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Thought for the Week: The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer someone else up. Mark Twain



**VAN BUREN'S LITTLE TOWN OF CHRISTMAS**  
On December 2nd and 3rd Van Buren will host their First Annual Van Buren's Little Town of Christmas from 6 to 8 p.m.  
At 5:30 you can start your adventure with a meal at the Lions Club, a Live Nativity, Santa Comes to Town to Light the Christmas Tree, Picture Opportunity with Santa at the Fire Barn, Open House at the Food Pantry, Children's Craft at the SwitchUp, Christmas Stories at the Library, Christmas Tree Decorating contest at the Mason's Building, Indoor Snowball Fight at the Christian Church, Live Music and Nativity display at the Methodist Fellowship Hall.  
Friday only - Christmas Movie at the American Legion.  
Saturday only - Children's Craft at mama Duck's and a Community Sing at 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall at Van Buren United Methodist Church.  
Winner of the Christmas Tree Decorating Contest to be announced. Follow the luminaries to each event.

**TOWN MINUTES**  
The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, November 14, 2022 in a Regular Meeting at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne St, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law.  
Those present were: Council Members, Steve Buzzard, Carrie Miller, Tavis Surfus, Michelle Schweikhardt; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Lee Poulson, Dennis Spitler; Others.  
Under Special Order of Business, Greg Guerrettaz, Financial Consultant, and Ben Adams, Engineer, discussed planning for 2023 projects, timelines for projects, and financing for projects. Guerrettaz submitted the final Sustainability Report, Wastewater Rate Report, and Electric Rate Reports as well. Adams submitted Change order #1, Water Upgrade Project, noting a \$10,000 deduction in the project cost. Miller moved, seconded by Surfus, to approve the Change Order. Motion approved unanimously. Adams submitted the Water Project Substantial Completion document. Surfus moved, seconded by Buzzard, to accept the report. Motion approved unanimously. A representative of USI Consultants was present to outline the procedure for application for a Community Crossings Grant noting that the application period would be January of 2023. Following discussion with Guerrettaz and Adams in which both indicated that their part of the process would be ready by that time, and by

consensus, Council approved moving forward with a grant application for reconstruction of Wayne Street from SR 5 to the area of Eleventh Street at the projected cost of \$1.4 million. The grant would be for 75% of the covered costs. Also submitted was a contract with USI for an amended contract to conduct the PASER study related to the Wayne Street Project and the application at a cost not to exceed \$11,000. Buzzard moved, seconded by Surfus, approval of the amendment. Motion was approved unanimously.  
Pay Order #15 to Maquire Iron, Water Upgrade Project, was approved by consensus in the amount of \$55,325 with payment from State Revolving Loan Fund.  
Minutes of meeting of October 10 were approved as submitted.  
A resident inquired about repairs to railroad crossings within the Town and when they would be repaired. As the tracks are the responsibility of the Railroad, the Town does not have authorization to pave within the tracks. A letter will be forwarded to the Company.  
A resident presented concerns regarding handicap availability within the Town.

Marshal Spitler reported that Ford Motor Company could not meet the demand for police vehicles in 2023 and as an order had been placed, it could not be filled. The car was to add to the fleet with the 2011 vehicle to be retired.  
Fire Chief Poulson submitted the October Activity report and updated on vehicles.  
Jeff Souder reported that concrete work at Riverside Park was scheduled within the week, weather permitting.  
Historic Warren – record number of trees entered in the Annual Walk of Trees to be held November 18th. Work continues on The Exchange.  
Buzzard moved, seconded by Surfus, to accept the report from the Warren Redevelopment Commission Annual Meeting held prior to the Council Meeting. Motion approved unanimously.  
Work has been completed on the HVAC system installed at Town Hall.  
Ordinance 2022-6, An Ordinance to Establish an Unrestricted Opioid Fund, and Ordinance 2022-7, An Ordinance to Establish a Restricted Opioid Fund were submitted in Introduction.

