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*Thought for the Week:* The squeaking wheel doesn't always get the grease. Sometimes it gets replaced. Vic Gold

### HONOR FLIGHT HOSTS VIRTUAL EVENT TO PROTECT VETERANS FROM SCAMS

On March 9, 2021 the Honor Flight National Network will co-host a live webcast event with sponsor AARP. Fraud fighting experts will explore the top scams targeting Veterans and Military Families in 2021. The event titled "Operation Protect Veterans: On a mission to support Veterans" will take place at 7 p.m. EST.

Military Veterans are twice as likely to be a target for scams. Con artists use fake Veterans charities, service benefit buy-out schemes, bogus jobs scams, and now the pandemic to steal money and identity. Every day, scammers invent new ways to defraud Veterans. The goal of this web event is to educate and protect Veterans and Military Families against the latest threats.

The event is open to all veterans and especially those with ties to Honor Flight. This includes veterans who have already participated in an Honor Flight, veterans who hope to experience an Honor Flight, guardians, airport volunteers, and community members who support HFNEI and their mission.

Registration for the event is required using this link: <https://onlinexperiences.com/Launch/QReg/ShowUUID=938D8869-BF59-4DF1-A459-2098D3A4F24F>

After registering for the event, the registrant will receive the following:

- \* An email asking the participant to confirm their email address
- \* Reminder emails leading up to the event
- \* A thank you email for attending the event

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### KBC BARGAIN BASEMENT

The KBC Bargain Basement will open on April 9th and 10th. We have a lot of work to get ready before we open. If you have some free time, after Basketball {March 20}, and want to help give me a call. We would appreciate your help.

Denny Stroud  
President of KBC

### VACCINES FOR HOMEBOUND

Indiana continues to make progress in vaccinating homebound Hoosiers for COVID-19 through a whole-community approach to reaching vulnerable residents.

The Homebound Hoosiers vaccination program is helping communities across the state by identifying residents who are unable to leave their homes and utilizing the vast EMS network to visit and

administer vaccines. Participants in the program must meet current eligibility requirements, but they also are physically unable to visit a vaccination clinic or do not have family or friends to help them register and travel to a site.

To address this gap, the Indiana's Area Agencies on Aging (operating in 16 regions in Indiana), the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA), Indiana Department of Homeland Security and Indiana Department of Health are registering these people separately and directing resources to ensure they are prioritized for vaccination. Any available vaccines in those communities are then routed to a participating EMS agency to visit the home, administer the vaccine and monitor for any adverse reactions.

"The EMS system is the perfect partner for this program because it operates 24/7 across Indiana," said Dr. Michael Kaufmann, medical director for Indiana EMS. "EMS personnel are highly trained members of the community and can serve an important role in reaching this critical population of Hoosiers."

As of Wednesday, more than 1,200 Indiana residents have been registered in the Homebound Hoosiers portal.

To get on the list for in-home vaccinations, please contact your local Area

Agency on Aging by calling 800-986-3505 or visit the AAA regional map for contact information. A resident is eligible if he/she meets other requirements, needs special transportation or assistance to leave the home or has a medical condition that prohibits leaving the home.

The rate of in-home vaccinations will increase once vaccination supplies increase in the coming weeks.

In addition, EMS agencies are working to identify personnel to administer vaccines to the homebound in addition to their regular emergency response duties.

The Homebound Hoosier program has gained regional and national attention as a model for success in vaccinating homebound residents. FEMA and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have

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### SECTION PARLEY

On Saturday, February 20th members of both Southern Wells chapter and parley novice teams competed at the Section Parley Contest. The chapter team members include (back left to right) Brooklyn Moore, Roscoe Heath, Matthew McMillan, Eddie Pluimer, Jesston Heath, Jenson Nusbaumer, (front left to right) Bailey Couch, Catalina Tucker, Kyra Kiel, Hannah Duncan, and Katelyn McMillan. They competed well and placed 7th.

The novice team members include Gabe McElhaney, Keith Pluimer, Ashley Needler, Kammy Miller, Sydney McFarren, Cohen Miller, Jaxson Heath, Joshua Bricker, Avery Gaskill, Maliana Culbertson, Nataleigh Zigler, Kenzie Paxson, Alania Nusbaumer, and Collena Reeves. The novice team placed 2nd and will be moving on to the state parley contest on March 20th.



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*Treva's*  
**Recipe Box**  
 by Treva Flemming

Everyone needs a little spice in their life, so why not add it to their food. I love highly seasoned foods and no better place than to get it in the south. So this week I'll take a little memory trip to New Orleans where the good food is in abundance. Gumbo, crawfish, red beans and rice, beignets, po-boys, bananas foster just to name a few. But when the Cajun dishes hit the table look out, they are the best. When it comes to flavor Cajun is the go to.

