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Thought for the Week: *The minute a man is convinced that he's interesting, he isn't.*

Stephen Leacock

## FISH SUPPER

The Twin Bridge Conservation Club will be hosting a All You Can Eat Fish and Tenderloin Supper on September 16, 2000 in Mt. Zion. Fish and tenderloins will be prepared by Dan's Fish Fry Service. Dinner will be served from 4:30 - 7:30 at the Clubhouse. The Clubhouse is located at 6374S 600W in Wells County (SR218 two miles east of SR3). Tickets at the door are \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 6-12. Children age 5 and under eat free. Carry-outs will be available. Mark Your Calendars Now.

## FBC GOLF OUTING

Attention all Duffers...the Annual First Baptist Church Golf Outing is upon us once again!!! This year's outing will take place on Sunday, September 24, at 1:30pm. It will be held at Arbor Trace Golf Course in Marion, IN. (formerly Hart's) Some great prizes and a meal are included in the \$40.00 registration fee! So, don't wait any longer.. call Dave Neuenschwander at 219-375-2097 to get your spot!

## PORKCHOP SUPPER

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual McNatt Porkchop Supper will be held on September 9 from 4-7 p.m. Tickets are \$4.50 for children 6-12 and \$6.00 for adults.

Directions: SR218 to SR3, left (south) to 800S in Wells County, turn left (west) and follow the signs to McNatt Methodist Church.

## FALL ARTS/CRAFTS SHOW

Holy Family Catholic Church in Gas City, will be hosting its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Fall Arts and Crafts Show on October 7, 2000, at Reemmer Hall. The show will be open from 9a.m. to 3 p.m. Over 20 artists and crafters will be displaying their talents. Featured items will include hand painted wood, clay miniatures, dolls, pottery, florals, sweatshirts, books, baskets, jewelry, baked goods and homemade noodles. Lunch will be available. Door prizes will be given every every 20 minutes. Raffle tickets will be on sale for a beautiful hand quilted Mosaic Pinwheels quilt. Admission is free.

## DENTIST MOVING

The offices of Robert Berghoff, DDS and Kevin DeakYne, DDS will be utilizing their new facilities in the next week. Both of these local dentists will be moving into the new facility located at 470 Bennett Drive, (behind State Bank of Markle).

## COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

The Purdue Blackford County Extension Service will be hosting a composting workshop on September 20, 2000 at the Blackford County Courthouse. This workshop will address why compost is considered the "aspirin" of the soil and the components of a proper compost recipe. Does your compost pile take a long time to decompose? Does it have an offensive odor? Wondering if you need to purchase an expensive compost container? These questions, and more, will be addressed at the workshop, which will begin at 7:00 PM. Cost is \$1.00 per person and includes materials and refreshments. Please pre-register no later than September 13 by contacting the Blackford County Extension Office at 348-3213. Please enter the courthouse by using the south doors.

## SILENT AUCTION

The Warren Public Library will be selling items by silent auction for the next several months. This month's featured special is a like-new 1988 set of Deluxe Library Edition Encyclopedia: The New Book of Knowledge. The 22 volume set includes a Home and School Reading and Study Guide. Visit the library, check out the quality of these books, and place your bid. The set will be awarded to the highest bidder from bids received until September 30. Proceeds go to the Friends of the Warren Library to provide services of the library not supported by tax dollars. Thank you for your support.

## STORY TIME

Storytime at the Warren Library will begin Friday, September 8 from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Storytime is available for any preschool student each Friday morning.

## VAN GRANT AWARDED

The Huntington County Council on Aging was recently awarded a grant through the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) for a new 13 passenger extended top van. This new vehicle will be available in the spring of 2001. This grant was awarded for the new Huntington Area Transportation (HAT) which will be run through the Council on Aging.

The HAT will begin in January as a public transportation system for all ages throughout the county. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet the needs of those who struggle having transportation to get to work, childcare resources, medical appointments, or general shopping. This service will not only benefit those that use it, but also Huntington County businesses and industries by providing reliable, dependable transportation for their employees and customers.

In preparing for public transportation, the Council on Aging applied for a van grant through INDOT. When it arrives, this van will give the Council on Aging an additional vehicle to handle the needs of the new public transit system. The INDOT grant will pay for 80% of the initial cost of the van. What a great blessing to get a new vehicle for only 20% of the actual cost! Huntington County Council on Aging needs to raise \$10,000 to meet our local 20% cost of the van, outfit it with two-way radios and get it ready for service.

For those who would like to help meet our community's need for public transportation the Council on Aging is receiving donations for this new van project. Gifts can be sent to: Huntington County Council on Aging, 646 Guilford Street, Huntington, IN 46750. All gifts are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. Call 356-3006 if you have comments or questions.

## POOL UPDATE

The Salamonie School swimming pool is currently under construction to repair leaks. The pool developed leaks last winter. After extensive tests to find out where the leaks were located, it was decided that the old gutters needed to be replaced with new stainless steel gutters. The project, which

began this summer, will be completed around the first of October.

## INFORMATION STILL

### AVAILABLE

During this year's 4-H fair several groups joined forces in an effort to provide Huntington County's youth and families with important information. Some of the information available pertained to the warning signs of drug use, tobacco awareness, how to help kids succeed in life, signs of child abuse/neglect and a large variety of other topics. Providing support in this endeavor where members of the Youth Task Force, the Local Anti-Drug Coalition Effort, the Youth Services Bureau and the Child Protection Team of Huntington County. "During the week of the 4-H fair we were able to answer a lot of questions from concerned parents and handed out hundreds of pieces of literature," Jan Williams, Exec. Director Youth Services Bureau. Information is still available and may be obtained by calling the Youth Services Bureau at 356-9681 or Parkview Behavioral Health at 356-9601.

## WCH NOTICE

Effective Saturday, September 9, 2000 the Laboratory at Wells Community Hospital will no longer be open for Outpatient Services on Saturdays. This will not effect any Emergency Department patients. We are sorry for any inconveniences this may cause.

Laboratory hours at Wells Community Hospital will be 6:30 am to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For any questions, please call Administration at 219/824-3210 Ext. 101 or 103.

## CHOOSE TO LOSE COURSE

Over sixty people have experienced the new healthy eating and weight loss program sponsored by Caylor-Nickel Medical Center and Wells Community Hospital. It's called Choose to Lose, and the next course will begin on Monday, September 18. The eight-week program will continue each Monday evening through November 6, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

"Choose to Lose is just what the people in the first courses did," says instructor Michelle Gentis. "Over the eight weeks they started to lose inches and weight. But it is

not a quick fix. Instead, they learned the skills to keep losing fat, even after the course was over, and then keep it off forever. The program, which is based on the most timely and credible research, is the first step toward a permanent, healthier lifestyle change."

