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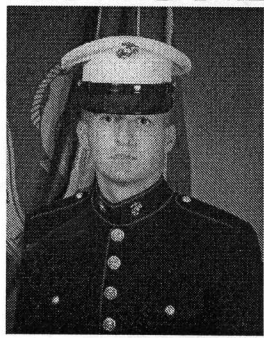
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Thought for the Week: *Advice should be viewed from behind.* Swedish Proverb



**GRADUATED BOOT**  
PFC Swagger, Adam W. graduated from Marine Corps boot camp on Jan 9, 2004. He is a graduate from Eastbrook 2001, he is the son of Mike & Chris Swagger, Van Buren, IN. Upon returning to Camp Pendleton California on Jan. 20th., he will continue training at The Marine Corps SCHOOL OF INFANTRY.

**UMC Kid's Club RESUMES**  
Friends, games, snacks, music... Remember the fun we had at Kid's Club? We're ready to start a new season Feb. 4, at 6:30. Help your child begin to build a solid spiritual foundation. Kid's Club will help kids discover God's wonderful plan for their lives; they will not only learn about the Bible, but also how to live God's way.

There is nothing more exciting than seeing kids grow in their faith...act out their faith in service to others...and reach out to their friends. Faith Weaver Friends Kid's Club helps your kids grow in faith, actions and outreach! This exciting midweek Bible program will thrill your kids! Each week kids will love the upbeat kick-off as they learn Scripture as they sing and do instant "Bible Dramas," they will learn by doing in a special Bible "Discovery Center" and have fun with simple, easy projects with powerful messages. And, of course, there will be creative, yummy snacks that

help kids "taste" the Bible story! At Kid's Club, your kids are given an opportunity to reflect on what they have experienced and how to apply it—becoming doers of the Word, not just hearers; kids actually learn how to apply the Bible to their lives!

Faith Weaver Friends is open to kids age 4 through 5th grade. All are welcome to bring a friend and join the fun!

Kid's Club Winter Session meets for an hour every Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30 through March 31 and follows the Huntington Community School schedule (When school is not in session, Kid's Club does not meet).

Kid's Club is an outreach ministry of Warren United Methodist Church. Warren UMC is located at the corner of Third and Main Streets (next to Cady's Quick Stop) in beautiful downtown Warren.

**Meeting Postponed**  
Due to the weather this week the Salomonie Summer Festival meeting scheduled for January 26 has been postponed to Monday, February 2 at 7 p.m. at the Knight Bergman Center. If you have any interest in the Festival at all, please attend this meeting.

**ARTS AND CRAFTS SOUGHT**  
Applications are now being accepted from artists and craftsmen interested in selling their work during Festival of the Arts on Saturday, May 15.

Located in downtown Warren, Ind., the festival features a juried Artist Market where participants from across the Midwest sell their original arts and crafts.

Festival of the Arts was featured in Sunshine Artist Magazine as one of the nation's best first-time shows after its inaugural event showcased more than 50 artists in 2003.

Vendors may purchase a 10x10 exhibit area for \$40, and can receive a \$10 discount if they

spend the day creating their work on-site. Larger exhibit areas, electricity, and tent rental are also available for an additional cost.

The festival is a rain or shine event, so all vendors in the Artist Market must arrange for their exhibit area to be covered. The Artist Market will begin at 10a.m. and end at 7p.m. on Saturday, May 15.

While the main attraction to Festival of the Arts is the Artist Market, the event also features three stages of performing arts, a local artists showcase and sale, dozens of hands-on art activities for children and adults, and a unique variety of fine foods.

Our Town, Warren's downtown revitalization group, sponsors the festival.

To obtain application forms for the Artist Market, or to learn more about the festival, visit the festival web site from [www.warrenindiana.com](http://www.warrenindiana.com), e-mail festival chair Brady Smekens at [bradysmek@hotmail.com](mailto:bradysmek@hotmail.com), or call Smekens at 260-375-3101.

**EARN FREE BOOKS**  
Snow is falling, books are calling. What could be cozier than a warm blanket, a steaming cup of cheer and a good book? With those things firmly in hand, it really doesn't matter if that unpredictable ground hog sees his shadow or not.

The Wells County Public Library encourages you to warm up to winter reading. Whether you devour mysteries during these long evenings or scour how-to guides for spring projects, time with a good book shouldn't be missed.