I was brave when trying this recipe for the first time on John. He is one that can handle the hot stuff and so I figured I was good. So I made a batch of jambalaya and sure enough he fell in love with it, me on the other hand, cried just eating it. So now I adjust it a bit, take out my serving and then put the fire to it in spice for him. So when making this recipe I will warn you, you have to like the spice hot or you will not be able to eat this. So if you're brave this is the one to try. Good luck and hope you're able to enjoy it. Medical advice: be sure you have Roloids in the house.

**Jambalaya**

- \* 1# Eckrich smoked sausage, sliced in thin slices
- \* 1 med. Onion, chopped
- \* 1 tsp paprika
- \* 1 tsp. cayenne pepper
- \* ½ c. water
- \* 1 lg bell pepper, chopped
- \* 3 good shakes of Creole or Cajun spice
- \* 1 c. white rice (long cook)
- \* 1 16 oz can of diced tomatoes with juice

Saute onions, peppers and smoked sausage until tender. Add spices, tomatoes and juice, rice and water.

Bring to a boil, turn to low and cover and simmer 20 minutes.

Tips: cutting back on the cayenne pepper to 1/8 tsp for the first time is advisable then you can add more if you choose. It is still spicy hot but a lot tamer than the full teaspoon full. This is my amount that I eat, then add more cayenne for John.

This is great with warm corn bread or butter bread and whole kernel corn with a couple of shakes of Creole or Cajun spice added to it and some butter.

**ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST**  
 8013W 1100S -90, Montpelier  
 Phillip Freel Jr, Pastor  
 Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed Carry-in & Fellowship .. 6:30 p.m.

**BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 8294S 900W 35  
 Harold Smith, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study ..... 6:00p.m.

**BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**  
 Steve Nevius, Pastor  
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.  
 Sunday Worship ..... 9:30a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45a.m.

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
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 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
 Daycare provided during Worship

**DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**  
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779  
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor  
 Worship Service ..... 9:00a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:00a.m.

**HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**  
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726  
 Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor  
 1st Worship..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**THE NEW BEGINNING**  
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto  
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 765/728-2065 for more info  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.  
 Thursday Prayer Meeting .... 7:00 p.m.

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 Pator Rusty Strickler  
 Youth Dir: Peter & Mindy Fairchild  
 Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.  
 Youth Group: Grades 5-12 ...Sun 11:30  
 Ekklesia ..... Sun 6:30pm

**HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 375-2510  
 Pastor Steven Spencer  
 Bus Service 375-2510  
[www.warrennaz.org](http://www.warrennaz.org)  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

**SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**  
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN  
 375-3873  
 Paul Burris, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.

**LANCASTER WESLEYAN**  
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington  
 765.524.3390  
 Rev. Robert S Hallett, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesdays:  
 Bible Study & Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 694-6622  
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor  
 Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:00a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15a.m.  
 Tues. Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Choir ..... 6:30p.m.  
 Monthly Meetings  
 1st Mon Ministry Team ..... 7:00 p.m.  
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am  
 4th Mon ABW ..... 1:30 pm

**LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Pastor Diane Samuels  
 Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:45 a.m.

**THE CHURCH AT MCNATT**  
 375-4359  
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor  
 Lois Slusher, Supt.  
 Brittney Miller, Youth & Family Dir.  
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 9:15 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Bible Study - Wed. .... 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**  
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124  
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"  
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Youth ..... 4-6 p.m.  
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**SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**  
 468-2412  
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor  
 Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
 Church School ..... 10:45a.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-2102  
[www.warrenucc.net](http://www.warrenucc.net)  
 Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor  
 Terry Lee Miller, Youth Pastor  
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Sunday School during Worship Service  
 Youth Group-Wed ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

**VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 765/934-3321 Parsonage  
 Jeff Slater, Pastor  
 Jim Knight, Superintendent  
 Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
 Adult Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Church ..... 10:30a.m.  
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.  
 Hour of Power (Wed) ..... 7:00p.m.

**VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 765-934-1431  
 Pastor Brad Hensley  
 Worship Service ..... 9:30 am  
 Sunday School ..... 10:30am  
 Not Home Alone - Wed ..... 3:00 pm  
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) ..... 7:00 pm  
 UMW 2nd Wed ..... 7:00 pm  
 Little Ones Book Club 1st Tue 10:00 am  
 Just Older Youth 3rd Tue ..... 12:00 pm  
[www.vanburennumc.org](http://www.vanburennumc.org)

**WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 375-3022  
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 Andrew Fisher, Youth Minister  
 Liz Richardson, Childrens MinistryAsst.  
 Tara Bower - Secretary  
[www.warrenchurchofchrist.org](http://www.warrenchurchofchrist.org)  
 Fellowship .....9:15 a.m.  
 Worship & Communion .....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School .....11 to 11:50 a.m.  
 Youth:  
 K-6th grade, Mon ..... 6:15-7pm  
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday ..... 6-8pm

**WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**  
 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren  
 260-228-9084  
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor  
 Wesley Welch, Supt.  
 Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Wed Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.

**FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN  
 765-934-3609  
 Pastor Al Sultz  
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am  
 Sunday School Classes .....9:30 am  
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm  
 Thurs. Bible Study .....7:00 pm

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# AREA NEWS

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contacted the IDHS, which includes Indiana EMS, to discuss the program and how to mimic it in other states.

"Nothing to do with this pandemic fits into a nice, neat box. We've had to be nimble and creative to approach this vaccination effort as quickly and strategically as possible," said Dr. Jennifer Sullivan, secretary for FSSA.

"This partnership to vaccinate the homebound population is another community solution to an important gap we've identified along this journey," Sullivan added.

The program continues the ongoing commitment by Indiana Governor Eric J. Holcomb to community paramedicine, a national initiative designed to improve access to care and to avoid duplicating existing healthcare services. The paramedicine concept is built around the idea that EMS providers, those treating and seeing patients every day in the field, are well-equipped to provide preventative care, connect patients to resources and better connect them to quality healthcare options.

Homebound Hoosiers vaccination process:

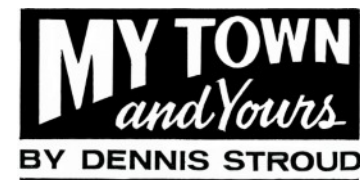
\* Homebound individual is registered with the local AAA. Local health departments identify and locate available vaccine.

\* Individual is contacted to set up an appointment.

\* Vaccine is administered. On-site monitoring occurs.

\* EMS personnel provides checklist and completes documentation.

\* Second vaccine is scheduled on site.



**WARREN FAIR**

It was the week of the Warren Fair. The first fair was held in 1883, under the leadership of Jonas Good, president of the fair. Attendance could be

numbered in the thousands, coming by wagons, carriages and horseback. Later, special "open summer cars" would be run on the interurban to bring people to the fairgrounds.

Many legendary "horse" people, that I have read about, lived here in town. Alf Thompson, who owned a Warren restaurant, had a horse called Chestnut Don. Johnny Blackwell had a horse called Billy McGregor. John Gardner had two horses called Indian Maid and Halley Margrove. Alpha Hull trained several horses for Dr. Bonifield. A trainer and driver was one of Warren's finest, Ambrose "Brose" McCord who later became an outstanding grand circuit driver. He had a record-holding horse named Walter Stone.

At the fairgrounds was a good half mile dirt track. The race program included a race on July 4th, including a mule horse race and a horse road race. The fair was held in the early to mid- August, with horse races held in July.

**VISITATION EXPANDED**

Parkview Huntington Hospital recently expanded visitation hours for the convenience of patients and their families.

While the hospital continues to follow visitor restrictions, inpatient departments now allow visitation between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Patients may have two designated visitors – age 18 or older – for the duration of their stay, but only one

visitor at a time is permitted in the hospital.

In the Family Birthing Center (FBC), new and laboring moms are also permitted two guests, one at a time. A spouse or significant other is considered one of the two guests allowed. However, there is no restriction on visiting hours in the FBC.

The hospital's main entrance is open Monday – Friday, 6:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Apart from those hours, all patients and visitors should use the emergency department entrance. Upon arrival at either entrance, patients and visitors are screened for COVID-19 symptoms, and everyone is required to wear a face mask over their nose and mouth while inside the hospital.

As a reminder, the café remains closed to the public, and visitors are not permitted to wait in the lobby.

For details on visitor restrictions, visit [parkview.com/visitorupdates](http://parkview.com/visitorupdates) and click on "Parkview Huntington Hospital."

**EARN & LEARN**

Heartland Career Center, in partnership with Indiana's Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship (OWBLA), developed seven certified State Earn and Learn (SEAL) programs that were recognized at the Honeywell Center in Wabash on Feb. 25.

These programs include Diesel Services, Networking/Cyber Security, Criminal Justice, Auto Collision Repair, Industrial

Electronics/Robotics, Construction, and Culinary Arts.

Each Heartland SEAL program includes a minimum of 1,250 combined hours of related instruction and relevant work-based learning. Depending upon their specific SEAL program, students can earn from nine to 21 post-secondary credits with either Ivy Tech Community College or Vincennes University. Each Heartland SEAL also includes two to five industry-recognized certifications.

