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Thought for the Week: Have a Safe & Happy New Year and welcome to the new millenium.



# LONDONO AT MMC

Markle Medical Center, Inc is pleased to announce the addition of Juan C Londono, DO to their staff of family physicians. Dr. Londono is board certified in the practice of family medicine and has also joined the active medical staff at Wells Community Hospital and Caylor Nickel Medical Center.

Originally from Queens, New York, Dr. Londono completed his undergraduate degree at Buffalo State College, Buffalo, New York. He graduated from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his internship and residency at the North Philadelphia Health System/St. Joseph's Division.

Dr. Londono and his family relocated from Philadelphia to Ossian in November. He rotates to the Bluffton, Markle, and Warren offices and is accepting new patients.

# GIFTS AT QUAYLE CENTER

Somewhere around mid-day on Friday the 15th, it became very apparent something was up. The phone would not stop ringing with gift shop orders from The Dan Quayle Center and Museum. That situation has not changed to this point.

"I asked one of the callers where they had learned about the Museum's gift shop," said Executive Director, Daniel Johns, "It turns out that we had been mentioned as a stocking stuffer idea on both the MSNBC

website and in the San Francisco newspaper. That has spurred a frenzy in the past few days. All we've been able to do is fill gift shop orders."

The Museum was mentioned in Jeanette Walls column in last week's living/travel section of the MSNBC website. In the column, the Museum's online gift shop was mentioned as a place to look for stocking stuffers. The San Francisco Gate then echoed the mention in a column in Friday the 15th's newspaper.

"We normally receive one or two gift shop orders a month through our website," said Johns, "we've processed twenty in just the past two business days, and the phone keeps ringing. We had already intended to upgrade the ability to promote our gift shop and other programs through the Museum's website. I think this is just proof that it works."

For more information, please contact the Center at (219)356-6356. The Dan Quayle Center and Museum is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization dedicated to preserving and presenting the history of Dan Quayle, the Indiana Vice Presidents and the Office of the Vice President and those who have held it. As the only vice-presidential museum in the country, the center also provides exhibits and educational programming. The Center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 am. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. It is closed on Mondays and major holidays. Educational tours are available for school groups upon request.

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LOCATION: Huntington
Memorial Hospital

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# FARMING THE INTERNET

For farmers looking for information, the internet has sure been a good source. More and more information is now available through the internet. One of the most difficult tasks is learning how to find the websites that you are interested in. The following is a list of some of the website addresses that I have found to be helpful.

www.ces.purdue.edu is the address for Purdue University Extension Service. From this site you can link to many of the departments on campus. Extension bulletins and publications can be printed from this site. From the Purdue site you can link to any other Land Grant University.

www.farmsource.com is an agricultural information service provided by Monsanto Company. This site has weather

# CELEBRATING THE NEW YEAR WITH WISHES FOR LUCK, HEALTH, AND HAPPINESS

New Year's Day in the U.S. often finds people sleeping late in order to recover from night-before celebrations. Later, many people spend time reflecting on plans for the new year and making resolutions for self-improvement. In other countries:

In Spain, one tradition dictates that people eat 12 grapes for good luck in the new year. They eat one each time the clock chimes at midnight on New Year's Eve.

In Japan, some people eat long noodles to wish for a long life. And bells ring 108 times. A traditional legend says that there are 108 desires, and ringing a bell for each desire helps to control them. In Brazil, young people may go to the beach to jump seven waves for

good luck. Then they throw flowers in the sea while making a wish. In Venezuela, people who want to travel take a suitcase and carry it around the house on New Year's Eve or around the block to have a wish fulfactors are

wish fulfilled for a very long journey.

In Brazil, people wear white clothes in order to have good luck during the new year.

In Colombia, families dress a stuffed male doll with old clothes from each member of the family and then burn it, symbolizing forgetting all the bad times or offenses of the old year.

In Equador, an old tradition says people should wear masks to burn on New Year's Eve which will drive bad luck away in the new

In China, you wouldn't see much happening on our New Year's Day. But there are many customs celebrating the lunar New Year, which falls on January 24 in 2001. Paper cuttings are one of the most popular folk arts in China. Many are placed on windows. Traditionally, they believed that paper cuttings can scare away the evil spirits, and keep them from getting into your house through the windows. The cuttings bring you luck for the New Year.

information, cash commodity prices, futures prices and current topics in agriculture.

www.agriculture.com is the Successful Farming magazine website. There are many articles on this site as well as a message board where you can leave messages about current topics in agriculture.

www.cybercrop.com is a marketing service for farmers. Grain can be traded on line through this website. There are many articles on marketing and weather available.

www.greenbook.net is a source for chemical labels that is provided by Chemical and Pharmaceutical Press. This is a good source if a farmer wants to look at a product label before buying a product of needs to replace a label that is lost.

www.usda.gov/nass/ is the National Agriculture Statistics Service. This site has the census of agriculture data. There are reports by state and in some cases by county.

There are many other websites that are related to agriculture. These are the ones that I use frequently.

# THE SOUND OF MUSIC

February 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 2001. Directed by Kim Durr with the cooperation of Wells Community Theater and the Creative Arts Council, Performances will be at Allen Auditorium, 428 South Oak Street. The all-community event drew more than 130 for auditions. The play is being performed in an effort to raise funds to preserve the auditorium, formerly part of Bluffton High School, for the community's ongoing artistic and cultural events. The talented cast members include: CAST LIST

Maria Rainer, a Postulant at Nonnberg Abbey-Jill Kelly

Captain Georg von Trapp-Mark Dunn

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# KUDOS. KICKS & KARATS

# LOOKING BACK AT TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY FROM NEW YEAR'S DAY 2001

1751,250 years ago: Sugar cane was introduced into Louisiana from Santo Domingo by Jesuit priests. It was used to make rum.

1776, 225 years ago: The Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Continental Congress, Paul Revere started a gunpowder factory.

1801, 200 years ago: Robert Hare of Philadelphia invented the hydrogen-oxygen blowpipe, the ancestor of modern-day welding

1826,175 years ago: The first railroad tunnel was built on the Liverpool & Manchester railway in England.