"This is not a diet," continues Michelle. "Instead, we help people learn how to make good food choices. People from other classes said they liked this program better than any they'd tried because they could eat, so they didn't feel deprived. They felt they had control."

"The best part of the class is when we actually try different foods and recipes. Each week three or four people bring something in from the course cookbook. It's fun to watch them learn that low-fat food can be delicious."

There will be an information session about Choose to Lose on Monday, September 11. Everyone is welcome, with no cost or obligation, anytime between 5 and 7 p.m. It and all classes are in conference rooms 401 at Caylor-Nickel.

Class size is limited, so registration is necessary. The fee for the eight-week program is \$95, which can be paid before the course begins or half before and half with a check dated midway through the course. The fee includes the Choose to Lose book, workbook, cookbook and balance book.

For more information or to register, call Michelle Gentis, wellness coordinator, at 219/824-3500, 219/824-2001 (automated) or 800/756-2663, ext. 7506.

## LUTHERAN JOINS

### SAGAMORE

SAGAMORE Health Network will add Lutheran Hospital of Fort Wayne, Indiana to its preferred provider network (PPN) effective October 1, 2000. In making the announcement, SAGAMORE Marketing Vice President Malinda Hinkle said, "We're pleased to announce the addition of this outstanding hospital facility to better serve our members in the Fort Wayne area."

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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 P.J.'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

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES THANK YOU

On behalf of the Youth Services Bureau, I would like to thank all of those who contributed to this year's Tools for Life® school supplies campaign. Approximately \$3000 worth of donated supplies were generously provided by the community, through collection sites, churches, civic groups and individuals. Due to these donations 270 children started school with the supplies they needed. With the funds donated, along with support from the agency's general budget \$746 was spent to purchase additional supplies, making the cost \$2.76 per student of monies not being donated.

This is the 8th year this program has been offered as a service to the children and families in Huntington County. Each year the number of children in need continues to grow, thankfully so far, so has the donations.

We still have some supplies that will be available throughout the year for students who need them. If you would like to learn more about the "Tools for Life" or any of the other programs offered by the Youth Services Bureau, contact the office at 219-356-9681 or 1-800-298-5444.

### SEPTEMBER 10, 2000 GRANDPARENTS DAY

Sunday, September 10, is the best day of the year to honor your grandparents. Though Grandparents Day is a relatively new event, grandmothers and grandfathers will be waiting to see if you remember them. Public observations are held in many cities, but surveys show that what's most appreciated is a call, card, gift, or visit from their grandchildren.

Grandparents Day was proclaimed in 1973 in West Virginia by Governor Arch Moore. In 1978, five years after its West Virginia inception, Congress officially named the first Sunday after Labor Day as National Grandparents Day. The proclamation was signed by President Jimmy Carter. September was chosen for the holiday, to signify the "autumn years" of life.

The goals of Grandparents Day are:

- To honor grandparents.
- To give grandparents an opportunity to show love for their grandchildren.

- To help children become aware of the strength, insight, and guidance older people can offer.

It is estimated that up to six percent of children live in their grandparents' homes. Some live with one or both grandparents and one parent. Some live with just one grandparent. In 1997, the census bureau reported that 1 million children lived only with a grandmother; 150,000 lived only with a grandfather.

If you hold a family gathering, encourage grandparents to tell stories about family history. They are the only ones who remember them.

### FOURTEEN YEARS AGO - SEPTEMBER 10, 1986

The Town of Warren had applied for a CIP Grant from 3-A Development in connection with the town's sewer system.

Clarice McMillan, daughter of Sharon and Claire McMillan, rural Warren, was selected as one of the 15 finalists in the dress-up category of the 4-H dress revue at the Indiana State Fair.

Warren Town Council urged citizens to vote in the November election to allow Warren to withdraw the water utility out from under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission of Indiana in the matter of fixing rates and charges for that utility.

SEND YOUR FAVORITE OUT-OF-TOWNER, COLLEGE STUDENT OR RELATIVE A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE WARREN WEEKLY. IT MAKES A TREASURED GIFT EVERY YEAR. (SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS)

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### VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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 Mike Helms, Pastor  
 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.

### CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana  
 765-934-2199  
 Todd Lamkin, Pastor

Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:40 a.m.  
 Bible Study ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Bible Study, Wednesday ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Night, Thursday ..... 7:30 p.m.

### THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE - Majenica

468-2160  
 Rev. Kelly Wiley  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

### MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST

219-468-2148  
 Rev. Tim Prowse - Pastor  
 Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.

### JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED METHODIST

Corner of 900S & 300W  
 Kathie Jones, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

### WARREN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

### WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022  
 Stephan Leininger, Pastor  
 Kurt Hippensteel, Supt.  
 Bible School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Meetings (Aug-May) ..... 5:30 p.m.  
 Choir (Aug-May) ..... 7:00 p.m.

### DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

888S 1100W-90, Warren  
 375-2779  
 Lynn Mefferd, Pastor

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

### McNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359  
 Bill VanHatten, Pastor  
 B. Morton, Supt.  
 Coffee Fellowship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed ..... 7:00 p.m.

### WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

375-2330  
 www.hows.net/46792WCT  
 Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.

Melissa Tejchma, Children's Ministry  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Children's Church ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Thursday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH

694-6622  
 Pastor Jeff McNicholas

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

### SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN

468-2412  
 Mark S. Bendes, Pastor  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45 a.m.

### BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

758-2085  
 Nathan Doyle, Minister  
 Sandy Keplinger, Supt.  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

### BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

8294S 900W 35  
 Gary Riley, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Youth Choir Practice ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Thurs. Kings Kids ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 CWF Ladies (3 Thu) ..... Noon  
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour ..... 6:30 p.m.

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

### HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

375-2510  
 Keith Bateman, Pastor  
 Curtis Allen, Supt.  
 Bus Service 375-2510  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group (Sun) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service ..... 7:00 p.m.

### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102  
 Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor  
 United Worship Service ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Youth mtg 1st/3rd Sundays ..... 6:00 p.m.

### THE NEW BEGINNING

SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto  
 Steve Sutton, Pastor  
 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

### WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.  
 Pastor Reece Bookout  
 Joe Wiley, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

765-934-2031  
 Pastor Blake J. Neff  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30-10:45 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45-11:30 a.m.  
 MYF ..... 5:30 p.m.

### BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

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

### HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

101 N 400 E - Marion, IN  
 765/664-8726  
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 Dan & Patsy Bryant, Assoc/Youth Pastor

1st Worship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 2nd Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
 Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Kids Klub (3rd/4th grade) ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Klub 56 (5th/6th grade) ..... 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.

### PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

### LANCASTER WESLEYAN

468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
 David Thrift, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.

### CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings

7:00 p.m.  
 UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME SUNDAY:  
 Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT  
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat  
 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.

### MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Wayne Wright, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Mid-Week (Wed) ..... 6:00 p.m.

### ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier  
 Pastor - Steve Gray  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:45 a.m.  
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship ..... 6:30 p.m.

### Attend the Church of your choice

## AREA NEWS

### MORE FRONT PAGE

offices in Fort Wayne, South Bend, Merrillville, Evansville, and New Albany, they provide managed care services for over 800,000 members. Most recently SAGAMORE has announced expansions into Illinois, Kentucky, and parts of Ohio.

### TESTING TO BEGIN

September 19-21, sophomores, juniors and seniors will take the ISTEP+ Graduation Qualifying Examination (GQE). This exam is extremely important to each student's future. Students may not receive a high school diploma without meeting the GQE standards. Sophomores who do not meet the standards will have four additional opportunities to pass the test before they finish their high school attendance. Juniors who do not meet the standard on their first retake this fall will have another opportunity to take the test this spring and twice again in their senior year. Students should make a serious attempt to meet the standards on their first attempt. Parents are encouraged to discuss this very important exam with their son or daughter.

Huntington North teachers have organized a series of mini-workshops to help students prepare for the GQE. Parents are asked to encourage their children to attend as many of these workshops as possible. The hope is that students will be able to approach the GQE with renewed confidence and knowledge.

If you have any questions concerning the GQE or the workshops, please contact Kris Teusch at 219/356-6104 ext. 1015.

### STUDYING MISTAKES

The Huntington County Extension Homemakers are sponsoring an educational program titled "Five Worst Mistakes a Consumer Can Make." It will be Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. at Heritage Hall in Hier's Park.

Life gives us plenty of opportunities to make mistakes. This program will make you aware of five of the worst (and most expensive) mistakes you can make as a consumer. Find out what these five mistakes are. If you have ever made one or more of them, you are not alone. Then learn how to avoid making these mistakes in the future.

Vickie Hadley, Extension Educator in Allen County will teach the program. It is open to the

public and free of charge, according to Beverly Morgan, Huntington County Extension Educator.

### JR. LEADERS TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leader organization will meet on Thursday, September 14 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Family Living Building, Hier's Park, Huntington. The County Junior Leader group is open to any 4-H member who will be in the 7th grade or older during the current school year. Junior Leaders have the chance to gain leadership skills, get involved in county-wide 4-H activities and learn more about the total county 4-H program.

At this meeting the group will discuss activities and elect club officers for the coming year. For more information about 4-H Junior Leaders, contact the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service - Huntington County Office at (219) 358-4826 or stop by the office, located in Room 209 of the Courthouse in Huntington.

It is the policy of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service that all persons shall have equal access and opportunity to its programs and facilities with regard to race, religion, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

### ANNUAL MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will hold its annual meeting and election of board members and officers on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Family Living Building at Hier's Park.

The board will continue to evaluate and hear final committee reports from the 2000 fair and set the dates for the 2001 Huntington County 4-H Fair.

### TIME TO SET SAIL

Dillman UB Church will be hosting Adventure Club beginning Wednesday, September 27th from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Adventure Club will be held each Wednesday from 6 to 7:30.

This year's theme is "Sailing Into God's New Beginnings." The chil-

dren will be "sailing" from port to port as they discover God's truth in their lives.

Boys and girls ages 4 thru the 6th grade are encouraged to attend. You won't want to miss out on the great adventures that await you this year.

Barry and Cherry Story are looking for a few dedicated "crewmembers" to join in teaching the kids about Christ's love and care in their daily lives. If you are an interested adult or teen please give them a call and let them know you want to come aboard.

### INSPIRATION 2000

Former Dillman pastor, Rev. Richard Frederick will be the guest speaker each night of Inspiration 2000. Be sure to invite all your family, friends, and neighbors to attend. There are some surprises planned so you won't want to miss a single minute.

Saturday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. will be the kick-off with a Praise evening. Sunday, September 17 will be Homecoming Sunday with worship service at 9am, Sunday school at 10:30 and a carry-in dinner at noon followed by games and fellowship. Inspiration 2000 Service - Youth Night will be at 7 p.m. on Sunday. Monday, September 18th - Friends and Neighbors Night - service at 7 p.m. Tuesday - Family Night 7 p.m., Wednesday - Sunday School Night 7 p.m.

### COUNCIL NOTES

A number of people were in attendance when the Warren Town Council opened their meeting on Monday evening, August 26 at the local Fire Station. President Chod Boxell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Preceding the regular meeting a Public Hearing was held in reference to the 2001 Municipal Budget. It was noted this is the third year Warren had kept the same tax rate.

The final adoption of the 2001

Budget will be September 11.

Sheriff Rod Jackson was in attendance and presented two awards during a special ceremony. Detective James Walters of the Indiana State Police and Marshal Steven Donnelly of the Warren Police Department were each presented letters of commendation for their efforts in a reported armed robbery at Huggy Bear Quik Stop at 4:30 a.m. August 7, 2000.

The Huggy Bear owner was in attendance and thanked the officers for their help in a very stressful situation.

Approval was given to the minutes of a regular meeting August 14 and an Executive and Special meeting August 23.

A complaint had been received of a semi-truck parking at Tower Heights. Marshal Donnelly is to investigate.

A resident on Fourth Street was concerned about Starlings in trees.

Lots of Fifth and Grover and on Jones Avenue were reported to be in need of mowing.

The Wastewater Treatment Project was discussed. Papers had been sent to the Attorney. There appeared to be complications in getting the land transferred properly due to a County regulation about partial lots.

A letter was approved to be sent to John Passey in reference to the INDOT-SR5 project.

After some discussion Council voted to continue rental of employee clothing from Cintas.

Council voted against memberships for full time and permanent part time employees of the town at Warren Health and Fitness.

Warren is expected to receive in excess of \$90,000 from an AEP settlement. Extra charges added as fuel adjustments to the Town bill will be refunded. The town paid extra costs due to Cook Nuclear Power Plant being shut down.

A town well is still being repaired, but water tower maintenance has been completed.

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## Community Calendar

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Sept 8 Warren Recycle Day  
Sept 11 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Firestation  
Sept 16 Mt Zion Fish Fry, 4:30 - 7:30,  
Sept 20 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.  
Sept 22 Warren Recycle Day  
Sept 25 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Firestation  
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

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WALDC-HCUED Marketing was discussed by Council.

Local curfew was expected to continue as is until the State sets a ruling.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison reported on Investments of the Town.

Darrel Bice reported the Utility Department had set four poles and lines on Tenth Street, made reconnections, sewer cleaning jobs and brush pick-up.

Council agreed to apply for a grant in the amount of \$25,000 for a street sweeper.

Council agreed to purchase two new front tires for the backhoe.

Council also voted to purchase a new printer to be used by Darrel Bice.

