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Thought for the Week: *Think you don't have anything to be thankful for. Check your pulse. Have a Happy Thanksgiving.*

PULSE PRESENTS "A CHRISTMAS CAROL"

Cynthia Smyth-Wartzok, director of The Pulse Opera House, proudly announces the grand finale production of the theater's 2006 season – the stage adaptation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" by Michael Paller. The full-scale, costumed production will feature special effects never before seen on the stage of the historic Pulse Opera House.

The Pulse Opera House will conclude its enormously successful 20th anniversary season with the stage rendition of Charles Dickens' popular holiday story, "A Christmas Carol." The play opens during a festive Christmas Eve party in Dickens' home in 1843. Guests listen as Dickens tells them a story using himself and his guests as characters. A cast of 16, including seasoned actors and children, portray more than 40 roles. A robot built by members of the backstage crew will portray The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come. Ron Wartzok is Technical Director.

Show dates for "A Christmas Carol" are November 24, 25, 30 and December 1, 2, 7, 8, 9. Show times are 8:00 pm. The Pulse Opera House's box office and theatre open at 7:30 P.M.

Ticket prices are \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Children. Tickets may be reserved online (www.PulseOperaHouse.org) or by calling the Pulse Opera House box office at 260.375.7017. Reserved tickets should be picked up at least 15 minutes before the show.

The Pulse Opera House production of "A Christmas Carol" will include a prop that has never appeared on stage at the Pulse Opera House, says Smyth-Wartzok. "The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come will be portrayed by a robot that we're building just for this show. We've never used a robot before so this is a new experience for us. We're sure audiences, especially children, will enjoy seeing this unusual bit of dramatization on stage."

Special arrangements have been made for hundreds of local school children to attend daytime productions of "A Christmas Carol."

In the spirit of the season, the Pulse Opera House is offering a \$2.00 discount per ticket for each food donation brought in for the Warren food pantry. (Limit: one \$2.00 discount per ticket; not good with any other discount.) Requested items for the food pantry include canned peas, mixed vegetables, chili beans, fruits, cooking oil, small cans shortening, cake mixes and icing, pancake mix and syrup, oatmeal, broth (chicken & beef), noodles, tuna, macaroni & cheese, Spaghettios, paper towels, and toilet tissue.

Local citizens and businesses will provide decorated trees in the lobby of the Pulse Theatre during the run of "A Christmas Carol." These include Citizen's Telephone,

The Arts Festival Committee, Randy Neuman, and P.J.'s Flowers.

Hot and cold drinks will be available for purchase during each of the shows from Huntington business, Lattes To Go.

"A Christmas Carol" follows a successful 2006 season at the Pulse Opera House with sold-out performances at several shows, including "Wild Oats", "The Odd Couple", "See How They Run", "The Mousetrap", and a children's acting workshop, "Frumpled Fairytales." Smyth-Wartzok also headed up a Playwright's project during the year, staging cold readings in September.

For more information about the Pulse Opera House, go to www.PulseOperaHouse.org or call 260.375.7017.

About The Pulse Opera House: The Pulse Opera House is located in a former vaudeville theater built in 1884. Under the direction of Cynthia Smyth-Wartzok and Ron Wartzok, the opera house has operated as a not-for-profit summer theatre. In recent years the Pulse Opera House has received world-wide recognition with performances at two International Theatre Festivals in Germany.

SANTA COMING TO TOWN

Don't forget to be downtown Warren this weekend for a Meet and Greet with Santa Claus.

Santa arrives at 6 p.m. in Front of Town Hall and will oversee the traditional lighting of the downtown area. This year's lighting includes new window lighting and a new Christmas centerpiece, all furnished through the Town of Warren and the Warren Chamber of Commerce's annual sale of memorial bows for the community tree.

Magically, Santa will light the community Christmas tree donated this year by Grace Thompson.

At approximately 6:30 Santa and children of all ages will walk through to the Knight-Bergman Center to light the grounds and building at the Center.

Santa will then meet with kids in the auditorium and a photo of each child and a small gift for each will help usher in the Christmas season. Cookies, hot chocolate and coffee will be available.

Santa will return on November 25th for another visit with the children who didn't get to see him on Friday evening. He will be at the Civic Center from 9 to 11 a.m.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

The Warren Public Library will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23, but will be open during regular hours on Friday and Saturday. However, there will be no story time on Friday, November 24.

Due to an injury and up-coming surgery, the woodcrafter will not be able to install the new shelves at the Warren Public Library as scheduled next week, November 28 and 29. The Library will be open regular hours on those days.

DEADLINE APPROACHING

Dogwood Glen Golf Course would like to remind all golfers that the Early Bird Discount (20% off) and Payment Plan Deadline for 2007

Memberships is December 1st. There are many membership options available. Contact the Pro Shop at 375-4750 with any questions. Also Gift Certificates are available for that last minute gift for the golfer in your family.

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

Pathfinder Services Recycling and Refuse Division will follow the following schedule for the Thanksgiving holiday. All of Pathfinder Services Wednesday and Thursday recycling and garbage routes will run on Wednesday, November 22nd. All of the Friday and Monday recycling and garbage routes will run on Monday, November 27th. The town of Andrews garbage route will run on Wednesday, November 22nd. The town of Warren's garbage and recycling route will run on Monday, November 27th.

If you have any questions regarding your Thanksgiving pickup schedule through Pathfinder Services Inc., please contact the Recycling and Refuse Division of Pathfinder Services, Inc. at (260) 359-9430.

IN CONCERT

"The Jubilees" will be at the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene on Nov. 26 for the morning service. They will present a full hour of southern gospel singing from 10:30 to 11:30. That's right, no preaching, just a hour of praising God with wonderful songs and music. The public is invited. If you have no Home Church why not come hear the Jubilees. They are really great to listen too. Come praise God with us in music. Chow, soft drinks, hot coffee in fellowship after the concert.