1851,150 years ago: The first patent for a refrigerator was granted to Dr. John Gorrie of Apalachicola, Fla. He wanted to cool hospital rooms for yellow-fever patients.

1876,175 years ago: Thomas Edison invented the mimeograph machine, and Alfred Nobel patented dynamite.

1901,100 years ago: The safety razor was patented by King Camp Gillette. Marconi demonstrated wireless communication between England and Canada.

Emile Berliner and Eldridge Johnson began producing the Victrola. A dog and his master's voice became their registered trademark.

1926, 75 years ago: New products were the pop-up toaster, zipper, steam iron, safety glass, Q-Tips, Hershey's Chocolate Syrup, factory ships for freezing and processing fish, the aerosol can, the Rolex waterproof watch, and DuPont Cellophane.

1951, 50 years ago: New products were the telephone answering machine, UNIVAC computer, 33-rpm records, Chrysler power steering, and liquid correction fluid.

1976, 25 years ago: New products included the Concorde airliner, NASA's reusable space shuttle, the Apple 1 computer, the artificial gene, and the Kurzweil machine (reads printed material aloud to the blind).

# THANK YOU

Thank you to all the faithful readers and advertisers of the Warren Weekly. This year has been fast and furious and I'm not sure where it's gone. They say it only gets faster as you get older but, I really can't

At this time of renewal, let's all look forward to the New Year and make a resolution to do something nice for someone every day of the New Year. Volunteers are needed everyday.

Tell those you love that you love them -- don't just assume that they know. Give your kids an extra hug each day. Call that friend that you've been meaning to call and just say hi.

We're all well-meaning in our intentions but sometimes we fail to follow-through. As for me, I know I'm going to try harder this year. When you're too busy to get something done -- stop and think -- which is more important -- material objects or family and friends.

Here's a riddle to close with: I am a word of 11 letters. My 4, 9, 5 is worn on the head. My 10, 9, 1, 11 is a narrow road. My 11,2, 3, 4, 5 is a number. My 8, 6, is a spirit. My whole is song bird. What am 1? Happy New Year and may it be a prosperous one. (answer on page

# 14 YEARS AGO - DECEMBER 31, 1986

The United Methodist Memorial Home donated \$7,500 to the Warren Volunteer Fire Department. The Home also donated land for the new Fire Station on Huntington Avenue.

Kenny Edmonds of Kenny-Bob Automotive in Marion had purchased Warren Automotive

Jefferson Center United Methodist Church would observe their 60th

Jacob DeWeese, four, son of Mr. and Mrs. George DeWeese, had won a cuddly bear for naming it Cinnamon in a bear-naming contest held by The Outfit.

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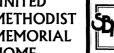
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Bible Study, Wednesday	6:30	p.m
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## ALLIANCE - Majenica 468-2160

Rev. Kelly Wil	ey
Sunday School	9:30 a.m
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Sunday School	10:00 a.m
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Kathie Jones,	Pastor
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
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Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor ...9:30 a.m. Sunday School ..... Worship ... ..10:30 a.m. Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022 Stephan Leininger, Pastor Kurt Hippensteel, Supt.

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Lynn Mefferd, Pastor Sun - Pastor's Prayer Closet...7:30a.m. Sunday School . 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Worship Sunday School .... 2nd Worship Service...10:30a.m. Youth Group (Jr/Sr).....5:30p.m. 6:30p.m. Prayer Service ..... Wed. Bible Study ......9:00a.m. Adv. Club (4yr-6th)....6-7:30p.m. MCNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor

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

### WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330

www.hows.net/46792WCT Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor Wesley Welch, Supt. Sue Brown, Children's Ministry Sunday School ..... .9:30 a.m. Evening Worship ...6:00p.m Thursday Bible Study ... .7:00p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST

# CHURCH 694-6622

Pastor Jeff McNicho	las
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship	9:55a.m.
Worship	.10:15p.m.
Mon. Bible Study (women)	9:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study	6:30 p.m.

### SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN 468-2412

Mark S. Bendes, Pastor ...9:30 a.m. Worship Church School .10:45a.m. **BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 758-2085 Nathan Doyle, Minister

Sandy Keplinger, Supt. m. Worship .. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School .10:30 a.m. BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH 8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor Sunday School . .9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Worship . Youth Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m. .6:30 p.m. Wed, Bible Study . Thurs. Kings Kids ..6:30 p.m. BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m. CWF Ladies (3 Thu) ... . Noon 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

### LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor .9:00 a.m. Morning Worship . .9:30 a.m. .10:45 a.m. ...10:00 a.m. Sunday School HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE

NAZARENE 375-2510 Keith Bateman, Pastor

Curtis Allen, Supt Bus Service 375-2510 .9:30 a.m. .10:30 a.m. .9:30a.m. Evening Worship... Youth Group (Sun.)...... Wed. Midweek Service... 6:00 p.m .7:00 p.m. UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102 Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor Sunday Worship.. 9:30 a.m. Junior Church ... 10:00 a.m

10:30 a.m. Sunday School Communion 1st Sunday of the Month ...8:30 a.m. Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays 6:00p.m. THE NEW BEGINNING

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Pastor Reece Bookout Joe Wiley, S.S. Supt. Sunday School ..... 9:30 am Sunday Worship ...... .10:30 a.m. Youthquake (grades 7-12)....6:30 p.m. Sun Wednesday Prayer Mtg ...... 6:30 p.m. Exercise Class (Tues/Thurs)..7:00 p.m. VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# 765-934-2031

Pastor Blake J. Neff Worship Service .......9:30-10:45a.m. Sunday School .......10:45-11:30a.m.

# **BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**

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Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor Dan & Patsy Bryant, Assoc/Youth Pastor 1st Worship..... .9:45 a.m. Sunday School..... 2nd Worship ......11:00 a.m. Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m. Kids Klub (3rd/4th grade) .... Klub 56 (5th/6th grade)...... .6:00 p.m. .6:00 p.m. Cornerstone (youth 7-12 gr) ..5:45 p.m. Thur: Terrific Thursday (Bible study choir, kids activities)......6:30 p.m.