The Park Department Board will meet at 5:45 p.m. on September 11.

Officer Steve Donnelly said things had been going well with the Warren Police Department.

Announcements included: September 11, 25, Council Meetings; Sept. 12, HCUED, 7 a.m., Huntington College; Sept. 12, WALDC, noon, Morrison's; Sept. 17-21 IACT Conference, Evansville.

### BE A FOSTER PARENT

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### SENIOR DAY AT THE FORKS

The Historic Forks of the Wabash proudly invited all Senior Citizens to attend Senior Day on Tuesday, September 12, 2000 from 9 a.m. until noon at Forks of the Wabash Historic Park on US 24 at State Road 9, west of Huntington.

Senior Citizens and their guests will be admitted free of charge to this special morning of family entertainment. Come and chat with costumed interpreters, request a tune from the dulcimer layers, or recite your lessons at our one-

room school. You can stroll along nearly a mile of historical trails, visit the homes of a Miami Indian chief and a German immigrant family, relax in our air-conditioned Visitor's Center or simply watch the Wabash River roll past.

The Huntington County Council on Aging will provide free transportation to Huntington County Seniors wishing to attend the event. To arrange for transportation, simply gave them a call at 219/356-3006.

Mark your calendar. Senior Day at the Historic Forks of the Wabash is a day you won't want to miss.

For further information about Senior Day, contact the Historic Forks of the Wabash at 219/356-1903.

### PICKED FOR BOARD

The Huntington County Community Schools Board has reappointed Laura Berhoff to another term on the Warren Public Library board of trustees.

Berhoff's term will be from October 1, 2000 to September 30, 2004.

"Mrs Berhoff has been a faithful member and hard worker on the board for the past 12 years," said Librarian Rosalie Walter. "She had brought expertise, experience and insight to the board."

Walter said that the Warren Library board is comprised of people from various background experiences, educational levels, social groups and community areas. She said a trustee must be able to make policy, be well acquainted with the community, be intelligent and have the ability to work with others.

"Laura has demonstrated that she well meets the above qualifications," Walter said.

The HCCSC board approved Berhoff's reappointment with a 6-0 vote, with President Troy Irick absent.

### EASTBROOK MENUS

#### Breakfast

Each meal includes fruit or juice and milk

September 11

Pancakes w/syrup

September 12

Peanut butter/jelly bar

September 13

Sausage patty, toast w/butter

September 14

Pop tart

September 15

French toast sticks

#### Lunch

Each meal includes milk

September 11

Nachos w/chili & cheese, buttered carrots, juice, cookie

September 12

Turkey/noodles, whipped pota-

toes, green beans, hot roll w/but-

ter

September 13

Manager's choice

September 14

Taco salad, buttered peas, cake

September 15

Cold meat/cheese sandwich, po-

tato rounds, jello w/fruit

### SALAMONIE MENUS

#### Breakfast

Each meal includes milk and an option of cold cereal

September 11

Orange juice, breakfast pizza

September 12

Chilled fruit, sausage gravy/bis-

cuits

September 13

Apple juice, french toast sticks w/

syrup, sausage patties

September 14

Chilled fruit, egg/cheese/ham on

an english muffin

September 15

Grape juice, pancakes w/syrup,

sausage links

#### Lunch

Each meal includes chocolate or

white milk. Each MS meal (op-

tions in parenthesis), includes an

option of chef salad w/crackers and a fruit basket choice.

September 11

Deluxe hamburger on a bun

(breaded chicken on a bun, tuna

on wheat), buttered corn, chilled

pears, white cake w/frosting

September 12

Shaved turkey on a bun

(quarterpounder w/cheese),

french fries, applesauce, blue-

berry muffin

September 13

Spaghetti w/meat sauce (Polish

sausage on a bun), combination

salad, baby carrots w/dip, bread

stix, elfin grahams

September 14

Toasted cheese sandwich

(quarterpounder w/cheese), later

tots, grapes, monster cookie

September 15

Tony's pizza (chicken salad on

croissant), california blend, chilled

peaches, peanut butter bars.

### EARN AWARD

Franklin Electric has announced Joshua James Boxell a winner of this year's Franklin Electric Foundation Scholarship.

Boxell graduated in June from Southern Wells High School. He was a member of National Honor Society and received several academic awards through his high school years, including the Indiana Senate Certificate of Achievement.

Boxell plans to continue his education at Taylor University in Upland. He is the son of David W. Boxell of Warren.

The Edward J. Schaefer and TW Kehoe Franklin Electric Charitable and Educational Foundation Scholarship was instituted in 1987 to aid qualified students who are children of Franklin Electric employees to obtain a college education. It is awarded annually to two college-bound high school seniors who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic ability and

strength of character.

A scholarship was also awarded this year to Erin DeAnne Layton of Wilburton, Oklahoma.

### ATTEND CONVENTION

Shelly Stafford and Sandy Eichhorn were delegates to Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority held at the Omni Netherland Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 12 - 16th.


A grant of \$10,273 was given to research for Von Hippel-Lindau at the welcome breakfast. A donation of \$11,744 was given to St. Regis Home for the Deaf during the farewell luncheon. This home sees to all the education needs for deaf children from six months through high school. The amount of \$500 was given to the Susan G. Comen Breast Foundation and Wings of Eagles. An additional \$274,130.14 was donated by each chapter for local projects in their own communities.

The following were elected as officers for 2000-2001. President Mary Lou Bernard, Vice President Diane Costello, International Organizer Toni Brunk, Service Secretary Dora Brown, Editor Suzanne Hermanson, Historian Diane Roberts.

Shelly and Sandy enjoyed a tour to a German restaurant with a stage play of Grease. That evening we went on a Riverboat tour on the Ohio River.

Next years convention 2001, will be held in Baltimore, MD, at the Omni InternLabor Hotel.

We would like to thank our Beta Delta Chapter girls from Warren for sending us as delegates.



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# GENEALOGY REPORT

## HACKER

Evelyn L. Hacker, 84, 460 Forks of the Wabash Way, died at 9:55 a.m. Sunday (Sept. 3, 2000) at the Norwood Nursing Center.

Mrs. Hacker was a member of the Majenica United Methodist Church. She had been a resident of Majenica all of her life prior to moving to Huntington in 1999.

She was born April 25, 1916, in Majenica to Joseph T. and Lena E. Abell Mills. She graduated from Lancaster High School in 1933. She married Neil B. Hacker Dec. 31, 1936, in Lancaster Township, Huntington County. Her husband survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Joe Hacker, Jack Hacker and Bob Hacker, all of Huntington; a sister, Ruth Wehr, Majenica; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Martha Lee and Norma Snow; and three brothers, Clifford Mills, John Mills and Louie Mills.

