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Thought for the Week: May the Spirit of the Season be with you and yours.



DESALVO AT UMMH

Jodie DeSalvo will be performing again at the United Memorial Home in the Applegate Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December

Jodle DeSalvo is an exciting, young pianist capturing international attention as a dynamic and versatile artist noted for her strong, polished technique, superb musicianship, and commanding powers of communica-

Born in Connecticut, Ms. DeSalvo made her Carnegie Hall debut as winner of the Artists' International Competition to such unanimous acclaim that she returned the following season for a command performance at New York's Merkin Concert Hall. Her subsequent recitals throughout the United States and Europe have been eloquently praised for their diverse programming and outstanding execution. Her commitment to women in music has especially made her a champion in the works of Clara Schumann, Amy Beach, Fanny Mendelssohn, and Ellen Taffe Zwilich.

The public is invited to attend the concert with refreshments following the Fults Rec. Room.

Santa Letters

Hey Kids - there is a special mailbox at the Post Office for your letter to Santa. Make sure to drop it in the box marked "Letters to Santa" and not the regular mail drop slot. Parents - please make sure your child uses their return address so that Santa can write a special letter back to them.

HOLIDAY ISSUE

The special Christmas Holiday Issue of the Warren Weekly will be published the week of December 21, 2001. Call now to get your holiday greeting in. The New Year's Issue will be published the week of January 4, 2002. There will be no December 28 issue due to the Tuesday deadline (Christmas Day). Please keep this in mind when scheduling your advertising.

SUPPER PLANNED

A Fish & Chicken Fry will be held at the Warren Sportsman Club on Friday, December 7 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. by the Mt Etna United Methodist Church. The event is all you can eat and carry outs will be available.

START AT THE MANGER

Dillman United Brethren Church will present their Christmas cantata in both worship services on Sunday, December 23rd. The Sanctuary Choir under the direction of Linda Walters will "Start At The Manger." The story will take you from a sleepy village in Bethlehem to the cross of Calvary, to the empty tomb where the story is fulfilled and back to the pews of our church where lives can be changed.

Please join us, it's just a short drive in the country. Dillman Church is located 3 miles west of

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State Rd 3 on 900 South in Wells County. Sunday Services are as follows: 1st Worship Service 8:15 a.m. and Sunday School 9:30 a.m. and 2nd Worship Service 10:30

Dillman is also planning a Christmas Eve Service on Monday, December 24th at 11:00 p.m. and a New Year's Eve Service on Monday, December 31st at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited!

EXCITEMENT IN THE ANGEL CHOIR

The Angel Choir has been called together to announce the birth of Jesus. Excitement is building. The children have many questions and not much time for answers.

Come along for this fun, amazing, and a little confusing journey. The children at Dillman UB Church under the direction of Cheryl Pettibone and Jeni Paxson are preparing a special Christmas Program on Sunday, December 16th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to share in this fun evening as we see Christ's coming through the eyes of these precious angels. Dillman UB Church is located 3 miles west of State Rd 3 on 900 South in Wells County.

Blue Star Banners Are

The Blue Star Service Banners were a common sight in America's neighborhoods during World Wars I and II. Created in 1917, people hung it in their windows to denote that a member of the family was serving in the armed forces. The Gold Star Mothers organization was derived from this tradition, for if the armed forces member was killed, the family then hung a banner with a gold star in the window.

Once again, American men and women are being called to war. They are the nation's newest veterans, fighting to wipe out the seeds of terrorism. Each of them leaves a family behind: a mother or father, brother or sister, aunt or uncle, grandmother or grandfather. Every neighborhood has someone serving.

As we steel ourselves for a long and difficult war, the sight of Blue Star Service Banners in homes will remind us of the personal sacrifices being made to preserve our way of life.

The American Legion has been asked to rekindle the Blue Star Service Banner program. Family members can purchase a banner directly from the American Legion's National Emblem Sales by calling, toll-free 1-888-453-4466. Banners are \$6.95 plus shipping. Order catalog number 72982.

The Veterans' Service Office urges all Huntington County residents who have a family member serving, either active duty or in the National Guard or Reserves, to display a Blue Star Service Banner in their window, thereby showing their support of the service member and the Armed Forces of the United States and their support for the American way of life.

Further details can be obtain by calling the Veterans' Service Office at 358-4863. A sample Blue Star Service Banner will be displayed in the Veterans' Office at 354 N. Jefferson Street, Room 2

ELECTION RESULTS

The Warren Area Chamber of Commerce recently held officer elections. Newly elected board members are: Cheryl Deweese, Rick Gentis, Karen Campbell, Kevin DeaKyne, RoseMary Zeller, Deb Milholland, Mike Haggerty, Gina Canady and Clint Glessner. Officers elected are: Co-Presidents: Kevin Deakyne and Cheryl Deweese, Vice President Gina Canady, Treasurer RoseMary Zeller and Secretary Joyce Sorg.

MEMORIAL RIBBONS

Don't forget to stop by Town Hall or PJ's Flower & Gift Shop and order your memorial ribbons for the town's Christmas tree. There are quite a few already dotting the tree but, there's plenty of room for more. The full list of names on the tree will be posted in the December 21 issue of the Warren Weekly.



THANK YOU CUB SCOUTS, BOY SCOUTS AND GIRLS Scouts.

Your good work is deeply appreciated by the Pantry. With the abundance of different food items, we will have a variety of food to serve people in need. Also, thanks to the community for all the donations you gave on November 10. Without all of you, we could not serve the people that need help.

