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Thought for the Week: The more I want to get something done, the less I call it work. Richard Bach



HERITAGE POINTE SEWING ROOM

The Sewing Room volunteers at Heritage Pointe of Warren were very busy in 2018. Volunteers gather and enjoy visiting as they sew, quilt, and crochet. In the past year alone, the "sewing ladies" made items to be donated to area hospitals, abuse centers, homeless shelters, hospice patients, the Warren food pantry, and the Heritage Pointe daycare. These donations included an amazing count of 384 dolls, 392 bears, 205 hats for cancer patients, and 305 heart pillows for those having heart surgery. Other donations have very specific uses like the Octopus-shaped snugglers which have been found to help NICU babies thrive by simulating the feel of the umbilical cord in the womb. Additionally, over 600 port pillows were made to provide comfort to those receiving IV treatments. The volunteers' outreach doesn't stop locally, but extends globally as they have made it their mission to help clothe children in Africa by making dresses and shorts. Over 100 items were sent to Africa for this cause in 2018. The ladies in the group continue to have a heart for their own community as well. One example of this is volunteer, Ruth Herring, who has personally made over 40 quilts for veterans who have lived at Heritage Pointe of Warren. In the past, volunteers have also made wall hangings, towels for the beauty shop and rice bags for resident pain relief. In order to make all of these donations, volunteers have been blessed with donations from local townspeople, other residents and businesses. Matilda Jane Clothing, of Fort Wayne, has donated their beautiful and unique material toward these projects. Also Smith Brothers of Berne, has donated the stuffing for the pillows and dolls. If the mission projects aren't enough to keep the volunteers busy, they also sew items to be sold in the Heritage Pointe gift shop, which include neck pillows, pot holders, aprons and baby items. They also continue to mend clothing, hem pants and repair zippers. While most of the sewing volunteers reside somewhere on the Warren campus, some are from the community. If you or someone you know enjoys sewing, please join them on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10am in the Heritage Pointe of Warren sewing room. If you have questions regarding the group, have a need or want to make a donation, call 260-375-2201 ext. 4237.

Pictured at left: Front (l-r) Diane Winkler, Carol Tribolet, Ellen Embry, Ruth Herring. Back row: Janice Jordan-Ryan, Linda Kreiger, Marge Reinke, Marge Blair, and Joyce Buzzard. Not pictured: Coleen and Bob Midwood, Roselyn Poulson, Linda Colbart, Mona Fletcher, Mary Zoda, Mary Daugherty, Phylis Hubartt., and Colleen McMillan

NEW BANK PRESIDENT

Changes are on the horizon among the leadership roles of the Bippus State Bank. Ryan Warner, the current President of BSB, will become the new Chairman of the Board upon the April 2019 retirement of the current chairman, Kenneth Rupley. Warner has held this position proudly for 32 years and although he is stepping down, he will remain in the position of CEO of The Bippus State Bank.



It has been announced that Eric Fawcett, currently Executive Vice President, will assume the position of the President of The Bippus State Bank. "Eric has been with the bank for 26 years, working in almost every capacity from compliance, to loan officer, to head of lending," says Warner; "He is more than qualified to step into the role of President and

continue the momentum the bank has created."

As for Warner, he still plans to work full-time but hopes to make an impact outside the bank walls. He will continue to call on current and prospective customers, all while he represents The Bippus State Bank and the community banking industry, both statewide and nationally. Warner says, "There is still a strong need and a place for community banking in the markets we serve."

The Bippus State Bank has a long history of promoting economic growth and stability within its communities while also serving and supporting them since 1911. Dedicated to building relationships, staying true to their roots and providing 'banking at its best', The Bippus State Bank remains a locally owned community bank. The Bippus State Bank currently has offices in Huntington and Wabash counties.

HOMESPUN SPOTLIGHT

Spotlight: Larry Ryan – is a retired dentist who returned to the town of Warren and has lived in the Villas for 4 years. He is married to Janice, has 3 children, 9 grandchildren and a great grandchild on the way. Larry enjoys his woodworking hobby which includes making items such as puzzles, phone

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SLEEPING WELL IS VITAL TO GOOD HEALTH

from the American Counseling Association
 Want to have less stress and anxiety in your life, along with generally better health? Then start getting more, and better, sleep.