"Heartland Career Center has consistently demonstrated a commitment to establishing public-private partnerships that enable their students to complete impactful work-based

learning experiences with local employers," said Matt DeGolyer, a Regional Director of OWBLA. "Heartland's seven new SEAL programs bring their overall total number of certified SEALs to a state-leading, 11. Collectively these SEALs have more than 40 local employer partners who have committed to hosting work-based learning students."

Upon completion of the SEAL, students will be prepared for multiple pathways to a successful future. Students may elect to pursue full-time employment with local business partners or leverage their post-secondary credits to continue their education and training.

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Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

Mar 3	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce Luncheon @KBC
Mar 3	7 pm	V - Town Council meeting
Mar 8	6 pm	W - Town Council meeting @ Assembly Hall
Mar 9	6:30pm	SSF Committee Planning Meeting @ KBC
Mar 15	6:30pm	KBC Board meeting @ KBC
Mar 17		St Patrick's Day
Mar 17	7 pm	V - Town Council Meeting
Mar 22	6 pm	W - Town Council meeting @ Assembly Hall

**Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC**

**Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus**

**These Events Can Also Be Found at [www.warrenweeklyindiana.com](http://www.warrenweeklyindiana.com)**

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"We are grateful to be a part of such a valuable program that allows area students to develop skills that enable them to join the workforce right out of high school. It's a win for both the students and our community of employers who are looking for local talent to join their industry. We have been able to experience the benefit firsthand with talented students who have come to work for us from Heartland Career Center," said Larry Eggers, HR Manager of Wabash Trucking.

"Heartland Career Center is a great avenue to locate and groom qualified technicians for our business," said Brett Mullett, Body Shop Manager of Shepherd's Chevrolet.

SEALs are Indiana's state-level apprenticeship type programs. They are designed to deliver work and learn experience for participants along with the skills and certifications that employers value. These programs are geared toward both adult and youth populations, and they satisfy Indiana's high school graduation pathway requirements.

DWD projects Indiana employers will need to fill more than 1 million additional jobs in the next 10 years, half of which will not require a four-year college degree, but some type of certification or credential beyond a high school diploma.

For more information about the Heartland Career Center SEALs or SEALs in general, visit the OWBLA website at [www.INwbl.com](http://www.INwbl.com) or email the Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship at [wbl@dwd.in.gov](mailto:wbl@dwd.in.gov).

**TAXES & UNEMPLOYMENT**

With over 1.2 million unemployment claims in 2020, more Hoosiers than ever will be including unemployment income for the first time when filing their 2020 individual income tax return. The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) is reminding

individuals that unemployment benefits are taxable income on both state and federal returns.

All unemployment recipients who opted for paper mailing will receive Form 1099G in the mail that includes the total taxable income the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD) issued in a calendar year. Those unemployment recipients who opted to go paperless or did not receive Form 1099G in the mail, can access their Form 1099G information through DWD's Uplink system. Any unemployment recipient who may not have received a Form 1099G can also use the Uplink system to obtain their required information.

**Taxable Income**  
Benefits received from the following federal programs implemented in 2020 are considered taxable income:

- \* Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUIC)
- \* Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)
- \* Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)
- \* Lost Wages Assistance (LWA)

Information on these programs can be found on the U.S. Department of Labor's website.

Remember, if applying for the Indiana Earned Income Tax Credit, unemployment

income is not included in the earned income calculation. However, taxpayers may be able to reduce or even eliminate any state tax due on their unemployment compensation through the unemployment compensation deduction. More information on this can be found in the IT-40 booklet.

**Fraudulent Claims & Identify Theft**

If customers find a fraudulent unemployment claim has been filed in their name, they need to visit the DWD's website immediately to file a report. Their website can also help taxpayers learn how to spot identity theft and provides information on how to contact the Indiana State Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Federal Trade Commission and other agencies to report these claims.

If you are ready to file your taxes with DOR and believe you are a victim of identity theft, follow these steps:

Fill out the IRS ID Theft Affidavit.

Email the IRS ID Theft Affidavit and a copy of the fraudulent 1099G to [DORITCInfo@dor.in.gov](mailto:DORITCInfo@dor.in.gov).

File your taxes and be sure to include all valid sources of income.

For more information on unemployment claims and filing state taxes, visit DOR's website at [dor.in.gov/](http://dor.in.gov/) and

click on the "Unemployment Benefits and Taxes" button.

**FULL COURT PRESS**

The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute today announced that more than 200 law enforcement agencies will be cracking down on dangerous and impaired driving in March, as part of a statewide enforcement campaign. Now until March 21, officers will be conducting high-visibility patrols showing zero tolerance for those driving aggressively, over the speed limit or under the influence.