The Scouts collected 1059 items. God Bless All of You.

Bread of Life Food Pantry (Editors Note: This should have been in earlier but, the original thank

you was lost. My sincerest apologies for the delay.) Pictured are: Back row (I-r) Justine Keller, Morgan McFarland, Tim

McCoy, Mandy Stafford, Stacy McCoy, Mark Riley, Jason Riley, William Semon,

2nd row (I-r) Emma Sabinske, Garret Keller, Heath Ruble, Shawn McCoy, Curtis Semon, Evan Lowe, Colton Frecker, Colton Long. 3rd row (I-r) Alexandra Stanley, R. Geiger, Spencere Sabinske, Mario

Menchaca, Alex Tolin, Austin Stuckey, Samantha Frazier Front row (I-r) Stephanie Shaffer, Britney Thornsbury, Caitlyn Frecker, Charlotte Frecker.

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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

DEAR EDITOR:

On December 10th, Jews everywhere will begin observing the festival of Chanukah. The festival commemorates the heroism of the Maccabees, the early defenders of Israel. In recent times, it has served as an occasion for Jewish children to receive holiday gifts. But Chanukah also offers important insights into the Jewish dietary tradi-

The deeply religious Maccabees lived on plant-based foods during their struggle for freedom. They practiced the admonition of Genesis 1:29: "Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed - to you it shall be for food." Indeed the traditional foods associated with Chanukah are potato pancakes and donuts fried in vegetable oil.

Since then, concern for personal and public health, compassion and respect for animals, and preservation of natural resources have been deeply rooted values in the Jewish religious tradition. Many religious leaders, including two chief rabbis of Israel, were vegetarian.

The Hebrew root of the word Chanukah means education, and the prophet Isaiah called on Jews to be a "light unto the nations." This year's observance provides all Jews with an uncommon opportunity to set a good example for their friends and neighbors by celebrating a vegetarian Chanukah festival.

Sincerely, Tom Farra - Warren, IN

ATTITUDE BY CHARLES SWINDOLL

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break — a company — a church — a family — a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past — we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way, we cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our ATTITUDE ... I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you ... we are in charge of our attitudes.

HAVE A SAFER CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR

Emergency room doctors say they see more injuries during the Christmas and New Year holidays. The most likely reasons:

- People are doing unusual things, like going up the ladder to hang
- Almost everyone is in a rush. They want to get places in a hurry and are often distracted. They may not drive cautiously, even though streets and roads are busy.
- Shopping takes its toll. People don't usually get hurt in stores, but it can happen if they don't watch for wet spots by the door. If they buy more things than they can comfortably carry, they may not be able to see well. They could bump into things or step off curbs and fall because they can't see the street

Backs get a workout. People are more likely to lift a heavy box without help. They move furniture, shovel snow, and they may do these things incorrectly because they are preoccupied or in a hurry.

- People get tired and are less alert toward the end of the holiday months.
- Both adults and kids are handling new things, and that can be hazardous.

Think about your plans for the holidays and allow enough time to do what you need to do. Be aware of your circumstances, and get enough rest so you can celebrate in comfort and safety.

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CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH Van Buren, Indiana

765-934-2199 Rev. Pat Mullen, Interim Pastor Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:40 a.m.

ALLIANCE — Majenica 468-2160

Rev. Kelly Wiley Sunday School9:30 a.m. Sunday Evening6:00 p.m. Wednesday Worship9:30 a.m.

219/468-2148 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Worship9:00 a.m. Sunday School10:00 a.m. JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED

METHODIST Corner of 900S & 300W Kathie Jones, Pastor

Sunday School9:00 a.m. Gary Riley, Pastor
Worship Service10:00 a.m. Sunday School9:30 a.m. WARREN UNITED METHODIST Worship 10:30 Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor

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375-3022 Stephan Leininger, Pastor

Becky Hartley, SS Supt. Fellowship9:15 a.m. Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779

Lynn Mefferd, Pastor Jim Pryor, Associate Pastor Sun - Pastor's Prayer Closet...7:30a.m. 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study9:00a.m. Wed. Midweek Service.......7:00 p.m. Mid-Week (Wed)6:00 p.m. Adv. Club (4yr-6th).....6-7:30p.m. McNATT UNITED METHODIST

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

Sue Brown, Children's Ministry Evening Worship6:00p.m. Exercise Class (Tues/Thurs)..7:00 p.m. Thursday Bible Study7:00p.m.

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CHURCH 694-6622

Pastor Jeff McNicholas Mon. Bible Study (women).... 9:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN 468-2412

Mark S. Bendes, Pastor

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH 758-2085 Nathan Doyle, Minister

Sandy Keplinger, Supt. Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:30 a.m. BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

8294S 900W 35

Sunday School9:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice5:00 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 p.m. BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.) .. 6:00 p.m.

> LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor Sunday School10:45 a.m. Morning Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m.
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NAZARENE 375-2510

Bill Keen, Pastor Ed Kessler, Assoc. Pastor Bus Service 375-2510

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Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor Sunday Worship...... 9:30 a.m. Worship9:15 a.m. Communion 1st Sunday of the Month THE NEW BEGINNING

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Steve Sutton, Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info Sunday Worship......10:30a.m. ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Pastor

Sandy Richison, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m. **VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Pastor Blake J. Neff Youth Pastor Adam Pierce Worship Service 9:00 a.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.

