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Thought for the Week: Congratulations to all Area Graduates - High School & College - on a Job Well Done!

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

There is a great need for 12 volunteers for the annual 3 on 3 contest during the Salamonie Summer Festival. 3 on 3 will be held on Saturday, June 30th from 8:30 a.m. til the tournament is finished

See Janet Dilts at At the Corner if you would like to help out. Even if it's just for a little while and not all day.

#### WINDOW DECORATING

Let's decorate Downtown Warren for the Festival! On behalf of the Salamonie Summer Festival Committee, we would like to invite Warren merchants & residents to decorate or display collections in their windows with a patriotic or historic theme during the 2012 SSF June 29- July 1. Local clubs, teams. families, or individuals who would be interested in putting a display together or decorating a downtown window are welcomed and encouraged to contact Ann Brauchla at 375-3792 to sign up. Ann will connect you with a downtown business who has volunteered their window for use. What better way to show your creativity and patriotic spirit than displaying it for all to see during this year's festival?

#### **GED PROGRAM**

Beginning this fall, a new GED program will provide adults the opportunity to advance their literacy skills, attain a General Education Diploma and provide entrance qualifications for college, military, and career certificates. Classroom instruction is available the first year followed by online instruction the 2nd and 3rd years. Warren area locations are Heritage Pointe and the Warren Library, as well as other county sites including the Huntington Jail, the Andrews Library, and the Huntington City Township Library.

The classroom in Warren will

provide adults with 6 hours of instruction per week throughout the first year. When it becomes available, the Plato computer programs will offer adults online instruction each day of the year based on the site location's hours. Also, adults will be offered the opportunity to work from home on this program provided computer access is available.

Residents from Huntington County as well as those living in Wells and Grant counties are eligible to participate in any of the programs mentioned herein. Although funding is being provided various community organizations in Huntington County through grants and donations, more help is needed to insure that this important project is successful now and into the future. If you would like to volunteer your time and/or offer financial assistance for the Warren area GED program, please call Jeff Souder at 260-375-6199. or Dave Swanson at 260-375-4146.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The Knight Bergman Center will be holding it's Annual Meeting June 18, 2012 at 6:30 in the KBC office. Election of officers will be held at the time.

Public is invited to attend this meeting.

#### WAMA REPORT

Every Wednesday this summer starting June 4 WAMA (Warren Area Ministerial Assoc) will be hosting a free lunch at Knight Bergman Civic Center from 11:30am-1pm. This lunch is open to anyone who would like a free hot dog and good conversation. Please run the above ad for the whole summer. You can change the wording to whatever sounds best, this is just a suggestion.

Also, WAMA would like to let the community know that we have raised \$2052 to go towards the hard hit tornado communities in

southern Indiana. We are still in need of \$500 to reach our goal. We will be presenting this money during a trip to the area on June 20.

#### SSF ART SHOW

Its time once again for the annual Salamonie Summer Festival Art Show. We are looking for all kinds of art work to be displayed.

The categories for the adults are all types of paintings, sculpture or 3D art, all kinds of quilting, woodworking, wearable art, needlework, ceramics, all types of drawings, photography, and a miscellaneous category.

We are also looking for young artists, 15 years of age and younger. This show will be judged by the people, with awards going to the best of show in each category. The young artist category will be broken down into four age groups, up to preschool, K-3rd grade, 4th -6th grade, 7th grade-15 years of age and any type of work in the categories listed above will be honored in the young artist category. Awards will be given to all young artist who enter. All entries in the art show must be pre-registered and entry forms must be turned in by June 20th. No entries will be accepted if they are not registered. Entry forms may be picked up at the Town Hall in downtown Warren or by calling Treva at 260-375-2436. There is also an entry form in this issue of the Warren Weekly.

#### FARMERS MARKET

Will have some local Maple syrup added to our vendors. They are also looking for new vendors? Stop out and see what the fuss is all about. It's in the big tent on the East end of town by Daugherty's Pond

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#### LAW FIRM AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Huntington County law firm of Bowers, Brewer, Garrett & Wiley, LLP has announced the winners of their 2012 educational scholarships. Shelby Bradford received the James W. Bowers Scholarship in honor of the late James W. Bowers. Brittany Scher and Steven Freck also received scholarships to be used toward their continuing education.

Shelby Bradford is the daughter of William and Marilyn Bradford, Warren, and plans to attend IUPUI majoring in nursing. Shelby has been active at Huntington North High School in Soccer, Junior Varsity Basketball, Junior Varsity Softball, Varsity Baseball Manager, Student Athletic Board, Freshman Mentoring and International Service Club. She has also participated in 4-H, Youth Leadership, Hoosier Girls State and Book Jam, as well as helping with March of Dimes, tutoring children at the Huntington Library, the Angel Tree Kids Foundation, and Assistant Coach of a 3rd-5th grade basketball team at Knight Bergman Center. She has assisted in raising money for various other organizations.