Services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren. Rev. Pat Mullens officiated. Burial was at the Lancaster Cemetery, Lancaster.

Preferred memorials are to Riley Children's Hospital James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Association, 50 S. Meridian St., Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46209-6378.

## KARCHNER

Loren R. Karchner, 99, died at 3:15 p.m. Monday (Sept. 4, 2000) at the Colonial Oaks Retirement Center, Marion, where he was a resident.

Mr. Karchner retired from Bell-Fiber, Marion, in 1966 after 29 years of service. He was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church and Van Buren Masonic Lodge 711, both of Van Buren; the Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne; and a life member of Order of Eastern Star Chapter 26, Lakeland, Fla. He had resided at Colonial Oaks Retirement Center, Marion, since 1986.

He was born July 9, 1901, in Nescopeck, Pa., to Samuel F. and Nellie Roat Karchner. He moved to Indiana in 1929. His first marriage was to Hazel Mowery in 1935; she died in 1969. His second marriage was to Leah Wantland in 1970; she died in 1999.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Don (Donna) Zent, Van Buren; a son, Elwood Karchner, Huntington; three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Patty Lou Karchner; and a son, Darrell Lee Karchner.

Funeral rites and Masonic services were held at the Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main, Van Buren. Rev. Allen Kahler and Rev. Blake J. Neff officiated. Burial was at Grant Memorial Park, Marion.

Preferred memorials are to the Van Buren United Methodist Church.

## HARRELL

Howard K. Harrell, 78, 11870S-700W-35, Marion, died at 4:34 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 30, 2000) at Marion General Hospital.

Mr. Harrell, a graduate of Banquo High School, was a self-employed farmer and had also worked in production at RCA in Marion for 16 years. He retired in 1984.

He was born March 7, 1922, in Grant County. He married Betty Bradford Sept. 17, 1944; his wife survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Dan Harrell of Marion and Richard Harrell of Upland; two daughters, Donna K. Spath of Elwood and Linda Masters of Marion; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Raven Funeral Home, 1202 Kem Rd., Marion, with Rick Jett and Roger Foggin officiating. Burial was at the Van Buren Cemetery.

## LEAS

Donald Keith Leas, 73, Bluffton, died at 6:15 p.m. Sunday (Aug. 27, 2000) at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland.

Mr. Leas owned and operated Leas Feed Co., Montpelier, from 1956 to 1988. He served on the Montpelier and Blackford County school boards for six years and was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, Hartford City, and its Men's Club. He was a former resident of Huntington and had farmed in Huntington and Wells Counties. He graduated from Jackson Township High School, Wells County, in 1945.

He was born April 23, 1927, in Bluffton, a son of Ralph Luger Leas and Ruey Glee Slusher Leas. He married Virginia M. Stinson July 24, 1949, in Jackson Township, Wells County. His wife survives.

Additional survivors include three sons, Ted A. Leas of Hartford City and Terry K. Leas and Tim D. Leas, both of Montpelier; four brothers, Gail Leas and Jack Leas, both of Warren, Jim Leas of Montpelier, and Bob Leas of Columbia City; a sister, Lois Jane Carpenter, Bluffton; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Lillian Bradford, and a brother, Norman Leas.

Services were held at Grace United Methodist Church, 312 W. Washington St., Hartford City, with Rev. Steve Kaehr officiating. Burial was at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Muncie.

Keiplinger Funeral Home, Hart-

ford City, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 312 W. Washington St., Hartford City IN 47348.

## BRAGG

Clyde L. Bragg, 96, Marion, died at 2:55 a.m. at Wesleyan Health Care Center in Marion.

Mr. Bragg was born October 8, 1903 in Washington Township, Grant County, to James Bert Bragg and Alice Smith. He was a life resident of the area. On January 1, 1930 he married Beulah M. Bradford, she died April 7, 1997. Mr. Bragg was a retired farmer.

He was a member of Country Side Chapel Church, Marion, where the Services were held.

Survivors include a son, Roy (Patsy) L. Bragg of West Liberty, OH; two daughters, Ruth (Bob) Barnes of Buena Vista, CO and Doris (Charles) McClain of Swayzee; 11 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his wife, a son, Dale A Bragg in 1970 and a granddaughter Cindy King in 1998.

Services were held at Country Side Chapel Church in Marion with Rev. Ronald R. Herring officiating. Burial was in Morris Chapel Cemetery, Marion.

Visitation was held at Ferguson Funeral Home in Van Buren.

## PICKENPAUGH

Dorothy M. Pickenpaugh, 88, Van Buren, died at 2:00 a.m. September 4, 2000 at the United Methodist Memorial Home.

Mrs. Pickenpaugh was born September 26, 1911 in Morrill, KS to John Bungard and Gladys R. Kimberling. She had spent all of her life in the Van Buren area. In 1931 she married Mile (Bud) Pickenpaugh in Auburn, NE. He passed away in 1986. Mrs. Pickenpaugh retired as branch manager, Van Buren Branch, Star Financial Bank, after 31 years of service in 1970. She was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a sister, Donna (Phillip) Delarosa of LaPue, CA; a sister-in-law Helen Bungard of Van Buren; and two nieces Connie (Arlan) Beeman of Elwood and Sherri Timmons of Van Buren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one brother, Max Bungard and a niece, Nancy (Bungard) Wilson.

Graveside services were held at Van Buren Cemetery with Rev.

John R. Parks and Rev. Blake J. Neff officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Van Buren United Methodist Church.

## BIRTHS

Ryan and Rachel (Pinkerton) Kline, Warren, are the parents of a daughter, Sarah Jo Kline, born at 2:32 p.m. Aug. 28, 2000 at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces at birth and joins sister Katelyn, 4, at home.

Grandparents are Barbara Pinkerton, Warren, and Ruth Kline, Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. Brett A. (Leslie M. Burns) Gearheart of Warren are the parents of a daughter, Megan Michelle, born at 1:20a.m. Monday, Aug. 28, 2000 at Wells Community Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches. She joins a brother, John Austin, age 2.

Grandparents are Thomas M. and Catherine L. Burns and John D. and Carolyn J. Gearheart, all of Warren.

Travis D. and Renee R (Manriquez) Bradin, Huntington, are the parents of a daughter, Alexis Joan Bradin, born at 12:55 p.m. August 23, 2000 at Huntington Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 10 ½ ounces and joins a sister, Hayley Nikkole, 4, at home.

Grandparents are James and Tammy McNany, Warren and Joseph and Teresa Bradin, Huntington. Great-grandparents are Doris Hiner, Warren, Leo McClain, Tennessee, Bill and Marguerite McNany, Missouri, John and Shirley Bradin, Huntington and Donna Ditton, Huntington.

