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PRESRT STD

Thought for the Week: Always do right - this will gratify some and astonish the rest. Mark Twain

CHOPS & CHICKEN

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The Jefferson Center United Methodist Church Men's Fellowship will host a pork chop and chicken dinner on Tuesday, April 17 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Knight-Bergman Center in Warren. The menu will include a choice of a chicken breast or 6-ounce boneless pork chop with bun, green beans, applesauce, ice cream and drink. Adult tickets are \$6.50 and children's tickets are \$4.50. Additional chops and chicken breasts are available for \$1.50 with the purchase of a meal. Carry-outs will be available. The meal is being prepared by Bagley Roasting. Proceeds from the dinner will be used for community mission projects.

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dogwood Glen and Kim's Katered Affair will be hosting Sunday Brunch on April 15th. Menu will include: Sausage, Egg, and Cheese Bake, French Toast Casserole, Brown Sugar Ham, Chicken Fettucini Alfredo, Swiss Steak, Buttered Red Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Corn, Assorted Salads, Breads, Desserts and Beverages. Cost is \$8.00 per person and \$4.00 per child 10 & under. Interested Parties please call 375-4750.

WALKING IN THE GYM

We will be closing the gym for walkers next week on the 20th of April. Those of you that want to continue to walk outside can take a "stroll in the park" on the walking path or get a nice workout walking outside at the Heritage Pointe walking path.

Pre-Registration

Small World Nursery School in Warren is a non-profit pre-school, which has been serving the families of Warren and the surrounding area for twenty-seven years.

Small World is currently pre-registering students for the 2007-2008 school year.

Classes begin in September

and end in early May. The 3 year

old class attends on Tuesdays

and Thursdays from 9 - 11:30

am. The 4-5 year old class at-

tends on Monday, Wednesday

and Friday from 9-11:30 am or

12:00 - 2:30 pm. Children must

be 3 or 4 years old by August 1st.

The cost is \$500.00 for the 3 year

old class and \$600.00 for the 4-5

year old class, with a \$40 regis-

tration fee. Scholarships are

available. Please contact Diane

Kratzer at 375-3244 for more in-

The Warren United Church of

Christ will host their annual Spa-

ghetti Supper Sat. April 28th at

the Knight Bergman Center in

Warren. Serving time is 4:30 to

7:30 pm with carry outs avail-

The menu for the meal consists

of spaghetti, the famous meat

sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread

and some of the best homemade

pies and cakes you will find. Eat

with your friends at the Civic

center or your welcome to call

375-3550 and your carry out will

be ready for your pick up. Come

make this a family event and visit

your old friends and enjoy meet-

ing new ones. Everyone is wel-

come at the Knight - Bergman

Center in Warren. All proceeds

will benefit the future projects of

Come and join the Heritage Pointe

Team of Hope at East of Chicago

for a Pizza Buffet Fundraiser on

The Team of Hope will receive

\$1.00 from every buffet sold and

100% of all proceeds will be

donated to the Alzheimer's As-

sociation at the annual Memory

Walk on September 8th

the church.

ALL tips.

PIZZA BUFFET

April 24th from 5-8 pm.

Spaghetti Supper

formation.

able.

BLOOD DRIVE

In observance of 2007 National Volunteer Week, April 15-21, the Red Cross is celebrating all our hometown heroes.

Volunteers constitute 96 percent of the total American Red Cross work force to carry on the organization's humanitarian work. American Red Cross volunteers donate nearly half the nation's blood supply, reconnect more than 8,000 families separated by conflicts and disasters around the world through international tracking and Red Cross messages, and respond to 70,000 disasters annually. These and many other "ordinary" people have accomplished something extraordinary.

Join other hometown heroes by giving blood at the following blood drive:

• Thursday, April 26, at Knight Civic Center from 12 noon until 5 p.m. Knight Civic Center is located at 132 S. Nancy St. in Warren.

Visit www.redcross.org/ hometownheroes to meet hometown heroes from across the nation, submit your own definition of a hometown hero, or to send an e-card thanking someone for being your hometown hero.

If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. Ail donors need to present positive identification. For more information or to schedule your blood donation appointment, please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-300-448-3543).



TRADITION, TRADITION, TRADITION.... by Rachel Decker

The lives of the people in Anatevka are centered on tradition. They have traditions for eating, marriage and basically tradition for everything. So what happens when traditions aren't followed? Tevey, the main character of the story has five daughters. Instead of marrying who they want them to, the girls marry by breaking the agreement of their parents.

To find out what happens, come catch Fiddler on the Roof Jr. at the Salamonie School gym in Warren, Indiana on Friday April 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$3 at the door, children 5 and under get in for free. Come experience the deep love of family, chaotic weddings, and mild comic relief of a matchmaker on April 13th. Based off the book by Joseph Stine, music by Jerry Bock, and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick. Based on the stories of Sholem Alechem.

Pictured above: Maria Zigl, Jessica Stucky, Melanie Richards and Candice Wright practice the song "Matchmaker" for the Salamonie School production of "Fiddler on the Roof jr."

FISH FRY & MUSIC

The Southern Wells Music Department will present an evening "FISH FRY & MUSIC GALORE", Saturday April 14, 4:00 to 7:00 PM, in the SWHS cafeteria. The meal will feature the popular Dan's fish and chicken, all you care to eat, plus potato chips, seasoned green beans, desert, and drink. The entertainment will feature all Southern Wells Music groups from the band and choir departments (see schedule below).

Adult dinners are \$7.00. Children 10 & under are \$5.00. Meals are available by advance reservation only, available from any Southern Wells Music Student. Proceeds from this event will fund a new display case for Southern Wells Music Department trophies, in addition to other projects.