LIFESAVING SKILLS

The American Red Cross of Huntington County would like to ask an important question: "When an Emergency Strikes, Will You Be Ready to Save a Life?" If the answer to this question is no, or you are unsure, the Red Cross recommends that you get Prepared. One of the most convenient ways to get prepared is to take the new American Red Cross Web-based training.

You can't predict when an emergency will occur, but you can be

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SAMMY KAYE ORCHESTRA

SWING & SWAY

Swing & Sway with Sammy Kaye Orchestra, directed by Roger Thorpe, will be presented December 3rd at 2 p.m. in the Applegate Chapel of Heritage Pointe (formerly the United Methodist Memorial Home).

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of our family, neighbors, and friends who made our 50th wedding anniversary open house such an enjoyable day. To visit with family and friends is one of the greatest rewards in life. Thank you also to each and every one who sent all the nice cards. We want to especially thank our daughter-in-law Rhonda and son, Rick, who planned the day for us so that we could enjoy the entire time.

Richard & Janice Brubaker

THANK YOU

I take this time to give my love and thanks to each of you who was so kind to remember me while in the hospital and rehab at Methodist Home.

The doctors, nursing and therapy staff have all been wonderful. Thank you for the many cards, phone calls, visits and words of encouragement and especially to my family for the help they have given me.

My blessings to each of you.

Ruth Herring

RED CROSS THANK YOU

I would like to issue my deep appreciation to Tasty Pizza and Johnson's Junction for their generous donations of refreshments to the Emergency Responders on Monday, November 20th, 2006. I would also like to thank the many Red Cross volunteers who responded to hand out refreshments and provide support to the families and the emergency responders. I would also like to commend the over 80 responders who assisted during the house fires on N. Jefferson St.

Sincerely,
James Griffith

UPTOWN GARDNER

by Ruth Herring

The uptown gardener is certainly not in a gardening mode. Somehow a set of stair steps and I collided and I got the worse end of the deal, a broken hip. The good part of it is I am mending nicely although my pride is still suffering, I hope to be able to tackle the garden come spring. Another 6 weeks or so the seed catalogs will be arriving and will get my spirits in high gear.





It is rather hard to write about gardening in the time of year when outside snow could be falling. I sure didn't get the fall preparation for the garden and flower beds done for winter, but did get a few geraniums into the greenhouse before I met my fate, so spring will be a busy catch up time.

A couple of my flowerbeds I leave the vegetation standing thru the winter. When there is snow on the ground and as I look out my kitchen window it makes the landscape a bit more interesting. I read an article in a gardening magazine about snow scaping that is where they left interesting vegetation such as mums, grasses and any studier stem vegetation in the beds for winter interest. So I "snow scape" a couple flower beds each year. It also seems to help shelter the mum plants as a mulch during the cold weather.

Fall is the time when I normally gather the pecans from our tree but not this year as we lost our tree in a storm this summer. We also have an English walnut but it was not the year for it to bear. What few were on the tree the squirrels had a feast of.

Another thing I like to have on hand is persimmons. Thanks to Meridith and Nancy Tudor I was fortunate to have a nice supply of the pulp in the freezer to make some great desserts. Persimmon trees are native to our

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The online portion of the training must be completed before the skills session.

For a demonstration of this new Web-based training, please visit www.redcross.org/websites/nhq.html.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a training session, please contact Jenna Rodgers at 260-356-2910.

TREE WALK

The Forks of the Wabash Historic Park will hold "A Christmas Tree Walk" on Saturday, December 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again Sunday, December 3 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The two-day event features a raffle for approximately 20 bedecked Christmas trees decorated by local businesses and individual groups. Raffle tickets may be purchased for \$1.00 and all 20 trees will be raffled off with voters casting votes for their favorite tree. The winner of the raffle will take the tree home.

Other activities include Christmas items for sale in the museum building gift shop and Miami Inc. will be selling baked goods at the

Chief's House. Students from Manchester College will be caroling on Saturday. Admission is free.

The Historic Forks of the Wabash is dedicated to preserving, protecting and interpreting the geographical area known as the Forks of the Wabash and is located at U.S. 24 & S.R. 9. Contact the Historic Forks at 260-356-1903 for more information.

GRIEF MINISTRY

On Saturday, December 2, the Victory Noll Ministry Center, 1900 W. Park Drive in Huntington, in collaboration with Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home of Ft. Wayne are offering a workshop that is open to the public entitled "When Mourning Dawns: Living Your Way Fully Through the Seasons of Grief." The presenters are Michael Handlin, LCSW and Lili Carroll, MS, both Bereavement Coordinators from Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home. The workshop will focus on the seasons of grief that are a natural response to losing a loved one, utilizing a DVD presentation by Jim Miller, a renowned grief therapist and author from Ft. Wayne.

There will be time for personal reflection, guided discussion, and sharing, all within the beautiful, peaceful environment of Victory Noll.

Registration and continental breakfast will be from 8:30AM to 9:00AM with the workshop starting at 9:15AM and concluding at 12:15PM. Registrations are appreciated. Please call Jan Parker at 260-356-0628 ext. 128 to register or email at ministryctr@olvm.org. Suggested offering of \$10.00 per person is appreciated, and includes a light continental breakfast, beverages, and handouts.

COOKIE SALE

The Huntington County Extension Homemakers will hold their 4th annual Holiday Cookie and Candy Sale Friday, December 8, 2006 11:00 am. to 4:00 p.m. located in the first floor of the Courthouse Annex at 354 N. Jefferson Street. Cookies will sell for \$3.00 per dozen and candy will sell for \$3.00 per half pound. Proceeds will go to fund a variety of Extension Homemakers programs.

