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Thought for the Week: All things are difficult before they are easy. Dr. Thomas Fuller

ON OCTOBER 28TH...

When the Goblins are about...
Lots of fun with Trick or Treating...
When the Merchants all turn out!
You will hardly even know them...
They will gladly dress up too...
Scarecrows will be everywhere...
The real ones will say BOO!!!

Are you READY?

Warren's Scarecrow Festival is this Friday, October 28th, 2011 all along the downtown strip on Wayne Street. The 9th Annual Scarecrow Festival is sponsored by the Warren Area Chamber of Commerce.

KICK OFF is Thursday, October 27th at 10 A.M.

Scarecrow judging will begin at 10 A.M. by the Red Hatters Society!

****All Scarecrow Participants-** Have your Scarecrows displayed by Thursday AM to be judged! Please show them off all day Friday and throughout the weekend! Thank you for participating!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28th at 6 P.M.

A screeching siren will sound at 6 P.M. sharp calling all children and adults to masquerade and join in the family-friendly festivities! All are invited to DRESS UP and join in on the fun! The festivities, Chili Cook-Off, and Halloweenies on Wayne Street are from 6-8 P.M. Don't forget your treat bags and extra money for fun and refreshments! Winners for the Chili Cook-Off and the Scarecrow Contest will be announced at 7:30 P.M. ****If monstrous rains occur, the events will be held at the KBCC.**

TAKE THE TOUR

If you would like to take the SCARECROW TOUR, the following is a list of Who and Where. All entries have been asked to be displayed through this weekend.

Visit 4ever Sleeping Beauty by Colter Nuss at 722 E Jefferson Street, Lil Mercrow by Hali Nuss at 722 E Jefferson Street, Little Red Riding Hood by Sabrina Nuss at 722 E Jefferson Street, Cook-en-Crows by Tina, Bobbie, and Ashley at 105 Graver Street, Helping Hands by the Warren Cub Scouts Pack #3122 on the corner of 2nd and Wayne, Big, Bad "Building Inspector" by PNC at 201 N Wayne Street, Tin Man's Scarecrow From Wizard of Oz by At The Corner Salon at 202 N Wayne Street, First Grade Fun by Mrs. Swaidner's 1st Grade Class in the window of the old Denny's Hardware, RepairCrow by DeWeese Soft Water and Appliance at 231 N Wayne Street, Happy Dallas by Huggy Bear Ice Cream Stop at 431 Huntington Avenue, and Headless Horseman by MarkleBank at 450 Bennett Drive.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2011 Merchants

Visit the following booths for tons of fun! Remember to bring extra cash for some of the premium treats!

There will be Popcorn by Campbell & Dye and Star Financial, Cotton Candy by Tim and Jennifer, Hot Dogs by WUCC, Apple Dimpplings by Tri County 4x4 Club, Donuts and Apple Cider, and Bowling by Citizen's Telephone (also a raffle!), Candy by Glancy Funeral Homes, Bookmarks and Candy by the Nazarene Church, Cookie Lee Jewelry by Kat Liddy, Homemade Bows by Theresa Muncy, Candles by Ashley Bennett, Food Pantry Collections by the Huntington County Sheriff's Department, Games and HANDFULS of candy by Warren Church of Christ, Sand Art by Melinda Haynes and Tara Bower, sweet-treat walk by PJ's Flower & Gift Shop & the Bargain Basement, Hay Rides by SAM's, Shopping (in-store) and Dips by the Courtyard Studio, Water by Small World Nursery School, Dr. Bob's Canine Crunch by Dr. Robert H. Berghoff, The Balloon Man and Chili Pizza by East of Chicago Pizza, AND a SCAVENGER HUNT by MarkleBank!

Also, come to view booths by PNC Bank, Gebhart Floral Barn, Sigma Phi Gamma, Warren Public Library, At the Corner Salon, Boys and Girls Club, DeWeese Soft Water and Appliances, Markle Med Center, Bread of Life Food Pantry, Bolinger's Propane and Warren Service and Supply, the Methodist Church Women's S.O.S. Group, Accent Interiors, and Ackley Automotive!

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION

DRAWINGS

Citizens Telephone will once again honor their customers by handing out donuts and apple cider at their booth, during the annual Scarecrow Festival Friday night October 28th.

Citizens will also have a drawing to give away three electronic devices, to three lucky winners. You will have a chance to win either an Amazon Kindle E-reader; Leap Frog Leapster2 learning game system; or a Sony E-Series MP3 music & video player.

All you need to do is visit our booth and receive your entry ticket. You choose which item you want to take a chance on! The items will be given away that night so you must be present to win. All ages are allowed to enter.

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SPECIAL GOODIES!

Jordan Bennett, newest stylist at The Corner Salon, will be handing out Percentage off and Free item cards at the Scarecrow Festival. Stop by the Shop and see her.