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Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor Sunday School ......9:45 a.m. .11:00 a.m. Church LANCASTER WESLEYAN

Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt. ..9:30 a.m. Sunday School ..... Worship . .10:30 a.m. Evening Service ..... ...6:00 p.m. Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME SUNDAY: Morning Worship . OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

### Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat .9:00 a.m. Chapel Services . MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN Wayne Wright, Pastor

Sunday School ..... ...10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening .... ..6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed) .6:00 p.m. ASBURY CHAPEL

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Pastor - Steve Gray Sunday School ..... .9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Worship Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship .6:30 p.m

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# AREA NEWS

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Children of Captain von Trapp: Liesle-Ti Durr, Friederick-Taylor Okey, Louisa-Amy Elkins, Kurt-David Gerber, Brigitta-Anna Trout, Marta-Rebekah Trout, Gretle-Mykayla Rodenbeck.

Rolf Gruber-Darren Ledbetter Max Detweiler-Tom Schwartz Elsa Schraeder-Amy Cook

The Mother Abbess-Vicki Kibellus

Sister Berthe, Mistress of Novices-Jeanette Lundeen Sister Margaretta, Mistress of Postulants-Erika Stuller

Sister Sophia-Megan Springer

Sister Katherine-Staci Dyer Sister Agatha-Breanne Everett

New Postulant-Julie Myers Novices-Emily Inskeep, Cheris Slusher, Madeline Hecht, Mandy Bingham

Postulants-Jessica Neuenschwander, Mexis Steury, Jessica Mapes, Kate Gregg

Nuns (5)-Doreen Ayers, Joan Furey, Lori Mapes, Julie Seese, Janice Faus

Frau Schmidt, the housekeeper-Paula Moore

Franz, the butler-Mark Pulling

Ursula-Arvilla Rodenbeck Herr Zeller-Michael Lampman Frau Zeller-Jane Lampinan Baron Elberfeld-Bill Cline

Baroness Elberfeld-Becky Merkel

Admiral von Schreiber-Terry Miller

Guests at the Grand Ball: Steve Rodenbeck, Ralph Garcia, James Frantz, Rick Pulling, Otto Lowe, Parr Durr, Kent Shaw, Adam Elkins, Sam Moore, Brandon York, Terry Miller, Samantha Clements, Christine Fuller, Julie Brown, Tori Patz, Stephanie Wilson, Allison Miller, Amanda

Reusser, Kayleen Reusser, Karen Merkle, Julie Myers, Traci Mounsey

Contestants at the Festival Concert:

Trio of the saengerbund of Herwegen-Otto Lowe, James Frantz, Rick Pulling

Fraulein Schweiger-Karen Merkle

SS Officers: Rodger Popplewell, Parr Durr, Kent Shaw, Adam Elkins, Brandon York, Sam Moore

Marionette Children for the Lonely Goatherd: (16) Prince-Adam Karwaski, Folks in the Town-Eden Chaney, Kristan Brinneman, Madeline Merkel, Little girl in the pale pink coat-Hannah Lind, Her mama-Brittany Blazier, Band members-Sasha Chemey, Emily Harnish, Austin Springer, Men on the road with a heavy load-Aaron Lautzenheiser, Blake Lampton, Men drinking beer-Palmer Durr, Lawson Heimach, Mama goat-Amy Baker, Papa goat-Seth Ayers, Baby Goat-Ethan

The Puppeteers for the Lonely Goatherd: (16) Javon Steffen, Taye Gerber, Erin Popplewell, Lacey Osborn, Elena Meikel, Brianna Laudadio, Brittany Moser, LeAnn Niermeyer, Ashley Leising, Kendra Kimbel, Elizabeth Lamprnan, Elizabeth Hanun, Eric Folks, Daniel Lautzenheiser, Nathan Ross, Donovan Edington

Children in Play Clothes for Do Re Mi: (20) Jessica Brown, Jessica Ellenberger, Gena Edington, Melissa Fiecliter, Tarvn Gerber, Sarah Lampman. Rebeccah Lampmm, Angie Smith, Katie Coolman, Abbi Heimach, Katy Moore, Kelsey Harnish, Rachel Goeglein, Katie Murray, Chelsey Smith, Aerial Myers, Emily Luginbill, Katlin Springer, Kellyn Atkins, Mylinda Rodenbeck, Staci Thornton

Announcement of ticket sales will be made after the holidays.

# **E**XHIBIT **O**PENS

'Spun Yin" exhibit opens January 8, 2001 at Creative Arts Council's gallery, 110 West Washington Street in Bluffton, Indiana. Through February 9, the show's rich threads of creativity and imagination by two women artists - - calla lilies, moon phases, lush fruit, still lifes, and more - - will grace the gallery during winter's silent month. There will be etchings, paintings, woodcut and other media by Verna Oyer of Huntington and Carolyn Ruel of Logansport. The Council will host an upscale reception honoring the artists January 21 at 2:00 to 4:00 PM. For more information, the office may be reached at 291/824-5222.

# OFFERS TIPS TO FARMERS

The cost of operating credit may represent the largest annual expenditure for many Huntington county farmers. Yet few spend sufficient time investigating whether a particular lender or credit product is the right choice for their business, Bill Needler, the Huntington county Finance Pro for John Deere Credit says.

"Producers should spend at least as much time analyzing lenders and financing products as they spend analyzing cropprotection products," said Needler.

Before selecting a lender for operating financing, Needler recommends farmers seek answers to a number of questions, such as:

· What portion of the lender's portfolio is devoted to agricultural operating loans? Is the loan officer involved solely in agricultural lending?

How many years has the loan officer provided agricul-

tural operating credit, and for what types of producers - crop, livestock or both?

 Does the lender have expertise in risk management strategies that can impact the size and rates of agricultural operating loans?

 What is the institution's track record in working with customers victimized by disasters?

Does the institution have sufficient agricultural lending authority to provide all the financing a customer needs? Can it increase the amount of financing it can provide an expanding operation?

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# WARREN COUNCIL

The Warren Town Council held their last meeting of the year 2000 on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20. The meeting was held at

the local Fire Station and opened at 5:30 p.m. with president

Chod Boxell leading the Pledge to the American flag.