During the program year, Extension Homemakers provide educa-

tion in all areas of family living. Programs are generally open to the public and cover a variety of topics. Fall make-it-take it craft days, the Ladies Day and Open Class activities at the Huntington County Fair are also funded through this group. Extension Homemakers also provide handmade book bags and books for the county's First Books program. This year, the group is also making pillows for teenage patients at Riley Children's Hospital, quilts for pediatric patients at Huntington Hospital and Salvation Army, participating in adopt-a-family for the holiday programs and collecting pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

COUNCIL NOTES

President David Scheib conducted the Nov. 13. meeting of the Warren Town Council. Held in Assembly Hall, the meeting open-ed at 6:30 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the Oct. 23 meeting were approved as submitted.

Citizens in attendance were concerned about properties on College Street which had not yet been cleaned up.

There was also concern about a semi often parked the wrong way on College, especially with repairs being made.

It was noted that a resident on Jefferson Street had made an effort to clean up that property.

Two houses on Hendricks Street are being repaired. One recently changed owners and the new owner had been verbally warned the property is to be cleaned up and repaired. Council will be watching the progress of repair.

It was announced that work would begin later in the week, putting new carpet in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office. The office was expected to be closed for a short period of time for the job to be completed, which was expected to take about two weeks.

The State Board of Accounts had completed their audit.

Council decided to have a meeting to get clarification about the Engineer contract for the Streetscape Project.

After discussing the Railroad contract, Council decided to send a letter requesting that the Railroad clean up their right-of-way and repair crossings in Warren.

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PAWS TO READ

Pictured above: Abby Oursler reading to Molly and Paul Craig.

Molly is a beautiful golden retriever and she just loves having children read to her. Molly is a therapy dog and children's confidence and reading skills grow when reading to her.

If you would like to have your child read to Molly at the Warren Public Library, please call 375-3450 and schedule a time. Paul Craig has generously donated his (and Molly's) time to listen to children as they improve their oral reading skills.



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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.

Nov 23	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 24	Warren Recycle Day
Nov 24 & 25	A Christmas Carol at the Pulse Opera House
Nov 27	Warren Town Council, 8 am, Assembly Hall
Nov 30	A Christmas Carol at the Pulse Opera House
Dec 1 & 2	A Christmas Carol at the Pulse Opera House
Dec 6	Chamber of Commerce, Noon at Assembly Hall
Dec 6	Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m.
Dec 7-9	A Christmas Carol at the Pulse Opera House
Dec 8	Warren Recycle Day
Dec 9	Knight Bergman Center Board Meeting, 8 a.m.
Dec 11	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Dec 12	Our Town Meeting, 7p.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 **After School Adventure** - Tuesdays & Thursdays, after school till 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene **Preschool Story Time** - Warren Library 10:30 Fridays **Walking in the Gym** - at KBC 7-11a.m. Monday thru Friday.

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Smoke testing had been conducted at Town Hall and adjoining buildings to find the source of gas odor.

An IACT meeting was scheduled for Nov. 16 in Markle, pertaining to regional property tax.

Council accepted the new Quote-Bid forms which had been approved.

Council also approved the annual contract/ Regional 18, CDL testing.

Christmas hams are to be ordered for town employees.

Council approved the 2006 Fire Compensation checks to be issued Dec. 1 during the Firemens Banquet.

Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison gave the October Financial report.

In reporting from the Utility/Street Departments, Curtis Day said employees had been working on picking up leaves and putting up Christmas decorations, and lights.

The October monthly report was submitted.

Council accepted a bid from W. A. Jones for the purchase of a new snow blade.

Council approved two new members of the Fire Department, Adam Blinn and J. Hartman.

Town Marshal Dennis Spittler submitted his October Activity report.

Announcements: Council meeting, Nov. 27, 8 a.m.; 9 a.m. Insurance Proposal.

VB COUNCIL NOTES

The Van Buren Town Council met on Wednesday evening, Nov. 15, in the Council Room at the Town Hall. President Tony Manry conducted the meeting which opened at 7 p.m. with all in attendance repeating the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

A citizen in attendance was concerned about semi traffic entering Van Buren on South First Street. It was noted that the speed limit in that location is 35 mph and soon reduces to 25 mph. There was concern because of the number of children in the area. Police are to monitor traffic there.

A citizen was interested in presenting a bid for trash hauling.

Council approved the purchase of 25 pairs of gloves for members of the Fire Department.

The ambulance crew was requesting additional space at the Fire Station.

A vote is expected at 2 p.m. Nov. 21 on the CAFO issue.

Representatives of the severe weather alert system are expected to meet with Council and town employees on Nov. 20 at 8 a.m.

Officer Pat Collins gave his report. Letters are to be sent to violators for junk and abandoned

cars.

Town employees will hold their Christmas dinner at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3.

Superintendent Jim Webb gave his report. October and November meters had been read and two meter changes made.

There had been problems at both the water and wastewater plants.

Christmas lights were expected to be put up Nov. 27. Banners are expected to be taken down at that time for the winter.

There have been problems with people throwing trash in the recycling bins.

Employees have been cleaning storm drains and sewers.

The next Council meeting will be held Dec. 6.