ATHLETIC BREAKFAST

The Southern Wells Athletic Department will be sponsoring a Breakfast Buffet to benefit the Athletic Transportation Fund. The Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 5th from 7:00 am to 10:00 am in the Elementary Cafeteria.

Free-will donations to the Transportation Fund will be accepted throughout the morning. Items being served will include Pancakes, Sausage Links, Biscuits and Gravy, Coffee, Juice and Milk. Come out and support the student-athletes of Southern Wells by attending this worthwhile event.

PORK TENDERLOIN SUPPER

Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene will have their All You Can Eat, Semi-Annual Tenderloin Supper on Saturday November 5, 2011. 4 - 7 PM.

It will be held at the Hillcrest Family Life Center (Nazarene Church) 402 E. 1st Street in Warren.

Carryouts Available. Children 5-12 -- \$4.00, Adults -- \$8.00, Children 4 & under -- Free.

Tickets available at the door. For more info: Contact Pastor Mark, (260)228-0934 or preacherman1137@aol.com.

FOOD DRIVE DURING FESTIVAL

The Huntington County Sheriff's Reserve Program is trying to help our community near the holidays by conducting canned food drives in our towns. The food items collected in each town will be donated directly to the food pantry in that town. The first drive will be held at the Warren IN Scarecrow Festival which takes place on Friday October 28 from 6-8pm in downtown Warren. Reserve Deputies will

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Leave news and/or advertising at PJ's Flower and Gift Shop, mail to P O Box 695, Warren, fax to 260.247.2426 or email to wwky@citiznet.com. Van Buren residents may call Mary Jo Zoda at 765-934-3637.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS



THE UPTOWN GARDENER

by Ruth Herring

Many think this past Sunday was Indian summer, My grandpa always said you have to have squaw winter first with some snow. So perhaps we may have more nice autumn days.

I have brought in all the plants I care to keep over for next spring. The tomato vine is done for and have some ripening in the sun room so we will be able to enjoy a few more.

Treva and I were on a trip this past week and was discussing the harvesting of crops. I am always amazed at the corn and bean fields that seem to stretch out nearly a mile along side the roads and can hardly see to the other ends of the fields. We then were in conversation of when I would help my dad harvest our three or four acre fields. I always helped him shuck the corn out by hand and throw it into the wagon. I was only about 10 or 12 when I started helping. Eventually I got to where I could shuck out a half of row to his full row. He was always grateful for what help I could give him. By the time we quit for the day I was really tired and had mighty sore hands. Dad always got the job done regardless of how much help I was. Many a year we had our Thanksgiving dinner and off to the field if the weather permitted. That got me out of helping with the dishes that day. I always chose helping dad opposed to house work.

Not every Thanksgiving Day was a work day. Many times my uncles came from Marion and it was rabbit hunting day. I was not allowed to partake in, My Queenie dog loved those days. She was a great hunter and rabbit hunting was a real delight to her.

This past week we had a family get together with Waynes sisters and family had such a good time and lots of good food. It was great getting together with the younger members of the families which we don't see that often. My how the family of a brother and two sisters has grown.

Treva made a good dessert which is a reminder of fall which she shares.

Rich Apple Cake

2 cups diced peeled apples, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup flour, 1 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon soda, 1/2 cup chopped nuts.

Combine apples and sugar let set till the sugar is dissolved add in a beaten egg then the sifted dry ingredients and nuts. Bake in sprayed 8x8 pan bake 35-40 minutes.

While baking make a sauce of 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup granulated sugar, 2 tablespoon flour blend well and add 1 cup water cook till thick and clear. Stir in 1/4 cup butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla stirring till butter is melted. Take cake from oven and pour over the cake the sauce.

This recipe is also in the new Pulse Opera House cookbook which will be on sale at the November show comming up soon. There are many great recipes in this book from cast members and friends of the Pulse. You might enjoy having a copy it or could also make a nice gift.

Happy Halloween!

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

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 8294S 900W 35
 Brad Kelly, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.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.

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones
 Youth Leaders - Kelly Jones
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.
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 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY — MAJENICA
 Pastor Richard Evans
 260/224-3376
 Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Dick Case, Pastor
 Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service 10:30a.m.

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

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

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES
 9019 E 300 S - Warren Indiana
 Jim Graham, Pastor
 260/494-6753 260/489-1456
 260/375-4224
 Sunday School 9:30am
 Morning Worship 10:30am

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Rev Mark Davis
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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
 227 N Main St, Warren, IN 375-3873
 Kathy Newton, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

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

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

LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor Devin Cook
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148
 Tony Johnson - Pastor
 Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN
 Rev. Charles Dederick, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

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

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

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

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

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

WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST 375-3022
 Ethan T Stivers, Minister
 Nathan Ratcliff, Youth Minister
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries
 www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 11 to 11:40 a.m.
 Youth: (Start back up in the fall)
 K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Thursday 6-8pm

WARREN 1ST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Senior Pastor Rev. Bill Fisher
 Asst Pastor for Youth Greg Casserino
 Lori Buzzard, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH 375-2330
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service..... 7:00p.m.
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FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN 765-934-3609
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes 9:30 am
 Youth Group 6:00 pm
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 pm



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have an area set up in the festival and will be there collecting food items, doing child fingerprinting and DNA kits.