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Well I'm officially ready for the Thanksgiving holiday. This year for Thanksgiving day it sounds like its just John and I, so I'm not sure what I will be doing. I just might take the day off from cooking and enjoy the Macy's parade and plan my route for Black Friday. Every man for their selves for dinner...ok it sounded good and I promise I won't make John starve to death. It might be hot dogs and french fries, but he won't starve. Lol

Ok, ok, you all know I will cook, but it won't be near tradition. I have a roast pork that needs cooked up so I'll just cook it and see what else I throw together and call it good. For years we would go to mom and dads to eat and while we waited to eat we would plan our attack on the Black Friday specials, who was going where and what was the best deal. So one year at Thanksgiving mom gave us all our Christmas money and we were to see what we could get for the amount they gave us. Then they wanted to see who got the best deal. My sister came out smelling like a rose, she got a puffer vest that was at Macy's for regular price of \$99.00 and she paid \$24.00 for it. I don't even remember what I got, but John got a craftsman stool that was normally like \$50.00 for \$19.99 and he still uses it daily and just this past weekend the stool got a war wound, I dropped a sign on it and poked a hole in the seat. I'm sure nobody else still has their gift from that year, but John does. It is the best stool, it gets used a lot. My favorite place to Black Friday shop is Menards. I can't go without spending a couple hundred there. One year they were running a good sale and I ended up with orders from Tara and Ryan to pick up, since I was going, a total of over \$400.00 Now I had some really good things in my cart like a little floor safe and hunting equipment, clothing, tools all kinds of neat stuff.

But yes I do wait in line, like everyone else in the freezing weather and walk around the building to get in line. With hundreds of people in front of me, I always seem to still get what I go in for. The best year was during covid, I parked right up front and walked right in, looked around and asked the menards workers, where's all the people at?? Yea I got some nasty looks but grabbed my cart and just took my time getting my stuff. There was only maybe 25 shoppers in the store when they opened. Man that was the best.

This year I will have Kendra and Tara with me. Tara has never been out Black Friday morning so she is in for a surprise. Kendra kinda has a tradition, there is this Asian lady we see every year and every year that Asian lady tries to run Kendra over. It all started when she was pregnant with Klynn, Kendra had about a month to go so she was very pregnant and here comes this little lady and plows right into

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| <p><b>ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier<br/>                 Nick Miller, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b><br/>                 8924S 900W 35<br/>                 Harold Smith, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 Steve Nevius, Pastor<br/>                 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.<br/>                 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.</p> <p><b>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b><br/>                 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199<br/>                 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Youth Group 4:30-7:30pm at SwitchUp<br/>                 Handicap Accessible<br/>                 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099</p> <p><b>HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —</b><br/> <b>5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA</b><br/>                 Pastor Wayne Couch<br/>                 260/515-2517<br/>                 Sunday Prayer ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.<br/>                 Daycare provided during Worship</p> <p><b>DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN</b><br/>                 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779<br/>                 Matt Kennedy, Pastor<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.</p> <p><b>HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726<br/>                 Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor<br/>                 Worship..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE NEW BEGINNING</b><br/>                 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto<br/>                 Steve Sutton, Pastor<br/>                 765/728-2065 for more info<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.<br/>                 Thursday Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HERITAGE POINTE</b><br/>                 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Sultz &amp; John Moyer<br/>                 Sunday Morning Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT<br/>                 Monday thru Friday<br/>                 Chapel Services ..... 9:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>                 727 N Wayne St, Warren<br/>                 260-375-2811<br/>                 office@warrenfirsbaptist.net<br/>                 Pator Rusty Strickler<br/>                 Youth Dir: Peter &amp; Mindy Fairchild<br/>                 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.<br/>                 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ..Sun 11:30<br/>                 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm</p> | <p><b>HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b><br/>                 375-2510<br/>                 Pastor Steven Spencer<br/>                 Bus Service 375-2510<br/>                 www.warrennaz.org<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN<br/>                 375-3873<br/>                 John Boyanowski, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>LANCASTER WESLEYAN</b><br/>                 3147 W 543 S, Huntington<br/>                 765.524.3390<br/>                 Pastor Trevor O'Dell, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Wednesdays:<br/>                 Bible Study &amp; Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>                 694-6622<br/>                 Aaron Westfall, Pastor<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.<br/>                 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.<br/>                 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.<br/>                 Monthly Meetings<br/>                 1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.<br/>                 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am<br/>                 4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CENTER COMMUNITY CHURCH</b><br/>                 Pastor Diane Samuels<br/>                 Fellowship Time .....9:00a.m.<br/>                 Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.</p> <p><b>THE CHURCH AT MCNATT</b><br/>                 375-4359<br/>                 Bill VanHaften, Pastor<br/>                 Lois Slusher, Supt.<br/>                 Brittney Miller, Youth &amp; Family Dir.<br/>                 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST</b><br/>                 260/468-2148 Sr 9 &amp; 124<br/>                 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"<br/>                 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.<br/>                 Everyone is Welcome</p> <p><b>SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN</b><br/>                 468-2412<br/>                 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor<br/>                 Worship .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.</p> | <p><b>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>                 375-2102<br/>                 www.warrenucc.net<br/>                 Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.<br/>                 Youth Sunday School during<br/>                 Worship Service<br/>                 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.<br/>                 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month</p> <p><b>VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b><br/>                 765/934-3321 Parsonage<br/>                 Jeff Slater, Pastor<br/>                 Jim Knight, Superintendent<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.<br/>                 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.<br/>                 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.<br/>                 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.</p> <p><b>VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b><br/>                 765-934-1431<br/>                 Pastor Brad Hensley<br/>                 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am<br/>                 Sunday School ..... 10:30am<br/>                 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm<br/>                 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm<br/>                 UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm<br/>                 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am<br/>                 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm<br/>                 www.vanburenumc.org</p> <p><b>WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>                 375-3022<br/>                 Mickey Strong, Senior Minister<br/>                 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister<br/>                 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.<br/>                 Tara Bower - Secretary<br/>                 www.warrenchurchofchrist.org<br/>                 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.<br/>                 Worship &amp; Communion .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Sunday School .....11 to 11:50 a.m.<br/>                 Youth:<br/>                 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm<br/>                 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm</p> <p><b>WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH</b><br/>                 6th &amp; Nancy Sts. Warren<br/>                 260-228-9084<br/>                 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor<br/>                 Wesley Welch, Supt.<br/>                 Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.<br/>                 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.<br/>                 Wed Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH</b><br/>                 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN<br/>                 765-934-3609<br/>                 Pastor Al Sultz<br/>                 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am<br/>                 Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am<br/>                 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm<br/>                 Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm</p> |
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# AREA NEWS

