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Thought for the Week: *It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed.* Theodore Roosevelt

SAM EGG HUNT

The annual S.A.M. (Salamonie Active Men) Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday morning, April 7th at 9 a.m., rain or shine at the Knight Bergman Center. Age limit is 12 years old.

PRE-REGISTRATION

Small World Nursery School in Warren is a non-profit pre-school, which has been serving the families of Warren and the surrounding area for twenty-seven years. Small World is currently pre-registering students for the 2007-2008 school year.

Classes begin in September and end in early May. The 3 year old class attends on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 – 11:30 am. The 4-5 year old class attends on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 – 11:30 am or 12:00 – 2:30 pm. Children must be 3 or 4 years old by August 1st. Please contact Diane Kratzer at 375-3244 for more information.

SWES K ROUND-UP

Southern Wells Elementary School will hold Kindergarten Round - Up on April 9, 2007. Parents may choose to come at 9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. Both meetings will be conducted exactly the same. Be sure to bring your child's birth certificate at this time. This is an informational meeting only and students need not attend. Development screening will be done near the end of May. The entire process will take about an hour and a half, and sign-ups will occur at Round-Up on the 9th. Children need to be 5 years old on or before August 1, 2007, to be eligible to enroll. However there is a provision to allow parents who have students who are 5 in September to apply for early enrollment. The test for early enrollment will be given at the same time as the developmental screening in May. Please call the school at (765) 728-2121

between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for further details and pre-registration.

WORKING AT THE CAR WASH, YEA!

To all interested youth groups, organizations or ball teams... you're invited to use the "busiest corner in town" for your car wash fundraiser. There is no cost for the space. Adult supervision is required. We'll provide hoses and water! Your group will need soap, buckets, towels, and signage stating what the donations will be funding. Saturdays and Sunday afternoons will be available. All interested groups please contact Gina at Bolinger's Propane or Warren Service & Supply for rules and available dates. Let's get ready for summer with clean cars!

SUNRISE SERVICE

The United Church of Christ of Warren will hold a Sunrise Service for all in the community at 7:30 AM, April 8, on the side of the Bergman Civic Center (if it's raining, the service will be held in the church). This will be followed by a breakfast at the church at 8:30 AM, Easter Festival Worship at 9:30 AM, and an Easter Egg Hunt following worship at 10:30 AM. All are welcome!

EASTER SERVICE

The Warren First Baptist church located at 727 N. Wayne St, Warren, In. Invites all to attend our Easter Services. Starting with Breakfast at 8:30 Special Music during breakfast Time, then at 10:00 Am will begin the Easter Service with Pastor William Fisher Speaking along with a Musical brought by The Church Praise Team. For more Information Call pastor Bob at 375-3353 or 375-2811 if no answer please message.

UMPIRES NEEDED

The Warren Baseball & Softball League is looking for umpires to hire for the 2007 season. Home plate and field umpires are needed for the leagues that play at Tower Park. Applicants must be reliable and have a Baseball/Softball background.

For more information concerning wages, nights, etc. please contact Lisa and Rob Williams at 375-4643.

FOUND

Left at the Warren Library the week of March 19 – white lined jacket with fur trimmed head. Sequined butterfly on left arm.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH

Dogwood Glen and Kim's Katering will be hosting lunch on Wednesday, April 11th from 11am-1pm. The buffet menu will include: Chicken Salad on Croissants, Ham Salad Sandwiches, Creamy Chicken Vegetable Soup, French Onion Soup, Tossed Salad with dressings, 7 Layered Salad, Chinese Chicken Salad, Broccoli Salad, Apple Salad, Assorted Desserts and Fresh Fruit. Cost is \$6.50 per person. Interested parties please call: 375-4750. Carry-out is also available.

PORK CHOPS

The Mt Etna United Methodist Church will hold a Pork Chop Dinner on Saturday, April 14th. These will be ½ lb. smoked chops (like the ones at the Htgn Co Fair). The dinner will be served from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$6.50 for 1 chop and \$8.00 for a 2 chop dinner. They will also be selling whole hog sausage dinners.

The church is located at the corner of State Rds 9&24. Carryouts will be available. All dinners include 2 sides, bread/butter, dessert and drink.



DONATED \$\$ FOR EQUIPMENT

For some time now, Frederick's Photography has been taking all of the kids pictures for the Baseball & Softball League in Warren. In addition to sponsoring one of the kids teams every year, they also provide the league with sponsor plaques with the teams pictures on them, as well as a 5x7 picture for every head coach, free of charge. This year however, when Rex Frederick was going through his records he discovered that we were one of the oldest standing leagues (since 1988) and he wanted to do something more. He did just that—with a \$1,000 donation to our league!! The money has been used to purchase some new equipment for the league including new bases, catchers helmets, and a field prep pack that includes a rake, broom, tamp, hoe and shovel for working on the diamonds.

The Warren Baseball and Softball League would like to take this opportunity to thank Frederick's Photography, not only for the wonderful donation, but also for the many years of very reliable service. We look forward to many more years with them as our league's photographer!! Thanks again Rex!!