It's simple advice but for millions of us it's often difficult to accomplish. The American Sleep Association estimates some 50 to 70 million Americans suffer from some form of sleep disorder, ranging from insomnia that makes falling or staying asleep difficult, to sleep apnea, a sleep breathing disorder that makes a solid night's sleep virtually impossible.

If you believe you are suffering from a serious sleep disorder, it's important to discuss the issue with your family doctor. Serious sleep disorders can have a direct effect on a person's health.

But if, occasionally, it simply feels difficult to fall asleep or to get a good night's sleep, there are actions you can take.

Experts advise one of the best aids to sleeping well is having a regular sleep pattern. By going to bed and getting up at more or less the same time every day, you're training your body and brain to have regular sleep habits.

Researchers have also found there are a number of things to avoid if you want to improve sleep. Alcohol, when consumed within 4 to 6 hours of bedtime, might seem relaxing but actually interrupts the quality of your sleep.

Caffeine and nicotine, both of which are stimulants, can make it difficult to fall asleep if ingested within 4 to 6 hours of bedtime. Nicotine includes not just cigarettes, but also cigars, vaping and anything delivering nicotine. And avoiding caffeine means not just skipping that after-dinner cup of coffee, but also avoiding evening tea, chocolate, and cola drinks, all of which contain caffeine.

And what can help you actually sleep better? Start with a comfortable bed and pillow. People also usually sleep better in cool rooms. Consider ear plugs or an eyemask if noise or excessive light is waking you up. A warm bath helps many people feel more relaxed and sleepy. It's also a good idea to try not to nap during the day. And keep food, computers, cell phones, TV and other electronics out of your bedroom.

Try reading or even listening to music instead.

Adults need from 7 to 9 hours of sleep a night; infants and children even more. Start making changes for better sleep and you'll feel more rested, relaxed and even healthier.

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 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Harold Smith, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:00p.m.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Chad Yoder, Pastor
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor -Ken Thompson
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
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 Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
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 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
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DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor
 Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.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.

HERITAGE POINTE
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

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 727 N Wayne St, Warren
 260-375-2811
 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net
 Pator Rusty Strickler
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild
 Sunday School9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ..Sun 11:30
 Ekklesia (2nd Svc) Fri 7pm

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
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www.hillcrestnazchurch.org
 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.

SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST
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 Paul Burriss, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
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 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 Pam Thompson, 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
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Wed. Choir 6:30p.m.
 Monthly Meetings
 1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m.
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am
 4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Diane Samuels
 Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

THE CHURCH AT MCNATT
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

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 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
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 375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbun, Pastor
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Youth Pastor Troy & Mindy Drayer
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday School all ages 10:45 a.m.
 Youth Group-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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 Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent
 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
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 Worship Service 9:30 am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm
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 UMW 2nd Wed 7:00 pm
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 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries
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 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m.
 Youth:
 K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH
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 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609
 Pastor Al Soultz
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

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AREA NEWS

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charger holders, animals and letter décor.

Can you believe Valentine's Day is quickly approaching? Stop in and see what you can buy for that special someone.

Fresh flower arrangements are available. (pre-orders are preferred if possible). Other Valentine's Day ideas include vases with candy bars (instead of flowers), custom gift bags, quilted pieces, necklaces, scarves, candles, purses, shadow boxes and much more that you have to come in and see in person!

Our store hours are Wednesday and Friday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at 1125 Huntington Avenue in Warren.

See you soon!

MEET THE POTTER

In this week's edition of "amazing things about Warren," we'd like to feature a local pottery student at JH Pottery Works!

Paula Conley is a 51 year old Warren local and has been taking clay classes for over 3 years! We had a chance to chat with her and ask a few questions!

JHPW: How did you hear about the studio? "My mom told me about the clay classes starting in Warren and so I went out to Gebhart's during their Christmas open house to find out more."

JHPW: What is your favorite thing to make? "I love making bowls! It's one of my most favorite forms since it's

an object we use so often in our home."

JHPW: What is one thing you'd like to get better at making? "I'd really like to get better at making a consecutive number of pots that are all similar in shape. Josh makes it look easy. Plus get better at throwing with larger amounts of clay. He makes that look easy too!"

JHPW: What sets JH Pottery Works apart? "There is a sense of togetherness at the studio that is unlike anything else. You feel like you are a part of one big family! We're really there for one another, through good times and bad."

