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Thought for the Week: It's so easy to be wicked without knowing it, isn't it? L. M. Montgomery

20TH ANNUAL SCARECROW FESTIVAL FRIDAY

OCTOBER 27TH

At 6:00 PM!!! Bring your treat bags and spare money for fun and refreshments!

COME ON DOWN-DON'T BE AFRAID!
TO MISS THIS FUN WOULD BE INSANE
LOTS OF TREATS WILL BE PASSED OUT
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SOME FOOD AND EVENTS WILL BE FREE
OTHERS WILL COST A NOMINAL FEE
COME ON PARENTS – AND MASQUERADE TOO
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YOU MAY NOT RECOGNIZE WAYNE STREET
OR ALL THE GOBLINS THAT YOU'LL MEET
BUT WITH THE FOOD & GAMES & FUN
YOU'LL BE SO GLAD YOU CHOSE TO COME!

The Best SPOOKTACULAR Event of the Fall Season is in Downtown Warren. Start creating your Scarecrow & Brewing your tastiest Chili! The costume parade kicks off the Festivities at 6pm at 3rd & Wayne Street. Family Friendly activities and treats will be lining the streets. The Warren Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the Scarecrow Festival and encourages local businesses and organizations to participate. Please provide a family-friendly booth, organize a free game or activity and provide treats for the trick or treaters!

Along with the Chili Cookoff & Local Restaurants there will be Four Food Trucks to keep all of your families happy.

For more information, booth location, Scarecrow guidelines, and Chili Cook-off details please call Bippus State Bank of Warren @ 260-375-2265.

Scarecrow & Chili Cook-off entry forms are due October 20th and will be at Bippus State Bank, Town Hall, & East of Chicago. This is an Outside Event only, weather permitting.

The Event is Friday, October 27th, 6-8pm. Check out our Facebook page "Warren Scarecrow Festival" for updates.

Thank you to Bippus State Bank & Citizen's Telephone for sponsoring the new Scarecrow Festival Banners hanging on each end of Warren's Wayne Street.

BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Warren Public Library will have a \$1.00 aa bag used book sale, Saturday, March 4 from 10am - 2pm. Bags will be provided by the Library.

There will be selections of non-fiction, fiction, children's books, tween

books, teen books, graphic novels and DVDs.

The Library is located at 123 E 3rd St, Warren. The phone number of the Library is 375-3450.

This is the last sale of the year - 2023, See you in March 2024. Upcoming Election

If you are registered to vote in general elections you are

also eligible to vote in Municipal Elections which will be held in Huntington, Warren, Markle, Roanoke and Andrews. This schedule is state wide so, any municipality will be having elections. You must be a resident of that municipality and the voting procedure is just the same as in a General Election. You may register to vote until October 10th. In Warren, voting will take place at the Warren Church of Christ at the corner of Third and Wayne Street and as always, you must have a drivers license or photo ID.

Please check in your municipality for voting locations if you are not sure.

In Markle, Warren and Roanoke, candidates run as Independents while in Andrews, candidates run within a political party.

In Warren specifically, Salamonie 2, residents of Dogwood Villas are eligible to vote although those in the Townhouses are not.

Several have had questions on how to find out who is running. Unfortunately, there are no sample ballots.

In Warren, there are four candidates for Town Council with two to be elected and include, Ronnie Boxell, Carrie Miller, Michelle Bolinger Schweikhardt as an incumbent, and Michael Yoder. For Clerk Treasurer, choose one, candidates are Mabelle Suchcicki and Marilyn Morrison as the incumbent.

You can contact the your County Elections Office with any more specific questions or more information on registration.

ANNUAL SUPPER

Twin Bridge Conservation Club in Mt Zion. All you can eat Fish, Chicken, Tenderloin supper October 7, 4:30 - 7:00. \$12 for adults, \$6 for 6-12 year olds.

Meat prepared by Dan's Fish Fry.

ARTS & CRAFTS

MARKETPLACE

The Salamonie Summer Festival (SSF) will sponsor it's First Annual Arts & Crafts Marketplace. To be held Saturday, November 11, 2023

at the Knight Bergman Center, 132 Nancy Street, Warren.