Sign up for the annual Winter Reading Programs during the month of February. There are three programs for all ages that can earn you free books.

Adult Winter Reading Fiction, biographies, sci-fi, the choice is yours. For every 600 pages read during February, you earn one free paperback book.

At the end of the month, names of those who successfully complete the program will be drawn to win hardcover books.

Young Adult Winter Reading Young adults (ages 12 to 18) can choose to read from the Juvenile or Young Teen collections (each book must have at least 125 pages). For every 600 pages read, you earn one free paperback book. At the end of the month, names will be drawn to win hardcover books.

Family Reading Families of all types can work together to earn a free book for the home. Families can read newspapers, magazines and books to reach their goal.

Sign up for your favorite program anytime after Monday, Feb. 2. You must register during the month of February to participate. All reading must be done between Feb. 2 and Feb. 28. For a complete set of information and rules, stop by the library reference desk.

**WARREN ALUMNI BANQUET**  
The alumni of Warren High School will hold their annual banquet at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center in Warren on May 8. The social hour will begin at 5:30 followed by dinner and program at 6:30. The civic center and museum will be open starting at noon for your viewing. The classes of 1944, 1954, and 1964 will be honored. Reservations are \$9.00 per person and may be made by contacting Jim Howell at 260-375-3048 or email at [howellj@citiznet.com](mailto:howellj@citiznet.com). All former students, teachers, and friends of Warren High School are welcome to attend.

**CRIMESTOPPERS**  
Crimestoppers requests your assistance in solving the following crime: On January 09, 2004 Sgt. Dennis Sonner of the Huntington Co. Sheriffs Department responded to a burglary of a home belonging to Kevin and Judy

Brickley located at 6699 W. Bracken road. The Brickleys advised that entry was believed to be at the front door. Taken from within the home were money, jewelry and some household goods valued at over \$1500.00.

Crimestoppers assists law enforcement by offering cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of

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**CANDLEMAS AND THE GROUNDHOG**  
Feb. 2, the unassuming day 40 days after Christmas, turns out to be a big day for predicting the weather.

The day is traditionally called candlemas, commemorating the presentation of Christ in the temple. Traditionally, the people get a blessed candle to light on this winter day in anticipation of spring. In England, Germany, Scotland, and early America, the weather on the day was said to predict the length of winter: "If Candlemas is fair and clear, there'll be two winters in the year."

Somewhere along the line the animals seeing their shadow got mixed up in the day and now, it is said, that if the groundhog sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter.

It should be noted that Wee Willie Warton, the famed ground hog in Warton, Ontario, has been 100 percent accurate in predicting the weather since he took office in 1999, succeeding the original Warton Willie. Meanwhile, Punxsutawney Phil of Pennsylvania also claims 100 percent accuracy.

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Deadline for news and/or advertising is 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, for that week's edition. Call if you need something in but won't have it here on time.

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**

**THINK TWICE ABOUT FISH SUPPER**

In the January 16 issue of the Warren Weekly there was an article concerning the upcoming Fish Fry, put on by the Council on Aging, of Huntington County. I would challenge those of you in the Warren area to ask some questions before attending this event. "What does the Council on Aging do in the Warren area?" I think you will find that the answer will be "very little." My question is why the dinner is held in Warren when people of the Warren area have trouble getting assistance. I am speaking from past experience, my mother was told that their were too many people who needed help in the Huntington area and that their were not enough drivers to continue transporting her from Warren to her treatments in Marion. The last time I looked on an Indiana Map, Warren was still in Huntington County!! My mother also paid the Council on Aging (H.A.T.) for her transportation. The Council on Aging is a good organization, if it is run right. So before you decide to eat fish or help with the fish fry, you might want to ask some questions. Believe me, I would not be bold enough to write this article for the paper if it were not true.

Thank you,  
Linda Walters

**NEW SNOW SKATING SAID EASIER,  
MORE FUN THAN SNOWBOARDING**

So you want to have fun in the snow, but you don't have a lot of time to travel far or a lot of money to pay for a resort. Here's how to spend an enjoyable Saturday afternoon, get fresh air and exercise, and be home in time for dinner.