Pictured above are Rex Frederick (center) with Warren Baseball & Softball League Co-Presidents Rob and Lisa Williams.

WARREN ALUMNI

The Alumni of Warren High School will hold their annual banquet at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren on May 12. The social hour will be at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. All former students, teachers, and friends of the Warren School are welcome to attend. The classes of 1947 and 1957 will be recognized as honored classes. All graduates from 1937 and before will also be recognized.

Ron & Carol Burns and Barry Jamison will provide the musical entertainment at the banquet.

Reservations are \$10.00 per person and may be made by contacting Jim Howell at 260/375-3048 or email at howellj@citiznet.com.

NO STORY TIME

There will be no Story time this Friday, April 6 at the Warren Public Library. Story time will resume Friday, April 13 at 10:15.

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

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

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

GREEN NUMBER HOUSE SIGNS

After reading the reminder about ordering a Green Sign with your house number from the Warren Fire Department, I have some thoughts on the this subject.

I have worked in EMS for 24 years. When I was an EMT working as a volunteer in this great town, we knew everyone and knew where everyone lived. Just like everything in our lives, this has changed. I now work as a dispatcher for the EMS in Huntington County. You have no idea how the green reflector house number signs make my job and the EMS people trying to find your house so much easier. Not all the great EMS people know where you or your family live.

In this county and the Town of Warren there are a lot of houses without house numbers. If you or your family would call for help because one of your loved ones were not breathing or had a fire and you had no house number, it sure makes our job of getting to your loved one and home quite a chore. Not all maps in our computer system are correct. We need house numbers that can be seen from the street.

Please help your local fire department and EMS system get to you faster and in the end you get a free pizza from East of Chicago, thanks to Jeff and Becky. If you have a green reflector sign with your house numbers, the pizza will still be hot when you call for delivery.

Go to the Warren Clerk's office and order your sign. Pick the sign up at East of Chicago and get your coupon for a free pizza. In the end this supports the Warren Fire Department and the whole town.

Joyce Buzzard

To ALL WHO DUMP DOMESTIC ANIMALS:

I'm hoping that your ignorance doesn't stop you from reading this. I'm writing to inform you of your options. Assuming you don't know what they are. I'd like to believe that you don't intend on torturing and killing your pets that you decide you don't want anymore. Unfortunately, this is the fate of many of them. Even with people like my family, trying to rescue them from the roads, it doesn't always work. They get scared by territorial dogs that run them off, and often wound them, yet they keep trying to "come in" to houses in hopes of finding food, as they are starving. Some are lucky and find homes, vet care, and love they should have had from their original owners, while others die a slow and terrifying death of starvation, injury, and attacks by other animals. Or end up like the small female dog on SR3 by the bridge, who was searching for the car that dropped her off, and was mutilated by another vehicle. I had tried for days to feed and capture this animal, but was unsuccessful. If you dumpers are too lazy to run free ads in the free ad paper or Peddler's Post, take off their collar, and tell the County shelter that you found the animal. At least they'll be cared for till they're killed. Better yet, stop getting that cute puppy you just have to have. If you can't be responsible for it, don't get one.

Sick of ignorance,
 Rural Warren Area resident

UPTOWN GARDNER ON PAGE 8

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Rev. John Wallace, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship
 6:30 p.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 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 Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
758-2085
Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor
Sandy Keplinger, Supt.
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
Pastor Anna Kroencke
Youth Minister Lynne Payne
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday..... 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

Word of Life — Majenica
Rev. Malcolm & Jackie Howell
 260/356-1246
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Tuesday Eve. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
Dick Case, Pastor
 Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th).6:00p.m.
 Wed - Circle of Friends
 (3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.

HERITAGE POINTE
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

**HILLCREST
 CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
375-2510
Clyde Gunn, Pastor
Bus Service 375-2510
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

**JEFFERSON CENTER
 UNITED METHODIST**
 Corner of 900S & 300W
Kathy Newton, Pastor
 Sunday School 8:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
468-2411
Doug Sharrard, Pastor
David Thrift, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday:
 CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
694-6622
Pastor Dan Sommer
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
Dan Helm, Pastor
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

MCNATT UNITED METHODIST
375-4359
Bill VanHaften, Pastor
Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148
Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor
 Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.
 Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies
 - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
Rev. Charles Dederick, 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.

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

**PLUM TREE
 UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
375-2691
Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

**SALAMONIE
 CHURCH OF BRETHREN**
468-2412
Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-2102
Rev. Rick Pulling, Interim Pastor
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
 Fun Factory 1st/3rd Sundays ... 6:00p.m.

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
765/934-3321 Parsonage
Jeff Wass, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
765-934-1431
Pastor Blake J. Neff
 Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.
 Jr/Sr High UMYF (Sun)..... 6:30 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur).... 7:30 p.m.
 UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 p.m.

