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Thought for the Week: To all area 4-Hers - good luck at Fair!



WARREN'S SWEETHEART

Kane Boxell is the winner of the 2005 Baby Photo Contest held during the Salamonie Summer Festival and will receive a \$50.00 savings bond. He is the son of Adam and Amber Boxell of Warren. Kane's grandparents are Steve and Deb Buzzard (Warren), and Karen and Donald Boxell (Warren).

The second place prize of \$20.00 was won by Alexis Heaston, daughter of Tyler and Jennifer Heaston. Grandparents are Jim and Michelle Heaston (Warren).

Izabelle Howell, daughter of Eric and Kelly Howell (Huntington), won the third place prize of \$15.00. Izabelle's grandparents are Rick and Deb Howell (Warren), Jill Cripe (Ft. Wayne) and Rod and Sue Cripe (N. Manchester).

The Country Calicos Club would like to thank everyone who submitted photos of their precious little ones to participate in this annual event. One hundred percent of the proceeds go toward community projects.

Other participants whose pictures were displayed were: Logan Stucky, Summer Jackson, Colin Trout, Abagayle Wright, Anikah Eckert, Megan Conner, Ariell Wright, Tucker Stetzel, Morgan Watts, Kora Vickrey, Joshua Hill, Jacqueline Covey and Rita Walters.

FESTIVAL MEETING

The Salamonie Summer Festival committee invites anyone interested to please attend our follow up meeting on July 19th, at 6:00pm at the Town Annex. This meeting will be your opportunity to give input on the 2005 Festival. We welcome any new ideas or comments so we can continue to make your Festival bigger and better.

please come and be a part of Warren's biggest holiday celebration! If you cannot attend but have comments or want to share your time or talent, please call Vicki Grim at 260-375-3900.

NEEDED

The United Methodist Memorial Home is in need of someone interested in playing the piano or organ for Sunday morning More help is always needed so church services at the Home.

Call Chaplain Herbert Edwards at the United Methodist Memorial Home.

HATS OFF TO WARRENS' SUNFLOWER CO-OP!!!

If you haven't visited The Farmers Market in Eckmans parking lot on Saturday mornings you are really missing out! Besides a place to see folks you haven't seen for awhile the items are wonderful! Helen from Natalie Jeannes makes different delicious Artisan Breads weekly. Her Lemon Nut bread w/cream cheese, raspberries & blueberries is awesome, "Freedom Bread" Never know what she will bake! Ruth Herrings' Jams, noodles (the best) and other goodies, Nancy & Larry Whinery bring pickles and garden delights weekly. There are fresh eggs, herbs, pies, sourdough bread, muffins and lots of other baked treats. Bison Jerky was new this past Saturday. Rod who opened the new Grocery Market in town (Thank-You!) will be bringing a variety of fresh grown veggies as will lots of others as their gardens progress. The Gooseberries from Kim & Joan Pribles' garden were plentiful the first 3 weeks, but have to wait till next year for more, I hear. But they will be bringing new items soon. There is live music some weeks and I hear great new ideas as fall nears! Check it out and have a nice cool glass of iced tea as you shop! Hats off To Warrens Very Own Sunflower Co-op!!! We Love You! An absolutely wonderful group of Positive Folks! Great Job!

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 3<mark>75-2381</mark>



Now PLAYING!

Pictured above: David Dean as Tony Hendon and Dan Baker as Harry Witherspoon and appear in "LUCKY STIFF." A new musical comedy continuing at the Pulse Opera House, Warren, on July 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, & 23. 8pm. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. For tickets and information, call 260-375-7017.

The good news: You have inherited six million dollars from an uncle you never met. The bad news: You have to take that uncle's dead body to Monte Carlo for a final vacation or you lose the money to the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn. This predicament is only the beginning of the hilarious antics in the musical, "Lucky Stiff," the current production at the Pulse Opera House in Warren, Indiana.

Written by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, "Lucky Stiff" has an off-the-wall plot that is off-the-charts fun! This latest production continues on July 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23.

Tickets can be reserved by calling (260) 375-7017; tickets are \$15.00 for general admission and \$10.00 for children 12 and under. Doors for each performance will open at 7:30 p.m., and all performances start at 8:00.

In "Lucky Stiff," Harry Witherspoon's banal English existence as a shoe salesman is interrupted by the possibility of wealth and adventure in Monte Carlo - if he agrees to be accompanied by his uncle's corpse and follows a strict schedule of activities. Eventually, Harry is surrounded by others contending for the same inheritance: his uncle's insanely jealous mistress (Rita), her hen-pecked optometrist brother (Vinnie), and Annabell Glick, a zealous representative from the Universal Dog Home, the uncle's favorite charity. A romance, a murder mystery, and a comic farce all rolled into one, "Lucky Stiff' is a full blown musical romp of zany characters and situations.

