supt.  
 Fellowship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**

8888S 1100W-90, Warren  
 375-2779  
 Lynn Mefferd, Pastor  
 Jim Pryor, Associate Pastor  
 Sun - Pastor's Prayer Closet... 7:30a.m.  
 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.  
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.  
 2nd Worship Service... 10:30a.m.  
 Youth Group (Jr/Sr)..... 5:30p.m.  
 Prayer Service ..... 6:30p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Adv. Club (4yr-6th)..... 6-7:30p.m.

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**

375-2330  
 www.hows.net/46792/WCT  
 Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sue Brown, 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.  
 Mon. Bible Study (women).... 9:00 a.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 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.  
 Youth Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Thurs. Kings Kids ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun) .. 6:00 p.m.  
 CWF Ladies (3 Tue) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour. 6:30 p.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

**HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

375-2510  
 Bill Keen, Pastor  
 Ed Kessler, Assoc. Pastor  
 Bus Service 375-2510  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group (Sun.) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service ..... 7:00 p.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

375-2102  
 Charles Dye Jr., Pastor  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Junior Church ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month  
 Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m.

**THE NEW BEGINNING**

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.

**WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**

Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.  
 Pastor Reece Bookout  
 Sandy Richison, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Youthquake (grades 7-12).... 6:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Mtg ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Exercise Class (Tues/Thurs). 7:00 p.m.

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

765-934-2031  
 Pastor Blake J. Neff  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30-10:45a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45-11:30a.m.  
 MYF ..... 6- 7:30 p.m.

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor  
 Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**

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 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship ..... 8:20 a.m.  
 2nd Worship ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 3rd Worship ..... 11:11 a.m.  
 Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

**PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

375-2691  
 Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Church ..... 11:00 a.m.

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**

468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
 David Thrift, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday:  
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings ..... 7:00 p.m.

**UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME SUNDAY**

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

**MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN**

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.

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## AREA NEWS

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all the fun events planned for you. Including Wildcat Princess contest with three age groups: Little Miss Wildcat (5-8 yr. old), Junior Miss Wildcat (9-13 yr. old), and Princess (14-18 yr. old) Grand prizes for the top 3 in each group, and gifts for all who participate. Scholarships will also be awarded. Don't miss the Diaper Derby, Frog Jumping (bring your own frog), Bake-Off Contest, Flower and Garden Show, Fishing Derby, Battle of the Churches and the parade! These are just a few of the fun things to do at the Markle Wildcat Festival. Watch the paper and around town for more information coming up. Also contact Teresa Beck at Tender Gardens (758-2118) for more information.

### AREA CODES SET

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission today assigned new area code numbers for two of the three regions in northern Indiana.

The Area designated 'A' includes such cities as: Gary, East Chicago, Michigan City, Valparaiso, and Rensselaer will have the area code 219.

The Area designated "B" includes such cities as: South Bend, Elkhart, Winamac, Logansport and Monticello will have the area code 574.

The Area designated "C" includes such cities as: Lagrange, Fort Wayne, North Manchester, Silver Lake, Wabash, Warren and Portland will have the area code 260.

On June 14, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission approved a three-way geographic split relief plan for the area now served by the 219 area code. Due to the similarity in size of the regions the IURC held a drawing at its regular conference meeting to determine which area would keep the 219 area code.

First index cards with the letters A, B and C were put in envelopes and drawn from a glass bowl to determine the order that the geographic areas would be assigned numbers. Then envelopes containing index cards with the area codes on them were drawn.

The implementation of the 219 relief plan begins with the introduction of the new area codes through a series of educational efforts by the telephone companies. It will be followed by a six month "permissive" dialing period. During that time, customers can use either the old 219 or the new area code to place calls within the new area code.

Mandatory use of the new area codes will begin mid-summer 2002. Because the 219 area code was split three ways, it's estimated there will not be another need for area code relief for 21-years.

The numbers are administered by NeuStar, Inc., which was selected by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to serve as the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA).

NANPA is a neutral, third-party administrator that works with the telecommunications industry to develop area code relief plans, and oversees the assignment of area codes, three-digit center office codes, carrier identification codes and other numbering resources throughout the United States, Canada, Bermuda and many Caribbean islands.

