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Thought for the Week: A strong positive mental attitude will create more miracles than any wonder drug. Patricia Neal

FISH FRY

Huntington County Council on Aging presents their annual Warren Fish and Chicken Supper, by Dan's Fish Fry Services, Friday, February 12, 2010, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center, Warren, IN.

We have kept our ticket prices the same, as last year, even though our costs have increased. We hope this will allow you to join this fun event with all of your friends. Tickets are Adults \$8.00, Children 6-12 \$4.25 and Children 5 & under FREE. * Carry Out Available *

Tickets available at the Senior Center or from any Board Member. For more information, call 359-4410.

APPLICATIONS TO FIRE

DEPARTMENT

The Warren Fire Department will be accepting applications for membership.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and not over 45. Applicants must be in good health. A mandatory 24 hour course will have to be completed, as well as a physical examination, if any applicant is considered for membership.

Any one interested can pick up applications at the Town Clerks office. Applications can be turned in at the Town hail or give to any Warren fire department member.

BOOKS TO BE HANDED OUT

Many of our local Salamonie School students will have a new favorite book very soon. The Way To Go and My Favorite Book, beautifully illustrated volumes expressive of moral values, are being made available in certain local schools as a gift to 1st grade through 10 year olds by local business leaders who are concerned about the future of our children.

A copy of the volume goes home with the child to become his or her very own. Printed in these books is a Parent Guide explaining the values covered in the book along with suggested topics for family discussions. With My Favorite Book extra copies of the book are given to the school along with access to an interactive web site

www.MyFavoriteBookLand.com incorporating the themes of the volume.

Without the support of local community leaders this program would not be possible.

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NEW AT **L**IBRARY

New books recently received at the Warren Public Library include the following.

Fiction - No Mercy by L Armstrong; The First Rule by R Crais; Treasure Hunt by J Lescroart; Blood Ties by K Hooper; Kiss For Cade by L Copeland; Kisser by S Woods; Never Say Never by L Wingate; Wolf at the Door by J Higgins; Pieces of Sky by K Warner; Angel's Peak by R Carr; The Lightkeeper' Daughter by C Coble; Saving Cee Cee Huneycutt by B Hoffman; Winter's Awakening by S Gray; Corpse on the Cob by S Jaffarian; Secrets of Eden by C Bohjalian;

Wild Penance by S Ault; Winter Garden by K Hannah; Blood Root by A Green; Worst Case by J Patterson; Roses by Meacham.

Non Fiction – Marriage and Other Acts of Charity; Pay Dirt: How to Make \$10,000 a Year From Your Backyard Garden; Grown Your Own Vegetables Book; Guide to US Stamps; If the Church Were Christian; Brace for Impact: Miracle On the Hudson; Cook This, Not That: Kitchen Survival Guide; Coupon Mom's Guide to Cutting Your Grocery Bills; Miss Manner's Guide to a Surprisingly Dignified Wedding. Teen: They Never Came Back by Cooney; Leaving Gees Bend

Children: Easter in Harwick: Thomas and Friends; Strike Three, Marley; Amelia Rules: Superheroes; March Mischief; Big Chickens Go To Town; 39 Clues: The Viper's Nest.

TAX FORMS

The Warren Public Library now has Indiana State Tax forms. Originally we were not to receive any forms this year in the State's effort to save taxpayer money and bring more efficiency to state government. Libraries were asked to help direct our patrons to I-File, the state's "fast, friendly and free" online filing system. However, the Department of Revenue has reevaluated, and forms are now available at the Library.

SWIMMING PARTY?

Are you having a group party and not sure where to go? The Salamonie School swimming pool is available for rent. If you are interested, please call the office at 260-375-3434 for more information.

ITEMS NEEDED

Cammy Ackley is in need of empty wine bottles and the corks, for an event the Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring this spring. It doesn't matter the color, shape or size. I do not want the "screw type" of bottles, just the ones with corks. If you also have a collection of bottle corks, I can use all that you have!

You can drop these off at either Ackley Automotive or at Citizens Telephone anytime. Thanks!

TRACTOR CLUB

Warren Area Antique Tractor club meeting, Sunday, February 7, 2010, at Dan and Norma Slagles, 2:00 pm. Dan and Norma live at 4222 S. America Road, Wabash, IN 46992, 765-981-2671. Come and enjoy as

afternoon of fun and fellowship talking about tractors and crafts. The ladies are invited also. Salamonie Summer Festival will be here before we know it. So ladies be ready with your craft items.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

The Van Buren United Methodist Youth Group will be hosting a Super Bowl Party on Sunday Feb7th at 5:30pm at the church Fellowship Hall. The Youth will be providing pizza and drinks, bring a snack to share. Admittance is a nonperishable item which will be donated to the Harvest House. See the Colts play the Saints on the big screen! If you have questions please contact Jen Plummer @ 765-251-0513. Hope to see you there!



RECEIVED GAS DETECTOR

The Warren Fire Department recently received a new gas detector, courtesy of the Vectren Gas Company. This new and updated detector will replace one that has been in service for several years. The detector is the same as those used by Vectren, and they had a number of the detectors available to provide to volunteer fire departments. Warren was fortunate to receive one.

Presenting the detector to Chief Lee Poulson is Barry Hammel, field supervisor for Vectren Gas. The department wishes to thank Vectren and Barry for the generous donation to the department.