CHAPLAIN MALONE RETIRES

Col. Michael W. Malone retired from the United States Army. His retirement ends a thirty-two year active and Reserve career. He has served the country as a Medical Laboratory Specialist, a Social Work Officer, and for the past eighteen years as a United Methodist endorsed Chaplain. In 1968 he enlisted in the Army and began his career with Eighth Army Korea. In 1990 he was mobilized and deployed to Saudi Arabia and Iraq for Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. In recent years, as Eighth Army Command Chaplain, he participated in five strategic level military exercises in the Republic of Korea. Among his awards are the Legion of Merit Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal and

three Army Commendation Medals. Malone is a 1964 graduate Lake High School (Hartsville, Ohio), a 1971 graduate from the University of Akron, a 1974 graduate of the Graduate School of Social Work, University of Utah, and a 1984 graduate of United Theological Seminary (Dayton, Ohio). He is an ordained elder in the North Indiana Conference of The United Methodist Church. He is pastor of Warren United Methodist Church in Warren, Indiana.

CELEBRATE SEASON

Music to inspire the spirit of Christmas will be performed by four ensembles from the Huntington University Department of Music. They will present an evening of Christmas music in a shared concert titled "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

The Wind Ensemble with Mr. Scott Hippensteel, director, will perform a variety of familiar Christmas songs including "Sleigh Ride," "Midnight In Bethlehem," "Adeste Fidelis" and an arrangement with narration of the famous poem by Clement Moore that begins "Twas the night before Christmas..."

The Brass Ensemble with Dr. Robert Lynn, director, will perform a Christmas sing-a-long, "A Spiritual Christmas" and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." The Women's Chorale with Mrs. Joni Killian, director, will perform "Glorificamus Te," "Mary's Song of Praise," "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and "Pastores de Belén." The Handbell Choir with Mrs. Darlene Burkett, director, will perform "Angels We Have Heard On High," "A Bell Carol

Fantasy" and "O Come O Come Emmanuel."

Don't let this busy holiday season rush past without experiencing the hope and peace of all mankind in "Twas the Night Before Christmas." The music will start at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 1 in the Merillat Centre for the Arts' Zurcher Auditorium. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students, seniors and Huntington University faculty and staff, are available through the Merillat Centre for the Arts Box Office by calling (260) 359-4261.

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JR LEADER MEETING

The Officer Team of the Huntington County 4-H Junior Leaders will meet Monday, November 27 from 6:30-8:00 pm at the Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office. The group will determine committee assignments 2007 program year. Any 4-H member interested in serving on a 4-H Junior Leader Committee must submit an interest form to the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, November 22. Junior Leader Committees include Achievement Trip, Flower Bed, New 4-H Member Workshop, 4-H Fair Worship Service and Assistant 4-H Fair Superintendents.



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The officer team will also be planning these upcoming Junior Leader activities: Winter Wonderland Retreat on Saturday, December 9 at Christine Pinkerton's home, starting at 3:30 pm and a 4-H Junior Leader Lock-In at the Huntington YMCA on Thursday, January 11. The 4-H Junior Leader organization is open to any youth in grades 7 and older. For more information, contact the Purdue Extension - Huntington County Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington or email Linda Aldridge at aldridge@purdue.edu.

4-H FAIR BOARD TO MEET

The Huntington County 4-H Fair Association will be meet on Tuesday, November 21, 7 pm at Heritage Hall, Hier's Park. The board will review proposed 4-H Project rule changes, approve committee assignments and begin their work towards the 77th annual Huntington County 4-H Fair to be held July 13-26, 2007.

STORYTIME

Thanks to Kathy Newton and Debi Sackett for leading the story time at the Warren Library.

Story time is held each Friday morning at 10:15. Don't miss this opportunity for your pre-schooler.

There will be no storytime on November 24 or any other Friday that the public school is closed.



SPEECH TEAM

Front Row: (left to right) Elizabeth Hubley, Jennie Plasterer
Second Row: (left to right) Alli Harris, Emma Sabinske, Michael Paynter

On Thursday, November 2nd, Huntington North High School participated in an after school tournament at Northfield High School. With about 80 students competing, in 13 different events, Elizabeth Hubley placed 1st in poetry, Jennie Plasterer placed 2nd in poetry. Michael Paynter placed 3rd in Humor, and Alli Harris placed 4th in congress. On Saturday, November 4th, Huntington North High School participated in a novice only tournament at Norwell High School. With about 200 students competing, in 13 different events, Michael Paynter placed 2nd in Humor, and Emma Sabinske placed 5th in congress. On Saturday, November 11th, Huntington North High School participated in a tournament at Fort Wayne Northside High School. With about 290 students competing, from 21 different schools in 13 different events, Emma Sabinske placed 1st in congress, Alli Harris placed 4th in congress, Elizabeth Hubley placed 4th in poetry, and Michael Paynter placed 4th in humor.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

GARDNER

Janet Louise Gardner, 88, of Los Gatos, Ca. died on Monday, November 13, 2006 in Los Gatos Meadows.

She was born in Van Buren on Monday, May 27, 1918, the daughter of the late Burtney J. and Lillian S. (Howard) Ferguson. She was married in Van Buren on December 21, 1941 to Lessel Wayne Gardner, who preceded her in death on May 2, 1987.

She is survived by two sons, Perry Gardner of Los Gatos, Ca., and Tom Gardner of Elk Grove, Ca., along with three sisters, Ruthanna Duckwall of Marion, Miriam Jones of Fairmount, In., and Sue Yerkes of Munster, two brothers, James Ferguson of Van Buren and David Ferguson of Warren, along with six grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at the Chapel of Los Gatos Meadows. Private burial will take place at Skylawn Memorial Park in San Mateo, Ca.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Valley in San Jose, Ca., or to the Parkinson's Association of Northern California in Sacramento, Ca. Local arrangements were through Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home in Van Buren.

MEADE

Joni Marie (Meyers) Meade, 51, of Lake City, Fla., died on Nov. 7, 2006 at Haven Hospice in Gainesville following a long illness. She was a homemaker.