### WELLHEAD PROTECTION

The Warren United Methodist Memorial Home invites public participation in developing a Wellhead Protection Plan.

Public Meeting Monday, July 30, 2001 7:00pm Local Time at Warren United Methodist Memorial Home.

To fulfill the State of Indiana's Wellhead Protection Rule, the Warren United Methodist Memorial Home public water supply system is developing a Wellhead Protection Plan. A first step in developing the plan is the formation of a local planning team. The team will make decisions on how to best protect the drinking water from potential sources of contamination. Interested parties are invited to come learn more about the process and/or to volunteer to serve on the local planning team. A meeting to discuss the Home's Wellhead Protection Plan development will be held at 7:00pm July 30, 2001 at Fellowship Lounge, Warren United Methodist Memorial Home, 801 Huntington Avenue, Warren, Indiana.

Please contact Mr. Jerry Williams, Superintendent at 219-375-2201, ext. 217 if you are interested in serving on the local planning team, but will be unable to attend or you have questions concerning the meeting.

### LEARN TO RETIRE WELL

Mr. John Riepma a nationally known author and lecturer will be speaking to area seniors on Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at a luncheon buffet at the Parlor City Country Club in Bluffton. This educational luncheon seminar is being sponsored by River Terrace Estates.

Mr. Riepma offers 20 years of retirement planning experience to senior adults. He has personally lectured his visionary approach for retirement planning to tens of thousands of seniors throughout the United States. Paul's insightful, direct approach to retirement planning has served as a blueprint for seniors who wish to build their own personal retirement plan. Seniors attending the buffet will have the opportunity to listen to Mr. Riepma's advice and to ask important questions about the kind of retirement lifestyle that's best suited for them.

The luncheon seminar is absolutely free; there is no cost or obligation. Reservations are required and seating is limited. For your reservations call (219) 824-8940.

### SURVIVOR TO SPEAK

Russel McCurdy, a survivor of the Japanese attack on the USS Arizona at Pearl Harbor will relate his experiences at the Huntington County Historical Museum on Monday, July 23 at 7pm. McCurdy observed the attack from his battle station in the crow's nest 85 feet above the deck. He was one of only 15 US Marine survivors out of 87 who were assigned to the Arizona. Following Pearl Harbor McCurdy saw action in a number of other battles in the Pacific. He has returned to the Pearl Harbor Memorial for several reunions and plans to go again for the sixtieth anniversary this December where the survivors will be greeted by President George W. Bush.

The historical museum is located at 315 Court Street, one half block east of the courthouse in Huntington. The meeting is open to the public.

### EASTBROOK SCHOOL NEWS

The school office at Upland Elementary, Matthews Elementary, Van Buren Elementary and Washington Elementary will be open Monday, August

13<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 noon - 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 noon - 7:00 p.m., and Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

**ATTENTION TO PARENTS OF ALL KINDERGARTEN FIRST GRADE AND SECOND GRADE STUDENTS:** This is a new State requirement concerning immunizations for kindergarten, first graders, and second graders, and must be followed to enter school this fall.

Hepatitis B Series -3 dose (or in process) Also: 5 DPT, 4 POLIO, 2 MMR.

You may take your child to your family physician or the Grant County Health Office on Mondays from 8:00 - 11:00 am. or 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**REMINDER TO PARENTS OF ALL 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS:** Due to increased cases of measles and deaths, the state has mandated that all

6th grade students are to have a second measles vaccine. Documentation is required upon enrolment of ALL 6<sup>th</sup> grade students indicating that the second measles vaccination has been acquired. Sixth grade student will not be able to attend school until this documentation has been provided. Injection can be acquired free on Mondays at the Grant County Health Office.

The textbook rental fees for grades K through 6 are as follows: K - \$41.22, 1 - 92.59, 2 - 77.01, 3 - 85.22, 4 - 74.68, 5 - 67.43, 6 - 72.93

Parents who are unable to pay school fees or rentals may obtain an application for free meals and textbook assistance upon registration. Textbook assistance is available only in instances where income levels qualify.

