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Thought for the Week: *We cannot fail to win unless we fail to try. Tom Clancy*



MUSEUM DONATED

July 4th the sailors from the USS Salamonie organization signed over the USS Salamonie Museum to the Knight Bergman Civic Center. Pictured above is John Lichoff (signing) and Jeffrey Davis (USS Salamonie members), along with Bruce Preston (KBC Board Member) in the background. Pictured below are (l-r) Larry Poulson (KBC board member), George Perrault (USS Salamonie) and Sharon Gebhart (KBC Board member).



immediately. Further, these perpetrators are tricking caller ID into displaying phone numbers actually associated with local law enforcement.

"Scammers are always getting increasingly more sophisticated in their techniques," Attorney General Rokita said. "They might use the names of actual officers or police departments in their attempts to make you think they're in law enforcement, but it's all a ruse. Just remember that real officers wouldn't call you on the phone and threaten to arrest you if you hang up without paying."

This scam is occurring not just in Indiana but nationwide. Advancements in technology allow scammers inside and outside of the country to target essentially anyone. That is why staying vigilant is so important.

As the Federal Trade Commission recently noted, some of these scam callers say they've confiscated a package with your name on it. They might say it's filled with money, illegal drugs or weapons. To avoid being arrested, they might say, you must send cash, deposit money at a Bitcoin ATM, buy gift cards and give them the numbers, or send money over a payment app like Zelle, Cash App, or Venmo.

When would-be victims pause long enough to think about the oddity of such demands, they realize that real law enforcement officers would not operate in this manner. Sometimes, though, panic and manufactured pressure overrides rational thought.

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HERITAGE POINTE'S NEW HEADQUARTERS

Heritage Pointe Communities is proud to announce the purchase of The Exchange Building in downtown Warren. The historic structure, built in 1887 at the corner of Wayne and 2nd Street, will soon become the organization's new corporate headquarters. Heritage Pointe Communities is owned by non-profit United Methodist Memorial Home (UMMH), an Indiana not-for-profit which operates Heritage Pointe of Warren, Heritage Pointe of Ft. Wayne, Heritage Pointe of Huntington and Elizabeth Scott senior living communities.

The move marks a meaningful shift for Heritage Pointe Communities, which has maintained its central office on the flagship campus of Heritage Pointe of Warren since its founding in 1907. As the organization has grown to include four senior living communities across Indiana and Ohio, the decision to relocate reflects a commitment to both honoring its roots and preparation for its future growth.

"We're deeply proud of where we started," said Chod Boxell, CEO of Heritage Pointe Communities. "Staying in Warren was never a question. This move to the historic downtown location allows us to continue investing in the community that has always supported us, while giving our growing leadership team space to thrive."

The downtown building had stood vacant for six years, but thanks to the efforts of Historic Warren Main Street, it was preserved and positioned for revitalization. The organization spent two and a half years securing ownership and creating a vision for its future use. With the support of Heritage Pointe Communities, that vision is now being realized.

"We're all working to make Warren the best it can be," said Becky Souder, secretary of the board of directors of Historic Warren Main Street. "Our mission has always been to bring revitalization to the historic district, and this collaboration is a big step toward that."

In addition to providing office space for the Heritage Pointe team members, the renovated building and grounds will include areas for engagement and connection for community organizations and groups.

Renovations will begin in the coming months, with the relocation expected to take place within 12 to 18 months.

"We're excited to take this next step forward with our organization, while revitalizing the downtown area of the city we've always called home," said Boxell.

LOST AND FOUND

A pair of prescription glasses were found at Tower Park after ballgames and fireworks. If you think they are yours contact Lisa Williams of Warren Baseball Softball.

BEWARE OF SCAM

CALLERS

IMPERSONATING LOCAL

POLICE

Fraudsters impersonating local police are calling would-be victims to demand payment of supposed "fines," according to Attorney General Todd Rokita, and they are threatening arrest if the supposed fines are not paid

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats

2025 FESTIVAL IN THE BOOKS!

The Salamonie Summer Festival is over for 2025. Thank you to everyone that came out and enjoyed it. Thank you to the wonderful festival committee that put all their time and hard work into putting together a great event.

