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Thought for the Week: Merry Christmas to all & Have a Safe & Happy New Year!

FITTING HEALTHCARE

TESTING INTO YOUR BUSY HOLIDAY SEASON

The holiday season brings festive programs, community and church celebrations, and fun projects with the kids. But with all those extra demands on your time, how do you still fit in time to take care of your health – particularly since the insurance year is running out?

If you need diagnostic testing between now and the end of the year, knowing when you can schedule services can be key in organizing your time. Parkview Huntington Hospital offers this handy schedule for your convenience.

Need a lab test?

If you need a blood draw, expert phlebotomy services are available in the hospital's Diagnostic Services area during expanded hours on weekdays, 6 a.m. – 7 p.m. In addition, Saturday hours are 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Blood draws are also available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the satellite lab locations at the John B. Kay Medical Office Building (next to the hospital) and the Parkview Medical Plaza at 2708 Guilford Street (next to Owen's) in Huntington.

Imaging services

Imaging team members are ready to assist with your testing needs by

appointment Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Whether you're having a CT scan, a mammogram, an MRI, a nuclear medicine test, or an ultrasound, you will find friendly, experienced technicians who will put you at ease. It is recommended that you call ahead to schedule these tests. X-rays are available 24/7.

Pulmonary function tests, EKG and EEG, are available in the Cardiopulmonary department Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

HeartSmart CT and SmartLung CT scans do not need to be scheduled and can be performed on a walk-in basis. Walk-ins should check in at Registration. HeartSmart gift certificates for holiday gifts can be purchased from the hospital cashier.

To schedule your imaging procedure at the hospital, call 260-355-3400.

No outpatient testing is scheduled on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Salamonie Church of the Brethren, 2662 W 600 S Warren, will be having their annual Christmas Eve service at 9:30 pm. "A Joyous Christmas" performed by various musicians, vocalists and children of the church. Come celebrate the birth of our Lord with us.

PHARMACY HOURS

We wish everyone a Blessed Giving-Thanks to God for CHRISTmas Season!

The Warren Pharmacy will be OPEN normal hours Friday December 22nd and Tuesday December 26th, 9AM - 5:30PM but, due to family events, we will not be open on Saturday December 23rd (nor on CHRISTmas day December 25th).

You may call the Pharmacy (260) 375-2135, and leave a message with your refill order and phone number.

2018 ALMANAC

The Warren Pharmacy has the 2018 Farmers Almanac available. The Almanac contains tips for gardening, farming, cooking and recipes, along with weather predictions. Best of all, it is FREE when you fill a prescription at the Warren Pharmacy. Extra copies can be purchased for only \$1.00.

MEMORIAL BOWS

Listed below are the Memorial Bows for this year. Your memorials help to fund the downtown lighting and to decorate the Town Christmas tree annually.

White bows are for deceased, Red for Living and Yellow for veterans.

This year's white bows are for: Dean Hardin, Opal Hardin, Windy Mann, Kevin Mann, Eloise Sheets, Frances Gilmer, Paul Gilmer, Mike Gilmer, Gene Gilmer, Kenny

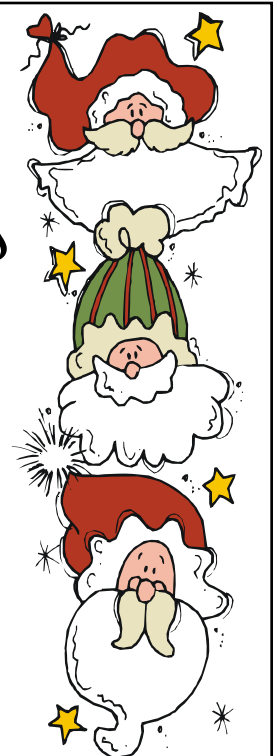
Freck, Lenora Freck, Jay & Bea Freck, Claude & Evelyn Bevington, Angel Marie, John Bill Buzzard, Bill & Grace Buzzard, Gerald & Maxine Sheets, Bill DeWeese, Ferol DeWeese, Joyce Sorg, Danny DeWeese, Glen Perry, Tom Perry, Isabel Perry, Marvin & Linda Gephart, George Sliger, Cecil & Edith Schwob, Homer & Anna Margaret Gephart, Elwood & Lula Miller, Ralph & Opal Highley, Jim Miller & Cathy Miller, Robert James Nevil, Warren & Louise Keene, Don & Maxine Pinkerton, Bill Cartwright, Gary Eltzroth, Gene Souder, Patty Souder, Meredith Miles, Nina Milles, Nina Miller, Thanamae McCammon, Ruth Baker, Virginia Sumwalt, Becky Sumwalt England, Chester & Ellen Myers, A Delbert & Bertha Sparrow, Barbara Sumwalt, Harry &