Kindergarten:

Kindergarten children will

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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.

Jul 18 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.  
Jul 23 Warren Town Council, 6:30p.m. Firestation  
Jul 27 Warren Recycle Day

**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 STORYTIMES: Warren 10:00 Friday, Van Buren 2:45 Walking In the Gym 6-Noon Monday -Friday**

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begin the school year on Tuesday, August 21, 2001 on their regular schedule. Specific information regarding the kindergarten program will be available at the time of registration. Please note: Your child must be five years of age on or before July 1, 2001.

#### Junior High School:

Eastbrook Junior High School registration for the 2001-2002 school year will be as follows:

Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon - 7:00 pm.; Thursday & Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Any new student entering the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Eastbrook Junior High is welcome to register at any of the above times.

Registration will be in the main entry of Eastbrook Junior High school (southside of Eastbrook High School). Students are to pick up their individual student schedules in front of the Junior High Office.

The office will be accepting textbook rental and fee payments on the day the student registers. Fees will be determined on student individual class schedule.

Students will receive individual class schedules, student folder of school policies and rules, a map of the building, assignment of lockers, and student guides will be available to help locate classrooms.

#### High School Registration:

Registration for all Eastbrook High School students will begin:

Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon - 7:00p.m.; Thursday & Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

The bookstore will be accepting textbook rental fee payments beginning August 14<sup>th</sup> when students come to register.

Eastbrook High School students who wish to request a schedule change may do so August 6<sup>th</sup> through August 10<sup>th</sup>.

The guidance office will be open 8:00 - 11:00 am and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. New students to the high school who have not pre-registered should also report to the guidance office during this time.

#### Lunch/Breakfast Prices:

Elementary Lunch prices (grades 1-6) \$1.25; Secondary Lunch Prices (grades 7-12) \$1.40; Adult Lunch \$1.95; Student breakfast (only served at Van Buren, Upland, and Matthews Elementary) = \$1.00; Adult breakfast = \$1.30.

### TEACHER APPRECIATION

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This year's celebration coincides with the Grand Opening of United Art and Education's fifth retail store in Dayton, OH. For complete details on this Grand Opening, and prizes and demonstrations for all locations, visit UnitedNow.com.

This retail location offers teachers and fine artists a selection of products, featuring over 22,000 items. Located at 4111 N Clinton St, Fort Wayne, the store is open 9 to 9 Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 on Sunday. United Art and Education has four other re-

gionally located stores in Columbus, OH, Dayton, OH and Indianapolis, IN. Corporate headquarters and catalog operations are located in Fort Wayne.

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### 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER RESULTS

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Net income for the first 6 months of 2001 is up 5.6% from the same period last year. Growth continues at a steady pace in other areas as Loans (\$133 mil) and Deposits (\$142 mil) are both up 20%. Capital now stands at \$18.4 million, which is a 13.5% jump from last year. Total Resources at the end of the second quarter of 2001 stand at \$164.6 million, also a 13% increase.

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ment opportunities through Investment Centers of America, Inc. and Insurance Services through Markle Insurance Services, a subsidiary of MarkleBank. MarkleBank has also partnered with Business Manager, a company headquartered out of Tennessee, to assist small businesses with cash flow needs.

### COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met on Monday evening, July 9 in the local Fire Station. President Harold Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American flag.

In special order of business Council opened bids for paving. These included: Lica of Berne, \$49,546.00; Bunn Excavating, Fort Wayne, \$42,300.00; Brooks Construction Company, Fort Wayne, \$38,800.00; E&B Paving, Inc., Huntington, \$39,600.00. Council will take the bids under advisement.

Minutes of the June 25 regular meeting and June 28 and July 8 special meetings were approved as submitted.

There was still no major progress on the water project. The tank and treatment unit has not yet arrived.

Work was expected to continue on Tuesday on the new Warren sign site at the North edge of Warren. Placement of the sign is expected in two weeks.

Work was continuing to get the Warren Web site in operation.

The "Indiana Downtown" project was reported to be moving along.

The first meeting had been set up for Aug. 13. Warren is reported to be the first small

town worked with.

The recently purchased trencher had not been delivered yet.