Parade winners were:

Animal Unit: Farmers Dog & Grooming, Color Guard: VFW, Business Organization: Warren Health & Fitness, Religious Organization: Joy Pleaser Clowns, Antique Unit: Aaron Hartman Tractor, Youth Organization: Hgtn County Little Miss & Jr Miss Heritage Days, Classic Vehicle: 1939 Chevy Bus from Hoosiers Movie, Service Organization: KBC 100th Anniversary Float. Parade Chairmans Choice: Hometown Used Family Furniture

THANK YOU SO MUCH TO GLANCYS FUNERAL HOME FOR SPONSORING THE PARADE!

We had a good turnout at the Touch A Truck event, thank you to everyone that brought their vehicle to share with the old and young kids.

The Art and Refurbished show was fantastic, congratulations to all the winners.

The fireworks went on as planned, once they are loaded, they cannot be unloaded so the show must go on and of course they were Fantastic!

The festival committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm @ the Knight Bergman Center. We welcome all new members.

MORE FESTIVAL THANKS!

Thank You Chamber of Commerce for coordinating the Samuel Jones Pioneer Award breakfast!

Thank You Treva Flemming & Tara Bowman for coordinating & monitoring the Art Show!

Thank You Jonathan Forward and Donna Beavens for coordinating the Flea Market!

Thank You Donna Beavens and the 'Parade LINE-up team' for coordinating the PARADE!

THANK YOU to Cindy Fleegeer for coordinating the Family Fun Freeway and the Princess & Super Hero Party!

THANK YOU Lori Frettinger for doing Face Painting!

Thank You Bonnie Boxell, Caleb Boxell, Joyce Buzzard, Cheryl Deweese and others that sat at the Information Tent and helped direct people and trouble-shoot issues that arose during the Festival and thank you, many many others, that helped all along the way to make the 2025 SSF another fantastic event for the Warren Community!

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Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.
Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
Sunday School 10:45a.m.

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Matt Kennedy, Pastor
Worship Service 9:00a.m.
Sunday School 10:00a.m.

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101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.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.

HERITAGE POINTE
Chaplains Ginny Soultz, John Moyer &
Cindy Osgood
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
Mon-Fri Chapel Services 9:15 a.m.
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Thurs. Catholic Mass 10:30a.m.

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Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 p.m.

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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

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Pastor Diane Samuels
Fellowship Time9:00a.m.
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Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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Daniel Tucker, Pastor
Lois Slusher, Supt.
Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.
Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study - Wed. 6:30 p.m.

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Worship Service10:00 - 11:00
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Worship9:30 a.m.
Church School 10:45a.m.

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Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor
Takarra Myers, Youth Director
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Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Youth Sunday School during
Worship Service
Youth Group-Wed 6:00 p.m.
Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
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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.

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Pastor Brad Hensley
vanburenchurchofthevine@gmail.com
Worship Service 9:30 am
Sunday School 10:45am
Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm
Prayer Group (Thur)..... 6:30pm
Men Serving God Group ... 4th Sat. 9am
Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am
Just Older Youth 3rd Tue 12:00 pm

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Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister
Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.
Tara Bower - Secretary
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Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m.
Youth:
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Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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765-618-0027
Pastor Al Soultz
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
Sunday School Classes9:30 am
Wed. Bible Study7:00 pm



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AREA NEWS

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Anyone receiving these kinds of calls should simply hang up. If you can't help wondering whether the call is legitimate, then contact the local police agency using a website or phone number you know belongs to them. You may report these scam attempts to the FTC at ReportFraud.ftc.gov. If you have already provided personal information or money, file a consumer complaint immediately online at indianaconsumer.com or call 317-232-6330.

Sherlock Holmes and the Mystery of the Crown Jewel performances will be July 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27 and August 1, 2, and 3. Friday and Saturday shows will be at 8pm with Sunday Shows at 4pm. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under. Reservations may be made at www.pulseoperahouse.org or by calling 260.375.7017. This performance is from the book, music and lyrics by Janet Yates Vogt and Mark Friedman. Based on the books by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. The Game's Afoot as the famous consulting detective Sherlock Holmes and his friend Doctor Watson are given a case by Queen Victoria herself to solve a mystery that could affect the very future of the British Empire! This original musical based on the popular stories by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle leads you on a merry good chase from 221B Baker Street all the way to the Tower of London. Fun for the whole family and a case that will keep you on the edge of your seat.

