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Thought for the Week: Congratulations to our Troops on a job well done and safe passage home.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Rev. Hubert Harriman will bring the message. Rev. Harriman was born and raised in Bolivia, the son of missionaries from World Gospel Mission. Rev. Harriman is the President of WGM, which is located in Marion, Indiana.



Rev. Harriman pastored Ligonier Evangelical Church for 26 years.

Rev. Harriman earned his B.A. in Bible from Vennard College (Iowa) before doing graduate work at Jerusalem College University (Israel) with a major in historical geography. He also earned an M.A. in church history from Anderson School of Theology (Indiana). He and his wife, Sarah, have three grown daughters.

Water In2 Wine will bring the music. Aaron & Jonathan Ashlock, and their newest member, Kristen Huntoon, make up the group. In 1996 they began holding concerts.

Aaron & Jonathan grew up in Brazil, South America, where their parents were missionaries. They are students at Indiana Wesleyan University (Marion). Aaron writes some of their music and plays the piano.

Kristen, their newest member, from Logansport, Indiana, is a graduate of Indiana University (Bloomington).

You are invited by the WAMA churches to come and remember the sacrifice of our Lord on Good Friday at Wesleyan Church. A free-will offering will be taken.

SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Town Council has scheduled Spring clean-up for two days, Wednesday, April 30th, 3:00-7:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 1st, 7:00 a.m.-Noon. Roll-offs will be available for Town of Warren residents at the utility buildings, 316 W. Second Street. Due to hauler restrictions, the following types of items will not be accepted: tires, appliances, car batteries, concrete and other building supplies, hazardous waste including fresh paint and oil, telephone poles, railroad ties, leaves, and fencing

wire A reminder that a receptacle for household batteries can be found at Town Hall at all times.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual S.A.M. (Salamonie Active Men) Easter Egg hunt will be held at 9 a.m. on the grounds of the Knight Civic Center. Don't forget to bring your basket or bag.

CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY

The Clerk-Treasurer's Office and Utility Department will be closed Friday, April 18th in observance of Good Friday.

EASTER SERVICE

The Public is invited to Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene for Easter Sunday service and Easter Egg hunt following. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m., service at 10:30 a.m. with Egg Hunt after. Kids remember you will be able to earn double the funny money on Ester Sunday and eggs full of it. Funny money can be spent at the auction April 27th after the Sunday morning service and carry-in dinner. We have items available for both children and adults.

CEREMONY CANCELLED

The Indiana Veterans' Service Officers' Association (INVSOA) announced today their membership has voted to cancel upcoming French Thank-You-America ceremonies scheduled for Evansville on May 17th, Logansport on July 19th and Corydon, Indiana on a date which had not yet been announced, during which veterans of World War II were to receive certificates from the French government thanking them for their participation in the Liberation of France during WWII.

Out of the ninety-one Indiana counties which have county Veterans' Service Officers, sixty-two have voted. Fifty of them voted to withdraw sponsorship of the ceremonies, only nine voted to continue the ceremonies and three were undecided. All of those voting to withdraw sponsorship related that veterans of World War II have contacted them and expressed their dissatisfaction with France's stand on the Iraqi situation. They cite the 65,000 American servicemen who are buried in cemeteries in France; 65,000 men who lost their lives during World

Wars I and II to liberate France from German occupation, and the surviving veterans feel, generally, that it would be disloyal to the memory of those who gave their lives to accept a certificate from a government which was not willing to put French blood on the line in Iraq when America needed their help.

Many even stated they are considering returning Normandy Medals which were presented to them in 1994 on the 50th anniversary of the D-Day Invasion.

World War II veterans are very upset with the government of France and, in light of those feelings, the INVSOA feels it is necessary to withdraw from these ceremonies. The French Embassy in Chicago is currently considering whether or not they will mail the certificates to those WWII veterans who have already applied. Veterans who have applied and who wish to receive their certificates by mail should contact the embassy in Chicago at 312-787-6294.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL

There will be food, fun, games, Moonwalk and the Jump Rope Team will be performing. Many Raffle prize – such as a rocker from Cracker Barrel, Razor Scooter, Bike, Autographed Komet Hockey Sticks, numerous savings bonds, Bingo with many generous prizes and class themed basket auction in which the proceeds from the filled basket will be provided to the class sponsoring it. This will be a fun family night for all ages. We would like everyone from the community to come out and see the new Faces of Partners In Education and help us to celebrate a wildly successful year in supporting our children's school.

CONSUMER ALERT

As Operation Iraqi Freedom dominates the headlines, Better Business Bureaus (BBBs) report that scam artists are playing to people's patriotism and preying on heightened concerns about homeland security to peddle their wares.

"It's unfortunate to think that citizens are the target of scam artists even during time of war. BBB

experience shows, however, that fraud perpetrators pick newsworthy events to trigger interest in their marketing ploys," said Ken Hunter, president and CEO of the Council of Better Business Bureaus.

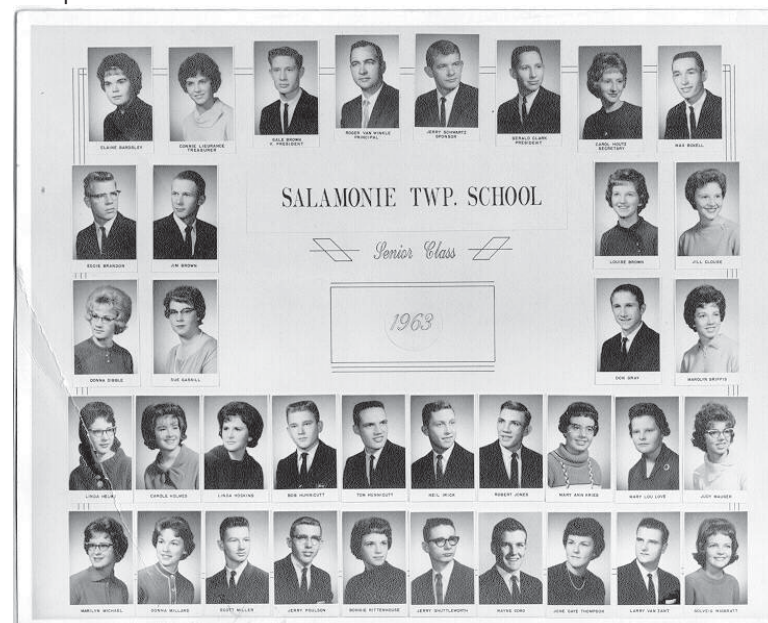
To date, BBBs have identified three types of war-related pitches being used by legitimate organizations, as well as less reputable merchandisers: (1) pleas for funds to help victims of the war or those fighting in the war, (2) appeals to patriotism and claims of government affiliation or approval, and (3) promotions that hype up fear and panic.