Warren was scheduled to host a WHARMM meeting on July 16. Area elected officials will be attending the meeting to be held at Knight Civic Center.

Council was awaiting for appraisal for the purchase of properties at 131 North Wayne and 104 North Grover.

A Northeast Roundtable is set for Aug. 1 at Lapaz.


Council agreed to a request for a dead end sign on Campbell Street. The request was made because Campbell Street is often mistaken for the entrance to the Medical Center. Council also suggested more dead end signs be placed at other locations. Utility Manager Bice is to take care of the placement.

Resolution 5-2001, Transfer in lieu of taxes, was passed by Council to provide transfer of funds. The annual payment is made each year from Electric Reserve Fund to the General Fund.

The IMA Logo (Indiana Municipal Electric Association) meeting was set for Thursday in Jasper. Council was shown


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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### OSWALT

Edward L. Oswalt, 78, of Montpelier, died at 3:25 a.m. Monday (July 16, 2001) at his home.

Mr. Oswalt was a lifetime resident of Wells and Blackford counties, where he farmed for many years. He was a former book-keeper for the Wells County Farm Bureau and was a school bus driver for Southern Wells Community Schools for 17 years. He served in the Air Force in the European Theatre Campaign during World War II, serving from Jan. 28, 1943 to Nov. 28, 1945. He was a member of the Old Salem United Methodist Church, Bluffton, and Millard-Brown American Legion Post 156 of Montpelier.

He was born Dec. 30, 1922, in Chester Township, Wells County to Frederick William and Ida Elsie Miller Oswalt. He graduated from Chester Center High School, Wells County, in 1941. He married Margaret G. Gerard on June 1, 1946, in Montpelier. His wife survives.

Also surviving are six sons, James Edward Oswalt, Thomas Lee Oswalt and David Allen Oswalt, all of Bluffton, Terry Gene Oswalt, Wabash, Daniel Kay Oswalt, Montpelier, and Jeffery Wayne Oswalt, Ridgeville; a sister, Catherine Surfus, Warren; 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Elmer "Pete" Oswalt, Clyde Oswalt and Paul Oswalt; two sisters, Edith Schwob and Mary Oswalt.

Calling hours were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier.

Funeral services were held at the Old Salem Church, 7308E Ind.-218, Bluffton. Pastor Ralph Klinker officiated.

Military graveside rites were at the Stahl Cemetery, Bluffton, conducted by Millard-Brown American Legion Post 156 of Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to the Old Salem United Methodist Church, 7308E Ind.-218, Bluffton, IN 46714; or to the Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana, 1521 W. Main St., Berne, IN 46711.

### SHAFFER

Mary "Marie" Shaffer, 105, a resident of the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren, died at the home at 1:20 a.m. Sunday (July 15, 2001).

Mrs. Shaffer was a member of the United Methodist Church in LaFontaine. She and her husband had owned and operated an electrical store in LaFontaine; she retired in 1950.

She was born Jan. 18, 1896 in Huntington County, a daughter of Charles Cecil and Mabel Sutton Cecil. She married Henry "Rowland" Shaffer May 11, 1914, in Grand Rapids, Mich.; her husband died Jan. 2, 1983.

Survivors include a grandson, Lynn Hardt, St. Petersburg, Fla.; another grandchild, a great-grand-

child, and a great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, Cecil W. Shaffer, and a daughter, Ester Louise Van Eepoel.

Services were held at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren, with Rev. John Pattison officiating.

Burial was at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in LaFontaine.

### SUTHERBY

David N. Sutherby, 69, of rural Warren, died at 1:20 p.m. Saturday, July 14, 2001 at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was employed 40 years as a truck driver.

Mr. Sutherby served in the U.S. Army from 1950 to 1954. He was a member of the American Legion and was of the Protestant denomination.

He was born in River Rouge, Mich., Sept. 4, 1931 to Edward and Violet Tobian Sutherby. His marriage at Lincoln Park, Mich., on Nov. 26, 1963 was to Patricia L. Homan, who survives.