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
375-3022
Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
Todd Winkler, Youth Minister
Ruth Moreland, Secretary & BS Supt.
 Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of
Preaching and Discipleship
Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of
Family Life
Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Mike Malone, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
Rev. Andy Trowbridge, Pastor
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Attend the Church of Your Choice

AREA NEWS

JACKSON ALUMNI

The Jackson Center HS Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, April 21 in the cafetorium of Southern Wells High School at 6:30 p.m. Registration will begin at 5:45.

Honor classes are 1947 and 1957.

Anyone who attended Jackson but did not graduate from there is welcome to attend also.

The cost is \$13.00 per person.

Reservations are due by Monday, April 16 by calling 260/375-4000 or by returning your mailed form with payment.

COUNCIL NOTES

by Bonnie Lloyd

President Bill Cartwright conducted the March 26 meeting of the Warren Town Council. Held in Assembly Hall, the meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the March 12 meeting were approved as submitted.

Heartland/Saturn Wheel is undergoing a major building project. The CEDIT request was to be in the office of Carol Pugh at HCUED by Wednesday. The total cost for utilities was expected to be \$330,000. Council approved to request \$275,000.

Spring Clean-up Days for Warren is set for May 6 to 12. Roll-offs will be located at the town barn on West Second Street.

Trash collection will follow the regular schedule on Good Friday.

IMMDA meeting will be held in Mishawaka at 11 a.m. on April 18.

Council members were in receipt of a letter explaining the Governor's Purchasing Directive.

INDOT Trash Bash is scheduled for April 7 to 23.

Council approved Krista Brubaker to be a summer employee for the town.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison reported the 20076 Budget has been approved.

HAS Accounts Procedures are in place.

Council agreed to closing of an unimproved street.

Curtis Day reported from the Utility/Street Departments. He said crews had started working on alleys. He noted that all alleys are to be improved by the time the project is completed.

There are also 20 street signs to be replaced.

Fire Chief Lee Poulson thanked Council for use of chairs from Assembly Hall for a meeting at the Fire Station.

Council approved a request from Marshal Dennis Spitler concerning Huntington County Communications System.

The Park Board is scheduled to

meet April 9.

IAC Roundtable will be April 10 at Grabill.

Council will meet April 9 and 23 at 6:30 p.m.

NEW SENIOR SCAM

The IAAAA Education Institute wants to warn seniors of the latest scam to separate them from their money. It's happening right here in Indiana.

A female caller, who was representing herself as calling from Social Security, contacted a senior Monday in northern Indiana. She said the senior had been approved for a \$5,000.00 grant. She asked for the senior's last 4 digits of the Social Security number, her bank account number and her bank routing number because there would be a \$300 service charge for processing the grant.

Melissa Durr, CEO of the Association said, "Remember, unless Social Security is contacting you as a result of a problem that YOU requested that they resolve, Social Security will not phone you. They will also not ask you to verify your Social Security number since they already have it and they certainly won't be asking for your banking information."

Durr continued, "If you, or anyone that you know, has been contacted by a call of this nature, remember to report it to your local Area Agency on Aging by calling 1-800-986-3505. The AAA will file a complaint and forward the information to the appropriate agency for further investigation. If you have provided any information, report it to your bank so they can take the appropriate procedures."

This is not the first time

scammers have been in action. Earlier this year, seniors in Georgia received collect calls from individuals claiming they represented Medicare or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Once seniors accepted the charges, the callers asked them to verify personal information (i.e., name, address, Medicare number and bank routing numbers). Durr advises that if individuals receive collect calls from scammers claiming to work with Medicare or Social Security they should not accept the charges. These types of incidences are likely to occur more often and people with Medicare should be on guard and protect themselves. The IAAAA Education Institute wants older adults and persons with disabilities to be aware of the potential for fraud and offers some tips on how to protect themselves and their important financial and personal information. "If someone contacts you and pressures you to buy, hang up the telephone or close your door," said Durr. "If you have questions about the viability of the product being sold, explore it further on your own. Make sure to clarify what is covered, what the cost of the product is, how to cancel if you change your mind and that you understand what you are buying. If these questions can't be answered by the salesperson, then the product is probably not for you."

The following tips will also help older adults and person with disabilities detect and prevent them from becoming victims of fraud:

- * Never sign anything you don't understand; Have an attorney or trusted adviser review it.
- * Stay socially active. Isolation

increases your risk of becoming a victim.

- * Don't give out your credit card number over the phone or Internet unless you initiate the transaction.

- * Shred or tear into small pieces all mail solicitations, bank records or any other discarded documents that contain identifying personal information.

- * Be aware of scams. If you're told you just won a prize, you probably haven't, and if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

LIFEGUARD

RECERTIFICATION

WHAT: American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer Update and Recertification

WHEN: Saturday, April 14, 2007 8am-12noon

WHO: Any interested person who is currently certified, but close to expiration. YOU MUST RECERTIFY TO KEEP YOUR LIFEGUARDING CARD CURRENT! (CPR for the Professional Rescuer is a 1-year certification and must be renewed YEARLY; Lifeguarding must be renewed every THREE years).