Future events are being planned for the towns of Andrews IN, Markle IN, and Roanoke IN.

CHOIR TO PERFORM

Salamonie Church of the Brethren, located at SR 124 between SR 9 & SR5 will be having the Manchester Acapella Choir. They will be performing on October 30 at 9:30 a.m.

HELP FOR THE POOR

Love, Inc. is collecting toiletries and paper products for those who are in great need in Huntington County. You can help LOCAL families with their basic needs. A Box for collecting these items will be located at the Warren Pharmacy!

Items to consider donating include: toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, hairbrushes, shampoo and conditioner, soap and body wash, deodorant, dish soap, laundry soap, diapers, feminine hygiene products.

These items, and more, will be distributed to low income

families in our area.

PLATELET DONORS VITAL TO PATIENT CARE

"You're golden."

That's what platelet donors hear most every time they come to help save a life through the American Red Cross. And that's because these tiny gold-colored cells in blood are constantly needed by hospital patients with life-threatening illness or injury.

"Platelet donors are highly valued by medical professionals and by hospital patients and their families," said Sharyn Whitman, CEO for the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the American Red Cross. "These donors play a vital role in ensuring an adequate supply of a very fragile resource is available when it's most needed—which is literally every day."

Platelets are the clotting components in blood that control bleeding. Patients with serious health conditions like leukemia, cancer and aplastic anemia can't produce enough platelets of their own and often need platelets to survive or to improve their quality of life. Platelets are also essential for many surgeries, trauma care and during the course of chemotherapy.

Platelets for patient care come from volunteer donors who make and keep appointments through special Red Cross collection sites. Platelet donations can take from 90 minutes to two hours and involve the use of a cell-separating machine that removes platelets and a small amount of plasma from whole blood, then returns remaining blood components to the donor. Donated platelets only last for five days, and are always in high demand. Donors can give platelets up to 24 times in a 12-month period. Donors can also give blood after waiting a certain number of days between donations and meeting eligibility requirements.

"When you give platelets, chances are someone very sick needs your donation almost immediately," said Whitman. "And since you may be eligible to give platelets more often than you think, you could help save lives throughout the year by simply rolling up your sleeves."

For information on donating platelets, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-589-8127.

UPCOMING AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES IN YOUR AREA:

- Wednesday, Nov. 2, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in the lower level, located at 641 N. Main St. in Roanoke.

- Thursday, Nov. 10, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center in the Main Room, located at 132 Nancy St. in Warren.

- Monday, Nov. 14, from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the Evangelical United Methodist Church in the Main Room, located at 1000 Flaxmill Road in Huntington.

About donating and eligibility To schedule an appointment

to donate please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org for more information. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental permission in Indiana and Ohio), meet weight and height requirements (110 pounds or more, depending on their height) and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. Please bring your Red Cross blood donor card or other form of positive ID when you come to donate. Platelet donors should also be aspirin-free for 48 hours.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

The Warren United Church of Christ will be hosting a bazaar on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Remembering When".

Along with homemade noodles and apple dumplings, a deli of other wonder offerings will be available: homemade pies, jellies, salsa and other bazaar favorites. Also, there will be lovely handmade items in the Christmas Craft Room.

A tasty lunch will be available from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The church is located at the corner of 2nd and Wayne street in Warren.

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Warren Town Council has been scheduled for 9:00 am on Thursday, October 27th at Assembly Hall, 131 N. Wayne Street. Main agenda item will be consideration of approval of a proposed utility easement at 1204 Huntington Avenue to allow construction of a retail building. Other business items which could/would appear on the agenda may also be considered.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen will be hosting Sunday Brunch on October 30th from 11am-1pm. Buffet provided by Kim's Katered Affair will include: French Toast Casserole, Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Casserole, Pork Loin with Gravy, Fried Chicken, Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Broccoli Cheese Soup, Assorted Salads, Desserts & Beverages. Cost: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Kids Ages 10 & under. Please call Dogwood Glen at 375-4750 for Reservations. Carry-out is also available.

BREAKFAST/TURKEY SHOOT

This is just a reminder that on Saturday, October 29th the Warren Sportsman's Club will be having their annual All You Can Eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast followed by a Turkey Shoot. The breakfast will begin at 6:30 and we will serve until 10:30. Cost will be \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for kids 5-12 and all kids under the age of 5 will eat for free. The Turkey Shoot registration will begin at 10:30 with the Turkey Shoot starting at 11:00. Only 12 and 20 gauge shotguns will be allowed. You will supply your own firearms and the Sportsman's Club will be supplying the shells. The cost is \$5.00 a shot with a Money Round of \$10.00 a shot. Hams and Turkeys will be given away. Come out and enjoy a great breakfast and then stay for the Turkey Shoot. We will be also raffling off a couple of nice prizes during the day. We hope to see you on Saturday, October 29th.