Surviving are two sons, David Beers of Bluffton and Lance R. Sutherby of Warren; four daughters, Roxanne Sutherby of Bluffton, Sherry Lou Sutherby of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Don (Sherrie) Motes of Clarksville, Tenn., and Crystal Henderson of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; two sisters, Lois Mancine of Taylor, Mich., and Katherine Wilham of Newport, Mich.; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. A sister and a brother are deceased.

Services were held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel with Nile Bucher officiating. Burial was in Six Mile Cemetery.

### CORR

Frieda K. Corr, 62, a resident of Warren and Middletown, died July 9, 2001 at St. Vincent's Hospital in Indianapolis after an extended illness.

She was born in Middletown on February 1, 1939 to John McMullen and Delores (Mitchell)

She had been employed as a housekeeping supervisor at the Middletown Nursing Home for several years before her retire-

ment in 1996.

Survivors include three sons: Jon L. Bronnberg of Warren, Michael Bronnberg of Fort Lewis, Washington and Brian S. Bronnberg of Middletown; two sisters Nelda Bowers of Middletown and Verna Tanner of Richmond and one brother, Donald McMullen of Daleville; two grandsons: Jon J. Heugel of Ballston Spa, NY and Jeremy W. Bronnberg of Warren; a granddaughter, Kimberly J. Bronnberg of Warren and a great-granddaughter, Samantha J. Heugel of Ballston Spa, NY.

She is preceded in death by two sisters, Imogene Daniels and Maxine Misz and a brother, Melvin Verle McMullen.

There were no visitation hours. Graveside services will be conducted at a later date.

### GREEN

Margaret A. Green, 91, Marion, died at 9:10 a.m. July 15, 2001 at the Emily Flinn Memorial Home in Marion.

Mrs. Green was born August 22, 1909 in Farrville to Allen and Lula (Beard) Pence. She was a life resident of the Van Buren area.

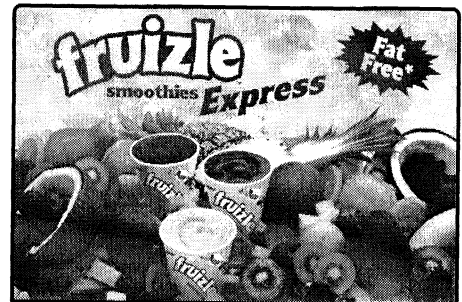
In 1925 she married Russell V. Corey, he died in 1967. In 1970 she married Kenneth Green, he died in 1993. Mrs. Green was a housewife. She was also the oldest member of the Hanfield United Methodist Church. She was a former member of the Van Buren Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons, Bill (friend Pat Slagle) Corey of Gas City and Larry Corey of Stuart, FL; a daughter, Rita (Randy) James of Van Buren; a step son Jack (Betty) Green of Van Buren; a daughter-in-law, Barbara Green of Van Buren; 17 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Linda Corey and Pat Bowen, a step-son, Byron Green, a great-granddaughter, Rachael E. Green and a daughter-in-law, Dorothy Corey.

Services were held at Ferguson Funeral Home in Van Buren. Burial was in Van Buren Cemetery.

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several logos and asked to choose the one they most preferred.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the June financial report.

The budget meeting of the State Board of Tax Commissioners was scheduled for July 12 at noon for discussion on the 2002 Municipal Budget.

Darrel Bice reported from the Utility and Street Departments.

In his project report it was noted that Festival clean-up had been taken care of; work on Tower Park; and two water leaks repaired.

On Wednesday J&K Communications was expected to check eight hand held and three mobile radios used by town employees.

In a report from the Fire Department three names were submitted as members of the Department: Rick Scheiman, Troy Surface and Andy Bolinger. Council voted in favor of the submitted names.

Council submitted a letter of thanks to the Fire Department for their help in preparation for the Salamonie Summer Festival. Council also expressed appreciation to the Department for allowing them to ride on the 1926 Reo during the Festival Parade.

Marshal Steve Donnelly gave his monthly report to Council.

Council agreed for Donnelly to attend a four-day training course in Indianapolis. The training will be on apprehension and interrogation and will be partially funded with grant money.

Part-time officer Lynn Armstrong submitted his written resignation, effective Aug. 1 due to additional time needed for his full time job.