Sunday Worship9:30a.m.
Sunday School10:30 a.m.
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Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor 1st Worship......8:20 a.m. 2nd Worship......9:45 a.m. 3rd Worship Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

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Charles Dye, Jr., Pastor Sunday School9:45 a.m. Church11:00 a.m. LANCASTER WESLEYAN

468-2411 Doug Sharrard, Pastor

David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Evening Service6:00 p.m. Wednesday:

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings7:00 p.m. UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL HOME

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AREA NEWS

BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

A 90th birthday Open House will be held for Lillian Martz of Van Buren at her residence. Mrs. Martz lives at 205 South 2nd Street in Van Buren. The Open House will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 9, 2001.

Please bless us with your presence - but not your presents, Thank you.

SEEKING NEW CROP OF VOLUNTEERS

If you've been wanting to sharpen your gardening skills, and you have an interest in sharing your knowledge with others, Purdue University has the ideal program for you.

Beginning January 17, 2002, a Master Gardener training series will be offered for residents of Grant County and surrounding areas. The Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program which offers an extensive course in horticulture in exchange for a donation of volunteer hours to help teach others what you have learned.

Training will be held on Thursdays, January 17- April 25, 2002, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Grant County Fairgrounds. Participants will be exposed to a wide range of subjects including soil and plant science, diagnosis of plant problems, pesticide safety, composting, and culture of vegetable, flower and landscape plants.

Although tuition fee takes the form of volunteer hours rather than dollars, a \$60 (\$75 for couples sharing materials) supplies fee will be charged to cover such items as reference notebooks, mailings and name badges. These materials all become part of the Master Gardener's personal collection.

While the class will be encouraged to create new educational outreach programs, there are already plenty of opportunities for which volunteers are needed. Some of these projects include the staffing information booths at gardening events, teaching public education classes, speaking to local clubs and organizations, and hands-on demonstration gardens.

If you'd like an application to join our league of volunteers or have questions about the program, give us a call at 765-668-8871 ext. 413 or stop by our office on the 4th floor of the Grant County Office Building, 401 S. Adams Street in Marion.

CONVERSATION

Rescheduled

The Huntington County Conversation on Youth has been rescheduled to Monday, December 10, 2001, from 3:30 to 5:30 pm at the Family Living Building, Hier's Park, Huntington. This meeting is open to all interested youth and adults who would like to voice their opinions about what youth need to achieve success in their lives and what our community can do to make these dreams become reality.

As a part of the 100th anniver-

sary of the national 4-H youth development movement, 4-H is leading conversations in all 3,067 counties of our nation. Four-H is please to be facilitation this county conversation, but anyone, regardless of involvement or knowledge of 4-H is welcome to participate. So that sufficient materials will be available for all participants on December 10th, contact Linda Aldridge at the Purdue Extension Service - Huntington County Office at (219) 358-4826 no later than Friday. December 7.

The Local Conversation leads to a State Conversation in each of 50 states. For Indiana, the State Conversation will be held Tuesday, January 29, 2002 in Indianapolis. Each county is asked to send three youth and one adult to discuss youth issues and develop a plan of action for positive youth development in the state and nation

For the National Conversation on Youth Development, a delegation of 31 youth and adult representatives from Indiana will travel to Washington, D.C. February 27-March 3, 2002. These individuals will work with others from across the nation to synthesize input from thousands of citizens who participated in local and state conversations on youth development.

Youth and adults interested in participating in the state and national conversations are asked to complete an application form no later than December 15, 2001.

As for the conversation process, "this may be the largest single undertaking in the first 100 years of 4-H," says Linda Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H/Youth Development. "We are creating a blueprint for youth programs in every community in America. It's personally exciting to be involved in something that has a great potential to impact on the young people of this community, state and nation."

Patterned after successful national conferences on small business and aging, the National Conversation will capture the best ideas and programs for youth development in the 21st Century and present them in a report to the President of the United States, his cabinet, and Congress. Moving ahead, 4-H intends to engage the nation in positive youth development programs, addressing youth problems, building youth skills, generating civic involvement and creating better communities

"All of us have a stake in how youth develop in the future," says Donald T. Floyd, Jr., president and CEO of National 4-H Council. "We're looking for involvement by youth, parents, and professionals from all sectors of the community."

"We want the nation to know that we're not building a granite monument for the 4-H centennial," says Floyd. "Instead, in the tradition of 4-H, we're creating an action plan for families, youth leaders, and communities across the nation to guide us in the coming century."

4-H is one of the nation's most diverse organizations, and includes people from all economic, racial, social, political and geographic categories. There are no barriers to participation. Young people are given the opportunity to engage in activities that hold their personal interest, while being guided by caring adult volunteers. Local 4-H educators are youth development professionals who provide direction and program leadership in each county as part of the nationwide cooperative Extension System.

Originally focused on agricultural projects, 4-H has followed the needs and interests of young people into urban and suburban communities. Like other leading modern organizations, 4-H draws strength from its participants by

sharing decision-making responsibilities at levels ranging from local clubs to national programs. In Huntington County, over 2,400 youth were reached in countywide 4-H/Youth programming efforts during 2001. Nearly 200 adults were also involved, either directly working with youth or by serving on advisory committees and boards.

For more information about the local 4-H program, contact the Purdue Extension Service - Huntington County Office at (219) 358-4826. The office is located in room 209 of the Huntington County Courthouse.

JR LEADER MEETING

The Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet on Thursday, December 13, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park, Huntington.