WHERE: Norwell Middle School Pool (enter door #36) 1100 E US

224, Ossian, IN 46777

WHY: To update and recertify in CPR for the Professional Rescuer (Now including AED) to retain guarding certificate.

COST: \$45.00 for new CPR Pro & AED course material, class and certification (given upon successful completion of written and skills testing). Payable to Norwell Pool

WHAT SHOULD I BRING: CPR mask is available. Resuscitation masks are available at the pool for purchase if desired.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, PLEASE CONTACT: Jon or Jody Gates at 543-2218 (or 1-888-543-2218) ext. 6190 or email jody.gates@nwcs.k12.in.us



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Community Calendar

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

April 4	Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m.
April 6	GOODFRIDAY
April 8	EASTERSUNDAY
April 9	Warren Town Council 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
April 10	Our Town Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Assembly Hall
April 13	Warren Recycle Day
April 14	KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC
April 16	TAXES DUE
April 18	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
April 21	Pancake/Sausage Breakfast 6 to 10 a.m., Sportman's Club
April 22	EARTHDAY
April 23	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m.
April 26	SECRETARIES DAY
April 27	Warren Recycle Day
April 28	Gebharts' Greenhouse Opening
May 12	Warren Alumni Banquet - 5:30 p.m. Jim Howell 375-3048

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 **After School Adventure** - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene **Preschool Story Time** - Warren Library 10:15 Fridays **Walking in the Gym** - at KBC 7-11a.m. Monday thru Friday **Cancer Support Group** - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus

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BABYSITTER'S TRAINING

To help improve the safety of young children left in the care of adolescents, the Huntington County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering Babysitters Training on Saturday, April 21st, 2007 from 9am to 3pm at the Courthouse Annex 354 N Jefferson St Room 204.. The cost of the class is \$30.00. This course instructs youth on how to care for infant through school age children by teaching them how to prevent injuries and what to do if an emergency arises.

The American Red Cross Babysitters Training is designed for youth age 11-15. It provides adolescents with a range of injury prevention, first aid, and basic childcare skills. Participants work on projects such as identifying safety problems around the house and yard, and selecting appropriate toys and games for children of various ages. Babysitters Training also builds decision-making and leadership skills and addresses the business of babysitting and how to seek babysitting jobs in a professional manner.

The Red Cross is offering Babysitters Training not only to equip youth with the knowledge of how to keep children and themselves safe but also to give parents the peace of mind they need when leaving their children at home with a sitter.

Payment of \$30 per student is required at the time of registration. All registrations are needed at the Red Cross office, 354 N. Jefferson St., Suite 203, Huntington by April 15th, 2007.

CALLING ALL LADY VETS

The Director of the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs, Tom Applegate, announced recently that there is still room for more women veterans at the Hoosier Women Veterans' Conference to be held on Saturday April 14 at the Indiana Government Center South (IGC-S), 302 W. Washington Street in Indianapolis.

The program can accommodate up to 400 participants and, so far, 216 registrations have been received. Invitations are not necessary. All women veterans, past and present, are invited.

The conference hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will take place in the IGC-S auditorium and its adjacent conference rooms. Registrants should arrive between 8 and 9 a.m.

Activities include a Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)/women's health discussion panel; a panel to address employment/women-owned businesses/education matters; federal and state Veterans Affairs benefits; and, a special memorial to women veterans past and present. Over 30 vendors have applied for tables. Speakers include Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman and Illinois Director of Veterans' Affairs, L. Tammy Duckworth, who is a disabled Iraqi Freedom veteran.

Parking, for a nominal fee, is in the State Employee Parking Garage across the street from the Government Center, and lunch is free-of-charge.

Fill out a registration form online at www.in.gov/veteran and click on "Hoosier Women Veterans' Conference", or call Kris Bertrand, the Indiana Women Veterans' Coordinator at 317-232-3921 or toll-free at 1-800-400-4520. This

conference co-sponsored by the state and federal VA and Roudebush VA Medical Center and is not affiliated with the Indiana Women Veterans' Council, Inc, or the Women's Expo.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

April 15-21

"Get away with a good book!"

The Van Buren Public Library invites you to celebrate National Library Week with us, April 15th through April 21st. In order to thank everyone for their continuing patronage, the library will not be collecting any fines for that week. So, if you have any late or overdue items, return them and pay absolutely nothing!

CHICKEN & CHOPS

The Jefferson Center United Methodist Church Men's Fellowship will host a pork chop and chicken dinner on Tuesday, April 17 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center in Warren. The menu will include a choice of a chicken breast or 6-ounce boneless pork chop with bun, green beans, applesauce, ice cream and drink. Adult tickets are \$6.50 and children's tickets are \$4.50. Additional chops and chicken breasts are available for \$1.50 with the purchase of a meal. Carry-outs will be available. The meal is being prepared by Bagley Roasting. Proceeds from the dinner will be used for community mission projects.

KINDERGARTEN

ORIENTATION

Salamonie's Kindergarten Orientation will be on Tuesday, April 10, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the cafeteria. Registration will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you know of

any students who will be five years of age by August 1, 2007, please have their parents contact the school office. Invitations have been mailed.