Try snow skating.  
 With this new sport, various configurations of equipment are all called snow skates. Some snow skating is really a winter variation on inline skating. Skaters wear special boots with small, metal edged skis attached to the bottom.  
 Another configuration is more like a skateboard. It is slightly wider and longer than a skateboard, made of plastic, and has a channeled base for stability and tracking. A foam top sheet provides traction. No special boots or bindings are required. One young skater says falling off is the best part of it. It doesn't hurt because there are no bindings. You just jump off. (You can barely turn on it, you just try to keep your balance and go to the bottom of the hill.)  
 Young snow skaters say that the equipment and sport can be learned fast. Once you get the hang of it, you can snow skate anywhere. You can go a skateboard park, or just a snowy country hillside.

The original snow skates were developed by snowboarder Andy Wolf in 1999. He had sold 200,000 by last year.  
 Another variation that is loosely referred to as snow skates include the snow deck. It has a larger board, mounting, and a separate ski on trucks below the deck. The deck moves side to side at an angle slight enough for stability sufficient enough to aid turns.  
 Many owners prefer the snow skate to the snow deck because it is closer to their real passion, skateboarding.

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 Mike Helms, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 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**  
 Van Buren, Indiana  
 765-934-2199  
 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.

**THE CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY  
ALLIANCE — Majenica**  
 Rev. Gus Hacker  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**  
 260/468-2148  
 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor  
 Sunday  
 Trad. Worship ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Mdm Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship & Classes ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Come As You Are  
 Kids Club, Youth Group & Adult  
 Studies - all Sunday ..... 6:00 p.m.

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
 375-2330  
 www.hows.net/46792WCT  
 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  
CHURCH**  
 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 Zumburn, 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.

**WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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 Rev. Bill Fisher, Pastor of Preaching  
 and Discipleship  
 Rev. Robert Bothast, Pastor of  
 Family Life  
 Sandy Richison, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 765-934-1431  
 Pastor Blake J. Neff  
 Youth Pastor Adam Pierce  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.  
 UMYF ..... 6- 7:30 p.m.  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:30 p.m.  
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**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**  
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor  
 Joe Kober, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
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 765/664-8726  
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship ..... 8:20 a.m.  
 2nd Worship ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 3rd Worship ..... 11:11 a.m.  
 Sunday School Children & Youth  
 Programs

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

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**  
 468-2411  
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor  
 Teresa Davis, 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  
HOME**  
 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  
UNITED METHODIST**  
 8013W 1100S - 90, Montpelier  
 Student Pastor - Eric Dubach  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship  
 ..... 6:30 p.m.

**JEFFERSON CENTER UNITED  
METHODIST**  
 Corner of 900S & 300W  
 Kathie Jones, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

**WARREN UNITED METHODIST**  
 Rev. Mike Beall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Handicap Accessible & Staff Nursery

**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-3022  
 Gerald O. Moreland, Minister  
 Joe Hartley, BS Supt.  
 Fellowship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
 888S 1100W-90, Warren  
 375-2779  
 Lynn Mefferd, Pastor  
 Sun - Worship Service ..... 8:15a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30a.m.  
 Youth Group (6th-12th) 5:30p.m.  
 Mon - Women's Bible Study 9a & 6:30p  
 Tue - In Home Small Groups - 7 pm -  
 (call office to get directions)  
 Wed - Morning Bible Study ..... 9:00a.m.  
 "Circle of Friends" (3yr-5th  
 grade) ..... 6:30-8p.m.  
 Bible Study/Prayer Mtg. 6:30 pm

**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.

**BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 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 a.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.

**HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE  
NAZARENE**  
 375-2510  
 Bill Keen, Pastor  
 Aylssa Lugbill, 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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 Sunday Worship ..... 10:30a.m.  
 ThursdayPrayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

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*Attend the Church  
of your choice*



## AREA NEWS

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crime suspects. If you have information regarding this or any other incident, or if you know the location of a wanted criminal, please contact CrimeStoppers at (800)237-7867 or Deputy Chris Newton at the Huntington County Sheriff's Department, (260)356-8316. We honor your desire to remain anonymous.

Crimestoppers is seeking donations to cover cash rewards. Donations can be made by check to Huntington County Crimestoppers, PO Box 621, Huntington, Indiana 46750.

### NIPSCO OFFERS

#### FINANCIAL AID

NIPSCO announced the aid program last Tuesday. The money set aside for local assistance is part of \$656,000 being made available to NIPSCO customers in northern Indiana.

The money is not a donation by NIPSCO. The funds are coming from a \$3.8 million refund the utility must pay for overcharging customers in March, the Indiana Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor reported.

