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Thought for the Week: Happiness depends upon ourselves. Aristotle

VISIT FIRST BAPTIST

Do you know where First Baptist Church is located? We are on the corner of 8th and N Wayne St in Warren. We have a new pastor and the church is open for all to come and see us. We welcome everyone to worship with us and learn about our God. Come see us and all the new happenings we are planning for 2017.

Sunday school is at 9:00 a.m. and church at 10:00. Youth programs on Sunday night and Bible study at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, all are welcome.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

BASKETBALL

The Huntington County Special Olympics basketball team will be featured for a "Special 10 Minutes" at half-time of the Huntington North Varsity Boys Basketball game on Friday, January 13, in the Huntington North Gymnasium. The Special Olympics athletes will have "10 Special Minutes" to scrimmage and showcase their talent to the community. Come support these athletes and feel their enthusiasm for the sport.

Also, Huntington County Special Olympics will be hosting the 10th Annual Huntington County Invitational Basketball Tournament on Saturday, January 14 at Huntington North High School. Opening ceremonies begin at 9:00am

with the competition tipping off at 9:30am and continuing throughout the day. Tournament organizers are expecting 55 teams from 13 Indiana counties. Over 500 Special Olympics athletes will be participating in 5v5 games, 3v3 half-court games and basketball skills events. The Huntington County Senior Vikings (youth) play the Howard County Senior Wildkats at 9:30am. The Huntington County Vikings will play the Cass County Lions at 10:30am. Also, at 10:30am, the Huntington County Thunder will play the Elkhart County Wizards. Other area teams participating include those from Allen County, Cass County, DeKalb County, Elkhart County, Fulton County, Grant County, Howard County, Jay County, Madison County, St. Joseph County, Wabash County and Wayne County. No admission is charged. Concessions are available.

For more information, contact Keith Hartley at 260-410-1107.

NIGHT OF LOVE

Love In the Name of Christ of Huntington County will be holding a "Night of Love" celebration on Tuesday, February 14th, 2017. This event will be held on the Victory Noll Campus in the Saint Anne's dining room.

Social time will begin at 6pm with a buffet

dinner at 6:30pm. A short program will follow. Live jazz music will be provided throughout the night by the Jamie Simon quartet. Tickets are \$30 per person, and seats can be reserved by calling the Love INC office at 260-356-0933 or by emailing ccreceptionist@gm ail.com.

Seating for this event is limited, so please RSVP by February 7th to reserve your seat!

HOLIDAY HOURS

iAB Financial bank will be closed Monday, January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day.

BE HEART SMART

As the leading cause of death for all Americans, heart disease claims 600,000 lives annually. It's understandably frightening to be at risk for heart disease. Purdue Extension's Be Heart Smart program can help you fight this disease by better understanding it and gaining the necessary knowledge to make heart-smart choices.

Purdue Extension's Be Heart Smart program is a community program comprising four heart-health classes. It's intended to complement healthcare providers' recommendations and help you, or your loved one, prevent or manage heart disease.

Topics include:

- * Identifying and understanding risk factors for heart disease
- * Guidelines for healthy cholesterol and blood pressure
- * A heart-healthy eating plan, including a cooking demonstration
- * Techniques for stress reduction
- * Best practices for talking to healthcare providers

The Be Heart Smart program consists of four 1-hour sessions on the following dates: February 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 12:30 – 1:30 PM at the Wells County Community Center, 1240 4-H Park Road, Bluffton, IN 46714. A class fee of \$15 will be collected at the first session.

Join Molly Hoag, Health & Human Sciences Extension Educator, for this informative program by calling Purdue Extension Wells County office at 260-824-6412 to register before January 30, 2017. For more information, visit www.extension.purdue.edu/wells.

ROBOTICS CLUB

The 4-H Robotics Club will begin regular meetings starting on Wednesday, January 18, 6:30 – 8:00 PM at the Wells County Community Center, 4-H Park, Bluffton.

Meetings will continue January 25, February 1, 4, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 11, 15, 29, April 5, 12 and 19. Most meetings are on Wednesdays

with several Saturday meetings.

The club will also have some representatives participating in the State 4-H Robotics Challenge on May 6 in Noblesville, Indiana.

Robotics members will work in teams to build and program a robot to perform various tasks to complete a challenge.