JHPW: What's a fun fact about you? "My husband and I lived in Germany for two and a half years. I also really love my flower and garden bed, but if you live near us, you probably already know that!"

JH Pottery Works offers a two-hour "Play in Clay," a 6-week pottery class, and Clay Camps for kids! To learn more about these classes, stop by Gebhart's Floral Barn or check out www.jhpotteryworks.com

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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 canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Jan 14	5:00pm	W - Town Council Meeting, Assembly Hall
Jan 16	5:00pm	V - Town Council Meeting
Jan 21		Martin Luther King Day
Jan 21	6:30pm	Knight Bergman Center Board Meeting at KBC
Feb 6	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon at KBC
Feb 6	7:00pm	V - Town Council Meeting
Feb 11	5:00pm	W - Town Council Meeting
Feb 14		Valentine's Day

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
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Meetings will also be held January 31, February 9, 14, 28, March 7, 21, April 4 and 18. All meetings will be 6:30 PM – 8 PM except for Saturday, February 9, 9 AM – 12 Noon.

The club members will work in small teams to use the LEGO Mindstorm EV3 robots along with laptop computers that are provided.

Members should enroll online at www.extension.purdue.edu/wells. The membership fee is \$20. This is paid once each year. If you are a member of another club, you do not need to pay again. The Robotics Club does have a \$5 per member supply fee.

Scholarships are available for supplies and membership fees. No youth will be turned away for financial reasons. Contact the leaders or Extension Office at 824-6412 for details.

For more information about the 4-H Robotics Club, contact club leader Brandon Gephart at 765-499-7042.

POOL TOURNEY

Winners of the Heritage Pointe Pool tourney last week were: Norm Hiserr and Bud Purdom. Runners-up were Bud Lee and Bob

Slusser. There were 18 players. Good luck for next week.

Wi-Fi this week was Bud Lee 180, Floyd Minnick 159, George Pond 137 and Dick Lintner 126. Best of luck for next week.

HONOR ROLL

Second Quarter Perfect attendance students at Salamonie School are as follows:

All A's
Fifth Grade: Anna Clampitt, Isabella Draffen, Raylynn Eltzroth, Colleen Hughes, Aubrey Landrum, James Linker, Gunnar McCutcheon, Abigail Michaud, Jakira Morris and Dalton Stephan.

Fourth Grade: Noah Bolinger, Isaiah Bordeaux, Charles Close, Dalton Couch, Elsa Fortney, Ava Getman, Brody Harris, Irelynn Hethcote, Lilly Hopkins, Kaine Landrum, Abrielle Markley, Nora McDaniel, Elijah Richardson, Ryne Scott, Micah Vogleman.

Third Grade: Isaac Beeching, Jackson Blair, Claire Brown, Reece Bumgardner, Aryanna Caley, Addison Douglas, Brayden Freiburger, Bryce Gilbert, Zoey Hensel, Carter Landrum, Morgan Leffert, Jordan Loshe, Tucker Mann, Kipton Newman, Rylee Pelphrey, Enrique Perez, Owen Poulson, Addison Richardson, Kellan Spahr, Lincoln Stivers, Adaira Stockman.

Second Grade: Claire Alford, Josalyn Alford, Morgan Blair, Gunnar Clanin, Bentlee Darling, Jacob Getman, Jaxie Gray, Anderson Hacker, Adelyn Heim, Isabella Hoss, Aynslee Jones, Brinlee Ludemann, Callie Richardson, Xavier Richison, Braxton Roberts, Reed Scott, Graham Shuler, Hailey Sluder, Nakishia Stout.

A's/B's
Fifth Grade: Angelica Alba, Emma Alford, Shane Armstead, Ceaten Brubaker, Olivia Crouse, Xzavier Driscoll, Lillian Ellis, Blaine Freiburger, Kaitlynn Gardner, Izabella Gareri, Hannah Helms, Tristen Helvie, Keaton Jones, Evan Kern, Kendra Killen, Zabri Koon, Makayla Lambert, Ava Markley, Isabella Maul, Aadyne McClain, Layla McDowell, Wyatt Morris, Randall Patrick, Rhiannon Poole, Hailey Pursifull, Eli Ramp, Kael Spahr, Blake Stucky, Garrett Yohe.