"In times of prosperity or poverty, when we're at peace or at war, BBB advice is constant: Be a Savvy Shopper and a Discerning Donor."

BBBs urge consumers to Check out any unknown business or not-for-profit organization that seeks your money or donation with the BBB (www.bbb.org) and local consumer protection agency.

Carefully verify any claims that sound "too good to be true." Do not panic or overreact to sales pitches that are long on emotion

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WARREN ALUMNI BANQUET

Make your reservations now for the annual banquet of Warren High School. The event will be held May 10 at the Knight Civic Center with a social hour at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. The classes of 1943, 1953, and 1963 will be recognized as the honored classes. Reservations are \$8.50 per person and may be made by contacting Jim Howell at 260-375-3048 or email at . All former students, teachers, and friends of Warren High School are encouraged to attend. Pictured above is the class of 1963 now celebrating 40 years since graduating from Warren High School.

Class of 1963

Top Row: Elaine Bardsley Beck, Connie Lieurance Smelser, Gale Brown, Roger VanWinkle – principal, Jerry Schwartz – sponsor, Gerald Clark, Carol Houtz Watkins, Max Boxell

Second Row: Eddie Brandon, Jim Brown, Louise Brown Rhamy, Jill Clouse Clark

Third Row: Donna Dibble Lyon, Sue Gaskill Bornreger, Don Gray, Marolyn Griffis Felger

Fourth Row: Linda Helms Dawson, Carole Holmes Gordon, Linda Hoskins Edwards, Bob Hunnicutt, Tom Hunnicutt, Neil Irick, Robert Jones, Mary Ann Krieg James, Mary Lou Love Andrews, Judy Mauger Hartzler

Bottom Row: Marilyn Michael Hacker, Donna Millard, Scott Miller, Jerry Poulson, Bonnie Rittenhouse Langston, Jerry Shuttleworth, Wayne Sorg, Jone Gaye Thompson Brill, Larry VanZant, Solveig Wigbratt Laymon

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

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KUDOS, KICKS & KARATS

THE EASTER STORY

Very early on Sunday morning, the women went to Jesus' tomb, carrying the spices they had prepared.

They found the stone rolled away from the entrance to the tomb, so they went in; but they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

They stood there puzzled about this, when suddenly two angels in bright shining clothes stood by them. Full of fear, the women bowed down to the ground as the angels said to them, "Why are you looking among the dead for One who is alive? He is not here; he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was in Galilee: "The Son of Man must be handed over to sinful men, be crucified, and three days later rise to life."

The women remembered His words, returned from the tomb and told all of these things to the disciples and all the rest.

The women were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary, the mother of James. They and the other women told these things to the apostles. But the apostles thought that what they said was nonsense and they did not believe them.

Peter got up and ran to the tomb. He bent down and saw the grave cloths but nothing else. Then he went back home, amazed at what happened.

From the Good News Bible

EGGS MAKE EASTER TRADITIONS

The North American Easter egg hunt can be exciting for kids of all ages. That includes little kids hoping for their share of the candy and big kids who think they'll find eggs stuffed with money and other rewards.

Easter bunnies are nice, but it's the eggs that surprise you, even crack you up with laughter. One of the greatest Easter traditions comes from the America's Southwest and Mexico. Cascarones! They are blown eggs that are dyed, painted, and filled with confetti. Families spend Easter cooking and making merry while the children and adults plot to crack cascarones over unsuspecting heads. By evening, big cascarone fights leave floors and grounds covered with colorful and sparkling confetti.

It takes time to clean up after a cascarone fight, but the task is more pleasant than cleaning up after egg-cracking competitions in Greece. After Greek Orthodox Easter, people use the pointed ends of eggs to crack on the heads of their opponents. It can get pretty messy because they use raw eggs.

In Austria, decorating eggs is an art. Austrians boil eggs and then turn them into creations of pattern, color, and texture. The eggs are sometimes scratched with a decorative pattern that reveals the white shell. Sugar eggs are decorated with frosting.

THE PASSOVER STORY

As Jewish families gather for the Passover Seder, a ceremonial dinner, they are guided by a book called the Haggadah, meaning narration.

The Haggadah is a collection of illustrated excerpts from sacred books recalling how the Israelites, more than 3,300 years ago, were liberated from slavery in Egypt, and how they fled into the desert to freedom. Although it has been translated for centuries, authorities at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City say most translations remain true to the earliest copies made.

The Seder is a time of excitement for children. Traditionally, the youngest child reads some of the story of the Exodus as proof that the story is passed from generation to generation.

The family leans in their chairs to show they are at ease and free from slavery. They partake of bitter herbs to recall their slavery, and eat matzoh, the unleavened bread, representing the haste with which they had to leave Egypt.

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 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Youth Hours 6:00p.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Rev. Pat Mullen, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Bible Study, Wednesday..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Fellowship Sun 6:00 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

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 Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Becky Hartley, SS Supt.