This program will help raise funds for future SSF events. The SSF is an annual event for the Warren area, that has been happening for over 50 years.

Showcasing: Wooden items; signs, quote blocks, snowmen, Christmas trees, blown glass, pottery (+demo), door decor, handmade cards, watercolor paintings, stamping projects, paper crafts, lanterns, wreaths, jewelry, crochet, soaps, Color Street, Tupperware and much more!

Hope to see you there!

VETERAN'S CELEBRATION

Inviting all Veterans, Active-Duty Military & their Families and Passed Veterans' Families to a Veteran's Celebration on Sunday, November 5th at Warren's Solid Rock Church. The 9th annual Patriotic ceremony starts at 5:00 pm serving up a complimentary dinner followed by an Armed Forces Tribute by "A Few Good Men" and more! Please share your talents by playing an instrument, singing a special song, sharing a favorite verse, and/or making a dessert to honor our Military. Please call 260-375-4505 to schedule your position in the entertainment lineup.

Officially Veterans Day is Saturday, November 11. We are excited to show all Veterans our support on the Sunday before, in order to help bring awareness to Saturday the 11th!

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, November 5th. You are welcome to wear your military uniform. Pictures in your Military Uniform or "In Action" along with your Branch of Service, dates of when and where you are currently serving or have served, will be displayed on the screen during the event. The photo and info may be emailed or scanned & returned to you at Bolinger's Propane Service, located at 115 N. Wayne St. in Warren by Wednesday, November 1st @ 5pm.

Please email ginac@agbest.com or call 260-375-4505 or 260-917-1707 if any questions, to send your photo/details, to schedule your talent, to volunteer, and to RSVP to 375-4505, in order to help prepare for this event. Currently there are 200 Military troops on the Tribute Video; there is always room for More! Solid Rock Church is located at 485 Bennett Drive, Warren, across from Heritage Point. Walk-ins are Welcome. Everyone is Invited to attend this Celebration to show support to our Military. Thank you, Veterans, and Active-Duty Military for ALL you do for our Country, God Bless America!

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BRINGING COMFORT TO U.S. SERVICE MEMBERS AT SEA

(StatePoint) For more than 80 years, the USO has served the men and women of the U.S. military and their families, throughout their time in uniform. And now, with the opening of its first two ship-based USO centers, they are going where they go even at sea.

The two new centers, on the USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) and the USS Mount Whitney (LCC 20), are designed to lift spirits among deployed sailors, providing a haven filled with comforting amenities, including large-screen TVs, the latest-generation gaming equipment, board games and activity sets, computers, phones, USO program kits and snacks. This USO presence, which includes many of the same amenities as a land-based, staffed USO Center, promises to cultivate a sense of camaraderie and enhanced morale, serving as a vital source of support during long journeys.

When underway, a U.S. Navy aircraft carrier is home to as many as 5,000 personnel -- the size of a small city. Living aboard roughly 4.5 acres and 60,000 tons of floating structural steel for months at a time, with very few port visits, leaves individuals little space to get away and find time to themselves. These conditions can be stressful and isolating for sailors who are separated from their loved ones. Expanding USO support to those serving at sea is vital in helping boost morale, improving the quality of life on board the ship, and providing more opportunities to connect with friends and family back home.

"We operate in more than 250 locations, but these new ship-based centers are special," said Dr. J.D. Crouch II, USO chief executive officer and president. "The USO goes where the men and women of the military go. Now, we can add 'at sea' with these centers, which are a key part of our efforts to provide additional support to sailors."