Minutes of a special meeting on Dec. 4 were accepted as submitted.

In the Water Treatment Project status it was reported that funds were expected to be electronically transferred on

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# Community Callemalan

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be included.

Warren Recycle Day

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 6pm, Sat 10 - noon at KCC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KCC STORYTIMES: Warren 10:00 Friday, Van Buren 2:45 Walking In the Gym 6-Noon Monday -Friday



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Thursday. Council authorized Marilyn Morrison to proceed on Dec. 21, 2000 with "Notice to Proceed" to Brudney Construction after notification of completion of financial procedures.

Council approved a letter to the Department of Community Development from Schnelker Engineering, explaining operation of the water project. Council voted to file the letter with DCD for later clarification

Council voted in favor of an Electric System Study-Power Systems at an estimated cost of \$8,700. The distribution system will be studied for planning for upgrade

It was reported a waiver had been granted for Markle Medical to move into the abandoned Warren Medical Center

Council voted to pay \$80.00 dues to Huntington County Chamber, Council also voted in favor of \$787 IACT dues and foundation dues.

It had been learned that Hartford Insurance would cancel the Fire Department Workman's Comp. An IPEP plan at a cost of \$698 is expected to be presented to Council at a later date for approval.

Resolution 11-2000 concerned Engineer Contract with Schnelker Engineering for the year 2001. Council voted their approval.

Council also approved Resolution 12-2000 and concerned end of year transfers.

Ordinance 2000-18 concerned distribution of Reserve FundsWater and Sewer and moved to cash operating. Council voted to adopt the Ordinance

Marilyn Morrison had attended the national League of Cities in Boston, Ma. Dec. 6-10. She reported on the event.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the December financial report.

Darrel Bice gave the project report from the Utility Department. There had been one

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hydrant located. There had been much snow removal and salt applied. Cold weather had prevented the salt from activating as much as in warmer conditions. There had been a number of compliments about snow removal in Warren.

Application for a recycling grant will be acted upon by IDEM by January or February. Requested are funds for a street sweeper.

Council reported that Bolingers, Blue Flame and Hoosier Propane had been requested to make estimates for gas to heat the Scout Cabin. Only Blue Flame had responded and Council accepted their offer.

Quotes for windows at the Scout Cabin included: \$5200: Marvin Zeller, \$4750 and Elliott Builders, \$4800. Council voted to accept the bid from Zeller. Bice reported his Department is in need of a metal locator for sewer and water. USA Blue Book price is \$784.97. Council approved the purchase.

Fire Chief Tim Ford reported there had been few runs by the Department in November. On behalf of the Department he thanked Council and Township for the purchase of Air Packs. Ford reported that OSHA now requires that all Firemen now have TB tests.

The new fire truck had been recalled and the matter was expected to be taken care of

The Fire Department had recently elected Tim Ford, Chief. and Larry Poulson, Assistant Chief. Council gave their approval

Town Marshal Steve Donnally gave his monthly report. The Department had been busy as a result of the recent snow

It was reported there have



been problems at the gas pumps at the Utility garage. It was suggested they check with the gas distributor as to how to handle the problem.

New officers of Town Council will be: Harold Jones, president, and Jackie Huffman, vicepresident for the year 2001. Council meetings will continue to be held on the second and fourth Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Announcements included: Council meetings, Jan. 8 and 22; Dec. 29, Jan. 2, Office, Utility, Holiday closings.

# TEACHERS WIN **S**CHOLARSHIPS

Sheila Crawford, Sheila Allison and Melissa Brutchen, teachers at Kids Kampus, Huntington have been awarded scholarships through the Teacher **Education And Compensation** Helps (T.E.A.C.H.). Early Childhood Indiana Project, sponsored by the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children. Crawford has worked in childcare for 22 years, Allison has 12 years of childcare experience and Brutchen has worked in childcare for a little more than a year. The scholarships will pay a portion of the costs of tuition and books and provide travel stipends for nine to 15 credit hours of course work in early childhood education at the colleges and/or universities of their choice. As part of the scholarship award program, Kids Kampus will guarantee all three women a raise or bonus when they successfully complete the training. In return, they will commit to teaching at Kids Kampus for an additional year.

The T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Indiana project serves as an umbrella for a variety of educational scholarship opportunities for people working in licensed, registered or exempt child care centers and homes in Indiana. Funded by the Indiana Child Care Fund Board.

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Kids Kampus, Huntington, offers First Steps early intervention and special needs preschool services, as well as childcare to all children from infancy to age 12. Kids Kampus provides all of its services in a fully integrate environment. Kids Kampus is a division of Pathfinder Services, Inc., a notfor-profit human service organization based in Huntington.

Lunch

Each meal includes milk January 3

Pizza, buttered corn, sliced peaches, cookie

January 4

Burrito, sliced carrots, applesauce, chocolate cake

January 5

Tomato soup/crackers, toasted cheese sandwich, tri-tater, mixed fruit

# OFFICER GRADUATES

Officer Scott J. Minniear of Liberty Center, a member of the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority, graduated Friday, December 22, 2000 from the basic training course at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy in Plainfield. General Counsel Jo Angela Woods, Indiana Association of Cities and Towns, was the speaker. Awards were also presented.



Breakfast

Each meal includes milk and fruit or juice

January 3 Pop tart

January 4 Cereal, toast w/butter January 5

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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## THOMAS

Larry D. Thomas, 55, Monroe, died Tuesday (Dec. 19, 2000) at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. Mr. Thomas had been employed

by CTS, Berne, for over 30 years. He was a member of the Markle United Church of Christ and served in the Navy during the Vietnam War

He was born Dec. 27, 1944, in Huntington County to Keith D. and Mary E. Thompson Thomas. His mother survives and lives in Huntington. He married Beverly Mosser Sept. 5, 1966, in Geneva. His wife survives.

Also surviving are a son, Todd J. Thomas, Decatur; two brothers, Leon K. Thomas, Littleton, Colo., and Leonard D. Thomas, Hermitage, Tenn.; and two grandchildren

Calling hours were held at the Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home. 365 W. Main, Berne.