Fellowship 9:15 a.m.
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 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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375-2779

Lynn Mefferd, Pastor

Jim Pryor, Associate Pastor

Sun - 1st Worship Service..... 8:15a.m.
 Sunday School..... 9:30a.m.
 2nd Worship Service... 10:30a.m.
 Youth Group (6th-12th).5:30p.m.
 Evening Service 6:30p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 9:00a.m.
 "Circle of Friends"
 (3yr-5th grade)... 6:30-8p.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST

375-4359

Bill VanHaften, Pastor

B. Morton, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

375-2330

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Rev. Bill Barlow, Pastor

Wesley Welch, Supt.

Sue Brown, Children's Ministry

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:15 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00p.m.
 Thursday Bible Study 7:00p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST

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694-6622

Pastor Dan Sommer

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 9:55a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

SALAMONIE CHURCH OF

BRETHREN

468-2412

Mel Zumbrun, Pastor

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

BUCKEYE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

758-2085

Nathan Doyle, Minister

Sandy Keplinger, Supt.

Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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8294S 900W 35

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.
 1st Sun. (Qtrly) Praise Hour.. 6:30 p.m.

LIBERTY CENTER

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Bard, Pastor

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

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375-2510

Bill Keen, Pastor

Bob Brewer, Assoc. Pastor

Bus Service 375-2510

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 7:00 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102

Charles Dye ,Jr., Pastor

Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
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THE NEW BEGINNING

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Sunday School 10:45a.m.

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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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1st Worship..... 8:20 a.m.

2nd Worship..... 9:45 a.m.

3rd Worship 11:11 a.m.

Sunday School Children & Youth

Programs

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375-2691

Dr. Jeane Spoor, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN

468-2411

Doug Sharrard, Pastor

David Thrift, S.S. Supt.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST MEMORIAL

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SUNDAY:

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat

Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN

Wayne Wright, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Mid-Week (Wed) 6:00 p.m.

ASBURY CHAPEL

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Pastor - Eric Dubach

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 10:45 a.m.

Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship

..... 6:30 p.m.

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AREA NEWS

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and short on details.

Never reveal personal or financial information to an unknown caller or in response to an unsolicited email.

Do not succumb to sales pressure. Take your time to evaluate the offer, determine whether you need the product or service, and if so, comparison-shop.

Do not abandon your common sense!

CRAFT DONATIONS NEEDED

Some of the requested items have been donated for Imagination Square, the children's art area within the Festival of the Arts in downtown Warren May 17, 2003. However, the "little artists" will need more to work with.

Within the Inventor Center, children can use any number of materials to craft, construct and create an artistic piece. In order to do that, the festival committee needs to stock up on various recyclables and unused products.

If you have any of the items listed below, please contact Anita Sharpe at 375-2851 to make delivery arrangements. Your donations should not include objects made of glass or sharp objects. The needed items include: old holiday decorations, plastic lids or containers, cardboard food boxes, cloth material used for sewing, craft materials, bubble wrap, empty paper rolls, yarn, masking tape, old shirts - to use as painter's smocks, new crayons and markers.

In addition to collecting the items listed above, the festival committee is also in search of coffee cans. These will be placed next to each of the "Festival of Chair" entries. Visitors will vote for their favorite decorated chair with penny votes tossed into the cans.

If you have any empty coffee cans to donate, please contact Debbie Dyer at 356-8874 to make drop-off arrangements.

SPECIAL CONCESSIONS

Military personnel serving in combat zones will receive automatic extensions of time both to file their Indiana state taxes and to renew their Indiana Commercial Drivers' Licenses while on active duty, the Indiana Department of Revenue has announced.

Military personnel will have 180 days after they leave the combat zone to file their state tax returns. In order to receive the extension of time, they should write "Combat Zone" in large letters across the top of their returns and mail them to: Indiana Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 2305, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-2305.

Returns from "Combat Zone" filers will be screened and processed separately, department

officials say. (All late filers need to realize that an extension of time to file does not mean an extension of time to pay. State statute requires that 90% of estimated tax due be submitted by April 15, 2003.)

Click on "Up to the Minute" on the department's home Web page, www.in.gov/dor/, for more information on this special tax filing extension.

The department, in conjunction with the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, is also granting extensions of time to members of the armed forces holding Commercial Drivers Licenses (CDL's) who are absent from the state on military orders when either their CDL's or physical examinations expire.

CDL drivers will have 90 days after their discharge from the military for renewal and will not be required to take another written or skills test.

The new CDL policy is applicable to members of the National Guard, reserves, and regular military services who are returning from an initial term of enlistment. (Any service personnel who engaged in non-military commercial driving while on active duty must maintain a valid CDL at all times.)

For more information on this special CDL extension, contact the CDL Section of the Motor Carrier Services Division of the Indiana Department of Revenue, 5252 Decatur Blvd., Indianapolis, IN 46241, 317-615-7335.

PROPERTY TAX INFO

There was a meeting held recently between the Assessors, Auditor, and Treasurer. We discussed the timeline of where we are at in relation to the Property Tax Deadline. Even though the Assessors feel they will be finished with their portion of the timeframe at the end of April, there is another step called "Equalization" that must be completed before Assessed Values can be sent off to the State for approval.

This "Equalization" means several studies per Township must be completed before the State will approve the Assessed Values. At the present time 14 counties (out of 92) have sent in their values and only 9 have been approved. Once approved by the State, figures will be rolled over to the Auditors for further preparation.

tion after tax rates are given by the State. An abstract must be prepared on final tax figures and again sent into the State for approval. Once approval given, then the tax bills can be printed and sent out.

At the present time and IF EVERYTHING GOES WELL, we hope to have a late summer collection. However, if things do not go well, we may end up having a one-time collection for November 10, 2003 only. The bills would be sent out as early as possible and payment could be made at your choosing by Nov. 10th.

The appeal process will still be in place. The tax bill can serve as notification of the new assessed value, and you would have 45 days to appeal. If there are two tax installments, the first installment would have to be paid, then corrected bills would be sent out prior to the second installment.