Performance Schedule: 4:00 - 5th Grade Band; 4:15 - 6th Grade Band: 4:30 - Junior High Band 7; 4:40 - Junior High Band 8; 5:00 - High School Concert Band; 5:20 - Raider Force Pep Band; 5:50 - Junior High Choir; 6:05 - High School Concert Choir; 6:30 - In-Harmony (Elementary Show Choir); 6:50 - Raider Rhythm (Jr. High Show Choir); 7:05 - Singers (HS Show Choir)

Troubled? Try Prayer! WFFSF SOFT DDLANCE SALES 231 N. Wayne, Warren -- 375-3828 • 1-800-356-4440 For Financial & Budgeting Encouragement Call 1-800-722-1976

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Kudos, Kicks & Karats

SPEAKING FOR THE ANIMALS

I am writing in response to, and in support of the Rural Warren Resident's letter last week regarding dumping animals. I hope this letter struck a chord with those guilty parties. Shame on you for abandoning these innocent creatures and expecting those of us with compassion and a sense of responsibility to take care of them! What does this act teach our children about life? That we can just dump it on the side of the road and wash our hands of it. I was raised to assume responsibility for my actions. That is why I take care of my animals and speak out on behalf of them. Someone needs to have a voice for the voiceless.

> Thank you, Rural Warren Resident for raising yours! Helen W. DeGennaro

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK APRIL 15-21, 2007

In our busy lives, nothing is more valuable than time. It follows that volunteers-people who chose to give their time to make this a better community-are very valuable indeed.

Fewer than one-third of adults give their time through volunteer work, according to the Corporation for National and Community Service. That makes it especially important that the efforts of those who do donate their time and energy are recognized during National Volunteer Week April 15-21.

People are often shocked to learn that a full 96 percent of the national American Red Cross workforce is made up of volunteers. Locally, over 200 of your neighbors volunteer through the Huntington County chapter, all of them working to make each of us safer. Our volunteers respond to local disasters, such as fires, floods, ice storms and tornadoes; many volunteer to go across the state or across the nation if needed. They teach people lifesaving skills such as water safety, first aid and CPR, babysitting, and disaster preparedness. They help local military families exchange emergency messages with their loved one and serve on our local board. They help make sure that blood is there when it is needed by organizing blood drives, recruiting donors, and more. Volunteers answer the phone at our chapter, clean the manikins we use in our CPR training, plan our fundraising events, drive veterans to medical appointments, and teach basic safety and hygiene to elementary school children.

We thank our volunteers, as well as the volunteers of so many other organizations here in Huntington County. It is hard to imagine what kind of community we would have without you and the services you provide.

> Sincerely, James Griffith **Executive Director** American Red Cross Huntington County Chapter



Worship 9:30 a.m. Wed Evening Carry-in & Fellowship6:30 p.m. **BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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Gary Riley, Pastor Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Youth Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m. Thurs. Kings Kids6:30 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. **BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST** Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor Jerome Markley, S.S. Supt. Sunday Worship 9:30a.m. Sunday School 10:30a.m. BUCKEYECHRISTIANCHURCH 758-2085 Kyle Dahlquist, Pastor Sandy Keplinger, Supt. Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:45 a.m. **CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH** Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199 Pastor Anna Kroencke Youth Minister Lynne Payne Worship9:30 a.m. Sunday School10:40 a.m. Bible Study, Wednesday.....10:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship Sun6:00 p.m. Word of Life — Majenica Rev. Malcolm & Jackie Howell 260/356-1246 DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779 Dick Case, Pastor Sun - 1st Worship Service 8:15a.m. Youth Group (6th-12th).6:00p.m. Wed - Circle of Friends (3yrs old - 5th grade) . 6:30-8p.m. - all Sunday 6:00 p.m. HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor

1st Worship......9:00 a.m. 2nd Worship......10:30 a.m. 3rd Worship11:11 a.m. HERITAGE POINTE Sunday Morning Worship9:30 a.m. OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Tues. Thurs. Fri & Sat

260-375-2201 HILLCREST **CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE** 375-2510 Clyde Gunn, Pastor Bus Service 375-2510 Sunday School9:30 a.m. Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Evening Worship......6:00 p.m. Youth Group (Wed.).....6:00 p.m. Wed. Midweek Service......6:30 p.m. **JEFFERSONCENTER UNITED METHODIST** Corner of 900S & 300W Kathy Newton, Pastor Sunday School8:45 a.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m. LANCASTER WESLEYAN 468-2411 Doug Sharrard, Pastor David Thrift, S.S. Supt. Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m. Wednesday: CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m. LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH 694-6622 Pastor Dan Sommer Sunday School9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:55a.m. Worship 10:15a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. LIBERTYCENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Dan Helm, Pastor Morning Worship9:30 a.m. 375-4359 Bill VanHaften, Pastor Lois Slusher, Supt.

Coffee Fellowship......8:30 a.m. Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m. MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST 260/468-2148 Rev. Tom DeFries - Pastor

Sunday School......9:30a.m. Trad. Worship 9:00 a.m. 2nd Worship Service10:30a.m. Mdrn Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship & Classes 9:30 a.m. Kids Club. Youth Group & Adult Studies

MOUNT ETNA WESLEYAN	
Rev. Charles	Dederick, 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.
THENEW/DECININING	

THE NEW BEGINNING SR 218. 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto Steve Sutton. Pastor 765/728-2065 for more info

ThursdayPrayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.



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Huggy Bear

Ice Cream Stop and

SEND YOUR FAVORITE OUT-OF-TOWNER, COLLEGE STUDENT OR RELATIVE A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE WARREN WEEKLY. IT MAKES A TREASURED GIFT EVERY YEAR. (SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS)

Attend the Church of Your Choice

STAMP VOTE

A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, Hans Solo, Yoda, and R2-D2 began a journey across the universe, with Darth Vader in hot pursuit. That journey will end in the Warren Post Office after May 25 when 15 new 41-cent Star Wars commemorative postage stamps go on sale.

The commemorative stamps were unveiled recently at Grauman's Chinese Theatre in Los Angeles, where the first Star Wars movie opened nearly 30 years ago.

"I expect with the popularity of the Star Wars films, fans in Warren will be delighted with these exciting new postage stamps," said Postmaster Stephanie Bauman.

The commemorative stamps feature images from all six movies in the Star Wars saga: Luke Skywalker; Han Solo and Chewbacca: Princess Leia Orqana with R2-D2; C-3PO: Yoda; Queen Padme Amidala: Obi-Wan Kenobi as seen in Episodes IV through VI; Anakin Skywalker battling Obi-Wan Kenobi; Darth Vader; Emperor Palpatine; Darth Maul: Imperial stormtroopers: Boba Fett; the Millennium Falcon: and an Xwing fighter.