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 8924S 900W 35
 Harold Smith, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST
 Steve Nevius, Pastor
 Denise Heiniger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.</p> <p>CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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 260/515-2517
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 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
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 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor
 Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.</p> <p>HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Curtis Banker, Senior Pastor
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:15 a.m.</p> <p>THE NEW BEGINNING
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info
 Sunday Worship 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERITAGE POINTE
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & John Moyer
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
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 727 N Wayne St, Warren
 260-375-2811
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 Pastor Steven Spencer
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 Wed. Midweek Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SOLID ROCK CHURCH OF WARREN
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 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>LANCASTER WESLEYAN
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 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
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 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</p> <p>LIBERTY CENTER COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Pastor Diane Samuels
 Fellowship Time9:00a.m.
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 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>MT. ETNA COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH
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 Worship Service10:00 - 11:00
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 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.</p> | <p>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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 Troy Drayer, Senior Pastor
 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
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 vanburenrchurchofthevine@gmail.com
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 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Prayer Group (Thur) 6:30p.m.
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 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
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 375-3022
 Mickey Strong, Senior Minister
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 Tara Bower - Secretary
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 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:50 a.m.
 Youth:
 K-6th grade, Mon 6:15-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm</p> <p>FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609
 Pastor Al Soultz
 Sunday Worship 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Sunday Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm</p> |
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AREA NEWS

ADDICTION TREATMENT

LOCATOR

Governor Eric J. Holcomb recently announced the launch of Shatterproof Treatment Atlas, a free, confidential, first-of-its-kind tool to connect Hoosiers in need with appropriate addiction treatment and deliver user-friendly information about the quality of available programs.

"Hoosiers with substance use disorder deserve timely access to quality care as soon as they're ready to accept help," Gov. Holcomb said. "Treatment Atlas puts recovery within immediate reach, giving Hoosiers and their loved ones a trusted resource to find evidence-based, high-quality treatment that meets their unique needs, anywhere in the state."

Indiana is one of 13 states to partner with Shatterproof, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to ending addiction, to launch Treatment Atlas. Indiana's participation is funded by the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA) and replaces the state's former addiction treatment locator.

Treatment Atlas offers an easy-to-use dashboard to allow individuals seeking treatment for substance use disorders to search for and compare participating programs using criteria such as location, services offered, populations served and insurance accepted so they can make an informed decision.

The dashboard lists all 605 addiction treatment facilities certified by DMHA and measures addiction treatment facilities' use of evidence-based practices through a combination of validated data sources and reports them publicly. Along with the option to filter and search in-state providers through the platform using these criteria, Hoosiers have the option to take an anonymous 10-question Addiction Treatment Needs

Assessment to help identify and understand the appropriate level of care they need.

"Prior to Treatment Atlas, there was no easy way for Hoosiers to access this level of transparency when seeking SUD treatment," said Douglas Huntsinger, executive director for drug prevention, treatment and enforcement for the State of Indiana. "We can have all the parts and pieces of an expansive recovery infrastructure, but people need to know how to access them. Indiana is proud to bring this national solution to Hoosiers."

To prepare for the statewide launch of Treatment Atlas, peer recovery coaches, 9-8-8 and 2-1-1 call center staff, care navigators, public defenders, parole officers, probation officers, mobile response and crisis response teams, and law enforcement personnel across the state were trained on how to use the dashboard to refer individuals to treatment.

The online platform can be accessed at [TreatmentAtlas.org](https://www.in.gov/fssa/addiction/). Individuals can also dial 2-1-1 to be connected to local treatment and resources. Information on recovery housing can still be found at <https://www.in.gov/fssa/addiction/>. Individuals experiencing thoughts of

suicide, or a mental health or substance use crisis, should call or text 9-8-8 and speak with a trained crisis specialist.

HUNTING SAFETY TIPS

With the deer reduction zone season underway and the statewide archery deer season starting Oct. 1, Indiana Conservation Officers remind hunters to stay safe.

More than 300,000 people are expected to participate in some form of deer hunting in Indiana during the various deer hunting seasons that run through Jan. 31, 2024, and the overwhelming majority typically do so safely.

When injuries occur, the most common are from accidents involving hunting from tree stands and elevated platforms. To avoid such injuries, hunters should follow the safety tips listed below when hunting from an elevated position.

Before the hunt:
* Read and understand the tree stand manufacturer's instructions.

* Check tree stands and equipment for wear; fatigue; and cracks or loose nuts and bolts, paying particularly close attention to parts made of material other than metal.

* Pack and plan to use equipment specifically designed for hunting.

* Practice tree stand use and setup at ground level.

* Learn how to properly wear your full-body safety harness.

During the hunt:

* Wear your full-body safety harness.