The robots (LEGO Mindstorm EV-3's) and laptop computers are provided by the club. Special thanks to sponsors of the equipment: Wells County Foundation, Northwood Computers, Wells County Economic Development, Apex Clean Energy, Indiana 4-H Foundation, and the Wells County 4-H Association.

Families can enroll youth at the first meeting or by going to:

www.extension.purdue.edu/wells. The annual membership fee is \$20 per member. This is only paid once each year. If you are a member of another 4-H club in 2017, you do not pay the fee for that club. Robotics also has a supply fee of \$5 per member. Cash or check payable to Wells County 4-H (this is separate from the enrollment fee).

Scholarships are available for the membership and supply fees. No youth will be turned away for financial reasons. Check with the leaders or the Extension Office for details.

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THE UPTOWN GARDENER by Ruth Herring

This is such a wonderful time to just sit back and look at all the seed and garden catalogs that has been filling my mail box, and that is about all I do with them and forwarding them on to the recycling bin. I do find enjoying looking thru them, the price of seeds and then postage makes my small space high dollar veggie patch. Never the less I find looking thru the catalogs just gives me happy memories of when as a child I had the privilege sitting at the old kitchen table with my dad deciding what to plant come spring, don't know how much I was but I felt very important thinking I was helping. Now I think back he was thinking he should share with me because when it was time to start harvesting the garden us kids knew it was up to us to bring it to the house for mom to start canning and storing up for winter. Believe me we carried many buckets of veggies to the house, then we had to help with what ever she needed us to do. My mom was not happy till she had 3 or 4 hundred jars of good stuff put away.

After most of us kids had moved away she still put lot of food away. I had moved to Marion where I worked for Indiana Bell Telephone and when I came home to visit I always did grocery shopping in the basement or what we always called the cellar. Many good memories.

My wish that all of you are enjoying a good new year, so far all is well for me, just staying in and trying to keep warm and doing a lot of sewing of crafty stuff that I try to catch up on. Also good time to clean out too much I have collected and believe me that has been a challenge. I have also been trying to clean out my hand written cook book with all those wonderful sounding recipes that I collect thinking I must try but never will so I will pass one on to you that you might store in your recipes and maybe never try, I guess this is a girl thing, just like the guys have their thing. Bless my dear departed husband he sure had a bunch of guy things.

Here is a retrieved recipe for Sweet and Sour Meatballs
 1 can 20 ounce pineapple chunks, 1 egg, 1 cup bread crumbs, garlic, salt and pepper to your taste. 1 1/2 pound hamburger, green pepper, 1 cup chicken broth, bit of sugar depending on how tart you want, 3 tablespoon cornstarch, 1/3 cup vinegar, 3 tablespoon soy sauce. Drain pineapple saving 1/2 cup juice to the meat, add the egg, bread crumbs, garlic, and salt and pepper shape into small balls place in pan large enough,

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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 Heininger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones
 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.
 Handicap Accessible
 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099

HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —
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 Pastor Wayne Couch
 260/515-2517
 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.

HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 375-2510
 Bus Service 375-2510
www.hillcrestnazchurch.org
 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.

LANCASTER WESLEYAN
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington
 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
 Rev. Josh Johnson
 Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

McNATT UNITED METHODIST
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST
 260/468-2148 Sr 9 & 124
 Rev. Michael Gallant - "Pastor Mike"
 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday 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.

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 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
 Ethan T Stivers, Minister
 Ben Renkenberger, Youth Minister
 Tara Bower and Melinda Haynes - Secretaries
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 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.
 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
 Pastor Richard Ladouceur
 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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For more information about the 4-H Robotics Club, contact leaders: Brandon Gephart, 765-499-7042, Jason Bricker, 765-717-0517, or the Wells County Extension Office, 824-6412.

SCHOLARSHIPS DUE

The 2017 4-H scholarship and resume forms are due Wednesday, January 25th. The forms are to be completed on a computer and uploaded to the Indiana 4-H Online System by the due date.

The 4-H Foundation Scholarship – Senior Year is a one-time award (non-renewable). Approximately 225 will be awarded with a range of \$250-\$400. The scholarship can be used at any school.

The “4-H Accomplishment Resume” awards 34 \$1000 scholarships in areas of: Animal Sciences, Citizenship, Communications, Engineering & Technological Sciences, Health Living, Food & Nutrition Science, Leadership Development, Plant & Environmental Science.