The Star Wars and USPS collaboration began March 16, when 400 mailboxes around the country were decorated to look like R2-D2. Six of the R2D2 mailboxes are located in Indianapolis.

The U.S. Postal Service is inviting the public to vote for its favorite image. The stamp receiving the most votes will be issued as a single stamp sheet, available for sale this summer. Voting for the most popular Star Wars stamp will take place online at www.uspsjedimaster.com beginning March 28, through May 23. The winning stamp will be announced at the first-day-of-issue ceremony on May 25.

In a second contest, customers can solve six different challenges about Postal Service products and services featuring a Star Wars theme.

Customers who answer each challenge correctly during the contest's March 28 to May 7 run progress to the next challenge. The winner of this contest receives an all-expenses-paid trip for four to Star Wars Celebration IV in Los Angeles.

"The Jedi Shipping and Mailing Master challenge is a fun, interactive Web tool," said Bauman. "It reminds customers of the quick,



easy and convenient suite of services available from the Warren Post Office." To learn more about both con-

tests, visit www.uspsjedimaster.com.

COUNCIL NOTES

by Bonnie Lloyd

The Van Buren Town Council held their first meeting of April on Tuesday evening, April 3. President Tony Manry opened the meeting at 7 p.m. and all in attendance repeated the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted. Council discussed tax abate-

ment for Modern Machine and Tool. Council agreed to purchase a

new copy machine for the Clerk's Office.

It was announced that hydrant flushing will be done April 9 to 11. The next Council meeting will be Wednesday evening, April 18.

New Books

A few of the new books obtained by the Warren Library recently include:

Adult fiction – When the Heart Cries: Sisters of the Quilt by Woodsmall; Swimming Lessons by MA Monroe; Miss Julia Strikes Back by AB Ross; I Heard That Song Before by MH Clark; Fresh Disasters by S Woods; Damsels in Distress by J Hess; Echoes of the Dance by M Willett; The Refuge by S Henry; The Alibi Man by Hoag; The Alpine Scandal by Daheim; Heartstopper by J Fielding. Adult nonfiction – Starting Your Best Life by J Osteen; In Their Shoes: Extraordinary Women Describe Their Amazing Careers; An Inconvenient Truth by A Gore; Get in the Game by C Ripkin; The Essential House Plan Collection; Watching Baseball Smarter; The Complete Household Handbook; Hardy Plants; 1001 Delicious Recipes for People with Diabetes.

Area News

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Students achieving Perfect Attendance at Salamonie School for the 3rd quarter are as follows.

Kindergarten - Lacey Boxell, Mackenzie Bradler, Kaytlynn Chaney, Brock Eltzroth, Alysa Gray, Mikala Holder, Clayton Johnson, Drew Kreiger, Fletcher Sabinske, William Sackett, Dylan Scalf, Brock Spahr, Joseph Stallings, Devin Suchcicki, Garrett Trout, Rylee Williams

1st Grade - Carson Bolinger, Cory Bustos, Jarret Gray, Brady Johnson, Michael Langston, Andrew Lund, Conner Mason, Alyssa Newsome, Henry Sackett, Leigh Trickle, Benjamin Warpup, Maggie Winters

2nd Grade - Robert Bolinger, Johnna Cummins, Brent Kreiger, Lily Sabinske, Brooke Trice

3rd Grade - Nicole Anderson, Madison Canady, Mikayla Gray, Delaney Huff, Nicholas Kimmel, Carlie Moser, Spencer Vernon Sharpe, Kimberly Wilson

4th Grade - Tyler Boxell, Bryant Bradler, David Bradler, Austin Eltzroth, Garrett Fowler, Shelbie Goulding, Blake Gray, Shane Hester Spann, Jacob Leming,

AMERICAN RED CROSS & WARREN RECREATION Spring Swim Lessons

at the Salamonie School Pool

Sign-up at Salamonie School Cafeteria on Friday, April 20, 2007 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

All classes will be held on Tuesday, Thursday & Friday evenings for three weeks for a \$30 fee per class. There is a possibility that the School will be closed this Summer for some updating of water lines and we will not be able to have Summer lessons. Please enroll your child now so you will not miss out. We will post June's classes at a later date if we are able to use the pool.

SESSION I - April 24 thru May 11

- 4:45 5:30 Level II (4,5 & 6 yr olds) / Level IV
- 5:30-6:15 Level III
- 6:15 7:00 Level II
- 7:00 7:45 Leel I (Parent taught 3 and under) / Level V

SESSION II - May 15 thru June 1

- 4:45 5:30 Level IV / Level III
- 5:30 6:15 Level II
- 6:15 7:00 Level I (Parent taught 3 and Under)
- 7:00 7:45 Level II (4, 5 & 6 yr olds / Level III

Teachers will be Shanna Fortney, Sarah Geiger, and Stacia Perry. If you have questions please call Shanna Fortney at 375-3648 or Stacia Perry at 765-728-8608. Leave a message and we will get back with you as soon as possible. We will not sign anyone up before the actual sign-up date. Please attend sign-up unless you are absolutely unable. Catherine Littleford, Kelly Maginnis, Alexis Moriarity, Matthew Shafer, Quintin Surfus, Mariah Thornsbury

5th Grade - Dale Buff, Alysse Bustos, Grant Canady, Paige Coolman, Lucas Donovan, Alaina Ellenburg, Kole Hale, Brady Herr, Cassidy Johnson, Laresa Lund, Ashley Mitchell, Drew Murphy, Abigail Oursler, Harmony Piqune, Ethan Riddell, Connor Sabinske, Robert Sliger, Alissa Weight

6th Grade - Jacob Banks, Samuel Benslay, Andrew Boxell, Taylor Boxell, Elizabeth Bucher, Michael Dakin, Paul Ehler, Jason Ervin, Rhyan Geiger, Emily Hethcote, Austin Kistler, Nicholas Murphy, Dakota Plasterer, Alexandra Stanley, Austin Stucky, Jarrica Thornsberry, Britney Thornsbury, Marshall Wyatt

7th Grade - Nicholas Bailey, Elizabeth Blinn, Brandi Booher, Kaitlyn Campbell, Tory Couch, Nola Cummins, Cassandra Hacker, Rachel Herr, Shelby Hiner, Briana Johnson, Jeffrey Kimmel, Matthew Landrum, Katharina Lane, Lacie Millard, Clinton Rosen, Austin Shaw, Nicole Smith, Jessica Stucky, Nathan Wright, Maria Zigl

8th Grade - Douglas Baker, Katie Beckler, Ashley Bradley, Cody Buzzard, Colton Frecker, Anthony Griffith, Austin Hott, Brad Jennings, Shelby Kittle, Kelsey Konz, Evan Mower, Anthony Nelson, Jacob Piqune, Melanie Richards, Christopher Ripley, Mitchell Sprowl, Laura

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Stafford, Michael Ward, Whitney Ward, Benjamin Weight, Kirsten Westlund, Phillip Zook.