Council agreed to purchase trick or treat bags to be distributed by the Police Department. It was announced that the ball diamonds at Tower Park had been named Schwob Field and Stucky Field.

Announcements included: July 23, Council meeting; July 23, Public Hearing, Cumulative Fund.

### PHH RECEIVES GIFTS FROM GUILD

The Parkview Huntington Hospital Guild recently donated gifts to PHH and awarded two \$500 scholarships to area students pursuing careers in health care.

The Guild, an organization staffed by PHH's volunteers, has been providing gifts to PHH for more than 21 years through its membership dues and gift

shop revenues. The purpose of the organization is to render service to PHH and its patients and to assist PHH in promoting the health and welfare of the community.

"Buying from the gift shop, whether you are a patient, an employee or a physician, always helps the hospital in a fund like this," said PHH Volunteer Coordinator Andrea Dombrosky. "That's why I encourage everyone to shop at the gift shop."

Equipment donated to the Rehabilitation and Wellness Department included a Precor EFX Elliptical Cross Trainer and two treadmills. The Precor exercise machine offers cardiovascular and strength benefits by simulating a variety of activities such as running, cross country skiing, bicycling, and stair stepping. The equipment will help the PHH Rehabilitation and Wellness Center continue to serve its growing number of patients and adult fitness members.

Other items donated by the Guild include a display board and digital camera.

These gifts will help PHH inform the community about its programs and services.

"We appreciate and thank the Guild for their contributions," said Dombrosky.

"These gifts not only help the hospital, but also the community."

For more information about the PHH Guild, please call (219) 355-3319 or 800-533-2252, extension 53319.

### HONORS AT IU

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. - Carly Rebecca Souder received honors recognition at Indiana University Bloomington for the spring 2001 semester. Students must hold at least a 3.5 grade point average in at least 12 credits of class in order to qualify for honors.

### VB STORYTIME

Several Children & adults attended the first meeting of Our Town, the Summer Reading Program at the Van Buren Public Library. Each one made a badge with a star in the center to wear. A booklet with many different information sheets of Our Town of Van Buren was made. Games of finding the correct answers for cross word puzzles, brain teasers and other challenging games were enjoyed. They were given a calendar of places in Our Town we will visit during the next few weeks, also a qualification sheet on how they can win prizes by reading.

Wednesday July 11<sup>th</sup> the children from the library visited Ferguson Funeral Home and Hemmick Hardware. The business owners shared a lot of very interesting information about their business and how it got started. The children took with them their Our Town booklets they had made Monday. They were able to get autographs of the owners and to have their picture taken with them. What a good time we had.

Ice cream and Kool-aid were enjoyed back at the library.

Next time we meet will be Monday at 10:30am-12:00 for crafts and games.

### EUCHRE LADIES

The Jackson Township Ladies Euchre Club met at the home of Jo Banter. Winners for the evening were high - Jackie Huffman, low - Florence Taylor and most lones - Mary Jo Zoda. Others attending the evening were Marjorie Michaud, Venita Banter, Phyllis Dickey, Carolyn Carroll, Marge Jones, Sharron Roush, Jane Lieurance, and Joan Huffman. Next month's gathering will be at the home of Marjorie Michaud.

### TIPS FOR MAILING LETTERS

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- If you have a computer, prepare a sheet of labels for addresses you frequently mail to.

- Please don't use those pre-printed, tiny gummed labels to address an envelope. The print is too small to read.

- Don't draw cute little pictures on the envelope. It makes it really hard to find the address.

- Always include your return address — even on postcards.

- Businesses should put their return addresses in the upper left-hand corner of the envelope. Many of them have the address going down the side or at an angle. Too often, the machines misinterpret the return address for the mailer's address and the mail comes back to you.

- Many wedding and party invitations have fancy, italicized lettering. Please choose patterns that are easy to read.

- If you aren't sure your letter is under one ounce, have it weighed at the Post Office. Mail without sufficient postage will be returned to you for more

postage causing it to take longer to be delivered, or it might go postage due.

- Use those ZIP codes. If you aren't sure of a ZIP Code, don't guess. If you're wrong, it will delay your mail while it goes to a place you never intended. Call 1-800-ASK-USPS or visit [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com).