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It is sent anywhere in the Continental United States for three (3) months for \$12 six (6) months for \$24 or \$48 for one year. Mail name, address, and paymen to WARREN WEEKLY at: PO Box 695, Warren, IN 46792.

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

Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop, mail to P O Box 695, Warren, fax to 260.375.7007 or email to wwkly@citznet.com. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

I wish I could find words to express my thanks for the bountiful donations the Bread of Life Food Pantry has received. Your generosity and kindness has truly been awesome. Because of the costs of mailing personal thanks, I hope my published thanks in our treasured Warren Weekly will express how meaningful your gifts are. Everyone's help is deeply appreciated; your gifts have fed as many as 300 a month.

> **Phyllis Harness** Bread of Life Food Pantry



THE **U**PTOWN **GARDENER** by Ruth Herring

Hang in there everyone, in the middle of February we should have the February thaw, at least for a few days. Believe me I am ready and I'm sure most of you are also.

On these cold days I am glad I don't have to worry about bringing in wood and coal, feed chickens and gather eggs and get the cows in for milking. Just don't miss that one bit! And I sure don't miss having to get up and get in a cold car to go to work. I think that is one of the blessings of retirement.

We had a warm day a few days ago and was outside and noticed I have some spring bulbs peeking thru the ground. It was sure an encouraging thought even though I know they will get froze a few more times. They are sure hard little things of nature.

Still have plants in my greenhouse blooming and some rooting nice. Soon I will plant them in soil. Be nice to get hands in the soil, even though it comes in a bag.

Trying to think of what to write this week and thoughts went back to the cold winter evenings after chores were all done we gathered around the nice warm wood stove to listen to our favorite programs on the radio. Of course dad first listened to the news and if it was a time for President Roosevelt to speak, that was a must to see if he agreed or disagreed with him. Some of our favorites was Amos and Andy, Giltersleeve, Mom enjoyed the afternoon soap opera stories, I think Guiding Light was one of them. Often that was also her sewing time either hand sewing in her favorite rocking chair or at the ole treadle sewing machine. That was when we kids were to not be rowdy and distract her. Us girls looked forward to the Hit Parade and my kid brother any shoot out western. That was almost like our ty as he had to act out the whole program only he was forbidden to damage any furniture or knock out windows.

Those were always good family times at our house often we shared bowls of popcorn for treats. Bottles of sodas were almost unheard of at our house, it was good cold well water or hot

They were great times as long as we behaved or the electricity stayed on. Even that made for a fun time.

If we were all really good sometimes before the programs came on mom would make a batch of taffy candy and have a taffy pull,

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Sunday School10:30 a.m.

Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

8294S 900W 35

Gary Riley, Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m.

Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 p.m.

BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.

CWF Ladies (3 Tue)6:00 p.m.

1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor

Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 10:30a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199

Pastor - William Shelor

Youth Leaders - Heath & Kelly Jones

Worship9:30 a.m.

Sunday School10:40 a.m.

Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.

Youth Group Sun 6:30p.m

Handicap Accesible

Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —

MAJENICA

Pastor Richard Evans

260/224-3376

Sunday Service10:30 a.m.

Wednesday7:00 p.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779

Dick Case, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.

Wed - Circle of Friends

1st Worship.....

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

2nd Worship Service10:30a.m.

Youth Group (6th-12th).6:00p.m.

(3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m.

....9:00 a.m.

....10:30a.m

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726

Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

2nd Worship......10:30 a.m.

HERITAGE POINTE

Sunday Morning Worship9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat

Chapel Services9:00 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING

SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto

Steve Sutton, Pastor

765/728-2065 for more info

ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES

9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana

Jim Graham, Pastor

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Morning Worship 10:30am

Sunday Worship.....

Sunday School

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SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST 227 N Main St, Warren, IN

375-3873 Kathy Newton, Pastor Sunday School9:00 a.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN

468-2411

Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer Sunday School9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:55a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor Devin Cook

Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. **MCNATT UNITED METHODIST**

> 375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship......8:30 a.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST

260/468-2148 Tony Johnson - Pastor

Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m. Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m. **MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN**

Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m.

Worship10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening6:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed)6:00 p.m.

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2691

Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.



SALAMONIE **CHURCH OF BRETHREN** 468-2412

Mel Zumbrun, Pastor Worship9:30 a.m. Church School10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102

Pastor Scott Nedberg Sunday Worship...... 9:30 a.m. Junior Church 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 765/934-3321 Parsonage

Jeff Wass, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Adult Worship10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:30a.m. Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m. Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 765-934-1431

Pastor Blake J. Neff Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30a.m. Jr/Sr High FLOCK (Sun)...... 6:00 p.m. Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:00 p.m. UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m. www.vanburenumc.org

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022

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

Shanna Fortney, Bible School Supt. www.warrenchurchofchrist.org Worship & Communion9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. Youth: K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday

WARREN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.

6-8pm

Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching and Discipleship Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of

Family Life Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren

Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor

Wesley Welch, Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m.