The overtime patrols are funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) through a grant provided by the justice Institute.

"We're seeing an uptick in dangerous driving during the pandemic, and it's very concerning," said Devon McDonald, ICJI Executive Director. "That's why we're pulling out all the stops this March to reverse that trend and encourage safe driving behavior. Preventing loss of life is our top priority."

On average, drunk-driving crashes claim more than

10,000 lives per year in the U.S., according to NHTSA. Although 2020 was a unique year due to the pandemic, preliminary data from the federal safety agency shows that while miles traveled had decreased by about 14.5 percent in the first nine months, overall traffic fatalities increased by 4.6 percent nationwide.

In addition, a separate report released from NHTSA revealed that more road users engaged in risky behaviors in 2020 such as speeding or driving under the influence, and that fewer motorists wore seat belts.

Despite having fewer drivers on the road in Indiana, 2020 was the third highest year for traffic fatalities (850) in the past decade, according to ICJI.

"Even before the pandemic, March has always been a particularly dangerous time of the year for our roads, with celebrations like St. Patrick's Day and the NCAA Tournament," said Robert Duckworth, ICJI Traffic Safety Director. "That's why we're asking everyone to drive

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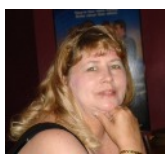
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## GENEALOGY REPORT

### HUNLEY

Yvonne Lynn Hunley, 64 of Van Buren, passed away on February 24, 2021 at her home.



She was born on July 9, 1956 to the late Roy and Helen (Wagoner) Harris in Hamilton, Ohio. She grew up in Marion, Indiana, where she met her husband, Rodney Hunley, who survives. She enjoyed gardening and spending time with her family.

Yvonne is survived by one brother, Larry (Debra) Harris, four children, Nicole Noffsinger, Kimberly Vektor (Lawrence Owen), Cassie (Zach) McDaniel and Jason (Nicole) Hunley, five grandchildren, Olivia Boles, Justin Noffsinger, Savannah Rice, Nathan Vektor, Miley McDaniel and a baby girl on the way. She also had two great grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her parents, mother-in-law Charlene Malott and brother-in-law Randy Hunley.

Services for Yvonne will be private at the request of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home in Van Buren, Indiana.

### ELDRIDGE

Ernest Eldridge Sr., 81, of Liberty Center, passed away Thursday morning, Feb. 25, 2021 at his home.

Ernest was born March 1, 1939, in Daley, Ky., to Elmer and Laura Farler Eldridge. He attended Dilce-Combs High School in Jeff, Ky. He worked at Sterling Casting in maintenance and assembly and retired in 2001, after more than 30 years. Ernest served as president, secretary and treasurer of the union while at Sterling. He attended Sonlight Wesleyan Church in Bluffton. Ernest enjoyed spending time with his family, camping, fishing, boating and doing puzzles.

Ernest and Ida Williams were married March 30, 1957

in Hazard, Ky. Together they shared 63 years of marriage until she preceded him in death Jan. 6.

Survivors include their children, Georgetta Eldridge of Liberty Center, Frances "Gail" (Jim) Lambert and Shirley (Andy) Smallman, both of Bluffton, and Ernest (Sherrie) Eldridge, Jr. of Poneto; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He is also survived by siblings, Valma Shell of Viper, Ky., John (Linda) Eldridge of Ashland, Ky., Dewey (Rebecca) Eldridge of Viper, Ky., Sue (Larry) Riddle of Hazard, Ky., Jeanetta "Net" Mabry of Illinois and Lois (Willie) Watts of Viper, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 63 years, Ida; a daughter, Elizabeth Ann Eldridge; and two brothers, Hiram and Carl Eldridge.

Visitation for Ernest will take place on Monday, March 1, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. A family service to celebrate Ernest's life will take place at 1:30 p.m. Monday, following visitation, with Rev. Lyle Breeding officiating. Burial will follow the service at Elm Grove Cemetery. Memorials may be made in Ernest's memory to Sonlight Wesleyan Church and can be sent to the funeral home.

### SHENEFIELD

Ruth L. Shenefield, 78, of Andrews, IN, died Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, at 8:47 p.m., at Miller's Merry Manor in Wabash.

Mrs. Shenefield worked at United Technology. She was a member of Mt. Etna United Methodist Church.

She was born on Dec. 20, 1942, in Huntington County, to Alva and Mildred Buzzard Searles. She married Maurice L. Shenefield on Jan. 26, 1963, in Huntington. He preceded her in death on Jan. 31, 2016.