## BECHTEL- GARBER

Joy Bechtel and Brodie Jay Garber were married July 1, 2000 at the Nappanee Missionary Church, Nappanee David Engbrecht and Bill Fisher officiated the ceremony. Musicians included Mindy Kleinhardt and Gary and Shayne Cripe.

Jennifer Bechtel, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Tricia Filbrun, Amber Bender, Judy LaGrange and Jamie Kauffman. Haley Bechtel, niece of the bride, was the junior bridesmaid and Ashley Schwartz was the flower girl.

Rob Geiger-Pergem served as best man. Groomsmen were Jeff leBeau, Corbie Garber, brother of the groom, Ryan Ripke and Courtney Graber. Brock Bechtel, nephew of the bride, was the junior groomsman and Braden Bechtel, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer. IshaieS included Ron Bechtel and Brian Bechtel, brothers of the bride, Brent Miller and Craig Sloan.

A reception, hosted by Orv and Lorene Kropf, was held at Nelson's Port-a-Pit, Wakarusa. Cliff and Norma Schrock were the greeters. Kara Mishler, Hannah Miller and Kayla Miller were the gift attendants and Kristen Myers and Erin Hagar were the guest book attendants.

The couple chose a wedding trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The bride graduated from Fairfield High School, Goshen, in 1996 and Huntington College in 2000, earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She will teach at Salamonie School, Warren, this fall. Her parents are Devon and LaVerda Bechtel, Goshen.

The bridegroom graduated from Fairfield High School, Goshen, in 1995 and Huntington College in 2000, earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education. He will teach at Riverview Middle School this fall. His parents are Lyle and Connie Garber, Goshen.

## CLEVENGER- CHANEY

Kimberly Kay Clevenger and Roy Dwayne Chaney were married July 1, 2000 at the home of the bride's parents in Warren. Kristina Bickel officiated the ceremony. Alicia Hollars served as maid of honor.

John Malcolm served as best man.

A reception at the home of the bride's parents followed the ceremony. Kelly Hicks served cake and Matt Hollars served punch. Darlene Myers was the reception assistant with other family and friends helping out.

The couple are planning a wedding trip for a later date.

The bride graduated from Huntington North High School in 1995. She is employed as a nutritional services aide at the United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren. Her parents are LaVon and Gerrie Clevenger, 6940S Warren Rd., Warren.

The bridegroom graduated from Huntington North High School in 1997. He is the assistant manager at Monro Muffler Brake and Service. His parents are Darlene Myers, 3144W 543S Huntington, and Roy Chaney, 4 Nicole Lane. The couple resides at 515 S. Broadway, Huntington.

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## AREA NEWS CONTINUED

### CLASS REUNION HELD

The Class of 1959 Jefferson held their 41<sup>st</sup> class reunion at the home of Marvin and Rosemary Zeller on August 6<sup>th</sup>. A delicious meal was enjoyed and catered by Kim. After the meal we enjoyed talking of the past and present. Rosemary passed out copies of our Class prophecy for the year 1959. Then we took a tour of Marvin's Antique tractors and cars.

Those present were Sandy Eichhorn, Jim Reber, Dean and Sandy Richicson, JK and Jean Bentley, Ira and Martha Banter, Pat DeHaven, Judy and Jim Ogle, Max and Lois Spahr. A surprise phone call from Carolyn Gilbert, who lives in Coolidge, AZ, was received.

Next year the reunion will be held at Marvin's on August 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in the evening, year 2001.

### LADIES MET

Mary Houtz was hostess to the Rural Friendship Extension Homemakers Club of Salamonie Township on August 24<sup>th</sup> at Morrison's. The club prayer was sung before the luncheon. The afternoon meeting was opened by President Marie Wood with all giving the Pledge to the Flag and repeating the club creed. Mary gave the devotions and closed with prayer. Health and Safety leader Olive Dalrymple passed out folders on Osteoporosis, Can It Happen To You. Joan Huffman, citizenship chairman, told of Citizenship Day which is on September 17<sup>th</sup> this year. Roll call was answered by eleven members giving their vacation plans. Minutes were read by Avis Ruble and financial report given by Georgia Poulson. Birthday gifts were received by Olive and Joan. Recipes for the Tab should be brought to the next meeting.

Those attending other than already named were Viola Blair, Maxine Helms, Nova Preston, Vera Spahr and Mary Andres Vickrey.

### GRADUATES FROM IWU

Troy Duane Drayer, Warren received an associate of science degree in business during the 101<sup>st</sup> commencement August 12, 2000 at Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion.

Indiana Wesleyan University, affiliated with The Wesleyan Church, is an evangelical Christian liberal arts college founded in 1920. Nearly 7,000 students are enrolled.

### NEW AT VBPL

New childrens books received in August at the Van Buren Public Library include: Family Tree—Pierre Coran, Working in Law and Justice—Mary Davis, Why did we have to Move Here?—Sally Davies, Roller Coasters, or, I Had So Much Fun, I Almost Puked—Nick Cook, When William Went Away—Sally Davies, Frederic Chopin—Jackie Dineen, When I Was Young—James Dunbar, There's a Wardrobe in my Monster—Adrienne Geoghegan, Zap II/Gear II/Build II/Shape II—Keith Good, Jesse Ventura—Keith Greenberg, Rainy

Day—Emma Haughton, Libraries Take Us Far—Lee Hill, Working in Health Care and Wellness/Working with Animals/Working in Sports and Recreation/Working in Music—Barbara Lee, Bill Gates—Jeanne Lesinski, Beatrix Potter/Claude Monet/John Cabot/Vincent Van Gogh/Wolfgang Amadeus

Moazrt—John Malam, Working in the Environment—Corinna Nelson, The Wrong Overcoat—Hiawyn Oram, Stripe—Joanne Partis, Dandelions: Stars in the Grass—Mia Posada, Roald Dahl—Chris Powling, Saint Joan of Arc—Jeremy Roberts, Millipedeology/Spideiology—Michael Ross, Louise May Alcott—Amy Ruth, John Glenn—Tom Streissguth, Bruce Lee—Tagliaferro, George Lucas—Dana White, Young Abe Lincoln: The Frontier Days—Cheryl Harness, Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln—Jean Fritz, The Story of the White House—Kae Waters, If You Lived on the Underground Railroad, A. Lincoln and Me—Louise Borden, Food and Recipes of the Civil War—George Erdosh, Kid's Computer Creations—Carol Sabbeth, The Worst Christmas Ever—Connie Remlinger-Frounstone, Bite-Sized Lincoln—John Holms, Sojourner Truth: Ain't I A Woman?—Patricia McKissack, Disney Presents the Wonderful World of Knowledge—Jack Challoner, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire #4—J.K. Rowling, King Bidgood's in the Bathtub—Audrey Wood, Making Faces—Norman Messenger, Kites Sail High—Ruth Heller, Heckedy Peg—Audrey Wood, Michael Jordan—Nick Edwards, A Wish for Wings That Work—Berkeley Breathed, What Happens to a Hamburger—Paul Showers, Fried Feathers for Thanksgiving—James Stevenson, I Love Guinea Pigs—Dick King-Smith, It's Mine!—Leo Lionni, Tell-A-Bunny—Nancy Wallace, The Youngest Fairy Godmother Ever—Stephen Krensky, The Language of Birds—Rafe Martin, Ark in the Park—Wendy Orr, Bartleby of the Mighty Mississippi—Phyllis Shalant, The Wanderer—Sharon Creech, On the Edge: Stories at the Brink—Lois Duncan, Glasses For D. W.—Marc Brown, Lucy's Wish—Joan Lowery Nixon, The Secret Garden—Frances Hodgson Burnett, Double Trouble in Walla Walla—Andrew Clements, Jefferson Davis: President of the Confederacy—Joann Burch, It Could Have Been Worse—A. H. Benjamin.