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

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-934-3609

Pastor - Dan Metz

Sunday Worship...... 10:30 am Sunday School Classes9:30 am Youth Group6:00 pm Sunday Adult Bible Study...... 6:00 pm Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

AREA NEWS

VALENTINE **B**RUNCH

Dogwood Glen and Kim's Katered Affair will be hosting Sunday Brunch on Valentine's Day, February 14th, from 11am - 1pm. Buffet menu includes: Sausage Gravy & Biscuits, Cheese & Vegetable Frittata, Swiss Steak with Gravy, Chicken Parmesan, Ham Loaf, Vegetable Lasagna, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Cauliflower with Cheese Sauce. Assorted Salads, Breads, Desserts & Beverages. Cost: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for 10 & under. Please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750 for reservations. Carry-out is also available.



Joins Thorne

Betsy Boxell Partin has joined the staff of Thorne Insurance Agency fulltime as a Personal Lines Assistant for their Warren location. You can reach her Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 260-468-2953.

You're Invited

Feb 3

This Friday you are invited to each of the HOME Games for the Huntington Eagles and Lady Eagles Basketball teams, which will be played at the Salamonie School Gym in Warren, IN. Friday 2/5/10, starting at 6:00 P.M. the Eagles will face the Granger Christian Knights. The

Varsity Girls will tip off at 6:00 PM, with the Varsity Boys following about 7:15 PM. **HOME** Game admission prices are very family friendly, only \$2/ student, \$3/adult and \$8/ family. One admission charge for an evening of enjoyment. Delicious and Nutritious Concessions are available.

NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Mr. Benjamin Charles Arndt has been named to the Dean's List at Huntington University for the Fall Term 2009. Mr. Arndt is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Missions.

Ms. Abigail Marie Arndt has been named to the Dean's List at Huntington University for the Fall Term 2009. Ms. Arndt is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in History Education.

Parents are Phillip and Melissa Arndt of Warren.

The Dean's List is published two times a year at Huntington University. The recognizes students for outstanding academic achievement during the previous semester. Honorees must be classified as regular students, be enrolled full-time with a load of 12 hours or more in graded courses, and must achieve a semester grade point average of at least 3.50 on a four-point scale.

REAL ELEGANT DAMES

Virginia Langdon opened the doors of her lovely home for the Jan. get-together for the Real Elegant Dames tea party. We were royally entertained with the "History of Aprons" program, presented by Ellen Layman. It certainly opened the doors of memory for each one of us and treated us to new ones

we had never seen before. We sang our birthday wishes to the three celebrating birthdays this month (Virginia Langdon, Becky Parker and Joyce Shepherd) and watched them make their wishes before blowing out their candles. Members attending were Fritz Boxell, Freddie Couch, Marian Huffman, Lilly Nutter, Becky Parker, Joyce Shepherd, guests Nancy Smyth, Ellen Laymon and our gracious hostess.

PERFORMED AT EASTBROOK

Nine instrumental music students from Salamonie performed at the Indiana State Music Contest held at Eastbrook Jr./Sr. High on Saturday, January 30. Fiona Sackett-Oboe Solo, Lea Gamble-Clarinet Solo, Ashley Mitchell-Clarinet Solo, Abby Oursler-Alto Saxophone Solo, Andrew Anderson-Flute Solo, Cam Dewitt-Trumpet Solo, and Danielle Kem-Amanda Tolen-Stephanie Glessner-Woodwind Trio. Six gold awards and one silver were given to the students for their efforts. Congratulations on a job well-

REDUCE MANURE RUNOFF

Purdue and Ohio State specialists recently discussed manure management practices to reduce manure runoff in farm fields. A new Ohio State University (OSU) study shows that if farmers who apply manure as fertilizer to no-till fields follow a few simple recommendations, they can decrease the chance that pathogens end up in runoff and pose environmental and health hazards.

OSU scientists studied the transport of Cryptosporidium, a parasite present in animal waste, through no-till and tilled fields. They found that a greater amount of the parasite moved along with excess water through no-till fields and into tile drains than in tilled fields, especially during a rain event.

To test the effect of tillage and rainfall on parasite transport, the researchers treated twelve plots – six undisturbed no-till and six no-till blocks that were tilled on the surface – with liquid manure containing Cryptosporidium oocysts.

"Even before any artificial rain was applied, almost 30 percent of the liquid manure moved through the no-till soil, but none moved through the tilled blocks," Warren Dick, OSU soil microbiologist, said. "During the rain event, a greater number of Cryptosporidium moved through the no-till blocks compared to the tilled blocks." "If no-till growers can do just a

little light tillage right over the drain tiles, it can have a tremendous impact on the movement of pathogens and nutrients from the soil surface to the field drain tiles, with potential decreases in the transport of oocysts up to 80 percent," Dick said.

"This study is in no way advocating that no-till is a bad management practice. As a whole, no-till has a multitude of environmental and crop production benefits," said Dick. "But, any production practice can be improved upon and this study demonstrates that there are ways of making no-till better for both people and the

environment."

Purdue Extension Dairy Specialist, Tamilee Nennich, notes that injecting manure can also prevent runoff. "A lot of producers inject manure," Nennich said. "That's a great way to make sure the nutrients stay in the soil. If manure is spread on the soil surface, it provides a lot more opportunity for nutrients to run off. So incorporating manure instead of leaving it on the surface is very advantageous.

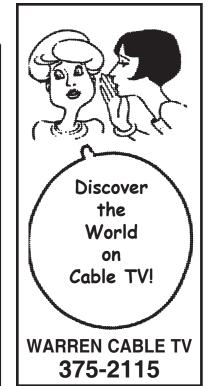
Nennich added, "Producers also need to pay attention to buffer areas, and if there are any sensitive areas, like low spots, avoid them. If it's possible, leave even greater buffer distances, especially in areas with down slopes, to try to prevent run off."

