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Thought for the Week: *Who does not thank for little will not thank for much.* Estonian Proverb

READING GROUP

If you are interested in a reading group at the Warren Library, please let them know. (375-3450) A group plans to organize in January.

DOWNTOWN LIGHTING

Don't forget to bring your family to Winter WarrenLand on Friday, November 26. Santa will arrive at 6 p.m. to meet and greet all the kids.

From 6:15 to 6:30 Santa will oversee the lighting of the downtown and using his Christmas magic will light the Community Christmas Tree donated to the Town by George and Florence Brown.

At 6:30 Santa and children of all ages will walk through a pathway of luminaries to the Knight-Bergman Center to participate in the spectacular annual lighting of the Center grounds and building.

At 6:45 Santa will be available for "serious conversations" with the children about their Wish Lists. A photo of each child talking with Santa and a small gift helps usher in the Christmas holiday. There will also be coffee, hot chocolate and cookies.

On Saturday, November 27 from 9 to 11 a.m. Santa will again be available for those children who didn't get a chance to talk to him on Friday night.

TIME TO FILE

Certain Widows Have Only Until December 16 to File Claims for VA Compensation

Last year, President Bush signed Public Law 108-183, the "Veterans Benefits Act of 2003," which restores entitlement to monthly compensation and related home loan and education benefits for surviving spouses who remarry on or after their 57th birthday. This benefit applies to widows of veterans who died in service or who died of a service connected condition or who were rated 100% service-connected disabled at the time

of their death.

Under previous law, surviving spouses who were receiving the benefits, but then remarried, were not eligible to continue receiving this compensation, known as DIC, unless their subsequent marriages ended. At that time they could apply for reinstatement of benefits.

Under the new law, surviving spouses who remarry after age 57 are still eligible to receive the compensation even though they are married. However, those who remarried after age 57 and before December 16, 2003, have only until December 16, 2004 to apply for restoration of benefits. If VA receives the application later than December 15, 2004, restoration of benefits under DIC will be denied.

Surviving spouses over age 57 who remarried after December 16, 2003 and who apply prior to the deadline, will have their benefits restored back to the date the law was signed, December 16, 2003. Surviving spouse who remarry after age 57 and after December 16, 2004, will be eligible to apply for this benefit, but will not receive the retroactive compensation.

In 2004, the basic monthly rate for DIC is \$967, an amount which increases each year based on cost-of-living increases. The monthly amount is increased if the surviving spouse has dependents, including dependent children, is housebound, or meets criteria common for those who need a home aide.

For more information about this VA benefit, contact Tom Applegate, Huntington County Veteran's Service Officer at 358-4863.

4-H FAIR MEETING

The 4-H Fair for 2005 will contain some extra special events to celebrate 75 years of the Huntington County 4-H Fair. What great moments the county will benefit from recalling the days of long ago! A meeting for individuals interested in helping

to develop and organize activities and events for the celebration of the 75th annual Huntington County 4-H Fair (at Hier's Park) in 2005. The meeting will be held Thursday, December 2nd, at 7:00 PM on the 1st floor of the Courthouse Annex-Senior Center.

This meeting is open to all interested in assisting in some way with this special celebration. Those planning to attend are asked to contact the Huntington County Extension Office so sufficient materials are prepared for this meeting.

For more information, contact Linda Aldridge or Teresa Daniels at the County Extension Office, (260) 358-4826 or email at laldridg@purdue.edu or tkdaniel@purdue.edu.

DEADLINE EXTENDED

The deadline to submit nominations for the Steven L. Bailey Award has been extended until December 3rd, 2004. This award is open to anyone over the age of 18 who is a positive role model and is or has made an impact on the youth of Huntington County. "Steve lived his life helping others. He was a positive role model in his personal life, church life and the many civic organizations in which he was involved, including serving on the Board of Directors of the Youth Services Bureau until his untimely death.

"This award is our way of keeping Steve's memory and passion alive," said Jan Williams. Past recipients of the award include: Delores Evans, Kent Yost, Mel Hunnicutt and Roger Vezeau.

To learn more about the award or to request a nomination form contact the YSB office located at 1344 Maple Drive or phone 356-9681 or 1-800-298-5444. Email requests can also be sent to ysbadm@choiceonemail.com. The recipient will be announced at the agency's Annual Dinner in January, 2005.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

The Huntington County Community Foundation recently awarded \$63,068 in Community Grants for the second cycle of 2004. Twenty-five grant applications were received with requests totaling \$237,772. Serving on the Grants Committee were Marjorie Hiner, William Hancher, Edward Michel, Theodore Bendall, Rex Thorne and Marilyn Morrison. The grant recipients were:

Huntington Police Athletic/Activities Center \$20,000 To help complete Phase II of the building project-concrete flooring.

Historic Forks of the Wabash Joint Grant \$10,800 Promotional package for Huntington Co. Museums and Visitors Bureau.

Huntington Family YMCA \$9,750 To purchase Youth Fitness equipment.

Huntington County Habitat for Humanity \$6,054 Purchase tools and equipment needed to increase building capacity.

Love INC. \$5,000 To support MED Assist program.

Community & Family Services \$4,000 Help with cost of medical supplies and/or insurance for Free Health Clinic director

Family Centered Services \$4,000 Purchase computers equipped with software, printers, digital projector.

Junior Achievement \$2,464.00 To fund "Economics of Staying in School" programs at Crestview and Riverview Middle Schools.

Boys & Girls Club of Huntington Co. \$1,000 Purchase educational materials for Power Hour.