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### PHH RECEIVES DONATION FROM DANA

Thanks to a recent donation, local industries that turn to Parkview Huntington Hospital for help bringing new employees aboard will now be receiving some support from one of their own.

Dana Corporation's Coupled Products Division recently contributed \$3,650 to PHH's Occupational Health Department. The funds will be used to purchase two pieces of equipment used in many industries' pre-employment physicals.

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our employees' families live and work," said Colin Hindman, Dana's Human Resources Manager.

The two pieces of equipment PHH will be purchasing are a Pulmonary Function Machine and a Titmus Vision Screener. The Pulmonary Function Machine helps determine the diagnosis of specific pulmonary disorders. Patients are usually referred for pulmonary function tests to evaluate signs or symptoms of lung disease. The Titmus Vision Screener screens for all common visual deficiencies and has many advantages over the standard wall chart. The machine features a variety of test sequences designed for specific populations, including one for occupational health clients.

Sue Manning, PHH Director of Occupational Health, voiced her appreciation for Dana's donation. "The department is so grateful for this contribution," said Manning. "With the addition of this equipment we'll be able to provide the in-depth screenings that so many companies now strive for."

PHH's Occupational Health Department provides a wide variety of services and programs for area businesses and industries, including pre-employment screenings, health and wellness programs, and occupational injury rehabilitation services. For more information, please call 800-533-2252, extension 53030 or (219) 355-3030.

### LATEST TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES REDUCE ENERGY USE

(NAPSA)-In the United States, automobiles now consume only about 60 percent of the gasoline, per mile driven, that they did in 1972. But with gasoline prices and congestion rising, America is becoming energy conscious once again. Thousands of cars stuck during commutes in dozens of congested metropolitan areas waste many gallons of fuel over the course of a year. Looking ahead, demand for energy of all kinds is likely to outstrip domestic capacity to produce it unless there are changes, according to President Bush.

Much of the nation's transportation system, however, is meeting this challenge by focusing on ways to use intelligent transportation systems to reduce delays and provide real-time information on all transportation modes so consumers have more choice, according to the Intelligent Transportation

Society of America (ITS America).

"We have tools to help people travel more efficiently and that improves how we manage our nation's energy resources," says Max Rumbaugh, executive vice president of the Society of Automotive Engineers, and secretary of the ITS America Board of Directors. "These tools include better timing of traffic signals to allow improved traffic flow. Also, giving out real-time trip-related information on routes, weather and transit choices. Electronic toll collection and faster response to highway accidents also help reduce fuel use."

For example, studies conducted in Los Angeles, Paris, and Toronto show that reductions in fuel use of between 2-13 percent have been achieved through improved traffic signal operation, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation. Motor vehicles use fuel more efficiently when they operate at consistent speeds.

Other studies show that with regular re-timing of traffic signals alone travel time can be reduced by between 8-25 percent, according to the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Shorter trips require less fuel.

Meanwhile, at New York state's heavily traveled Tappan Zee toll bridge a manual toll lane can accommodate up to 450 vehicles per hour while the facility's electronic toll collection lanes can handle 1,000 vehicles per hour. "Motor vehicle engines get better fuel economy and pollute less when they avoid stop-and-start situations," says Rumbaugh.

If there is a highway accident, a general rule of thumb says it will take four minutes to clear the resulting congestion for every one minute it takes to clear the accident. Many localities are using highway cameras to cut response times, and minimize traffic slowdowns, vehicle emissions and wasted fuel.

Also, if travelers want to use energy-saving public transit (subway, bus or ferry), pre-trip information available on the Internet in many cities helps them make mode choices, estimate travel times, and select routes prior to leaving.

ITS America is an educational and scientific public-private partnership of 600 member organizations promoting the use of advanced technologies in surface transportation. For additional information on intelligent transportation systems, contact: ITS America, Suite 800, 400 Virginia Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20024-2730,

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### IDENTIFY POTENTIAL MEMORY PROBLEMS

(NAPSA)-When television and radio personality and Extra! host Leeza Gibbons' mother began to repeat herself, her family initially suspected a drinking problem. "We started thinking, maybe she really can't have a glass of wine with dinner," said Gibbons. "She's not handling it very well. Our real wakeup call came from mom herself when she told my dad, 'I've paid this bill three times. Something's not right.'"

