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Thought for the Week: *If men knew all that women think, they'd be twenty times more daring.* Alphonse Karr

RODEO TICKETS

The 5th annual Warren RODEO will be Saturday, July 3rd at 7 PM. Pre-sale tickets are \$7 (\$10 at the door) and available at: Accent Interiors, D&D Bike Shop/DeWeese Softwater & Appliances, Huntington Chamber of Commerce, Markle Bank (all branches), National City Bank (Warren branch), P.J's Flowers and Gifts, Tower Park Concession Stand, Town of Warren office, Warren Pharmacy, Warren Service & Supply/Bolinger Propane.

COUNTY TAX BILL INFO

The Huntington County Treasurer's Office will be closed from June 4 thru 11, 2004 for the printing, folding, and stuffing of 28,000 tax bills in house, then metering for postal services. These tax bills should be mailed out no later than June 11th with a deadline of July 12th, 2004 for first installment and November 10th, 2004 for second installment. Reconstruction drains will be mailed out separately at a later date, as there are still software issues that are being reconciled by Manatron Software Company.

In the past, tax bills have either been self-mailers or outsourced and less work involved in getting tax bills ready. In order to save dollars, it was decided to print the tax bills in house in 2003, which is more labor intense. If anyone should need an Alcoholic Beverage Clearance, Mobile Home Permit, Inheritance Tax Bill paid, or received a Courtesy Tax Sale Letter and needs tending to please come to the Court St. side entrance to the Treasurer's Office and someone will be able to help you. Once printing is started, any payments on taxes will not be reflected on tax bills, nor can any changes be made as to where tax bills will be sent, therefore the closure of the office.

Assessment values have dropped countywide due to appeals/corrections to last years assessed values, therefore the tax burden has shifted countywide. Also tax rates in certain categories have gone up, making an increase in most tax bills. We

wanted tax bills out by the first of June to give taxpayers as much time as possible to make arrangement for payment, but until permission is given by the Auditor's Office that the tax cycle has been followed and approved by the State, we will not be able to start printing your tax bills.

BASKET BINGO

Beta Delta Chapter Sigma Phi Gamma Sorority in Warren will sponsor a basket bingo on July 3, 2004 at 1 p.m. at the Knight Bergman Civic Center.

All prize baskets are authentic Longaberger products. All proceeds benefit the community. Tickets are available from any member or at Gebhart's Floral Barn in Warren. Also by calling 260/375-2454 or 260/375-2833.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Openings are still available for second session of Swimming Lessons at Salamonie School. Second session runs from June 21 through July 2. For more information call Stacia Perry at 765/728-8608 or Shanna Furnish at 260/375-2388.

There will be no July lessons.

CLOSED

The Warren Post Office will be closed, by Presidential Order, on Friday, June 11 for a national day of mourning in honor of Ronald Reagan's passing. There will be no mail delivery.

The Post Office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 on Saturday with normal mail service.

CALLING ALL

KINDERGARTENERS!!!

The office of Dr. Kevin DeaKyne will be offering FREE dental screenings for any child entering kindergarten this school year (2004-2005). This screening will include an exam, toothbrush, toothpaste, and an informational packet on children's dental care. We have reserved the following date for these exams: Friday, August 6th 8am-noon.

If you or anyone you know would like to participate, please call or

speaking with one of the staff.

You MUST call by July 28th to reserve a time for your child's visit. (260) 375-2626 OR 1-800-236-0891.

Drawings will be held after August 6th for all participating kindergarteners. Come and join us for a day of fun and learning. Balloons, refreshments and movies!

GOLF SCRAMBLE

If you play every week or just dust your clubs off once a year this is your opportunity for a day of golf and fun. The SSF golf scramble will be at Arbor Trace Golf Club on Sunday June 27.

Tee off time will be 7:30 AM with lunch and door prizes to follow at the course.

This will be a shot gun start so please arrive in time to check in well before tee off time. The cost will be \$45.00 per person. All profits will go to the Salamonie Summer Festival.

Get your reservation, for your foursome, in to Dave Keller at 375-3834.

MEETING NOTICE

The Town Council of the Town of Warren has scheduled Special Meetings called as Executive Sessions for Monday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m. to be held at Assembly Hall, 131 N. Wayne Street, Warren, Indiana.

Agenda Item: To receive information about and interview prospective employees.

BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be held at First Baptist Church on June 21st-June 25th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This is a community wide effort with several churches participating. If you are interested in helping, it is not too late. Contact Eula if you would like to sign up for something.

CHEF LUKE IS RETURNING!!

Chef Luke Swagger is returning to Van Buren on July 12 for an encore performance. A Taste of Summer will be presented at 6:00

p.m. He will share some cooking ideas and will also explain the schooling necessary to become a chef. So mark your calendar now and plan to be there. The program will be at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, on Second Street. Program sponsors are the Van Buren Public Library and the Van Buren United Methodist Church. Please call the library at 934-2171 to register.

SSF ALMOST HERE

Kick-off for the Salamonie Summer Festival will be on July 1st when the Warren Area Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Samuel Jones Pioneer Breakfast. The event will be held at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center at 7:30am. The 2004 award winner will be announced at the kick-off breakfast and the festival will officially begin. Tickets are on sale at a cost of \$6.00 and can be purchased from any Chamber of Commerce member.

The Salamonie Summer Festival fireworks will be held on Thursday July 1st at Tower Park at dusk. A Hog Roast, Balloon Launch, Home Run Derby and a concert will also fill that evening's schedule.

The festivals 37th annual parade will begin at 6:30pm on Friday July 2nd followed by a free concert on Stage II by the Mountain Dew Boys.

The schedule for Saturday July 3rd is full from 7:30am until 11:00p.m. Among those events are a 5-K River Run and a Salamonie River Fishing Derby both new to this years line-up. The 3 on 3 Basketball, VolleyBall Tournament, Pedal Tractor Pull, Kids Carnival and the Bike & Car Cruise-In are returning events that remain popular. Featured performances by Loose Gravel and Eclipse will be on Stage II and new this year will be country vocalist Del Bradley. That evening will also see great entertainment taking place on the grounds of the Knight-Bergman Civic Center Grounds when the 5th annual Chamber of Commerce Rodeo begins at 7:00pm.

Community church services will

be held on Sunday July 4th on Main Street. A Potato Bake, Waterball Fights, SAM Olympics and a Variety Show will all be taking place on July 4th. An old time favorite, the Bed Races are returning this year by request. Finishing up Sundays events will be the 2nd annual Demolition Derby.

Watch the paper for more details about various events and event entry forms. Fliers are being distributed throughout the tri-county area, pick one up and check out the complete schedule!

WIN \$100.00

How good is your memory? Were you at the open house for Hyline Hatchery in 1992? If you were it could be worth \$100.00!

A contest being held in conjunction with the Salamonie Summer Festival is underway and we need your participation. Take some time and go to the Warren Public Library, view pictures taken during the open house at Hyline Hatchery, write down as many names as you can come up with and you could be the winner!

Hyline Hatchery is sponsoring this contest and awarding the grand prize of \$100.00 - So get started today, you may want to make more than one trip and good luck! The winner of this contest will be posted at the information booth during the Salamonie Summer Festival.

CRIMESTOPPERS

Crimestoppers requests your assistance in solving the following crime: On Wednesday April 22, 2004. Deputy Ron Boxell responded to a theft from a tool shed located at 0523 West 1175 South -35 the Boyd Conwell residence.

Deputy Boxell advised that there was no sign of forced entry into the building and it would appear as though the thieves parked on the East side of the building, possibly in an attempt to hide their vehicle.

Stolen were (2) Yellow Trimble laser transmitter valued at over \$4,700, a Yellow Trimble 360 degree receiver \$2,600, Stihl

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It is sent anywhere in the Continental United States for three (3) months for \$9.50, six (6) months for \$19 or \$38 for one year. Mail name, address, and payment to WARREN WEEKLY at: PO Box 695, Warren, IN 46792.

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

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

WARREN WEEKLY will make every effort to see that all advertising copy is correctly printed. The firm assumes no financial responsibility for typographical errors in advertising, but will gladly reprint without charge that part in which an error may occur, provided that it is reported within five days of publication.

The publisher takes no responsibility for statements or claims made in any advertisement.

KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

'Tis THE SEASON ... FOR YARD SALES: HAVE FUN, GET BARGAINS

Hunting for treasures at a yard sale is an activity enjoyed by many. It's fun. It gets you out into the fresh air on Saturday morning and, with luck, you'll find great bargains.