Brittany Scher is the daughter of Kevin Scher and Christi Scher, Huntington, and will be majoring in tourism, and convention and event management at IUPUI. Brittany has been involved at Huntington North High School with Class Council, Junior Varsity Golf and Freshman Band. She has also been involved with Open Door Ministries, Victory Noll, Love, Inc., as well as Market Day and coaching intermurals at Huntington Catholic

Steven Freck is the son of Greg and Melissa Freck, Warren, and plans to attend the University of Indianapolis with a double major in English and social work, with a minor in Spanish. At Huntington North, Steven has been active in Class Council, FFA, Peer Tutoring and National Honor Society. He is involved with 4-H, S.L.A.M. Youth Group, Ministry Leadership Team at Mt. Etna UMC, Rake and Run, Love, Inc., and works with the residents at Heritage Pointe.

Bowers, Brewer, Garrett & Wiley, LLP is a general practice law firm serving the legal needs of Huntington County since 1899 with offices in Huntington and Warren. Members of the law firm include; David L. Brewer, Robert S. Garrett, Joseph K. Wiley, Matthew G. Grantham, and Davin G. Smith



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## Kudos, Kicks & Karats

#### NOTHING BUT THE FACTS

by V Neil Wyrick

Luther Burbank discovered in the kingdom of greenery that every weed is a potential flower; the very qualities which make it a weed could make it a beautiful thing to behold. And that is what we are looking for in our president elect this fall.

We know the extremes that can be found. One man become s a Hitler. The other becomes a Kagawa. And what contribution can the average man or woman in America make to up the odds for our leadership the next four years.

We can use a little of the wisdom we demand of our leaders. We can think before we speak and not vote because we like or dislike a candidate but rather because we have done our homework and know what they actually stand for.

Both parties major in malarkey and too often minor in straight talk. We all know that and need to be forewarned.

And the perfect president with perfect solutions working with a perfect congress isn't going to happen. So in our search for flowers, because we are all human, I guess we'll have to settle for some weeds here and there.

Research has shown the whole process is prone to error because people react favorably for a host of reasons that have nothing to do with what a candidate is saying. The shape of his jaw line. Whether they think his smile or his frown is sincere. Hundred of emotional and psychological

Would you be more properly prepared rather than unprepared to vote? Check over the following areas and ask yourself how much you know about how each candidate feels about the following subjects; taxes and budget, foreign policy, crime and punishment, gun control,  $environment and energy, religion and public life, civil \ liberties and \ public$ security, immigration, health care, education, social security, Medicare and trade and economics. The more you know the more informed will be your vote. Otherwise, you probably shouldn't vote at all.

And allow both candidates their "oops" moments. The longer anyone speaks in public and answers questions afterwards the chance of foot-inmouth disease increases.

The scary thing is the number of good men who never have run for president and never will because they know people want a perfect president and there is no such creature.

What do we need in a president, now and a decade from now? A decent man or woman who really believes what they say.

And you the voter. We need you to be a decent well informed voter who, whether you lean to the far right or far left or teeter in between, when you walk out of that voting booth in November; as much as possible. let your decision have been made from nothing but the facts.



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#### BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

8294S 900W 35 Brad Kelly, Pastor

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

#### **BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt. Sunday Worship ...... 9:30a.m. Sunday School ...... . 10:30a.m. CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199 Pastor - Heath Jones

Youth Leaders - Ke	lly Jones
Worship	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	10:40 a.m
Adult Bible Study	Sun 6:30p.m
Youth Group	Sun 6:00p.m
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#### HEALING WATERS MINISTRY — MAJENICA Pastor Richard Evans

260/224-3376 Sunday Service ...... 10:30 a.m. Wednesday .. ... 7:00 p.m. DII I MANUNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90. Warren 375-2779 Dick Case, Pastor 1st Worship Service ..... 8:15a.m. Sunday School ...... 9:30a.m. 2nd Worship Service ...... 10:30a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

#### 1st Worship......9:00 a.m. ... 10:30 a.m. HERITAGE POINTE

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

Chapel Services ..... ... 9:00 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.

#### ThursdayPrayer Meeting ......... 7:00 p.m. NEW HOPE MINISTRIES

9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana Jim Graham, Pastor 260/494-6753 260/489-1456 260/375-4224

Sunday School ..... Morning Worship ...... 10:30am

#### HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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www.hillcrestnazchurch.org Worship ...... 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship...... 6:00 p.m. Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m. Wed, Midweek Service...... 6:30 p.m. SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST

227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873

Kathy Newton, Pastor Sunday School ...... 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service . .. 10:00 a.m.