"Lucky Stiff' is directed by Cynthia Smith - Wartzok with technical direction by Ron Wartzok. Those appearing in production include Dan Baker as Harry Witherspoon, Abby Niederman as Annabelle Glick, Darren Tumey as Luigi Gaudi, Melissa Rentfrow as Rita La Porta, Randy Neuman as Vincent (Vinnie) Di Ruzzio, and David Dean as Anthony Hendon (the dead body). Critical to this production is the ensemble cast - Linda Willard, Katey Wilks Houston, Zach Allen and Alex Rader - who among them play a total of 28 distinct and memorable characters! Ben Wedler will accompany the cast on keyboard at the performances.

"Lucky Stiff' is presented by special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

To Whom IT MAY CONCERN,

Maybe you don't even read a paper, but just in case you do thought I would let you know that the two tiny kittens you dumped like trash in the middle of 700 South, well they are getting better. Thank-God! They have wonderful homes and are growing and healthy. I spent my money I had for a trip, to get them the much needed meds from the vet. You left them in the road with upper respiratory infections so bad they hardly had a chance because their eyes were sealed shut with infection. I am very, very blessed to have come by when I did because they would not have made it through the night. It was dark and I think I came along right after you dumped them. Too bad our paths didn't cross!! They were terrified. I cried, mostly for you being so cruel and heartless! I asked God to lighten your heart and not do this again. Call a friend or call the shelter for help!

Do you have Children or elderly relatives & friends? Makes me really wonder what you would do if any of them got ill!! Remember we are all Gods creatures!!! I pray you get better soon!!

JΡ

How to enjoy your vacation The fun is about to begin

Togetherness is wonderful, but sometimes when you're on vacation there's a little more of it than you can handle. That's especially true if your vacation includes grandparents and kids of various ages.

Mental health specialists give this advice:

Don't vacation at your parents' home. If you long to return to your hometown, stay at a hotel and visit during the day. It will relieve your parents of the stress caused by crowded quarters and cranky kids who have little entertainment.

Know how much togetherness you are comfortable with. Some people can only be "nice" for three days. Arrange to meet a friend at your destination. It will give you a break.

If your group tends to bicker, don't schedule a long road trip. Go by plane and book tickets in separate rows.

Schedule some solitude. It's OK to play a round of golf or go sailing without the whole family around. Or you could say you have doctor's orders to take an hour-long walk every day. (Under these circumstances, it's OK to fib.)

Get into the water. Let them dive into a pool or swim in a lake. Water relaxes kids and helps them calm down. It has the same effect on grownups.

Give a little. Let the kids eat junk food if they want it. Forget about not letting them have an ice cream cone because it's too close to dinner. Don't plan to eat at a fancy restaurant where they will have to sit still for a long time.

Invite a family friend. People behave better when someone who is not a member of the family is with them. That includes you and your spouse.

Have fun, stay safe, and get back a day or two before another work day.

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 9:55a.m.

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 10:15a.m.

 Wed. Bible Study
 7:00 p.m.

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Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

Worship9:30 a.m.

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 Gary Riley, Pastor

 Sunday School
 9:30 a.m.

 Worship
 10:30 a.m.

 Youth Choir Practice
 5:00 p.m.

 Wed. Bible Study
 6:30 p.m.

 Thurs. Kings Kids
 6:30 p.m.

 BYG Youth Svc. (2&4Sun.)
 6:00 p.m.

 CWF Ladies (3 Tue)
 6:00 p.m.

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 6:30 p.m.

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

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Cans into Keys

Huntington County, Indiana July 1, 2005 is the Public Kick off of Huntington County Habitat for Humanity's Cans for Habitat Program. This program is turning cans into Keys- this July in Huntington County an innovative recycling program, Cans for Habitat will be doing just that. The Huntington County Habitat for Humanity Affiliate is collecting cans, not only to help preserve the environment but also to help build Habitat for **Humanity Homes with Hunting**ton County families in need.

The Cans for Habitat program provides consumers a way to work with Habitat for Humanity without even lifting a hammer. Local businesses, schools, churches, civic groups, and individuals are joining Habitat By collecting cans in Cans for Habitat Bins, providing convenient drop off locations for aluminum cans. Clarks Recycling Inc is partnering with Huntington County Habitat for Humanity for this program; Cans to be recycled can be Drop-off directly at Clarks just let them know they are for Habitat or the collection house located behind the Habitat Office on 1454 Etna Ave. The following are area partners that are recycling their cans in support of Habitat for Humanity. Parkview Hospital, Sprint, Abundant Grace Ministries, Bowen Center, Huntington University Dorms, Warren Home, Royster Fertilizer (warren), Huntington Church of the Brethren, Wertenberger Tire, Pace Auto, As well a the North view Church of Christ that built a can collec-

tion house during their Vacation Bible School.

In turn the proceeds from recycling those cans are contributed to Huntington County Habitat for Humanity to further its house building efforts.

"This is a great way for younger people in the community that might not be old enough to work on the construction site to support Habitat in a very big way" Says Miller.

July is an exciting month for Habitat for Humanity. This month is "Penny for Penny Match" The Aluminum Industry will match every Penny Huntington County Habitat earns in their recycling efforts during the Month of July. This is a tremendous opportunity for the community to help Huntington County Habitat for Humanity.