Community Grants are made possible through gifts and contributions from Huntington County citizens, businesses and organizations to the Community Grants Unrestricted Fund. This fund consists of flexible dollars that ensure the Huntington County Community Foundation has the ability to respond to community needs. To date, over \$448,400 in Community

Grants have been awarded to meet charitable needs in Huntington County.

Grant applications for 2005 Cycle I will be due in the Foundation's office by April 25, 2005. Grant applications may be obtained by visiting our web site at hccfoundation.com.

To contribute to the Community Grants Unrestricted Fund or to have questions answered about the Huntington County Community Foundation, please contact Marcia McClelland, Executive Director, at (260) 356-8878.

CRAFT WORKSHOP

The Upper Wabash Interpretive Services features a Winter Craft Workshop on Saturday, December 4, 2004. Two identical sessions, one from 9 a.m.- noon and one from 12:30 - 3:30 p.m., feature instructors to help you make three crafts for one fee of \$10.

Marvin McNew, Director of the Interpretive Services, states, "We are excited to offer this half-day experience for the very reasonable cost of \$10. Participants weave their own basket, create a cornhusk wreath, and design their own paint paddle angel. Huntington College students are even providing activities for children ages three and up while their parents are participating in the workshop." Attendance is limited for each session. Call 260-468-2127 to sign-up for the morning or the afternoon session. Space is available if you would like to bring your lunch and eat with your fellow workshop attendees.

The Salamonie Interpretive Center is open Wednesday through Friday and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. from October through April. The building houses a multipurpose room that is ideal for workshops and programs. This barrier-free center features

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

Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop or mail to P O Box 695, Warren. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

We would like to thank our family, friends, and former fuel customers for the wonderful Retirement Party held Sunday, November 14th at the Knights Civic Center in Warren.

We would especially like to thank Ronnie and Shelley, Chris and Britina, Ron and Judy Bradford, and Jeff and Micky Herr for all the time spent on the party.

We would also like to give a special thank you to our son Chris (as he was inadvertently missed in the newspaper article) for the time he spent in the business helping to deliver drums of oil etc. A special thank you as well to Jim Thompson and Gene Searles for helping in the delivering of the fuel.

Mac's Oil Co.
Ron and Bonnie Boxell

PRAISE THE LORD

Yet again, the Lord has shown his presence in the hearts of this wonderful community we live in. As most know, David (the Can Man) and I lost our furnace to a fire last winter. Thanks to the great Warren Fire Dept, we only lost our furnace. Recently, Schurr Services donated and installed a brand new furnace for us. They even helped line up a tank and fuel service. Then to top it all off, another anonymous donor donated a sizeable amount to our fuel account. We don't know how we could ever repay everyone for the cans, donations, and their kindness, except to say we're extremely grateful. Yet also to spread the news to all who are down or in need, to not give up. Keep the faith, for the Lord is very present in this magnificent community. We asked in prayer and received abundantly. So shall you.

David & Pamela Uncapher

THANK YOU

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers, food and visits while I am at home with the shingles. Also, I would like to thank my family for all of the things that they have done. Thanks again to everyone.

Pat Boxell

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Warren Community- all our friends, family and local churches for all the support and prayers. We can never thank you all enough for caring so much and being there for us when our son Gage was so ill. The Love and concern you all showed was overwhelming. It helped us so much to know that so many people were praying for our son and for our family. There are just so many people to thank- We do thank God for surrounding us with so many loving and caring friends and family, we could not have made it through without you all. Again thank you for being there for all of us. Gage loved all the balloons, gifts and cards.

Many thanks, Griff and Geni Bustos

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<p>VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 765-934-4074 <i>Mike Helms, Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Adult Worship 10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Youth Hours 6:00 p.m. Evening Praise Hour 6:00 p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199 <i>Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor</i></p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Bible Study, Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE — Majenica <i>Rev. Gus Hacker</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148 <i>Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m. Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m. <i>Come As You Are</i></p> <p>Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST Corner of 900S & 300W <i>Kathie Jones, Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>WARREN UNITED METHODIST <i>Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. <i>Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery</i></p> <p>WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022 <i>Gerald O. Moreland, Minister</i> <i>Joe Hartley, BS Supt.</i></p> <p>Fellowship 9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 <i>Dick Case, Interim Pastor</i></p> <p>Sun - 1st Worship Service 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 2nd Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) ... 6:30-8p.m.</p> <p>McNATT UNITED METHODIST 375-4359 <i>Bill VanHaften, Pastor</i> <i>Lois Slusher, Supt.</i></p> <p>Coffee Fellowship 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren <i>Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor</i> <i>Wesley Welch, Supt.</i> <i>Sue Brown, Youth Worker</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday Prayer Service ... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622 <i>Pastor Dan Sommer</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:55 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN 468-2412 <i>Mel Zumbrun, Pastor</i></p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Church School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH 758-2085 <i>Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor</i> <i>Sandy Keplinger, Supt.</i></p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH 8294S 900W 35 <i>Gary Riley, Pastor</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH <i>Steve Bard, Pastor</i></p> <p>Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 375-2510 <i>Bill Keen, Pastor</i> <i>Bus Service 375-2510</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 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.</p> <p>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102 <i>Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto <i>Steve Sutton, Pastor</i> 765/728-2065 for more info</p> <p>Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts. <i>Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship</i> <i>Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of Family Life</i> <i>Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt.</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 765-934-1431 <i>Pastor Blake J. Neff</i> <i>Youth Pastor Adam Pierce</i></p> <p>Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. UMYF 6- 7:30 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:30 p.m. www.vanburennumc.org</p> <p>BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST <i>Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor</i> <i>Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.</i></p> <p>Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion, IN 765/664-8726 <i>Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor</i></p> <p>1st Worship 8:20 a.m. 2nd Worship 9:45 a.m. 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m. Sunday School Children & Youth Programs</p> <p>PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2691 <i>Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>LANCASTER WESLEYAN 468-2411 <i>Doug Sharrard, Pastor</i> <i>Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN <i>Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor</i></p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier <i>Student Pastor - Eric Dubach</i></p> <p>Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.</p>
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Attend the Church of your choice

AREA NEWS

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seasonally changing exhibits, floor to ceiling windows in the wildlife viewing area, and staff to answer your questions. The center is located in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

Visit our web site at www.in.gov/dnr/uwis/ for more information about available programs. To register for the Winter Craft Workshop, call the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services 260/468-2127.