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The ordinances are necessary to meet requirements to receive money from Settlements reached by the State of Indiana against Opioid suppliers.

Sanitation Contract Extension for years 2023 and 2024 with amendments as previously approved was submitted for review. Miller moved, seconded by Schweikhardt, to approve the contract. Motion approved by consensus.

As previously approved, President Buzzard signed a Second Amendment to Elevated Water Storage with AT&T for placement of a generator at the site.

Miller moved, seconded by Buzzard, to provide a wage increase of \$1.04 per hour for employees and an increase in retirement earnings to \$100 a week to meet the inflationary trend. Buzzard seconded and the motion was approved unanimously. Ordinances 2022-8,9,10 will be amended with those rates. Holiday calendar was approved for 2023.

The 2023 contract with Huntington County Economic Development was submitted noting that an additional paragraph had been to defray cost of an added program.

Action on the contract is scheduled for next meeting.

Accounts Payable register in the amount of \$559,017.96 was approved by consensus.

Invoice Cloud Monthly report – 190 customers paid through the system in October.

Surfus moved, seconded by Schweikhardt, to proceed with the replacement of storm line and two man holes at Heritage Point at the cost of \$27,280. Motion approved unanimously.

Submitted was a quote on a used Sewer Vacuum truck at \$140,000. The truck had been inspected by Poulson and Buzzard and was recommended for purchase. Miller moved, seconded by Buzzard to approve purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

Vandalism reported in Men's and Women's public

restrooms. Repairs to be made.

Placement of generator at Town Hall has been delayed due to availability.

Next Council Meeting is December 19th.

**ALMANACS AVAILABLE**

The Warren Pharmacy has the new 2023 Farmers Almanac available. The Almanac contains tips for gardening, farming, cooking and recipes, along with weather predictions and many helpful insights that affect your life, including "the best days to get your hair cut". Best of all, it is free when you fill a prescription at the Warren Pharmacy. Extra copies can be purchased for only \$1.00.

**MANAGING CONCERNS**

**ABOUT FALLS**

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns about Falls is a program for you.

A Matter of Balance is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple

exercise to increase strength and balance.