Myretta Sumwalt, Fred Sumwalt, Ead Sumwalt, Tom Sumwalt, Richard Brown, Thelma Brown, Erle Stuber, Doris Stuber, Marguerite Osborne, Roy Osborne, Don Osborne, Mildred Eckman, Glade Eckman, Patty Davis, Edward Vickrey, Mary Andres Vickrey, Philip Souder, Lloyd Morrison, Martha Morrison, Paul Ruble, Ada Ruble, Leander Morrison, Elsie Morrison, Brad Morrison, USS Salamonie, Robert Rudy, Phil Bozell, Cora Callison, Robert Shideler, Orville Lee, Ora & Mabel Moriarity, Russell Moriarity, Bob Stucky, Mary Emma Huffman, Linda Edwards, Jeff Brubaker, Cynthia Bonham, Brian Myers, Morry Zeller, Paul & Ruth Yount, William & Irene Zeller, David Yount, John L & Ina

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

Leave news and/or advertising at Town Hall or mail to PO Box 695, Warren or email to editor@warrenweeklyindiana.com.

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THE UPTOWN GARDENER by Ruth Herring

Christmas shopping done!!! Thank God for Dollar General. I chose to cut back this year.

What do you buy teenagers and little ones living miles away. Best part is the kids will all be home except for the ones in Texas but we were fortunate to see them few weeks back. We will be getting together for a potato bake with trimmings and gift exchange for the young ones and I am sure it will be a great time for all of us. To me having my kids home is gift enough for me.

My early childhood Christmas was never what kids expect today, I was lucky to maybe get a new dress and maybe a game all of us could play. Of course mom planned a special meal which was always super good, and most all of it came from food stored in our cellar from the summer gardens and it always tasted so good. If we were lucky to have some extra money there was oyster dressing to fill in the cavity of that great ole bird mom kept her eye on and made sure it was fattened up properly. So we were really blessed at Christmas time with food from our little farm. One thing that she always made certain of was the two elderly people in our neighborhood that got a basket of food for their dinner hand delivered by all of us kids. That was something we did all year long thinking back I am sure they were glad to see us coming with our baskets.

This year I am not doing a lot of baking and candy making, just don't want to break another New Years resolution of dieting. Nearly every year I dozens of cookies and pounds of candy, so far I am sticking to it. Although I did make my favorite cookie and only did a half of recipe. I was the only one who liked the gum drop cookies usually had some comment about them. So I will enjoy them all to myself and I think I will put a few in the freezer for later.

So here is the famous Gum Drop Cookie

Cream 1 cup shortening or butter, add 1 cup each of white sugar and brown sugar, beat in 2 eggs, 1 tsp. Vanilla, 2 tablespoon apricot jam, this is not in the original recipe but it worked well. In a bowl 1 1/2 cup flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 cup of gum drops cut in small pieces mix those into the flour to coat them so they don't all stick together, 2 cups rolled oats, 1 cup coconut, 1/2 cup nuts. Add this to the creamed part. Drop by teaspoonful on oiled baking sheet bake at 350 for 10 minutes. Let cool a bit before removing from the bake sheet.

The Merriest of Christmas to each of you from my Uptown Garden to yours.

ASBURY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST

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

BANQUO CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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

BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Denise Heining, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
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 Youth Leader - Kelly Jones
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.
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Pastor Wayne Couch
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 Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
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DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN

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

HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST

101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

THE NEW BEGINNING

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

HERITAGE POINTE

Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Soultz & Dick Case
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

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 375-2510
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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.

SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST

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

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 468-2411
 Doug Sharrard, Pastor
 Pam Thompson, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday:

CYC/Teen/Adult Meetings 7:00 p.m.
LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH
 694-6622

Aaron Westfall, Pastor

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:00a.m.
 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Tues. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Wed. Choir 6:30p.m.
 Monthly Meetings

1st Mon Ministry Team 7:00 p.m.
 3rd Sat Mens Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am
 4th Mon ABW 1:30 pm

LIBERTY CENTER

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Daniel Schreck
 Assoc. Pastor Diane Samuels
 Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST

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

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260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45-11:30a.m.
 Sunday Youth 6-7:30 p.m.
 Come as you are for all services

PLUM TREE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.

SALAMONIE

CHURCH OF BRETHREN

468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Youth Pastor - Pastor Heather Parsons
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Meetings-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month

VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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

VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

765-934-1431
 Pastor Cindy Osgood
 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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WARREN CHURCH OF CHRIST

375-3022
 Ethan T Stivers, Minister
 Ben Renkenberger, Youth Minister
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries
www.warrenchurchofchrist.org
 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:40 a.m.
 Youth:

K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-8pm

WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Pator Rusty Strickler
 Youth Directors
 Peter & Mindy Fairchild
 Sunday School9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 3-5 4-5:30p
 Grades 6-12 5:30 - 7p

WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH

375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Youth Group6:00 pm
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

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AREA NEWS

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Diana Cox, Tony Chambers, Roger & Pauline Ruble, Katherine & Clyde Conrad, Myron Landrum, Dwight & Margaret Ann Boxell, Dale Brown and Barbara Brown
Red Ribbons were placed in honor of Kahlen & Cooper Lows, Carol Nunn, Jake Dillon, Kayson Dillon, Rose Broyles, Nancy Surfus, Garry Miller, Cindy Haley, Connie Miller, Ruth Herring, Rupp Hensley, Hanson Hensley, Elijah Richardson, Della Mae Hensley, Doyle & Charlene Ruble, Brooke Worley, and USS Salamonie.
Yellow ribbons were placed in honor of Robert Bonham, Paul Bonham, George Grigsby, Rudy Decker, Bill Eckman, Paul Davis, All Those Serving, Kenneth Perry, Jennifer Bergman, Frank Minnich, Bob Rice, Phillip Boxell, Billy Lows, and John DeWeese.

NEW AT LIBRARY

Items recently added to the collection at Warren Public Library include:
ADULT FICTION: Kingsbury-In This Moment (Large Print); McDermid-Insidious Intent;

Klassen-The Ladies of Ivy Cottage; Hatcher-You're Gonna Love Me

ADULT NON-FICTION: Zee-Natural Disaster: I Cover Them, I am One; Heavey-Should the Tent be Burning Like That?; Kubersky-The Unofficial Guide: Universal Orlando 2018

AUDIOBOOKS: Evans-The Noel Diary; Grisham-The Whistler; Winter Wishes

YOUNG ADULT FICTION: Weingarten-Bad Girls with Perfect Faces; Warga-Here We are Now; Rogerson-An Enchantment of Ravens; Riordan-Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard: The Ship of the Dead; Perkins-Expelled; Paige-The End of Oz; Onyebuchi-Beasts Made of Night; Meyer-Renegades; Lu-Warcross; Jones-Murder, Magic and What We Wore; Hopper-I Never; Cluess-A Poison Dark and Drowning; Cashore-Jane, Unlimited

GRAPHIC NOVELS: Walden Spinning; Tapalansk-Cast No Shadow; Terry-Graveyard Shakes; Nordling-Belinda the Unbeatable

TWEEN: Young-The Road to Ever After; Tolonen-Monster Nanny; Swanson-The Real McCoys; Russell-Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Secret Crush Catastrophe; Rundell-The Explorer; Preller-Better Off Undead; Humphrey-Clara Humble: Quiz Whiz; Harris-The Magic Misfits; Griffin-Saving Marty; Friedman-Mallory Makes a Difference; Segel-Otherworld; Segel-Everything You Need to Know about Nightmares! And How to Defeat Them; Segel-Nightmares! The Lost Lullaby; Reynolds-A Long Way Down; Patterson-Jacky Ha-Ha: My Life is a Joke; Nix-Have Sword, Will Travel; Lupica-Lone Stars; Lee-The Zodiac Legacy: The Balance of Power; Kinney-Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Getaway; Hale-The Legend of Shadow Boys; Chainani-The School of Good and Evil: Quests for Glory; Brooks-Minecraft: The Island; Bartok-The Wonderling