NATURE CLUB

The "Radical Junior Rangers" Saturday Nature Club meets from 9:30 a.m.-12 noon the second Saturday of each month during the fall and winter at the Salamonie Interpretive Center. Advance registration is requested.

Do your children enjoy participating in exciting outdoor events? Enroll them in this special program designed for outdoor-loving youth between the ages of 8-12. Saturday Nature Club is a fast-moving environmental education program with crafts, hikes and games.

December 11 – Winter Tracking - Dress warmly to brave the winter elements in search of signs left by nature's survivors.

January 8 - Terrific Trees. Learn to identify common Salamonie trees by their bark, visit a maple tree tapped to collect sap, and make your own paper to take home.

February 12 - Raptors. Discover new things about these magnificent birds of prey and see one up close.

March 12 - Safe Shooting - Learn how to treat firearms with respect and learn about a few used at the reservoirs for hunting.

April 9 - Canoeing - Practice navigating your canoe while looking for local wildlife.

All Saturday Nature Club programs meet at the Salamonie Interpretive Center. The Interpretive Center is open Wednesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The center is closed on Monday and Tuesday. The Interpretive Center is located in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western

Huntington County.

For more information or to register for Saturday Nature Club, call the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services, 260/468.2127. Visit our web site. www.in.gov/dnr/uwis/ to find out about other reservoir programs.

COUNCIL NOTES

In the absence of president Tony Manry, Marvin Surber conducted the Nov. 17 meeting of the Van Buren Town Council. The meeting opened at 7 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Council passed Ordinance 2-2004 and Ordinance 3-2004, which set salaries for town employees for 2004.

Council also voted to pay IACT dues for 2004.

Officer Pat Collins reported from the Police Department. The new pagers had arrived and were reported to be working well.

Engineer Ken Czerniakowski presented Water and Wastewater compliance plans to Council. Council agreed to certification for compliance.

Superintendent Jim Webb gave his report. He reported that all meters had been read in October and November with one meter changed. Hydrants had been flushed.

The water plant was reported to be currently operating ok.

Leaf pick-up was about completed.

Christmas lights are expected to be put up Nov. 29.

Equipment was reported to be ready for snow.

Street signs and stop signs were being repaired.

Two students from Indiana Wesleyan University were in attendance for a class project.

The next Council meeting will be Dec. 1.

NEW AT WPL

New books received at the Warren Public Library include:

Adult fiction – Black Cat by VC Andrews; Case Histories by Atkinson; Whiteout by Follett; Falling Awake by Krentz; Rupole and the Penge Bungalow Murders.

Nonfiction – Etiquette, 17th Edition by Post; Do Elephants Jump? by Feldman; Selling Women Short; The Soul of a Butterfly by Muhammad Ali.

STORYTIME

Joan Boyer chose mice and bears as her theme for storytime at the Warren Library on November 19. She read If You Give a Mouse a Cookie; If You Take a Mouse to the Movies; Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? And Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? to Sophia, Andy and Sydney Smekens, Sarah Kline and William and Colin Sackett.

The children also enjoyed the finger play Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear and made a mouse puppet, received a bear color page and teddy bear treat. Story time resumes at 10:00 Friday, December 3, after a Thanksgiving break.

CLUB NEWS

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 368 held its meeting at the Post November 4, 2004.

President Toni Jones opened the meeting in regular form. Secretary Sheri Reneer read minutes from last meeting. Treasurer Irene Pickard gave finance report.

Ruth Bole read Constitution & Bylaw changes for the second time on change of meeting to summer months also.

Flo Doyle – Knightstown Home Chairman, reported we lost a boy at the home. He went back to his own home.

Sheri Reneer – Jr Activities Chairman, reported her Jrs Painted and decorated 40 small pumpkins and took them to Twin

City Nursing Home, Martin Boots Senior Citizens & Veterans Hospital. She also announce the Jrs are going to have a District meeting at Van Buren Post November 20, 2004 from 12:00 to 2:00. The Jrs have collected 80 pairs of gloves to be given to all the grades at Eastbrook Elementary school that do not have gloves. Their "no hand shall go uncovered" is doing great. There is a box at the post if you wish to donate.

Toni Jones announced that Terry Linton has made us a new box for our 50/50 presidents drawing.

Joyce Loftis asked about decorating post for Christmas. We have several Christmas parties booked and need it done before the parties. Discussion was that we will do it Saturday evening November 27th and if not done finish Sunday November 28th.

Chaplain Waneta Linton gave closing prayer.

Those attending were Carol Ritter, Flo Doyle, Ruth Bole, Eulla Belle Farr, Linda Long, Sheri Reneer, Creta Arlington, Waneta Linton, Shirley Shinholt, Lequita Taylor, Toni Jones, and

Irene Pickard.