Since the Cans for Habitat Program began in 1997, 7.5 million pounds of aluminum cans have been recycled by and for Habitat affiliates - an equivalent of \$2.6 Million. All of which has gone to the construction of more than 56 Habitat homes. Local affiliates, volunteers, recyclers, national and local retail outlets and civic organizations work together to "Make Every Can Count."

For more information on Cans for Habitat and how you can donate your cans to Habitat visit the Cans for Habitat Website at www.cansforhabitat.org.

For more information on becoming a drop-off location or to set up collection bins in your office or business. Contact Steve Miller at 260-356-7425.

NEW **H**OURS

"New" hours for the Farmers Market in downtown Warren are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Looking for a place to sell your fresh produce? Check out the Saturday morning Market at the Eckman Parking lot at 123 E. 1st Street {Hwy 218}. Reserve a space for only \$5.00 per Saturday morning. Application forms are available at Natalie Jeanne's Restaurant or call Nancy Smyth at 260-375 2442 for more information.

FOREIGNER AUDITIONS

The Pulse Opera House will hold auditions for Larry Shue's comedy "The Foreigner" on Monday, July 18 at 7:30 p.m. Roles are available for 5 men and 2 women. Auditions will consist of readings from the script.

Rehearsals are Monday-Friday evenings beginning July 25. Performances are Sept. 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17. For more information, check out the Pulse website www.pulseoperahouse.org.

FISHING DERBY WINNERS

First place winner of the 2005 Salamonie Summer Festival fishing derby is Donnie Deakyne. Weighing in at 3.30 lbs, Donnie's catch of the day earned him a check for \$75.00. Second place went to Wyatt Korporal with a 2.45lb catch; Wyatt received a check for \$50.00. Third place with a 2.34lb catch was Seth Dressler who received a check for \$25.00. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who participated.

Sponsor of this festival event was Salamonie Mills. A big thank you goes out to Salamonie Mills for helping support the Salamonie Summer Festival!

PEDAL PULL WINNERS

The 2005 Salamonie Summer Festival Pedal Tractor pull was a great hit for over thirty little boys & girls. With a look of determination on their faces and a tight grip on the steering wheel they all gave the challenge their best shot.

In the Lightweight division, first

Mills. Middleweight first place winner was Nick Stucky and Carson Bolinger took second place. In the Heavyweight, Anna Gettinger came away with first place and second place heavy weight went to Cassidy Johnson.

Congratulations to all the winners and a big thank you to this year's sponsors, Town & Country Homes & Royster Clark. Thanks to all who participated in this event, hope to see you next year!

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Jul 14, 15, 16 Pulse Opera House presents Lucky Stiff Jul 20 Van Buren Town Council 7 p.m. Jul 21, 22, 23 Pulse Opera House presents Lucky Stiff Jul 22 Warren Recycle Day Jul 25 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall Aug 3 Warren Chamber of Commerce, noon, Assemly Hall Aug 3 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Aug 5 Warren Recycle Day Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall Aug 8 Aug 9 Our Town Committee, 7 p.m. Assembly Hall Aug 13 KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC Aug 17 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m. Aug 19 Warren Recycle Day

Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m. Assembly Hall Aug 22 Sep 2, 3 Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner Sep 8, 9, 10 Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner Sep 15, 16, 17 Pulse Opera House presents The Foreigner

Nov 25, 26 Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever Dec 1, 2, 3 Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever Pulse Opera House presents Best Christmas Pageant Ever Dec 8, 9, 10

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 5:30pm, Sat 10 - 11:30 at KBC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30 Salamonie Valley Museum Open Sundays 1 to 4 p.m. at KBC Farmers Market Saturdays at corner of 1st &

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

Coach's SlowPitch

The 2nd Annual Warren Base-ball/Softball Coaches Slowpitch playoff went off without a hitch on Sunday July 3rd this year. Fifty-two coaches showed up to play and a great time was had by all!!

The games started at 5:00 and except for a short clearing of the field to allow for the skydivers, went up until the Fireworks started.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches for coming up to play, our coaches spend a lot of time for the kids in the league. It was great to see all of them having such a good time!

We would also like to thank all the sponsors, umpires, concessions, fans and players for making the 2005 season a success!! Thanks go out also to the Town of Warren, the Park Department, and the Knight/Bergman Center for use of all the facilities.

There are 400 kids in the Warren League every year, which in a community of our size, says a lot for our league. It could not run so well every year without the commitment from all of these people. Thanks to all! Lisa & Rob Williams

COUNCIL NOTES

On Wednesday evening, July 6, the Van Buren Town Council held their only meeting in July. The meeting was held in the Council Room at Town Hall. President Tony Manry opened the meeting 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 letter was read from the Owen Gunyon family thanking everyone for helping in the search when Owen was missing during the middle of the night. A number of people from the Van Buren area, the Police Department and local Fire Department assisted with the search.

Members of the family were understandably upset when a member of the Fire Department was overheard to say "looking for some lost kid was a waste of his day". The child was found and safely returned to his family.