Fourth Grade: Shae Amburgey, Arianna Cain, Gage Clanin, Aiden Coleman, Libby Couch, Hayden Geese, Hunter Gillespie, Ryleigh Hethcote, Zayden Kratzer, Aubrie Linker, Dallas Lippencott, Maddox McCool, Brandon McDonald, Drew Miller, Zoey Taylor, Dominic Ward, Hayden Yeiter, Evan Zavaleta, Harley Zumbun.

Third Grade: Carter Bowers, Roxy Brown, Landon Burns, Bailey Chovanec, Bella Claus, Tricia Craig, Lucy Fairchild, Rylee Flood, Crishtian Gates,

Kenleigh Kratzer, Ruthie Mautz, Tayshaun McQueen, Jessaca Michaud, Aubrey Miller, Weston Piquine, Waylon Popp, Kamdyn Shively, Kylynn Slusher, Addison Stivers, Kadence Tackett, Peyton Ward, Colton Whitacre, Clayton Wike, Cooper Wolf.

Second Grade: Levi Adams, Asher Draffen, Jayhla Erickson, Kaidyn Flohr, Ember Hack, Nolan Holley, Ashlynn Leist, Mason McCord, Jaxon Minnick, Aiden Reichard, Liam Spitler, Lola Sudler.

THIN ICE

Indiana Conservation Officers are advising citizens across the state of the potential hazards of being on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams this winter.

Recent temperature drops across the state have brought about sheets of ice across some bodies of water.

Indiana Conservation Officers ask everyone to be vigilant and keep a watchful eye on neighborhood retention ponds, lakes and other waterways for those who may venture out and find themselves in trouble.

Every winter, thousands of Hoosiers safely enjoy fishing, skating, hiking, or just sliding around on frozen ponds and lakes. And every year, people drown after falling through ice. Just like re-learning how to drive on snow versus clear roads, some Hoosiers need to re-

learn how to safely have fun on ice.

Indiana Conservation Officers want citizens to put safety first. Here are a few tips to remember when considering standing on or walking on a frozen lake or pond:

No ice is safe ice. Test the thickness of the ice with an ice auger. At least 4 inches of ice is recommended for ice fishing; 5 inches is recommended for snowmobiling.

If you don't know....don't go. Wear life jackets or flotation coats.

Carry ice hooks and rope gear.

When on the ice, leave a note with a friend or family member of your whereabouts.

Don't test the thickness of the ice while alone.

Indiana Conservation Officers say the best rule of thumb is, when walking on

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HIRSCHY

Rita Anne Hirschy, 64, of Huntington, IN, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019, at 3:50 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Huntington.

Mrs. Hirschy was a 1972 graduate of Huntington North High School. She worked at Schacht Lydall Rubber Company in Huntington for more than nine years, then Breyers Ice Cream for 26 years. She was a member of Bethesda Freewill Baptist Church in Andrews.

She was born April 21, 1954, in Huntington to LeRoy D. and Esther Caley Scott. She married Monte L. Hirschy on Jan. 17, 1981, in Huntington, and he survives.

Additional survivors include their children, Daniel Hirschy, Shadoe Hirschy, and Courtney (Kenneth) Huff, all of Huntington; four brothers, Frank Scott and Herb (DeAnna) Scott, both of Huntington; Danny Wayne (Linda) Scott, of Roanoke; and David (Gwen) Scott of Avon; a sister, Tammy (Phil) Kessinger, of Van Buren; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Walter and Virginia Hirschy, of Willshire, OH; three brothers-in-law, Brian (Sandy) Hirschy, of Willshire, OH; Myron Hirschy, of Fort Lauderdale, FL; and Dennis Hirschy, of San Antonio, TX; and two grandchildren Paul Hirschy and Lana Hirschy.

Calling is Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Bethesda Freewill Baptist Church, 116 S. Main St., Andrews. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019, at 10 a.m. at the church, with Rev. Jeff Necessary officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in Lancaster Cemetery in Huntington County.

HALL

Hershell D. Hall, 68, formerly of Warren, IN, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019, at 1:50 p.m. at Wellbrooke of Wabash Nursing Center.

Mr. Hall attended Warren Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene.

He was born Nov. 14, 1950, in Craynor, KY, to John B. and Francis Hall Hall. He married Margaret Holmes on Nov. 20, 1971, in Huntington, and she preceded him in death on April 26, 2018.