Prizes won by Irene Pickard, Carol Ritter and Sheri Reneer.

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Harvey Hite of Warren celebrated his 107th birthday Nov. 13 with a dinner hosted by his children.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Burl Hite, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hite, Cheryl Bolman, Kevin Hite, Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Rorick, Mr. and Mrs. James Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burton, Ted Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Connelly, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rutan, Avery Rutan and Carter Rutan.

Congratulation Harvey and wish you many more.

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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 listed.

Nov 17 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Nov 22 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Nov 26 Warren Recycle Day

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 **Salamonie Valley Museum Open** Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC **Walking in the Gym** 7 - 11 a.m. daily

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LADIES MET

Sisters in Faith of the Warren United Church of Christ met in the church lounge on Monday, November 22, 2004. President, Eileen Dye opened the meeting with prayer. She then asked for the members to relate some lows in their life the last few weeks, and also some highs. That was a good ice breaker for our theme for the year about Sisters in Faith.

Jo Spade gave the secretary's report and it was approved and Rosemary Zeller gave the treasurers report.

The old business: Rosemary Zeller gave a report on the bake sale at the Civic Center. The Phone Tree System is here and being hooked up with the computer, and should be in use the first of the year. The goodies are being collected for the college students and Unit 2 is in charge of packing them.

The new business: Unit 2 will take care of ordering the two poinsettias from the Women's Fellowship. The all church Christmas Party and Program are being taken care of. Roselyn Poulson passed out lists of suggestions for gifts to be purchased by individuals for the Crossroads. The gifts should be unwrapped and placed under the tree in the sanctuary.

There will be special events between the church service and Sunday school during the Advent season. Coffee and cookies will be served and there is a need for volunteers to make the cookies.

Jo Spade gave the lesson on Sisterhood and the Church. A lively discussion was held about why women need friendships with other women, why women are uniquely designed to support and care for one another, and how we can develop deeper relationships with other women. More discussion was on what we have to gain from being part of a church, and what does the church have to gain from our participation.

Hostesses Janice Brubaker and Marjorie Gard served refreshments to: Rosemary Zeller, Eileen Dye, Claudia Boxell, Opal Brubaker, Betty Parker, Melissa Freck, Suzzette Gephart, Janet Klefeker, Marsha Walton, Jo Spade, Roselyn Poulson, and Georgia Poulson.

JINGLE BELL FEST

The Jingle Bell Fest will be held at the Honeywell Center on Saturday, December 11. The family holiday festival will be in the gymnasium from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Admission is free. Corporate sponsors for the festival are Quality Electric and Wabash True Value.

Following this year's theme of holiday music, children will be invited to visit craft booths and make hand bells, wave drums, and maracas. Wabash Extension's Kids in the Kitchen booth will help youngsters make a healthy holiday treat.

Wabash Community Band members will educate visitors on the different sounds of instruments. At 1:45 p.m. and 2:45 p.m., children will be encouraged to play "Jingle Bells" with the band using their own hand-crafted instruments. The band will also lead a sing-a-long of holiday favorites.

Santa Claus will visit throughout the afternoon to pass out holiday treats and listen to Christmas wishes.

For more information regarding the Jingle Bell Fest, please call the Honeywell Center at (260) 563-1102.

REAL ELEGANT DAMES

Better catch up to let all know just how busy we've been! Were honored to be the judges again for Warren's annual Scarecrow contest...such creative people in this friendly town! The MMH again provided us a bus and driver (Karen Herr) and the president of the Chamber of Commerce (Gina Canady) directed us to the displays. The talented judges were: Mary Brown, Martha Buzzard, Jo Chatham, Irene Henderson, Lilly Nutter, Virginia Olson, Mary Palmer, Miriam Rice, Helen Jo Strassner, Maro Wall and two guest Red Hatters who helped were Kay Woods and Sandi Howard.

Our next venture was the monthly Red Hatter luncheon at the historic Hostess House in Marion. An excellent program, "Sacagawea, a Woman of Two Journeys" was artistically presented by Juanita Rapp, gifted historian. Dee Pattison is again opening her lovely home for our annual Christmas Tea (she bakes such wonderful goodies).

We are still doing our favorite project, i.e., sending monthly boxes to Iraq and to date have mailed 82 boxes. Have been so blessed to have the USS Salamonie Association footing the postage bill...the amount they have paid is fantastic! So gratifying to be supporting our troops. Have found a church that has adopted 16 names and are sending love boxes to the troops. So we're looking forward to the next Red Hatter luncheon at Hostess House, the Christmas Tea and are continuing to pack our Iraq boxes. To think some people had the idea we are just a group of "old ladies", bored to death with nothing to do! If anyone would like to "adopt" a service person in Iraq, contact me and I will gladly share a name.

Lilly Nutter, the proud
Queen Mum of the
"Real Elegant Dames".

CUDDLE CRITTERS

Huntington, IN — The Huntington County American Red Cross is selling "Cuddle Critters" at locations throughout the Huntington to benefit the local Disaster Fund. It is the local Disaster Fund which provides for victims of local disasters who need temporary shelter, food and clothing due to house fires, floods, and other single family disasters. "Our Cuddle Critters are unique handmade crocheted stuffed animals, made and donated to us by a very creative, generous woman." says Red Cross executive director, Karen Bennett.

Cuddle Critters make wonderful, one-of-a-kind gifts for all ages. They can be seen at Coffee D'Vine on Vine Street, and Four Corners Custom Framing, Myers Jewelry, The Sewing Basket and Smith's Furniture Store, all on Jefferson St.