Youth attending this meeting are asked to bring new or gently used toys to be shared with a local charity. There will also be a "white

elephant" gift exchange, so each attending may bring a useful item from home, wrapped to exchange with another person during the meeting.

A schedule of 4-H Junior Leader activities for the coming year will be distributed.

County Junior Leader meetings are open to any 4-H youth in grade 7 or higher. For more information, contact the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service - Huntington County Office at (219) 358A826 or Courthouse, Room 209.

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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 included.

Dec 8 KCC Board Meeting, 8 a.m., KCC

Dec 10 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Annex

Dec 14 Warren Recycle Day

Dec 19 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.

Dec 27 Warren Town Council, 5:00 p.m., Town Hall Annex

Dec 28 Warren Recycle Day
Mar 22 Salamonie PRO's Carnival:food 5:15-7, games 6-8

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 6pm, Sat 10 - noon at KCC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement -** Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KCC **StoryTime at Warren Public Library** - Friday mornings at 10 **Walking in the Gym** - 6am - Noon Mon - Fri

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met in short session on Monday evening, Nov. 26. The meeting was held in the Town Hall Annex.

President Harold Jones opened the session at 6:30 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American flag.

Engineer Jim Lauer was in attendance and reported on progress of the water project. The project was reported to be almost done. It was suggested a new control panel be installed with radio signal control. Additional cost was estimated at \$18,825.00, which included previously approved charges.

Lauer reported specs for the wastewater project were expected to be sent to IDEM by the end of the week for approval. Bidding of the project would be early February of 2001.

A meeting was scheduled for Thursday evening, Nov. 29, by "Indiana Downtown". The meeting was held at Town Hall Annex. The committee will hold discussions related to the action agenda prepared by Hyett Palma.

In a meeting with Streetscrape-Butler Faiman Seyfert Site, sidewalks and trees were discussed as well as street improve-

The Dec. 24 meeting of Council was changed to Thursday, Dec. 27 at 5 p.m.

In honor of emergency crew members who have lost their lives Council voted to donate \$250.00. Council agreed to give their ap-

proval of a Southern Wells Resolution of Recognition for its football team.

Council agreed to purchase hams for Christmas for town employees.

Darrel Bice reported from the Utility/Street Departments.

Two water meters had been installed. Decorations and the community Christmas tree had been completed. Council expressed their appreciation for the work done.

Fire Chief Tim Ford reported for the Warren Volunteer Fire

Department. Two pagers had been lost and some pagers were in need of repair.

A SEMA meeting is set for 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 11 at Bluffton.

Announcements included: Dec. 10, Town Council; Dec. 24, 25, 26, Holiday; Dec. 31, Holiday.



SANTA CAME TO TOWN

On Friday evening, Nov. 23, the big fire truck stopped at the intersection of Wayne and Second Streets in Warren with their sirens blaring and lights flashing. There was no fire.

Santa Claus had arrived from the North Pole and he emerged from the fire truck to the delight of the many children eagerly awaiting his arrival.

Santa talked to many of the children. After the large beautiful community Christmas tree and lights in the downtown area had been turned on Santa walked with the children and parents to the Knight Civic Center. There guests were served hot

chocolate and cookies and Christmas lights were turned on there.

A beautiful sight that should put anyone in the Holiday mood.

Observing the large number of people in town on Friday night brought back a nostalgia of years past in Warren.

There was a time when Warren stores were open on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Later they were open on Friday evening instead of Saturday.

Attraction for Wednesday evening shoppers was a town drawing

Youngsters were always eager to draw the winning name. If the person whose name was drawn first was not present, another name was drawn until a winner was found. For each time no winner was present \$5.00 was added the next week. Usually the larger the bank prize the larger the crowd.

It was also exciting then when Santa came to town for the first time to usher in the Christmas season.

SALAMONIE MENUS

Breakfast

Each meal includes milk and an option of cold cereal

December 10

Fruit, mini pancakes w/syrup, sausage links

December 11

Orange juice, cinnamon coffeecake

December 12 Apple juice, peanut butter toast December 13 Chilled fruit, pop tarts

December 14 Fruit juice, egg wrap

Lunch

Each meal includes milk. Each MS() meal includes options of chef salad w/crackers and fruit basket

December 10 Ravioli w/cheese (sub sandwich), combination salad, peas, bread stick, cookie

December 11 Shaved turkey on a bun (quarterpounder w/cheese), relishes, pears, peanut butter bar December 12

French toast stix/syrup (breaded cheeseburger), sausage links, tater tots, sliced peaches, cinnamon coffeecake

December 13 Cheeseburger (chicken salad sandwich, quarterpounder w/ cheese), french fries, lunch a bunch grapes, fruit snacks

December 14 Tony's pizza (corn dog nuggets), caesar salad, applesauce, goldfish crackers

EASTBROOK MENUS

Breakfast

Each meal includes milk and fruit or juice

December 10 Breakfast pizza

December 11 Toast w/butter & honey

December 12

Cereal, toast w/butter

December 13 Pancakes w/syrup

December 14

Pop tart

Lunch

December 10 Burrito, mixed vegetables, juice, pudding

December 11

Johnny Marzetti, green beans, pineapple tidbits, hot roll w/butter December 12

Hot dog, buttered carrots, sliced

pears, cookie December 13 Sloppy joe sandwich, french fries, sliced peaches, brownie December 14 Pizza, buttered corn, mixed fruit, cookie

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ALSO MOVING

Markle Medical Center will be moving into their new facility this weekend. They will be taking over the building that Drs. Bennett and Berghoff vacated when they moved into their new facility.