Funeral services were held at the First Missionary Church, 950S U.S.-27, Berne, Rev. Max Haines officiated, Burial was at the M.R.E. Cemetery, Berne.

Preferred memorials are to the Adams County Community Foundation, the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Asso-

### KRATZ SR.

Edward D. "Ed" Kratz Sr., 58, 453 Grayston Ave., died at 3:11 a.m. Saturday (Dec. 23, 2000) at Huntington Memorial Hospital.

He had been employed as a forklift operator by Our Sunday Visitor for 30 years and was a member of the Printers' Union. He was a member of the Gospel Community Church, Huntington, and a former member of the Church of God in South Whitley

He was born Feb. 8, 1942, in Valley Bend, W. Va., to Elmer White and Ella Summerfield. He was adopted by Floyd Kratz and Mildred Paul. He married Bonnie Cunningham Feb. 9, 1963, in Huntington: his wife survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Edward Kratz Jr., Andrews, and Tod Kratz. Warren: two sisters, Beulah Hoover, Churchville, Collins, Mary and Huttonsville, W. Va.; a brother, Ernest White Huntington; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother. Teddy White, and a sister, Betty White.

Services were held at Deal-Robbins & Van Gilder Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel. Rev. Elzie Spencer officiated. Burial was at the Mt. Etna Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Gospel Community Church, 404 Grayston Ave., Huntington IN 46750

# FLATTER

Richard "Dick" Marion Flatter, 75, of rural Hartford City, died at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie

He retired in 1985 from the 3M Company in Hartford City after 34 years in management.

He was a 1942 graduate of Hartford City High School and served

during World War II with the U.S. armed forces in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart after being wounded in action.

Mr. Flatter was a member of the Eaton United Methodist Church, where he was a former trustee, Sunday school teacher and former chairman of the finance commit-

He also was a member of Hartford City Masonic Lodge 106, Blackford County Scottish Rite, Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Wavne. Blackford Mizpah Shriners, Purity Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, American Legion Post 159, Elks and Moose Lodges and 3M Retirees Club.

He was a member and past president of the board of directors of the Hartford City Cemetery Association and helped charter the cemetery in its reorganization 12 vears ago.

He was born in Hartford City Jan. 13, 1925 to Marion O. and Martha Huber Flatter. His marriage at Mt. Carmel on June 18, 1949 was to Ruth L. Wilson, who survives

Surviving also are three sisters, Elizabeth Fannon of Miami, Fla., DeNelda Mungovan of Hollywood. Fla., and Judy Pennington of Warren.

Services were held at Keplinger Funeral Home in Hartford City. Rev. Forest Bowers officiated and interment was at Gardens of Memory Mausoleum.

Memorials to Shriners Hospital for Children or to Eaton United Methodist Church.

### McMILLAN

Margaret Maxine McMillan, 80, Marion, died at 3:25 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2000 at Marion General Hospital.

She was a lifelong resident of Marion, born February 29, 1920 to the late Virgil and Mable (Sloderbeck) Downing. She was married to Harold "Abe" McMillan, who died in 1985. She retired from Marion General Hospital as a nurse's aide.

Surviving are two daughters, Linda S. (Mrs. Jerry Ford) Chambers, Marion, and Brenda S. (Mrs Richard) Henderson, Las Vegas; a brother, James (Donna) Downing, Van Buren, a sister, Mary Evelyn (Mrs. Robert) Mathias, Marion; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Carl E. Atkinson; and a daughter, Priscilla L. Bradshaw-Skinner.

Services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, Marion with the Rev. Paul Rogers officiating. Burial was in Estates of Serenity cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

# **T**HOMPSON

Deloris H. Thompson, 90, Evansville, a former resident of Huntington, died Monday (Dec. 18, 2000) at the Holiday Care Center in Evansville

Mrs. Thompson was a home-

maker and had been employed with the Dairy Producer's Exchange in Marion for several years. She was a member of the Bethesda United Brethren Church.

She was born Dec. 21, 1909, in Lawrenceville, III., to Alva and Anna Johnson Laymon. She graduated from Monument City High School in 1927, attended Indiana Business College, and studied at the Marion School of Music. She married Howard C. Thompson Feb. 5, 1932, Her husband died in 1978.

Survivors include a son, Lee R. Thompson, Evansville: two brothers, Ray Laymon, Warren, and Earl Laymon, Andrews; one grandchild; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother. Cecil Laymon, and a granddaughter

Services were held at the Myers Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel, Rev. Dan Groff officiated. Burial was at the Monument City Cemetery.

# BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Shane (Angela Thompson) Eltzroth of Warren are the parents of a son, Brock Nicholas, born at 1:55 p.m. Thursday, December 14, 2000 at Wells Community Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 20 ½ inches. He joins a brother, Austin, age 4.

Grandparents are Robert and Beth Thompson of Huntington, Donald and Wanda Thrift and Gary and Linda Eltzroth of Huntington. Great-grandparents are Harold and Donna Thompson and Harness and Phyllis Eltrooth.

Mr. and Mrs. Brett (Tabitha Havs) Suman of Bluffton are the parents of a daughter, Macenzie Nichole, born at 2:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, 2000 at Wells, Community Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds. 12 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. She joins sibling Bailey Logan.

Grandparents are Deb Wehr of Warren, Lanny and Kim Hays of Frankton Sandy Shelly of Marion and Dave and Beth Suman of Linn Grove.

J.R. Pierson and Melissa Mikel are the parents of a son, Tristan Xavier Pierson, born at 10:29 a.m. Friday, December 8, 2000 at Wells Community Hospital, He weighed 8 pounds and measured 20 inches

Grandparents are Gary Mikel of Liberty Center, Debra and Dale Sutton of Poneto, Charles Pierson of Hartford City and Gina Wheeler.

Aaron M. and Erin Plasterer Brown, Huntington, are the parents of a son, Joseph Matthew, born at 12:52 p.m. December 11, 2000 at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 9 pounds, 9 ounces at birth. He joins siblings Kerri Lynn and Cody Edward.