The Huntington Red Cross would be happy to receive donations of homemade stuffed animals from other handicraft-

ers that can be sold to benefit the local Disaster Fund. Please call the chapter at 356-2910 to discuss it.

MENTORING PROGRAM

The Caregiver Mentor Program is a new service being offered by the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter, to Alzheimer/dementia caregivers. This pilot program is made possible with the support of the Lincoln Financial Group Foundation and will be available in the 9-county northeastern Indiana area. The objective of the program is to reduce stress for caregivers and enhance the quality of life for the person with the disease through education, support, and linkage to appropriate services and community resources. Caregivers and mentors will communicate primarily by phone. There is no cost for this service. If you are interested in participating in this pilot program, please contact the Fort Wayne regional office at 260-420-5547.

SPEECH CONTEST

Huntington North High School hosted a Speech Tournament It was the first tournament for the 2004-2005 speech season. There were sixteen schools competing from around Northern Indiana. Zack Allen and Megan Reed placed 2nd in memorized duo. Holly Tackett and Annie Harrell placed 5th in scripted duo, and Amber Stetzel and Alisha Kirk placed 6th in scripted duo. Special thanks to Teachers Credit Union who helped sponsor the awards ceremony and Markle Bank who helped sponsor the tournament. The Speech and Debate Team will be competing at Concord High School next weekend.

MEMORIAL DEDICATED

At the 15th Annual Civil War Days held by the Blackford County Civil War Reenactment Club, a long overdue permanent memorial to Blackford County Civil War soldiers was finally realized. A beautiful monument honoring nearly 950 soldiers now stands on the southwest corner of the Courthouse lawn in downtown Hartford City. A walkway surrounding the monument consists of bricks and Rose Mountain granite blocks engraved with expressions of thanks and tributes, not only to Civil War veterans but to others who served in the Revolutionary War, Spanish-American War, WWI, WWII, Korea and Vietnam as well.

With the beautiful 1894 Blackford County Courthouse in the background, dedication of the monument was held on October 4, 2004 at 9 a.m. Earl Willman, Board Member of the Blackford County Civil War Reenactment club, conducted the ceremony and welcomed those present.

Colors were posted by Sons of Union Veterans Reserve.

Rev. William Pieper gave the opening prayer, and Dr. Wesley Hanson sang the National Anthem.

Earl Willman, Bruce Kolb, Senior Vice Commander, Department of Indiana, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Barbara Stone, President, Indiana Department, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1863, each spoke briefly. Following their speeches the monument was unveiled by Orgille Uggen, President of the Blackford County Civil War Reenactment Club, and Joanne Willman, Board Member of the club.

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SUMWALT

 James Albert Sumwalt, 82, Angola, died at 11:29 a.m. Sunday (Nov. 7, 2004) at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, Angola.

Mr. Sumwalt retired from General Electric in 1986 after more than 20 years of service. He was a member of Trinity Ministries. He was a master sergeant in the Navy and a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, having served from 1942-45 and again from 1950-59.

He was born Dec. 18, 1921 in Randolph County, a son of Harry F. and Mabel M. McWilliams Sumwalt.

Survivors include seven children, James Sumwalt Jr. of Oklahoma, Michael Sumwalt, Brian Sumwalt, and David Meyer, all of Bluffton, Jeffrey Sumwalt of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Kirk (Teresa) Arnold of Angola, and Debbie Meyer of Minnesota; five brothers, Edward Sumwalt of Arizona, Thomas Sumwalt of California, Donald Sumwalt of Hartford City, Rev. Joseph Sumwalt of Warren, and Max Sumwalt of Muncie; two sisters, Mrs. Harry (Harriett) Anderson of Arizona and Mildred Coppock of Fort Wayne; 28 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Calling was held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel, 3220E State Road 124, Bluffton.

Graveside services were held at Hope Well Cemetery, Farm-land. Rev. Joseph Sumwalt will officiate.

TROUT

A farmer in Huntington County for 60 years and a retired Dana Corporation employee at Marion, Sherman Gilbert Trout, 100, of Kokomo died at 2:37 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, 2004, at the Bradner Village Health Care Center in Marion.

Mr. Trout was employed at Crosley Motors in Marion from 1946 to 1952 prior to working at Dana there from 1952 to retirement in 1969.


Born August 28, 1904, in Huntington County, he was a son of John M. and Lana Roberts Trout. His marriage was on Sept 24, 1927, in Huntington County to Velma A. Rinearson, who died Feb. 10, 1972.

Surviving are two sisters, June Shideler of Huntington and Ruth Sailors of Marion; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two daughters, Phyllis Ann Trout and Wanda McKellar; one brother, Dale Trout, and two sisters, Ruby Butler and Etta Noble. Calling hours were held at

Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren, where services were held with elder Robert Caudill presiding. Burial was in Mt. Etna Cemetery. Memorials to the American Cancer Society or American Diabetes Association.

THOMPSON

 United States Marine Cpl. Lance Thompson, 21, rural Marion, was killed Nov. 15, 2004 in Ar Ramadi, Iraq.

Born March 26, 1983 to Gregory and Melanie Reese Thompson, he was married to the former Dawn Case in Van Buren in 2002. She currently resides in Oceanside, Calif. His parents also survive.

He was a 2001 graduate of Eastbrook High School and had joined the Marine Corp. after graduation. He was on his second tour of duty in Iraq when he was killed.