The Huntington Corp Salvation Army will administer funds to those NIPSCO customers who qualify for heating assistance.

Beginning Monday, January 26, 2004, The Salvation Army will be taking appointments for those in need of financial assistance towards their NIPSCO bill. People applying for part of the \$8,440.00 in extra heating assistance through NIPSCO can contact The Salvation Army, 356-3485, Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

The heating assistance money, NIPSCO Heat Aid 2004, will help two groups of people:

\* Those which annual income is 125% or less of the federal poverty guidelines and who also qualify for state energy assistance. They are eligible for a maximum of \$300 towards their deposit if their NIPSCO gas service is currently disconnected.

The approximate annual household income range would be less than \$11,310 for one person and less than \$23,180 for a family of four.

\* People with an annual income of 126% to 250% of federal poverty guidelines who don't qualify for state energy aid. They are eligible for a maximum of \$300 toward their outstanding NIPSCO bill. Applicants must have received a delinquent bill notice since Nov. 1, 2003, or must be attempting to restore service after disconnection. The approximate annual household income range would be less than \$22,450 for one person and less than \$46,000 for a family of four.

In each case, the customer must pay a \$100 matching contribution to receive NIPSCO aid. Many needy people do not have the \$100 matching payment required before they can receive up to \$300 toward either a natural gas service deposit or an outstanding bill. Donations to help pay matching fees can be mailed to:

Heating Assistance, The Salvation Army, PO Box 586, Huntington IN 46750

For more information, call NIPSCO customer service at 1-

800-464-7726 or log into [www.nipSCO.com](http://www.nipSCO.com).

### RUNNING FOR CORONER

Leon Hurlburt announced today that he would seek the office of County Coroner in this year's county primary election. He also announces that Marge Hiner would serve as his campaign manager and Gerald Swank would serve as treasurer.

Hurlburt is an 11-year veteran of the Huntington Fire Department and a graduate of Ball State University. He and his wife, Tami and two children reside at 7384 N. Meridian Road Huntington, Indiana.

My primary goal is to represent the people of Huntington and do the best possible job for them in the position of Coroner. I want to run because I have deep and genuine desire to make a difference in our community. I believe the best way for me to do that is to offer my skills and talents to the office of County Coroner.

I will bring a professional approach to the office with a multitude of skills. The skills that I possess are good judgment, insightful decision making, investigative skills, medical knowledge, management and admin-

istrative skills with a passion to do what is right and just. These skills are essential to being a good coroner.

I will promote good working relationships with the prosecutor's office, county and city law enforcement, hospital personal, and area funeral professionals. Also, I will make sure all pertinent information is coordinated between all affected agencies.

I believe the biggest responsibility of the coroner is to make good judgment decisions based on medical science. Secondly, to have understanding and compassion for the family members in a very difficult time. Furthermore, it is very important to protect and preserve the dignity of the individuals involved.

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The National Kidney Foundation of Indiana, Inc. announces it is accepting applications for financial assistance for kidney and transplant patients. Funded by the Indiana State Department of Health, the State Renal Program assists kidney and transplant patients with specific expenses. To be eligible for the program a person must be an Indiana resident, have a medical diagnosis of End-Stage Renal Disease, and meet income guidelines. The application must include proof of each of these requirements.

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Feb 2	Salamonie Summer Festival Meeting, 7 p.m., KBC
Feb 4	Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noon, Assembly Hall
Feb 4	Van Buren Town Council, 7:00 p.m.
Feb 6	Warren Recycle Day
Feb 9	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Feb 14	KBC Board Meeting, 8 a.m. at KBC
Feb 18	Van Buren Town Council, 7:00 p.m.
Feb 20	Warren Recycle Day
Feb 23	Warren Town Council, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Hall
Mar 13	Sigma Phi Gamma Chicken Supper at Sportsman Club
Mar 26	Salamonie School Carnival Food 5:15 - 7:30, Games 6 to 8
Apr 17	United Church of Christ Spaghetti Supper at UCofC
May 8	Warren Alumni Banquet - Contact Jim Howell 375-3048 or howellj@citiznet.com

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More than 20 million Americans have some form of kidney or urology disease. The National Kidney Foundation of Indiana, Inc. is one of 51 Affiliates of the National Kidney Foundation, Inc., the nation's largest voluntary health organization, and is dedicated to improving the quality of life for patients and their families.