Nennich and Alan Sutton (from the Purdue Animal Science Department) coauthored a recent publication titled, "Management Tips for Spring Manure Applications." The publication (http:// www.ces.purdue.edu/ extmedia/AS/AS_593_W.pdf) provides suggestions for producers as they prepare for spring manure applications on farm fields.

If you have questions, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.











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 onetime \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is cancelled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.

Feb 8 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m Feb 12 Lincoln's Birthday Feb 14 Valentine's Day Feb 15 President's Day KBC Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Feb 15 Feb 17 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Feb 17 Ash Wednesday

Feb 22 Washington's Birthday Warren Town Council, 4 p.m. Feb 22

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 5:00pm at KBC or by appointment -Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

ART SHOW DEADLINE

The Midwest's best student artists have until February 6, 2010, to submit their works for Huntington University's annual High School Art Exhibit. Sponsored by the Department of Visual Arts, the juried show is open to original works of art produced within the last year by high school students within 150 miles of the Huntington campus, or any upperclassman considering attending Huntington University. Students from public and private high schools, as well as home schools, are eligible to compete.

The Robert E. Wilson Gallery in the Merillat Centre for the Arts will host the exhibition between February 11 and March 11, 2010. An awards reception will be held February 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Each school may send up to 10 entries in any media. Each student may enter up to three original works. An entry form must accompany every submission. Participating student artists will compete for cash awards for Best of Show and first, second, and third place.

In addition, high school seniors may compete for the Huntington University Department of Visual Arts 2010-2011 Performance Grants, available to full time HU art majors who meet grade point average requirements. A total of 10 pieces must be submitted in order to be considered for a Performance Grant. The student may elect which pieces to submit for the High School Art Exhibit and which to leave in a portfolio, in the care of the



(3rd St. Ext.) Teleflora,

university faculty, for consideration for Performance Grants.

Exhibition Awards and Performance Grants will be selected by Huntington University visual arts faculty.

Download the Call for Entries brochure, rules, and entry form here: http://www.huntington.edu/news/0910/high-school-art-show.htm

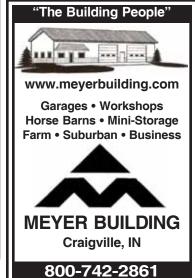
JOINING FORCES

Pathfinder Community Connections, the Community Development division of Pathfinder Services and Huntington County Habitat for Humanity has partnered to help families in Huntington County.

On Tuesday, January 26th, Beth Stevens, Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator for Pathfinder Community Connections, John Niederman, President of Pathfinder Services, Inc., and Steve Miller, Executive Director for the Huntington County Habitat for Humanity announced the partnership.

The Huntington County Habitat for Humanity has a home that is now going to be used for Pathfinder Community Connection's Transitional Housing Program. Until this time the division had rented an apartment at Cedar Run apartments.

"By forming this partnership, we are hoping the gap from homelessness to homeowner will be a complete continuum," stated Stevens from Pathfinder Community Connections. "When the family enters our Transitional Housing program we will work with the family as we always have, but after 12 months we will begin the process of transitioning our families to homeowners. The family would not purchase the



home they are living in, but would work toward becoming a Habitat partner homeowner building and purchasing their own home in the Huntington Community." Stevens concluded.

"Habitat is excited about this opportunity to partner with Pathfinder. This an opportunity for the two agencies to focus and coordinate their resources and expertise to make a major impact in a homeless family's life and future." Stated Steve Miller Executive Director of Huntington County Habitat for Humanity.

"Habitat's mission around the globe is to end substandard housing and homelessness. Often though homeless families have no or limited income and legal debt that makes it impossible for even Habitat to be able to close their unique Zero interest, no profit mortgage that make the homeowners house payments under 30% of their household income. This partnership strengthens both agencies efforts and impacts in our community."

For more information on Pathfinder Community Connections, please contact Beth Stevens at Pathfinder Community Connections at (260) 356-0521 or e-mail Beth a t bstevens@pathfinderservices.org.

RIFLE BEGINS

The Rifle discipline of the Huntington County 4-H Shooting Sports program will begin classes on Tuesday, February 9, 6:00-8:00 pm at the Sportsman Club, 816 E 3rd Street, Warren, Indiana. Any youth interested in the rifle discipline must complete the required paperwork, along with parent signatures permission forms and pay the \$20 registration fee no later than the first Rifle meeting on February 9. Youth may also register at the Purdue Extension -Huntington County office prior to the first meeting.

For more information, contact the 4-H Rifle leader, Greg Witkamp at email gdw@evasold.us or the Purdue Extension-Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson-Suite 202, Huntington, or call 260-358-4826.

JR LEADER MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet at the Family Living Building, Hier's Park, from 7:00-8:30 pm on Thursday, February 11. The group will discuss two major fundraising activities for March and schedule times to work at the events, conduct a brief business meeting, then participation in a Valentine Card program.

Attending youth are also encouraged to bring gently worn jeans to support the Jeans for Teens Community Service project. The County Junior Leader organization is open to any 4-H member currently in grade 7 or older.

For more information about the Huntington County 4-H Junior Leader program, contact Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington, phone 260-358-4826 or email laldridg@purdue.edu.