HONOR ROLL

Students achieving Honor Roll Status at Salamonie School for the third quarter are as follows. All A's

8th Grade - Dylan Gray, Kelsey Konz, Kayla Schenkel, Mitchell Sprowl

7th Grade - Nicholas Bailey, Elizabeth Blinn, Shelby Bradford, Steven Freck, Cassandra Hacker, Landon Poulson, Nicole Smith 6th Grade - Mackinzie Sharpe,

Rebecca Smith, Mariah Zumbrun 5th Grade - Thomas Bolinger, Paige Coolman, Alaina Ellenburg, Lea Gamble, Jonathon Goulding, Kole Hale, Cassidy Johnson, Gabrielle Mason, Braydon Poulson, Connor Sabinske, Alissa Weight, Nicholas Wilburn 4th Grade - Stephanie Glessner, Mariana Lane

3rd Grade - Olivia Bolinger, Madison Canady, Kaitlyn Drayer, Mason Hollinger, Delaney Huff, Spencer Sharpe, Isaac Smith, Carri Thompson, Jacob White

2nd Grade - Shania Brown, Johnna Cummins, Uriah DeWeese, Marcus Donovan, Garrett Girvin, Hayley Haynes, Bailey Irick, Elijah Link, Alexis Miller, Lily Sabinske, Sophia Smekens, Nicholas Stucky, **Brooke Trice**

A's and B's

8th Grade - Douglas Baker, Elizabeth Bolinger, Shelby Boxell, Alexander Bradford, Cody Buzzard, Joshua David, Rachel Decker, Kaylie Dunn, Katherine Keen, Colin McIntire, Jordan Parrot, Brittany Rogers, Josephine Rybolt, Katelyn Schuck, Rebecca Smalling, Cody Stroud, Phillip Zook

7th Grade - Robin Bowlds, Victoria Bryant, Erin Burnworth, Kaitlyn Campbell, Jennifer Coolman, Tory Couch, Nola Cummins, Heather Duke, Chase Gray, Hunter Heiland, Rachel Herr, Shelby Hiner, Briana Johnson, Kyle Konz, Trenten Lahr, Matthew Landrum, Katharina Lane, Shana Leonhardt, Tria Loshe, Sarah Maginnis, Joshua Platt, Jeremy Rice, Elizabeth Riley, Spencer Sabinske, Austin Shaw, Jessica Stucky, Stephen Willard, Candice Wright, Maria Zigl

6th Grade - Samuel Benslay, Cassandra Borntreger, Andrew Boxell, Taylor Boxell, Elizabeth Bucher, Holli Drummond, Paul Ehler, Jason Ervin, Austin Gearhart, Shaleenah Grimm, Taylor Lahr, Catherine Moriarity, Dakota Plasterer, Karson Rowe, Alexandra Stanley, Dakota Sunday, Britney Thornsbury, Thomas Trout, Anthony Warner, Tess Widener

5th Grade - Andrew Anderson, Jared Bradford, Dale Buff, Grant Canady, Addison Clark, Halie Collins, Quentin Custer, Gabriella Greene, Joshua Leidig, Laresa Lund, Drew Murphy, Ethan Riddell, Devyn Schenkel, Robert Sliger, Brianna Velasquez

4th Grade - Tyler Boxell, Bryant Bradler, Austin Eltzroth, Garrett Fowler, Mariah Gardner, Shelbie Goulding, Blake Gray, Jacob Leming, Catherine Littleford, Kari Rains, Fiona Sackett, Matthew Shafer, Kyle Skidmore, Tiffany Smithley, Walker Spahr, Quintin Surfus, Mariah Thornsbury, Kaylea Trowbridge, Elijah Vance, Lina Willard, Kayla Zumbrun

3rd Grade - Mason Boyd, Mikayla Gray, Madison Karst, James Kibellus, Nicholas Kimmel, Elizabeth Mitchell, Zachary Parks, Katherine Pugh, Jonathan Schindler, Dalaney Tyner, Ally Voght

2nd Grade - Robert Bolinger, Olivia Bowman, Jared Bradler, Tianna Caudill, Kayci Clark, Gwyneth Coleman, Jared Coolman, Edwin Davis, Eli Gill, Corrie Glisson, Brent Kreiger, Cassandra Littleford, Bailey Martin, Stephanie Smithley, Justin Zumbrun

Red HATTER UPDATE

As soon as Florida sends back our vacationing Red Hatters we will back in full swing again. We did have a lovely spring tea...cohosted by Fritz Boxell and Lilly Nutter. It was enjoyed by Dianna Bradford, Martha Buzzard, Jo Chatham, Shirley Combs, Audrey Garrett, Chris Knox and Helen Jo Strassner. We also were guests at the Huntington County Senior Center's annual Fish Fry recently. We really enjoy the decorated table they always have for us. There just hasn't been time to report all that has been accomplished. Our Queen Mum has mailed 305 pkgs. to the troops, including magazines and little stuffed animals for the children receiving care at our clinic in Bagdad. Each child receives an animal, a sucker and a small piece of candy. We are told the parents are as thrilled as the children with the gifts. How very blessed we are...God bless America.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Jackson Township Euchre Club met at the home of Marjorie Michaud. Joyce Willman and Doris Tyler tied for high, Marge Jones had low and Mary Jo Zoda had the most lones. Others enjoying the evening were Carolyn Carroll, Florence Taylor, Sharon Gebhart, Phyllis Dickey, Jane Lieurance, Rose Mary Helm and Joan Huffman. Next month we will meet at the home of Marge Jones.