Completed applications must be postmarked March 26, 2004. Faxed applications will not be accepted. Applications are available by contacting your social worker or the National Kidney Foundation of Indiana at (317)722-5640 or (800)382-9971.

### SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

The National Kidney Foundation of Indiana, Inc. announces the availability of applications for the Larry Smock Scholarship. Scholarship funds are available to Indiana residents who have chronic renal failure, are on dialysis or have received a kidney transplant and wish to pursue higher education in an academic or monitored occupational setting. All applicants must have a high school diploma or its equivalent.

The Fund was established in 1992 with monies donated by the Smock family and the Martinsville community in memory of kidney patient Larry Smock. Larry was awaiting a kidney transplant when he passed away. Over 80,000

Americans are currently awaiting life-saving organ transplants (kidney, liver, heart, lungs, bone marrow, and pancreas). Nine to ten people die each day while waiting and in Indiana alone, over 700 people await transplants.

The National Kidney Foundation of Indiana is one of 51 Affiliates of the National Kidney Foundation, Inc., the nation's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to the prevention, treatment and cure of kidney disease. The foundation is committed to ensuring that every American who needs a transplant receives one.

Applications must be postmarked by February 20, 2004. Applications for the Larry Smock Scholarship Program are available by contacting the National Kidney Foundation of Indiana at (800)382-9971.

### BASKET BINGO

Southern Wells Partners in Education will be sponsoring a Longaberger Basket Bingo on Saturday, February 28, at Southern Wells Elementary School

cafeteria, 9120S 300W, Poneto. There will be a \$10 donation for 20 games. One original Longaberger basket for each game. Doors open at 9:15 a.m., games begin at 10:00 a.m. There will be concessions available. You must be 18 years old to attend. For tickets contact Julie Thompson 260.694.6626, Tara Korporeal 260.375.4230 or Southern Wells Elementary office 765.728.2121. Raffle tickets will be available in house, 1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Proceeds to benefit Southern Wells Elementary.

### 4-H LEADERSHIP RESEARCH

Huntington County 4-H has been selected to participate in a 4-H Leadership Research Project to investigate the impact of the County Junior Leader Program on the development of leadership skills in teens. This research project is being conducted by Kevin Harris, graduate student at Purdue University in cooperation with the State 4-H Youth Development Department and Huntington County 4-H.

For this study, information is being collected from both 4-H members who participate in the 4-H Junior Leader Program and those 4-H youth who are not currently active in Junior Leaders. All 4-H members in grade 7 & above should have received a Leadership Subscale Survey in mid-December from Mr. Harris at Purdue University.

Youth receiving this survey are encouraged to complete the questionnaire and return it to Purdue University no later than Friday, January 30. All information collected will be confidential, which means that neither the County 4-H office or the State 4-H office will know who said what.

If a 4-H member in grade 7 or higher didn't receive a copy of the Leadership Subscale Survey or has misplaced the form and the postage-paid reply envelope, please contact the Huntington County Extension Office.

Additional copies of the survey are available from Linda

Aldridge, Extension Educator, 4-H/Youth for 4-Hers to complete.

This is an excellent opportunity to be involved in a project that has the potential to impact the leadership development of teens in the 4-H program.

If youth or their parents have any questions about this survey, please contact the Extension Office at (260) 358-4826.

### 4-H JUDGES CLINIC

Adults interested in 4-H project judging should mark their calendars for the 2004 Northeast Indiana 4-H Judges Clinic set for Saturday, March 6 from 8:45 to 2:00 p.m. at Indian Springs Middle School south of Columbia City.

The judges' clinic is open to adults at all levels of experience. Objectives include reinforcing the educational value of the judging process, delivering positive, motivational feedback to youth, and sharpening participants' technical proficiency in specific project areas.

The clinic agenda will open with registration at 8:45 followed by a plenary session focusing on positive youth development at 9:15. Two individual project sessions will follow prior to lunch.

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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### HART

Marcella Jean Hart, 84, died at 12:03 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, 2004 at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren. She was a life-long resident of Wells County before moving to the home in Warren.

Born in Ossian on July 25, 1919 to Jesse O. and Minnie Laysa Shafer, she married Gordon L. Hart on May 22, 1942 in Ossian; he died Aug. 21, 2002.