BIG RON'S DOGS

The United Church of Christ will be providing hot dogs for everyone Friday night at the Scarecrow Festival. This is an outreach program for us to the Warren Community. "Big Ron and Bonnie Boxell has done this in the past, so as a memory to "Big Ron", don't forget to stop by and have a hot dog in memory of him. May the Lord bless us all. Don't forget if you need a Church our doors are always open at

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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.

Oct 26	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Town Council, Town Hall
Oct 28		Scarecrow Festival - Downtown Warren
Oct 31		Halloween - Boo!
Nov 2	Noon	Warren Chamber of Commerce, Assembly Hall
Nov 2	7:00 p.m.	Van Buren Town Council, Town Hall
Nov 5	9am-2pm	Holiday Bazaar at Warren United Church of Christ
Nov 5-6		Open House Holiday Happenings at Gebhart Floral Barn
Nov 6	11am-1pm	Sunday Luncheon sponsored by Knight Bergman Ctr
Nov 8		Election 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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the United Church of Christ. Pastor Scott Nedberg would be more than glad to welcome you.

ROADRUNNERS

The Warren RoadRunners are taking the bus to Das Nolt Restaurant and Miller's Country Store on Friday, November 4th. The Das Nolt is traditional Amish food served buffet style. Home-cooked, quality meals, pastries and pies. Miller's Country Store is an Amish oriented store that serves the general public. Browse the store for spices, bulk food items, fabric for quilting or crafting, lots of gift and novelty ideas. Just about any household item can be found at Miller's.

Leave 10:00 a.m. Deadline: November 2nd

All trips leave from the Warren Church of Christ parking lot at 302 N. Wayne St., Warren, IN. Contact Colleen Franklin at (260) 414-0223 for details

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

The Warren Woodlawn Directors will be cleaning the cemetery of summer flowers and decorations beginning November 1. Recently placed fall items will not be removed.

trusting families to remove these as we get into winter weather. Christmas items may be placed after Thanksgiving. Please label and securely anchor all arrangements.

President Guy Jackson, Vice President Robert Sliger, Treasurer Sharon Williams, Secretary Lou Ann Shafer, Marcia Jackson, George Kriegbaum, Larry Poulson, Ned Ruble and Mark Stucky welcome your suggestions and comments.

Call 375.2970 for more information.

FISH & CHICKEN

Boehmer UM Church is having an all you can eat Fish and Chicken supper on November 5, 2011. Serving times are 4:30 - 7 p.m.

Meat is being prepared by County Line Concessions (Back Door Concessions).

The church is located at 3467 S 600W, Liberty Center.

Your free will donation will be used for outreach Mission Projects.

Hope to see you there!

COUNCIL NOTES

The Warren Town Council met on Monday evening, October 20 in Assembly Hall. Vice president Barb Trosper opened the meeting at 6:30

p.m.

Minutes of the September 12 meeting were approved as submitted.

A discussion was held concerning the removal and replacement of playground equipment at Tower Park. Also discussed was a proposal of an ordinance banning smoking in designated areas of the park. Both topics remain under consideration by Council.

Concern was expressed about a vehicle which had been parked for some time along Third Street and not moved. Marshal Spitler said the vehicle was properly plated but he would check into the matter.

Bids were opened for sale of pieces of unused equipment as advertised, accepting high bids as follows: Wilson \$176 for the rodder and \$2160 for the dump truck/plow and Bolinger \$436. for the trencher. A complete list of bids is available in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Day reported that no properties had been purchased in the Huntington County Tax Sale. Two of the properties under consideration received no bids and the other two were purchased by others.

Day also detailed a request from Hurley & Stewart, engineers for the proposed retail store on Huntington Avenue, for the reduction of current town wastewater easement of thirty feet to twenty-seven feet to allow placement of the building

outside of that easement. Day said that action would not be detrimental. Council reported in agreement with the request. Work is to begin on preparation of an Ordinance amending the easement.

Council has set Trick or Treat hours in Warren for October 31 from 6-8p.m.

Approval was given for the request to close an alley between Nancy and Jefferson Street running perpendicular to First Street and the Knight Bergman Center October 20-22. Neighbors are to be contacted to determine if the closing would have an adverse affect.

Jeff Souder, Warren Area Chamber of Commerce, said preparation for the Scarecrow Festival, to be Friday October 28, was underway.

Morrison reported than an audit by the State Board of Accounts has been completed. Computer upgrade is tentatively set for November 17. The office will be closed November 2 for the Keystone software annual training meeting.

Day reported that the tree trimming project has been completed but there are six trees to be removed. Millsite Drive paving has been completed. Also the Salamonie Heights electric project has been completed.