She was born in Bluffton, and was a 1973 graduate of Southern Wells High School. She had been a member of the Dillman United Brethren church. She was preceded in death by her father Leo Meyers, her sister Linda Meyers Bowman, and her step-father Wayne Hite.

She is survived by her husband Bob Meade, her son Nathan and her daughter Jenny all residing in Florida, along with her mother Adriana Meyers Hite and her brothers Larry Meyers of Edgemont, Ark., and David Meyers of Cincinnati, Ohio; step-brothers Ronnie and Jerry Hite of Huntington County, and her step-sister Vicki McIntire of Warren.

GRAFF

A resident of rural Warren, Arthur D. Graff Sr., 71, died at 3 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, 2006 at his residence.

Born July 5, 1935 in Grant County to Arthur H. and Helen Heal Graff, his marriage Oct. 29, 1955 to the former Mildred Enyeart took place in Marion. She survives.

He was retired from Fisher Body in Marion and was a member of the United Auto Workers union. He was also a member of the Fisher Body Sympathy Club, the Huntington County Sky Warn and a

Ham radio operator with the call signal of KB9YAN. He attended Mt. Etna United Methodist Church and had attended Marion High School.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Arthur D. Graff and Roy Graff, both of Warren; a daughter, Mrs. Ted (Linda) Bowman of Warren; a sister, Karolyn Huffman of Huntington; two brothers Richard Graff of Sweetser and Jerry Graff of Marion and one grandson.

He was preceded in death by son Edward Allen Graff.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel in Warren under the direction of Rev. Tom DeFries. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory in Marion.

HARDIN

Carl J. Hardin, Sr., 62, of Bluffton died at 5:45 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 17, 2006 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Carl attended high school in Selma, Ind., and had worked at Decatur Casting for 18 years. Most recently he had worked at Sterling Casting in Bluffton. He was an avid racing fan who loved to attend NASCAR and drag races. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle, and was also an avid baseball fan.

He was born in Logan, West Virginia on Dec. 4, 1943, a son of Charles L. and Gladys (Clark) Hardin. He was married in Muncie on May 12, 1969 to Victoria L. "Vicky" (Higdon) Hardin.

He is also survived by his sons Carl J. Hardin, Jr. of Masey, Ind., Johnny Ridge of Bluffton, and Billy Maggard of Texas, and his daughters Mrs. Randy (Brenda) Wolfe of Bluffton, Cindy Nelson of Bluffton, Mrs. Jeffrey (Betty) Bolding of Warren, Gwen Cavanaugh of Warren, and Hope Garrett of Muncie; a brother, Bill Hardin of Logan, W. Va., along with 25 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Hardin and two sisters, Betty Jean Hardin and Martha Jane Hardin.

Services were held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home with Pastor Tom Bradley officiating. Burial was in Elm Grove Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.

GENTIS

Rosella Marie Gentis, 70, of rural Bluffton died at 5:05 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18, 2006 at Lutheran Hospital. She had been in failing health for the past 2 1/2 years.

She had lived in Wells County for most of her life, and had been a homemaker and a member of the Living Water United Methodist Church. She was born in Huntington County on Sept. 7, 1936, a daughter of Norman and Opal

(Bardsley) Van Emon. She was a graduate of Bluffton High School and was a member of the Nottingham Township Home Economics Club and the Gideons Auxiliary. She was married on Sept. 9, 1956 in Huntington County to Rex Eugene Gentis, who survives. The couple recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

She is also survived by her children; Rick Gentis of Bluffton, Rod Gentis of Geneva, and Ronda Able of Indianapolis, along with two sisters, Verna Ross of Bluffton and Miriam Niblick of Logansport, and her brother Earl Van Emon of Wooster, Ohio, and seven grandchildren.

Calling hours were held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, and prior to services at the Living Water United Methodist Church. Pastor Steve McPeck & Pastor Ralph Klinker officiated. Burial was in Six Mile Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Gideons or The Leukemia Foundation.

LOSURE

John K. Lasure Sr., 69, died Sunday, November 19, 2006 at home.

He was born on Wednesday, February 24, 1937 in Landess, Indiana, the son of the late Arthur Lasure and the late Irene (Collins) Lasure. Mr. Lasure was a life long resident of Van Buren Township, Grant County. John attended Van Buren Schools. He was a retired farmer.

He is survived by his daughter, Jackie (Mark) Wolfgang, Marion; sons, John (Cathy) K. Lasure Jr., Marion; Bill (Friend-Debbie Bosworth) Lasure, Van Buren; Gene (Rhonda) Lasure, Van Buren; Tim (Tina) Lasure, Upland; Keith (Beth) Lasure, Marion; 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, his son, Rory

Lasure, and brother, Eugene K. Lasure (Korea War).

Services were held in Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with Rev. Al Soultz officiating.

Interment followed in the Grant Memorial Park Cemetery.

CLUTTER

Ardis Doreen Clutter, 61, Angola, died Friday, November 17, 2006, in Lakeland Nursing Center, Angola.

She was born January 1, 1945 in Marion to Dorus W (Tex) and Fola (Richardson) Clutter. She was a cashier at Petro Truck Stop in Fremont for 8 years. She had also worked at the Warren Truck Stop for 12 years, and the Edgewood Restaurant and Lounge in Marion for 3 years.

Ms. Clutter is survived by a daughter, Adora (Ken) Eichhorn, Angola; a brother, John Guyer of Hartford City; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held in Weicht Funeral Home, 207 N. West St., Angola with Father Brian Carsten officiating.

Memorials may be made to Cancer Services of Fort Wayne, 2925 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne, Ind. 46805.

RUBLE

Herschel Charles Ruble, age 93, died Nov. 17, 2006 at Tandem Nursing Facility in Safety Harbor. He came to Clearwater in Feb 1953 from Warren, Indiana where he owned Rubles Gas & Electric for 20 years.