A 1937 graduate of Ossian High School, she attended Manchester College and taught elementary school in Ossian before becoming a homemaker. An accomplished craftsperson and artist, she was a member of the Wells County Creative Arts Council, Tri Kappa sorority, the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton, and the Bayview Reading Club. She and her husband co-managed the 1976 Wells County Centennial Book.

She is survived by a son, Steven L. Hart of Huntington; a daughter, Claudia Hart of Frederick, Md.; four grandchildren; and one great grandchild. She was preceded in death by a son, Kevin L. Hart and two brothers, Paul and John Shafer.

Services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton with Pastor Gary Lewis officiating. Calling hours were held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home in Bluffton, as well as for one hour prior to the services at the church.

Burial was in Six Mile Cemetery. Preferred memorials to the Creative Arts Council, the United Methodist Memorial Home, and the Society of Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP Research).

### HUNNICUTT

Former Bluffton resident Lovina Mae Hunnicutt, 82, died at the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren at 3:20 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, 2004. She had been in failing health since 1999.

Born in Bluffton on April 1, 1921 to Earl C. and Helen Mae Helms Watters, she married Frederick H. Hunnicutt on May 11, 1941 in Bluffton; he died Feb. 26, 1958.

A member of the First United Church of Christ in Bluffton and the Bluffton Moose Lodge, she worked as an inspector for 20 years at Kitco Co., retiring on March 31, 1989.

She is survived by two sons, Jerry W. Hunnicutt of Bluffton and Frederick E. Hunnicutt of Tidbinbilla, Australia; a daughter, Judy A. Hunt of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Earl "Bud" Watters and Houston "Hugh" Watters, both of Bluffton, and George Watters of Daytona

Beach Shores, Fla.; a sister, Mary Lou Barger of Craigville; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was also preceded in death by one daughter, Rose S. Gordan.

Services were held at Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home with Rev. Neil Wilson officiating. Burial was in Elm Grove Cemetery.

Preferred memorials to the church.

### WALKER

Geraldine "Jerry" Hiser Walker, 91, of Ossian, died at 10:45 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, 2004 at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Born in Huntington County on Aug. 29, 1912 to Rev. Herbert T. and Minnie Ann Tucker Arnold, she was a former co-owner of the Hiser Grocery with her first husband, Gerald Hiser. She also gave piano and organ lessons for years while serving as the organist at the First United Methodist Church and at the Walker Funeral Home in Montpelier where she later became a co-owner with her second husband, Bill Walker.

A 1929 graduate of Montpelier High School, Mrs. Walker was a member of the Millard-Brown American Legion Auxiliary, the Pleasantdale United Methodist Church, Eastern Star Alethia Chapter No. 206, and an associate member of Tri Kappa. She had been a resident of the United Methodist Memorial Home in Warren until moving to the Ossian Health Care facility last year to be closer to her family.

Survivors include a daughter, Judith A. Barnabee of Ossian; four grandchildren; three step grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. In addition to both husbands, she was preceded in death by a son, Max A. Hiser.

Visitation hours were held at the Glancy Funeral Home, Walker Chapel in Montpelier. There was an Eastern Star service Saturday at 7 p.m. Services were held Sunday at the funeral home with Pastor Darren Williams officiating.

Burial was in Brookside Memorial Park in Montpelier. Preferred memorials to the church.

### HEFFELFINGER

Helen Irene Heffelfinger, 85, of Huntington, died at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, January 25, 2004 at her home. She was the stepmother of two Wells County women: Helen Gehring of Craigville and Betty Surbaugh, of Liberty Center.

Born Nov. 16, 1918 in Watseka, Ill. to Alfred and Emma Fiddler Satchwill, she was a homemaker

and a member of the College Park United Brethren Church. She married Franklin N. Smith in 1936 in Huntington; he died in 1942. Her second marriage was to Charley Heffelfinger in 1947 in Wabash County; he died in 1990.

Other survivors include a daughter, Susan Sommers of Huntington; a brother, Wendell Satchwill of Urbana; two grandchildren; seven step grandchildren; 15 step great-grandchildren; and three step great great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Edmond Satchwill; and a sister, Bonnie Jean Satchwill.

Visitation hours are from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Myers Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel. Services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be in Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery, Huntington. Preferred memorials to Parkview Huntington Home Health Care and Hospice.

### WALTERS

A resident of Albion, Richard E. Walters, 79, died at 10:09 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004 at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Born Jan. 3, 1925, to Lloyd and Hazel Fosnaugh Walters, he was married to Elva L. Walters, who preceded him in death.