CHILDREN'S: Garland-The Twelve Pets of Christmas; Lewis-Last Laughs:

Prehistoric Epitaphs; Kenney-Building Amazing Creatures; Joyce-Santa Calls; Rylant-Nativity; Pizzoli-The Twelve Days of Christmas; Yoshitake-Still Stuck; Schmid-Santa Claus and the Dormouse; Rinker-The 12 Sleighs of Christmas; Killen-The Little Reindeer; Climo-Rory the Dinosaur Needs a Christmas Tree; Clarkson-River Rose and the Magical Christmas; Carle-Merry Christmas from The Very Hungry Caterpillar; Bright-The Koala Who Could; Bernstein-I Have a Balloon; Barnett-I Love You Like a Pig; Banks-How to Find an Elephant; DC Comics Lego: 5-Minute Super Hero Stories; Falatko-Snapsy the Alligator and His Best Friend Forever! (Probably); Falatko-Snapsy the Alligator: (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book!); Dyckman-Read the Book, Lemmings!; Donaldson-Zog and the Flying Doctors; Iwai-Pizza Day; Idle-Santa Rex; Gerstein-The Boy and the Whale; Gehl-Peep and Egg: I'm Not Taking a Bath; Polacco-Remembering Vera; Patton-The Very Very Very Long Dog; Patterson-Give Thank You a Try; Jennings-Naughty Claudine's Christmas; Sliwerski-Cancer Hates Kisses; Sis-Robinson; Rees-Tyrannosaurus Rex VS. Edna the Very First Chicken; Prince-Goldenlocks and the Three Pirates; Shinick-Chewie and the Porgs; Ford-How the Cookie Crumbled; Leonard-Gobi: A Little Dog with a Big Heart; Kates-We're Different, We're the Same; Furman-A World of Cookies for Santa

DVDs: Christmas for a Dollar; Dunkirk

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Dec 20	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Dec 25		CHRISTMAS
Jan 1		NEW YEAR'S DAY
Jan 3	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Jan 8	5:00p	W - Town Council Meeting in Assembly Hall
Jan 14	9-3p	W - Second Sunday Market at Knight Bergman Ctr
Jan 15	6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC
Jan 17	7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
These Events Can Also Be Found at www.warrenweeklyindiana.com

AREA NEWS CONTINUED

HP SPORTS

Congratulations to last week's winners of the Heritage Pointe Pool Tourney - Clyde Griffith and Norm Hiser. Runners-up were Bud Purdom and Dick Lintner. Great Job! There were 22 players this week. Good luck to all for next week.

Wi-Fi Bowling winners this week were Bud Lee with a 201, Floyd Minnich with a 164 and Dick Lintner with a 127. Good job guys! Watch for results next week.

'Twas the Season of Safe Holiday Travel

Every holiday travel season, thousands travel across the Hoosier state to visit friends and family. Although a joyous and exciting time, the additional stress can cause individuals to become less aware of the potential risks around them. Follow these tips to become prepared and ensure safe travels.

Before leaving home:

- * Check inclement weather.
- * Leave early or late at night when there is less traffic.
- * Do not discuss plans with strangers or on social media. This can make homes a target for thieves.
- * Ask a neighbor to keep an eye on the home.
- * Use light timers to turn on lights or a TV to give the appearance that someone is home.
- * Use window coverings such as curtains or blinds to

decrease visibility into the home.

- * Label valuable items, such as stereos, computers, movie players, and televisions with an identification number unique to the owner.

- * Create an up-to-date home inventory list, and store it in a secure location.