I am still urging all taxpayers (businesses and homeowners) to take advantage of advance payments. Two reasons for these advances. First, taxpayers can pay whatever amount they wish, once taxes are calculated and rolled over to the treasurer, then we run a process to apply the advance payments to your individual tax parcel. If you have paid to much for 1st installment, then the excess would be applied to your second installment. At the present time letters are being prepared to send to businesses encouraging them to pay as well. Second, advance payments received from each taxing unit can then be distributed to the taxing units payment came from. This will enable each unit to keep cash flow going to pay their bills and employees.

The Treasurer's Office has had recurring questions if people will be penalized if they do not pay by May 10th. No they will not. The deadlines have not been definitely set, therefore no penalties.

Don Schoeff and Cindy Yeiter, Huntington County Treasurer, were at a meeting, April 9th with other County Auditors and Treasurers and the State has told them that there are 27 counties that will not be done with reassessment by the end of the year. Huntington County is in the middle of the pack.

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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

Apr 16 Van Buren Town Council, 7 p.m.
Apr 17 Sportsman's Club Community Calendar Meeting, 7 pm
Apr 18 Warren Recycle Day
Apr 21 Salamonie Summer Festival meeting, 7 p.m. KCC
Apr 26 Woodlawn Cemetery Annual Meeting, 2 p.m.
Apr 26-27 Gebhart's Greenhouse Open House
Apr 28 Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Annex
May 3 Jefferson Alumni, contact Steve Holmes, 375-2766 or holmes@citznet.com

May 10 Warren Alumni Banquet - Contact Jim Howell 375-3048 or howellj@citznet.com

May 17 Festival of the Arts, downtown Warren

May 17&18 Van Buren Town Clean-Up

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 4 - 6pm, Sat 10 - noon at KCC or by appointment - Call 375-2381. **Bargain Basement** - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KCC **Story Time at WPL** - 10 a.m. Fridays **Walking in the Gym** 6 to 11 a.m. Monday thru Friday **Depression Support Group** 2nd & 4th Thurs at Hope Missionary Church, Bluffton 6-7:30

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AREA NEWS CONTINUED

FESTIVAL MEETING

Salamonie Summer Festival to be held July 3 - July 6, 2003

There will be a Salamonie Summer Festival committee meeting at the Knight Civic Center Monday April 21, 2003. If you have any new information that a decision needs to be made on please bring it along for discussion.

SERVICES AT DILLMAN

Dillman United Brethren Church would like to invite you to celebrate Easter Sunday with us. We will have a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. followed by breakfast at 7:30 a.m. We will have our regular worship service at 9:00 a.m. and then Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Our church address is 8888S 1100 W -90, Warren. We are located just 3 miles west of State Road 3 on 900 S in Wells County. We'd love to have you worship with us.

BLOOD DRIVE

Through our Congressional Charter, the Red Cross has a long history of support the military in times of need. In addition to Armed Forces Emergency Services and International Services, the American Red Cross, together with our partners in the blood banking community, is prepared to support the military's blood needs when and if it is called upon. In order to ensure in advance that patients are protected with a safe and adequate supply, we urge the public to help by donating blood as frequently as every eight weeks. It is the blood on the shelves today that saves lives.

A blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, May 3, from 7 am until 1pm, at Central Christian Church. Central Christian Church is located at 500 McGahn, in Huntington.

If you are 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health you may be eligible to donate blood. For more information or to schedule your appointment to donate blood, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543).

EASTER SERVICES

Warren United Methodist Church invites the Warren community to come celebrate Holy Week and Easter during special services.

A Holy Thursday service, "From the Upper Room to Calvary," is

planned for Thursday, April 17, at 7:00. This will be a meditative service of Scripture meditation and song as we walk with the Lord during his final hours. The service will end in a celebration of Holy Communion.

Easter Sunday worship will feature the Warren UMC teens who will present a vignette of Jesus suffering, death and Resurrection. Worship begins at 10:30. Child care is available.

Come and join us as we remember the Lord's last hours and celebrate the gift of eternal life that is the miracle of Easter. Warren UMC is located at the corner of Third and Main Streets, next to Cady's Express, in downtown Warren.

LETTERS CAPTURE MEMORIES

Rainbow-colored blooms delivered to your door. Boxes of chocolates exchanged and savored. A telephone conversation heating up the wires. Despite the joy of those moments, memories fade away. But a handwritten letter or carefully chosen card provides a memory you can touch and relive forever.

To a generation raised on fast food, faxes, computers, and instant messaging, letter writing seems to belong to a more leisurely time in our past lives, when people were not so rushed, so tired, so exhausted. Yet many people are discovering that writing or reading a letter can bring a welcome break to their hectic lives. For a few moments, a letter transports us away from a stress-filled day to an oasis where we savor the words of that special person who comes to visit us on paper. And, that visit can be relived again and again each time the letter is brought out and read.

Letters keep special times special. Problems are minimized and put into perspective when they're discussed with a friend in a letter. And your card with a personal "thank you" note "for being there with helpful advice" is always appreciated. You are never alone or lonely when you sit down to write a friend.

So make someone happy and send a card or letter soon. Writing is an inexpensive way to show someone how much you really care.

ON WHO'S WHO LIST

The National Register's Who's Who in executives & Professionals includes Reverend Bobby Jack Brewer, Associate Pastor of Warren Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene in its 2004 Edition.

National Register's Who's Who wishes to extend its congratulations to the professional named herein. The intent of the National Register's Who's Who in Executives & Professionals is to notify all who read this announcement that this individual has reached a level of recognizable success in their respective field.

The Edition of National Register's Who's Who is only available to those professionals who are included. This year's edition will, of course, be registered at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

FOOD ALLERGIES

The Purdue Extension Service of Huntington County is offering a program titled "Food Allergies." It is scheduled for Tuesday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office Meeting Room. The Extension Office is in the Court House Annex, which is one block north of the Court House in the former

National City Bank. Use the parking lot beside the building and the elevator to second floor.