As of Wednesday's meeting, Council had not received a contract with Washington Township Fire Department to fill pools. The process will be discontinued until a contract is received.

Officer Pat Collins gave his report for June. Both police vehicles were reported to be running well.

Council decided to continue with the current insurance provider for Town personnel.

The Engineer reported to Council concerning local projects.

Superintendent Jim Webb presented his report. All meters had been read in May and June.

A water leak was reported at Banters Trailer Court. A water pump was down at the

Wastewater Plant.

A storm drain had been repaired on West Main Street.
It was hoped to do some pav-

ing and make repairs to streets before the Popcorn Festival.

Parts are needed before the dump truck can be repaired.

There was a problem with the clutch on the back hoe.

There will be no more meetings in July. The next scheduled meeting is Aug. 3.

BLOOD SUPPLY LOW

National blood inventory levels have dropped well below a safe and adequate supply. Since Memorial Day, blood collections have steadily decreased and national supplies have reached a critical low point, with some areas of the country falling below a one day supply of blood. Many areas of the country are already on local emergency appeals. The American Red Cross has issued a nationwide appeal for blood donations.

Locally, the Indiana-Ohio Region of American Red Cross Blood Services has less than a two day supply of blood, with critical needs for Type O, A- and B- blood.

Giving blood is a safe process, is easy, and takes very little time. Although about 60 percent of the people in America are eligible to donate blood, only 5 percent do. Donations are critically needed; please act now by giving the gift of life. Anyone at least 17 years of age, weighing 110 pounds or mare, and feeling in good health may be eligible to donate blood. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, call 1-800.GIVE LIFE (1-800-448-3543). Keep your commitment. Patients are counting on your life saving generosity.

LATEST IN MS REHAB

Auburn, Ind. - The National Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Society, Indiana State Chapter presents the 2005 North American Education Conference, "The Path Back from an MS Attack," on Monday, July 18, 2005. The video presentation will be offered locally at the Dekalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited

to attend free of charge.
Featuring video presentations from internationally known experts in their fields of MS rehabilitation and symptom management, the presentation covers critical topics on how to recognize an MS exacerbation, what can be done after an attack to feel better again, and rehabilitation strategies that can make a difference in managing

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To register for the video presentation or for more information call 1-800-FIGHT-MS or visit us online at www.nationalmssocicty.org/ini.

Every hour.. someone in the United States learns that he or she has multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable and often disabling disease of the central nervous system. The mission of the National MS Society is to end the devastating effects of MS for over 400,000 Americans living with the disease. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society supports more MS research, offers more services for people with MS, provides more professional education programs and furthers more MS advocacy efforts than any other MS organization in the world.

CLUB NEWS

Van Buren American Legion Auxiliary met July 7, 2005 at the Post.

Vice President Sheri Reneer called the meeting to order in regular form.

Chaplain Waneta Linton gave prayer. Secretary Lori Linton called the roll and read the minutes from the last meeting. Treasurer Irene Pickard gave finance report.

Waneta Linton made motion to increase the amount for the VA parties. Flo Doyle second. Carried

Waneta Linton asked for prayers for the prayer book.

Those attending: Lori Linton, Sheri Reneer, Irene Pickard, Flo Doyle, Shirley Shinholt, Linda Long, Waneta Linton, Lequite Taylor, Elisha Butler and two junior members, Haley Linton and Mikki Linton.

Next meeting is August 4, 2005.

PARADE WINNERS

Winning entries in this year's Salamonie Summer Festival Parade were:

Animal Unit – East Fork Ranch Pooper Scooper – East Fork Ranch

Ball League – Heartland Aluminum

Business – Shane Wright Construction

Classical Vehicle – Art & Rose Broyles

Religious Organization – Warren United Church of Christ

Service Organization – Pulse Opera House

Youth Group – T-Bone 4-H

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BASKET WINNERS

Winning baskets during the recent Basket Bingo, held during the festival, were: Cheryl Alevizon, Amy Keil, Kathy Irwin, Jan Weight, Mary Ann Holmes, Donetta Straley, Glassburn, Sue Hill, Dolly Rueckert, Janet Klefeker, Sue Hill, JR Isaac, Joyce Wilman, Kendra Pinkerton, Sheryl Roush, Sabra Campbell, Dianna Bradford, Ann McCammon, Linda Keil, Nancy Snow, Sue Hill, Jody Irick. Raffle winners were Judy Glassburn and Karen Pinkerton. Tie Breakers were Linda Maher and Margaret Lee.

SIGMA PHI

Beta Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority met in their room at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center July 5 for their business meeting. Our guests were visiting officer Alice Grim and her friend Betty Sprunger.

Roll call was to tell your favorite ice cream.

Secretary Susan Ralston read the June minutes. Treasureraide Sharon Gebhart gave the June treasury report. Finance Chairman Rosemary Zeller gave her report. The trays we purchased for the Civic Center were here. The May buffet and Basket Bingo were a success. Thank you to all who attended. Our member Shelly Stafford received a gift and her 25 yr. pin from our Chapter.

Our installation for next years officers will be July 19.