STORYTIME

Christmas was in the air and thoughts of snow filled the children's minds as Jan Ruble lead story time at the Warren Library November 30. She read Dream Snow, Snowballs, Santa's New Sled, Merry Christmas Mom and Dad and The Pine Tree Parable to Katelyn Kline, Lily Sabinske, Connor Sabinske and Sam VanHaften. The children

also enjoyed finger plays and made a Christmas tree to take home with them.

Story time is Friday mornings at 10:00.



GRADUATES BASIC

Dustin W. Dollar, son of Neil and Teresa Dollar, 10828S 400W 90, Montpelier, recently graduated from Basic Training on November 9th, 2001 at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX.

He is stationed in Biloxi, MS for technical training school. He is a 2000 graduate of Southern Wells High School. Grandparents are William and Sondra Dollar, rural Montpelier, RD & Joyce Jones, Geneva and Jeff and Karen Friar, rural Montpelier. Great-grandparents are Mary Dollar, rural Upland, Phyllis Harrold, rural Hartford City, and step-great-grandmother Esther Friar of Wilshire,



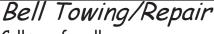


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GENEALOGY REPORT

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone for all the food, cards, flowers, visits and to the Church of God of Prophecy and Pastor Reynolds.

Thanks for all the prayers — God Bless
The family of Eddie Delano

POND

Alice L. Pond, 77, 414 E. 1st St., Warren, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday (Dec. 3, 2001) at the Bluffton Regional Medical Center after an extended illness.

Mrs. Pond retired from Memcor, Huntington, in 1987 after 23 years of service.

She was born March 11, 1924, in Wells County to George Henry and Bessie Belle Carnes Crawford. She attended Chester Center High School, Wells County. She married Forrest A. Pond in Wells County on Oct. 7, 1944. Her husband died Oct. 18, 2000.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Ted (Becky) Foreman, Bluffton; two grandchildren, Ben Bennett and Jorden Bennett, Warren; and four great-grandchildren.

A brother, Delbert Crawford, preceded her in death.

Calling is 2-7 p.m. Wednesday and from 1 p.m. until the 2 p.m. funeral service Thursday at the Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren. Rev. Joe Haney will officiate.

Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

Preferred memorials are to the Warren Fire Department, P.O. Box 373, Warren, IN 46792.

Moore

Clarence B. Moore, 85, Marion, died Wednesday (Nov. 28, 2001) at the Waukesha Memorial Hospital in Waukesha, Wis.

Mr. Moore had worked at the Chronicle Tribune, Marion, as a Linotype operator and typesetter for 30 years. He served in the Army from 1941-45. He was a member of Christland United Methodist Church, Marion, and was a charter member of both the Fairmount American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was born March 22, 1916, in Warren to Clyde and Edna Moore. He married Rosadene Shaw in 1948. His wife preceded him in death.

Survivors include a son, Kent Moore, Waukesha, Wis.; two brothers, Francis Krinn and Earl Moore, both of Marion; three sisters, Opal Moore, Marion, Vivian Foudy, Huntington, and Gertrude Clark, Port Charlotte, Fla.; and three grandsons.

Services were held at the Raven-Choate Funeral Home, 1202 Kem Rd., Marion. Rev. Don Dexheimer officiated at the service

Burial was at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society, 1315

Gillespie St., Marion, IN 46952.

CRAVENS

Ronald K. "Hermo" Cravens, 68, Huntington, died at 1 p.m. Tuesday (Nov. 27, 2001) at Parkview Huntington Hospital.

Mr. Cravens worked as a tool and die maker for Fisher Body in Marion. He was a former member of American Legion Post 85 in Huntington.

He was born Feb. 5, 1933, in Huntington to Roscoe and Ruth Walker Cravens.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Alter (Angela K.) Dennis, Huntington; two brothers, Wallace M. Cravens, LaFontaine, and Arthur D. Cravens, Maumee, Ohio; two sisters Carol Ruble, Warren, and Diana Wagner, of Colorado; plus three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A brother, Louis Cravens, preceded him in death.

Calling hours were held at the Myers Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel. A memorial service was held at the Parkview Apartments Community Room, 1334 Memorial Lane. Chaplain Bob Ray officiated the service.

Preferred memorials are to the family, in care of the Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

GILBERT

Leota L. Gilbert, 90, a resident of the United Methodist Memorial Home, died there at 4 a.m. Monday (Nov. 26, 2001).

Mrs. Gilbert, a former resident of Montpelier, had been a resident of the United Methodist Memorial Home for several years. She was a member of the Tri Kappa Sorority in Montpelier and served on the Montpelier-Harrison Township Public Library Board for several years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Montpelier, and taught Sunday School at the church for several years.

Mrs. Gilbert was born Nov. 25, 1911, in Linn Grove, Ind., to Courtney Runyon and Lilly Gentis Runyon. She married Robert D. Gilbert; her husband died May 25, 1990.

Survivors include a son, Jack A. Gilbert, Fremont, Neb.; two grand-children; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Reuben Runyon, Lima, Ohio; and a sister, Nema Fields, Geneva.

Services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier with Rev. John Bellante officiating. Burial was at the IOOF Cemetery, Montpelier.

Preferred memorials are to Jack Gilbert in care of the Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier, IN 47359

Davis

Joseph H. Davis, 75, who resided on rural Warren in Wells County, died at 5:30 a.m. today, Nov. 29, 2001, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. He had been in failing health the last two years.