Purdue Extension Huntington County is partnering with the Huntington County Council on Aging to bring A Matter of Balance to you! The free 8-week class begins January 11th and will meet each Wednesday from 10:00 – 12:00 at the Senior Center. Lunch is provided. Pre-registration is required. Please reserve a seat by calling the Extension Office at (260) 358-4826 or emailing cneverid@purdue.edu.

**HOLIDAY LIGHT SHOWS AT DNR DESTINATIONS**

On-site holiday light shows will shine at five DNR destinations this December.

Ouabache State Park in Bluffton will host its ninth annual Wonderland of Lights nightly, Dec. 2–31, from 6 to 9 p.m. in its campground and throughout the park. The presentation features more than 40 light displays and a synchronized music and light show at the Civilian Conservation Corps fire tower. Cost is \$5 per vehicle.

Mounds State Park in Anderson will host its second Nights of Lights celebration Dec. 2–Jan. 1 on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only from 6 to 9:30 p.m. This year, 60 light displays will be featured in the campground along with decorated

buildings throughout the park. Cost is \$5 per vehicle.

Lieber State Recreation Area in Cloverdale will host its second Lieber Winter Lights celebration Dec. 2–4 and 9–11 from 6 to 9 p.m. Donations will be accepted for the drive through the light display in the park and campground. There will be a photo opportunity available by the camp gate as you leave.

Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell is holding a drive-through holiday lights event in its campground on Dec. 2 and 3 from 6 to 9:45 p.m., the same weekend as its Holiday in the Village. Cost is \$5, and visitors can vote on the best-decorated site. The winner of the competition gets two nights of free camping in 2023. The campground is full for this event.

Starve Hollow State Recreation Area in Vallonia will host its first Christmas in

the Campground on Dec. 17 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. The event will include a drive-through Christmas display and holiday activities in the Forest Education Center. The center is also where visitors can vote for their favorite campsites. A \$5 donation is suggested for this event.

Proceeds from the events go to the individual parks' Friends groups to fund park projects. Learn more about DNR Friends groups at on.IN.gov/INstateparksfriends.

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

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| Nov 24 | THANKSGIVING  |  |
| Dec 7  | Noon          | W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @ KBC   |
| Dec 7  | 7:00p         | V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall     |
| Dec 13 | 6:30p         | W - SSF Meeting @ KBC                    |
| Dec 19 | 6:00p         | W - Town Council Meeting @ Assembly Hall |
| Dec 19 | 6:30p         | W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC              |
| Dec 21 | 7:00p         | V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall     |
| Dec 24 | CHRISTMAS EVE |  |
| Dec 25 | CHRISTMAS DAY |  |

*Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wednesdays - 2 - 4:00pm at KBC;  
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday - 9 - 4 at KBC  
These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)*



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### ADOPTION AWARENESS

November is Adoption Awareness Month, and it is important we take time to raise awareness of the children in Indiana who are in need of a permanent home.

So far in 2022, there have been over 1,900 adoptions in Indiana. Our state is consistently one of the most adoption-friendly states, but there is plenty more we can do to help more families adopt.

That's why Senator Travis Holdman recently authorized legislation that more than doubles Indiana's current adoption tax credit, increasing it to 20% of the federal tax credit with a cap of \$2,500. It also makes the credit refundable, so taxpayers can receive their full amount even if it exceeds their tax liability. Hoosiers can claim this credit when they incur expenses to adopt a child.

The legislation also creates a new \$3,000 income tax exemption for each adopted child. This exemption can be claimed on top of the existing \$1,500 exemption for all dependents.

All children should receive the love and care they deserve, and you are encouraged to take time to learn more about Indiana's adoption program.

### CHAUTAUQUA

President Suellen Jones opened the November 4, 2022, Chautauqua meeting reading "The Flag Waves Boldly!" in honor of all Veterans. After repeating the Collect, roll call responses were "How family members promote Peace this time of year." Secretary and Treasurer reports were given,

and the business meeting was held. Karen Hunnicutt then presented her book report of 'The Dream of Dreams, The Rise and Triumphs of Madam C.J. Walker'.

"I am a woman that came from the cotton fields of the South, I was promoted from there to the wash-tub; then I was promoted to the cook kitchen, and from there I promoted myself into the business of manufacturing hair goods and preparations."