New Videos for August, 2000 received at the Van Buren Public Library: Because He Lives: Songs of Bill and Gloria Gaither, Singing In My Soul with Bill and Gloria Gaither and their Homecoriing Friends, Good News with Bill and Gloria Gaither, The Cathedrals: A Farewell Celebration Hosted by Bill Gaither, The Fortune Cookie, Hobson's Choice, The Last of Sheila, Giant, Life-Size, The Real Macaw, Runaway Bride, The Patriot (Steven Seagal), The 13th Warrior, Urban Cowboy, Ghostbusters, The Man With the Golden Gun, Dr. No, Goldfinger,

Moonraker, Hard To Kill, Erin Brockovich, Buzz Lightyear of Star Command, Cinderella (Brandy version), You're Invited to Mary-Kate and Ashley's School Dance Party.

New adult books received in August: Bite-Sized Lincoln—John Holms, While I Was Gone—Sue Miller, The Perfect Storm—Sebastian Junger, The Poisonwood Bible—Barbara Kingsolver, Joy Breaks: 90 Devotions to Celebrate, Simplify and add Laughter to your Life—Patsy Clairmont, The Mysterium—Eric McCormack, The Dreams Our Stuff is Made Of—Thomas Desch, Voodoo River—Robert Crais, The Cannibal Queen—Stephen Coonts, The Hugo Winners—Isaac Asimov, Our Game—John Le Carre', The Love Song of J. Edgar Hoover—Kinky Freedman, A Little Yellow Dog—Walter Mosley, The Day of the Jackal—Frederick Forsyth, Final Blackout—L. Ron Hubbard, No Turning Back—Anne Laurence, Highland Whispers—Sharon Gillenwater, Sweet Paradise—Jolene Prewit-Parker, The Scarlotti Inheritance—Robert Ludlum, Shanna—Kathleen Woodiwiss, To Have and to Hold—Charlene Raddon, Desert Ecstasy—Connie Mason, Fascination—Stella Cameron, Wild Hearts—Garda Parker, Tiger Lil—Ellen Archer, Martians, Go Home!—Fredric Brown, The Wizard of Camelot—Simon Hawke, Celestial Matters—Richard Garfinkle, 4-H in Indiana: 1904-1990, The Slim-Fast Body-Mind-Life Makeover—Lauren Hutton, Beyond the Gathering Storm—Janette Oke, Murder at Pearl Harbor—Jim Walker, Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul III—Jack Canfield, Jefferson Davis: Ex-President of the Confederate States—Varina Davis, Murder in Foggy Bottom—Margaret Truman, Mystic Visions—Rosanne Bittner, This One and Magic Life—Anne George, Crazy Horse—Mike Sajna, Nightshade—John Saul, Friendship Cake—Lynne Hinton, The Secret—Harold Robbins, Midnight in Ruby Bayou—Elizabeth Lowell, Preserver—William Shatner, Keep it Simple, Stupid: You're

Smarter Than You Look—Judy Sheindlin, Sacred Sins—Nora Roberts, Sign-Talker: The Adventure of George Drouillard on the Lewis and Clark Expedition—James Alexander Thom, Riptide—Catherine Coulter, Nora, Nora—Anne Rivers Siddons, X-Men—Kristine Rusch, Easy Prey—John Sandford, On Secret Service—John Jakes, The Death of Innocence—John Ramsey, The Amethyst Heart—Penelope Stokes, The Face-Changers—Thomas Perry, Murder on a Girls' Night Out—Anne George, Flags of our Fathers—James Bradley, Lightning Strikes—V. C. Andrews, Forging

the Darksword—Margaret Weis, Every Man a Tiger—Tom Clancy, Island of Dreams—Katherine Stone, Hot Six—Janet Evanovich, True Justice—Robert Tanenbaum, Mr. Perfect—Linda Howard, Heartbreaker—Julie Garwood, The Patient—Michael Palmer, The Summoning God—Kathleen O'Neal Gear, Cooking with Vestal and Friends—Vestal (Happy) Goodman, I Almost Missed The Sunset—Bill Gaither, Who Moved My Cheese?—Spencer Johnson, MD, Turn Your Radio On—Ace Collins.



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### TRACTOR PULL 1999

(This is a recount of last year's pull written by Verlis Slusher for The Hook magazine in the November 1999 issue. I tried to condense it for the Warren Weekly but there was just too much good information so I decided to print the whole article.)

Down 1-69 thirty- to thirty-five miles southwest of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, tucked in the corner of Huntington County, lies the small community of Warren. It is here that the heartbeat of deadweight tractor pulling beats. This is evidenced by 580 entries in this year's annual pull celebrating its 50th consecutive year of pulling. Late each summer, three deadweight pulls take place within a 10 mile radius of Warren.

The Warren Pull takes place on the site where it originated 50 years ago, the old Warren elementary and high school grounds. The pulling strip used to run through shortstop and third base of the ball diamond and on out into left field. A few years ago the running pullers and the deadweighters built a new pulling strip. With moisture it becomes a real power track.

After a school consolidation, the building and grounds were kept by the community and, with the help of an alumnus, renamed the Knight Civic Center. Many community events and activities now are held there. When the neighboring school district in Southern Wells County lost their elementary school to a devastating fire, the Warren community offered their civic center as a temporary school building to be used once again as a school until their new building could be built. For the community's efforts, they were awarded the national Midland Texas Community Spirit Award.

In the United States historical accounts of tractor pulling, Warren's claim to fame will be that it was the site where the legendary NTPA Banter Brothers got their start. When the brothers were high school students at neighboring Jefferson Center High School, they built their first pulling tractor. It was a Farmall F-20 with a flat-head Ford engine. Its maiden voyage was at Mt. Etna on cement but it also showed up at Warren as competition also. It soon was modified with a Chrysler engine and an automatic transmission and, as many of you know, innovations continued to follow. We deadweighters were fortunate in that it wasn't long before the guys were off and running.