If you have not received an invitation and your child is of kindergarten age, please contact the school office immediately.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

On April 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., students of Salamonie Middle School will be performing Fiddler on the Roof Jr. This play is about Tevye, a father of five daughters, who shows his strong feelings of the Jewish tradition, and family. The only problem is his daughter disagrees with the traditions. The book of this play is by Joseph Stein, music by Jerry Bock, and lyrics are by Sheldon Harnick. It is based on the Sholem Aleichem stories of Arnold Peri. Occuring in the late 1800's you will be able to see what life was like back then. So come to see Tevye and the people of Anatevka. This amazing play will be performed in the Gymnasium of Salamonie School. Tickets are \$3 for students and adults while children 5 years of age and younger are free.

Proceeds will go to the Music Department.

4-H RABBIT WORKSHOP

Wells County will host a 4-H Rabbit Workshop on Thursday, April 12th, 7:00 PM, at the Wells County 4-H Park, Quonset Building, Bluffton.

A demonstration on rabbit care will be presented and youth may turn in their t-shirt design ideas

for the club. Future workshops will be held May 3 and a fun show on June 18th. This year's Wells County 4-H Fair will be July 14-19 with the Rabbit Show scheduled for Monday, July 16th.

For more information about the Rabbit project, contact Kari or Troy Cale at 260-346-2341.

MEAT GOAT WORKSHOP

A Meat Goat Workshop will be held Saturday, April 14th, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM, at the Allen County Fairgrounds, located at 2726 Carroll Road, just west of State Road 3, on the north side of Fort Wayne. A registration fee of \$20.00 per adult, \$15.00 per youth (18 and younger), \$25.00 per family will be charged.

Speakers for the event include: Preston Faris, Sonora, Texas, who is a nationally known producer of meat goats for production and show. Faris also judges numerous shows around the country. Dr. Michel Levy and Dr. Michael Neary will lead a session on sheep and goat parasite control. Levy is a large animal specialist and Neary is a sheep/goat specialist at Purdue.

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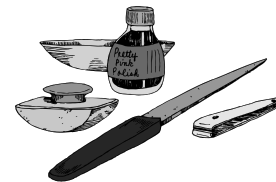
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BRINNEMAN

A native and life-long resident of Wells County, Leone Brinneman, 92, rural Poneto, died at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, 2007 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

Born April 11, 1914 to Charley L. and Rachel E. Reynard Murray, she married Albert E. Brinneman on Dec. 24, 1936 in Dillman; he died Jan. 28, 1941.

A 1932 graduate of Liberty Center High School, she was a member of the South Liberty Christian Church and worked as a housekeeper at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren for 34 years, retiring in 1989.

Survivors include two sons, James (Nancy) Brinneman Sr. or Bluffton and Lyle (Digna) Brinneman of Coralville, Iowa; a brother, Rev. Vaughn (Betty) Murray of Seymour; two step-sisters, Florence Penrod of Ossian and Crystal (Bud) Bailey of Berne; 10 grandchildren; and 21 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Russell Brinneman; a daughter, Barbara L. Brinneman; two sisters, Chloe Pearson and Evelyn Schmidt; two step-brothers, John and Charles Bennett; and a step-sister, Garnet Conner.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel with Rev. Dewey Zent officiating.

Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

HUFFMAN

Ruby Pearl Huffman, 83, of Bluffton, died at 2:45 a.m. Saturday, March 31, 2007, at Meadowvale Care Center.

A 1942 graduate of Bluffton High School, Mrs. Huffman worked at

Magnavox and Memcor and was the owner and operator of the Linger Inn Motel in Bluffton for 20 years with her husband. She was a member of the Eastern Star and attended First Baptist Church.

Born Dec. 13, 1923, in Huntington County to Franklin H. and Rosella Powell James, her marriage on March 20, 1943, in Wells County was to Roger W. Huffman, who survives.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Jim A. (Regina) Huffman of Petroleum; a daughter, Mrs. Harvey (Judy) Ziegler of Waynedale; two sisters, Mrs. Betty Gregg of Ossian and Mrs. Lee (Thelma) Lehman of Churubusco; 10 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Bud Abrams officiating. Burial was at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

Preferred memorials to the Cancer Society.

BAKER

Robert L. Baker, 72, of rural Ossian died at 5:20 p.m. on Sunday, April 1, 2007, at the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

He retired in 1996 as an operator and foreman from Fox Contractors Corporation and had been a member of the Local 103 Operating Engineers. He was recognized for 50 years of service. He also operated the business of Betts and Baker Construction from 1964 to 1974. He was a full time farmer from 1975 to 1989 and most recently assisted his son Tim with farming. He enjoyed

spending time with his family, woodworking, and working for the church. He was a member of the Ossian United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Wells County Board of Zoning Appeals from 1983 through 1993, and he and his wife worked with the Ossian Development Corporation to help form the Ossian Industrial Park.