He worked for Dana in Fort Wayne for 41 years, retiring in 1992.

He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

There will be no calling hours or funeral service.

Arrangements are through Glancy Funeral Homes-H. Brown & Son Chapel, Warren.

### PURVIS

Geraldine M. (Dean) Purvis, 78, Van Buren, died with her Lord and Savior at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, 2004 in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born May 26, 1925 in English, Indiana to the late William R. and Goldie Mae Roll. She moved from Crawford County to Grant County in 1948. April 29, 1950, she married Eddie Purvis, her soul mate for 53 years. He survives.

Mrs. Purvis was a longtime member of the Church of God of Prophecy, Gas City. The homemaker was a devoted wife and mother who enjoyed being with her family. She is a dedicated Christian who will be missed by her family and friends.

Additional survivors include a son, Max (Anna) Purvis, Van Buren; daughters, Angie (Neal) Freeman, Tonya (Norman) Litchfield and Tammy Purvis, all of Van Buren, and Lorie (Steve) Green, Marion; daughter-in-law,

Jean Purvis, Summitville; brothers, Charles (Louise) Roll, Birdseye, and Riley (Edith) Roll, Marion; sisters, Dixie (Lloyd) Abston, and Trixie Rudy, both of Marion; grandchildren, Jeffery, Kevin, Stephen, Edward, Stevie, Roy, James, Michelle, Amber, Andrea, Kelly, Kayla, Camie, Nathasha and Destani; and 15 great-grandchildren.

She also was preceded in death by children, Lillie Mae, Forrest Allen and Eddie Delano Purvis.

Services were held in Church of God of Prophecy, 906 N. 10th St., Gas City, with Pastor Marshall Reynolds officiating. Burial was in Van Buren Cemetery.

Visitation was held in Ferguson Funeral Home, prior to services at the church.

### BIRTHS

#### Mr and Mrs Chris (April Chism)

Engle of Bluffton are the parents of a daughter, Cadence Rose, born at 8:53 a.m. Friday, January 16, 2004. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. She joins a sister, Bailey Michelle, age 22 months.

Grandparents are Jammie and Rosemary Chism of Liberty Center, Gary Sr. and Becky Engle of Bluffton. Great-grandparents are Nancy Bailey and Virginia Miller, both of Bluffton.

**Brett and Shelley (Allen) Kiel** of Warren are the parents of a daughter, Kyra Breanne Kiel born on January 1, 2004 at 1:32 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital. Kyra weighed 5 lbs. 7 ozs. and measured 18 1/2" long. Grandparents are John and Linda Allen and Paul and Linda Kiel both of Warren. Great grandparents George and Alice Allen of Huntington, Maribelle Sparks of Markle and Leona Kiel of Beecher, IL.

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4-H is one of the largest youth development programs in the world. In Indiana, the program is administered by the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service. It combines public and private support to help youth build practical life and leadership skills with the support and guidance of adult volunteers. In 2003, some 300,000 Indiana youth and 20,000 volunteers took part in 4-H through opportunities such as club and project work, camps, career development events, Purdue campus programs, classroom enrichment, and community service.

The Northeast Indiana 4-H Judges' Clinic is part of Purdue Extension's ongoing efforts to provide relevant, cost effective volunteer support through educational programming at the local level.

The cost of the clinic is \$10 which includes lunch, refreshments, and all materials. Interested individuals should contact the Huntington County Extension Office, 354 N Jefferson - Suite 202, Huntington to obtain a registration form. Clinic registration is required by March 1.

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Hare is a 1993 graduate of Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN (B.S. MET) and a 1987 graduate of Huntington North H.S. He has ten years of experience as an industrial/sales engineer in the metalworking and manufacturing, spending the last three years in Cincinnati, OH as a sales engineer covering the Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky region. Hare now resides in Huntington. Besides the real estate and auction business, Hare is also the sales and field service manager for a local cleaning company. In his free time, Tim is a member of the Three Rivers Hockey Association in Fort Wayne and plays in the local men's league at McMillen Ice Arena.

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### DEAN'S LIST

Kari Brubaker, a freshman on Taylor University's Upland campus, was named to the Dean's List for the 2003 fall term. Kari is the daughter of Rick and Rhonda Brubaker and is a graduate of Huntington North High School, Huntington, Ind.