The Warren Kiwanis Club started the pull in 1949 and continued it for many years. When their membership became older it was passed on to a group of young fellows called the Salamonie Active Men (SAM) who took over promotion of the pull and continued for a number of years. After they decided to give up the pull, it looked as if the longevity of it was over. But enter the Jones Brothers (Jack, Kenny, Steve, John and, oh yes, Dad, Emerson) with the whole family. These young

men had become very active in deadweight pulling and were building and modifying their own tractors. They promoted and kept the pull from dying out. Now, ten miles away, they promote the Van Buren Deadweight Pull. The Jones Family continues to provide concessions for the annual Warren Pull.

The Joneses were followed by three men (Dee Baker, David Bradford, and Verlis Slusher) who once competed fiercely to beat one another. They joined forces and have promoted the pull for the last five years. Yes, they still compete against each other and the rest of the field.

The Pull that started so long ago by the Kiwanis has turned into a hometown tradition. A family festival type atmosphere surrounds the Labor Day weekend. People living in the community know that families connected to pulling will be in Warren for "the duration". People from other nearby communities will attend sometime during the weekend just to visit and renew old acquaintances up and down track side row.

Many families are three generation pulling families. I started to list them but when the list passed half a dozen, I was afraid I might miss someone. Next year, the Lord willing, this writer's family will begin its fourth generation of pulling when grandson Jacob starts his Oliver pulling career.

The odds of an interesting situation which occurred on our 50th anniversary will likely never happen again. Dan Poulson won the lightweight class in 1949 with his dad's Allis Chalmers C. That first year his older brothers were going to take the WC to Warren's first tractor pull. Dan kept bugging Dad about making the C. He didn't appear to be making any progress until he reminded Dad that he had \$5.00 from making hay. Finally Dad said, "Well if you want to waste your hard earned money, go ahead and take the C." As a young teenager, winning that first pull planted a seed. Dan has pulled a CA the last 3-4 years. This past winter he made some major modifications to it (a slower low gear and 38 inch rubber) hoping for an opportunity to win the 50th anniversary pull as well as that first one. The good fairy came up one whisker shy! Don's son, Kent, won second on the CA and his friend, Bob McLain, won 4th on it. Dan tied for another place but was scratched because of a ruling that says a single tractor cannot win more than two places. What are the odds of this happening in a class of 290 drivers? Oh, by the way, back in 1949, brother Bill won 3rd in the medium weight class and Harold placed 7th on the WC.

Registration on Friday evening was completed by flashlight due to a power outage. The computer had to wait for electricity. There was a total of 580 entries for the weekend. This 50th event saw new sunshades and tarps giving the track side a new look. An increase of the number of campers was also noted as tents and

campers grew in number all around the Knight Civic Center lower shelf.

To maximize time at the pull, a score-board timer was introduced. With some adaptation and modification it may become a permanent fixture of the pull.

As a part of our celebration this year we included a complimentary "Founding Fathers/Old Timers Pull" on Sunday evening in the adjacent pulling lane while our second class was ongoing. We had a second sled that we invited the drivers to hitch to. They were invited to pull a tractor like the one they pulled years ago or one very similar to it. Our drivers willingly loaned them a tractor to drive and even a couple of them actually brought the same restored tractor they pulled way back when.

"Hack" Daugherty, an original Kiwanian and longtime equipment dealer in Warren, even "spun" some old stories of days gone by. Many relatives were seen visiting that evening as some interesting history was recreated.

Families that have restored stock tractors and pullers that have re-engineered stock tractors with automobile engines have an annual activity to participate in. Some are antique show tractors that just don't look pretty, but prove their worth on the track. Size and horsepower don't always win.

The majority of our competitors pull stock tractors that range from Massey 30's, Allis CA's, and Oliver 60's through all the two and three bottom plow manufactured models, JD 4020's, Oliver 1850's, also four, six, and eight cylinder automotive engines installed in stock tractor chassis. Those tractors consist of four, six, and eight cylinder automotive powered Massey Harris Juniors, Seniors, 30's, and 44's. There is also a Corvair powered Farmall H, a six cylinder automotive powered Oliver and a Cadillac powered Cockshutt rail.

Some of the stock tractors have been overhauled and "jacked-up" (you know \$ engines) far more than standard horsepower. A few

of the competitors also take these tractors to running pulls and hitch transfer sleds. Generally speaking though, we have discovered that it is quite difficult to have one tractor be highly competitive both dead weighting and running. Combinations and setups are just basically different for running and dead weighting.

This fiftieth event took a toll on equipment as the Rhamy Oliver 66's rear end, Ralston Gizmo's rear hub and the front hub McLain "Six-to-Go" all broke.

The Warren Pull features a 50% entry fee payback in both the 4000-4900# class and a 6000-9000# class. Fifteen places are awarded on a percentage basis and five places are determined by longest pull. Neighboring pulls have classes that are usually 4000-6000# and 6000-9000# and prizes are awarded on a percentage and longest pull basis.

Our pulls are choice of spot pulls. Spot tractors donated/sponsored by area equipment dealers place the two iron runner sled anywhere in the 14 feet by 225 feet pulling lane the contestant selects. If 15 feet is successfully pulled, he/she continues into the next round after more weight is added to the sled. This routine continues until the longest pull has been determined. As each tractor is eliminated, its pulling percentage is determined by dividing the weight pulled by the weight of the tractor and driver.

Tractors are weighed in and then certified for safety. A 20 inch hitch height and mandatory wheelie bars capable of supporting the weight of the tractor are a must. Tire size is unlimited and left to the preference of each driver. Duals are allowed. Tire size ranges from 13.6 x 38s (or smaller if preferred) to 30.1 inches wide to 46 inches tall. Success seems to be finding the correct combination of tire size, horsepower, gear ratio, weight of the tractor, and

luck in drawing a number that allows the driver to be on the track when pulling traction is at its best.

After 80-1/2 hours of continuous pulling with only a one and a half hour break on Sunday morning for church, a long weekend came to a close. "Old Glory" which had been raised during the singing of the national anthem by Ludy Felton was lowered at 1:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning. Tuesday night, however, found the promoters and some volunteers tearing down and cleaning up the grounds. The parade of equipment including the school bus announcer's stand, weight truck, wagon with sled, loader/grader tractor, the dump truck, "Ole 47" loaded with litter, tractor and track working equipment, local welder truck and assorted loaded pickups headed through town and down the gravel Salamonie River road towards it's winter storage grounds at Belville. This grand parade announces the end to another successful Labor Day tractor pull, "the 50th" in Warren, Indiana.

Hopefully we'll have the results from the 51st Labor Day pull in as soon as Verlis recuperates from the festivities. Thanks Verlis for some great information.

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