Another opportunity for assistance is the “4-H Club Scholarship”. This is available

as tuition reduction. The applicant must be accepted in the College of Agriculture or the Academic Units of Child Development and Family Studies; Consumer Sciences and Retailing; Foods & Nutrition; and Hospitality, Tourism, and Management and have your FAFSA application filed by March 1. These scholarships are good at any Purdue University campus including IPFW. The scholarship is renewable for up to 4 years.

Application forms are available at www.extension.purdue.edu/u/4h. Completed application forms are to be submitted electronically in MS Word and downloaded into the Indiana 4-H Online Enrollment system by January 25.

For more information about the 4-H scholarships, contact the Wells County Office of the Purdue Extension Service, 824-6412 or rscherer@purdue.edu.

PATHS TO QUALITY TRAINING

Purdue Extension will offer a training for childcare and preschool providers on January 28, 2017 from 9:00am to 2:00pm on topics that will

enlighten and entertain the staff and children at your facilities. Purdue Extension Educators from Northeast Indiana will present workshops from the I am Moving I am Learning curriculum. These research based programs will allow participants to earn 4 hours of education towards their Paths to Quality certification. Programs focus on school readiness, increasing activity and movement, child development and healthy eating. Cost to attend is \$25 per person and includes lunch. The training will take place at the Courthouse Annex, Purdue Extension Huntington County office at 1340 S Jefferson Street in Huntington, Indiana. Reservations required before January 23, 2017. For more information, or to register, contact the Purdue Extension office in your county or call 260-358-4826.

Purdue University is an equal opportunity/equal access employer. If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in this

programming, please contact Karen Hinshaw at 260-358-4826 at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

VOLUNTEER WORKSHOPS

Are you interested in STEM and want to share your knowledge? Are you scared of science, but know it is important? Are you interested in volunteering with area youth to teach them science skills?

Do you want to take your county 4-H livestock programs to the next level? Are you interested in how SPARK Clubs can be used to enhance your county livestock program?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then the 4-H Grows Science or 4-H Grows Livestock Volunteer Workshop is the place to be. There are two dates and locations available: Friday, February 3 at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds or February 4 at the Swan Lake Conference Center in Plymouth, IN.

Registration/Check-In is from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. and the workshop is from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A free, catered lunch will be provided for all participants. Purdue Extension educators and Purdue University specialists from West Lafayette will be leading the sessions.

All volunteers will gather in the morning to learn about the Ages & Stages of Youth

Development, the Experiential Learning model, and new 4-H SPARK Clubs. You do not have to be a current 4-H volunteer to attend. Check out the workshops to learn more about the Indiana 4-H Program and ways you can get involved to mentor youth. In the afternoon, there are a variety of sessions to choose from. Science sessions include: coding and engineering, health and food science, making (Maker Space movement), and art and recycling science. Livestock sessions include: Putting Science into 4-H Livestock Programs, Putting Citizenship into 4-H Livestock Programs, and Putting Healthy Living into 4-H Livestock Programs.

You can register for the workshop by visiting <http://bit.ly/4HGrowsScience>.

For more information, call Rae Ann O'Neill at the Huntington County Purdue Extension Office at 260-358-4826 or email oneillra@purdue.edu. The office is located at 1340 S Jefferson, Huntington, IN in the County Courthouse Annex.

Indiana 4-H is the state's largest youth development program for grades 3-12, reaching over 200,000 youth in all 92 counties. Approved 4-H volunteers in each county work with youth to

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Community Calendar

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

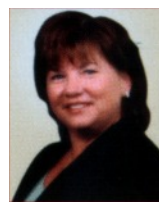
Jan 16	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
Jan 16 6:30p	W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC
Jan 18 7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Feb 1 Noon	W - Chamber Luncheon - Assembly Hall
Feb 1 7:00p	V - Town Council Meeting
Feb 6 5:00p	Veteran's Banquet, Banquo Christian Church
Feb 6 6:30p	SSF Planning Meeting @ KBC
Feb 13 5:00p	W - Town Council Meeting, Assembly Hall
Feb 15 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
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teach young people specific skills related to a wide variety of subjects through hands-on, experiential learning. For more information about the Indiana 4-H Program, visit <https://extension.purdue.edu/4h>.

DECEMBER MEETING

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, December 14, 2015 at Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne Street, in accordance with rules of Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Town Council, Ethan Stivers, Julia Glessner, Steve Buzzard, Tracey Brown; Clerk-Treasurer Marilyn Morrison; Others.