POSITION **O**PEN

The Huntington County Extension Office is accepting applications for two summer program assistants. Students currently enrolled in post high school educational programs are preferred. Responsibilities include general office work, preparations for the 4-H Fair and summer judging activities, coordinate Mini 4-H support and other summer program assistance. Applications will be accepted until March 1, 2010 and can be picked up at the Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson Suite 202, Huntington, Indiana.

THE CHERRY ORCHARD

Huntington University Theatre Company is excited to bring another classic to the stage with Anton Chekhov's brilliant last play. An ensemble cast of vivid characters will entertain, challenge and provide insight into why human nature is so reluctant to change.

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Huntington University sophomore Kate Smith leads the cast in her role as Madame Ranevskaya, owner of the cherry orchard. She is joined by senior Matthias Austin in his role as Yermolai Lopakhin, the gentleman interested in purchasing the cherry orchard, and many others. The Cherry Orchard is directed by Thom Hofrichter.

"The brilliance in Chekhov's plays are those moments when the audience can both laugh and cry at the same time to what is happening on the stage," Director Thom Hofrichter, said.

There are 4 performances of The Cherry Orchard in Zurcher Auditorium of the Merillat Centre for the Arts at Huntington University. The performances run Feb. 18, Feb. 19, and Feb. 20 all starting at 7:30PM, with a matinee performance on Feb. 20 starting at 2PM. Tickets cost \$12 general admission, \$10 students and seniors, \$6 13 and younger, \$5 HU students, and \$9 HU faculty/ staff.

For reservations, call the Merillat Centre for the Arts Box Office at 260.359.4261 on Mondays through Fridays from 9AM to 4PM. Box Office is closed from 11:30AM to 1PM and on weekends.

For more information, visit www.huntington.edu/theatre.

TESTS OFFERED

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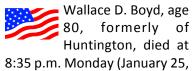
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GENEALOGY REPORT

Boyd



8:35 p.m. Monday (January 25, 2010) at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Wallace was born December 29, 1929 in Huntington to Eldon and Mary Helen (Lee) Boyd. He graduated from Huntington High School in 1947. He later joined the United States Army serving in the Korean War as a Corporal. Wallace married Betty Morris on December 30, 1951 in Huntington. She preceded him in death on July 4, 1987.

Wallace retired from the Huntington Post Office on August 1, 1985 where he worked for 28 years. He was a member of the former St. Peter's First United Church of Christ in Huntington.

Survivors include one son -Mark D. (Kimberly) Boyd of Huntington; two daughters -Penny (Duane) Sunderman of Huntington and Amy (James) Johnson of Huntington; six grandchildren and one greatgrandchild. Besides his parents and his wife, a brother - Edward Boyd, preceded him in death.

Services were held at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Ray Scribner officiating. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory, Huntington County. Military graveside rites were performed by the V.F.W. Post #2689.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

BANTER

Gene A. Banter, 78, of Marion, IN, passed away at 4:49 AM, on Sunday, January 31, 2010 at the Marion General Hospital in Marion, IN.

He was born on Thursday, May 28, 1931, in Wells County, IN. Mr. Banter worked for the Rainbow Enterprises in New Castle. He was an avid country music fan, and had attended Jackson Center High School in Wells County. He lived his early years in Jackson Township in Wells County and prior to moving to Marion, he lived at the Maplewood Home in Wells County.

He was the son of the late Jason A. Banter and Violet M. (Ritchey) Banter who survives. Survivors include his Mother-Violet M. (Ritchey) Banter of Dillman, Brothers-Jack R. (Wife, Ruth) Banter of North Manchester. Rex J. (Wife, Michelle) Banter of Dillman. Sisters -Ellen I. (Husband, Gary) King of Fort Wayne, Ileen M. (Husband, Bill) Maxwell of Noblesville, Linda L. (Husband, Wendell) King of Bluffton, Joyce S. (Husband, Don) Thornett of Fairfax, Va., Joan A. (Husband, George) Springer of Bluffton, Wanda K. Mason of Bluffton and Several Nieces & Nephews.

He was preceded in Death by his Father-Jason A. Banter.

Services were held at Glancy -H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, Ind. Interment at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren, Ind.

Memorials to MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION 223 W Washington Street, Suite 100 LL Bluffton, IN 46714.

CARL

Crystal Pearl Carl, age 97, of Huntington, died at 5:12 a.m. Thursday (January 28, 2009) at Parkview Huntington Hospital in Huntington.

Crystal was born on December 16, 1912 in Liberty Center, Wells County, Indiana to John and Chollotta Jane (Grover) Marshall. She graduated in 1933 from Liberty Center High School in Wells County.

Crystal was a farmer in Liberty Center Township. She retired from E-Systems in 1978 as an inspector after 11 years of service. She was a Past Matron of Eastern Star #269 in Warren. Survivors include two nephews - Ronald Ulmer of Sanibel, Florida, and Kyle Ulmer of Churubusco; two great nieces -Jill Ulmer of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Nancy Hall of Carmel, Indiana.

Her parents; son – Harold Carl; one sister - Edith Ulmer; and two brothers - Carl Marshall and Earl Marshall precede her in death.

A graveside service and burial was held at Mount Etna Cemetery, Mount Etna, Indiana.