He was born on Aug. 6, 1934 to Boyde and Josephine Baker. Following his graduation from Markle High School he served in the Korean Conflict from 1952 to 1956.

He was married on May 10, 1958 to the former Carol Ann Brookmyer, who survives. He is also survived by four sons, Tim (Patty) Baker, Mike (Sarah) Baker, Scott (Mandy) Baker, Steve Baker, and a daughter Cindy (Tim) Dafforn, all of Ossian. He is also survived by two sisters, Betty (Mark) Stinson of Bluffton and Barbara Garrett of Liberty Center, along with 10 grandchildren.

Calling is from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at the Elzey Patterson Rodak Funeral Home in Ossian, and one hour prior to services at the church on Thursday. Services are set for 10:30 a.m. on Thursday at the Ossian United Methodist Church, with Rev. Tim Dilley officiating. Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Ossian United Methodist Church.



SHELLENBARGER

Helen E. Shellenbarger, 93, died at 3:41 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, 2007 in Colonial Oaks Health Care Center.

She was born December 1, 1913 in Huntington County to the late Jesse M. and Bertha I. (Bowman) Hacker. She was a graduate of Lancaster Township High School. She married Carl M. Shellenbarger on July 10, 1952 and he preceded her in death on June 24, 1970.

Mrs. Shellenbarger graduated from Marion College and later became the first woman trustee of Indiana Wesleyan University. She was a teacher at Lancaster Elementary School for 42 years, retiring in 1975. She was a lifetime member of Lancaster Wesleyan Church. She taught young people Sunday school class for 50 years. She was also a member of Better Living Home Economics Club,

D.A.R., W.C.T.U. and Huntington County Retired Teachers Association, as well as the Indiana State Retired Teachers Association.

She is survived by two nieces, Arleen (Ron) Houssaye, Milwaukee, Wis. and Margaret Hacker (David) Pollack, Benicia, Calif.; two great-nephews, Randy Smith and Ryan Smith; and a great-niece, Alex Pollack.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, John Edwin Hacker.

Services were held at in Glancy Funeral Homes - H. Brown & Son Chapel, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, with Pastors Doug Sharrard and Lloyd Poe officiating. Burial was in Lancaster Cemetery, Huntington.

Memorials may be made to Lancaster Wesleyan Church Building Fund or Indiana Wesleyan University, Mary C. Dodd Chair in care of the funeral home.

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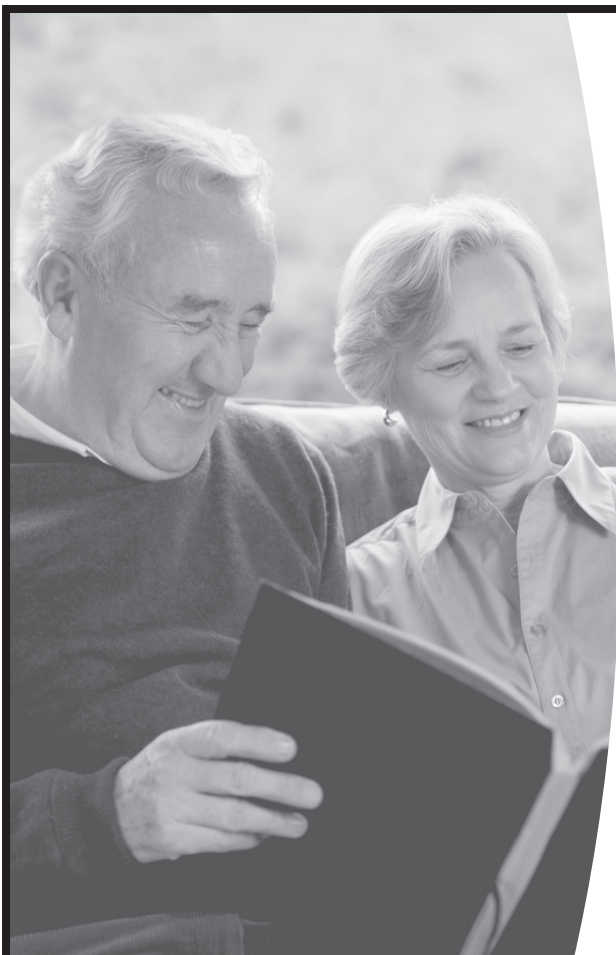
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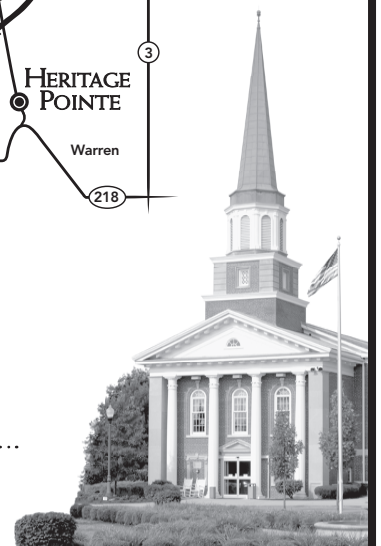
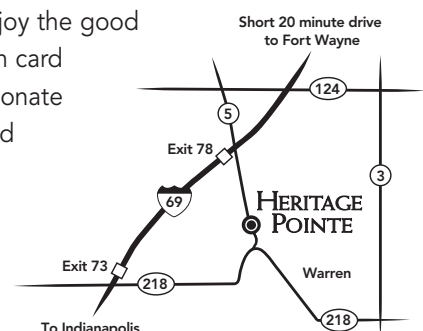
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FREE SCREENING KITS