#### LANCASTER WESLEYAN 468-2411

Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

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

#### CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings .... 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622 Aaron Westfall, Pastor

..... 9:00 a.m. Sunday School ..... Fellowship ...... 9:55a.m. ..... 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study ..... . 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER

#### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

MCNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.

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

#### MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124

Rev. Sam Padgett - Pastor Trad. Worship ...... 9:00 a.m. Fellowship ...... 10:00 a.m. Mdrn Worship ..... ... 10:30 a.m Sunday Youth ..... 6-7:30 p.m. **MOUNTETNA WESLEYAN** 

#### Pastor Brian Holland

Sunday School ...... 9:30 a.m. ..... 10:30 a.m. Worship ..... Mid-Week (Thurs) ...... PLUM TREE

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2691

Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. ....10:30 a.m. Worship ...

#### SALAMONIE **CHURCH OF BRETHREN**

468-2412 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

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

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102

Pastor Scott Nedberg

Youth Pastor - Rev Harold Smith Jr Sunday Worship...... 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Service ...... 11:30 a.m. Junior Church ...... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School ...... 10:30 a.m. Youth Meetings-Wed ...... Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

#### VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

765/934-3321 Parsonage

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.

#### VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

765-934-1431 Pastor Leon Pomeroy

9.30 a m Worship Service ..... Sunday School ..... Jr/Sr High FLOCK (Sun)..... 6:00 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur)....... 7:00 p.m. UMW 2nd Wed ...... 7:00 p.m. www.vanburenumc.org

#### WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

Ethan T Stivers, Minister Nathan Ratcliff, Youth Minister Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes -

Secretaries www.warrenchurchofchrist.org Fellowship ......9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion ...... K-5th grade, Mon .....6-7pm

#### Ir/Sr Hi Thursday WARREN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sunday School ......9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ......10:00 a.m. WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

#### 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor

Wesley Welch, Supt. Sunday School ......9:30 a.m. Worship ......10:15 a.m.

Wednesday Prayer Service..7:00p.m. www.warrenwesleyan.com

## FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Sunday Worship..... ...... 10:30 am Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am Youth Group ......6:00 pm Sunday Adult Bible Study...... 6:00 pm Thurs. Bible Study ......7:00 pm

Please Attend the Church of Your Choice

## AREA NOMINEES NEEDED

#### The Huntington County Extension Board is looking for nominees for the County "Friend of Extension" Award. This award is a great way to recognize an individual who has been active in Extension programs (agriculture, health and human sciences, youth or community development) through their participation, leadership or cooperation with Extension activities. A person can nominate him/herself or someone else and include a written narrative of the person nominated (maximum of 500 words). The county Friend of Extension Award is patterned after the state award of the same name.

Additional information and an application can be secured at the Huntington County Purdue Extension Office at 260-358-4826 via email kdhinsha@purdue.edu.

Local nominations must be

submitted no later than June 15.

#### **DEAN'S LIST**

Kourtney Danae Brubaker of Warren was named to the Dean's list for the Spring Semester of the 2011-2012 academic year at Anderson University.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a semester gradepointaverage of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0.

#### SENIOR SCRAMBLE

Results from the Thursday, May 24th Senior Scramble at Dogwood Glen. First Place (31): Jim Denman, Mel Ogden, Randy Potter, Jack Wilson. Second Place (33): Don Carroll, Doug Davis, Dick Hinton,

Pete Watkins. Closest to the Pin #3 John Jones, #6 Clyde Smith, Long Drive #8 Fred Schweikhardt and Pat Shuttleworth.



#### LILLY SCHOLAR

Levi Smith has been selected as recipient of a four-year, full-tuition scholarship as the Huntington County Community Foundation 2012 Lilly Endowment Community Scholar.

Smith receives full tuition to Manchester College, as well as an annual \$900 stipend for required books and equipment. He is undecided on his undergraduate major, but ultimately plans on earning a degree in veterinary medicine from Purdue University, working as a Zoological Veterinarian and in the area of exotic companion medicine.

A senior at Huntington North High School, Levi's parents are Candy Smith and Herman Smith III. Levi has been a four-year member of Varsity Singers, a member of Spanish Club, National Honor Society, a freshman mentor, Spanish tutor, and the founder and

**Music Boxes** 

Calendar

**Stuffed Animals** 

leader of the Animal Cruelty Awareness Club. His community service includes the Riverside Veterinary Clinic in Warren, Huntington County Animal Control and Special Olympics. In addition, he wrapped up his high school thespian career with the male lead in the Huntington North spring musical.

NEWS

scholarship recipient.

universities in Indiana.

statewide this year.

Boys

accredited

represents 31 regionally-

nonprofit, private colleges and

The scholarships are the result of

a statewide Lilly Endowment

initiative to help Hoosier students

reach higher levels of education.