He built the Propane Bulk plant at Warren and serviced over 500 customers. He was always able to make from scratch any parts needed to repair all types of appliances. Due to severe sinus infections the Dr advised "get out of this climate if you want to live or die!" so he came here. A local, Doctor Schoetker, discovered he had allergies and treated him, so his life was extended by 53 wonderful years.

He loved flying and spent many years of rebuilding three 1946 Er Coupes- one he pulled down from Marion, Ind, (wings off) and completely rebuilt it in our shop and carport then pulled it on a quiet Sunday morning to the airport- what a sight! His mind was always working- how to make or improve something- even in his last month, in a wheelchair he wanted to "fix" it and gave the Nurses quite a start when he came to the desk and peered over the top- on his feet with the chair up in the air over his back! They never had a dull moment with him. He loved the big yard so he made a tractor-mower so he could mow the yard, made a trailer to pull behind it, a piece of equipment to drag to smooth down the bumps & holes. He always had another project started. During the last 3 years he repaired all kinds of clocks for a shop in Clearwater- by the way- we have over 50 clocks in the house that chime and decorate all the walls! Some nice chimes, some bong, bong! He will always be remembered as a quiet, very serious but witty intelligent gentleman always wanting to help someone. He was a 55 year member of Masonic Lodge 192 F&AM and a K4RCF Ham Radio Operator.

He is survived by his wife Elsie of 63 years, a son Jan A. Ruble of Athens, Georgia, 3 grandchildren Jan Charles Ruble, Mark Anson Ruble and Kimberley Kay Ruble and 1 nephew Harold Miller of Mesa, Arizona.

Services were held at Moss Feaster Funeral Home in Clearwater, Florida.

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BY DENNIS STROUD

In the fall of 1833 Fleming Mitchell settled in Salamonie Township and with the help of his nephew, Leander Morrison, constructed a saw mill. The saw mill was located about a mile up river, a site later known as McCoy Mill. Their mill was in operation by the fall of 1834 and by the end of the next year Mitchell installed a buhrstone, which enabled him to grind corn.

John Reid, from Massachusetts, bought the mill from Mitchell in 1837. Mr. Reid added sifting machinery so he could produce wheat flour. This mill continued for several years but I am not sure what happened to it after that. Fleming Mitchell, sometime between 1837 and 1840, built a second mill across the river from Warren. He operated the mill until 1854 and sold it to Barney Miller.

David Finkle came to Warren about that time and ran the mill for Miller. Finkle ran the mill for about seven years then went to the Jackson Mill in Marion, which he ran for about five years. Mr. Finkle returned to Warren and exchanged some land for a half interest in the Warren Mill. After ten years his partner died and Mr. Finkle bought the entire property. Finkle worked hard in his business and his wife, Mary, helped too. In the 1800s a farmer's trip to a gristmill could sometimes take more than a day. While David ran the mill, Mary would cook meals for the farmers and look after their needs.

We are closing the Museum December 1 and be closed until sometime in March. We have new items to display and we hope you come see us next year. Have a nice Thanksgiving.

BAYVIEW READING

The Bayview Reading Club held their November meeting in the Calico Room at Heritage Pointe on Tuesday, 14 Nov. Lilly Nutter, president, opened the meeting with a group affirmation of the Club Collect. Margaret Bell was nominated to fill the position of Secretary-Treasurer and her acceptance was unanimous. She presented the minutes of the Oct. meeting and the Treasury report; both were accepted as read. Following discussion, it was decided to hold our meetings in the Calico Room at 2:00, as it had been done formerly. Motion was made and passed to make our annual Christmas donation to the Bread of Life Food Pantry as has been done in past years. The program was beautifully presented by Martha Rumble; with Thanksgiving being echoed in a reading from Ideals magazine

reminiscing about the old family kitchen, whose "Queen" was the big black range! As this theme proceeded we all were invited to recall, with thanks, the "happy magic" of family kitchen activities, including not only the big evening meal but the later treats of popcorn and fudge on a cold evening. Rhonda Landrum, Martha's granddaughter sang "God Bless America" in her own unique style, "God Will Make This Trial a Blessing" and "This Baby (was Jesus) Made the Angels Sing". Her beautiful voice and her choice of songs were a thrill for all. Martha concluded the program with a "Thanksgiving Prayer" poem, which thanked God for our unique heritage in our faith. The roll call consisted of the members responding with their thoughts and feelings of the delightful program.

IDLE HOUR

The Idle Hour Club met for lunch in the Fahl Dining room of Heritage Pointe on Monday, November 6, 2006 with Marjorie Lieurance as host.

The business meeting in the Calico Lounge was opened by Pres. Edna giving the thought for the day. To keep your head above water, stay on your toes and your chin up. Roll call was answered by a food you always think of for Thanksgiving. Each member gave what they would like for Christmas. Mildred made motion to give \$50 to a worthy person for Christmas. All officers were retained for 2007 but Mildred as she is going out of club. Marjorie will take her job. It was decided to disband the club as it would be 70 years in 2008. Secretary-Treasurer reports were given. \$16.31 in petty cash and in savings.

7-Up was played with Georgia high and Margaret low.

Those enjoying the day were: Edna Alfred, Ruth Brooks, Freda Finley, Mildred Gilbert, Jane Haley, Margaret Knight, Marjorie Lieurance, Clara Mossburg, Helen Trout, Georgia Poulson.

HOLLAND AMERICA GET AWAY

More than 1200 guests arrived in Tampa, Florida on Saturday, November 4, 2006 to board the luxury cruise ship, the Veendam; to begin their 7 day Caribbean adventure. The Veendam is one of thirteen ships owned by Holland America, Inc.