Leaf pick up has started and will be done on Monday and Fridays.

Day also reported that testing of well number two indicates a decrease in pumping capacity. It will be necessary to make a decision as to whether to repair and clean the well or drill another well. Another option is to look for another fissure to place a new well at an estimated cost of approximately \$35,000. No decision has been made at this time.

Poulson, Wastewater Plant Manager, submitted a quote of \$12,506 for the replacement of three diffusers in one tank. Council voted to accept the quote.

Poulson submitted the Fire Department activity report.

Marshal Spitler presented Council with the August and September police report. It was requested that Caley,

Deputy Marshal, be sent to the four day Reid School of Interrogation in Allen County. Cost will be \$595. Council approved the request.

Morrison reported that a group of individuals and SAM's are working on cleaning up the Boy Scout Cabin area. A work day is set for October 22. Council agreed to a request for a dumpster to be placed in the area.

KBC MINUTES

October 17, 2011

Board Members Present: Shellie Boxell, Bonnie Boxell, Denny Stroud, Janice Jordan, Karen Herr, Rosemary Zeller, Sharon Gebhart, Joan Boyer, Joyce Buzzard, Mark Davis.

Absent: Jim Asher, John Williams

Guest: Kristy Mc Carver

Shellie opened meeting with Kristy. Kristy stating that she and Trent were trying to reactivate the Boy Scouts in the area. They would like to use the old barn siding located in the basement to restore the scout cabin. They may have the old siding.

Shellie then welcomed new board member Joyce Buzzard.

Minutes were reviewed and Bonnie made a motion to accept the minutes with a correction. Joan seconded and motion carried.

Financial report was reviewed. Bonnie made a motion to accept these bill and allow payment, Denny seconded, motion carried.

Old Business:

Food Pantry report: Mark reported that things seem to be running great. A couple of refrigerators went off last week and she lost a lot of food. She has since received a new refrigerator.

It was noted that Amy Vance had been called regarding the Southern Wells pick up at the center. It has been cleared with Huntington County and the KBC.

W.A.R.R.E.N. Letters have been sent to remind people of their pledge.

Buffet: Things are in place for the Luncheon Nov 6th. We are to report for work 9:30-10:00.

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KNIGHT-BERGMAN CENTER BASKETBALL 2011-2012

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GENEALOGY REPORT

ENYEART

Mary Lou Enyeart, age 80, of Huntington, died at 6:48 p.m. Thursday (October 20, 2011) at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mary Lou was born on September 23, 1931, in Wells County, the daughter of Kenneth L. and Sarah Elizabeth (Lutz) Millington. Mary Lou married Lloyd Adam Enyeart on June 9, 1952 in Marion and he preceded her in death on December 8, 1998.

Mary Lou retired in 1997 after 33 years at Memcor in Huntington. She also was a bus aide for the Huntington County Community School Corporation for the past 5 years.

Survivors include one daughter – Pam (Don) Harris of Huntington; four grandchildren – Terina Enyeart of Rockford, Illinois, Melissa Enyeart of Rockford, Illinois, Misty Kelker of Warren and Adam Hower of Huntington; four great-grandchildren – Coradela Helton and Colt Helton both of Huntington and Seth Enyeart and Luke Enyeart both of Rockford, Illinois; five sisters – Nancy DeYarmon of LaFontaine, Norma Archibold of Decatur, Bonnie Whelchel of Lafayette, Betty Sills of Huntington and Sarah Kay Legg of LaFontaine; and three brothers – Wayne Millington of Las Vegas, Nevada, Harvey Millington of Warren and Ned Millington of Huntington. Her parents, husband, son – Terry Enyeart and sisters – Irene Sands, Doris Millington and Dorothy Elston preceded her

in death.

Funeral services were held Tuesday (October 25, 2011) at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Eugene Vickery officiating. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Donor's Choice in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana 46750.

REUSSER

C. Robert Reusser, 92, of Bluffton, passed away Sunday, Oct. 23, 2011, at Christian Care Retirement Community.

He was born in Wells County on Jan. 1, 1919, to Gottfried and Carrie (Hostetter) Reusser. He married E. Jane Chenoweth on Oct. 2, 1946, in Bluffton; she preceded him in death on March 6, 1999.

A 1936 graduate of Bluffton High School, Mr. Reusser was a lifelong dairy farmer in Harrison Township until his retirement in 1981. He was also the secretary of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of French Township for 25 years.

First and foremost, Robert loved spending time with his family and friends. He was a very active member within the church, and especially enjoyed singing in the choir. He also enjoyed activities such as crossword puzzles and pedaling on his exercise bike. For over 20 years, he and his wife spent their winter months in Florida. He was a member of Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton, and an active

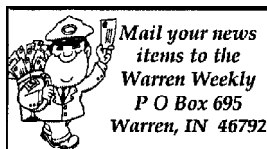
member of Gideons International in Wells County.