Grandparents are Ed and Teresa Plasterer, Warren, and Heidi Brown and Gary Brown, both of Huntington. Great-grandparents are Carolyn Tackett, Evelyn Plasterer, Ron and Marcia Brown, and

Bill and Donna Heck, all of Huntington, and Carl and Norma Tackett, Schoolcraft, MI.



# DETAMORE - HINSHAW

Karen Dawn Detamore and Todd Michael Hinshaw were married November 10, 2000 in the Garden Room at the Oak Hill Mansion, Carmel, IN. Dr. Tom Mansbarger and Dan Bryant officiated. Jill Pitz, Indianapolis, IN, was the harnist.

Parents of the couple are George and Diana Detamore, Van Buren, IN and Mike and Vickie Hinshaw. Summitville, IN

Keranko, Indianapolis; IN. Mackenzie Hinshaw, of Fishers, IN, niece of the groom was the

flower girl.

Best Man was Eric Hinshaw, Fishers, IN, brother of the groom. Ushers were Eric Wright. Fairmount, IN, and Kurt Detamore, Carmel, IN, brother of the bride.

The reception was held in the Oak Hill Mansion Ballroom. The couple chose a honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls, New York,

The Bride is a graduate of Eastbrook High School, Indiana University, and Indiana Wesleyan University She is employed by Community North Hospital, Indianapolis, IN.

The Groom is a graduate of Madison-Grant High School and Purdue University. He is employed by LG Seeds, Westfield, IN.

The couple resides at 12695 Sovreign Lane, Fishers, IN.

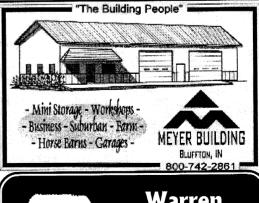




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# U.M.W. CELEBRATE

The Jefferson Center United Methodist Women met at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2000 at the church. President, Myrna Neff welcomed 12 members and 1 guest, Marguerite McNany. The president shared a devotion "The Word Became Flesh" from 365 Days of Spiritual Growth based on the scripture John 1:14 and "Incarnation" based on Luke 1:46-47. After concerns and iovs were shared. Pastor Kathie Jones led the group in prayer. Those present repeated the PURPOSE of the organization the president shared the names of missionaries and their children having birthdays today and mission projects from the Prayer Calendar. Those answering roll call were Barbara Hart, Sonja Herring, Mary Emma Holmes, Treva Holt, Mary Neff, Myrna Neff, Norma Smith, Jackie Sunderman, Rosalie Walter, Pastor Kathie Jones, Carmen Wilks and Ann Brauchla

Rosalie Walter had contacted the Lucille Raines Home and arranged for us to go there for our August 2, 2001 meeting. She also read a thank you note from Bashor Home

Sonja Herring reminded the group that it was time to make Cheer Baskets. A list of 17 re-

cipients was made. It was decided to bring a sack lunch on Monday, December 18 to the church to assemble and deliver the baskets. The group also decided to bring gifts for the Extenda Care Nursing Home in Huntington.

Future dates to remember: January 6, 2001 Local Officer training by Huntington District Officers at United Methodist Memorial Home; February 23 & 24, 2001 North Indiana Conference Spiritual Retreat at the Guest House in Fort Wayne; March 17, 2001 Huntington District Spring Meeting, We were happy to welcome Marguerite McNany as a new member to the unit. The lesson "Christmas - A Concentric Circle of Blessings" was led by Jackie Sunderman with participation from Carmen Wilks, Rosalie Walter, Sonja Herring, Treva Holt, Barbara Hart, Mary Emma Holmes and Myrna Neff at the piano. We learned that the story of Christmas is a series of blessings - an older woman blessing Mary, Mary being blessed by the angel, Anna and Simeon blessing infant Jesus, the angel choir praising God and God blessing humans with the gift of Jesus our salvation. Each circle of blessings is a moment for us to pause and recognize the mutual giving of gifts each brings to the other, since these blessings are interdependent, intergenerational and ever-increasing.

Lunch was served at beautiful Christmas decorated tables by hostesses Mary Neff, Myrna Neff and Mary Emma Holmes. Those present were given snow decorated pictures by president Myrna Neff. The meeting was a fitting climax to year 2000. Our first unit meeting in 2001 will be on Thursday, March 1.

# RAIDER OF THE DAY

The following students were Raider of the Day winners for November and December at Southern Wells Elementary:

Alexis Heath (K), Paige Newman (2), Shane Estes (5), Rikki Johnson (K), Erica McPheeters (1), Ashley Betz(3), Emily Oswalt (2), Shalyn Ricks (2), Jessica Wilson (K), Jagger Love (1), Amy Hogston (K), Drew Runkle (2), Amber Monroe (2), Jessica Helms(K), Teagan Bennett (2), Kaylie Ping (5), Ashtain Gaskill (3), Weslee Bass (K), Cristin Carter (2), Alex Trosper (3), Caleb Pinkerton (1), Cody Runkle(5), Heather Hollowell(6), Colton Jones(2), Jordan Haskins(2), Sarah LaPeer (5), Elizabeth Towne (6), Jarred Sisler (6), Megan Thompson (3), Jenny Lloyd(3), Cory Haviland (1), Derek Slentz (4), Conner Stoffel (2), Damon Smith (2), Mychal Chandler (5), Cloyd Crow(3), Brock Ruble (6), Erika Pinkerton (1), and Kelsie Anderson (5). Congratulations Raiders!!

### GINGHAM GALS

The Gingham Gals held their Christmas Party at the Rittenhouse in Bluffton, Indiana on Friday evening, December 15, 2000. A delicious meal was served to the following members and guests: Ruthann and Les Ackley, Betty and Harold Parker, Joenita Keller and Guest, Nancy and Bob Smyth, Evelyn and Jim Thompson, Martha and Jim Jennings, Donna and Jim Bolinger, Marcia and Wendell Jackson, Carlene and Guy Jackson, Linda and David St. John. Joanna and Roger Grassl, Joan and Jerry Boyer, Pat and DeWayne Boxell, Betty and Larry Yoder, Ellen and Gordon Laymon, Roselyn and Larry Poulson, and Lois and Max Spahr.