AUDITIONS

Auditions are being held for "Witness for The Prosecution" by Agatha Christie. Leonard Vole stands accused of murdering a rich widow. The stakes are high with shocking witness testimony, impassioned outbursts from the dock and a young man's fight to escape the hangman's

noose. Generally regarded as one of Christie's most accomplished plays, this suspenseful thriller keeps audiences guessing until the very end. Auditions will be Monday, July 28 at 7:00 p.m. Show dates will be Sept. 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27 & 28. Rehearsals will be Monday-Friday evenings beginning the week of August 4. Roles Available: Leonard Vole: Charming, seemingly naive man accused of murder. Sir Wilfrid Roberts: Sharp, witty and commanding defense barrister. Romaine: Leonard's wife. Mysterious, calculating and passionate. Mr. Myers: Formidable, methodical prosecutor. Janet McKenzie: Loyal, cantankerous housekeeper. Greta: Sir Wilfrid's excitable, opinionated secretary. Inspector Hearne: Composed, professional detective. Characters with Fewer lines: Judge, Clerk of the Court, Court Usher, etc. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. All cast members must be able to speak with a passable British accent. All roles are adult roles, age 20 and up. Bring a list of your conflicts to the audition.

JUNE COUNCIL NOTES

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, June 9, 2025 in a Regular Meeting at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne St, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law. Those present were: Council Members, Steve Buzzard, Michelle Schweikhardt, Jeremy Rufener; Ron Boxell: Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Dennis Spitler, Dustin Forney, Dillon Farr, Rob Wade, others. Minutes of Regular Meetings of May 12th and May 27th and Special meetings of June 3rd were approved submitted. President Buzzard announced the opening of a scheduled Public Hearing on Ordinance 2025-4, Truck Restrictions on Certain streets. Morrison summarized the Ordinance and public input was requested. Hearing none, the Public Hearing was closed. Buzzard moved, seconded by Rufener to adopt Ordinance 2025-4, Truck Ordinance. Motion approved unanimously. Kelly Gardner of Alliance of Indiana Rural Water reviewed the Apprentice Program available through that agency to prepare two recently hired employees for IDEM License Certification, one in water and one in wastewater. The two year program details were discussed including costs, procedures, and testing. Council took no action.

Ben Adams, Commonwealth Engineers, reviewed the Wayne Street Project and Water Main Replacement, also on Wayne Street, noting that both came in under projections resulting in remaining SRF Loan Funds being available for additional projects to be determined by Council. Submitted for Council review by Adams were proposals for Sewer Plant Upgrade studies. Marshal Spitler submitted the May activity report. Utility Manager Fortney reported that Neptune equipment has been installed on the Tower Park Tower for lead detection data collection and will be tested at meter reading on June 15th. A report from Peerless Midwest shows that Well #1, the oldest well, will be need to be scheduled for remediation. No action taken. Animal Control Ordinance 2025-9 is scheduled for action at the July 14th Council Meeting. Council, by consensus, approved moving forward with .Gov domain and establishment of a new website through Innovative Technologies which supplies IT support. Stylus Communication has installed the YouTube streaming service which will be first used at the July 14th meeting. Due to the Electric Contract being renewed, the Rate Study completed by Financial Services Group has been forwarded to the Municipal Attorney for preparation of an Ordinance to be introduced at

the July 14th Council Meeting. Rates are scheduled to be increased by Five Dollars every year for Five years. Boxell moved, seconded by Buzzard, to approve the Real Property Agreement to be sent to Oakmont Realty. Boxell moved, seconded by Rufener, to approve of the renewal of the Street Sweeping Agreement with INDOT in the amount of \$550 annually for two years. Motion approved unanimously. Council, by consensus, approved a Letter of Support to be sent to State Officials regarding the Salamonie River Project. Council, by consensus, approved the use of Tower Park for Children Activities at Tower Park as scheduled by Warren Health and Fitness. Financial reports were reviewed. Bonnie Myers, Chairperson of the Veterans Memorial Park Committee, updated on progress at the Park noting the sign has been placed.

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Tuesday, July 1, 2025 in a Special Session at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne St, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Council Members, Steve Buzzard, Michelle Schweikhardt, Ron Boxell, Absent: Jeremy Rufener; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison.



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Jul 16	7:00p	V - Town Council @ Town Hall
Jul 21	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
Jul-25	7:00p	W - Jai Baker 3 Concert @ Riverside Park
Aug 6	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC
Aug 6	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Aug 7-9		V - Van Buren Popcorn Festival
Aug 11	5:00p	W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall
Aug 12	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting @ KBC
Aug 18	6:30p	W - KBC Bboard Meeting @ KBC

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

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President Buzzard opened the meeting 9:00 am.