Madam C.J. Walker (born Sarah Breedlove), created a cosmetic empire and became known as the first female self-made millionaire in this Nation's history, a noted philanthropist and champion of women's rights and economic freedom. These achievements seem nothing less than miraculous given that she was born, in 1867, to former slaves in a hamlet on the Mississippi River. How she came to live on another river, the Hudson River, in a mansion, and in a New York City townhouse, is at once inspirational and mysterious, because for all that is known about this famous entrepreneur, much that occurred before her magnificent transformation---years that trace a circuitous route across the country---remain obscure. She married an educated husband, studied Chemistry, taught women how to do their hair, dress, learn, made her own formulas for hair growth, and was at Va. Beauty College.

Previously she had moved to many places in the country, had a daughter Lelia, and invented a hair care homemade product for African American women in the city, and then had the gumption required to turn

that homemade preparation --not to mention herself-- into a person of national renown, then found a business empire never seen before. She became a woman of great reserve and dignity who traveled all over the country to sell her product and make speeches, including Indianapolis. CJ Walker found a house and turned it into a factory and business of hairdressing and celebrated with a big party.

She was also an avid donator and workaholic! These are just the highlights. The details of her journey are fascinating and inspirational!

CJ Walker died on May 21, 1919 at 52 years of age.

This book is a well written easy read fascinating biography By Beverly Lowry. Enjoy!

Delicious refreshments were served by Carmen Anderson and Judy Lewis to Nancy Bonham, Sharon Gebhart, Jean Grasmik, Karen Hunnicutt, Suellen Jones, Bonnie Meyers, LuEllyn Pond, Sandy Schwarzkopf, Mary Sell, Ann Spahr, Sandy Thompson, Kitty Throop, Eva Witkamp, Janet Beavans, Ellen Laymon, Carolyn Sparks.

Happy Thanksgiving!

### DNR HOLIDAY GIFT PACKS AVAILABLE

Cross those hard-to-buy-for people off your shopping list in a snap by giving them a 2023 holiday gift pack from the DNR.

A gift pack can be used the whole year, whether the recipient enjoys camping or sleeping in the comfort of an Indiana State Park Inn after enjoying the outdoors. The gift pack also saves you up to \$31 over buying the items individually. A limited

quantity of gift packs are available.

The \$99 gift pack includes a 2023 resident annual entrance permit, a one-year subscription to Outdoor Indiana magazine (six issues), and one of two \$65 gift card options. One gift card can be used at the campgrounds -- another gift card option is a \$65 State Park Inns gift card. You also have the option of upgrading either to \$100 by paying \$35 more.

Indiana has 36 state park properties throughout the state. The entrance permit grants gate entrance for 2023 to all state park properties beginning January 1.

The Inns Gift Card can be used at any State Park Inn, as well as the award-winning Pete Dye-designed golf course at Fort Harrison State Park in Indianapolis. The card can also be used for lodging, meals in the dining rooms, or gift purchases.

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The offer is available through December 31, 2022, or when sold out. Gift packs can be purchased only at [shopINstateparks.com](http://shopINstateparks.com).

### PURPLE HEART HONOR FLIGHT

Honor Flight Northeast Indiana (HFNEI) will add a 5th flight in 2023 celebrating veterans who have received a Purple Heart medal. Recently selected as the 75th annual Penny Pitch recipient by WOWO radio, HFNEI

proudly announced that the proceeds of this fundraiser will be dedicated to a flight in appreciation of this distinguished group of veterans.

Veterans who received the Purple Heart were wounded during their military service and for some, multiple times over. These veterans went above and beyond to defend and protect our country and our freedoms.

Honor Flight Northeast Indiana President Cathy Berkshire states, "We have 4 traditional Honor Flights planned for 2023; 2 in the spring and 2 in the fall for veterans on our ever growing waiting list. This special funding, separate from our normal gifts and donations, will allow us to add this extra 5th flight for our Purple Heart veterans. This flight will not displace any deserving veterans currently on the waiting list nor use donations designated for regular trips. We are thankful to WOWO for selecting Honor Flight as their Penny Pitch recipient for 2023, and the generosity of their audience, allowing us to honor these extraordinary heroes!"

If you are a Purple Heart recipient veteran, have not previously flown on an Honor Flight and have not signed up -- regardless of when you served, visit this website, [www.hfnei.org](http://www.hfnei.org) and apply today. In the notes of the application, identify you are a Purple Heart recipient and HFNEI will make contact for verification and add you to the list for the special flight.