Sigma Phi

The regular meeting of the Beta Delta chapter of the Sigma Phi Gamma Sorority was held Tuesday, April 3rd at the Knight-Bergman Center. President Beth Ostermeyer presided.

During the business meeting a report was given of the April 1st buffet at the Center. The chapter will also do a buffet on May 6 with the same menu. Members are asked to help with the preparations on May 5th.

It was announced that applications for the scholarship the chapter gives are now in the schools.

A donation to the Founder's Park in Hartfold City in memory of Georgia Poulson was made.

Those in attendance included: Rosemary Zeller, Sharon Gebhart, Betty Yoder, Sondra Zabel, Sandy Eichorn, Carol Irick, Suzette Gephart, Susan Ralston, Tara Korporal, Peggy Sue Clark, Jennie Plummer, and Beth Ostermever.

BREEDLOVE RETIRES

After over 50 years of service, Barbara Breedlove retired from Heritage Pointe in December. On March 27th, in the attractively decorated Fults Recreation Room at Heritage Pointe, her retirement reception was held.

David Souder, Administrator, accompanied members of the Board of Trustees to the reception. Following in line were residents and members of Wood Ridge and Dogwood Glen Villas. Among those in line were staff, employees, former coworkers, and friends. Barbara's husband, Kyle, was there, as well as Barbara's sister, Mrs John Paul (Donna) Bolinger, her niece, Stacia Perry, and long-time friend, Millie Border. Other out of town guests included Chris Schenkel of Fort Wayne and Marilyn and John Sunderman of Huntington.

A special table was set aside for cards, floral arrangements, and gifts. The many special messages on the cards were also voiced by those in the receiving line. Barbara felt the sincere words of good wishes and uplifting thoughts were most gratifying. In addition, many cards, telephone calls, and flowers were received at the Breedlove home.

Special thanks go to Cynthia and Richard Bonham and their able assistants, Karen Herr and Kim Park. Mrs John Bellante, Mrs Melvin Dooley, and Mrs Kay Mounsey graciously served refreshments from the beautiful table. The other tables were cleverly decorated using gold foil wrapped boxes arranged with pots of African violets, individually wrapped and adorned with lavender colored ribbons. It was a clever and creative way to feature

Barbara's favorite flower, violets. Photographs were taken by Suzette Gephart.

The lovely reception was greatly appreciated and Barbara wants to thank everyone.

HAPPY HATTERS

The Van Buren Happy Red Hatters met Thurs., March 22 for lunch and meeting at Matthews Family Restaurant. Then on to Matthews Mercantile for some serious browsing and shopping. Those in attendance were Shirley Shinholt, Norma Briner, Paul Shepherd, Waneta Bald, Willadeane Harte, Nancy Cook, Helen Fincannon, Irene Pickard, Rosemary Hammons, Anna Lou Saylor, Mary Elian Hawkins, Janet Hunnicutt, and Lana Stuber. The next meeting and lunch will be Thurs. April 26, at The Outpost Restaurant, (corner of St. Rds'9&26). Ladies are to meet at the Christian Church parking lot. Van Buren at 11:00 A.M.

ANNUAL MEETING

Alpha Province, Sigma Phi Gamma International Sorority held their annual meeting at Comfort Suites, Marion, IN, March 17 and 18, 2007. The hostess chapterwas Epsilon Chapter, Marion, IN, with Judy Holland as Chairman. The theme for the weekend was "Tropical Paradise."

NU Chapter, Wabash, Indiana presented the Zeta Memorial Service.

Alpha Province consists of eleven chapters including Bluffton, Dunkirk, Elwood, Hartford City, Huntington, Lafayette, Logansport, Marion, Peru, Wabash and Warren. Irene Worley, Edith Bocock, Phyllis Royce, Ferne Shick and Violet Tindall founded the sorority in Hartford City in 1920, all designated Life Founders. The sorority has 121 Active chapters and 32 Alumna chapters in twenty-one Provinces throughout the United States and Canada.

Delegates from the local Beta Delata Chapter were Carol Irick and Tara Korporal.

Local members in attendance that weekend were Sondra Zabel, Rosemary Zeller, Opal Brubaker and Beth Ostermeyer.

The chapters in Alpha Province donated a total of 6,295.25 service hours and 14,255.51 service miles in 2006 to service projects in their local communities. The Province Service Fund of \$400.00 was given to Epsilon Zeta, Bluffton, IN for purchasing kitchen appliances for "A Friend's House", a residential facility that provides a safe place for young women to live as they learn to successfully handle a myriad to disorders. "A Friend's House" is located in Bluffton and serves the Fort Wayne area and all of northeastern Indiana and northwest Ohio. The new officers for 2007 - 2008 are President: Beth Ostermeyer, Beta Delta, Warren, Editor: Betty Sprunger, Alpha Mu, Peru, Secretary: Delia Kochert Alpha Delta, Lafayette, Organizer: Renee Chenault, NU, Wabash and Counselor: Cissie Dallas-Grimm, Alpha Mu, Peru. The 2008 Hostess chapter is Nu Chapter, Wabash, IN.



Genealogy Report

MOUNSEY

James C. "Jim" Mounsey, 76, of Bluffton died at home with his family on Tuesday morning, April 3, 2007, following an extended illness. He was a life long farmer. He was a Wells County Farm Bureau board member, and president for several years. He also served as president of Wells County 4-H for one term. He was a member of the Plum Tree United Church of Christ.

He was born in Wells County on Sept. 13, 1930, a son of Clifford and Fern (Curry) Mounsey. He graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1949. He was married in Wells County on May 6, 1951, to Amie Lee (Craig) Mounsey, who survives.

He is also survived by his sons, Craig (Connie) Mounsey of Markle and Gary (Carol) Mounsey of Bluffton, along with five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Thoma/Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, with Dr. Jeane Spoor officiating. Burial followed in Mossburg Cemetery. Preferred memorials may be made to the Plum Tree United Church of Christ or to Family Hospice of Northeast Indiana.

ALFREY

A former teacher at Southern Wells Elementary School, Freida Mary May Alfrey, 91, died Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at Americare Living Center in Hartford City.

A native and lifelong resident of Blackford County, she retired in 1985 from Southern Wells where she was teaching the First Grade class. She was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church and a 50-year member of the Rebekah Lodge.