Memory problems such as those Gibbons describes can be more than frustrating—they may be early signs of something more serious such as Alzheimer's disease and an indication to look for answers. Now, families concerned with the memory lapses of a loved one can complete the Memory Problems Checklist and share it with a physician to assist in patient evaluation.

"The Memory Problems Checklist, a quick and easy questionnaire that can be completed in the privacy of the home, helps families identify concerns about memory problems they've observed in someone for whom they care and discuss these concerns with their doctor," said Jeffrey Gelblum, MD, associate professor of Neurology, University of Miami. "Early diagnosis and appropriate treatment of Alzheimer's disease may slow the progression of symptoms, offering patients additional time at a higher level of cognitive function, and frankly, for Alzheimer's disease patients and their families, time together is precious."

The 11-question checklist takes only minutes to complete and can help family members and their physicians in the evaluation of memory problems, or possibly early symptoms of dementia, of which Alzheimer's disease represents the majority. While the checklist does not offer a diagnosis, responses to the questions may further reinforce the need for a visit to a doctor's office for a complete evaluation, diagnosis and appropriate treatment.

The checklist also provides a starting point for discussion among patients, families and physicians with questions such as, "Does he/she need reminders to do things like chores, shopping, or taking medicine?" In any case, individuals are encouraged to discuss any

questions or concerns with a healthcare professional.

The checklist, developed with funding from Pfizer Inc. and Eisai Inc., makers of Aricept® (donepezil hydrochloride), is now available nationwide by calling 800-760-6029 or through local physicians' offices.

While there is no cure for Alzheimer's disease, medical treatment is available to manage symptoms of the disease. One prescription treatment is once-a-day Aricept® that can improve cognition and maintain patient function in people with mild and moderate Alzheimer's. Aricept®, the number one prescribed Alzheimer's medication, is a clinically proven, well-tolerated, once-daily treatment for mild and moderate Alzheimer's disease.

"Once my mom started taking Aricept® we felt that the medication was able to keep her at a place where we still had our mother," said Leeza Gibbons. "In fact, her performance on the cognitive test she took the day she was diagnosed and her performance on the same test almost two years later had not changed. We felt it was a major victory."

In a progressively degenerative disease such as Alzheimer's, in addition to improvement, no further decline or less-than-expected decline are considered positive treatment responses. Improvement, no change, or decline have been observed in patients treated with Aricept® in clinical trials. Individual responses to treatment may vary.

In controlled clinical trials of up to six months, more than 80 percent of patients taking Aricept® experienced improved cognition or exhibited no further decline compared to 58 percent of patients on placebo.

Aricept® is well tolerated, but some people do experience side effects like nausea, diarrhea, insomnia, vomiting, muscle cramps, fatigue, and loss of appetite. In clinical studies, these effects were gener-

ally mild, temporary, and went away with continued use; two percent of people taking Aricept® experienced fainting. People at risk for ulcers should tell their doctors because their condition may get worse.

To date, more than 1.4 million people in the United States have received a prescription for Aricept®, contributing to a total of 450 million days of patient use worldwide.

For more information about managing Alzheimer's disease call the Eisai Inc. - and Pfizer Inc. - sponsored toll-free number, (888) 999-9616 or see [www.aricept.com](http://www.aricept.com).

Eisai Inc. and Pfizer Inc. are dedicated to advances in Alzheimer's therapy. Full prescribing information is available at [www.aricept.com](http://www.aricept.com).

### FREE CANCER INFO

(NAPSA)-Cancer clinical trials help translate the extraordinary breakthroughs made in laboratories around the country into new, more effective preventives and treatments for patients. However, patient enrollment remains low because patients have misconceptions about the kind of care they'll receive. For more information on what clinical trials are, or to search for a cancer clinical trial to take part in, visit the Cancer Research Foundation of America at [www.preventcancer.org](http://www.preventcancer.org).

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