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### MOORE

Kenneth "Kenny" M. Moore, 75, Marion, passed away at 2:15 am on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, in his home.

He was born in Marion, Indiana, on Sunday, May 4, 1947, to Kenneth and Mary (Harris) Moore, Sr. On April 12, 1996, he married Vickie Underwood, and she survives.

Kenny worked in construction throughout his career. He liked fishing and hunting, and he was a two-time Coon Hunt World Champion. Most of all, Kenny loved and cherished seeing his family grow over the generations.

In addition to his loving wife, survivors include his daughters, Tracee (David) Dodd of Marion and Heather (Shane) Dye of Marion; sons, Joel (Julie) Cooper of Marion, Rusty (Esther) Turner of NC, and Jason (Jaimie) Moore of Marion; step-daughter, Tami Weesner of Van Buren; stepsons, Harry (Jaime) Hamilton of Fairmount and Jackie (Melanie) Hamilton of Marion; sisters, Christine (Jerry) Marley of Tampa, FL, Loretta Dollar of Muncie, Terry Stith of FL, and Jonell (Rusty) Sherman of Marion; grandchildren, Dustin, Tyler, Seth, Jason, Sean, James, Erica, Phillip, Justin, Amrie, Brittany, Natalie, Drake, Kaylie, Gracie, Savana, Kristin, Cody, Corey, Derek, Dylan, Diane, Jacob, Katie, Kirstin, Caily, Levi, Jairus, Tabatha, Amber, and Rick, Jr.; many great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Reggie Moore; sister, Mary Turnbow; step-daughter, Lisa R. Kennedy; step-son, Richard "Rick" L. Hamilton; and two siblings at birth.

The family will receive visitors from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm on Saturday, November 19, 2022, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion, IN.

Immediately following the time of visitation, a service

to celebrate Kenny's life will begin at 2:00 pm with Pastor Mick Simpkins officiating.

### ZENT

Oma Delores Zent, 94 of Warren, Indiana, was welcomed into the arms of Jesus on November 16, 2022, at 5:05pm at Heritage Pointe in Warren, Indiana.

Oma was born on October 28, 1928, in Upland, Indiana, to Francis and Jessie "True" (Murray) Moorman. She graduated from Jackson Center School in 1946 and married the love of her life, Robert E. Zent at their minister's house in Shideler, Indiana in 1947. Oma received her LPN in Marion, Indiana and worked for the doctors in Warren, then she worked at Corning in the dispensary for 3 years before returning to the medical field and working for Dr. Bennett for 10 years. Oma loved to travel in the 5th wheel to tractor pulls with her husband, Bob. She fondly remembered a trip to Italy to see their grandson. She was a wonderful artist and painted beautiful works of art. Oma loved her grandchildren and was very proud of all of her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren.

Oma was preceded in death by her parents, Francis and True Moorman, husband of 58 years, Robert "Bob" Zent, brother, Edward Moorman, sister, Phyllis Irvin, and grandson, Robert Joseph Zent.

Loving survivors include her children, Gary (Monica) Zent of Fishers, IN, and Regina (Richard) Preston of Pickerington, OH, 4 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren, sister, Etta Kahlenbeck of Fort Wayne, IN, sister, Freda (Charles) Eldridge of Iowa, and half sister, Margaret Banter of LaFontaine, IN.



Friends and family may gather to share and remember at Solid Rock United Methodist Church, 485 Bennett Dr. Warren, IN 46792 on Monday, November 21, 2022, from 11am to 1pm. A funeral service will begin at 1pm with Pastor John Boyanowski officiating. Burial will follow at Gardens of Memory in Marion, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Solid Rock UMC 485 Bennett Drive P.O. Box 322 Warren, IN 46792 Or American Cancer Society by calling 1800-227-2345.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home in Warren, Indiana.

### WHITE

Gloria Jean White, 70, of Ossian, died Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Gloria was born May 28, 1952, in Bluffton, to Archie Ray Lowe and Delores Ilene Wedler Lowe. Her parents preceded her in death. She married Robert "Skip" Mabee Aug. 8, 1987; he preceded her in death in 1996. Gloria married Robert White Sept. 2, 1998; he preceded her in death Nov. 21, 2012.