50TH ANNIVERSARY

Dan and Chella (Heaton) Gonsalves celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Modesto California at the Clarion Inn on January 9th 2010. Their actual date of their wedding in Turlock, CA was January 16th.

Their three children, Jean Ann (Jeff) Smith of Salida, CA, JJ Gonsalves & wife Jean Valley Springs, CA, Joyce K. (Tracy) Mitchell of Vacaville, CA. started to plan the event ten years ago.

In attendance were: Joyce and Keith Carmichael of Muncie, Ryan Carmichael of New York City, NY, Curtis and Ann Heaton of Dayton, OH, Roger Heaton from Tucson, AZ, Cindy Heaton of Tucson, AZ, Randy Heaton of Bend, OR, Robert Heaton of Phoenix AZ., Rosie Wagner of Lodi, Janie Heaton-Williams & husband John Williams of Sacramento, CA and some 250 other guests.



BIRTHDAY INVITATION

Come help Lula Penrod, former resident of "Jeff" and Montpelier, celebrate her 90th birthday. February 21st at Christian Care at 720 E Dustman Rd, Bluffton in the Fellowship Room at 2 p.m. No gifts. RSVP 260-565-4014.

Read all the Advertisements in the Warren Weekly - They're full of all kinds of useful information.

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

Corydon, and April 25 in Muncie. Applicants must already be certified in Lifeguarding and CPR for the Professional Rescuer to be eligible to attend the test at either site; the tests are not a recertification of any type. Testing will include blood borne pathogens, a written test and a

The Corydon option is on April 11 is at the Harrison County YMCA. The test in Muncie is at Ball State University's Lewellen Aquatic Center.

water test.

To get to the Corydon site, take I-64 to Exit 105. Go south on Hwy. 135, turn left onto Hwy. 337 South toward downtown Corydon. Follow Hwy. 337 South approximately 1 mile, then turn left on Foundation Way, which

is between a restaurant and insurance office, and follow to the YMCA.

To get to the Muncie site, go down the main road on campus, called McKinley. Enter by the pool and follow signs to room HP 100.

Registration at both sites starts at 8:30 a.m. The actual test will start at 9 a.m. at both sites and should conclude by 2 p.m.

BASKET BINGO

Basket Bingo Hosted by the Southern Wells Athletic Boosters. March 6th, 10:00a.m. Doors open @ 9:00a.m., Southern Wells High School Cafeteria.

\$20 for 20 cards, \$5 for extra

book. Two of the Baskets will be raffled. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 7 tickets. Contact Julie Thompson for presale tickets or questions. (260) 273-5040.

BAND FESTIVAL

The South Adams Music Department is pleased to announce that the 15th Annual Winter Band Festival will be held on Monday, February 8, 2010 at 7:30pm in the South Adams Burkhalter Auditorium. This year the Bellmont and Southern Wells Concert Bands will be joining the SA Concert Band for a fabulous day of music instruction and rehearsal with the concert capping off the

Dr. Chad R. Nicholson, Associate Professor of Music at IPFW will be the guest conductor and clinician for the event. Dr. Nicholson is the Director of Instrumental Studies at IPFW where he conducts the wind ensemble and teaches conducting and music education courses. Nicholson is a frequent guest conductor and clinician throughout the United States, and he works actively with students ranging from junior high through collegiate levels. He has been a featured clinician at both regional and national levels, including the prestigious $Midwest\,International\,Band\,and$ Orchestra Clinic in Chicago. Nicholson has authored a book

published in 2008 by Meredith Music entitled, The Wind Band's Core Repertoire: A Conductor's Guide to 100 Top Works. He has published articles in The Instrumentalist as well as in four volumes of Teaching Music through Performance in Band; additionally, his musical arrangements are currently performed by high school and university bands throughout the country. Nicholson holds degrees from the University of Oklahoma (BME), New Mexico State University (MM), and Indiana University (DM).

Please join the South Adams, Bellmont and Southern Wells Concert Bands for this free concert on Feb. 8.

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

SUPER BOWL SAFETY

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Super Bowl Sunday is one of the most dangerous days to travel on U.S. roadways due to impaired driving. That is why the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving is urging all motorists who plan to celebrate Super Bowl XLIV with alcohol, to designate a sober driver before the festivities begin.

"The Super Bowl is one of the nation's largest and most widely viewed sporting events, enjoyed by fans of all ages. As Indiana fans prepare to cheer the Indianapolis Colts on to Super Bowl victory this Sunday, we should also be united in our efforts as responsible motorists to keep our roadways safe. That's why we encourage fans who plan to consume alcohol to turn over their keys to a designated driver before the big game kicks off," said ICJI Executive Director, T. Neil Moore.

In 2009, two-thirds of the fatal collisions that occurred in Indiana over Super Bowl weekend involved a driver that was either drunk or under the influence of illegal drugs. For the past two years, at least half of the state's traffic fatalities during this period were caused by an impaired driver. Additionally, 75 percent of the individuals killed in these collisions were not wearing a seat belt.

"Over the past several years, we have seen an impressive drop in the number of traffic related fatalities in Indiana. While this record is a testament to tougher traffic safety laws that are carried out by our law enforcement partners across the state, still more can be done to save lives on Indiana's roadways," Moore continued. "Make a play for safety this Super Bowl weekend designate a sober driver and remember to buckle up – every seat, every trip, every time."