Since 2005, Parkview Hospital's Community Health Improvement Program has provided nearly 18,000 EZ Detect colorectal cancer screening kits to people in northeast Indiana. "This year Parkview plans to continue its colorectal cancer-screening initiative," said Teresa Tracey, manager of Parkview Hospital's Community Health Improvement Program. "The educational message of this initiative is that it is important to do blood-stool screening annually to reduce your risk of colorectal cancer and to identify

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Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths. On average, one in 20 people will develop colon cancer. Yet if diagnosed and treated in the early stages, colorectal cancer is highly curable.

Beginning at age 50 (age 45 for African-American men and women), the American Cancer Society recommends that people at average risk for developing colon cancer have a fecal occult blood test yearly and a sigmoidoscopy every five years. People with higher risk factors may need to begin screening at an earlier age. A colonoscopy screening may also be recommended.

EZ Detect kits provide a simple way to do blood-stool screenings in the privacy of your own home. The EZ Detects are available now through the end of May at any of these Parkview locations:

The information desk in the lobby of all Parkview Hospital facilities in Fort Wayne, Columbia City, Huntington, LaGrange and Kendallville. Parkview Huntington Hospital is located at 2001 Stults Road in Huntington.

Parkview Comprehensive Cancer Center, 2500 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne.

Parkview Women's Health Cen-

ter, 11123 Parkview Plaza Drive, Suite 200, Fort Wayne.

All Parkview Medical Group physician offices located in Allen, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble and Whitley Counties. Parkview Medical Group is located in Suite 215 of the John B. Kay Medical Office Building, 2003 Stults Road in Huntington.

For more information, call the Parkview Health Comprehensive Cancer Center support team at 1-877-784-4673, or go to www.parkview.com.

MAKE ROOM FOR EVERYONE

Nine children were at the Van Buren Public Library after School Story Time on Friday March 23rd, 2007.

March was National Disabilities Month so we titled our Story Time "Make Room for Everyone."

Karen introduced our special guests from Carey Services in Marion, Robyn Culley and Michelle Percy. The two ladies also brought a special friend Michael Downam from Upland. Michael uses a wheel chair. Robyn read a book "Taylor and His Wheelchair" by Jamee Riggis Heelan. The ladies shared items they had brought from Carey Services. These items were what

children can use to walk with, from a little child to the older children. We all were able to understand more on how children deal with disabilities. The children at the library were able to ask questions of the ladies and of Michael. We want to thank Robyn, Michelle and Michael from Carey Services for coming and sharing with the children.

Those attending were Alie Gray, Cathryne Anderson, Hannah

Hutchinson, Joseph Dailey, Chelsea Cason, Autum Smith, Jarren Griffith, Eddie Quick and Bethany Bridenthal.

Next After School Story Time will be April 13th. We will find out about our local food pantry with special guest Bridget Green. Hope to see you!

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South Campus • 2nd floor education center \$75

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To register call Michelle Gentis at (260) 919-3844.

Diabetic Share Group

Tues., Apr. 10 • 6 - 7 p.m.

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For additional information, call Sue Schwyn, diabetic educator, at (260) 919-3427.

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Diabetes Awareness Day - Portland

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- FREE educational materials

*For most accurate results, a 10-hour fast is recommended (water and medications are permitted as prescribed).

For additional information, contact Lisa Geiger at (260) 919-3859.

FREE Friends & Family CPR Class

Sat., Apr. 15 • 8:30 a.m.

South Campus

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This course teaches rescue skills in CPR and relief of foreign-body airway constriction (choking) in the adult, child and infant. Participants will receive textbooks and a gift bag courtesy of the American Heart Association.

To register call Michelle Gentis at (260) 919-3844.

Cancer Awareness Day

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THE UPTOWN GARDENER

by Ruth Herring



Several have asked me if the peas I planted on St. Pats day are up yet. Yes they are peeking thru the ground very nicely and this week I must get out there and put a row cover over them or the birds will have them picked down to the ground. Row cover material is nice to have, it is a very soft sheer fabric and light weight, that can be draped over vegetation and still lets light, air and moisture thru. It also keeps the temp a few degrees warmer under it. I use it a lot in the spring and fall when the weather is unsettled and unpredictable such as this week may be. I have several tender leaf perennials up that may need protection. Tulips and daffodils I don't get concerned as the usually come thru ok, sometimes a bit scrubby looking, but they usually survive the cold.

I am concerned about the fruit trees as some of ours are ready to bloom. It can be a critical time for them.