Following the meal Christmas Bingo was enjoyed by all.

The next regular meeting will be held January 10, 2001 with Donna Bolinger, Hostess and Joanna Grassl, Co-host.

# RESEARCHERS EYE EGGS FOR HEALTHY VISION

(NAPSA)-Seeing is a daily struggle for the 13 million Americans who have age-related macular degeneration (AMD), the nation's leading cause of blindness in older Americans. AMD is irreversible, so people must take preventative steps to ward off the disease.

According to a recent national consumer poll conducted by the Alliance for Aging Research, most Americans are not aware that simple lifestyle changes, particularly diet, can help prevent this devastating disease.

Researchers now believe that certain compounds found in foods like spinach, kale and eggs may help protect the eye from AMD. A recent study conducted at Tufts University shows eggs, in particular, may be an especially good source of these compounds, called lutein and zeaxanthin, because substances present in the yolk make it easier for the body to absorb them in the bloodstream.

"These findings are good news for seniors," says Jeffrey Blumberg, Ph.D., nutrition researcher at the USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University. "Twenty-five years of research shows that eggs are not a risk factor for heart disease for most people, including seniors, and yet they are a good source of lutein and zeaxanthin, which may help to reduce the risk of macular degeneration.

"One egg, at 75 calories, is a versatile, convenient and inexpensive source of high-quality protein and 13 vitamins and minerals," says Boston-based registered dietitian and co-author of Super Nutrition After 50, Elizabeth Ward, M.S., R.D. She provides some easy tips on how to incorporate eggs into a balanced diet.

- Eggs are quick and easy to make any time of the day. Add spinach to pack a lunch or dinner omelet with even more lutein and zeavanthin
- 2. Egg salad is always a favorite. Try it stuffed in a pita with greens and tomatoes.
- Hard-cooked eggs are always handy and an easy way to add protein to your salad. They can be sliced and eaten with whole wheat crackers and melon, such as cantaloupe.
- 4. Eggs are a tasty alternative to meat. Add scrambled eggs to pasta and top with sautéed vegetables and a tangy tomato sauce.

For more information, visit the Egg Nutrition Center's Web site at http://www.enc-online.org or the American Egg Board's Web site at http://www.aeb.org.

# THE QUEST FOR THE IDEAL HOTEL GUEST REWARD PROGRAM

(NAPSA)-Today's business travelers are savvier than ever before. They know where the best seats on the plane are and how to get them, how to avoid lines at the car rental counter and how to speed up the check-in process at hotels. Frequent travelers may even know how to track and make the most of their frequent flyer miles. However, many people still need more information on how to capitalize on the benefits offered by hotel guest reward programs.

While most reward programs offer points toward free hotel stays, some feature free airline miles instead. And depending on the program, a variety of different partners, methods for tracking points and unique features may be offered. Hilton HHonors, for example, lets members accumulate both hotel points and airline miles for the same stay, eliminating the need to sacrifice one for the other.

With all these differences to sort through, it can be difficult for travelers to decide which program works best for their individual needs. Following are some tips from Jeffrey Diskin, president and chief operating officer of Hilton HHonors Worldwide, to help sort through the details and pick the best guest reward program:

¥ Look for a range of hotel categories in multiple locations. A choice of hotel types, from very upscale to moderately priced, ensures that travelers will find a hotel to fit the different requirements of each trip they take. A number of hotels in travelers' favorite destinations is also important

¥ Earn as much as possible

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¥ Stay flexible. The program should not only let travelers earn both points and miles, it should also allow them to exchange points for miles and vice versa. Hilton HHonors, for example, lets members trade points for free miles or free miles for points, depending on their particular needs.

¥ Look for a variety of ways to add points to the reward balance sheet. Members should be able to add points to their totals through other types of purchases, such as those made with a credit card. A program that lets travelers add points helps them earn rewards more quickly.

¥ Examine the rewards available. Are they appealing? If taking a trip is the last thing frequent travelers want to do, then they should select a guest reward program that offers other ways to spend points. This could include using points to purchase gournet gift baskets, flowers, wine-even holiday presents. Using points for purposes other than travel is one more way to ensure that a member's needs are being met.

In the end, what's most important is that members decide how they want to accumulate and spend their rewards. That's why programs like Hilton HHonors are among the best choices for the most flexible and valuable guest reward programs available.

For more information about the program, call 1-800-HHONORS or visit <a href="https://www.hiltonhhonors.com">www.hiltonhhonors.com</a>.

# DEPRESSION-MORE THAN THE "BLUES"

(NAPS)-Many people get the "blues" during the holidays, fueled by troubled memories of holidays past, or good memories of happy days that are no more, by acrimonious family reunions, or by too much food and alcohol. When the holidays pass, the "blues" generally go with them.

The "holiday blues" is not depression, says The American Psychiatric Association. Depression hangs on, week after week. Depression causes long-lasting feelings of utter despair and hopelessness, fatigue and loss of interest in family and friends and once pleasurable activities. Depression can make death appear to be an attractive alternative.

According to the Surgeon General, major depressive disorders account for 20 to 35 percent of all deaths by suicide.

If you are depressed and thinking about ending your life, tell a friend, family member, physician, or go to the nearest emergency room. Treatment with psychotherapy and medication works! Get help and give life another chance.

For more information about depression and the hope for life through treatment, write to the American Psychiatric Association, 1400 K St. NW, Washington, DC 20005 or visit the Web site at www.psych.org.

# Young Americans Combat Tobacco

(NAPS)-Almost 90 percent of adults who have ever smoked lit up for the first time when they were 18 or younger. Tobacco companies are said to have targeted their marketing to teens for decades, hooking new generations of customers.

On Kick Butts Day, April 4, 2001, kids across America will stand up and tell Big Tobacco: Game Over. "We continue to hold the tobacco industry accountable for the thousands of deaths that could be avoided if kids were not lured into smoking by tobacco's marketing tactics," said Matthew L. Myers, President of the Campaign For Tobacco Free Kids, sponsor of Kick Butts Day. "On Kick Butts Day, kids stand up to tobacco with one powerful voice."