Surviving relatives include three daughters, Nancy (Frank) Halstead of Carlsbad, Calif., Carol (Gary) Foltz of Greenwood and Donna (Boyd) Penrod of Bluffton; four sons, John (Kayleen) Reusser of Bluffton, Timothy Reusser of Brownsburg, David (Cindy) Reusser of Liberty Center and Brian (Julie) Reusser of Indianapolis; 10 grandchildren, Nicholas, Tiffany, Amanda, Christopher and Lindsay Reusser, Ashley and Katie Foltz, Erika (Penrod) Lesh, and Colin and Alex Penrod; and two great-grandchildren, Owen and Chloe Lesh.

He was also preceded in death by one son, James Reusser; five brothers, Virgil, Don and Kenneth Neuenschwander and Karl and George Reusser; and two sisters, Vera Rudy and Edna Alexander.

Calling hours were held Wednesday, Oct. 26, at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton and Thursday, Oct. 27, at the Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton. Funeral services were held at the church with Pastor Matt Hartsell officiating. Burial was at Six Mile Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to Gideons International.



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SSF Denny reported that things are falling into place. Next meeting will be Jan. 9th 6:30 at the Sportsmen's Club House.

Sink Hole: Jim not at the meeting to report.

Calendar Access. Denny again told us how to get on line to view the calendar.

KBC work day will be October 29 at 8:30. We will be getting Christmas lights out.

This work day is open to the public. Anyone wishing to help will be welcome.

New Business:

Basketball update: Sign up will be running in the paper for the next 3 weeks. Sponsors have been contacted with many already responding. Coaches meeting will be set up soon.

A discussion regarding charging a deposit for the use of the auditorium. This is being put on hold until next meeting.

Next meeting will be Nov 21 6:30 at the Center.

MY TOWN and Yours

BY DENNIS STROUD

How many can remember the Warren Kiwanis fish fries held the late 40s and 50s? The fish fries started in 1948 and continued once a year for many years. The fish fries were held in the Warren High School gymnasium with tables and chairs covering every inch of the gym floor. The Kiwanis president would start the evening with the pledge to the flag and then the invocation was given.

The meal, usually, consisted of fish, potato chips, tomato juice, celery, rolls and coffee. While the meals were being served, dinner music was being played by some local person. After the meal was over, there was always a variety show, community singing or some other entertainment. The all you can eat fish was fixed and served by Kiwanis members. Most fish fries served between 500 and 600 people all at once. There are pictures in the museum of past fish fries and it is amazing to see all the people in the gym at one time. In 1956, "The Warren Tribune" said that 750 people attended the eighth annual Kiwanis fish fry.

SIGMA PHI

Beta Delta Chapter held their Halloween Party Oct 18th in the Sorority Room.

Hostess for the evening were Susan Ralston and Claudia Boxell. Beth Ostermeyer won the prize for the best costume, Madam super witch. A fun Card game was played with Sandy Eichhorn and Jenny Plummer as winners. Great refreshments were served to the following Opal Brubaker, Carol Irick, Sandy Eichhorn, Lana Stuber, Sharon Gebhart, Kathy Ralston, Beth Ostermeyer, Sondra Zabel, Sandy Booher, Tara Korporal and the committee.

See everyone at the Scarecrow Festival.

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Physicians Health Plan of Northern Indiana, Inc., (PHP), a local managed-care organization, is providing scholarship opportunities for high school seniors planning to pursue a career in a health-related field. PHP will award a one-time scholarship of \$3,000 to the first place winner; a one-time scholarship of \$2,000 to the second place winner; and third place will receive a one-time scholarship of \$1,000. All entries must be postmarked by February 24, 2012, to be eligible. You can download entry requirements and an application by visiting our Web site at www.phpni.com, or call 260-432-6690, Ext. 328 or (800) 982-6257 Ext. 328.

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR

The Blackford County Extension Homemakers annual Holiday craft Bazaar and Farmers Market is on Saturday, November 5, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Blackford County 4-H Building. There will be many craft booths and lunch will be available. Free admission.

For further information call the Blackford County Extension Office 765.348.3213.

HOW TO ROAST AND USE

PUMPKINS!

Peter Piper Picked a Profoundly Plump Pumpkin -- Now what does he do with it? How to Roast a Pumpkin

You can only do this with a freshly carved pumpkin! Do not use on a pumpkin that has been carved and sitting out for several days.

To bake a fresh 6 to 7 pound pumpkin, halve the pumpkin crosswise and scoop out the seeds and strings. Place halves, hollow side down, in a large baking pan covered with aluminum foil and add a little water. Bake, uncovered, at 375 degrees for 1 1/2 to 2 hours or until fork-tender. Remove. When cool, scrape pulp from shells and puree, a little at time, in food processor or blender. Mix with a little salt. To freeze pumpkin puree. Put 1-2 cups in freezer bags along with spices and use in pies.