Submitted was the Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreement with Wolverine Power as had been reviewed for the past months. Schweikhardt moved, Boxell seconded, to authorize signing of the document. Schweikhardt, Boxell, Buzzard approved the motion. Rufener Absent.

Submitted for consideration was a Consent Letter for AT&T to place additional cellular equipment on the Eleventh Street Tower. T&B contractor is scheduled to move the local and county antenna for that placement as planned in discussions held over the past several months. Boxell moved, seconded by Schweikhardt seconded to authorize signature of the agreement. Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard approved the motion. Rufener absent.

Jason Caley, Assistant Marshal, had submitted a letter of resignation. Procedure will begin to fill that position.

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting was adjourned.

JULY COUNCIL

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, July 14, 2025 in a Regular Meeting at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne St, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Council Members, Steve Buzzard, Michelle Schweikhardt, Jeremy Rufener; Ron Boxell: Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Dennis Spitler, Dustin Fortney, Fire Chief Lee Poulson; others.

President Buzzard opened the meeting at 5:00 pm and announced the opening of a Public Hearing on Ordinance 2025-10, Solar Energy Standards. Review of Ordinance held. Opening to public input and hearing none, the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion made by Buzzard, seconded by Schweikhardt, to consider adoption of

Ordinance 2025-10, Solar Energy System Standards, at the same meeting of introduction. Yes: Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard. No: Rufener. Motion carried

Buzzard moved adoption of Ordinance 2025-10, seconded by Schweikhardt. Yes: Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard. No: Rufener.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 14, Special Meeting of July 1, approved as submitted.

Representatives of Historic Warren requested Council consider a letter in support of a grant application for Phase 3 of Riverside Park, installation of a brick walkway on East side. Council concurred.

Marshal Spitler submitted June Activity report and noted that the Salamonie Festival was uneventful. Schweikhardt and Council commended the committee and volunteers for their work.

Fire Chief Poulson submitted the Department's June activity report. Council, by consensus, approved the addition of Blake Randall to the Department. Additional applications are being accepted. Fire Truck Chassis expected to arrive in August

Utility Manager Fortney updated on projects noting that Primary Lines at Heritage Pointe need to be updated, street lights wiring problems in two areas. Also reported was that mowing of the property purchased from the School Corporation was needing mowed and working with Purdue Extension office, an estimate was given of \$550. Council concurred. Fortney also requested Council consider placement of sponsorship signs on the baseball diamond fences at Tower Park and reported that AT&T had scheduled

placement of addition antennas on Eleventh Street Tower.

Ordinance 2025-9, Animal Control, was submitted for consideration of adoption. Buzzard moved, seconded by Buzzard to adopt. Yes: Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard, Rufener.

Electric Rate Ordinance 2025-11 was introduced with Public Hearing scheduled for August 11. Increase of \$5.00 to service rate. Also, \$5.00 each year until January of 2030 due to increase in cost of purchase of power through Wolverine.

A Task Order from Commonwealth Engineering, following discussion which was held at June meeting and covering Wastewater Treatment Plant

Improvements Study in the amount of \$40,000 leading to development of a ten year financial plan to update to meet current and projected needs and, an Asset Management Study in the amount of \$36,000, was submitted for consideration. Schweikhardt moved, seconded by Boxell to approve. Yes: Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard. No: Rufener.

Morrison reported that approximately seventy bricks have been sold for placement at the Veterans Park. Flags will also be replaced. Dedication set for Veterans Day, 2025.

Submitted for Council Review was Town Code: Park Chapter for update to language and to specify all park areas instead of only Tower Park. Ongoing project.

Department of Community Development Inspection Report:

319 Matilda Street – Owner given until October to address issues.

324 Hendricks Street – representative of the Indiana Order of Enforcement being issued.

312 W. Eleventh Street – 90 days to remove house or Order of Enforcement.

Complaint filed by citizens regarding residence at Main and Fourth Street with chickens and more being an issue was revisited with Marshal Spitler directed to make contact with owners to move current pens to a different location on the property and away from any property lines.

Annual Task Order from Commonwealth Engineering for General Consulting was submitted in the amount of \$25,000 for the next twelve month as service is provided. Buzzard moved, seconded by Schweikhardt seconded, to approve the Task Order. Yes: Boxell, Schweikhardt, Buzzard. No: Rufener.