She was born Oct. 25, 1915 in Jackson Township to Willard and Mary May (Russell) Herrin.Her marriage on Feb. 8, 1941 in Greensburg was to James "Dale" Alfrey, who preceded her in death on Feb. 7, 1993.

Survivors include a daughter, Dianna Alfrey and a son, James Alfrey, both of Hartford City; two grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

Services were held at the Grace United Methodist Church in Hartford City. Calling hours were held at the Keplinger Funeral Home in Hartford City.

Burial was in the Hartford City Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the church.

TUDOR

Zachary Christopher Tudor, infant, of Hartford City, died Monday, April 9, 2007, at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie.

He was born on April 9, 2007 to Brian A. Tudor and Jennifer (Overla) Tudor.

He is survived by his parents Brian A. and Jennifer Tudor, Hartford City; brothers Derek A. Tudor and Levi C. Tudor of Hartford City; grandparents, Meredith A. and Nancy Tudor of Warren, and grandparents Charles L. and Debbie J. Overla of Hartford City; aunts, Lisa (Husband – Donnie) Gibson and Cassie Overla and uncles, Chuck (Wife – Amber) Overla and Greg (Wife – Sherri) Overla.

There will be a private funeral service for Zachary at Keplinger Funeral Home, 509 North High Street, Hartford City, Thursday, April 12, 2007 with Rev. Bobby Thomas from the Full Gospel Lighthouse Tabernacle Church officiating.

Interment will follow at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Muncie. Memorials may be made to Donor's Choice.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.keplingerfuneralhome.com.



Steven Lee Bradford, 38, Harvest AL, died at 10:12 a.m. Monday, April 9, 2007 at his residence. Mr Bradford was born May 8. 1968 to Stanley D and Dorothy L Bradford in Marion. He was formerly of Marion and Huntington. He attended Ball State University and was a graduate of ITT in Fort Wayne. He was a Regulatory Coordinator at Universal Lighting Technologies in Madison Alabama for 17 years. He enjoyed four-wheeling, fishing and was an avid stock car enthusiast.

He was a member of the Sunnycrest United Methodist Church in Marion and a 1986 graduate of Marion High School. Surviving in addition to his parents are his maternal grandmother Gladys Sparks of Marion; sister Cindy (Tony) Sales of Fishers; brother Scott of Marion; two nieces Alixandra Bardford of Edmond OK and Sophia Sales of Fishers; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Paul Sparks and his paternal grandparents Lillian and Hubert Bradford.

Calling hours will be held Thursday, April 12 from 3 to 8 p.m. at Glancy Funeral Homes H Brown & Son Chapel. Services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Barry Humble officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's favorite charity.

Bread of Life Food Pantry Hours Wednesday 4-5:30 p.m. Saturday 10 to 11:30 at Knight Civic Center or Call for an appointment 375-2381



SPRING CLEAN UP

A spring clean up day was held on March 31st at the Thompson Home Farm Cemetery. Thirteen people braved the rain and wind to cut down a tree and trim shrubs. A great job was done by John Vickery, Stacia Perry, Tamara Spahr, Tim Ford, Kedrick Barr, Sandra and Tom Hodges, Roger Irick, Carol Irick, Mike and Carson Bolinger, Ned Huffman, and Wendell Thompson.





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EASTER EGG HUNT

Fifteen children and a number of adults were in attendance for an Easter Egg Hunt held on Saturday afternoon, March 31. The hunt was held on the lawn of the Wesleyan Church, corner of Sixth and Nancy Streets.

After the hunt the children went into Fellowship Hall for refreshments. All children in attendance received a prize.

SR FISHING LICENSE

Each senior citizen's purchase of a discounted senior fishing license will bring the state an additional \$7.90 of federal money, starting April 1, 2008, as the result of a bill signed by Gov. Mitch Daniels, March 30.

The funding gained will go toward sport fish restoration programs, and expanding and maintaining public access to lakes and streams throughout the state.

With the change, state residents 64 and older (born after March 31, 1943), must buy either a \$3 senior license each year (lower than any neighboring state's fee), or a one-time \$17 Fish for Life senior license to be able to fish in public waters. The \$17 fee is the same price that 64year old anglers currently pay for their yearly license; however, the Fish for Life license would be the last fishing license they would ever need to purchase in Indiana. "Governor Daniels, the General

Assembly and our organized sportsmen's groups really stepped up to help make this happen and we owe them our thanks," said Rob Carter, DNR director. "We hope the low cost won't cause any hardships for our dedicated senior anglers."

Indiana anglers age 65 or older born before April 1, 1943, will be exempt from having to buy either of the two discounted senior licenses. In other words, no senior who currently fishes public waters at no charge would be affected by the new law, except by reaping benefits gained from use of the additional federal funding.

Approximately 5,460 Hoosier anglers, age 64, bought a 2006 Indiana fishing license. If the same number were to buy a senior license in 2008, the state would gain \$43,000 from the federal government. In 10 years, the total would swell to \$2.3 million.

The federal program is funded by excise taxes on fishing equipment and boat fuel. These funds are distributed to states based in part on the number of licensed anglers in the state. Since Indiana senior citizens did not purchase licenses before the change, they could not be counted as licenses sold, so a portion of the money gained from the excise tax charged to Hoosiers on equipment such as rods, reels, lures and boat fuel was distributed to other states.

DNR Division of Fish and Wildlife statistics show that last year there were approximately 90,000 Indiana seniors fishing in the state.

The DNR maintains more than 350 fishing sites, but many lakes and streams still lack public access. Additional funds are needed to purchase lands from willing sellers, and to construct boat ramps, parking lots, entrance roads and ADA-accessible facilities. In addition, increased funding is needed for maintenance projects at these access sites, including the periodic rebuilding of worn-out ramps.

The DNR operates eight fish hatcheries that provide more than 20 million fish of 15 different species for stocking in public waters each year. The two newest hatcheries are 20 years old. Others date back to early in the last century. As these facilities age, repair costs mount. Without reinvestment made possible by the new legislation, these hatcheries would not be able to adequately supply tomorrow's anglers.

MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY

Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography unit, a program that offers mammograms in a fully equipped 40-foot-long motor coach using the latest diagnostic technologies, will visit Huntington County beginning in April, and will return several times throughout the year.

Francine's Friends is being brought to Huntington County through the efforts of Parkview Huntington Hospital's CommunityHealth Improvement Program. The mobile mammography initiative is a partnership between the Breast Diagnostic Center, ParkviewComprehensiveCancer Center, Fort Wayne Radiology and Francine's Friends.

The first stop in Huntington will be on April 10 at the Riverfront Plaza. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted if the schedule is not full.

Screening mammography is recommended for women who:

Are age 40 and older and have not had a mammogram screening in the past 12 months

Have no prior or current history of breast cancer or problems with their breasts

"Francine Schubert had an untiring approach to life and was an inspiration to all who knew her," according to Debi Kennedy, community outreach coordinator for ParkviewComprehensiveCancer Center and Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography. After a long fight with cancer, from which she passed away, a group of local businesswomen wished to memorialize Schubert. The group came to be known as Francine's Friends.

At about the same time in 2003, results of a Community Health Survey in northeast Indiana counties determined that women 40 and over who had received a mammogram within the past two years fell well behind national findings. As a result, Parkview Community Health Improvement Program and the Parkview Comprehensive Cancer Center initiated a program to increase awareness of the need for women to receive mammography screenings.

Francine's Friends approached Parkview Hospital with its idea, and then went on to raise more than \$400,000 to purchase and convert a 40-foot recreational vehicle into a traveling state-of-theart mammography unit that is staffed by the Breast Diagnostic Center. As of December 2006, more than 1,900 women have been screened in the mobile unit since Francine's Friends' began its screenings in December 2005. In addition to Francine's Friends providing an opportunity for women with busy lifestyles to receive schedule and mammograms, many women in a low income bracket, women who have no insurance or women

who have insurance with a high deductible have taken advantage of the program. In fact, 33 percent of the women screened during its first year were funded by Francine's Friends and the Parkview Community Health Improvement Program.

In addition to the Riverfront Plaza site, Francine's Friends will also be making stops this year in Huntington County on the following dates:

April 24 — Wal-Mart Plaza, Huntington

June 6 — Main Street Fire Station, Andrews

July 3 — Trinity United Methodist Church, 530 Guilford St., Huntington

July 19 — Kroger/Owens North, Huntington

Aug. 7 — Huntington Ave, Fire Station, Warren

Oct. 2 — Main Street Fire Station, Roanoke

Dec. 11 — Riverfront Plaza, Huntington

Appointments may be made by calling, toll-free, (800) 727-8439, Ext. 26540, or (260) 483-1847. Financial assistance programs are available.

Disaster Training

The Huntington County chapter of the American Red Cross participated in a Chapter Disaster Readiness Evaluation Exercise

(CDREE) April 2 - 4, facilitated by representatives of the National organization. Also participating were representatives from the Huntington County Emergency Management Agency, Warren Fire Department and the Knight Bergman Center. The evaluation exercise included a table-top scenario of a tornado touching down in Warren and destroying several homes and businesses. Based on this scenario the chapter's disaster plan was compared to actual human and material resources. Strengths and weaknesses in the plan were analyzed and recommendations were made for improvements.

The Huntington County American Red Cross volunteers and staff performed very well despite many of them being placed into roles they were previously unfamiliar with. The experience and flexibility of the volunteers were among the strengths noted by the evaluators from the National organization. No major weaknesses were noted; however additional material resources such as cots and blankets were suggested, as was more advanced training for disaster volunteers in the areas of logistics and disaster assessment. With only these

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minor deficiencies the Huntington County chapter's disaster plan will be approved by the National American Red Cross.

If you would like to learn more about American Red Cross disaster services and would like to become a disaster volunteer please call the Huntington County chapter at 260-356-2910.

POULTRY CLASS

The Blackford County Extension Service will be hosting a Poultry program on April 17th at 6:30 pm at the Blackford County Fairgrounds. Learn from a Purdue University Poultry Specialist the basics for raising chickens, typical health concerns and how to identify them, proper feeding and nutrition, and the human safety issues related to raising poultry and protecting yourself and your family. Please RSVP to the Blackford County Extension Office no later than April 16th at 348-3213.

CIRCLE OF HOPE

As you begin to make your travel plans for Spring and Summer, be sure to include in your itinerary a stop at the "Circle of Hope" program which will focus on the theme of "The Gift of Laughter." It will be a grand evening of learning, laughing and loving life.

There will be a keynote speaker who will inspire with "To Laugh or Not to Laugh, there is no Question!" A "Conversation Café" will be featured to unveil the latest in Women's Health Issues.

Throughout the evening of this educational event, fabulous gifts of travel, luggage, and jewelry will be given away. There is no cost for the evening, but reservations are required. Only 50 tables are available, and they indeed will go quickly by popular demand.

To make reservations for this community event to be held on May 10 at 6:30 PM in the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Park, Bluffton, line up five of your friends to join you for the festivities and reserve your special table for six. Call 260-824-6412 to make your reservations, you will need to have the names of the individuals to be seated at your table when making your reservations. Reservations will be closed once the 50 tables are filled.

Event sponsors sharing their commitment to the important of Women's Health include: Purdue Extension of Wells County; Bluffton Regional Medical Center, Wells Community Health Services Foundation Auxiliary.

INK-A-MILLION

National Safe Place is partnering with Charitable Recycling Ink to collect ink iet and toner cartridges to raise funds for Safe Place programs nationwide. The goal is to collect one million cartridges nationally. The types of toners being accepted are: Lexmark, Dell, Panasonic, Samsung, IBM and Pitney Bowes. The types of inkjet are HP, Lexmark and Dell. Donations may be dropped off at the YSB located at 1344 Maple Drive, behind the Southside Fire Station. The funds raised locally will remain in the county to serve Huntington County's youth and families.

Safe Place, offered by the Youth Services Bureau, is just one of over 700 communities fortunate to have this crisis intervention program for youth, Most of the youth who use the program are those being abused, neglected or suffering serious family problems. There are 49 businesses located throughout Huntington County that proudly display the bright yellow Sate Place sign denoting they are willing to provide youth in crisis with a safe, supportive environment.