* Use a tree stand safety rope.

* Make certain to attach your harness to the tree before leaving the ground, and that it remains attached to the tree until you return to the ground.

* Maintain three points of contact during ascent and descent.

* Use boots with nonslip soles.

* Use a haul line to raise and lower firearms, bows and other hunting gear.

* Make sure firearms are unloaded, action is open, and safety is on before attaching them to the haul line.

When doing any kind of hunting, remember to do the following to stay safe:

* Carry a cellphone and flashlight.

* Make a plan before you hunt.

* Tell someone your plan, including where you will be hunting and when you plan to return.

* Stick to your plan.

* Identify game before pointing a firearm.

* Know your target and what is beyond it.

For more information, see [hunting.IN.gov](https://www.in.gov/hunting).

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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.

Oct 4	7:00p	V - Town Council @ Town Hall
Oct 9	6:00p	W - Town Council @ Assembly Hall
Oct 10	6:30p	W - SSF Meeting @ KBC
Oct 12		COLUMBUS DAY
Oct 16	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting @ KBC
Oct 18	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Oct 27	6:00p	W - Scarecrow Festival
Oct 31		HALLOWEEN
Nov 1	Noon	W - Chamber of Commerce luncheon @ KBC

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



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OPEN ENROLLMENT

The Indiana Department of Insurance State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) has started its statewide virtual and on-site Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment presentations and events to help Hoosiers prepare for Medicare Open Enrollment. Hoosiers eligible for Medicare will be able to select coverage for 2024 from October 15 to December 7, 2023.

SHIP is the state's official Medicare educational and counseling program. During these presentations and events, participants will learn Medicare fundamentals and changes, how to compare plans, prescription drug coverage options, and ways to save money. After October 15, one-on-one health insurance counseling will be available at select locations throughout the state. Virtual appointments are also available. Plan comparisons for 2024 are included in most one-on-one appointments.

The careful evaluation of Medicare Advantage options is imperative because plans may have different benefits, out-of-pocket costs, covered prescription drugs, in-network physicians, and premiums each year. Medicare will release 2024 plan information on Oct. 1 at medicare.gov.

A current list of presentations and events (both in-person and virtual) can be found at www.medicare.in.gov. For more information regarding one-on-one counseling appointments at local SHIP sites, call SHIP's Helpline at 1-800-452-4800 from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Medicare representatives are available at the national call center 1-800-MEDICARE (800-633-4227) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

FREE ALMANACS

The Warren Pharmacy has received the new 2024 Farmers Almanac. The Almanac contains tips for gardening, farming, cooking and recipes, along with weather predictions for all of 2024 and many helpful insights that affect your life, including "the best days to get your hair cut", and the best days of fish.

It has astronomy information about the rotation of the Moon and the Planets, along with basic Eclipse information.

Best of all, it is FREE when you fill a prescription at the Warren Pharmacy. Extra copies can be purchased for only \$1.00.

FREE PLANNERS

The Warren Pharmacy has just received the 2024 Norman Rockwell 12-month

pocket planner. Small enough to fit in a purse or pocket, each Calendar starts with January 2024, with room on each day to write the important events that affect you and your family. Each planner has pages for some of your medical information, and standard medical information for Blood Pressure, BMI and Cholesterol.

They are available as a free gift at the Warren Pharmacy.

SENIOR SCRAMBLE

Results from the most recent Senior Scramble at Dogwood are as follows:

1st place: Jeff Souder, John Jones, John Morrison, and Rod Glasgow

2nd place: Rich Borrer, Steve Laymon, Wayne Close

Closest to PIN: #3 Jack Harmon, #6 Dave Stamper and #7 Rich Borrer.

Longest Putt: Tim Guy

A TRIP AROUND LAKES HURON & SUPERIOR DAY # 6, PART 2

by Larry Ryan

Prior to arriving at the resort, we stopped in the town of Tower, MN to rest our horses—the gas pedal. Before becoming an incorporated city in 1889, Tower was an early Indian settlement, a trading post, a saw mill, and an 1865 gold

rush target. At one time it was the end of the Vermilion Trail from Duluth, MN for those gold prospectors.