Survivors include a daughter, Penny Small, of Claypool; a son, Dennis (Amanda) Shenefield, of Virginia; two brothers, Gene (Pat) Searles,

of Warren, and Ray (Jane) Searles, of Bluffton; one sister, Mabel (Robert) Burnsworth, of Huntington; eight grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A graveside service will take place on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 3 p.m., at Mt. Etna Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Etna United Methodist Church, in care of Deal-Rice Funeral Homes, 338 E. Washington St., Huntington, IN 46750.

### FOUST

Judith "Judy" Ann Foust, 73, passed away on February 26, 2021 at Heritage Pointe in Warren.

She was born in Bluffton on April 9, 1947 to Robert G. Slater and Margret K. (Buckland) Slater. Both of her parents preceded her in death.

Judy graduated from Jackson Township High School in Wells County in 1966. She married Charles W. Foust Jr. on May 17, 1975 at Full Gospel Tabernacle Church by Rev. Marion Williams.

She was a people person and made friends everywhere she went, which made her job of selling Avon and Home Interior much easier. She also cleaned homes. She enjoyed playing cards with her friends, watching I Love Lucy and collecting costume jewelry. She also enjoyed summer months going to the cabin at Witmer Lake to boat and fish. She was a member of Full Gospel Tabernacle Lighthouse Church in Dunkirk and Red Hat Club in Hartford City. She was also active in Relay for Life.

Judy will be sadly missed by her husband, Charles W. Foust Jr.; children, Robin R. (husband, Timothy) Kennedy of Huntington, Dawn D. Bye of Hartford City and Charles W. Foust III (companion, Dawn Kunkler) of Portland; grandchildren, Drew Kennedy, Austin Kennedy, Erika Kennedy, Tiffany Nelson, Grace Foust and

Gunner Foust; siblings, Robert "Bobby" G. (wife, Tammy) Slater of Union City, Sharon (husband, Ralph) Purvis of Warren and Linda (husband, Tim) Norris of Hartford City; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 4, 2021 at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 N. High St. Hartford City. Burial will follow at Jones Cemetery in Wells County. Visitation will be from 11 to 1 p.m. at Keplinger Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Blackford County Community Foundation-Cancer Services, P.O. Box 327, Hartford City, IN 47348 or American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674

### SPENCER

Cleo "Wayne" Spencer, 81, of Hartford City, died Saturday, Feb. 27, 2021, at his home in Hartford City.

He was born on Wednesday, May 3, 1939, in Crawford County. He married Jackie L. (Zent) Spencer on Saturday, Nov. 3, 1984, in Chester Center.

Survivors include his wife; children, Tonya J. (Russell) Burchard of North Webster, Jacque (Eric) McClellan of Hartford City, Steven R. (Brenda) Taylor of Greenfield, Hugh E. (Dawn) Taylor of Hartford City, and Debi (Kevin) Andry of Bedford; brother, Ed "Butch" (Barbara) Bell of Beech Grove; brother-in-law, Dewey (Norma) Zent of Wells County; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ivan Cleo Spencer, and mother, Pearl (Satterfield) Spencer.

Calling hours are from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier. A service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

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sober, slow down and buckle up. Don't be the reason someone doesn't make it home this year."

Dangerous driving includes such factors as speeding, tailgating and disregarding a traffic signal – all of which are against the law in Indiana. Additionally, it is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. Drivers under 21 with a BAC of .02 or higher are subject to fines and a license suspension for up to 1 year.

To avoid the potential for legal fees and criminal charges, the department recommends following these simple steps:

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\* Do not tailgate or drive aggressively.

\* Put down the phone and avoid distracted driving.

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### VIRTUAL CAREER FAIR

Nursing students, new graduates and experienced registered nurses are invited to the Parkview Virtual RN Career Fair on Wednesday, March 10.

Between noon and 4 p.m., attendees will be scheduled for 15-minute meetings with nursing leaders from across the system so the candidates can explore areas of interest and learn more about career opportunities with Parkview Health.

"The best way to learn what it means to be a Parkview nurse is to talk directly to a Parkview nurse," said Jeffrey Rice, director, talent acquisition, Parkview Health. "The virtual format allows us to not only follow safety precautions, but also create one-on-one connections with our current nurses and potential future nurses."

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We're looking forward to showing candidates how Parkview can help them be their best and launch or grow their careers."

During registration, attendees will select their available times and areas of interest, and a link will be provided once a meeting has been scheduled. Registration is required by Friday, March 5. To learn more or register for the Parkview Virtual RN Career Fair, visit [parkview.com/VirtualCareerFair](http://parkview.com/VirtualCareerFair).