To use pumpkin puree for recipes: Line a strainer with a double layer of cheesecloth or a flour sack dish towel and let the pumpkin sit to drain out the extra moisture BEFORE cooking with it. Pumpkin is very moist, so in order for your recipe to come out correctly, you MUST strain it.

Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

Boil seeds in water for 5 minutes. Drain well. Sprinkle with salt or seasoned salt. Place a thin layer on a cookie sheet. Bake at 250 degrees. Stir after 30 minutes. Bake 1/2-1 hour more or until crunchy. *Squash seeds may also be used.

Pumpkin Smoothies

1/2 cup pumpkin
3/4 cup milk or vanilla yogurt
1/4 tsp. cinnamon
1/8 tsp. nutmeg
2 tsp. brown sugar

4 ice cubes
whipped cream (optional)
sprinkles (optional)
Place all ingredients in a blender. Blend until smooth. Pour into 2-3 glasses. Serve with a small amount of whipped cream on top. You may also add orange sprinkles if you like. Serves 2-3.

Pumpkin Crunch

1 package yellow cake mix
1 can (15 oz.) solid packed pumpkin
1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk
3 large eggs
1 1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. salt
1/2 cup nuts
1 cup butter, melted

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Mix pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar, cinnamon, and salt in a large bowl. Pour into a greased 9x13 pan. Sprinkle dry cake mix over pumpkin mixture. Then sprinkle with nuts. Drizzle with butter. Bake for 50-55 minutes or until golden brown. Cool, served chilled. Serve with whipped topping.

Homemade Pumpkin Muffins
1 cake mix (any flavor works, but chocolate is our hands down favorite!) 1 can pumpkin or 2 cups mashed cooked pumpkin

Beat together with electric mixer until smooth (It will be really thick). Add 1 cup mini chocolate chips and stir. Line muffin tins with paper muffin cups and spray with non-stick spray. Use an ice cream scoop to put batter into muffin cups (I can get 24 muffins from one box of mix). Bake at 350 degrees for around 20 minutes. Cool and frost if desired. My family likes them just as they are when they are hot from the oven.

Spice cake mix is great - add white chocolate chips, peanut butter chips or butterscotch chips.

I have made pumpkin muffins with white cake mix and yellow cake mix too. They have around 120 calories apiece with the mini chocolate chips and are virtually fat free. If you are on weight watchers, they only count as 1 point.

This is a fabulous way to sneak some vitamin A rich veggies in on the kids. Just don't let them see you put the pumpkin into the muffins and they will never know it is there. These are more moist than very expensive name brand double chocolate chip muffins.

Pumpkin Pancakes

2 cups flour
2 Tbsp. brown sugar, packed
1 Tbsp. baking powder
1 1/4 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
1 tsp. salt
1/2 cup pumpkin
1 large egg
2 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1 cup milk

1/2 cup nuts, chopped (optional)

Combine ingredients. Stir just until moistened; batter may be lumpy. Heat griddle or skillet over medium heat. Brush lightly with vegetable oil. Pour 1/4 cup batter onto hot griddle. Cook until bubbles begin to burst. Turn and continue cooking 1 to 2 minutes. Serve with Pumpkin Maple Sauce and nuts.

Pumpkin Maple Sauce

1 cup maple syrup
1 1/4 cups pumpkin
1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon or pumpkin pie spice Mix together until well blended.

Visit www.LivingOnADime.com for more easy recipes! Tawra Kellam is the publisher of the website www.LivingOnADime.com and the author of Dining On A Dime Cookbook: Eat Better Spend Less.

WHY LIMBS FALL IN YOUR YARD

Travel around a neighborhood after a storm and you will see tree limbs, large and small, scattered about the ground. Why do some limbs fall in high winds or after ice storms while others merely bend? Should you worry about that large limb overhanging your driveway?

"One reason trees fail is weak branch unions," says Tchukki Andersen, BCMA (board certified master arborist) and staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Homeowners can educate themselves about tree limbs, but they should call a professional arborist if they are worried about an overhanging branch."

Trees may suffer from naturally formed imperfections that can lead to branch failure at the union of the branch and main stem. There are two types of imperfections that create weak unions: a branch union with included bark and an epicormic branch.

Weak unions

Branch unions can be characterized as strong or weak. Strong branch unions have upturned branch bark ridges at branch junctions. Annual rings of wood from the branch grow together with annual rings of wood from the stem, creating a sound, strong union all the way into the center of the tree.

A weak branch union occurs when a branch and stem (or two or more co-dominant stems) grow so closely together that bark grows between them, inside the tree. The term for bark growing inside the tree is "included bark." As more and more bark is included inside the tree, the

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weak union is formed that is more likely to fail.

In storm damage surveys conducted by the University of Minnesota's Forest Resources Department, 21 percent of all landscape trees that failed in windstorms failed at weak branch unions of co-dominant stems. Some species are notorious for having included bark: European mountain ash, green ash, hackberry, boxelder, willow, red maple, silver maple, Amur maple, cherry and littleleaf linden.