Mr. Davis worked for 30 years as

a tool and die maker for Babcox & Wilcox Co. in Barberton, Ohio.

He was a member and active in the Covenant Chapel in Bluffton. He was born in Creston, W.Va., May 14, 1926 to Alonzo and Minnie G. Shimer Davis. A first marriage was to Gladolia F. Kerby, who died in 1973; his second marriage at Barberton on Jan. 5, 1974 was to Kitty L. Scott, who survives.

Surviving also are a daughter, Mrs. Arley (Connie) Higginbotham of Warren; two sons, Mike Davis of Fairview Park, Ohio, and David Davis of Barberton; three children raised in the Davis home, Willie Higginbotham of Akron, Ohio, and Nathan Nutter and Jason Nutter, both at home; a sister, Ethel Kirby of Mineral Wells, Ohio; a brother, Clarence Davis of Belpre, Ohio; 14 grandchildren; and 10 greatgrandchildren. Two stepchildren and a brother are deceased.

Services were held at Green Lawn Cemetery Chapel in Akron, Ohio, with Pastor Arley Higginbotham officiating.

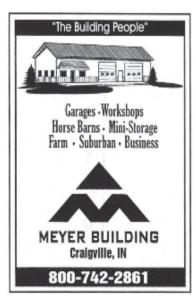
Visitation hours were at Thoma/ Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home in Bluffton and at the cemetery chapel in Akron.

Memorials to the Covenant Chapel in Bluffton.

BIRTHS

Capt. And Mrs Sean (Melissa Herring) Borror of Dardego, Italy, are the parents of a son, Clayton, born at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, November 29, 2001 (US time). He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 20 ½ inches. He joins a brother Blake, age 4.

Grandparents are Larry and Karen Herring of Keystone and Richard and Karla Borror of Liberty Center. Great-grandparents are Alice Gerber of Bluffton, Charlotte Herring of Keystone and the late Glen Borror and Kenneth Gerber. Great-great-grandmother is Hope Colbert of Keystone.





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PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

On Wednesday November 28th. Little Panther Pre School made a visit to the Van Buren Public Library. Karen Conwell read an A B C book on Christmas. The children joined Karen in singing the finger play song "Where is Thumb kin"? It was a lot of fun singing together. Each child was able to check out two books.

Those attending were: Amy Kerr, Will Bratcher, Sam Van Haften, Mikela Richardson, Emily Webb, Karlee Laypoole, Megan Fetter, Colleen Mealer, Elise Brandow, Autumn Harmon, Samantha Kessinger, Caitlin Imhoff, Blake Bolloefer, Kortney Peer. Teacher Mrs. Bridget Green and Assistant Annette Boucher. Also joining the group were Erin Tate, Emily and Ashton

AFTERSCHOOL STORY TIME

Twelve children attended the After School Story Time at the Van Buren Public Library on Friday November 30th. The theme was America Recycles.

Karen started reading the book "Follow That Trash!" by Francine Jacobs. We found out if everyone in America recycled just their Sunday Newspapers, 500,000 trees could be saved each week. Wow!

Special guest was Susan Eichhorn from East Central Indiana Solid Waste Company in Anderson, Indiana. Susan shared with us different way we can recycle. We can make something else out of the container, like a pencil holder out of a tin can. We can reuse by sharing clothes we have out-grown with someone else. We can buy larger boxes of items or we can haul it to a recycle plant. She had brought with her some items that had been recycled. She shared with us a mat made out of plastic bags. A piggy bank made of plastic and recycled money. A flowerpot made out of tires and plastic and many more items. All these items were carried in a bag made from tires and hubcaps. It was a really neat bag. Susan answered a lot of question we had. She made everything so interesting. Thanks Susan! She gave each child a pencil made from recycled money. The metal on the pencil was a recycled penny. We were all surprised to find out money is recycled. Papers with games and pictures to color were fun to do to.

Katie Beck's project she did on Recycling Paper was on display. It was really neat for us to look at. Thanks Katie! Those attending were: Cassie Davis, Britni-lynn Davis, Jackson Bratcher, Danielle Scott, Nathan Scott, David Irwin, Raven Dailey, Matthew Nelson, Connor Pannell, Bobby Tate, Kayla Purvis and Stephen Green and Faith. Next After School Story Time will be December 7th. St. Nicholas Day wilt be the topic. Hope to see you!

LADIES MET

The Women's Fellowship of the Warren United Church of Christ met in the home of Mrs. Greg [Melissa] Freck, with Master

Steven and Ms. Elizabeth Freck serving as greeters.

Peggy Wilson, president, opened the meeting by reading from "Friends Through Thick and Thin". Jo Spade, secretary, read the minutes, and Rosemary Zeller gave the Treasurer's report.

Peggy said the patterns for cancer turbans has arrived, and showed a sample of the turbans, and ask for volunteers to make them. They will be distributed to the oncologists offices and the hospitals.

Melissa Freck announced the scripture readings for our reading list will be the book of Micah in the Old Testament and Romans in the New Testament. The books of our choice, daily devotionals, news letter, and videos are also on the list. Books are still available on the shelves in the church lounge.

The All Church Program/Party is to be December 9th at 7:00 P.M. Peggy Wilson called the conference and confirmed that our church would hold the Women's Fellowship Conference Meeting in the fall of 2003. She also ask for donations of cookies and a relish plate for the Caroler's Luncheon on Sunday, December 2nd.