Continuation of discussion of condition of a house at 907 N. Main Street resulted with Stivers moving and Glessner seconding to uphold the recommendation of Marla Stambazze and the Department of Community Development to proceed with demolition. The motion was approved unanimously.

DCD will continue the process by requesting demolition bids which will be opened at the meeting of February 13th.

Bids were opened for the purchase of a Tanker Truck and were as follows: Alexis - \$173,664; Summit - \$164,471.

The bids were taken under advisement and forwarded to the Truck Committee of the Warren Volunteer Fire Department for review. A recommendation from that committee is expected for the scheduled January 9th meeting of Council.

Minutes of the November 14, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

Ordinance 2016-12, an ordinance providing for a twenty (20) percent rate increase in the water utility was introduced. A Public Hearing was scheduled for January 9, 2016 at 5:00 pm.

Following review of a document through Huntington County Safety

which detailed the cost of an update to the current county wide communication system was reviewed. Noting that the total cost would be \$876,944, Council, by consensus, agreed to payment of the \$11,461.45 share as allocated. All units will be sharing in the cost.

A notice from Department of Community Development noted that Neil Laymon's term has expired on the Town of Warren Zoning Board.

Following discussion it was determined that he be contacted as to his willingness to continue on the board.

Buzzard moved, seconded by Glessner, to approve the 2017 Contract with Huntington County United Economic Development in the amount of \$3000. Both the contract and the cost remain unchanged from 2016.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Buzzard moved, seconded by Brown, to set the annual HSA coverage amount for employees on the Town Benefit Insurance package at \$3000 as in past years. The motion was approved unanimously.

Glessner moved, seconded by Buzzard to approve Resolution 2016-2 which would allow fore year end transfers within the 2016 budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

CHAUTAUQUA

Nineteen members braved the cold for the January Chautauqua meeting Jan. 6, 2017, in the Calico Room.

President Peggy Schweikhardt opened the meeting with the repeating of the Collect followed by answering Roll Call with "A Famous Hoosier Woman."

"The meeting was then turned over before the business meeting to Betty Yoder who presented a paper on Bill O'Reilly's book, "Legends and Lies of the Patriots."

The first Patriot was George Rogers Clark, born November 19, 1752, in Virginia. Clark became the “Conqueror of

the Old Northwest Territory", and the captured territory expanded America's frontier.

He was a surveyor, commanded the troops in battles with the English and Indians, but died penniless after paying to support his troops. His troops of 175 took Kaskaskia and Vincennes in the NW Territory in important battles. An elaborate monument stands in his honor in Vincennes, IN. He died February 13, 1818.

Another favorite personality was Benjamin Franklin, born January 17, 1706. He was the 15th child in the family, had no schooling after 10 years of age, and began inventing at age 11. In his lifetime, among other things, he invented bifocals, the Franklin stove, a musical harmonica, the lightning rod, and discovered electricity in an awesome experiment!

Franklin also started the first lending Library, fire company, an insurance company, and an academy that began the University of Pennsylvania. He also retired at age 42! Then he became politically interested.

He was involved with England with the passage of The Stamp Act with the belief that a firm loyalty to the Crown was the wisest choice to follow in dealing with the Colonists. When the Colonists objected, it was repealed a month later. He changed his course of action and became the Colonists spokesman in England.

After British troops took control of Boston in 1768, action lead to the Boston Massacre, and later the Boston Tea Party was formed. The Colonists then went on to capture Fort Ticonderoga, Lexington, Concord, and the bloodiest battle of all--- Bunker Hill. The Colonist also fought many other battles.

After the battles were won, the 2nd Continental Congress convened and Franklin was appointed the first Postmaster General. Franklin was instrumental in enlisting aid from France, and Gen. Lafayette was sent to the Colonies to help under Gen. George Washington. He also helped draft the Declaration of Independence, end the Revolutionary War with the Treaty of Paris in 1783, and

became the first Ambassador to France. Ten years later he returned to the US, represented Pennsylvania at the Constitutional Congress, and was 81 years of age. He proposed proportional representation in the House, and equal representation in the Senate. That is how our Electoral College works today in elections. He even petitioned Congress in 1787 to end slavery.

Benjamin Franklin died April 17, 1790, and was called "The First American". Famous quotes--"A penny saved is a penny earned", "haste makes waste", "we do not stop playing because we grow old. We grow old because we stop playing."

Benjamin Franklin was a highly gifted and colorful American Patriot that we should appreciate even today!