While seeking gold nuggets, vast amounts of iron ore were discovered. The first iron ore mine was opened just to the east at Soudan, MN in 1884. Tower was named after Charlemagne Tower who helped develop the Duluth and Iron Range Railroad line. From Soudan, this railway actually ended on the western shore of Lake Superior at Two Harbors, MN and not Duluth. You guessed it. Iron ore was its main passenger.

Again I repeat that we located the resort easily with my wife's exact directions. It was an 8 minute ride west of Tower and rested on the south shore of Vermilion Lake. The sign at the entrance identified it as, Pike Bay Lodge.

Initially, the property was an estate that was developed in the 1920s by Albert B. Coates. He was a former mining and banking executive. The main building/lodge housed guests as a bed and breakfast. We were afforded this luxury by our friends and happy to be accommodated. After our first night, we were informed that our sleeping quarters had previously been occupied by a former governor of Minnesota.

The resort grounds also included individual cabins with kitchenettes. One unique rental unit was an apartment/boathouse which was secured to the bank on Vermilion Lake. From our conversations, we learned that the Pike Bay facility was a desirable place for those wanting a mostly isolated, stress-free vacation getaway. The location was ideal for boating, hiking, year-round fishing, and snowmobiling in winter.

After the initial tour of the facility, we were served dinner in the lodge dining room by the resident cook—the wife! Slept well in the governor's suite!

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GENEALOGY REPORT

HALL

Dona M. Hall, 72, of Gas City, passed away at 5:05 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne.

She was born in Marion on Thursday, Aug. 30, 1951, to John and Georgia (Reece) Dickison.

Dona graduated from Eastbrook High School, Marion, and earned her associates in Human Resources from Ivy Tech.

She worked at Thomson Consumer, Marion, until its closure in 2004.

Family, especially her grandkids, were her world.

She always put everyone first. She sacrificed anything for her family.

Dona loved the Lord and was a member of the Greater Free Will Baptist Church.

She enjoyed cross-stitch and reading books.

Dona also really loved her cat, Toasty.

Survivors include her son, Kenneth Hall, of Grand Junction, Mich.; daughter, Stacy L. (Michael) Goodrich, of Hartford, Mich.; sister, Jerri Tomlinson, of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Coby Hall, of Gas City, Kelsey (Codi Erhardt) Hall, of Mishawaka, and Natasha (Joshua Gorske) Osborn, of Baroda, Mich.; great-grandchildren, Lilly, Skyler, Conner, Parker and Roman.

Dona was preceded in death by her parents, John and Georgia Dickison, brothers, Thomas Dickison and Seth Dickison, and sisters, Barbara Blair and Diana Dickison.

The family will receive visitors from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 29, 2023, at Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral & Cremation Service, Storey Chapel, 400 E. Main St., Gas City.

Immediately following the time of visitation, a service to celebrate Dona's life will begin at 1 p.m. with Pastor Charlie Sluess officiating.

Burial will take place at Estates of Serenity Cemetery, Marion.

COCKLIN

Mark A. Cocklin, 65 of Huntington, passed away at his residence on Thursday September 28, 2023.

Mark had worked at Fort Wayne Foundry and Allied/Jack Cooper. He was a member of the U.A.W. and the Teamsters, as well as the RIVO (Resurrected Iron Vintage Order) Car Club. Mark loved working on cars, attending car shows, and building models. It was said that his love for cars rivaled his love for his family jokingly. He enjoyed camping, fishing, and playing pool, and he was especially famous for his Halloween Bashes.

Mark was born on October 21, 1957 in Wells County, the son of the late Gordon Cocklin and Dollie (Fusselman) Carter.

He was married to Carol Karst on September 14, 1984.

Survivors include a his wife: Carol Karst of Huntington; three daughters: Chastity (Joshua Bear) Hastings of Bluffton, Heather (Travis) Clark of Huntington, and Christy (Eric) Snyder of Fort Wayne; a son: Heath (Abby) Cocklin of Huntington; four brothers: Monty (Gail) Cocklin of Huntington, Gordon (Martina) Cocklin of Warren, Raymond Cocklin of Warren, and Hoss (Jamie) Cocklin of Huntington. Sixteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday October 3, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Myers Funeral Home Markle Chapel. Located at 415 N. Lee Street, Markle IN 46770.