Georgia Poulson read from the Crossroads Messenger that the Staff will hold a Prom for all the seniors on May 25, 2002, and they appreciate donations of prom dresses, tux, and contributions of money. Marjorie Rupright said she has a list of gifts to give to Crossroads, and Ellen Laymon volunteered to run off copies to be dis-

tributed to each family so they will know what is needed. The unwrapped gifts will be placed under the tree in the Sanctuary.

Melissa Freck gave the lesson from the theme book for the year, "Many Gifts, One Body". She ask the members, "How special do you feel"? She pointed out that we are given gifts from God, and an important one is to make other people feel special. We shouldn't be shy about using this gift. She quoted Paul's letter to the Ephesians, 4th chapter, the 29th verse. "Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion, that it may impart grace to those who hear". Also, quoting Mother Teresa, "Kind words can be short and easy to speak but their echoes are truly endless". She presented each of us with a small silver box tied with a bow, to place in a special place in our home to remind us to pray for those who need our prayers. She closed the lesson with a prayer and played a tape sung by Chonda Pierce entitled "God Loves You". As result of the lesson, the members discussed plans to be a secret prayer angel to one person in the congregation for a year, never revealing their identity. Melissa agreed to work out the details for selecting a name so there would not be duplications.

Peggy Wilson read from "Family Focus", "How Sweet It Is". The Love Gift was \$11.80.

Hostesses, Kandy Villanueva, Janet and Danielle Sneed served delicious refreshments to: Marjorie Rupright, Rosemary Zeller, Ellen Laymon, Maxine Jones, Georgia Poulson, Janet Holmes, Roselyn Poulson, Eileen Dye, Patty Butler, Peggy Wilson, Jo Spade, Melissa Freck, and

HAHE BASKETBALL

Marjorie Gard.

On Friday (11/30) the H.A.H.E. Eagles (Huntington Area Home Educators boy's Basketball team) played the Fort Wayne Hawks. Both junior varsity (25-29) & varsity (53-59) games ended in favor of the Hawks. Their tenacious defense and full court press were too challenging. The Girls Varsity HAHE Lady Eagles succumbed to the full court press of the Fort Wayne Falcons 8-36.

On Saturday, December 1st, HAHE participated in the Holiday Classic B-ball tournament for Home-School teams in Indianapolis. The junior varsity Eagles won both games against the NorthWest Warriors 52-43 and the Eastside Golden Eagles 62-28 to come in 1st place. The Lady Eagles have a 4th place trophy for a good effort against the NorthWest TrailBlazers 25-33 and the Living Water Marlins 27-29 (a battle to the finish).

RAIDER OF THE DAY

The following students were Raider of the Day winners for November:

Christa Schortgen (K), Kelsey Samsel (3), Derek Price (5), Hilary Paxson (K), Megan Stoffer (1), Colten Jones (3), Olivia Mossburg (K), Taylor Estes (1), Erika Pinkerton (2), Chantel Merchant (K), Kendra Mounsey (2),

Tyler Hogston (3), Darren Gillum (K), Taylor Poling (2), Amanda Jones (3), Daniel Velasquez (K), Kaitlin Bonewit (2), Benjamin Fiechter (1), Jacob Masterson (K), Caleb Pinkerton (2), Kayle Runkle (1), Katelyn Kline (K), Allison Williams (1), Jay Rhoton (5), Amanda Price (K), Quaid Zoda (2), Tracey Estes (5), Megan Thompson (K), Weslee Bass (1), Justin Perry (4), Jessica Betz (K), Emily Pinkerton (4), Chris Siebold (6), Mike Thompson (K), Zachary Layman (1), Chelsea Masterson (3), Jacob Schurr (K), Weslee Bass (1), Sean Quillen (3), Austin Vaughn (K), Kendrick Myers (2), Karie Lavanchy (3), Daniel Mossburg (K), Shea Merchant (1), and Tyler Cassiday (3).

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Then as has been a yearly tradition, Violet and her six daughters spent a few days together enjoying a ladies only outing. She had suggested that it would be nice to go to a lodge at some state park, without specifying which park and everyone agreed. The first night they stayed at the Opryland Hotel and the next day they started driving to the "state park". Violet was totally surprised as they crossed the Alabama state line and discovered that the destination was the Joe Wheeler State Park in Alabama. Now the dream of all fifty states had become a reality!

Her daughters are: Ellen King, Fort Wayne; Joyce Thornett, Fairfax, Va.; Ileen Maxwell, Noblesville; Linda King, Joan Springer and Wanda Mason, all of Bluffton. She also has three sons: Gene, Bluffton; Jack, Wabash; and Rex of Dillman.

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Sixth Grade Honor Roll: Cahli Allen, Liza Arnold, Mychal Chandler, Brandon Clifton, Julia Duncan, Erica Eldridge, Alicia Flanagan, Ryan Kellam, Natalie Lewellen, Holly Lloyd, Laura Paxson, Johnny Quinn, Tiffany Reusser, Jayme Reynolds, Travis Schortgen, Chris Siebold, Nat Smith, Thad Harter, Brittany Herring, Kaitlyn Huffman, Alex Kellan and Rachel Johnson.