He has several relatives surviving in the Warren area and is also survived by three brothers, Phillip Thompson and Matthew Dalton, both of Mooresville, and Alexander Thompson, Marion; a step-brother, Matthew Smith, Westfield; three step-sisters, Cortney Smith of Westfield and Katelyn and Lindsay Summers, both of Marion; paternal grandmother, Jeanne Thompson of Ringos Mill, Ky.; maternal grandparents, Carlos (Shirley) Reese, Selma; and a number of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews and cousins both in Indiana and Kentucky.

Services were held at Upland United Methodist Church with Chaplain Ron May, U.S. Navy, and Rick Frahm officiating. Burial followed at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Memorials may be made to the Corporal Lance Thompson Scholarship Fund in care of the Marion School Employees Credit Union.

Arrangements were handled by Ferguson Funeral Home, Van Buren.

CUNNINGHAM

A former resident of Wells County, Esther Cunningham, 93, died at Palm Gardens Nursing Home, Sun City Center, Fla., Sunday, Nov. 21, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.

Born in Allen County April 17, 1911 to Fred and Orpha Ott Robinson, she married Goodrich Cunningham in Fort Wayne April 16, 1934. He preceded her in death Feb. 1, 1983.

Mrs. Cunningham lived in Wells County for 20 years and was retired from the Bluffton G.C. Murphy store. She was a member of the Liberty Center

United Methodist Church. After leaving Wells County she lived in Fort Wayne for five years, Adams Lake for seven years and then moved to Florida.

Survivors include a son, Philip, in Ruskin, Fla.; three daughters, Mrs. John (Marjorie) Jones, Warren, Mrs. Ralph (Marilyn) Wilt, Wolcottville, and Kay Lynn Cunningham, Ruskin, Fla.; a brother, Vrigil Robinson of Paradise, Calif.; 16 grandchildren, three step grandchildren, seven step great-grandchildren and one step great-great-grandchild. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a sister, Doris Carsten, and a brother, Wayne Robinson.

Funeral services at 11 a.m. Friday will be at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren. Pastor Dick Case will officiate and burial will be in Eel River Cemetery, Churubusco.

Calling will be one hour prior to services Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

WOLFE

Velma L. Wolfe, 94, died at 11:30 p.m. Sunday, November 14, 2004 in Wesleyan Health Care Center.

She was born August 20, 1910 in Sycamore to the late Charles and Ethel (Powell) Cates and was the oldest of 10 children. She lived most of her life in

Washington Township. She was a 1929 graduate of Sweetser High School. She married Gerald H. Wolfe on Nov. 10, 1936, in the Morris Chapel parsonage. He died Aug. 16, 1990.

Mrs. Wolfe was a homemaker and an active member of Morris Chapel Church and the United Methodist Women's Society. She enjoyed quilting and gardening and was well known for her cherry pies.

Survivors include sons, Norman E. (Jackie) Wolfe, Warren, and Marvin D. Wolfe, Marion; stepson, Richard (Sonya) Wolfe, Marion; siblings, Mary Cook and Lester (Georgianna) Cates, both of Marion, Jesse (Esther) Cates, Sweetser, and Robert (Ruthanna) Cates, Muncie; grandchildren, Mark (Lori) Wolfe, Greenwood, and Marlene (Thuc) Tran, Carmel; step-grandchildren, Steve (Debbie) Wolfe, Cicero, Becky (Mike) Brunk, Spring Hill, Fla., Erlena (Tim) Emery, Clearwater, Fla., and Mike (Kathy) Wolfe, Michigan City, Fla.; great-grandchildren, Ryan and Casey Wolfe and Zachery and Rachel Tran; step great-grandchildren, Kevin, Jeremy, Tracy, Adam, Angie, Amanda, Richie, Leigha, Tim, Thomas and Joey; and three great-great-step-grandchildren.


She also was preceded in death by siblings, Waneta Collins, and Clarence, Russell, Charles and

Arthur Cates.

Services were held in Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., with the Rev. Dan Love officiating. Burial was in Grant Memorial Park cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Morris Chapel Church.






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Bouquets of red roses were placed at the base of the monument by Judy Mills, Francois Godfroy Chapter NSDAR; and Judy VanCamp, Rachel Silliven Tent #55, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865.

The Company Singers, Champion Hill Camp 17, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865, then sang "God Bless Our Native Land".

A dedication prayer was offered by Father Murphy, portrayed by Marty Patterson.

Andrew Bowman of Indianapolis spoke of, and displayed, the Medal of Honor which was presented to his grandfather by President Bill Clinton. Color Sergeant Andrew Jackson Smith of the 55th Massachusetts Colored Infantry, was awarded the honor for his action under Confederate fire during the November 30, 1864, Battle of Honey Hill.

Hartford City Mayor Dennis Whitesell, Judy Mills, Montpelier Mayor Jim McPherson, and Judy VanCamp presented certificates in honor and memory of: Milton Cook, John L. Dangerfield, Solomon Fisher, John Henry Monfort, Alvin Marion Owens, Elmer Crosby Storms, Peter Ross Storms, William S. Tudor, William Walker, William H. Whetsel, and John Franklin Wright. Special guests receiving a certificate honoring their ancestor, along with a long-stemmed red rose were: Dale Leon Monroe, Sandra Crist Collins, Jessie Elizabeth Hodge, Michael Lee Fisher, Martha Hughes, Marilyn Crosby Maddox, Bertha Monfort, Richard O'Connen, Elmer Dale Storms, Ron Storms, and Meredith Tudor.

Following the presentation of certificates, Fritz Klein of Springfield, IL (portraying Abraham Lincoln) gave his recitation of the Gettysburg Address.

The very colorful Saxton's Cornet Band then played "Battle Hymn of the Republic", after

which Rev. Bill Smith gave the closing prayer.