**HOW CAN WOMEN OVERCOME OBSTACLES TO FINANCIAL SECURITY?**

On March 8, we observe International Women's Day, a celebration of the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. Of course, women still tend to encounter more obstacles than men in the pursuit of financial security. Let's consider a few of them.

To begin with, women are still more likely to leave the workforce, at least

temporarily, to raise children, resulting in lower contributions to employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k)s. And women are often the ones who become full-time caregivers of aging parents or other relatives. Caregiving duties can exact a big financial toll: The lost wages, pensions (including 401(k)s and similar plans) and Social Security benefits that a woman loses to become a full-time caregiver amount to more than \$300,000 over her lifetime, according to the National Academy of Sciences.

Women also may be more susceptible to financial downturns. Consider the COVID-19 pandemic: Just a few months ago, in December, women lost 156,000 jobs, while men gained 16,000, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which also reported that women accounted for 54% of the jobs lost from the pandemic in 2020.

And women are not unaware of their

circumstances and outlook. Just 41% of women are confident about retirement, compared with 56% of men, according to a survey by Edward Jones and Age Wave.

But if you're a woman, you can take steps to help improve your financial outlook. Here are a few suggestions:

\* Take full advantage of retirement plans

If you are still working and your employer offers a 401(k) or similar retirement plan, take full advantage of it. Put in as much as you can afford each year and increase your contributions when your salary goes up. Also, within your plan, you'll want to choose the mix of investments that can help provide the most growth potential, given your individual risk tolerance. Also, even if you contribute to a 401(k) or similar plan, you may also be eligible to fund an IRA, which gives you even more investment choices.

\* Evaluate your Social Security options

You can typically start taking Social Security benefits when you're 62, but your monthly checks will be much larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67. You might also consider whether you'd be better off by taking spousal benefits, if you're married and your spouse earned more money than you. You're generally even eligible for spousal benefits if you are divorced, as long as you were married at least 10 years and you haven't remarried.

\* Look for unexpected income opportunities

Even after you've formally retired, you may still find ways to receive some earned income. Perhaps you can work part time or do some consulting. And if you're a caregiver, you might be able to receive some compensation for your work. Many local governments pay non-spouse caregivers who

act as personal attendants, although the rules vary greatly by state and county.


These certainly aren't the only ways you can improve your financial status, but they may prove useful to you. In any case, be aware of the challenges facing you and do whatever you can to brighten your future.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor, Nicole Johnson. Edward Jones, Member SIPC

**A TRIP TO EUROPE DAY 7**

by Larry Ryan  
Sunday, August 5, 1990. It was laundry day. Yes, I know that is not ordinarily the usual day for cleaning our garments, but when a person is on the go, one must improvise. Also, we were running low on clean items to wear in public.

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An entry fee of \$30.00 will be charged for all leagues and there will be no fundraising!

Mail Check/Money Order to: Warren Baseball & Softball, PO Box 719, Warren IN 46792 (You may write 1 check for all kids but must have individual sign-up slips.)

Deadline: March 29<sup>th</sup> / All entries received after that will be put on a wait list and may or may not be able to play this season. Kids can play in any other league as long as they do not play on the same nights!

The WBSL reserves the right to refuse entry to any player!

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: Boy / Girl

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Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Age on June 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Team Last Year \_\_\_\_\_ Parents \_\_\_\_\_

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Shirt Size:    Child: Small (6-8) Medium (10-12) Large (14-16)  
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Please Sign Below for Permission to put pics of your child on WBSL Facebook site (Only 1<sup>st</sup> names, if any, will be used)

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After breakfast and washing our textiles, we drove down to the village to act like normal tourists and observe the Kinsale Regatta festivities. We saw Irish children step dancing while wearing their customary native costumes. There was a folk music trio performing on the street. Many people were gathered around singing and others were dancing on the sidewalks and the street.

After a sandwich lunch at Patsy's Corner along with a treat of Gooseberry Crunch, we drove to the nearby Old Head Lighthouse west of the village. As the Toyota approached the prominent landmark, I shifted into idle as we were detained for several minutes while several Holstein milk cows were herded ahead of us. This group of slow-moving bovine took up all the roadway space. Since we were not in a big hurry and not wanting to change courses, we waited patiently while viewing the back sides of farm animals who were just obeying their master's orders.

The white-painted lighthouse stood serenely atop a cliff that overlooked the Atlantic Ocean. It was a picturesque moment. We could not see New York City from there but had confidence that it was in that direction. Maybe if we had climbed the numerous steps in the lighthouse—probably still out of sight! We were not in shape for that vigorous exercise anyway.