If traveling by train or plane, consider an emergency kit with the following items:

- * Hand sanitizer or anti-bacterial wipes
- * Cellphone and portable charger

- * Bottled water and non-perishable food (For air travel, bottled water can be purchased after the security checkpoint)

- * Flashlight and extra batteries (Flashlights longer than 7 inches are not permitted in carry-on bags)

If traveling by car, consider these additional items:

- * A shovel
- * At least two blankets or a sleeping bag
- * Jumper cables
- * Emergency flares
- * Extra winter clothing, including boots, hats and gloves
- * Sand or non-clumping cat litter for tire traction
- * Ice scraper and snow brush

Cyber risks also increase when traveling. Hoosiers are encouraged to take these simple steps to safeguard themselves:

- * Update mobile software
- * Disable the ability to autoconnect to Bluetooth-enabled devices.

- * Back up information such as contacts, photos and videos on another device or cloud service

- * Use strong passwords for mobile phones

- * Be cautious of putting sensitive information on unsecured networks and publicly accessible computers

Consider downloading the following apps that are available on the iPhone and Android app stores:

- * FEMA- allows users to receive National Weather Service alerts, provides information on open shelters and where to talk to a FEMA staff member

- * MyTSA- provides 24/7 access to airport security information

- * TravWell- the CDC's specialized app for safe international travel

- * Red Cross- offers information to common first aid emergencies

For more holiday safety and winter weather tips visit GetPrepared.IN.gov.

TRUE HOLIDAY SPIRIT

by Bryan Golden
Among other things, the holidays are a time of giving and receiving gifts. The question most often asked of people is, "what did you get?" Much less frequently asked is, "what did you give?" Invariably, the inquiries concern material gifts. Purchasing a gift can certainly be thoughtful and a

wonderful gesture, especially when it's backed up by your actions.

However, the most valuable presents are those that aren't sold in stores. When you give your love, your time, help someone in need, aid another in solving a problem or overcoming an obstacle, you give something priceless.

The true spirit of the holidays is giving. When you give, you receive. You can get anything in life you want by helping enough others get what they want. But only if you give without expecting anything in return. The impact of giving isn't limited to just the holiday season, it's something that has value all year.

The power of giving is often underestimated. When you give unconditionally, you don't just impact the recipient; you start a chain reaction. By brightening the life of one person you also affect all those who they then touch.

No gesture of giving or kindness is too small. Holding the door open at a store, helping someone carry

groceries to their car, letting another car in front of you, saying please and thank you, and saying hello to a stranger you pass on the sidewalk, are some of the many things you can do daily.

For family and friends, your time is one of the most precious gifts you can offer. Are you there for others when they need you? Do you offer a hand without being asked? Do you help out when asked?

Too often, people get caught up in their own desires, thus losing sight of the needs of others. A person who tries to get through life by looking out for himself or herself first is invariably frustrated. Often this person views life as a competition to determine who can accumulate more.

On the other hand, those who are concerned for the well being of others are happier, more content, and more satisfied. By giving without expecting, they in turn receive the things they need.

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GENEALOGY REPORT

WALL



Monte Joe Wall, 72 of Warren, passed away at his residence on Saturday, December 16, 2017.

Mr. Wall was born on November 27, 1945 in Warren, to Zach (Jack) and Betty (McElhaney) Wall Jr. His parents preceded him in death.

Monte married Jacquelyn Diane Wall on March 1, 1986. She survives and resides in Warren.

Mr. Wall was a tool cutter and tool grinder and retired as a toolmaker from Tokheim in Fort Wayne. He also served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War.

In addition to his wife, Diane; he is survived by one brother Jeffery (Bev Volland) Wall of Huntington.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Michael Wall and three sisters Vicki Renbarger, Jane Sikora and Theresa Kay Taylor.

Per Monte's wishes there will be no viewing or services. There will be a private burial at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Diabetes Association in care of McElhaney-Hart Funeral Home, 715 N Jefferson St, Huntington IN 46750.

WILLIAMS

Patricia "Joan" Williams, 83, of Montpelier, IN, passed away at 11:24 PM on Sunday, December 17, 2017 at her home with her family by her side.

She was born on Sunday, June 24, 1934, in Grant County, IN. She married Jerry Williams on Saturday, June 26, 1954 in Marion, IN.

Joan was a graduate of Converse High School. She previously worked at HC Godwin Shoe Factory in Marion, Nestle Candy Company and Burlington Hospital both of Wisconsin, Keeblers in Bluffton and the Bank of Montpelier. She enjoyed gardening, flowers, collecting bears and going to Bible study. Joan was a great

woman of faith, where she formerly attended Grace Community Church in Montpelier. She always put her family first and love spending time with them.