Morrison requested a wage of \$16.50 per hour, part time pay rate, for Utility Clerk as certain transitions in the office are ongoing. The position has been offered to an individual with flexibility of hours, computer skills, and experience in dealing with the public. Noting that three Council Members expressed support, an ordinance will be prepared.

A Special Meeting has been set for July 16 at 9:45 am for Council consideration of a request for rezoning.

An Executive Session has been set for July 16 at 10:00 am.

Morrison submitted information in regard to development of the 2026 Municipal Budget noting that not all numbers have been received from the State and Assessed Value will not be available until August. The annual meeting with a

Department of Local Government Finance is scheduled for August 5th.

Morrison reported that 3A Development, hired to prepare a park plan so that a grant application can be filed for a DNR grant for upgrades within the Town's Park system, had been contacted regarding the supplied schedule in the contract had not been kept to meet requirements. Current Director noted that a changeover in staff had resulted in the delay but a new schedule will be developed which will meet the deadline for filing in 2026.

A citizen questioned the parking of a large service truck on Third Street which is making entry onto Third from Main dangerous. Council requested that the owner be instructed to move the truck and offered the Utility Garage Parking area.

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Regular Meeting of Council scheduled for August 11th.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

"Our team members as well as their family members, are the heart of our communities, and we're proud to invest in their growth," said Chod Boxell, Chief Executive Officer of Heritage Pointe Communities. "We have a proud tradition of supporting our team and their dependents, while showing our gratitude for their great work, and confidence in their futures."

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GENEALOGY REPORT

THRAILKILL

Carolyn Sue Thrailkill, 90, passed away on Sunday morning, June 29, 2025, at Morrison Woods Health Campus, Muncie.

She was born in Muncie on July 13, 1934, to Claude Kennedy and Idris (Clevenger) Kennedy. Her parents preceded her in death.

Carolyn married the love of her life, Floyd Franklin Thrailkill, on July 26, 1951, at Van Buren First Church of the Nazarene. He passed away on April 13, 2022.

She was a member of First Church of the Nazarene, Hartford City.

Carolyn dedicated herself to her family as a homemaker and cherished her roles as a wife and mother, but she especially loved being a grandmother.

She cherished spending time with her family and making memories with them.

Carolyn found great enjoyment in traveling and reading and had a passion for cooking and baking.

Shopping was another one of her joys, and she rarely let a good sale pass her by.

Carolyn will be sadly missed by her son, Gary F. (wife, Sherry) Thrailkill, of Ashville, N.C.; daughter, Teresa S. (husband, Kevin) Conner, of Hartford City; grandchildren, Danielle (husband, Clint) Dickey, Kaitlin (husband, J.W.) Rinker, Matthew (wife, Wynne) Thrailkill, and Joshua (wife, Suley) Thrailkill; great-grandchildren, Kennedy Dickey (fiancé, Jaden Reum), Cole Dickey, Connor Dickey, Brantley Rinker, Seren Thrailkill, Carys Thrailkill and Leo Thrailkill; sister-in-law, Candy Kennedy, of Muncie; several nieces and nephews.

She also is preceded in death by her brothers, Marvin Kennedy, Allen Kennedy, Jerry Kennedy and David Kennedy.

Funeral service was on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 N. High St., Hartford City, with the Rev. Phil Rogers officiating.

Burial followed at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Muncie.

Visitation was on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, and on

Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 606018.

PITT

Mary Lynn Pitt, 73, of Fairmount, passed away on June 29, 2025, at Century Villa Health and Rehab, Greentown.

A lifelong resident of Liberty Township, she was born on August 1, 1951, to Howard and Charline (Shugart) Jones.

Mary Lynn was a 1969 graduate of Fairmount High School.

She attended Marion College.

Mary Lynn worked as a paraprofessional at Eastbrook and Madison-Grant schools for nearly 20 years.

She loved to do what she called "doodling" and then giving her drawings to anyone who wanted them.

Mary Lynn will be missed dearly by all who knew her yet will put a smile on everyone's face as they remember her.

She married Chuck Pitt on September 20, 1975. They were looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary at The Gardens at Matter Park, Marion.

Mary Lynn is survived by her husband, Chuck, of Fairmount; sons, Kyle (Jaime) Pitt, of Fairmount, and Tony Pitt, of Fairmount; brother, Dr. Tom (Carolyn) Jones; nephews, Paul (Stacey) Jones, of Lexington, Ky., and Stephen Jones, of Louisville, Ky.; nieces, Bethany (Tim) Baughman and Pam Hardy.