Marenda Babcock, author of Frugal Times Newsletter takes these items with her on a bargain hunt: A map to locate the houses, a canvas bag for personal items, a tape measure to check clothing sizes and the length of curtains and furniture, and a roll of quarters.

She recommends wearing comfortable shoes, going on the first day, and arriving when the sale opens to find the best selection. Other recommendations:

- When you arrive at the sale, scan it quickly for what you are looking for. If you aren't sure you want an item, pick it up anyway. You can always put it back.
- Take your time and look under tables, in corners, and at the bottom of piles.
- Offer a lower price if you want to. Make it about 25 percent less, never half the asking price or less.
- Sniff items. If books or stuffed toys smell bad, move on.
- If you take your kids, give them money to shop. It's good experience.
- Take a drink and a snack with you so you don't have to waste time between sales.

The last day of a sale can also be good because prices may be marked down.

Your own yard sale

- Advertise in newspapers; hang posters with directions in laundries and libraries, and post signs the day before the sale.
- Team up with friends. People love a four-family sale.
- Put large, attractive items near the curb, like a baby bed or lawn mower.
- Mark every item with a price. Have plenty of bags and lots of paper to wrap breakables.

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 Mike Helms, Pastor

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

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana
 765-934-2199
 Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
 375-2330
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sue Brown, Youth Worker

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wenesday Prayer Service 7:00p.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.

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
 Debbie Wiley, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 765-934-1431
 Pastor Blake J. Neff
 Youth Pastor Adam Pierce

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
 UMYF 6-7:30 p.m.
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:30 p.m.
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 Rev. Gus Hacker

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148
 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Sunday Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdmn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m.

Come As You Are

Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult Studies - all Sunday 6:00 p.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 758-2085
 Nathan Doyle, Minister
 Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Gary Riley, Pastor

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

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

Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
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 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship 8:20 a.m.
 2nd Worship 9:45 a.m.
 3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.
 Sunday School Children & Youth Programs

PLUM TREE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2691
 Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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

Sunday School 9:00a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

WARREN UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-3022
 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister
 Joe Hartley, BS Supt.

Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Steve Bard, Pastor

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Bill Keen, 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.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 Teresa Davis, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

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 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
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 Lynn Metferd, Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30 p.m.
 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHatten, 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.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 375-2102
 Charles Dye, Jr., 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.

THE NEW BEGINNING
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Wayne Wright, Pastor

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

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST
 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier
 Student Pastor - Eric Dubach

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

Attend the Church of your choice

AREA NEWS

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chainsaw, and other misc. tools in all valued at over \$14,900.

Crimestoppers assists law enforcement by offering cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of crime suspects. If you have information regarding this or any other incident, or if you know the location of a wanted criminal, please contact CrimeStoppers at (800)2377867 or the Huntington County Police Department, (260)356-8316 for Deputy Chris Newton. We honor your desire to remain anonymous.

Crimestoppers is seeking donations to cover cash rewards. Donations can be made by check to Huntington County CrimeStoppers, PO Box 621, Huntington, Indiana 46750.

FARMER FORUM

A public forum has been planned for farmers and agribusinesses who wish to learn more about how new ventures and value-added projects could improve their bottom line. The forum is sponsored by the Agribusiness New Ventures Committee of the Huntington County United Economic Development Corporation.

The forum will feature Jerry Nelson, co-chairman of the Purdue New Ventures Team. Jerry will present a broad overview of the resources available to those wishing to begin a new agricultural venture or are considering a value-added project.

The "New Ventures Forum for Food & Agriculture" will be presented at the Hiers Park Heritage Hall in Huntington on Wednesday, June 16, 2004 at 7:30 pm and is open to all area farmers and agribusinesses.

To make reservations, please call (260)356-5688 or toll-free at 1-888-356-6660.

BLOOD DRIVE

The crack of the ball against the bat. The sound of fireworks bursting in the distance. The picnic in the park on a warm afternoon. The sights and sounds of summer.

Summer is a critical time in blood collection. Schools are out for the summer and families are heading to destinations unknown, but the need for blood never takes a vacation.

To help build the summer blood supply, the American Red Cross is hosting an All-American Blood Drive. The drive is scheduled on Wednesday, June 30, at the LaFontaine Center from 12 noon until 6 p.m. The LaFontaine Center is located at 208 West State St. in Huntington.