Loving survivors include: Husband - Jerry Williams, Montpelier, IN, Sons - Tim (Robbin) Williams, Hartford City, IN, Christopher Williams, Montpelier, IN, Jerry (Sue) Williams, Burlington, WI, Grandchildren - Jason (Harumi) Williams, Amy (Jason) Lang, Christopher (Cynthia) Williams, Jacob (Skylar) Williams, Brittany (Josh) Fear, Kami (Josh) Hovey, Katie (Travis) Partain, T.J. (Kayla) Williams and Malachi Williams, 11 Great Grandchildren, Sister - Nancy (Tom) Frampton, Las Vegas, NV, Brother - Robert (Rita) Wagoner, Montpelier, IN, Brother - Perry "Danny" Wagoner, Hartford City, IN, Sister - Susan (Jack) Sills, Warren, IN, Sister - Diane (Dave) Bustos, Hartford City, IN.

She was preceded in death by parents Perry Henry & Clara S. (Miller) Wagoner.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier on Wednesday, December 20, 2017 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Joan's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier at 10:00 AM on Thursday, December 21, 2017 with Pastor Tom Parsons officiating. Interment will follow in the Gardens of Memory in rural Marion.

Preferred memorials: Helping Hands Crisis Pregnancy Center

RITTENHOUSE

Robert W. Rittenhouse, 76, of Warren, IN, passed away at 12:06 PM on Monday, December 18, 2017 at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, IN.



He was born on February 19, 1941, in Huntington Co. IN. He married Mary Rebecca Moriarity on Saturday, June 3, 1961 in Warren, IN; she passed away on March 28, 2017. He was a 1959 graduate of Warren High School. Bob enjoyed traveling with his family and especially going on trips to Gatlinburg, TN and Frankenmuth, MI. Mary and Bob square danced for many years with the Scatter 8's in Bluffton. He was a longtime member of the Warren Church of Christ. He worked at Corning Glass in Bluffton for several years and retired from Fisher Body in Marion. Bob enjoyed golfing, puzzles, spending time with Kelly's dog Jasper and was an avid IU fan.

Loving survivors include: Son - Kevin (Carolyn) Rittenhouse, Warren, IN, Daughter - Karen (Brian) Pinkerton, Warren, IN, Daughter - Kelly (Nick) Gray, Warren, IN, 8 Grandchildren, 7 Great Grandchildren, Sister - Betty (Oliver "Skip") Spaulding, Evansville, IN, Sister - Bonnie (George) Langston, Ft. Wayne, IN, and Brother - Bill (Phyllis) Rittenhouse, Markle, IN.

He was preceded in death by Wife - Mary Rebecca Rittenhouse, Father - Marcus Rittenhouse, and Mother - Ruby (Coe) Rittenhouse.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home 203 N Matilda St. Warren on

Thursday, December 21, 2017 from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Bob's life will be at Glancy - H. Brown & Son Funeral Home at 10:00 AM on Friday, December 22, 2017; viewing will be held one hour before the service. Pastors Ethan Stivers, Scott E. Nedberg and Gerald Moreland are officiating. Interment will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Warren.

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Giving is a simple concept that works every time it is applied. There will be people who don't appreciate what you do, but it doesn't matter. You are giving without anticipating anything in return. Besides, there will be many more who are thankful for your efforts.

If you don't treat others well, buying a gift won't compensate for your behavior. The recipient might like what you give them but it won't make up for your actions. You can't bribe someone to forgive the

way you treat them with a present.

The best gift you can receive is the joy of making someone else happy. Being unselfish is a wonderful way to live.

When you give with no ulterior motives, your actions are seen as genuine. Should you expect something in return, your behavior is always suspect. We all know people who do nice things only when they want something in return.

Make giving a daily routine. Don't start and end with the holiday season. Every day is a good day to do something nice. When people feel good

due to your actions, you can't help but feel happy yourself.

And that is priceless. The most significant action you can take is having a positive impact on the lives of others.

Bryan is the author of "Dare to Live Without Limits."