By following a few simple steps, fans can avoid arrest, serious injury, or worse as a result of driving while impaired:

- * Avoid drinking too much alcohol too fast - pace yourself. Eat, take breaks and alternate with non-alcoholic drinks.
- * Designate your sober driver before the game begins and give

that person your car keys.

- * If you become impaired, don't even think about getting behind the wheel. Ask a sober friend or family member for a ride, call a cab, or stay where you are and sleep it off.
- * If you see an impaired driver on the road, call 911.

If you are hosting a Super Bowl party, responsibility matters:

- * Serve plenty of food and be sure to include lots of nonalcoholic beverages.
- * Stop serving alcohol at the end of the third quarter.
- * Be sure all of your guests designate their drivers in advance, or help arrange ridesharing with sober drivers.
- * Keep the numbers for local cab companies handy.

If you think someone is about to drive while impaired, take their keys and help them make arrangements to safely get to their destination. Remember, Fans Don't Let Fans Drive Drunk.

K105 BASKETBALL

Southern Wells Athletic Boosters will host the K105 Hoopsters vs. SW Staff Basketballgame on February 22 at 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the match-up will benefit the scholarship fund.

Tickets are \$3.00 each and pizza will be available at the game.

PESTICIDE TRAINING

Residents of Huntington County and surrounding areas who are licensed private pesticide applicators in Indiana are encouraged to attend a recertification training session on Thursday February 11. This session will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Heritage Hall at Hier's Park in Huntington. A \$10 fee is required for those who wish to obtain recertification credit for attending the program. Attendees who wish to obtain credit are reminded to bring their Indiana Private Pesticide Applicator license number with

them.

Note that similar private pesticide applicator recertification programs are being held in Wells County from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and in Adams County from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on February 11. Please pre-register for the Huntington County program by calling the Huntington County Extension Office by February 9th.

Purdue Extension Specialists, Shaun Casteel and Bob Nielsen, will be giving presentations at these programs. Casteel will be presenting the topic, "High Yield Management of Soybeans" and Nielsen will be discussing "Corn Management for 2010: Staying One Step Ahead of Soybeans." Ed Farris, Huntington County Extension Educator, will also give a presentation on "Bulk Pesticide and Fertilizer Storage" at the Huntington program.

Casteel is a soybean and small grains specialist in the Department of Agronomy at Purdue. He has been on board as a Purdue Extension Specialist since May 2009. His key areas of interest include: precision management of resources and practices; integration of soil characteristics, nutrient inputs, and crop physiology; and the influence of agronomic practices on yield physiology of first crop and double crop soybean systems (winter wheat and cover crop).

Nielsen's area of expertise is corn management systems. He is a professor in the Department of Agronomy at Purdue as well as a frequent presenter at Extension crop management workshops state-wide. Nielsen provides grower updates on two Web sites. The King Corn Web site (www.kingcorn.org) has timely information to assist producers in raising corn more profitably. The most recent addition is called "Nitrogen Management Update for Indiana." Nielsen coauthored this publication (updated January 2010) with others in the Department of Agronomy at Purdue.

Other topics related to crop production from universities across the U.S. can be found at Nielsen's Web site called The Chat 'n Chew Café (www.kingcorn.org/cafe). Grain producers can also find helpful links regarding the weather, grain markets, and other educational programs and materials at this Web site.

If you have questions, contact Ed Farris, Agriculture and Natural Resource Educator, Purdue Extension – Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson – Suite 202, Huntington by calling 260-358-4826.

REBATE PROGRAM

Lt. Governor Becky Skillman today announced the opening of the Indiana Heating and Cooling Incentive Program (IHIP) that will provide rebates forthe purchase and installation of Energy Star Rated furnaces, boilers, central air conditioners and heat pumps. The rebates range from \$150 to \$1,000 depending on the technology that is installed.

"Hoosiers with older, inefficient heating and cooling systems are watching their money literally go out the window," said Lt. Governor Becky Skillman. "This program will bring the cost of replacing those less efficient systems within reach of more Hoosier homeowners."

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is part of the federal State Energy Efficiency Appliance Rebate Program (SEEARP). Indiana received \$6.1 million for the program, which will remain active until the funds are exhausted. This program will compliment the rebate or incentive programs already in place through many of Indiana's utility companies.

"Replacing an older furnace can be expensive," said Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED) Director Brandon Seitz. "When the IHIP rebate and any available rebate from a utility are combined with state and federal tax incentives, the final cost of a higher efficiency furnace, boiler, central air or heat pump fits into the budgets of more Hoosiers."

Included in the rebate program: Listed by their Energy Star Rated Technology followed by the incentive.

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The equipment must be installed by a Heating, Ventilation Air Conditioning (HVAC) contractor licensed in the state of Indiana. OED has provided information about the program to over 4,000 HVAC installers. Consumers and installers can learn more about

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Consumers without Internet access can call 800-573-3503 to have a copy of the form mailed to them.

The rebates are available to help offset the cost of a heating and cooling system purchased and installed on or after February 1, 2010 in any single family home in Indiana. To qualify, the home must be the primary residence of the homeowner. If replacing more than one technology, a household may be eligible for multiple rebates, but there are restrictions on the total rebate amount any single household may receive.

Rebate forms can be downloaded, and mailed in with the appropriate documentation regarding the purchase and installation. The rebate application must be received within 30 days of the date the equipment was purchased. Rebate checks will be mailed back to those Hoosiers who qualify within 4 to 8 weeks.