All presenting donors will receive a patriotic T-shirt.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. There is no upper age limit on blood donation. All presenting donors need to present positive identification. To schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800-GIVE LIFE (1-800-448-3543).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

World Heritage is seeking families, couples or single parents (with or without children at home) who are adventurous, fun-loving, responsible, and most of all caring who are interested in hosting a high-school-aged foreign exchange student. By hosting a student from another country, your entire family will discover a world of fun and enlightening adventure. Students who spend a semester or year in the US are fulfilling a lifetime dream. American culture plays an important role all over the world; the English language is the international language of our times. Share your home for a year; enjoy a friendship for a lifetime!

To begin this exciting cultural experience, please call Ashley, a World Heritage Area Representative, at 1-800-888-9040 or visit our website at www.world-heritage.org.

VACATION & MAIL

It's vacation time. Time to get out, relax and enjoy the great outdoors! Let's see... you don't want to forget the cooler. It's going to be hot outside.

Don't forget the suntan lotion, either. If you neglect your skin, you'll learn a painful lesson.

And while you are preparing for your vacation, don't neglect your mail, either. Valuable mail, even bills, left unattended can burn a lot more than the sun! Loss of valuables and identity theft can be an

expensive, inconvenient, and painful proposition. And unattended mail can be an invitation to burglars, a sign that you are not home, flashing like a neon sign: "Come on in and help yourself!"

At the very least, arrange for a trusty neighbor to get your mail out of the mailbox and hold on to it for you while you are out of town.

Or if you wish, if your vacation is 30 days or less, your letter carrier will be happy to hold your mail for you until you return. Stop by your local Post Office or ask your letter carrier for a "Vacation Hold Form." Fill it out and turn it in at least a week prior to your departure. You also can submit your request or ask to restart your mail delivery through www.usps.com (search for "Vacation Hold") or by calling 1-800ASK-USPS (1-800-275-8777).

All of your mail will be held until your return, and delivery will resume on the day you indicate on the form. If you normally get a lot of mail, you may want to stop by the Post Office when you return from vacation to pick up your mail.

If you plan a longer vacation (good for you!), or your destination allows for mail delivery, you may want to consider a temporary forward. Many retirees use this method to stay in touch when they head south for the winter, or plan extended stays with family across the country.

Submit your temporary forward early, and make sure the information is legible. Allow for five working days for the Postal Service to add this forward to its computerized forwarding system. First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Express Mail are forwarded for free. Periodicals are forwarded free for 60 days. Parcels may require additional postage. Mailer applied

endorsements such as "Address Service Requested" and "Return Service Requested" may make some pieces of mail unforwardable.

Enjoy your vacation! In most cases, wherever you go, your mail can follow. Or it can wait patiently for you to return. Just don't neglect it. And bring back lots of photos.

GRANT Co. 4-H

It's 4-H fair time in Grant County! 4-H leaders and 4-H members have been busy for a year getting ready for this year's events which will be held June 20-26, 2004.

During the day and throughout the whole week of the fair the 4-H Exhibit Buildings will be open at 10:00 a.m.

Several 4-H activities that will be of special interest to the public are the 4-H Dog show on Friday evening, June 18, the 4-H Goat Show on Saturday, June 19, the crowning of the 4-H King & Queen and Prince & Princess and 4-H in Revue on Sunday evening, June 20, the 4-H Rabbit show on Wednesday morning, June 23, the Premier Showmanship Contest and the Livestock Sale on Friday, June 25 and the Horse & Pony Show on Saturday, June 26.

4-H judging of animals dot the program each day. These include Dairy and Poultry on Monday, Swine on Tuesday, Rabbits and Sheep on Wednesday, Pets and Beef on Thursday, Cats on Friday, and Horse & Pony on Saturday.

The Fairboard has planned programs that should make this the best Grant County Fair yet. The events in the grand stand for the week are as follows: Truck Pull, Cheerleading Contest, Tractor Pull and Demolition Derby.

The Grant County 4-H Fair is a highlight for 4-H'ers who have been working on projects and attending activities in an effort to "Make the Best Better."

GED ON TV

Adults who didn't complete high school may study from home with new GED Connection television series. The summer programs begin the week of June 27th. The shortened summer session will broadcast the reading, writing and math programs. Students will receive workbooks for reading, writing, math, science and social studies, but the science and social studies programs will not be on the television again until the fall semester.