She also leaves behind her precious yorky-poo, Benji Boy.

Mary Lynn was preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Charline (Shugart) Jones, sister, Phyllis Ann Jones, brother, Phil Jones, sister-in-law, Pat Jones, and father and mother-in-law, Charles and Elfreda Pitt.

The family would like to thank Mary Lynn's Century Villa family for the love and care they have provided her.

The family received visitors on Thursday, July 3, 2025, at Armes-Hunt Funeral Home,

College Park Chapel, 4601 S. Western Ave., Marion.

Immediately following the time of visitation, a service to celebrate Mary Lynn's life was conducted with her brother, Dr. Tom Jones, and nephew, Stephen Jones, officiating.

Burial will take place at Grant Memorial Park Cemetery, Marion.

Memorial contributions in Marys memory can be made out to donor's choice.

MEAGHER

Mary Lou Meagher, 92, passed away on Sunday, July 6, 2025, at Heritage Pointe, Warren.

She was born on October 12, 1932, in Clearfield, Pa., to the late Herman and Rae (Eckley) Barger.

Mary Lou married Robert B. Meagher in 1951. He preceded her in death on September 20, 2008.

She was a homemaker.

Mary Lou attended Evangelical United Methodist Church, Huntington.

She is survived by one son, Doug (Patty) Meagher, of Wabash; one daughter, Debra Rae (Dan) Garay, of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, Marilyn (Courtney) Knerr, Megan (Chris) Allen, Ashley (Josh) Wilcox and Carmen Garay; four great-grandchildren, Tyler (Micaela) Knerr, Payton Knerr, Madi Wilcox and Nora Wilcox; one great-great-grandchild, Gia Knerr.

Along with her parents and husband Mary Lou was preceded in death by one sister, Joanne Aughenbaugh, and two brothers, Edward Barger and Herman Barger Jr.

Calling hours will be on Friday, July 18, 2025, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. followed by a Memorial Service at 3:30 p.m. at McElhaney Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington.

Pastor Courtney Knerr will officiate.

The burial will be at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery, 4945 N. Goshen Rd., Huntington.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to American Heart Association in care of McElhaney Funeral Home, 715 N. Jefferson St., Huntington, IN 46750.

PRIBBLE

Robert "Bob" Howard Pribble M.D., 92 of Warren, IN, formerly of Fort Wayne, IN, passed away on Monday, July 7, 2025, at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Bob was born on February 17, 1933, in Warren, Indiana, to Clifford and Mariana (Good) Pribble. He graduated from Salamonie Township School in 1951 and received both his bachelor's and M.D. from Indiana University School of Medicine.

Dr. Pribble spent the next year as an intern and the following four years as resident in Pathology at what was then known as Marion County General Hospital. Bob worked for the Pathology department at Community East in Indianapolis, as a clinical assistant, he taught Pathology at Indiana University, and was also the Acting Head at the Department of Pathology. In 1968, he was a candidate for Marion County Coroner and he was also on the board at Citizens Telephone in Warren.

He was appointed Assistant Professor of Clinical Pathology at Indiana University School of Medicine. He was a member of the American Society of Clinical Pathology until his retirement. In his retirement, Bob traveled extensively and completed two novelas, each of which deal with events in Huntington County.

Bob married Elinore Elizabeth (Waag) Pribble on May 27, 1957, in Chicago, Illinois. She preceded him in death in October of 2022. Bob was a member of Trinity English Lutheran Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Bob loved genealogy and a good story. He spent his time visiting graveyards, watching old movies, writing, and painting. His love for his family was immeasurable.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his brother, Richard Pribble.

Loving survivors include his children, Becky Lamboley of Fort Wayne, IN, and Robert M. Pribble of San Diego, CA, and grandchildren, Megan Mance, Lauren Lamboley, Clifford Pribble, and Florence Pribble.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Trinity English Lutheran Church located at 450 W Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46802, on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 from 10am to 11am. A funeral service will begin at 11am with Pastor Lee Zandstra officiating. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: The Music Department/Trinity English Lutheran Church, 450 W. Washington Blvd. Fort Wayne, IN 46802 Or The Pulse Opera House, 127 N. Wayne St. Warren, IN 46792.