Approximately 1 % of adults suffer from true food allergies. Children often outgrow theirs by the time they enter school. A true food allergy is a reaction of the body's immune system to something in a food or an ingredient in a food - usually a protein. It can range anywhere from mildly irritating to a serious condition.

Food allergies need to be diagnosed by an allergist. A food intolerance does not involve the immune system, and yet people often incorrectly identify them as allergies.

This program will identify the foods most commonly associated with allergies along with some symptoms, treatments, and possible solutions.

The program will be presented by Trisha Hockemeyer, Extension Educator in Adams County and a Registered Dietician.

The program is for those who have allergies and those who have a family member with allergies, including children. The program is open to the public and free of charge. However, please call the Extension Office (358-4826) so that adequate handout material will be available.

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Westfield introduced FOCUS in early 2001, aiming to strategically recognize and reward top agencies while encouraging other agencies to achieve top agency status with Westfield. With the Platinum status, Shuttleworth Insurance Agency will receive special benefits that improve their value and their ability to sell and retain business.

In business for 25 years, Shuttleworth Insurance Agency is owned and operated by Bill Shuttleworth. The agency is an Independent Insurance Agency and has offices in Fort Wayne & Warren, IN. They represent several Insurance Companies in an effort to provide the highest quality insurance products and services at competitive prices.



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We would like to thank our friends and neighbors for their prayers, cards, flowers, food and the many expressions of kindness during this time of sorrow.

A special thank you to Rev. Lynn Mefferd and the Glancy Funeral Home for all of the of their support.

The sympathy and kindness we received was greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

God Bless You and Thank You,
The family of Charles Lee

HEFNER

Funeral services for Della Mae Hefner, 82, rural Huntington, were held 2 p.m. Sunday, April 13, 2003 at the Myers Funeral Home Huntington Chapel.

Mrs. Hefner, a homemaker, died at 4:18 a.m. Thursday, April 10, 2003 at The Heritage of Huntington.

She and her late husband, owned Hefner Apiary, tending more than 1,000 hives in a six-county area surrounding Huntington County and she was a former member of the Northeastern Indiana and the Indiana State Beekeepers Association.

She was a member also of Northview Church of Christ, where she belonged to the Golden Circle Class. She was born in Wabash County April 16, 1920, a daughter of Earl and Mary Ellen Basicker Hoover. Her marriage at Markle was to Sherman Hefner, who died Nov. 24, 1976. She was a 1940 graduate of Rock Creek High School in Huntington County.

Surviving are four daughters, Edith Fulton and Marcella Kinsey, both of Huntington, Mrs. Joe (Janet) Coldren of Columbia City and Mrs. Leon (Louella) Kilander of Wells County; a sister, Ilo Langston of Warren; a brother, Elmo Hoover of Hemet, Calif.; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Two sisters and a great-granddaughter are deceased.

Presiding at the Sunday services was Pastor Bill Warax and interment was in Star of Hope Cemetery in Huntington.

Memorials to the Northview Church of Christ.

SHEWALTER

Mary L. Shewalter, 95, of Bluffton, a former secretary, died at 5 a.m., Monday, April 14, 2003 at Christian Care Center.

She was a native and lifelong resident of Wells County, born May 14, 1907 to Roy and Olive Johnson Shields. Her marriage at Portland on May 25, 1936 was to Hesper Shewalter, who died May 20, 1990.

Mrs. Shewalter was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton.

Surviving is a niece, Wilma Love of Liberty Center. The last of her family, she was preceded in death by a brother, Ralph Shields, in 1992, and a sister, Blanche Jones, in 2000.

Services were held at Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton with Rev. Gary Lewis officiating. Burial was in Six Mile Cemetery.

Memorials to the First United Methodist Church.

MORGAN

Doris J. Morgan, 76, 1525 W. Timberview Drive, died at 8:44 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, 2003 in Marion General Hospital.

She was born August 18, 1926 in Madison County to the late Griffith and Mary R. (Tetrick) Morgan. She was a graduate of Warren High School and moved to Marion in 1945.

Miss Morgan worked for Western Union from 1946-71. She was a member of Lincoln Boulevard Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include a brother, James E. (Coralee), Kokomo; a niece; and six nephews.

She also was preceded in death by a brother, Norman W., and a sister, Dorothie M.

Services were held in Owen-Weilert-Duncan Funeral Home, 2722 S. Washington St., with the Rev. Bob Farris officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Warren.

WILSON

Kenneth D. Wilson, 79, 8509 E. 200N, died at 5:42 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, 2003 in United Methodist Memorial Home, Warren.

He was born February 26, 1924 in Galveston to the late Charles and Ada R. (Chambers) Wilson. He graduated from Galveston High School in 1934. In 1945, he married Wilma Banter, who survives. He served in the Navy from 1945-1946 as a Mailman First Class, stationed in San Francisco, Treasure Island, Calif.

Mr. Wilson retired in 1986 from the Indiana Department of Transportation after 27 years as an inspector. For the past 55 years, he had lived in Van Buren Township.

He was a life member of Brown-Doyle American Legion Post 368, Van Buren, and a 46-year member of the Van Buren Lions Club. He also was a member of Van Buren Masonic Lodge 722; Fort Wayne Scottish Rite; Mizpah Shrine, Fort Wayne; past worthy patron of the Van Buren chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star; the Mississinewa chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star; and Central Christian Church, Van

Buren, where he was a past elder and deacon.

Also surviving are a son, Jerry (Peggy), LaFontaine; daughters, Peggy Ann Wood, Kokomo, Maria (Kyle) Goff, Marion, and Judy K. (Phil) Millage, Fishers; sister, Mary Sprinkle, Galveston; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

He also was preceded in death by a brother, Harley; and sister, Maneva Butler.

Services were held in Central Christian Church, Van Buren, with the Rev. Pat Mullen officiating. Burial was in Gardens of Memory cemetery, Marion.