Survivors include three daughters, Chasidy (Marcus) Masters, of Warren, and Heather (Giles) Desotell and Tiffany (Anthony) Johnson, both of Huntington; five brothers, Randall Hall, Rudy Hall, Elzie Hall, Phil Hall and Ray Hall; four sisters, Dinah Tackett, Maggie Evans, Burble Henderson and Loretta Rogers; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, at the Warren Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene, 406 E. First St., Warren, with Rev. Steven Spencer officiating.

Memorials are to the donor's choice of charity, in care of Myers Funeral Home, 2901 Guilford St., Huntington, IN 46750.

ATKINSON

Terry Leon Atkinson, of Van Buren, died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019, at 8:12 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Atkinson graduated from Van Buren High School in 1957. He worked at General Motors for 48 years as a tool and die maker, then as a machinist.

He was born to Herbert and Edith Coppock Atkinson in Jonesboro, where he grew up. He then moved to Van Buren in his teens and resided there until his death. He married Velma Jean Han, and she preceded him in death in 2004.

Survivors include a son, Clayton (Cindy) Atkinson, of Noblesville; two daughters, Dea (Richard) Stanley, of Gas City, and Christine Olynger, of Jonesboro; a foster daughter, Norma Erickson, of Indianapolis; nine grandchildren, Nakoia Scott, Max Friend, Rory Stanley, Tanner Stanley, Jacob Atkinson, Jessica Atkinson, Nathan Atkinson, Benjamin Olynger and Gus Olynger; 12 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

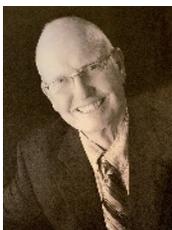
He was preceded in death by his oldest daughter,

Elizabeth Friend; and his first grandchild, Cheyenne Scott.

There will be no services. Memorials are to Cancer Services of Grant County, Tower Suites, 305 S. Norton Ave., Marion, IN 46952, or Marion-Grant County Humane Society, P.O. Box 1921, Marion, IN 46952.

BRADFORD

Wendell W. Bradford, 74, of Warren, IN, died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019, at 9:24 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.



Mr. Bradford was a 1962 graduate of Warren High School. He received his master's degree in elementary education from Huntington University. He began his 35-year teaching career at Auburn for a few years and then moved to Warren School until it closed. He ended his teaching career in 1999 at Salamonie School in Warren.

He coached basketball for several years, was a member of Toastmasters and attended Solid Rock United Methodist Church in Warren.

He was born October 5, 1944, in Bluffton to Hubert F. and Lillian R. Leas Bradford. He married Theresa Breedlove on Dec. 8, 2006, in Charlotte, NC, and she survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, Joe (Geni) Bradford, of Claypool, and John (Melissa) Bradford, of Oxford, MI; five brothers, Gene (Sherrill) Bradford, of Auburn; Stanley (Dorothy) Bradford, of Fishers; and Richard (Sheryl) Bradford, William (Marilyn) Bradford and Ron (Judy) Bradford, all of Warren; a sister, Susan (Steve) Campbell, of New Mexico; a mother-in-law, Ellen (Max) Snow, of Bluffton; three grandchildren, Kassie (Jeff) Minich, of Markle, and Jack Bradford and William Bradford, both of Oxford, MI; and a great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a son, Paul Bradford.

Calling is Monday, Jan. 14, 2019, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at

Solid Rock UMC 485 Bennett Drive, Warren, and on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. A service to celebrate his life will follow immediately after at 11 a.m. at the church, with Rev. Paul C. Burris and Mark Vickrey officiating. Interment will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

Memorials are to American Heart Association, 5635 W. 96 St., Indianapolis, IN 46278

KING

Robin L. King, 59, of Pennville, and with family in Warren, IN, died Friday, Jan. 11, 2019,



at 12:27 p.m. at her residence.

Mrs. King was a 1978 graduate of Jay County High School. She joined the staff at the Bluffton Animal Clinic in 1995 and worked there for 23 years. She was an active member and officer of The Freedom Riders - Chapter 7, and was also a member of the American Legion Post 111.

She was born Dec. 9, 1959, in Hartford City to Harry Brewer and Alberta Brewster Close. Her father survives in Marion and her mother survives in Bluffton. She married Mike King on April 19, 1986, in Bluffton, and he also survives.