Elise Smith served refreshments to: Alice Grim, Betty Sprunger, Sondra Zabel, Beth Ostermeyer, Susan Ralston, Tara Korporal, Shelly Stafford, Suzette Gebhart, Sandy Booher, Carol Irick, Sandy Eichhorn, Georgia Poulson, Jenny Plummer, Peggy Sue Clark, Rosemary Zeller, Sharon Gebhart, Betty Yoder and Opal Brubaker.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Joyce Willman. Florence Taylor and Joyce Willman tied for High. Sharron Roush had Low and Jo Banter had the most lones. Others enjoying the evening were Marge Jones, Mary Ann Monce, Rosemary Helm, Marjorie Michaud, Sharon Gebhart, Joan Huffman, Phyllis Dickey and Jane Lieurance. Next month we will meet at the home of Jo Banter.



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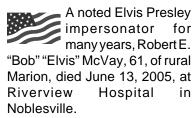
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GENEALOGY REPORT

McVAY



Born in Grant County, he was the son of Harold E. and Reina May Working McVay and was a life resident of Grant County. His mother survives at LaFontaine.

He was a 1962 graduate of Van Buren and served for six years in the Indiana National Guard.

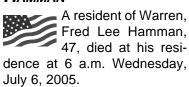
He married Bluffton native Cindy J. Dohrman-Masterson on October 4, 1997. She survives. He worked for several years at RCA and retired from Marion General Motors in 2001 after 33 years. He was a member of the General Motors Sympathy Club, United Auto Workers and Mount Olive United Methodist Church.

Always interested in Elvis, he gave his first performance as Elvis at his 25th class reunion. He was to appear on stages as Elvis from Grant County fairs to Las Vegas and more. In national competition he typically placed in the top 10 percent and earned the "Spirit of Elvis" award at the Elvis World Wide Competition in Memphis in 2001.

Surviving, in addition to his wife and mother are two daughters, Mrs. Rich (Shawntelle Chere) Mathieson of Fort Greeley, Alaska, and Mrs. Brian (Michelle Fabre) Moriarity of Cape Coral, Florida, a brother, Harold McVay of Marion; two step-daughters, Bethy Russell of Marion and Mrs. Timothy (Christina) Echelbarger of Bluffton, and five grandchildren, and his former wife, Beverly McVay of Cape Coral, Florida. He was preceded in death by a brother, David Lee McVay.

Services were at the Mt. Olive United Methodist Church with Rev. Doug Barton officiating. Burial was in Garden of Memory Cemetery, Huntington. Memorials to the church building fund or Cancer Services of Grant County.

HAMMAN



Born in Defiance, Ohio, Jan. 7, 1958 to Floyd A. and Marlene Babcock Hamman, he married the former Belinda Floyd in 1978.

A veteran of the United States Navy, he was employed by the Fort Wayne GM Truck & Bus plant.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by three sons, Adam of Van Buren and Austin and Charlie, both of Warren; three brothers, Steve Anderson of Van Wert, Ohio, Alvin Hamman of Warren and Floyd Hamman of Defiance, Ohio; and a half-brother, Terry Bowzer, of McComb, Ohio.

Services were held at Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home, 529 Jefferson Ave., Defiance, Ohio, under the direction of Dr. Todd Anderson. Burial followed at Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance County, Ohio.

Memorials may be made to Hospice/Caring Way of Defiance.

BEER

Employed previously at Ag Best in Hartford City and Terra in Bluffton, Cathy Sue (Herring) Beer, 50, of Upland, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2005 at the residence of her mother, Evelyn (Harris) Herring of Upland.

Born April 10, 1955, in Marion, she was a daughter of Gerald E. "Bud" and Evelyn Harris Herring. He is deceased.

A 1973 graduate of Eastbrook High School and a member of Community Christian Church in Bluffton, her marriage was Nov. 20, 1998, in Wells County to Kevin Beer, who survives.

Also surviving in addition to her husband and mother, are a son, Chris Furnish, and a daughter, Mrs. Lon (Melissa) Smith, both of Dawsonville, Georgia; a stepdaughter, Candice Duvall Beer of Bluffton; three brothers, Darrel Herring of Westfield, Rick Herring of Noblesville and Randy Herring of Upland, and a sister, Mrs. Hugh (Cindy) Scott of South Riding, Virginia.

Services were held at the Warren Church of Christ under the direction of Gerald Moreland. Burial was in Gardens of Memory, Marion.

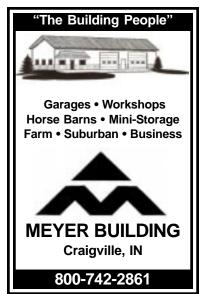
Calling hours were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.

BLACK

Retired in 1977 as a bookkeeper for the Blackford County School System and formerly employed by Florence Myers Trucking and Bank Computer Services, Esther M. Black, 85, of Montpelier, died at 8:32 a.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2005 at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie.

She was a 1938 graduate of



Hartford City High School and a member of the Bro Shadow Auxiliary, Millard Brown American Legion Post 156 in Montpelier and the Tri County Helping Hands.