Funeral service will be held on Wednesday October 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. with one hour of calling prior to the service at the Myers Funeral Home Markle Chapel. Located at 415 N. Lee Street Markle IN 46770.

Interment will take place at Markle Cemetery

Memorial donations can be made out to the Alzheimer's Association in care of Myers Funeral Home, P.O. Box 403, Markle, IN 46770.

ELSWICK

Velma Christine Elswick, 85, of Warren, IN, passed away at 6:02pm on

Thursday, September 28, 2023, surrounded by her family at her home.

She was born on Sunday, September 25, 1938, in Hi Hat, KY to the late Jim Bob & Cora Lee (Estep) Elswick. Velma was a graduate of McDowell High School in McDowell, KY. After relocating to Indiana, Velma enrolled in the Huntington School of Cosmetology and graduated as a beautician. She enjoyed Cosmetology so much she taught for several years at the Huntington School of Cosmetology. Velma served the community and folks from all over the United States in the years she owned and operated the Hoosierland Restaurant right off of interstate 69. In her free time, she loved reading and shopping. Velma attended Healing Waters Ministry, where she was very active in many groups and sang in the church choir.

Loving survivors include her daughter, Lisa (Dave) Woenkhaus, Warren, IN, grandchildren, Cory Lee (Jennifer) Bianchi, Greenfield, IN, Christina (Brad) Barron, Howell, MI, great grandchildren, Tyler Bianchi, Greenfield, IN, Alex Barron, Howell, MI, Noah Barron, Howell, MI, sister, Jewell Turner, Cincinnati, OH, brother, Hershel L. Elswick, Taylor, MI and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, siblings, Elmer Elswick, Delmer Elswick, Jeanette Martin, Anna Belle Reid, Beulah Hall, JB Elswick, Clayton Elswick, Birschelle Elswick and Larry Elswick.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home located at 203 N. Matilda St Warren, IN on Monday, October 2, 2023, from 4pm to 8pm.



A service to celebrate Velma's life will be at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home at 11am on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, with Pastors Wayne Couch and Brenda Haddix officiating. Visitation will also be held one hour prior to service. Burial will follow in the Gardens of Memory in Marion.

Preferred memorials: Stillwater Hospice, 5910 Homestead Rd. Fort Wayne, Indiana 46814.

RAY

Laura L. Ray, 44 of Markle, passed away on Friday evening, September 29, 2023, at her residence, surrounded by her family.

She was born on December 20, 1978, in Marion, Indiana to James W. Lewis and Melanie Irwin. Laura was a 1997 graduate of Southern Wells High School and worked as a CNA for Heritage Pointe in Warren for many years. She graduated from Ivy Tech. Community College in Fort Wayne in 2017 with her degree as a Respiratory Therapist and started working at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Laura was a talented artist and enjoyed painting and crafts. She was an amazing cook and was always looking for new recipes to try. Laura enjoyed music, traveling, gardening and enjoyed the flowers in her gardens!

On May 5, 2023, Laura and Courtney M. Bourne were married in Huntington, Indiana.

Survivors include her spouse, Courtney of Markle and her former husband/best friend and devoted caregiver, Aaron M. Ray of Huntington. She is also survived by her sister, Kathryn (Jonah) Siegel of Indianapolis and her stepfather, James (Jennifer) Boots of Upland.

Laura is a huge animal lover and is survived by her 2 dogs, Stewie and Ivy and 4 cats, Fern, Blanche, Charlie and Artie.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services will take place at 7 P.M. on Thursday

(October 5, 2023) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Visitation will be held from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M. on Thursday, at the funeral home, prior to the service.

A private family burial will take place at Mossburg Cemetery in Liberty Center, Indiana.

Memorial may be made in Laura's memory to the Friends of the Wells County Animal Shelter and can be directed to the funeral home.

WESTFALL

Marcella E. Westfall, 94 of Huntington, Indiana,

formerly of Van Buren, IN, passed away on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at her home in Huntington.