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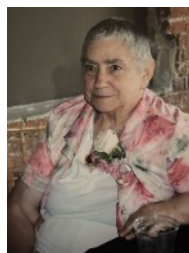
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Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren, Indiana.

KOONTZ

Rosetta Ann Koontz passed away July 14, 2025, at The Waters of Huntington. She was 90.



Rosetta was born on July 30, 1934, to Earl Kenneth and Edna Olive (Fair) Wall. She married Claude Koontz on January 18, 1953. He preceded her in death in 2008. She enjoyed spending time with family and was an avid reader.

Rosetta was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, daughters, Ramona Diane Poulson and Susan Marie Koontz, one granddaughter and siblings, Barbara Bowman, Helen Hardacre, Linda Runion, Viola Baker, Violet Fairchild, Margaret Wall, Kenneth Wall, Billy Gene Wall, Sandy Stell, Sharon Easterday and Thomas Edward Wall.

Loving survivors include her children, Barbara Kay (Phil) Griffith, Claudean (Charles) Ellis, William Earl (Traci) Koontz, and Tina Marie (Bryon) Kelley, 12 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren and sister Evelyn Fisher.

In honor of Rosetta's wishes, a private celebration of life will be held.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren, Indiana.

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Heritage Pointe of Warren, Heritage Pointe of Huntington, and Heritage Pointe of Fort Wayne senior living communities are owned and operated by the United Methodist Memorial Home (UMMH), a not-for-profit organization in Indiana, founded in 1907. As part of its mission, the charitable foundation of Heritage Pointe Communities awards academic scholarships to employees and their dependents each year.

Earlier this month, Heritage Pointe Communities awarded more than \$21,000 in scholarships to 25 recipients. This was the largest number of scholarships awarded in a single year.

Backgrounds of the Scholarships

The Souder Memorial Education Fund is available to employees of Heritage Pointe Communities and their dependents who are furthering their education.

The Verna W. Johnson Nursing Scholarship Fund is in memory of a Heritage Pointe of Warren resident who hoped to support people pursuing nursing careers.

UMMH Employee/University Scholarship was established in collaboration with and is awarded by Huntington University. It is awarded to Heritage Pointe senior living communities' employees and their dependents furthering their education at Huntington University. Preference is given to students enrolled in courses or programs leading to careers in health services.

2025 recipients of the scholarships were as follows:

Souder Memorial Education Fund

Heritage Pointe of Fort Wayne Recipient and field of study

* Jenna Atkinson-Nursing

* Jackson Craft-Business

Management and Marketing

* Mackenzie Gross-Nursing

* Chelsie Halverson-Nursing

* Nuam Kim-Nursing

* Ava Pilon-Nursing

* Grace Taylor-Esthetician License

Heritage Pointe of Huntington Recipient and field of study

* Georgia Denney-Diagnostic Medical Imaging

* Danica Fuller-Elementary Education

* Tonya Harlan-Nursing

* Audrey Hix-Biology

* Kameron Landrum-Finance

* Harlee Mason-Nursing

* Ethan Meyer-Psychology

* Izabella Miller-Mortuary

Science

* Irelynd Rigdon-Nursing

* Paige Russell-Medical

Sciences (pre-med)

* Kinsey Strine-Pre-Physician

Assistant and Biology

Heritage Pointe of Warren

Recipient and field of study

* Ashlie Needler-Nursing

* Hailey Rains-X-Ray and

Radiology

* Makayla Ramsey-Nursing

* Julie Spitler-Nursing

* Marisa Trout-Business

* Abigail Tucker-Nursing

* Kendall Wisel-Advanced

Medical Imaging/Radiologic

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Vera Johnson Nursing

Scholarship

Heritage Pointe of Fort Wayne

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* Nuam Kim

Heritage Pointe of Huntington

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* Abigail Tucker

United Methodist Memorial

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* Jackson Craft-Heritage

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SSF T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

Salamonie Summer Festival T-Shirts for 2025 are still available!

Previous year shirts are available at clearance rates of only \$5. These past SSF T-Shirts are available at Warren Pharmacy. A few adult larger sizes are available.

Multiple smaller sizes of the 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 shirts are available for only \$5.

These make super gifts.

T-Shirts are available until sold out.

SHIRTS & HOODIES

Lightning 5 and Historic Warren Shirt and Hoodie sale. You may order Lightning 5 and Historic Warren Main Street t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies online through the Bad Apple Graphics Store. Find links on the Historic Warren Main Street Facebook page.