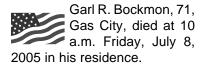
Born March 6, 1920, in Grant County, she was a daughter of Sidney W. and Geneva E. Walker Roberds. Her marriage was on March 4, 1941, at Dunkirk to Rex E. Black, who preceded her in death on Nov. 19, 2001.

Surviving are one son, Rod Black of Montpelier; one daughter, Dianne Schwarzkopf of Bluffton; one sister, Evelyn Johnson of Warren; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Glancy Funeral Homes, Walker Chapel, Montpelier, with Pastor Darren Williams officiating. Burial was in I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Montpelier.

Memorials to the Millard Brown American Legion Auxiliary.

Воскмон



He was born Jan. 22, 1934, in Marion to the late Freeman R. Bockmon and Tena D. Simon. A former resident of Van Buren, he lived in Gas City for nine years. He married Mary Catherine Hiatt in 1959. She preceded him in death in 2001.

He retired from Commercial Motor Freight Co. as a truck driver. He was also employed at the D&S Pantry in Van Buren for several years. He served in the Air Force from 1955 to 1958, including during the Korean War. He was a former member of Van Buren American Legion Post 368.

He loved sports of any kind and was a manager of a Van Buren Little League team for several years.

Survivors include son, Richard E. (Cheryl) Bockmon, Warren; brother, Harold (Nila) Bockmon, Swayzee; sisters, Mary (Glen) Williams, Detroit, Mich., Ruby Stephan, Huntington, Janet (Jim) Houseo, Andrews, Judy Kroft, Marion, and Freda (Rex) Buzzard, Huntington; sister-in-law, Betty Alice Taylor, LaGrange; granddaughters, Amy Owsley and Tara (Joe) Quick, both of Marion; grandson, Ian R. Bockmon, Warren; and eight great-grandchildren. He also was preceded in death by sisters, Margaret Marsh and Mildred Sparks; and granddaughter, Courtney Black.

Services were held in Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with Pastor Gene Vickery officiating. Burial was in Garden of Memory cemetery, Marion.

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REUNION HELD

Families of brothers Roger (deceased) and Leon Shideler met for the weekend of July 1-3 at Shilawn Farm in Rock Creek Township. The three day event was hosted by the Dave and Pam Shideler family. Shidelers from five states shared great food, memories and photos, along with three disappointing Chicago Cubs losses on TV.

Roger's family included Rita Shideler, Warren; daughter Bonnie and Larry Trout, GA, Mark, Stacey and Gavin Trout, MI. Natalie Trout, GA, visited in June. Son Dave and Pam Shideler and children Chris and friend Holly Starkey, Brian, Laura and friend Mo Bruce attended.

Leon and Mirtha Shideler, NC, were there with son Rick and Cindy Shideler, SC, and their twins Jason and Jennifer. Geoff Shideler was in Germany for the summer. Son Mike and Melanie Shideler, PA, attended with their children Madison, Logan and Gabriella. Daughter Terri Shideler, Oslo, Norway, husband Ivar, and son Stein Ivar visited the farm two weeks earlier. Terri's son Danny, China, and Marina, NY, were unable to attend.

CHANEY REUNION

David Daugherty of Warren attended a family reunion at the Chaney Ranch located near Andrews, TX on July 9 and 10th. A Texas Bar-B-Q was held on Saturday evening in honor of Larry Chaney's 60th birthday. Larry and Dave have both enjoyed researching the genealogy of the Chaney family and shared pictures and family stories with the others attending. Several of the Texas Chaney's have ties to the Zoda families in the Warren area. Many of the attendees were from the Crane, Midland, and Odessa area of West Texas.

EAGLES AT LANCER CAMP

Four Eagles participated in the first week of Lancer Basketball Camp at Grace College in Winona Lake. Four more went to the 2nd week of camp.

http://www.grace.edu/athlet-ics/camps/index.php

In the 3rd-6th grade division, Trey Frank was recognized for Most Improved, Best attitude & nominated for All-Defensive team.

Caleb Featherston was the 3-point Sharp shooter, Daily Free Throw Champ, Free-Throw shoot off runner up, 3-D Be Machine Champ, named to the All-Star team, 5 on 5 League runner up, 3 on 3 Cum Laude.

Samuel Daniels was 5 on 5

League Champion, Free Throw Magna Cum Laude, 3-D Be Machine Runner up, and Half Court Hook shot winner.

In the 7th-9th grade division, Brian Kelsey earned the Monday hustle award, 5 on 5 League runner up, 3 on 3 runner up & was named to the All Hustle team.

Taylor Frank, due to being traded, was the only undefeated (8-0) camper on his 5 on 5 team, named to the All-Star team, 2nd fastest dribbler, 3 on 3 runner up, 3-D Be Machine Cum Laude, MVP runner up, Rebounder nominee.

In the 9th-11th grade division, Austin Abbott was 5 on 5 Tournament Runner up, Most Improved nominee, Roll on the floor for the Loose Ball Award, All Hustle team.

Kolby Shultz was 5 on 5 Tournament Runner up, Best Attitude nominee, Most Improved nominee.