Visitation was held at Ferguson Funeral Home, 201 W. Main St., Van Buren, with Masonic rites. Additional calling hours were held prior to services Saturday at the church.

Memorials may be made to Van Buren Central Christian Church in care of the funeral home.

BIRTHS

Kevin Conrad and Stacy Thorne Conrad, Greenwood, are the parents of a son, Lucas Edward, born March 5, 2003 at St Francis Hospital South, Indianapolis. The baby weighed 8 pounds 15.8 ounces and birth and joins two brothers, Andrew Joseph, age 4 ½ and Zachary Alan, age 2 ½ at home.

Grandparents are Rex and Cheri Thorne, Huntington, James Conrad, Trafalgar and Lois Conrad, Indianapolis. Great-grandparents are William and Gladys Thorne, Warren, John and Jean Cramer, Champaign, IL. Great-great-grandparents are Anna Corder, Spencer and Clayton Conrad, Bedford.

Doug and Angela (Scher) Richison, Huntington, are the parents of a son, Clay Austin Richison, born at 4:58 p.m. March 19, 2003 at Parkview Huntington Hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds 7.5 ounces at birth.

Grandparents are Thomas and Joan Scher and Eldon and Janet Richison, all of Huntington. Great-grandparents are Kenneth Richison, Huntington and Charles and Beverly Boxell, Warren.

Mark McBride and Megan Boxell, Decatur, are the parents of a son, Matthew Dylan McBride,

born at 5:50 p.m. March 20, 2003 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. The baby weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces and joins brother, Zachary Vice, 8, and Markie McBride, 4.

Grandparents are Shirley Boxell, Bluffton, Paul and Janice Boxell, Valparaiso, Sandy and Mike Kolter and Brad and Niki McBride, all of Decatur. Great-grandparents are Charles and Beverly Boxell, Warren, Betty and Shorty Mann, Bluffton, Floyd and Rochell McBride and Marilyn Johnson, all of Decatur.

Thad and Stefanie (Adams) Stout, Huntington, are the parents of a daughter, Morgan Grace Stout, born at 11:24 p.m. March 20, 2003 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces at birth.

Grandparents are Greg and Helen Adams, Huntington and Gary and Cindy Stout, Huntington. Great-grandparents are Richard and Carolyn Adams, Huntington, Don and Betty Hagenbuch, Warren, Ralph and Imogene Stout, Huntington and Jean Fleck, Huntington.

Ryan Lahr and Angela Krieger Lahr, Huntington are the parents of a son, Korbin Rylan Lahr, born at 4 a.m. March 21, 2003 at Parkview Huntington Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 5.5 ounces.

Grandparents are Kenneth and Melissa Krieger, Warren, and Roger and Lori Newsome, Huntington. Great-grandparents are Tom and Kathryn Trisler, Andrews, Don Yount, Warren, Harold and Frances Krieger, LaFontaine, Nannette and Wayne Caley, Huntington, Kathy and Dave Miller, Andrews, and Roger and Helen Newsome, Andrews. Great-great-grandparents are Jeannette Fisher, Andrews, Paul Yount, Warren, Margaret Krieger, Mighigan and Mary and Estil Newsome, KY.

LEAS — McMILLAN

Lance Corporal (LCpl.) Joel T. McMillan and Lindsay Anne Leas will exchange wedding vows this summer.

Parents of the couple are Bruce and Jodi Leas of Montpelier, Cynthia McMillan of Van Buren

and Joe McMillan of Upland.

Miss Leas is a 2002 graduate of Southern Wells High School. She is a nursing student at Ball State University in Muncie.

Her fiancé is a 2001 graduate of Eastbrook High School. He is a switchboard operator in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is currently serving in the Persian Gulf in Operation Enduring Freedom.

STETZEL - LEAS

Jennifer Marie Stetzel, 1624 N. Jefferson St., and Christopher Ryan Leas, 1921 Maplewood Rd., are engaged to be married May 24 at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Huntington North High School. She is a student at Indiana-Purdue University, Fort Wayne, where she plans to graduate in 2005 with a degree in elementary education. She is employed as a technician in the Wal-Mart Photo Center.

Her parents are Deborah Stetzel, 1624 N. Jefferson St., and LeRoy Stetzel, Huntington.

Her fiancé is a 1999 graduate of Southern Wells High School, Poneto, and a 2001 graduate of the Indiana ABC Apprenticeship program, Fort Wayne. He is an electrician in Fort Wayne.

His parents are Philip and Debby Leas, Poneto.

BUCKLAND - CARL

Jamie M. Buckland and William E. Carl both of Huntington, are engaged to be married May 17 at the Salamonie Church of the Brethren, Warren.

The bride-elect graduated from Huntington North High School in 1995 and Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, in 1999. She is employed by First Federal Savings Bank in Huntington. Her parents are Barry and Teresa Buckland, Warren.

Her fiancé graduated from Huntington North High School in 1989 and served in the U.S. Army from 1992-95. He is a line operator for MacSteel in Huntington.

His parents are Joyce Martin, Homosassa, Fla., and the late James Carl Sr.