In addition to her parents and her first and second husbands, she was preceded in death by a sister, Melodie Houshoulder, and a stepson, Russell Mabee.

Survivors include two sisters, Carole Sue (Gerry) Middleton of Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Darlene (Dan) Gerdom of Bluffton; a brother, Otto "Tank" (Marilyn) Lowe of Ossian; three stepdaughters, Bunny Poland and Donnetta Sherwood of Fort Wayne and Patricia Huffman of Montpelier; two stepsons, Robert (Genoveva) Mabee of Clint, Texas, and Robert (Shannon) White of Rockford, Ohio; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In honor of Gloria's wishes, there will be no services.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Glancy-H. Brown

& Son Funeral Home in Warren.

### REID

Tamara "Tammy" K. Reid, 63 of Huntington, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, at her residence.

Tammy was born on Dec. 20, 1958 in Wells County to Herbert E. & Phyllis J. (Nusbaumer) Grover.

She was a 1977 graduate of Southern Wells High School. She was a faithful member of the Sugar Grove Church of God in Churubusco. She loved her church family and enjoyed being very involved with the church missions.

She enjoyed boating, playing cards, fishing and spending time with her family. She always had fond memories of ice skating in her younger years.

On Feb. 9, 1996 Tammy & James Thompson "Jim" Reid, Jr. were married at the Fairview Church of God in Yoder. He preceded her in death on Dec. 3, 2020.

Survivors include her daughter Angela R. (Matt) Musco of Bluffton, along with a granddaughter, Elaynah Musco, her brother, Daniel E. (Janean) Grover of Poneto and sister, Marsha D. (Dennis) Powell of Big Chapman Lake, Warsaw.

Tammy is also survived by her nieces & nephews; Kristi (Adam) Green of California, Kevin (Katie) Powell of Craigville, Bob (Adia) Grover of Hoagland and Terry Grover of Poneto. She was a special aunt to nieces and nephews on Jim's side of the family.

Tammy was preceded in death by her parents, and her dear husband Jim.

Funeral services will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2022, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton, with Pastor Tim Grable officiating. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren. Visitation will take place on Friday, Nov. 25, 2022, from 4 - 7 p.m. at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton, and for one hour prior to the funeral service on Saturday.

Memorials may be made to Sugar Grove Church of God, Churubusco.

### ZODA

Mary Ann Zoda, 76, of Van Buren, IN, formerly of Heritage Pointe, Warren, passed away at 1:35 AM on Monday, November 21, 2022 at Rolling Meadows Health & Rehabilitation Center in La Fontaine, IN.

She was born on Sunday, June 09, 1946, in Marion, to Chester Earl & Margaret Lucille (Clark) O'Banion. She married Richard W. Zoda on Sunday, April 18, 1971, in Warren at the Applegate Chapel (Heritage Pointe); he passed on October 29, 2016. Mary worked for over 35 years at Heritage Pointe in housekeeping. She formerly attended Dillman United Brethren Church and Applegate Chapel. Mary enjoyed baking, gardening, canning and was well known for her legendary angel food cakes and chocolate chip cookies. She was a member of the Van Buren Blackcreek Conservation Club Auxiliary.

Loving survivors include sons Steven Wayne (Sandy) Zoda, Richmond, IN, Robert Earl Zoda, Van Buren, IN, grandchildren Cory Michael Zoda, Marion, IN, Mack Austin (Megan) Zoda, Fayetteville, NC, Alex Dougherty, England, Harley Pagel, Muncie, IN, sister Janice Ramp, Huntington, IN and brother Pat (Judy) O'Banion, Huntington, IN.

She was preceded in death by her parents Chet & Lucille O'Banion, husband - Richard W. Zoda, sister -Janet K. Daugherty, and brothers Edwin O'Banion, William O'Banion, James O'Banion and Thomas O'Banion.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home, 203 N. Matilda St. Warren on Friday, November 25, 2022 from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. A service to celebrate Mary's life will follow at 3:00 PM with Chaplain Gerald Moreland officiating.

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Interment will follow in the Van Buren Cemetery in Van Buren.

In lieu of flowers, please consider giving a memorial donation to Dillman United Brethren Church, 8888 S. 1100 W. Warren, IN 46792.