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THE TOO REAL NIGHTMARE

by Daris Howard

I woke with a start, and my heart was pounding. My wife, Donna, drowsily woke beside me and put a hand on my trembling arm. "Is something wrong?"

I swung my feet out of bed and sat up, trying to clear my head. "I just had a horrible nightmare that was so real."

"What was it?" she asked.

"I dreamed I was in a theater, and someone handed me a script and told me that I was to perform in a play in ten minutes. I had never even looked at the script before, but was shoved out onto the stage to improvise as best I could."

"What a strange dream." "Yes," I replied. "I'm happy to wake and find out it wasn't real."

That morning, as I hurried to our normal routine, I was just putting pancakes on the griddle when the phone rang. Donna answered it, spoke briefly, and then turned to me. "The community is putting on A Christmas Carol and wondered if you would help."

The memory of the dream immediately returned. "I am

willing to help with tech and stuff, but, after that dream, I think I'll forgo acting."

My children decided to try out, and all received parts, but I only helped with mundane set issues. On opening night I was on my way to the theater when I received a call from my daughter. Vandal had broken into the costume room and drew all over the boys' white shirts with red lipstick. "Dad, is there anything you can do?"

I hurried to the local thrift store and purchased every white boys' dress shirt they had - about 30 of them. When I arrived at the theater, the boys were desperately trying to clean their shirts and were happy to see what I had. Though the styles weren't quite right, and the sizes didn't all match, they were able to make do.

I settled into the audience by Donna to watch the night's performance. Everything went well until the ghost of Christmas present entered the stage. He staggered about and stumbled through his lines. He barely appeared in the first act, having most of his performance in the second, so it was soon intermission.

As lights came up, I stood to stretch my legs and visit with those around me. The director approached and spoke in a desperate tone.

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"The boy that plays the ghost of Christmas present just passed out from working with the cleanser on the

shirts." She shoved a script into my hand. "You're the only one I know that can do this on short notice, so you're on in 10 minutes."

I stood there in shock as I saw her disappear back to the stage. Donna nudged me, trying to get me to pull myself together. "Honey, you better hurry."

"But what about my dream?" She just shrugged. "Look at it as a chance to prove it wrong."

I reviewed the lines the best I could and took my script on stage with me. But when the lights came up I couldn't read it anyway and discarded it. I then performed the most improvised role of my life.

When my part ended, I slipped back to my seat by Donna. "That was incredible," she whispered. I felt my performance was anything but incredible and was sure she was just being nice.

When the play ended and the bows finished, the director, with a brief explanation, asked me to stand and take a bow. People cheered loudly, spurred on