The \$45 enrollment fee provides the student with a pre-test, three workbooks, a Casio fx-260 solar calculator like the one they will be permitted to use for half of the GED math section, newsletters, the official GED Practice Test, and a Test Fee Voucher worth up to \$60 that will pay for the student's GED test at any local testing center in Indiana.

Fifteen percent of all high school credentials issued in Indiana are GED diplomas.

Nearly 7,000 Hoosier adults have

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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.

Jun 11	Warren Recycle Day
Jun 12	KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC
Jun 14	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Jun 16	Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Jun 25	Warren Recycle Day
Jun 28	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall

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 Salamonie Valley Museum Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC Storytime at Warren Public Library 10 a.m. Fridays, Walking in the Gym 7a.m. to Noon at Knight Bergman Center

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BREAKFAST SATURDAY

The Poneto Community Club will be having a sausage gravy & biscuit breakfast on Saturday, June 12 from 7am to 10am at the Poneto Fire Station. Freewill donations. Funds raised will be used for community projects, & to support the local fire department & the Boy Scout Troop.

FREE FISHING WEEKEND

"I caught one!" What a neat thing to hear a kid say. Since the dawn of humankind, teaching a kid to fish has been among the most satisfying and rewarding experiences.

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has some tips for getting a kid safely hooked on fishing, and the DNR throws in Free Fishing Weekend (June 12-13) so that adults and kids have an excuse to find fun new fishing holes.

Beginner fishing tips

- Every angler needs a fishing hat. Besides protection from glare and sun, the bill of the hat over sunglasses shields eyes and head from first casts with hook and line.

- Check your back. Ask an apprentice caster to look back before casting to make sure people, animals or obstructions are not in the way.

- Fish handling. Teach kids the appropriate way to handle fish to prevent small bites and fin pricks, as well as injury to the fish.

- Be safe and comfortable. Take along sun screen, kid-safe insect repellent, a small first aid kit, life vest and, of course, some snacks and plenty to drink. And don't pull back hard on a snagged line. It could spring back and hurt someone.

- Quick Success. Kids love to catch fish, any size fish. So your best bet for kid fishing success is to look for bluegill or their panfish cousins — they are usually plentiful and scrappy. The basic hook, worm and bobber rig is still the best way to catch these fish. Panfish have small mouths, so use a size 10 or smaller hook, and the bait should just barely cover the hook.

Love our natural resources. If the fish aren't biting, looking for bait can be just as fun as fishing. Look for bugs under rocks. Take along a net to catch grasshoppers. Or, skip some stones. Talk about the weather. Poke stuff with sticks. Climb a tree. Teach the kids what poison ivy looks like. And use some of the leftover lunch crumbs to surface feed the fish. The ones that aren't biting always seem to find the bread and cracker crumbs.

For more panfish fishing basics, check out: <http://www.IN.gov/dnr/fishwild/fish/fishing/bobber.htm> June 12 and 13, 2004 is Indiana's Free Fishing Weekend. Hoosiers don't need a fishing license during this weekend. More than 30 public properties are hosting free fishing events for kids. For more information visit: <http://www.ai.org/dnr/fishwild/fish/freefish/freefish.html>.

MINI 4-H WORKSHOP

A Mini 4-H Workshop will be held for Mini 4-H members on Friday, June 25, 2004. The theme for this year's workshop is "Fire Up for Mini 4-H". The workshop will consist of a four different safety les-

sons, crafts, games, learning about Mini 4-H, refreshments, a 4-H t-shirt, and a mystery souvenir. Letters were sent out to all Mini 4-Her's the week of June 1 explaining the workshop along with a registration card. The registration fee for the workshop is \$10 and is due to the Huntington County Extension Office by Friday, June 11, 2004. Youth just completing grades K, 1, or 2 may still enroll in Mini 4-H by contacting the Huntington County Extension Office.

4-H GOLF OUTING

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association is looking for golfers to participate in the Huntington County 4-H Fair Board Golf Outing held on Saturday, June 26, 2004. The golf outing will be held at Clear Creek Golf Course and will be a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. Teams are made up of four (4) people and the registration fee is \$160 per team with all proceeds going towards the Huntington County 4-H program. There will be a Hole-In-One prize sponsored by Pace Chevrolet/Olds dealership. MarkleBank is sponsoring lunch and hot dogs. The golf outing is a smoke free event that is sponsored by STOP (Stopping Tobacco and Other Products). Teams and/or individuals are asked to register no later than Friday, June 11. Contact the Huntington County Extension Office for more information at 358-4826 or 358-4827.