Full-time students are named to the Dean's List when they have earned a 3.6 or better grade point average for the term and when at least 12 hours carry credit point values.

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60 fields of study are available. The University is ranked as the number two Midwest comprehensive college in the 2004 U.S. News and World Report survey.

### TRI KAPPA MEETING

Sheryl Horst hosted the Jan. 6, 2004 meeting of Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Tri Kappa in her home.

Karen Hunnicutt mentioned that Tri Kappa members are still selling nuts. We still have plenty of pecans. For anyone who would like to buy nuts please contact a member. We would like to thank those who have bought nuts.

President Karen Campbell informed us of the Bake Sale at the United Methodist Home on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. We will be selling a

wide variety of baked goods as well as noodles and fried chicken and much more.

Tri Kappa will be hosting the Sunday Lunch on March 7, 2004 from 11:00-1:00 p.m. at the KBC. Bring your family and friends and have a great dinner.

Members present at this meeting were above mentioned, also Rita Bolinger, Nancy Bonham, Judy Bradford, Eula Conwell, Kim Coolman, Lora England, Jane Jones, Suellen Jones, Jane Leurance, Karen McCoy, Stacia Perry, and Bridget Swainder.

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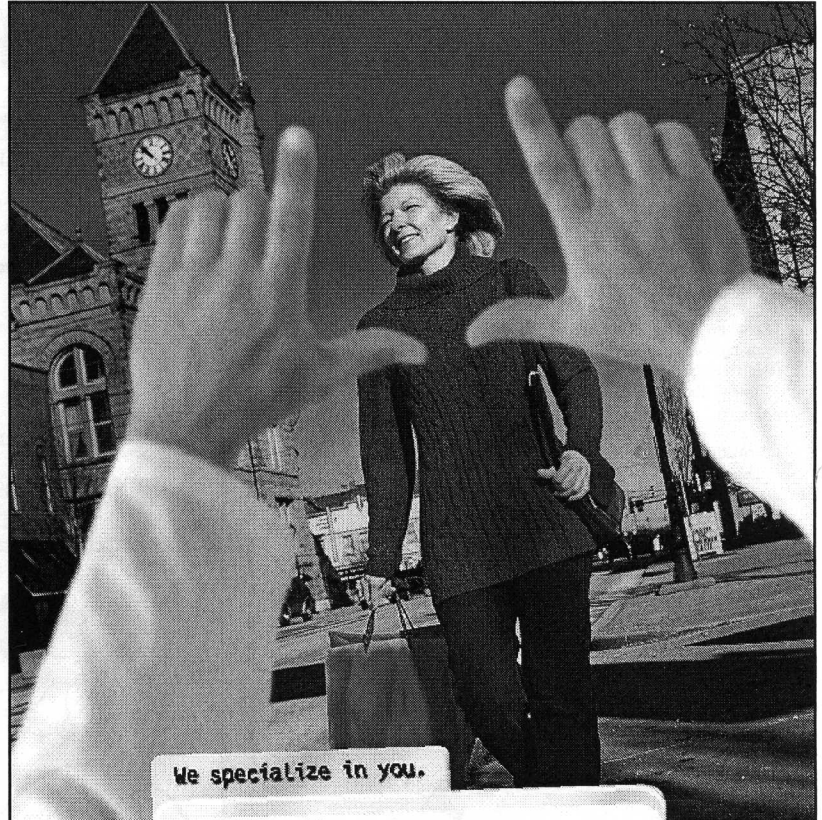
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### PARTICIPATED IN HOG SHOW

Pictured above is Stacy Piquene (second from right) with the Grand Champion Market Hog at the recent Scarlet & Gray Market Hog Show in Xenia, Ohio. Also pictured is (l-r) Judge Nick Berry from Iowa, Jackson Johnson, Samantha Piquene and Jada Johnson.

This Duroc Barrow competed with more than 300 other hogs to win this honor. A jackpot of \$2,000 was shared among the families. Other honors received that day were Champion Pee Wee Showmanship - Jackson Johnson; Champion & Reserve Duroc Barrows; Champion & Reserve Champion Duroc Gilts. All hogs were bred by Guy Jackson of Warren. Stacy and Samantha are the daughters of Mike and Shelly Piquene of Warren. Jackson and Jada are the children of Mike and Karen Johnson of Poneto. A great weekend was had by both families.



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