Andrew Daniels was 5 on 5 Tournament Runner up, named to the All-Star team, All-Defensive team, 9th grade skills test Champ, 1 on 1 Magna Cum Laude, 3 on 3 Champion, 3-D Be Machine Magna Cum Laude, 3-point challenge Cum Laude, All Hustle team.

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

Visitors at the Wells County 4-H Fair in Bluffton will be able to attend some outstanding musical entertainment in addition to viewing the many youth exhibits.

The 4-H Talent Show will feature youth performing various musical acts on Sunday, July 17, 5 PM.

The Gospel Sing will begin at 7:30 PM on Sunday, July 17.

Arlene Stoller is coordinating the event which has become very popular.

The music group "Eclipse" will perform on Tuesday, July 19 at 7:30 PM. This group consists of local musicians and features southern and classic rock along with country music.

Nick's Kid Show will perform at 5 and 8 PM on Wednesday, July 20th. The group is sponsored by Wells County Citizens Against Drug Abuse (CADA). JOLT (Joint Operation Limiting Tobacco) is sponsoring a tobacco free day on Wednesday at the Fair. Both groups will have a table set up under the Community Center Canopy.

On Thursday, July 21, the local music group "Change of Pace" will perform at 7:30 PM. The group features country music.

Visitors to the 4-H Fair concerts are encouraged to bring their comfortable lawn chairs. All of the musical events will be

held on the stage provided by the Bluffton Street Fair in front of the Wells County Community Center.

Sponsorship opportunities still exist for some of the events. Sponsors will be recognized during the concerts with special announcements and signs.

For more information about the 4-H Fair, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Cooperative Extension Service, 824-6412.

LIVESTOCK CHECK IN

4-H Livestock members should plan to check in their animals Friday, July 15th, 4 – 9 PM at the 4-H Park in Bluffton.

All trucks with animals should enter at the north entrance (Spring Street). Member completion certificates for livestock (bright yellow) which were issued by their leaders will be checked and veterinary staff will conduct the animal health check.

Signs will be posted in the 4-H Park to direct traffic. Trucks exiting the Park should use the south drive.

4-H families are encouraged to check their 4-H Newsletter for details.

For complete information about livestock check in, traffic and parking at the 4-H Fair, call the County Extension Office, 824-6412.

PEDAL PULL AT FAIR

The annual Kids Pedal Pull sponsored by the Bluffton Optimist Club will be held at the Wells County 4-H Fair on Wednesday, July 20th.

Registration will be held under the Community Center Canopy, 6 – 6:30 PM. The contest will start at 6:30 PM in front of the stage. Some seating will be available, however, people are encouraged to bring lawn chairs.

Maximum weight of contestants is 70 pounds. Each participant will receive an award. Families are encouraged to attend the family comedy show, Nick's Kid show after the Pedal Pull on the stage.

EXPO HALL JUDGING

Wells County 4-H projects to be exhibited in the 4-H Expo Hall at the 4-H Fair should be checked in Wednesday, July 13th from 2 – 9 PM.

This includes Mini 4-H exhibits and traditional 4-H member exhibits such as poster projects, woodworking, gift wrapping, cake decorating, etc.

Traditional 4-H members (non Mini 4-H) must also show their project certificate (bright pink) which was obtained from their leader.

Judging of projects in the Expo

Hall will be held at 9 AM on Thursday, July 14th and is open to 4-H members and parents. Adult and teen volunteers are needed to assist judges. Volunteers should meet at 8:15 AM. Call the County Extension Office, 824-6412 to volunteer.

The 4-H Expo Hall will officially open to the public on Saturday, July 16, 9 AM.

Project check out will be Thursday, July 21, 7 – 8 PM.

QUEEN AT FAIR

Miss Indiana State Fair 2005 Keela Sue Roser will visit the Wells County 4-H Fair on Monday, July 18th. She will appear on stage as a part of the Wells County Queen Pageant. The event will begin at 7:30 PM on the stage in front of the Wells County Community Center.

Keela represented Wabash County in the Queen Pageant and is the daughter of Mark and Cindy Roser of North Manchester. She is a Natural Resources and Environmental Science major at Purdue University where she is a junior.

Keela will visit approximately 35 county fairs, festivals and queen pageants during the summer promoting the Indiana State Fair before serving as the official hostess of the annual event, August 10 – 21.

Welcomes Exercise Physiologist

Bluffton Regional Medical Center is proud to welcome Chad Shirar as the new exercise physiologist in the Rehabilitation Services department.

Shirar, an Ossian native and graduate of Norwell High School, received a master of science degree in exercise physiology with an emphasis in adult fitness and cardiac rehab from Eastern Illinois University. While at Eastern, Shirar received the distinguished graduate student award for physical education and the outstanding graduate student award for exercise science. Shirar also earned his bachelor of science from Ball State University in Exercise Science and Wellness.

"I am looking forward to developing a more diverse and comprehensive exercise rehab program here in Bluffton," said Shirar. "In the near future, I would like to increase both the size and quality of our offerings."