Additional survivors include a daughter, Brandy (Jay) Ramseyer, of Pennville; a brother, Dwight (Leslie) Brewer, of Montpelier; two sisters, Diana (John) Huss, of Warren, and Lena (Charles) Taylor, of Dunkirk; three grandsons, Dakota (Lexie) Carr, of Bluffton, and Conner (Tiffany) Carr and Dawson Carr, both of Pennville; and a great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by a son, Tye L. King.

Calling is Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2019, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier. A service to celebrate her life will be Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019, at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with Rev. Laura High officiating. Interment will follow in the Twin Hill -

I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Pennville.

Memorials are to the family for funeral expenses.

WHINERY

Nancy Grace (Mills) Whinery, 81, of rural Huntington, died January 7 at 10:27 a.m.



at Markle Health and Rehabilitation in Markle, IN.

Mrs. Whinery was born to Hazel Etta (Webster) Mills and Richard Mills in Noblesville, IN, on May 4, 1937. She graduated from Broad Ripple High School in Indianapolis, IN, in 1955 and from Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN, in 1960, where she majored in dietetics in the Purdue School of Home Economics. She worked at the Purdue University Child Development Center as a nutritionist while in college. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta women's fraternity at Purdue.

She met, and later married, Larry Alan Whinery of Huntington, IN, while at Purdue. They were married at Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, IN, on December 28, 1958. The celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 2018. After college she was a farm and military wife, homemaker, and mother of four. She also worked at the Huntington County Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service as a 4-H Youth Agent, then later at Huntington Orchards, and as a nutrition counselor for the USDA's Women, Infants & Children Program (WIC) in Northeast Indiana, and finally as a Dietary Supervisor at two area nursing homes. For her entire married life she and her family operated Loon Creek Valley Farms, Inc. where they raised Indiana Certified Seed, row crops, hay, livestock, and had a U-Pick asparagus patch.

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In early life she was a member of the Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church and in her married life a member of the Plum Tree United Church of Christ in Plum Tree, IN. She served in a number of capacities at Plum Tree U.C.C. and was Moderator of the church until her death.

She was also a member of the Piecemakers Quilt Club in Huntington and served as their president for a time. She was also a leader of a Huntington area TOPS club and early in her married life participated in area Extension Homemakers Club activities. She was an avid gardener, cook and quilter and produced no fewer than a dozen quilts, one earning Honorable Mention at a local quilt show. Besides helping her four children with 4-H and school sports and music programs, she also mentored a number of other 4-Hers to complete their projects. She also assisted with school tours of the Chief Lafontaine house and grounds and participated in a PBS Channel 39 fundraising telethon.

Survivors include: husband Larry A. Whinery; daughter Kimberley Anne (Allen) MacMillan, Huntington County; son Dorrel Alan (Jennifer) Whinery, Kaneohe, HI; daughter Sarah Elizabeth (Kenneth) Whinery-Smith, Greenfield, IN; daughter Heather Rae (Mike Albamonte) Zaccagnini, Harvard, IL; first cousin Vanessa [Wells] (Brion) Bauer, Huber Heights, OH; first cousin Pete (Barbara) Illyes, Morrison, CO; first cousin Victor Wells, CO; half-brother Jerry (Rui) Mills, Sarasota, FL; sister-in-law Norma [Whinery] Haley, San Antonio, TX; granddaughter Rachel Kochensparger; granddaughter Ashly Kochensparger; granddaughter Alexandria Aschliman; granddaughter Paxten Daggett; great grandson Maddox Adams, and numerous nieces and nephews, great and great, great nieces and nephews,

and first cousins twice-removed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two maternal aunts (Mary Webster Illyes and Helen Webster Wells), her first cousin once-removed Andrew Illyes, and her son-in-law John A. Zaccagnini, Jr.

Calling will be Friday, Jan. 18, from 4 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 19, from 10 to 11 a.m., and a Celebration of Life service will be Saturday, Jan. 19 at 11 a.m., followed by burial at Star of Hope Cemetery in Huntington County. Calling and service will be at H. Brown & Son-Glancy Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St., Warren, IN 46792.

Preferred memorials are to: McKenzie's Hope Child Advocacy; Riley Children's Hospital Foundation; Huntington County Humane Society; Helping Paws Pet Haven; Purdue University Research Foundation, or a charity of the donor's choice in Mrs. Whinery's name.



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ice, to believe you are "walking on thin ice." Wearing a life jacket is especially important when on the ice. If you fall through, a life jacket will keep your head above the water until help arrives.