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SALAMONIE MENUS

Breakfast
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April 21
Orange juice, cinnamon coffeecake

April 22
Apple juice, egg wrap

April 23
Fruit juice, french toast stix w/ syrup, sausage links

April 24
Orange juice, peanut butter/jelly sandwich

April 25
Apple juice, egg/cheese omelet

Lunch
Each meal includes milk. Each MS() meal includes options of chef salad w/crackers, peanut butter/jelly sandwich and fruit basket choice

April 21
Corn dog (Rib-b-q), broccoli w/ cheese sauce, sliced pears, trail mix or fruit snack

April 22
Chili w/crackers (quarterpounder w/cheese), relishes, orange wedges, frosted cinnamon roll

April 23
Shaved ham on a bun (shaved turkey on a bun, mozzarella sticks w/dip), baby carrots, apple wedges w/peanut butter, elfin graham

April 24
Chicken nuggets w/dip (quarterpounder w/cheese), buttered corn, lunch-a-bunch grapes, cake w/frosting

April 25
Pizza (burrito w/cheese), combination salad, applesauce, soft pretzel

EASTBROOK MENU

Breakfast
Each meal include milk and fruit or juicie

April 21
Super donut

April 22
Waffles/butter and syrup

April 23
Toast/butter and honey

April 24
Breakfast pizza

April 25
Scrambled eggs, toast w/butter

Lunch
Each meal includes milk
April 21
Nachos/chili & cheese, buttered peas, pineapple tidbits, cookie

April 22
Steak/gravy, whipped potatoes,

sliced peaches, hot roll
April 23
Chicken patty sandwich, buttered corn, applesauce, chocolate cake

April 24
Pizza, mixed vegetables, sliced pears, cookie

April 25
Panther burger/cheese, french fries, spiced apples, toffee bar

LADIES MET

The Women's Fellowship of the Warren United Church of Christ met in the church lounge on March 24, 2003.

President, Roselyn Poulson, called the meeting to order and read an article entitled "Life's Lessons-Setting Priorities".

Roselyn Poulson said she made nine more turbans and delivered them to the Lutheran Hospital, Oncology department. She also bought some more material at a good sale price.

A report was made on the Bake Sale held March 9th at the Methodist Home. The pencils have been collected and will be delivered April 10th when Peggy Wilson goes to the Women's Fellowship Conference meeting. We also need to send the check for processing costs for the School Kits. There was also a question about the Tools for Hope and Blanket Sunday, and Georgia said it would be arranged soon.

New business: Patty Butler is to purchase two Easter Lilies for the Easter Service as a gift from the Women's Fellowship. Ellen Laymon announced the program for the Mother/Daughter Banquet May 19th will be Donna and Darrell Brown from Markle. They will be presenting a musical variety show. Each person attending should check the Unit they are in for the type of food they are to bring for the carry in.

There was a discussion about the reading program this year. You may read a book, or books of your choice, the Bible, and the Conference News Letter which is placed in the church library. The Women's Fellowship Conference no longer has a chairman for the reading program, but they are encouraging all members of the church to continue reading good material.

Ellen Laymon gave the lesson from the yearly program book, "In God's Image". The lesson was "God Loves You". She asked the question "What is your image of

yourself". We are all blessed with special gifts or talents, and we should use them, encourage others to use theirs, and extend hospitality. She read from the book of Ephesians, and asked the question of us, "Are you concerned with God's image of you, or what others think of your image". We should be imitators of God's forgiving spirit so that others can see this image of us and be drawn to learn more about God.

She read from the book of Romans that we should give our bodies to Christ, and be honest estimating our own image. We need the gifts of all to make the work of the church complete, and we all are needed. We should hate what is wrong, love with brotherly love, be patient when God's children need help and we should be quick to help them. We come in imperfect bodies, but we should give ourselves wholly, and have God's spirit within us. Remember, we are made in God's image. She read from the 2nd book of Corinthians and Psalm 100. God gives us comfort and we should extend comfort to others. She also mentioned that if the world would practice what we learned in kindergarten, it would be a better place.

God honors us by commissioning us to be his ambassadors and in doing so we should remember these five things: Read the Bible daily, keep looking to Jesus, pray without ceasing, confess him to others, and do something for Jesus. God uses our hands, feet, and tongues to enable us to help others. God sees us for what we can become, not what we are. Because God doesn't give up on us, we shouldn't give up on others.

The group formed the Love Circle with the singing of "Have Thou Own Way", and praying the Mizpah Benediction and receiving the love gift.

Hostesses Carlene Jackson and Betty Parker served delicious refreshments to: Ellen Laymon, Nancy Smyth, Maxine Jones, Georgia Poulson, Peggy Wilson, Roselyn Poulson, Eileen Dye, Rosemary Zeller, and Jo Spade.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

New books received at the Warren Public Library are:

Adult Fiction: Murder Off Mike by Krieg; Call Waiting by Blacklock; Cold Pursuit by Parker; Redemption by Kingsbury; Dead Aim by Johansen; Lost Light by Connelly; Picture Me Dead by Graham; Evenings at Five by Godwin; Lucky Stars by Heller; Birthright by Roberts; Blind Run by Lewis; The Three Miss Margarets by Shaffer; Skyhook by Nance

Adult non-fiction: Shadow Enemies; Bird Gardens; Lep of Faith by Queen Noor; DNA The Secret of Life; Marvel (Comics) Encyclopedia; Dream Crafting; Dimaggio; Painting Wildlife

Children's: American Girls Short Stories: Kaya and the River Girl, Molly's Puppy Tale, Kirsten's Promise; Famous Bears and Friends; First to Fly; so You Want to Be an Inventor; There's a Frog in My Throat; Little Quack; Prairie School; Biscuit Goes to School; Thank You, Grandpa.

Youth: Princess Lessons by Cabot; Princess in Waiting by Cabot; Teen Torment; What? What? What?

DOGS AT WPL

Jane Ruble used dogs as her them for Story Time at the Warren Library on Friday, April 4. She read Dog's Colorful Day, Dog's Noisy Day, Doghouse For Sale, Dog and Cat and Biscuit Goes to School. The children also made folder paper dogs.

Story time is each Friday morning at 10:00 through May.

AUXILIARY MET

The Van Buren American Legion Auxiliary held their meeting Thursday night April 3, 2003 at the post home.

President Waneta Linton opened the meeting. Secretary and finance reports were read.


Linda Long reported she is going to take Bunny Rabbits to the Harvest House for kids that may not get an Easter Basket.

Discussion of Rummage Sale to be held this summer in the Legion Parking Lot.