Indiana ranks among the lowest

states in the percentage of

residents over the age of 25 with a

bachelor's degree. There were 142

Lilly scholarships awarded

**CONGRATULATIONS HOME-**

The Bell Motorsports Team has

placed in the top five at Montpelier

Motor Speedway for the past three

weeks in a row. Placing 1st, 3rd &

4th with driver Bill Lewis in the #77

car of Rvan and Ron Bell.

degree-granting,

"The Lilly Scholarship opens up thelong road to becoming an exotic veterinarian for me," Levi stated. "It normally takes four to eight years to become a small animal vet, which is what most veterinarians are, but in order to become a zoological or exotic veterinarian, you have to do a few years of internships and residencies after the eight years of pre-vet studies and vet school. Having the first four years of my education covered financially definitely increases my chances of finishing this long and rigorous journey."

A total of 23 Huntington County high-school seniors applied this year and after reviewing their applications the HCCF Scholarship Committee, comprised of community volunteers, invited eight candidates to be interviewed. Afterward, committee members were faced with the extremely difficult choice of which three students to select for a second interview. After these interviews and making their final decision, the scholarship committee submitted the name of their nominee and one alternate to Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) for approval of their selection as a Lilly

> Michael & Sheri Yoder invite you to a Graduation Open House for their daughter

## Kelsi Shaw



June 2nd From 3 to 7 p.m. at their house 608 E 3rd St Hope to see you there!

#### HOMEMAKER'S CAMP ICI is a nonprofit corporation that

"Tickled Pink at the Pink Out Camp" is the theme of the 66th Annual Northeast Indiana Homemaker's Camp, August 22, 23, and 24, 2012, at Shiloh Park Retreat and Conference Center, north of Marion, IN. A great opportunity to meet new friends and renew friendships with fellow Extension Homemakers from the 9 County Area. The schedule provides for educational programs, leadership development and personal growth.You will not want to miss the morning walks, business meeting, vespers, crafts and workshops, mixers, "Mystery" auction, silent auction, free time, camp queen selection, and meals.

Programs feature "Travel Indiana" by Cindy Barnett, Whitley County HHS Extension Educator, "Chocolate, Chocolate, and More Chocolate" by Marilyn Buckmaster. "An Ounce of Prevention:

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#### SUMMER MUSIC CAMP

Students shown performing at the 2011 Children's Choir of Huntington Co. Music Camp. Top row: Samantha Roller and Ali Everett. Middle row: Haley Alred, Eve Rowley, and Tori Kline. Bottom row: Sami Leal, Lillian Holzinger, and Savannah White. Music camps for 2012 start Monday, June 4th and include Let's Go to the Movies for students completing 2nd-8th grades and Mini Music Camp for ages 1-8 years. For more information contact Terra Rowley at 260-468-2705 or terra.rowley@gmail.com.

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time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months.

**Green/Blooming Plants** 

lun 4 6:30 p.m. Warren Town Council, Assembly Hall Jun 6 Chamber of Commerce Lunch, Assembly Hall Noon

Jun 6 7:00 p.m. Van Buren Town Council Jun 14 Flag Day

Father's Day lun 17

Grant County 4-H Fair Jun 17 - 23 Jun 18 6:30 p.m. KBC Board Meeting at KBC 7:00 p.m. Van Buren Town Council Meeting

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

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AntiCancer Foods" by Karen Richey, Marshall County HHS Extension Educator, "Decorative Sweatshirts" by Pam Fausz, "Totebag Stamping" by Susan Eichhorn, East Central Solid Waste District, "Preserving Family History" by Stephanie Jerabek, and "Towel Creations" by Kay Prosser.

Full time camper fee is \$100.00 for all three days. One day campers (Thursday ONLY) is \$40 for programs and lunch, or \$45 for programs, lunch, and dinner. Registrations are due July 20, 2012. For registration forms and further information contact your local county extension office.

#### MERCHANT'S TENT

The Blackford County 4-H Fairboard once again is sponsoring the Merchant's Tent at the Blackford County 4-H & Open Fair on Monday, June 25th. Merchants and organizations are invited to set up at the Fair. If you are interested, please call the Purdue Extension Office for more information at 765-348-3213.

#### 4-H FAIR PARADE

If you or your group would like to participate in the Blackford County 4-H & Open Fair Parade call or stop in the Purdue Extension Office, 119

N. High Street, Hartford City, IN 47348, 765-348-3213 to get an entry form. The Parade is Monday, June 25th. Turn your entry form in early for the best spot in the parade

#### **OPALESCENT GLASS**

People age 50 or older are invited to the Salamonie Interpretive Center to learn about the historic Kokomo Opalescent Glass Company on June 4.