PASS THE POPCORN

Taya Decker (our Pink Hatter) and daughter Rachel, co-hosted a delightful Theatre Party for the Real Elegant Dames at their lovely home in Plum Tree. We were treated to the hilarious Calendar Girls movie; and served everything from mouth-watering fondue to teensy creme puffs. Following the movie, we listened to the stirring flute music and song by Robert Mirabal who won the Artist of the Year award last year.

This was written by Robert (he makes world-famous flutes) and dedicated to us, as we have sort of "adopted" a school of children on the reservation in Taos, New Mexico. All were delighted to see the gift from Tom Applegate, an elegant tapestry woven Red Hatter Throw. We made exciting plans for June and July...so many fun things to do. The guests were Mary Brown, Jo Chatham, Irene Henderson, Willie Hethcote, Barbara Kleinhans, Chris Knox & her grand daughter, Velma Lindstrom, Lilly Nutter, Virginia Olson, Mary Palmer, Helen Stokes, Helen Jo Strassner and Maro Wall. Our 58th "goodie box" is going out in this week's mail to Iraq. Just goes to prove "There IS fun after 50!!"

CLUB NEWS

Grant Co. Salon 195 held its meeting May 26th 2004 at Fairmount Post 313.

Chapeau Rosemary Hammons opened the meeting in regular form. Prayer was given by L'Aumonier Waneta Linton. LeSecretaire/Caissier's reports were given by Irene Pickard.

Waneta Linton reported she had sent 2 sympathy cards, 2 get well cards and 1 think of you card.

Waneta also reported she took 15 plush animals to Trooper Teddy program.

Trudy Plummer thanked the partners for her get well card.

Betty Hiatt, leadership chairman, read a poem on "Hugs" for Memorial Day and our troops overseas.

Irene Pickard reported we have 29 paid partners. Also reported she has sent in prayer book and publicity book to departmental.

Jeannie Conwell reported on Bake Sale held May 22.

Trudy Plummer won the 50/50.

Election of officers, new officers are LePetit Chaplain Rosemary Hammons, LeDemiPetit Chapeau Judy Gray, LeDemi Chapeau Duxuim Dalena Foster, LeSecretaire/Caissiere Irene Pickard, L'Archiviste Kim Hammons, L'Aumonier Waneta Linton, LePetit Concierge Margaret Cunningham, LaSurlintendate Jennifer Gray, L'Avocate Jeanne Conwell.

Next meeting June 22nd, Installation at Van Buren Post 368, 6:00 p.m.

Those attending were Waneta Linton, Trudy Ann Plummer, Mary Wane, Helen Broyles, Betty Hiatt, Margaret Cunningham, Kim Hammons, Dalena Foster, Jeanne Conwell, Rosemary Hammons, Irene Pickard.

SIGMA PHI

The Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority meeting was held May 4th. President Sandy Eichhorn opened the meeting with the roll call of: Are you going mushroom hunting?"

The member met at the Church of Christ before the meeting to hold the Zeta Memorial Service

for past members.

The Festival of the Arts will be May 14th-15th and we will be sponsoring the side-walk drawing again this year.

May 2nd's Sunday Brunch was a big success this year. 215 were served and everyone had a good time. We received a lot of nice compliments on the good food and friendly service.

Swimming sign-up will be Mon. May 10th at Salamonie School starting at 6pm.

The social this month will honor all the mothers, will be held on May 18th at 7:30pm in the sorority room.

The next regular business meeting will be June 1st in the sorority room of the Knight-Bergman Civic Center.

Members present were Sandy Eichhorn, Sondra Zabel, Beth Ostermeyer, Sharon Gebhart, Carol Irick, Tara Korporal, Sally Ford, Peggy Sue Clark, Elise Smith, Shelly Stafford, Georgie Poulson, Glendora Booher, Opal Brubaker, Rosemary Zeller, Sandy Booher, Betty Yoder, Susan Raiston, and Suzette Gephart.