Toni Jones reported on Easter Egg hunt, April 12, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at the Post. She asked for help stuffing the eggs on Saturday April 5th. She also has a giant Easter Basket in the Post to be given away, \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The proceeds go to child

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and youth programs.

Ruth Bole made motion for our historian, Susan Cragun, to buy a throw-away camera to take pictures for history book. Seconded. Motion carried.

Commander Trent Miller came to meeting and asked for volunteers to help with the fishing campout. Sheri Flinn, Susan Cragun, Joyce Loftis and Toni Jones are going to help.

Shirley Shinholt reported on Girl State Brunch held at the Post. The delegates are Jennifer Smith, Alternate Katie Losure for the Auxiliary. Delegate: Ruth Ann Sheets, alternate: Lori Walden for the Lion's Club.

The Auxiliary is buying a flag and flag pole for our new town hall. They asked for a 30' pole. Irene Pickard is to check on having a plaque made to go with it.

Reports are due. The Auxiliary chairman are to meet at the post April 25th at 11:30 for lunch and start filling out reports at 1:00.

Presidents drawing was discussed. You have a week to claim the prize, if not claimed it rolls over to the next week. Barbara Roysden won the first drawing.

We are taking up donations for our service people. We can collect the stuff, but has to be turned over to Salvation Army for them to box and ship. Sheri Flinn asked if grade students could write letters to the service people and put them in the boxes to send also.

May 10th is National Walkathon at Bristol IN. We are going to be present for this.

Nomination for officers for 2003-2004 are President Toni Jones, Vice President Shirley Shinholt, Secretary Susan Cragun, Treasurer Irene Pickard, Chaplain Waneta Linton, Historian Royce Holmes, Sgt at Arms Joyce Loftis, Executive Committee Waneta Linton, Ruth Bole and Flo Doyle.

May meeting is a salad supper. Each member is to bring a salad. 6:00 p.m.

Those attending the meeting were: Ruth Bole, Eulla Belle Farr, Flo Doyle, Romona Smithson, Sandra Fisher, Martha Sparks, Irene James, Linda Long, Royce Holmes, Sheri Flinn, Shirley Shinholt, Susan Cragun, Joyce Loftis, Lequita Taylor, Irene Pickard, Waneta Linton, Toni Jones and Rovann Holloway.

AFTER SCHOOL STORY TIME

Twelve children attended the After School Story Time at the Van Buren Public Library on Friday April 4, 2003 to celebrate our Great Town of Van Buren.

As the children entered into the children's department of the library they received a picture to color and a popcorn search-a-word to do, since Weaver Popcorn is such a large part of Van Buren.

Karen read some information found in the library about Van Buren. Our town was not always called Van Buren. In 1843, George Rood was the first settler here. That is why the town was called Rood's Corner, then Rood's Town, then String Town. On July 10th,

1872, the name was officially changed to Van Buren. This name came from the name of the township it was in and the post office here was Van Buren. Martin Van Buren was the 8th president of the United States and president during this time. It was very interesting finding out how our town came to be. We also had talked about the different businesses that were here and some that left with the changes of time. Karen shared some old pictures of our town that were found in the library. The library also has school year books from years past that are really interesting to look at.

The children did an Indiana map quiz and on the reverse side of the paper was a map of Van Buren with some statistics and facts about our town. We also wrote a note on picture postcards of Van Buren to send to our young people in the service.

Refreshments were pop and we made some microwave caramel corn from popcorn, donated by Weaver's.

Those v/ho attended were: Frankie Flemming, Thomas Flemming, Icily Baker, Derek Showalter, Erin Pearson, Brittlyn Davis, Cameron Riddle, Cassie Davis, Isaac Pearson, David Irwin, Maryrose Bums, and Sarah Pearson.

TRI KAPPA MET

The April meeting of the Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Tri-Kappa convened at Karen Campbell's home Tuesday, April 1. It was preceded by a meal of salad, pizza and ice cream prepared by Stacia Perry, Rita Bolinger, Karen McCoy and Kristina Smekens.

President Debbie Ledbetter called the meeting to order by announcing the March Sunday Lunch at the Civic Center was a success.

Karen Hunnicutt stated that Tri Kappa would have nuts to sell at Handcrafters when they open this spring.

Officer's Karen Campbell and Karen Hunnicutt will attend State Convention later this month with President Debbie Ledbetter.

A drawing for Pulse Opera House tickets revealed several winners. The lucky winners were Bridget Swaidner, Suellen Jones, Nancy Bonham, Judy Bradford, Jane Lieurance, Karen McCoy, Deb Furnish, Kristina Smekens, Karen Campbell and Debbie Ledbetter.

Stacia Perry announced there would be swimming lessons in May and June. A sign up time will be given at a later date.

Those in attendance were Nancy Bonham, Rita Bolinger, Judy Bradford, Karen Campbell, Deb Furnish, Karen Hunnicutt, Suellen Jones, Debbie Ledbetter, Jane Lieurance, Karen McCoy, Stacia Perry, Kristina Smekens and Bridget Swaidner.

EUCHRE CLUB

Euchre Club met at the home of Mary Jo Zoda. Jane Lieurance won High (how about that Ernie); Marge Jones had Low and Sharron Roush and Phyllis Dickey tied for most Lones. Others play-

ing were Carolyn Carroll, Sharon Gebhart, Mary Ann Monce, Joan Huffman, Marjorie Michaud, Florence Taylor and Jo Banter. Next month Marge Jones will be the hostess.

DEPT OF REVENUE WARNING

The Indiana Department of Revenue warns state businesses to be cautious of any company that contacts them and wants to review their books on behalf of the Department. According to State Revenue Commissioner Kenneth

L. Miller, the Department has received word of a company contacting taxpayers and stating that it is working in cooperation with the Department. "No agreement exists between the Department and a third party to examine financial records of Indiana business," said Miller. "For the Department to even share the names and addresses of taxpayers would be a violation of the state's confidentiality laws."

At least one company has contacted Indiana taxpayers. Apparently if it is able to review the

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