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Honor Flight NEI will be taking the first 85 Purple Heart veterans that apply. If you are a veteran already on the waiting list and you are a Purple Heart recipient, please send an email to: purpleheart@hfnei.org and they will update your application and add you to the list.

"The Honor Flight Network is enthusiastic to support this first-of-its-kind all Purple Heart veteran Honor Flight trip by Honor Flight Northeast Indiana," said Meredith Rosenbeck, Honor Flight Network CEO. "I share in the excitement of the Honor Flight Northeast Indiana team as they begin the planning process to provide these Purple Heart veterans with a unique opportunity to share their stories with other Purple Heart veterans."

For more information about Honor Flight Northeast Indiana, their mission and flight information, visit [www.hfnei.org](http://www.hfnei.org).

**PARKVIEW RECOGNIZED**

Four Parkview hospitals – Parkview Huntington Hospital, Parkview LaGrange Hospital, Parkview Wabash Hospital and Parkview Whitley Hospital – have been recognized for excellence by The Chartis Center for Rural Health with a 2022 Performance Leadership Award.

Compiled by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, the Performance Leadership Award honors top quartile performance (75th percentile or above) among rural hospitals in any of three categories: quality, outcomes and patient perspective.

Parkview Huntington Hospital was honored in the outcomes category. The hospital also received recognition in this category in 2019.

"We are honored to receive this award from The Chartis Center for Rural Health," said Doug Selig, president of Parkview Huntington Hospital. "It's a great validation of our co-workers' efforts and the importance they place on the procedures and processes that directly drive quality of care. We view healthcare as a team effort that requires engagement from all members of the healthcare team."

Among Parkview Huntington's sister facilities also honored, Parkview Noble Hospital and Parkview Wabash Hospital were each recognized in both the outcomes and quality categories. Parkview LaGrange Hospital was recognized in the quality category.

The Performance Leadership Awards are based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX™, the industry's most comprehensive and

objective assessment of rural hospital performance. INDEX data is trusted and relied upon by rural hospitals, health systems with rural footprints, hospital associations and state offices of rural health across the country to measure and monitor performance across several areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

The announcement was made in conjunction with the Nov. 17 observance of National Rural Health Day.

"Although the last two years have placed unprecedented pressure on the rural health safety net, the dedication to serving the community that we're so accustomed to seeing from rural hospitals across the country hasn't wavered," said Michael Topchik, National Leader, The Chartis Center for Rural Health. "Let us celebrate the power of rural on National Rural Health Day and honor the facilities working tirelessly to provide access to high quality healthcare services to their communities."

The Performance Leadership Award is one of five awards the organization

hands out annually to recognize rural community and critical access hospitals. Amidst uncertainty, transition and strain, the top performers are acknowledged for excelling in managing risk, achieving higher quality, securing better outcomes, increasing patient satisfaction, and operating at a lower cost

than their peers. These groups serve as a benchmark for other rural facilities as they strive to achieve similar results and provide a blueprint for successfully navigating the uncertainty of the new healthcare. Parkview Huntington Hospital is located at 2001 Stults Road in Huntington, Indiana.

*Obituaries, Birth Announcements, Wedding & Anniversary Announcements are always FREE in the Warren Weekly!*

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her, well Kendra was not in the greatest mood that morning, you know..very pregnant, but she was so ticked off at that lady. Needless to say, for some odd reason every year we go to Kohls and guess who runs into Kendra...yep I swear it's the same lady. Sometimes I wonder if she is picking pockets. Every year Kendra says not this year, but she gets her on the blind side. Last year I just set there and laughed at her, I seen it all happen, so I can't imagine what's gonna happen this year, but I bet Kendra will be watching for her. Lol

I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving and a great start to your holiday shopping. I have so much to be thankful for. I appreciate you inviting me into your world as I tell my story of my life. It's never dull and I have no complaints, that's the way I like it. Happy Thanksgiving everyone.

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Thank you to the 35 Tree entries, the 45 Holiday Walk entries, & the 12 Gingerbread House entries! The Trees & Gingerbread House entries are beautiful & creative! A walk-through downtown Warren is a must do on your holiday list. To everyone that decorated a tree, made a gingerbread house, opened their doors or joined us for the holiday walk or sponsored an activity, your contribution helped to make the night a success along with decorating downtown Warren for the holidays!

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