Fifth Grade High Honor: Sara Alford, Kelsey Bonewit, Skye Bower, Chelsea Clakley, Troy Fiechter, Alex Fiock, Stella Grimm, Kate Hecht, Tia Henderson, Haley Killingbeck, Devin Leas, Spencer Massey, Cody Miller, Kristy Penrod, Ashley Pietz, Deidre Poling, Katelyn Prible, Meghan Prible, Derek Price, Emily Pursifull, Maartje Rooyakkers, Clayton Sessions, Sarah Spaulding, Tayler Story, and Dani Warfield

Fifth Grade Honor Roll: Ashley Adams, Harley Benefiel, Brandon Biberstine, Cathy Boxell, J.J. Carr, Cameron Carter, Ethan Coleman, Tracey Estes, Cassandra Graham, Shalee Grissell, Andrew Habegger, Austin Haney, Natalie Knowles, Johanne Lichtsinn, Ashley Lindsey, Bethany Nott, James Perry, Aaron Potter, Jake Ripperger, Amos Robles, Sarah Stultz, Kyle Thompson, and Sean Winterrowd

Fourth Grade High Honor: Courtney Morton, Justin Perry, Nicole Quinn, Jade Sisler, and Chelsea Smith

Fourth Grade Honor Roll: Ashley Betz, Eric Bluck, Chaz Carroll, Darin Fiechter, Chase Harris, Josh Holloway, Elizabeth James, Jenny Lloyd, Kayla Merrill, Jacob Miller, Chelsea Mossburg, Robert Price, Josh Stultz, Megan Thompson, and Alex Trosper

Third Grade High Honor: Julia Bartlett, Megan Bryant, Devin Bower, Elizabeth Davis, Hannah Fiechter, Kyle Gearheart, Mikala Habegger, Chelsea Masterson, Emily Hartley, Acacia Herr, Karie Lavanchy, Cassie Major, Drew Penrod, Josh Powell, Luke Roush, David Shultz, Adam Sills, Damon Smith, and Mandy Stoffer

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RAIDER CARD DRAWING

Students participated in their annual Raider Card Drawing on Monday, October 29, in the Elementary Library.

Students in grades 2 though 6 start the school year with their own Raider Card. Students who retained their card for the first nine week period had their name put into the drawing.

Qualifications for holding on to this card were based on behavior, homework and attendance. At the end of each nine week grading period a drawing is held for large prizes per grade level and small prizes per homeroom classes. Students who retain their card for a whole semester are treated to a swim party and if they retain their card for the entire school year, they are treated to "Raider Card Day in the Park" at Ouabache State Park in Bluffton.

Winners for the first nine weeks were:

Grade 2: Tory Harter, Bryce Longenherger, Jagger Love, Quaid Zoda, Erica Fate, and Morgan Perry Overall Grade 2 Winner: Erica McPheeters

Grade 3: Paige Newman, Zach Thompson, Hannah Fiechter, Tyler Hogston, Alyssa Culbertson, Chelsea Adams, and Daniel Schmidt Overall Grade 3 Winner: Acacia Herr

Grade 4: Levi Jones, Jordan Caldwell, Chelsea Mossburg,

Chelsea Smith, and Alexander Trosper Overall Grade 4 Winner: Samantha Piqune

Grade 5: Sarah Stultz, Danika Warfield, Brandon Biberstine, Ashlie Lindsey, Andrew Huffman, and Haley Killingbeck Overall Grade 5 Winner: Haley Killingbeck

Grade 6: Julia Duncan, Jeffrey Love, Brittany Herring, Tiffany Reusser, Joshua Lavanchy, and Elizabeth Moore Grade 6 Overall Winner: Shawn Hofstetter Congratulations Raiders!!

ELKS HOOP SHOOT

The Southern Wells Elementary students just finished up the Elks Hoop Shoot in physical education class. This involved students in grades 2 - 6 The students were divided into three age groups, 12 & 13 yr. olds, 10 & 11 yr. olds and 8 & 9 yr. olds, with a boys division and a girls division. The top scorer will advance to Bluffton for the area shoot-off between boys and girls from Bluffton and Norwell. This year's representatives for Southern Wells are:

8 & 9 Yr. Old Girls: Winner: Cristin Carter Alternate: Devon Bower

8& 9 Yr. Old Boys: Winner: Caleb Pinkerton Alternate: Clayton Hamilton

10 & 11 Yr. Old Girls: Winner: Meghan Prible Alternate: Kristi Penrod

10 & 11 Yr. Old Boys: Winner: Devin Leas Alternate: Jake Ripperger

12 & 13 Yr. Old Girls: Winner: Erica Eldridge Alternate: Jayme Reynolds

12 & 13 Yr Old Boys: Winner: Tayler Story Alternate: Alex Kellam







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VIP DAY

More than 80 distinguished guests visited with fifth graders at Salamonie School on Nov. 30, after they were invited by students for the school's Fifth Grade VIP Day. Students and teachers had prepared a busy schedule for their VIP's, which Included a "typical" morning in class, in addition to a musical program, and lunch in the Salamonie Cafe.

Pictured above: Member's of Salamonie's 5th grade classes come together to perform for parents and other special guests at the school's 5th grade VIP day Nov. 30. Students acted and sang various parts in a presentation on the history of the Constitution.

WEATHER'S IMPACT

The importance of weather has come to life for first grade students at Salamonie School, thanks to the expertise of several local adults. On Nov. 30 teachers integrated their social studies and science lessons by inviting representatives from a variety of careers to come visit with students about the impact the weather has on their jobs. Community representatives who were able to explain how weather effected their jobs included a farmer, fireman, police officer, custodian, and school principal. (pictured below)



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