Stop by the Warren Pharmacy and look through the catalog which has been printed out for your viewing!

SIGMA PHI MET

The Beta Delta chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma met on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at the Knight Bergman Center. Four members were excused with other commitments.

Roll was called and minutes were read from the last meeting. We made final plans for our BINGO event at the Salamonie Summer Festival on July 5th, and also accepted Sarah Jones as our new Finance Chair. Sarah will work closely with the previous chair in scheduling and coordinating all of our fundraising events.

The group had a great time decorating a golf cart and participating in the Salamonie 4th of July parade, advertising our BINGO event and distributing candy, bracelets, and bouncy balls during the parade.

We scheduled our Fall luncheon, to be held October 19th at the Knight Bergman Center and announced the Annual Sorority Picnic to be held at the Sigma Phi Gamma park in Hartford City on August 16th.

The group discussed possible ways to spend recent memorial donations and will determine how those funds will be spent at the next meeting.

We only had one letter of correspondence to read from our new Alpha Province President, Pam McIntyre.

Beth Ostermeyer, our delegate to our recent Annual Convention in St. Louis, gave a report. Our chapters donated \$10,000 to 4 Paws for Ability. Our Little Friends Health Fund recipient, Indiana Center for Prevention of Youth Abuse & Suicide received \$3500. The group chose Do It For Daylen (research for tumors of the brain) as our 2026 Little Friends Health Fund recipient. Collectively, our chapters donated \$126,230 dollars to our communities. There were over 200 in attendance. Next year's Annual Convention will be held in Tucson, Arizona in June, 2026. The Beta Delta girls will meet again mid-July for an ice cream social before our summer break in August.

TAHQUAMENON FALLS

TRIPS PART 1

by Larry Ryan
When I was ten years old, my parents found time to take us kids on a trip into Upper Michigan. This was an extension of the yearly, family reunion in the lower part of that state. Reunions involved

dad's three siblings who resided in the Three Rivers, Schoolcraft, and Kalamazoo communities. It also occurred routinely during the 4th of July holiday period.

The best part of that occasion was the one-day voyage to the eastern shore of Lake Michigan. It gave my cousins, siblings, and me time to play on the sand dunes, and frolic in the surf. I looked forward to that scheduled, annual treat.

But this one year, our family of five ventured farther north in this state that is composed of two, separated land masses. As early evening approached, dad and mother checked on affordable overnight accommodations.

Finding little to their satisfaction, they settled for a small, old cabin. It was going to be a chilly night so dad asked the owner for a room heater. It was a small, oil-fired one. The owner had to come and light it. While this procedure was being attempted, dad encouraged me to stand back so I wouldn't get my nose burnt if ignition flames burst outward. I was being inquisitive! A future, heating service man denied.

In the morning upon reaching the northernmost point of the south section at Mackinaw City, we faced the expanse of water called the Straits of Mackinac. There was no bridge to bridge the aquatic gap of 8.7 miles north to St. Ignace.

Fortunately, car ferries solved this navigational problem. Dad maneuvered our '48 Chevrolet into the belly of that carrier for the 25 minute commute. Next, we headed farther north towards Tahquamenon State Park and their two water falls.

The Upper Falls is 200 feet across and drops 50 feet. In the early spring, 50,000 gallons of water per second, escape over the ridge. During the rest of the year's flowing season, 7,000 gallons/second is normal. Its voluminous activity is only second behind Niagara Falls for that statistic in the USA. It is sometimes referred to as the "Rootbeer Falls" due to its colorful appearance. This hue is due to tannins that leach into the river at its origin. A cedar swamp is responsible for this activity.

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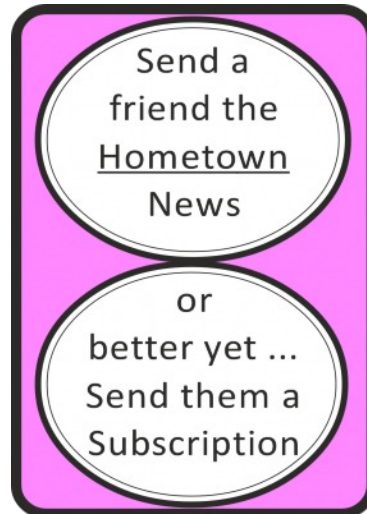
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