The program begins with lunch at 12:30 p.m. The meat dish will be provided by Upper Wabash Interpretive Services (UWIS). Seniors should bring a dish to pass, their own table service and \$1 donation to help defray the cost of the provided meat dish.

To help the planners determine the correct amount of meat to request, those interested should register by calling (260) 468-2127, or visiting the interpretive center. 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews 46702.

Cindy Locke, retail manager of The Op Shop, Retail Division of Kokomo Opalescent Glass, will talk about the company's beginnings and explain how the glass is made.

The interpretive center and gift shop's hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. This barrier-free building features exhibits, floor-to-ceiling windows in the wildlife viewing

area, and staff to answer questions.

The center is in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area, Highway 105, in  $western\, Huntington\, County.\, There$ is no fee to enter the property at this time.

For more information on other UWIS programs, see dnr.IN.gov/ uwis or visit UWIS on Facebook at facebook.com/upperwabash.

#### FREE FISHING WEEKEND IS **JUNE 2-3**

For Hoosiers who have never cast a fishing line or haven't cast a line in a while, Free Fishing Weekend, June 2-3, is a great opportunity.

That's because Indiana's adult residents do not need a fishing license or a trout/salmon stamp to fish Indiana waters during Free Fishing Weekend.

Clint Kowalik, DNR Go FishIN coordinator, suggested several Free Fishing Weekend options for adults and families.

"Go alone to a guiet, secret spot, explore new waters with your family, or take a kid to a local fishing derby or city park pond," Kowalik said.

To celebrate Free Fishing Weekend, recreation areas across the state are planning fun fishing derbies, casting clinics, fishcleaning demonstrations and

cooking classes.

Properties hosting activities for Free Fishing Weekend are:

- · Brookville Lake, Brookville, (765) 458-5565
- · Buffalo Trace Park, Palmyra, (812) 364-6112
- · Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA), Cloverdale, (765) 795-3552
- · Cecil M. Harden Lake (Raccoon SRA), Rockville, (765) 344-1412 · Cedar Lake, Cedar Lake, (219) 374-6157
- Charlestown State Park, Charlestown, (812) 256-5600
- · Deam Lake, Borden, (812) 246-
- Eagle Creek Park, Indianapolis, (317) 327-7110
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## GENEALOGY REPORT

#### **T**AYLOR

Florence M. Taylor, 88, of Warren, IN, died Thursday, May 24, 2012, at 5:10 p.m. at Heritage Pointe, in Warren.



Mrs. Taylor graduated from Van Buren High School in 1942 and was a homemaker. She was a member of the Oak Chapel United Methodist Church, the Oak Chapel Ladies Circle and the Wells and Blackford Home Economics Club.

She was born April 1, 1924, in Beaver Township, Pulaski County, to Bertha Widner Campbell. She married Ralph R. Taylor on Sept.12, 1952. Her husband survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Bill (Dianna) Banter, of Warren, and Robey Taylor, of St. Louis, MO; a daughter, Jan (Dr. George) Babcock, of Bluffton; a sister, Vera Campbell, of Warren; a brother, Dudley Campbell, of Huntington; six grandchildren, Will (Kristi) Banter, of Warren; Brent Banter, of Austin, TX; Tim (Julie) Babcock, of Bluffton; Lisa (Bryan) Dailey, of New York; Meg Taylor, of Washington, DC; and Brandon Taylor, of St. Louis, MO; and seven great-grandsons.

A service was held in the Applegate Chapel on Wednesday, May 30, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., with calling one hour prior to the service. Rev. Al Soultz and Rev. Ginny Soultz officiated. Interment was at Estates of Serenity, Marion.

Preferred memorials are gifts to the Oak Chapel United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, Van Buren, was in charge of arrangements.



#### GAIER

Cary A. Gaier, 88, of Warren, IN, died Saturday, May 26, 2012, at 2:23 p.m. at St.



VincentHospital inIndianapolis, IN.

Mr. Gaier was a resident of
Warren for eight years, and was
formerly of Montpelier. He was a
1942 Montpelier High School
graduate and a dairy farmer. He
also drove a school bus for
Southern Wells Schools for 28
years, then was a custodian for 17
years. Mr. Gaier was also a 4-H
leader in Nottingham Township
and the Wells County 4-H Club. He
was a part of the Tractor & Safety
Maintenance for 25 years.

Mr. Gaier was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Montpelier. He volunteered for eight years in the activities departmentat Heritage Pointe. He belonged to the Good Sam's Camping Club.

He was born Feb. 29, 1924, in Blackford County to Elmer and Mary Rhoton Gaier. He married Opal M. Martin on Jan. 27, 1945 in Hartford City, and she survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Francis (Shirley) Gaier, of rural Bluffton, and William (Nancy) Gaier, of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; four greatgrandchildren and two stepgreatgrandchildren.