To learn more about the Charitable Recycle Ink fundraiser or the Safe Place program contact the Youth Services Bureau at 356-9681 or 1-800-298-5444.

WCTU то **М**ЕЕТ

The Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) will be holding its annual mid-year meeting on April 17, 2007, in Marion. The meeting will be at the Marion Memorial Tabernacle, which is located at 1527 E. 37th Street; registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

The morning session will begin at 9:30 with the Reverend Mary Ann Freeman, State President, presiding. Sarah Ward, who is the State Christian Outreach Director, will give devotions. She is also the World President of the W.C.T.U. Mrs. Wanda Tupps will lead a lively singspiration, with Miss Lois Helm at the piano. Mrs. Bertie Shively of Losantville, who is the Vice President of the state organization, will lead the flag salutes.

The roll call will be taken by the state Recording Secretary, Mrs. Becky Stevens from Kokomo. Awards will be presented and goals outlined by Mrs. Lucile Doering, State Promotion Secretary. There will also be a report on the children's organization of the W.C.T.U. by Mrs. Barbara Pomeroy, from Kendallville. Mrs. LeVaughn Stong of Rossville, who is editor of the state publication and Mrs. Betty Montgomery of Grant County, who is charge of subscriptions, will give their re-

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ports. Dr. Richard Huber will be the keynote speaker. He is a retired physician who is very active in presenting the harms of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. His unique visual aids and information make his presentation very popular in colleges, school's and other groups.

What's the latest in the WCTU's educational resources? Mrs. Rosemary Windmiller of Selma will present an update of the materials offered.

The afternoon session will begin at 1:30 with special music by Rev. G. Bright Hanna of Marion.

The various state directors will participate in a panel discussion with Mrs. Anna Mae Hartsock serving as moderator; Miss Sarah Ward of Knightstown, Christian Outreach; Mrs. Bertie Shively of Losantville, Social Service; Mrs. Becky Stevens of Kokomo, Public Relations; Mrs. Wanda Tupps of Warsaw, Legislation & Citizenship; Mrs. Jeanette Cook of Losantville, Home Protection; Mrs. Vonda Gross of Spiceland, Education; Mrs. Lois Anderson of Kokomo, who is the state Treasurer, will give her report, and Rev. Freeman will challenge the group in their work in the W.C.T.U.

The afternoon will conclude with the friendship circle and benediction by Mrs. Opal Hughes of Knightstown.

Preschoolers Program

The Growing Strong program, in which adults can learn about nature in an active, exciting way with their child or grandchild, age 2 to 5, is coming to the Salamonie Interpretive Center, April 20 and 23, 10 to 11:30 a.m. The same program is offered twice to accommodate more children.

Participants will enjoy activities focused around growing plants and how plants help keep us healthy. Children will make a craft, learn about the food pyramid and plant seeds.

No matter the weather, the program is planned to be both indoors and out, starting at the Interpretive Center. Participants should plan to arrive early to enjoy the exhibit area and gift shop.

A \$2 fee per child will be charged. The property entrance fee will be waived for program attendees. Parents should register in advance and plan to stay with their child throughout the program. Participants can choose to bring their lunch to eat together after the event on the property.

Preschool programs fill up quickly. To plan for future month, register today for Fish are Fun, May 23 or 24; Ladybugs, June 27 or 28; and Bubble Bash, July 25 or 26. Wednesday programs usually have more openings than Thursdays.

The Interpretive Center and gift shop is open with winter hours of operation, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, through April. This barrier-free building features exhibits, floor-to-ceiling windows in the wildlife viewing area and staff to answer your questions. The center is located in Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

Visit the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services (UWIS) Web site at <u>www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis</u> for more information about Interpretive Services programs. Register by calling the UWIS, (260) 468-2127 or visiting the Salamonie Interpretive Center, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, 46702.

SAVING IT FOR GOOD

by The FlyLady, Marla Cilley Why dowe save our good stuff for a special occasion? Make memories with your pretty things so your children will know they are special to you!

- 1. Good China
- 2. Nice glasses
- 3. Linen table cloths.
- 4. Pretty underwear or night gowns
- 5. Good purses
- 6. New towels
- 7. Special bottles of bubble bath and soap
- 8. Cloth napkins
- 9. Candles
- 10.Good silverware

11.Fancy tea pots or silver tea services

12.Stationery cute notepads We all have some of these things stashed in our cabinets, linen closets and our dresser drawers. They are just sitting there unloved and collecting dust. We got them for wedding presents or our parents handed them down to us. You may have purchased them for yourself. They are all waiting to we unpacked and used to bless us or our families.

Let me tell you why I think they are unloved and why we don't use them. We have put them in a place that we can't easily get to them. They are in a box in the garage. On a shelf in the basement, stuck so far back under vour cabinets, that it would take two hours to pull them out or they are on the very top shelf and you need a ladder to get to them. Then if you do get them out, they are filthy dirty and need to be washed. We don't have time to enjoy our pretty things. So we hide them away. We don't have to see them and feel guilt about not using them or we really don't love them at all.

If we will get rid of the clutter that is in our kitchen, our linen closets and our china cabinets, we will have more room for the things that you love. When we take the time to get them clean, they will be ready to use. There is another benefit.

When we set a formal table, we can teach our children proper table manners. Many times we eat with our fingers, when we have sandwiches and pizza. Our children have no clue which fork to use first or how to use a butter knife or cut meat. If we are going to help our children feel comfortable in these types of situations, they need practice. This is a good time to let them practice, setting the table and using their best table manners. This has become a lost art. They will need this one day, when a boss asks them over for dinner or at their own wedding.

As for the other items you have stashed in dresser drawers, don't wait till your family buries you in them; then is too late for you to feel sexy wearing them. Get them out and wear those pretty undies. You will be so surprised at how good you will feel, and no one will know. This goes for those night gowns you have stashed too. You know the ones you have gotten for Valentines Day. If you are not going to use them, then you might as well give them to someone that will. If you never liked them, then release them and have no guilt about it. Give them away, someone will love them and you will be blessed by your gift.

Make every day a celebration, by treating your family like they are company! This is what FLYing is all about. Loving yourself enough to enough your pretty things now while you can.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out her website and join her free mentoring group at <u>www.FlyLady.net</u> or her book, Sink Reflections published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