After leaving Old Head and void of another cattle experience, we drove westward and discovered Sandy Cove Beach. Since we had not anticipated this encounter, beachwear essentials did not accompany us. However, the surf beckoned and we waded in the salt water of the Atlantic. It was very cold!!

Along all roadsides were flowers. Fuchsia was prevalent while growing on the stone fences. Mosquitos

were nowhere to be found. Once again we had a delightful dinner at our favorite, adopted restaurant! More travel tomorrow.

**NEED MORTGAGE RELIEF DUE TO COVID-19?**

**HERE'S WHAT TO KNOW**

(StatePoint) As the pandemic continues to affect Americans across the country, many are facing financial hardship.

For homeowners with a Freddie Mac loan, COVID-19 mortgage assistance is available in the form of "forbearance," which temporarily suspends or reduces your mortgage payment without penalty so you can get back on your feet.

Here is how forbearance works and what happens when it ends:

How do I request forbearance? To request forbearance, you must contact your loan servicer (the company listed on your mortgage statement) who will help you understand your options. Forbearance is available for up to a year, though servicers will typically start you on a shorter forbearance plan and reassess to see if your financial situation has changed.

What happens when forbearance ends? It's important to remember mortgage forbearance is not the same as mortgage forgiveness and you will have to repay your missed payments. About 30 days before the forbearance plan is scheduled to end, you and your servicer will determine next steps. This could include additional forbearance or a workout option to make up the missed payments. Just

remember, you are never required to pay back missed payments in a lump sum if your loan is owned by Freddie Mac.

How does repayment work? Even though you must pay back payments that were missed during forbearance, you have several options for doing so. Additionally, you won't accrue additional fees, penalties or interest beyond the amounts already scheduled or calculated based on the terms of your mortgage. For example, let's say you enter into a forbearance agreement of three months. If your monthly mortgage payment is \$1,000, you will owe about \$3,000 in missed mortgage payments at the end of your forbearance term. Your servicer can help you determine the workout option that works best for you, including:

- Full repayment, where you pay back the missed payments all at once.
- Repayment plans, which allow you to catch up gradually while you are paying your regular monthly payment.
- Payment deferral, which allows you to resume making your normal monthly payment. Your servicer can work with you to leverage alternative ways for you to pay back the missed payments from your forbearance period at a later date and in a manner that is affordable.
- Modification of the loan, which changes the terms of your loan, usually to reduce your original monthly payment amount. Your servicer can help with a modification that might suit your new circumstances.

Additional Information: To stay on track with paying down your loan balance and less interest over the life of the loan, it's important that you resume your payments as soon as you're financially able. Keep in mind that while you're not charged "extra" interest, you won't be paying down your principal, and the interest will continue to accrue on your unpaid mortgage balance.

For information on forbearance and how to get help with your mortgage, visit My Home by Freddie Mac at myhome.freddiemac.com.

Remember, contacting your servicer is the first step in getting help with your mortgage payments if you are facing financial hardship due to COVID-19 or for other reasons. They can explore available options with you and determine what works best for your circumstances.

**TIPS TO STRETCH YOUR DOLLAR WHEN HOUSEHOLD SHOPPING**

(StatePoint) Running a household on a budget? Smart shopping strategies can help your family save on favorite foods, wellness essentials and more.

To help make your next shopping excursion a success, check out these tips from the experts at Dollar General.

- Cleaning Supplies: Streamline spring cleaning -- and save money and space -- by opting for a multi-purpose cleaner that can be used throughout the home. Enjoy additional savings by purchasing extra of your favorite cleaning supplies when they're on sale.
- Groceries: At the beginning of each week,

create a meal plan for your family. Mapping out your meals can help you avoid purchasing more than you need or items you don't want. Discount retailers, like Dollar General, are a great place for all the essentials, including spices, dairy, grains, bread, eggs, frozen and canned vegetables and proteins. Consider shopping with brands like Clover Valley that provide a 100 percent guarantee. Organize your visit to the store in advance by checking out DG.com/easymeals to discover affordable recipe ideas and to create your shopping list on the brand's mobile app.

• Wellness Items: Self-care doesn't need to be costly. Before heading to a grocery store or pharmacy for wellness products, visit a general retailer first. From remedies for combatting spring allergies to over-the-counter medications, vitamins, skincare and hair care products, the items you restock most frequently can be found for less at a general retailer than you might expect at a pharmacy or grocery store.

• Digital Savings: While physically clipping coupons may no longer be as common as it once was, additional ways to save are here to stay in the form of digital coupons. Take advantage of the savings opportunities digital coupons provide by visiting coupons.dollargeneral.com to enroll or digitally clip coupons.

To stay organized and within budget during the spring cleaning season, adopt savvy shopping strategies.



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