Services were held at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St. Warren, on Wednesday, May 30, 2012, at 1 p.m. atthe funeral home, with Rev. John Bellanteofficiating. Interment will follow in the IOOF Cemetery in Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to the Heritage Pointe Activities Department and Cancer Services for Huntington County.

#### RICHARDSON

Cindy L. Richardson, 57, of rural Warren, IN, died Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at her home.

Mrs. Richardson was employed in production at Keebler Manufacturing and had also worked at Kitco Manufacturing and the Bluffton McDonald's restaurant. She was a 1973 graduate of Southern Wells High School.

She was born Feb. 9, 1955, in Bluffton to Robert E. and Frances M. Macklin Mossburg.

She is survived by a son, Travis Richardson, of Bluffton; a daughter, Heather (Christian) Martinez, of Bluffton; two brothers, Rodney E. (Deb) Mossburg and John L. (Christine) Mossburg, both of Liberty Center; and a granddaughter, Kaylee Martinez.

Services were held at Thoma/ Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home, 308 W. Washington St., Bluffton. Burial will be at a later date at the Mossburg Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are gifts to an educational fund for Kaylee Martinez.

#### **G**ASKILL

John R. Gaskill, 64, of Fort Wayne, a former resident of Bluffton, passed away at 6:50 p.m. Monday, May 21, 2012, at the Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Gaskill worked for the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District for more than 20 years as a custodian. He and his former wife, Rosemary, owned and operated the Bluffton Janitor Service for 24 years. In his later years, he enjoyed spending time remodeling homes. He also assisted with the demolition efforts of the volunteer group Beautifying Blackford County.

He was born Sept. 21, 1947, in Wells County, to Harry M. Gaskill and Ruth C. Nuckoles Miller. His mother survives in Liberty Center along with her fiance, Art Ramseyer.

Additional survivors include a daughter, Cheryl Gaskill of Fort Wayne; a son, Joseph Gaskill of Columbus; four grandchildren, Johanna Basinski-Gaskill, Mesley Basinski-Gaskill, Ashtain Gaskill, and Kyle Gaskill; a great-grandchild, Benjamin Pedigo; three sisters, Patricia (Rex) Holloway of Poneto, Mary Alice Osborn of Shelburn, and Connie Snyder of Indianapolis; and three brothers, Harold (Leslie) Gaskill of Bluffton, Bobby (Donna) Miller of Dunkirk, and Fred Miller of Pennyille.

He is also survived by best friends Steve Cotton and Josh Dunifan.

He is also survived by his friend and former wife Rosemary (Bill) Elliott, who resides in Bluffton.

He is also survived by his son Joseph's former wife, Pamela Gaskill, of Columbus.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held at a later time. Preferred memorials are to the family.

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Small World Preschool in Warren is a non-profit pre-school, which has been serving the families of Warren and the surrounding area for over thirty years. Small World is still registering students for the 2012-2013 school year. Classes begin in early September and end in early May.

The 3-4 year old class attends on Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11:30 and the 4-5 year old class attends on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9-11:30 am or 12:30-3:00 pm, if the morning class fills up and there are at least 8 children signed up for the afternoon class.

Children must be 3 or 4 years old by August 1, 2011. The cost is \$525 for the 3-4 year old class and \$625.00 for the 4-5 year old class, with a \$40 application fee. Scholarships and payment options are available.

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Adults who decide they want to buy a license for the rest of the year can do so anytime at IndianaOutdoor.IN.gov. The standard resident license costs \$17. Children age 17 and younger do not need a fishing license in Indiana at any time.

All other fishing regulations are still in effect during Free Fishing Weekend.

People who need reasonable modifications for effective participation in Free Fishing Weekend events at DNR properties should contact the property at least 72 hours before the event or call the DNR ADA Coordinator at (317) 232-4145.

#### BLACK BASS RULES

Rule changes adopted earlier this year to provide increased protection for black bass in certain rivers and streams became effective on Friday, May 25.

With a few exceptions, a person catching black bass (smallmouth, largemouthand spotted bass) from a river or stream may keep only those fish that are under 12 inches or over 15 inches long. The daily bag limit for black bass is five fish singly or in aggregate, which means the catch limit may include any combination of the three bass species. No more than two can be over 15 inches.

The exceptions are:

-Rivers and streams in counties bordering the Ohio River still have a 12-inch minimum size limit, with an aggregate bag limit of five black bass. Those counties are Clark, Crawford, Dearborn, Floyd, Harrison, Jefferson, Ohio, Perry, Posey, Spencer, Switzerland, Vanderburgh and Warrick.

-The Blue River in Crawford, Harrison and Washington counties still has a 12- to 15-inch slot limit and an aggregate bag limit of five black bass, with no more than two being more than 15 inches.