Peggy Schweikhardt closed the meeting with some wise statements of her own. "New Years is here-the possibilities are endless". "Don't look back—you're not going that way".

Hostesses Carolyn Sparks and Barb Engle served desserts to Janet Beavens, Sue Blair, Nancy Bonham, Sharon Gebhart, Linda Howell, Phylis Hubartt, Suellen Jones, Colleen Oden, LuEllyn Pond, Peggy Schweikhardt, Martha Shafer,

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COOK

Bernard William Cook, 76, of Van Buren, IN, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital, in Fort Wayne.



Mr. Cook was a 1958 graduate of Van Buren High School. He retired from Ameritech in 1994 after 25 years of service. He was a member of the Van Buren United Methodist Church and had served in many different positions at the church. He was also a member of the Mississinewa 1812 Battlefield Society.

He was born May 11, 1940, in Grant County to John William and Mary Rebecca King Cook. He married Nancy E. Welsh on June 19, 1960, in Van Buren, and she survives.

Additional survivors include a son, Matthew (Colleen) Cook, of Fishers; two daughters, Deborah (Keith) Spaulding, of Fairmount, and Kelly Ann Herring, of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Phillip (Connie) Cook, of Lady Lake, FL, and Byron (Judy) Cook, of Marion; seven grandchildren, Amanda Spaulding, of Indianapolis; Kristi DeRossett, of Fairmount; Jessica Cook, of Kissimmee, FL; Mackenzie Herring, of Fort Wayne; Bernard William Cook II, of Rockmart, GA; and Samuel Cook and Adam Cook, both of Fishers; and two great-granddaughters.

Calling is Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Van Buren United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 108 S. 2nd St., Van Buren. A service will be held at the church fellowship hall on Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at 11 a.m., with calling one hour prior to the service. Rev. Cindy Osgood will officiate. Interment will be at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, in Huntington County.

Memorial gifts may be made to Van Buren United Methodist Church, 105 S. 2nd St., Van Buren, IN 46991.

Ferguson & Glancy Funeral Home, in Van Buren, is in charge of arrangements.

CURTIS

Madonna Dublin Curtis, 80, of Montpelier, IN, and having family members in Warren, IN, died Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, at 12:50 p.m. at Bridgewater Centre, in Hartford City.

Mrs. Curtis attended Montpelier High School and was a member of the Montpelier Church of the Nazarene. She was retired from Kitco, in Bluffton, where she had worked for 20 years.

She was born June 30, 1936, in Montpelier to Merle L. and Nellie Grover King. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Farrell "Dale" Dublin, and her second husband, Hubert Curtis.

Survivors include four sons, Larry (Roxanne) Dublin, of Geneva; Joe Dublin, of Keystone; Rick (Phyllis) Dublin, of Montpelier; and Daniel Dublin, of Decatur; a daughter, Brenda (Delbert) Hughes, of Hartford City; seven stepsons; two brothers, James King, of Daytona, FL, and David King, of Kentucky; two sisters, Mary Sage, of Warren, and Joyce Larmore, of Hartford City; 22 grandchildren; several stepgrandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Calling is Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., with a service following at 4 p.m., at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home, 109 W. Windsor St., Montpelier. Alan Curtis will officiate.

Gifts to assist with final expenses may be made in care of the funeral home.

OCASIO

Wayne Ocasio, 51, of Bluffton, IN, and having family members in Warren, IN, died Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, at Signature Healthcare, in Bluffton.

He was born Sept. 21, 1965, in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, the son of Troy and Charlene Jennings Mercer. His mother survives in Bluffton.

Additional survivors include a daughter, Amanda Belz-Ocasio, of Tucson, AZ; a son, Christopher Ocasio, of Rhode Island; two brothers, Dan Ocasio, of Warren, and Jesse

Ocasio, of Bluffton; two sisters, Becky Fleming and Mae West, both of Bluffton; and one grandchild.

A service will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, at 4 p.m., with calling two hours prior to the service, at Goodwin-Cale & Harnish Memorial Chapel, in Bluffton. Burial will be at a later date.

HALL

Violet Jenice Hall, 82, of rural Wabash, IN, and having family members in Warren, IN, died Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017, at 12:20 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, in Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Hall attended Lagro High School. She worked at General Tire for 10 years; Vernon Manor Children's home for 20 years; and at Quick Clean Laundry, all in Wabash. She had been affiliated with the Moose Lodge, Eagles Lodge and Elks Lodge, all in Wabash, and the American Legion in Lagro.