Now in its sixth year, Kick Butts Day is the nation's largest youthled anti-tobacco initiative. On Kick Butts Day, kids will:

¥ Put Mr. Butts character on trial; ¥ Dump tobacco's promotional

¥ Rally at their state capitols;

¥ Announce the results of their surveys of retail store tobacco advertising;

¥ Tell other kids about the dangers of smoking, which kills more than 400,000 Americans each year-more than alcohol, cocaine, crack, heroin, homicide, suicide, car accidents, fires, and AIDS combined.

On Kick Butts Day 2000, kids participated in more than 1,600 events in every state, as well as Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Germany and Belgium. Prominent Americans who stood up with kids across the country included U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala, Washington Redskins cornerback and team captain Darrell Green, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton,

427 Matilda,

Surgeon General David Satcher, Olympic figure skating champion Tara Lipinski, and American Medical Association President Randolph Smoak.

Once again, the campaign will partner with Girl Scouts USA on Kick Butts Day. Troop members across the country who participated in 250 Girl Scout activities for Kick Butts Day 2000 earned credit toward their Girl Scouts Against Smoking patches.

"Kids are a powerful part of the solution to reducing youth tobacco use," Myers said. "They prove this on Kick Butts Day."

The Campaign For Tobacco-Free Kids is the largest non-government initiative ever undertaken to decrease youth tobacco use in the United States. Its mandate is to focus the nation's attention and action on curbing tobacco marketing and advertising targeted at children, making tobacco less accessible to kids and protecting kids from exposure to second-hand smoke.

For a free Kick Butts Day activity guide, fax your request to 1-800-925-9813, or mail your request to P.O. Box 4871, Chestertown, MD 21690. Activity guides are also posted at www.kickbutts day.org, or visit the Web at www.tobaccofreekids.org tolearn more about tobacco and kids.

# HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE & COLDS

(NAPS)-It's that time of year again. You find yourself coughing, sneezing, sniffling, aching and with a fever. You head to the store and pick up an over-the-counter (OTC) cold and flu medication to alleviate your symptoms. Sounds simple, right?

Not if you're one of the 50 million Americans who suffer from high blood pressure. Taking a cold and flu medication that contains a decongestant can increase blood pressure and interfere with the effectiveness of high blood pressure medications.

"High blood pressure patients have to pay special attention to their health during cold and flu season-they must maintain treatment of their condition, and carefully screen all food products and OTC medications to make sure they don't contain ingredients which may further raise blood pressure or interfere with its treatment," said Dr. Randall M. Zusman, Director, Division of Hypertension and Vascular Medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, and Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School. "Since many patients tend to self-medicate, they should consciously avoid products containing a decongestant."

A recent survey found that while 66 percent of people had treated cold and flu with an OTC medication in the previous year, less than half reported having consulted a doctor regarding concerns about cold and flu medications. Furthermore, the survey indicated that of those with high blood pressure polled, nearly 70 percent were treating with an OTC product containing a decongestant or not treating their cold or flu. Safe and effective treatment of cold and flu for patients with hypertension can be found in Coricidin HBP", the only line of OTC cold and flu medications specially formulated for high blood pressure patients.

Schering-Plough HealthCare Products, the maker of Coricidin HBP", is working cooperatively with the American Heart Association to educate high blood pressure patients on balancing their dual concerns during the cold and flu season. Coricidin HBP" is a sponsor of the American Heart Association's hypertension Web site.

To assist in making the right decision at the pharmacy, high blood pressure patients can receive a wallet card that lists types and specific examples of OTC medications that can potentially cause problems for high blood pressure patients. To receive the free walter card, "High Blood Pressure & OTC Medications," patients can write to Coricidin HBP" at P.O. Box 6336, Young America, MN 55558-6336 or visit the Web site at www.coricidinhbo.com.

For more information on hypertension and its treatment, visit the American Heart Association at www.americanheart.org or visit Coricidin HBP" at www.coricidin hbp.com.

# Losing Weight Can Come Naturally

(NAPS)-When it comes to losing weight, it seems there is a system to fit almost everyone.

Many people rely on folk remedies or methods they have learned from others

These often include:

¥ eating very slowly to enjoy the flavors of different foods,

¥ not skipping breakfast, ¥not going more than five hours without a meal and

¥ drinking at least 2 glasses of water or one glass of milk during your meal.

While some believe in these methods, others find the assistance of dietary supplements to

be most effective. The good news is that there are now drug-free, herbal diet supplements.

For example, one maker of a number of well-known diet supplements recently introduced a product designed to help consumers metabolize and burn fat around the clock, when used with a healthy diet and exercise program. Called Acutrim Natural A.M. and Acutrim Natural P.M., these supplements are said to be the first and only herbal diet supplements with daytime and nighttime formulas that work together. Neither version of the product contains ephedrine or PPA.

Both the A.M. and P.M. versions of the formula are available in most stores.

# CHARACTERS URGE KIDS TO EAT ORGANIC

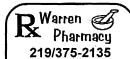
(NAPS)-The same famous Richard Scarry cartoon characters who've been teaching children how to stay healthy and have good hygiene for the past 30 years are now teaching them the benefits of eating organic. Parents and children have come to know these lovable characters such as Lowly Worm, through the over 100 million copies of books sold, in which they've been featured and on a regular cartoon seen on Nickel-

"Organic now means more than just fruits and vegetables," says industry expert Anthony Zolezzi, of New Organics. "Popular kids' foods like animal cookles, cereal and macaroni and cheese are now made with organic ingredients and with a taste that's so much better than years past."

With bright packaging featuring Richard Scarry's characters, parents will find it easier to get their kids to eat. Since the Richard Scarry organic kids foods can be found at local supermarkets, they're more convenient for parents who don't shop at health food stores.

"Organic food has come a long way and is much more accessible than it used to be. It's no longer necessary to hunt for healthy food that your kids will eat, in natural health food stores," says Zolezzi.

Answer to Riddle - PG 2 Hat, lane, eight, gin, nightingale



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