We are thinking about planting potatoes Friday but if we get more rain or snow I won't be out there doing so. We are still using potatoes we grew last year but will soon be needing to buy some. Sure was nice to have home grown ones all winter.

Soon the mushroom season will be here and for many years I would look forward to that time. For the past few years I have not been able to ramble thru the woods in search of them. How I miss it. When I was at home I would hunt for them as I went after the cows for milking. I can remember one particular year I was on my evening journey and I had spotted a patch of unusual wild flowers and the need to investigate them and behold in front of them was this patch of 50-75 mushrooms. I was so thrilled having never found that many in one spot before. I knew I may not come back this way with the cows so I took time to gather them and wondering how to get them back to the house. Lucky in those days Mom made us girls wear dresses. Shorts or jeans were not proper even on the farm. So I took the skirt of my dress and gathered it up into a pocket and put my harvest in my skirt and ever so carefully went on my way to get the cows which wasn't all that easy. For once they must have known my situation as they behaved very nicely and headed straight for the barn. My Mom seen me coming across the pasture and couldn't imagine what I had. She figured I was bringing up some baby critters from the woods. She was really surprised and that nite we had some mighty tasty morsels for supper.

Another time I was on my daily journey and was following the path back to where the cows were and along the way always looking for mushrooms. I came back bringing the cows the same way and all at once they stopped and would not move. I figured there was a snake in the path so I proceeded to see to the problem and there in front of them was the biggest mushroom I had ever found. It was 4-6 inches tall and very fresh. I picked it and we all proceeded to the barn. I think ole Jerse knew I was fond of mushrooms. Dad said they come up quickly and it surely was true as if it was there before I would have stepped on it. So this is a couple of my mushroom tales from way back. I think every one in Andrews had their favorite hunting ground and stories to tell from along the Loon Creek. I know my dad and I had ours and he had a few places that was a secret only to him. How I would love to go back and tromp the ground that was so familiar to me. Someone told me that it was grown up in a solid thicket and can hardly walk thru it. What a shame, so I'll just keep my memories, but I bet that somewhere in that thicket there is some dandy mushrooms coming up this spring.

This is how Mom fried the mushrooms. She would wash them in salt water leaving them soak a few minutes then wash them few more times in clean water, drain them well and mix flour salt and pepper and coat them and fry in butter (fresh made on the farm). Another way was to fix them with round steak. Fry the tenderized steak floured and browned and cooked till nearly well done add the mushrooms on top of the steak and cook few minutes and then mix a gravy of cornstarch and milk and pour over the steak and mushrooms and cook till the gravy thickened. It was some pretty good eating.

Everyone have a wonderful Easter.

MY TOWN and Yours

BY DENNIS STROUD

The Warren Fair was it!! Families would take their vacations the same week as the fair. Fair week was a week everyone looked forward to all year long. Attendance could be numbered in the thousands coming from all around.

Exhibits were held at the fair and ribbons were passed out for the best items grown, the best canned goods, quilts, etc. There were the carnivals with a full line of rides, shows of all kinds, and other attractions. Farm machinery was on display and there were dress reviews. Church groups and other organizations had tents selling sandwiches, pie, cake and other refreshments. Town merchants would close up their stores so the help could go to the fair. The merchants would set up in one building and show their best selling products. The Warren Band would play during the fair.

Warren had many legendary "horse" people. R. H. Smethurst had a horse called Happy Hal, George Swaim had Barbara Wilbur, Ned L was owned by G. Baker, Alf Thompson had a horse called Chestnut Don, Ambrose "Brose" McCord had a record setting horse called Walter Stone. Alpha Hull trained many

horse for Dr. Bonifield. Other horsemen were Ernest Van Dolsen, Marshall Chopson, Harry Gill, Dot Darrow, Frank Palmer, "Boston" Brubaker, James Schemerhorn and Frank Lewis.

In November 1932, the fair association decided that it was hopeless to continue and there seemed to be nothing to do but discontinue the fair. During the first years the fair and race ended with a surplus, but the last few years had not been profitable. For years the stables were used

by race horse owners to house and train their horses. One year a rodeo show wintered at the fair grounds and drove their cattle and horses west to the river [Taylor Bridge] to water. The Warren Fair was a great thing for the community and we will probably not have anything like it again.

I would like to thank the ladies on Innis 3 Assisted Living and George Spahr at Heritage Pointe for what they could remember about the Warren Fair.



4-H CLUB OFFICERS

The Wayne Township Future Farmer 4-H Club Officers for 2007 are (left to right) Kaydee Small - Secretary; Alicia Aldridge - President (10 year member); Aaron Highley - Vice President (10 year member); Stewart Dewitt - Treasurer. The club meets at the Banquo Church each month. The next meeting date is April 11 from 6-7pm.

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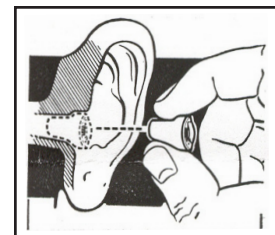
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