She was born Jan. 10, 1934, in Lagro to Mike and Dollie Bitzel Baker. She married William Wood on April 8, 1950, in Dora, and he preceded her in death. She married Wilbur Hall in 1959, and he also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Bill (Cathy) Wood, of Wabash; two daughters, Violet (Ron) Spicer and Beth (Bill) Futrell, both of Wabash; a brother, Robert Baker, of Lagro; seven grandchildren, Bill (Kelli) Wood Jr., of Warren; and Daniel (Cathy) Wood, B.J. Taylor, Robert (Amber) Spicer, Ron Spicer, Tabatha (Chris) Rowe; and Laurie (Brian) Fogel, all of Wabash; 21 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild.

Calling is Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash. A graveside service will follow at 3 p.m. at Center Grove Cemetery, Lincolnville.

SCHROEDER

Marguerite K. "Maggie" Schroeder, 95, of Huntington, IN, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 2017, at 11:57 a.m. at Heritage of Huntington.

Mrs. Schroeder graduated from Huntington Township High School in 1939. She was co-owner of Schroeder Grocery Store with her husband from 1950 to 1957, and then worked for the Kroger Regional Office in Fort Wayne, where she retired. She was a member of St. Peter's First Community Church, in Huntington. She also volunteered at the Quayle Center, Heritage of Huntington and Heritage Pointe in Warren though 2014.

She was born on Jan. 11, 1921, in Huntington to Russell and Ruth Crosser Schoeff. She married Richard W. Schroeder in 1941 in Jeffersonville; he preceded her in death on April 25, 1986.

Survivors include two sons, Jim (Linda) Schroeder, of Warren and Gary (Sue) Schroeder, of Wheeling, IL; a brother, Harold Schoeff, of Fort Wayne; three granddaughters, Alexandria Kalous, Bernadine Berry and Claudine Schroeder; and eight great-grandchildren.

Calling is Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Heritage of Huntington, 1180W-500N, Huntington, and on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington. A funeral service will immediately follow Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at 11 a.m. at the mortuary, with Rev. Richard Strick officiating. Those unable to attend may

view the service on the Bailey-Love Mortuary channel at www.livestream.com.

Private burial will be in Pilgrims Rest Cemetery in Huntington.

Memorial gifts may be made to Heritage of Huntington or St. Peter's First Community Church in Huntington, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 W. Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

STANLEY

Charles F. "Chuck" Stanley, 88, of Bluffton, IN and formerly of Huntington, IN, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 2017, at 6:45 a.m. at River Terrace Retirement Community in Bluffton.

Mr. Stanley served in the United States Navy as Seaman First Class during the Korean War. He worked as the operations coordinator at United REMC, retiring in 1990 after 36 years of service. He was a member of Christ the King Episcopal Church, American Legion Post 85, and Moose Lodge 837 in Huntington.

He was born on June 3, 1928, in Mecosta County, MI to Wilbur L. and Marie Fey Stanley. He married Shirley M. Meree on June 8, 1951, in Charleston, SC, and she survives in Huntington.

Additional survivors include a son, Brent (Darlene) Stanley, of Huntington; two

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daughters, Deborah (Ron) Denton, of Wabash and Marcia (Dave) Stanley, of Center Point; three brothers, Howard (Connie) Stanley and Kenneth Stanley, both of Indianapolis, and Wayne (Carol) Stanley, of Marion; eight sisters, Evelyn Lindstrum, of Elkhart, Patricia Furnish, Mary (Lynn) Shaw, Mona (Jim) Pinkerton, Janet (Dave) Daughtery, Fey Rita (Glenn) Benefield and Brenda (Gene) Kendall, all of Warren, and Kate King, of Wells County; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Calling will be Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Bailey-Love Mortuary, Huntington. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at 10 a.m. with calling one hour prior to the service at Christ the King Episcopal Church, 1224 N. Jefferson St., Huntington, with Rev. Ted Neidlinger and Rev. Larry Biller officiating. Burial will be in Gardens of Memory in Huntington County with military graveside rites performed by American Legion Post 85 of Huntington. Memorial gifts may be made to Christ the King Episcopal Church, in Huntington, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

WERLING

Eugene E. Werling, 72, of Bluffton, passed away at 8:13 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Sept. 9, 1944, in Fort Wayne to Edmund C. and Leona Scheumann Werling. He graduated from Ossian High School in 1962. He retired from Almco Steel in Bluffton in 2011, where he worked in quality control. He was a lifelong member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Ossian.