How to Save Your **SATURDAYS!**

by the FlyLady, Marla Cilley Our whole lives we have played "Catch Up on the Weekends"! This put a sense of dread into our daily life. We no longer looked forward to a wonderful weekend filled with fun with our friends and family. This all started when we were children. It is how our mothers did it! We would have to spend all day Saturday cleaning house or we were banished to our rooms for the evening. I truly believe this is why we despise cleaning house. It has always been a punishment for us. I want you to have a reward for your Home Blessing Efforts! A Saturday to play is a great gift for you!

The solution to saving your Saturdays is very simple. Let's think about how many hours you spend frantically cleaning to catch up from a whole week tossing your routines out into the street! Between our piling and procrastination our homes look like a bomb went off. You

can look at a room and see evidence of the things that were done this week. You know the package that had to be wrapped for a birthday party or the whole week's worth of mail piled on the kitchen counter that is about to fall into the floor.

On Saturday you don't wake up all excited about cleaning all day. You sleep in a bit; drag around in your pajamas for a couple of hours with a pot of coffee to get you moving in the right direction. By the time you get started it is already noon! The next six hours are spent cleaning like a banshee so that you don't feel terrible. All the while you are yelling out orders for everyone in the family to get in gear! I get sick just thinking about what we have done us and our family; all because we lie to ourselves with these words; I DON'T HAVE TIME!

The truth is; what you don't have is ROUTINES! You have the time, you just choose not to do anything because you don't think you have six hours to do it right! Well you don't have six hours to clean like a banshee but you do have 15 minutes. Implementing just five minutes in the morning, when you come home from work and before bed will give you back your Saturdays. Maybe we can call this our 5 Minute Room Saturday Rescue.

The secret is to pick up after yourself and get the family to do it right along with you! It can become a fun game. Set your timer three times a day, morning, when you get home from work or school and just before bed. Everyone has to put away the things that belong to them. It is up to you to remember to do it. When you forget you only make it harder to do the next time.

This does not mean you can leave the dishes in the sink and on the table. This is part of cleaning up after dinner and shining your sink. If you do this all week long then on Saturday you can do your Weekly Home

Blessing Hour! With your piles put away and hot spots extinguished, your Weekly Home Blessing Hour is a Breeze! Then you are off to have some fun.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2010 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.



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that was a special treat (enough so we behaved).

Here is her recipe for taffy from her old Farmers Guide Coobook.

4 cups sugar, pour 2 cups boiling water over it let stand till sugar is melted. Place over the fire keep a lid on the pan so the crystals will not form on sides of pan. After cooking a few minutes add 3 tablespoon vinegar and 2 tablespoon butter, Cook with the pan covered until the taffy tests hard when a bit is dropped in cold water and hardens at once. Pour into a buttered platter or cookie sheet and set someplace where it will cool quickly. When cool enough to handle with hands use a spatula and keep turning in folds so it will all cool together. When ready to handle sprinkle flavoring and start pulling. Always start pulling from ends and try not to press strands together. When pulled it should be white in color. Lay out on a board dusted with powdered sugar. Break into small pieces by striking with a table knife handle.

Keep warm! Think spring!





MEATBALL CONTEST 2010

Joel Knight, 15 year old son of Lowell and Karen Knight, held his 8th annual meatball contest on January 1" at noon. Due to the popularity or just plain old curiosity the location was changed from Joel's house to the Knight-Bergman Center. We needed the room and the guests needed a place to eat comfortably. Joel had 37 guests this year.

Joel was placed in another area while the guests arrived, and so it began. With the help of Monica Sliger, Brian and Shannon Eddie the entries were taken to Joel with only a number on them, a copy of numbers and names are taken too. Joel really had his work ahead of him, he had 13 entries this year. While Joel was busy with his judging duties the rest of the guests got to enjoy all the entries, side dishes and deserts. It was great. I think Joel's plan worked again this year. Coming together of family and friends enjoying being together and great conversation.

After about an hour Joel joined us, you could tell because all got quiet. He made his Thank you all for coming speech and got right to what everyone was waiting for. Starting with 3rd place: Bruce Souers; 2nd place: Margaret Knight; and 1st place and our Champion Mandy Maddock, well done you three. All received ribbons with the Champion receiving an award of excellence and a red rose with purple ribbon, Mandy also earned bragging rites for this year. Other entries were from: Waldo Knight; David Hilger; Sherry Knight; Denise and Dale Beck; Diane and Justin Carroll; Shannon and Brian Eddie; Tom, Carol and Jordan Carnes; Jason Knight; Marla and Rod Lines; and Robert and Monica Sliger. All contestants received a Thank you gift from Joel to express his gratitude. What a fine job everyone did.

I think everyone would join me in thanking Joel for starting our New Year off with fun and excitement. I don't think the 8 year old Joel had this in mind back in 2002 when he started this, he just liked meatballs.

Once again a big Thank You to Joyce Sorg for all her help, we really need you, and to the KBC for a much more roomier and comfortable place for our guests and most importantly to those who made an entry, Joel couldn't do this without all of you, and lastly to all our guests who just want to hang out and have fun, you all make this such an enjoyable start to a new year. Thank You!

God Bless and Lord willing we will see you all next year.



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