GRADUATES BASIC

Dustin Conner, son of Tim and Brenda Conner of Warren, had his BMT (Basic Military Training) graduation on May 28th at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas. Tim and Brenda attended and were able to spend parts of 4 days with him. He is now attending tech school at Lackland (Security Forces) and will be there thru the end of August. He was very thankful for all the cards and letters that he received during BMT and looks forward to more. He stated that he would try and write back when time permits. His new address while attending tech school is: A1C Conner, Dustin L., PSC3 1500 Shaw Drive, Unit #367532, Lackland AFB, Texas 78236-6374.

VISITING

Mr and Mrs George Brewer and Angel spent Sunday visiting their son Kent and family in St Joe, MI. They attended their grandson Phillips 8th grade graduation exercises held at Christ Lutheran Church. While there they celebrated Kents 41st and Mary K's 8th birthday.

GRADUATED

Logan Campbell to pursue a degree in Engineering at Purdue this Fall. Logan is a graduate of Wapahani High School in Selma, Indiana. He is a 9 year member of Huntington County 4-H Club. While at Wapahani High School Logan was involved in National Honor Society, Varsity Baseball, also a



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GENEALOGY REPORT

BETZ

A Navy veteran and past commander of Bluffton Grover Sheets Post 111 of the American Legion, Harold L. Betz Jr., 61, of 207 East Townley St., Bluffton, died at 2 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, 2004 at his residence.

He had been a 19-year employee of International Harvester and worked nine years at Kitco and three years at BRC.

Born Oct. 18, 1942, in Bluffton, he was the son of Harold L. and Betty Mace Betz Sr. A 1960 graduate of Bluffton High School, he served in the Navy from 1961 to 1963. His marriage was on May 28, 1966, in Bluffton to Beverly Booker, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Donald Betz of Ossian; a daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Kathryn) Doepker of Warren; two sisters, Mrs. Jerry (Barbara) Artrip of Ft. Myers, Fla., and Mrs. Darol (Carol) Myers of Bluffton, and three grandchildren.

Services were held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel with Rev. Bud Abrams officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. The American Legion was in charge of graveside services. Memorials to the Leukemia Society.

BUCKLAND

Formerly a Jackson Township resident, Helen U. Buckland, 89, died at 11:05 p.m. Friday, June 4, 2004 at the Muncie Health & Rehabilitation Center in Muncie.

Born in Montpelier on Nov. 9, 1914 to Scott and Maggie Cale Shannon, she married William Howard Buckland on Jan. 6, 1962 in Montpelier; he died March 3, 1992.

A homemaker, she lived most of her life in the Montpelier and Warren area in Jackson Township. She also had worked at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren and was a member of the Dillman United Church of the Brethren.

Survivors include three step daughters, Kate Slater of Warren, Donna Black of Marion, and

Kay Riddel of Indianapolis; a step son, Mack Buckland of Warren; three grandchildren; 30 step grandchildren; and 52 step great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Jack Myers; a step son, Roger Buckland; three step daughters, Bonnie Boxell, Betty Searles, and Helen James; and a sister, Mildred Welch.

Services were held at the Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel in Montpelier with Rev. Lynn Mefford officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Montpelier.

BIRTHS

Mr and Mrs Douglas Lane of New Albany, IN, are the proud parents of a daughter, Anna Claire, born on June 4, 2004 at 5:06 a.m. Anna weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. Anna joins a big sister, Sarah, age 12, a little sister, Emily, age 3, and a big brother Ryan, age 9. Her mother is the former Angela Lynn Brown.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs James Brown of Hanfield, IN and Mr and Mrs Wendy Lane of New Albany, IN. Great-grandparents are Mr and Mrs George Brown of Warre and the late Mr and Mrs Richard Brooks of Marion.

Mr and Mrs Blake Wegenke, Grand Ledge, MI are the parents of a daughter, Ava Grace Wegenke, born April 21, 2004 at 1:11 a.m. at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, MI. The baby weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces and was 21 inches long. She is their first child.

Grandparents are Gary and Sandra Wegenke of Kalamazoo, MI and Frank and Karen Corrin of Corunna, MI. Paternal great-grandparents are Arthur and Marjorie Gard of Warren.

60TH ANNIVERSARY

A surprise 60th anniversary party was held April 9 at the Methodist Memorial Home in Warren for Paul and Ethel Couch, hosted by their children.