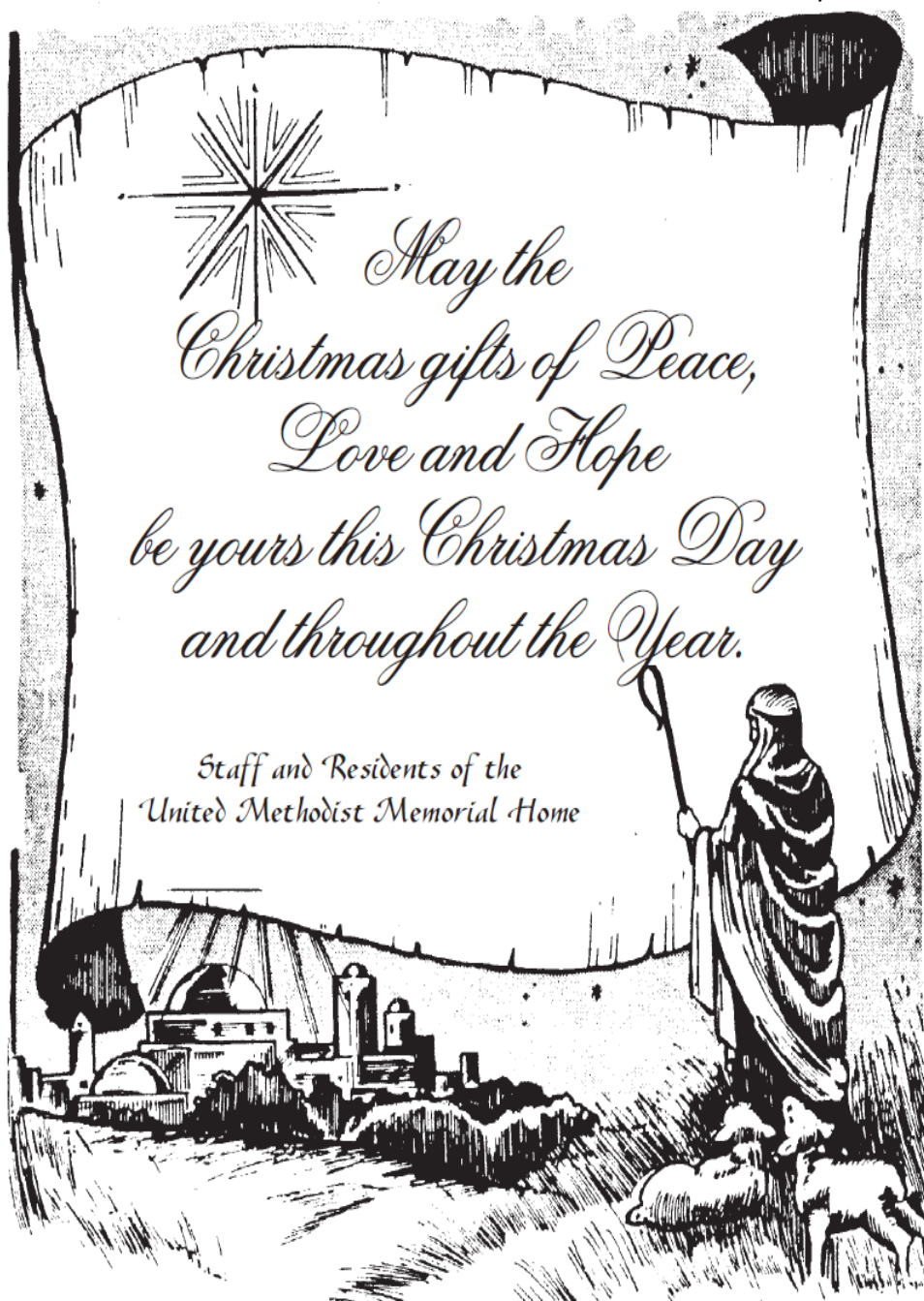
by the cast. But, with how I felt about my performance, I would have preferred to stay anonymous.

Donna hugged me, and I sighed heavily. "I'm just glad the nightmare is over."

That was when the director appeared, shoved a script into my hand again, and said, "The boy that plays Marley just had an attack of appendicitis, so you're on for the rest of the play."

And that's when I learned that sometimes nightmares can play out more than once.

(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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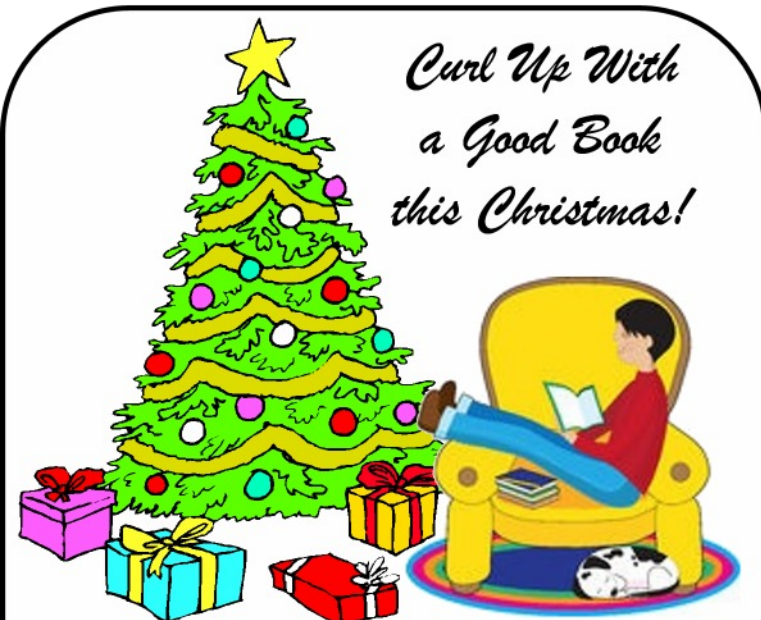


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