"Ice is beginning to form on smaller bodies of water. We would like to ask that the community keep a close eye out for children in your area who may play on the ice. It takes extreme low temperatures and quite some time to form several inches of ice. We have not had those conditions consistently statewide this winter," said Indiana Conservation Officer Max Winchell.

The coating of snow that Indiana just received also can make for treacherous ice conditions. The snow can insulate the ice, causing it to freeze at a slower rate. When the snow and rain that just fell across Indiana freeze into ice, it is never as strong as solid, clear ice.

If you see a pet or other animal in distress on the ice, please do not go after it. This can often end in tragedy.

Contact your local emergency response personnel, who are equipped to make a rescue on thin ice.

Some bodies of water will appear to be frozen solid but actually can have thin ice in several unsuspecting areas. Flowing water, such as rivers and streams, should be avoided when covered by a layer of ice. Water that is surrounded by sand may freeze with inconsistencies in the thickness of the ice.

Underground springs, wind, waterfowl and other animals can also keep areas of ice thin.

ANIMALS HIBERNATE

Learn about hibernation with your child during Salamonie Preschool's "Animals Hibernate" program Jan. 23.

The program is for preschool-age children ages 2-5 and will cover how some animals survive the cold by sleeping away the winter months. There will also be a hike, weather permitting.

The same program will be offered from 10-11:30 a.m. and again from 12:30-2 p.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews.

Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler's education, including music, building a craft, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated and can be done by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127.

For more information on other UWIS programs, see dnr.IN.gov/uwis or facebook.com/upperwabash.

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services (dnr.IN.gov/uwis) is at 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, 46702.

FELTING WORKSHOPS

Find your artistic side with Salamonie Lake's felting workshops.

Participants will create a soft owl from felted wool with help of a fiber artist at both events. The first is Jan. 27, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The second is Feb. 20, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Both workshops will take place at Salamonie Nature Center. Space is limited.

Participants will meet a live owl from the Salamonie Raptor Center during the workshop.

Featured Indiana fiber artist Lena Gray, a 20-year veteran of this medium, will lead the workshop. The program is

part of Salamonie's Nature Art Designs series, which is made possible by the Friends of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services through a grant from the Indiana Arts Commission.

Cost is \$35 per person and includes all supplies.

Advance registration is requested by Jan. 22 by calling 260-468-2127.

Salamonie Lake (on.in.gov/salamonielake) is at 9214 West-Lost Bridge West, Andrews, 46702.

"LOOKING FORWARD-TO TIME

Everyone should have an experience and excitement of an upcoming event! It may be a family reunion, reuniting with an old friend, a planned vacation, the birth of a child, a much-needed form of transportation, or an anticipated monthly magazine.

One of my "Looking Forward-To" expectations is to hear the sound of waves splashing against a shoreline of a large body of water. I have discovered that this rhythmic, repetitious soundboard has a relaxing effect. It also creates a sense of temporary escape from life's mandatory requirements!

Along with this mystical state is the additional sense

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of physical change. This occurs while walking bare footed in the surf. The sand shifts under the soles on one's feet as the never-ending water rushes in and out along the shore. The sense of balance is compromised and focus is required.

The repetitive flow of water onto the shore also causes a constant change in the tint of the sand. Another colorful change occurs when the bright, wet, shoreline rocks dry out and a disappointing dull shade appears. But that is life.

This experience came to fruition with a late summer trip to Lake Michigan. Our destination was Sleeping Bear Dunes State Park in the northwestern part of Lower Michigan.

Our northward, planned trip was remapped as we ended up traveling westward in the morning to an unexpected

family funeral at Urbana, Illinois. After the traditional funeral meal, we proceeded north through the south side of Chicago and on to our first night destination at Holland, Michigan. Our smaller, substitute automobile was hurriedly put into use that morning because the minivan had an unexpected battery malfunction. So much for best-laid plans.

We left Holland and traveled north past Muskegon, Ludington, and Manistee cities. Our primary destination of Sleeping Bear Dunes State Park was reached in the afternoon.

We spent two hours of that "Looking Forward-To Time," walking bare footed in the surf. A beach always seems to go on forever and this one was no different. Once one starts walking in one direction in the surf, there is a force that works against your better judgement to turn around. As expected,

this unrestricted, shoreline freedom was mesmerizing and captivating! We also collected several, washed-up rocks to do something with sometime. Then it was on to an overnight stay in Traverse City, MI.