This ship is 718 feet long, 100 feet wide, and uses 33,000 gallons diesel fuel each day. It is capable of producing 570,000 gallons of fresh drinking water daily.

Included on the guest list were the Hog Roster, Wendell Bradford, of Buckeye, Indiana and close friend, Theresa Breedlove, of Charlotte, N Carolina.

Scheduled stops on the cruise were Georgetown, Grand Cayman; Ocho Rios, Jamaica; and Costa Maya, Mexico. Side tours to the Turtle Farm and the Butterfly Farm, along with snorkeling among the reefs, were available. Also, shopping trips to the islands' many shops and restaurants was enjoyed by the vacationers.

While on board the Veendam, dress up dinner parties were held nightly. The crew members, over 600 in all, served as waiters and waitresses, along with many other jobs on board. The ship's captain addressed the guests on one occasion. He shared three most commonly asked questions, which were: What do the crew members do with the ice sculptures when they melt? Are the ship's TV's equipped with cable or satellite? Do the 600 crew members live on the Veendam?

Bingo games, held daily, drew large numbers of guests. Top prizes given to bingo winners were a 7 day cruise and a cash award of \$3600.


Stage performers, singers, a comedian, a juggler and a professional guitarist entertained the cruise guests on various occasions.

The Veendam arrived back in Tampa Bay early on Saturday morning, November 11th. As the travelers disembarked from one exit, the next week's guests were already checking in for the Saturday afternoon departure for more Caribbean adventures.

CLUB NEWS

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 368 met November 2, 2006 at the Post.

President Lori Linton opened the meeting in regular form. Chaplain Waneta Bald gave opening prayer. Secretary Carol Ritter called the roll and read minutes from last meeting. Treasurer Irene Pickard reported on the money from the Glamour pictures.



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President Lori Linton said decorating for Christmas and clean up will be November 25, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.

Lequita Taylor told about the Veterans display she is going to put in the school at Van Buren. Asked for pictures.

Creta Arlington asked for help at Gift Shop at the VA for November 28 & 29. Tuesday, coffee and donuts at 8:30, Wednesday to finish up and pack what's left.

Linda Long reported on our boy Aaron Hammons at Knightstown Home. Also reported on the food she has taken to the food pantry in Van Buren.

Sheri Reneer asked for gloves for the Jr Auxiliary to give to the schools for kids that don't have them. This is our third year doing this.

December 16, 2006 is the kids Christmas Party at the Post. Asked for cookies from Auxiliary.

December 8, 2006 is our Fish Fry. All you can eat.

Discussion on doing care packages for our people overseas. Linda Long made motion for Auxiliary to pay for some of the things to send. Second by Sheri Reneer. Carried. Anna Pickard is to be Chairman.

Those attending: Waneta Bald, Lequita Taylor, Sheri Reneer, Anna Pickard, Julie Webb and Jr member, Emily Webb, Jere Edwards, Natalie Harris, Judy Foudray, Wendy Bartrom, Ruth Bole, Flo Doyle, Rhonda Flemming, Sally Bancroft, Creta Arlington, Lori Linton, Irene Pickard, Carol Retter, Linda Long, Jennifer Gray. Next meeting December 7, 2006.

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LADY EAGLES WIN SWEETLY

The Lady Eagles met the Tippecanoe Tornados (Lafayette) & the Eagles played the defending Jr. High & Varsity I.C.B.A. State Champion Eastside Golden Eagles of Indianapolis at the Salamonie School Gym in Warren.

After dropping 2 close games last season by 4 points & 1 point to the Tornados, the Varsity Lady Eagles won this defensive struggle decisively 37-23!

The Junior High Eagles (14 & under) lost 20-47.

The Varsity Eagles lost 68-75. After an enthusiastic first half, in which the Eagles took a 9 point lead, the Golden Eagles blasted into the 3rd quarter, and the Eagles fought back to within 3 in the final minutes against this formidable and talented opponent.

4-H MEMBERS HONORED

4-H members in Liberty, Jackson and Chester Townships were honored recently at their annual 4-H award program held at Southern Wells High School cafeteria.

Township Record Book awards were presented to:

Chester Township: Ashton Prible, Arts & Crafts; Chad Ramseyer, Beef; Amber Henderson, Collections; Timber Tucker, Dairy Feeder Steer; Kendra Mounsey, Floriculture, Personality, Scrapbooking, Sheep, and Strawberry; Katelyn Prible, Foods and Swine; Cameron Carter, Goat; Dakota Simpson, Models; Vanessa Haigh, Photography and Wildlife; Elizabeth Moore, Poultry; and Kyle Vaught, Rabbit.

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Jackson Township: Mike Thompson, Aerospace; Aleigha Zoda, Arts & Craft and Photography; Kelsey Miller, BBQ, Garden, and Potato; Sadie Herr, Beef; Nick Thompson, Cat; Hanna Thompson, Collections; Megan Thompson, Dog Poster; Ryan Kellam, Electric; Linly Lloyd, Foods; Quaid Zoda, Forestry; Acacia Herr, Gift Wrapping, Scrapbooking, Sheep, and Vet Science; Zane Her, Goat; Adam Boxell, Models; Kory Miller, Poultry and Woodworking; Katelyn Kline, Rabbit and Weather; Jenny Lloyd, Sewing; Travis Huffman, Sportfishing and Wildlife; Kedrick Barr, Starter Beef; Stacy Piquene, Swine.