Marcella was born on April 5, 1929, in Clear Creek Township to John and Frieda (Schenkel) Stephan. She graduated from Dallas Township High School in 1947. She married Dale L. Westfall on March 14, 1953, in Andrews, Indiana. Dale preceded her in death in July, 2011.

Marcella worked for Caswell Runion as a Telephone Operator for her first job.

She then worked for the Purdue Extension office for 6 years, then Huntington County Sheriff for 18 months before her marriage to Dale.

Other jobs she held were Lindley Box in 1953 as a typist, where she used her first

"electric" typewriter, General Tire, where she was a telephone operator, and Hoosier Grain during the harvest season. She also was a Guardian for Job's Daughters, Bethel #19 in Marion, always worked on the Grant County election board, and helped to organize and play on a girls' softball "semi-pro" team.

Marcella was a homemaker and then worked while Dale was in the service. She worked as a CNA at Bradner Village to put the girls through college, then at

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Colonial Oaks as a CNA and then in the office. She would continue to work in the therapy office of the Center on Sports Medicine until her retirement. Marcella was a hardworking and determined woman. She was an IU Hoosier fan and a fan of Bob Knight. She enjoyed her fishing trips to Minnesota with Dale, making delicious pies and food for her family, and spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Marcella is a current member and had a lifetime connection to St. Paul's County Line Church of Andrews.

Marcella was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and siblings, Eldon Stephan, James Stephan, and Rosemary Storer.

Loving survivors include her children, Linda (Mark) Iseler of Huntington, IN, Lisa (Jim) Lawrence of Nashville, IN, and Robert Westfall of Hutchinson, KS, grandchildren, Matthew Hoagland, Douglas Hoagland, Jerry (Vini) Westfall, Melissa Westfall, Lyndsey (Joey) Goff, Sara (Luke) Tusing, and Dane (Kelli) Davison, step-grandchildren, Kristen (Brian Lesney) Iseler, Holly (Rein) Mabon, Brian Lawrence, and Hannah (Scott) Caffey, 7 great grandchildren and 4 step great grandchildren, and siblings, Carl (Darlene) Stephan and Mae Leedy.

Friends and family may gather to share and remember at County Line Church located at 3995 N 1000 W, Andrews, IN 46702, on Friday, October 6, from 4pm to 8pm, on Saturday, October 7, from 2pm to 6pm and again on Sunday, October 8, from 12:30pm to 1pm. A funeral service will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2023, at 1pm, with Pastor Conrad Thompson and Pastor Aaron Westfall officiating. Burial will follow at Gardens of Memory in Marion.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Gilead Ministries, 212 N Baldwin Ave, Marion, IN

46952, County Line Church, 3995 N 1000 W, Andrews, IN 46702, or Redemption House, 2720 Fairfield Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46807.



HISTORY MATTERS

A feature courtesy of The Grateful American Book Prize Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future.

by John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

October 1 to October 15

Stephen Crane was born in 1871--six years after the Civil War. He was the youngest of 14 children from an impoverished family, but he persevered, and matured into a newspaper correspondent, and an author. At 24, he attained international fame with the publication of *The Red Badge of Courage*, a tale about a teenager who enlists in the Union Army. One hundred twenty-eight years later, it is still widely read.

Crane was not in good health. According to History.com, he "contracted tuberculosis in his late 20s. Cora Howard Taylor nursed him while he wrote furiously in an attempt to pay off his debts. He exhausted himself and exacerbated his condition. He died in June 1900, at the age of 28."

The Grateful American Book Prize suggests *The Red Badge of Courage*.

On October 8, 1956, Don Larsen made history. He pitched a "perfect" game--the fifth--against the Dodger's, a feat that has occurred only 24 times; in 150 years of baseball of baseball history, he is the only person to achieve the distinction in the midst of a World Series.

According to History.com, "Larsen did not pitch well in Game 2 of the 1956 Series. In the second inning at Ebbets Field, the Dodgers knocked Larsen from the game in their 13-8 win. Larsen didn't know he would start Game 5 three days later until he found a

fresh baseball in one of his cleats in the locker room--that was Yankees manager Casey Stengel's way of telling a pitcher that it was his day to pitch."