A gun salute was given by the Honor Guard.

"Taps" were played before the Sons of Union Veterans Reserve retired Colors.

The dedication ceremony was then closed by Earl Willman.

ROBOTICS TEAM

Huntington County 4H and Huntington North High School have joined together to start a new robotics team comprised of talented young high school students interested in science, math, and technology. The name of our team is "Team THRUST" which stands for Thundering Herd of Robots Using Student Thinking. We are a rookie team this year, since it is the first year we have competed for our combined 4H / Huntington North High School organizers. Our team will compete in events sanctioned by F.I.R.S.T. www.usfirst.org (For the Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), an organization that holds robotic competitions nationwide. FIRST assigns each team a team number and our new team number is #1501. Several adult and professional individuals from our community are serving as mentors for this great group of high school students. They are working with the students to help them develop critical life skills such as project management, teamwork, problem solving, and appreciation of diversity. The kids are learning valuable lessons that will enable them to become great leaders of tomorrow while having a great time today.

Our team will be organized in a manner similar to any other business, and we will compete with other similarly organized teams nationwide. Our competition season will begin on the first week of January 2005, when the "Game" is unveiled by FIRST. Our team will attend a kickoff meeting at Kokomo, Indiana with approximately 19 other Indiana teams from across the state.

One of the oldest teams in Indiana, the "TechnoKats" team #45 from Kokomo will host the Indiana teams. This remote kickoff will be via live video satellite feed from the FIRST headquarters in Manchester, New Hampshire and will be located at Ivy Tech State College in Kokomo (The TechnoKats are sponsored by Delphi Automotive Group and Ivy Tech State College). During the kickoff meeting the students learn all details of the "Game" (including rules, goals, scoring points etc.).

Team THRUST mentors, parents and students started negotiations with 4H early in 2004. We are excited about this partnership with Huntington County 4H. Linda Aldridge and Rolla Parsons have truly been enormous assets in helping our team organize and integrate with 4H. One goal is to expand and offer participation on the robotics team to not only Huntington North High School, but also to youth of the surrounding area. Discussions have already been opened with Wabash Schools and Canterbury High School. Having a partnership with 4H opens up many doors for the youth of our area.

Linda Aldridge says that Huntington is the first county in the state of Indiana to organize such a high tech robotics club for 4H. Our group is part of the special interest umbrella of 4H and is under the watchful eye of the Huntington County 4H board. She's excited to be part of the organization because Huntington County will become a leader in the program and believes other counties in Indiana might look up to Huntington on how the program is run.

Because our team does compete on a national level, most of the organization has already begun with local engineers, parent support and of course the students. So far we have a small group of dedicated students working hard organizing fundraisers for the team. We are just beginning to get the word out in the schools and hope to get more students to join. Teams range in size from just a few students with a couple advisors to more than a hundred student with an entire engineering and administrative

mentoring staff. We are targeting a team of twenty-five students this year. Boys and girls are welcome to join our team. Those interested in engineering or technology as a profession should consider joining our team as a once in lifetime chance to see how that world works.

We also have several volunteer engineers from local businesses such as UT Electronic Controls and PHD, Inc. Currently we have more adults in our organizational structure than students. We are very happy to have so many different mentors bring their experience to the team and share their knowledge with the team. This is really what it all boils down to: adults sharing knowledge with students. Engineers from UT offer their skills in electrical and mechanical design, 3D CAD drafting and C++ programming. Engineers from PHD, Inc. bring their design specialties of robotic actuators. The parents of our participating students are wonderful role models. They are currently teaching the students responsibility while planning a "Meet the Team" fundraiser luncheon to be held November 3rd at the Masonic Temple located at 400 East Franklin Street from noon to 1 PM.

Funding a robotics team to compete nationally will require the support of local business and sponsorships. Currently our team is signed up to compete at our first regional event at Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN March 17-19, 2005. If we are successful at the regional competition this will qualify the team to compete at the nationals, this year held at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, GA April 21-23, 2005. Our goal is to attend two regional competitions (giving us two chances to qualify for the championship competition) and the national championships. The level of competition that we obtain this year will be determined by our budget. If we are able to attend one regional competition and the championship event, our budget will be about \$33,000. The team budget covers the team's two entry fees, other materials necessary for building the robot, travel, lodging and food for the students to attend

the events. Because we are a rookie team this year there will be some extra startup costs. For example we will need a 6' x 12' covered travel trailer, or something similar to haul tools and supplies to the regional competition. A laptop computer to enable programming of the robot while at the competition site would be another one-time expense for the team. All of our funds will follow the 4H protocols and be audited by 4H.

We are actively seeking local corporate sponsorship. Our sponsors will receive a tremendous amount of media coverage and exposure. Your company name would be recognized throughout the 2005 season at regional competitions (and the finals if we are able to attend), in newspaper articles, on broadcast TV and on NASA satellite TV (NASA always airs the championship competition on the NASA satellite TV channel).


Being a part of our team not only exposes students to real life problem solving skills and engineering but also offers them a chance at over 5 million dollars in scholarship funds only available through being a part of a FIRST robotics team.

The opportunities are here for our local students. We just need to harness them and pave the way for our young adults. With Huntington County 4H backing the team, this will be an excellent program for years to come.


For more information about FIRST, please visit <http://www.usfirst.org>. To see a list of the 5 million dollars available in scholarships please visit, <http://www.usfirst.org/robotics/2005/scholarshipsummary.htm>.