Liberty Township: Tiffany Reusser, Arts & Crafts and Photography; Sarah Spaulding, BBQ; David Reinhard, Bee, Potato, and Strawberry; Jayde Sills, Beef; Jenna Reinhard, Bicycle and Cake Decorating; Emily Pinkerton, Cat Poster, Dog Poster, Floriculture, Gift Wrapping, Rabbit, Rabbit Poster, and Weather; Damon Smith, Collections, Electric, and Geology; Steven Smith, Entomology and Woodworking; Karie Lavanchy, Foods; Jacob Alford, Forestry; Sara Alford, Garden, Poultry and Sewing; Jake Ripperger, Goat and Swine; Josh Lavanchy, Models; Kaitlyn Huffman, Scrapbooking; Hilary Paxson, Sheep; Cathy Boxell, Soil & Water Conservation and Vet Science; Ian Boxell, Tractor Maintenance.

County Record Book Awards were presented to:

Chester Township: Timber Tucker, Dairy Feeder Steer.

Jackson Township: Acacia Herr, Gift Wrapping; and Katelyn Kline, Rabbit.

Liberty Township: David Reinhard, Bee; Emily Pinkerton, Rabbit Poster and Weather; Damon Smith, Geology; Steven Smith, Entomology; Sara Alford, Garden; Jake Ripperger, Goat; Hilary Paxson, Sheep; Cathy Boxell, Soil & Water Conservation; and Ian Boxell, Tractor Maintenance.

Jake Ripperger was awarded one of two overall 4-H Record Book Awards. The award includes a \$50 gift certificate to the National 4-H Supply Catalog.

Outstanding Record Books submitted at the County Fair are judged by 4-H Leaders and submitted for township and county awards. Accuracy, completeness, and neatness are the major factors considered in the judging.

Sandy Harris shared information

from the Wells County 4-H Foundation and their activities at the 4-H Fair. High school seniors were encouraged to apply for the scholarships that are sponsored by the 4-H Foundation.

Electric Awards were presented to: Vanessa Dredde, Notebook; Kory Miller, Notebook; Clay Huffman, Certificate; and Damon Smith, Voltage Meter. The awards are provided by United REMC and the State 4-H Electric Committee.

A PowerPoint presentation "4-H Fair Highlights" was given by Roger Sherer, Extension 4-H Educator.

Wells County Farm Bureau was recognized for their sponsorship of 4-H pins and donation to the 4-H Club for the Achievement Program. Scott's Foods were also thanked for their \$50 donation to the Achievement Program event.

4-H Leaders Cindie Mounsey, Carol Herring, and Shawna Herring and the Jackson Township volunteers were thanked for their work with the 4-H clubs.

Wells County 4-H Association and 4-H Council volunteers were also thanked. They included: Mike Piquene, Bruce Herr, Travis Sills, Cindie Mounsey, Dan Perry, Robin Lane, Leon Kilander, Louella Kilander, and Gary Grantz.

Additional volunteers are needed for these committees next year. Interested adults should contact the 4-H Leaders or the Wells County Extension Office, 824-6412.

The 4-H program is organized by the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, Wells County, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

DIRTY DISHES

by Dorothy M. Garretson
of Heritage Pointe

The beautiful Thanksgiving turkey
Is now just a plate of bones
The guests are so full they cannot move
All you hear are grunts and groans.

The silver gravy boat is empty
So is the potato bowl
And there's only a couple servings left
Of the green-bean casserole.

Tommy got the last piece of pumpkin pie
That made him number three
And Great Aunt Molly polished off

The last of the cherry jubilee!
Grandpa has claimed the sofa
Grandma the rocking chair
Pretty soon sounds of gentle snoring
Will fill the parlor air.

The men settle down at the TV
Today's a big football day
The teens leave in their "souped-up" cars
And the little kids go out to play.

Aunt Mary found the Christmas catalogue
She starts her shopping early
Jake and John are talking politics
And they both are getting surly.

I head for the kitchen
And as I open up the door
All I can see are dirty dishes
Stacked from the ceiling to the floor!

All the joy I Have experienced
With my family today
When viewing this unsightly task
Suddenly seems to go away.

Just then my Guardian Angel
Whispered in my ear
You should thank God for these dirty dishes
For you have had food today, my dear!

And then I bowed my head in prayer
Thank you, Father, for this mess
For these dirty dishes I must wash
Are proof that I've been blessed!

Bread of Life
Food Pantry Hours
Wednesday 4-5:30 p.m.
Saturday 10 to 11:30
at Knight Civic Center
OR
Call for an appointment
375-2381



FIRE DEPARTMENT FIELD TRIP

Students attending Small World Nursery School had a treat when the local fire department came to visit the children. Pictured are members of the 5 year old class, fireman & class helper, Christine Glasgow.



PULSE OPERA HOUSE FIELD TRIP

3 & 4 year old members of the Small World Nursery school did a local field trip to the Pulse Opera House. They were able to have fun trying on hats & getting a tour of the backstage.

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area and the fruits need some cold temperatures before they are good to use. The fruit is quite bitter before the cold temp does its thing, then the fruit becomes sweet.

Our son in law Sean loves it when I can furnish persimmon pudding at our holiday gatherings which this year will be at Sean and Gayles home in Auburn. I may also bring a plate of persimmon fudge as an appetizer. I too have a request for a cheese ball which it seems that only Grandma can make.

All of us will be looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving with our family and my wish is for each of you to have a wonderful holiday and take a few minutes to reflect on the many things we are thankful for.

Happy Thanksgiving

Persimmon Pudding

1 cup of pulp, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup flour, 1 cup sour milk, 1/2 cup sweet cream, 1 teaspoon soda dissolved in milk, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/8 teaspoon salt, 2 beaten eggs, 1/4 cup melted butter. Mix all ingredients well bake in a lightly greased 9x9 pan for 1 hour at 350 degrees. Let cool and cut in squares and top with whipped cream.

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