On Nov. 29, 2002, Eugene and Marsha C. Souers Werling were married. She preceded him in death June 8, 2012.

Survivors include a stepson, Nathan D. (Amanda) Helms,

along with their three children, Hannah, Riley and Avery Helms of Calera, Ala. He is also survived by siblings: Judith (Jerry) Lockwood of Ossian, Mary (Dale) Gallmeyer of Ossian, Kenneth Werling of Uniondale and Bruce (Kim) Werling of Ossian; along with his mother-in-law, Velma Souers of Warren.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Ossian, with calling for one hour prior to the service. Rev. Randy Wurschmidt will officiate. Burial will follow at Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery. Calling hours will also be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Memorials may be made to the church or the United Way of Wells County.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

COUCH

Rosalie A. Couch, 69, of Poneto, passed away at 1:15 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017, at Hospice Home in Fort Wayne, Ind.



She was born on Monday, April 21, 1947, in Grant County. She married Larry Couch on Saturday, Sept. 26, 1964 in Dillman United Brethren Church; together they have shared over 52 years in marriage.

Rosalie was a 1966 graduate of Jackson Center High School in Wells County. She worked for 40 years at

Franklin Electric, holding various jobs within the company.

She enjoyed crafts, sewing, and gardening. Rosalie loved to watch her grandkids in all their events and always tried to teach them many life lessons, while making sure to have fun together. She never met a stranger and always put others first. Her honest and caring ways will continue to make others feel special for years to come. Rosalie and Larry loved to travel all over the world with a small group of close friends; they attended the Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton.

Loving survivors include her husband, Larry Couch of Poneto; daughter, Laura (Rod) Sills of Roanoke; son, Mike (Kim) Couch of Bluffton; grandson, Adam (Jessica) Sills; grandson, Grant Sills; granddaughter, Taylor Couch; granddaughter, Riley Couch; and brother, Larry (Dolores) Moorman, Talcott, W.Va.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Marcella Rose Grile Moorman; and a brother, infant John Edward Moorman. Family and friends may gather to share and remember from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home 203 N. Matilda St., Warren.

A service to celebrate Rosalie's life will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at Glancy-H. Brown & Son Funeral Home; viewing will be held one hour prior to the service. Pastor Gary Aupperle will officiate, and burial will follow in the Jones Cemetery in rural Warren.

Preferred memorials to Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46814 or

Wells County Cancer Society, 1120 Summit Ave., Bluffton, IN 46714.

FURNISS

Arlene E. Furniss, 91, of Fort Wayne, IN, passed away at 2:50 PM on Monday, January 02, 2017 at the Hospice Home in Fort Wayne, IN.



She was born on Wednesday, March 25, 1925, in Polk County, WI. She married Herbert Furniss on Saturday, April 12, 1947 in Hartford City, IN. Arlene graduated college from Ball State University with a master's degree and also an endorsement for learning disabilities. She was an elementary teacher for the Blackford County Schools. She was a member of the St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Montpelier. She was a member of the I.S.T.A. and the Altar & Rosary Society.

Arlene lived for teaching. She enjoyed painting, crocheting, embroidering, bird watching, and was an avid reader.

Loving Survivors Include: Daughter - Linda Glessner, Fort Wayne, IN, Sons - John Furniss, Dunnellon, FL, Harry (Karen) Furniss, Homosassa Springs, FL, Dan (Bev) Furniss, Hartford City, IN, Sister - Rita Paulic, Yarnell, AZ, 15 Grandchildren, 23 Great Grandchildren, and 4 Great Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her Father - Joseph Goffena, Mother - Clara (Martino) Goffena, Husband - Herbert Furniss, Son - Steve F.

Furniss, Grandson - Clint Glessner, Brothers - Ray Goffena, Arnold Goffena, George Goffena, Sisters - Yvonne Lucas, Vivian Goffena, and Mary Goffena.

Family and friends may gather to share and remember at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home 109 W Windsor St Montpelier on Saturday, January 07, 2017 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

A service to celebrate Arlene's life will be at Walker & Glancy Funeral Home at 12:00 PM on Saturday, January 07, 2017 with the Father David Newton officiating. Interment will follow in the Hartford City Cemetery in Hartford City.

Preferred memorials: Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home 5910 Homestead Rd. Ft. Wayne IN 46814

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Stay Warm!!