If you are a student in a high school from grades 9-12 and are interested in becoming a part of our robotics team and a member of 4H, please visit our team website at: <http://www.teamthrust.us> and download the student application form. Those interested in being corporate sponsors should contact either Chris Elston at chris@teamthrust.us, 359-0943 or Linda Aldridge at laldridg@purdue.edu, 358-4826.

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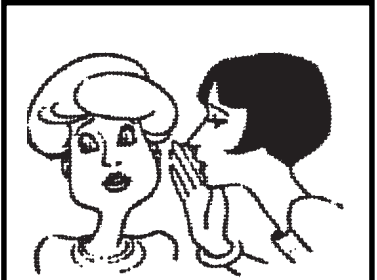
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CONDUCTED SEMINAR

Lisa Hughes conducted an interactive seminar on "Estate Planning and Women" for accounting professionals at a meeting of the American Society of Women Accountants in Marion on October 19. Topics included general aspects of estate planning and specific concerns for women in the area of wills, trusts, financial and health care powers of attorney, and living wills. Ms. Hughes was invited to present by Taya Decker of Warren who is the current Vice President of the Marion Chapter of the ASWA.

Hughes is an associate with the law firm of Bendall DeLaney Hartburg McNeely & Roth LLP. Her areas of concentration include Estate Planning and Family Law.

TIPS FOR SHOPPING ONLINE

Consumers Can Take Simple Steps to Protect Their Transactions While Purchasing Gifts on the Web This Holiday Season. With more than 40 percent of Americans expected to shop on the Internet this holiday, according to a poll by retail analysts NPD Group, Americans are likely to spend almost \$145 billion online before the end of the season. That's a 27 percent jump from 2003, according to analysts at Forrester Research.

The convenience and selection provided on the Web is evident. However, consumers must also be aware of the potential for online fraud, and should take steps to protect themselves and their payment card information when shopping online.

While Visa's Zero Liability policy protects consumers from the liability associated with fraudulent transactions both online and in the real world, warnings about Internet fraud and identity theft may make some consumers reluctant to shop online. Visa and the Better Business Bureau say consumers can shop online with confidence – if they follow a few

simple guidelines.

One of those tips: make sure the online merchant uses anti-fraud technology to protect your payment card information from fraud. Verified by Visa, already adopted by more than 17,500 online merchants in the United States, is the most widespread anti-fraud technology on the Internet.

"Shopping online is a great way to save time and choose from a huge selection of goods right from your own home computer," said Jim McCarthy, senior vice president, Emerging Products, Visa USA. "And, there are plenty of ways that consumers can guard against fraud that could spoil the holidays. One of those ways is shopping at one of the many online merchants that have adopted Verified by Visa. It provides an extra layer of security that should make consumers feel confident making online purchases with their Visa cards."

More than 250 million Visa payment cards in the U.S. are eligible for Verified by Visa activation today. Verified by Visa uses secure technology and two separate pass codes during an online transaction, one to verify the identity of the cardholder, and the other to verify the identity of the financial institution that issued their Visa payment card. This makes it far more difficult for criminals or other unauthorized users to make a transaction with a stolen card number.

"Security and consumer protection are very important to Visa and to our members who issue Visa payment cards," McCarthy said. "We work with our members, merchants and groups like the Better Business Bureau to increase the use of Verified by Visa to make sure these are happy holidays."

TEN TIPS FOR SAFER ONLINE SHOPPING

Visa and the Better Business Bureau have compiled a list of tips for consumers to protect themselves while shopping online this holiday season:

1. Shop only at Internet merchants you know and trust; if in doubt check with the Better Business Bureau (www.bbb.org).
2. Beware of emails offering cut-rate prices on popular toys, software or other gifts; if the offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is.
3. If you receive an unsolicited email from an Internet merchant, don't click on the links within it. Instead, locate the merchant's Web site address through a reputable search engine.
4. Check Internet merchants' refund policies; some merchants

set a deadline for returns or charge a fee to accept returned merchandise.

5. Pay with a credit or debit card; for extra protection enroll your card in anti-fraud programs like Verified by Visa.

6. Never share your passwords with anyone, and use different passwords for different Web sites.

7. Protect your private information. When shopping online, look for the merchant's Web site privacy policy and never provide your Social Security number, birth date, or mother's maiden name.

8. Ensure your computer has the latest anti-virus software installed before shopping online.

9. Always print and save the confirmation page when completing an online purchase.

10. Don't wait for paper statements. Check your credit card and bank statements for suspicious activity by either calling your bank or visiting your financial institution's Web site.

"Taking these simple precautions will help to ensure that you have a satisfactory and safe online shopping experience during the coming weeks," said Michael Coil, president and CEO of the northeast Indiana Better Business Bureau.

LIFEGUARD CLASS

The American Red Cross is holding a Lifeguard class starting on December 27th through December 31st at the Red Cross Chapter and at the Huntington College Pool. This class will be from 10am to 4p.m. All participants must be 15 years of age by the completion of the course. The first session of this course will include a skills challenge. Items being completed during the skills challenge include:

- Swim 500 continuously doing in this order: 200 yards of front crawl using rhythmic breathing and a stabilizing, propellant kick; 100 yards of breaststroke; 200 yards of either front crawl using rhythmic breathing or breaststroke (may be a mixture of front crawl and breaststroke).

- Swim 20 yards using front crawl or breaststroke, surface drive to a depth of 7-10 feet, retrieve a 10 pound, return to surface, and swim 20 yards back to the starting point with the object.

The course fee is \$125 payable to the American Red Cross. To register for this class, please call 260-356-2910 or come by 354 N. Jefferson to pick up a form.

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