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4-HTRACTOR OPERATORS

The Huntington County 4-H Tractor Operators' contest will be held Sunday, July 10 at Hier's Park. Registration for the Junior and Senior Divisions of Lawn & Garden Tractor and Agricultural Tractor categories will begin at 12:45 pm in the Show Arena.

Participating youth will be involved in three different aspects for this contest – a Parts Identification section, a quiz over tractor knowledge and driving a predetermined course.

The top three youth in each division are eligible to represent Huntington County in the Area XI 4-H Tractor Operators' contest, scheduled for Steuben County on Saturday, July 30.

CLUB **N**EWS

Grant Co Salon 195 met at Van Buren Post June 26, 2005 for chicken supper before the meeting.

Chapeau Rosemary Hammons opened the meeting. Judy Sinclair made motion to omit formal meeting, second by Jennifer Gray. Carried.

We voted three new partners into our salon, Debra Smith, Martha Adams, Lorene Kierstead.

Meeting was turned over to installing officer, Louise Grindle.

It was reported the death of Mary Wayne.

The husbands joined us for supper, they are, Frank Sinclair, Joe Williams, Jay Huffman, Max Shinholt, Mark Gray, Vance King, and Danny Smith.

Next meeting July 26, 2005 at Van Buren.

Those attending: Trudy Ann Plummer, Kim Hammons, Dalena King, Becky Williams, Waneta Linton, Mary Stone, Louise Grindle, Jennifer Gray, Judy Sinclair, Irene Pickard, Rosemary Hammons, Shirley Shinholt, guests were Janet Williams and Magan Williams.

SUMMER FUN FOR ALL GIRLS

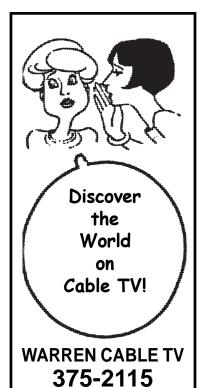
Summer break is a time of fun and friendship for girls of all ages who are participating in summer activities, and Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council will be in the Fort Wayne and surrounding areas facilitating fun summer opportunities for girls. Girl Scout activities are ways to learn while having fun, and girls do not need to be a current Girl Scouts to attend.

The girls will be able to participate in songs, games, water fun, and so much more! Various Fort Wayne Parks, schools and community centers have collaborated with the Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council to allow us to share our various opportunities to girls and boys across our six-county area.

"Our summer activities are open to all girls, regardless of if they have been a Girl Scout during the school year or not. These include resident camp, day camp, and lots of programs in community based settings. We believe all girls should have the Girl Scout experience, and opportunities abound year round!" says Sherri Weidman, CEO/Executive Director, Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council.

For more information about summer fun activities in your area, please visit our website at www.girlscouts-limberlost.org or families should call the Community Development Assistant, Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council, (260) 422-3417 or 800-283-4812, extension 3338.

Girl Scouts of the USA is the world's pre-eminent organization for girls, with more than 3.8 million girl and adult members. Now in its 93rd year, Girl Scouting cultivates values, social conscience and self-esteem in young girls while also teaching them critical life skills that will enable them to succeed as adults. In Girl Scouting's special girl-only environment, girls discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together. Girl Scouts of Limberlost Council, one of more than 300 councils chartered by Girl Scouts of the US.A., administers programs in Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Steuben and Wells counties in northeast Indiana.



VACATIONING AT THE BEACH OR THE POOL?

KEEP SWIMMER'S EAR AWAY

Whether you are a kid or an adult who spends time in the pool or the surf, the pain of swimmer's ear can ruin your vacation. Even showering can cause moisture to be trapped in the ear canal. This trapped moisture encourages the growth of bacteria and fungi.

For people who are in the water a lot, over-the-counter drops for swimmer's ear are advised. Or make the drops yourself by mixing equal parts of alcohol and vinegar.

The alcohol is drying, and the acetic acid in vinegar lowers the pH in the ears, decreasing the chance that bacteria and fungican grow.

If you or your child has ongoing, low-grade pain especially when the ear is touched, an itchy feeling, or drainage, see a doctor for treatment.

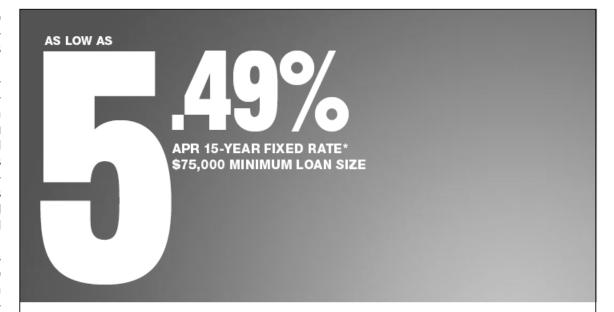


DVD WINNER

Mrs. James (Donna) Bolinger of Warren is the winner of the Portable DVD Player given by Ackley Automotive, Inc. in honor of their 10th Anniversary!

Here, she is presented with her prize by Mike Ackley, President. Congratulations Donna!

Thanks to all who participated!



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