Epicormic branches

Epicormic branches (also called water sprouts) are formed as a response to poor pruning practices, injury or environmental stress. Epicormic branches are new branches that replaced injured, pruned or declining branches. Commonly, epicormic branches form on the stems and branches of topped trees. When old, large epicormic branches are growing on decaying stems or branches, the epicormics are very likely to fail.

Epicormic branches, by their very nature, form weak unions because they are shallowly attached instead of being attached all the way to the center of the stem. Epicormic branches grow very quickly so they become heavy very quickly. After a time they lose their connection to the main branch and may fall to the ground because the underlying wood cannot support their weight.

"If a weak union is also cracked, cankered or decayed, the union is likely to fail, causing the branch to fall off the tree," says Andersen. "Sometimes, ridges of bark and wood will form on one or both sides of a weakened branch union in order to

stabilize the union. The branch is very likely to fail when a crack forms between the ridges."

Find a professional

A professional arborist can assess your trees to determine whether pruning or removal of limbs is warranted. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA), a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. It has more than 2,000 member companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org.

SAFETY FIRST ON HALLOWEEN

Just because Halloween celebrates all things scary doesn't mean you want any safety scares of your own this year. Use these tips from USA.gov to make sure you and your family have a fun and safe holiday.

Pick visible costumes. When you're costume shopping, encourage your kids to pick brightly colored costumes. That way it will be easier for cars to see them on dark roads. If they insist on wearing dark colors, stick some reflective

tape on the costumes to help them be more noticeable. You can also put reflective tape on their candy bags and give your children flashlights to carry.

Use face paint instead of a mask with your children's costumes. Face paint may work better than a mask when it comes to visibility. If you decide to paint designs on your kids' faces, follow the directions on the face paint packaging closely. You may want to test the face paint a few days before Halloween to make sure it doesn't irritate your children's skin. And make sure to avoid their eyes when you apply it.

Don't snack while trick-or-treating. Wait until you get home so that you have a chance to inspect your children's candy. To prevent snacking, give your kids a small meal before they head out. When they get home, toss out any candy with opened or damaged wrappers and homemade treats, unless you know the giver personally.

Consider using a glow stick or battery-powered lights instead of candles in luminaries or in jack-o-lanterns, especially around little kids who could get burned or drapery that could catch fire. Make sure your kids Halloween costumes are flame resistant in case a cape or other part of the costume comes near an open flame.

You can find more tips for having a safe and fun Halloween on USA.gov's Halloween page.

FREE POETRY CONTEST

The Christian Poets Academy is sponsoring a free poetry contest open to everyone. There are 50 prizes totaling \$5,000, with a \$1,000 grand prize for the winner.

Poems of 21 lines or less on any subject and in any style

will be judged by the contest director Dr. Jeremy Cameron. "We love encouraging poets with cash prizes," he says. "We trust this contest will produce exciting results!"

Send poem by November 15 deadline to: Free Poetry Contest, PO Box 761, Medford, OR 97501. Or enter at www.freecontest.com

Include your name and address on the same page as your poem. For a winner's list, please include a stamped return envelope.

MY GOODNESS IT'S FALL AGAIN

by V Neil Wyrick

I always have a special place in my heart for Fall. Its beginning is when I began by own beginning, Sept 23, 1928.

I've watched it work its special ways through many fall moons and enjoyed everyone of them. I've felt God turn up the heater later and later each day as the clouds gathering just over the calendar horizon begin to think of snow.

While I live in more southern climes I have as often as possible visited far enough North to feel the air grow crisp and the sparkling grass announce that Jack Frost has come to call.

The last of leaves have fallen or perhaps here and there a tenacious one still holds on before quietly falling to the ground.

The law of gravity has not been repealed and nuts are falling too.

I passed a field of corn the

other day and the wind was blowing.

It made the field prattle, it really did and I could almost understand the language.

I think it was saying "Someone forgot to take the poor scarecrow away. He looks so lonely and forlorn. Could you move him?"

I like it when I can pull out that old sweater that I would swear looks at me as if it knows it cannot last through another season.

It is reminiscent time. Fall does that doesn't it?

I can see that little boy in an oversized football helmet running across a field.

I can see my friends of long ago and as my memory sharpens them in my mind's eye I wonder where they are these days and what they are doing. It is fun to think back, our mental marquee alive and well.

And on the movie screen of my yesterdays everything is always in 3 D and living color.

I laugh at all the things my fellowman wants to celebrate in this month.

Look for Circles Day which one of my friends suggested is only for squares.

Sadie Hawkins Day and yes I remember Al Capp. Have a Bad Day day.

I'm thankful already and the official day for Thanksgiving hasn't yet arrived, But then isn't that what it is all about.

The greatest harvest of the Fall. A grateful heart for one and all.



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