-The minimum size limit on the Ohio River main stem (not bays and tributaries) remains at 12 inches for black bass, with a daily bag limit of six.

The changes are in response to public concerns regarding harvest

pressure on smallmouth bass that were expressed during the Indiana Natural Resources Commission's comprehensive rule enhancement project.

TheNRC Advisory Council, Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable, fishing groups and individual anglers supported a rule change to further restrict the taking of black bass, especially small mouth, to potentially provide a larger number of bass for anglers in the future. The protection for black bass that are 12-to 15-inches long is intended to limit harvest of these fish when they have the highest reproductive potential.

The new rule does not affect existing regulations on lakes or reservoirs (including Lake Michigan), where black bass must be at least 14 inches long to be kept. Black bass size and bag limits at specific locations such as state fish & wildlife areas, state forests, national forests and other sites outlined in Indiana Administrative Code 312 9-7-6 also remain unchanged.

#### FISHING DERBIES

Children ages 2 to 14 are invited to have fun, win prizes, and learn to catch and release fish during fishing derbies on June 2 at Mississinewa and Salamonie lakes, J. Edward Roush Fish & Wildlife Area and Ouabache State Park.

The derbies are hosted by Upper Wabash Interpretive Services in recognition of the statewide Free Fishing Weekend. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with fishing from 9a.m. to 10:30 a.m. An awards ceremony follows.

Prizes, bait, and staffing support are being donated by Bozarth's Campground and Country Store, Peace Pipe Bait, Woody's Spillway, Riverside Sporting Goods, Indiana Conservation Officers, Bluffton Optimists, Walmart and the Friends of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services group.

The derbies are free. Participants should register in advance for their derby of choice by calling (260) 468-2127

"Each participating child goes home with a prize," Marvin McNew, director of UWIS, said. "There are grand prizes for the largest fish caught and prizes for each of three age categories. Each child can win only one of these large prize packages."

Children will be divided into age categories 2 to 5,6 to 10, and 11 to 14. Prizes include fishing tackle, tackle boxes, fishing rodsand reels, and many other items.

Salamonie's derby will be in the Lost Bridge West Recreation Area. Mississinewa's derby will be in the Miami Recreation Area. Roush's derby will be in the Little Turtle Area off Indiana 5.

The standard entrance fee of \$5 per in-state vehicle and \$7 per for out-of-state vehicle will be in effect when the gatehouse is open.

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services is at 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, 46702.

#### TREE WORKSHOPS

Those who love trees and work with trees can take advantage of several workshops this summer offered through the DNR Division of Forestry's Community and Urban Forestry program.

The Indiana Community Tree Steward (ICTS) course will be at the Purdue Marion County Cooperative Extension Office at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. ICTS is opento anyone who has an interest intrees and urban forests. The five-week course meets on the evenings of June 21 and 28, and July 12, 19, and 25. Registration is \$30 and includes a comprehensive notebook of tree references and tools.

The Forest Pest Identification Early Detector Training workshops are designed to help participants identify signs of tree pests and diseases. The day-long regional workshops will be July 9 in Evansville, July 10 in Greendale, July 16 in Valparaiso, July 18 in Merrillville and July 19 in Chesterton. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch. Participants will learn how to identify signs of emerald ash borer, thousand canker disease, and Asian longhorned beetle. Fach has the potential to kill millions of trees in Indiana. Speakers include Phil Marshall, state entomologist, and Annemarie Nagle, Purdue entomologist.

The Indiana Urban Forest Council will hold its summer meeting on July 18 at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute. This gathering for urban forestry professionals, enthusiasts and volunteers will focus on Tree Campus USA projects and new tree selection criteria that relates to climate change. Speakers include urban forest professionals from Indiana and the USDA Forest Service.

All the workshops are in partnership with DNR Entomology & Plant Pathology, Purdue

Entomology and Purdue Extension. Each is co-sponsored by the Indiana Urban Forest Council and offers continuing education credits for International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborists.

Registration is required in advance for all of these workshops. To register, contact Carrie Tauscher, CUF Volunteer Coordinator, at (317) 591-1170 or ctauscher@dnr.IN.gov.

#### VACATION GET-AWAY

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley What is it about going on vacation that makes it worth all the preparation and hassle? Is it getting away from the phone? I don't think so; most of us have our personal cell phones. Is it getting to seeing new places? Maybe but many of us usually want to go back to old familiar areas. Is it the food? It could be, or is the fact that cooking

is not hard in an efficient clean kitchen.