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Perfect: Don Larsen's Miraculous World Series Game and the Men Who Made it Happen by Lew Paper.

On October 14, 1947, U.S. Air Force Captain Chuck Yeager did what other pilots' thought was impossible: he piloted his X-1 super-jet over Rogers Dry Lake in Southern California and broke the sound barrier--at more than 662 miles per hour.

Yeager participated in 64 missions over Europe--during World War II--that rubbed out 13 German planes; "...[he] was...shot down over France, but...escaped capture with the assistance of the French Underground," according to History.com. "After the war, he was among several volunteers chosen to test-fly the experimental X-1 rocket plane, built by the Bell Aircraft Company to explore the possibility of supersonic flight."

Yeager died Dec 7, 2020--the 79th anniversary of Pearl Harbor--and of his entering World War II.

For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize endorses Yeager: An Autobiography.

A PREGNANCY ADVENTURE

by Daris Howard

One of my daughters is expecting a baby, and as with each new addition to our family, we are really excited. There are only a few weeks left, so I wasn't surprised when my cell phone started beeping every few seconds. I looked to see that everyone was guessing the day and time of the arrival, along with the baby's weight and length. It is a tradition in our family that each person who is closest in one of the four categories wins a candy bar.

When my mother came over for Sunday dinner, I asked her if she wanted to make a guess.

"I don't think so," she said. "I can just buy myself a candy bar if I want one."

"But it's the sense of adventure," I told her.

She grunted and said, "You're a man. What do you know about adventure when it comes to having a baby?"

"Well," I said, "we have had a few adventures getting to the hospital and a few more once we got there."

"Hmpf," my mother said. "Let me tell you about adventure."

Those at the dinner turned their attention to her as she told her story.

"After I had had my fifth child, I knew pretty well how my pregnancies would go. They had all been the same. I would be in miserable labor for two days, and then I would feel a change in the intensity. When that happened, I knew it wasn't going to be long, and I needed to get to the hospital. So, when my sixth child was born, and I had been in labor for two days, I was careful to pay attention to that change. When it came, I had your father rush me to the hospital.

"In those days, men were not allowed into the mother's hospital room or in the delivery room until the baby was born. Your father had to stay out in the waiting area. Once I was settled into my bed, the nurse checked me. 'You're not anywhere near ready,' she said. 'You might as well go back home for a while.'

"I told her I knew my pregnancies better than she did, and it wouldn't be long. She was a young nurse who was just new out of school, and she felt she knew better than me. She just grunted, rolled her eyes, and left the room. The contractions were intense, and about fifteen minutes later, I knew the baby was coming. I pressed the nurse's button, but no one came. I continued to press it, but still, no one came for about fifteen minutes. Finally, the young nurse returned.

"I asked, 'Didn't you hear the buzzer?' She said she had, but she hadn't worried about it because she knew I was nowhere near ready. She took her time checking me, and when she did, she yelled, 'The baby is almost here!' She then ran to the door and yelled down the hall for help.

"Meanwhile, the young nurse decided she should give me some gas to help with the pain. I told her there wasn't time for that, but she insisted. She got the mask and turned on the gas. In her state of anxiety, she felt everything was going too slow. She said, 'This dang gas must not be working because I can't smell anything.' She turned it up as high as it would go but still thought it wasn't working, so she turned the mask toward herself and promptly passed out onto the floor.

"A short time later, another nurse came in, saw the young nurse on the floor and the baby coming, and she hit the code-red button. Soon, people were scurrying around, knocking into each other with the gas still filling the room, until everyone started feeling loopy. I thought we were all going to pass out. Finally, someone thought to shut the gas off, everyone settled down, and the baby came."

Mom finished with, "Now, that was a baby delivery adventure. I bet you can't match that."

"Well," I said, "once when one of our babies was coming, Donna dug her nails into my hand so hard I almost bled."

Mom just said, "Hmpf. Wimp."

(Daris Howard, award-winning, syndicated columnist, playwright, and author, can be contacted at daris@darishoward.com; or visit his website at <http://www.darishoward.com>, to buy his books.)

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