The following day featured a drive northward into one of the peninsulas near Traverse City to see as many light houses as possible. One place cost a \$9 fee to obtain one light house photograph at a state facility. We decided that we had already seen enough of those white, shoreline structures in our lifetime and saved that \$ for another trip.

A pleasant stop though, was in Northport, MI. where a community, outdoor market was taking place. We enjoyed stretching our legs and browsed the setting.

Our main purchase was a "Bumbleberry Pie" which was stocked with various, unidentified local berries. This delicious, newly acquired pie was shared the next day at the Ryan Reunion near Kalamazoo, MI. One regret was that the big, Bing cherry harvest was finished before our arrival. Must now wait for Kroger to stock them in 2019.

While traveling north of Northport, along miles of a desolate, tree-lined road, two interesting road signs caught our attention. One read, "Watch-Out-For Pedestrians!" Did I miss a city limits sign? The other stated an amusing warning: "Watch-Out-For Suicidal Deer!" Apparently mental illness is no longer limited to humans.

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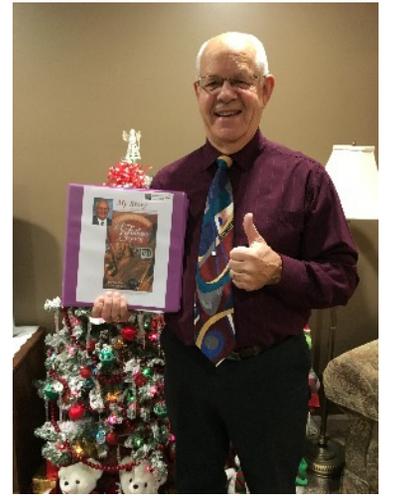
HIS STORY

Everyone has a story to tell about their life but most of us never get around to writing it for our children and grandchildren, but Gerald Moreland (pictured at right) has completed his story and given it to his four children; Rachel Smith, Angela Denney, Sarah Hubert and Luke Moreland last Christmas 2017. He has wanted to do this since he was in high school when he started saving pictures, newspaper articles and other publications from his weekly church papers at all the churches he has served (he's always been a "saver" through the years, just ask his wife Ruth).

Gerald is a pastor who has been in the ministry for 54 years and preached his first sermon when he was 15 years old and decided to enter the ministry as his life's work. He was at the Markle Church of Christ for 25 years before coming to the Warren Church of Christ in 2004 and served there until 2010 when he became one of the three Chaplains at Heritage Poinge of Warren. So, he and his wife Ruth (who taught 21 years at Salamonie School) have been in Indiana since November of 1979.

When he retired from the weekly full time church ministry in 2010 he decided it was time to get "this long time goal to write his story" accomplished and after 7 years of scanning in photos, articles and information from his many sources he was able to produce a 3 Ring Notebook entitled "MY STORY" consisting of 553 pages of his journey. He presented copies of this to his 4 children, 8 grandchildren and his 5 siblings. He said he did it in "notebook form" so pages could be added or it could easily be edited and updated and pages could even be taken out to make copies for friends as needed. He just gave each of the children and grandchildren a 10 page "2018 Update" this past Christmas to add to their copies.

His story consists of chapters that are "topical" so



anyone reading it can go to the subject they are most interested in. It's not your typical story book. He ended up with 19 chapters on topics like "Early Years", "School Days", "Places Lived", "Jobs I Had", "Vehicles Owned", "Musical Memories", "People Who Impacted My Life", "Churches Served" (9 of them), "Weddings, Baptisms & Funerals", "My Family", "The LOVE of Life" (about my wife), "Vacations & Trips"....you get the point!!

He is submitting this article to encourage others (you the reader) to consider doing something like this for your family. How often have you heard (or maybe you've said) "I wish I had asked my dad or mom or grandparents this or that question" and now they are gone and it's too late to do so. He wanted to give his children and grandchildren something that will answer their questions now or even if it's after he's gone (he thinks that's probably when they'll be interested in knowing these things about him).

Why don't you start getting your story down in some form or the other so you can leave behind something they will be sure to treasure as the years go by? If you are interested in seeing his copy you can contact him at 260-224-4844 or write him at 801 Huntington Ave., TH #7, Warren, IN 46792.

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