How about the people? They are usually the same ones you have at home. So what is it about being in a different place with the same people? Could it be that the surroundings do not choke you! Hotel rooms are sparse: Two beds, a desk, one bathroom, a night table, one small closet, a little dining table and maybe a little refrigerator. Hey I am leaving the Television and video games out. Ignore them. Let's say you rent a condo at the beach. It has a small kitchen, two to three bedrooms, a living area, a balcony, a couple of bathrooms and empty closets. The same thing for a house at the lake or a cabin in the woods; they have all the conveniences of home without ALL YOUR CLUTTERIII

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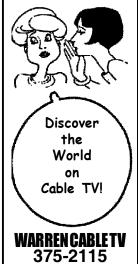
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Oh it's not clutter, it is your stuff, I can hear you yelling at me. Well your stuff makes you feel like you need to leavehome to breathe. So what does that tell you? Your stuff is killing you. You are uneasy in your own home. Another word for uneasy is disease. Get it?? Your house has become a storage unit for your stuff, not a home.

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How do we get this vacation feeling in our cluttered homes? By evicting Clutter and Just-in-Case forever! These things have chased you away from your home. They have taken over your residence. They are squatters and it is time to take back your home and make it your sanctuary instead of a storage unit.

Start by Crisis Cleaning: we are attacking the surface clutter that is residing in our favorite hotspots. Spend 15 minutes in the Kitchen, then 15 in the living room and then 15 in the bathroom. Then you get to rest for 15 minutes. Don't skip this step! It is the most important one.

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#### **G**ET **M**OVING

As the weather gets nicer, it's the perfect time to get outdoors to celebrate National Physical Fitness and Sports Month. Spendsome time this month enjoying the warmer weather while sneaking in extra physical activity. Use these tips from USA.gov to make fitness more fun: Exercise doesn't have to be boring. You can play games with your family like wiffle ball, tag and capture the

flag. Go to a local park or use your backyard to run around with your kids. Before you know it, you'll have met the daily guidelines of 60 minutes of movement for kids and 30 minutes for adults.

Take the President's Fitness Challenge. Start with the physical fitness test to see how you stack up against other people yourage. Based on your scores you can earn awards in different categories.

Look to your state tourism office or your local department of parks and recreation to learn about active events going on in your area. You may be able to find sports teams for your children to play on or adult recreational leagues for yourself. Noone wantstogethurt and have to spend time on the sidelines. But if you do end up with an injury, learn

spend time on the sidelines. But if you do end up with an injury, learn the best at-home treatments and when you should call in the professionals. You'll also find tips on how to prevent more injuries in the future.

You can find more ideas to get you and your family moving at LetsMove.gov.

## PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTS: WHAT EVERY JOB SEEKER SHOULD KNOW

(ARA) - With the economy strengthening, today's job seekers have more of an opportunity to find a job than in years past. However, that hardly means that companies aretaking the decision to hire lightly. With still unprecedented numbers of applicants vying for each open position, companies are putting a greater emphasis on choosing the best of the group, and they are armed with more weapons than ever to do just that.

A heightened quest for information on prospective employees, coupled with the increased ease to administer assessments, means that job seekers are more and more likely to face some form of a pre-hire evaluation as part of the hiring process.

"Pre-employment assessments have been one way to help companies make sense of who they have in the pipeline," says Brian Penner, director of assessment and selection at Prudential Financial. "More and more companies have developed a strong appetite for measuring how people think and act - just think about Facebook to see the value in this. Pre-employment assessments provide information on

difficult-to-measure human behaviors that give employers the ability to easily compare one candidate with another in an objective way."

Penner notes that it is important for job seekers to remain confident if asked to take an assessment. "The good news is that assessments cost money, which should signal to you that the company thinks you're important enough to invest in."

Additionally, Penner shares his top seven tips for job seekers if they are asked to take an assessment as part of their application process:

- \* Most assessments today are online and allow you to take the assessment wherever your computer has connectivity to the Internet. This means convenience, but it also means that it is critical that you plan ahead so you can work in a distraction-free area.
- \* Get sleep the night before. Being well-rested and alert are the building blocks for success.
- \* Be yourself. It is easier to be yourself than someone else. Don't guess who they want you to be. Remember, you've been invited to take the assessment because of your skills and experiences. Those who try to be someone different during the assessment don't fare as well and come across with contradictory results.
- \*Stay relaxed, and as contrary as it may seem, try to have fun with the assessment. There are usually a number of factors that go into the hiring decision and assessments are just one piece of the puzzle.
- \* Some tests are timed. In these cases, work quickly and accurately. Instructions will tell you if you're penalized for a wrong answer. If not, leave yourself time to guess the correct answer when time is running out.
- \* Research the employer. See if you can get information on the hiring process. Try to find practice tests.
- \* Lastly, almost all assessments measure more than one thing. This means if you mess up one section, don't give up. Keep trying. Your performance on the entire assessment is what counts and everybodyalready knowsthatyou're not perfect, so don't get frustrated in the middle of the test if you feel you've done less well on one part.

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