Paul and the former Ethel Harrod were married April 16, 1944 at the United Brethren Parsonage in

Warren by Rev. Eugene Rawley. Paul is the son of Harry and Ruth Couch and Ethel is the daughter of Elmer and Nellie Harrod.

They have three children, Larry Couch of rural Poneto, Steve Couch and Mrs. Alan (Mara Jo) Williams, both of rural Bluffton.

Attending the party were Mr and Mrs Rod (Laura Couch) Sils and sons Adam and Grant; Mike and Kim Couch and daughter Taylor; Kyle Couch and Whitney; David Williams, Richard Brown, Shirley Stanley, Dee and Becky Harrod, Denise Miles and daughters Kristen and Kelly Bucher, Doug Stanley and son Dylan; Bill and Freddie Couch, Marcella Moorman and Evelyn Schweikhardt.

Family members unable to attend were Kevin and Michele Couch and children Mikala and Brandt and Rebecca Williams.

65 YEARS TOGETHER

Charles and Alma (Thayer) Woodward observed their 65th wedding anniversary June 3, 2004. They reside at 112 Gardner Court, Markle, IN, 46770.

They were married June 3, 1939 by M.R. Scott in the church parsonage of the Markle Church of Christ.

Charles worked at General Electric Co. for 37 years. He retired in 1978. Alma was a homemaker and worked several years as a receptionist at Myers Funeral Homes in Markle.

They have three children, Mrs. Duane (Clara) Cart of Markle, Mrs. Dennis (Becky) Grover of rural Warren. A son, Ray Woodward is deceased. They have six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A family luncheon will be held at a later date. They would enjoy receiving cards from family and friends.

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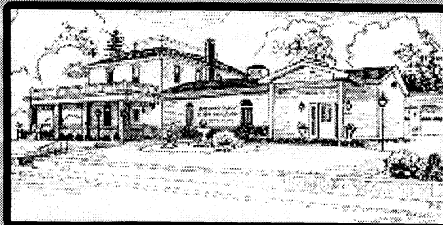
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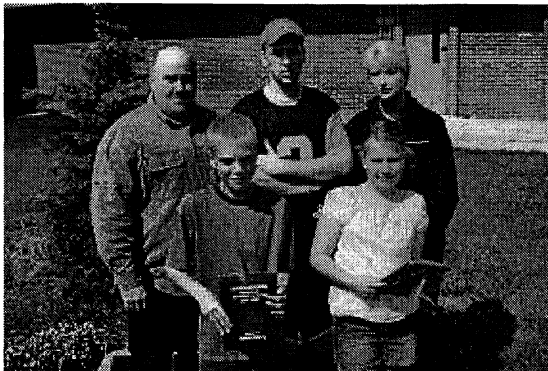
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READING TEA

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LEARNS FIRST AID

Students in Miss Herzog's second grade class at Salamonie School make simple first aid kits to keep in their cars or close at hand during the summer. The kits which include gauze, band aids and rubber gloves were made after a discussion on first aid for nose bleeds, bruises, scrapes, sunburns and blisters was led by Mrs. Thompson, HCCSC nurse and Miss Gross, student teacher.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Phyllis Dickey. Joyce Willman won High, Nancy Willman had Low and Mary Jo Zoda had the most Lones. Others enjoying the evening were Jani Downhour, Sharron Roush, Florence Taylor, Carolyn Carroll, Jane Lieurance, Joan Huffman, Marjorie Michaud and Sharon Gephart. Next month we will meet at the home of Jo Banter.

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REECE MEMORIAL

Two Salamonie third grade students have been rewarded for exhibiting the qualities of good citizenship modeled by a for Salamonie student.

Tanner Kinsey and Mackenzie Sharpe were selected by their peers to receive the Third Grade Lifeskills Award, which is an annual award presented in honor of Brandi Reece.

Reece was a third grade student at Salamonie School in the fall of 2002 when she was killed in an auto accident. On June 4 third grade students and their teachers, in addition to Reece's parents, Bruce and Lisa, and brother Brandon, watched as the principal Charles Grable honored Reece's citizenship and character by presenting the award.

The award ceremony took place in the lawn of the school where a pine tree and rock garden have been planted as a memorial to Reece. Kinsey is the son of Michael and Tammy Kinsey, Huntington. Sharpe's parents are Larry and Anita Sharpe of Warren.



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