HP SPORTS

Heritage Pointe winners this week: Congratulations to the pool winners this week who were Kay Mounsey and Mel Dooley. Runners-up were Virginia Landon and Bob Slusser. There were 14 players. Good luck to all for next week.

Wi-Fi winners this week were Sawdust Minnich with a series of 180. Then it was Bob Slusser with a series of 162. Next was Dick Lintner with a series of 136 and Mary Dungan with a 130 series.

PARK VOLUNTEERS

Celebrate the Martin Luther King Jr. National Day of Service on Jan. 16 by signing up to volunteer at an Indiana State Park in 2017.

From maintaining trails to entering computer data to helping in the nature centers, Hoosiers can help state park properties by donating their time and talent.

"Volunteering gives you a great sense of accomplishment," said Jody Heaston, volunteer coordinator for Indiana State Parks. "You know you are helping manage and conserve our natural and cultural resources for future generations to enjoy."

For more information, visit stateparks.IN.gov/2443.htm. You can download an application and return it to the state park or lake where you want to volunteer. You can also send the application

to jheaston@dnr.IN.gov if you don't have a particular park in mind.

Jan. 16 is a state holiday, so property offices and most nature centers will be closed. Self-directed service such as walking trails and picking up litter on that day is welcome. You can check with your favorite park the week before to see if other self-directed volunteer opportunities are available.

Martin Luther King, Jr. National Day of Service volunteers can take a photo and share it with Indiana State Parks at facebook.com/INdnrstateparksandreservoirs.

HIBERNATION CLASS

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Hibernation", January 25 for preschoolers ages 2 – 5 and their families. Learn how animals stay alive in the cold.

The class will be offered from 10-11:30 a.m. and again from 12:30-2 p.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews.

Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler's education, including learning letters, building a craft, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at (260) 468-2127.

For more information on other UWIS programs, see dnr.IN.gov/uwis or facebook.com/upperwabash, or call (260) 468-2127.

Upper Wabash Interpretive Services (dnr.IN.gov/uwis) is at 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews, 46702.

SMALL STEPS BIG GAINS

Many people resolve to get fit in the New Year. But those resolutions can falter as temperatures plunge, making curling up on the couch with hot cocoa more appealing than a brisk walk or jog through the snow.

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) wants Hoosiers to know that it's easier to meet goals for a healthier 2017 during the winter than they might think. The first step is to start with the right mindset, said Lindsey Bouza, ISDH wellness and physical activity coordinator.

"Physical activity is any bodily movement that expends energy," Bouza said. "You can burn calories doing activities not often thought of as exercise, such as vacuuming, playing with your kids and standing up frequently at your desk."

Physical activity can lower the risk of diabetes, heart disease and stroke, as well as some cancers and depression. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that adults achieve 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity, such as a brisk walk, each week. However, the 2015 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System found that only 44 percent of Hoosiers achieved the recommended level of activity.

Bouza said small steps now can help Hoosiers achieve that activity goal. Start by using the stairs instead of the elevator, taking a long walk around the mall with friends or even doing squats while brushing your teeth. Over time, little changes can bring big improvements in health. ISDH urges Hoosiers to keep safety in mind while exercising outdoors:

- Check the forecast before heading outside. Consider temperature, wind and moisture, along with the length of time you'll be outside, when planning a workout.

- Get indoors immediately if you experience numbness, loss of feeling or a stinging sensation, which could be signs of frostbite. Slowly warm the affected area, but don't rub it, since that can damage the skin. Seek emergency care if numbness persists.

- Dress in layers that can be removed when sweating but then put back on as needed. Avoid cotton, which stays wet next to the skin.

- Use caution when shoveling snow, especially if you are over age 40 or typically inactive. Cold weather can increase heart rate and blood pressure, constrict arteries and decrease blood supply. Take care to stretch before you begin, push the snow rather than lifting it, and stop immediately if you experience chest tightness or

dizziness. For more safe shoveling tips, visit the National Safety Council at <http://bit.ly/1uT5azo>.

Winter might not be the same without an occasional cup of hot cocoa on the couch by the fireplace, but with the right amount of physical activity each day, it won't have to mean that New Year's resolution has gone to waste.

To learn more about the CDC's physical activity recommendations, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/basics/adults/>. For important health and safety information, visit the Indiana State Department of Health at www.StateHealth.in.gov or follow us on Twitter at @StateHealthIN and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/isdh1.

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